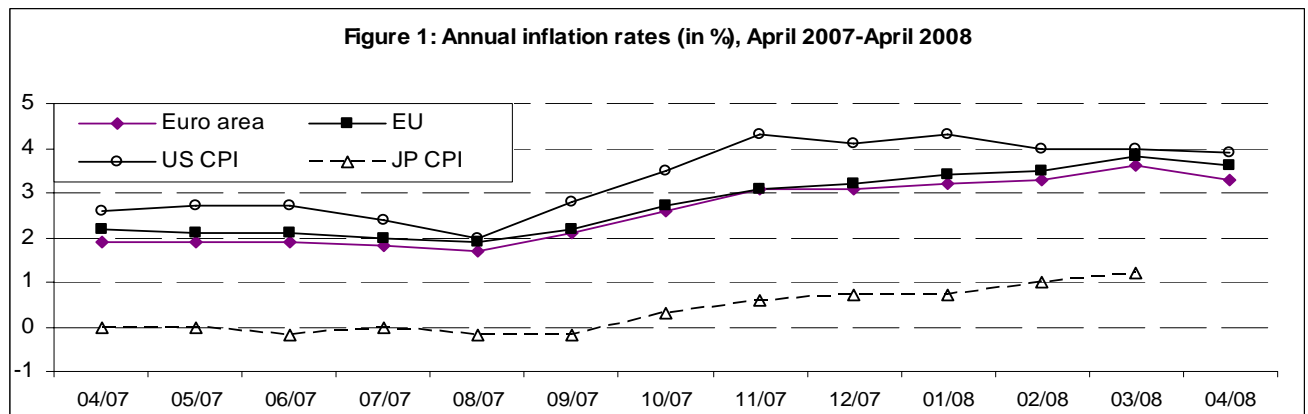


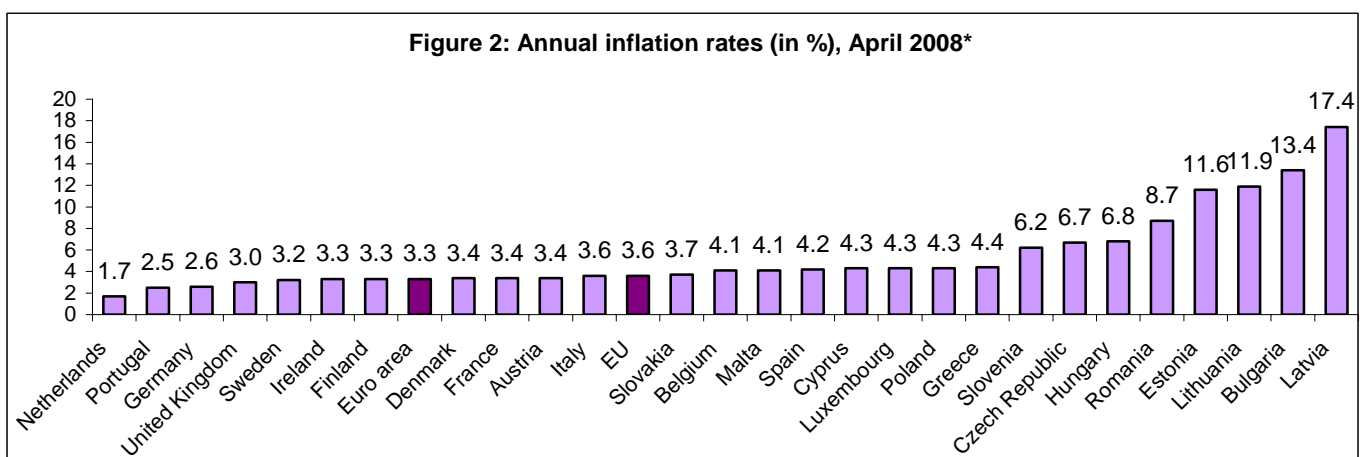
HARMONISED INDICES OF CONSUMER PRICES APRIL 2008

Euro area¹⁾ annual inflation was 3.3% in April 2008, down from 3.6 in March

EU²⁾ annual inflation was 3.6% in April 2008, down from 3.8 in March



Sources: Eurostat, US Bureau of Labor Statistics and Statistics Bureau of Japan



Source: Eurostat

* Data for the Netherlands and Austria are provisional.

