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**PRESS RELEASE  
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The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in September 2003 as compared to September 2002, increased by 3,3%. A year earlier, the annual rate of change of the CPI was 3,5%.

The CPI in September 2003 as compared to August 2003 increased by 1,9%. A year earlier, the monthly rate of change of the CPI was also 1,9%.

In the twelve-months, October 02 - September 03, the annual average rate of change of the CPI was 3,6 %. A year earlier, the annual average rate of change of the CPI was 3,4%.

**Consumer Price Index – September 2003**

**Monthly rates of change  
1999=100,0**

| Main groups<br>of goods and services | Weights<br>HBS 98 / 99<br>(%) | 2003      |        | Rate of<br>change<br>(%) | 2002      |        | Rate of<br>change<br>(%) |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------|
|                                      |                               | September | August |                          | September | August |                          |
| 1 Food & non-Alcoholic<br>Beverages  | 184,89                        | 117,0     | 116,9  | 0,1                      | 111,2     | 110,7  | 0,5                      |
| 2 Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco      | 38,87                         | 129,0     | 123,5  | 4,4                      | 120,0     | 120,0  | 0,0                      |
| 3 Clothing and Footwear              | 99,06                         | 114,6     | 101,8  | 12,6                     | 113,1     | 101,0  | 12,0                     |
| 4 Housing                            | 117,13                        | 119,0     | 118,2  | 0,7                      | 115,1     | 114,8  | 0,3                      |
| 5 Household Equipment                | 86,41                         | 109,0     | 105,1  | 3,8                      | 106,8     | 102,7  | 4,0                      |
| 6 Health                             | 69,07                         | 116,2     | 115,7  | 0,4                      | 112,2     | 111,9  | 0,2                      |
| 7 Transport                          | 129,81                        | 110,0     | 110,9  | -0,8                     | 107,3     | 107,1  | 0,2                      |
| 8 Communication                      | 37,55                         | 80,5      | 80,5   | 0,0                      | 83,5      | 83,5   | 0,0                      |
| 9 Recreation and Culture             | 49,01                         | 112,1     | 111,1  | 0,9                      | 109,1     | 108,5  | 0,6                      |
| 10 Education                         | 27,43                         | 119,0     | 114,4  | 4,0                      | 114,0     | 109,4  | 4,2                      |
| 11 Hotels, Cafés & Restaurants       | 96,61                         | 123,9     | 123,2  | 0,6                      | 118,6     | 117,5  | 0,9                      |
| 12 Miscellaneous Goods &<br>Services | 64,17                         | 114,5     | 113,7  | 0,7                      | 111,4     | 110,4  | 0,9                      |
| <b>Overall Index</b>                 | <b>1000,00</b>                | 114,8     | 112,6  | 1,9                      | 111,0     | 109,0  | 1,9                      |

<sup>1</sup> The press release is published on 15-12-2003, instead of the scheduled date 9-10-2003, because of the strike of the personnel of the NSSG.

**Consumer Price Index – September 2003****Annual rates of change****1999=100,0****I**

|                      | Main groups<br>of goods and services | September    |              | Rate of<br>change<br>(%) | Effect |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------|
|                      |                                      | 2002         | 2001         |                          |        |
| 1                    | Food and non Alcoholic Beverages     | 111,2        | 107,1        | 3,9                      | 0,71   |
| 2                    | Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco      | 120,0        | 113,2        | 6,1                      | 0,25   |
| 3                    | Clothing and Footwear                | 113,1        | 109,4        | 3,3                      | 0,34   |
| 4                    | Housing                              | 115,1        | 111,2        | 3,5                      | 0,43   |
| 5                    | Household Equipment                  | 106,8        | 105,3        | 1,4                      | 0,12   |
| 6                    | Health                               | 112,2        | 106,5        | 5,4                      | 0,37   |
| 7                    | Transport                            | 107,3        | 106,5        | 0,8                      | 0,10   |
| 8                    | Communication                        | 83,5         | 87,4         | -4,4                     | -0,14  |
| 9                    | Recreation and Culture               | 109,1        | 105,1        | 3,8                      | 0,18   |
| 10                   | Education                            | 114,0        | 108,7        | 4,9                      | 0,14   |
| 11                   | Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants        | 118,6        | 110,2        | 7,7                      | 0,76   |
| 12                   | Miscellaneous Goods and Services     | 111,4        | 107,0        | 4,1                      | 0,26   |
| <b>Overall Index</b> |                                      | <b>111,0</b> | <b>107,3</b> | <b>3,5</b>               |        |

