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**Services Sector Activity Indicators. Base 2005
February 2008. Provisional data**

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All sectors contributed to this growth. Services Rendered to Companies was the sector that experienced the largest growth, with an interannual rate of 10.4%. It was followed by the Transport (8.0%), Trade (7.7%), Information Technologies (6.5%), and Tourism (5.9%) sectors.

In the area of Services Rendered to Companies, the most dynamic activities were Miscellaneous business activities n.e.c. (13.8%), Legal and Economic Advice (11.3%) and Technical Services (9.6%). Of the remaining activities, it was worth noting the interannual growth experienced by the turnover rates for Information Technologies Services (14.8%).



Aragón, Galicia and País Vasco register the highest interannual turnover growth rates

Aragón was the Autonomous Community that registered the highest interannual turnover growth during the month of February, with an interannual rate of 12.7%. It was followed by Galicia, with an increase of 12.1% and País Vasco, with an increase of 11.1%.

Conversely, Cataluña (4.3%) and Cantabria (5.7%) presented the least growth in turnover.

The interannual employment rate increases 1.7%

Employment in the Services Sector experienced an interannual growth of 1.7% in February.

Information Technologies and Services Rendered to Companies were the sectors that registered the largest increases in employed personnel, both with a rate of 2.5%. Within the Information Technologies sector, it is worth noting the growth of employment in IT Services (4.4%). The most dynamic activities in the creation of jobs within Investigation and Security Services (7.3%), and Industrial Cleaning and Advertising (both with 3.1%).

In the other sectors, employed personnel reached rates of 1.8% in Transport, 1.4% in Trade and 1.1% in Tourism.

Principado de Asturias, País Vasco and Aragón register the greatest increases in employed personnel

Principado de Asturias, País Vasco and Aragón were the Autonomous Communities that registered the greatest increases in employed personnel in the Services Sector during the month of February, with rates of 3.3%, 2.5% and 2.4%, respectively.

In contrast, the lowest growth rates in employment were observed in Comunitat Valenciana and Illes Balears, with increases of 0.3% and 0.4%, respectively.

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1.1. Monthly turnover indices by sectors

	Index february	% variation on same period, previous year	
		Month	Accumulated Average
GENERAL INDEX	109,6	7,8	6,9
1. TRADE	110,0	7,7	6,8
Vehicles and automotive fuel	104,9	2,7	1,6
Wholesale trade	116,7	10,4	9,7
Retail trade	99,7	5,2	3,9
2. TOURISM	88,5	5,9	4,7
Hotels and restaurants	92,4	5,8	4,5
Travel agencies	75,9	6,5	5,5
3. TRANSPORT SERVICES	114,9	8,0	7,1
Land transport	115,8	7,9	5,8
Water transport	87,9	-6,1	-3,4
Air transport	106,3	6,6	6,5
Supporting and auxiliary transport activities	115,9	8,5	8,9
Post and courier activities	126,2	12,3	11,9
4. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES	112,3	6,5	6,3
Telecommunications	103,6	2,7	2,8
Computer and related activities	129,0	14,8	12,9
Motion pictures and radio and television activities	114,5	4,4	6,1
5. BUSINESS SERVICES	115,5	10,4	9,8
Legal, accounting and auditing activities	121,5	11,3	9,6
Architectural and engineering activities	111,2	9,6	10,5
Advertising	102,9	9,5	12,7
Labour recruitment and provision of personnel	117,9	7,2	5,8
Investigation and security activities	121,4	8,1	7,8
Industrial cleaning	126,4	9,0	8,7
Miscellaneous business activities n.e.c.	117,6	13,8	9,1

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1.2. Monthly indices of persons employed by sectors

	Index february	% variation on same period, previous year	
		Month	Accumulated Average
GENERAL INDEX	104,7	1,7	1,8
1. TRADE	104,4	1,4	1,4
Vehicles and automotive fuel	103,9	1,8	1,9
Wholesale trade	106,4	1,1	0,9
Retail trade	103,3	1,5	1,6
2. TOURISM	99,2	1,1	1,1
Hotels and restaurants	99,1	1,1	1,0
Travel agencies	102,6	1,2	1,1
3. TRANSPORT SERVICES	105,1	1,8	2,1
Land transport	106,2	1,7	2,1
Water transport	99,1	0,8	1,1
Air transport	97,5	0,3	-0,1
Supporting and auxiliary transport activities	106,4	3,4	3,8
Post and courier activities	100,2	0,3	0,4
4. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES	107,9	2,5	2,7
Telecommunications	93,8	-3,0	-3,3
Computer and related activities	114,8	4,4	4,9
Motion pictures and radio and television activities	102,8	1,8	2,1
5. BUSINESS SERVICES	108,0	2,5	2,6
Legal, accounting and auditing activities	108,5	2,7	2,8
Architectural and engineering activities	110,6	2,6	2,7
Advertising	103,9	3,1	2,0
Labour recruitment and provision of personnel	103,5	-0,9	0,0
Investigation and security activities	116,8	7,3	6,8
Industrial cleaning	108,8	3,1	3,3
Miscellaneous business activities n.e.c.	105,5	2,1	2,2

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1.3. General turnover indices by regions

	Index february	% variation on same period, previous year	
		Month	Accumulated Average
NATIONAL TOTAL	109,6	7,8	6,9
Andalucía	103,4	8,3	7,1
Aragón	112,7	12,7	11,8
Asturias (Principado de)	109,4	10,2	8,4
Balears (Illes)	83,7	5,8	4,5
Canarias	105,5	8,4	6,7
Cantabria	100,5	5,7	3,3
Castilla y León	109,2	10,3	9,2
Castilla-La Mancha	109,3	8,3	6,2
Cataluña	111,1	4,3	4,7
Comunitat Valenciana	110,7	5,8	6,1
Extremadura	105,7	11,0	8,5
Galicia	112,6	12,1	9,8
Madrid (Comunidad de)	111,3	8,5	7,1
Murcia (Región de)	115,0	9,6	8,7
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	111,1	6,9	6,0
País Vasco	117,9	11,1	9,6
Rioja (La)	112,3	7,2	5,9

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1.4. General indices of persons employed by regions

	Index february	% variation on same period, previous year	
		Month	Accumulated Average
NATIONAL TOTAL	104,7	1,7	1,8
Andalucía	105,5	2,3	2,2
Aragón	105,3	2,4	2,7
Asturias (Principado de)	105,0	3,3	3,5
Balears (Illes)	93,1	0,4	0,7
Canarias	102,4	1,0	0,8
Cantabria	103,6	1,7	1,1
Castilla y León	105,5	1,4	1,7
Castilla-La Mancha	104,6	1,7	1,6
Cataluña	103,6	2,0	2,2
Comunitat Valenciana	105,1	0,3	0,3
Extremadura	103,7	1,8	1,8
Galicia	106,3	2,3	2,1
Madrid (Comunidad de)	106,1	1,7	1,6
Murcia (Región de)	107,4	1,4	1,9
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	105,2	1,9	2,2
País Vasco	104,9	2,5	2,6
Rioja (La)	105,3	1,4	1,9