

The **COICOP/HICP** is the [United Nations \(UN\) Classification of individual consumption by purpose \(COICOP\)](#) , which was adapted to the compilation of the [harmonised index of consumer prices \(HICP\)](#) of the [European Union \(EU\)](#) and the [euro area](#) .

Adapting COICOP to the HICP calculation involved a number of changes:

- some sub-indices of the COICOP, such as narcotics and owner-occupied housing, had to be excluded because they are not within the HICP coverage;
- certain sub-classes (those with 4 digits) have been combined to ensure their weight was above one part per thousand in most of the Member States.

Example

COICOP 01-12 - Individual consumption expenditure of households

01 - FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

01.1 - Food

01.2 - Non-alcoholic beverages

02 - ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO

02.1 - Alcoholic beverages

02.2 - Tobacco

03 - CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR

03.1 - Clothing

03.2 - Footwear

04 - HOUSING, WATER, GAS, ELECTRICITY AND OTHER FUELS

04.1 - Actual rentals for housing

04.3 - Regular maintenance and repair of the dwelling

04.4 - Other services relating to the dwelling

04.5 - Electricity, gas and other fuels

05 - FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF THE HOUSE

05.1 - Furniture, furnishings and decorations, carpets and other floor coverings and repairs

05.2 - Household textiles

05.3 - Household appliances

05.4 - Glassware, tableware and household utensils

05.5 - Tools and equipment for house and garden

05.6 - Goods and services for routine household maintenance

06 - HEALTH

06.1 - Medical products, appliances and equipment

06.2 - Outpatient services

06.3 - Hospital services

07 - TRANSPORT

07.1 - Purchase of vehicles

07.2 - Operation of personal transport equipment

07.3 - Transport services

08 - COMMUNICATIONS

08.1 - Postal services

08.2/3 - Telephone and telefax equipment and services

09 - RECREATION AND CULTURE

09.1 - Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment

09.2 - Other major durables for recreation and culture

09.3 - Other recreational items and equipment, gardens and pets

09.4 - Recreational and cultural services

09.5 - Newspapers, books and stationery

09.6 - Package holidays

10 - EDUCATION

11 - Restaurants and hotels

11.1 - Catering services

11.2 - Accommodation services

12 - MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES

12.1 - Personal care

12.3 - Personal effects n.e.c.

12.4 - Social protection

12.5 - Insurance

12.6 - Financial services n.e.c.

12.7 - Other services n.e.c.

Further information

- [Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose Adapted to the Needs of Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices \(2000\)](#) (Ramon Classifications Database)
- [Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices \(HICP\)](#) (Dedicated section)
- [Regulation \(EC\) No 1749/1999](#) amending [Regulation \(EC\) No 2214/96](#) concerning the sub-indices of the harmonized indices of consumer prices (Legal text)
- [United Nations Statistics Division - COICOP \(Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose\)](#)
- [Detailed structure and explanatory notes](#)

Related concepts

- [Classification of individual consumption by purpose \(COICOP\)](#)
- [Harmonised index of consumer prices \(HICP\)](#)

Statistical data

- [Consumer prices - inflation](#)