

**Table 1.3 YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGES OF THE RETAIL PRICE INDEX IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION IN PERCENT**  
(1978 = 100)

|                                                                  | 2 0 0 7    |            |            |            |             |  | 2 0 0 8    |            |            |            |             |             |             |             |
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|                                                                  | Aug        | Sep        | Oct        | Nov        | Dec         |  | Jan        | Feb        | Mar        | Apr        | May         | Jun         | Jul         | Aug         |
| <b>All items</b>                                                 | <b>1.0</b> | <b>2.0</b> | <b>2.6</b> | <b>3.6</b> | <b>5.1r</b> |  | <b>5.1</b> | <b>5.6</b> | <b>7.3</b> | <b>9.0</b> | <b>11.2</b> | <b>13.6</b> | <b>14.0</b> | <b>13.3</b> |
| A. Food                                                          | 1.8        | 2.7        | 2.6        | 3.3        | 5.0         |  | 4.7        | 5.1        | 7.2        | 9.4        | 11.9        | 13.5        | 12.4        | 11.8        |
| B. Beverages and Tobacco                                         | 1.6        | 1.5        | 1.5        | 1.6        | 1.8         |  | 2.6        | 3.5        | 4.3        | 4.3        | 5.0         | 5.2         | 5.7         | 6.5         |
| C. Crude Materials, Inedible<br>Except Fuels 1/                  | 2.9        | 2.4        | 2.3        | 2.9        | 3.2         |  | 5.5        | 6.5        | 6.8        | 7.3        | 6.9         | 7.2         | 7.9         | 8.3         |
| D. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants<br>and Related Materials 2/         | -7.7       | -3.2       | 5.4        | 13.3       | 18.9        |  | 19.6       | 21.1       | 23.0       | 25.0       | 29.9        | 39.6        | 50.8        | 45.8        |
| E. Chemicals, Including Animal<br>and Vegetable Oils and Fats 3/ | 1.8        | 1.6        | 1.3        | 1.2        | 1.2         |  | 1.8        | 1.8        | 1.9        | 2.4        | 2.8         | 2.8         | 2.9         | 2.6         |
| F. Mftd. Goods Classified<br>Chiefly by Materials 4/             | 2.8        | 2.5        | 2.5        | 2.2        | 1.7         |  | 1.8        | 2.0        | 3.6        | 4.6        | 6.6         | 11.5        | 12.0        | 12.0        |
| G. Machinery and Transport<br>Equipment 5/                       | 0.9        | 0.8        | 0.7        | 0.6        | 0.5         |  | 1.0        | 1.4        | 1.0r       | 1.4        | 1.5         | 1.8         | 1.9         | 2.0         |
| H. Miscellaneous Manufactured<br>Articles                        | 1.6        | 1.4        | 1.1        | 1.6        | 3.9r        |  | 4.9        | 5.4        | 5.7        | 5.7        | 5.6         | 5.8r        | 6.1         | 6.6         |

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- 1/ Excludes copra, textile fibers, cork, crude fertilizers, logs, metalliferous and metal crops, which are mostly industrial crude materials.
- 2/ Excludes petroleum oil, coal, coke and carbon.
- 3/ Excludes basic and industrial chemical, animal and vegetable oils and fats, fertilizers and limes, crude dye stuffs and tanning extracts.
- 4/ Excludes leather and manufactures, other than rubber and related products, other wood cane and cork products, pulp paper and paperboard containers, abaca, clay products, primary metals.
- 5/ Excludes agricultural machinery and equipment, communications equipment, general and accounting machines and transport equipment.

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