

Retail Trade Indices (RTI). Base 2005

April 2010. Provisional data

Main Results

- The **General Retail Trade Index** registers an **interannual variation of -2.3%** in April, approximately six points below that registered in March.
- The average rate of retail sales stands at -1.1% in the first four months of the year.
- All of the distribution classes decrease their sales, as compared with the same month
 of the previous year. Large chain stores present the smallest decrease, with a rate of

 0.3%.
- **Employment** in the retail sector **decreases 1.7%** as compared with April 2009.
- Retail sales at constant prices present negative interannual rates in almost all of the Autonomous Communities, except in Cataluña. Employment increases in Castilla y León and Extremadura.

Evolution of trade in general, and by type of product

Sales in retail trade at constant prices (that is, after eliminating the prices' effect) registered an interannual rate of –2.3% in April 2010, indicating a decrease of approximately six points as compared with March.

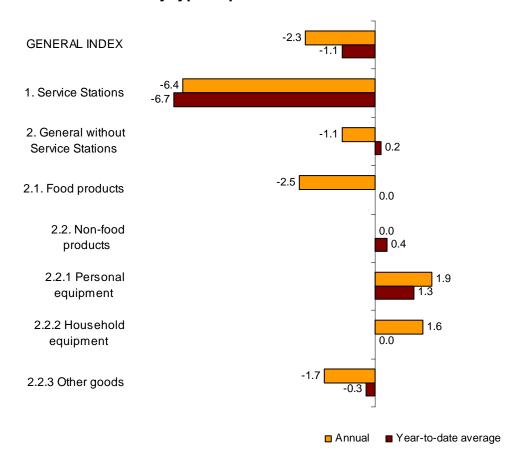
Sales, excluding service stations, presented an annual rate, in constant terms, of -1.1%. The breakdown of these sales by type of product showed a decrease of 2.5% in food products while in non-food products the sales showed no variation. Among the latter, Personal Equipment and Household Equipment increased, while sales of Other goods decreased.

In turn, sales in service stations, after adjusting for the prices' effect, decreased 6.4%, as compared with April 2009.

The average rate of General Retail Trade Index for the first four months of the year decreased –1.1% as compared with the same period of the previous year. This rate was four tenths less than the average for the first quarter of the year.



Annual and average rates at constant prices General Index and by type of product



Evolution of trade, by distribution class

All of the distribution classes experienced decreases in sales in April as compared with the same month the previous year. *Large chain stores* (-0.3%) presented the smallest decreases.

In the first four months of 2010, *Large chain stores* and *Department stores* presented positive average rates, whereas *Small chain stores* and *Single retail stores* recorded decreases in sales as compared with the same period the previous year.

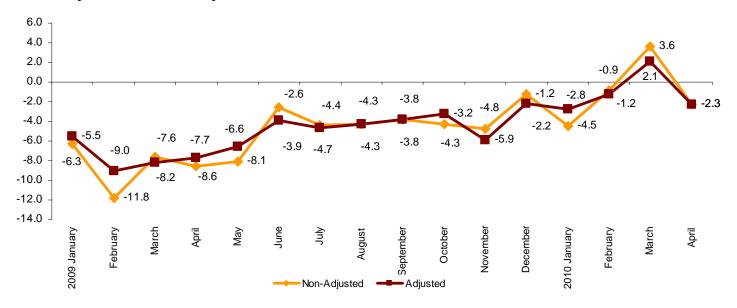
National Indices by distribution class

	Index	% variation on	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	87.3	-2.3	-1.1
1. Service Stations	93.0	-6.4	-6.7
2. General Index without Service Stations	87.5	-1.1	0.2
2.1. Single retail stores	83.0	-1.3	-1.4
2.2. Small chain stores	80.7	-3.5	-3.3
2.3. Large chain stores	109.5	-0.3	3.0
2.4. Department stores	80.9	-2.7	0.6

Evolution of trade, adjusted for the calendar effect

The General Retail Trade Index was not affected by the calendar effect (the rate was **-2.3%**), due to the fact that April had the same number of working days as the previous year. The Interannual variation of the adjusted index stood at more than four points below than that registered in March.

Annual Evolution of the Deflated RTI Adjusted and Non-adjusted General Index



Evolution of employment, by distribution class

The Retail Trade Employment Index registered an annual rate of -1.7% in April, half a point higher than that recorded in March.

Employment decreased in all of the distribution classes. *Small chain stores* (-3.8%) and *Department stores* (-2.4%) presented the greatest decreases. In *Service stations*, employment increased 0.1% as compared with April 2009.

