

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

THE CHILDREN'S PLACE RETAIL STORES, INC.  
(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK  
(Title of Class of Securities)

168905107  
(CUSIP Number)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Ezra Dabah (SS No. 117-44-8265)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) / /  
(b) / X /

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States

NUMBER OF	5	SOLE VOTING POWER
SHARES	3,304,800	
BENEFICIALLY	6	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY	6,588,600	
EACH	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING	3,304,800	
PERSON	8	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
WITH	6,588,600	

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
9,893,400

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

40.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
IN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Renee Dabah (SS No. 078-44-4799)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) / /

(b) / X /

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States

NUMBER OF 5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 39,600  
BENEFICIALLY 6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 9,853,800  
EACH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 39,600  
PERSON 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
WITH 9,853,800

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
9,893,400

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
40.2%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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ITEM 1(A). Name of Issuer:

The Children's Place Retail Stores, Inc. (the "Company")

ITEM 1(B). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

1 Dodge Drive  
West Caldwell, NJ 07006

ITEM 2(A). Name of Person Filing:

This statement is filed on behalf of the persons identified in Item 4 below. In accordance with Rule 13d-1(f)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), each person filing this statement acknowledges that it is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the information contained herein concerning that person, but is not responsible for the completeness or accuracy of the information concerning the other persons making the filing, unless such person knows or has reason to believe that such information is inaccurate.

ITEM 2(B). Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

The Children's Place Retail Stores, Inc.  
1 Dodge Drive

West Caldwell, NJ 07006

ITEM 2(C). Citizenship:

Each of the persons filing this statement is a United States citizen.

ITEM 2(D). Title of Class of Securities:

This statement relates to the Company's Common Stock, par value \$.10 per share (the "Common Stock").

ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER:

168905107

ITEM 3. FOR STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B):

Not applicable.

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ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP:

Ezra Dabah is the beneficial owner of 9,893,400 shares of Common Stock of the Company, representing 40.2% of the total number of shares outstanding as of December 31, 1997. Mr. Dabah (i) has the sole power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 3,304,800 of such shares, (ii) has shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 1,308,120 of such shares held by Mr. Dabah as custodian or trustee for Mr. Dabah's children and wife and certain other family members, and (iii) may be deemed to have shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 5,280,480 of such shares owned by Mr. Dabah's wife or held by Mr. Dabah's wife and others as custodian or trustee for Mr. Dabah's children and certain other family members.

Renee Dabah is the beneficial owner of 9,893,400 shares of Common Stock of the Company, representing 40.2% of the total number of shares outstanding as of December 31, 1997. Mrs. Dabah (i) has the sole power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 39,600 of such shares, (ii) has shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 4,303,680 of such shares held by Mrs. Dabah as custodian or trustee for Mrs. Dabah's children and certain other family members, and (iii) may be deemed to have shared power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or direct the disposition of 5,550,120 of such shares owned by Mrs. Dabah's husband or held by Mrs. Dabah's husband and others as custodian or trustee for Mrs. Dabah and her children and certain other family members.

ITEM 5. Ownership Of Five Percent Or Less Of A Class:

Not applicable.

ITEM 6. Ownership Of More Than Five Percent On Behalf Of Another Person:

Not applicable.

ITEM 7. Identification And Classification Of The Subsidiary Which Acquired The Security Being Reported On By The Parent Holding Company:

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. Identification And Classification Of Members Of The Group:

See Item 4 above.

ITEM 9. Notice Of Dissolution Of Group:

Not applicable.

ITEM 10. Certification:

Not applicable.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief,  
I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete  
and correct.

Dated: February 13, 1998

/S/ EZRA DABAH  
EZRA DABAH

/S/ RENEE DABAH  
RENEE DABAH