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PRESS RELEASE
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
December 2004

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in December 2004 as compared to December 2003, increased by 3,1%. A year earlier, the annual rate of change of the CPI was also 3,1%.

The CPI in December 2004 as compared to November 2004 increased by 0,4%. A year earlier, the monthly rate of change of the CPI was also 0,4 %.

In the twelve-months, January 04 - December 04 the average rate of change of the CPI was 2,9%. A year earlier, the annual average rate of change of the CPI was 3,5%.

Consumer Price Index –December 2004
Monthly rates of change
1999=100,0

Main groups of goods and services	Weights HBS 98 / 99 (%)	2004		Rate of change (%)	2003		Rate of change (%)
		Dec.	Nov.		Dec.	Nov.	
1 Food & non-Alcoholic Beverages	184,89	119,9	117,1	2,4	117,7	116,9	0,7
2 Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	38,87	129,4	129,4	-0,1	128,9	128,9	-0,1
3 Clothing and Footwear	99,06	122,9	122,9	0,0	118,8	118,4	0,4
4 Housing	117,13	128,5	130,2	-1,3	119,7	120,4	-0,6
5 Household Equipment	86,41	111,5	111,4	0,0	109,5	109,3	0,1
6 Health	69,07	122,9	122,7	0,1	117,7	117,0	0,6
7 Transport	129,81	113,1	114,8	-1,5	110,0	110,0	0,1
8 Communication	37,55	75,7	75,7	0,0	79,8	80,5	-0,9
9 Recreation and Culture	49,01	115,9	115,4	0,4	112,9	112,4	0,4
10 Education	27,43	124,6	124,6	0,0	119,4	119,4	0,0
11 Hotels, Cafés & Restaurants	96,61	131,4	128,7	2,1	126,6	123,8	2,3
12 Miscellaneous Goods & Services	64,17	118,6	117,6	0,9	115,7	114,7	0,8
Overall Index	1000,00	119,5	119,0	0,4	115,9	115,4	0,4

Consumer Price Index –December2004

Annual rates of change

1999=100,0

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	Main groups of goods and services	December		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2003	2002		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	117,7	114,2	3,0	0,57
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	128,9	120,1	7,3	0,30
3	Clothing and Footwear	118,8	115,4	2,9	0,30
4	Housing	119,7	116,4	2,8	0,34
5	Household Equipment	109,5	107,3	2,1	0,17
6	Health	117,7	113,5	3,7	0,26
7	Transport	110,0	108,0	1,8	0,23
8	Communication	79,8	81,3	-1,8	-0,05
9	Recreation and Culture	112,9	109,9	2,7	0,13
10	Education	119,4	114,4	4,4	0,12
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	126,6	120,6	5,0	0,51
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	115,7	112,3	3,0	0,19
	Overall Index	115,9	112,4	3,1	

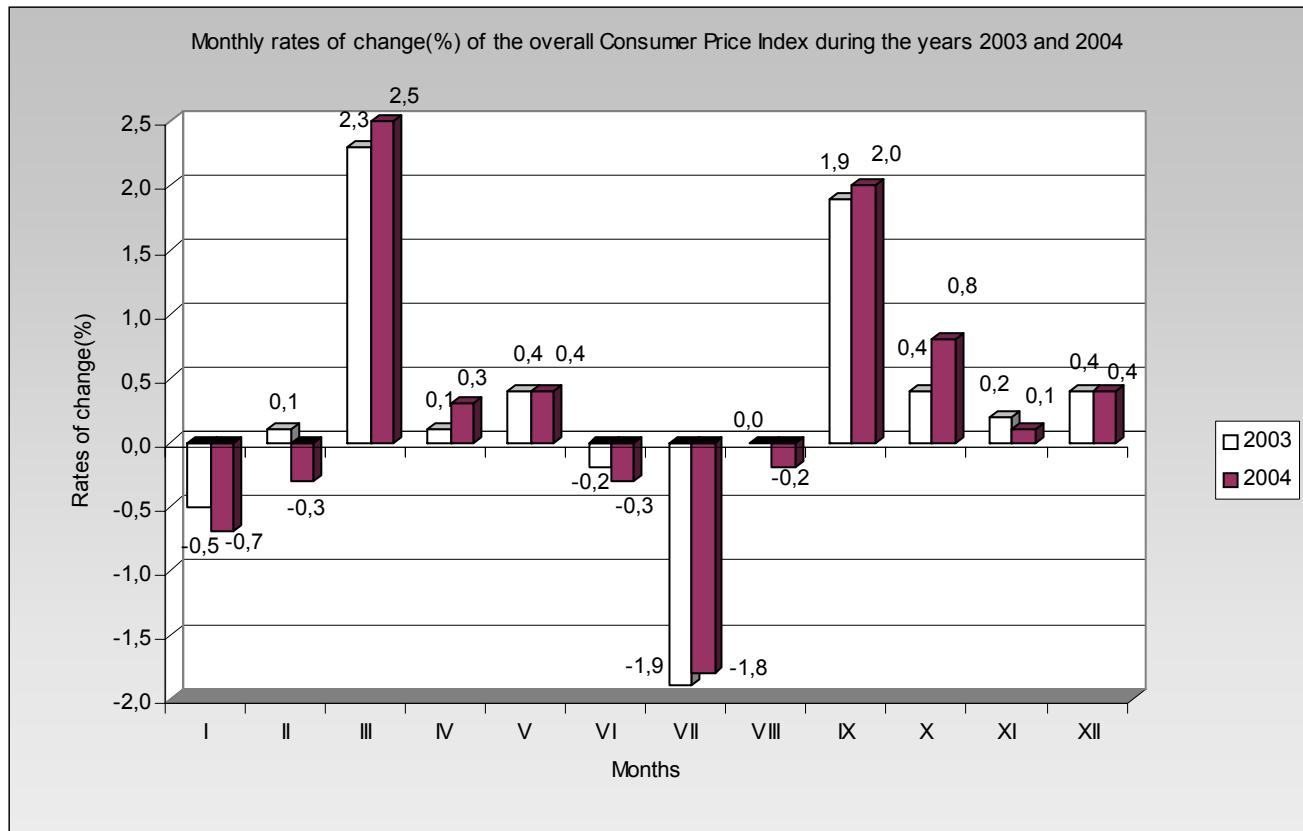
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	Main groups of goods and services	December		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2004	2003		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	119,9	117,7	1,9	0,35
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	129,4	128,9	0,4	0,02
3	Clothing and Footwear	122,9	118,8	3,4	0,35
4	Housing	128,5	119,7	7,4	0,89
5	Household Equipment	111,5	109,5	1,8	0,15
6	Health	122,9	117,7	4,4	0,31
7	Transport	113,1	110,0	2,8	0,35
8	Communication	75,7	79,8	-5,1	-0,13
9	Recreation and Culture	115,9	112,9	2,6	0,13
10	Education	124,6	119,4	4,3	0,12
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	131,4	126,6	3,8	0,40
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	118,6	115,7	2,6	0,16
	Overall Index	119,5	115,9	3,1	

