

**Table 1.3 YEAR-ON-YEAR 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	7.3	9.0	11.2	13.6	14.0	13.3	11.6	8.6	6.5	3.9	4.7	4.8	3.5
A. Food	7.2	9.4	11.9	13.5	12.4	11.7r	10.8	8.5	7.7	6.4	8.1	8.2	7.0
B. Beverages and Tobacco	4.3	4.3	5.0	5.2	5.7	6.5	7.2	6.8	6.9	6.3	5.5	5.0	4.6
C. Crude Materials, Inedible Except Fuels 1/	6.8	7.3	6.9	7.2	7.9	8.3	8.8	8.8	8.2	7.6	5.2	4.0	3.5
D. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials 2/	23.0	25.0	29.9	39.6	50.8	45.8	33.7	20.8	3.5	-16.4	-17.1	-14.8	-18.8
E. Chemicals, Including Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats 3/	1.9	2.4	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.6	2.8	3.3	3.7	3.6	3.1	3.4	4.3
F. Mftd. Goods Classified Chiefly by Materials 4/	3.6	4.6	6.6	11.5	12.0	12.0	9.9	5.7	4.2	4.1	4.0	3.2	1.7
G. Machinery and Transport Equipment 5/	1.0r	1.4	1.5	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1r	2.2	2.0	2.1	1.4	1.1	1.8
H. Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.8r	6.1	6.6	6.5	6.4	5.4	4.1	3.1	2.7	3.1

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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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