

Table 5. **Inflation by HICP component¹**
Percentage changes from previous period

	Total	Energy	Unprocessed food	Underlying inflation ²			Memorandum: health index ³	
				Total	Processed Food	Non-energy goods		Services
1996	1.8	5.7	0.7	1.4	0.8	0.6	2.5	1.7
1997	1.5	3.1	2.7	1.1	2.3	0.1	1.7	1.3
1998	0.9	-3.6	2.2	1.4	1.4	0.7	2.1	1.3
1999	1.1	2.0	0.0	1.1	0.6	0.8	1.8	0.9
2000	2.7	16.3	0.2	1.1	1.3	0.0	2.3	1.9
2001	2.4	1.4	6.9	2.1	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.7
2002 ⁴	1.6	-4.3	3.7	2.2	1.5	1.8	2.8	1.9
2002:								
January	2.6	-3.3	10.4	2.6	2.4	2.1	3.1	3.2
February	2.5	-5.1	8.7	2.8	2.1	2.2	3.7	3.1
March	2.5	-3.5	7.9	2.7	1.8	2.1	3.7	3.0
April	1.7	-3.6	4.2	2.2	1.5	2.1	2.6	2.0
May	1.4	-6.3	2.2	2.2	1.4	1.9	2.8	1.7
June	0.8	-8.0	-0.5	2.2	1.7	1.6	2.9	1.2
July	1.1	-5.4	1.8	2.0	1.3	1.6	2.5	1.4
August	1.3	-3.9	0.4	2.0	1.1	1.4	2.8	1.3
September	1.2	-4.1	2.6	1.8	0.8	1.3	2.5	1.3
October	1.3	0.1	0.7	1.5	1.0	1.2	1.7	1.1
Last 3 months	1.2	-2.7	1.2	1.8	1.0	1.3	2.3	1.2

1. Harmonised prices.

2. Excluding unprocessed food and energy.

3. All items national consumer prices excluding tobacco, alcoholic beverage and petroleum products for transport.

4. Average January to October.

Source: National Bank of Belgium and Eurostat.