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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Turnover Index in Retail Trade<sup>1,2</sup>  
February 2005**

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in February 2005 as compared to February 2004, recorded a rise of 7,5 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in February 2005 as compared to February 2004 increased by 5,9 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 8,4 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 7,5 % at current prices in February 2005 as compared to February 2004, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 6,5 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 9,4%
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover increase of 2,4%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 7,9%
- The clothing and footwear turnover increase of 20,9%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover increase of 1,8%
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 5,3%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover increase of 7,0%

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

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.

<sup>2</sup> 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 5,2 % in February 2005, as compared to February 2004.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in February 2005 as compared to February 2004, increased by 7,7 % while the non-food sector retail trade increased by 1,8%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 5,2 % at constant prices in February 2005 as compared to February 2004, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 7,2%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 5,7%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales increase of 4,2%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales increase of 3,0%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales increase of 14,4%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales decrease of 2,8%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales decrease of 1,5%

TABLE 1

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

2000=100,0

Retail Trade Business	Turnover Index			Volume Index		
	Index Feb 2005*	Index Feb 2004	Annual rate (%)	Index Feb 2005*	Index Feb 2004	Annual rate (%)
<b>Overall Index</b>	139,8	130,0	7,5	123,8	117,7	5,2
<b>I. Main sectors</b>						
Food sector	145,0	137,0	5,9	119,6	111,0	7,7
Non-food sector	132,6	122,4	8,4	125,2	123,0	1,8
<b>II. Specialized store categories</b>						
Supermarkets	150,5	141,3	6,5	126,6	118,1	7,2
Department stores	128,8	117,8	9,4	117,5	111,2	5,7
Food-beverages-tobacco	126,7	123,7	2,4	104,6	100,3	4,2
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	155,6	144,2	7,9	144,3	140,0	3,0
Clothing and footwear	137,1	113,4	20,9	133,0	116,3	14,4
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	127,0	124,8	1,8	122,7	126,3	-2,8
Books, stationery, other goods	121,9	115,8	5,3	105,2	106,8	-1,5
Retail sale not in stores	113,8	106,4	7,0	:	:	:

\* *Provisional data*: *Not available data*

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

2000=100,0

Year-month	Turnover Index					
	Overall Index		Food sector		Non-food sector	
	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)
2004 I	131,7	6,5	141,3	12,0	121,6	0,8
II	130,0	9,9	137,0	9,7	122,4	9,9
III	125,7	8,5	139,3	10,2	112,1	6,7
IV	141,8	7,7	153,6	9,8	129,5	5,5
V	130,8	5,4	141,0	6,2	120,1	4,4
VI	130,3	5,8	139,2	7,1	120,7	4,2
VII	128,9	7,6	134,5	11,4	122,3	4,1
VIII	118,7	4,1	129,3	2,8	107,7	5,5
IX	131,0	5,3	136,6	6,0	124,6	4,7
X	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	134,2	1,9	149,4	5,7	120,0	-1,4
*II	139,8	7,5	145,0	5,9	132,6	8,4

