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**Retail Trade Indices. Base 2005**  
**January 2009. Provisional data**

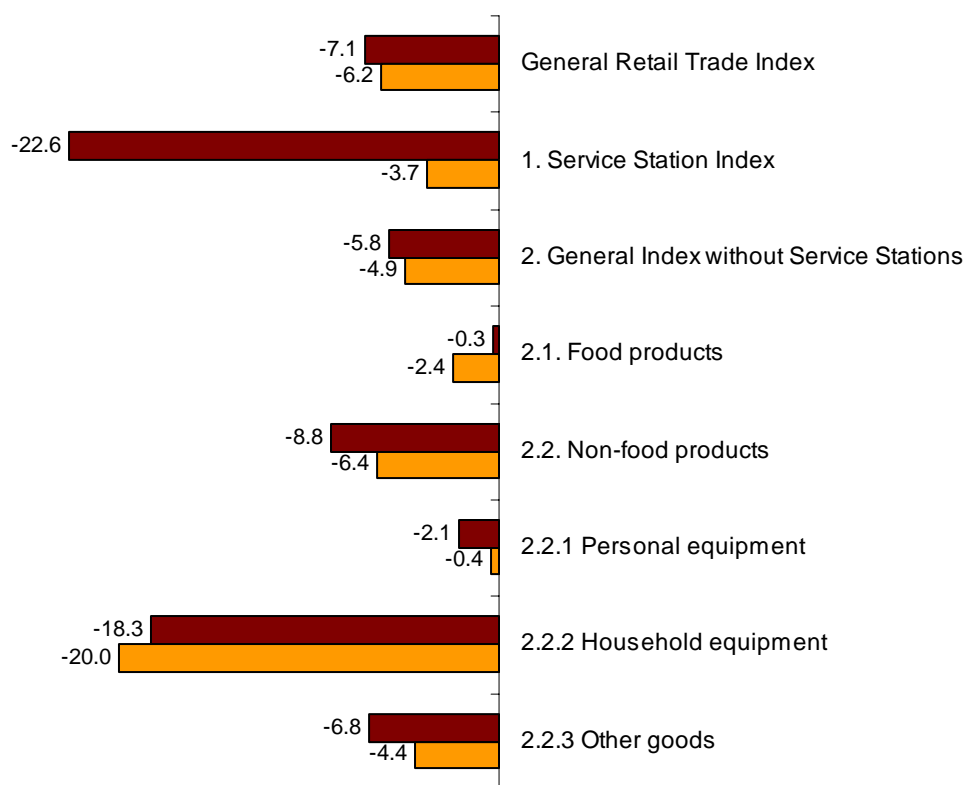
**Retail trade at constant prices decreases 6.2% in January, as compared with the same month in 2008**

Retail trade at constant prices (in other words, after adjusting the prices' effect) decreased 6.2% in January, as compared with the same month in 2008.

Sales excluding service stations showed a variation rate in constant terms of -4.9%, as compared with January 2008. The breakdown of these sales by product type showed a 2.4% decrease in food products, and a 6.4% drop in non-food products. Among the latter, the 20.0% decrease registered by retails sales of Household equipment as compared with the same month the previous year was of note.

Sales in service stations, after adjusting the prices' effect, registered a 3.7% decrease in January, as compared with the same month in 2008.

**Annual Rates**



## Large chain stores and Department stores, the only distribution classes recording an increase in retail trade

The breakdown of the General Deflated Retail Trade Index by different distribution classes, showed a decrease in sales in January as compared with the previous year in all trade formulas, except in large chain stores (2.7%) and in department stores (0.3%). The greatest decrease was recorded in small chain stores, with a rate of -10.0%.

### National Indices by distribution class

	Deflated index	% variation on same month previous year
<b>General Retail Trade Index</b>	<b>99.8</b>	<b>-6.2</b>
1. Service Station Index	99.7	-3.7
2. General Index without Service Stations	100.8	-4.9
2.1. Single retail stores	89.5	-9.0
2.2. Small chain stores	96.5	-10.0
2.3. Large chain stores	119.0	2.7
2.4. Department stores	113.6	0.3

## Sales in large chain stores increase 0.3%

The General **Department Store Index**, which reflects the behaviour of sales in premises larger than 2,500m<sup>2</sup>, registered an interannual increase of 0.3% in constant terms in January. Food products and non-food products increased 1.7% and 0.2%, respectively.

