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The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in December 2002 as compared to December 2001, increased by 3,4%. A year earlier, the annual rate of change of the CPI was 3,0%.

The CPI in December 2002 as compared to November 2002 increased by 0,7%. A year earlier, the monthly rate of change of the CPI was 0,9%.

In the twelve-months, January 02- December 02, 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 – December 2002

Monthly rates of change
1999=100,0

Main groups of goods and services	Weights HBS 98 / 99 (%)	2002		Rate of change (%)	2001		Rate of change (%)
		Dec.	Nov.		Dec.	Nov.	
1 Food & non-Alcoholic Beverages	184,89	114,2	113,2	1,0	113,3	108,8	4,1
2 Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	38,87	120,1	120,1	0,0	113,4	113,3	0,1
3 Clothing and Footwear	99,06	115,4	115,4	0,0	112,2	112,2	0,0
4 Housing	117,13	116,4	114,6	1,5	109,7	110,6	-0,9
5 Household Equipment	86,41	107,3	107,2	0,1	105,9	105,9	0,0
6 Health	69,07	113,5	112,9	0,5	107,5	107,4	0,1
7 Transport	129,81	108,0	107,0	1,0	103,6	103,5	0,1
8 Communication	37,55	81,3	83,5	-2,7	87,4	87,4	0,0
9 Recreation and Culture	49,01	109,9	109,7	0,2	106,1	105,9	0,2
10 Education	27,43	114,4	114,4	0,0	109,4	109,4	0,0
11 Hotels, Cafés & Restaurants	96,61	120,6	118,4	1,9	113,3	111,3	1,8
12 Miscellaneous Goods & Services	64,17	112,3	111,6	0,6	108,6	107,6	1,0
Overall Index	1000,00	112,4	111,6	0,7	108,7	107,7	0,9

Consumer Price Index – December 2002
Annual rates of change
1999=100,0

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	Main groups of goods and services	December		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2001	2000		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	113,3	102,9	10,1	1,83
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	113,4	107,0	6,0	0,24
3	Clothing and Footwear	112,2	108,1	3,8	0,39
4	Housing	109,7	113,0	-3,0	-0,37
5	Household Equipment	105,9	103,9	1,8	0,16
6	Health	107,5	104,5	2,8	0,19
7	Transport	103,6	104,8	-1,1	-0,14
8	Communication	87,4	88,9	-1,7	-0,05
9	Recreation and Culture	106,1	102,8	3,2	0,15
10	Education	109,4	105,6	3,6	0,10
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	113,3	109,2	3,8	0,38
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	108,6	105,5	2,9	0,19
Overall Index		108,7	105,5	3,0	

