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Services Sector Activity Indicators. Base 2005
March 2010. *Provisional data*

Main results

- The interannual rate of the **Services Sector Turnover General Index** is **5.6% in March**, more than six points above that registered in February. This is the first positive annual rate since April 2008.
- The **average variation rate** of the Services Sector Turnover General Index **increases 0.3%** in the first quarter of the year 2010.
- **Employed personnel decreases 2.0%**, as compared with March the previous year.
- Turnover in the services sector registers **positive interannual rates in all of the Autonomous Communities**, except in Canarias.

Evolution of turnover in the Services sector

Turnover in the market Services sector registered an increase of 5.6% in March 2010, as compared with the previous year, more than six points above that registered in February.

By sector, the interannual variation of *Trade* was 8.9%, whereas *Other Services* presented a rate of –0.9%.

Within *Trade*, all of the sectors presented increase interannual rates. *Sale and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles* presented the most pronounced rate (26.0%), followed by *Wholesale trade and intermediaries* (7.8%) and *Retail trade* (5.7%).

Within *Other Services*, *Transport and storage* and *Administrative and support service activities* were the only sectors with positive interannual rates (4.1% and 0.9%, respectively). The rest presented negative rates. *Information and communications* registered the most pronounced decrease (–4.6%). It was followed by *Professional, scientific and technical activities* (–3.8%) and *Accommodation* (–1.4%).

Turnover by activity

Most of the activities in the Services sector experienced an increase in turnover in March, in the interannual rate.

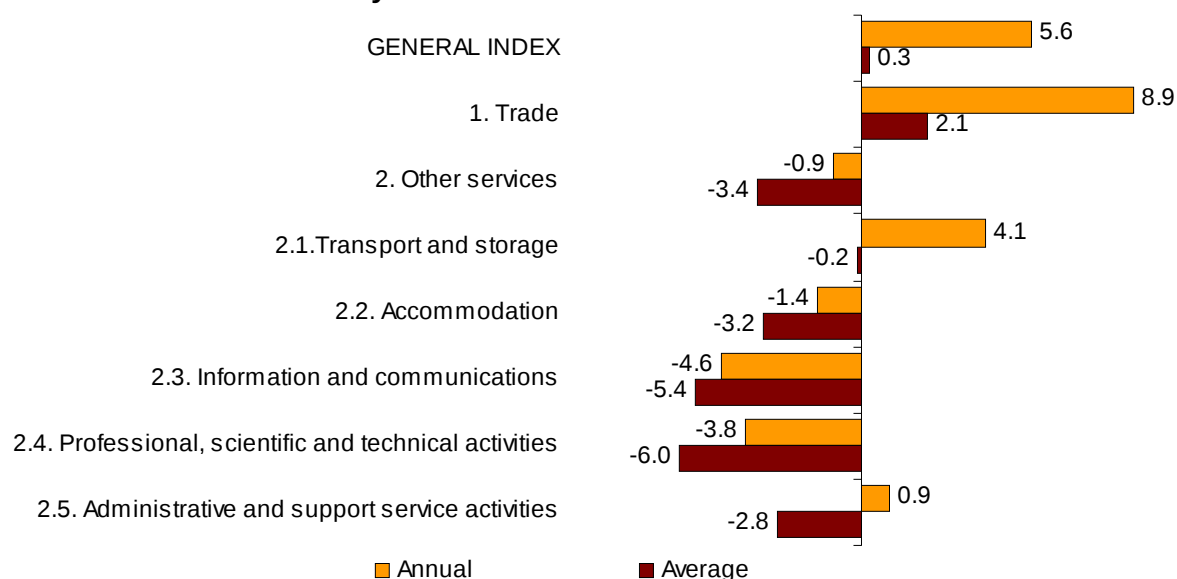
• **Trade.** The greatest increases were registered in *Sale of motor vehicles, motorcycles and spare parts* (29.8%), *Wholesale trade of food, beverages and tobacco* (13.0%) and *Other wholesale trade of items for household use not mentioned previously* (11.6%). Among the activities that presented decreases, the most pronounced drop was registered by *Non-specialised trade* (–10.4%).

