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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> (2005=100,0)**

**April 2009**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in April 2009, as compared to April 2008, increased by 1,0%. A year earlier, the annual rate of change of the CPI was 4,4%.

The CPI in April 2009, as compared to March 2009, increased by 0,3%. A year earlier, the monthly rate of change of the CPI was 0,6%.

In the twelve-month period May 08 – April 09 the average rate of change of the CPI was 3,2%. A year earlier, the corresponding rate of change of the CPI was 3,5%.

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<sup>1</sup>The Consumer Price Index (CPI), in Greece, is compiled since 1959 onwards, by the National Statistical Service of Greece (NSSG). The compiled CPI till the year 2000 referred to the urban areas of Greece, while the compiled CPI from 2001 refers to the whole Country. The CPI is revised in regular time according to the results of the latest, each time, Household Budget Survey (HBS). The last revision of the CPI was based on the results of the HBS conducted in the period 2004/05 and since April 2006, the revised CPI is published, with base year 2005=100,0.

<sup>2</sup> The aim of this index is to estimate the change of the general level of the prices of goods and services that compose the "basket" of the purchases of the average household.

<sup>3</sup> The revised CPI in conformity with the HICPs practice is rounded up to 2 decimal figures when published.

More information about CPI is included to a special methodological note.

Table 1  
Monthly rates of change of the Consumer Price Index – April 2009  
(2005=100,0)

Main groups of goods and services	Weights HBS 04 / 05 (%)	2009	2009	Rate of change (%)	2008	2008	Rate of change (%)
		April	March		April	March	
1 Food & non-Alcoholic Beverages	178,21	117,15	116,98	0,1	114,40	113,08	1,2
2 Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	41,60	120,33	117,28	2,6	114,08	113,65	0,4
3 Clothing and Footwear	87,01	114,89	114,86	0,0	111,51	111,46	0,0
4 Housing	116,51	115,08	113,97	1,0	119,70	118,81	0,8
5 Household Equipment	78,22	110,25	110,07	0,2	107,70	107,43	0,3
6 Health	74,55	112,48	112,10	0,3	108,92	108,72	0,2
7 Transport	132,21	102,55	103,80	-1,2	108,03	107,05	0,9
8 Communication	47,02	97,35	97,35	0,0	97,83	97,83	0,0
9 Recreation and Culture	50,30	107,13	106,88	0,2	105,95	105,83	0,1
10 Education	26,63	116,79	116,79	0,0	111,52	111,52	0,0
11 Hotels, Cafés & Restaurants	100,19	115,26	114,02	1,1	110,93	109,70	1,1
12 Miscellaneous Goods & Services	67,56	110,86	110,37	0,4	107,79	107,15	0,6
Overall Index	1000,00	111,97	111,63	0,3	110,90	110,20	0,6

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

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

Table 2  
Annual rates of change of the Consumer Price Index – April 2009  
(2005=100,0)

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Main groups of goods and services		April 2008	April 2007	Rate of change (%)	Effect
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	114,40	107,31	6,6	1,1896
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	114,08	112,27	1,6	0,0706
3	Clothing and Footwear	111,51	108,04	3,2	0,2843
4	Housing	119,70	108,51	10,3	1,2278
5	Household Equipment	107,70	104,84	2,7	0,2101
6	Health	108,92	105,57	3,2	0,2351
7	Transport	108,03	104,31	3,6	0,4635
8	Communication	97,83	101,11	-3,2	-0,1452
9	Recreation and Culture	105,95	103,46	2,4	0,1181
10	Education	111,52	106,59	4,6	0,1237
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	110,93	106,30	4,3	0,4361
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	107,79	104,32	3,3	0,2210
Overall Index		110,90	106,19	4,4	

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Main groups of goods and services		April 2009	April 2008	Rate of change (%)	Effect
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	117,15	114,40	2,4	0,4427
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	120,33	114,08	5,5	0,2348
3	Clothing and Footwear	114,89	111,51	3,0	0,2653
4	Housing	115,08	119,70	-3,9	-0,4857
5	Household Equipment	110,25	107,70	2,4	0,1800
6	Health	112,48	108,92	3,3	0,2391
7	Transport	102,55	108,03	-5,1	-0,6531
8	Communication	97,35	97,83	-0,5	-0,0205
9	Recreation and Culture	107,13	105,95	1,1	0,0536
10	Education	116,79	111,52	4,7	0,1266
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	115,26	110,93	3,9	0,3913
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	110,86	107,79	2,8	0,1868
Overall Index		111,97	110,90	1,0	

