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

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in September 2006 as compared to September 2005, recorded a rise of 15,8 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in September 2006 as compared to September 2005 increased by 18,5 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 14,0 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 15,8 % at current prices in September 2006 as compared to September 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 19,6 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 26,3%
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover increase of 13,2%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 0,5%
- The clothing and footwear turnover increase of 3,3%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover increase of 28,1 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 4,2%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover increase of 10,0%

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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 12,1 % in September 2006, as compared to September 2005.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in September 2006 as compared to September 2005, increased by 13,0 % while the non-food sector retail trade increased by 12,1%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 12,1 % at constant prices in September 2006 as compared to September 2005, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 14,9%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 24,9%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales increase of 7,9%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales decrease of 0,5%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales increase of 0,5%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales increase of 28.7%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales increase of 3,5%

TABLE 1

Annual rates of change of turnover index and volume index in retail trade

2000=100,0 Volume Index **Turnover Index Retail Trade Business** Index Index Annual Index Index Annual September September rate September September rate 2006* 2005 2006* 2005 (%) (%) **Overall Index** 160,0 138,2 15,8 132,6 118,2 12,1 I. Main sectors Food sector 170,8 144,1 13,0 18,5 137,6 121,8 Non-food sector 149,2 130,9 14,0 126,9 113,2 12,1 II. Specialized store categories Supermarkets 181,3 151,5 19,6 148,6 129,3 14,9 191,4 151,5 26,3 168,9 135,3 24,9 Department stores

Food-beverages-tobacco	133,6	118,1	13,2	107,7	99,8	7,9
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	132,8	132,2	0,5	120,5	121,1	-0,5
Clothing and footwear	122,8	118,8	3,3	99,0	98,5	0,5
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	165,2	129,0	28,1	156,0	121,2	28,7
Books, stationery, other goods	177,2	170,0	4,2	150,1	145,1	3,5
Retail sale not in stores	106,7	97,0	10,0	:	:	:

Provisional data

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TABLE 2
Monthly evolution of the turnover in retail trade at current prices

2000=100,0

	Turnover Index					
Year-month	Ove	rall Index	Foo	d sector	Non-f	ood sector
	Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate
		(%)		(%)		(%)
2005VIII	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
Χ	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	168,6	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	160,0	15,8	170,8	18,5	149,2	14,0

^{*} Provisional data

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

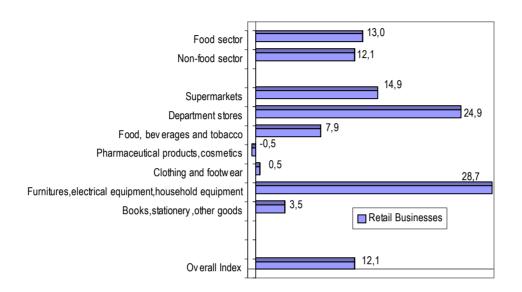
	Volume Index						
Year-month	Overall Index		Foo	d sector	Non-food sector		
	Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate	
		(%)		(%)		(%)	
2005VIII	113,6	3,9	121,8	9,3	105,3	-0,2	
IX	118,2	2,1	121,8	3,6	113,2	0,4	
Χ	124,1	2,4	129,4	3,0	117,8	2,0	
XI	122,9	1,6	128,8	3,5	116,3	-0,1	
XII	153,3	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	139,7	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	132,6	12,1	137,6	13,0	126,9	12,1	

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DIAGRAMS

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





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