



PRESS RELEASE

No. 80 of April 12, 2010

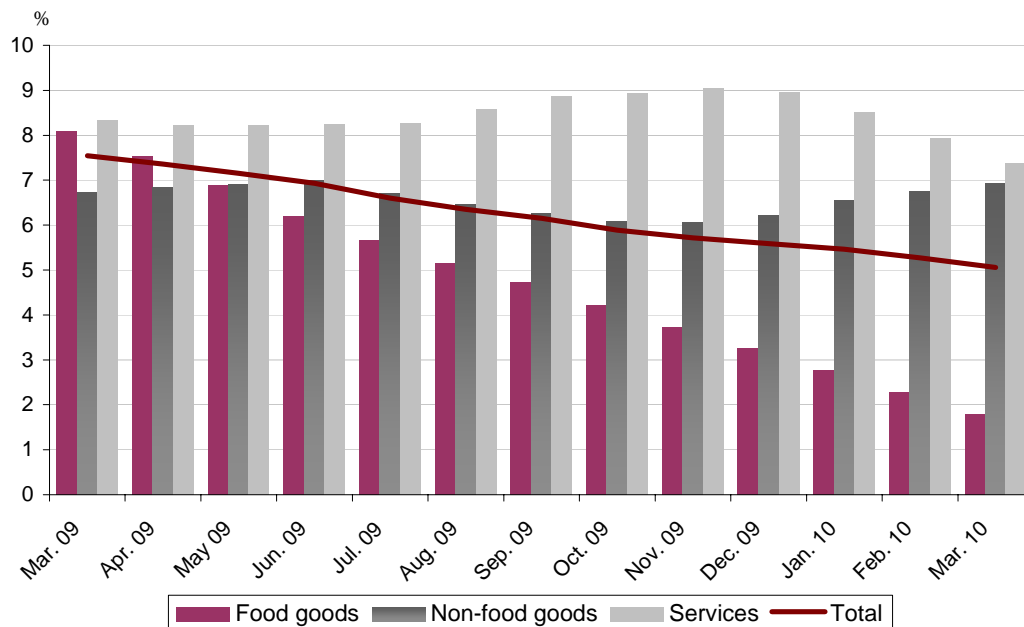
Consumer Price Index in March 2010

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) was 100.22% in March 2010 compared to February 2010.

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) was 104.20% in March 2010 compared to March 2009.

The overall average price increase in the last 12 months (April 2009 – March 2010) compared to the previous 12 months (April 2008 – March 2009) which was determined on the basis of the CPI amounted to 5.1% and the one determined on the basis of the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) amounted to 5.0%.

Moving average rate¹ (12 months)



¹ The moving average rate for 12 months is the increase in consumer prices in the last 12 months compared to the previous 12 months.

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) for **March**, overall and by group of goods and services, and the monthly average inflation rate had the following values:

- percentages -

	March 2010 compared to:			Monthly average inflation rate during the period 1 I – 31 III	
	February 2010	December 2009	March 2009	2010	2009
TOTAL	100.22	102.10	104.20	0.7	1.1
Food goods	100.17	100.84	99.80	0.3	0.5
Non-food goods	100.38	103.84	108.76	1.3	1.1
Services	99.91	100.27	102.37	0.1	2.1

The prices for food goods increased by 0.2% in March 2010 compared to the previous month, those for non-food goods rose by 0.4%, and the tariffs for services were down 0.1%.

The partial indices, calculated by excluding certain components from the CPI, had the following values:

	previous month=100
	March 2010 %
TOTAL CPI	100.22
Total CPI excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco	100.24
Total CPI excluding fuels	100.07
Total CPI excluding products whose prices are regulated*	100.24
Total CPI excluding vegetables, fruit, eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated*	100.08
Total CPI excluding vegetables, fruit, eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated*, beverages and tobacco	100.09

⁾ Products whose prices are regulated: medicines, electric energy, natural gas, thermal energy, rail transport, water transport, mail and courier, radio-TV subscription, issuance of identity cards, driving licences, passports, water, sewerage, sanitation, urban public transport, rents set by local administration.

The weighting coefficients and the Consumer Price Indices for the main food goods, non-food goods and services are presented in the annex.

The next press release will be issued on May 11, 2010.

