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Consumer Price Index in July 2010

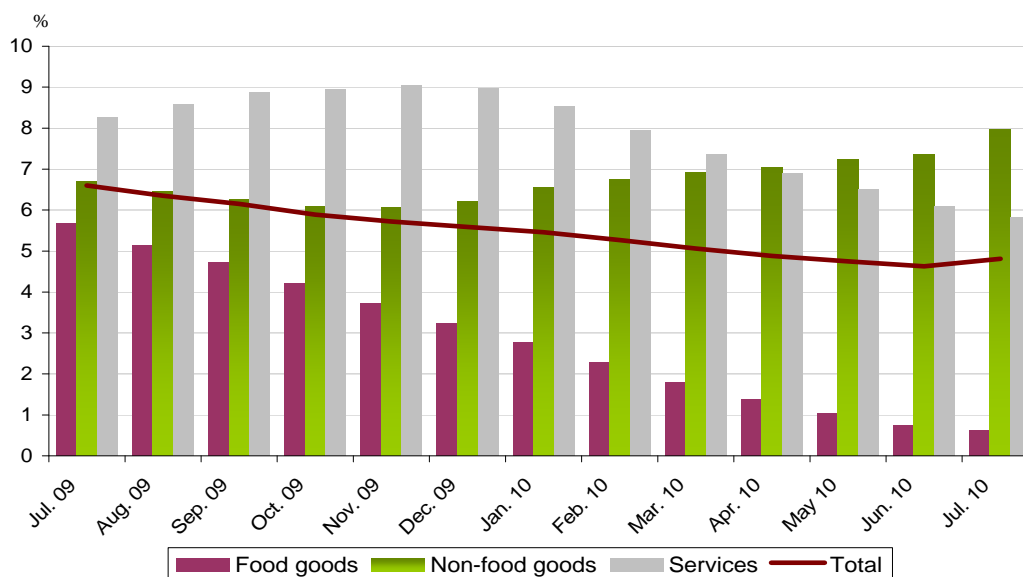
For the interpretation of the indicator, please see the methodological explanations.

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The overall average price increase in the last 12 months (August 2009 - July 2010) compared to the previous 12 months (August 2008 - July 2009), both the one determined on the basis of the CPI and the one determined on the basis of the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP), was 4.8%.

Moving average rate (12 months)



In July 2010, the Consumer Price Index (CPI), overall and by group of goods and services, and the monthly average inflation rate had the following values:

- percentages -

	July 2010 compared to:			Monthly average inflation rate during the period 1 I – 31 VII	
	June 2010	December 2009	July 2009	2010	2009
TOTAL	102.58	105.42	107.14	0.8	0.4
Food goods	101.92	102.64	102.30	0.4	0.1
Non-food goods	103.08	108.03	111.58	1.1	0.6
Services	102.55	104.39	106.14	0.6	0.7

The prices for food goods increased by 1.9%, the prices for non-food goods rose by 3.1% and the tariffs for services were up 2.6%.

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

	previous month=100
	July 2010 %
TOTAL CPI	102.58
Total CPI excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco	102.01
Total CPI excluding fuels	102.60
Total CPI excluding products whose prices are regulated*	102.47
Total CPI excluding vegetables, fruit, eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated*	102.60
Total CPI excluding vegetables, fruit, eggs, fuels, products whose prices are regulated*, beverages and tobacco	101.77

^{*)} 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.

Methodological explanations

The information for the calculation of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is obtained through a monthly sample survey organised by the NIS. Retail sale prices for a nomenclature of circa 1750 types of products are collected in approximately 7100 stores and service-providing units of the county seats. The weights used to calculate the CPI are obtained from the Family Budget Survey (FBS) and result from the structure of the monthly average expenditure incurred by a household for the purchase of goods and the payment of services necessary for meeting living needs.

Indicators calculated

The Consumer Price Index compared to the previous month measures the evolution of prices in the current month compared to the previous month. It is used to determine the monthly inflation rate, by subtracting 100 from the index expressed in percentage points.

The monthly average inflation rate expresses the average of monthly price increases. It is calculated as a geometric mean of the chain-based monthly indices of consumer prices, from which the comparison base equalling 100 is subtracted.

The index compared to the same month of the previous year measures the evolution of prices in the current month compared to the same month of the previous year. It is used to determine the annual inflation rate, by subtracting 100 from the index expressed in percentage points.

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 next press release will be issued on September 10, 2010.

For international comparisons, please consult the Eurostat press release on the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices that will come out on 16.08.2010

(<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/eurostat/home/>).

