

# PRESS RELEASE

## CONSUMER PRICES

### Consumer prices index for the whole nation

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

**MARCH 2009**

#### Consumer prices index for the whole nation

	Index 1995=100			Per cent changes	
	March 2008	February 2009	March 2009	Over 1 month	Over 12 months
including tobacco	135.5	137.0	137.1	+0.1	+1.2
excluding tobacco (law 5.2.1992, n.81)	134.9	136.4	136.4	0.0	+1.1

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

Type of expenditure	Index	Per cent changes	
		Over 1 month	Over 12 months
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	137.2	+0.1	+3.0
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	181.1	+1.0	+5.2
Clothing and footwear	136.4	+0.2	+1.5
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	158.2	-0.1	+3.4
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	133.5	+0.1	+2.1
Health	122.7	0.0	+1.1
Transport	138.8	-0.4	-3.4
Communications	68.4	+0.1	-1.9
Recreation and culture	123.0	-0.2	+0.4
Education	141.9	0.0	+2.2
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	150.4	+0.1	+1.3
Miscellaneous goods and services	147.1	+0.3	+2.4
<b>Overall index</b>			
- including tobacco	137.1	+0.1	+1.2
- excluding tobacco	136.4	0.0	+1.1

**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 2005=100			Per cent changes	
March 2008	February 2009	March 2009	Over 1 month	Over 12 months
107.2	107.1	108.4	+1.2	+1.1

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

Type of expenditure	Index	Per cent changes	
		Over 1 month	Over 12 months
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	112.1	+0.1	+2.7
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	117.2	+1.0	+5.2
Clothing and footwear	104.8	+13.2	+0.4
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	116.6	-0.2	+3.5
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	108.7	+0.5	+1.9
Health	105.9	+0.3	+3.3
Transport	106.1	-0.4	-3.4
Communications	84.6	+0.2	-1.7
Recreation and culture	103.9	-0.2	+0.5
Education	110.6	0.0	+3.3
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	108.0	+0.2	+1.3
Miscellaneous goods and services	110.4	+0.7	+2.2
<b>HICP (all-items index)</b>	108.4	+1.2	+1.1

**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 1995=100			Per cent changes	
	March 2008	February 2009	March 2009	Over 1 month	Over 12 months
including tobacco	134.2	135.6	135.7	+0.1	+1.1
excluding tobacco (law 5.2.1992. n.81)	133.2	134.5	134.5	0.0	+1.0

For more details please refer to Italian version.

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