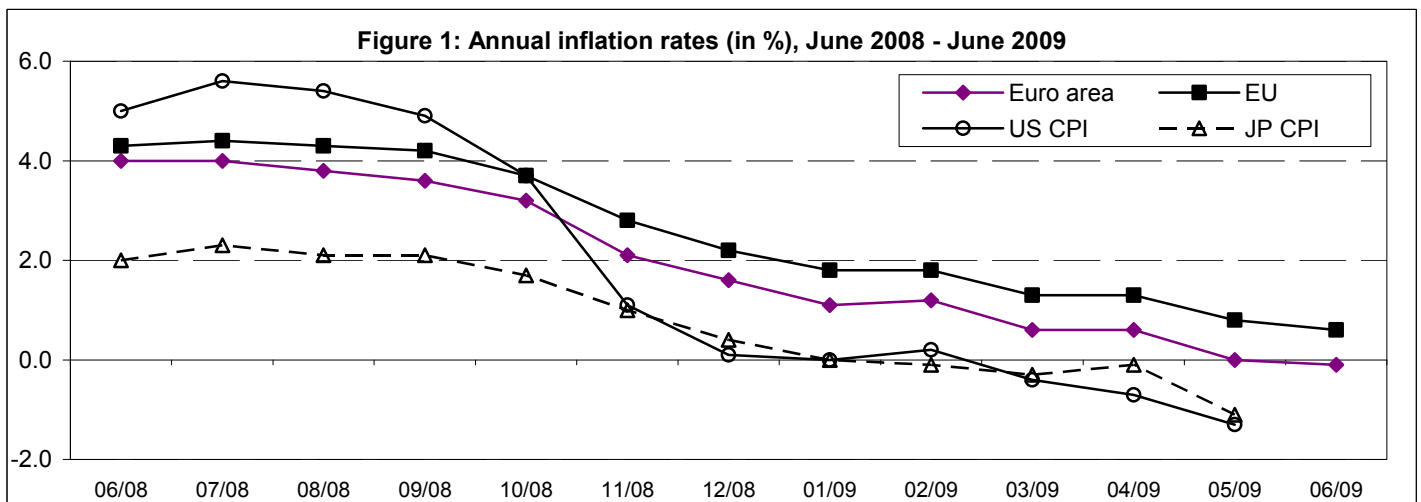


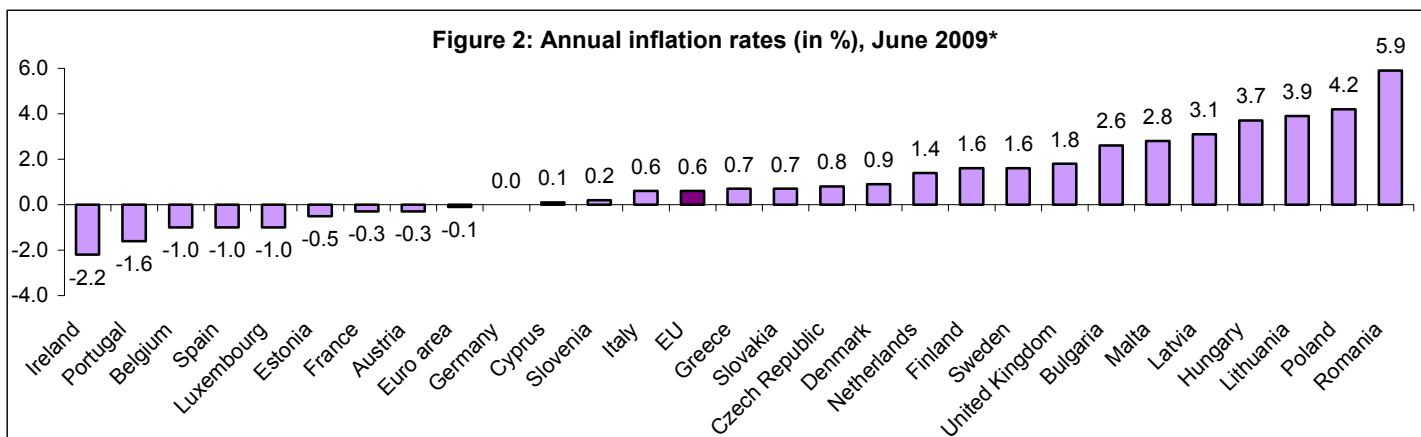
HARMONIZED INDICES OF CONSUMER PRICES JUNE 2009

**EURO AREA¹⁾ ANNUAL INFLATION WAS -0.1% IN JUNE 2009,
DOWN FROM 0.0% IN MAY**

**EU²⁾ ANNUAL INFLATION WAS 0.6% IN JUNE 2009,
DOWN FROM 0.8% IN MAY**



Sources: Eurostat ([prc_hicp_manr](#)), US Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Statistics Bureau of Japan



Source: Eurostat ([prc_hicp_manr](#))

* Data for the Netherlands and Austria are provisional. Data for France are of May 2009.

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

	Annual average index 2008	Monthly Indices											
		Jul 2008	Aug 2008	Sep 2008	Oct 2008	Nov 2008	Dec 2008	Jan 2009	Feb 2009	Mar 2009	Apr 2009	May 2009	Jun 2009
		Belgium	108.87	109.13	110.28	110.17	109.99	109.26	109.11	107.06	109.53	108.92	109.24
Germany	107.0	108.1	107.7	107.6	107.3	106.7	107.1	106.5	107.2	107.0	107.1	107.0	107.4
Ireland	108.9	109.5	109.5	109.8	109.4	109.3	108.5	107.6	107.8	107.9	108.0	107.6	107.6
Greece	110.90	111.06	109.82	112.16	112.20	111.96	111.62	111.02	109.77	111.98	112.48	112.76	112.68
Spain	110.91	111.79	111.57	111.52	111.90	111.41	110.85	109.44	109.46	109.64	110.73	110.68	111.20
France ³⁾	106.82	107.49	107.43	107.40	107.34	106.79	106.51	106.05	106.49	106.71	106.87	107.03	:
Italy	108.0	108.3	108.3	108.8	109.3	108.8	108.7	106.9	107.1	108.4	109.1	109.3	109.5
Cyprus	109.03	109.33	109.62	110.94	111.77	110.37	109.25	106.78	106.75	108.21	109.18	109.97	110.06
Luxembourg	110.01	111.29	111.28	111.38	110.93	109.47	108.49	107.26	109.15	109.00	109.53	109.86	110.61
Malta	108.13	110.58	110.94	110.98	112.00	108.66	108.85	106.46	107.33	108.97	111.48	111.72	111.63
Netherlands	105.54	105.82	105.96	106.49	106.32	105.88	105.07	105.12	106.15	107.38	107.75	107.87	107.39p
Austria	107.28	107.70	107.51	107.93	107.89	107.61	107.44	106.81	107.33	107.52	107.71	107.79r	107.70p
Portugal	108.34	109.04	108.56	109.11	108.91	108.17	107.67	106.74	106.70	107.54	107.92	107.68	107.87
Slovenia	112.28	114.13	113.34	113.34	113.33	112.33	111.51	111.19	111.87	112.77	113.02	113.74	114.34
Slovakia	110.41	110.65	110.57	111.00	111.38	111.52	111.44	111.83	111.81	111.50	111.38	111.45	111.46
Finland	106.91	107.16	107.46	108.06	108.03	107.47	107.12	107.42	108.14	108.54	108.78	108.71	109.17
Euro area	107.78	108.47	108.32	108.52	108.55	108.02	107.88	106.98	107.42	107.82	108.21	108.27	108.48p
Bulgaria	129.36	131.21	131.07	132.21	132.34	131.78	131.22	131.81	132.33	131.88	132.58	132.58	132.74
Czech Republic	111.7	112.6	112.3	112.1	112.2	111.4	111.1	112.6	112.7	112.9	112.8	112.9	112.9
