

Consumer price indices

October 2010

The Consumer Price Index measures the change in prices over time of a set of goods and services (CPI basket) representative of Italian household consumption.

In October 2010:

- the National Consumer Price Index for the whole nation **CPI** (see Italian **NIC**) – used to measure inflation over the entire Italian economic system – rose by 0.2% compared to the previous month and by 1.7% in comparison to the same month of the previous year;
- the EU Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices **HICP** (see Italian **IPCA**) – developed to facilitate the comparison of inflation between Member States – rose by 0.7% compared to the previous month and by 2.0% in comparison to the same month of the previous year.

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	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
CPI (base 1995=100)	140.4	+0.2	+1.7
HICP (base 2005=100)	111.8	+0.7	+2.0

National Consumer Prices Index (CPI). October 2010

Divisions	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	137.9	+0.3	+0.6
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	188.8	+1.6	+3.9
Clothing and footwear	138.6	+0.3	+0.9
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	159.9	+0.1	+2.7
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	136.0	+0.1	+1.2
Health	122.9	+0.2	+0.5
Transport	147.9	-0.1	+3.9
Communications	67.0	-0.9	-2.6
Recreation and culture	124.0	+0.6	+0.6
Education	149.0	+1.1	+2.5
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	156.0	+0.5	+2.2
Miscellaneous goods and services	154.4	+0.5	+3.6
All-items	140.4	+0.2	+1.7

Harmonized Index of Consumer Price (HICP). October 2010

Divisions	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	112.6	+0.2	+0.5
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	122.1	+1.5	+3.8
Clothing and footwear	111.0	+5.2	+1.1
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	118.0	+0.1	+2.7
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	111.0	+0.2	+1.3
Health	109.0	+0.5	+1.5
Transport	113.1	-0.1	+4.0
Communications	82.8	-1.0	-2.7
Recreation and culture	105.0	+0.8	+0.9
Education	114.7	+1.1	+2.0
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	112.0	+0.4	+2.2
Miscellaneous goods and services	116.1	+0.6	+3.6
All-items	111.8	+0.7	+2.0

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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