

## Consumer price indices: provisional data

*February 2013*

- In February 2013, the Italian consumer price index for the whole nation (NIC) increased by 0.1% compared with the previous month and by 1.9% with respect to February 2012 (0.3 lower than in January 2013).

The fifth consecutive Italian inflation slowdown is partially due to the annual growth rate decrease of prices of Food and non-alcoholic beverages (+2.4%, from +3.1% in January).

Also Communication had a downward impact effect on inflation. The main cause is the large decrease of Wireless telephone services (-7.0% compared with the previous month, -7.9 with respect to February 2012).

- In February 2013, the Italian harmonized index of consumer prices (HICP) decreased by 0.2% compared with the previous month and rose by 2.0% with respect to February 2012 (0.4 lower than in January 2013).

The further decrease on monthly basis, was mainly due, as in January, to the clothing and footwear winter sales dynamics, which are not taken into account in the national index NIC.

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

Divisions	Weights	Indices	<u>Feb-13</u> Jan-13	<u>Feb-13</u> Feb-12	<u>Jan-13</u> Jan-12	<u>Feb-12</u> Jan-12
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	159,283	107.1	0.1	2.4	3.1	0.8
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	31,924	110.7	0.2	2.8	2.6	0.0
Clothing and footwear	83,387	105.0	0.0	1.4	1.4	0.0
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	108,990	115.3	0.1	4.6	4.9	0.4
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	80,405	104.8	0.2	1.5	1.5	0.2
Health	72,976	100.7	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Transport	149,173	113.4	0.4	2.5	3.1	0.9
Communication	25,293	93.6	-3.8	-4.1	-0.9	-0.6
Recreation and culture	79,758	101.1	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	0.6
Education	11,306	106.8	0.0	2.9	3.0	0.1
Restaurants and hotels	112,287	103.3	-0.1	1.5	1.5	-0.1
Miscellaneous goods and services	85,218	107.1	0.1	2.3	2.4	0.2
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>106.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>0.4</b>

TABLE 2. ITALIAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE WHOLE NATION (NIC), BY TYPE OF PRODUCTS  
February 2013, weights, indices and percentage changes (base 2010=100)

Type of products	Weights	Indices	Feb-13	Feb-13	Jan-13	Feb-12
			Jan-13	Feb-12	Jan-12	Jan-12
Food and alcohol	168,499	107.2	0.1	2.5	3.2	0.8
Energy	94,758	129.2	0.6	5.0	5.4	1.0
Tobacco	22,708	112.0	0.0	2.7	2.7	0.0
Non-energy industrial goods	273,437	103.1	0.1	0.6	0.7	0.2
Services	440,598	104.9	-0.1	1.7	2.1	0.3
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>106.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>0.4</b>

TABLE 3. ITALIAN HARMONIZED CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (HICP), BY COICOP DIVISION  
February 2013, weights, indices and percentage changes (base 2005=100)

Divisions	Weights	Indices	Feb-13	Feb-13	Jan-13	Feb-12
			Jan-13	Feb-12	Jan-12	Jan-12
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	168,380	120.5	0.0	2.3	3.1	0.8
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	33,736	133.4	0.1	2.7	2.7	0.1
Clothing and footwear	94,556	87.8	-2.8	-0.1	-0.1	-2.8
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	115,234	135.0	0.1	4.7	4.8	0.3
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	85,060	114.8	-0.1	1.5	1.7	0.1
Health	34,486	119.2	0.1	1.4	1.7	0.4
Transport	157,538	128.0	0.5	2.6	3.1	1.0
Communication	26,738	78.5	-3.9	-4.2	-1.0	-0.7
Recreation and culture	63,424	106.2	0.9	-0.2	-0.2	0.9
Education	11,958	120.5	0.0	3.0	3.0	0.0
Restaurants and hotels	118,603	114.2	-0.1	1.4	1.5	0.0
Miscellaneous goods and services	90,287	122.3	0.1	2.4	2.5	0.2
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>116.7</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>0.2</b>

TABLE 4. ITALIAN HARMONIZED CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (HICP), BY SPECIAL AGGREGATES  
February 2013, weights, indices and percentage changes (base 2005=100)

Special aggregates	Weights	Indices	Feb-13	Feb-13	Jan-13	Feb-12
			Jan-13	Feb-12	Jan-12	Jan-12
Food, alcohol and tobacco	202,116	122.3	0.0	2.3	3.0	0.7
Energy	100,192	148.1	0.6	5.0	5.4	1.0
Non-energy industrial goods	285,769	104.8	-0.7	0.5	0.7	-0.5
Services	411,923	116.4	-0.2	1.7	2.2	0.3
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>116.7</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>0.2</b>

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