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Turnover Index in Retail Trade^{1, 2} **July 2007**

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in July 2007 as compared to July 2006, recorded a rise of 5,5 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in July 2007 as compared to July 2006 increased by 3,6 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 7,0 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 5,5 % at current prices in July 2007 as compared to July 2006, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 3,3 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 4,6 %
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover increase of 5,0%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 5,6%
- The clothing and footwear turnover increase of 7,0%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover increase of 6,3 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 6,0%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover increase of 11,9%

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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 2,1 % in July 2007, as compared to July 2006.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in July 2007 as compared to July 2006, decreased by 0,8 % while the non-food sector retail trade increased by 4,7%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 2,1 % at constant prices in July 2007 as compared to July 2006, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales decrease of 0,6%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 2,7%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales increase of 0,6%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales increase of 4,5%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales increase of 3,5%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales increase of 5,5%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales increase of 4,5%

TABLE 1

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

2000=100,0

	Tur	nover Inde	ex	Volume Index			
Retail Trade Business	Index July 2007*	Index July 2006	Annual rate (%)	Index July 2007*	Index July 2006	Annual rate (%)	
Overall Index	167,9	159,2	5,5	138,4	135,6	2,1	
I. Main sectors							
Food sector	177,7	171,6	3,6	139,4	140,5	-0,8	
Non-food sector	157,6	147,4	7,0	136,4	130,3	4,7	
II. Specialized store categories							
Supermarkets	187,1	181,2	3,3	149,9	150,9	-0,6	
Department stores	211,7	202,3	4,6	186,2	181,3	2,7	
Food-beverages-tobacco	145,2	138,2	5,0	113,9	113,2	0,6	
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	156,6	148,3	5,6	140,6	134,6	4,5	
Clothing and footwear	127,8	119,4	7,0	107,1	103,5	3,5	
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	171,5	161,3	6,3	162,4	153,9	5,5	
Books, stationery, other goods	145,7	137,5	6,0	122,3	117,0	4,5	
Retail sale not in stores	130,8	117,0	11,9	:	:	:	

^{*} Provisional data

[:] Not available data

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

2000=100,0

	Turnover Index						
Year-month	Overall Index		Foo	d sector	Non-food sector		
	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	Index	Annual rate (%)	
2006VI	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	
Χ	160,2	9,3	170,8	10,5	149,6	8,7	
ΧI	161,0	10,7	165,4	7,3	154,9	13,8	
XII	208,6	14,7	217,7	13,9	198,1	15,7	
20071	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	
*VIII	167,9	5,5	177,7	3,6	157,6	7,0	

^{*} Provisional data

TABLE 3 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \begin{tabular}{ll} \begin{tabular}$

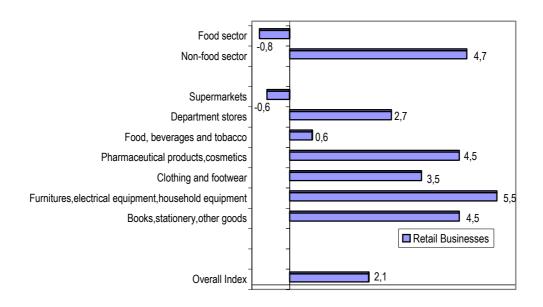
	Volume Index						
Year-month	Overall Index		Foo	d sector	Non-food sector		
	Index		Index	Annual rate	Index	Annual rate	
		(%)		(%)		(%)	
2006VI	129,8	10,0	134,7	11,0	124,1	10,0	
VII	135,6	10,7	140,5	10,3	130,3	12,1	
VIII	125,5	10,5	136,5	12,1	115,9	10,1	
IX	132,3	11,9	137,7	13,0	126,4	11,7	
Χ	130,5	5,1	134,4	3,9	125,9	6,9	
ΧI	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	
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	
*VIII	138,4	2,1	139,4	-0,8	136,4	4,7	

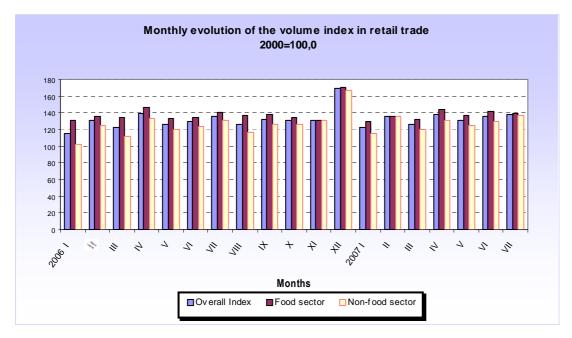
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DIAGRAMS

Annual rates of change (%) of the volume index in retail trade, between July 2007 and July 2006.





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