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Retail Trade Indices (RTI). Base 2015
February 2021. Provisional data

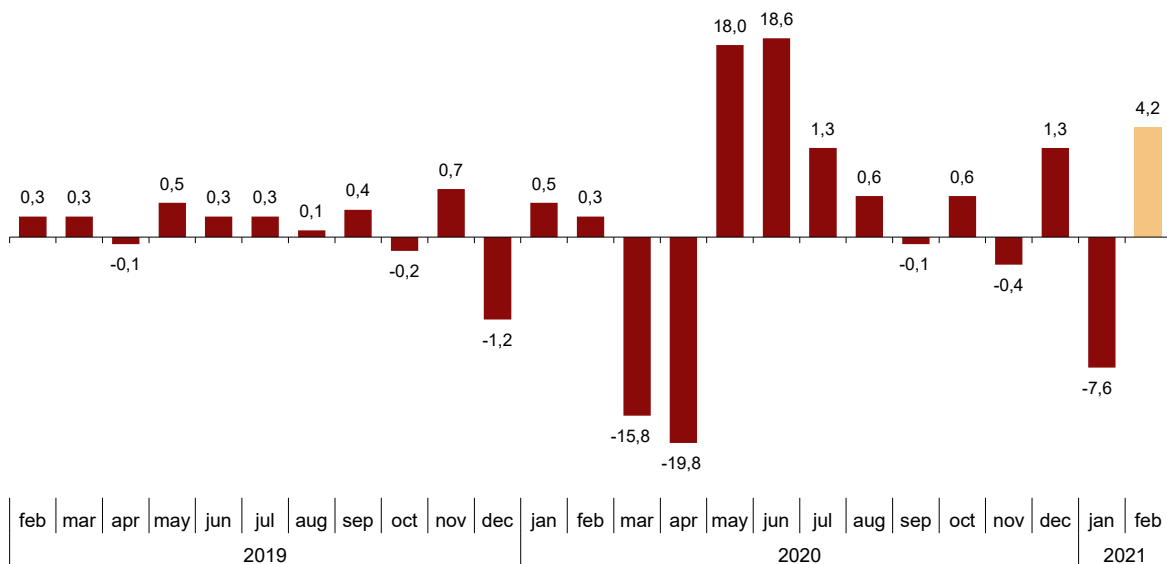
The monthly variation of the Retail Trade Index at constant prices is 4.2% after seasonal and calendar adjustment

The annual rate of the General Retail Trade Index at constant prices stands at -5.9% in the seasonal and calendar adjusted series and at -9.4% in the original series

Monthly trend of sales in retail trade

The monthly variation of the seasonally and calendar adjusted general Retail Trade Index (RTI) at constant prices between the months of February and January, stood at 4.2%. This rate was 11.8 points higher than the previous month.

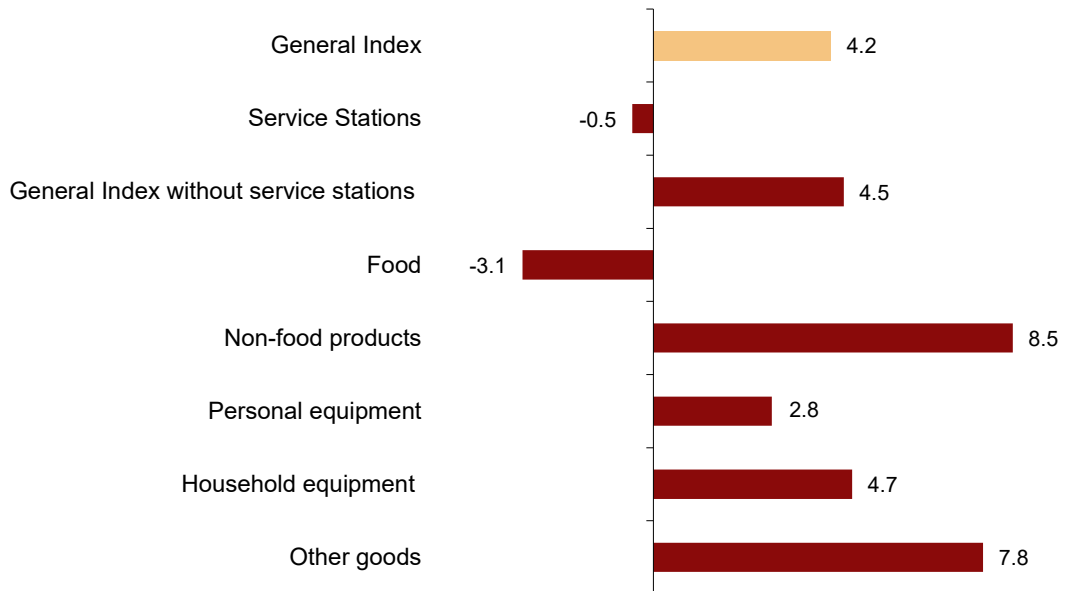
General Retail Trade Index at constant prices
Seasonally and calendar adjusted. Monthly rate. Percentage



The general index, excluding service stations, recorded a monthly rate of 4.5%.

