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**PRESS RELEASE**

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

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in April 2006 as compared to April 2005, recorded a rise of 12,3 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in April 2006 as compared to April 2005 increased by 16,1 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 9,9 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 12,3 % at current prices in April 2006 as compared to April 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 18,0 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 29,1%
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover increase of 7,7%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 5,5%
- The clothing and footwear turnover increase of 14,3%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover increase of 11,5 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 8,3%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover decrease of -0,9%

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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 9,7 % in April 2006, as compared to April 2005.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in April 2006 as compared to April 2005, increased by 12,9 % while the non-food sector retail trade increased by 8,1%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 9,7 % at constant prices in April 2006 as compared to April 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 15,0%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 27,8%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales increase of 4,7%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales increase of 4,9%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales increase of 11,0%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales increase of 11,9%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales increase of 7,2%

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 April 2006*	Index April 2005	Annual rate (%)	Index April 2006*	Index April 2005	Annual rate (%)
<b>Overall Index</b>	168,3	149,9	12,3	139,5	127,1	9,7
<b>I. Main sectors</b>						
Food sector	182,4	157,0	16,1	145,9	129,2	12,9
Non-food sector	155,2	141,1	9,9	132,9	122,9	8,1
<b>II. Specialized store categories</b>						
Supermarkets	190,8	161,7	18,0	155,5	135,2	15,0
Department stores	184,1	142,6	29,1	162,5	127,1	27,8
Food-beverages-tobacco	154,0	143,0	7,7	123,2	117,7	4,7
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	154,8	146,7	5,5	141,1	134,6	4,9
Clothing and footwear	159,4	139,5	14,3	129,8	117,0	11,0
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	138,2	124,0	11,5	130,5	116,6	11,9
Books, stationery, other goods	169,9	156,9	8,3	144,5	134,8	7,2
Retail sale not in stores	152,3	153,7	-0,9	:	:	:

\* *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 (%)
2005IV	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 I	135,7	1,0	158,0	5,3	117,6	-1,6
II	149,3	7,3	167,7	16,0	133,4	1,2
III	146,5	7,7	165,4	9,5	130,2	7,1
*IV	168,3	12,3	182,4	16,1	155,2	9,9

\* Provisional data

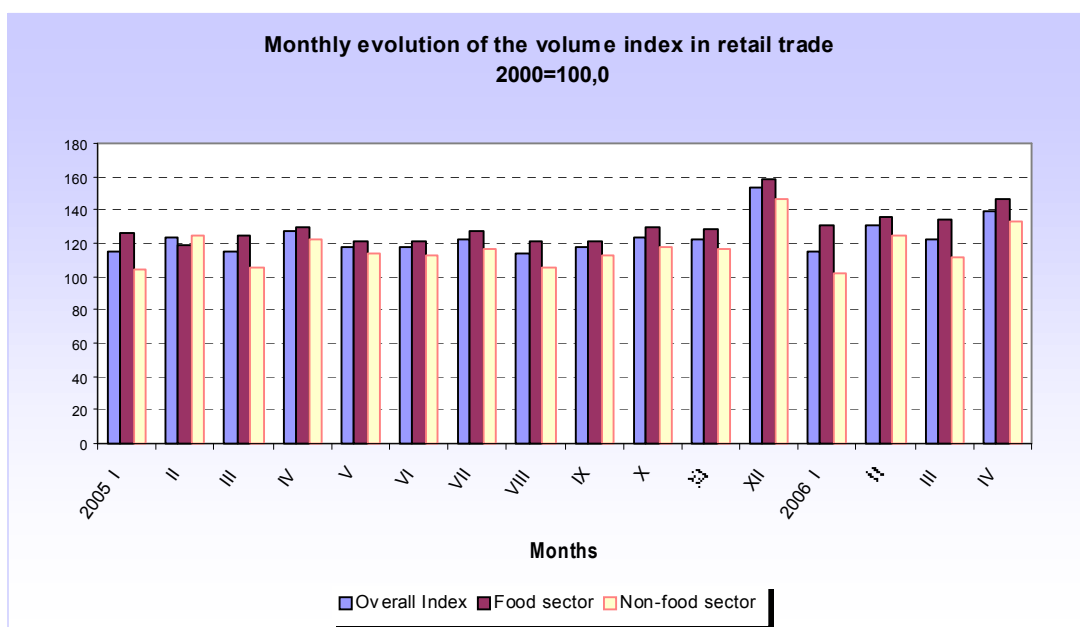
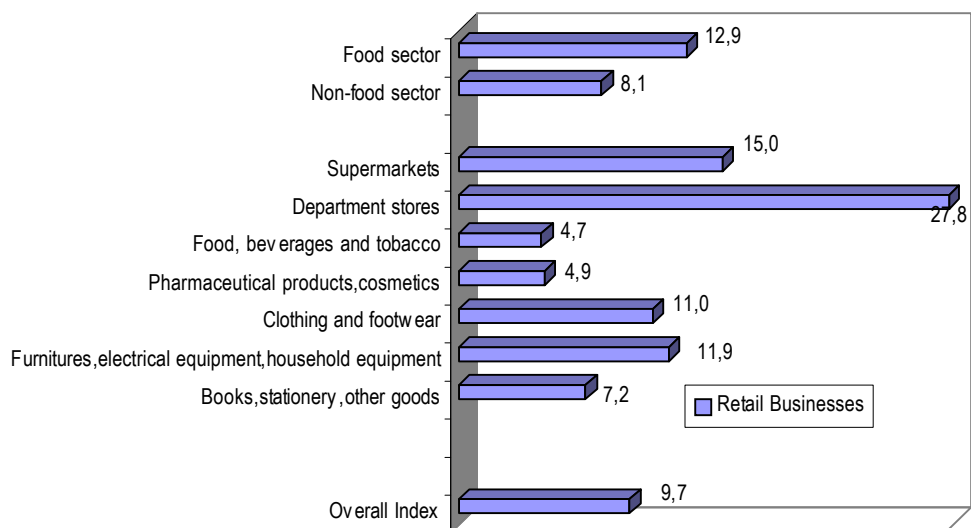
**TABLE 3**  
**Monthly evolution of the turnover in retail trade in real terms**  
2000=100,0

Year-month	Volume Index					
	Overall Index		Food sector		Non-food sector	
	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)
2005IV	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 I	115,3	0,2	130,4	4,0	102,5	-2,0
II	130,5	5,9	136,2	14,3	124,7	0,2
III	122,4	5,9	134,4	8,1	111,5	5,0
*IV	139,5	9,7	145,9	12,9	132,9	8,1

• Provisional data

## DIAGRAMS

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



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