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■ Prices index in large and predominantly food stores – March 2015

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In March 2015, prices of frequently purchased goods broadly declined by 0.1% in hyper and supermarkets, after remaining unchanged in February.

This slight decrease in prices of frequently purchased goods was common to all categories of stores, both in large and predominantly food stores and in other stores.

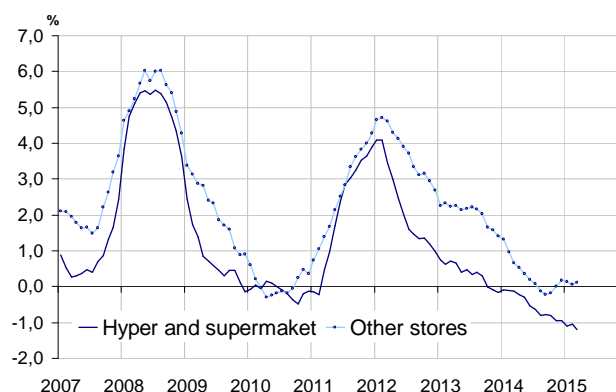
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Year-on-year, prices of frequently purchased goods decreased by 1.2% in hyper and supermarkets in March 2015; a fall somewhat greater than during the last four months (about -1.0% to -1.1% year-on-year). In March 2014, they had declined by 0.1% year-on-year.

In large and predominantly food stores, prices of frequently purchased goods decreased at roughly the same pace than during the last months (-1.2% after -1.1% in January and February). In March 2014, they had diminished by 0.1% year-on-year.

Considering all stores, prices of frequently purchased goods have fallen less (-0.8%) than in hyper and supermarkets. In March 2014, they had slightly risen year-on-year (+0.1%).

Frequently purchased goods price indexes year-on-year change %



Source : Insee - Consumer Price Indexes

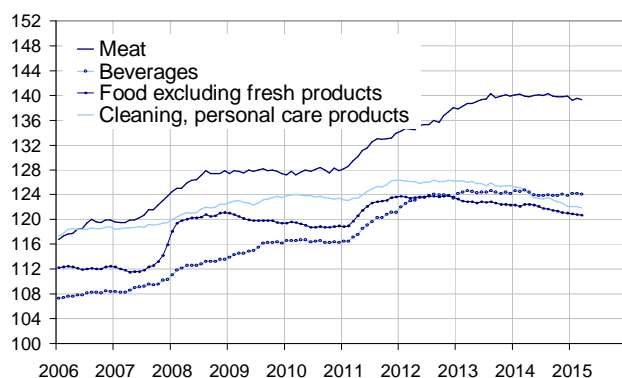
Prices of frequently purchased goods

Base 100 : 1998

	Index March 2015	Changes (%) compared to	
		Last month (m-o-m)	12 months before (y-o-y)
Hyper-and-Supermarkets (A)	125.53	-0.1	-1.2
Large and predominantly food stores (A + neighbourhood stores)	126.61	-0.1	-1.2
Other stores	135.69	-0.1	0.1
All stores	128.62	-0.1	-0.8

Source : Insee - Consumer Price Indexes

Frequently purchased goods price indexes



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Prices of frequently purchased goods detailed by main items

Base 100 : 1998

	Index	Changes (%) compared to	
		Last month (m-o-m)	12 months before (y-o-y)
Food and beverages (excluding fresh foodstuffs)	126.41	-0.1	-0.9
- Meat	139.30	-0.1	-0.4
- Beverages	124.08	-0.1	-0.5
- Other food products	120.68	-0.1	-1.4
Clearing and personal care products	121.91	-0.1	-2.3
Total : Hyper-and-Supermarkets	125.53	-0.1	-1.2

Source : Insee - Consumer Price Indexes

The decrease in food prices accelerated in hyper and supermarkets

Excluding fresh products, prices of food declined by 0.1% in hyper and supermarkets in March 2015 after a stability in February 2015. Year-on-year, their decrease sped up somewhat (-0.9% in March 2015 after -0.8% in February). In March 2014, they had slightly risen year-on-year (+0,1%).

In March 2015, meat prices diminished in hyper and supermarkets (-0.1% after +0.2% in February). Year-on-year, they were down 0.4% after -0.5% in February. In March 2014, they had increased by 0.8% year-on-year.


In hyper and supermarkets, beverage prices were down 0,1% as well in March 2015 after a stability in February. Year-on-year, they decreased more markedly (-0.5% after -0.3%). In March 2014, they had gone up slightly year-on-year (+0.1%).

Excluding fresh foodstuffs, prices of other food products also went down by 0.1% in hyper and supermarkets (as during the last three months). Year-on-year, they fell more significantly (-1.4% after -1.1% in January and February). In March 2014, they were down 0.4% year-on-year.

Prices of cleaning and personal care products declined again

In March 2015, prices of cleaning and personal care products declined slightly in hyper and supermarkets (-0,1%) after a stability during the previous month. Year-on-year, they dropped by 2.3% (-2.4% in February 2015). In March 2014, they had decreased by 1.0% year-on-year.

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