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Interest rates implicit in housing loans February 2010

## Decrease in Interest rate on housing loans for the 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive month

The interest rate on housing loans stood at 1.873% in February, down by 0.046 percentage points compared with the previous month. With a decrease of 4.103 percentage points from December 2008, this value is the new lowest one of the time series initiated in November 2003. The average loan repayments stood at €251, witch is, also, the lowest value of all time series (since the beginning of 2009 this decrease was €118). The implicit interest rate on contracts signed over the last 3 months dropped by 0.024 percentage points to 2.034%.