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**PRESS RELEASE**

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

**July 2006**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in July 2006, as compared to July 2005, increased by 3,8%. A year earlier, the annual rate of change of the CPI was 3,9%.

The CPI in July 2006, as compared to June 2006, decreased by 0,6%. A year earlier, the monthly rate of change of the CPI was –1,2%.

In the twelve-month period August 05 – July 06 the average rate of change of the CPI was 3,5%. A year earlier, the corresponding rate of change of the CPI was 3,2%.

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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 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.

## Consumer Price Index – July 2006

Monthly rates of change

(2005=100,0)

Main groups of goods and services		Weights HBS 04 / 05 (%)	2006	2006	Rate of change (%)	2005	2005	Rate of change (%)
			July	June		July	June	
1	Food & non-Alcoholic Beverages	178,21	102,35	103,01	-0,6	96,72	99,54	-2,8
2	Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	41,60	105,39	105,33	0,1	101,23	100,44	0,8
3	Clothing and Footwear	87,01	98,65	106,17	-7,1	96,48	102,68	-6,0
4	Housing	116,51	107,06	106,88	0,2	100,08	99,96	0,1
5	Household Equipment	78,22	101,03	103,10	-2,0	98,62	100,96	-2,3
6	Health	74,55	102,59	102,55	0,0	100,39	100,31	0,1
7	Transport	132,21	105,86	104,02	1,8	101,04	100,95	0,1
8	Communication	47,02	100,13	100,13	0,0	99,60	99,60	0,0
9	Recreation and Culture	50,30	101,35	101,42	-0,1	99,90	99,83	0,1
10	Education	26,63	102,70	102,70	0,0	98,81	98,81	0,0
11	Hotels, Cafés & Restaurants	100,19	102,53	102,34	0,2	100,13	99,85	0,3
12	Miscellaneous Goods & Services	67,56	102,31	102,56	-0,2	100,09	100,37	-0,3
<b>Overall Index</b>		<b>1000,00</b>	102,95	103,62	-0,6	99,14	100,37	-1,2

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.

**Consumer Price Index – July 2006**  
Annual rates of change  
(2005=100,0)

**I**

Main groups of goods and services		July		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2005	2004		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	96,72	96,06	0,7	0,13
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	101,23	97,98	3,3	0,14
3	Clothing and Footwear	96,48	90,61	6,5	0,61
4	Housing	100,08	91,62	9,2	1,16
5	Household Equipment	98,62	95,93	2,8	0,22
6	Health	100,39	96,31	4,2	0,31
7	Transport	101,04	96,26	5,0	0,64
8	Communication	99,60	101,03	-1,4	-0,04
9	Recreation and Culture	99,90	97,86	2,1	0,10
10	Education	98,81	94,70	4,3	0,12
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	100,13	97,04	3,2	0,34
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	100,09	96,96	3,2	0,21
<b>Overall Index</b>		<b>99,14</b>	<b>95,38</b>	<b>3,9</b>	

