

Domain: Consumer prices

### **INFLATION AND THE EVOLUTION OF CONSUMER PRICES: FEBRUARY 2022**

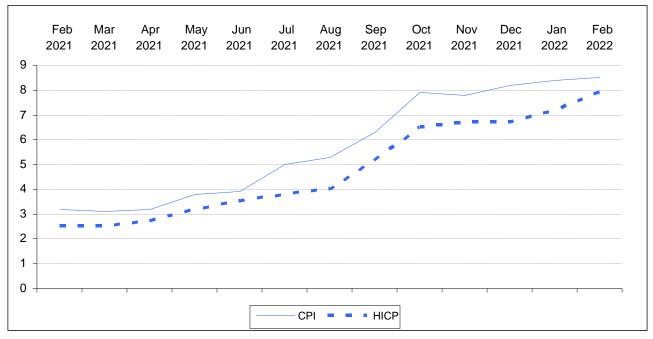
## 1. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) – indicator for determining inflation at national level

- Consumer prices were up 0.6% in February 2022 from January 2022.
- The inflation rate since the beginning of the year (February 2022 compared to December 2021) is 2.1%.
- The annual inflation rate in February 2022 compared to February 2021 is 8.5%.
- The average consumer price rate over the last 12 months (March 2021-February 2022) as compared to the previous 12 months (March 2020-February 2021) is 6.0%.

## 2. The Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) - indicator for determining inflation at the level of EU Member States

- The Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices in February 2022 compared to January 2022 is 101.04%.
- The HICP-based annual inflation rate in February 2022 compared to February 2021 is 7.9%.
- The HICP-based average consumer price rate over the last 12 months (March 2021-February 2022) as compared to the previous 12 months (March 2020-February 2021) is 5.0%.

#### Graph: The annual change in consumer prices (%)



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

percentages -

	February 2022 compared to:			Monthly average inflation rate		
				over the period 1 I-28 II		
	January	December	February	2022	2021	
	2022	2021	2021	2022	2021	
Food goods	101.96	103.13	108.84	1.6	0.5	
Non-food goods	99.70	101.42	109.33	0.7	1.4	
Services	100.60	101.98	106.08	1.0	0.2	
ALL ITEMS	100.58	102.07	108.53	1.0	0.9	

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Table 2: Partial indices calculated by excluding certain items from the CPI

- previous month = 100 -

	February 2022 %
(a) All-items CPI excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco	100.57
(b) All-items CPI excluding fuels	100.18
(c) All-items CPI excluding products whose prices are regulated*	100.59
(d) All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit**, eggs, fuels, electric energy, natural gas and products whose prices are regulated*	100.89
(e) All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit**, eggs, fuels, electric energy, natural gas and products whose prices are regulated*, alcoholic beverages and tobacco	100.91
ALL ITEMS	100.58

<sup>\*)</sup> Products whose prices are regulated: medicines, heat energy, rail transport, water transport, mail and courier, issuance of identity cards, driving licences,

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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 weighting coefficients and the February Consumer Price Indices for the main food goods, non-food goods and services are presented in the annex. The data presented in the annex (xls) can be accessed through the .rar file attached to the press release on the homepage.

For more information, please see Price Statistical Bulletin No. 02/2022.

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passports, water supply, sewage collection, refuse collection, urban public transport, rents set by local administration
\*\*) 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

# THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE MAIN GOODS AND SERVICES IN FEBRUARY 2022

Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services		February 2022 compared to:			
		January				
		2022 %	2021 %	2021 %		
10000	ALL ITEMS	100.58	102.07	108.53		
3302	TOTAL FOOD GOODS	101.96	103.13	108.84		
535	Milling and bakery products	102.55	103.90	112.48		
36	- Milling products	102.91	106.08	117.56		
21	- Flour	103.31	106.56	116.38		
15	- Maize flour	102.36	105.42	119.23		
419	- Bread, loaf products and specialities	102.65	103.85	112.83		
352	- Bread	102.75	104.01	113.43		
9	- Loaf products	102.62	103.46	112.60		
34	- Bakery specialities	102.08	103.05	110.45		
342	Vegetables and tinned vegetables	105.94	108.67	114.89		
20	- Beans and other leguminous plants	99.90	100.22	106.30		
54	- Potatoes	104.70	106.91	130.58		
195	- Other vegetables and tinned vegetables	107.11	110.27	113.51		
239	Fruit and tinned fruit	102.57	103.05	108.78		
116	- Fresh fruit	102.63	104.66	107.93		
114	- Citrus and other southern fruit	102.64	101.53	110.51		
8	- Tinned fruit	100.76	101.42	106.48		
78	Oil, lard, fats	101.82	103.39	124.38		
68	- Edible oil	101.84	103.38	126.12		
9	- Margarine	101.63	103.19	114.33		
832	Meat, meat products and tinned meat	100.99	101.78	105.88		
73	- Beef	100.92	101.76	105.68		
247	- Pork	100.65	101.80	103.08		
178	- Poultry	100.03	103.28	104.23		
282	- Meat products	100.85	103.28	107.61		
18	- Tinned meat	101.96	101.44	105.53		
124	Fish and tinned fish	101.37	102.44	103.32		
91	- Fresh fish	101.48	102.91	1103.37		
15	- Tinned fish and other fish products	101.48	103.28	105.09		
509	Milk and dairy products	101.03	101.57	105.09		
208	- Milk – total	101.44	102.37	105.87		
140	- Cow's milk	101.44	102.33	105.87		
128	- Cow s milk - Cheese – total	101.75	102.46	103.79		
76	- Cheese – total - Cow's feta cheese	101.75	103.17	109.50		
51	- Sheep's feta cheese	102.26	102.04	110.27		
	- Butter	102.26		106.04		
35 57		102.06	102.95 103.13	106.04		
	Eggs Sugar, confectionery and honey	100.67	103.13	109.67		
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25	- Sugar	101.11	101.48	112.51		
24	- Honey	101.08	101.64	104.71		
86	Cocoa and coffee - Coffee	101.45	102.51	106.06		
64		101.69	102.86	106.78		
127	Alcoholic beverages	100.81	101.65	104.70		
32	- Wine  Fruit brandy spirits and other alcoholic boyerages	100.72	101.51	105.33		
22	- Fruit brandy, spirits and other alcoholic beverages	100.69	101.50	103.48		
70	- Beer	100.90	101.77	104.78		
235	Other food products	100.81	101.60	105.03		
4938	TOTAL NON-FOOD GOODS  Clothing hosiony trimmings habordashory	99.70	101.42	109.33		
482	Clothing, hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.42	100.84	103.52		

