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Retail Trade Indices (RTI). Base 2005 February 2011. *Provisional data*

Main results

- The **General Retail Trade Index** at constant prices registers an **interannual variation of -4.8% in February**, one tenth below that registered in January.
- The **average rate** of retail sector sales stands at -4.8% during the first two months of the year, as compared with the same period of 2010.
- Large chain stores are the only distribution class that does not experience a decrease in sales in February, as compared with the same month of 2010.
- Employment in the retail sector decreases 0.5% interannually.
- All **Autonomous Communities**, except Canarias, present negative variations in their retail sales, as compared with February last year. Employment falls in nine of them.

Evolution of trade, in general and by type of product

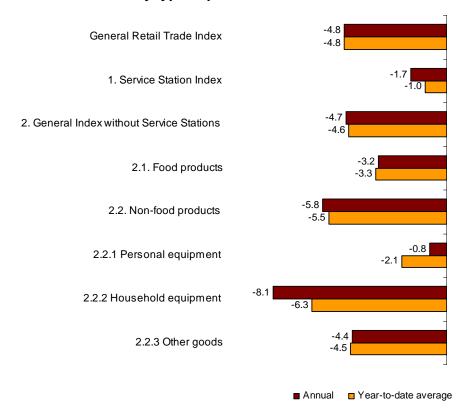
Sales in retail trade at constant prices (that is, after eliminating the prices' effect) registered an interannual rate of -4.8% in February 2011, indicating a decrease of one tenth as compared with the rate from January.

Sales, excluding service stations, presented an annual rate, of -4.7% in constant terms,. The breakdown of these sales by type of product showed a decrease both in food products (–3.2%) and in non-food products (–5.8%). Among the latter, Household equipment (–8.1%) and Other goods (–4.4%) registered the greatest decreases.

In turn, sales in service stations, after adjusting the prices' effect, decreased 1.7% as compared with February 2010.

The average rate of the General Retail Trade Index during the first two months of the year presented a –4.8% variation as compared with the same period last year. This rate stood one tenth below that registered in January.

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



Evolution of trade, by distribution class

Large chain stores was the only distribution class that did not experience a decrease in sales as compared with the same month the previous year (0.0%). In turn, *Department stores* (–7.1%) presented the greatest decrease as compared with February 2010.

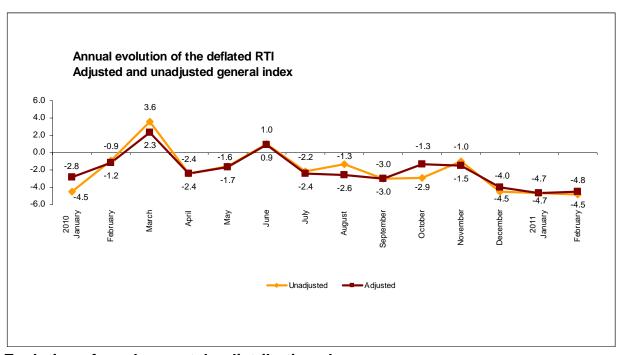
During the first two months of the year, the average had a negative variation in all distribution classes as compared with the same period last year.

National Indices by distribution class

	Deflated	% variation	
	Index	Annual	Year-to-date
			average
General Retail Trade Index	77.7	-4.8	-4.8
Service Station Index	86.8	-1.7	-1
2. General Index without Service Stations	77.8	-4.7	-4.6
2.1. Single retail stores	72.7	-6.5	-6.4
2.2. Small chain stores	71.3	-4.0	-4.3
2.3. Large chain stores	100.4	0.0	-0.2
2.4. Department stores	71.7	-7.1	-6.7

Evolution of trade, adjusted for the calendar effect

After adjusting for the calendar effect, that is, the difference between the number of working days in a given month in different years, the Retail Trade Index presented an adjusted interannual rate of **-4.5%** in February, two tenths above that registered in the month of January.



Evolution of employment, by distribution class

The employment index in the retail trade sector in February showed an annual rate of -0.5%, two tenths above that registered in January. Employment decreased 0.5% in *Service stations*.

By distribution class, *Large chain stores* were the only distribution class with a positive interannual rate (0.8%).

In the retail sector as a whole, average employment registered a rate of – 0.6% in the first two months of the year, as compared with the same period the previous year.

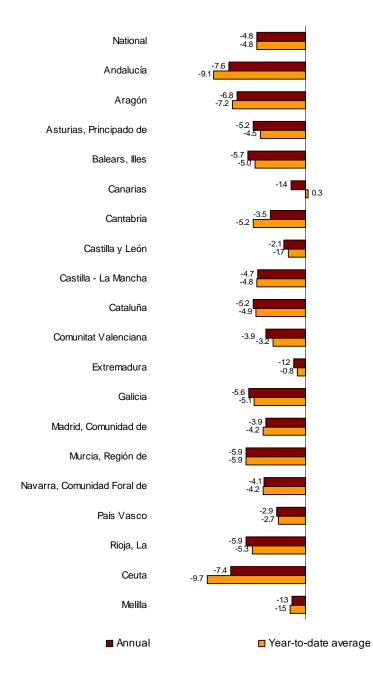
National Employment Indices

	Deflated	% variation	
	Index	Annual	Year-to-date
			average
General Retail Trade Index	96.8	-0.9	-0.6
1. Service Station Index	97.7	7 -0.9	5 -0.2
2. General Index without Service Stations	96.8	-0.9	50.6
2.1. Single retail stores	96.4	-0.	-0.4
2.2. Small chain stores	89.7	7 -2.	1 -1.8
2.3. Large chain stores	111.4	1 0.8	3 1.1
2.4. Department stores	92.3	3 -1.4	4 -1.9

Results by Autonomous Community. Variation rate in sales

Retail sales decreased in the interannual rate in all Autonomous Communities, except in Canarias (0.3%).