Table 1: Index levels (2005=100) – HICP all-items

	Annual average index 2007	Monthly Index											
		May 2007	Jun 2007	Jul 2007	Aug 2007	Sep 2007	Oct 2007	Nov 2007	Dec 2007	Jan 2008	Feb 2008	Mar 2008	Apr 2008
		Belgium	104.19	104.08	104.16	103.05	104.66	104.46	104.95	105.85	106.23	104.86	107.44
Germany ⁴⁾	104.1	103.8	103.9	104.4	104.3	104.5	104.7	105.2	105.9	105.5	106.1	106.6	106.3
Ireland	105.6	105.6	105.9	105.7	106.1	106.4	106.5	107.0	107.1	106.4	107.7	108.7	108.8
Greece	106.40	106.69	106.64	105.83	104.75	107.11	107.86	108.67	109.22	108.85	107.80	110.29	111.21
Spain	106.51	106.68	106.89	106.14	106.31	106.63	108.02	108.79	109.26	108.56	108.71	109.70	110.90
France	103.55	103.51	103.66	103.33	103.77	103.91	104.20	104.83	105.26	105.24	105.47	106.32	106.72
Italy	104.3	104.5	104.7	104.1	103.9	104.7	105.5	105.9	106.2	105.4	105.5	107.2	107.8
Cyprus	104.46	104.53	104.50	103.79	104.33	105.67	106.61	107.02	107.30	105.80	106.16	107.28	108.53
Luxembourg	105.69	105.79	106.04	105.19	106.17	106.24	106.81	107.33	107.73	107.26	108.34	109.30	109.81
Malta	103.29	103.76	103.96	104.72	105.28	105.81	105.92	103.62	103.69	103.28	103.66	104.83	107.24
Netherlands	103.26	104.09	103.55	102.77	102.89	103.60	103.76	103.92	103.35	103.32	104.20	105.44	105.81p
Austria	103.93	103.83	103.82	103.76	103.80	104.05	104.73	105.23	105.89	105.58	105.90	106.86	107.14p
Portugal	105.54	106.04	106.00	105.74	105.30	105.75	106.30	106.65	106.77	106.62	106.63	108.18	108.53
Slovenia	106.39	106.47	106.84	106.74	106.90	107.38	108.17	109.16	109.58	109.69	109.56	111.00	111.82
Finland	102.88	102.85	103.00	102.72	102.73	103.19	103.49	103.85	103.61	104.81	105.31	106.37	106.54
Euro area	104.36	104.40	104.50	104.25	104.31	104.71	105.22	105.78	106.20	105.80	106.17	107.21	107.55p
Bulgaria	115.55	112.98	112.74	114.66	117.22	118.63	119.02	121.14	122.42	124.31	125.60	126.76	127.68
Czech Republic	105.1	104.8	105.1	105.4	105.7	105.4	106.1	107.0	107.6	111.1	111.2	111.0	111.4
Denmark	103.5	103.8	103.6	103.1	102.9	103.6	104.1	104.9	104.8	105.1	106.2	106.7	107.1
Estonia	111.49	110.14	110.75	111.81	112.19	113.37	114.54	115.98	116.82	119.26	119.70	120.68	121.91
Latvia	117.32	115.06	116.04	117.42	117.88	120.05	122.41	124.10	124.85	128.36	130.07	131.95	134.05
Lithuania	109.83	108.55	108.83	109.51	109.90	111.40	113.04	114.24	114.77	116.69	118.09	119.33	120.85
Hungary	112.28	112.05	112.47	112.47	112.41	113.18	114.13	114.73	115.11	117.05	117.33	118.04	118.71
Poland	103.9	103.9	104.1	103.9	103.8	104.5	105.0	105.6	105.9	106.4	106.9	107.3	107.7
Romania	111.84	110.64	110.82	111.15	112.11	113.33	114.43	115.50	116.25	117.24	118.07	118.87	119.50
Slovakia	106.23	106.01	106.08	105.96	105.87	106.17	106.91	107.33	107.63	108.88	109.20	109.53	109.86
Sweden	103.20	103.03	103.15	102.83	102.71	103.57	104.09	104.66	104.73	104.71	105.10	106.02	106.52
United Kingdom	104.7	104.8	105.0	104.4	104.7	104.8	105.3	105.6	106.2	105.5	106.3	106.7	107.6
EU	104.59	104.58	104.71	104.44	104.57	104.95	105.49	106.03	106.48	106.25	106.70	107.60	108.05p
Iceland	108.45	108.09	108.47	108.43	108.07	109.24	109.63	110.03	110.79	110.71	112.34	114.07	118.53
Norway	103.2	103.2	103.1	102.9	102.8	103.5	103.5	104.6	105.0	104.6	105.4	105.8	105.8
EEA	104.58	104.57	104.70	104.42	104.55	104.94	105.47	106.02	106.47	106.23	106.69	107.58	108.03p
Switzerland ⁵⁾	101.8	102.1	102.2	101.6	101.5	101.6	102.4	102.8	103.1	103.0	103.0	103.3	104.2

