

Consumer Price Index

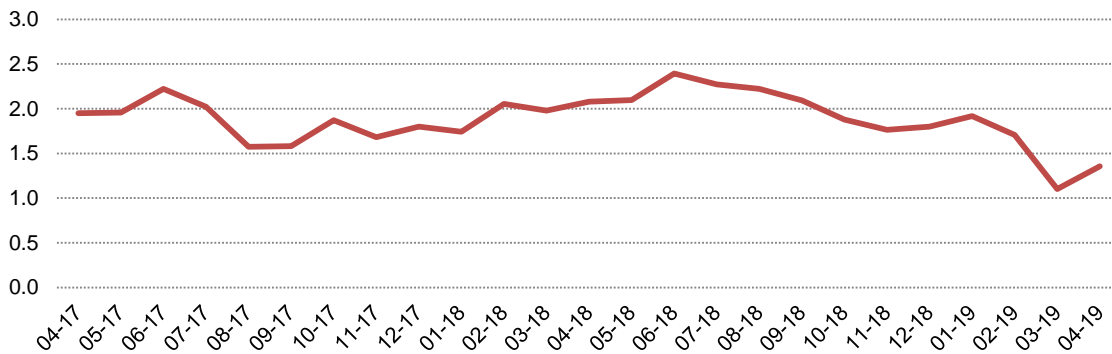
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Tirana, on May 08, 2019: Consumer Price Index in April 2019 arrived 107.6 against December 2015 as reference period.

The annual rate of consumer price index in March 2019 is 1.4 %, a year before this rate was 2.1 %.

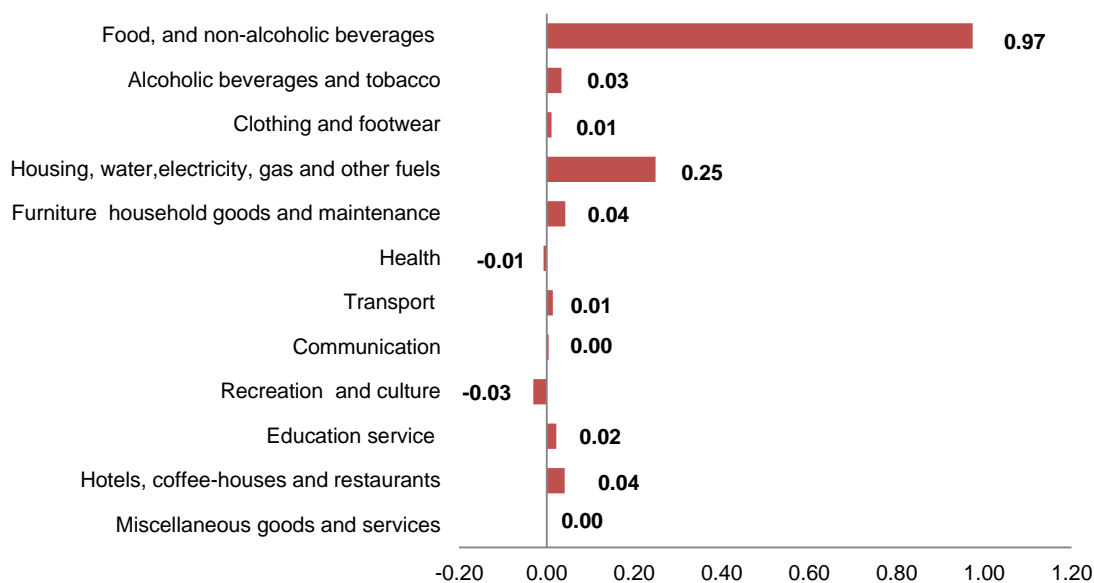
Compared with March 2019, the monthly change of consumer price index in April 2019 is -0.2 %.

Fig. 1 Annual rate of consumer price index



Contribution of main groups in yearly changes of CPI: Annual growth rate in April was influenced mostly from prices of group “Food and non-alcoholic beverage” by +0.97 p.p. followed by “Housing, water, electricity and other fuel” by +0.25 p.p.. Prices of “Hotels, coffee-house and restaurants” and “Furniture household goods and maintenance” groups contributed by +0.04 p.p. each of them. Prices of “Alcoholic beverages and tobacco”, group contributed by +0.03 p.p.. Prices of “Education service” group contributed by +0.02 p.p. Prices of “Clothing and footwear” and “Transport” groups contributed by +0.01 p.p. each of them. Prices of “Recreation and culture” and “Health” groups contributed respectively by -0.03 p.p. and -0.01 p.p..

Fig. 2 Contribute of main groups in annual rate



Yearly rates of main groups: Compared to April 2018, prices increased the most in the group “Food and non-alcoholic beverage” by 2.7 %, followed by “Housing, water, electricity and other fuel” by 1.2 %, “Hotels, coffee-house and restaurants” by 1.1 %, “Alcoholic beverages and tobacco” by 1.0 %, “Furniture household goods and maintenance” and “Education service” by 0.7 % each of them, “Transport” by 0.4 %, etc. On the other side prices of “Recreation and culture” was decreased by 1.1 %, followed by “Health” by 0.3 %. Within the food group prices of “vegetables include potatoes” subgroup increased by 14.0 % followed by “milk, cheese and eggs” subgroup by 2.6 %, “fish” by 2.0 %, etc. On the other hand prices of “oil and fat” subgroup are decreased 0.6 %, followed by “fruit” by 0.4 %, “bread and cereals” by 0.1 %, etc.

