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**Services Sector Activity Indicators. Base 2005**  
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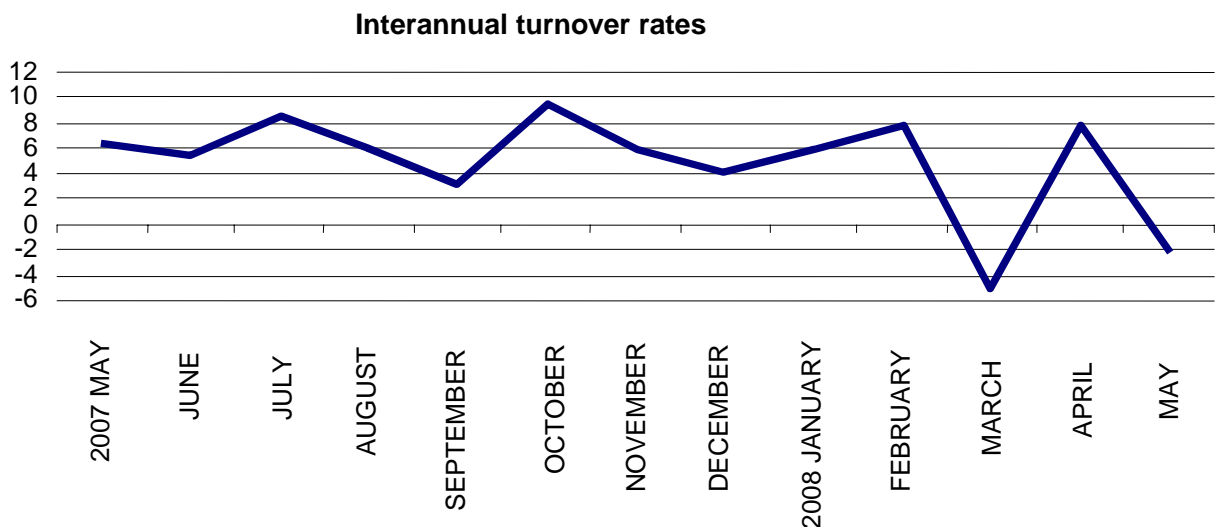
**The Services Sector turnover decreases 2.2% in May as compared with the same month in 2007**

**The interannual rate of employed personnel increases 0.5%**

In May, the market Services Sector turnover recorded an interannual decrease of 2.2% as compared with the same month in 2007.

The Trade, Transport and Services rendered to companies sectors showed decreases in turnover with interannual rates of  $-3.2\%$  in Trade and  $-0.7\%$  in Transport and Services rendered to companies. However, the ICT and Tourism sectors' turnover increased with rates of  $1.2\%$  and  $0.7\%$ , respectively .

In the area of Services rendered to companies, Investigation and security services and Industrial cleaning activities experienced interannual increases of  $7.9\%$  and  $8.4\%$ , respectively; on the other hand, Labour recruitment and provision of personnel, Advertising, Legal and economic advice and Technical services recorded negative rates of  $-5.7\%$ ,  $-5.5\%$ ,  $-3.4\%$  and  $-1.4\%$ , respectively.



### **Principado de Asturias is the Autonomous Community which registers the highest turnover**

Principado de Asturias, País Vasco and Extremadura were the Autonomous Communities with the greatest interannual increases in turnover in May, with rates of 3.6%, 2.4% and 2.1%, respectively.

In contrast, Comunitat Valenciana and Cataluña showed the greatest decreases, with interannual rates of -5.1% and -4.9%, respectively.

### **The interannual employment rate increases 0.5%**

Employment in the Services sector showed an interannual increase of 0.5% in May.

ICT was the sector that registered the greatest increase in employed personnel (with a rate of 2.8%), with growth in employment in Information technology services being of particular note, standing at 5.4%.

In the other sectors, employed personnel reached growth rates of 0.7% in Trade, 0.4% in Transport, and 0.2% in Services rendered to companies. Tourism, on the other hand, recorded a 0.1% decrease.

In the case of Services rendered to companies, the most dynamic activities in the creation of employment were Investigation and security services (5.7%) and Advertising (4.7%), whereas the activity of Labour recruitment and provision of personnel showed an interannual decrease of 11.9%.

### **Principado de Asturias is the Autonomous Community with the greatest increase in employed personnel**

Principado de Asturias was Autonomous Community with the greatest increase in employed personnel in the Services sector in the month of May, with a rate of 2.3%. It was followed by Extremadura and Aragón, with rates of 2.2% and 2.0%, respectively.