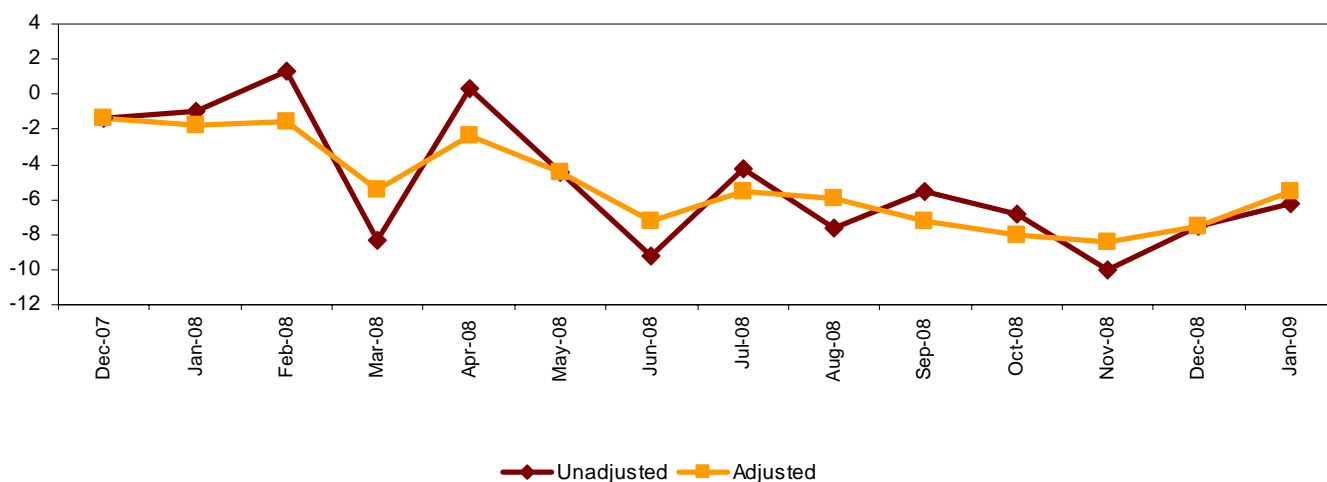
### Department Store Indices

	Deflated index	% variation on same month previous year
<b>Department Store Index</b>	<b>113.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>
1. Food products	89.8	1.7
2. Non-food products	127.5	0.2

## After eliminating the calendar effect, the interannual rate of the General Retail Trade Index is -5.4%

After eliminating the calendar effect (that is, the difference between the number of working days in a given month in different years), the deflated retail trade index registered a decrease, as compared with January 2008, of 5.4% as compared with -6.2% for the adjusted index.

### General Deflated Retail Trade Index Annual variation rates



paid and unpaid workers) registered an interannual variation rate of -3.0% for the sector as a whole.

All trade distribution classes experienced a decrease in employment, particularly small chain stores and department stores, which registered decreases in employment of 5.6%. Employment in service stations decreased -3.7%, as compared with January 2008.

