

Press Release

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Flash estimate of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and of the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) July 2021

The annual change in the flash estimate of the CPI stands at 2.9% in July, two tenths more than the one registered in June

The annual rate of the flash indicator of underlying inflation increases four tenths, to 0.6%

The annual rate of the flash indicator of the HICP is 2.9%

Annual rate evolution

The estimated annual inflation of the CPI in July 2021 is 2.9%, according to the flash indicator prepared by the INE

This indicator provides a preview of the CPI which, if confirmed, would mean an increase of two tenths in its annual rate, since in June this variation was 2.7%.

In this behaviour *accommodation services and gas* are highlighted, whose prices are up this month compared to last year's declines, and *food and non-alcoholic beverages*, which decreased more in July 2020 than this month.

Also noteworthy, although in the opposite direction, is the drop in *electricity prices*, compared to the increase recorded in July of last year.

For its part, the estimated annual variation rate of underlying inflation (general index excluding non-processed food and energy products) increases four tenths to 0.6%, which is more than two points below to that of the general CPI.

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Annual evolution of the CPI¹

General and underlying index. Percentage



¹ The last data refers to the flash estimate

Monthly rate evolution

Consumer prices registered a rate of -0.7% in July compared to June, according to the leading indicator of the CPI.



Monthly rate of CPI¹ General index. Percentage

¹ The last data refers to the flash estimate

Harmonized Consumer Price Index (HPCI)

In July, the estimated annual variation rate of the IPCA stood at 2.9%, four tenths more than the one registered in the previous month.

For its part, the estimated monthly variation of the HICP is -1.2%.

Data reviews and updates

The data released today is a preview of the final CPI and IPCA data to be released next month. Until then, the results are available at INEbase.

Metodological note

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of the evolution of the prices of goods and services consumed by the population that reside in family dwellings in Spain.

In turn, the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) is a statistical indicator whose objective is to provide a common average of the inflation that allows conducting international comparisons

Type of survey: continuous on a monthly basis

Base period: 2016 (CPI) and 2015 (HICP)

Reference period of weightings: year prior to the current year

Sample of municipalities: 177

Number of items: 480 (CPI) y 479 (HICP).

Number of observations: approximately 220,000 prices per month.

Functional classification: ECOICOP.

General method of calculation: chained Laspeyres

Collection method: interviewers in establishments and centralised collection for special items

For further information, please consult the methodology of both indicators in the following link:

https://www.ine.es/en/metodologia/t25/t2530138 16 en.pdf

The CPI standardised Methodological report:

https://www.ine.es/dynt3/metadatos/en/RespuestaDatos.html?oe=30138

And the HICP standardised Methodological report:

https://www.ine.es/dynt3/metadatos/en/RespuestaDatos.html?oe=30180

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