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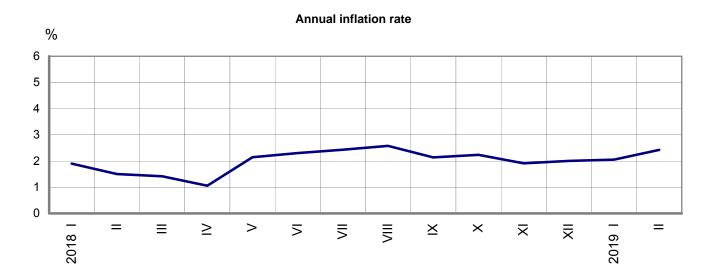
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### Consumer price indices by COICOP, February 2019

Prices of goods and services used for personal consumption in February 2019 in relation to January 2019 increased by 0.7% on average. Consumer prices in February 2019, increased by 2.4% in relation to February 2018. In February 2019, in relation to December 2018, consumer prices increased by 1.1% on average.

Observed by main groups according to the destination of consumption in February 2019 in relation to the previous month, increase of prices was noted in the groups Alcoholic beverages and tobacco (2.6%), Food and non alcoholic beverages (2.0%), Health (0.2%) and in the groups Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house and Restaurants and hotels (by 0.1% each). Decrease of prices was noted in the groups Clothing and footwear (-1.5%), Recreation and culture (-0.7%), Communication (-0.2%) and Education (-0.1%).

Prices of other goods and services mostly remained unchanged.



#### Inflation rate measured by Consumer price indices by COICOP

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					Ann	ual rate <sup>2)</sup>						
2018	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.1	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.1	2.2	1.9	2.0
2019	2.1	2.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
					Mon	thly rate <sup>3)</sup>						
2018	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.4	-0.3	0.3	-0.3	0.3	-0.3	0.1
2019	0.4	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Annual inflation rate - Price changes in the current month as compared to the same month of the previous year, in %.

<sup>3)</sup> Monthly inflation rate - Price changes in the current month as compared to the previous month, in %.

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Republic of Serbia<sup>1)</sup>

001005		Structure	II 2019	II 2019	II 2019	I-II 2019	I-II 2019	II 2019
COICOP		(%)	Ø 2018	I 2019	II 2018	Ø 2018	I-II 2018	
00	Total	100.00	101.3	100.7	102.4	100.9	102.2	101.
)1	Food and non – alcoholic beverages	31.25	103.0	102.0	104.3	102.0	103.7	103.
01.1	Food	27.73	103.2	102.2	104.6	102.1	103.9	103.
01.1.1	Bread and cereals	4.70	101.6	100.8	102.0	101.2	101.8	101.
01.1.2		6.77	98.0	98.1	100.8	98.9	101.2	97.
01.1.3		0.82	99.9	100.2	99.6	99.7	99.6	100.
01.1.4	99	5.18	100.1	99.9	100.2	100.2	100.2	100.
01.1.5		0.83	96.9	100.6	92.6	96.7	92.4	100
01.1.6		2.26	89.2	105.2	87.8	87.0	88.3	105
01.1.7	•	4.21	129.0	112.4	133.7	121.9	128.1	121
01.1.8		1.79	99.6	100.1	98.1	99.5	97.9	100
01.1.9	· ·	1.17	101.4	100.8	102.5	101.0	102.5	100
01.2 01.2.1	Non- alcoholic beverages	3.52	101.1 99.4	100.1 100.2	101.9 99.7	101.1 99.4	102.0 99.5	100 100
01.2.1	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1.33 2.19	102.1	100.2	103.4	102.1	103.6	
01.2.2	willieral waters, soft, driffks, fruit and vegetables Juices	2.19	102.1	100.0	103.4	102.1	103.0	100
2	Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	6.86	103.9	102.6	105.2	102.5	105.2	102
02.1	Alcoholic beverages	2.56	100.1	100.6	100.4	99.8	100.2	100
02.1.1	Spirits	0.43	100.4	100.4	101.6	100.1	101.3	100
02.1.2	Wine	0.71	99.4	100.2	100.2	99.4	100.3	100
02.1.3	Beer	1.42	100.3	100.8	100.0	99.9	99.7	100
02.2	Tobacco	4.30	106.1	103.8	107.9	104.2	108.0	103
3	Clothing and footwear	4.62	97.8	98.5	98.9	98.5	98.8	97
03.1	Clothing	3.17	98.7	99.1	99.5	99.2	99.2	97
03.1.1	1	0.09	100.4	100.0	100.9	100.4	100.8	100
03.1.2		2.83	98.4	99.0	99.2	99.0	98.9	97
03.1.3	g g	0.10	101.7	100.0	102.4	101.7	102.3	100
03.1.4	Cleaning, repair and hire of clothing	0.15	101.0	100.0	102.4	101.0	102.7	100
03.2	Footwear	1.45		97.2	97.7	97.0	97.9	9
03.2.1		1.40	95.4	97.1	97.5	96.9	97.8	95
03.2.2	Repair of footwear	0.05	101.7	100.9	102.1	101.2	101.7	100
4	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	13.70	100.8	100.0	101.3	100.8	101.3	100
04.1	Actual rentals for housing	1.34	102.7	99.8	104.6	102.8	104.6	99
04.3	Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	1.04	100.3	100.3	101.6	100.2	101.3	99
04.3.1	Materials for the maintenance and repair of the dwelling	0.55	99.7	100.1	99.4	99.6	99.2	100
04.3.2	Services for the maintenance and repair of the dwelling	0.49	101.0	100.6	103.9	100.7	103.4	99
04.4	Water supply and miscellaneous services related to the dwelling	1.87	101.5	100.0	102.4	101.5	102.4	100
04.4.1	11.3	1.07	101.0	100.0	101.5	101.0	101.5	100
04.4.2		0.52	101.5	100.0	102.9	101.5	102.9	100
04.4.3	•	0.28		100.0	105.3	103.6	105.3	10
04.5	Electricity, gas and other fuels	9.45	100.4	99.9	100.6	100.4	100.6	100
04.5.1		5.09	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100
04.5.2		0.40		100.0	99.7	99.7	99.7	99
04.5.4		2.40		100.4	102.4	101.5	102.2	100
04.5.5	Heat energy	1.56	100.0	99.0	100.0	100.4	100.5	100