\* Provisional data

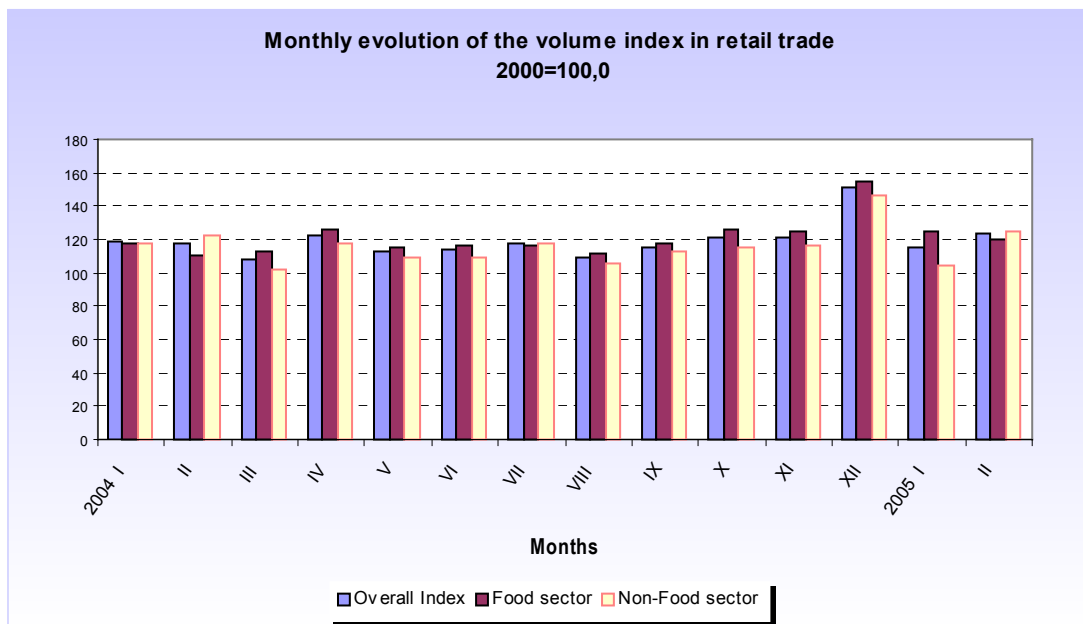
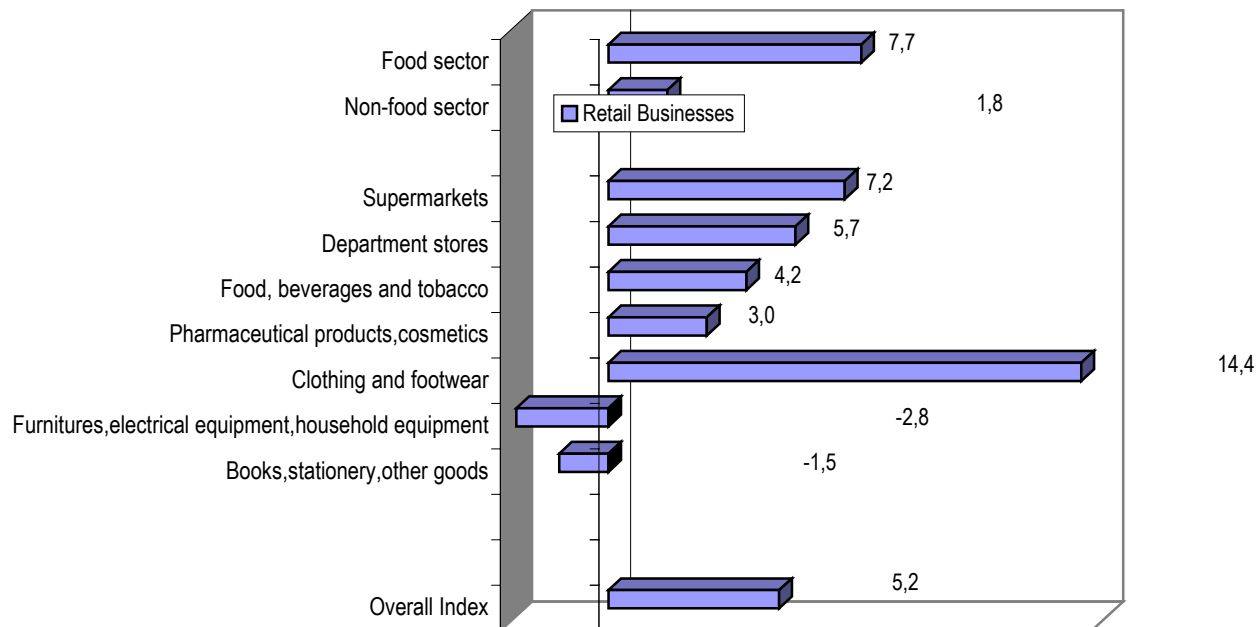
**TABLE 3**  
**Monthly evolution of the turnover in retail trade in real terms**  
2000=100,0

Year-month	Volume Index					
	Overall Index		Food sector		Non-food sector	
	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)
2004 I	118,3	2,9	117,5	7,2	117,3	-1,7
II	117,7	6,5	111,0	4,8	123,0	8,0
III	108,2	5,5	112,4	6,5	102,4	4,2
IV	122,7	5,8	125,5	8,6	118,1	2,9
V	112,7	4,3	115,0	6,6	108,8	1,8
VI	113,4	5,0	115,9	8,2	109,3	1,7
VII	117,7	6,4	116,6	13,6	117,1	-0,1
VIII	109,4	3,3	111,4	3,4	105,5	3,3
IX	115,8	4,3	117,6	7,6	112,7	1,4
X	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	114,9	-2,9	124,8	6,2	104,9	-10,6
*II	123,8	5,2	119,6	7,7	125,2	1,8

\* Provisional data

**DIAGRAMS**

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



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