

## Statistical product

### Consumer price index - Health index

The health index was introduced in January 1994 (by Royal Decree of 24 December 1993 implementing the law of 6 January 1989 on the safeguarding of the country's competitiveness) and is derived from the consumer price index. The value of the health index is obtained by excluding a number of products from the product and service basket from the consumer price index, in particular alcoholic beverages (bought in the shop or consumed in a café), tobacco products and motor fuels (with the exception of LPG).

## Metadata update

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## Presentation

<i>Keywords</i>	-
<i>Domain</i>	3.2.02. Prices
<i>Statistical unit - Title</i>	NOK_Biens et services de consommation à l'exception des boissons alcoolisées (achetées en magasin ou consommées dans un café), du tabac et des carburants (à l'exception du LPG)
<i>Statistical unit - Description</i>	-
<i>Statistical population - Title</i>	NOK_Biens et services de consommation à l'exception des boissons alcoolisées (achetées en magasin ou consommées dans un café), du tabac et des carburants (à l'exception du LPG) achetés par les ménages belges.
<i>Statistical population - Description</i>	-
<i>Geographical coverage</i>	Belgium
<i>Time coverage</i>	-
<i>Sectors</i>	-
<i>Other coverage</i>	-

## Reference period

<i>First reference period available</i>	-
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## Institutional mandate

<i>Mandatory statistical production</i>	Statistics produced pursuant to a Belgian legal obligation ; Statistics produced pursuant to a contractual obligation
<i>Legal reference</i>	Royal decree of 31 december 1993 implementing the law of 6 January 1989 protecting the competitive position of the country.

## Confidentiality

<i>Confidentiality - level</i>	Non-confidential data
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## Publication policy

<i>Release calendar</i>	The release calendar is available via the internet
<i>Periodicity</i>	Monthly

## Dissemination format

<i>Press release</i>	Press release
<i>Publications</i>	Publication on the Internet (www.statbel.fgov.be)
<i>Online database</i>	be.STAT
<i>Open data</i>	<a href="https://statbel.fgov.be/en/open-data?category=71">https://statbel.fgov.be/en/open-data?category=71</a>
<i>Access to micro data</i>	-
<i>Other</i>	-

## Accessibility of the documentation

<i>Documentation on the methods</i>	<a href="https://statbel.fgov.be/en/themes/consumer-prices/consumer-price-index#documents">https://statbel.fgov.be/en/themes/consumer-prices/consumer-price-index#documents</a>
<i>Documentation on the quality</i>	-

## Quality management

<i>Quality assurance</i>	-
<i>Quality evaluation</i>	-

## Relevance

<i>User needs</i>	Federal Planning Bureau (FPB) ; Federal public services (FPSes, PPSes and parastatal) ; Institute for National Accounts (INR) ; International organisations (Eurostat, IMF, European Commission, UNSD, WHO, ...) ; National Bank of Belgium (NBB) ; Provincial and local institutions ; Regional public authorities ; There are several important professional clients. Federations: professional, sector and employers' organisations, universities, colleges, and other educational institutions.
<i>User satisfaction</i>	The availability is satisfactory ; The content is partly satisfactory due to feasibility ; The precision is partly satisfactory due to feasibility
<i>Completeness</i>	Yes

## Accuracy and reliability

<i>Accuracy</i>	-
<i>Sampling error</i>	Not applicable
<i>Non-Sampling error</i>	-

## Timeliness

<i>Timeliness</i>	The results are available on the penultimate working day of the reference period.
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## Comparability

<i>Comparability - geographical</i>	-
<i>Comparability – Over time</i>	-
<i>Comparability - Sectorial</i>	-
<i>Comparability - Other</i>	There are other changes in methodology.

## Coherence

<i>Internal coherence</i>	Consistency is ensured between sub-fields, variables, etc.
<i>Cross-field coherence</i>	Concepts, definitions and nomenclatures are saved and managed. ; Consistency checks are performed between concepts, definitions and nomenclatures. ; Recognised concepts and terms are used (national or international concepts only if consistency can be evaluated at this level). ; Recognised nomenclatures are used (either national or international). ; There is consistency between surveyed units and observation units.

## Data revision

<i>Data revision - policy</i>	Not applicable
<i>Data revision - practice</i>	Not applicable

## Statistical processing

<i>Source data - surveys</i>	Household budget survey ; Monthly survey of consumer prices by surveyors in stores ; Other various sources (Internet, catalogues, scanner data, ...) ; Private rents survey ; Social rents survey
<i>Source data - Administrative data</i>	-
<i>Source data – Statistical products</i>	-
<i>Frequency of data collection</i>	Monthly
<i>Data collection</i>	Computer assisted survey techniques based on the use of electronic questionnaires and portable computers ; Websurvey
<i>Data composition</i>	-
<i>Adjustment</i>	-

## Remarks

Remark Confidentiality consumer price indices - Although the headings are published in the index and are therefore generally known, the exact definition of the goods and services is kept secret. This confidentiality is required to prevent attempts to manipulate the index, by resolute actions on certain goods and services. The confidentiality of the definitions guarantees the index objectiveness.

## Related documents

<i>Title</i>	<i>URL</i>
Internet: Consumer price index (CPI)	<a href="https://statbel.fgov.be/en/themes/consumer-prices">https://statbel.fgov.be/en/themes/consumer-prices</a>

## External IDs

<i>Type</i>	<i>ID</i>
INVS	1008010

## Statistical variables

<i>Title</i>	<i>Definition</i>	<i>Unit/Nomenclature</i>
Health index	The health index is deduced from the consumer price index and has been published since January 1994. The current value of this index is obtained by removing some products from the basket of the consumer price index, namely alcoholic drinks (bought in store or consumed in a pub), tobacco and fuels (except for the LPG).	Base year = 100

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