### National Employment Indices

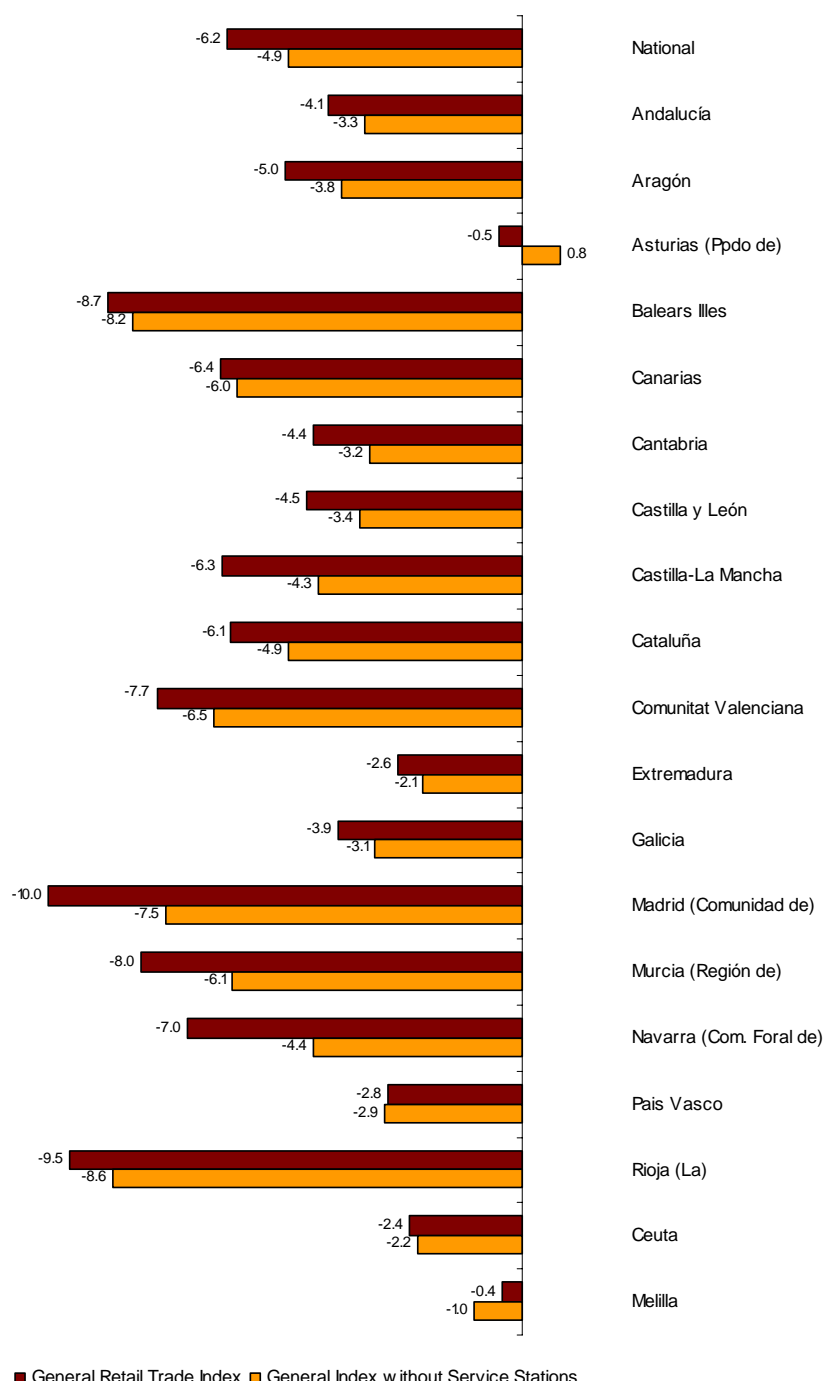
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2.1. Single retail stores	99.1	-1.6
2.2. Small chain stores	97.3	-5.6
2.3. Large chain stores	113.5	-1.7
2.4. Department stores	101.5	-5.6

## Retail trade shows an interannual rate decrease in all Autonomous Communities

All Autonomous Communities recorded a decrease in retail trade in constant terms, as compared with the same month the previous year. Disregarding service stations, sales also fell in all Autonomous Communities, except in Principado de Asturias, which registered a positive rate of 0.8%.

The Autonomous Communities which showed the greatest decreases were Comunidad de Madrid (-10.0 euros), La Rioja (-9.5 euros), Illes Balears (-8.7%) and Región de Murcia (-8.0%).