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# Consumer price indices by COICOP, February 2019 (continued)

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COICOP		Structure	II 2019	II 2019	II 2019	I-II 2019	I-II 2019	II 2019
COICOP		(%)	Ø 2018	I 2019	II 2018	Ø 2018	I-II 2018	XII 2018
05	Furnishings household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	4.71	100.2	100.1	100.2	100.2	100.3	100.4
05.1	Furniture and furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	0.88	100.2	99.7	100.0	100.4	100.0	99.9
05.1.1	Furniture and furnishings	0.66	100.0	99.5	99.4	100.2	99.5	99.7
05.1.2	Carpets and other floor coverings	0.16	101.8	100.6	103.0	101.5	102.8	101.0
05.1.3	Repair of furniture, furnishings and floor covering	0.06	99.1	99.5	99.0	99.3	99.3	98.8
05.2	Household textiles	0.29	97.9	99.6	98.4	98.1	98.4	97.9
05.3	Household appliances	1.16	99.8	100.1	100.0	99.8	99.9	100.0
05.3.1	, '''	0.82	99.8	100.1	99.9	99.7	99.9	100.0
05.3.2	Small household appliances	0.21	100.1	100.4	100.4	99.9	100.0	100.4
05.3.3	Repair of household appliances	0.13	99.7	100.0	100.1	99.7	100.1	100.0
05.4	Glassware, tableware and household utensils	0.34	99.8	99.7	99.5	99.9	100.2	99.8
05.5	Tools and equipment for house and garden	0.28	98.2	99.7	97.5	98.3	97.4	99.6
05.5.1		0.04	98.7	99.5	98.8	99.0	98.9	99.1
05.5.2	Small tools and miscellaneous accessories	0.24	98.1	99.7	97.3	98.2	97.2	99.7
05.6	Goods and services for routine household maintenance	1.76	101.2	100.4	101.3	101.0	101.5	101.5
05.6.1	ŭ	1.58	101.1	100.4	101.1	100.9	101.2	101.5
05.6.2	Domestic services and household services	0.18	102.5	100.9	103.2	102.1	103.7	100.9
06	Health	4.79	101.5	100.2	102.5	101.4	102.4	100.5
06.1	Medical products, appliances and equipment	3.29	101.7	100.3	102.7	101.6	102.5	100.4
06.1.1	Pharmaceutical products	2.84	102.0	100.3	103.0	101.8	102.9	100.4
06.1.2	Other medical products	0.17	100.0	100.0	100.3	100.0	100.4	99.9
06.1.3	Therapeutic appliances and equipment	0.28	99.9	100.2	99.7	99.7	99.2	100.4
06.2	Out-patient services	1.50	101.2	100.2	102.3	101.1	102.3	100.6
06.2.1	Medical services	0.50	101.9	100.5	103.1	101.6	103.3	100.5
06.2.2	Dental services	0.48	102.1	100.0	104.2	102.1	103.9	101.3
06.2.3	Paramedical services	0.52	99.7	100.0	99.6	99.7	99.6	100.0
07	Transport	12.87	99.6	100.0	102.4	99.6	102.6	99.2
07.1	Purchase of vehicles	1.97		99.8	101.6	99.5	101.6	100.3
07.1.1		1.90	99.4	99.8	101.6	99.5	101.6	100.3
07.1.3		0.07		100.0	101.4	98.6	101.6	99.8
07.2	Operation of personal transport equipment	8.46		100.1	102.5	98.9	102.8	98.6
07.2.1		1.16		99.8	99.9	100.0	99.8	99.9
07.2.2		6.05		100.1	101.3	97.4	101.7	97.9
07.2.3		0.64		99.8	99.8	99.9	100.0	99.8
07.2.4		0.61		100.8	121.7	110.8	121.3	100.9
07.3	Transport services	2.44		100.0	102.5	102.1	102.5	100.4
07.3.1	9 , 9	0.06		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
07.3.2		1.95		100.0	103.1	102.6	103.1	100.5
07.3.3	Passenger transport by air	0.43	99.9	99.8	99.9	100.0	99.9	99.9
08	Communication	5.23	99.2	99.8	98.9	99.3	98.9	100.1
08.1	Postal services	0.13		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
08.2	Telephone and telefax equipment	0.62		98.5	89.8	94.0	89.9	100.5
08.3	Telephone and telefax services	4.48	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

