

Consumer price indices: provisional data

May 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.

Istat estimates that in May 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 – held steady compared to the previous month and rose by 3.5% 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 |
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| CPI (base 2010=100) | 105.8 | 0.0 | +3.2 |
| HICP (base 2005=100) | 118.3 | 0.0 | +3.5 |

For more detailed please refer to the Italian version

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