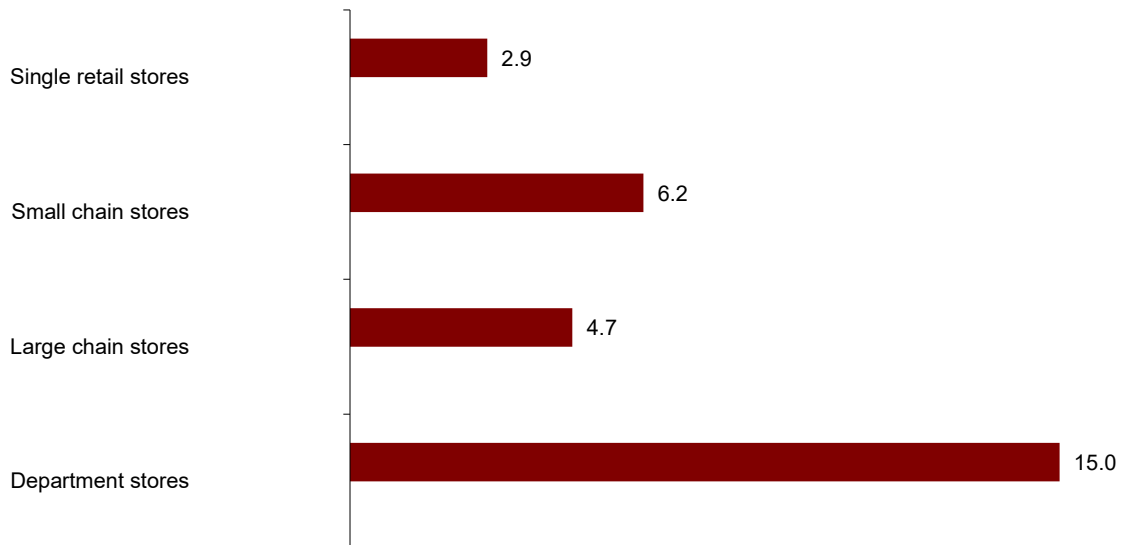
By products, *Food* decreased by 3.1% and *Non-food products* increased by 8.5%. If the latter is broken down by type of product, *Other goods* increased the most (7.8%).

Sales indices at constant prices: General and by type of products
 Seasonally and calendar adjusted. February 2021. Monthly rate. Percentage



All distribution classes showed positive monthly rates. *Department stores* registered the greatest increase (15.0%).

Sales indices at constant prices by distribution type
 Seasonally and calendar adjusted. February 2021. Monthly rate. Percentage



