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# **Consumer Price Index**

## January, 2021

**Tirana, on February 10, 2021:** Consumer Price Index in January 2021 arrived 101.3 against December 2020 as reference period.

The annual rate of consumer price index in January 2021 is 0.4 %, same as a year. Compared with December 2020, the monthly change of consumer price index in January 2021 is 1.3 %.

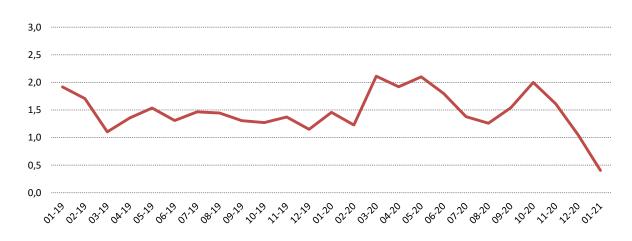


Fig. 1 Annual rate of consumer price index

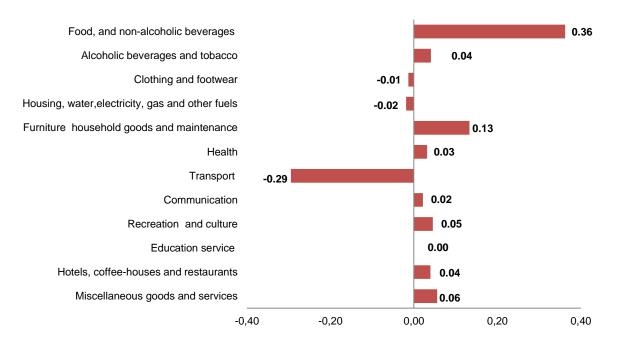
**Contribution of main groups in yearly changes of CPI:** Annual growth rate in January was influenced mostly from prices of group "Food and non-alcoholic beverage" by +0.36 p.p., followed by "Furniture household goods and maintenance" group contributed by +0.13 p.p.. Prices of "Miscellaneous goods and services" group contributed by +0.06 p.p.. Prices "Recreation and culture" group contributed by +0.05 p.p.. Prices of "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco" and "Hotels, coffee-house and restaurants" groups contributed by +0.04 p.p. each of them. Prices of "Health" group contributed by +0.03 p.p.. Price of "Communication" group contributed by +0.02 p.p.. Prices of "Transport" group contributed by -0.29 p.p.. Prices of "Housing, water, electricity and other fuel" by -0.02 p.p.. Prices of "Clothing and footwear" group contributed by -0.01 p.p..

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#### Fig. 2 Contribute of main groups in annual rate



**Yearly rates of main groups:** Compared to January 2020, prices increased the most in the group "Furniture household goods and maintenance" by 2.0 % followed by "Recreation and culture" by 1.7 % "Food and non-alcoholic beverage" by 1.2 %, "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco" by 1.1 %, "Hotels, coffee-house and restaurants" by 1.0 %, "Miscellaneous goods and services" and "Health by 0.9 % each of them, Communication" by 0.7 %. On the other hand prices of "Transport" decreased by 4.7 %, followed by "Clothing and footwear" group by 0.4 % and "Housing, water, electricity and other fuel" by 0.1 %. Within the food group prices of oil and fats" subgroup signed an increased by 5.0 %, followed by "fish" and "milk, cheese and eggs" by 3.4, "fruit" by 2.9 %, "vegetables included potatoes" by 3.9 %, "sugar, jam honey, syrup, chocolates and sweets" by 2.2 %, etc.

**Monthly rates of main groups:** Compared with December 2020 prices of "Food and non-alcoholic beverage" increased by 3.0 %, followed by "Health" group by 1.0 %, "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco" by 0.8 %, "Furniture household goods and maintenance" by 0.7 %, "Recreation and culture" and "Hotel, coffee-house and restaurant" by 0.6 %, each of them, "Clothing and footwear" and "Housing, water, electricity and other fuel" by 0.2 % each of them, "Transport" and "Miscellaneous goods and services" by 0.1 % each them, "Clothing and footwear", "Housing, water, electricity and other fuel" and "Education service" by 0.1 % each of them.