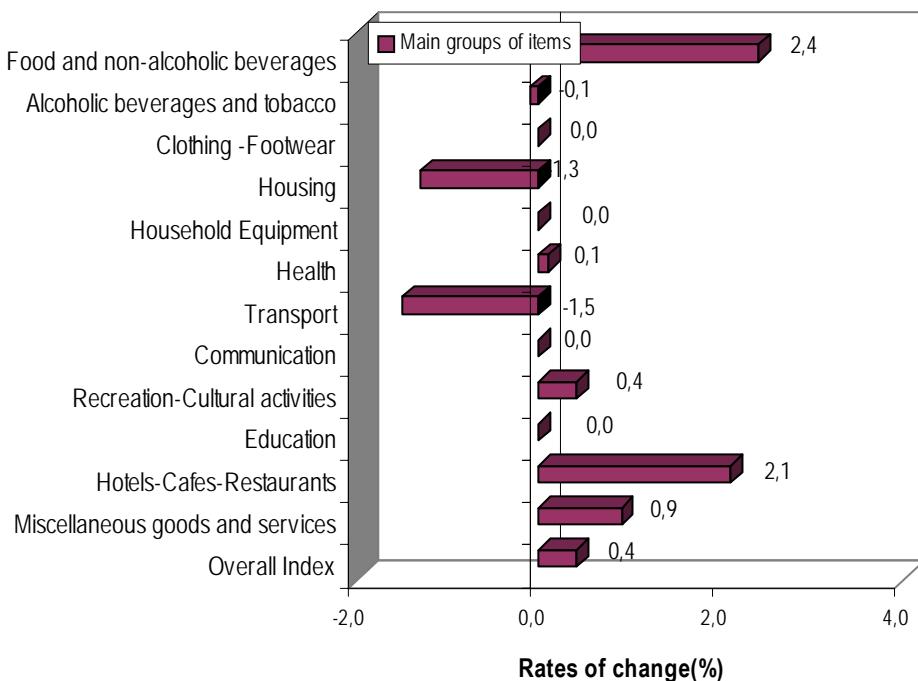
Note 1:The indices are calculated with infinite decimal figures and are rounded up to one decimal figure when published.

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.

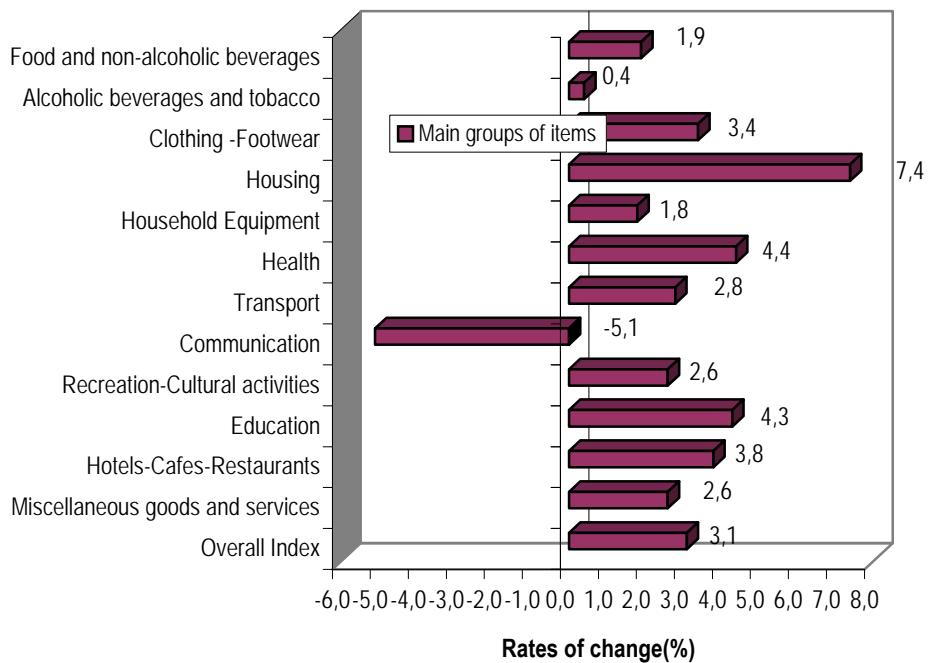
DIAGRAMS



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



Annual rates of change (%) of the CPI between December 2004 and December 2003.



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