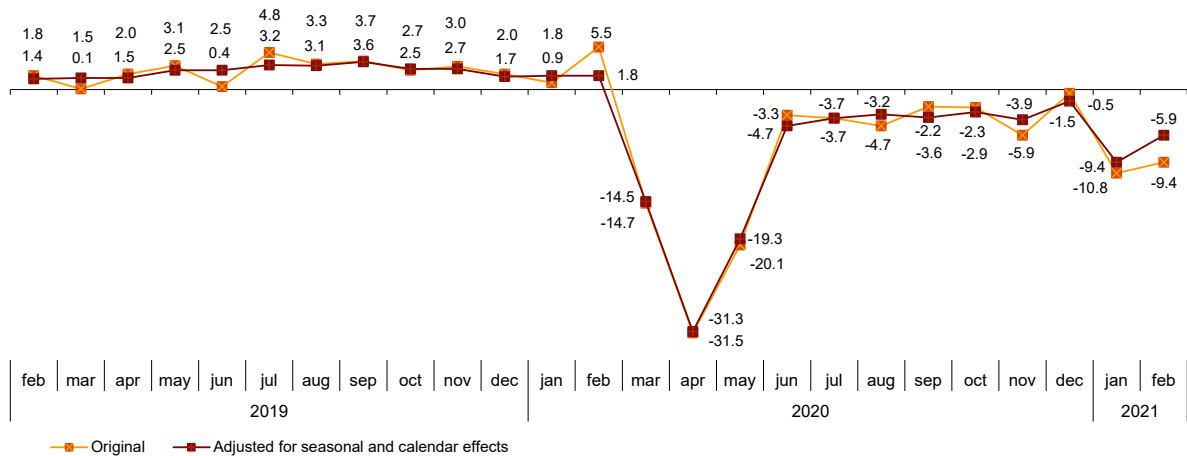
Annual trend of sales in retail trade

In February, the General Retail Trade Index, once adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects, registered a variation of -5.9% as compared with the same month of the previous year. This rate was 3.5 points higher than the one registered in January.

The original RTI series at constant prices registered an annual variation of -9.4% , this rate was 1.4 points above the rate of the previous month.

Retail Trade General Index at constant prices

Annual rates. Percentage



The seasonally and calendar adjusted index excluding service stations registered an annual variation of -5.5% in February. If these sales are broken down by type of product, *Food* decreased by 0.7% , and *Non-food products* by 9.2% .

Retail trade sector sales. Annual rates at constant prices February 2021

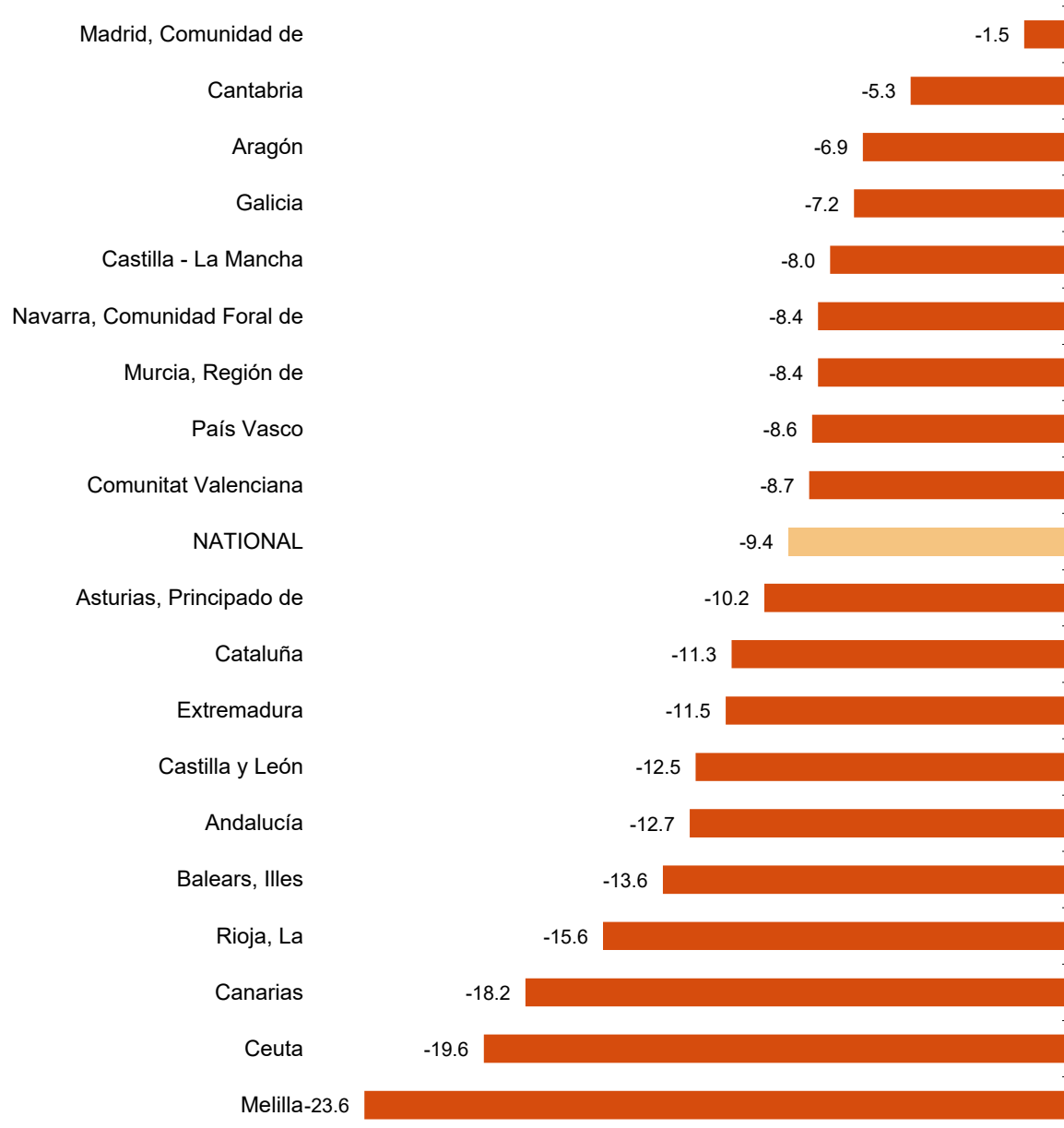
	Original index	Seasonally and calendar adjusted index
	Annual rate (%)	Annual rate (%)
GENERAL INDEX	-9.4	-5.9
Service stations	-17.8	-15.2
General Index without service stations	-8.5	-5.5
- Food	-3.9	-0.7
- Non-food products	-11.8	-9.2
- Personal equipment	-30.8	-28.5
- Household equipment	-1.7	1.5
- Other goods	-8.1	-5.1
Distribution class		
- Single retail stores	-9.3	-6.5
- Small chain stores	-16.7	-13.7
- Large chain stores	-3.5	-3.4
- Department stores	-12.2	-7.8

