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**PRESS RELEASE**

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

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in February 2006 as compared to February 2005, recorded a rise of 7,3 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in February 2006 as compared to February 2005 increased by 16,0 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 1,2 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 7,3 % at current prices in February 2006 as compared to February 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 19,8 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 14,2%
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover decrease of -2,5%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 2,9%
- The clothing and footwear turnover decrease of -9,4%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover increase of 0,9 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 11,6%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover decrease of -0,5%

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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 5,9 % in February 2006, as compared to February 2005.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in February 2006 as compared to February 2005, increased by 14,3 % while the non-food sector retail trade increased by 0,1%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 5,9 % at constant prices in February 2006 as compared to February 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 18,0%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 12,6%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales decrease of –4,0%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales increase of 1,1%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales decrease of –9,5%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales decrease of –0,1%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales increase of 8,6%

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 February 2006*	Index February 2005	Annual rate (%)	Index February 2006*	Index February 2005	Annual rate (%)
Overall Index	149,2	139,1	7,3	130,5	123,2	5,9
<b>I. Main sectors</b>						
Food sector	167,7	144,5	16,0	136,2	119,2	14,3
Non-food sector	133,3	131,8	1,2	124,6	124,4	0,1
<b>II. Specialized store categories</b>						
Supermarkets	180,4	150,6	19,8	149,5	126,7	18,0
Department stores	147,1	128,8	14,2	132,3	117,5	12,6
Food-beverages-tobacco	120,6	123,8	-2,5	98,0	102,1	-4,0
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	160,5	155,9	2,9	146,2	144,5	1,1
Clothing and footwear	124,8	137,7	-9,4	120,8	133,5	-9,5
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	127,9	126,8	0,9	122,4	122,5	-0,1
Books, stationery, other goods	132,2	118,5	11,6	111,0	102,2	8,6
Retail sale not in stores	109,7	110,3	-0,5	:	:	:

\* 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 I	135,7	1,0	158,0	5,3	117,6	-1,6
*II	149,2	7,3	167,7	16,0	133,3	1,2

\* Provisional data

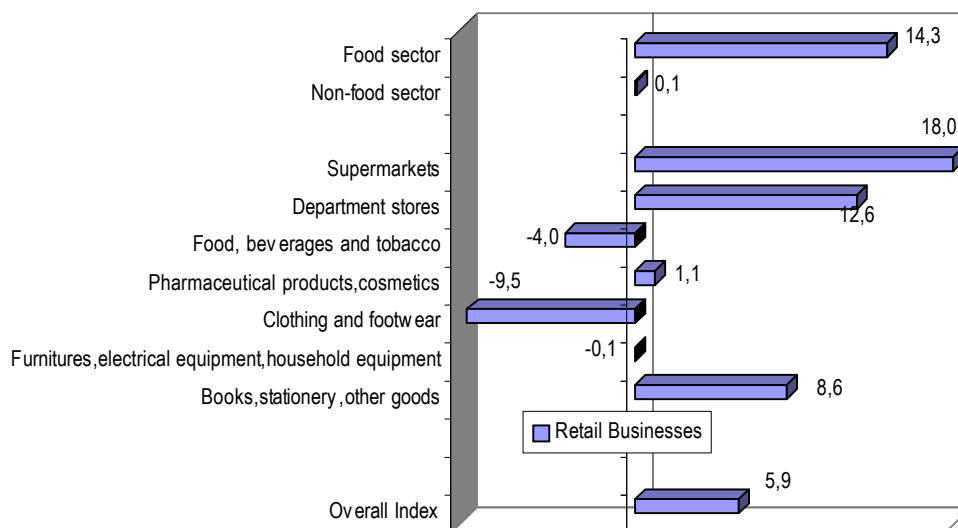
**TABLE 3**  
**Monthly evolution of the turnover in retail trade in real terms**  
2000=100,0

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 I	115,3	0,2	130,4	4,0	102,5	-2,0
II	130,5	5,9	136,2	14,3	124,6	0,1

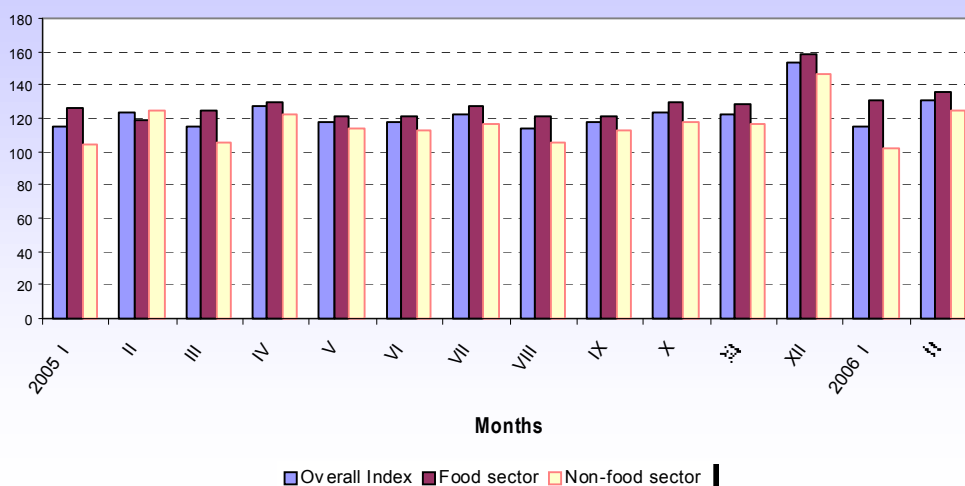
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## DIAGRAMS

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



**Monthly evolution of the volume index in retail trade  
2000=100,0**



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