

Consumer price index

4 □ 1987 Monthly

PRICES: Increase of 0.5% in April for EUR-12.

According to provisional estimates from Eurostat in Luxembourg, the CPI for the Community as a whole (EUR-12) advanced by 0.5% between March and April 1987.

This change at Community level is mainly due to a sharp rise of the UK index (+1.2%), which was the result of the annual increase in local authority rates and rents as announced in the Budget, as well as to another big rise of the Greek index (+2.3% in April).

For the other EC-countries the rates of increase are the following: 0.2% in Germany (FR), the Netherlands and Spain, 0.3% in Italy, 0.5% in France, Belgium and Portugal, whereas Luxembourg recorded a decrease of 0.2% (*).

The change since the beginning of this year in the Member States was as follows:

	<u>Jan./ April</u>		<u>Jan./ April</u>	
	1987	1986	1987	1986
Netherlands	-0.7	(+0.2)	Ireland(N/F)	+1.8 (+1.6)
Luxembourg	+0.1	(-1.2)	Denmark	N.A. (+2.6)
Germany (FR)	+0.7	(-0.4)	Spain	+2.0 (+4.0)
Belgium	+1.2	(+0.4)	U.K.	+2.2 (+1.7)
France	+1.7	(+0.4)	Portugal	+4.2 (+5.8)
Italy	+1.7	(+1.9)	Greece	+7.0 (+6.4)

Compared to the corresponding period of 1986 inflation went up in Germany, France, the United Kingdom, Belgium, Luxembourg, Ireland and Greece, whereas it went down in the Netherlands, Italy, Spain and Portugal.

For the Community as a whole prices rose by 1.6% between December 1986 and April 1987 against 1.2% during the period from December '85 to April '86. The inflation rate over the last 12 months for EUR-12 was 3.2% compared to 3.0% for the USA (March '87) and -0.5% for Japan (March '87).

(*) For technical reasons the CPI for Denmark was not available at the closing date of this bulletin, it has been estimated to allow the calculation of the EUR-12 index.



