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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Turnover Index in Retail Trade<sup>1,2</sup>  
January 2006**

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in January 2006 as compared to January 2005, recorded a rise of 1,3 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in January 2006 as compared to January 2005 increased by 5,3 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector decreased by -1,2 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 1,3 % at current prices in January 2006 as compared to January 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 6,8 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 11,7%
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover decrease of -2,6%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 5,0%
- The clothing and footwear turnover decrease of -0,6%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover decrease of -6,3 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 6,8%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover decrease of -10,3%

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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 0,5 % in January 2006, as compared to January 2005.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in January 2006 as compared to January 2005, increased by 4,0 % while the non-food sector retail trade decreased by –1,5%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 0,5 % at constant prices in January 2006 as compared to January 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 5,5%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 10,5%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales decrease of –3,8%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales increase of 3,0%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales increase of 0,4%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales decrease of -6,8%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales increase of 4,1%

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 January 2006*	Index January 2005	Annual rate (%)	Index January 2006*	Index January 2005	Annual rate (%)
<b>Overall Index</b>	136,0	134,3	1,3	115,5	115,0	0,5
<b>I. Main sectors</b>						
Food sector	158,0	150,1	5,3	130,4	125,4	4,0
Non-food sector	118,2	119,6	-1,2	103,0	104,6	-1,5
<b>II. Specialized store categories</b>						
Supermarkets	167,8	157,2	6,8	140,3	133,1	5,5
Department stores	152,1	136,2	11,7	134,8	122,0	10,5
Food-beverages-tobacco	122,1	125,3	-2,6	100,8	104,7	-3,8
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	154,5	147,1	5,0	140,9	136,7	3,0
Clothing and footwear	107,9	108,5	-0,6	91,5	91,2	0,4
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	102,1	109,0	-6,3	95,8	102,8	-6,8
Books, stationery, other goods	131,0	122,6	6,8	110,2	105,8	4,1
Retail sale not in stores	98,9	110,2	-10,3	:	:	:

\* *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 (%)
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	146,6	6,1	154,6	5,5	137,7	6,8
XI	145,4	5,2	154,2	5,9	136,1	4,5
XII	181,8	4,2	191,2	3,4	171,2	4,8
2006*1	136,0	1,3	158,0	5,3	118,2	-1,2

\* Provisional data

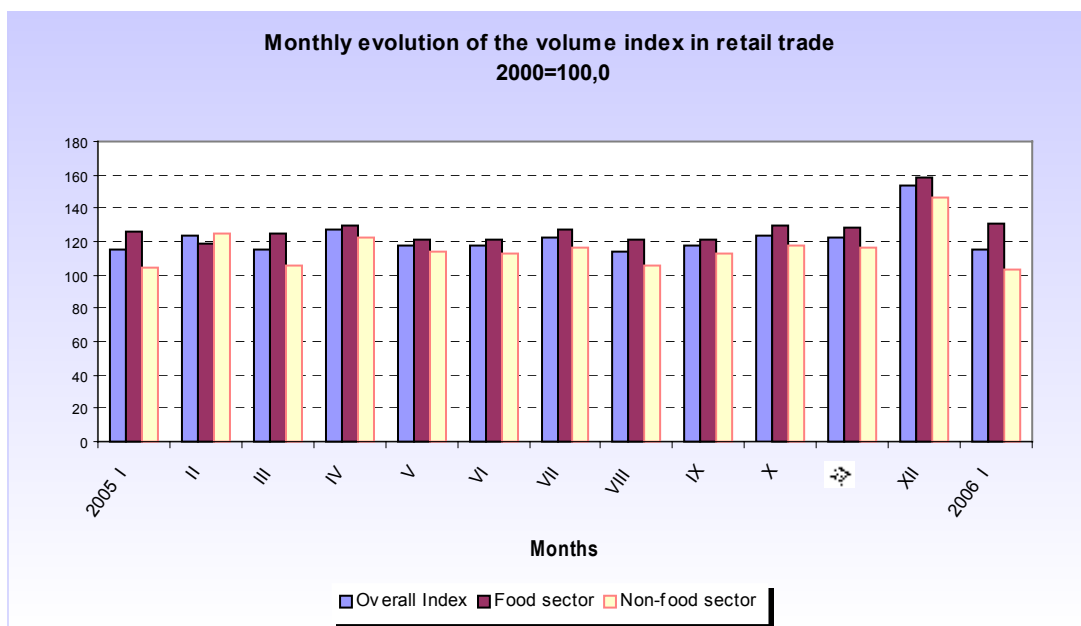
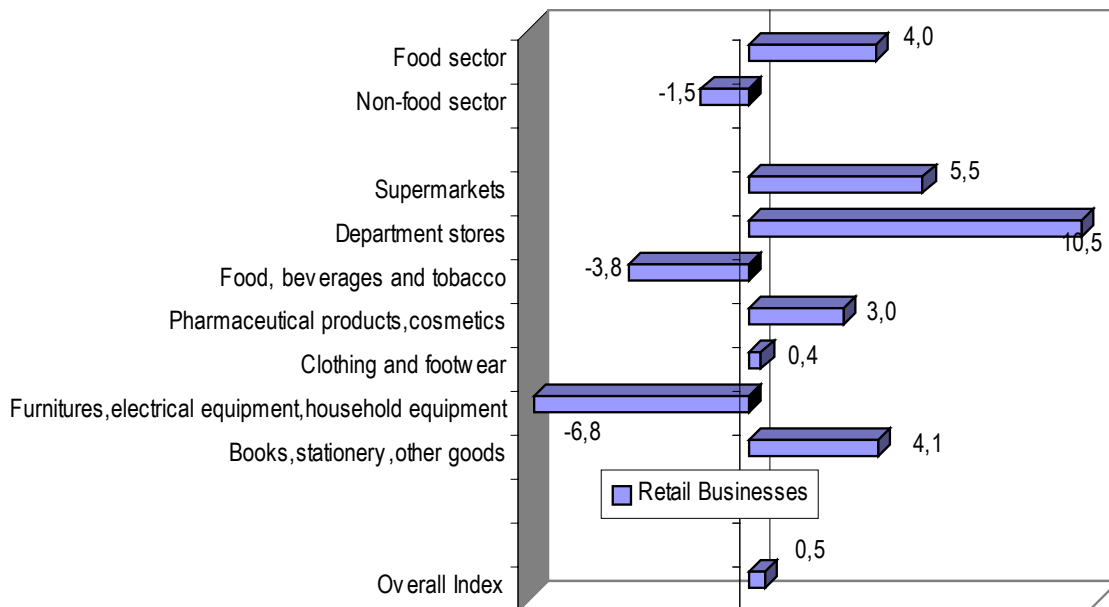
**TABLE 3**  
**Monthly evolution of the turnover in retail trade in real terms**  
2000=100,0

Year-month	Volume Index					
	Overall Index		Food sector		Non-food sector	
	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)
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	124,1	2,4	129,4	3,0	117,8	2,0
XI	122,9	1,6	128,8	3,5	116,3	-0,1
XII	153,3	1,5	158,9	2,9	146,1	0,2
2006*1	115,5	0,5	130,4	4,0	103,0	-1,5

• Provisional data

**DIAGRAMS**

**Annual rates of change (%) of the volume index in retail trade , between January 2006 and January 2005.**



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