The greatest decreases in employed personnel were recorded in Illes Balears (-1.4%) and Comunitat Valenciana (-1.3%).

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**1.1. Monthly turnover indices by sectors**

|                                                     | Index<br>may | % variation on same<br>period, previous year |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|
|                                                     |              | Month                                        | Accumulated<br>Average |
| <b>GENERAL INDEX</b>                                | <b>115,0</b> | <b>-2,2</b>                                  | <b>2,5</b>             |
| <b>1. TRADE</b>                                     | 113,9        | -3,2                                         | 2,1                    |
| Vehicles and automotive fuel                        | 102,2        | -13,2                                        | -4,5                   |
| Wholesale trade                                     | 120,3        | -1,4                                         | 4,4                    |
| Retail trade                                        | 108,2        | -0,5                                         | 1,3                    |
| <b>2. TOURISM</b>                                   | 110,9        | 0,7                                          | 1,7                    |
| Hotels and restaurants                              | 112,5        | 0,2                                          | 1,2                    |
| Travel agencies                                     | 105,7        | 2,7                                          | 3,8                    |
| <b>3. TRANSPORT SERVICES</b>                        | 119,2        | -0,7                                         | 3,5                    |
| Land transport                                      | 116,4        | -3,3                                         | 2,3                    |
| Water transport                                     | 103,8        | -2,6                                         | -2,7                   |
| Air transport                                       | 125,2        | 0,9                                          | 3,1                    |
| Supporting and auxiliary transport activities       | 121,8        | 2,4                                          | 5,0                    |
| Post and courier activities                         | 123,4        | 1,4                                          | 8,7                    |
| <b>4. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES</b>                  | 117,3        | 1,2                                          | 3,6                    |
| Telecommunications                                  | 107,6        | -0,6                                         | 1,7                    |
| Computer and related activities                     | 129,4        | 4,9                                          | 8,2                    |
| Motion pictures and radio and television activities | 130,1        | 0,3                                          | 1,4                    |
| <b>5. BUSINESS SERVICES</b>                         | 121,5        | -0,7                                         | 4,8                    |
| Legal, accounting and auditing activities           | 116,2        | -3,4                                         | 4,2                    |
| Architectural and engineering activities            | 116,7        | -1,4                                         | 4,2                    |
| Advertising                                         | 121,4        | -5,5                                         | 5,5                    |
| Labour recruitment and provision of personnel       | 119,9        | -5,7                                         | 2,5                    |
| Investigation and security activities               | 134,0        | 7,9                                          | 8,7                    |
| Industrial cleaning                                 | 130,7        | 8,4                                          | 7,7                    |
| Miscellaneous business activities n.e.c.            | 130,0        | 5,8                                          | 4,3                    |

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**1.2. Monthly indices of persons employed by sectors**

|                                                     | Index<br>may | % variation on same<br>period, previous year |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|
|                                                     |              | Month                                        | Accumulated<br>Average |
| <b>GENERAL INDEX</b>                                | <b>105,8</b> | <b>0,5</b>                                   | <b>1,2</b>             |
| <b>1. TRADE</b>                                     | 104,2        | 0,7                                          | 1,2                    |
| Vehicles and automotive fuel                        | 103,3        | 0,4                                          | 1,2                    |
| Wholesale trade                                     | 105,5        | 0,5                                          | 1,1                    |
| Retail trade                                        | 103,5        | 1,0                                          | 1,3                    |
| <b>2. TOURISM</b>                                   | 105,2        | -0,1                                         | 0,4                    |
| Hotels and restaurants                              | 105,1        | -0,1                                         | 0,4                    |
| Travel agencies                                     | 106,7        | 0,3                                          | 0,7                    |
| <b>3. TRANSPORT SERVICES</b>                        | 106,2        | 0,4                                          | 1,4                    |
| Land transport                                      | 107,1        | -0,1                                         | 1,3                    |
| Water transport                                     | 109,8        | 2,9                                          | 2,0                    |
| Air transport                                       | 100,1        | 0,2                                          | 0,5                    |
| Supporting and auxiliary transport activities       | 108,3        | 3,1                                          | 3,4                    |
| Post and courier activities                         | 99,9         | -1,0                                         | -0,4                   |
| <b>4. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES</b>                  | 108,6        | 2,8                                          | 2,8                    |
| Telecommunications                                  | 94,5         | -2,3                                         | -2,7                   |
| Computer and related activities                     | 116,0        | 5,4                                          | 5,1                    |
| Motion pictures and radio and television activities | 102,0        | -0,5                                         | 1,1                    |
| <b>5. BUSINESS SERVICES</b>                         | 108,4        | 0,2                                          | 1,5                    |
| Legal, accounting and auditing activities           | 107,8        | 0,4                                          | 1,7                    |
| Architectural and engineering activities            | 113,5        | 3,6                                          | 3,1                    |
| Advertising                                         | 106,7        | 4,7                                          | 3,5                    |
| Labour recruitment and provision of personnel       | 100,2        | -11,9                                        | -5,6                   |
| Investigation and security activities               | 118,9        | 5,7                                          | 6,3                    |
| Industrial cleaning                                 | 109,6        | 2,4                                          | 2,9                    |
| Miscellaneous business activities n.e.c.            | 106,3        | 0,6                                          | 1,2                    |