• **Other Services.** The activities that presented the greatest increases were *Travel agency and tour operators* (12.4%) and *Employment-related activities* (12.3%). Conversely, those registering the greatest drops were *Technical architecture and engineering services; technical trials and analysis* (–15.3%) and *Office management activities* (–12.1%).

Year-to-date average rates

The average rate of the Services Sector Turnover General Index stood at 0.3% in the first quarter of the year. *Trade* registered an average rate of 2.1% in this period, whereas *Other services* presented a variation of –3.4%.

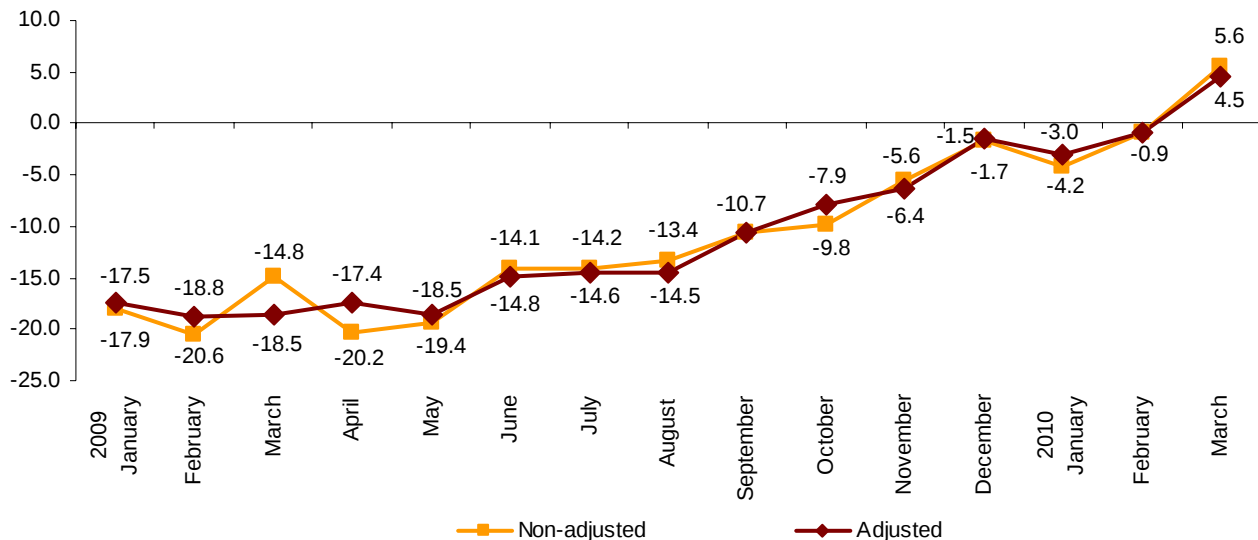
Annual rate and average turnover rate General Index and by turnover sector



Variation rates adjusted for the calendar effect

After eliminating the calendar effect, that is, the difference in the number of working days in a given month in different years, the interannual variation of the general index of Services sector turnover registered a **4.5%** increase in March, more five points higher than that registered the previous month.

Annual evolution of turnover for the services sector
Adjusted and Non-adjusted General Index



Evolution of employed personnel

Employment in the Services sector experienced an interannual decrease of 2.0% in the month of March. This indicated an increase of six tenths as compared with the rate registered in February.

All of the sectors experienced interannual decreases, except *Administrative and support service activities*, which presented an interannual increase of 0.6%. The greatest decrease was in *Information and communications* (-3.2%).

In the first quarter of the year, the average rate of the General Index of employed personnel stood at -2.7%.