Source: Eurostat

Table 2: Inflation rates (in %) – HICP all-items

	12-month average rate		Annual rate												
	Dec	Apr	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
	2007	2008	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2008	2008	2008	2008
Belgium	1.8	2.5	1.8	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.4	2.2	2.9	3.1	3.5	3.6	4.4	4.1
Germany	2.3	2.6	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.7	2.7	3.3	3.1	2.9	3.0	3.3	2.6
Ireland	2.9	3.1	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.7	2.3	2.9	3.0	3.5	3.2	3.1	3.5	3.7	3.3
Greece	3.0	3.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.5	4.4	4.4
Spain	2.8	3.5	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.2	2.7	3.6	4.1	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.2
France	1.6	2.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.6	2.1	2.6	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.5	3.4
Italy	2.0	2.5	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.3	2.6	2.8	3.1	3.1	3.6	3.6
Cyprus	2.2	3.2	1.6	1.9	1.7	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.7	3.2	3.7	4.1	4.7	4.4	4.3
Luxembourg	2.7	3.3	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.0	1.9	2.5	3.6	4.0	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.3
Malta	0.7	1.9	-1.1	-1.0	-0.6	-0.2	0.6	0.9	1.6	2.9	3.1	3.8	4.0	4.3	4.1
Netherlands	1.6	1.7p	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.4	1.1	1.3	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.8	2.0	1.9	1.7p
Austria	2.2	2.7p	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.7	2.1	2.9	3.2	3.5	3.1	3.1	3.5	3.4p
Portugal	2.4	2.5	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.3	1.9	2.0	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.9	2.9	3.1	2.5
Slovenia	3.8	5.0	2.9	3.1	3.8	4.0	3.4	3.6	5.1	5.7	5.7	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.2
Finland	1.6	2.3	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.3	1.7	1.8	2.2	1.9	3.5	3.3	3.6	3.3
Euro area	2.1	2.6p	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	2.1	2.6	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.6	3.3p
Bulgaria	7.6	10.1	4.4	4.5	5.3	6.8	9.3	11.0	10.6	11.4	11.6	11.7	12.2	13.2	13.4
Czech Republic	3.0	4.8	2.7	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.8	4.0	5.1	5.5	7.9	7.6	7.1	6.7
Denmark	1.7	2.2	1.7	1.7	1.3	1.1	0.9	1.2	1.8	2.5	2.4	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.4
Estonia	6.7	8.8	5.6	5.9	6.0	6.5	6.1	7.5	8.7	9.3	9.7	11.3	11.5	11.2	11.6
Latvia	10.1	13.0	8.8	7.8	8.9	9.5	10.2	11.5	13.2	13.7	14.0	15.6	16.5	16.6	17.4
Lithuania	5.8	8.0	4.9	5.0	5.0	5.1	5.6	7.1	7.6	7.9	8.2	10.0	10.9	11.4	11.9
Hungary	7.9	7.3	8.7	8.4	8.5	8.3	7.1	6.4	6.9	7.2	7.4	7.4	6.7	6.7	6.8
Poland	2.6	3.4	2.2	2.3	2.6	2.5	2.1	2.7	3.1	3.7	4.2	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.3
Romania	4.9	6.4	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.1	5.0	6.1	6.9	6.8	6.7	7.3	8.0	8.7	8.7
Slovakia	1.9	2.4	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.7	2.4	2.3	2.5	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.7
Sweden	1.7	2.2	1.6	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.6	1.9	2.4	2.5	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.2
United Kingdom	2.3	2.2	2.8	2.5	2.4	1.9	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.5	2.5	3.0
EU	2.3	2.8p	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	2.2	2.7	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.8	3.6p
Iceland	3.6	3.9	4.2	4.0	3.0	2.6	1.8	2.1	2.3	2.8	3.5	3.1	4.5	6.8	10.7
Norway	0.7	1.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	-0.3	-0.3	1.0	1.9	2.9	3.1	2.8	2.7
EEA	2.3	2.8p	2.2	2.1	2.1	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.6	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.7	3.6p
Switzerland	0.8	1.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.8	1.3	1.8	2.1	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.3

