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**PRESS RELEASE
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
January 2005**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in January 2005¹ as compared to January 2004, increased by 4,0%. A year earlier, the annual rate of change of the CPI was 2,9%.

The CPI in January 2005 as compared to December 2004 increased by 0,3%. A year earlier, the monthly rate of change of the CPI was -0,7 %.

In the twelve-month period February 04 – January 05 the average rate of change of the CPI was 3,0%. A year earlier, the annual average rate of change of the CPI was 3,5%.

**Consumer Price Index –January 2005
Monthly rates of change
1999=100,0**

	Main groups of goods and services	Weights HBS 98 / 99 (%)	2005		Rate of change (%)	2004		Rate of change (%)
			Jan.	Dec.		Jan.	Dec.	
1	Food & non-Alcoholic Beverages	184,89	120,2	119,9	0,3	119,5	117,7	1,6
2	Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	38,87	129,4	129,4	0,0	128,8	128,9	0,0
<u>3</u>	Clothing and Footwear	99,06	122,9	122,9	0,0	109,1	118,8	-8,2
4	Housing	117,13	128,8	128,5	0,2	120,7	119,7	0,9
5	Household Equipment	86,41	111,6	111,5	0,1	106,2	109,5	-3,0
6	Health	69,07	123,2	122,9	0,3	118,1	117,7	0,4
7	Transport	129,81	114,4	113,1	1,1	110,6	110,0	0,5
8	Communication	37,55	76,7	75,7	1,4	77,9	79,8	-2,4
9	Recreation and Culture	49,01	115,8	115,9	0,0	113,3	112,9	0,4
10	Education	27,43	124,6	124,6	0,0	119,4	119,4	0,0
11	Hotels, Cafés & Restaurants	96,61	131,2	131,4	-0,1	126,9	126,6	0,3
12	Miscellaneous Goods & Services	64,17	118,6	118,6	0,0	114,7	115,7	-0,9
	Overall Index	1000,00	119,8	119,5	0,3	115,1	115,9	-0,7

¹ It has to be notified that this year the general winter sales started on 1st February instead of 15th January that was the case in the previous years. Consequently this fact affected both the monthly as well as the annual rate of change of CPI for January 2005.

Consumer Price Index –January 2005

Annual rates of change

1999=100,0

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	Main groups of goods and services	January		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2004	2003		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	119,5	115,5	3,5	0,67
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	128,8	120,2	7,1	0,30
3	Clothing and Footwear	109,1	104,5	4,4	0,41
4	Housing	120,7	117,7	2,6	0,32
5	Household Equipment	106,2	104,9	1,3	0,11
6	Health	118,1	114,2	3,5	0,24
7	Transport	110,6	109,6	0,9	0,11
8	Communication	77,9	82,5	-5,6	-0,15
9	Recreation and Culture	113,3	109,9	3,1	0,15
10	Education	119,4	114,4	4,4	0,12
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	126,9	120,9	5,0	0,52
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	114,7	112,3	2,1	0,14
Overall Index		115,1	111,8	2,9	

