

Book Price Inflation & Deflation in the European Union

The Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) measures the change in prices of consumer goods and services consumed, over time. In the case of books, price inflation has been occurring in the majority of nations over the last 15 years. The converse is true for a minority of nations, including Greece, Portugal, Malta, Slovenia, Norway, Switzerland and Hungary, where long-run deflationary trends for books are present.

Long-run HICP changes (%) by country: Dec 2005 - Aug 2020