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

Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services	July 2010 in % compared to:	
		June 2010	December 2009
10000	TOTAL	102.58	105.42
3739	TOTAL FOOD GOODS	101.92	102.64
791	Mill and bakery products	102.33	102.42
48	- Mill products	101.59	101.14
29	- Flour	101.54	101.25
19	- Maize flour	101.66	100.96
658	- Bread, loaf products and specialties	102.50	102.75
587	- Bread	102.57	102.79
19	- Loaf products	101.99	102.27
31	- Bakery specialties	101.77	102.38
362	Vegetables and tinned vegetables	99.06	104.42
19	- Beans and other leguminous plants	100.57	99.28
68	- Potatoes	94.74	103.62
213	- Other vegetables and tinned vegetables	101.50	107.93
245	Fruit and tinned fruit	106.60	113.41
126	- Fresh fruit	107.10	113.75
110	- Citrus and other exotic fruit	106.44	114.00
9	- Tinned fruit	102.05	102.32
176	Oil, lard, fats	103.29	105.20
154	- Edible oil	103.41	105.58
20	- Margarine	102.79	103.69
897	Meat, meat products and tinned meat	101.84	102.47
101	- Beef	101.67	101.79
213	- Pork	101.87	101.46
231	- Poultry	102.00	102.20
283	- Meat products	101.98	102.07
15	- Tinned meat	102.14	102.79
115	Fish and tinned fish	101.06	101.51
81	- Fresh fish	100.99	101.45
8	- Tinned fish and other fish products	101.32	101.62
512	Milk and dairy products	101.30	101.05
261	- Milk – total	101.20	101.33
42	- Cow milk	101.02	99.61
115	- Cheese – total	101.10	99.66
65	- Cow cheese (cottage cheese type)	101.02	99.62
46	- Ewe cheese (cottage cheese type)	101.22	99.72
16	- Butter	102.43	103.93
61	Eggs	99.55	74.44
156	Sugar, confectioneries and honey	101.97	101.95
60	- Sugar	101.42	100.14
12	- Honey	103.52	104.12
93	Cocoa and coffee	102.19	103.18
90	- Coffee	102.19	103.20
131	Alcoholic beverages	102.44	103.42
26	- Wine	102.08	102.78
25	- Brandy, plum brandy and other beverages	102.16	103.31
76	- Beer	102.67	103.69
200	Other food products	101.84	102.73

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Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services	July 2010 in % compared to:	
		June 2010	December 2009
4472	TOTAL NON-FOOD GOODS	103.08	108.03
477	Clothing, haberdashery, passementerie trimmings and mercery	100.60	101.14
1	- Fabrics	100.81	101.35
350	- Wearing apparel	100.58	101.11
98	- Knitwear	100.63	101.17
13	- Haberdashery, passementerie trimmings and mercery	100.62	101.21
313	Footwear	100.51	100.97
198	- Leather footwear	100.47	100.88
258	Domestic products, furniture	100.94	101.35
79	- Furniture	101.06	101.37
24	- Refrigerators and freezers	101.04	101.60
15	- Washing machines	100.91	101.32
7	- Gas stoves, gas cylinders	100.87	101.26
31	- Domestic articles	101.11	101.72
232	Chemicals	101.09	101.78
12	- Varnishes and paints	100.86	101.56
160	- Detergents	101.07	101.69
2	- Domestic soap	101.49	102.02
329	Cultural and sporting products	101.23	104.82
120	- Books, newspapers, magazines	100.37	108.55
110	- Watches, audio-video sets, sporting goods	101.67	102.64
99	- Cars and spare parts	101.96	102.29
602	Hygiene articles, cosmetics and medical articles	101.43	105.58
222	- Hygiene articles, cosmetics	101.65	102.72
380	- Medical articles	101.31	107.24
357	- Medicines	101.31	107.55
753	Fuels	102.34	109.75
473	Tobacco, cigarettes	109.47	125.50
939	Electric energy, gas and central heating	103.58	106.31
492	- Electric energy	104.20	108.58
320	- Gas	104.20	104.20
127	- Thermal energy	100.00	102.86
96	Other non-food goods	100.93	101.34
1789	TOTAL SERVICES	102.55	104.39
19	Making and repairing of clothing and footwear	101.45	102.00
70	Rent	100.21	100.51
231	Water, sewerage, sanitation	105.33	108.97
220	Cinemas, theatres, museums, expenditure for education and tourism	100.26	100.94
19	Car and electronic repairs, photo works	101.52	102.61
71	Medical care	100.73	102.54
44	Hygiene and cosmetics	101.38	102.38
88	Urban transport	100.52	103.19
92	Interurban transport (other transport types)	101.59	102.79
11	- Rail	105.54	105.54
12	- Road	101.03	102.62
52	- Bus – subscriptions	101.34	102.66
2	- Air	95.47	95.77
685	Post and telecommunications	103.92	104.23
2	- Mail services	100.79	100.79
513	- Phone	104.75	105.07
170	- Radio-TV subscription	101.19	101.46
116	Restaurants, coffee shops, canteens	100.61	101.63
43	Other industrial-type services	101.19	101.54
91	Other services	100.03	113.93
1	- Payment of accommodation in hotel units	100.46	100.19