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Turnover Index in Retail Trade^{1, 2} October 2005

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in October 2005 as compared to October 2004, recorded a rise of 6,3 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in October 2005 as compared to October 2004 increased by 5,6 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 7,0 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 6,3 % at current prices in October 2005 as compared to October 2004, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 6,6 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 4,2%
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover increase of 0,2%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 6,5%
- The clothing and footwear turnover increase of 10,6%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover increase of 5,1 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 5,9%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover increase of 2.4%

The revision of the turnover index in retail trade, with base year 2000=100,0, is done in the framework of the Short –Term Statistics (STS) Council Regulation (EC) no 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics.

¹ The turnover index in retail trade is released from January 2005 as first reference month revised and re-based in 2000=100,0. The revision of the index was considered necessary given that during the time period intervening between this and the previous revision new trade centers were created and significant changes in the structure of trade occurred.

² All figures in this release are based on data adjusted for working days.

Retail Trade Volume Index

The volume of retail trade (i.e. turnover in retail trade at constant prices) increased by 2,6 % in October 2005, as compared to October 2004.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in October 2005 as compared to October 2004, increased by 3,1 % while the non-food sector retail trade increased by 2,2%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 2,6 % at constant prices in October 2005 as compared to October 2004, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 3,6%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 0,2%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales decrease of -2,2%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales increase of 1,5%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales increase of 6,9%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales increase of 1,1%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales decrease of -1,1%

TABLE 1

Annual rates of change of turnover index and volume index in retail trade

2000=100,0

	Tui	rnover In	dex		Volume In	dex
Retail Trade Business	Index October 2005*	Index October 2004	Annual rate (%)	Index October 2005*	Index October 2004	Annual rate (%)
Overall Index	146,8	138,1	6,3	124,3	121,2	2,6
I. Main sectors						
Food sector	154,8	146,6	5,6	129,6	125,7	3,1
Non-food sector	138,0	129,0	7,0	118,0	115,5	2,2
II. Specialized store categories						
Supermarkets	163,0	153,0	6,6	137,8	133,0	3,6
Department stores	150,7	144,7	4,2	134,0	133,7	0,2
Food-beverages-tobacco	125,9	125,7	0,2	105,3	107,7	-2,2
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	135,9	127,6	6,5	124,3	122,4	1,5
Clothing and footwear	149,8	135,5	10,6	122,2	114,4	6,9
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	128,5	122,2	5,1	120,4	119,1	1,1
Books, stationery, other goods	149,5	141,2	5,9	127,2	128,6	-1,1
Retail sale not in stores	114,0	111,2	2,4	:	:	:

^{*} Provisional data

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TABLE 2
Monthly evolution of the turnover in retail trade at current prices

2000=100,0

	Turnover Index						
Year-month	Overall Index		Foo	d sector	Non-food sector		
	Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate	
		(%)		(%)		(%)	
2004X	138,1	7,5	146,6	9,2	129,0	5,8	
XI	138,3	3,8	145,5	5,3	130,3	2,5	
XII	174,5	3,7	184,9	5,2	163,3	2,4	
2005 I	134,3	2,0	150,1	6,2	119,6	-1,7	
II	139,1	7,0	144,5	5,5	131,8	7,7	
III	136,0	8,2	151,1	8,5	121,7	8,6	
IV	149,9	5,7	157,0	2,2	141,1	9,0	
V	140,0	7,0	147,3	4,5	131,4	9,4	
VI	138,4	6,3	144,8	4,0	130,5	8,1	
VII	139,2	8,0	147,9	10,0	129,6	6,0	
VIII	127,2	7,2	143,2	10,8	112,8	4,8	
IX	138,2	5,5	144,1	5,5	130,9	5,0	
*X	146,8	6,3	154,8	5,6	138,0	7,0	

^{*} Provisional data

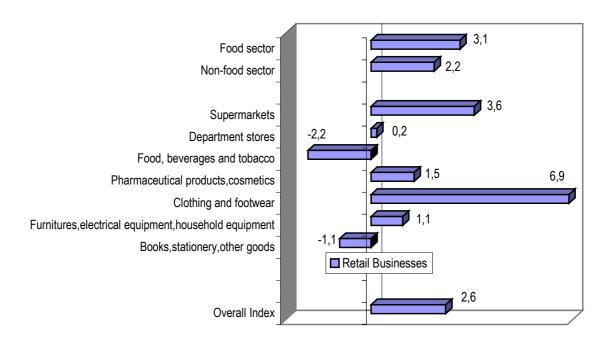
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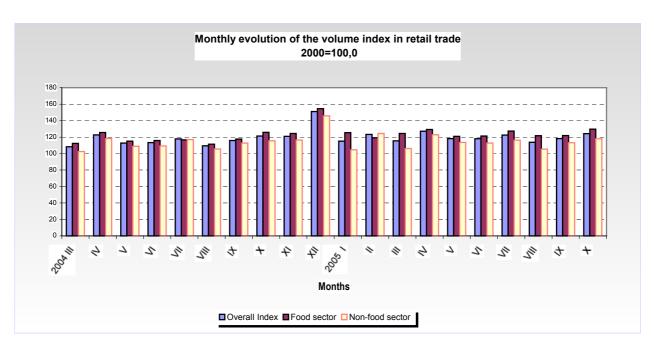
	Volume Index						
Year-month	Overall Index		Food sector		Non-food sector		
	Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate	
		(%)		(%)		(%)	
2004X	121,2	6,2	125,7	9,8	115,5	3,0	
XI	121,0	2,7	124,4	6,0	116,4	-0,2	
XII	151,0	2,0	154,5	4,1	145,8	0,0	
2005 I	115,0	-2,8	125,4	6,7	104,6	-10,8	
II	123,2	4,7	119,2	7,4	124,4	1,2	
III	115,2	6,7	124,4	10,7	106,2	3,7	
IV	127,1	3,6	129,2	3,0	122,9	4,1	
V	118,2	4,8	120,9	5,2	113,6	4,4	
VI	117,9	4,0	121,3	4,7	112,8	3,2	
VII	122,5	4,1	127,4	9,3	116,2	-0,8	
VIII	113,6	3,9	121,8	9,3	105,3	-0,2	
IX	118,2	2,1	121,8	3,6	113,2	0,4	
*X	124,3	2,6	129,6	3,1	118,0	2,2	

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Annual rates of change (%) of the volume index in retail trade, between October 2005 and October 2004.





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