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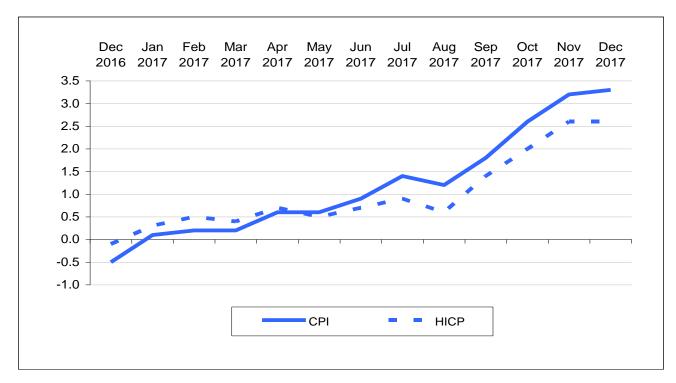


Domain: Consumer prices

## IN DECEMBER 2017, THE ANNUAL RATE OF PRICES WAS 3.3%

- Consumer prices were up 3.3% in December 2017 compared to December 2016.
- The average rate of consumer prices based on the CPI over the last 12 months (January 2017-December 2017) as compared to the previous 12 months (January 2016-December 2016) was 1.3%. The average rate based on the HICP was 1.1%.

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 -

	С	CPI Monthly average inflation rate		ge inflation rate	
	December 2017 compared to:		The year 2017	over the period 1 I-31 XII	
			compared to		
	November	December	the year 2016	2017	2016
	2017	2016		2017	2016
Food goods	100.44	104.07	102.48	0.3	0.1
Non-food goods	100.28	104.11	101.41	0.3	-0.1
Services	100.21	100.22	99.23	0.0	-0.2
ALL ITEMS	100.32	103.32	101.34	0.3	0.0

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

- previous month = 100 -

	December 2017 %
All-items CPI excluding alcoholic beverages and tobacco	100.33
All-items CPI excluding fuels	100.26
All-items CPI excluding products whose prices are regulated*)	100.38
All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit** <sup>)</sup> , eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated* <sup>)</sup>	100.21
All-items CPI excluding vegetables, fruit**), eggs, fuels and products whose prices are regulated*), beverages and tobacco	100.21
ALL ITEMS	100.32

<sup>\*) &</sup>lt;u>Products whose prices are regulated</u>: medicines, electric energy, natural gas, heat energy, rail transport, water transport, mail and courier, issuance of identity cards, driving licences, passports, water, sewerage, sanitation, urban public transport, rents set by local administration

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## **Additional information:**

For an accurate interpretation of the indicators, please see the <u>Methodological explanations attached to the press release on the homepage</u>.

The weighting coefficients and the December 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.

The next press release on consumer prices will be issued on 14 February 2018. Press release archive: <a href="http://www.insse.ro/cms/en/comunicate-de-presa-view">http://www.insse.ro/cms/en/comunicate-de-presa-view</a>

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<sup>\*\*)</sup> 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 Southern fruit.

## THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR THE MAIN GOODS AND SERVICES IN DECEMBER 2017

Weighting coefficient		December 2017 compared to:		
	Name of goods/services	November 2017 %	December 2016 %	
10000	ALL ITEMS	100.32	103.32	
3465	TOTAL FOOD GOODS	100.44	104.07	
642	Milling and bakery products	100.26	102.32	
41	- Milling products	100.09	101.23	
23	- Flour	100.20	101.49	
18	- Maize flour	99.94	100.87	
511	- Bread, loaf products and specialties	100.29	102.42	
432	- Bread	100.26	102.36	
13	- Loaf products	100.20	102.40	
37	- Bakery specialties	100.69	103.14	
329	Vegetables and tinned vegetables	101.54	100.58	
27	- Beans and other leguminous plants	99.91	101.75	
55	- Potatoes	101.32	91.00	
185	- Other vegetables and tinned vegetables	102.72	101.83	
229	Fruit and tinned fruit	98.96	109.76	
119	- Fresh fruit	101.63	111.06	
105	- Citrus and other Southern fruit	95.63	108.49	
5	- Tinned fruit	100.25	102.84	
108	Oil, lard, fats	99.75	100.15	
88	- Edible oil	99.71	99.83	
17	- Margarine	99.90	101.66	
852	Meat, meat products and tinned meat	100.18	104.40	
75	- Beef	100.81	104.40	
248	- Pork	99.99	105.50	
221	- Poultry	100.02	102.97	
259	- Meat products	100.35	104.26	
15	- Tinned meat	100.36	103.41	
137	Fish and tinned fish	100.45	102.43	
105	- Fresh fish	100.46	102.44	
6	- Tinned fish and other fish products	100.15	102.19	
539	Milk and dairy products	100.61	104.99	
259	- Milk – total	100.53	104.74	
186	- Cow's milk	100.51	105.16	
138	- Cheese – total	100.52	103.54	
83	- Cow's feta cheese	100.42	103.63	
52	- Sheep's feta cheese	100.67	103.39	
26	- Butter	102.65	122.77	
61	Eggs	106.72	143.19	
150	Sugar, confectioneries and honey	99.76	100.93	
44	- Sugar	98.87	98.26	
23	- Honey	100.15	103.11	
106	Cocoa and coffee	100.06	100.89	
102	- Coffee	100.05	100.88	
129	Alcoholic beverages	100.17	101.15	
32	- Wine	100.10	101.07	
19	- Brandy, plum brandy and other beverages	100.12	100.30	
76	- Beer	100.21	101.39	
183	Other food products	100.08	101.96	

Weighting coefficient		December 2017 compared to:	
	Name of goods/services	November 2017 %	December 2016 %
4545	TOTAL NON-FOOD GOODS	100.28	104.11
389	Clothing, hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.20	102.37
2	- Fabrics	100.07	101.55
269	- Wearing apparel	100.21	102.49
92	- Knitwear	100.20	102.28
11	- Hosiery, trimmings, haberdashery	100.15	101.42
283	Footwear	100.21	102.27
177	- Leather footwear	100.23	102.05
167	Household products, furniture	100.26	101.32
29	- Furniture	100.29	101.53
16	- Refrigerators and freezers	100.75	101.89
10	- Washing machines	100.73	101.66
4	- Gas stoves, gas cylinders	100.29	101.13
30	- Household articles	100.05	101.20
266	Chemicals	100.06	99.98
4	- Varnishes and paints	100.08	101.16
185	- Detergents	100.03	99.54
2	- Laundry soap	100.06	100.29
243	Cultural and sporting products	100.02	101.39
86	- Books, newspapers, magazines	100.01	101.74
85	- Watches, audio and video devices, sporting goods	100.08	100.91
72	- Cars and spare parts	99.98	101.54
660	Hygiene, cosmetic and medical items	100.07	100.40
248	- Hygiene and cosmetic items	100.17	100.91
412	- Medical items	100.01	100.08
383	- Medicines	100.01	99.98
827	Fuels	101.02	105.85
615	Tobacco, cigarettes	100.24	105.52
1049	Electric energy, gas and central heating	100.01	107.73
607	- Electric energy	100.00	112.18
346	- Gas	100.00	101.41
96	- Heat energy	100.14	103.23
46	Other non-food goods	100.29	101.99
1990	TOTAL SERVICES	100.21	100.22
20	Making and repairing of clothing and footwear	100.48	102.63
114	Rent	100.02	102.75
319	Water, sewerage, sanitation	100.32	103.61
160	Cinemas, theatres, museums, expenditure on education and tourism	100.07	101.72
24	Car and electronic repairs, photo works	100.37	101.94
140	Medical care	100.28	103.11
66	Hygiene and cosmetics	100.17	104.02
81	Urban transport	100.11	102.18
92	Interurban transport (other transport types)	100.72	102.07
8	- Rail	100.00	94.32
9	- Road	100.30	101.54
53	- Bus – subscriptions	100.74	101.20
6	- Air	102.04	123.29
648	Post and telecommunications	100.07	95.63
5	- Mail services	100.00	98.89
422	- Telephone	100.09	101.89
221	- Radio-TV subscription	100.02	83.65
130	Restaurants, coffee shops, canteens	100.52	102.56
36	Other industrial-type services	100.04	101.96
160	Other services	100.21	99.82
52	- Payment for accommodation in hotel units	100.06	102.18