

Households consumption expenditure 2011

Main results

In 2011 the average monthly household consumption expenditure, in current values, was 2,488 Euros (with a +1.4% change in comparison with 2010). Taking into account the sampling error (0.7%) and the dynamics of the imputed rent¹ (+2.1%), the variation corresponds to a stability in real terms, despite the inflation rate (+2.8%).

The median monthly expenditure was 2,078 Euros (+1.9% in comparison with the previous year) and it confirmed the stability observed in average terms.

In comparison with 2010, the average expenditure on food and beverages increased by 2.2% and was equal to 477 Euros per month: in particular were on the rise expenditures for meat, milk, cheese and eggs and for sugar, coffee and other.

The share of total consumption expenditure on food and beverages was the same as in 2010 for the North (16.6%) and the Centre (18.4%), while it continued to increase in the South and the Islands, where it represented more than a quarter of the total expenditure (25.6%).

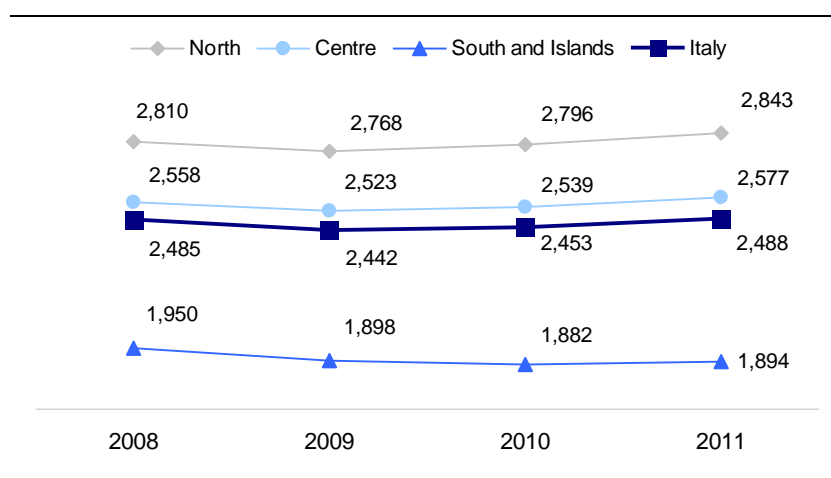
At the national level a reduction was observed for the share of total consumption expenditures on clothing and footwear (from 5.8% to 5.4%) – in particular in the South and the Islands areas (from 7.5% to 6.6%) – and it corresponds to the overall decrease of the consumption expenditure (from 142 Euros to 134 Euros: -5.9%).

A decrease is also observed for the share of total consumption expenditure on furnishing, equipment and housing services (from 5.4% to 5.1%), on recreation and culture (from 4.4% to 4.2%) and on other goods and services (from 10.3% to 10.2%).

The share of total consumption expenditure devoted to housing increased (from 28.4% to 28.9%), as well as the share devoted to transport (from 13.8% to 14.2%).

Lombardia was the region showing the highest expenditure level (3,033 Euros); at the bottom of the ranking, once again, Sicilia with an average monthly expenditure of 1,637 Euros, that is about 1,400 Euros less than that observed in the region showing the highest levels.

FIGURE 1 - AVERAGE MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREA. Years 2008-2011 (Euros)



¹ The imputed rent is estimated for non-tenant households (owner, usufructuary, etc.) and for households owing secondary houses to guarantee the consumption behaviour comparability with the tenant households.

TABLE 1 - MEDIAN AND AVERAGE MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREA.
 Years 2009-2011, Euros (bold) and percentage composition by expenditure category on the total average expenditure

	North			Centre			South and the Islands			Italy		
	2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011	2009	2010	2011
MEDIAN MONTHLY EXPENDITURE	2,271	2,333	2,379	2,130	2,177	2,190	1,614	1,604	1,628	2,020	2,040	2,078
AVERAGE MONTHLY EXPENDITURE (=100%)	2,768	2,796	2,843	2,523	2,539	2,577	1,898	1,882	1,894	2,442	2,453	2,488
Food and beverages	455	461	473	472	472	474	463	471	485	461	467	477
Bread and cereals	3.0	2.8	2.8	3.1	3.1	3.1	4.1	4.2	4.3	3.3	3.2	3.2
Meat	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.4	4.3	4.3	5.6	5.7	5.9	4.3	4.5	4.6
Fish	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.7	1.8	1.7	2.6	2.7	2.7	1.6	1.7	1.7
Milk, cheese and eggs	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.5	3.3	3.4	3.4	2.6	2.6	2.6
Oil and fats	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.6
Potatoes, fruit and vegetables	3.0	2.9	2.9	3.6	3.5	3.4	4.2	4.4	4.5	3.4	3.4	3.4
Sugar, coffee and other	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.3	1.3	1.4
Beverages	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.7	1.7	1.7
Non food	2,313	2,334	2,370	2,050	2,067	2,103	1,435	1,411	1,409	1,981	1,987	2,011
Tobacco	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.2	1.3	1.3	0.8	0.8	0.8
Clothing and footwear	5.2	5.1	4.9	5.4	5.7	5.1	7.5	7.5	6.6	5.8	5.8	5.4
Housing	28.3	28.8	29.4	31.2	31.1	32.4	24.7	25.0	24.8	28.0	28.4	28.9
Electricity, gas and other fuels	5.5	5.3	5.2	5.5	5.1	5.0	5.6	5.5	5.3	5.5	5.3	5.2
Furnishing, equipment and housing services	5.9	5.6	5.3	4.7	4.8	4.6	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.5	5.4	5.1
Health	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.8	3.8	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.7
Transport	14.5	14.8	15.1	13.4	13.4	13.8	12.4	12.1	12.7	13.8	13.8	14.2
Communication	1.9	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.9
Education	1.0	1.2	1.2	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1
Recreation and culture	4.5	4.9	4.7	4.1	4.1	3.9	3.5	3.5	3.4	4.2	4.4	4.2
Other goods and services	12.5	11.5	11.3	9.8	9.6	9.4	8.7	8.2	8.3	11.0	10.3	10.2