Denmark	107.3	107.6	107.8	108.3	108.1	107.8	107.3	106.9	108.0	108.4	108.3	108.7	108.9
Estonia	123.31	124.34	124.66	125.62	126.08	125.81	125.61	124.85	124.33	123.75	123.01	123.05	122.81
Latvia	135.21	136.84	136.23	137.75	139.18	138.48	137.83	140.79	142.31	142.41	141.91	141.34	140.61
Lithuania	122.01	123.12	123.32	123.94	125.09	124.70	124.48	127.75	128.13	128.13	128.02	127.79	127.37
Hungary	119.05	120.31	119.59	119.52	119.96	119.41	118.97	119.84	120.78	121.39	122.46	124.34	124.40
Poland	108.3	108.6	108.4	108.8	109.2	109.4	109.4	109.8	110.7	111.6	112.3	113.0	113.2
Romania	120.69	121.27	121.17	121.65	122.95	123.36	123.66	125.20	126.23	126.86	127.21	127.22	127.47
Sweden	106.65	106.76	106.87	107.90	107.68	107.15	106.97	106.87	107.47	108.04	108.35	108.72	108.95
United Kingdom	108.5	109.0	109.7	110.3	110.0	109.9	109.5	108.7	109.6	109.8	110.1	110.7	111.0
EU⁴⁾	108.42	109.08	109.04	109.34	109.37	108.96	108.77	108.11	108.67	109.05	109.43	109.62r	109.85p
Iceland	122.29	123.21	124.58	126.06	129.26	131.79	134.09	134.93	136.58	136.80	137.81	139.77	142.49
Norway	106.7	106.9	107.0	108.5	108.8	108.0	107.7	107.3	108.4	108.5	108.9	109.2	109.9
EEA^{4), 5)}	108.41	109.06	109.03	109.34	109.38	108.97	108.78	108.12	108.69	109.07	109.44	109.64r	109.87p
Switzerland	104.2	104.9	104.6	104.4	105.1	104.0	103.4	102.9	102.9	102.6	103.6	103.6	103.8