In the retail sector group, the average employment rate decreased 2.2% in the first four months of the year, as compared with the same period the previous year.

National Employment Indices

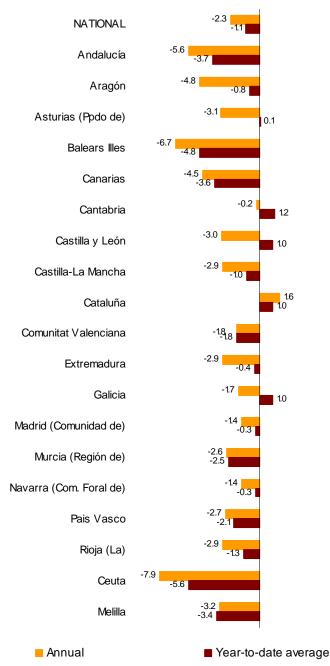
	Index	% variation on	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	97.3	-1.7	-2.2
1. Service Stations	99.2	0.1	-0.7
2. GENEARL INDEX WITHOUT SERVICE STATIONS	97.2	-1.7	-2.3
2.1. Single retail stores	96.7	-1.0	-1.6
2.2. Small chain stores	91.1	-3.8	-4.1
2.3. Large chain stores	109.9	-1.9	-2.0
2.4. Department stores	94.7	-2.4	-3.8

Results by Autonomous Community. Variation rates in sales

In April 2010, all of the Autonomous Communities experienced a decrease in retail trade sales at constant prices, except Cataluña (1.6%).

Illes Balears (-6.7%) and Andalucía (-5.6%) were the Communities that registered the greatest increases.

Annual and average rate at constant prices General Index by Autonomous Community

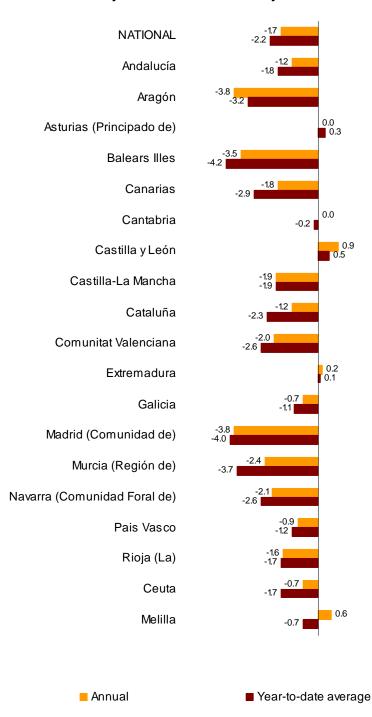


Results by Autonomous Community. Employment variation rates

Employment in retail trade in April presented positive rates in the Communities of Castilla y León (with an interannual rate of 0.9%) and Extremadura (0.2%).

Aragón and Comunidad de Madrid (both with -3.8%) and Illes Balears (-3.5%) registered the greatest decreases in employment.

Annual and average rate of the employment index General Index by Autonomous Community



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1. National indices

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	97.4	0.2	0.7	87.3	-2.3	-1.1
1. Service Stations	113.2	16.2	13.4	93.0	-6.4	-6.7
2. General Index without Service Stations	96.1	-1.0	-0.3	87.5	-1.1	0.2
2.1. Food products	106.7	-2.6	-0.5	93.6	-2.5	0.0
2.2. Non-food products	89.7	0.2	-0.1	84.6	0.0	0.4
2.2.1 Personal equipment	94.5	1.0	0.2	90.1	1.9	1.3
2.2.2 Household equipment	77.9	1.9	0.5	70.8	1.6	0.0
2.2.3 Other goods	96.2	-1.5	-0.7	90.7	-1.7	-0.3

2. National Indices by distribution class

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variationr	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	97.4	0.2	0.7	87.3	-2.3	-1.1
Service Station Index	113.2	16.2	13.4	93.0	-6.4	-6.7
2. General Index without Service Stations	96.1	-1.0	-0.3	87.5	-1.1	0.2
2.1. Single retail stores	91.1	-1.2	-1.8	83.0	-1.3	-1.4
2.2. Small chain stores	88.6	-3.5	-3.7	80.7	-3.5	-3.3
2.3. Large chain stores	120.2	-0.2	2.6	109.5	-0.3	3.0
2.4. Department stores	88.8	-2.7	0.2	80.9	-2.7	0.6

3. Department Store Indices

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
DEPARTMENT STORE INDEX	88.8	-2.7	0.2	80.9	-2.7	0.6
1. Food products	92.3	-8.2	-5.6	80.9	-8.1	-5.2
2. Non-food products	87.1	0.5	3.1	82.1	0.3	3.6

