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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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

According to provisional results, the turnover in retail trade in October 2008 as compared to October 2007, recorded a rise of 3,7 % at current prices (in nominal terms).

The food sector turnover in retail trade in October 2008 as compared to October 2007 increased by 7,2 % in nominal terms while the non-food sector increased by 1,1 %.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 3,7% at current prices in October 2008 as compared to October 2007, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets turnover increase of 7,4 %
- The department stores turnover increase of 8,6 %
- The food, beverages and tobacco turnover increase of 6,1%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics turnover increase of 5,3%
- The clothing and footwear turnover decrease of 1,3%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment turnover decrease of 7,6 %
- The books, stationery, other goods turnover increase of 2,0%
- The retail sale not in stores turnover increase of 19,3%

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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 0,4 % in October 2008, as compared to October 2007.

The food sector retail trade, in real terms, in October 2008 as compared to October 2007, increased by 3,1 % while the non-food sector retail trade decreased by 1,6%.

More specifically, the turnover in retail trade increase by 0,4% at constant prices in October 2008 as compared to October 2007, was derived by store category from the following:

- The supermarkets volume of sales increase of 3,5%
- The department stores volume of sales increase of 6,1%
- The food, beverages and tobacco volume of sales increase of 2,1%
- The pharmaceutical products, cosmetics volume of sales increase of 3,1%
- The clothing and footwear volume of sales decrease of 4,2%
- The furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment volume of sales decrease of 8,6%
- The books, stationery, other goods volume of sales decrease of 1,9%

TABLE 1

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

Retail Trade Business	2000=100,0					
	Turnover Index			Volume Index		
	Index October 2008*	Index October 2007	Annual rate (%)	Index October 2008*	Index October 2007	Annual rate (%)
<b>Overall Index</b>	173,3	167,0	3,7	132,8	132,2	0,4
<b>I. Main sectors</b>						
Food sector	188,6	176,0	7,2	137,7	133,5	3,1
Non-food sector	158,9	157,2	1,1	127,5	129,6	-1,6
<b>II. Specialized store categories</b>						
Supermarkets	202,8	188,9	7,4	151,9	146,8	3,5
Department stores	202,0	185,9	8,6	169,3	159,6	6,1
Food-beverages-tobacco	137,4	129,5	6,1	100,3	98,2	2,1
Pharmaceutical products, cosmetics	155,4	147,6	5,3	136,3	132,2	3,1
Clothing and footwear	156,7	158,8	-1,3	117,1	122,2	-4,2
Furniture, electrical equipment, household equipment	150,7	163,2	-7,6	139,0	152,1	-8,6
Books, stationery, other goods	149,9	147,0	2,0	119,8	122,1	-1,9
Retail sale not in stores	146,2	122,6	19,3	:	:	:

\* 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 (%)
2007IX	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
2008I	159,1	6,3	176,1	5,2	143,8	7,1
II	159,9	-0,5	178,5	2,3	143,5	-2,9
III	163,7	4,5	188,7	10,3	142,7	-0,4
IV	182,5	6,7	203,0	8,0	164,3	5,6
V	172,2	5,9	190,7	7,8	155,5	4,2
VI	175,6	4,6	191,0	5,7	161,2	3,8
VII	170,5	1,5	178,7	0,5	161,2	2,1
VIII	153,9	-1,0	186,0	4,3	128,4	-5,9
IX	168,4	1,4	186,5	2,3	152,2	0,7
*X	173,3	3,7	188,6	7,2	158,9	1,1

\* 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 (%)
2007IX	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
2008I	126,9	3,8	130,7	0,6	123,0	7,0
II	130,1	-4,1	131,6	-3,0	128,8	-4,7
III	127,0	0,5	138,8	4,8	116,5	-3,1
IV	140,7	2,4	147,7	2,2	134,0	2,7
V	132,4	1,4	139,0	1,8	125,9	1,3
VI	136,5	0,7	142,0	0,4	130,5	0,9
VII	135,7	-2,1	134,1	-3,8	135,7	-0,7
VIII	124,8	-4,2	139,3	0,6	112,6	-8,3
IX	130,7	-1,6	138,6	-1,1	123,1	-2,0
*X	132,8	0,4	137,7	3,1	127,5	-1,6

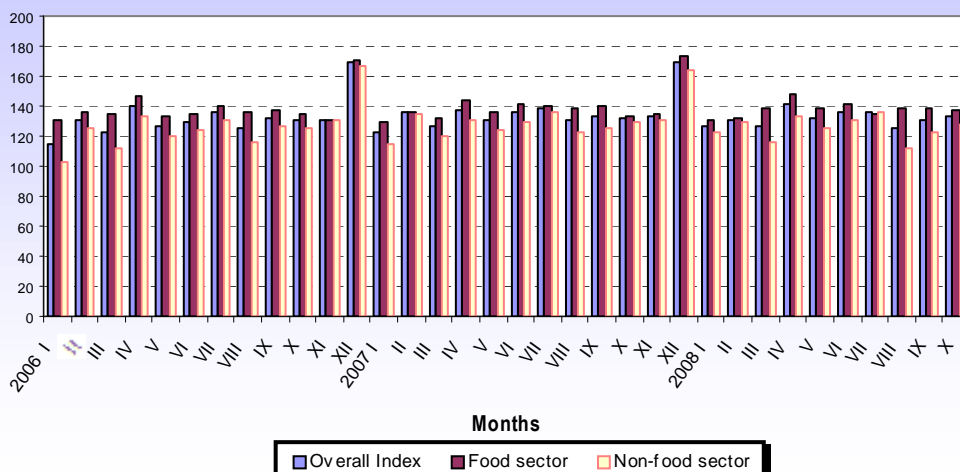
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## DIAGRAMS

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



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



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