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COICOP		(%)	Ø 2018	I 2019	II 2018	Ø 2018	I-II 2018	XII 2018
			400 =		400.0	404.0	404.0	400.0
09	Recreation and culture	6.01	100.7	99.3	102.0	101.0	101.9	100.6
09.1	Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	1.09	93.7	98.2	91.2	94.5	90.9	97.9
09.1.1	Equipment for the reception, recording and reproduction of sound and pictures	0.36	92.2	99.3	87.8	92.5	87.5	98.7
09.1.2	Photographic and cinematographic equipment and optical instruments	0.05	102.5	100.4	104.6	102.3	105.1	100.5
09.1.3	Information processing equipment	0.54	94.1	97.0	92.3	95.6	91.6	96.5
09.1.4	Recording media	0.12	91.5	99.9	87.4	91.6	87.3	100.0
09.1.5	Repair of audio - visual, photographic and information processing equipment	0.02	99.8	100.0	99.6	99.8	99.6	100.0
09.2	Other major durables for recreation and culture	0.09	100.9	101.2	102.4	100.3	101.4	102.0
09.3	Other recreational items and equipment, gardens and pets	0.95	100.9	99.7	101.6	101.1	101.6	99.7
09.3.1	Games, toys and hobbies	0.19	103.0	100.0	103.9	103.0	103.8	99.6
09.3.2	Equipment for sport, camping and open-air recreation	0.28	98.7	98.6	100.1	99.4	100.2	98.
09.3.3	Gardens, plants and flowers	0.16	102.7	100.5	102.6	102.5	102.7	100.7
09.3.4	Pets and related products	0.19	101.0	100.0	101.6	101.0	101.6	100.6
09.3.5	Veterinary and other services for pets	0.13	100.3	100.0	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.0
09.4	Recreational and cultural services	2.04	100.8	99.8	101.0	100.9	101.1	100.7
09.4.1	Recreational and sporting services	0.56	97.5	98.9	96.0	98.0	96.5	98.9
09.4.2	Cultural services	1.48	102.1	100.1	102.8	102.0	102.8	101.
09.5	Newspapers, books and stationery	1.06	102.1	100.0	104.3	102.1	104.3	100.0
09.5.1	Books	0.62	100.1	100.1	100.3	100.1	100.3	100.
09.5.2	Newspapers and periodicals	0.28	107.5	100.0	115.5	107.5	115.5	100.
09.5.3	Miscellaneous printed matter	0.03	102.9	100.3	101.6	102.7	101.3	100.
09.5.4	Stationery and drawing materials	0.13	100.2	100.0	100.1	100.2	100.2	99.
09.6	Package holidays	0.78	107.7	98.0	117.1	108.8	116.8	105.5
10	Education	1.73	100.0	99.9	100.1	100.0	100.2	100.0
11	Restaurants and hotels	3.03	100.5	100.1	101.2	100.4	101.2	100.3
11.1	Catering services	2.32	101.2	100.1	101.8	101.1	101.8	100.2
11.2	Accommodation services	0.71	98.3	100.3	98.8	98.2	98.9	100.8
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	5.20	100.8	100.3	101.2	100.6	101.3	100.3
12.1	Personal care	2.32	101.5	100.6	102.4	101.2	102.6	100.5
12.1.1	Hairdressing salons and personal grooming establishments	0.54	101.3	100.5	101.8	101.1	101.8	100.0
12.1.2	Electric appliances for personal care	0.12	97.5	100.4	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.
12.1.3	Other appliances, articles and products for personal care	1.66	101.8	100.6	102.9	101.5	103.2	100.
12.3	Personal effects n.e.c.	0.60	100.4	100.3	100.3	100.2	100.6	100.
12.3.1	Jewellery, clocks and watches	0.13	100.7	100.1	101.8	100.6	102.9	100.
12.3.2	Other personal effects	0.47	100.3	100.3	100.0	100.1	100.1	100.
12.4	Social protection	0.28	100.1	100.0	100.4	100.1	100.4	100.
12.5	Insurance	1.00	100.1	100.0	100.2	100.1	100.3	100.0
12.5.2	Insurance connected with the dwelling	0.04	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
12.5.4	Insurance connected with transport	0.96	100.1	100.0	100.2	100.1	100.3	100.0
12.6	Financial services n.e.c.	0.64	100.3	100.0	100.7	100.3	100.4	100.0
12.7	Other services, n.e.c.	0.36	100.1	100.0	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.0
	Goods <sup>2)</sup>	74.70	404.0	104.0	100 5	400.0	402.0	404 4
	00003	74.76	101.3	101.0	102.5	100.8	102.2	101.3
	Services <sup>2)</sup>	25.24	101.2	99.9	102.2	101.3	102.2	100.4

