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**PRESS RELEASE  
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX  
February 2006**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in February 2006, as compared to February 2005, increased by 3,2%. A year earlier, the annual rate of change of the CPI was 3.1%.

The CPI in February 2006, as compared to January 2006, decreased by 1,2%. A year earlier, the monthly rate of change of the CPI was also -1,2 %.

In the twelve-month period March 05 – February 06 the average rate of change of the CPI was 3,5%. A year earlier, the corresponding rate of change of the CPI was 3,0%.

Consumer Price Index –February 2006  
Monthly rates of change  
1999=100,0

Main groups of goods and services	Weights HBS 98 / 99 (‰)	2006		Rate of change (%)	2005		Rate of change (%)
		February	January		February	January	
1 Food & non-Alcoholic Beverages	184,89	124,3	122,1	1,8	121,8	120,2	1,3
2 Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	38,87	133,7	133,7	0,0	129,4	129,4	0,0
3 Clothing and Footwear	99,06	107,2	122,2	-12,3	106,1	122,9	-13,7
4 Housing	117,13	142,4	141,9	0,4	130,2	128,8	1,2
5 Household Equipment	86,41	108,8	112,2	-3,0	108,3	111,6	-2,9
6 Health	69,07	128,3	128,1	0,2	123,7	123,2	0,4
7 Transport	129,81	119,3	119,9	-0,5	115,6	114,4	1,1
8 Communication	37,55	77,1	77,1	0,0	76,7	76,7	0,0
9 Recreation and Culture	49,01	118,0	118,1	-0,1	115,7	115,8	-0,1
10 Education	27,43	129,3	129,3	0,0	124,6	124,6	0,0
11 Hotels, Cafés & Restaurants	96,61	133,8	134,8	-0,7	129,8	131,2	-1,0
12 Miscellaneous Goods & Services	64,17	121,3	121,5	-0,2	118,1	118,6	-0,4
<b>Overall Index</b>	<b>1000,00</b>	<b>122,1</b>	<b>123,6</b>	<b>-1,2</b>	<b>118,3</b>	<b>119,8</b>	<b>-1,2</b>

## Consumer Price Index –February 2006

Annual rates of change

1999=100,0

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Main groups of goods and services		February		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2005	2004		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	121,8	122,9	-0,9	-0,17
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	129,4	128,9	0,4	0,02
3	Clothing and Footwear	106,1	100,1	6,0	0,52
4	Housing	130,2	120,5	8,1	0,99
5	Household Equipment	108,3	106,0	2,2	0,18
6	Health	123,7	119,6	3,5	0,25
7	Transport	115,6	110,4	4,7	0,59
8	Communication	76,7	77,9	-1,5	-0,04
9	Recreation and Culture	115,7	113,6	1,9	0,09
10	Education	124,6	119,4	4,3	0,12
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	129,8	125,5	3,5	0,37
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	118,1	114,8	2,9	0,19
<b>Overall Index</b>		<b>118,3</b>	<b>114,8</b>	<b>3,1</b>	