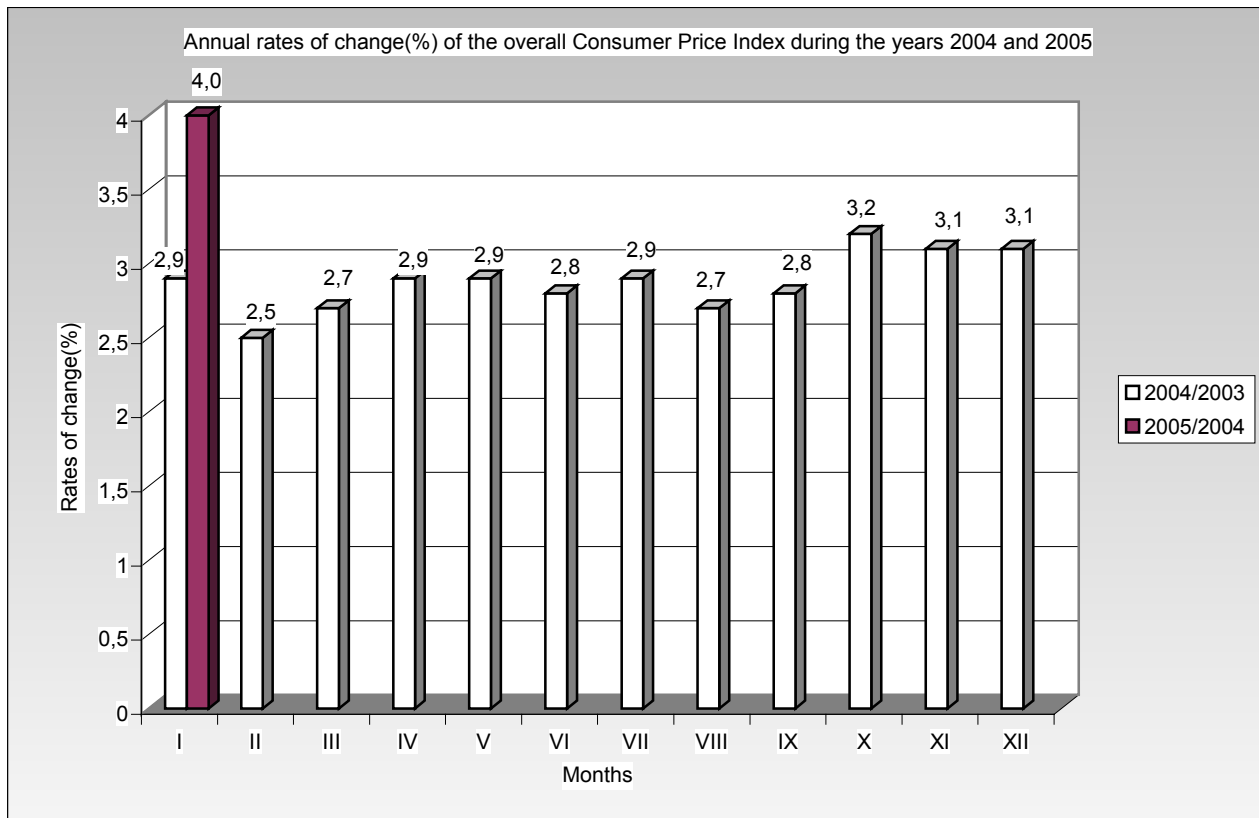
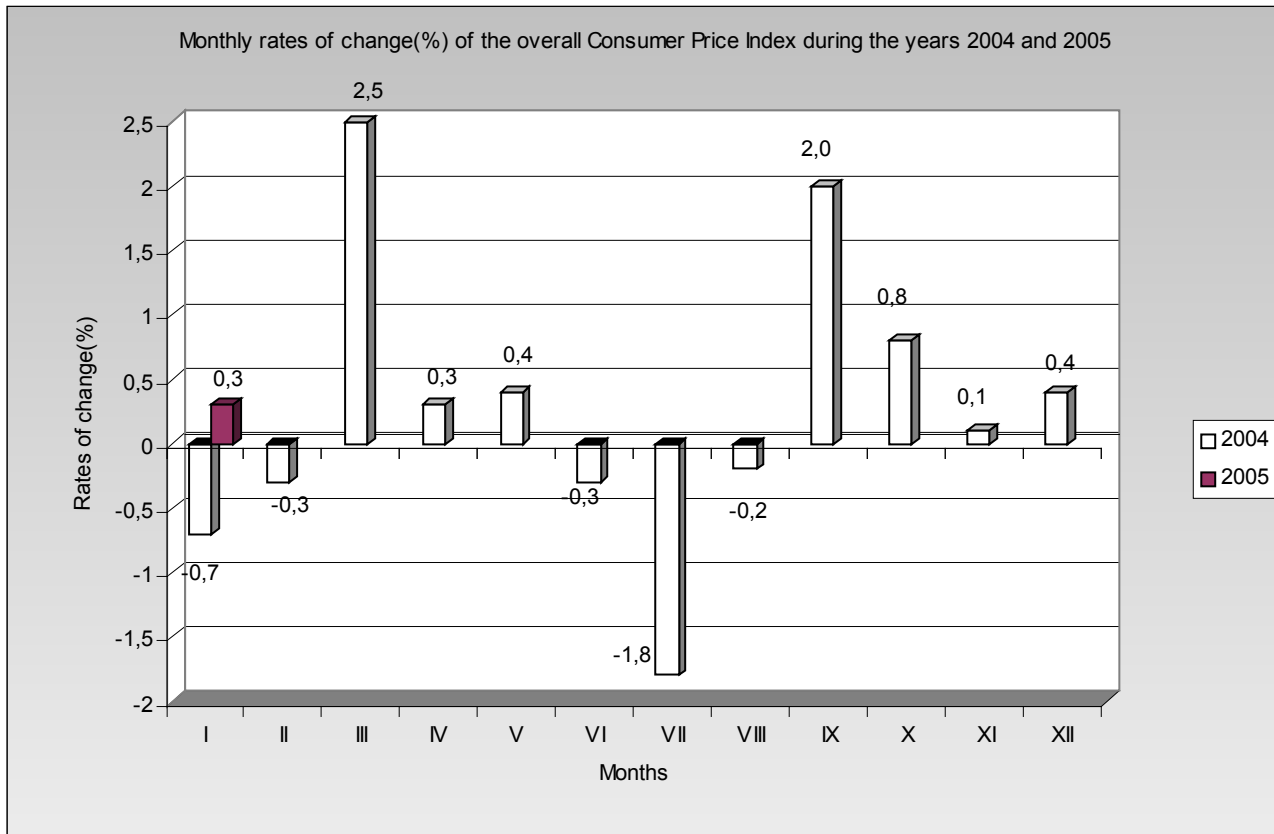
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	Main groups of goods and services	January		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2005	2004		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	120,2	119,5	0,6	0,11
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	129,4	128,8	0,4	0,02
3	Clothing and Footwear	122,9	109,1	12,7	1,19
4	Housing	128,8	120,7	6,6	0,82
5	Household Equipment	111,6	106,2	5,0	0,40
6	Health	123,2	118,1	4,3	0,31
7	Transport	114,4	110,6	3,4	0,42
8	Communication	76,7	77,9	-1,5	-0,04
9	Recreation and Culture	115,8	113,3	2,2	0,11
10	Education	124,6	119,4	4,3	0,12
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	131,2	126,9	3,4	0,36
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	118,6	114,7	3,5	0,22
Overall Index		119,8	115,1	4,0	