TABLE 2 - MEDIAN AND AVERAGE MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY HOUSEHOLD SIZE.
 Year 2011, Euros (bold) and percentage composition by expenditure category on the total average expenditure

	Household size				
	1	2	3	4	5 or more
MEDIAN MONTHLY EXPENDITURE	1,478	2,043	2,489	2,726	2,724
AVERAGE MONTHLY EXPENDITURE (=100%)	1,782	2,395	2,912	3,207	3,215
Food and beverages	326	467	557	617	672
Bread and cereals	2.9	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.8
Meat	4.2	4.6	4.6	4.7	5.1
Fish	1.4	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Milk, cheese and eggs	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.9
Oil and fats	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7
Potatoes, fruit and vegetables	3.5	3.6	3.3	3.2	3.5
Sugar, coffee and other	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.5
Beverages	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.7
Non food	1,456	1,928	2,355	2,590	2,543
Tobacco	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Clothing and footwear	4.2	4.5	6.1	6.4	6.3
Housing	35.5	31.4	26.3	23.6	23.2
Electricity, gas and other fuels	5.6	5.4	5.1	4.8	4.9
Furnishing, equipment and housing services	5.3	5.4	4.7	5.4	4.7
Health	3.4	4.4	3.8	3.3	3.2
Transport	11.0	13.1	15.6	16.5	16.9
Communication	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0
Education	0.4	0.4	1.4	2.2	2.2
Recreation and culture	3.9	4.0	4.4	4.6	4.5
Other goods and services	9.8	9.3	10.7	11.2	10.4

TABLE 3 - AVERAGE AND MEDIAN MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY HOUSEHOLD TYPOLOGY.
Year 2011, Euros (bold) and percentage composition by expenditure category on the total average expenditure

	Food and beverages	Clothing and footwear	Housing, electricity, gas and other fuels	Furnishing, equipment and housing services	Health	Transport and communication	Education, recreation and culture	Other expenditures	Average monthly expenditure (=100%)	Median monthly expenditure
Single member under 35	16.9	6.1	33.0	4.9	1.9	17.4	6.0	13.6	1,914	1,633
Single member 35-64	16.0	5.1	37.0	4.9	2.5	16.6	4.8	13.2	2,069	1,746
Single member 65 and over	21.3	2.8	48.1	5.8	4.8	7.3	3.2	6.6	1,507	1,238
Couple with r.p. under 35	15.0	6.9	28.9	7.5	2.5	20.1	5.1	13.9	2,622	2,252
Couple with r.p. 35-64	17.9	5.4	34.7	5.0	3.9	16.8	4.5	11.8	2,716	2,363
Couple with r.p. 65 and over	21.4	3.4	39.8	5.3	5.6	12.8	3.5	8.3	2,283	1,919
Couple with one child	19.0	6.2	31.2	4.7	3.9	17.7	5.7	11.5	2,960	2,537
Couple with 2 children	19.1	6.5	28.4	5.4	3.3	18.5	6.8	12.1	3,226	2,739
Couple with 3 or more children	20.5	6.6	28.2	5.0	3.1	18.1	6.9	11.7	3,229	2,747
Single parent	19.4	5.3	34.0	4.6	3.4	15.9	6.1	11.3	2,407	2,011
Other typology	21.2	5.0	32.0	5.4	3.8	17.0	5.2	10.5	2,687	2,294
Total	19.2	5.4	34.1	5.1	3.7	16.1	5.3	11.1	2,488	2,078

r.p.= household reference person.

