

## Consumer price indices: provisional data

*October 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 October 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 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 0.3% compared to the previous month and by 2.8% 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	+2.6
HICP (base 2005=100)	119.2	+0.3	+2.8

For more detailed please refer to the Italian version

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