

## Consumer price indices

*April 2011*

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 April 2011:

- 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 0.5% compared to the previous month and by 2.6% 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 1.0% compared to the previous month and by 2.9% 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)	102.4	+0.5	+2.6
HICP (base 2005=100)	114.1	+1.0	+2.9

National Consumer Prices Index (CPI). April 2011

Divisions	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	102.1	0.0	+2.3
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	101.6	+0.1	+2.1
Clothing and footwear	101.2	+0.3	+1.4
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	104.5	+1.2	+5.2
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	101.3	+0.1	+1.4
Health	100.7	-0.1	+0.7
Transport	106.2	+1.8	+6.1
Communications	99.1	-0.8	-1.3
Recreation and culture	100.0	+0.3	-0.2
Education	101.7	0.0	+2.4
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	102.0	+0.7	+2.1
Miscellaneous goods and services	102.2	+0.2	+3.0
<b>All-items</b>	<b>102.4</b>	<b>+0.5</b>	<b>+2.6</b>

## Harmonized Index of Consumer Price (HICP). April 2011

Divisions	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	114.8	0.0	+2.4
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	122.4	0.0	+2.2
Clothing and footwear	111.8	+3.9	+1.5
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	122.3	+1.2	+5.2
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	112.1	+0.4	+1.5
Health	111.7	+1.3	+3.5
Transport	119.9	+2.0	+6.1
Communications	83.2	-0.8	-1.3
Recreation and culture	104.9	+0.4	-0.2
Education	114.7	0.0	+1.7
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	112.7	+0.7	+2.0
Miscellaneous goods and services	117.5	+0.3	+3.1
<b>All-items</b>	<b>114.1</b>	<b>+1.0</b>	<b>+2.9</b>

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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