

# PRESS RELEASE

## CONSUMER PRICES

### Consumer prices index for the whole nation

*Indice nazionale dei prezzi al consumo per l'intera collettività*

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#### Consumer prices index for the whole nation

	Index number 1995=100			Percentage changes	
	September 2007	August 2008	September 2008	On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
including tobacco	132.6	138.0	137.6	-0.3	+3.8
excluding tobacco (law 5.2.1992, n.81)	132.1	137.4	137.0	-0.3	+3.7

#### Consumer prices index for whole nation by type of expenditure

Type of expenditure	Index numbers	Percentage changes	
		On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	136.0	+0.3	+5.8
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	176.8	+0.1	+5.2
Clothing and footwear	135.4	+0.4	+1.8
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	158.7	-0.3	+7.7
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	132.1	+0.2	+2.9
Health	121.9	+0.2	+0.2
Transport	147.2	-1.7	+6.7
Communications	67.7	-0.6	-4.4
Recreation and culture	122.1	-1.4	+0.3
Education	140.6	+1.2	+2.0
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	151.3	-0.1	+2.7
Miscellaneous goods and services	145.0	+0.1	+2.8
<b>Overall index</b>			
- including tobacco	137.6	-0.3	+3.8
- excluding tobacco	137.0	-0.3	+3.7

**Harmonised EU consumer prices index - base 2005=100 - Italy**  
*Indice armonizzato dei prezzi al consumo per i paesi dell'Unione europea  
 (comprensivo delle riduzioni temporanee di prezzo) - base 2005=100 - Italia*

**Harmonised EU consumer prices index - Italy**

Index number 2005=100			Percentage changes	
September 2007	August 2008	September 2008	On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
104.7	108.3	108.8	+0.5	+3.9

**Harmonised EU consumer prices index by type of expenditure – Italy**

Type of expenditure	Index number	Percentage changes	
		On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	111.3	+0.2	+5.7
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	114.5	+0.2	+5.2
Clothing and footwear	103.8	+9.3	+1.0
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	116.9	-0.3	+7.6
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	107.8	+0.5	+2.9
Health	103.7	+0.1	+2.1
Transport	112.5	-1.7	+6.6
Communications	83.7	-0.6	-4.5
Recreation and culture	103.0	-1.5	+0.4
Education	108.9	+1.0	+2.6
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	108.6	-0.2	+2.6
Miscellaneous goods and services	108.8	+0.6	+2.7
<b>HICP (all-items index)</b>	108.8	+0.5	+3.9

**Consumer prices index for blue and white collar workers households**  
*Indice dei prezzi al consumo per le famiglie di operai ed impiegati*

**Consumer prices index for blue and white collar workers households**

	Index number 1995=100			Percentage changes	
	September 2007	August 2008	September 2008	On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
including tobacco	131.3	136.6	136.2	-0.3	+3.7
excluding tobacco (law 5.2.1992. n.81)	130.4	135.5	135.2	-0.2	+3.7

**Consumer prices index for blue and white collar workers households by type of expenditure**

Type of expenditure	Index numbers	Percentage changes	
		On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	135.6	+0.4	+5.8
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	179.4	+0.1	+5.2
Clothing and footwear	134.9	+0.4	+1.8
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	158.2	-0.2	+7.1
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	131.1	+0.2	+2.8
Health	120.6	+0.2	+0.2
Transport	146.1	-1.5	+6.6
Communications	67.6	-0.9	-5.2
Recreation and culture	121.5	-1.4	+0.2
Education	142.2	+1.2	+2.0
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	147.3	+0.1	+2.7
Miscellaneous goods and services	140.5	+0.1	+2.9
<b>Overall index</b>			
- including tobacco	136.2	-0.3	+3.7
- excluding tobacco	135.2	-0.2	+3.7

For more details please refer to Italian version.  
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