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**Annual Services Survey 2008**  
(Results Preview)

**Market Services sector turnover in 2008 is 1,189,021 million euros,  
2.8% less than the previous year**

**Employed personnel decreases 0.1% and investment falls 17.6% as  
compared with the year 2007**

Turnover for the Market Services sector reached 1,189,021 million euros in 2008, indicating a decrease of 2.8% as compared with the year 2007. Turnover for *Trade* recorded an interannual decrease of 5.2%, whereas rest of services sector experienced a 1.4% increase.

Regarding employment, the number of employees for the Market Services sector was 7,287,795, that is, 0.1% less than in 2007. Staff costs recorded interannual growth of 5.7%, standing at 191,395 million euros.

The interannual variation rates shown in this press release were calculated taking into account the methodological change entailed in implementing the new 2009 National Classification of Economic Activities in the survey. Therefore comparison is only made between the groups of activity which allow practically exact identification with the activities from the old classification.

**Results of the Main Market Services Variables**

Economic variables in millions of euros

Variables	Year 2008	Variation	Trade	Variation	Services without trade	Variation
	Total	2008/2007		2008/2007		2008/2007
Number of companies	2,193,895	2.8	813,115	1.1	1,380,780	3.8
Turnover	1,189,021	-2.8	731,187	-5.2	457,834	1.4
Production value (*)	564,515	1.4	193,094	-1.9	371,421	3.3
Purchases and expenditure on goods and services	891,641	-4.7	627,166	-6.9	264,475	1.1
Added value at cost of the factors	316,142	-0.6	110,789	-1.9	205,353	0.1
Personnel costs	191,395	5.7	68,212	4.6	123,183	6.3
Investment	66,987	-17.6	17,239	-14.6	49,748	-18.6
Average occupied persons	9,296,760	0.8	3,387,262	0.0	5,909,498	1.2
Average employed persons	7,287,795	-0.1	2,642,469	-0.9	4,645,326	0.4

(\*) In some services activities, mainly in trade, the value of merchandise purchases is high, hence the difference between turnover and production

The Market Services sector activities that required most labour in 2008 were *Retail trade* (19.8% of the total) and *Administrative and support service activities* (14.3%). In contrast, the activities generating least employment were *Real estate activities* and *Arts, recreation and entertainment activities*, each with less than 3.0% of the total.

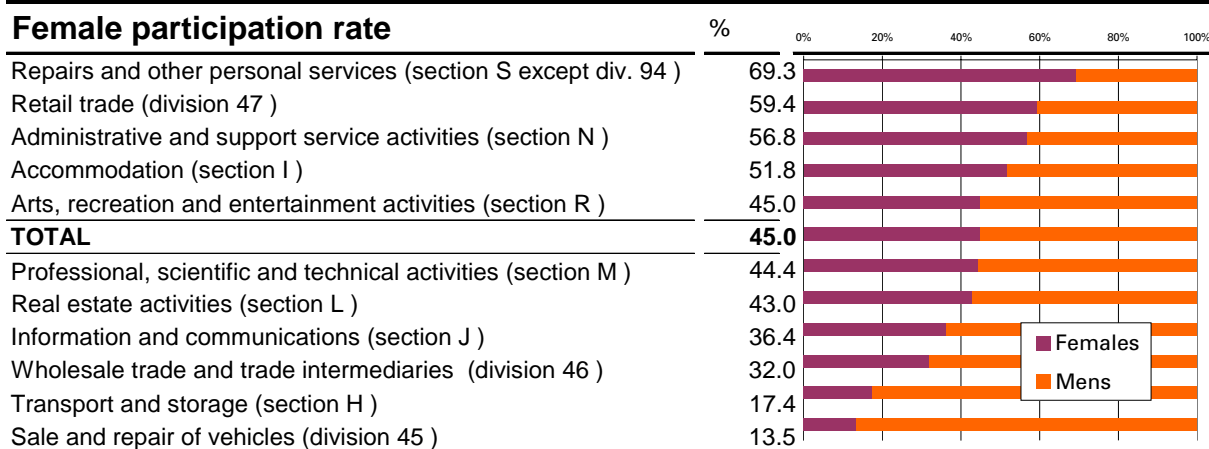
## Turnover and persons employed in Market Services

Activity sectors	Turnover 2008 (million €)	Average employed persons
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,189,021</b>	<b>9,296,760</b>
Sale and repair of vehicles (division 45 )	85,968	353,194
Wholesale trade and trade intermediaries (division 46 )	402,453	1,197,085
Retail trade (division 47 )	242,766	1,836,983
Transport and storage (section H )	106,530	1,001,097
Accommodation (section I )	61,959	1,289,063
Information and communications (section J )	85,397	438,685
Real estate activities (section L )	23,382	231,254
Professional, scientific and technical activities (section M )	84,425	1,054,805
Administrative and support service activities (section N )	69,027	1,330,942
Arts, recreation and entertainment activities (section R )	18,840	273,111
Repairs and other personal services (section S except division 94 )	8,275	290,541

## 45.0% of employed persons in the Services sector are women

Regarding female participation, 45.0% of employed persons in the Market Services sector in 2008 were women.

