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Table 6. Year-on-Year Regional Inflation Rates By Commodity Group, March and February 1997
(1988 = 100)

A R E A / R E G I O N	ALL ITEMS		FOOD, BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO		CLOTHING		HOUSING AND REPAIRS		FUEL, LIGHT AND WATER		SERVICES		MISCELLANEOUS	
	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous
Philippines	4.8	4.4	1.9	1.1	3.8	3.9	9.5	9.6	10.5	10.2	11.5	11.8	1.6	1.7
Metro Manila	7.0	6.6	5.3	4.4	2.7	2.5	8.1	7.8	14.5	15.1	9.5	9.6	1.0	1.2
Areas Outside Metro Manila	4.0	3.6	1.1	0.4	4.1	4.3	10.8	11.5	9.1	8.5	12.5	12.8	1.7	1.8
Regions:														
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	2.3	2.0	1.0	0.6	5.6	5.5	1.5	1.6	10.3	9.3	5.5	5.9	3.0	2.7
I - I l o c o s	2.0	1.9	-0.8	-1.3	3.3	3.9	8.9	9.5	3.5	3.3	9.4	10.0	2.3	2.4
II - Cagayan Valley	4.0	4.2	1.4	1.9	4.6	4.3	11.8	11.5	9.5	8.5	8.1	8.1	2.0	2.2
III - Central Luzon	4.3	4.2	1.2	-0.1	3.7	4.0	10.4	10.5	17.0	12.6	20.0	18.8	2.9	2.9
V - B i c o l	0.8	-0.1	-2.7	-4.2	3.8	3.9	5.8	5.8	5.6	5.5	12.4	13.7	1.7	2.1
VI - Western Visayas	3.8	3.1	2.0	0.8	3.4	3.4	7.3	7.7	5.9	6.5	11.1	11.1	1.9	2.0
VII - Central Visayas	4.9	5.2	-2.1	-2.2	2.0	2.2	6.8	6.7	2.9	3.8	5.5	6.3	-0.2	-0.3
*IX - Western Mindanao	1.0	1.3	-0.4	-0.4	4.7	4.3	2.8	3.2	1.8	5.0	9.3	10.7	-1.1	-1.0
X - Northern Mindanao	3.7	2.9	1.0	-0.6	1.6	2.2	9.4	10.2	13.6	15.4	11.7	11.9	0.9	0.9
XI - Southern Mindanao	3.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	3.9	4.0	9.9	9.7	2.9	3.7	11.9	12.4	0.6	0.5
*XII - Central Mindanao	4.5	3.4	2.8	1.1	3.9	4.2	20.0	17.2	0.5	2.6	7.4	8.0	2.7	2.6
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	7.5	9.0	4.8	6.8	3.6	4.0	35.6	35.6	7.3	7.1	6.2	7.6	1.8	1.8

* - excludes provinces belonging to ARMM

ARMM includes the cities of Marawi and Cotabato

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