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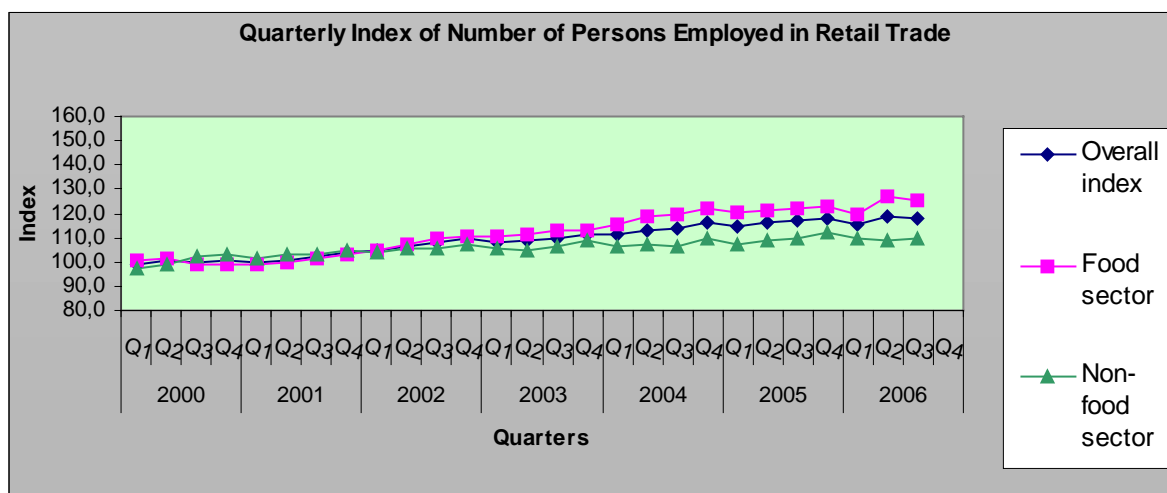
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Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade ¹ (2000=100,0) Third quarter 2006

The Economic and Short-Term Indicators Division of the National Statistical Service of Greece publishes the Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade for the 3rd quarter 2006 as follows :

- The Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade in the 3rd quarter 2006, as compared to the 3rd quarter 2005 increased by 1,1 %. A year earlier the annual rate of change was 2,4%
- The Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade in the 3rd quarter 2006, as compared to the 2nd quarter 2006 decreased by 0,8 % . A year earlier the quarterly rate of change was 0,5%.



¹ The index of number of persons employed in retail trade is a new index with base year :2000=100,0 covering the period from 2000 onwards.

The compilation and publication of this new index is based on the requirements of the Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics.

The objective of the index of number of persons employed is to show the development of employment in retail trade.

TABLE 1
Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade
Annual and quarterly rates of change

(Base year: 2000=100,0)

	3 rd quarter 2006	3 rd quarter 2005	Annual rate (%)	3 rd quarter 2006	2 nd quarter 2006	Quarterly rate(%)
General Index	118,1	116,8	1,1	118,1	119,0	-0,8
Food sector	125,2	122,4	2,3	125,2	127,4	-1,8
Non-food sector	109,2	109,7	-0,1	109,2	109,2	0,3

TABLE 2
Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade
 (Base year: 2000=100,0)

Overall index					
YEAR	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Ave
2000	99,2	100,5	99,5	100,7	100,0
2001	100,0	100,9	102,2	104,0	101,8
2002	104,6	106,4	107,8	109,4	107,0
2003	108,3	108,5	109,8	111,2	109,4
2004	111,4	113,4	114,1	116,7	113,9
2005	114,6	116,2	116,8	118,1	116,4
2006	115,1	119,0	118,1		
Food sector					
YEAR	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Ave
2000	100,5	101,6	99,0	98,9	100,0
2001	98,7	99,5	101,5	103,3	100,7
2002	105,0	107,3	109,7	110,9	108,2
2003	110,3	111,5	112,6	113,4	112,0
2004	115,7	118,5	119,9	122,2	119,1
2005	120,3	121,6	122,4	122,7	121,8
2006	119,4	127,4	125,2		
Non-food sector					
YEAR	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Ave
2000	97,7	99,2	100,2	103,0	100,0
2001	101,6	102,8	103,1	104,8	103,1
2002	104,1	105,3	105,5	107,5	105,6
2003	105,7	104,6	106,2	108,6	106,3
2004	106,0	107,0	106,8	109,7	107,4
2005	107,3	109,2	109,7	111,8	109,5
2006	109,3	109,2	109,5		

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