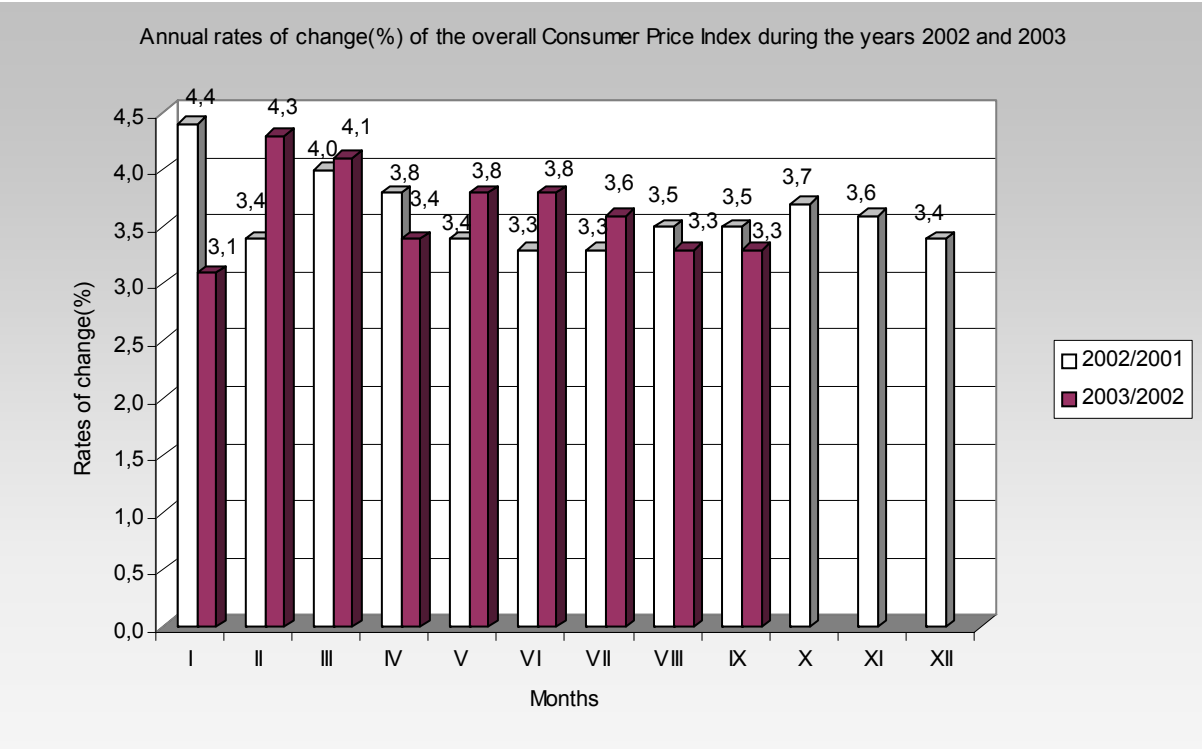
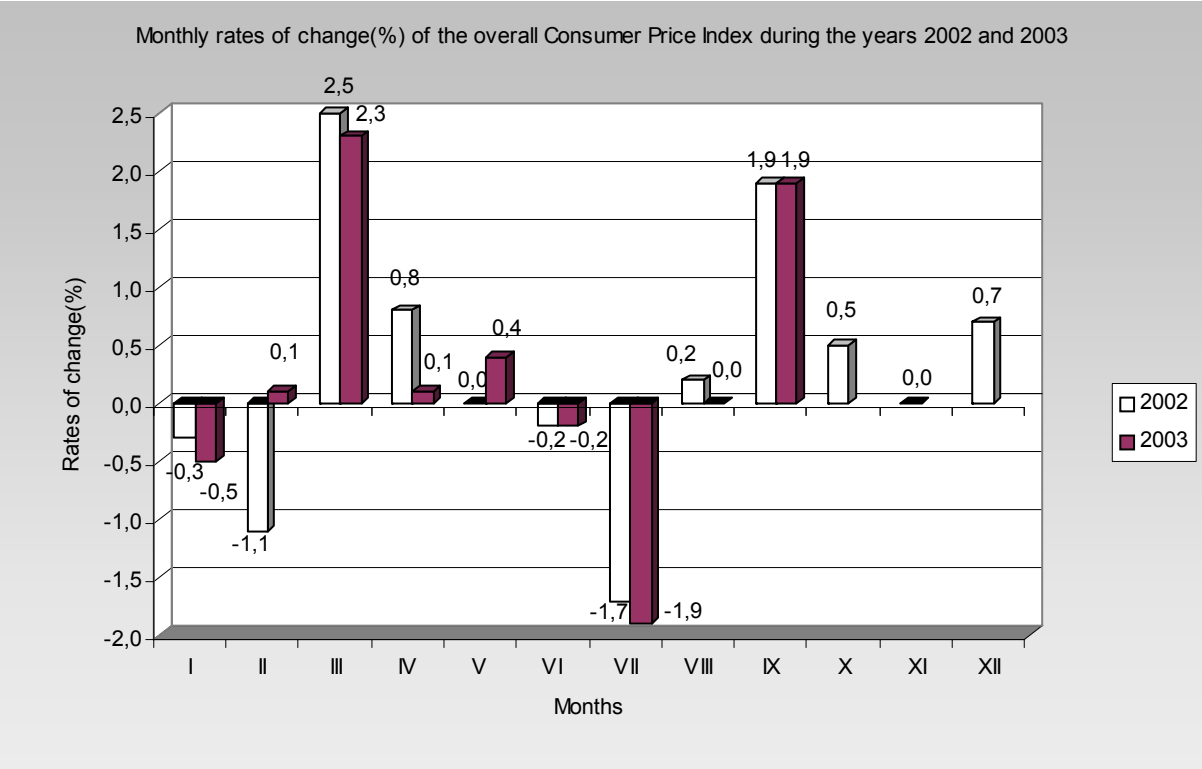
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|                      | Main groups<br>of goods and services | September    |              | Rate of<br>change<br>(%) | Effect |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------|
|                      |                                      | 2003         | 2002         |                          |        |
| 1                    | Food and non Alcoholic Beverages     | 117,0        | 111,2        | 5,2                      | 0,96   |
| 2                    | Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco      | 129,0        | 120,0        | 7,4                      | 0,31   |
| 3                    | Clothing and Footwear                | 114,6        | 113,1        | 1,3                      | 0,13   |
| 4                    | Housing                              | 119,0        | 115,1        | 3,3                      | 0,40   |
| 5                    | Household Equipment                  | 109,0        | 106,8        | 2,1                      | 0,17   |
| 6                    | Health                               | 116,2        | 112,2        | 3,6                      | 0,25   |
| 7                    | Transport                            | 110,0        | 107,3        | 2,5                      | 0,31   |
| 8                    | Communication                        | 80,5         | 83,5         | -3,6                     | -0,10  |
| 9                    | Recreation and Culture               | 112,1        | 109,1        | 2,7                      | 0,13   |
| 10                   | Education                            | 119,0        | 114,0        | 4,4                      | 0,12   |
| 11                   | Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants        | 123,9        | 118,6        | 4,5                      | 0,46   |
| 12                   | Miscellaneous Goods and Services     | 114,5        | 111,4        | 2,8                      | 0,18   |
| <b>Overall Index</b> |                                      | <b>114,8</b> | <b>111,0</b> | <b>3,3</b>               |        |