Source: Eurostat

Table 3: Annual inflation rates (in %) for HICP main categories

Apr 2008	Main categories:												
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Belgium	4.1	5.9	3.3	0.8	11.0	2.7	-1.3	5.1	-5.7	0.4	2.0	2.6	2.1
Germany	2.6	6.3	1.6	0.2	4.1	1.3	1.8	3.5	-1.7	0.5	4.0	1.1	1.7
Ireland	3.3	8.1	3.9	-2.8	5.5	-1.1	6.2	3.0	1.1	1.1	5.8	3.2	3.1
Greece	4.4	6.8	1.7	3.2	12.0	2.7	3.2	3.2	-4.0	2.1	4.6	4.3	3.6
Spain	4.2	6.6	4.1	0.8	6.0	2.5	1.1	7.0	-0.3	-1.4	3.9	4.5	3.3
France	3.4	5.4	4.9	0.9	4.6	1.5	3.9	5.7	1.6	-1.8	3.4	3.0	2.0
Italy	3.6	5.6	2.9	1.4	6.2	3.7	-0.5	5.2	-2.7	1.0	2.5	2.4	3.0
Cyprus	4.3	4.3	0.0	-1.9	12.4	0.8	4.7	6.9	0.2	4.1	4.8	4.9	3.0
Luxembourg	4.3	5.8	5.4	0.6	8.2	1.8	-0.1	5.6	-1.1	-0.1	1.8	4.7	3.0
Malta	4.1	8.4	1.2	3.3	4.1	0.9	2.4	3.1	2.9	-1.1	5.6	7.2	1.3
Netherlands	1.7p	5.3p	4.5p	0.5p	0.8p	2.1p	-0.6p	4.3p	-5.3p	-3.1p	1.3p	4.1p	2.8p
Austria	3.4p	7.1p	5.2p	0.8p	2.0p	2.9p	1.3p	7.7p	-7.9p	0.0p	2.6p	3.5p	3.7p
Portugal	2.5	3.1	6.6	2.0	4.4	1.6	-0.1	2.1	-0.8	0.3	4.4	3.3	2.4
Slovenia	6.2	11.5	4.7	6.5	9.8	5.3	2.0	1.8	1.7	4.6	6.5	9.4	4.9
Finland	3.3	6.3	5.5	0.3	6.0	1.4	0.3	2.2	0.5	0.3	3.0	5.3	1.6
Euro area	3.3p	6.0p	3.2p	0.8p	4.8p	2.2p	1.6p	4.8p	-1.6p	-0.4p	3.6p	3.2p	2.4p
Bulgaria	13.4	24.8	7.3	10.7	7.5	5.2	7.2	14.4	-1.2	1.4	11.3	19.2	11.3
Czech Republic	6.7	9.6	10.6	-1.5	11.9	0.6	28.8	4.8	-2.3	1.1	2.3	7.1	4.9
Denmark	3.4	7.7	3.8	-2.5	5.6	1.2	-0.3	3.3	0.0	1.0	4.7	4.4	2.0
Estonia	11.6	17.4	8.7	5.6	18.2	4.2	7.8	14.3	-0.7	3.3	9.2	13.0	10.8
Latvia	17.4	20.7	46.0	2.1	32.4	4.3	13.2	12.1	-5.9	7.0	19.6	19.7	13.5
Lithuania	11.9	17.3	17.4	-3.1	18.3	4.8	10.7	14.5	-4.3	2.5	8.9	16.1	8.5
Hungary	6.8	13.7	5.6	0.8	10.2	0.6	-2.0	8.2	0.8	2.8	6.0	6.7	3.7
Poland	4.3	6.7	6.1	-6.0	7.0	2.0	3.2	4.2	-1.1	-1.4	2.7	5.8	3.8
Romania	8.7	11.8	9.9	3.0	9.1	1.9	-1.8	12.7	8.8	2.0	4.2	5.1	4.3
Slovakia	3.7	7.8	3.4	0.7	3.2	-0.1	6.9	4.0	-0.7	0.9	2.6	5.1	2.5
Sweden	3.2	6.5	8.5	-0.1	3.8	0.5	2.3	4.4	-3.6	-0.5	1.9	4.9	3.1
United Kingdom	3.0	6.6	4.2	-6.3	5.4	1.4	3.3	6.1	-2.9	-1.0	13.2	3.8	2.3
EU	3.6p	6.9p	4.3p	-0.4p	5.3p	2.1p	2.2p	5.2p	-1.5p	-0.5p	6.2p	3.7p	2.6p
Iceland	10.7	14.6	3.9	4.3	8.0	8.8	6.9	22.5	3.9	4.8	2.8	8.7	7.0
Norway	2.7	4.7	2.9	-1.8	5.8	3.1	3.4	2.9	-5.7	0.2	1.3	4.9	3.5
EEA	3.6p	6.8p	4.3p	-0.4p	5.3p	2.1p	2.3p	5.2p	-1.5p	-0.5p	6.2p	3.7p	2.6p
Switzerland	2.3	2.2	3.0	4.9	4.8	1.1	0.2	2.6	-2.5	2.1	1.4	2.3	0.5

Source: Eurostat

COICOP/HICP code of main categories

0	HICP (all-items index)	6	Health
1	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	7	Transports
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	8	Communications
3	Clothing and footwear	9	Recreation and culture
4	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	10	Education
5	Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	11	Restaurants and hotels
		12	Miscellaneous goods and services

