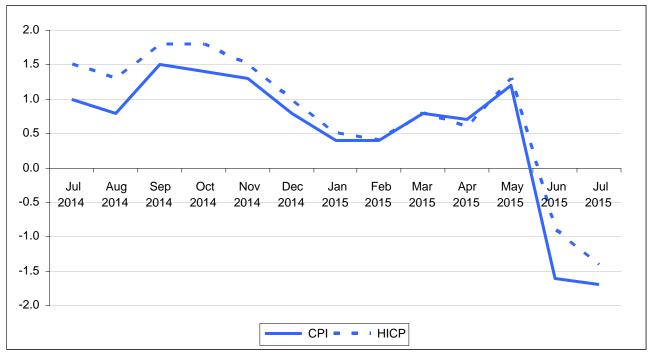
PRESS RELEASE

Domain: Consumer prices

IN JULY 2015, THE ANNUAL RATE OF CONSUMER PRICES WAS -1.7%

- In July 2015 compared to July 2014, the consumer prices were 1.7% lower as measured by the CPI and 1.4% lower as measured by the HICP.
- In July 2015, the weight of the goods and services for which a price fall was observed compared to July 2014 was 40.0%; the goods and services whose prices increased within a range of 0-2.5% had a weight of 34.5%. The goods and services whose prices grew by more than 2.5% had a weight of 25.5%.
- The average price increase based on the CPI over the last 12 months (August 2014-July 2015) as compared to the previous 12 months (August 2013-July 2014) was 0.5%. The price increase based on the HICP was 0.7%.

Graph: The annual change in consumer prices (%)



The data of the graph in Excel format

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

percentages –

	CPI July 2015 compared to:		Monthly average inflation rate over the period 1 I-31 VII		
	June	December	July	2015	2014
	2015	2014	2014		
Food goods	98.83	92.95	92.75	-1.0	0.0
Non-food goods	100.48	102.12	101.26	0.3	0.3
Services	100.09	101.26	102.20	0.2	0.2
ALL ITEMS	99.83	98.61	98.33	-0.2	0.2

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Table 2: Partial indices of consumer prices, calculated by excluding certain items from the CPI

previous month=100

	July 2015 %
All-items CPI excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco	99.82
All-items CPI excluding fuels	99.87
All-items CPI excluding products whose prices are regulated	99.43
All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit, eggs, fuels and products whose prices are ${\sf regulated}^*$	99.94
All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit, eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated** ⁾ , beverages and tobacco	99.93
ALL ITEMS	99.83

Note: The partial indices are a selection of special aggregates used in analyses on inflation.

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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 July 2015 Consumer Price Indices for the main food goods, non-food goods and services are presented in the annex. The data presented in the annex can be accessed through the Excel file attached to the press release on the homepage.

For the calculation of the CPI in 2015, the weighting coefficients are determined based on the data from the Family Budget Survey for 2013. In the case of the HICP, the weighting coefficients are determined on the basis of the national accounts data for the same year, 2013.

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[&]quot;) <u>Products whose prices are regulated</u>: medicines, electric energy, natural gas, heat energy, rail transport, water transport, mail and courier, radio-TV subscription, issuance of identity cards, driving licences, passports, water, sewerage, sanitation, urban public transport, rents set by local administration

[&]quot;In order to more accurately meet the need to analyse inflation, as of September 2014 the <u>fruit</u> group includes, besides fresh fruit, citrus and other exotic fruit

THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE MAIN GOODS AND SERVICES IN JULY 2015