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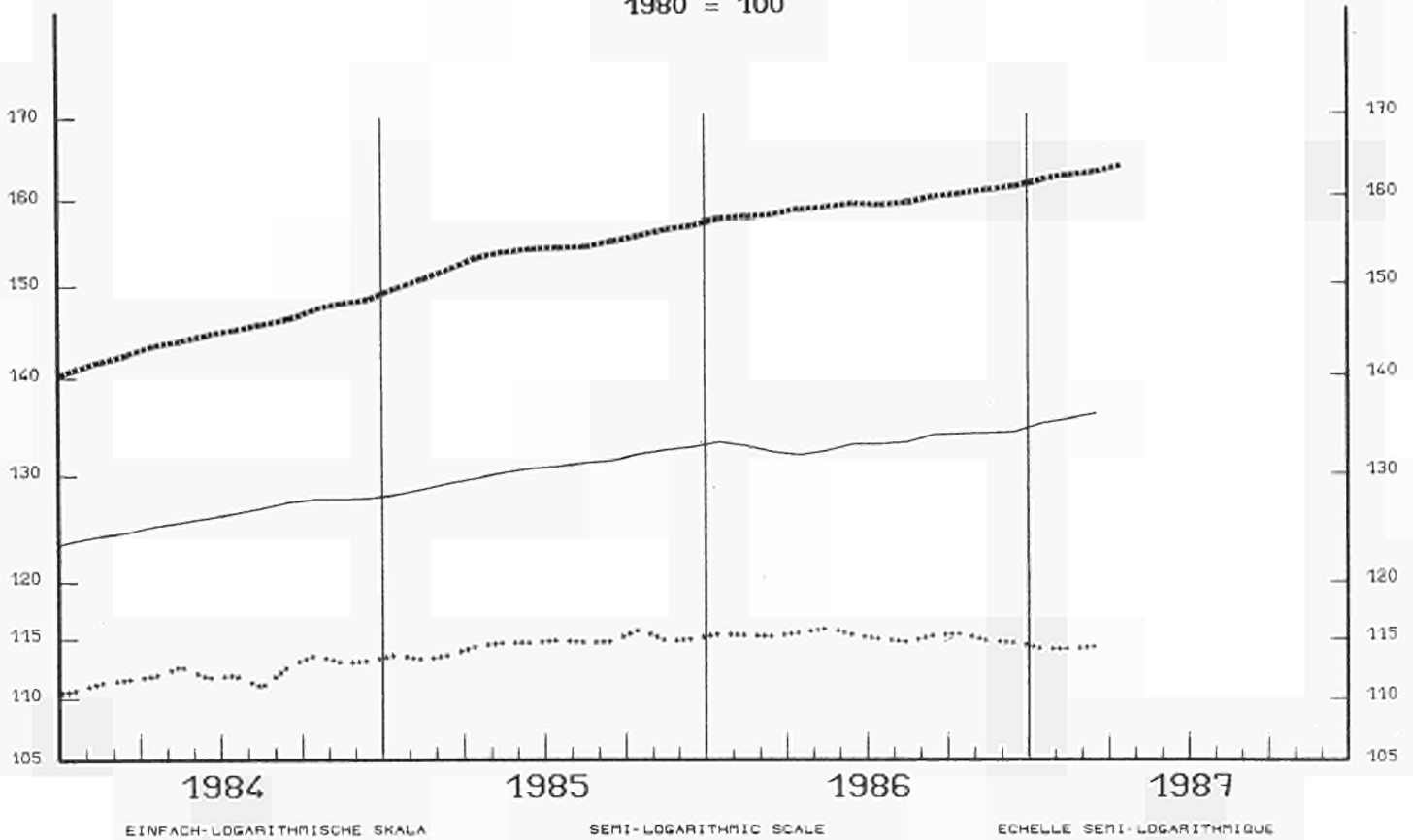
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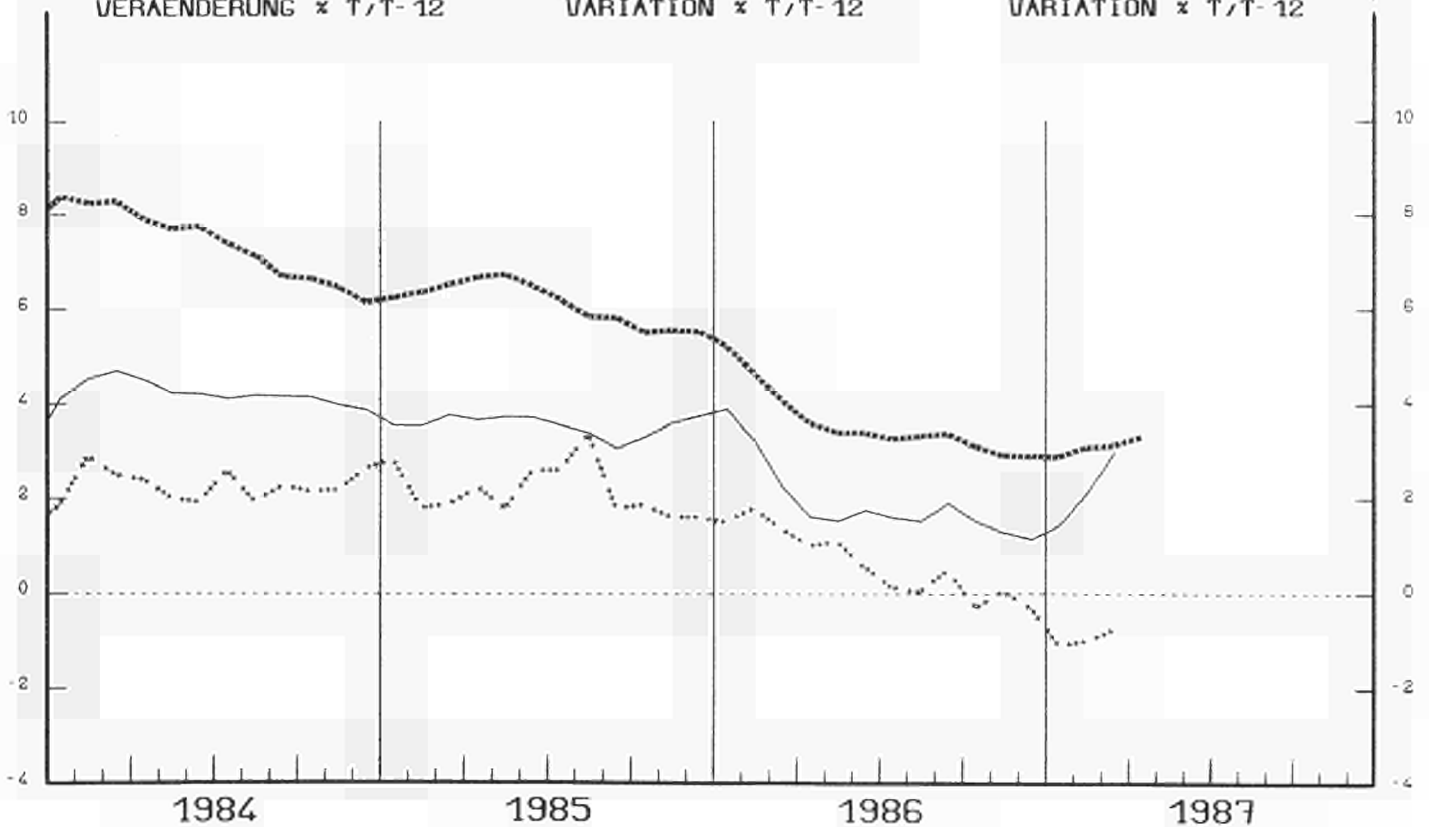
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CONSUMER PRICES