Source: Eurostat ([prc_hicp_aind](#), [prc_hicp_midx](#))

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

	12-month average rates		Annual rates												
	Dec	Jun	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
	2008	2009	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009
Belgium	4.5	2.6	5.8	5.9	5.4	5.5	4.8	3.2	2.7	2.1	1.9	0.6	0.7	-0.2	-1.0
Germany	2.8	1.5	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.0	2.5	1.4	1.1	0.9	1.0	0.4	0.8	0.0	0.0
Ireland	3.1	1.0	3.9	3.6	3.2	3.2	2.7	2.1	1.3	1.1	0.1	-0.7	-0.7	-1.7	-2.2
Greece	4.2	2.6	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.0	3.0	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.1	0.7	0.7
Spain	4.1	1.8	5.1	5.3	4.9	4.6	3.6	2.4	1.5	0.8	0.7	-0.1	-0.2	-0.9	-1.0
France	3.2	:	4.0	4.0	3.5	3.4	3.0	1.9	1.2	0.8	1.0	0.4	0.1	-0.3	:
Italy	3.5	2.3	4.0	4.0	4.2	3.9	3.6	2.7	2.4	1.4	1.5	1.1	1.2	0.8	0.6
Cyprus	4.4	2.4	5.2	5.3	5.1	5.0	4.8	3.1	1.8	0.9	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.1
Luxembourg	4.1	1.7	5.3	5.8	4.8	4.8	3.9	2.0	0.7	0.0	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	-1.0
Malta	4.7	4.3	4.4	5.6	5.4	4.9	5.7	4.9	5.0	3.1	3.5	3.9	4.0	3.4	2.8
Netherlands	2.2	2.1p	2.3	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.4p
Austria	3.2	1.8p	4.0	3.8	3.6	3.7	3.0	2.3	1.5	1.2	1.4	0.6	0.5	0.1	-0.3p
Portugal	2.7	0.8	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.2	2.5	1.4	0.8	0.1	0.1	-0.6	-0.6	-1.2	-1.6
Slovenia	5.5	2.9	6.8	6.9	6.0	5.6	4.8	2.9	1.8	1.4	2.1	1.6	1.1	0.5	0.2
Slovakia	3.9	2.9	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.2	3.9	3.5	2.7	2.4	1.8	1.4	1.1	0.7
Finland	3.9	3.1	4.3	4.3	4.6	4.7	4.4	3.5	3.4	2.5	2.7	2.0	2.1	1.5	1.6
Euro area	3.3	1.8p	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.6	3.2	2.1	1.6	1.1	1.2	0.6	0.6	0.0	-0.1p
Bulgaria	12.0	7.3	14.7	14.4	11.8	11.4	11.2	8.8	7.2	6.0	5.4	4.0	3.8	3.0	2.6
Czech Republic	6.3	3.3	6.6	6.8	6.2	6.4	5.7	4.1	3.3	1.4	1.3	1.7	1.3	0.9	0.8
Denmark	3.6	2.5	4.2	4.4	4.8	4.5	3.8	2.8	2.4	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.1	1.1	0.9
Estonia	10.6	5.8	11.5	11.2	11.1	10.8	10.1	8.5	7.5	4.7	3.9	2.5	0.9	0.3	-0.5
Latvia	15.3	10.0	17.5	16.5	15.6	14.7	13.7	11.6	10.4	9.7	9.4	7.9	5.9	4.4	3.1
Lithuania	11.1	8.6	12.7	12.4	12.2	11.3	10.7	9.2	8.5	9.5	8.5	7.4	5.9	4.9	3.9
Hungary	6.0	4.2	6.6	7.0	6.4	5.6	5.1	4.1	3.4	2.4	2.9	2.8	3.2	3.8	3.7
Poland	4.2	4.0	4.3	4.5	4.4	4.1	4.0	3.6	3.3	3.2	3.6	4.0	4.3	4.2	4.2
Romania	7.9	7.0	8.7	9.1	8.1	7.3	7.4	6.8	6.4	6.8	6.9	6.7	6.5	5.9	5.9
Sweden	3.3	2.6	4.0	3.8	4.1	4.2	3.4	2.4	2.1	2.0	2.2	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6
United Kingdom	3.6	3.4	3.8	4.4	4.7	5.2	4.5	4.1	3.1	3.0	3.2	2.9	2.3	2.2	1.8
EU	3.7	2.4p	4.3	4.4	4.3	4.2	3.7	2.8	2.2	1.8	1.8	1.3	1.3	0.8r	0.6p
Iceland	12.8	17.9	12.5	13.6	15.3	15.4	17.9	19.8	21.0	21.9	21.6	19.9	16.3	15.7	16.7
Norway	3.4	3.4	3.0	3.9	4.1	4.8	5.1	3.3	2.6	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.9	2.9	3.5
EEA	3.7	2.4p	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.2	3.7	2.8	2.2	1.8	1.9	1.4	1.3	0.9r	0.7p
Switzerland	2.3	0.8	2.8	3.2	3.1	2.8	2.6	1.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.6	-1.1	-1.2

Source: Eurostat ([prc_hicp_mv12r](#), [prc_hicp_manr](#))