Weighting			July 2015 compared to:	
coefficient	Name of goods/services	June 2015 %	December 2014 %	
10000	ALL ITEMS	99.83	98.61	
3748	TOTAL FOOD GOODS	98.83	92.95	
753	Milling and bakery products	99.96	97.49	
53	- Milling products	99.89	94.37	
32	- Flour	99.95	98.71	
21	- Maize flour	99.79	87.97	
607	- Bread, loaf products and specialties	99.99	99.10	
530	- Bread	99.99	100.13	
20	- Loaf products	99.98	97.10	
30	- Bakery specialties	99.90	91.71	
353	Vegetables and tinned vegetables	89.73	95.70	
27	- Beans and other leguminous plants	100.29	87.80	
79	- Potatoes	92.10	92.60	
185	- Other vegetables and tinned vegetables	86.65	98.32	
225	Fruit and tinned fruit	98.96	112.72	
117	- Fresh fruit	96.13	116.69	
103	- Citrus and other exotic fruit	102.56	109.64	
5	- Tinned fruit	100.01	89.94	
141	Oil, lard, fats	100.13	89.40	
118	- Edible oil	100.13	89.16	
21	- Margarine	100.12	90.21	
920	Meat, meat products and tinned meat	99.89	89.57	
81	- Beef	99.96	91.58	
240	- Pork	100.18	89.28	
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	- Poultry - Meat products	99.71	89.02	
282	•	99.94	89.43	
14	- Tinned meat Fish and tinned fish	100.06	88.92	
136		99.67	90.68	
100	- Fresh fish	99.67	90.75	
9	- Tinned fish and other fish products	99.55	91.07	
558	Milk and dairy products	99.79	89.46	
265	- Milk – total	99.62	88.46	
196	- Cow's milk	99.54	88.21	
139	- Cheese – total	100.03	90.68	
78	- Cow's feta cheese	100.12	90.80	
56	- Sheep's feta cheese	99.90	90.50	
23	- Butter	99.59	89.07	
64	Eggs	101.27	74.73	
175	Sugar, confectioneries and honey	99.95	89.16	
72	- Sugar	100.06	85.79	
20	- Honey	99.83	96.31	
112	Cocoa and coffee	99.81	89.88	
109	- Coffee	99.81	89.89	
123	Alcoholic beverages	99.93	99.78	
27	- Wine	99.94	99.94	
20	- Brandy, plum brandy and other beverages	100.12	101.02	
73	- Beer	99.87	99.35	
188	Other food products	99.96	89.14	

Weighting		July 2015 compared to:	
coefficient	Name of goods/services	June 2015 %	December 2014 %
4405	TOTAL NON-FOOD GOODS	100.48	102.12
351	Clothing, hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.07	100.84
0	- Fabrics	100.08	100.88
247	- Wearing apparel	100.08	100.87
79	- Knitwear	100.01	100.75
12	- Hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.09	100.81
264	Footwear	100.00	100.91
164	- Leather footwear	99.96	100.72
149	Household products, furniture	100.07	100.75
26	- Furniture	99.99	100.56
15	- Refrigerators and freezers	100.09	100.61
10	- Washing machines	100.07	100.58
4	- Gas stoves, gas cylinders	100.07	100.68
26	- Household articles	100.04	100.85
252	Chemicals	100.05	100.35
7	- Varnishes and paints	100.02	100.43
166	- Detergents	100.06	100.15
2	- Domestic soap	100.16	100.90
216	Cultural and sporting products	99.92	100.49
98	- Books, newspapers, magazines	100.04	100.33
67	- Watches, audio and video devices, sporting goods	100.00	101.12
51	- Cars and spare parts	99.58	99.97
656	Hygiene articles, cosmetics and medical goods	98.01	98.34
256	- Hygiene articles, cosmetics	100.11	100.70
399	- Medical goods	96.64	96.81
381	- Medicines	96.47	96.62
809	Fuels	99.44	102.91
615	Tobacco, cigarettes	99.97	102.74
1024	Electric energy, gas and central heating	103.78	105.43
589	- Electric energy	100.14	105.16
332	- Gas	111.23	107.23
103	- Heat energy	100.00	100.62
69	Other non-food goods	100.00	100.36
1847	TOTAL SERVICES	100.09	101.26
17	Making and repairing of clothing and footwear	100.10	101.09
93	Rent	99.78	100.18
304	Water, sewerage, sanitation	100.95	104.11
215	Cinemas, theatres, museums, expenditure on education and tourism	100.11	100.79
19	Car and electronic repairs, photo works	100.18	101.53
108	Medical care	100.13	103.09
49	Hygiene and cosmetics	100.20	101.70
84	Urban transport	100.01	102.03
95	Interurban transport (other transport types)	99.99	101.29
8	- Rail	100.00	100.00
11	- Road	99.97	101.32
54	- Bus – subscriptions	100.05	101.56
5	- Air	99.33	99.53
632	Post and telecommunications	99.56	99.84
4	- Mail services	100.00	100.00
444	- Phone	99.33	99.54
184	- Radio-TV subscription	100.10	100.54
123	Restaurants, coffee shops, canteens	100.10	99.75

20	Other industrial-type services	100.17	101.07
88	Other services	100.95	102.26
1	- Payment for accommodation in hotel units	100.11	101.33