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	EUR 10	BR DEUTSCH LAND	FRANCE	ITALIA	NEDER= LAND	BELGIE BELGIE	LUXEM= BOURG	UNITED KINGDOM	IRELAND	DANMARK	ELLAS	ESPANA	PORTUGAL	EUR 12	USA	JAPAN
PRICE INDICES																
1980 = 100																
1981 O	111.7	106.3	113.4	117.8	106.7	107.6	108.1	111.9	120.4	111.7	124.5	114.6	120.0	112.1	110.3	104.9
1982 O	123.0	111.9	126.8	137.2	112.8	117.0	118.2	121.5	141.1	123.0	150.5	131.1	147.3	124.2	117.1	107.7
1983 O	132.7	115.6	139.0	157.3	115.9	126.0	128.4	127.1	155.8	131.5	181.4	147.0	184.3	134.8	120.9	109.7
1984 O	141.2	118.4	149.2	174.3	119.6	134.0	136.7	133.4	169.2	139.8	214.6	163.5	237.5	144.8	126.1	112.3
1985 O	149.1	121.0	158.0	190.3	122.3	140.5	142.3	141.5	178.4	146.4	256.3	178.0	284.1	153.7	130.5	114.5
1986 OP	153.4	120.7	162.2	201.4	122.7	142.3	142.7	146.3	185.2	151.7	315.5	193.6	317.6	159.2	133.0	115.3
1986 A	153.0	120.9	161.0	200.0	123.2	142.4	142.7	146.1	:	151.8	307.3	190.5	316.8	158.5	131.8	115.5
1986 M	153.3	120.9	161.4	201.0	123.2	142.0	142.7	146.4	185.5	152.9	309.0	191.0	315.3	158.8	132.2	115.9
1986 J	153.5	121.1	161.9	201.3	122.7	142.2	142.6	146.3	:	152.7	314.3	192.7	316.3	159.2	132.9	115.3
1986 J	153.2	120.5	162.1	201.3	121.6	142.2	142.3	145.9	:	151.7	312.6	194.7	316.2	159.1	132.9	115.0
1986 A	153.3	120.2	162.3	201.9	121.8	142.3	141.9	46.3	185.8	152.5	312.5	195.3	319.3	159.3	133.1	114.7
1986 S	154.0	120.4	162.9	202.5	122.3	142.8	142.3	147.1	:	153.7	324.4	197.3	320.5	160.0	133.8	115.3
1986 O	154.2	120.0	163.3	203.4	123.2	142.7	142.5	147.3	:	154.0	332.6	198.1	322.7	160.3	133.9	115.4
1986 N	154.7	119.9	163.5	204.4	123.3	142.6	142.5	148.5	186.2	154.4	334.9	197.6	325.5	160.7	134.0	114.8
1986 D	155.0	120.1	163.7	205.1	123.0	142.7	142.4	149.0	:	154.3	337.8	198.5	331.1	161.1	134.1	114.6
1987 J	155.7	120.6	165.2	206.3	121.3	143.3	142.6	149.6	:	154.6	341.5	199.9	335.1	161.9	135.0	114.1
1987 F	156.1	120.7	165.5	207.2P	121.6	143.6	142.8	150.2	189.6	154.5	342.7	200.7	338.5	162.4	135.5	114.1
1987 M	156.5P	120.7	165.7	208.0P	121.9	143.7	142.8	150.5	:	155.9	353.6	201.9	343.2	162.8P	136.1	114.6
1987 A	157.3P	121.0	166.5P	208.6P	122.1P	144.4	142.5	152.3	:	:	361.6	202.4	345.0	163.7P	:	:
RATE OF INCREASE OVER ONE MONTH (IRELAND 3 MONTHS)																
(T/T-1)																
86 A/M	0.4	-0.1	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3	-0.1	1.0	:	2.6	1.5	0.2	1.3	0.4	-0.2	0.3
86 M/A	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.2	1.2	0.7	0.5	0.2	-0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3
86 J/M	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	-0.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	:	-0.1	1.7	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.5	-0.5
86 J/J	-0.2	-0.5	0.1	0.0	-0.8	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	:	-0.7	-0.5	1.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.3
86 A/J	0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	-0.3
86 S/A	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.5	:	0.8	3.8	1.1	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
86 O/S	0.2	-0.3	0.2	0.4	0.7	-0.1	0.1	0.2	:	0.2	2.6	0.4	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.1
86 N/O	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.5	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.7	-0.2	0.9	0.2	0.1	-0.5
86 D/N	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.3	:	-0.1	0.9	0.5	1.7	0.3	0.1	-0.2
87J/86D	0.5	0.4	0.9	0.6	-1.4	0.4	0.2	0.4	:	0.2	1.1	0.7	1.2	0.5	0.6	-0.4
87 F/J	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4P	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	1.8	-0.1	0.4	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.4	0.0
87 M/F	0.2P	0.0	0.1	0.4P	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2	:	0.9	3.2	0.6	1.4	0.3P	0.4	0.4
87 A/M	0.5P	0.2	0.5P	0.3P	0.2P	0.5	-0.2	1.2	:	:	2.3	0.2	0.5	0.5P	:	:
RATE OF INCREASE OVER 12 MONTHS																
(T/T-12)																
86/85 A	3.0	-0.2	2.6	6.4	0.7	1.4	0.5	3.0	:	4.0	24.7	7.8	12.3	3.6	1.6	1.0
86/85 M	2.8	-0.2	2.3	6.1	0.5	1.1	0.4	2.8	4.4	4.0	24.5	7.7	11.5	3.4	1.6	1.1
86/85 J	2.6	-0.2	2.3	6.0	0.2	1.2	0.1	2.5	:	3.9	24.4	8.9	11.7	3.4	1.7	0.6
86/85 J	2.4	-0.5	2.0	5.5	-0.4	0.7	-0.6	2.4	:	3.6	24.6	9.3	11.2	3.2	1.6	0.2
86/85 A	2.4	-0.4	2.0	5.5	-0.3	0.8	-0.5	2.4	3.1	4.3	24.2	9.5	11.5	3.2	1.6	0.1
86/85 S	2.5	-0.4	2.3	5.3	-0.3	0.9	-0.3	3.0	:	4.6	22.8	9.5	11.8	3.3	1.8	0.5
86/85 O	2.3	-0.9	2.2	4.7	0.0	0.8	-1.0	3.0	:	4.5	21.9	9.4	11.4	3.1	1.5	-0.3
86/85 N	2.2	-1.2	2.1	4.4	0.1	0.5	-1.2	3.5	3.2	4.3	19.8	8.3	10.6	2.9	1.3	0.0
86/85 D	2.1	-1.1	2.1	4.2	0.1	0.6	-1.4	3.7	:	4.3	16.9	8.3	10.6	2.9	1.1	-0.3
87/86 J	2.4	-0.8	3.0	4.2	-0.9	0.9	-1.1	3.9	:	4.8	15.5	6.1	9.8	2.9	1.4	-1.1
87/86 F	2.6	-0.5	3.4	4.3P	-0.8	1.0	-0.5	3.9	3.4	4.8	16.8	6.0	9.5	3.0	2.1	-1.0
87/86 M	2.7P	-0.2	3.3	4.2P	-0.7	1.3	0.0	4.0	:	5.3	16.8	6.2	9.8	3.1P	3.0	-0.5
87/87 A	2.8P	0.1	3.4P	4.3P	-0.9P	1.4	-0.2	4.2	:	:	17.6	6.2	8.9	3.2P	:	:

	SWITZERLAND SCHWEIZ	AUSTRIA OESTERREICH	NORWAY NORGE	SWEDEN SVERIGE	FINLAND SUOMI	CANADA CANADA
	PRICE INDICES			1980 = 100		
1981 O	106.5	106.8	113.6	112.1	111.9	112.5
1982 O	112.5	112.6	126.5	121.7	122.6	124.6
1983 O	115.8	116.3	137.2	132.5	132.8	131.8
1984 O	119.2	122.9	145.7	143.2	142.2	137.6
1985 O	123.3	126.9	154.0	153.7	150.5	143.1
1986 OP	124.2	129.0	165.1	160.3	156.0	148.9
1986 A	124.6	128.6	161.6	159.7	155.1	147.5
1986 M	124.2	128.5	161.8	159.7	155.6	148.1
1986 J	124.2	128.9	164.6	159.7	156.4	148.4
1986 J	123.6	129.0	166.3	160.1	156.5	149.5
1986 A	123.8	129.3	166.9	159.9	156.8	149.9
1986 S	124.1	129.4	169.3	161.3	156.9	149.9
1986 O	124.0	129.3	170.0	161.9	157.3	150.7
1986 N	124.3	129.0	170.4	161.9	157.3	151.5
1986 D	124.6	129.2	171.2	162.3	157.5	151.7
1987 J	125.3	129.5	173.9	164.4	159.1	152.1
1987 F	125.7	129.4	175.5	164.0	159.6	152.8
1987 M	125.9	129.6	177.3	164.7	160.5	153.3
1987 A	126.0	:	177.8	165.1	161.1	153.9
	RATE OF INCREASE OVER ONE MONTH			(T/T-1)		
86 A/M	-0.1	-0.2	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.2
86 M/A	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.5
86 J/M	0.0	0.3	1.7	0.0	0.5	0.2
86 J/J	-0.5	0.1	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.8
86 A/J	0.2	0.3	0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.3
86 S/A	0.2	0.1	1.5	0.9	0.1	0.0
86 O/S	-0.1	-0.1	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.5
86 N/O	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.5
86 D/N	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1
87J/86D	0.6	0.2	1.6	1.3	1.0	0.2
87 F/J	0.3	-0.1	0.9	0.0	0.3	0.4
87 M/F	0.1	0.2	1.0	0.2	0.5	0.4
87 A/M	0.1	:	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
	RATE OF INCREASE OVER 12 MONTHS			(T/T-12)		
86/85 A	1.0	1.4	5.8	4.6	3.7	3.9
86/85 M	0.7	1.5	5.6	3.4	3.0	4.1
86/85 J	0.8	1.5	6.7	3.8	3.3	3.7
86/85 J	0.5	1.5	7.4	4.1	3.4	4.2
86/85 A	0.7	1.7	8.1	4.0	3.4	4.3
86/85 S	0.7	1.7	8.6	4.4	3.3	4.1
86/85 O	0.3	1.6	8.8	4.1	3.4	4.4
86/85 N	-0.1	1.2	8.7	3.5	3.4	4.5
86/85 D	0.0	1.1	8.9	3.3	3.4	4.2
87/86 J	0.7	0.4	9.5	3.5	3.7	3.9
87/86 F	1.0	0.2	10.0	3.4	3.5	4.0
87/86 M	1.0	0.5	10.4	3.8	3.9	4.2
87/86 A	1.2	:	10.0	3.4	3.9	4.3