National employed personnel indices

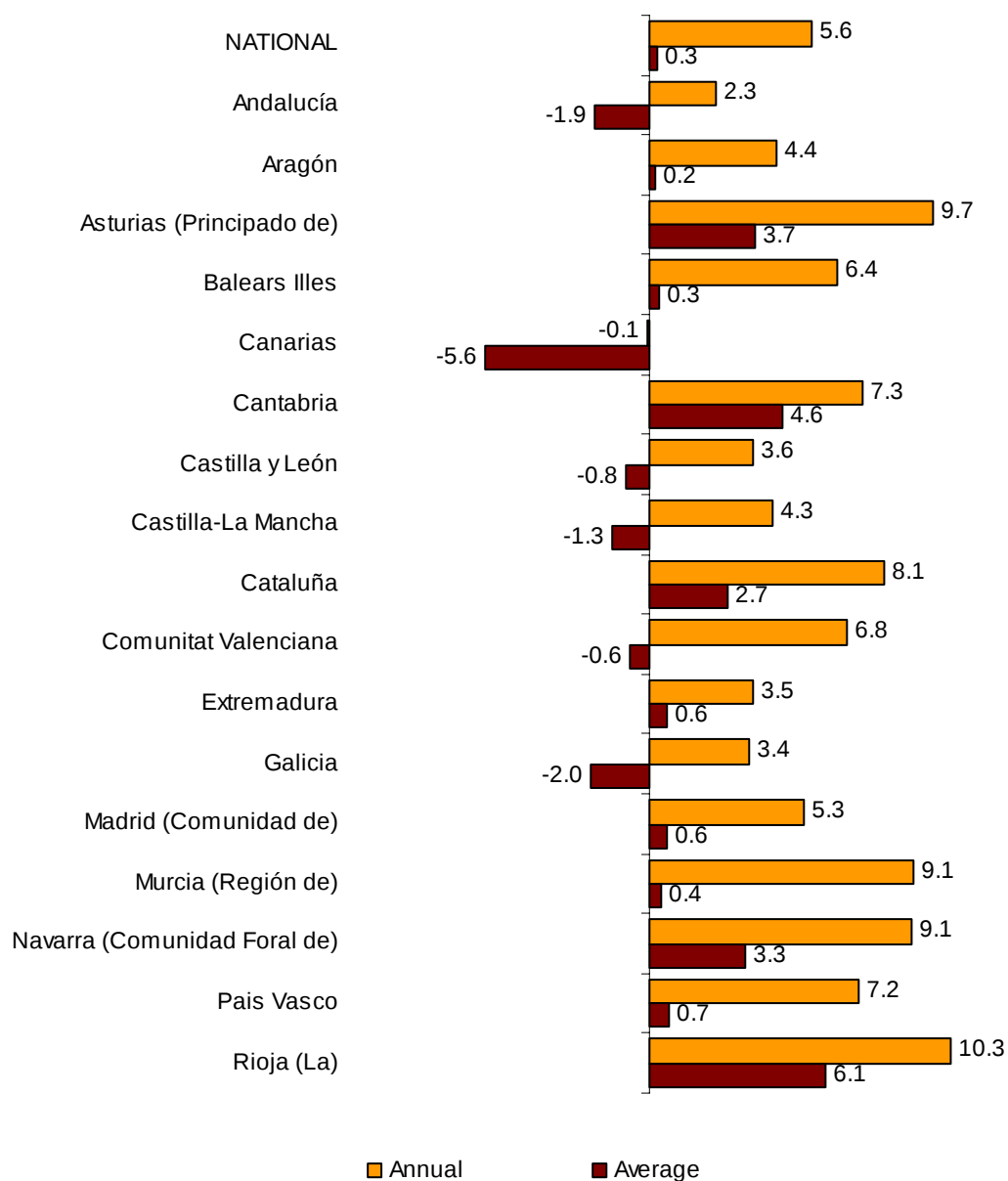
	Index	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	95.9	-2.0	-2.7
1. Trade	96.0	-2.6	-3.0
2. Other services	95.9	-1.5	-2.4
2.1. Transport and storage	96.6	-2.5	-3.1
2.2. Accommodation	91.6	-1.0	-2.2
2.3. Information and communications	102.2	-3.2	-3.9
2.4. Professional, scientific and technical activities	101.1	-2.6	-3.0
2.5. Administrative and support service activities	94.0	0.6	-1.1

Autonomous Communities. Turnover variation rates

In March 2010, all the Autonomous Communities registered positive interannual variation rates: apart from Canarias, which experienced a decrease of 0.1%.