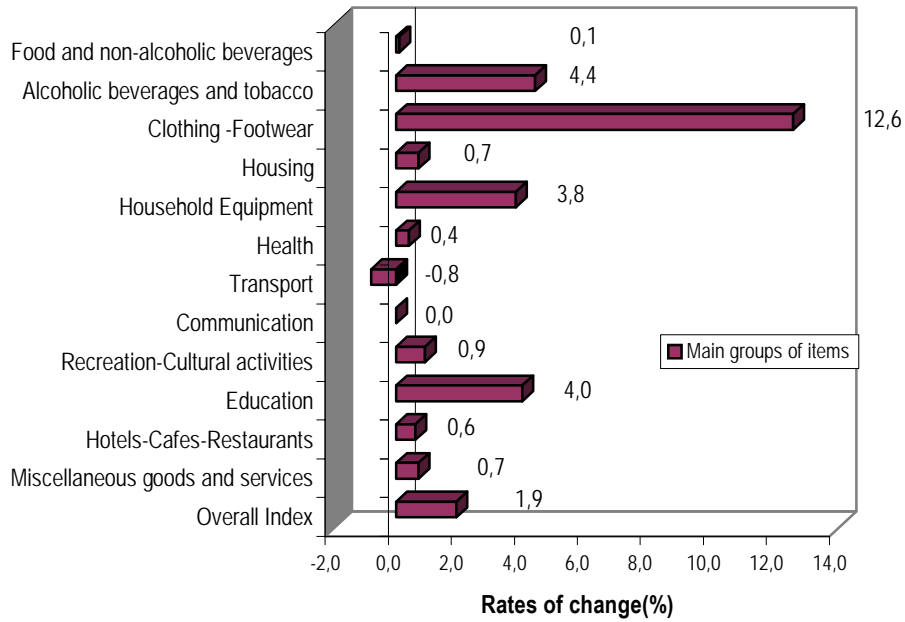
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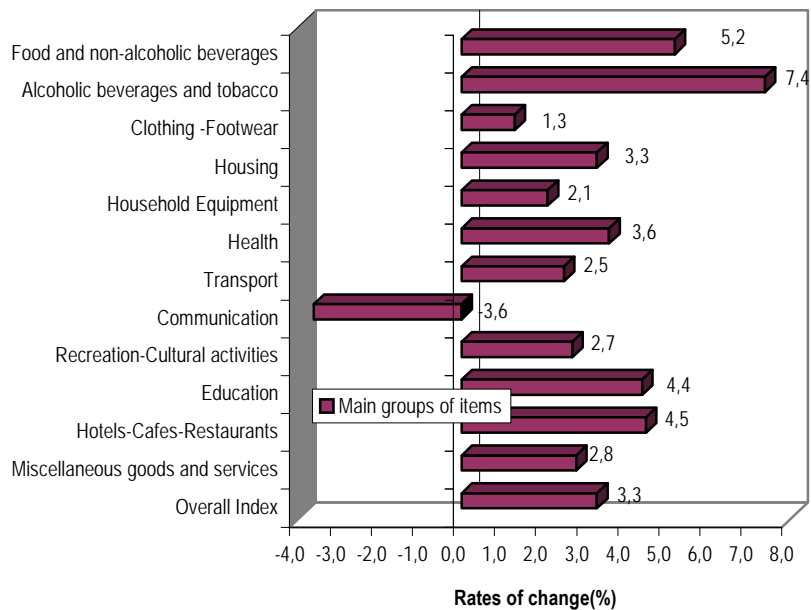
# DIAGRAMS



Monthly rates of change (%) of the CPI between September 2003 and August 2003



Annual rates of change (%) of the CPI between September 2003 and September 2002.



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