

## Consumer price indices

*January 2010*

The Consumer Price Index measures the change in prices over time of a set of goods and services (CPI basket) representative of Italian household consumption.

Istat estimates that in January 2010:

- the National Consumer Price Index for the whole nation **CPI** (see Italian **NIC**) – used to measure inflation over the entire Italian economic system – rose by 0.1% compared to the previous month and by 1.3% in comparison to the same month of the previous year;
- the EU Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices **HICP** (see Italian **IPCA**) – developed to facilitate the comparison of inflation between Member States – declined by 1.5% and rose by 1.3% compared to the previous month and the same month of the previous year, respectively.

Consumer price indices. January 2010

	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
CPI (base 1995=100)	138.5	+0.1	+1.3
HICP (base 2005=100)	108.3	-1.5	+1.3

National Consumer Prices Index (CPI). January 2010

Divisions	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	137.2	0.0	+0.3
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	185.1	+0.1	+4.5
Clothing and footwear	137.5	0.0	+1.0
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	155.8	+0.3	-1.6
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	134.8	+0.1	+1.4
Health	123.0	+0.5	+0.6
Transport	144.5	+0.5	+3.7
Communications	67.8	-0.7	+0.3
Recreation and culture	123.5	-0.4	+0.7
Education	145.4	+0.1	+2.5
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	151.9	+0.1	+1.3
Miscellaneous goods and services	150.8	+0.4	+3.2
<b>All - items</b>	<b>138.5</b>	<b>+0.1</b>	<b>+1.3</b>

## Harmonized Index of Consumer Price (HICP). January 2010

Divisions	Indices	Percentage changes on the previous month	Percentage changes on the same month of the previous year
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	112.2	+0.2	+0.1
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	119.8	+0.3	+4.4
Clothing and footwear	93.3	-15.2	+0.2
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel	114.9	+0.3	-1.5
Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	109.2	-0.6	+1.2
Health	107.3	-0.3	+2.2
Transport	110.4	+0.5	+3.7
Communications	83.8	-0.8	+0.4
Recreation and culture	104.3	-0.7	+0.8
Education	112.7	+0.3	+2.5
Hotels, cafes and restaurants	109.1	+0.1	+1.5
Miscellaneous goods and services	112.5	-0.4	+3.1
<b>All - items</b>	<b>108.3</b>	<b>-1.5</b>	<b>+1.3</b>

For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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