4. National Indices. Adjusted for calendar effect

-	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation		
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average	
GENERAL INDEX	97.6	0.2	0.8	87.3	-2.3	-1.1	
1. Service Stations	112.6	16.2	13.4	92.3	-6.4	-6.7	
2. General Index without Service Stations	96.8	-1.0	-0.2	88.1	-1.1	0.2	
2.1. Department Store Index	88.3	-2.7	0.3	80.4	-2.7	0.7	

5. Annual rates of National indices

		General Retail Trade Index				ral Index with	nout Service	e Stations
-	Cu	rrent Prices	Con	stant Prices	Cu	rrent Prices	Con	stant Prices
	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹
2009 April	-10.6	-9.5	-8.6	-7.7	-8.9	-7.4	-8.7	-7.4
May	-10.9	-9.5	-8.1	-6.6	-9.4	-7.9	-8.8	-7.3
June	-5.5	-6.8	-2.6	-3.9	-3.8	-5.1	-3.0	-4.3
July	-7.7	-8.0	-4.4	-4.7	-6.1	-6.4	-4.9	-5.2
August	-6.5	-6.5	-4.3	-4.3	-5.5	-5.5	-4.5	-4.5
September	-6.1	-6.1	-3.8	-3.8	-5.0	-5.0	-3.8	-3.8
August	-6.0	-4.8	-4.3	-3.2	-5.1	-4.0	-3.9	-2.8
November	-4.7	-5.9	-4.8	-5.9	-4.3	-5.4	-3.5	-4.7
December	-0.3	-1.2	-1.2	-2.2	-0.8	-1.7	-0.1	-1.1
2010 January	-3.0	-1.3	-4.5	-2.8	-3.8	-2.1	-3.2	-1.4
February *	0.3	0.0	-0.9	-1.2	-0.5	-0.8	0.2	-0.1
March *	5.7	4.3	3.6	2.1	4.8	3.4	5.2	3.7
April	0.2	0.2	-2.3	-2.3	-1.0	-1.0	-1.1	-1.1

¹ Index rates adjusted for calendar effects

^{*} Revised figure

6. National Employment Indices by distribution class

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	Index	% variation on		
		Previous month	Same month	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	97.3	0.2	-1.7	-2.2
1. Service Stations	99.2	0.9	0.1	-0.7
2. General Index without Service Stations	97.2	0.2	-1.7	-2.3
2.1. Single retail stores	96.7	0.3	-1.0	-1.6
2.2. Small chain stores	91.1	-0.3	-3.8	-4.1
2.3. Large chain stores	109.9	0.0	-1.9	-2.0
2.4. Department stores	94.7	0.5	-2.4	-3.8

7. General Retail Trade Indices of Autonomous Communities

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL INDEX	97.4	0.2	0.7	87.3	-2.3	-1.1
Andalucía	93.1	-3.4	-2.1	83.5	-5.6	-3.7
Aragón	98.7	-2.4	1.0	88.2	-4.8	-0.8
Asturias (Principado de)	103.9	-0.7	1.7	93.9	-3.1	0.1
Balears (Illes)	84.7	-4.3	-2.8	76.4	-6.7	-4.8
Canarias	89.9	-3.1	-2.8	81.8	-4.5	-3.6
Cantabria	103.1	2.5	3.2	92.1	-0.2	1.2
Castilla y León	101.3	-0.3	2.9	90.6	-3.0	1.0
Castilla-La Mancha	100.8	0.0	0.9	90.7	-2.9	-1.0
Cataluña	100.9	4.5	3.2	89.9	1.6	1.0
Comunitat Valenciana	93.0	0.5	-0.2	83.3	-1.8	-1.8
Extremadura	106.9	-0.5	1.2	95.8	-2.9	-0.4
Galicia	102.0	0.8	2.9	91.8	-1.7	1.0
Madrid (Comunidad de)	98.0	1.3	1.7	88.4	-1.4	-0.3
Murcia (Región de)	97.8	0.1	-0.5	86.5	-2.6	-2.5
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	103.7	1.3	1.8	93.8	-1.4	-0.3
País Vasco	99.1	-0.6	-0.5	88.5	-2.7	-2.1
Rioja (La)	99.1	-0.6	0.3	88.1	-2.9	-1.3
Ceuta	101.2	-6.1	-3.9	89.5	-7.9	-5.6
Melilla	105.2	0.0	-0.8	92.5	-3.2	-3.4