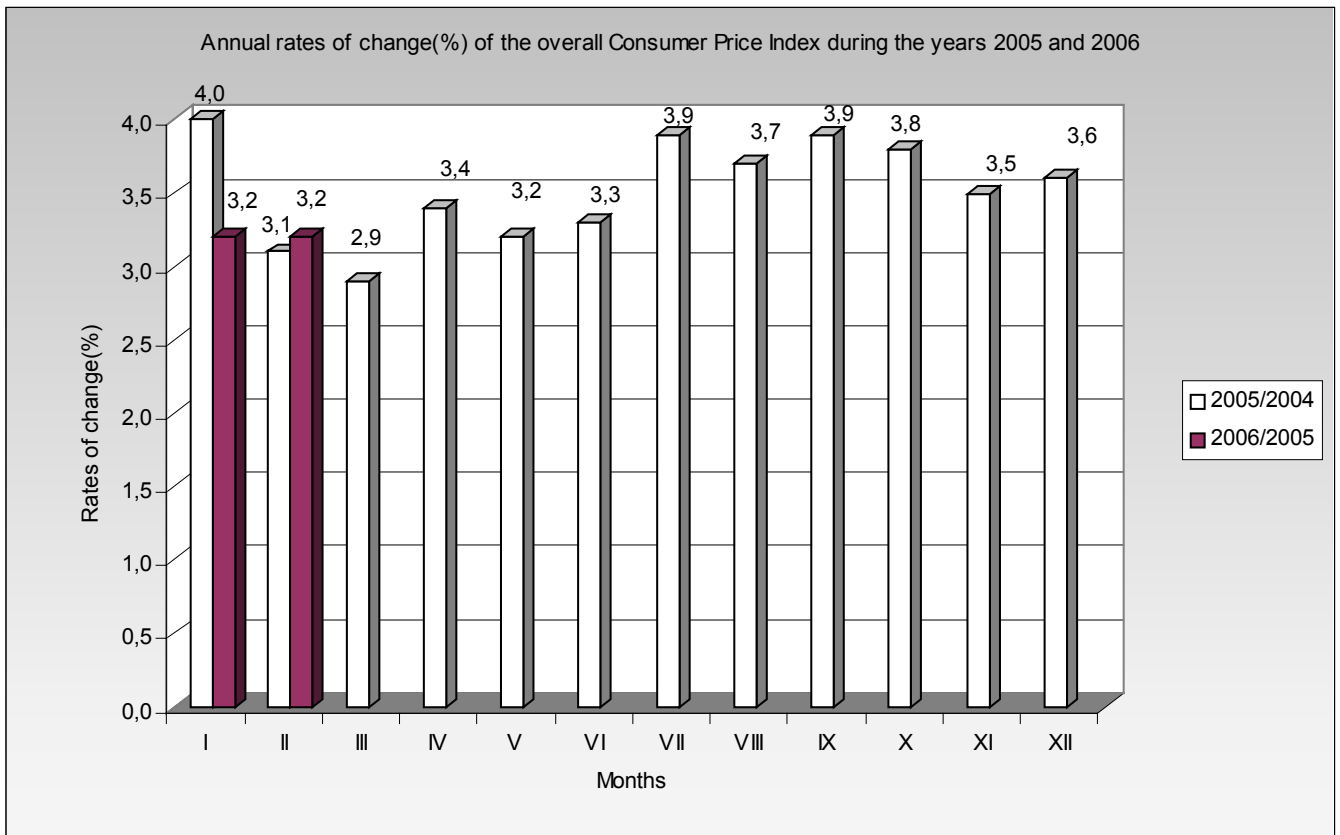
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Main groups of goods and services		February		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2006	2005		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	124,3	121,8	2,0	0,39
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	133,7	129,4	3,3	0,14
3	Clothing and Footwear	107,2	106,1	1,0	0,09
4	Housing	142,4	130,2	9,3	1,20
5	Household Equipment	108,8	108,3	0,4	0,03
6	Health	128,3	123,7	3,7	0,27
7	Transport	119,3	115,6	3,2	0,41
8	Communication	77,1	76,7	0,5	0,01
9	Recreation and Culture	118,0	115,7	2,0	0,10
10	Education	129,3	124,6	3,7	0,11
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	133,8	129,8	3,1	0,32
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	121,3	118,1	2,7	0,17
<b>Overall Index</b>		<b>122,1</b>	<b>118,3</b>	<b>3,2</b>	

