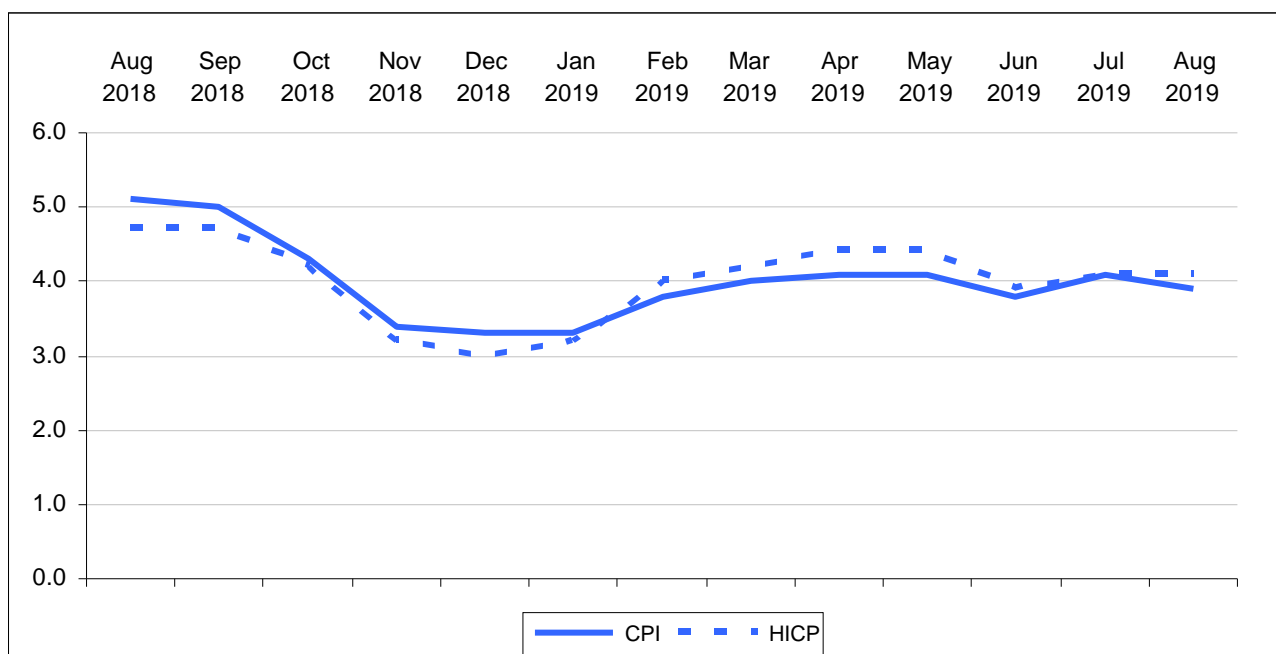


Domain: Consumer prices

THE EVOLUTION OF CONSUMER PRICES IN AUGUST 2019

- Consumer prices were up 3.9% in August 2019 compared to August 2018. The annual rate calculated on the basis of the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) is 4.1%.
- The average consumer price rate based on the CPI over the last 12 months (September 2018-August 2019) as compared to the previous 12 months (September 2017-August 2018) is 3.9%. The average rate based on the HICP is 4.0%.

Graph: The annual change in consumer prices (%)



The data of the graph (xls) can be accessed through the .rar file attached to the press release on the homepage.

Table 1: The Consumer Price Index and the monthly average inflation rate

– percentages –

	August 2019 compared to:			Monthly average inflation rate over the period 1 I-31 VIII	
	July 2019	December 2018	August 2018	2019	2018
Food goods	99.71	103.12	105.02	0.4	0.2
Non-food goods	100.22	102.44	102.98	0.3	0.4
Services	100.25	103.34	104.23	0.4	0.2
ALL ITEMS	100.06	102.83	103.89	0.4	0.3

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Table 2: Partial indices calculated by excluding certain items from the CPI

– previous month = 100 –

	August 2019 %
All-items CPI excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco	99.96
All-items CPI excluding fuels	100.08
All-items CPI excluding products whose prices are regulated*)	100.04
All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit**), eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated*)	100.28
All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit**), eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated*), beverages and tobacco	100.15
ALL ITEMS	100.06

*) Products whose prices are regulated: medicines, electric energy, natural gas, heat energy, rail transport, water transport, mail and courier, issuance of identity cards, driving licences, passports, water supply, sewage collection, refuse collection, urban public transport, rents set by local administration

**) In order to more accurately meet the need to analyse inflation, as of September 2014 the fruit group includes, besides fresh fruit, citrus and other Southern fruit.

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Additional information:

For an accurate interpretation of the indicators, please see the [Methodological explanations attached to the press release on the homepage](#).

The weighting coefficients and the August Consumer Price Indices for the main food goods, non-food goods and services are presented in the annex. [The data presented in the annex \(xls\) can be accessed through the .rar file attached to the press release on the homepage](#).

For more information, please see Price Statistical Bulletin No. 8/2019.

