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PRESS RELEASE **Turnover Index in Wholesale Trade**^{1,2,3} (2005=100,0)

Third quarter 2009

The National Statistical Service of Greece publishes the Turnover Index in Wholesale Trade for the 3rd quarter 2009, according to the provisional results as follows:

Year on year growth rates

• The Turnover Index for Wholesale Trade in the 3rd quarter 2009 compared to the 3rd quarter 2008 decreased by 7,1 %. A year earlier the annual rate of change was 14,4%.

Quarter on quarter growth rates

The Turnover Index for Wholesale Trade in the 3rd quarter 2009 as compared to the 2nd quarter 2009 increased by 0,5%. A year earlier the quarterly rate of change was -7,9%.

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¹ The Turnover Index in Wholesale Trade is a new index with base year 2005=100,0 covering the period from 2005 onwards. The compilation and publication of this new index is based upon the requirements of the Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics as well as the amendment Regulation 1158/2005 of the European Parliament and Council amending the Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98. The turnover index is an important business indicator. The objective of this index is to show the evolution of the market for goods and services. Turnover comprises the totals invoiced (without VAT) by the observation unit during the reference period (quarter). This corresponds to the market sales of goods or services supplied to third parties.

² The Turnover Index in Wholesale Trade is compiled for the NACE Rev2 division 46-wholesale trade and commission trade except of motor vehicles and motorcycles, where it is included the wholesale of agricultural raw materials, live animals, of food beverages and tobacco, of household goods, of machinery equipment and supplies, etc. The survey for the compilation of the above index includes 463 sampled enterprises.

³ All figures in this release are based on data adjusted for working days. The data are provisional when first released. The data become final as soon as all gathered data become definite. More specifically the data released for the most recent quarter are provisional and are published together with revised data of the previous quarter.

Evolution of Turnover Index in Wholesale Trade

(working days adjusted series) (2005=100,0)

Year-Quarter	Index	Year on year growth rates (%)	Quarter on quarter growth rates (%)
2005 Q ₁	94.8		-
Q_2	100.5		6.0
Q_3	98.7		-1.8
Q_4	105.9		7.3
Average	100.0		
2006 Q ₁	102.3	7.9	-3.4
Q_2	115.1	14.5	12.5
Q_3	111.6	13.1	-3.0
Q_4	116.5	10.0	4.4
Average	111.4	11.4	
2007 Q ₁	117.1	14.5	0.5
Q_2	130.1	13.0	11.1
Q_3	118.0	5.8	-9.3
Q_4	131.1	12.5	11.1
Average	124.1	11.4	
2008 Q ₁	125.2	6.9	-4.5
Q_2	146.6	12.7	17.1
Q_3	135.0	14.4	-7.9
Q_4	136.4	4.0	1.0
Average	135.8	9.4	
2009Q ₁	114.0	-9.0	-16.4
Q_2	124.8	-14.9	9.5
*Q ₃	125.4	-7.1	0.5

^{*}Provisional data

DIAGRAM