Results by Autonomous Community. Annual rates of sales. Original series

Sales decreased in the annual rate in all Autonomous Communities in February. Canarias (-18.2%), La Rioja (-15.6%) and Illes Balears (-13.6%) registered the greatest decreases.

In turn, Comunidad de Madrid (-1.5%), Cantabria (-5.3%) and Aragón (-6.9%) registered the lowest decreases.

General indices: national and by Autonomous City and Community February 2021. Annual sales rate. Percentage



Employment trend

In February, the employment index in the retail trade sector registered a variation of -3.4% as compared to the same month of 2020. This rate was one tenth below that recorded in January. Employment decreased by -4.7% in *Service stations*.

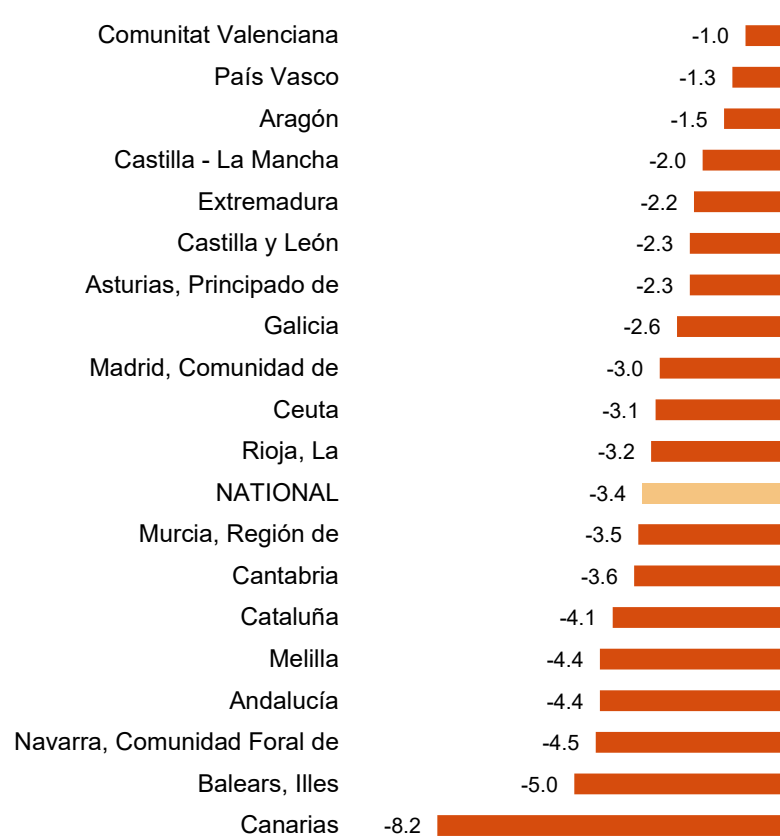
Employment indices: General and by distribution type February 2021

	Index	Rate (%)		
		Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	100.3	-0.7	-3.4	-3.4
Service stations	101.0	-0.2	-4.7	-4.5
General Index without service stations	100.3	-0.7	-3.3	-3.3
- Single retail stores	98.4	-0.3	-2.7	-2.6
- Small chain stores	90.7	-1.3	-7.9	-8.1
- Large chain stores	112.8	-0.8	-1.8	-1.9
- Department stores	98.4	-1.7	-2.9	-2.2

Results by Autonomous Community. Annual employment rate

Employment in retail trade decreased in Autonomous Communities in the annual rate. Canarias registered the greatest decrease (-8.2%).