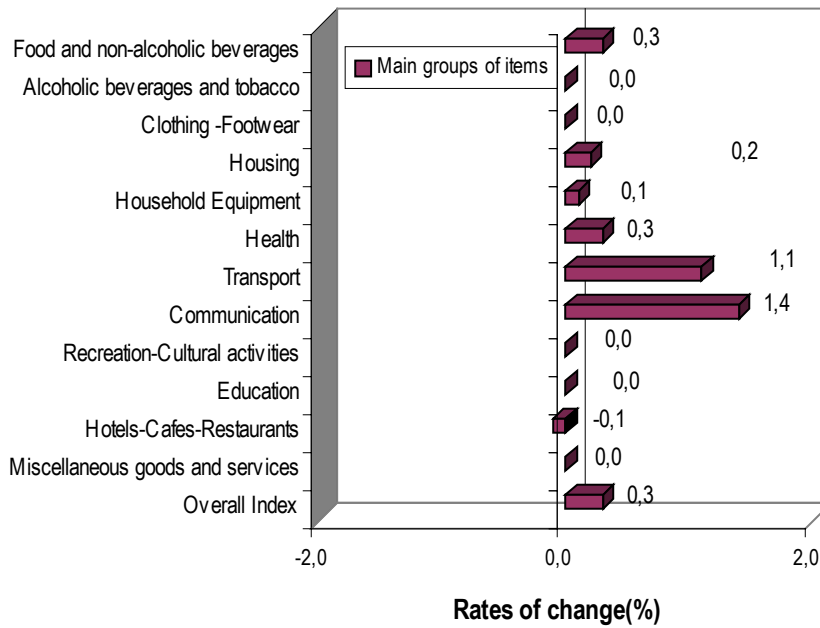
Note 1: The indices are calculated with infinite decimal figures and are rounded up to one decimal figure when published.

Note 2: Percentage changes are calculated on the basis of indices with infinite decimal figures and are rounded up to one decimal figure when published.

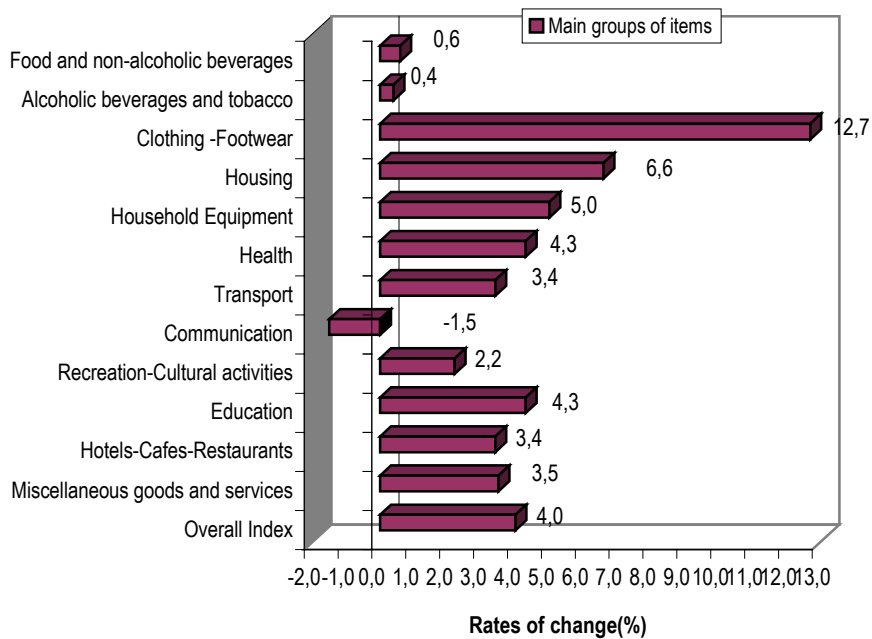
DIAGRAMS



Monthly rates of change (%) of the CPI between January 2005 and December 2004



Annual rates of change (%) of the CPI between January 2005 and January 2004.



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