Monthly rates of main groups: Compared with March 2019 prices decreased the most in “Food and non-alcoholic beverage” group by 0.7 %, followed by “Recreation and culture” by 0.6 %.

On the other side the most increase of the prices was noticed in the groups “Housing, water, electricity and other fuel” by 0.2 %, followed by “Health” and “Hotels, coffee-house and restaurants” by 0.1 % each of them.

Tab. 1 Consumer Price Index

December 2015=100

Code	Groups	Weights	04-18	05-18	06-18	07-18	08-18	09-18	10-18	11-18	12-18	01-19	02-19	03-19	04-19
	Total	100	106.2	104.9	104.9	104.6	105.0	105.2	105.0	104.8	105.9	107.6	108.2	107.9	107.6
1	Food, and non-alcoholic beverages	37.0	112.5	109.2	108.8	108.2	109.1	109.5	108.4	107.8	110.6	115.7	117.3	116.4	115.5
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	3.5	103.6	103.3	103.4	103.4	103.4	103.3	103.4	103.7	104.4	104.7	104.6	104.7	104.6
3	Clothing and footwear	3.6	99.3	98.5	99.0	98.5	98.4	98.9	99.6	99.8	99.9	100.2	100.1	99.5	99.6
4	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	21.5	104.1	104.1	104.3	104.2	104.3	104.4	105.0	105.1	105.3	105.3	105.3	105.1	105.3
5	Furniture household goods and maintenance	5.6	99.9	99.9	99.7	99.2	99.3	99.5	99.6	99.7	100.2	100.1	100.5	100.7	100.7
6	Health	3.2	100.3	100.4	99.9	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.4	99.8	99.7	99.8	99.9	100.0
7	Transport	6.9	101.4	101.8	102.4	103.0	103.3	103.5	104.3	103.8	102.6	101.2	101.2	101.7	101.8
8	Communication	2.8	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.2	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3
9	Recreation and culture	2.7	105.6	105.8	105.8	105.2	105.7	107.8	106.7	104.9	105.0	104.3	104.9	105.0	104.4
10	Education service	3.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.4	102.0	102.1	102.1	102.1	102.1	102.1	102.1
11	Hotels, coffee-houses and restaurants	4.1	101.0	101.0	101.0	101.2	101.2	101.1	101.2	101.2	101.8	101.8	101.9	102.0	102.1
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	5.7	103.8	103.7	103.7	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.5	103.5	103.6	103.8	103.7	103.8	103.8

Tab. 2 Annual rate of CPI

Code	Groups	04-18/04-17	05-18/05-17	06-18/06-17	07-18/07-17	08-18/08-17	09-18/09-18	10-18/10-17	11-18/11-17	12-18/12-17	01-19/01-18	02-19/02-18	03-19/03-18	04-19/04-18
	Total	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.7	1.1	1.4
1	Food, and non-alcoholic beverages	3.1	2.8	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.6	1.8	2.0	2.8	4.3	3.8	2.0	2.7
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.5	1.8	1.6	1.0	1.0
3	Clothing and footwear	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.3	2.4	0.6	-0.3	-0.4	-1.6	-0.8	-0.3	0.0	0.3
4	Housing, water, Electricity, gas and other fuels	2.5	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.4	3.1	2.2	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.2
5	Furniture household goods and maintenance	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.7
6	Health	0.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-1.0	-0.5	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.3
7	Transport	1.0	2.1	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.2	4.3	2.5	1.4	0.0	0.1	0.5	0.4
8	Communication	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.2
9	Recreation and culture	0.8	3.5	4.2	4.6	5.3	5.2	3.2	3.0	2.7	1.8	2.1	1.1	-1.1
10	Education service	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
11	Hotels, coffee-houses and restaurants	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.1
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0

%

Tab. 3 Monthly rate of CPI

		%												
Code	Groups	04-18	05-18	06-18	07-18	08-18	09-18	10-18	11-18	12-18	01-19	02-19	03-18	04-19
	Total	-0.5	-1.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	1.1	1.6	0.6	-0.3	-0.2
1	Food. and non-alcoholic beverages	-1.4	-3.0	-0.3	-0.5	0.8	0.3	-1.0	-0.6	2.6	4.6	1.4	-0.8	-0.7
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	0.0	-0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.3	0.7	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.0
3	Clothing and footwear	-0.2	-0.8	0.5	-0.5	-0.2	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.6	0.0
4	Housing, water, Electricity, gas and other fuels	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.2
5	Furniture household goods and maintenance	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.2	0.0
6	Health	0.0	0.1	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
7	Transport	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.8	-0.5	-1.2	-1.4	0.0	0.5	0.0
8	Communication	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	Recreation and culture	1.7	0.2	0.0	-0.5	0.4	2.0	-1.0	-1.7	0.1	-0.6	0.6	0.1	-0.6
10	Education service	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	Hotels, coffee-houses and restaurants	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0

METHODOLOGICAL EXPLANATORY

- Methodological changes

In January of each year some methodological changes and new developments were carried out in CPI:

- Update of weights: Weights are changed; they are now based on the average expenditure from 2017 Household Budget Survey.
- Update of basket: The list of goods and service content 331 products.
- Update of list of the outlets where the prices are collected is updated.

Definitions

The annual rate measures the price change between the current month and the same month of the previous year. This measure is responsive to recent changes in price levels but can be influenced by one-off effect in either month

The monthly rate measures the price change between current month and previous month. Although up-to-date it can be affected by seasonal and other effects.

The 12-month average rate compares average Consumer Price Indices ant the latest 12 month to the average of the previous 12 months.