La Rioja (10.3%) and Principado de Asturias (9.7%) presented the greatest increases.

Annual rate and average turnover rate General Index by Autonomous Community

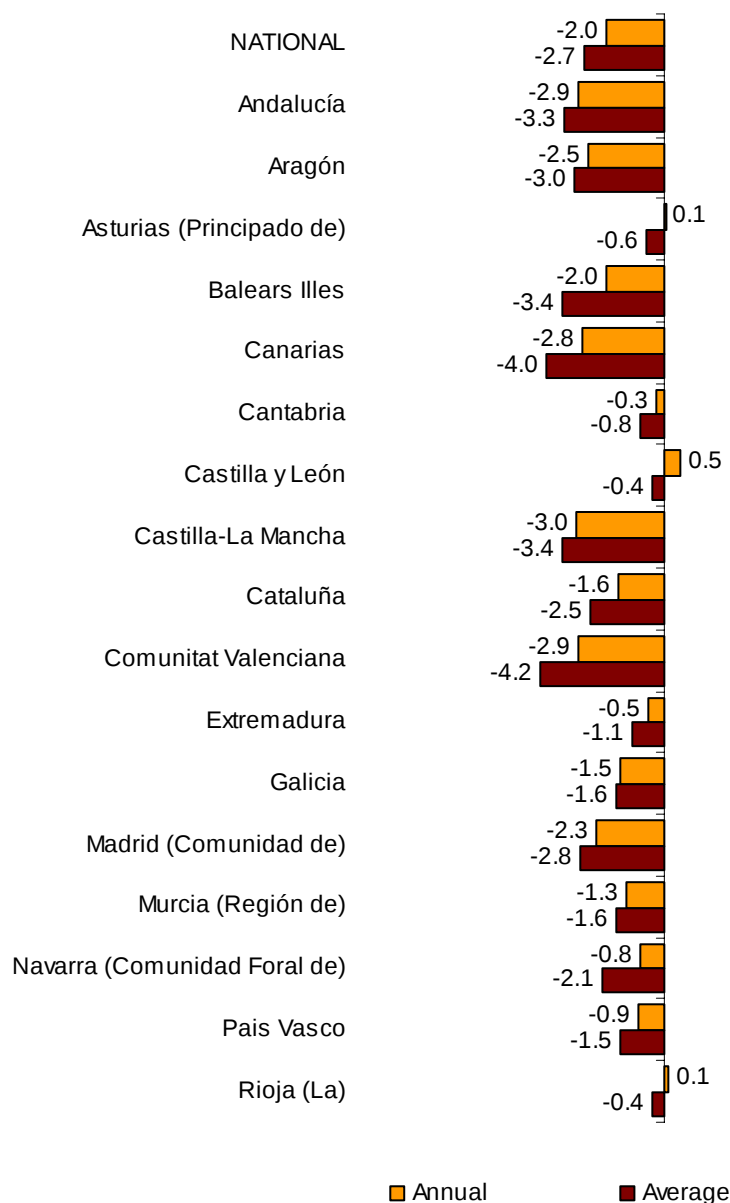


Autonomous Communities. Employed personnel variation rates

Employment in the services sector decreased in all of the Autonomous Communities, except in Castilla y León (0.5%), Principado de Asturias and La Rioja (both with 0.1%).

