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Revised Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade 1,2 (2005=100,0) Second Quarter 2009

The National Statistical Service of Greece publishes the Revised Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade for the 2nd guarter 2009 as follows:

Annual rates of change

- □ The Revised Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade(including the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector) in the 2nd quarter 2009, as compared to the 2nd quarter 2008 decreased by 1,7%. A year earlier the annual rate of change was 2,0%.
- □ The Revised Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade (except of the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector, as it was published until 4th quarter 2008) in the 2nd quarter 2009, as compared to the 2nd quarter 2008 decreased by 2,0%. A year earlier the annual rate of change was 2,1%.

Quarterly rates of change

- □ The Revised Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade(including the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector) in the 2nd quarter 2009, as compared to the 1st quarter 2009 decreased by 4,1 %. A year earlier the quarterly rate of change was 1,3%.
- □ The Revised Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade (except of the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector, as it was published until 4th quarter 2008) in the 2nd quarter 2009, as compared to the 1st quarter 2009 decreased by 4,0%. A year earlier the quarterly rate of change was 1,0%.

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¹ The index of number of persons employed in retail trade is revised with new base year 2005=100,0 covering the period from 2000 onwards. The revision of the index of number of persons employed in retail trade, with base year 2005=100,0, is done in the framework of the Short –Term Statistics (STS) Council Regulation (EC) no 1165/98.

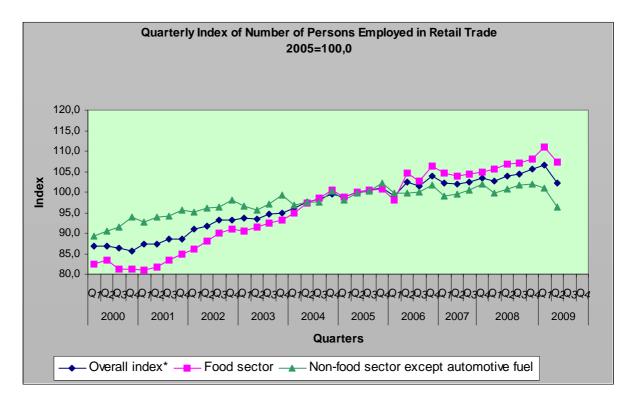
² At the same time the index is adjusted to the new statistical classification of economic activities NACE Rev.2 (Regulation 1893/2006). According to the new classification the automotive fuel is included in the retail trade branch instead of the specific branch of "Motor trade, maintenance and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles",of the previous classification NACE Rev.1.

Table 1 Evolution of the Revised Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade 2005-2009 (2nd quarter) (2005=100.0)

| (2005=100,0) | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------|-----------------|--------|---|--------|--|--------|--|--------|
| Year/Quarter | | Overall Index * | | Overall Index (except the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector)** | | Index of persons employed in the food sector | | Index of persons employed in the non-food sector(except automotive fuel) | |
| | | | Annual | | Annual | | Annual | | Annual |
| | | | rate | | rate | | rate | | rate |
| | | Index | (%) | Index | (%) | Index | (%) | Index | (%) |
| 2005 | Q1 | 98,7 | 2,6 | 98,4 | 2,8 | 98,8 | 4,0 | 98,0 | 1,3 |
| | Q2 | 99,9 | 2,4 | 99,8 | 2,4 | 99,9 | 2,7 | 99,7 | 2,1 |
| | Q3 | 100,4 | 2,3 | 100,3 | 2,4 | 100,5 | 2,1 | 100,1 | 2,7 |
| | Q4 | 101,0 | 1,4 | 101,4 | 1,1 | 100,8 | 0,4 | 102,1 | 1,9 |
| Averag | Average | | 2,2 | 100,0 | 2,2 | 100,0 | 2,3 | 100,0 | 2,0 |
| 2006 | Q1 | 99,1 | 0,4 | 98,9 | 0,5 | 98,0 | -0,8 | 99,8 | 1,8 |
| | Q2 | 102,3 | 2,4 | 102,3 | 2,5 | 104,6 | 4,7 | 99,7 | 0,0 |
| | Q3 | 101,5 | 1,1 | 101,4 | 1,1 | 102,8 | 2,3 | 100,0 | -0,1 |
| | Q4 | 103,9 | 2,9 | 104,1 | 2,6 | 106,2 | 5,4 | 101,8 | -0,3 |
| Averag | Average | | 1,7 | 101,7 | 1,7 | 102,9 | 2,9 | 100,3 | 0,3 |
| 2007 | Q1 | 102,1 | 3,1 | 101,9 | 3,1 | 104,6 | 6,7 | 99,0 | -0,8 |
| | Q2 | 102,0 | -0,4 | 101,8 | -0,5 | 103,9 | -0,7 | 99,5 | -0,2 |
| | Q3 | 102,4 | 0,9 | 102,5 | 1,0 | 104,3 | 1,5 | 100,5 | 0,5 |
| | Q4 | 103,3 | -0,6 | 103,4 | -0,7 | 104,9 | -1,3 | 101,9 | 0,1 |
| Averag | Average | | 0,7 | 102,4 | 0,7 | 104,4 | 1,5 | 100,2 | -0,1 |
| 2008 | Q1 | 102,6 | 0,5 | 102,9 | 0,9 | 105,6 | 1,0 | 99,8 | 0,8 |
| | Q2 | 104,0 | 2,0 | 103,9 | 2,1 | 106,8 | 2,8 | 100,6 | 1,1 |
| | Q3 | 104,4 | 1,9 | 104,5 | 1,9 | 107,0 | 2,6 | 101,6 | 1,1 |
| | Q4 | 105,6 | 2,2 | 105,2 | 1,7 | 108,0 | 3,0 | 102,0 | 0,1 |
| Averag | Average | | 1,7 | 104,1 | 1,7 | 106,9 | 2,3 | 101,0 | 0,8 |
| 2009 | Q1 | 106,6 | 3,9 | 106,1 | 3,1 | 111,0 | 5,1 | 101,0 | 1,2 |
| | Q2 Q3 | 102,3 | -1,7 | 101,8 | -2,0 | 107,2 | 0,4 | 96,3 | -4,3 |
| | Q4 | | | | | | | | |

 $^{^{\}star}$ including the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector ** as it was published until 4^{th} quarter 2008

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^{*} including the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector

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