

Press Release

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### Flash estimate of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and of the Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HCPI) November 2023

# The annual change in the flash estimate of the CPI remains at 3.2% in November, three tenths below than the one registered in October

# The annual rate of the flash indicator of underlying inflation decreases seven tenths, to 4.5%

# The annual rate of the flash indicator of the HCPI is 3.2%

### Annual rate evolution

The estimated annual inflation of the CPI in November 2023 is 3.2%, according to the flash indicator prepared by the NSI.

This indicator provides a preview of the CPI which, if confirmed, would mean a decrease of three tenths in its annual rate, since in October this variation was 3.5%

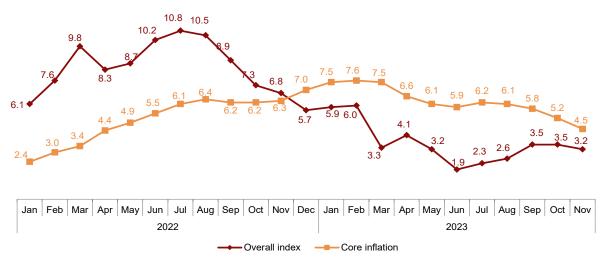
This development is mainly due to the decrease in *fuel* and *tourist packages* prices, which are higher than those recorded in the same month of 2022. It is also influenced by the fact that the increase in *food and non-alcoholic beverages* prices is lower than in November of the previous year.

Noteworthy, on the other hand, *electricity* prices decreased less than in November 2022.

The estimated annual variation rate of underlying inflation (general index excluding non-processed food and energy products) decreases seven tenths, to 4.5%.

## Annual evolution of the CPI<sup>1</sup>

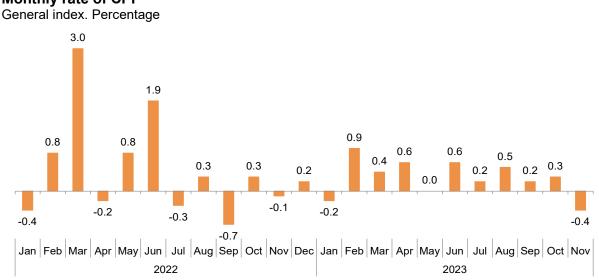
General and underlying index. Percentage



<sup>1</sup> The last data refers to the flash estimate

## Monthly rate evolution

Consumer prices registered a rate of -0.4% in November compared to October, according to the leading indicator of the CPI.



Monthly rate of CPI<sup>1</sup>

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### Harmonized Consumer Price Index (HCPI)

In November, the estimated annual variation rate of the HCPI stood at 3.2%, three tenths below than the one registered in the previous month.

For its part, the estimated monthly variation of the HCPI is -0.6%.

#### Data reviews and updates

The data released today is a preview of the final CPI and HCPI data to be released next month. Until then, the results are available at INEbase.

# Metodological note

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of the evolution of the prices of goods and services consumed by the population that reside in family dwellings in Spain.

In turn, the Harmonised Consumer Price Index (HCPI) is a statistical indicator whose objective is to provide a common average of the inflation that allows conducting international comparisons.

Type of survey: continuous on a monthly basis

Base period: 2021 (CPI) and 2015 (HCPI)

Reference period of weightings: year prior to the current year

Sample of municipalities: 177

Number of items: 462 (CPI) y 461 (HCPI), traditionally collected, and 493 scanner data.

Number of observations: approximately 210,000 prices per month.

Functional classification: ECOICOP.

General method of calculation: chained Laspeyres

**Collection method**: interviewers in establishments, *scanner data* and centralised collection for special items

For further information, please consult the methodology of both indicators in the following link:

https://ine.es/metodologia/t25/principales caracteristicas base 2021.pdf

The CPI standardised Methodological report:

https://www.ine.es/dynt3/metadatos/en/RespuestaDatos.html?oe=30138

And the HCPI standardised Methodological report:

https://www.ine.es/dynt3/metadatos/en/RespuestaDatos.html?oe=30180

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