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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade <sup>1,2</sup>  
(2005=100,0)  
Forth Quarter 2009**

The National Statistical Service of Greece publishes the Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2009 as follows :

**Annual rates of change**

- The Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade (including the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector) in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2009, as compared to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008 increased by 1,8%. A year earlier the annual rate of change was 2,2%.
- The Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade (except of the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector, as it was published until 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008) in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2009, as compared to the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008 increased by 2,0% . A year earlier the annual rate of change was 1,7%.

**Quarterly rates of change**

- The Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade (including the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector) in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2009, as compared to the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2009 increased by 5,2%. A year earlier the quarterly rate of change was 1,1%.
- The Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade (except of the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector, as it was published until 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008) in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2009, as compared to the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2009 increased by 5,4% . A year earlier the quarterly rate of change was 0,7%.

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<sup>1</sup> 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 .

<sup>2</sup> 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 .

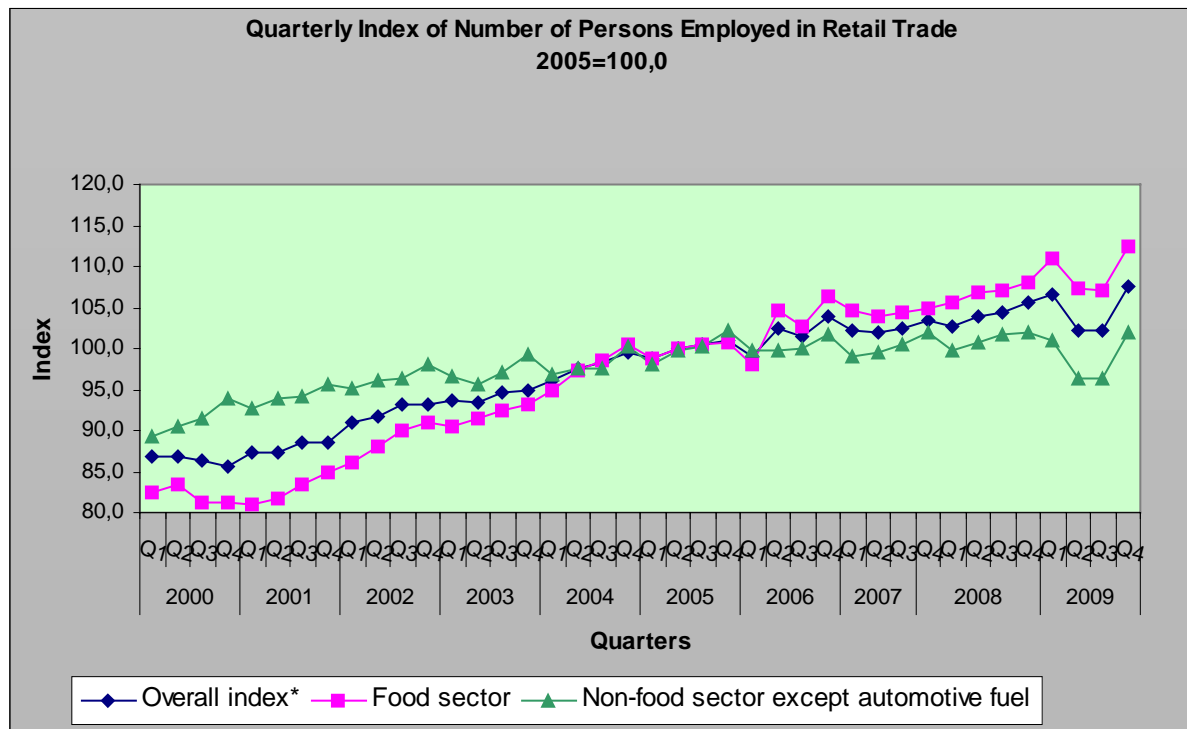
**Table 1**  
**Evolution of the Index of Number of Persons Employed in Retail Trade**  
**2005-2009 ( 4<sup>th</sup> quarter)**  
**( 2005=100,0)**

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)	
	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)
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
<i>Average</i>	<i>100,0</i>	<i>2.2</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>2.2</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>2.3</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>2.0</i>
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
<i>Average</i>	<i>101,7</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>101.7</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>102.9</i>	<i>2.9</i>	<i>100.3</i>	<i>0.3</i>
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
<i>Average</i>	<i>102,5</i>	<i>0.7</i>	<i>102.4</i>	<i>0.7</i>	<i>104.4</i>	<i>1.5</i>	<i>100.2</i>	<i>-0.1</i>
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
<i>Average</i>	<i>104,2</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>104.1</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>106.9</i>	<i>2.3</i>	<i>101.0</i>	<i>0.8</i>
2009 Q1	106.6	3.9	106.1	3.1	111.0	5.1	101.0	1.2
Q2	102.3	-1.7	101.8	-2.0	107.2	0.4	96.3	-4.3
Q3	102.2	-2.1	101.7	-2.6	107.1	0.0	96.3	-5.2
Q4	107.5	1.8	107.2	2.0	112.4	4.1	102.0	0.0
<i>Average</i>	<i>104.6</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>104.2</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>109.4</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>98.9</i>	<i>-2.1</i>

\* including the persons employed in the automotive fuel sector

\*\* as it was published until 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2008

**DIAGRAM**



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