

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

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	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
<b>All items</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>0.2r</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.1</b>
A. Food	2.4	1.9	-0.4	-0.1r	-0.3	-0.9	-0.5	0.9	1.5	-0.4	0.3r	0.2	0.2
B. Beverages and Tobacco	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.9	0.7	-0.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.1
C. Crude Materials, Inedible Except Fuels 1/	0.3	0.5	0.7	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.7	0.1
D. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials 2/	6.5	11.4	8.5	-2.4	-8.7	-6.9	-11.1	-16.7	-0.5	1.4	-2.8	4.9	-0.2
E. Chemicals, Including Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats 3/	0.4	0.1	0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.6	0.5	-0.1	0.1	0.5	1.2	-0.4r	0.0
F. Mftd. Goods Classified Chiefly by Materials 4/	2.1	4.8	0.7	-0.1	-1.6	-3.6	-1.4	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.4	-0.2	-0.4
G. Machinery and Transport Equipment 5/	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1r	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.2
H. Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	0.0	0.3r	0.1	0.7r	0.0	0.0	-0.4	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.9	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 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.

Source: Economic Indices and Indicators Division, Prices and Indicators Section  
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