### Deflated indices Annual variation rate

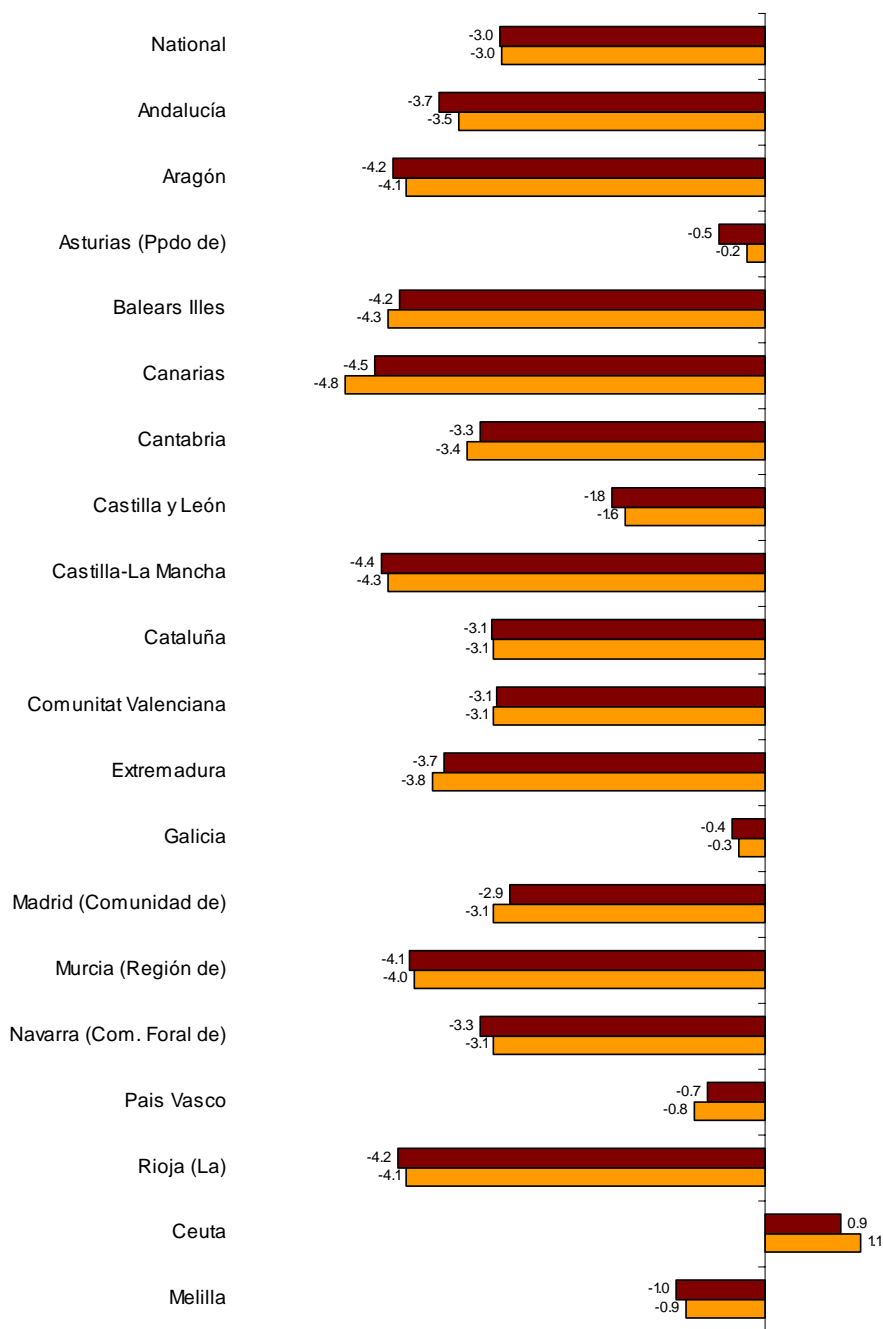


## All Autonomous Communities showed negative employment rates

By Autonomous Community, employment in the retail trade showed a generalised decrease, both considering employment in service stations, and where this is not accounted for.

The greatest decreases in employment for the retail trade total were shown in Canarias (–4.5%), Castilla-La Mancha (–4.4%), Aragón, Illes Balears and La Rioja (all three with a rate of –4.2%) and Región de Murcia (–4.1%).

### Employment index Annual variation rate



## Methodological note

### National Classification of Economic Activities 2009 (NCEA-2009)

The European Parliament and Council approved the new classification of economic activities for statistical purposes within the European Union, known as NACE Rev.2, on 20 December 2006 by means of Regulation (CE) no. 1893/2006. This Regulation also stipulates the use of the new classification in community statistics, in order to ensure its harmonised implementation. The short-term statistics are to be found among these, including the *Retail Trade Indices*.