TABLE 4 - AVERAGE AND MEDIAN MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY REFERENCE PERSON'S PROFESSIONAL CONDITION. Year 2011, Euros (bold) and percentage composition by expenditure category on the total average expenditure

	Food and beverages	Clothing and footwear	Housing, electricity, gas and other fuels	Furnishing, equipment and housing services	Health	Transport and communication	Education, recreation and culture	Other expenditures	Average monthly expenditure (=100%)	Median monthly expenditure
Entrepreneur and freelance	14.9	7.1	31.7	5.5	2.9	17.8	6.4	13.7	3,523	3,045
Self employed	19.0	5.6	30.8	4.7	3.3	17.2	6.0	13.3	2,814	2,377
Manager and employee	16.4	6.7	31.6	5.3	3.1	17.5	6.5	12.8	3,075	2,572
Worker	20.7	5.7	29.8	5.0	3.2	19.0	5.3	11.3	2,430	2,078
Retired	21.1	3.8	39.3	5.2	4.8	13.1	4.1	8.6	2,139	1,772
Other	21.7	4.6	37.0	4.4	3.7	14.1	4.8	9.7	1,906	1,539

TABLE 5 - AVERAGE AND MEDIAN MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY REGION. Year 2011, Euros (bold) and percentage composition by expenditure category on the total average expenditure

	Food and beverages	Tobacco	Clothing and footwear	Housing	Electricity, gas and other fuels	Furnishing, equipment, housing services	Health	Transport	Communication	Education	Recreation and culture	Other goods and services	Average monthly expenditure (=100%)	Median monthly expenditure
Piemonte	17.8	0.8	4.9	27.5	6.1	5.2	3.1	14.9	1.8	1.2	5.1	11.7	2,705	2,245
Valle d'Aosta/ Vallée d'Aoste	18.0	0.6	4.7	26.8	5.4	6.7	4.2	13.7	2.2	1.0	5.0	11.7	2,573	2,218
Lombardia	16.2	0.7	5.1	29.4	4.9	5.2	3.5	16.4	1.7	1.1	4.8	11.2	3,033	2,512
Trentino-Alto Adige	14.1	0.6	5.1	30.4	4.5	6.6	4.9	14.2	1.9	1.4	4.8	11.4	2,855	2,313
- <i>Bolzano/ Bozen</i>	13.6	0.6	5.2	32.3	3.6	7.7	3.9	13.7	1.8	1.4	4.6	11.5	2,941	2,310
- <i>Trento</i>	14.7	0.7	5.0	28.5	5.3	5.5	5.9	14.8	1.9	1.5	5.0	11.3	2,776	2,321
Veneto	16.1	0.5	4.9	29.8	5.4	5.3	4.6	14.1	1.8	1.5	4.6	11.3	2,903	2,476
Friuli-Venezia Giulia	16.9	0.8	4.6	30.9	5.4	5.4	4.1	14.0	1.7	1.0	4.7	10.4	2,594	2,270
Liguria	19.7	0.7	4.4	34.0	5.2	4.5	3.5	10.9	1.4	0.9	3.7	11.1	2,371	1,913
Emilia-Romagna	16.6	0.6	5.0	28.7	5.3	5.7	3.8	15.0	1.9	1.1	4.8	11.6	2,770	2,366
Toscana	17.2	0.7	4.7	32.6	5.3	4.4	3.7	14.4	2.0	1.1	4.2	9.7	2,673	2,264
Umbria	20.7	0.8	5.3	28.2	5.1	5.6	4.2	13.6	1.7	0.8	4.6	9.3	2,443	2,061
Marche	18.6	0.7	5.4	28.6	5.5	4.1	3.9	15.9	1.9	1.2	4.0	10.2	2,615	2,237
Lazio	18.9	0.8	5.2	33.9	4.6	4.6	3.8	12.8	1.9	0.9	3.5	9.1	2,522	2,159
Abruzzo	19.3	1.0	5.9	26.0	5.5	6.5	3.5	15.8	2.2	1.4	4.3	8.8	2,348	1,945
Molise	20.7	1.0	5.9	26.0	6.4	7.3	3.6	13.0	2.1	1.9	3.9	8.2	2,201	1,713
Campania	28.7	1.4	5.7	25.1	4.8	5.1	2.8	11.5	2.1	0.6	3.3	8.9	1,944	1,706
Puglia	23.5	1.1	7.3	24.4	5.5	5.3	4.0	12.1	2.1	1.8	3.5	9.4	1,958	1,670
Basilicata	23.4	1.1	6.9	23.4	7.0	5.4	3.6	13.2	2.2	2.0	2.8	8.9	1,898	1,610
Calabria	25.7	1.1	8.0	19.8	5.7	5.8	4.2	14.5	2.0	0.9	4.0	8.4	1,904	1,615
Sicilia	27.2	1.8	6.6	25.6	5.3	4.4	3.7	12.5	2.2	0.8	2.7	7.2	1,637	1,449
Sardegna	24.8	1.0	6.8	26.9	5.4	4.7	3.7	13.0	2.2	1.3	3.6	6.6	1,921	1,711
Italy	19.2	0.8	5.4	28.9	5.2	5.1	3.7	14.2	1.9	1.1	4.2	10.2	2,488	2,078

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version