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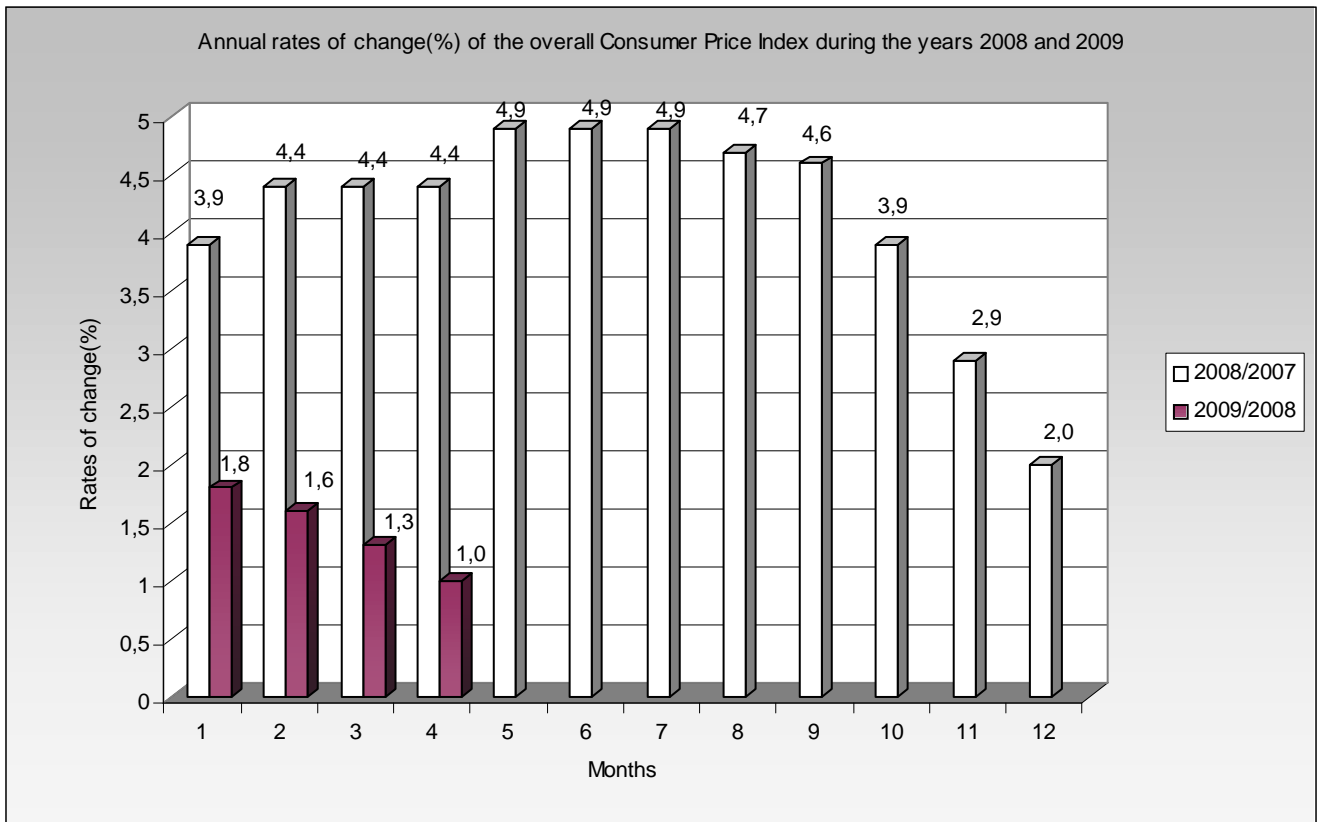
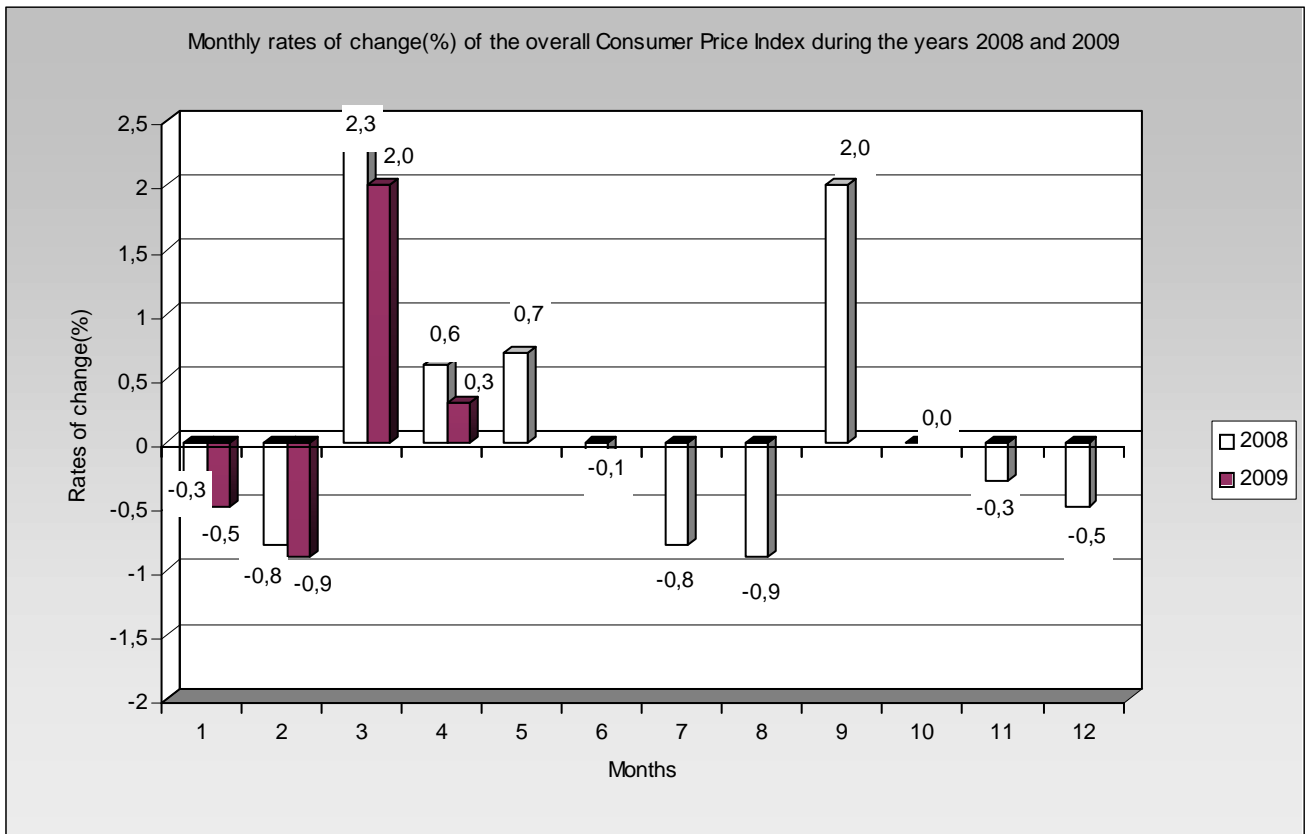
**Table 3**  
**Comparisons of the overall Consumer Price Index**  
**(2005=100,0)**