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**THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE MAIN GOODS AND SERVICES
IN AUGUST 2019**

Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services	August 2019 compared to:	
		July 2019 %	December 2018 %
10000	ALL ITEMS	100.06	102.83
3187	TOTAL FOOD GOODS	99.71	103.12
544	Milling and bakery products	100.25	102.74
33	- Milling products	100.39	103.81
18	- Flour	100.25	104.39
15	- Maize flour	100.55	103.10
429	- Bread, loaf products and specialties	100.23	102.61
356	- Bread	100.23	102.70
14	- Loaf products	100.35	102.68
33	- Bakery specialties	100.15	102.30
308	Vegetables and tinned vegetables	96.93	103.60
22	- Beans and other leguminous plants	99.95	97.77
49	- Potatoes	95.90	116.72
173	- Other vegetables and tinned vegetables	95.13	100.21
221	Fruit and tinned fruit	98.17	112.90
113	- Fresh fruit	94.42	105.87
99	- Citrus and other Southern fruit	102.39	122.87
9	- Tinned fruit	100.24	101.67
87	Oil, lard, fats	100.01	101.04
73	- Edible oil	99.95	100.45
12	- Margarine	100.18	102.14
775	Meat, meat products and tinned meat	100.29	103.63
75	- Beef	100.21	103.28
220	- Pork	100.44	104.92
183	- Poultry	99.96	102.33
244	- Meat products	100.48	103.34
15	- Tinned meat	100.34	103.07
125	Fish and tinned fish	100.08	102.37
90	- Fresh fish	100.08	102.54
12	- Tinned fish and other fish products	100.07	102.13
499	Milk and dairy products	100.06	101.71
223	- Milk – total	100.03	101.75
158	- Cow's milk	99.97	101.56
122	- Cheese – total	100.10	101.50
73	- Cow's feta cheese	100.05	101.86
47	- Sheep's feta cheese	100.16	100.92
27	- Butter	100.13	102.34
59	Eggs	101.17	93.37
147	Sugar, confectioneries and honey	100.09	101.95
38	- Sugar	99.84	102.37
24	- Honey	100.00	101.05
94	Cocoa and coffee	100.04	100.61
81	- Coffee	99.98	100.58
129	Alcoholic beverages	100.16	101.63
32	- Wine	100.19	101.23
22	- Plum brandy, spirits and other beverages	100.10	102.08
73	- Beer	100.17	101.68
199	Other food products	100.30	102.79

Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services	August 2019 compared to:	
		July 2019 %	December 2018 %
4791	TOTAL NON-FOOD GOODS	100.22	102.44
473	Clothing, hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.08	101.18
8	- Fabrics	100.07	101.23
326	- Wearing apparel	100.08	101.13
102	- Knitwear	100.05	101.22
18	- Hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.09	101.33
343	Footwear	100.08	101.17
229	- Leather footwear	100.04	100.82
302	Household products, furniture	100.16	101.44
61	- Furniture	100.12	101.47
31	- Refrigerators and freezers	100.32	101.29
23	- Washing machines	100.08	101.50
8	- Gas stoves, gas cylinders	100.29	101.77
45	- Household articles	100.18	101.47
247	Chemicals	100.03	100.94
9	- Varnishes and paints	100.04	100.86
160	- Detergents	99.95	100.77
2	- Laundry soap	100.20	101.80
300	Cultural and sporting products	100.05	101.61
83	- Books, newspapers, magazines	100.15	102.75
122	- Watches, audio and video devices, sporting goods	99.95	100.59
95	- Cars and spare parts	100.10	101.89
657	Hygiene, cosmetic and medical items	100.13	101.60
248	- Hygiene and cosmetic items	100.20	101.23
409	- Medical items	100.09	101.83
311	- Medicines	100.07	102.00
843	Fuels	99.85	104.64
650	Tobacco, cigarettes	101.39	107.65
909	Electric energy, gas and central heating	100.00	99.39
512	- Electric energy	100.00	101.71
321	- Gas	100.00	95.07
76	- Heat energy	100.00	103.30
67	Other non-food goods	100.08	101.68
2022	TOTAL SERVICES	100.25	103.34
27	Making and repairing of clothing and footwear	100.07	101.92
101	Rent	100.24	101.04
263	Water supply, sewage collection, refuse collection	100.89	105.71
149	Cinemas, theatres, museums, expenditure on education and tourism	100.05	102.03
15	Car and electronic repairs, photo works	100.40	103.30
158	Medical care	100.22	102.59
97	Hygiene and cosmetics	100.19	103.29
84	Urban transport	100.09	100.56
88	Interurban transport (other transport types)	101.33	102.43
5	- Rail	100.00	100.00
12	- Road	100.38	102.65
51	- Bus – subscriptions	100.40	101.28
6	- Air	111.49	113.02
579	Post and telecommunications	99.85	104.62
4	- Mail services	100.00	105.70
369	- Telephone	99.71	105.36
206	- TV subscription	100.10	103.28
171	Restaurants, coffee shops, canteens	100.20	102.24
81	Other industrial-type services	100.18	102.20
209	Other services	100.37	102.54
63	- Payment for accommodation in hotel units	100.53	103.54