Weighting			February 2022 compared to:	
coefficient	Name of goods/services	January 2022	December 2021	February 2021
8	- Fabrics	% 100.58	% 101.19	% 104.70
346	- Wearing apparel	100.38	101.19	104.70
	- Knitwear	100.40		
92 19	- Hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.49	101.09 100.92	104.10 102.83
335	Footwear	100.49	100.92	102.83
	- Leather footwear			
229		100.05	100.15	103.64
352	Household products, furniture	100.29	100.92	103.32
66	- Furniture	100.21	100.82	103.93
33	- Refrigerators and freezers	100.17	101.03	103.60
46	- Washing machines	100.67	101.36	104.39
9	- Gas stoves, gas cylinders	100.34	101.26	103.41
52	- Household articles	100.22	100.97	102.99
272	Chemicals	100.59	100.96	103.12
10	- Varnishes and paints	100.26	100.67	104.17
158	- Detergents	100.78	101.06	103.26
2	- Laundry soap	100.43	101.10	102.92
314	Cultural and sporting products	100.42	101.65	104.32
67	- Books, newspapers, magazines	100.67	103.82	106.41
143	- Watches, audio and video devices, sporting goods	100.21	101.01	103.39
103	- Cars and spare parts	100.55	101.11	104.39
784	Hygiene, cosmetic and medical items	100.52	100.92	102.68
286	- Hygiene and cosmetic items	100.81	101.27	103.74
498	- Medical items	100.36	100.72	102.01
376	- Medicines	100.24	100.54	101.53
803	Fuels	104.51	108.26	127.24
705	Tobacco, cigarettes	100.66	101.94	107.32
826	Electric energy, gas and central heating	92.60	95.78	110.96
471	- Electric energy***	94.04	94.78	91.96
302	- Gas***	90.03	95.63	144.94
53	- Heat energy	99.51	105.87	120.99
65	Other non-food goods	101.68	102.40	108.27
1760	TOTAL SERVICES	100.60	101.98	106.08
15	Making and repairing of clothing and footwear	101.20	102.27	107.04
98	Rent Water supply sewage collection, refuse collection	100.08	100.58	103.51
241	Water supply, sewage collection, refuse collection	100.98	105.39	112.84
90	Cinemas, theatres, museums, expenditure on education and tourism	100.30	101.17	104.36
24	Car and electronic repairs, photo works	100.87	101.74	106.02
143	Medical care	100.61	101.63	106.93
111	Hygiene and cosmetics	101.27	102.25	106.52
72	Urban transport	100.02	101.73	104.84
54	Interurban transport (other transport types)	99.19	101.40	104.41
5	- Rail	100.00	100.00	100.00
7	- Road	100.07	101.52	104.05
31	- Bus – season tickets	100.14	101.56	104.61
3	- Air	84.26	100.99	110.37
530	Post and telecommunications	99.74	99.84	101.15
7	- Mail services	100.00	100.01	117.48
321	- Telephone	99.51	99.61	101.19
202	- TV subscription	100.08	100.21	100.64
103	Restaurants, cafés, canteens	100.65	102.50	106.99
77	Other industrial-type services	100.79	102.17	107.42
202	Other services	102.59	104.07	111.31
59	- Payment for accommodation in hotel units	100.65	102.05	103.27

<sup>\*\*\*)</sup> The provisions of GEO No 118/2021 establishing a compensation scheme for electric energy and natural gas consumption during the cold season were taken into account. For additional information on the manner in which the price indices are calculated, please see the Methodological explanations attached to the press release on the homepage.