

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	
	December 2007	November 2008	December 2008	On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
including tobacco	133.9	137.1	136.9	-0.1	+2.2
excluding tobacco (law 5.2.1992, n.81)	133.4	136.5	136.3	-0.1	+2.2

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	136.6	+0.1	+4.3
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	177.2	+0.1	+5.3
Clothing and footwear	136.1	+0.1	+1.6
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	159.0	-0.1	+6.1
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	132.8	+0.1	+2.9
Health	122.1	+0.1	+0.7
Transport	140.7	-1.1	-0.2
Communications	68.1	+0.3	-3.3
Recreation and culture	122.8	+0.5	+0.3
Education	141.9	+0.1	+2.2
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	150.2	-0.2	+2.2
Miscellaneous goods and services	145.8	+0.1	+2.7
Overall index			
- including tobacco	136.9	-0.1	+2.2
- excluding tobacco	136.3	-0.1	+2.2

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	
December 2007	November 2008	December 2008	On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
106.2	108.8	108.7	-0.1	+2.4

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	111.7	+0.1	+4.1
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	114.6	0.0	+5.2
Clothing and footwear	109.0	+0.1	+1.3
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	117.2	0.0	+6.2
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	108.4	+0.1	+2.7
Health	104.5	+0.1	+2.5
Transport	107.6	-1.1	-0.2
Communications	84.2	+0.4	-3.2
Recreation and culture	103.8	+0.7	+0.4
Education	109.9	+0.1	+2.7
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	107.8	-0.2	+2.2
Miscellaneous goods and services	109.7	+0.1	+2.7
HICP (all-items index)	108.7	-0.1	+2.4

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	
	December 2007	November 2008	December 2008	On previous month	On corresponding month of previous year
including tobacco	132.7	135.7	135.5	-0.1	+2.1
excluding tobacco (law 5.2.1992. n.81)	131.8	134.7	134.5	-0.1	+2.0

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	136.2	+0.1	+4.3
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	179.7	0.0	+5.3
Clothing and footwear	135.7	+0.1	+1.6
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	158.9	0.0	+6.0
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	131.7	+0.1	+2.7
Health	120.8	+0.1	+0.7
Transport	139.2	-1.3	-0.5
Communications	68.1	+0.4	-3.8
Recreation and culture	122.1	+0.5	+0.3
Education	143.4	0.0	+2.2
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	146.7	-0.1	+2.2
Miscellaneous goods and services	141.3	+0.1	+2.7
Overall index			
- including tobacco	135.5	-0.1	+2.1
- excluding tobacco	134.5	-0.1	+2.0

For more details please refer to Italian version.
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