



MARKET PRICE INDICES OF DWELLINGS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2011

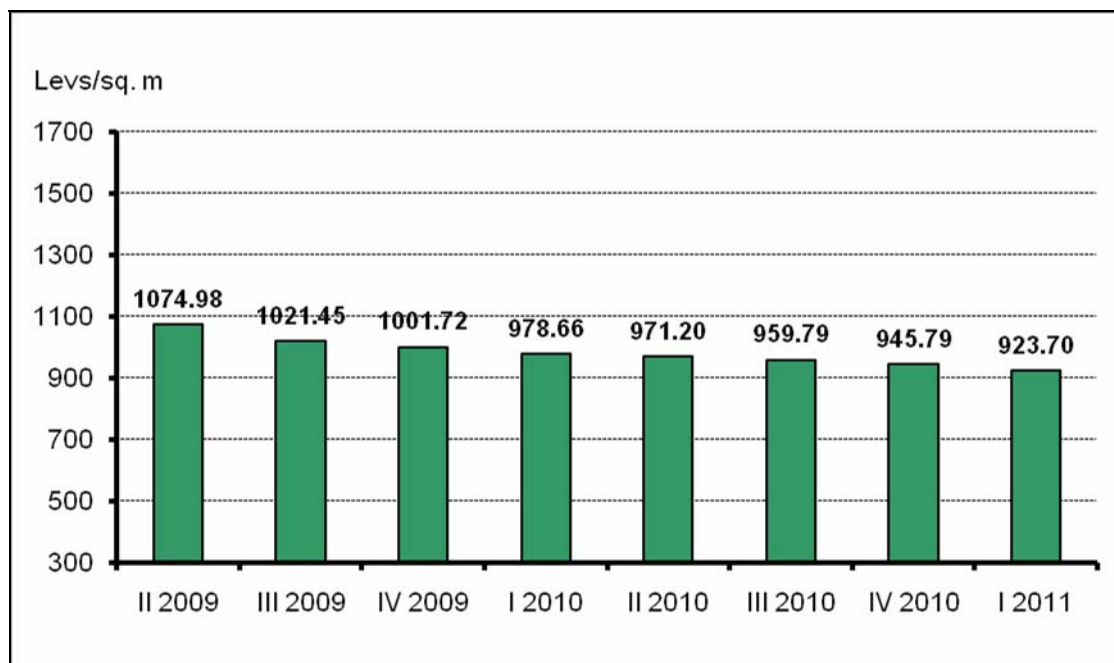
The market price index of the dwellings for the first quarter of 2011 compared to the fourth quarter of 2010 was **97.7%**, i.e. the average decrease of the market prices of the dwellings was **2.3%**. (Table 1).

The market price index of the dwellings for the first quarter of 2011 in comparison with the corresponding quarter of the previous year was **94.4%**, i.e. the average decrease of the market prices of the dwellings was **5.6%**.

In the first quarter of 2011 compared to the previous one, a price decrease has been recorded in 23 district centres. It was more considerably in Shumen - by 7.9%, Blagoevgrad - by 6.2% and Vratsa - by 5.0%. In the rest district centres a price increase has been recorded.

In the first quarter of 2011 the average market price of the dwellings for the whole country was 923.70 Levs/sq. m. The highest ones were the average prices in Sofia-capital – 1 496.84 Levs/sq. m, followed by Varna - 1 494.50 Levs/sq. m and Burgas - 1166.00 Levs/sq. m.

Figure 1. Average market prices for the whole country by quarters





Methodological notes

The market price index of the dwellings measures the total relative price change of the prices of existing dwellings – flats (newly built flats, houses and luxury dwellings are excluded). The object of the statistical survey is the prices of flats really sold, by households, in the district centers.



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Table 1

AVERAGE MARKET PRICES OF DWELLINGS AND INDICES FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2011¹

District centres	Average prices - Levs/sq. m		Indices - %
	Fourth quarter of 2010	First quarter of 2011	First quarter of 2011 compared to fourth quarter of 2010
TOTAL	945.79	923.70	97.7
Blagoevgrad	832.38	781.18	93.8
Burgas	1142.50	1166.00	102.1
Varna	1531.17	1494.50	97.6
Veliko Tarnovo	801.03	770.47	96.2
Vidin	608.31	599.80	98.6
Vratsa	666.17	633.17	95.0
Gabrovo	575.60	555.50	96.5
Kardzhali	702.32	696.90	99.2
Kyustendil	579.66	576.63	99.5
Lovech	648.64	628.18	96.8
Montana	735.73	719.96	97.9
Pazardzhik	659.99	654.69	99.2
Pernik	750.50	731.83	97.5
Pleven	845.35	843.95	99.8
Plovdiv	1034.31	1005.37	97.2
Razgrad	708.17	678.78	95.9
Ruse	850.83	872.17	102.5
Silistra	672.24	668.18	99.4
Sliven	737.19	735.87	99.8
Smolyan	771.73	742.19	96.2
Sofia cap.	1566.00	1496.84	95.6
Sofia	725.32	728.58	100.4
Stara Zagora	903.51	921.12	101.9
Dobrich	748.81	719.50	96.1
Targovishte	658.72	638.87	97.0
Haskovo	858.80	855.17	99.6
Shumen	754.59	694.66	92.1
Yambol	703.40	709.00	100.8

¹ Data referred to flats in the district centers only (excl. newly built flats).