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French accommodation prices jumped 7.2% in October, outpacing national inflation

Insee’s final data showed restaurant prices rose 2.0%, widening the gap between France’s two main hospitality branches

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French accommodation prices rose sharply in October, while restaurant price growth eased slightly, according to final consumer price index data published by Insee on November 13.

Insee said prices for accommodation services were 7.2% higher in October than in October 2025. That was a clear pickup from the 4.9% annual increase recorded in September. In restaurants and other food services, prices rose 2.0% from a year earlier, down slightly from 2.1% in September.

The October figures show that the increase was concentrated in lodging rather than across the whole hospitality sector. The annual rate for accommodation accelerated by 2.3 percentage points from September to October. Over the same period, the annual rate for restaurants edged down by 0.1 point.

That shift widened the gap between the two branches of the market. In September, accommodation prices were rising 2.8 percentage points faster than restaurant prices. In October, the difference expanded to 5.2 points as lodging costs moved higher and restaurant inflation remained nearly flat.

Accommodation prices also rose faster than overall consumer prices in France. Insee’s final data showed the country’s general consumer price index increased 3.4% from October 2025. That put accommodation inflation 3.8 percentage points above the national rate. Restaurant inflation, by contrast, was 1.4 points below it.

The figures refer to prices paid by households and compare October with the same month in 2025. Insee identified the data as definitive for the October consumer price index, making them the final official reading for that month.

For consumers, the split means overnight stays and other lodging services became more expensive at a much faster pace than meals eaten out. The data suggest that the strongest pricing pressure within France’s hospitality sector in October was in accommodation, not in food service.

The October reading also marked a notable change from the pattern seen one month earlier. In September, both categories were still rising on an annual basis, but the difference between them was much smaller. By October, accommodation had moved further away from restaurant inflation and from the overall national inflation rate.

Insee’s release adds to the picture of uneven price pressures across French services. While restaurant prices continued to increase, the pace was modest and slightly lower than in September. Accommodation, meanwhile, showed a much stronger annual rise, making it one of the more dynamic service categories in the October inflation data.