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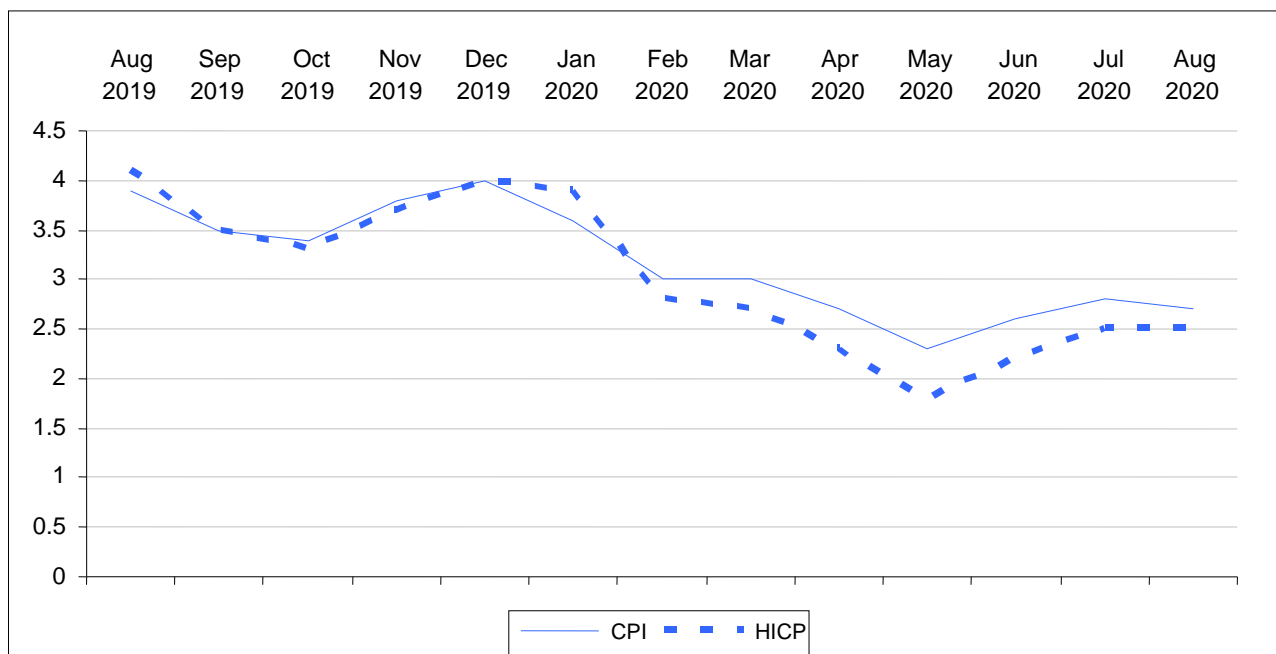
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Domain: Consumer prices

THE EVOLUTION OF CONSUMER PRICES IN AUGUST 2020

- Consumer prices were up 2.7% in August 2020 compared to August 2019. The annual rate calculated on the basis of the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) is 2.5%.
- The average consumer price rate based on the CPI over the last 12 months (September 2019-August 2020) as compared to the previous 12 months (September 2018-August 2019) is 3.1%. The average rate based on the HICP is 2.9%.

Graph: The annual change in consumer prices (%)



[The data of the graph \(xls\) can be accessed through the .rar file attached to the press release on the homepage.](#)

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

– percentages –

	August 2020 compared to:			Monthly average inflation rate over the period 1 I-31 VIII	
	July 2020	December 2019	August 2019	2020	2019
Food goods	99.59	103.48	105.45	0.4	0.4
Non-food goods	100.08	99.91	100.75	0.0	0.3
Services	100.21	102.15	102.97	0.3	0.4
ALL ITEMS	99.95	101.50	102.68	0.2	0.4

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

– previous month = 100 –

	August 2020 %
All-items CPI excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco	99.91
All-items CPI excluding fuels	99.96
All-items CPI excluding products whose prices are regulated*)	99.91
All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit**), eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated*)	100.17
All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit**), eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated*), beverages and tobacco	100.14
ALL ITEMS	99.95

*) Products whose prices are regulated: medicines, electric energy, natural gas, heat energy, rail transport, water transport, mail and courier, issuance of identity cards, driving licences, 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 fruit group includes, besides fresh fruit, citrus and other southern fruit.

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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 August 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. 08/2020.