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

Jun 2009	Main categories												
	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Belgium	-1.0	0.4	2.7	1.2	-7.7	2.5	1.3	-6.0	0.1	2.3	1.7	2.4	3.4
Germany	0.0	-0.9	3.4	1.4	-0.3	2.3	0.9	-3.6	-2.0	1.8	-5.3	2.4	1.2
Ireland	-2.2	-3.2	7.7	-12.2	-9.2	-3.1	3.5	-6.8	0.8	-0.3	4.4	-0.2	5.2
Greece	0.7	2.8	6.3	2.9	-5.8	1.6	3.0	-4.9	-1.1	0.8	4.5	2.0	2.4
Spain	-1.0	-1.8	8.3	-1.5	0.6	1.4	-1.0	-8.9	-0.9	0.1	3.9	1.8	2.1
France	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
Italy	0.6	1.5	4.7	1.2	0.0	1.5	3.4	-3.9	-0.9	0.9	2.7	1.0	2.3
Cyprus	0.1	6.9	3.8	-1.2	-10.4	0.8	7.6	-10.7	0.0	2.3	4.6	4.5	3.3
Luxembourg	-1.0	1.5	4.3	0.7	-4.7	2.4	-0.9	-8.6	-0.9	4.3	2.1	2.7	0.7
Malta	2.8	8.9	3.6	0.8	10.6	0.7	4.6	-6.2	0.0	0.0	5.2	3.7	2.6
Netherlands	1.4p	1.3p	9.3p	0.2p	4.6p	2.8p	0.9p	-4.2p	-0.9p	0.1p	1.7p	4.2p	2.0p
Austria	-0.3p	0.4p	1.4p	0.2p	0.8p	2.5p	2.7p	-7.4p	-3.1p	-0.6p	-9.6p	2.1p	3.3p
Portugal	-1.6	-5.2	2.9	-1.0	1.7	1.6	-1.8	-5.4	-1.9	-0.8	3.5	2.5	1.8
Slovenia	0.2	0.0	8.9	0.7	-7.0	4.0	6.2	-6.3	-4.4	3.7	2.9	5.0	3.7
Slovakia	0.7	-5.5	8.9	-1.0	4.1	-1.9	7.5	-6.4	-0.7	-0.1	6.6	6.1	3.0
Finland	1.6	4.5	7.6	0.6	2.1	1.8	5.2	-5.3	-5.6	1.2	3.3	3.7	4.7
Euro area	-0.1p	-0.2p	4.4p	0.3p	-0.5p	1.8p	1.4p	-4.8p	-1.0p	0.6p	0.6p	1.9p	2.1p
Bulgaria	2.6	-0.2	19.6	5.7	12.9	4.2	4.0	-7.9	-5.9	6.1	17.9	8.5	8.4
Czech Republic	0.8	-3.6	8.8	-2.6	11.8	-0.5	-4.1	-7.4	-4.6	-0.7	2.9	1.6	1.6
Denmark	0.9	-0.3	2.3	1.4	1.0	4.5	3.6	-3.0	-3.6	0.7	5.0	2.1	3.5
Estonia	-0.5	-5.6	16.9	1.3	0.5	2.5	4.6	-9.7	-0.9	0.6	6.0	-2.1	6.8
Latvia	3.1	-0.6	18.2	-5.4	7.5	1.3	20.0	-3.2	-0.1	5.1	22.3	-1.5	4.6
Lithuania	3.9	1.1	12.9	-9.6	16.5	1.6	17.2	-5.5	0.1	2.2	7.9	5.9	6.3
Hungary	3.7	5.8	6.8	0.6	8.2	2.1	4.5	-2.0	-0.3	2.4	1.3	4.5	3.9
Poland	4.2	5.1	11.9	-7.6	7.2	2.0	3.3	-2.0	-0.3	2.5	3.1	5.2	5.7
Romania	5.9	3.5	20.8	2.6	8.3	2.5	5.5	1.5	10.8	4.9	9.6	7.0	4.9
Sweden	1.6	2.9	2.1	-1.9	3.3	2.1	-2.2	-0.6	-2.1	2.2	2.2	2.9	2.6
United Kingdom	1.8	5.4	3.3	-8.1	5.5	1.9	2.6	-1.3	0.7	1.2	8.6	2.4	2.1
EU	0.6p	0.9p	5.9p	-1.2p	1.4p	1.8p	1.8p	-4.1p	-0.5p	0.9p	3.1p	2.2p	2.4p
Iceland	16.7	18.1	36.5	22.0	16.7	31.3	11.8	11.8	7.7	19.9	3.8	9.6	11.8
Norway	3.5	5.8	5.7	-2.9	4.3	3.7	3.3	2.8	1.6	3.1	4.7	4.3	4.0
EEA	0.7p	1.0p	5.9p	-1.2p	1.4p	1.9p	1.8p	-4.0p	-0.5p	1.0p	3.1p	2.2p	2.5p
Switzerland	-1.2	0.2	3.2	0.5	-4.3	1.1	0.3	-4.5	-5.6	-0.9	1.8	1.5	0.3