Adaptation to the new European classification (NACE Rev.2) and to its national version (NCEA-2009) has caused changes in the *Retail Trade Indices* survey. For some activities, the new classification has only entailed a change of code, but not of content; but in other cases, the activities are incorporated into different branches or sectors. The main difference in the retail sector is the introduction, in this sector, of companies whose main activity is the retail trade of automotive fuel in specialist establishments (service stations).

The introduction of this new activity within division 47 (Retail trade) has given rise to changes in the indices which have been published thus far. **The following indicators within the Retail Trade Indices statistics for the national total** have been disseminated since January 2009:

–**General Retail Trade Index.** This shows the evolution both of sales (at current prices, constant prices and adjusted for calendar effect) and of employment, in the division 47 total.

–**Service Stations Index.** This shows the evolution both of sales (at current prices, constant prices and adjusted for calendar effect) and of employment, in the group 47.3. Retail Trade of Automotive Fuel in Specialist Establishments.

–**General Index without Service Stations.** This shows the evolution both of sales (at current prices, constant prices and adjusted for calendar effect) and of employment, in the division 47 except group 47.3, and is comparable to the previous General Index which had been published until January 2009.

Moreover, a breakdown is published of the now **General Index without Service Stations by product: Food and Non-Food** (distinguishing Personal goods, Household equipment and Other goods) and by **distribution class: Single retail stores, Small chain stores, Large chain stores and Department stores**. These indices, by product and by distribution class, correspond with those which had been published until January 2009.

**By Autonomous Community,** both the General Retail Trade Indices and the General Indices without Service Stations, showing the evolution in each Autonomous Community of sales and employment for the total of division 47 and for the total of division 47, excluding service stations, are disseminated.

On 29 May 2008, Commission Regulation (CE) no. 472/2008 on the transmission in NACE Rev.2 of short-term statistics, wherein European directives are established for the dissemination of results in a new classification, was approved. Pursuant to the provisions of

this Regulation, as of the reference month of January 2009, the indices were published for the first time in the new classification, NCEA-2009.

Furthermore, **in order to guarantee comparability of information over time, the INE publishes the retrospective series of this new classification in INEBASE.**

In the following link on the INE website, there appears complete information regarding all the changes arising from the new encoding of branches of activity:

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## Retail Trade Indices

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### 1. National indices

	Index	% variation on previous year		Deflated index	% variation on previous year	
		Same month	Year-to-date average		Same month	Year-to-date average
<b>General Retail Trade Index</b>	<b>106.5</b>	<b>-7.1</b>	<b>-7.1</b>	<b>99.8</b>	<b>-6.2</b>	<b>-6.2</b>
1. Service Station Index	93.8	-22.6	-22.6	99.7	-3.7	-3.7
2. General Index without Service Stations	107.5	-5.8	-5.8	100.8	-4.9	-4.9
2.1. Food products	105.3	-0.3	-0.3	91.3	-2.4	-2.4
2.2. Non-food products	108.8	-8.8	-8.8	106.9	-6.4	-6.4
2.2.1 Personal equipment	130.1	-2.1	-2.1	136.9	-0.4	-0.4
2.2.2 Household equipment	87.2	-18.3	-18.3	80.3	-20.0	-20.0
2.2.3 Other goods	112.0	-6.8	-6.8	110.0	-4.4	-4.4

### 2. National Indices by distribution class

	Index	% variation on previous year		Deflated index	% variation on previous year	
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2.1. Single retail stores	95.5	-9.8	-9.8	89.5	-9.0	-9.0
2.2. Small chain stores	103.0	-10.9	-10.9	96.5	-10.0	-10.0
2.3. Large chain stores	127.0	1.7	1.7	119.0	2.7	2.7
2.4. Department stores	121.2	-0.7	-0.7	113.6	0.3	0.3

### 3. Department Store Indices

	Index	% variation on previous year		Deflated index	% variation on previous year	
		Same month	Year-to-date average		Same month	Year-to-date average
<b>Department Store Index</b>	<b>121.2</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>113.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>
1. Food products	103.6	3.9	3.9	89.8	1.7	1.7
2. Non-food products	129.8	-2.4	-2.4	127.5	0.2	0.2



