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Price statistics

Consumer price indices by COICOP, September 2018

Prices of goods and services used for personal consumption in September 2018 in relation to August 2018 decreased by 0.3% on average. Consumer prices in September 2018, increased by 2.1% in relation to September 2017. In September 2018, in relation to December 2017, consumer prices increased by 1.9% on average.

Observed by main groups according to the destination of consumption in September 2018 in relation to the previous month, decrease of prices was noted in the groups Recreation and culture (-5.6%), Communication (-0.3%), in the groups Food and non-alcoholic beverages and Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house (by -0.2% each) and Clothing and footwear (-0.1%). Increase of prices was noted in the groups Restaurants and hotels (0.6%), Transport (0.5%), Health (0.4%) and Education (0.1%).

Prices of other goods and services mostly remained unchanged.



Inflation rate measured by Consumer price indices by COICOP

		11	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	Х	XI	XII
					Annua	l rate ²⁾						
2017	2.4	3.2	3.6	4.0	3.5	3.6	3.2	2.5	3.2	2.8	2.8	3
2018	1.9	1.5	1.4	1.1	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.1	-	-	
					Monthl	y rate ³⁾						
2017	1.4	0.7	0.2	0.8	-0.5	0.2	-0.4	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.
2018	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.4	-0.3	0.3	-0.3	-	-	

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Republic of Serbia¹⁾

Consumer price indices by COICOP, September 2018

COICOP		Structure	IX 2018	IX 2018	IX 2018	I-IX 2018	I-IX 2018	IX 2018
COICOP		(%)	Ø 2017	VIII 2018	IX 2017	Ø 2017	I-IX 2017	XII 201
00	Total	100.00	102.3	99.7	102.1	101.8	101.9	101.
)1	Food and non – alcoholic beverages	31.70	101.7	99.8	101.4	102.0	101.8	102.
01.1	Food	28.12	101.7	99.8	101.3	102.0	101.8	102.
01.1.		4.78			101.4	101.2	101.2	101.
01.1.	2 Meat	6.82		99.4	98.0	99.7	99.5	102
01.1.		0.80			100.4	101.7	102.5	100
01.1.	4 Milk, cheese and eggs	5.26	100.0	99.4	100.2	101.0	101.0	99
01.1.		0.87	93.9	99.6	93.5	97.0	96.9	93
01.1.	5 Fruit	2.18	107.5	98.9	99.3	104.3	104.1	113
01.1.	7 Vegetables	4.52	104.8	101.5	112.9	108.7	108.3	106
01.1.	Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery	1.73	95.8	99.5	95.5	97.8	97.3	96
01.1.	P Food products n.e.c.	1.16	104.2	99.8	103.4	103.5	103.8	102
01.2	Non- alcoholic beverages	3.58	102.0	99.6	101.7	101.8	101.9	101
01.2.	Coffee, tea and cocoa	1.44	100.9	99.4	100.3	101.6	101.9	100
01.2.	2 Mineral waters, soft, drinks, fruit and vegetables juices	2.14	102.8	99.8	102.7	102.0	101.9	102
2	Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	6.89	107.0	100.0	105.6	104.9	105.5	105
02.1	Alcoholic beverages	2.48	100.9	99.9	100.8	100.9	101.1	10
02.1.	1 Spirits	0.47	103.3	100.0	102.6	102.6	103.3	10
02.1.	2 Wine	0.68	102.3	99.9	101.9	101.9	102.4	10
02.1.	3 Beer	1.33	99.4	99.9	99.6	99.8	99.7	9
02.2	Торассо	4.41	110.5	100.0	108.2	107.2	108.0	10
3	Clothing and footwear	4.65	97.3	99.9	99.1	98.8	99.1	9
03.1	Clothing	3.11	97.3	100.1	98.4	98.6	98.7	96
03.1.	1 Clothing materials	0.08	100.7	100.0	100.9	100.4	100.2	10
03.1.	2 Garments	2.79	96.7	100.1	98.0	98.3	98.4	9
03.1.	3 Other articles of clothing and clothing accessories	0.08	100.7	99.9	100.4	100.4	100.6	10
03.1.	4 Cleaning, repair and hire of clothing	0.16	104.0	100.8	103.7	102.6	102.8	10
03.2	Footwear	1.54	97.4	99.5	100.4	99.0	99.9	9
03.2.		1.48			100.4	98.9	99.9	9
03.2.	2 Repair of footwear	0.06	101.5	100.0	101.7	101.0	101.1	10
	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	13.77	102.1	100.0	102.2	101.5	101.9	10
04.1	Actual rentals for housing	1.28		100.2	103.8	100.1	100.1	10
04.3	Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	1.07		99.9	100.7	99.0	98.1	10
04.3.	1 Materials for the maintenance and repair of the dwelling	0.55		99.8	97.1	98.4	97.9	9
04.3.		0.52			104.5	99.6	98.2	10
04.4	Water supply and miscellaneous services related to the dwelling	1.76		100.2	101.8	101.1	101.2	10
04.4.		1.05		100.0	100.8	100.9	100.9	10
04.4.		0.49		100.2	102.9	101.4	101.5	10
04.4.	0	0.22			104.0	101.8	101.9	10
04.5	Electricity, gas and other fuels	9.66			102.1	102.0	102.6	10
04.5.	5	5.07		100.0	102.1	101.6	102.1	10
04.5.		0.46		99.9	100.0	99.9	99.8	9
04.5.		2.53		100.0	103.7	104.2	105.3	10
04.5.	5 Heat energy	1.60	100.3	100.0	100.3	100.3	100.4	10

