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Table 3. Year-on-Year Changes of the CPI in Percent By Area, By Commodity Group
(1988 = 100)

AREA/COMMODITY GROUP	1997			Ave	1996									
	Mar	Feb	Jan		Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar
PHILIPPINES														
All Items	4.8	4.4	5.0	8.4	5.2r	4.6 r	4.7r	4.5r	7.9	8.9	9.8	10.4	11.3	11.8
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	1.9	1.1	2.2	9.9	2.5	2.0	3.6	3.3	9.5	11.4	13.0	14.3	15.6	16.0
Clothing	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.6	4.0	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.7	3.7
Housing and Repairs	9.5	9.6	9.2r	9.5	8.9	8.6	8.2	7.4	8.2	8.0	8.2	9.0	10.6	12.2
Fuel, Light and Water	10.5	10.2	10.5	6.6r	10.8r	9.4 r	8.2r	7.2r	7.3r	6.6r	6.2 r	6.1 r	5.3r	4.1r
Services	11.5	11.8	12.0	9.5	12.8r	10.8	r10.4	10.3r	9.8	9.6	10.5 r	8.1	8.1	8.1
Miscellaneous	1.6	1.7	1.8	-3.8	1.6r	1.6	-5.2	-5.2	-5.1	-5.1	-5.0	-4.7	-4.4	-4.5
METRO MANILA														
All Items	7.0	6.6	6.1r	8.4r	7.4r	6.7r	5.6r	6.5r	8.1r	8.0	8.2	7.9	9.4r	10.8
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	5.3	4.4	3.3	8.0	5.3	4.7r	3.1	5.9	8.8	8.8	9.3	9.1	10.3	11.3
Clothing	2.7	2.5	2.7	3.3	2.6	2.1	2.2	2.6	2.8	2.7	2.8	3.3	4.0	5.2
Housing and Repairs	8.1	7.8	7.5r	11.1	8.3	8.3	8.4r	7.7	9.3	9.3	9.0	9.3	12.4	16.1
Fuel, Light and Water	14.5	15.1	15.0	8.3r	17.5r	14.6r	12.2r	10.0r	8.9r	7.0r	6.6 r	6.9 r	5.5r	1.8r
Services	9.5	9.6	10.3	8.7	11.0	9.5	9.2	9.0	9.0	8.8	10.0	7.3	7.6	7.9
Miscellaneous	1.0	1.2	1.3	-3.8	0.4	-0.1	-5.5	-5.5	-5.3	-5.1	-5.2	-4.6	-3.3	-3.5
AREAS OUTSIDE METRO MANILA														
All Items	4.0	3.6	4.6	8.4	4.4r	3.8	4.4r	3.7	7.8	9.2	10.4	11.3	12.0	12.1
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	1.1	0.4	1.8	10.3	1.8r	1.4	3.7	2.7	9.6	12.0	13.9	15.6	16.9	17.2
Clothing	4.1	4.3	4.3	3.6	4.3	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.6	3.7	3.4
Housing and Repairs	10.8	11.5	11.0	8.0	9.6	8.8r	8.0	7.2	6.9	6.6	7.4	8.7	8.8	8.3
Fuel, Light and Water	9.1	8.5	8.9	6.0	8.4	7.6	6.8r	6.2r	6.7r	6.5	6.0	5.8	5.3	5.0
Services	12.5	12.8	12.8	9.9	13.6r	11.4r	11.0	10.9	10.2	10.0	10.7r	8.4	8.2	8.2
Miscellaneous	1.7	1.8	2.0	-3.8	2.0	2.0	-5.1	-5.2	-5.1	-5.1	-5.0	-4.8	-4.6	-4.7

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