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

|  | May | Jun | Jul | $\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ \text { Aug } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} 07 \\ & 7 \\ & \text { Sep } \end{array}$ | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | $\begin{gathered} 2008 \\ \text { Mar } \end{gathered}$ | Apr | May |
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| All items | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | $1.1 r$ | 0.5 | $1.7 r$ | 0.2 | -0.2 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 2.4 |
| A. Food | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 2.2 | -0.1 | -0.5 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| B. Beverages and tobacco | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.7 |
| C. Crude materials, inedible except fuels 1/ | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.7 | -0.4 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 2.3 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| D. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials 2/ | 2.5 | 3.7 | 0.4 | 1.0 | -0.5 | 3.1 | 3.8 | 3.1 | 0.4 | -1.3 | 2.0 | 4.6 | 6.5 |
| E. Chemicals, including animal and vegetable oils and fats 3/ | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 |
| F. Manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials 4/ | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 2.1 |
| G. Machinery and transport equipment 5/ | 0.1 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | -0.3r | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| H. Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 0.2 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.6 | $2.6 r$ | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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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 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.

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