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Consumer price indices by COICOP, September 2018 (continued)

COICOP		Structure	IX 2018	IX 2018	IX 2018	I-IX 2018	I-IX 2018	IX 201
001001		(%)	Ø 2017	VIII 2018	IX 2017	Ø 2017	I-IX 2017	XII 201
	Furnishings household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	4.87	100.5	99.8	100.6	100.8	101.0	99
05.1	Furniture and furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	0.92	99.0	100.0	99.4	99.3	99.3	98
05.1.1	Furniture and furnishings	0.69	98.0	100.1	98.6	98.5	98.6	97
05.1.2	Carpets and other floor coverings	0.16	101.5	99.8	101.6	101.1	100.8	101
05.1.3	Repair of furniture, furnishings and floor covering	0.07	102.8	100.0	103.4	102.6	103.2	100
05.2	Household textiles	0.30	99.6	100.2	100.2	100.3	100.9	98
05.3	Household appliances	1.22	99.8	99.8	99.9	99.9	100.1	99
05.3.1	Major household appliances	0.87	99.8	99.8	99.7	100.0	100.1	99
05.3.2	Small household appliances	0.20	99.5	100.0	99.8	99.4	99.6	99
05.3.3	Repair of household appliances	0.15	100.2	99.8	101.0	100.2	100.2	100
05.4	Glassware, tableware and household utensils	0.35			101.0	101.6		100
05.5	Tools and equipment for house and garden	0.29		99.6	98.0	99.3		97
05.5.1	Major tools and equipment	0.04	99.7	99.9	97.1	100.2		99
05.5.2	Small tools and miscellaneous accessories	0.25			98.5	99.2		9
05.6	Goods and services for routine household maintenance	1.79		99.7	102.1	102.4		10
05.6.1	Non-durable household goods	1.62		99.6	101.8	102.1		
05.6.2	Domestic services and household services	0.17	106.7	100.4	105.3	105.3	106.4	10
	Health	4.90	102.2	100.4	102.2	101.4	101.6	10
06.1	Medical products, appliances and equipment	3.26	102.1	100.1	102.2	101.3	101.6	10
06.1.1	Pharmaceutical products	2.85	102.5	100.2	102.6	101.6	101.9	10
06.1.2	Other medical products	0.15	100.7	100.0	100.3	100.4	99.9	10
06.1.3	Therapeutic appliances and equipment	0.26	98.7	100.0	98.4	99.2	99.2	9
06.2	Out-patient services	1.64	102.4	101.0	102.2	101.6	101.7	10
06.2.1	Medical services	0.58	103.3	101.3	103.5	101.4	101.4	10
06.2.2	Dental services	0.53	103.1	101.3	102.9	102.9	103.1	10
06.2.3	Paramedical services	0.53	100.6	100.3	100.1	100.5	100.7	10
	Transport	12.39	104.9	100.5	105.9	102.4	102.2	10
07.1	Purchase of vehicles	1.88		100.2	100.6	98.4	97.9	10
07.1.1	Motor cars	1.82	98.9	100.2	100.4	98.3	97.8	10
07.1.3	Bicycles	0.06		100.5	105.4	102.8		
07.2	Operation of personal transport equipment	8.18		100.6	108.7	103.9		10
07.2.1	Spare parts and accessories for personal transport equipment	1.05		100.1	99.1	99.2		
07.2.2	Fuels and lubricants for personal transport equipment	5.93		100.8	110.8	104.9		10
07.2.3	Maintenance and repair of personal transport equipment	0.62		100.0	100.2	100.4		10
07.2.4	Other services in respect of personal transport equipment	0.58			113.7	105.0		11
07.3	Transport services	2.33		100.1	100.8	100.2		
07.3.1	Passenger transport by railway	0.05			100.0	100.0		10
07.3.2	Passenger transport by road	1.89			101.1	100.8		10
07.3.3	Passenger transport by air	0.39	97.5	100.2	99.4	97.4	96.8	ç
	Communication	4.98	99.5	99.7	98.1	100.1	100.4	9
08.1	Postal services	0.15	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	10
08.2	Telephone and telefax equipment	0.58	90.1	97.4	84.6	95.2	95.4	8
08.3	Telephone and telefax services	4.25	100.8	100.0	100.0	100.8	101.1	10

