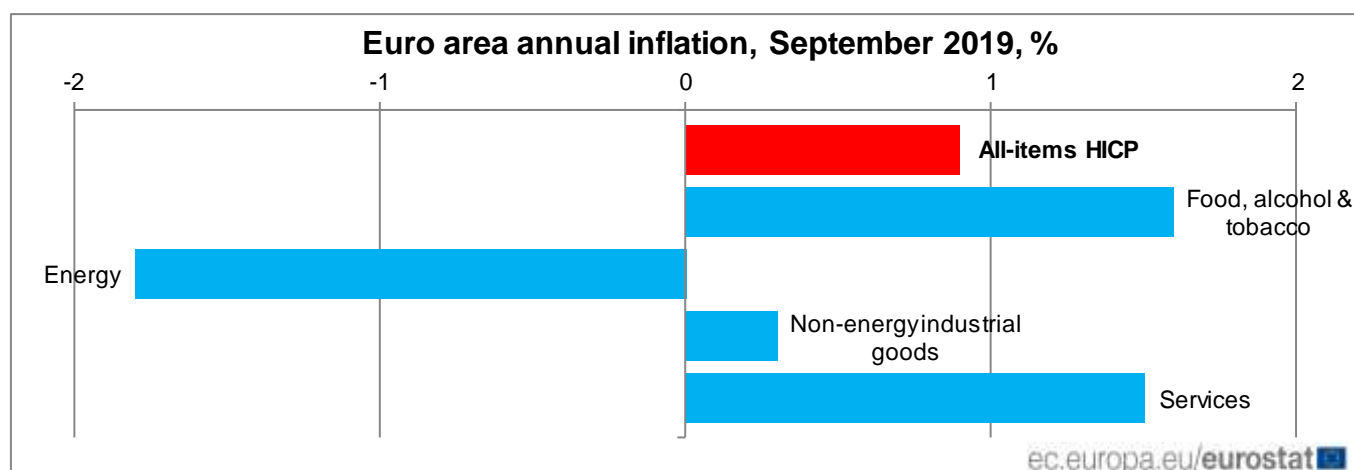Flash estimate - September 2019
Euro area annual inflation down to 0.9%

Euro area annual inflation is expected to be 0.9% in September 2019, down from 1.0% in August according to a flash estimate from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**.

Looking at the main components of euro area inflation, food, alcohol & tobacco is expected to have the highest annual rate in September (1.6%, compared with 2.1% in August), followed by services (1.5%, compared with 1.3% in August), non-energy industrial goods (0.3%, stable compared with August) and energy (-1.8%, compared with -0.6% in August).

Euro area annual inflation, September 2019, %

Euro area annual inflation and its components, %

	Weights (‰)	Annual rate							Monthly rate
	2019	Sep 18	Apr 19	May 19	Jun 19	Jul 19	Aug 19	Sep 19	Sep 19
All-items HICP	1000.0	2.1	1.7	1.2	1.3	1.0	1.0	**0.9e**	0.2e
All-items excluding:									
> energy	898.7	1.3	1.3	0.9	1.2	1.1	1.2	**1.2e**	0.3e
> energy, unprocessed food	854.0	1.1	1.4	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.1	**1.2e**	0.3e
> energy, food, alcohol & tobacco	708.5	1.0	1.3	0.8	1.1	0.9	0.9	**1.0e**	0.4e
Food, alcohol & tobacco	190.1	2.6	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.9	2.1	**1.6e**	-0.2e
> processed food, alcohol & tobacco	145.4	2.1	1.7	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.9	**1.9e**	-0.1e
> unprocessed food	44.7	4.3	0.8	0.4	0.7	1.7	2.5	**0.7e**	-0.3e
Energy	101.3	9.6	5.3	3.8	1.7	0.5	-0.6	**-1.8e**	0.0e
Non-energy industrial goods	263.8	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	**0.3e**	3.0e
Services	444.7	1.4	1.9	1.0	1.6	1.2	1.3	**1.5e**	-1.1e

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Inflation rates (%) measured by the HICP

	Annual rate							Monthly rate
	Sep 18	Apr 19	May 19	Jun 19	Jul 19	Aug 19	Sep 19	Sep 19
Belgium	2.8	2.0	1.7	1.3	1.2	0.9	**0.6e**	-0.6e
Germany	2.2	2.1	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.0	**0.9e**	-0.1e
Estonia	3.5	3.2	3.1	2.6	2.0	2.1	:c	:c
Ireland	1.2	1.7	1.0	1.1	0.5	0.6	:c	:c
Greece	1.1	1.1	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.1	**0.3e**	1.6e
Spain	2.3	1.6	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.4	**0.2e**	0.4e
France	2.5	1.5	1.1	1.4	1.3	1.3	**1.1e**	-0.4e
Italy	1.5	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.5	**0.3e**	1.5e
Cyprus	1.7	1.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.6	**-0.5e**	-1.8e
Latvia	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.1	3.0	3.1	**2.3e**	-0.2e
Lithuania	2.4	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.5	2.5	**2.0e**	0.9e
Luxembourg	2.7	2.2	2.2	1.5	1.6	1.4	**1.1e**	0.0e
Malta	2.5	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	**1.7e**	-1.0e
Netherlands	1.6	3.0	2.3	2.7	2.6	3.1	**2.7e**	-1.1e
Austria	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.4	:c	:c
Portugal	1.8	0.9	0.3	0.7	-0.7	-0.1	**-0.3e**	1.4e
Slovenia	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.9	2.0	2.4	**1.7e**	-0.1e
Slovakia	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.7	3.0	3.0	**3.1e**	0.1e
Finland	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.2	**1.0e**	0.0e

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The source dataset is available here.

Geographical information

The **euro area** consists of Belgium, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia and Finland.

The euro area data refer to the country composition at a specific point in time. New Member States are integrated into the aggregate using a chain index formula.

Methods and definitions

Annual inflation is the change of the price level between the current month and the same month of the previous year.

Revisions and timetable

The euro area inflation flash estimate is issued at the end of each reference month.

The complete set of harmonised indices of consumer prices (HICP) for the euro area, EU and Member States is released around the middle of the month following the reference month. The next release with full data for September 2019 is scheduled for 16 October 2019.

For more information

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