METHODOLOGY

The consumer price indices given here are the national indices which have different names in the different countries. As far as trends are concerned, the general index published by EUROSTAT always corresponds to the general index published by the country concerned. The component items of this general index are groups of national indices aggregated according to a harmonized classification conforming to the ESA (European System of Integrated Economic Accounts). For these groups, the price trends correspond to the trends noted by the national indices for the same classification field.

The field covered by the general index varies according to country: as regards the population concerned (specific income bracket, certain socio-professional categories or total households), the geographical areas used (capital, urban areas, country as a whole, etc.) or differences in treatment of expenditure on rent, health care etc. Finally, there is no uniform method for seasonal adjustments.

A fixed base system is used in some countries, whereas in others a chain system is used (variable weightings). The reference years used at national level for the indices vary according to country. For ease of comparison, EUROSTAT has chosen 1980 as the common year for the presentation of these indices.

CALCULATION OF EUR-10 AND EUR-12 INDICES

The EUR-10 and EUR-12 indices calculated by EUROSTAT are weighted indices.

The weighting used is the proportion of each country in the total consumption of EUR-10 and EUR-12 respectively. The values of this consumption in national currency are converted in purchasing power standards. For this purpose the purchasing power parities of the G.D.P. are used.

The index calculated is of the chain Laspcyres type.

However, the weighting is displaced by three years since the national accounts data become available with a delay of approximately three years. For example: the weighting used for 1986 is that of 1983, for 1980, that of 1977.

Moreover, the national accounts data are often modified, leading to revisions.

In order to avoid continuous corrections in the EUR-10 and EUR-12 indices, EUROSTAT has decided to "freeze" the historical data.

When Member States carry out major revisions in price series for past years, EUR-10 and EUR-12 data will be calculated using the new series.

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