## Tab. 1 Consumer Price Index

December 2020=100

Code	Groups	Peshat	12-19	01-20	02-20	03-20	04-20	05-20	06-20	07-20	08-20	09-20	10-20	11-20	01-21
	Total	100	100.8	101.2	101.8	101.4	100.5	99.9	99.4	99.6	100.0	100.2	99.7	100.0	101.3
1	Food, and non-alcoholic beverages	34,9	101.8	102.8	104.6	103.6	101.5	100.0	98.6	99.0	100.1	100.7	99.3	100.0	103.0
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	3,8	99.7	99.8	99.9	99.7	99.8	99.9	99.9	100.0	99.7	99.7	99.9	100.0	100.8
3	Clothing and footwear	4,3	100.5	100.3	99.9	99.8	99.3	99.6	99.5	99.3	99.3	99.6	99.9	100.0	100.1
4	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	19,7	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.1	100.1	100.0	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.1	99.9	100.0	100.1
5	Furniture household goods and maintenance	7,9	98.8	98.8	99.0	100.0	99.9	99.9	99.6	100.1	99.7	99.9	99.8	100.0	100.7
6	Health	3,5	100.0	99.9	100.2	100.1	100.1	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	101.0
7	Transport	5,3	105.2	104.9	102.6	100.9	100.2	100.1	100.2	100.7	100.5	100.1	99.8	100.0	100.2
8	Communication	3,1	99.3	99.3	99.2	99.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.1	100.0	100.0
9	Recreation and culture	3,4	99.0	99.6	99.7	100.5	100.1	100.9	100.0	100.1	100.1	99.9	100.2	100.0	100.6
10	Education service	3,0	100.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.1
11	Hotels, coffee-houses and restaurants	4,0	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.7	99.7	99.7	99.7	99.7	99.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.6
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	7,2	99.3	99.4	99.3	99.2	99.3	99.4	99.7	99.7	100.0	100.1	100.1	100.0	100.2

## Tab. 2 Annual rate of CPI

														%
Code	Groups	01-20/01-19	02-20/02-19	03-20/03-19	04-20/04-19	05-20/05-19	06-20/06-19	07-20/07-19	08-20/08-19	09-20/09-19	10-20/10-19	11-20/11-19	12-20/12-19	01-21/01-20
	Total	1.5	1.2	2.1	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.4	1.3	1.5	2.0	1.6	1.1	0.4
1	Food. and non-alcoholic beverages	2.4	1.9	4.6	4.3	4.9	4.1	3.1	3.1	3.8	4.9	3.9	2.5	1.2
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.1
3	Clothing and footwear	-0.6	-0.7	-0.6	-0.7	-0.7	-0.5	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.8	-0.6	-0.6	-0.4
4	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	1.5	1.4	1.7	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.2	-0.1
5	Furniture household goods and maintenance	1.2	0.8	0.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.2	2.0
6	Health	-0.6	-0.7	-0.6	-0.7	-0.6	-0.6	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	0.9
7	Transport	1.5	1.2	-1.5	-3.1	-3.7	-4.0	-4.8	-5.8	-4.6	-4.3	-4.6	-4.9	-4.7
8	Communication	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.7
9	Recreation and culture	2.3	2.4	2.4	3.8	2.7	2.9	1.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.3	0.9	0.5	1.7
10	Education service	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11	Hotels, coffee-houses and restaurants	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.7	1.0
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.9

## Tab. 3 Monthly rate of CPI

														%
Code	Groups	01-20	02-20	03-20	04-20	05-20	06-20	07-20	08-20	09-20	10-20	11-20	12-20	01-21
	Total	1.9	0.4	0.6	-0.4	-0.8	-0.6	-0.5	0.2	0.4	0.2	-0.5	0.3	1.3
1	Food. and non-alcoholic beverages	4.4	1.0	1.8	-1.0	-2.1	-1.5	-1.3	0.4	1.0	0.6	-1.3	0.7	3.0
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	0.6	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.1	0.8
3	Clothing and footwear	-0.1	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1	-0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.1
4	Housing, water. Electricity, gas and other fuels	1.3	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.1
5	Furniture household goods and maintenance	-0.1	0.0	0.2	1.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.5	-0.4	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.7
6	Health	-0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	1.0
7	Transport	0.0	-0.2	-2.2	-1.7	-0.7	-0.1	0.1	0.5	-0.2	-0.4	-0.3	0.2	0.2
8	Communication	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0
9	Recreation and culture	-0.5	0.6	0.0	0.8	-0.4	0.8	-0.9	0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6
10	Education service	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
11	Hotels, coffee-houses and restaurants	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.6
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	0.0	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.2

## **METHODOLOGY**

### 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 2018 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.

Started from January 2021, the consumer price index is calculated with the new base period. December 2020 is considered as the base period (December 2020 = 100).

INSTAT during the Pandemic period has been following the latest recommendation coming from EUROSTAT and other international partners.

#### - 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 upto-date it can be affected by seasonal and other effects.

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