Table 1.2 MONTHLY CHANGES OF THE RETAIL PRICE INDEX IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION IN PERCENT (1978 = 100)

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	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	
All items	-0.2	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.3	1.1 r	0.5	1.7r	0.2	-0.1	1.4	
A. Food	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.3	0.3	2.2	-0.1	-0.5	1.4	
B. Beverages and Tobacco	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.7	1.0	
C. Crude Materials, Inedible														
Except Fuels 1/	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.7	-0.4	0.1	0.6	0.6	2.3	1.2	0.6	
D. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants														
and Related Materials 2/	0.4	3.0	2.5	3.7	0.4	1.0	-0.5	3.1	3.8	3.1	0.4	-1.3	2.0	
E. Chemicals, Including Animal														
and Vegetable Oils and Fats 3/	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.6	0.3	0.4	
F. Mftd. Goods Classified														
Chiefly by Materials 4/	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	1.9	
G. Machinery and Transport														
Equipment 5/	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.6	0.4	0.0	
H. Miscellaneous Manufactured														
Articles	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.6	2.6r	1.0	0.5	0.6	

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- 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 manufatures, 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.

Source: Economic Indices and Indicators Division, Prices and Indicators Section
Industry and Trade Statistics Department
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<sup>1/</sup> Excludes copra, textile fibers, cork, crude fertilizers, logs, metalliferous and metal crops, which are mostly industrial crude materials.