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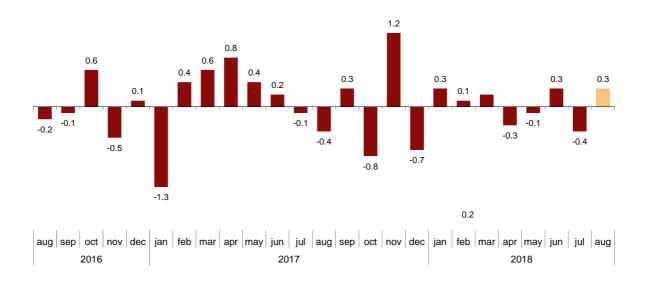
Retail Trade Indices (RTI). Base 2015 August 2018. Provisional data

The monthly variation of the Retail Trade Index at constant prices is 0.3% after adjusting for seasonal and calendar effects

The annual rate of the General Retail Trade Index at constant prices stands at 0.3% both in the series adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects and in the original series

Monthly evolution of sales in retail trade

The monthly variation of the general Retail Trade Index (RTI) at constant prices between the months of August and July, after adjusting for seasonal and calendar effects, was 0.3%. This rate is seven tenths higher than that of the previous month.

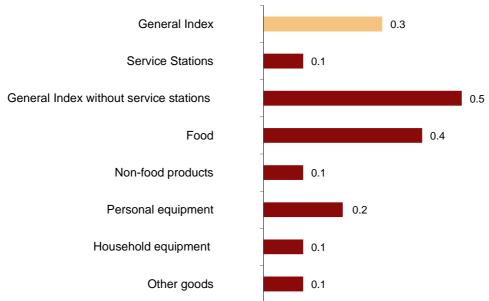


General Retail Trade Index at constant prices Adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects. August 2018. Monthly rate

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The general index, excluding service stations, recorded a monthly rate of 0.5%.

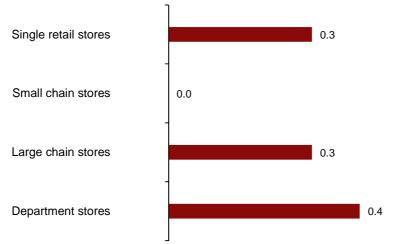
By products, *Food* increased by 0.4% and *Non-food products* by 0.1%. If the latter is broken down by type of product, *Personal equipment* increased the most (0.2%).



Sales indices at constant prices: General and by type of product Adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects. August 2018. Monthly rate

All distribution classes showed positive monthly rates, except for *Small chain stores*, which remained unchanged (0.0%). *Department stores* showed the greatest increase (0.4%).

Sales indices at constant prices by distribution classes Adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects. August 2018. Monthly rate



Annual evolution of sales in retail trade

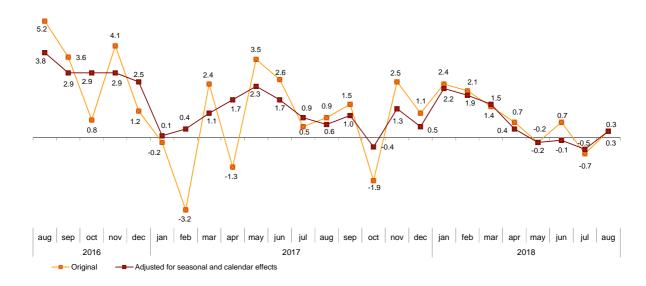
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In August, the General Retail Trade Index registered a variation of 0.3% as compared with the same month of the previous year, after adjusting for seasonal and calendar effects. This rate is eight tenths higher than that registered in July.

The original series of the RTI at constant prices recorded an annual variation of 0.3%, which is one point above the rate of the previous month.

General Retail Trade Index at constant prices August 2018. Annual rate



The general index excluding service stations and adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects registered an annual variation of 0.3% in August. If these sales are broken down by type of product, *Food* increased by 0.2% and *Non-food products* decreased by 0.3%.

Annual rates of sales of retail trade at constant prices August 2018

	Original Index	Seasonally adjusted index
	Annual rate (%)	Annual rate (%)
GENERAL INDEX	0.3	0.3
Service stations	-0.3	-0.4
General Index without service stations	0.2	0.3
- Food	0.9	0.2
- Non-food products	-0.5	-0.3
- Personal equipment	-2.4	-2.1
- Household equipment	4.8	4.8
- Other goods	-0.9	-0.6
Distribution class		
- Single retail stores	-0.4	-0.4
- Small chain stores	-1.2	-1.0
- Large chain stores	1.4	1.6
- Department stores	-0.6	-0.2

Results by Autonomous Communities. Annual variation rate in sales. Original series

Sales increased in the annual rate in 11 Autonomous Communities in August and fell in five.

Aragón, Galicia and Comunidad de Madrid (all with 1.8%) recorded the greatest increases. In turn, Comunitat Valenciana (-1.8%), Canarias (-1.1%) and Cantabria (-0.6%) registered the highest decreases.