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**THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE MAIN GOODS AND SERVICES
IN AUGUST 2020**

Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services	August 2020 compared to:	
		July 2020 %	December 2019 %
10000	ALL ITEMS	99.95	101.50
3132	TOTAL FOOD GOODS	99.59	103.48
522	Milling and bakery products	100.21	104.00
31	- Milling products	99.84	105.74
17	- Flour	99.85	106.75
14	- Maize flour	99.84	104.40
414	- Bread, loaf products and specialities	100.26	103.85
342	- Bread	100.25	104.05
13	- Loaf products	100.30	103.32
34	- Bakery specialities	100.14	102.96
313	Vegetables and tinned vegetables	97.04	98.91
21	- Beans and other leguminous plants	102.21	115.20
48	- Potatoes	93.42	93.06
179	- Other vegetables and tinned vegetables	95.24	97.13
213	Fruit and tinned fruit	96.77	114.13
107	- Fresh fruit	92.79	115.76
98	- Citrus and other southern fruit	101.67	113.18
8	- Tinned fruit	100.38	103.12
78	Oil, lard, fats	100.02	103.66
66	- Edible oil	100.02	104.02
11	- Margarine	100.02	103.31
762	Meat, meat products and tinned meat	100.06	103.86
76	- Beef	100.18	103.44
218	- Pork	100.02	104.30
176	- Poultry	99.87	102.05
241	- Meat products	100.17	104.44
15	- Tinned meat	100.15	104.72
125	Fish and tinned fish	100.15	103.18
92	- Fresh fish	100.15	103.11
14	- Tinned fish and other fish products	99.98	103.15
496	Milk and dairy products	100.31	103.02
213	- Milk – total	100.25	102.87
147	- Cow's milk	100.26	103.08
123	- Cheese – total	100.54	103.54
72	- Cow's feta cheese	100.49	103.57
51	- Sheep's feta cheese	100.61	103.50
31	- Butter	100.05	102.67
60	Eggs	100.47	95.79
144	Sugar, confectionery and honey	100.21	102.62
30	- Sugar	100.22	102.47
25	- Honey	100.48	101.51
88	Cocoa and coffee	100.12	101.59
52	- Coffee	100.07	101.65
125	Alcoholic beverages	100.18	102.42
33	- Wine	100.27	102.19
21	- Fruit brandy, spirits and other alcoholic beverages	100.28	101.93
69	- Beer	100.11	102.69
206	Other food products	100.20	102.99

Weighting coefficient	Name of goods/services	August 2020 compared to:	
		July 2020 %	December 2019 %
4837	TOTAL NON-FOOD GOODS	100.08	99.91
503	Clothing, hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.08	101.01
8	- Fabrics	100.08	101.04
353	- Wearing apparel	100.09	101.03
103	- Knitwear	100.05	100.95
19	- Hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.07	100.71
344	Footwear	100.00	100.97
225	- Leather footwear	99.99	100.62
317	Household products, furniture	100.14	101.29
71	- Furniture	100.24	101.49
28	- Refrigerators and freezers	100.13	101.46
24	- Washing machines	100.06	101.43
6	- Gas stoves, gas cylinders	100.08	100.92
49	- Household articles	100.07	101.27
247	Chemicals	100.07	101.92
9	- Varnishes and paints	100.02	101.05
155	- Detergents	100.06	101.16
2	- Laundry soap	100.30	101.64
302	Cultural and sporting products	100.08	101.89
76	- Books, newspapers, magazines	100.13	102.61
128	- Watches, audio and video devices, sporting goods	100.04	101.50
98	- Cars and spare parts	100.11	101.82
663	Hygiene, cosmetic and medical items	100.26	101.65
251	- Hygiene and cosmetic items	100.19	102.27
412	- Medical items	100.31	101.28
326	- Medicines	100.34	101.14
885	Fuels	99.79	91.61
659	Tobacco, cigarettes	100.36	106.81
847	Electric energy, gas and central heating	100.00	98.56
479	- Electric energy	100.00	98.46
304	- Gas	100.00	97.77
64	- Heat energy	100.00	102.96
70	Other non-food goods	100.02	101.69
2031	TOTAL SERVICES	100.21	102.15
24	Making and repairing of clothing and footwear	100.08	101.55
94	Rent	100.23	101.64
243	Water supply, sewage collection, refuse collection	100.57	104.14
178	Cinemas, theatres, museums, expenditure on education and tourism	100.07	100.93
22	Car and electronic repairs, photo works	100.47	102.23
164	Medical care	100.40	103.71
109	Hygiene and cosmetics	100.03	104.87
84	Urban transport	100.02	100.50
80	Interurban transport (other transport types)	100.30	101.28
6	- Rail	100.00	100.00
10	- Road	100.00	101.24
48	- Bus – season tickets	100.00	100.47
2	- Air	109.95	128.64
541	Post and telecommunications	100.00	100.63
3	- Mail services	100.00	112.41
338	- Telephone	99.97	100.58
200	- TV subscription	100.05	100.48
175	Restaurants, cafés, canteens	100.10	101.61
66	Other industrial-type services	100.15	102.43
251	Other services	100.46	103.49
112	- Payment for accommodation in hotel units	100.52	102.12