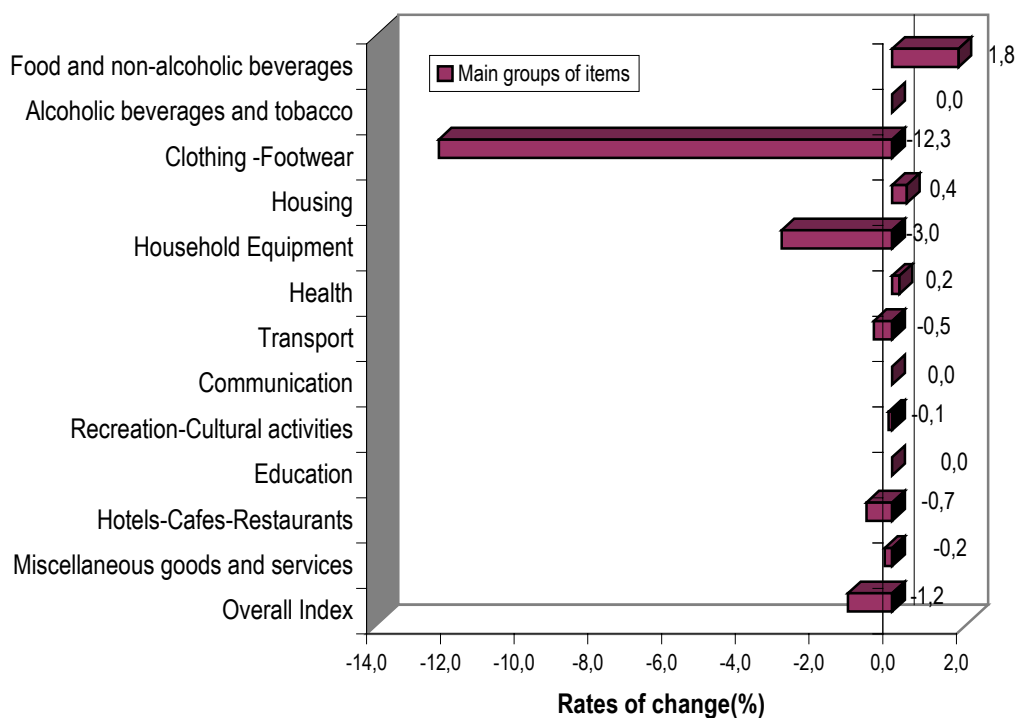
Note 1: The indices are calculated with infinite decimal figures and are rounded up to one decimal figure when published.

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.

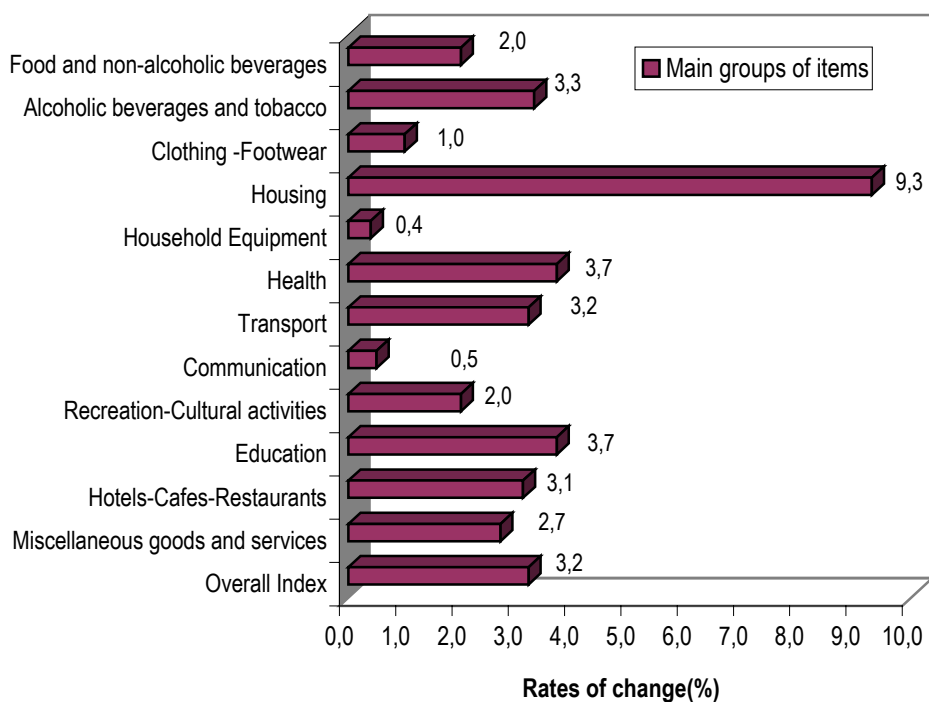
## DIAGRAMS



Monthly rates of change (%) of the CPI between February 2006 and January 2006



Annual rates of change (%) of the CPI between February 2006 and February 2005



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