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### 4. National Indices. Adjusted for calendar effect

	Index	% variation on previous year		Deflated index	% variation on previous year	
		Same month	Year-to-date average		Same month	Year-to-date average
<b>General Retail Trade Index</b>	<b>108.9</b>	<b>-6.3</b>	<b>-6.3</b>	<b>102.2</b>	<b>-5.4</b>	<b>-5.4</b>
1. Service Station Index	95.1	-22.2	-22.2	101.3	-3.2	-3.2
2. General Index without Service Stations	109.9	-5.0	-5.0	103.1	-4.1	-4.1
2.1. Department Store Index	123.0	-0.1	-0.1	115.3	0.8	0.8

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### 5. National Employment Indices by distribution class

	Index	% variation on		
		Previous month	Same month previous year	Year-to-date average
<b>General Retail Trade Index</b>	<b>100.8</b>	<b>-1.7</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>-3.0</b>
1. Service Station Index	98.8	-1.8	-3.7	-3.7
2. General Index without Service Stations	100.9	-1.7	-3.0	-3.0
2.1. Single retail stores	99.1	-0.3	-1.6	-1.6
2.2. Small chain stores	97.3	-1.9	-5.6	-5.6
2.3. Large chain stores	113.5	-2.2	-1.7	-1.7
2.4. Department stores	101.5	-5.4	-5.6	-5.6

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### 6. General Retail Trade Indices of Autonomous Communities

	Index	% variation on previous year		Deflated index	% variation on previous year	
		Same month	Year-to-date average		Same month	Year-to-date average
<b>National total</b>	<b>106.5</b>	<b>-7.1</b>	<b>-7.1</b>	<b>99.8</b>	<b>-6.2</b>	<b>-6.2</b>
Andalucía	104.7	-4.9	-4.9	98.4	-4.1	-4.1
Aragón	108.1	-5.6	-5.6	100.9	-5.0	-5.0
Asturias (Principado de)	117.8	-1.6	-1.6	111.1	-0.5	-0.5
Balears (Illes)	85.2	-9.6	-9.6	80.2	-8.7	-8.7
Canarias	110.6	-7.2	-7.2	104.2	-6.4	-6.4
Cantabria	109.9	-5.2	-5.2	101.9	-4.4	-4.4
Castilla y León	107.2	-5.8	-5.8	100.1	-4.5	-4.5
Castilla-La Mancha	108.0	-7.8	-7.8	101.4	-6.3	-6.3
Cataluña	106.2	-6.8	-6.8	99.0	-6.1	-6.1
Comunitat Valenciana	101.1	-8.3	-8.3	94.7	-7.7	-7.7
Extremadura	112.6	-3.1	-3.1	105.5	-2.6	-2.6
Galicia	110.0	-5.1	-5.1	103.7	-3.9	-3.9
Madrid (Comunidad de)	107.4	-11.1	-11.1	101.3	-10.0	-10.0
Murcia (Región de)	106.1	-9.1	-9.1	99.1	-8.0	-8.0
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	107.3	-7.9	-7.9	101.6	-7.0	-7.0
País Vasco	115.0	-3.2	-3.2	107.2	-2.8	-2.8
Rioja (La)	107.9	-10.3	-10.3	100.8	-9.5	-9.5
Ceuta	119.8	-2.3	-2.3	111.9	-2.4	-2.4
Melilla	119.1	-1.1	-1.1	111.5	-0.4	-0.4