8. General Indices without Service Stations, by Autonomous Community

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL INDEX	96.1	-1.0	-0.3	87.5	-1.1	0.2
Andalucía	93.0	-3.8	-2.4	84.8	-3.7	-1.7
Aragón	98.9	-2.6	0.7	89.6	-3.0	1.0
Asturias (Principado de)	103.5	-1.9	0.9	95.1	-1.9	1.6
Balears (Illes)	84.6	-4.0	-2.9	77.6	-3.8	-2.5
Canarias	88.3	-4.2	-3.7	82.1	-2.7	-2.0
Cantabria	101.8	1.3	2.9	92.5	1.2	3.4
Castilla y León	99.8	-1.2	2.4	90.5	-1.7	2.6
Castilla-La Mancha	101.3	-0.9	0.4	92.8	-1.4	0.8
Cataluña	100.7	3.3	2.3	90.9	2.9	2.3
Comunitat Valenciana	92.0	-0.5	-0.8	83.9	-0.3	-0.2
Extremadura	104.2	-1.6	0.4	94.6	-1.8	0.8
Galicia	100.6	0.0	2.3	92.2	0.0	2.8
Madrid (Comunidad de)	93.5	-2.4	-1.3	85.8	-2.6	-1.0
Murcia (Región de)	98.4	0.0	-0.4	88.3	0.0	0.0
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	101.3	-0.8	0.1	93.0	-1.2	0.1
País Vasco	97.8	-1.2	-1.0	88.5	-1.2	-0.6
Rioja (La)	99.3	-1.2	-0.3	89.6	-1.4	0.1
Ceuta	103.1	-5.2	-3.0	93.4	-4.7	-2.4
Melilla	106.3	0.8	-0.7	95.5	0.0	-1.2

9. General Employment Indices of Autonomous Communities

	Index	% variation on		
		Previous month	Same month previous year	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL INDEX	97.3	0.2	-1.7	-2.2
Andalucía	94.6	0.5	-1.2	-1.8
Aragón	96.3	-1.0	-3.8	-3.2
Asturias (Principado de)	103.8	0.0	0.0	0.3
Balears (Illes)	93.3	2.7	-3.5	-4.2
Canarias	93.9	0.4	-1.8	-2.9
Cantabria	102.5	0.3	0.0	-0.2
Castilla y León	103.6	-0.3	0.9	0.5
Castilla-La Mancha	97.2	0.2	-1.9	-1.9
Cataluña	96.8	0.9	-1.2	-2.3
Comunitat Valenciana	95.6	-0.5	-2.0	-2.6
Extremadura	101.2	-0.3	0.2	0.1
Galicia	101.3	-0.2	-0.7	-1.1
Madrid (Comunidad de)	97.4	0.1	-3.8	-4.0
Murcia (Región de)	100.7	0.1	-2.4	-3.7
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	99.3	-0.1	-2.1	-2.6
País Vasco	100.5	-0.7	-0.9	-1.2
Rioja (La)	97.8	0.4	-1.6	-1.7
Ceuta	100.9	0.1	-0.7	-1.7
Melilla	101.2	1.0	0.6	-0.7

10. General Employment Indices without Service Stations, by Autonomous Community

	Index	% variation on					
		Previous month	Same month	Year-to-date			
			previous year	average			
NATIONAL INDEX	97.2	0.2	-1.7	-2.3			
Andalucía	94.7	0.5	-1.2	-1.7			
Aragón	96.3	-1.0	-3.8	-3.3			
Asturias (Principado de)	104.3	0.0	0.0	0.3			
Balears (Illes)	93.2	2.8	-3.4	-4.2			
Canarias	93.2	0.4	-2.0	-3.2			
Cantabria	102.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.2			
Castilla y León	104.3	-0.4	1.2	0.7			
Castilla-La Mancha	97.4	0.2	-2.1	-2.0			
Cataluña	96.7	0.9	-1.2	-2.3			
Comunitat Valenciana	95.5	-0.5	-2.1	-2.7			
Extremadura	101.5	-0.3	0.3	0.3			
Galicia	101.6	-0.2	-0.8	-1.2			
Madrid (Comunidad de)	97.0	0.0	-4.0	-4.1			
Murcia (Región de)	101.0	0.0	-2.4	-3.7			
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	99.3	0.0	-2.3	-2.9			
País Vasco	100.4	-0.7	-0.9	-1.2			
Rioja (La)	97.7	0.4	-1.7	-1.7			
Ceuta	101.1	0.0	-0.6	-1.8			
Melilla	101.4	1.0	0.7	-0.7			

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