Consumer price indices in March 2019

Consumer prices in March 2019, as related to the previous month, increased by 0,3% (of which   
goods – by 0,4%, and services – by 0,2%).   
Compared with the corresponding month of the previous year, consumer prices increased by 1,7% (of which services – by 2,7% and goods – by 1,3%).

**** 0,3%

an increase compared

with the previous month

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| SPECIFICATION | III 2019 | | | I-III 2019 | | CONTRIBUTION OF CHANGESII 2019= =100 |
| III 2018= =100 | XII 2018= =100 | II 2019= =100 | I-III 2018=100 | X-XII 2018=100 |
| **TOTAL** | **101,7** | **100,5** | **100,3** | **101,2** | **100,2** | **x** |
| Food and non-alcoholic  beverages | 102,6 | 102,4 | 100,4 | 101,8 | 102,3 | 0,09 |
| Alcoholic beverages  and tobacco | 101,5 | 100,8 | 100,2 | 101,4 | 100,5 | 0,01 |
| Clothing and footwear | 97,6 | 97,2 | 103,2 | 97,1 | 94,8 | 0,15 |
| Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels | 101,0 | 99,4 | 100,2 | 100,6 | 99,3 | 0,03 |
| Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance | 101,1 | 100,3 | 100,1 | 100,9 | 100,2 | 0,01 |
| Health | 102,9 | 100,6 | 100,1 | 102,7 | 100,8 | 0,00 |
| Transport | 103,5 | 98,0 | 100,2 | 102,6 | 97,5 | 0,02 |
| Communication | 97,5 | 102,6 | 99,9 | 96,8 | 101,4 | 0,00 |
| Recreation and culture | 101,9 | 101,5 | 100,2 | 101,5 | 101,4 | 0,01 |
| Education | 103,1 | 100,5 | 100,0 | 103,1 | 100,5 | 0,00 |
| Restaurants and hotels | 103,6 | 101,2 | 100,4 | 103,4 | 101,0 | 0,02 |
| Miscellaneous goods and services | 100,7 | 100,3 | 99,6 | 100,7 | 100,6 | -0,02 |

Table 1. Consumer price indices in March 2019

# Contribution of price changes to the total consumer price index

In March of the current year, compared with the previous month, the highest contribution to the total consumer price index came from higher prices of Clothing and footwear (by 3,2%) and Food (by 0,4%), which increased the index by 0,15 pp and 0,09 pp, respectively.Compared with the corresponding month of the previous year, higher prices of Food (by 2,7%) and related to Transport (by 3,5%) and Dwelling (by 1,0%) increased the index by 0,62 pp, 0,35 pp and 0,25 pp, respectively. Lower prices of Clothing and footwear   
(by 2,4%) and related to Communication (by 2,5%) decreased the index by 0,12 pp and 0,11 pp, respectively.

Chart 1. Contribution of price changes of selected groups of consumer goods and services in March 2019 (change in pp compared with the previous period)

**Chart 2. Weighting system used in the compilations of consumer price indices in 2019  
Chart 3. Consumer prices (change in % compared with the previous period)**

In 2019, similarly to previous years, the largest share of expenditures in the compilations of the consumer price index have Food and non-alcoholic beverages (24,89%) and goods and services related to Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels (19,17%)

Chart 4. Consumer prices   
(change in % compared with the corresponding period of the previous year)

In March 2019 consumer price index was within the deviations from inflation target determined by the Monetary Policy Council (2,5% +/- 1 pp)

Chart 5. Consumer price index (CPI) and harmonised index of consumer prices (HICP)   
(change in % compared with the corresponding period of the previous year)