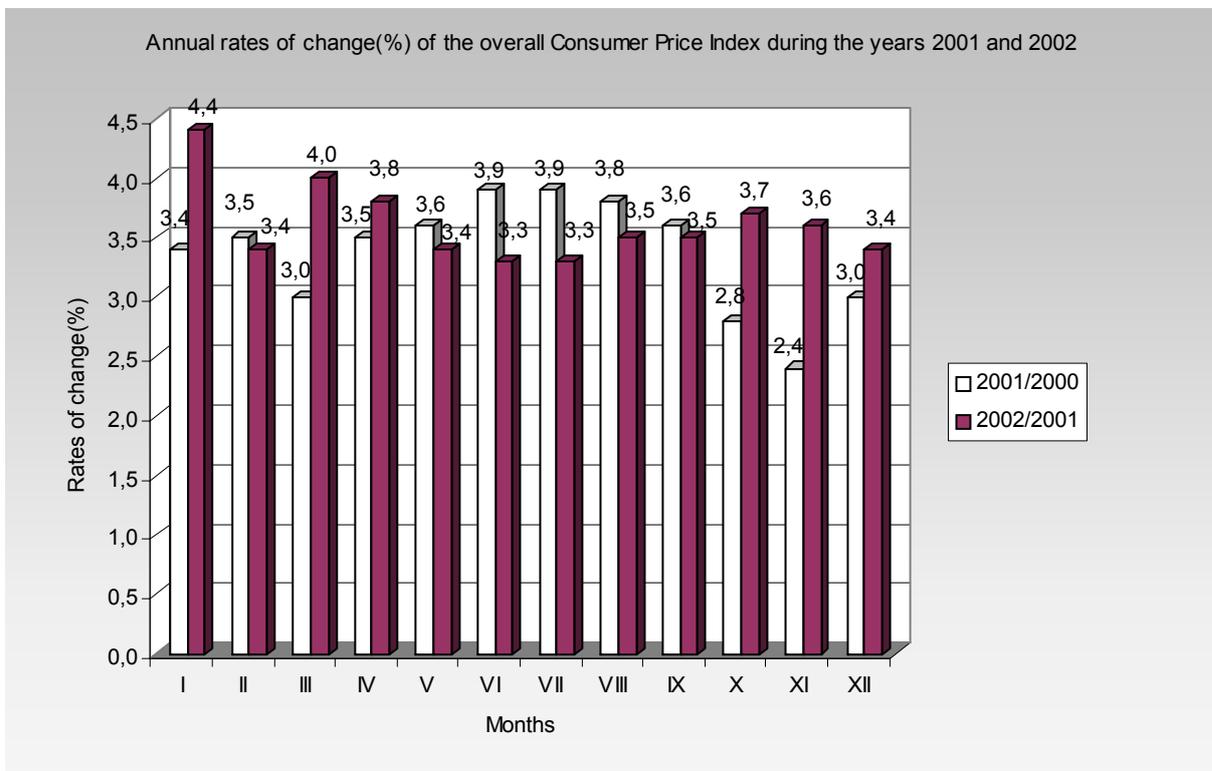
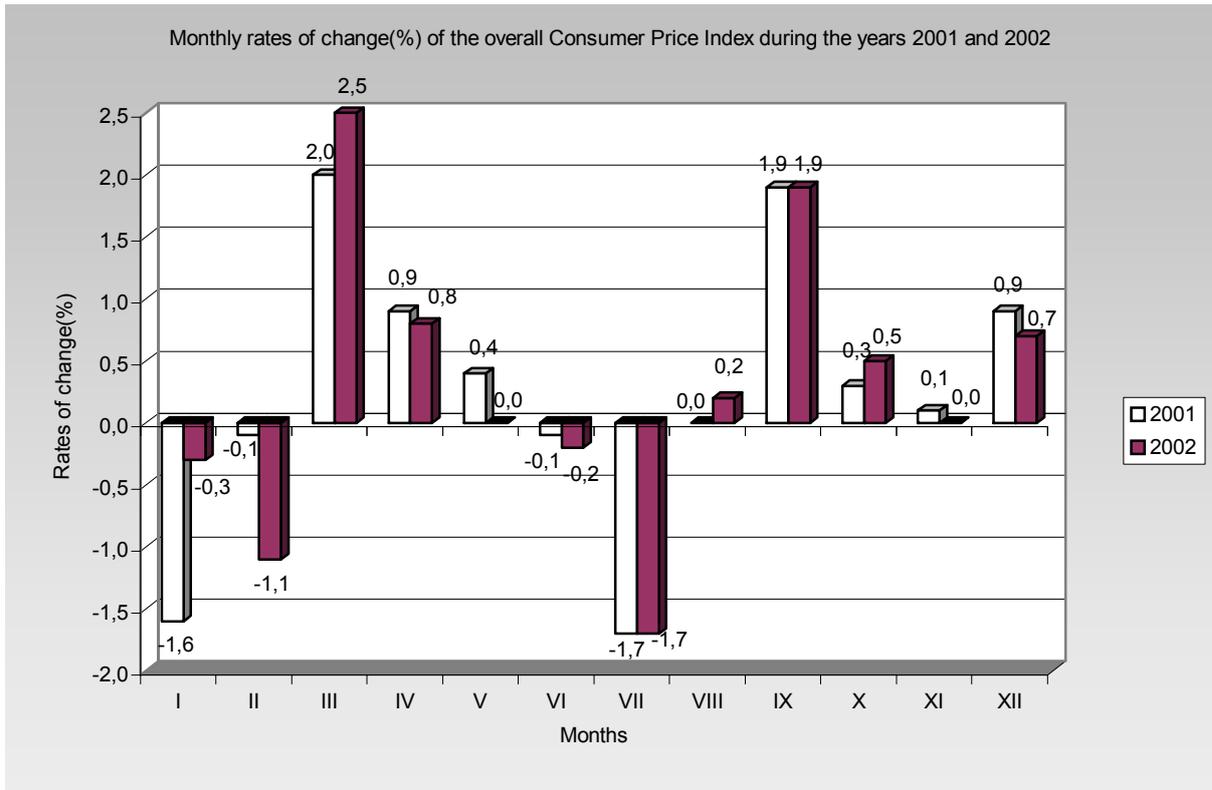
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	Main groups of goods and services	December		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2002	2001		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	114,2	113,3	0,8	0,16
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	120,1	113,4	6,0	0,24
3	Clothing and Footwear	115,4	112,2	2,9	0,29
4	Housing	116,4	109,7	6,1	0,72
5	Household Equipment	107,3	105,9	1,3	0,11
6	Health	113,5	107,5	5,6	0,38
7	Transport	108,0	103,6	4,2	0,53
8	Communication	81,3	87,4	-7,0	-0,21
9	Recreation and Culture	109,9	106,1	3,6	0,17
10	Education	114,4	109,4	4,5	0,12
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	120,6	113,3	6,4	0,65
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	112,3	108,6	3,4	0,22
Overall Index		112,4	108,7	3,4	