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COICOF		(%)	Ø 2017	VIII 2018	IX 2017	Ø 2017	I-IX 2017	XII 2017
09	Recreation and culture	5.99	103.4	94.4	102.8	103.3	103.6	102.2
09.1	Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	1.15	94.6	100.0	94.1	96.9	96.8	94.6
09.1.1	Equipment for the reception, recording and reproduction of sound and	0.39	89.1	99.5	89.7	93.3	92.7	91.4
00 1 2	pictures	0.09	107.7	100.0	106.2	104.2	104 7	106.2
09.1.2 09.1.3	Photographic and cinematographic equipment and optical instruments Information processing equipment	0.08 0.53	107.7 95.1	100.0 100.5	106.2 94.3	104.2 97.2	104.7 97.0	94.5
09.1.4	Recording media	0.12	99.9	99.8	97.5	102.0	101.6	96.7
09.1.5	Repair of audio - visual, photographic and information processing equipment	0.03		100.0	100.6	101.1	101.6	99.6
09.2	Other major durables for recreation and culture	0.11	101.3	100.4	103.2	100.3	100.7	101.0
09.3	Other recreational items and equipment, gardens and pets	0.95	101.7	100.0	101.2	101.1	101.5	100.1
09.3.1	Games, toys and hobbies	0.18	102.2	100.5	101.1	100.8	101.2	101.7
09.3.2	Equipment for sport, camping and open-air recreation	0.35		99.4	100.5	101.1	101.7	98.6
09.3.3	Gardens, plants and flowers	0.16		100.6	103.5	102.7	102.7	100.9
09.3.4	Pets and related products	0.17	101.2	100.2	100.9	100.7	100.9	100.9
09.3.5	Veterinary and other services for pets	0.09		100.0	99.9	99.9	99.9	100.1
09.4	Recreational and cultural services	1.95	104.0	100.1	104.5	104.2	104.3	103.1
09.4.1	Recreational and sporting services	0.52	99.3	100.1	101.5	101.4	102.0	96.8
09.4.2	Cultural services	1.43		100.0	105.6	105.1	105.1	105.5
09.5 00 F 1	Newspapers, books and stationery	1.02	103.6	100.0	103.3	102.7	102.8	103.1
09.5.1 09.5.2	Books	0.59 0.26		100.1 100.0	100.3 111.5	99.9 109.5	99.9 110.1	100.3 111.5
09.5.2	Newspapers and periodicals Miscellaneous printed matter	0.20		100.0	97.1	98.5	98.8	96.5
09.5.4	Stationery and drawing materials	0.02		99.9	101.3	102.6	102.1	100.4
09.6	Package holidays	0.81		71.9	112.1	113.6	115.2	111.8
10	Education	1.78	100.6	100.1	100.6	100.4	100.4	100.5
11	Restaurants and hotels	2.98	101.7	100.6	101.0	101.0	101.2	101.1
11.1	Catering services	2.35	102.3	100.3	102.0	101.6	101.9	101.3
11.2	Accommodation services	0.63		101.7	97.2	98.7	99.0	100.2
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	5.10	101.9	100.3	102.0	101.5	101.7	101.3
12.1	Personal care	2.24		100.4	102.8	101.9	101.9	102.4
12.1.1	Hairdressing salons and personal grooming establishments	0.53		100.1	102.9	102.2	102.6	101.4
12.1.2	Electric appliances for personal care	0.10		99.9 100 6	99.6 102.0	98.1	97.7 102.1	99.7 102.0