Table 2. Consumer price indices in March 2019

| SPECIFICATION | III 2019 | | | I-III 2019 | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| III 2018= =100 | XII 2018= =100 | II 2019= =100 | I-III 2018= =100 | X-XII 2018= =100 |
| **TOTAL** | **101,7** | **100,5** | **100,3** | **101,2** | **100,2** |
| Goods | 101,3 | 100,2 | 100,4 | 100,8 | 99,8 |
| Services | 102,7 | 101,4 | 100,2 | 102,3 | 101,4 |
| FOOD, NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES,  ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO | 102,4 | 102,0 | 100,3 | 101,8 | 101,9 |
| FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | 102,6 | 102,4 | 100,4 | 101,8 | 102,3 |
| Food | 102,7 | 102,5 | 100,4 | 101,9 | 102,5 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rice | 101,2 | 101,4 | 100,0 | 101,0 | 100,9 |
| Flour | 109,2 | 106,1 | 101,0 | 107,3 | 104,6 |
| Bread | 109,6 | 101,8 | 100,3 | 109,2 | 102,4 |
| Pasta products and couscous | 102,3 | 100,9 | 100,7 | 102,4 | 100,8 |
| Meat | 100,6 | 101,0 | 100,8 | 100,3 | 100,1 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beef | 101,0 | 99,9 | 100,2 | 101,0 | 100,3 |
| Veal | 101,7 | 100,2 | 100,1 | 101,7 | 100,3 |
| Pork | 97,3 | 98,9 | 100,3 | 97,9 | 99,3 |
| Poultry | 102,4 | 105,9 | 104,1 | 100,1 | 99,9 |
| Dried, salted or smoked meat | 101,3 | 100,6 | 100,2 | 101,1 | 100,3 |
| Fish and seafood | 103,0 | 101,7 | 100,6 | 102,7 | 101,3 |
| Milk, cheese and eggs | 99,3 | 100,0 | 99,8 | 98,8 | 100,1 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Milk | 98,5 | 99,1 | 99,1 | 98,7 | 99,4 |
| Yoghurt, cream, milk-based desserts, milk-based beverages and other similar milk-based products | 101,9 | 100,7 | 100,3 | 101,8 | 100,6 |
| Cheese and curd | 101,6 | 101,1 | 100,2 | 101,3 | 100,8 |
| Eggs | 89,4 | 96,6 | 98,1 | 87,7 | 97,8 |
| Oils and fats | 101,5 | 99,8 | 99,0 | 101,5 | 99,1 |
| Vegetable fats | 100,1 | 102,5 | 99,8 | 99,8 | 100,7 |
| Animal fats | 102,7 | 97,8 | 98,4 | 102,8 | 97,9 |
| of which butter | 103,2 | 97,8 | 98,4 | 103,2 | 97,8 |
| Fruit | 88,7 | 108,3 | 101,5 | 87,2 | 107,3 |
| Vegetables | 116,6 | 108,6 | 100,1 | 113,4 | 112,4 |
| Sugar | 111,2 | 114,9 | 102,2 | 101,9 | 112,7 |
| Non-alcoholic beverages | 101,3 | 100,8 | 100,3 | 101,2 | 100,4 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Coffee | 100,7 | 100,5 | 99,9 | 101,0 | 100,3 |
| Tea | 100,7 | 101,1 | 101,1 | 100,5 | 100,4 |
| Cocoa and powdered chocolate | 103,7 | 102,2 | 99,9 | 103,3 | 101,5 |
| Mineral or spring waters | 102,6 | 101,3 | 101,0 | 102,3 | 100,8 |
| Fruit and vegetable juices | 101,6 | 101,3 | 100,6 | 101,5 | 100,3 |
| ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO | 101,5 | 100,8 | 100,2 | 101,4 | 100,5 |
| Alcoholic beverages | 102,1 | 100,8 | 100,2 | 101,9 | 100,4 |
| Tobacco | 100,0 | 100,8 | 100,2 | 100,0 | 100,6 |
| CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 97,6 | 97,2 | 103,2 | 97,1 | 94,8 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Garments | 97,4 | 97,8 | 103,9 | 96,8 | 95,0 |
| Footwear | 97,6 | 95,4 | 101,7 | 97,5 | 94,0 |
| DWELLING | 101,0 | 99,6 | 100,2 | 100,7 | 99,5 |
| HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS  AND OTHER FUELS | 101,0 | 99,4 | 100,2 | 100,6 | 99,3 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Actual rentals for housing | 105,1 | 101,9 | 100,5 | 104,9 | 101,5 |
| Water supply | 101,7 | 100,3 | 100,0 | 101,7 | 100,3 |
| Refuse collection | 110,6 | 109,6 | 102,4 | 108,3 | 106,8 |
| Sewage collection | 103,1 | 101,4 | 100,1 | 102,8 | 101,2 |
| Electricity, gas and other fuels | 98,7 | 97,3 | 99,9 | 98,4 | 97,5 |
| Electricity | 93,0 | 93,0 | 100,0 | 92,9 | 92,9 |
