

Consumer price indices: provisional data

September 2013

- In September 2013, according to provisional estimates, the Italian consumer price index for the whole nation (NIC) decreased by 0.3% compared with the previous month and rose by 0.9% with respect to September 2012 (0.3 lower than in August 2013).

The slowdown in the Italian inflation was mainly due to the slowdown of annual dynamics of prices of Transport and of Food and non-alcoholic beverages and to the decrease on annual basis of prices of Communication.

The fall on monthly basis of All items index was due to the decreases of prices of Transport (-2.5% compared with August 2013), of Communication (-1.4% with respect to the previous month), of Recreation and culture and Food and non-alcoholic beverages (respectively -0.5% and -0.2% on monthly basis).

With regard to Transport, the main causes were the large decreases of prices of Passenger transport by air (-28.1% on monthly basis; +23.5% on annual basis) and of Passenger Transport by sea and inland waterway (-39.0% compared with the previous month; -10.0% on annual basis), on which seasonal factors had an impact. In the same division, prices of Fuels and lubricants increased by 1.1% on monthly basis; nevertheless, the annual rate of change was negative (-4.4%), owing to the comparison with September 2012, when the monthly rate of change was higher (+3.7%).

Concerning Food and non-alcoholic beverages, the main cause was the large decrease, due mainly to seasonal factors, of prices of Fresh fruit (-4.6% compared with the previous month; +5.4% with respect to September 2012, from +9.9% observed in the previous month).

The highest increases on monthly basis were registered for prices of Restaurant and hotels (+1.4%) and of Education (+0.9%). With regards to the latter, the causes were the rises of prices of pre-primary, primary and secondary education.

- In September 2013, according to preliminary estimates, the Italian harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP) rose by 1.8% compared with the previous month and by 0.9% with respect to September 2012 (0.3 lower than in August 2013).

The large increase on monthly basis was mainly due to the end of clothing and footwear summer sales, which are not taken into account in the national index NIC.

TABLE 1. ITALIAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE WHOLE NATION (NIC), BY COICOP DIVISION
September 2013, weights, indices and percentage changes (base 2010=100)

Divisions	Weights	Indices	Sep-13 Aug-13	Sep-13 Sep-12	Aug-13 Aug-12	Set-12 Aug-12
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	159,283	107.2	-0.2	1.9	2.7	0.6
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	31,924	111.4	0.1	1.2	1.1	0.0
Clothing and footwear	83,387	105.1	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.2
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	108,990	115.0	0.0	1.1	1.5	0.4
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	80,405	105.1	0.2	1.1	1.0	0.1
Health	72,976	100.9	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0
Transport	149,173	115.2	-2.5	0.6	1.8	-1.3
Communication	25,293	91.8	-1.4	-6.0	-4.5	0.2
Recreation and culture	79,758	101.3	-0.5	0.5	0.5	-0.5
Education	11,306	107.9	0.9	2.9	3.0	1.1
Restaurants and hotels	112,287	107.3	1.4	2.1	1.0	0.3
Miscellaneous goods and services	85,218	106.8	0.1	0.6	0.8	0.3
ALL ITEMS	1,000,000	107.5	-0.3	0.9	1.2	0.0

TABLE 2. ITALIAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE WHOLE NATION (NIC), BY TYPE OF PRODUCTS
September 2013, weights, indices and percentage changes (base 2010=100)

Special aggregates	Weights	Indices	Sep-13 Aug-13	Sep-13 Sep-12	Aug-13 Aug-12	Set-12 Aug-12
Food and alcohol	168,499	107.4	-0.1	2.1	2.7	0.5
Energy	94,758	127.0	0.5	-2.5	-1.0	2.0
Tobacco	22,708	112.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0
Non-energy industrial goods	273,437	103.0	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3
Services	440,598	106.8	-0.8	1.6	1.6	-0.8
ALL ITEMS	1,000,000	107.5	-0.3	0.9	1.2	0.0

TABLE 3. ITALIAN HARMONIZED CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (HICP), BY COICOP DIVISION
September 2013, weights, indices and percentage changes (base 2005=100)

Divisions	Weights	Indices	Sep-13 Aug-13	Sep-13 Sep-12	Aug-13 Aug-12	Set-12 Aug-12
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	168,380	120.4	-0.1	1.8	2.4	0.5
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	33,736	134.2	0.1	1.1	1.1	0.2
Clothing and footwear	94,556	112.2	26.5	-0.4	-0.3	26.6
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	115,234	134.6	0.0	1.1	1.4	0.4
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	85,060	115.8	0.4	1.0	1.1	0.6
Health	34,486	120.0	0.0	1.4	1.6	0.3
Transport	157,538	129.9	-2.5	0.5	1.8	-1.3
Communication	26,738	77.0	-1.5	-6.1	-4.4	0.2
Recreation and culture	63,424	106.6	-0.6	0.7	0.8	-0.5
Education	11,958	121.7	1.0	2.9	2.9	1.0
Restaurants and hotels	118,603	118.6	1.5	2.1	0.9	0.3
Miscellaneous goods and services	90,287	122.4	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.7
ALL ITEMS	1,000,000	120.0	1.8	0.9	1.2	2.1

TABLE 4. ITALIAN HARMONIZED CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (HICP), BY SPECIAL AGGREGATES
September 2013, weights, indices and percentage changes (base 2005=100)

Special aggregates	Weights	Indices	Sep-13 Aug-13	Sep-13 Sep-12	Aug-13 Aug-12	Set-12 Aug-12
Food, alcohol and tobacco	202,116	122.4	-0.1	1.7	2.2	0.4
Energy	100,192	145.6	0.5	-2.5	-1.0	2.0
Non-energy industrial goods	285,769	113.3	7.9	0.4	0.4	7.9
Services	411,923	118.7	-0.9	1.6	1.6	-0.9
ALL ITEMS	1,000,000	120.0	1.8	0.9	1.2	2.1

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