Castilla-La Mancha (-3.0%), Andalucía and Comunitat Valenciana (both with -2.9%) were the Communities with the greatest decreases.

Annual rate and average rate of employed staff General Index by Autonomous Community



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1. Monthly turnover indices by sector

	Index	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	99,6	5,6	0,3
1. TRADE	99,6	8,9	2,1
Sale and repair of vehicles	79,9	26,0	16,9
- Sale of motor vehicles	76,8	29,8	20,0
- Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	107,3	6,1	1,3
Wholesale trade	104,2	7,8	0,4
- Wholesale on a fee or contract basis	82,7	-4,2	-4,2
- Wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals	95,6	-4,2	-7,3
- Wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco	113,2	13,0	2,6
- Wholesale of household goods	115,7	11,6	3,1
- Wholesale of information and communication equipment	95,2	0,2	-6,3
- Wholesale of other machinery, equipment and supplies	79,0	-8,3	-10,0
- Wholesale of fuels, metals and others	100,2	8,9	2,2
- Non-specialised wholesale trade	101,1	-10,4	-8,9
Retail trade	100,7	5,7	0,8
2. OTHER SERVICES	99,4	-0,9	-3,4
2.1. TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE SERVICES	104,7	4,1	-0,2
Land transport	98,3	1,0	-2,1
- Rail transport	132,0	3,5	-1,2
- Taxi operation	100,6	-0,2	-0,8
- Other passenger land transport	121,8	1,1	-1,7
- Freight transport by road and removal services	92,8	0,8	-2,3
Water transport	109,1	8,7	0,0
Air transport	100,4	5,4	-1,4
Warehousing and support activities for transportation	112,1	8,2	3,3
Post and courier activities	123,2	0,9	-3,2
2.2. ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES ACTIVITIES	88,7	-1,4	-3,2
Accommodation	80,1	1,1	-1,9
Food and beverage service activities	92,3	-2,3	-3,7
2.3. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	105,5	-4,6	-5,4
Publishing activities	86,3	-4,7	-8,9
Motion picture, television programme production and music publishing activities	110,1	-5,5	-11,0
Programming and broadcasting activities	98,2	-11,4	-9,7
Telecommunications	98,7	-5,8	-5,1
Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	134,3	0,5	-1,9
Information service activities	117,7	-7,1	-3,5
2.4. PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	95,0	-3,8	-6,0
Legal, accounting and management consulting activities	103,6	1,6	-2,4
Architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis	85,7	-15,3	-15,4
Advertising and market research	97,2	2,3	0,2
Other professional scientific and technical activities	85,4	3,2	0,1
2.5. ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICE ACTIVITIES	97,9	0,9	-2,8
Employment activities	81,6	12,3	7,0
Travel agencies and tour operator services	89,4	12,4	3,8
Security and investigation activities	116,2	-3,8	-4,5
Cleaning activities	124,6	3,7	2,1
Office administrative and other business support activities	95,8	-12,1	-12,0

2. National turnover indices, adjusted for the calendar effect

	Original index	% variation		Adjusted index	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average		Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	99,6	5,6	0,3	98,6	4,5	0,3
1. Trade	99,6	8,9	2,1	98,5	7,5	2,2
2. Other Services	99,4	-0,9	-3,4	98,9	-1,5	-3,4
2.1. Transportation and storage	104,7	4,1	-0,2	103,7	3,0	-0,2
2.2. Accommodation and food service activities	88,7	-1,4	-3,2	89,1	-1,1	-3,3
2.3. Information and communication	105,5	-4,6	-5,4	105,1	-5,3	-5,4
2.4. Professional, scientific and technical activities	95,0	-3,8	-6,0	94,6	-3,8	-6,0
2.5. Administrative and support service activities	97,9	0,9	-2,8	97,6	0,1	-2,8

