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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Turnover Index in Retail Trade<sup>1,2</sup> January 2008**

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in January 2008 as compared to January 2007, recorded a rise of 5,9 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in January 2008 as compared to January 2007 increased by 4,7 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 6,9 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 5,9 % at current prices in January 2008 as compared to January 2007, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 6,1 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 10,8 %
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover decrease of 2,4%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 4,5%
- The clothing and footwear turnover increase of 7,5%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover increase of 5,6 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 11,2%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover increase of 9,9%

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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 3,4 % in January 2008, as compared to January 2007.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in January 2008 as compared to January 2007, increased by 0,1 % while the non-food sector retail trade increased by 6,7%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 3,4 % at constant prices in January 2008 as compared to January 2007, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 2,0%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 9,2%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales decrease of 6,6%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales increase of 2,9%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales increase of 8,4%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales increase of 5,5%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales increase of 9,3%

**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<br>January<br>2008* | Index<br>January<br>2007 | Annual<br>rate<br>(%) | Index<br>January<br>2008* | Index<br>January<br>2007 | Annual<br>rate<br>(%) |
| <b>Overall Index</b>                                    | 158,5                     | 149,7                    | 5,9                   | 126,4                     | 122,2                    | 3,4                   |
| <b>I. Main sectors</b>                                  |                           |                          |                       |                           |                          |                       |
| Food sector   | 175,3                     | 167,4                    | 4,7                   | 130,0                     | 129,8                    | 0,1                   |
| Non-food sector   | 143,5                     | 134,3                    | 6,9                   | 122,8                     | 115,0                    | 6,7                   |
| <b>II. Specialized store categories</b>                 |                           |                          |                       |                           |                          |                       |
| Supermarkets  | 188,2                     | 177,5                    | 6,1                   | 143,8                     | 141,0                    | 2,0                   |
| Department stores                                       | 165,9                     | 149,8                    | 10,8                  | 143,2                     | 131,1                    | 9,2                   |
| Food-beverages-tobacco                                  | 128,5                     | 131,6                    | -2,4                  | 95,4                      | 102,1                    | -6,6                  |
| Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics                      | 162,0                     | 155,0                    | 4,5                   | 144,2                     | 140,1                    | 2,9                   |
| Clothing and footwear                                   | 138,1                     | 128,4                    | 7,5                   | 114,3                     | 105,4                    | 8,4                   |
| Furniture, electrical equipment, household<br>equipment | 135,5                     | 128,4                    | 5,6                   | 127,9                     | 121,2                    | 5,5                   |
| Books, stationery, other goods                          | 157,5                     | 141,7                    | 11,2                  | 130,3                     | 119,2                    | 9,3                   |
| Retail sale not in stores                               | 108,1                     | 98,4                     | 9,9                   | :                         | :                        | :                     |

\* *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 (%) |
| 2007I      | 149,7          | 10,4            | 167,4       | 5,9             | 134,3           | 14,1            |
| II         | 160,7          | 7,7             | 174,5       | 4,1             | 147,8           | 10,8            |
| III        | 156,7          | 7,0             | 171,2       | 3,5             | 143,3           | 10,0            |
| IV         | 171,0          | 1,4             | 188,0       | 2,7             | 155,6           | 0,3             |
| V          | 162,6          | 6,3             | 176,8       | 6,5             | 149,2           | 6,0             |
| VI         | 167,8          | 7,6             | 180,7       | 9,2             | 155,4           | 6,4             |
| VII        | 168,1          | 5,6             | 177,8       | 3,6             | 157,9           | 7,1             |
| VIII       | 155,5          | 7,8             | 178,3       | 6,8             | 136,4           | 8,5             |
| IX         | 166,0          | 4,0             | 182,3       | 6,7             | 151,2           | 1,7             |
| X          | 167,0          | 4,2             | 176,0       | 3,0             | 157,2           | 5,1             |
| XI         | 169,4          | 5,2             | 178,4       | 7,9             | 159,5           | 3,0             |
| XII        | 215,2          | 3,2             | 230,0       | 5,6             | 200,3           | 1,1             |
| 2008*I     | 158,5          | 5,9             | 175,3       | 4,7             | 143,5           | 6,9             |