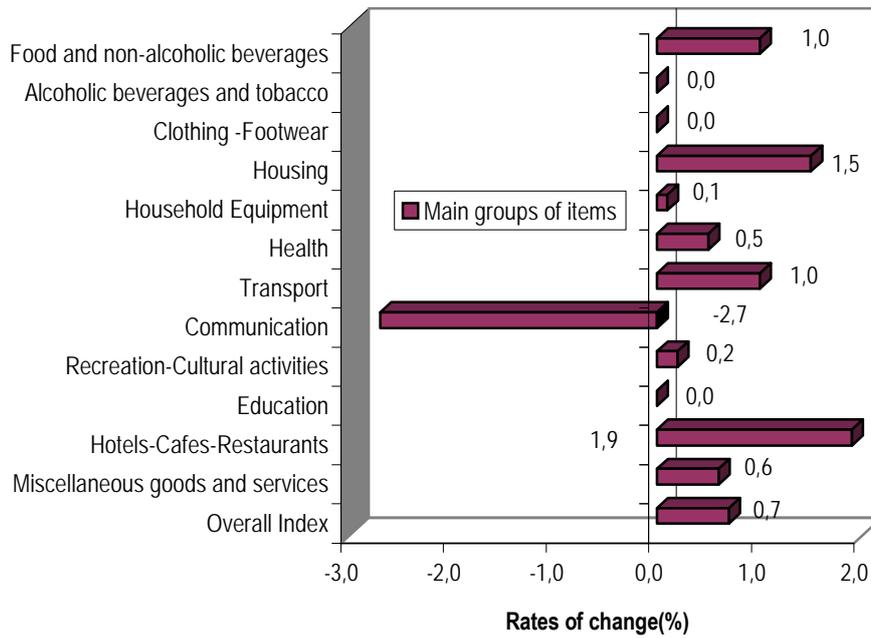
Note 1: The indices are calculated with infinite decimal figures and are rounded up to one decimal figure when published.

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 2002 and November 2002.



Annual rates of change (%) of the CPI between December 2002 and December 2001.