3. Interannual rates. General Index and by sector

Period		General Index		Trade		Other Services		Transport and storage	
		Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹
2009	March	-14,8	-18,5	-17,0	-20,9	-10,5	-12,4	-12,1	-15,6
	April	-20,2	-17,4	-23,4	-20,5	-13,6	-12,1	-18,4	-15,9
	May	-19,4	-18,5	-22,6	-21,6	-12,7	-12,1	-17,6	-16,7
	June	-14,1	-14,8	-15,6	-16,5	-11,2	-11,6	-12,8	-13,6
	July	-14,2	-14,6	-15,7	-16,2	-11,1	-11,4	-15,6	-15,9
	August	-13,4	-14,5	-15,5	-16,7	-9,6	-10,2	-13,1	-14,2
	September	-10,7	-10,7	-11,3	-11,3	-9,5	-9,5	-10,5	-10,5
	October	-9,8	-7,9	-9,9	-7,5	-9,8	-8,7	-12,6	-10,7
	November*	-5,6	-6,4	-5,0	-6,0	-6,6	-7,1	-5,4	-6,2
	December*	-1,7	-1,5	-1,2	-0,9	-2,8	-2,7	-2,7	-2,5
2010	January*	-4,2	-3,0	-3,7	-2,2	-5,2	-4,5	-3,9	-2,7
	February*	-0,9	-0,9	0,9	0,9	-4,5	-4,5	-1,1	-1,1
	March	5,6	4,5	8,9	7,5	-0,9	-1,5	4,1	3,0

Period		Accommodation		Information and communications		Professional, scientific and technical activities		Administrative and support service activities	
		Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹
2009	March	-14,9	-12,3	-3,4	-3,7	-12,4	-17,2	-11,4	-10,2
	April	-9,0	-11,4	-7,2	-7,2	-20,5	-15,9	-8,8	-10,6
	May	-10,7	-11,0	-7,7	-7,0	-13,6	-13,6	-11,8	-11,1
	June	-10,4	-10,1	-7,8	-8,2	-15,6	-15,6	-8,4	-8,9
	July	-8,8	-8,7	-6,6	-7,0	-13,9	-13,9	-8,9	-9,2
	August	-7,6	-7,2	-4,9	-5,6	-12,5	-12,5	-9,9	-10,7
	September	-9,5	-9,5	-6,6	-6,6	-10,6	-10,6	-10,8	-10,8
	October	-5,2	-5,9	-9,1	-7,7	-11,9	-11,9	-7,5	-6,0
	November*	-5,8	-5,5	-5,5	-6,2	-12,3	-12,3	-3,0	-3,7
	December*	-4,9	-5,0	0,1	0,1	-3,1	-3,1	-5,6	-5,6
2010	January*	-4,3	-4,8	-5,6	-4,8	-6,5	-6,5	-6,0	-5,2
	February*	-4,1	-4,1	-6,2	-6,2	-7,9	-7,9	-3,5	-3,5
	March	-1,4	-1,1	-4,6	-5,3	-3,8	-3,8	0,9	0,1