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX IN MARCH 2010
FOR THE MAIN GOODS AND SERVICES**

Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services	March 2010 in % compared to:	
		February 2010	December 2009
10000	TOTAL	100.22	102.10
3739	TOTAL FOOD GOODS	100.17	100.84
791	Mill and bakery products	100.02	100.14
48	- Mill products	99.94	100.04
29	- Flour	99.94	100.08
19	- Maize flour	99.94	99.99
658	- Bread, loaf products and specialties	100.03	100.17
587	- Bread	100.03	100.14
19	- Loaf products	100.07	100.16
31	- Bakery specialties	100.11	100.47
362	Vegetables and tinned vegetables	100.84	103.31
19	- Beans and other leguminous plants	100.02	100.52
68	- Potatoes	99.03	100.72
213	- Other vegetables and tinned vegetables	101.27	104.34
245	Fruit and tinned fruit	101.22	102.01
126	- Fresh fruit	100.64	102.42
110	- Citrus and other exotic fruit	101.92	101.72
9	- Tinned fruit	100.11	100.32
176	Oil, lard, fats	100.60	101.16
154	- Edible oil	100.70	101.35
20	- Margarine	100.26	100.95
897	Meat, meat products and tinned meat	100.47	100.92
101	- Beef	100.06	100.35
213	- Pork	99.83	100.00
231	- Poultry	99.95	100.20
283	- Meat products	100.01	100.20
15	- Tinned meat	100.05	100.44
115	Fish and tinned fish	100.04	100.33
81	- Fresh fish	100.03	100.35
8	- Tinned fish and other fish products	100.19	100.27
512	Milk and dairy products	99.83	100.61
261	- Milk – total	99.82	100.48
42	- Cow milk	98.94	100.59
115	- Cheese – total	99.80	100.69
65	- Cow cheese (cottage cheese type)	99.79	100.65
46	- Ewe cheese (cottage cheese type)	99.82	100.74
16	- Butter	100.24	101.17
61	Eggs	94.16	96.76
156	Sugar, confectioneries and honey	99.89	100.06
60	- Sugar	99.57	99.58
12	- Honey	99.88	100.01
93	Cocoa and coffee	100.11	100.58
90	- Coffee	100.12	100.59
131	Alcoholic beverages	100.11	100.58
26	- Wine	100.04	100.43
25	- Brandy, plum brandy and other beverages	100.23	100.79
76	- Beer	100.10	100.56
200	Other food products	100.20	100.74

(continued)

Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services	March 2010 in % compared to:	
		February 2010	December 2009
4472	TOTAL NON-FOOD GOODS	100.38	103.84
477	Clothing, haberdashery, passementerie trimmings and mercery	100.10	100.26
1	- Fabrics	100.08	100.33
350	- Wearing apparel	100.10	100.23
98	- Knitwear	100.10	100.35
13	- Haberdashery, passementerie trimmings and mercery	100.09	100.36
313	Footwear	100.06	100.11
198	- Leather footwear	100.05	100.05
258	Domestic products, furniture	100.06	100.23
79	- Furniture	100.01	100.14
24	- Refrigerators and freezers	100.10	100.45
15	- Washing machines	100.06	100.15
7	- Gas stoves, gas cylinders	100.09	100.25
31	- Domestic articles	100.14	100.34
232	Chemicals	100.14	100.55
12	- Varnishes and paints	100.11	100.40
160	- Detergents	100.15	100.58
2	- Domestic soap	100.13	100.33
329	Cultural and sporting products	100.05	101.14
120	- Books, newspapers, magazines	100.37	103.88
110	- Watches, audio-video sets, sporting goods	100.05	100.28
99	- Cars and spare parts	99.61	98.48
602	Hygiene articles, cosmetics and medical articles	100.11	101.11
222	- Hygiene articles, cosmetics	100.17	100.69
380	- Medical articles	100.08	101.36
357	- Medicines	100.08	101.42
753	Fuels	101.95	105.32
473	Tobacco, cigarettes	100.01	114.56
939	Electric energy, gas and central heating	100.03	102.58
492	- Electric energy	100.00	104.20
320	- Gas	100.00	100.00
127	- Thermal energy	100.21	102.49
96	Other non-food goods	100.41	100.97
1789	TOTAL SERVICES	99.91	100.27
19	Making and repairing of clothing and footwear	100.12	100.38
70	Rent	99.88	99.57
231	Water, sewerage, sanitation	100.08	101.69
220	Cinemas, theatres, museums, expenditure for education and tourism	100.00	100.19
19	Car and electronic repairs, photo works	100.24	100.86
71	Medical care	100.40	101.26
44	Hygiene and cosmetics	100.23	100.70
88	Urban transport	100.00	102.49
92	Interurban transport (other transport types)	100.32	100.70
11	- Rail	100.00	100.00
12	- Road	100.44	101.33
52	- Bus – subscriptions	100.38	100.82
2	- Air	99.26	96.73
685	Post and telecommunications	99.45	97.54
2	- Mail services	100.00	100.00
513	- Phone	99.26	96.73
170	- Radio-TV subscription	100.06	100.20
116	Restaurants, coffee shops, canteens	100.11	100.70
43	Other industrial-type services	99.98	100.11
91	Other services	101.12	113.06
1	- Payment of accommodation in hotel units	100.03	99.83

