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**Flash estimate of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and  
of the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP)  
March 2018**

**The annual change in the flash estimate of the CPI stands at 1.2% in March, one tenth higher than that registered in February**

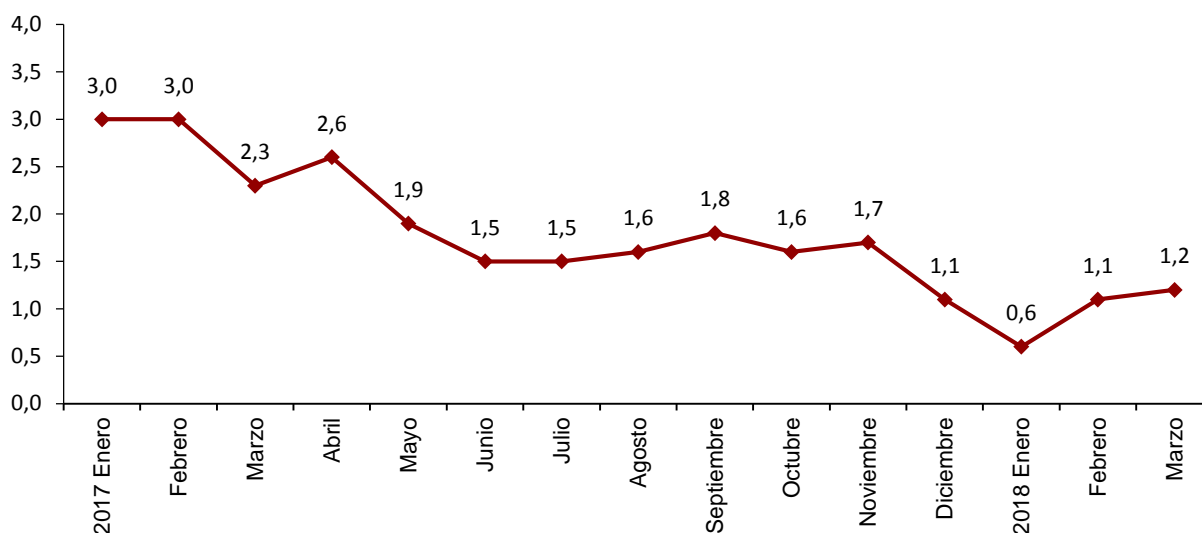
**The annual rate of the flash estimate of the HICP is 1.3%**

According to the flash estimate issued by the INE, the annual inflation of the CPI in March 2018 was 1.2%.

This indicator provides a preview of the CPI that, if confirmed, would imply an increase of one tenth in the annual rate, since in February this change was 1.1%.

This behaviour highlights the stability in the prices of food and non-alcoholic beverages compared to the decrease of those in 2017. It also influences the rise in prices of travel services for Holy Week.

**Evolución anual del IPC, base 2016 <sup>(1)</sup>  
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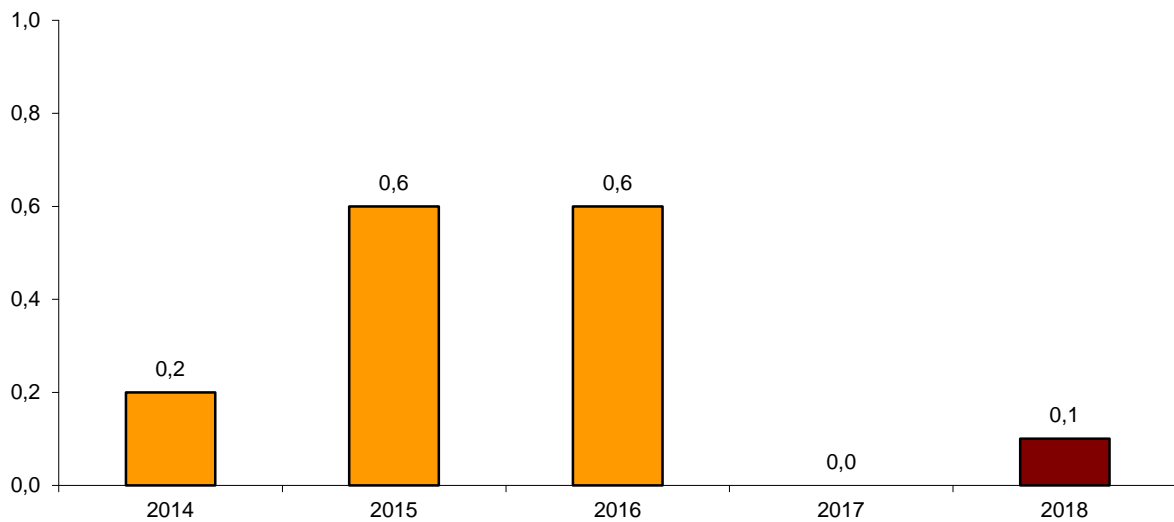
<sup>(1)</sup> El último dato se refiere al indicador adelantado

In turn, the annual variation of the flash estimate of the HICP in March stands at 1.3%. If confirmed, the annual rate of the HICP would increase one tenth as compared to the previous month.

## Monthly rate trend

According to the flash estimate of the CPI, consumer prices registered a variation of 0.1% in March, as compared with February.

### Evolución de la tasa mensual del IPC en el mes de marzo



In turn, the monthly change of the HICP flash estimate in March stood at 1.2%.

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