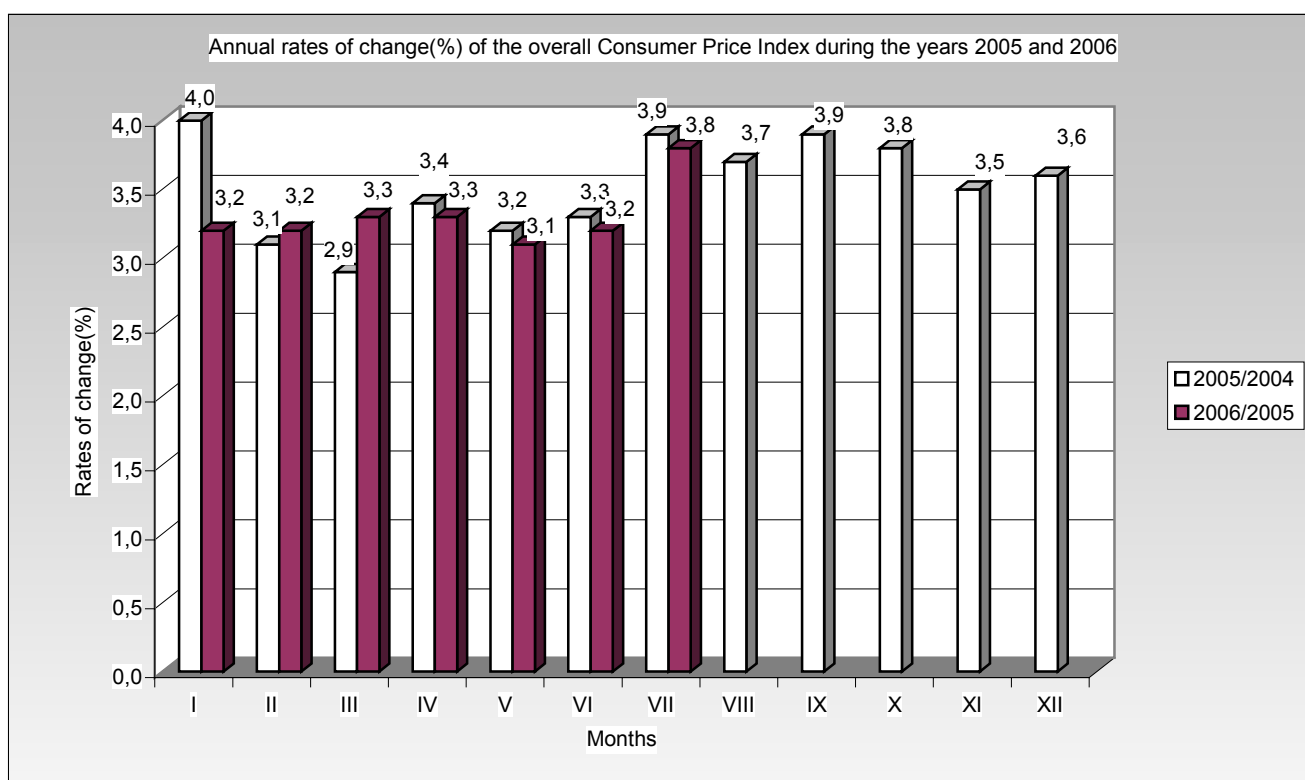
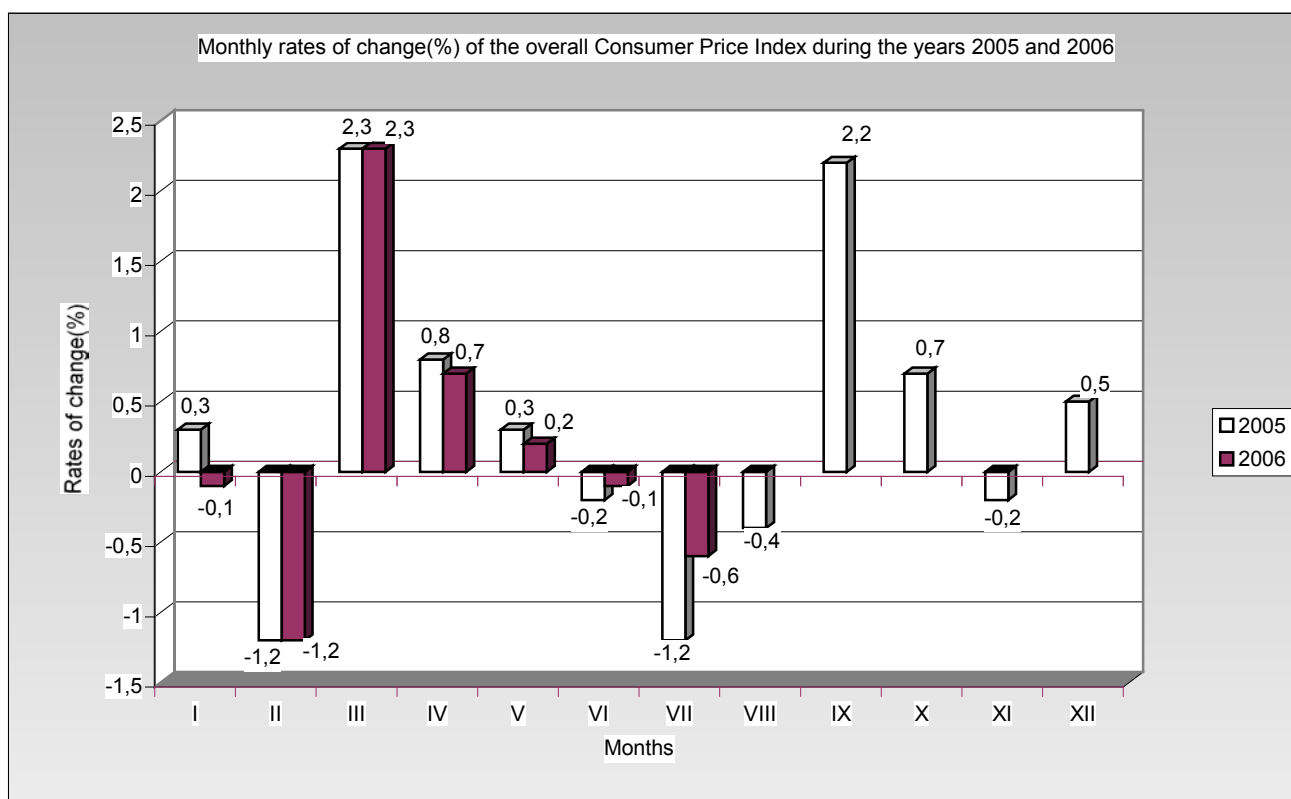
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Main groups of goods and services		July		Rate of change (%)	Effect
		2006	2005		
1	Food and non Alcoholic Beverages	102,35	96,72	5,8	1,01
2	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	105,39	101,23	4,1	0,17
3	Clothing and Footwear	98,65	96,48	2,2	0,19
4	Housing	107,06	100,08	7,0	0,82
5	Household Equipment	101,03	98,62	2,4	0,19
6	Health	102,59	100,39	2,2	0,17
7	Transport	105,86	101,04	4,8	0,64
8	Communication	100,13	99,60	0,5	0,03
9	Recreation and Culture	101,35	99,90	1,5	0,07
10	Education	102,70	98,81	3,9	0,10
11	Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	102,53	100,13	2,4	0,24
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	102,31	100,09	2,2	0,15
<b>Overall Index</b>		<b>102,95</b>	<b>99,14</b>	<b>3,8</b>	