General indices: national and by Autonomous Communities and Cities February 2021. Annual employment rate. Percentage



Revisions and update of data

On the press release day, INE has updated RTI data series corresponding to the last three months. In the case of calendar adjusted and seasonally and calendar adjusted series, according to INE standard, series are revised since its beginning. Results are available on INEBase.

Methodological note

The main objective of the Retail Trade Indices (RTI) is to ascertain the fundamental characteristics of the companies engaged in retail trade in Spain, which make it possible to measure, in the short term, the trend of activity in the sector.

Survey type: continuous monthly survey.

Base year: 2015.

Population scope: companies whose main activity is included within division 47 of the CNAE-2009 Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles.

Geographical scope: the whole country.

Sample size: Approximately 12.000 companies.

Type of sampling: stratified random sampling.

Collection method: fill in a questionnaire by the respondent using one of the following methods: internet (IRIA system), e-mail, fax, telephone or by post.

Further information is available in the methodology:

http://www.ine.es/en/daco/daco43/notaccm15_en.pdf

And in the standardised methodological report:

<http://www.ine.es/dynt3/metadatos/en/RespuestaDatos.html?oe=30103>

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1. Sales indices: General, by products and by distribution type Seasonally and calendar adjusted

	Index	Rate (%)			Deflated index	Rate (%)		
		Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average		Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	104.7	2.6	-6.7	-7.8	102.5	4.2	-5.9	-7.7
Service stations	89.1	1.8	-20.5	-22.3	85.2	-0.5	-15.2	-15.5
General Index without service stations	106.5	3.1	-5.1	-6.2	103.9	4.5	-5.5	-7.2
- Food	112.1	-3.2	0.6	2.4	103.6	-3.1	-0.7	0.9
- Non-food products	99.6	5.7	-9.8	-12.1	102.2	8.5	-9.2	-12.5
- Personal equipment	79.6	3.1	-27.9	-28.8	76.3	2.8	-28.5	-29.4
- Household equipment	119.8	4.4	2.1	0.3	118.1	4.7	1.5	-0.5
- Other goods	102.3	5.2	-5.5	-7.5	104.1	7.8	-5.1	-8.2
Distribution class								
- Single retail stores	97.2	1.3	-6.2	-6.7	95.0	2.9	-6.5	-7.7
- Small chain stores	92.6	4.4	-13.4	-15.2	90.5	6.2	-13.7	-16.1
- Large chain stores	126.7	3.3	-2.7	-0.8	123.7	4.7	-3.4	-2.0
- Department stores	101.0	11.1	-9.1	-13.6	100.6	15.0	-7.8	-13.9

2. Sales indices: General, by products and by distribution type Calendar adjusted

	Index	Rate (%)		Deflated index	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average		Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	91.0	-7.0	-8.1	89.7	-6.5	-8.0
Service stations	80.7	-20.4	-22.3	77.7	-15.4	-15.8
General Index without service stations	91.9	-5.3	-6.3	90.7	-5.6	-7.4
- Food	101.7	0.8	2.2	93.9	-0.4	0.7
- Non-food products	84.6	-9.8	-12.4	88.8	-9.2	-12.9
- Personal equipment	59.9	-27.8	-28.9	63.1	-28.4	-29.6
- Household equipment	105.3	2.3	0.2	104.3	1.6	-0.6
- Other goods	89.7	-6.2	-8.1	94.1	-5.5	-8.6
Distribution class						
- Single retail stores	87.3	-6.2	-6.9	86.2	-6.7	-7.9
- Small chain stores	78.4	-13.5	-15.6	77.4	-13.8	-16.5
- Large chain stores	107.0	-2.8	-0.5	105.5	-3.4	-1.8
- Department stores	81.7	-9.2	-13.3	80.7	-9.5	-14.5