Year and month	Overall index	Monthly rates of change %	Annual rates of change %	Annual average index (moving average)	Annual average rates of change %
2007 : 1	104,48	-0,3	2,7	103,43	3,2
2	103,15	-1,3	2,7	103,65	3,1
3	105,52	2,3	2,6	103,88	3,0
4	106,19	0,6	2,5	104,09	3,0
5	106,45	0,2	2,6	104,32	2,9
6	106,35	-0,1	2,6	104,55	2,9
7	105,55	-0,8	2,5	104,77	2,8
8	104,77	-0,7	2,5	104,98	2,7
9	106,86	2,0	2,9	105,23	2,7
10	107,63	0,7	3,1	105,50	2,7
11	108,40	0,7	3,9	105,84	2,8
12	108,85	0,4	3,9	106,18	2,9
<i>Annual average</i>	<i>106,18</i>	.	.	<i>106,18</i>	2,9
2008 : 1	108,55	-0,3	3,9	106,52	3,0
2	107,73	-0,8	4,4	106,90	3,1
3	110,20	2,3	4,4	107,29	3,3
4	110,90	0,6	4,4	107,69	3,5
5	111,68	0,7	4,9	108,12	3,6
6	111,57	-0,1	4,9	108,56	3,8
7	110,70	-0,8	4,9	108,99	4,0
8	109,66	-0,9	4,7	109,39	4,2
9	111,81	2,0	4,6	109,81	4,3
10	111,81	0,0	3,9	110,16	4,4
11	111,51	-0,3	2,9	110,41	4,3
12	110,99	-0,5	2,0	110,59	4,2
<i>Annual average</i>	<i>110,59</i>	.	.	<i>110,59</i>	4,2
2009 : 1	110,46	-0,5	1,8	110,75	4,0
2	109,45	-0,9	1,6	110,90	3,7
3	111,63	2,0	1,3	111,01	3,5
4	111,97	0,3	1,0	111,10	3,2

