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Price Index in large and predominantly-food stores - December 2018

# In December 2018, the prices of frequently purchased goods rose by 0.2% in hyper and supermarkets

In December 2018, the prices of frequently purchased goods in hyper and supermarkets and in large and predominantly food stores rose by 0.2%, as in November.

Excluding hyper and supermarkets, pricesgrew more modestly than in the previous month(+0.1% after +0.3%).

Considering all kinds of stores, the prices of frequently purchased goods increased at the same pace as in November (+0.2%).

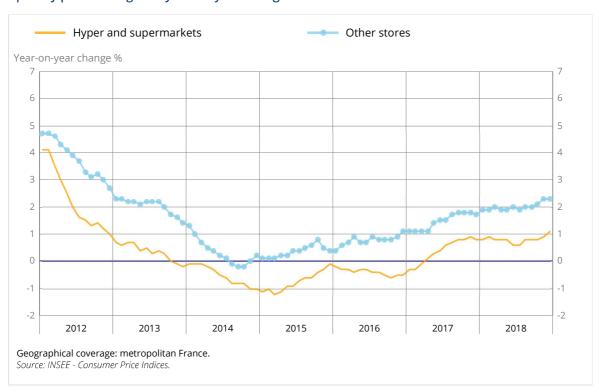
# Year on year, new acceleration in prices in hyper and supermarkets

Compared with the same month last year, the prices of frequently purchased goods sold in hyper and supermarkets accelerated by 1.1% after +0.9% in the previous month. It has been the largest increase since the end of 2012. The same is true in large and predominantly food stores (+1.1% year on year).

In the other kinds of stores, the prices of frequently purchased goods continued to rise more sharply than in large distributors: in December, they rose by 2.3% year on year, as in November.

Considering all types of stores, the increase in the prices of frequently purchased goods accentuated again: +1.3% year on year after +1.2% in November and +1.1% from August to October.

#### Prices of frequently purchased goods year-on-year change %



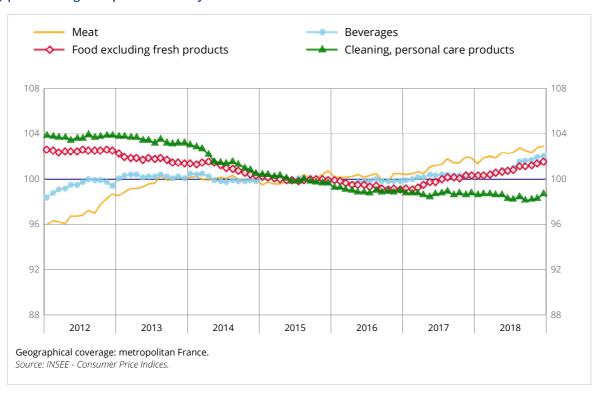
	Index	Changes (%) compared to	
		last month (m-o-m) (1)	12 months before (y-o-y) (2)
Hyper and supermarkets (A)	101.47	0.2	1.1
Large and predominantly food stores (A + neighborhood stores)	101.5	0.2	1.1
Other stores	105.5	0.1	2.3
All stores	102.2	0.2	1.3

(1) [m/(m-1)] (2) [m/(m-12)]

Geographical coverage: metropolitan France

Source: INSEE - Consumer Price Indices

#### Frequently purchased goods price indices by main items



### Figure4Prices of frequently purchased goods detailed by main items

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	Index	Changes (%) compared to	
	December 2018	last month (m-o-m) (1)	12 months before (y-o-y) (2)
Food and beverages (excluding fresh foodstuffs)	102.03	0.1	1.3
- Meat	102.93	0.1	1.1
- Beverages	102.04	0.1	1.8
- Other food products	101.55	0.2	1.2
Clearing and personal care products	98.66	0.4	-0.1
Total Hyper and supermarkets	101.47	0.2	1.1

(1) [m/(m-1)] (2) [m/(m-12)]

Geographical coverage: metropolitan France

Source: INSEE - Consumer Price Indices

# Acceleration, year on year, in food prices in hyper and supermarkets

In December 2018, the prices of food (excluding fresh products) sold in hyper and supermarkets increased less than in the previous month (+0.1% after +0.3%). Year on year, their rise was more marked than in the three previous months (+1.3% after +1.1% from September to November).

The month-on-month rise resulted from a sharp slowdown in meat and beverages prices while those of other food products increased at the same pace as in November.

Meat prices slowed down to 0.1% after a marked rebound in November (+0.4%). Year on year, their prices were more dynamic than in November: +1.1% after +0.8% in the previous month.

The prices of beverages sold in hyper and supermarkets rose a little less than in November (+0.1% after +0.2%). Year on year, their increase was a little more sharper than in November: +1.8% after +1.6%.

The prices of other food products (excluding fresh food) rose at the same pace as in November (+0.2%). Year on year, they grew barely more than in the previous month (+1.2% after +1.1%).

# Sharp rise in the prices of cleaning and personal care products in hyper and supermarkets

In December, the prices of cleaning and personal care products sold in hyper and supermarkets rose more sharply than in November: +0.4% after +0.1%. It has been the largest increase since November 2011. Year on year, the decline of these products was less pronounced than in the previous month (-0.1% after -0.4%).

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