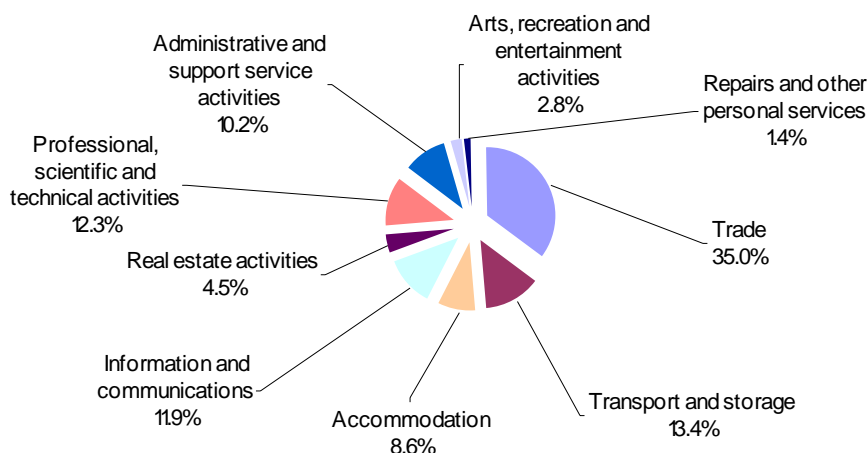
Female employment was insignificant in *sale and repair of motor vehicles* (13.5% of the total employed persons) and *Transport and storage* (17.4%). Conversely, it reached quotas over 55% of the total, in *Repairs and personal services* (69.3%), *Retail trade* (59.4%) and *Administrative and support service activities* (56.8%).



In terms of added value at factor cost, **Trade accounted for 35.0% of the Market Services total in the year 2008**. It was followed by *Transport and storage* (with 13.3%), *Professional,*

scientific and technical activities (12.3%) and Information and communications activities (11.9%).

### Added value at factor cost



### Turnover of small companies is more than half of turnover for the Market Services sector

99.4% of the companies comprising the Market Services sector had fewer than 50 employees in 2008. These companies (micro-companies and small companies) invoiced 52.6% of turnover for the whole sector, providing work for 63.7% of employed persons.

Large companies (more than 250 employees) covered 29.4% of turnover and 24.2% of employment in the sector.

	Number of companies		Turnover		Average employed persons		Material investment	
		Percentage	Million €	Percentage	Thousands	Percentage	Million €	Percentage
Total	2,193,895	100.0	1,189,021	100.0	9,296,760	100.0	66,987	100.0
Micro-company <sup>(1)</sup>	2,093,222	95.4	384,357	32.3	4,222,630	45.4	16,778	25.0
Small <sup>(2)</sup>	87,246	4.0	241,648	20.3	1,705,926	18.3	11,495	17.2
Medium <sup>(3)</sup>	11,456	0.5	213,240	17.9	1,121,275	12.1	11,019	16.4
Large <sup>(4)</sup>	1,971	0.1	349,777	29.4	2,246,929	24.2	27,694	41.3

1 Between 1 and 9 employees

2 Between 10 and 49 employees

3 Between 50 and 249 employees

4 250 or more employees

### Market Services companies invested 5.6% of their turnover

Market Services companies invested 66,987 million euros in 2008, that is, 17.6% less than the previous year. This amount of investment represented 5.6% of their turnover.

By group of activity, the greatest investing effort corresponded to companies with *Real estate activities*, which acquired investment assets valued at 23.5% of their income. In contrast, *Trade* was the sector with the least relative investment, with a value below 2.4%.

By size, the greatest investment effort was by large companies, valued at 7.9% of their turnover. In turn, micro-companies and small companies made the least relative investment, valued at 5.0% of their income.

### Investment during the year 2008

Investment over turnover	%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.6</b>
Trade (section G )	2.4
Transport and storage (section H )	15.8
Accommodation (section I )	6.2
Information and communications (section J )	8.3
Real estate activities (section L )	23.5
Professional, scientific and technical activities (section M )	4.6
Administrative and support service activities (section N )	11.7
Arts, recreation and entertainment activities (section R )	20.3
Repairs and other personal services (section S except division 94 )	8.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>5.6</b>
Micro-company	4.4
Small	4.8
Medium	5.2
Large	7.9

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## **Methodological note**

The Annual Survey for the Services Sector, which is structural and annual, is aimed at companies dedicated to Trade, Transport and Storage, Accommodation, Information and Communications, Real estate activities, Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities, Administrative and Support Service Activities, Arts, Recreation and Entertainment Activities, Repair Activities and Other Personal Services. The activities researched account for more than 85% of the added value generated by market services, excluding from said Associative Activities Survey, Education and Health and Market Social Services Activities and Financial and Insurance Activities.

These statistics make it possible to ascertain the specific structural and economic features of each activity comprising the market services sector, such as company size, accounting data (purchases, expenditure, capital movements) and employment and investment structure.

This publication disseminates a results preview for this Survey, which entails an advance as compared with the final publication, providing information for the national total and 11 activity groupings.

The theoretical sample from the Annual Services Survey is composed of 147,000 units, and makes it possible to obtain representative results on a very in-depth level and by Autonomous Community. These results will be published, as in previous years, seven months after this preview, with a delay of 18 months with regard to the reference period.

In order to obtain the results of this preview, a 56,000-unit subsample contained in the total sample has been used. All companies with more than 50 employees are included in this subsample. In the strata with fewer employees, a selection has been made in such a way that the resulting subsample would be representative of the breakdown levels dealt with in this publication.

The data collection period of the Annual Services Survey is nine months, between April and December of the year following the reference period. Information corresponding to the subsample used for this preview was collected in the first four months (between April and July), in order to make it possible for it to be published in advance.

### **Adaptation to the new National Classification of Activities 2009 (CNAE 2009)**

Regulation (EC) no. 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and Council, on 20 December 2006, established a new European Classification of Economic Activities, known as NACE Rev. 2. The Spanish version of the aforementioned classification is the CNAE 2009 (National Classification of Activities 2009), passed by Royal Decree 475/2007, of 13 April.

The adaptation to the new classification has instigated methodological changes in the Annual Services Survey 2008. The interannual variation rates shown in this press release were calculated taking into account these changes, a comparison being made only between the groups of activity which allow as exact a correspondence as possible with the activities from the old classification (CNAE1993 Rev. 1).