### 7. General Indices without Service Stations, by Autonomous Community

	Index	% variation on previous year		Deflated index	% variation on previous year	
		Same month	Year-to-date average		Same month	Year-to-date average
<b>National total</b>	<b>107.5</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>-5.8</b>	<b>100.8</b>	<b>-4.9</b>	<b>-4.9</b>
Andalucía	106.1	-4.2	-4.2	99.6	-3.3	-3.3
Aragón	109.6	-4.5	-4.5	102.3	-3.8	-3.8
Asturias (Principado de)	119.7	-0.3	-0.3	112.9	0.8	0.8
Balears (Illes)	85.5	-9.0	-9.0	80.5	-8.2	-8.2
Canarias	111.7	-6.9	-6.9	105.3	-6.0	-6.0
Cantabria	110.2	-4.0	-4.0	102.2	-3.2	-3.2
Castilla y León	109.3	-4.7	-4.7	102.1	-3.4	-3.4
Castilla-La Mancha	110.0	-5.8	-5.8	103.3	-4.3	-4.3
Cataluña	107.2	-5.5	-5.5	100.0	-4.9	-4.9
Comunitat Valenciana	101.6	-7.1	-7.1	95.2	-6.5	-6.5
Extremadura	112.1	-2.6	-2.6	105.0	-2.1	-2.1
Galicia	110.4	-4.3	-4.3	104.1	-3.1	-3.1
Madrid (Comunidad de)	108.8	-8.7	-8.7	102.6	-7.5	-7.5
Murcia (Región de)	106.9	-7.2	-7.2	99.9	-6.1	-6.1
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	108.7	-5.2	-5.2	103.0	-4.4	-4.4
País Vasco	114.7	-3.3	-3.3	106.9	-2.9	-2.9
Rioja (La)	109.0	-9.4	-9.4	101.8	-8.6	-8.6
Ceuta	121.5	-2.1	-2.1	113.5	-2.2	-2.2
Melilla	119.7	-1.7	-1.7	112.1	-1.0	-1.0

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### 8. General Employment Indices of Autonomous Communities

	Index	% variation on		
		Previous month	Same month previous year	Year-to-date average
<b>National total</b>	<b>100.8</b>	<b>-1.7</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>-3.0</b>
Andalucía	98.2	-1.8	-3.7	-3.7
Aragón	101.4	-1.2	-4.2	-4.2
Asturias (Principado de)	104.3	-1.1	-0.5	-0.5
Balears (Illes)	95.4	-1.6	-4.2	-4.2
Canarias	98.5	-2.0	-4.5	-4.5
Cantabria	103.6	-2.1	-3.3	-3.3
Castilla y León	104.3	-0.8	-1.8	-1.8
Castilla-La Mancha	100.1	-2.2	-4.4	-4.4
Cataluña	99.5	-1.6	-3.1	-3.1
Comunitat Valenciana	99.7	-2.3	-3.1	-3.1
Extremadura	101.8	-1.8	-3.7	-3.7
Galicia	104.2	-1.2	-0.4	-0.4
Madrid (Comunidad de)	103.5	-1.8	-2.9	-2.9
Murcia (Región de)	106.4	-1.8	-4.1	-4.1
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	103.5	-1.5	-3.3	-3.3
País Vasco	102.8	-0.8	-0.7	-0.7
Rioja (La)	100.0	-0.7	-4.2	-4.2
Ceuta	104.8	0.2	0.9	0.9
Melilla	103.0	0.9	-1.0	-1.0

### 9. General Employment Indices without Service Stations, by Autonomous Community

	Index	% variation on		
		Previous month	Same month previous year	Year-to-date average
<b>National total</b>	<b>100.9</b>	<b>-1.7</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>-3.0</b>
Andalucía	98.4	-1.7	-3.5	-3.5
Aragón	101.5	-1.2	-4.1	-4.1
Asturias (Principado de)	104.7	-1.1	-0.2	-0.2
Balears (Illes)	95.3	-1.8	-4.3	-4.3
Canarias	98.0	-2.2	-4.8	-4.8
Cantabria	103.6	-2.1	-3.4	-3.4
Castilla y León	104.8	-0.7	-1.6	-1.6
Castilla-La Mancha	100.5	-2.3	-4.3	-4.3
Cataluña	99.5	-1.5	-3.1	-3.1
Comunitat Valenciana	99.8	-2.2	-3.1	-3.1
Extremadura	101.9	-1.8	-3.8	-3.8
Galicia	104.5	-1.2	-0.3	-0.3
Madrid (Comunidad de)	103.2	-1.9	-3.1	-3.1
Murcia (Región de)	106.7	-1.9	-4.0	-4.0
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	103.8	-1.5	-3.1	-3.1
País Vasco	102.7	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8
Rioja (La)	100.0	-0.7	-4.1	-4.1
Ceuta	105.1	0.3	1.1	1.1
Melilla	103.2	0.9	-0.9	-0.9