Table 4: Index levels (2005=100) - some special aggregates

	HICP all-items excluding ...										Energy		Food, alcohol and tobacco	
	... energy		... energy, food, alcohol and tobacco		... energy, unprocessed food		... energy, seasonal food		... tobacco		Mar 2008	Apr 2008	Mar 2008	Apr 2008
	Mar 2008	Apr 2008	Mar 2008	Apr 2008	Mar 2008	Apr 2008	Mar 2008	Apr 2008	Mar 2008	Apr 2008				
Belgium	106.18	106.27	104.72	104.45	106.05	105.92	106.06	105.96	108.14	108.34	126.48	127.89	111.28	112.64
Germany	104.9	104.4	103.8	103.2	104.7	104.2	104.7	104.3	106.6	106.3	121.2	122.2	109.7	110.1
Ireland	107.8	107.8	106.8	106.9	107.7	107.8	107.7	107.8	108.2	108.3	118.9	119.6	111.2	111.2
Greece	108.96	109.81	108.05	108.69	109.06	109.69	109.04	109.66	110.08	111.02	128.25	130.07	111.91	113.48
Spain	108.50	109.67	106.75	108.19	108.09	109.35	108.33	109.57	109.62	110.84	121.10	122.54	113.29	113.63
France	105.16	105.49	104.62	104.86	104.94	105.18	105.08	105.34	106.29	106.70	118.41	119.62	107.11	107.76
Italy	106.3	106.8	105.4	105.9	106.1	106.6	106.2	106.7	107.0	107.6	117.8	119.2	109.4	109.9
Cyprus	105.31	106.42	102.75	104.12	103.47	104.71	103.84	105.08	107.39	108.68	123.33	125.80	113.51	113.78
Luxembourg	107.51	107.93	106.19	106.38	107.43	107.89	107.47	107.90	108.86	109.15	123.48	124.71	110.88	111.91
Malta	104.26	106.72	102.32	105.69	103.30	106.20	103.51	106.31	104.99	107.48	115.36	116.87	110.81	110.18
Netherlands	104.40	104.66p	103.67	103.88p	104.18	104.40p	104.11	104.34p	105.33	105.71p	114.66	116.04p	107.65	108.14p
Austria	105.56	105.82p	104.47	104.70p	105.33r	105.59p	105.39	105.65p	106.81	107.09p	121.54	122.05p	110.99	111.40p
Portugal	107.03	107.26	106.02	106.20	107.14	107.38	106.99	107.20	107.67	108.03	119.41	120.84	110.31	110.72
Slovenia	109.67	110.46	107.05	107.89	109.16	109.92	109.30	110.02	110.76	111.60	120.25	121.24	117.49	118.15
Finland	105.20	105.36	103.68	103.83	104.59	104.78	104.77	104.95	106.31	106.48	121.07	121.37	110.32	110.52