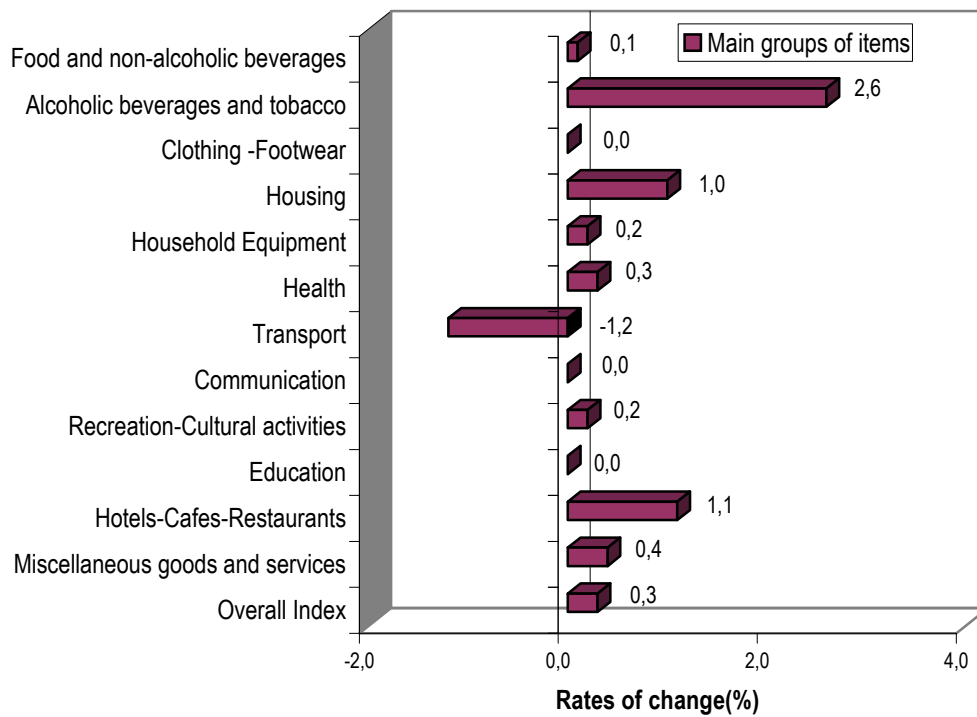
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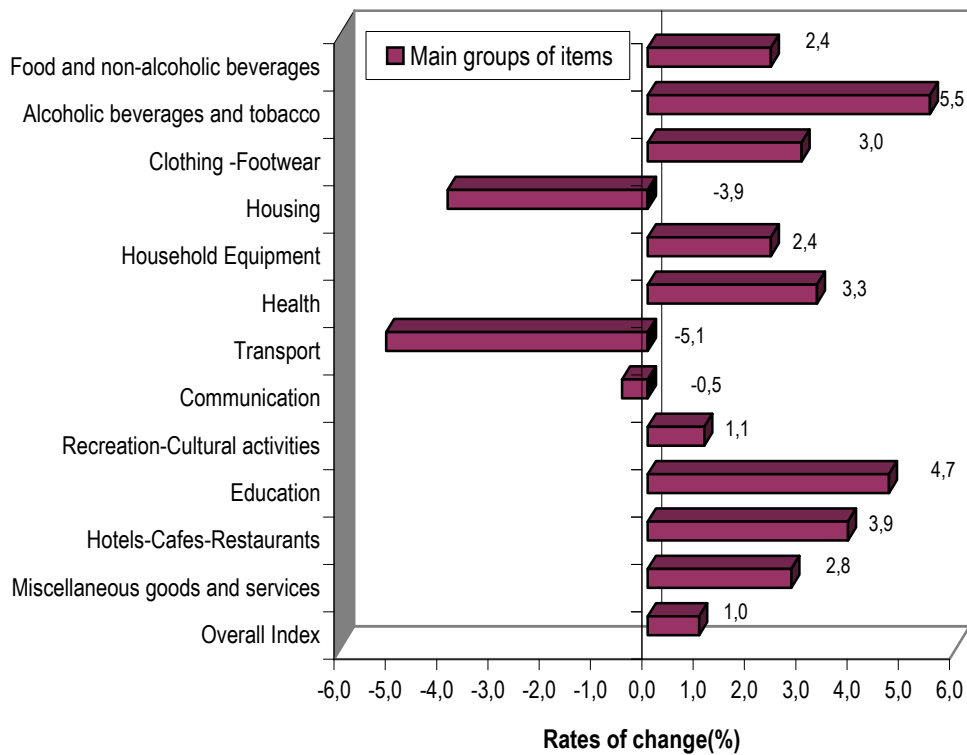
## DIAGRAMS



Monthly rates of change (%) of the CPI between April 2009 and March 2009



Annual rates of change (%) of the CPI between April 2009 and April 2008



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