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Consumer Price Index: Annual Average Percent Change 2015 is -3.75%

Expenditure Divisions	Annual Average Percent Change 2015
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	-1.10%
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco	4.35%
Clothing and footwear	5.94%
Housing water, electricity ,gas and other fuels	-5.53%
Actual rent	4.43%
Owner occupied	1.73%
Water, electricity, gas and other fuels	-17.80%
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	0.94%
Health	-5.81%
Transportation	-11.40%
Communication	-11.90%
Recreation, amusement, and culture	-0.26%
Education	3.75%
Restaurant & hotels	2.11%
Miscellaneous goods & services	1.38%
Consumer price index	-3.75%

This table reflects the percent change at the group and all expenditure divisions between the annual average for 2015 and 2014.

The change of -3.75% at the all items level is calculated based on the relative change between the average of 2015 and the average of 2014. This decline between the annual average of 2015 and 2014 is due largely to declines in the annual average indexes for transportation (-11.4), household fuels (-17.80%), healthcare (-5.81%), and communications (-11.9%).

Falling oil prices have driven the declines in transportation and household fuels; while the decline in healthcare is due to decreases in the prices of pharmaceutical products resulting from relative changes in the value of the Euro and a directive from the Ministry of Health to reduce the prices of selected medications.