3. Sales indices: General, by products and by distribution type Unadjusted

	Index	Rate (%)		Deflated index	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average		Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	90.6	-9.4	-10.0	89.2	-9.4	-10.1
Service stations	80.6	-21.3	-23.1	77.3	-17.8	-17.4
General Index without service stations	91.5	-7.9	-8.4	90.3	-8.5	-9.5
- Food	101.1	-2.5	-0.3	93.3	-3.9	-1.8
- Non-food products	84.3	-12.2	-14.2	88.3	-11.8	-14.9
- Personal equipment	59.5	-30.1	-30.4	62.7	-30.8	-31.1
- Household equipment	104.8	-1.1	-2.7	103.8	-1.7	-3.4
- Other goods	89.4	-8.6	-10.1	93.7	-8.1	-10.8
Distribution class						
- Single retail stores	87.0	-8.7	-8.9	85.8	-9.3	-10.1
- Small chain stores	78.0	-16.1	-17.6	77.0	-16.7	-18.6
- Large chain stores	107.2	-2.8	-1.5	105.8	-3.5	-2.8
- Department stores	81.3	-11.6	-14.9	80.2	-12.2	-16.0
- Food	90.8	-3.5	-0.5	83.8	-4.9	-2.0
- Non-food products	76.8	-15.5	-20.8	80.5	-15.1	-21.4

4. Sales indices: National and by Autonomous City and Community Unadjusted

	Index	Rate (%)		Deflated index	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average		Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL	90.6	-9.4	-10.0	89.2	-9.4	-10.1
Andalucía	86.8	-12.8	-12.4	85.9	-12.7	-12.6
Aragón	92.0	-7.1	-9.1	91.1	-6.9	-9.2
Asturias, Principado de	84.3	-10.6	-9.4	84.0	-10.2	-9.3
Baleares, Illes	80.5	-13.4	-13.7	79.3	-13.6	-14.1
Canarias	83.6	-18.6	-18.9	82.2	-18.2	-18.7
Cantabria	87.6	-5.3	-5.7	85.7	-5.3	-6.0
Castilla y León	82.5	-12.6	-12.6	81.1	-12.5	-12.7
Castilla - La Mancha	94.3	-8.4	-9.2	92.9	-8.0	-9.0
Cataluña	84.6	-11.4	-11.9	82.2	-11.3	-12.0
Comunitat Valenciana	90.5	-8.6	-8.5	90.0	-8.7	-8.9
Extremadura	80.5	-11.5	-14.3	79.9	-11.5	-14.6
Galicia	90.2	-7.2	-7.2	89.0	-7.2	-7.2
Madrid, Comunidad de	109.6	-1.6	-4.1	107.8	-1.5	-4.3
Murcia, Región de	91.6	-8.5	-9.9	90.9	-8.4	-10.0
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	91.6	-8.1	-7.8	89.6	-8.4	-8.0
País Vasco	93.2	-8.3	-7.6	91.0	-8.6	-8.1
Rioja, La	84.6	-15.9	-12.5	83.6	-15.6	-12.3
Ceuta	73.3	-18.8	-18.6	72.5	-19.6	-19.5
Melilla	77.6	-22.6	-24.0	76.6	-23.6	-25.1

5. Employment Indices: General and by distribution type

	Index	Rate (%)		
		Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	100.3	-0.7	-3.4	-3.4
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- Department stores	98.4	-1.7	-2.9	-2.2

6. Employment Indices: National and by Autonomous City and Community

	Index	Rate (%)		
		Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL	100.3	-0.7	-3.4	-3.4
Andalucía	96.9	-1.0	-4.4	-4.2
Aragón	102.6	0.0	-1.5	-1.6
Asturias, Principado de	102.3	-0.2	-2.3	-2.3
Balears, Illes	98.9	-0.3	-5.0	-5.2
Canarias	99.5	-1.2	-8.2	-8.3
Cantabria	97.4	-1.0	-3.6	-3.3
Castilla y León	101.0	-0.7	-2.3	-2.1
Castilla - La Mancha	99.7	-0.9	-2.0	-1.8
Cataluña	98.5	-1.2	-4.1	-4.0
Comunitat Valenciana	106.1	-0.5	-1.0	-1.0
Extremadura	99.7	-0.7	-2.2	-2.1
Galicia	100.2	-0.7	-2.6	-2.4
Madrid, Comunidad de	102.0	0.0	-3.0	-3.4
Murcia, Región de	101.0	-0.3	-3.5	-3.2
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	99.0	-0.8	-4.5	-4.6
País Vasco	101.5	-0.5	-1.3	-1.3
Rioja, La	101.5	-1.0	-3.2	-3.3
Ceuta	99.3	-0.9	-3.1	-3.0
Melilla	99.4	-0.1	-4.4	-4.4