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Turnover Index in Retail Trade^{1,2} December 2006

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in December 2006 as compared to December 2005, recorded a rise of 14,7 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in December 2006 as compared to December 2005 increased by 13,9 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 15,7 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 14,7 % at current prices in December 2006 as compared to December 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 14,4 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 9,1%
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover increase of 12,2%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover decrease of 0,3%
- The clothing and footwear turnover increase of 13,8%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover increase of 27,4 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 20,3%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover increase of 1,1%

¹ 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.

² 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 10,5 % in December 2006, as compared to December 2005.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in December 2006 as compared to December 2005, increased by 7,3 % while the non-food sector retail trade increased by 14,0%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 10,5 % at constant prices in December 2006 as compared to December 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 8,8%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 7,8%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales increase of 5,7%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales decrease of 1,2%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales increase of 10,5%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales increase of 28,1%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales increase of 20,3%

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 December 2006*	Index December 2005	Annual rate (%)	Index December 2006*	Index December 2005	Annual rate (%)
Overall Index	208,6	181,8	14,7	169,5	153,3	10,5
I. Main sectors						
Food sector	217,7	191,2	13,9	170,5	158,9	7,3
Non-food sector	198,2	171,2	15,7	166,5	146,1	14,0
II. Specialized store categories						
Supermarkets	226,4	197,9	14,4	180,9	166,3	8,8
Department stores	213,0	195,3	9,1	186,0	172,6	7,8
Food-beverages-tobacco	190,0	169,3	12,2	148,8	140,7	5,7
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	175,8	176,3	-0,3	159,1	161,0	-1,2
Clothing and footwear	223,0	196,0	13,8	176,4	159,6	10,5
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	187,9	147,5	27,4	176,6	137,9	28,1
Books, stationery, other goods	238,1	197,9	20,3	200,9	167,0	20,3
Retail sale not in stores	141,5	140,0	1,1	:	:	:

* *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 (%)
2005XI	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	168,6	12,5	183,1	16,6	155,2	10,0
V	153,0	9,3	166,1	12,8	140,8	7,1
VI	156,0	12,7	165,6	14,4	146,1	11,9
VII	159,2	14,4	171,5	16,0	147,4	13,7
VIII	144,3	13,4	166,9	16,6	125,7	11,4
IX	159,7	15,6	170,9	18,6	148,7	13,5
X	160,2	9,3	170,8	10,5	149,6	8,7
XI	161,0	10,7	165,4	7,3	154,9	13,8
*XII	208,6	14,7	217,7	13,9	198,2	15,7

* Provisional data

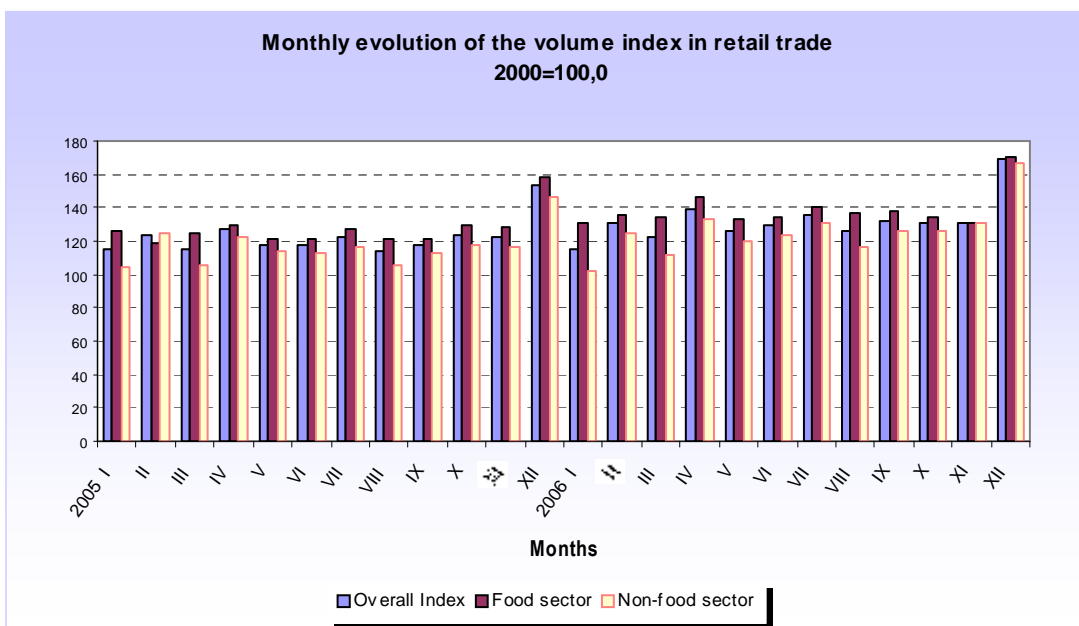
TABLE 3
Monthly evolution of the turnover in retail trade in real terms
2000=100,0

Year-month	Volume Index					
	Overall Index		Food sector		Non-food sector	
	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)
2005XI	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	139,7	9,9	146,4	13,3	132,9	8,1
V	126,5	7,1	133,4	10,3	119,7	5,4
VI	129,8	10,0	134,7	11,0	124,1	10,0
VII	135,6	10,7	140,5	10,3	130,3	12,1
VIII	125,5	10,5	136,5	12,1	115,9	10,1
IX	132,3	11,9	137,7	13,0	126,4	11,7
X	130,5	5,1	134,4	3,9	125,9	6,9
XI	131,3	6,8	130,4	1,3	130,3	12,1
*XII	169,5	10,5	170,5	7,3	166,5	14,0

• Provisional data

DIAGRAMS

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



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