

Consumer price indices: final data

January 2013

- In January 2013, the Italian consumer price index for the whole nation (NIC) increased by 0.2% compared with the previous month and by 2.2% with respect to January 2012 (0.1 lower than in December 2012). Final data confirm provisional estimates.
- The fourth consecutive Italian inflation slowdown is mainly due to the annual growth rates decrease of prices of Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels (+4.9%, from 6.4% in December) and of Transport (+3.1%, from +4.6% in December). These slowdowns are also produced by the comparison with January 2012 when large increases of energetic goods prices were recorded.

Food and non-alcoholic beverages had an upward impact effect on inflation. The main cause is the large increase of Fresh Vegetables prices (+9.2% compared with the previous month, +13,1% with respect to January 2012).

- The Italian harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP) decreased by 2.0% compared with the previous month and rose by 2.4% with respect to January 2012 (0.2 lower than in December 2012). Also in this case, final data confirm preliminary ones.

The large decrease on monthly basis was mainly due to the winter sales of Clothing and footwear (-21.7% compared with December 2012), which are not taken into account in the national index NIC.

- In January 2013, the Italian harmonized index of consumer prices at constant tax rates (HICP-CT) decreased by 2.0% compared with the previous month and rose by 2.2% with respect to January 2012.

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

Divisions	Weights	Indices	<u>Jan-13</u> <u>Dec-12</u>	<u>Jan-13</u> <u>Jan-12</u>	<u>Dec-12</u> <u>Dec-11</u>	<u>Jan-12</u> <u>Dec-11</u>
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	159,283	106.6	0.8	3.1	2.6	0.3
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	31,924	107.0	0.2	2.6	2.6	0.2
Clothing and footwear	83,387	110.5	0.0	1.4	1.5	0.1
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	108,990	105.0	0.4	4.9	6.4	1.9
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	80,405	115.2	0.4	1.5	1.5	0.4
Health	72,976	104.6	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.1
Transport	149,173	100.7	-0.7	3.1	4.6	0.7
Communication	25,293	113.0	0.2	-0.9	-0.9	0.2
Recreation and culture	79,758	97.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.0
Education	11,306	100.5	0.0	3.0	3.0	0.0
Restaurants and hotels	112,287	106.8	0.0	1.5	1.6	0.1
Miscellaneous goods and services	85,218	103.4	0.6	2.4	1.3	-0.5
ALL ITEMS	1,000,000	106.7	0.2	2.2	2,3	0,3

TABLE 2. ITALIAN HARMONIZED CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (HICP), BY COICOP DIVISION
January 2013, weights, indices and percentage changes (base 2005=100)

Divisions	Weights	Indices	Jan-13 Dec-12	Jan-13 Jan-12	Dec-12 Dec-11	Jan-12 Dec-11
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	168,380	120.5	0.8	3.1	2.6	0.3
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	33,736	133.3	0.3	2.7	2.6	0.2
Clothing and footwear	94,556	90.3	-21.7	-0.1	1.1	-20.7
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	115,234	134.8	0.4	4.8	6.4	1.9
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	85,060	114.9	-0.2	1.7	1.3	-0.5
Health	34,486	119.1	0.0	1.7	1.8	0.1
Transport	157,538	127.4	-0.8	3.1	4.6	0.7
Communication	26,738	81.7	0.2	-1.0	-1.0	0.2
Recreation and culture	63,424	105.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3
Education	11,958	120.5	0.1	3.0	2.9	0.0
Restaurants and hotels	118,603	114.3	0.0	1.5	1.6	0.1
Miscellaneous goods and services	90,287	122.2	-0.1	2.5	1.3	-1.2
ALL ITEMS	1,000,000	116.9	-2.0	2.4	2.6	-1.8
All items at constant tax rates	1,000,000	115.5	-2.0	2.2	2.3	-2.0

For more detailed please refer to the Italian version

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