¹ Index rates adjusted for the calendar effect

* Revised data

4. National employed personnel indices by branch of activity

	Index	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
GENERAL INDEX	95,9	-2,0	-2,7
1. TRADE	96,0	-2,6	-3,0
Sale and repair of vehicles	92,6	-3,2	-3,9
- Sale of motor vehicles	89,4	-5,3	-5,7
- Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	96,6	-0,7	-1,8
Wholesale trade	95,4	-3,1	-3,6
- Wholesale on a fee or contract basis	89,5	-5,4	-4,6
- Wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals	102,0	1,4	-0,8
- Wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco	98,9	0,3	-0,3
- Wholesale of household goods	94,5	-4,5	-5,0
- Wholesale of information and communication equipment	99,1	-5,0	-5,6
- Wholesale of other machinery, equipment and supplies	93,6	-5,9	-7,0
- Wholesale of fuels, metals and others	92,3	-4,2	-4,9
- Non-specialised wholesale trade	100,6	-2,5	-1,6
Retail trade	97,0	-2,3	-2,4
2. OTHER SERVICES	95,9	-1,5	-2,4
2.1. TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE SERVICES	96,6	-2,5	-3,1
Land transport	96,9	-2,0	-2,8
- Rail transport	99,2	-1,2	-1,6
- Taxi operation	104,3	0,6	-0,2
- Other passenger land transport	112,9	-1,1	-1,2
- Freight transport by road and removal services	91,6	-2,9	-3,9
Water transport	86,3	-6,5	-6,1
Air transport	86,1	-6,5	-6,5
Warehousing and support activities for transportation	100,4	-2,2	-2,8
Post and courier activities	92,4	-3,8	-4,1
2.2. ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES ACTIVITIES	91,6	-1,0	-2,2
Accommodation	83,5	-1,0	-3,4
Food and beverage service activities	93,9	-1,0	-1,9
2.3. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	102,2	-3,2	-3,9
Publishing activities	93,1	-5,4	-6,3
Motion picture, television programme production and music publishing activities	95,0	-1,5	-4,7
Programming and broadcasting activities	100,7	-1,7	-2,0
Telecommunications	90,3	-0,8	-1,3
Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	111,9	-4,1	-4,4
Information service activities	108,2	-2,0	-1,7
2.4. PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	101,1	-2,6	-3,0
Legal, accounting and management consulting activities	107,1	1,0	0,5
Architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis	100,7	-5,9	-5,3
Advertising and market research	86,6	-6,9	-8,7
Other professional scientific and technical activities	95,8	-3,2	-3,7
2.5. ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICE ACTIVITIES	94,0	0,6	-1,1
Employment activities	71,5	13,1	7,4
Travel agencies and tour operator services	91,3	-6,2	-6,8
Security and investigation activities	111,8	-2,6	-3,1
Cleaning activities	104,5	0,4	-0,9
Office administrative and other business support activities	93,7	-4,2	-5,2

5. General turnover index by Autonomous Community

	Index	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL INDEX	99,6	5,6	0,3
Andalucía	93,9	2,3	-1,9
Aragón	103,1	4,4	0,2
Asturias (Principado de)	107,4	9,7	3,7
Balears (Illes)	84,4	6,4	0,3
Canarias	90,5	-0,1	-5,6
Cantabria	100,7	7,3	4,6
Castilla y León	98,2	3,6	-0,8
Castilla-La Mancha	92,8	4,3	-1,3
Cataluña	101,4	8,1	2,7
Comunitat Valenciana	93,9	6,8	-0,6
Extremadura	99,3	3,5	0,6
Galicia	107,9	3,4	-2,0
Madrid (Comunidad de)	102,5	5,3	0,6
Murcia (Región de)	100,4	9,1	0,4
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	103,8	9,1	3,3
País Vasco	105,7	7,2	0,7
Rioja (La)	109,9	10,3	6,1

6. General employed personnel index by Autonomous Community

	Index	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average
NATIONAL INDEX	95,9	-2,0	-2,7
Andalucía	96,6	-2,9	-3,3
Aragón	95,2	-2,5	-3,0
Asturias (Principado de)	102,8	0,1	-0,6
Balears (Illes)	89,4	-2,0	-3,4
Canarias	91,1	-2,8	-4,0
Cantabria	99,6	-0,3	-0,8
Castilla y León	101,0	0,5	-0,4
Castilla-La Mancha	93,7	-3,0	-3,4
Cataluña	94,6	-1,6	-2,5
Comunitat Valenciana	92,4	-2,9	-4,2
Extremadura	99,2	-0,5	-1,1
Galicia	101,4	-1,5	-1,6
Madrid (Comunidad de)	96,3	-2,3	-2,8
Murcia (Región de)	98,8	-1,3	-1,6
Navarra (Comunidad Foral de)	98,7	-0,8	-2,1
País Vasco	98,5	-0,9	-1,5
Rioja (La)	98,3	0,1	-0,4