Euro area	105.91	106.17p	104.86	105.04p	105.68	105.89p	105.78	105.99p	107.11	107.46p	119.98	121.19p	109.80	110.34p
Bulgaria	127.98	129.01	120.47	120.95	127.91	128.69	127.13	127.94	125.19	125.99	119.76	120.07	144.70	147.00
Czech Republic	109.2	109.6	106.5	106.7	109.5	109.8	109.1	109.4	110.0	110.4	122.1	122.9	115.2	115.9
Denmark	106.0	106.3	104.4	104.5	105.7	105.9	105.6	105.9	106.8	107.2	112.8	113.8	111.7	112.7
Estonia	118.41	119.37	115.27	115.82	117.74	118.46	117.76	118.52	120.92	122.15	138.11	141.47	125.12	126.98
Latvia	130.01	131.29	120.82	121.83	129.25	130.37	129.25	130.44	129.30	131.44	147.30	156.52	147.45	149.28
Lithuania	117.56	119.09	110.37	111.49	115.51	116.89	116.48	117.84	119.35	120.68	131.03	132.43	129.54	131.83
Hungary	115.79	116.38	110.44	110.56	114.05	114.44	114.26	114.74	118.09	118.76	133.50	134.71	127.93	129.69
Poland	105.8	106.2	103.6	103.8	105.5	105.7	105.3	105.5	107.0	107.3	115.8	115.7	110.6	111.2
Romania	117.18	117.72	114.28	114.10	118.55	118.89	116.72	117.12	117.29	117.90	126.32	127.33	119.77	120.99
Slovakia	107.55	107.92	105.74	105.83	107.29	107.53	106.81	107.08	109.51	109.85	118.24	118.40	112.45	113.54
Sweden	104.83	105.24	103.22	103.57	104.39	104.79	104.49	104.91	105.39	105.90	114.50	115.73	110.71	111.38
United Kingdom	104.7	105.5	103.6	104.2	104.5	105.2	104.6	105.2	106.4	107.3	134.4	137.6	110.6	112.6
EU	106.16	106.52p	104.81	105.06p	105.86	106.17p	105.94	106.25p	107.43	107.88p	121.42	122.74p	111.04	111.84p
Iceland	112.77	117.20	113.16	117.19	112.60	116.85	112.60	116.93	114.17	118.67	126.79	131.41	111.13	117.14
Norway	104.8	105.1	104.3	104.5	104.9	105.1	104.8	105.0	105.7	105.8	115.5	113.0	106.8	107.7
EEA	106.15	106.52p	104.81	105.06p	105.86	106.16p	105.93	106.24p	107.42	107.86p	121.38	122.66p	111.01	111.80p
Switzerland	102.0	102.9	101.8	102.9	101.9	102.9	101.9	102.9	103.3	104.2	120.9	120.8	102.9	103.0