Source: Eurostat ([prc_hicp_manr](#))

COICOP/HICP code of main categories

00 HICP (all-items index)
 01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages
 02 Alcoholic beverages and tobacco
 03 Clothing and footwear
 04 Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels
 05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house

06 Health
 07 Transports
 08 Communications
 09 Recreation and culture
 10 Education
 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		May 2009	Jun 2009	May 2009	Jun 2009
	May 2009	Jun 2009	May 2009	Jun 2009	May 2009	Jun 2009	May 2009	Jun 2009	May 2009	Jun 2009				
Belgium	108.99	109.04	107.30	107.61	108.72	108.98	108.80	109.04	108.98	108.85	110.15	108.49	114.90	114.04
Germany	105.8	106.0	105.0	105.0	105.7	105.8	105.8	105.9	106.9	107.1	116.5	118.8	109.5	110.6
Ireland	107.2	107.0	105.7	105.6	107.4	107.2	107.3	107.1	106.6	106.6	111.2	114.4	112.8	112.1
Greece	112.88	112.51	111.56	111.60	112.49	112.46	112.48	112.46	112.29	112.21	109.01	112.34	117.09	115.41
Spain	110.86	110.87	109.72	109.66	110.68	110.76	110.83	110.90	110.52	110.91	108.45	113.21	113.62	113.86
France ³⁾	107.20	:	106.66	:	106.86	:	107.04	:	107.00	:	103.80	:	109.15	:
Italy	109.3	109.3	108.2	108.2	109.0	109.1	109.2	109.2	109.1	109.3	109.4	111.8	113.3	113.1
Cyprus	110.74	110.37	107.58	107.63	108.63	108.59	109.24	109.25	110.10	110.19	103.17	106.52	121.04	119.20
Luxembourg	110.78	110.99	108.53	108.72	110.71	110.95	110.77	110.99	108.42	109.23	102.58	107.48	116.77	117.03
Malta	111.37	111.28	108.91	109.25	109.98	110.25	110.26	110.54	111.94	111.85	118.32	118.32	119.66	118.12
Netherlands	106.89	106.13p	105.61	104.76p	106.61	105.80p	106.61	105.82p	107.51	107.03p	116.49	118.53p	112.50	112.17p
Austria	107.74	107.37p	106.85	106.51p	107.58	107.23p	107.63	107.34p	107.77	107.67p	108.13	111.26p	112.17r	111.66p
Portugal	107.44	107.28	106.91	107.02	107.94	107.96	107.69	107.68	107.10	107.29	108.93	111.82	109.15	108.10
Slovenia	113.61	113.74	110.70	111.14	112.96	113.40	113.02	113.46	113.29	113.90	114.79	118.74	122.44	121.55
Slovakia	109.60	109.46	108.27	108.31	109.61	109.50	108.84	108.75	111.01	111.02	119.46	120.32	113.20	112.57
Finland	108.41	108.63	106.09	106.29	107.90	108.06	108.19	108.37	108.48	108.94	112.20	115.70	116.25	116.53
Euro area	107.97	107.94p	106.95	106.88p	107.70	107.69p	107.82	107.80p	108.10	108.27p	110.97	113.67p	111.76	111.86p
Bulgaria	135.48	134.98	128.39	128.79	136.07	136.36	135.70	135.97	129.75	129.87	116.07	119.97	151.24	148.50
Czech Republic	110.5	110.3	107.2	107.2	110.9	110.8	110.5	110.4	111.0	111.0	128.2	130.1	117.6	117.1
Denmark	108.6	108.7	107.0	107.0	108.3	108.3	108.2	108.3	108.7	109.0	108.7	111.1	114.0	114.2
Estonia	121.55	120.92	117.56	117.50	121.28	120.85	121.41	120.90	122.15	121.95	134.11	137.09	130.08	128.23