| Gas | 105,2 | 100,1 | 99,9 | 103,7 | 100,6 |
| Liquid and solid fuels | 100,8 | 99,7 | 99,6 | 100,9 | 100,1 |
| Heat energy | 101,5 | 100,7 | 100,0 | 101,5 | 100,8 |
| FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE | 101,1 | 100,3 | 100,1 | 100,9 | 100,2 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Furniture and furnishings | 101,3 | 100,5 | 100,3 | 101,3 | 100,4 |
| Household appliances | 100,4 | 99,7 | 100,2 | 100,1 | 99,6 |
| Cleaning and maintenance products | 101,1 | 100,3 | 99,8 | 100,5 | 100,2 |
| Domestic services and household  services | 104,8 | 102,1 | 100,5 | 104,4 | 101,6 |
| HEALTH | 102,9 | 100,6 | 100,1 | 102,7 | 100,8 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pharmaceutical products | 102,8 | 100,1 | 100,0 | 102,6 | 100,5 |
| Therapeutic appliances and equipment | 101,3 | 100,4 | 100,0 | 101,2 | 100,4 |
| Medical services | 104,3 | 102,1 | 100,6 | 104,1 | 101,7 |
| Dental services | 103,7 | 101,6 | 100,4 | 103,6 | 101,3 |
| Hospital services | 101,4 | 100,7 | 99,1 | 101,6 | 101,4 |
| TRANSPORT | 103,5 | 98,0 | 100,2 | 102,6 | 97,5 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchase of vehicles | 96,3 | 100,6 | 100,3 | 95,8 | 99,3 |
| of which motor cars | 96,1 | 100,5 | 100,3 | 95,5 | 99,2 |
| Fuels for personal transport equipment | 107,3 | 98,1 | 100,6 | 105,9 | 95,9 |
| Diesel | 113,2 | 99,2 | 101,5 | 111,1 | 97,6 |
| Petrol | 104,4 | 98,7 | 100,4 | 103,1 | 95,9 |
| Liquid petroleum gas and other fuels for personal transport equipment | 106,8 | 89,9 | 98,0 | 107,0 | 90,1 |
| Transport services | 102,7 | 87,6 | 97,8 | 102,2 | 96,5 |
| COMMUNICATION | 97,5 | 102,6 | 99,9 | 96,8 | 101,4 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Telephone and telefax equipment | 89,0 | 98,6 | 98,8 | 89,4 | 96,7 |
| Telephone and telefax services | 97,9 | 102,8 | 99,9 | 97,1 | 101,5 |
| RECREATION AND CULTURE | 101,9 | 101,5 | 100,2 | 101,5 | 101,4 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment | 95,2 | 98,7 | 99,7 | 95,2 | 98,6 |
| Recreational and cultural services | 101,9 | 102,1 | 100,9 | 100,9 | 101,0 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Recreational and sporting services | 103,2 | 101,6 | 101,0 | 103,0 | 101,1 |
| Cultural services | 101,5 | 102,3 | 100,9 | 100,1 | 100,9 |
| of which television and radio licence fees, subscriptions | 100,3 | 103,5 | 101,9 | 97,6 | 101,0 |
| Books | 101,9 | 98,9 | 100,7 | 101,4 | 99,7 |
| Newspapers and periodicals | 105,0 | 101,0 | 99,0 | 106,0 | 102,9 |
| Stationery and drawing materials | 102,8 | 100,5 | 100,2 | 102,9 | 100,7 |
| Package holidays | 103,5 | 102,7 | 99,8 | 102,8 | 103,3 |
| Package domestic holidays | 102,1 | 101,5 | 99,2 | 102,5 | 101,5 |
| Package international holidays | 104,6 | 103,5 | 100,2 | 103,0 | 104,7 |
| EDUCATION | 103,1 | 100,5 | 100,0 | 103,1 | 100,5 |
| RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS | 103,6 | 101,2 | 100,4 | 103,4 | 101,0 |
| MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES | 100,7 | 100,3 | 99,6 | 100,7 | 100,6 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personal care | 100,9 | 100,6 | 99,8 | 100,7 | 100,5 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hairdressing salons and personal grooming establishments | 104,6 | 102,4 | 100,8 | 104,2 | 101,9 |
| Articles for personal hygiene and wellness, esoteric products and beauty products | 100,2 | 100,3 | 99,6 | 100,1 | 100,2 |
| Social protection | 104,2 | 102,7 | 100,5 | 103,8 | 102,2 |
| Insurance | 99,6 | 99,4 | 98,7 | 100,4 | 101,1 |
| Charges by banks and post offices | 95,8 | 100,0 | 100,0 | 92,3 | 100,0 |

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