12.1.3	Other appliances, articles and products for personal care Personal effects n.e.c.	1.61 0.62		100.6 100.5	103.0 102.2	102.0 101.9	102.1 102.3	103.0 100.6
10.0	Feisonal ellecis n.e.c.	0.02		100.5	102.2	101.9	102.3	100.0
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12.3.1	Jewellery, clocks and watches Other personal effects	0.11 0.51						99.9
12.3.1 12.3.2	Other personal effects	0.51	101.5	100.4	102.0	101.7	102.2	
12.3.1 12.3.2 12.4	Other personal effects Social protection		101.5 102.6	100.4 100.0	102.0 101.2	101.7 102.5	102.2 102.9	101.2
12.3.1 12.3.2	Other personal effects	0.51 0.27	101.5 102.6 100.1	100.4	102.0	101.7	102.2	
12.3.1 12.3.2 12.4 12.5	Other personal effects Social protection Insurance	0.51 0.27 1.01	101.5 102.6 100.1 100.0	100.4 100.0 100.0	102.0 101.2 100.5	101.7 102.5 100.0	102.2 102.9 100.0	101.2 100.2
12.3.1 12.3.2 12.4 12.5 12.5.2	Other personal effects Social protection Insurance Insurance connected with the dwelling	0.51 0.27 1.01 0.05	101.5 102.6 100.1 100.0 100.2	100.4 100.0 100.0 100.0	102.0 101.2 100.5 100.0	101.7 102.5 100.0 100.0	102.2 102.9 100.0 100.0	100.2 100.0
12.3.1 12.3.2 12.4 12.5 12.5.2 12.5.4	Other personal effects Social protection Insurance Insurance connected with the dwelling Insurance connected with transport	0.51 0.27 1.01 0.05 0.96	101.5 102.6 100.1 100.0 100.2 102.3	100.4 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	102.0 101.2 100.5 100.0 100.6	101.7 102.5 100.0 100.0 100.0	102.2 102.9 100.0 100.0 100.0	101.2 100.2 100.0 100.2
12.3.1 12.3.2 12.4 12.5 12.5.2 12.5.4 12.6	Other personal effects Social protection Insurance Insurance connected with the dwelling Insurance connected with transport Financial services n.e.c.	0.51 0.27 1.01 0.05 0.96 0.58	101.5 102.6 100.1 100.0 100.2 102.3 101.2	100.4 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0 100.0	102.0 101.2 100.5 100.0 100.6 101.9	101.7 102.5 100.0 100.0 100.0 101.9	102.2 102.9 100.0 100.0 100.0 102.7	101.2 100.2 100.0 100.2 100.1

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Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices

Republic of	Serbia	a '											
		I		===	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	Х	XI	XII
						Anr	ual rate ²⁾						
2018	I	2.0	1.6	1.4	1.0	2.2	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.1	-		
						Mon	thly rate ³⁾						
2018		0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.8	0.5	-0.5	0.5	-0.5	-		

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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:

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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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