Latvia	138.12	137.40	127.25	126.38	137.19	136.38	137.58	136.79	137.64	136.84	167.76	166.96	159.20	158.84
Lithuania	124.75	124.00	115.38	115.18	122.04	121.53	124.11	123.62	126.99	126.47	149.17	151.28	140.87	139.03
Hungary	122.57	122.26	114.56	114.82	118.66	118.97	119.28	119.59	124.26	124.26	136.32	139.03	141.01	139.37
Poland	111.1	111.0	106.6	106.9	109.7	110.0	110.0	110.4	112.2	112.3	124.6	126.7	120.2	119.5
Romania	125.51	125.59	121.22	121.57	127.22	127.29	125.40	125.46	124.35	124.60	134.62	135.82	129.40	129.21
Sweden	107.56	107.41	105.53	105.39	106.89	106.85	107.08	107.05	108.07	108.29	117.03	120.38	114.99	114.83
United Kingdom	108.6	108.7	106.1	106.4	107.7	107.8	108.1	108.2	110.2	110.5	138.6	141.3	121.7	121.3
EU^{4), 5)}	108.86r	108.85p	107.12r	107.13p	108.37r	108.40p	108.56r	108.59p	109.30r	109.49p	116.58r	119.19p	115.18r	115.07p
Iceland	139.47	141.81	138.91	140.86	139.65	142.02	139.02	141.42	139.88	142.44	140.87	148.23	141.53	145.46
Norway	108.4	108.8	107.3	107.7	108.4	108.8	108.3	108.7	109.1	109.8	117.3	120.6	113.1	113.8
EEA⁵⁾	108.88r	108.87p	107.15r	107.17p	108.39r	108.43p	108.58r	108.61p	109.32r	109.52p	116.61r	119.23p	115.18r	115.08p
Switzerland	103.7	103.5	103.6	103.3	103.7	103.4	103.7	103.5	103.5	103.7	101.2	106.5	104.3	104.7

Source: Eurostat ([prc_hicp_midx](#))

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 January 2001, Slovenia from January 2007, Cyprus and Malta from January 2008 and Slovakia from January 2009. 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 April 2004, 25 Member States from May 2004 until December 2006 and 27 Member States from January 2007. New Member States are integrated into the EICP using a chain index formula.
3. Data for France for June 2009 were not available in time for publication. Due to this fact, euro zone, EU and EEA totals were calculated using Eurostat estimates.
4. EU and EEA totals for May 2009 have been revised, as Eurostat estimates have been replaced by actual data for the United Kingdom.
5. EEA inflation is measured by the EEAICP ('European Economic Area Index of Consumer'). It is computed using data for Iceland and Norway in addition to the EU Member States.

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.

Further information

European Statistical Data Support:

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

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

About 100 MUICP, EICP, EEAICP and HICP sub-indices and over 30 special aggregates with corresponding weights and inflation rates are available in Eurostat's database:

<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/hicp/data/database>

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

<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/hicp/introduction>