Source: Eurostat

Comments

1. *Euro area inflation* is measured by the MUICP ('Monetary Union Index of Consumer Prices' as defined in Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 of 23 October 1995) which is the official euro area aggregate. The euro area initially included Belgium, Germany, Ireland, Spain, France, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal and Finland. Greece was included from 1 January 2001, Slovenia from 1 January 2007 and Cyprus and Malta from 1 January 2008. New Member States are integrated into the MUICP using a chain index formula.
2. *EU inflation* is measured by the EICP ('European Index of Consumer Prices' as defined in Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 of 23 October 1995) which is the official EU aggregate. The EU included 15 Member States until 30 April 2004, 25 Member States from 1 May 2004 until 31 December 2006 and 27 Member States from 1 January 2007. New Member States are integrated into the EICP using a chain index formula.
3. *EEA inflation* is measured by the EEAICP ('European Economic Area Index of Consumer Prices' as defined in Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 of 23 October 1995) which is the official EEA aggregate. It is computed using data for Iceland and Norway in addition to the EU Member States.
4. Price collection periods for the German HICP have been adjusted from January 2008 onwards to be in line with the temporal coverage regulation. Further information on the impact can be found on the DESTATIS website at: <http://www.destatis.de/jetspeed/portal/cms/Sites/destatis/Internet/EN/Navigation/Statistics/Preise/Verbraucherpreise/Verbraucherpreise.psm> under 'Methodological note'.
5. Switzerland started producing HICPs from January 2008. HICP estimates for 2005-2007 are not fully compliant with HICP methodology.

Statistical symbols and abbreviation

p	provisional	:	not available
r	revised	EEA	European Economic area

Methodology

Measures of inflation

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 effects in either month.

The *12-month average rate* overcomes this volatility by comparing average Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices (HICPs) in the latest 12 months to the average of the previous 12 months. This measure is less sensitive to transient changes in prices.

HICPs designed for international comparison

Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices (HICPs) are harmonized inflation figures required under Article 121 of the Treaty of Amsterdam (109j of the Treaty on European Union). They are designed for international comparison of consumer price inflation. The focus is on quality and comparability among the indices of different countries as well as on their relative movements.

The MUICP is used by, among others, the European Central Bank (ECB) as a main indicator for monetary policy management for the euro area (see [ECB press release](#), 8 May 2003).

The Member States' HICPs are supplied by the National Statistical Institutes; the MUICP, EICP and EEAICP are compiled by Eurostat. The HICP is computed as an annual chain index allowing weights to be changed each year. HICP aggregates are calculated as weighted averages of the HICPs using the weights of the countries and sub-indices concerned. The weight of a country is its share of the household final monetary consumption expenditure in the euro area total. For the MUICP this is expressed in euro, for the EICP and the EEAICP it is expressed in purchasing power standards. The MUICP is treated as a single entity within the EICP and EEAICP starting from 1999.

Additional information

About 100 MUICP, EICP, EEAICP and HICP sub-indices and 34 special aggregates with corresponding weights and inflation rates are available in Eurostat's database :

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/pls/portal/url/page/PGP_QUEEN/PGE_QUEEN_TREE?screen=welcomeref&open=/&product=EU_MASTER_prices&depth=3

More information on methods and data can be found on the HICP section of the Eurostat website:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/pls/portal/url/page/PGP_DS_HICP

Further information

European Statistical Data Support:

Contact details for this support network can be found on our Internet site:

<http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/>