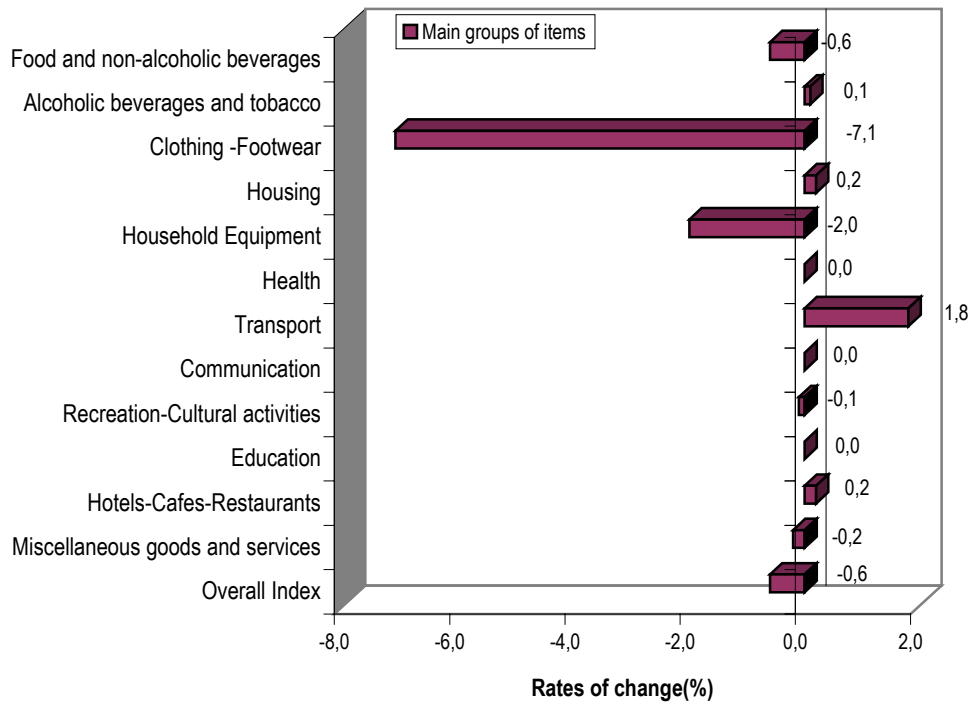
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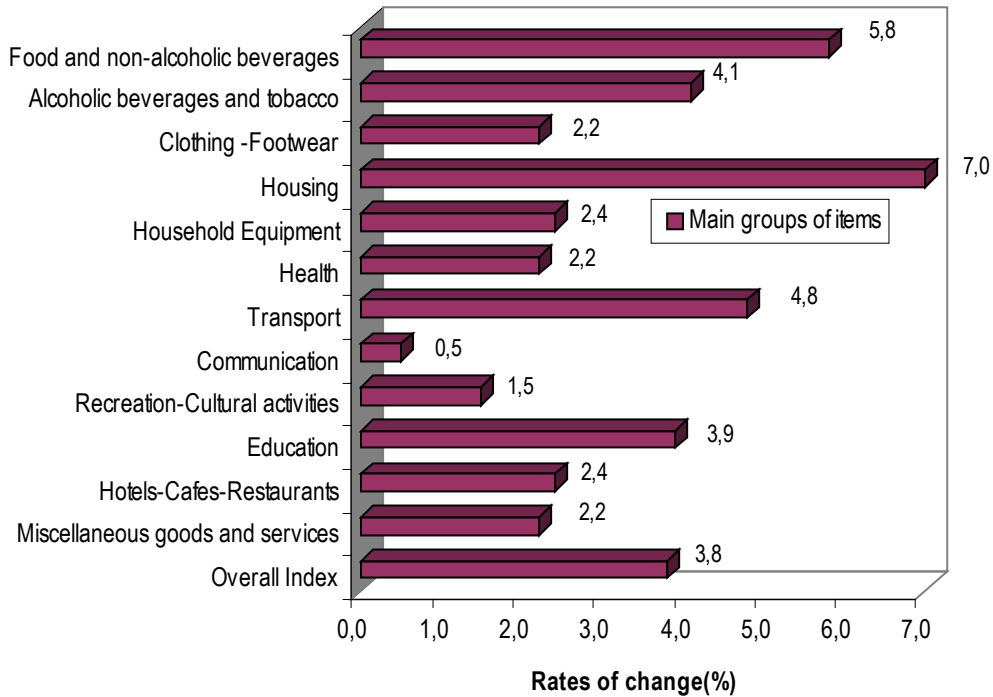
## DIAGRAMS



Monthly rates of change (%) of the CPI between July 2006 and June 2006



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



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