

Consumer price indices

September 2012

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 September 2012:

- the National Consumer Price Index for the whole nation **CPI** (see Italian **NIC**) – used to measure inflation over the entire Italian economic system – held steady compared to the previous month and rose by 3.2% 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 2.1% compared to the previous month and by 3.4% in comparison to the same month of the previous year;
- the EU Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices at Constant Tax rates **HICP-CT** (see Italian **IPCA-TC**) rose by 2.1% compared to the previous month and by 2.5% 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 2010=100)	106.5	0.0	+3.2
HICP (base 2005=100)	118.9	+2.1	+3.4
HICP-CT (base 2005=100)	117.6	+2.1	+2.5

National Consumer Prices Index (CPI). September 2012

Divisions	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	105.2	+0.6	+2.8
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	110.1	0.0	+6.3
Clothing and footwear	104.4	+0.2	+2.3
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	113.8	+0.4	+7.5
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	104.0	+0.1	+2.0
Health	100.5	0.0	+0.1
Transport	114.5	-1.3	+7.0
Communications	97.7	+0.2	-0.3
Recreation and culture	100.8	-0.5	0.0
Education	104.9	+1.1	+2.0
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	105.1	+0.3	+1.5
Miscellaneous goods and services	106.2	+0.3	+2.0
All-items	106.5	0.0	+3.2

Harmonized Index of Consumer Price (HICP). September 2012

Divisions	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	118.3	+0.5	+2.9
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	132.8	+0.2	+6.4
Clothing and footwear	112.7	+26.6	+2.9
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	133.2	+0.4	+7.4
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	114.7	+0.6	+1.8
Health	118.4	+0.3	+1.5
Transport	129.2	-1.3	+7.0
Communications	82.0	+0.2	-0.4
Recreation and culture	105.9	-0.5	0.0
Education	118.3	+1.0	+2.1
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	116.2	+0.3	+1.6
Miscellaneous goods and services	121.8	+0.7	+1.8
All-items	118.9	+2.1	+3.4

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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