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#### **Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices**

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Annual rate <sup>2)</sup>												
2019	:	2.0 2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Monthly rate <sup>3)</sup>												
2019		0.3 0.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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#### **Methodological explanations**

Consumer price indices have been used since January 2009 as official inflation measure. Additionally, it is used as deflator in national accounts and turnover, for salaries and wages adjustment, pensions, social benefits, for adjustment of values in business and private agreements, etc.

CPI-COICOP is defined as the measure of the average change of prices of the fixed basket of goods and services, which is purchased by households and which aims to satisfy the households' needs. Purchasing of the second – hand goods, remuneration in kind, life insurance and gifts are excluded. This list also excludes imputed rent, outlays for investments (dwellings, land, etc.) and outlays for lottery games.

Services include cleaning, sawing and repairs of clothing and footwear, rents, maintenance and repair of the dwelling, public utility services (except household water supply), services in respect of health, transport and personal transport equipment, communication, recreation and culture, education, insurance, personal care and other services. Goods are all products excluding services.

List of products is regularly updated so as to preserve its representative characteristics regarding structure of consumption and consumers' habits.

Since 2013 the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia has been experimentally calculating the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices. This index is principally used for the comparison of inflation in EU countries, calculated according to the uniform methodology for the calculation of the Harmonised index of consumer prices.

The basic differences between CPI and HICP:

Use: CPI is used to measure the inflation in a country, and HICP is used to measure the inflation in EU.

Coverage: CPI covers final consumption of the resident population both in the country and abroad. HICP covers final consumption of the population, both resident and non-resident in a country.

Weights: Just as there are differences in the coverage, there are differences in weights. The starting point is the final consumption of population but the concepts are different. The national concept is applied for the national CPI and the domestic concept for HICP.

Classification: COICOP is used for both indices.

List of products and services: The same list is used for products and services.

Calculation method: Laspeyre's type of index is used for the calculation of both indices.

Both price indices are calculated for the territory of the Republic of Serbia.

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