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

In May 2015, prices of frequently purchased goods were stable in hyper and supermarkets

In May 2015, as in April, prices of frequently purchased goods remained broadly unchanged in all the kinds of stores.

Excluding hyper and supermarkets, prices of frequently purchased goods increased very slightly in May 2015 (+0.1%) after a stability in April.

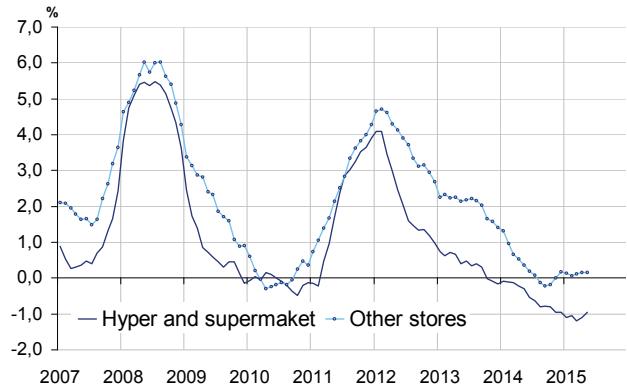
Prices of frequently purchased decreased year-on-year

Year-on-year, prices of frequently purchased goods decreased by 0.9% in hyper and supermarkets in May 2015, after -1.2% in March and April. In May 2014, they had declined by 0.3%.

In large and predominantly food stores, prices of frequently purchased goods were down to the same extent in May (-0.9% y-o-y after -1.1% in April).

Considering all stores, the price fall of frequently purchased goods remained less marked than in hyper and supermarkets (-0.6% after -0.8% in March and in April) due to a slight increase in the other kinds of stores (+0.2% year-on-year, as in April). In May 2014, prices of frequently purchased goods had decreased by 0.1% in all forms of stores as a whole.

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



Source: INSEE - Consumer Price Indexes

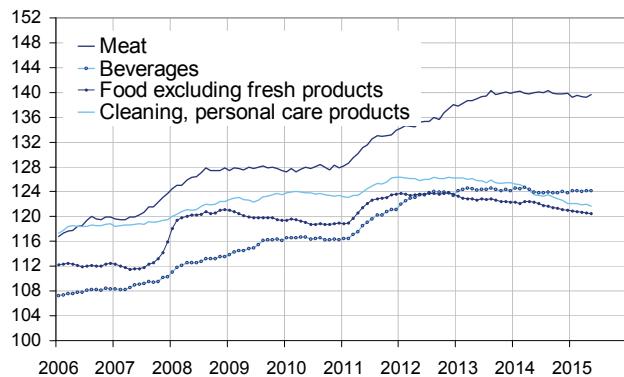
Prices of frequently purchased goods

Base 100 : 1998

Index	May 2015	Changes (%) compared to	
		last month (m-o-m)	12 months before (y-o-y)
Hyper-and-Supermarkets (A)	125.49	0.0	-0.9
Large and predominantly food stores (A + neighborhood stores)	126.57	0.0	-0.9
Other stores	135.86	0.1	0.2
All stores	128.69	0.0	-0.6

Source: INSEE - Consumer Price Indexes

Frequently purchased goods price indexes



Source: INSEE - Consumer Price Indexes

The decline in food prices was alleviated in hyper and supermarkets year-on-year

In May 2015, as in April, prices of food excluding fresh foodstuffs were broadly unchanged in hyper and supermarkets. Year-on-year, they decreased by 0.8% after -1.0% in April and -0.9% in March. In May 2014, these prices were stable compared with May 2013.

Variation by products was more mixed.

Thus, prices of meat sold in hyper and supermarkets recovered (+0.3%) after a stability in April and a slight decrease in March (-0.1%). Year-on-year, they diminished by 0.3% (after -0.4% in March and April). In May 2014, they had increased by 0.7% year-on-year.

In May 2015, beverage prices remained overall unchanged in hyper and supermarkets after a slight increase in April (+0.1%). Year-on-year, they gradually recovered, increasing by 0.2% after -0.3% in April and -0.5% in March. In May 2014, they were down 0.3% year-on-year.

Prices of other food products (excluding unprocessed foodstuffs) diminished by -0.1% for the sixth month in a row in May 2015 in hyper and supermarkets. Year-on-year, they dropped by 1.5% after -1.6% in April. In May 2014, they had decreased by 0.3% year-on-year.

Decline in prices of cleaning and personal care products in May

In May 2015, prices of cleaning and personal care products decreased again in hyper and supermarkets (-0.2%) after a stability in April. Year-on-year, they continued to decline, though at a slightly slower pace than during the last months (-1.5% after -2.0% in April and -1.8% in May 2014).

Prices of frequently purchased goods detailed by main items

Base 100 : 1998

	Index May 2015	Changes (%) compared to	
		last month (m-o-m)	12 months before (y-o-y)
Food and beverages (excluding fresh foodstuffs)	126.41	0.0	-0.8
- Meat	139.62	0.3	-0.3
- Beverages	124.18	0.0	0.2
- Other food products	120.48	-0.1	-1.5
Cleaning and personal care products	121.71	-0.2	-1.5
Total Hyper-and-Supermarkets	125.49	0.0	-0.9

Source: INSEE- Consumer Price Indexes

For more information:

- A methodological note is available on the web page of this indicator: <http://www.insee.fr/en/themes/indicateur.asp?id=103>
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