\* Provisional data

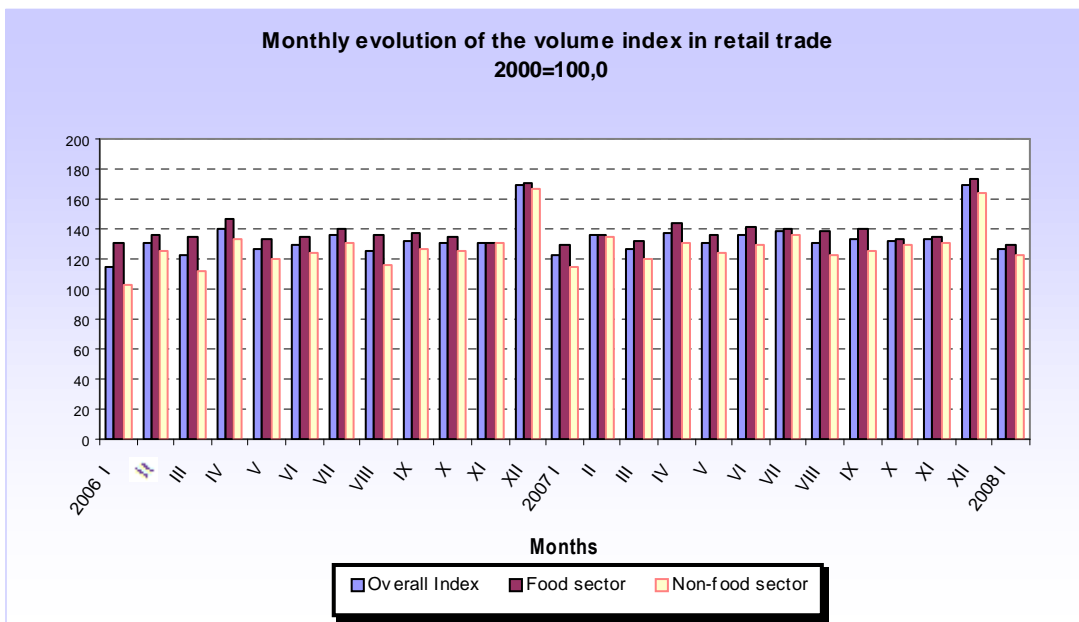
**TABLE 3**  
**Monthly evolution of the turnover in retail trade in real terms**  
2000=100,0

| Year-month | Volume Index  |                 |             |                 |                 |                 |
|------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|            | Overall Index |                 | Food sector |                 | Non-food sector |                 |
|            | Index         | Annual rate (%) | Index       | Annual rate (%) | Index           | Annual rate (%) |
| 2007 I     | 122,2         | 6,0             | 129,8       | -0,4            | 115,0           | 12,3            |
| II         | 135,6         | 4,0             | 135,7       | -0,4            | 135,1           | 8,4             |
| III        | 126,4         | 3,2             | 132,4       | -1,5            | 120,3           | 7,8             |
| IV         | 137,5         | -1,6            | 144,5       | -1,3            | 130,5           | -1,8            |
| V          | 130,6         | 3,2             | 136,4       | 2,3             | 124,4           | 3,9             |
| VI         | 135,6         | 4,5             | 141,4       | 5,0             | 129,4           | 4,2             |
| VII        | 138,6         | 2,2             | 139,5       | -0,8            | 136,6           | 4,8             |
| VIII       | 130,3         | 3,8             | 138,5       | 1,5             | 122,9           | 6,0             |
| IX         | 132,8         | 0,4             | 140,1       | 1,7             | 125,6           | -0,7            |
| X          | 132,2         | 1,4             | 133,5       | -0,6            | 129,6           | 2,9             |
| XI         | 133,8         | 1,9             | 135,1       | 3,6             | 131,3           | 0,8             |
| XII        | 169,5         | 0,0             | 173,1       | 1,5             | 164,5           | -1,2            |
| 2008*I     | 126,4         | 3,4             | 130,0       | 0,1             | 122,8           | 6,7             |

• Provisional data

**DIAGRAMS**

**Annual rates of change (%) of the volume index in retail trade , between January 2008 and January 2007.**



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