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Inflation in Austria at 3.2% in June 2026

Price pressure on fuels and heating oil eased significantly

Vienna, 2026-07-17 – According to Statistics Austria, the consumer price index (CPI 2025) reached 103.1 points in June 2026. Thus, prices were 3.2% higher on average than one year earlier. Compared to the previous month May 2026, the average price level remained unchanged. The harmonised index of consumer prices (HICP 2025) stood at 3.2% as well.

"In June 2026, inflation in Austria eased to 3.2%. This confirmed the flash estimate from early July. In May 2026, inflation had stood at 3.7%. The main factor behind the easing of price pressures was the significantly lower rise in fuel and heating oil prices. Food prices also rose less sharply than recently. The main contributor to overall inflation continued to be service prices, which rose at an above-average rate again in June," says Manuela Lenk, Director General Statistics at Statistics Austria.

In June 2026, transport had the most significant upward impact on inflation (+6.5% compared to June 2025; fuels +16.3%, air tickets 22.4%, maintenance and repair of personal transport equipment +4.3%, second-hand passenger cars −2.1%), followed by housing, water, electricity as well as gas and other fuels (+3.0%; actual rental payments made for housing +5.0%, maintenance, repair and security of the dwelling +3.3%, electricity, gas and other fuels −0.4%, including liquid fuels +32.6%, solid fuels +11.1%, gas +4.6%, district heating +1.9%, electricity −10.2%). The third strongest contributor to price increases were restaurants and accommodation services (+4.5%; food and beverage serving services +4.8%, accommodation services +3.3%). Prices for health rose by 4.4% (outpatient care services +7.4%, inpatient care services +4.9%). Food and non-alcoholic beverages showed an increase of 1.3% (food +1.5%, non-alcoholic beverages −0.3%).

The index level of the harmonised index of consumer prices (HICP 2025) was 102.98 in June 2026 (May 2026: revised 103.24), with a harmonised inflation rate of 3.2% (May: 3.7%).

For detailed results and further information please refer to our website.

Information on methodology, definitions: A new index period with the base year 2025 has been published for the CPI since January 2026. Previous time series are continued concatenated. Each index series is labelled with the base year, i.e. the average annual measure of the new consumer price index 2025 (CPI 2025) is standardised to 100.0 for the base year 2025. The HICP has been published also with the base year 2025 (since January 2026).

New classification: With the January 2026 index, COICOP18/ECOICOP vers.2 replaces the COICOP 1999 version. This results in a new assignment of basket items to ECOICOP vers.2 aggregates. From January 2026 onwards, there are 13 main groups instead of 12. The old classification with the 12 main groups ends in 2025. Old ECOICOP aggregates cannot be directly compared with the new aggregates. The structure and a reconciliation table are available in the classification database. The legal basis is EU Regulation 2024/3159.

The **inflation rate** is the average price development over a 12-month period.

Harmonised index of consumer prices (HICP): Differences between the consumer price index (CPI) and the EU-wide comparable harmonised index of consumer prices (HICP) are primarily based on weighting differences. While the CPI only considers households living in Austria, the HICP also covers expenditure by non-resident tourists.

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