Madrid, Comunidad De 1.8 Aragón 1.8 Galicia 1.8 País Vasco 1.7 Balears, Illes 1.4 Navarra, Comunidad Foral De 1.3 Castilla - La Mancha 1.2 Rioja, La 1.0 Murcia, Región De 0.8 Extremadura 0.5 Asturias, Principado De 0.3 NATIONAL 0.3 0.1 Melilla Andalucía 0.0 Castilla Y León -0.1 Cataluña -0.5 Cantabria -0.6 Canarias -1.1 Comunitat Valenciana -1.8 Ceuta -1.8

General indices: national and by Autonomous Communities and Cities August 2018. Sales annual rate

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Evolution of employment

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In August, the employment index in the retail trade sector registered a variation of 0.9%, as compared to the same month of 2017. This rate is two tenths below that recorded in July. Employment increased by 2.4% in *Service stations*.

Employment indices: General and by distribution classes August 2018

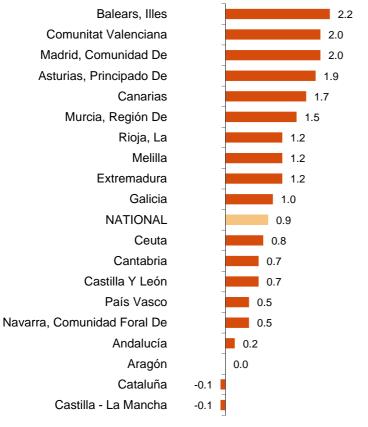
	Index	Rate (%)		
		Monthy	Annual	Year-to-date
				average
GENERAL INDEX	105.2	-0.3	0.9	0.9
Service stations	110.0	0.8	2.4	1.9
General Index without service stations	105.0	-0.3	0.9	0.9
- Single retail stores	101.8	0.1	0.7	0.2
- Small chain stores	102.5	-0.4	0.0	0.3
- Large chain stores	112.8	-0.8	2.3	2.9
- Department stores	107.8	-1.5	-0.3	0.5

Results by Autonomous Communities. Annual variation rates in employment

Employment in retail trade increased in 14 Autonomous Communities in the annual rate. Illes Balears registered the greatest increase (2,2%).

General indices: national and by Autonomous Communities and Cities

August 2018. Annual employment rate



Review and update of data

Coinciding with today's publication, the INE has updated the data of the RTI series corresponding to the last three months. In the case of the series adjusted for calendar effects and for seasonal and calendar effects, the series is revised from the beginning, following the INE standard. The results are available on INEBase.

Methodological note

The main objective of the **Retail Trade Indices (RTIs)** 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 evolution of the activity in the sector.

Type of survey: continuous monthly survey.

Base year: 2015.

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

Geographical scope: the entire national territory.

Sample size: Approximately 12,000 companies.

Type of sampling: stratified random sampling.

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

For more information you can access the methodology at:

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

And the standardised methodological report at:

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

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Retail Trade Indices. Base 2015

August 2018

Provisional data

1. Sales indices: General, by products and by distribution class Adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects

	Index Rate (%)			Deflated	Rate (%)			
		Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	108.7	0.4	3.2	2.4	105.2	0.3	0.3	0.7
Service stations	113.4	1.3	12.5	6.8	102.3	0.1	-0.4	-0.7
General Index without service stations	107.9	0.7	2.0	1.7	105.3	0.5	0.3	0.7
- Food	108.6	1.5	2.9	2.4	103.7	0.4	0.2	0.7
- Non-food products	107.3	0.4	1.3	1.2	106.5	0.1	-0.3	0.8
- Personal equipment	105.9	0.4	-1.3	-0.6	104.1	0.2	-2.1	-1.3
- Household equipment	113.7	0.0	5.1	4.3	113.8	0.1	4.8	4.2
- Other goods	104.6	0.4	0.9	0.7	103.8	0.1	-0.6	0.3
Distribution class								
- Single retail stores	103.8	0.5	1.3	0.0	101.2	0.3	-0.4	-0.9
- Small chain stores	103.0	0.2	0.7	2.2	100.5	0.0	-1.0	1.2
- Large chain stores	114.4	0.6	3.5	3.7	111.5	0.3	1.6	2.7
- Department stores	107.8	0.6	1.3	1.1	105.3	0.4	-0.2	0.1

2. Sales indices: General, by products and by distribution class. Adjusted for calendar effects

	Index	Rate (%)		Deflated	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	105.9	3.3	2.4	103.9	0.3	0.6
Service stations	120.6	12.6	7.1	109.5	-0.3	-0.7
General Index without service stations	103.9	2.0	1.7	103.0	0.2	0.7
- Food	111.8	3.0	2.4	107.2	0.9	0.6
- Non-food products	97.8	1.2	1.1	99.6	-0.5	0.7
- Personal equipment	94.7	-1.5	-0.9	102.0	-2.4	-1.7
- Household equipment	104.7	5.1	4.4	105.2	4.8	4.3
- Other goods	95.9	0.9	0.7	97.6	-0.9	0.3
Distribution class						
- Single retail stores	95.6	1.4	0.0	94.7	-0.4	-1.0
- Small chain stores	99.7	0.6	2.3	98.8	-1.2	1.3
- Large chain stores	114.3	3.3	3.6	113.3	1.5	2.5
- Department stores	106.0	1.2	0.8	105.1	-0.6	-0.2