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### 1.3. General turnover indices by regions

|                              | Index<br>may | % variation on same<br>period, previous year |                        |
|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|
|                              |              | Month                                        | Accumulated<br>Average |
| <b>NATIONAL TOTAL</b>        | <b>115,0</b> | <b>-2,2</b>                                  | <b>2,5</b>             |
| Andalucía                    | 111,2        | -4,0                                         | 2,4                    |
| Aragón                       | 119,7        | 1,3                                          | 8,3                    |
| Asturias (Principado de)     | 119,0        | 3,6                                          | 6,8                    |
| Balears (Illes)              | 116,9        | -4,5                                         | 0,5                    |
| Canarias                     | 105,3        | 0,5                                          | 2,3                    |
| Cantabria                    | 108,1        | -4,0                                         | -0,5                   |
| Castilla y León              | 114,8        | -1,4                                         | 4,0                    |
| Castilla-La Mancha           | 110,0        | -3,8                                         | 1,7                    |
| Cataluña                     | 116,2        | -4,9                                         | 0,7                    |
| Comunitat Valenciana         | 109,9        | -5,1                                         | 1,0                    |
| Extremadura                  | 110,1        | 2,1                                          | 5,0                    |
| Galicia                      | 116,6        | -0,9                                         | 3,5                    |
| Madrid (Comunidad de)        | 116,4        | -0,5                                         | 3,1                    |
| Murcia (Región de)           | 118,5        | -1,5                                         | 3,2                    |
| Navarra (Comunidad Foral de) | 123,6        | -0,9                                         | 1,7                    |
| País Vasco                   | 124,7        | 2,4                                          | 5,5                    |
| Rioja (La)                   | 117,2        | -4,4                                         | 2,6                    |

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**1.4. General indices of persons employed by regions**

|                              | Index<br>may | % variation on same<br>period, previous year |                        |
|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------|
|                              |              | Month                                        | Accumulated<br>Average |
| <b>NATIONAL TOTAL</b>        | <b>105,8</b> | <b>0,5</b>                                   | <b>1,2</b>             |
| Andalucía                    | 106,8        | 1,0                                          | 1,9                    |
| Aragón                       | 106,8        | 2,0                                          | 2,6                    |
| Asturias (Principado de)     | 106,8        | 2,3                                          | 2,8                    |
| Balears (Illes)              | 114,0        | -1,4                                         | -0,1                   |
| Canarias                     | 102,4        | 0,2                                          | 1,0                    |
| Cantabria                    | 103,3        | -0,1                                         | 0,5                    |
| Castilla y León              | 105,6        | -0,3                                         | 0,8                    |
| Castilla-La Mancha           | 105,3        | 1,1                                          | 1,5                    |
| Cataluña                     | 105,2        | 0,7                                          | 1,6                    |
| Comunitat Valenciana         | 102,5        | -1,3                                         | -0,5                   |
| Extremadura                  | 106,4        | 2,2                                          | 1,8                    |
| Galicia                      | 107,0        | 1,5                                          | 1,9                    |
| Madrid (Comunidad de)        | 106,3        | 0,7                                          | 1,0                    |
| Murcia (Región de)           | 108,7        | 0,1                                          | 1,1                    |
| Navarra (Comunidad Foral de) | 107,1        | 1,6                                          | 1,8                    |
| País Vasco                   | 104,9        | 0,6                                          | 1,5                    |
| Rioja (La)                   | 104,9        | -0,4                                         | 1,0                    |