3. Sales indices: General, by products and by distribution class Original Series

	Index	Rate (%)		Deflated	Rate (%)	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	106.5	3.3	2.5	104.5	0.3	0.8
Service stations	121.0	12.6	7.2	109.9	-0.3	-0.6
General Index without service stations	104.6	2.0	1.9	103.6	0.2	0.9
- Food	112.4	3.0	2.5	107.8	0.9	0.8
- Non-food products	98.5	1.2	1.4	100.3	-0.5	1.0
- Personal equipment	95.2	-1.5	-0.8	102.5	-2.4	-1.5
- Household equipment	105.6	5.1	4.7	106.1	4.8	4.6
- Other goods	96.5	0.9	0.9	98.3	-0.9	0.5
Distribution class						
- Single retail stores	96.2	1.4	0.2	95.3	-0.4	-0.8
- Small chain stores	100.4	0.6	2.5	99.5	-1.2	1.5
- Large chain stores	115.1	3.3	3.8	114.0	1.4	2.8
- Department stores	106.5	1.2	0.9	105.6	-0.6	-0.1
- Food	103.3	0.8	0.5	99.1	-1.2	-1.2
- Non-food products	108.2	1.5	1.1	110.2	-0.2	0.7

4. Sales indices: National and by Autonomous City and Community Original Series

	Index	Rate (%)		Deflated	Rate (%)		
		Annual Year-to-date average		index	Annual	Year-to-date average	
NATIONAL	106.5	3.3	2.5	104.5	0.3	0.8	
Andalucía	109.1	2.7	2.1	107.4	0.0	0.6	
Aragón	106.1	4.9	4.9	104.3	1.8	3.1	
Asturias, Principado de	109.6	3.3	2.5	107.9	0.3	1.0	
Balears, Illes	138.2	4.1	3.2	135.6	1.4	1.5	
Canarias	109.7	1.7	2.7	108.0	-1.1	0.9	
Cantabria	121.1	2.6	1.8	118.1	-0.6	-0.1	
Castilla y León	113.5	3.3	1.3	111.4	-0.1	-0.5	
Castilla - La Mancha	109.8	4.6	3.3	107.3	1.2	1.3	
Cataluña	101.8	2.7	1.8	98.9	-0.5	-0.4	
Comunitat Valenciana	113.6	1.3	2.0	112.1	-1.8	0.3	
Extremadura	104.1	3.3	2.0	102.9	0.5	0.6	
Galicia	114.9	4.7	2.8	112.6	1.8	1.2	
Madrid, Comunidad de	93.7	4.9	3.6	92.1	1.8	1.8	
Murcia, Región de	105.8	3.7	2.5	104.6	0.8	1.1	
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	111.4	4.7	3.6	109.8	1.3	1.9	
País Vasco	93.4	4.7	3.2	91.6	1.7	1.5	
Rioja, La	110.9	4.2	3.3	109.2	1.0	1.7	
Ceuta	99.6	0.0	-0.5	98.5	-1.8	-1.1	
Melilla	109.2	2.6	1.4	107.9	0.1	0.1	

5. Employment Indices: General and by distribution class

	Index	Rate (%)		
		Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	105.2	-0.3	0.9	0.9
Service stations	110.0	0.8	2.4	1.9
General Index without service stations	105.0	-0.3	0.9	0.9
- Single retail stores	101.8	0.1	0.7	0.2
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6. Employment Indices: National and by Autonomous City and Community

	Index	Rate (%)		
		Monthly	Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL	105.2	-0.3	0.9	0.9
Andalucía	102.2	-0.6	0.2	-0.3
Aragón	104.2	0.2	0.0	0.2
Asturias, Principado de	107.9	-0.4	1.9	3.2
Balears, Illes	116.7	-0.5	2.2	2.4
Canarias	107.9	0.3	1.7	2.4
Cantabria	104.6	0.4	0.7	0.6
Castilla y León	104.6	0.0	0.7	0.5
Castilla - La Mancha	102.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.4
Cataluña	104.5	-0.3	-0.1	0.3
Comunitat Valenciana	110.0	-0.5	2.0	2.1
Extremadura	103.4	0.1	1.2	0.9
Galicia	104.7	-0.1	1.0	1.0
Madrid, Comunidad de	104.6	-0.4	2.0	1.6
Murcia, Región de	105.6	-0.6	1.5	1.5
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	103.2	-0.2	0.5	0.3
País Vasco	103.2	-0.5	0.5	0.4
Rioja, La	106.4	0.6	1.2	1.6
Ceuta	104.3	0.2	0.8	1.4
Melilla	102.3	-0.9	1.2	1.4