Annual and average rates at constant prices General index by Autonomous City and Community



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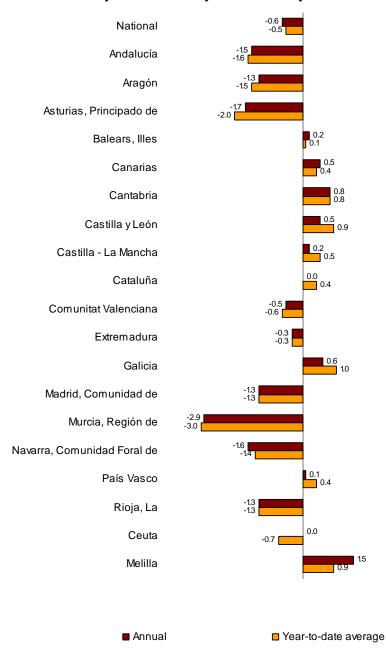
decreases as compared with February 2010 were registered in Andalucía (-9.1%) and Aragón (-7.2%).

Results by Autonomous Community. Employment variation rates

Employment in retail trade decreased in nine Autonomous Communities. Región de Murcia (-3.0%) presented the greatest decrease.

Among the Autonomous Communities registering positive rates, Galicia (1.0%), Castilla y León (0.9%) and Cantabria (0.8%) presented the greatest increases.

Annual and average rates of the employment index General index by Autonomous City and Community





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1. National indices

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
General Retail Trade Index	88.3	-0.1	-0.3	77.7	-4.8	-4.8
1. Service Station Index	117.9	18.1	17.9	86.8	-1.7	-1.0
2. General Index without Service Stations	86.0	-1.8	-1.8	77.8	-4.7	-4.6
2.1. Food products	97.6	-0.1	-0.4	82.9	-3.2	-3.3
2.2. Non-food products	79.0	-3.0	-2.7	75.3	-5.8	-5.5
2.2.1 Personal equipment	77.1	-0.5	-1.7	83.1	-0.8	-2.1
2.2.2 Household equipment	68.3	-7.3	-5.4	61.9	-8.1	-6.3
2.2.3 Other goods	89.2	-1.6	-1.7	85.1	-4.4	-4.5

2. National Indices by distribution class

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variationr	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
General Retail Trade Index	88.3	-0.1	-0.3	77.7	-4.8	-4.8
Service Station Index	117.9	18.1	17.9	86.8	-1.7	-1.0
2. General Index without Service Stations	86.0	-1.8	-1.8	77.8	-4.7	-4.6
2.1. Single retail stores	80.4	-3.6	-3.6	72.7	-6.5	-6.4
2.2. Small chain stores	78.8	-1.0	-1.4	71.3	-4.0	-4.3
2.3. Large chain stores	111.1	3.1	2.8	100.4	0.0	-0.2
2.4. Department stores	79.3	-4.2	-3.9	71.7	-7.1	-6.7

3. Department Store Indices

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation		
		Year-to-date i		index		Year-to-date	
		Annual	average		Annual	average	
Department Store Index	79.3	-4.2	-3.9	71.7	-7.1	-6.7	
1. Food products	83.1	-2.2	-3.2	70.6	-5.2	-6.0	
2. Non-food products	77.4	-5.3	-4.2	73.8	-8.1	-6.9	

4. National Indices. Adjusted for calendar effect

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
General Retail Trade Index	88.2	0.1	-0.2	77.6	-4.5	-4.6
Service Station Index	117.8	18.3	18.0	86.7	-1.5	-0.9
2. General Index without Service Stations	85.9	-1.5	-1.7	77.7	-4.4	-4.5
2.1. Department Store Index	79.2	-4.1	-3.8	71.6	-7.0	-6.6

5. Annual rates of National indices

		General Retail Trade Index				Index with	out Servic	e Stations	
	Cu	rrent Prices	Cons	stant Prices	Cui	rent Prices	Constant Prices		
	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	Original	Adjusted ¹	
2010 February	0.3	0.0	-0.9	-1.2	-0.5	-0.8	0.2	-0.1	
March	5.8	4.4	3.6	2.3	4.9	3.5	5.3	3.9	
April	0.1	0.1	-2.4	-2.4	-1.1	-1.1	-1.2	-1.2	
May	1.2	1.1	-1.6	-1.7	-0.1	-0.2	-0.6	-0.7	
June	3.2	3.1	1.0	0.9	2.3	2.2	1.5	1.4	
July	0.2	0.0	-2.2	-2.4	-0.9	-1.1	-2.0	-2.2	
June	0.7	-0.6	-1.3	-2.6	0.0	-1.4	-1.2	-2.6	
September	-0.5	-0.5	-3.0	-3.0	-1.6	-1.6	-2.9	-2.9	
October	0.0	1.6	-2.9	-1.3	-0.9	0.8	-2.6	-0.8	
November	1.9	1.4	-1.0	-1.5	1.1	0.6	-0.7	-1.2	
December	-0.6	-0.1	-4.5	-4.0	-1.7	-1.2	-3.9	-3.4	
2011 January	-0.4	-0.4	-4.7	-4.7	-1.8	-1.8	-4.6	-4.6	
February	-0.1	0.1	-4.8	-4.5	-1.8	-1.5	-4.7	-4.4	

¹ Index rates adjusted for calendar effects

6. National Employment Indices by distribution class

	Index		% variation o	n	
			Previous mo	Same month	Year-to-date average
General Retail Trade Index	96	8.8	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6
Service Station Index	97	7.7	0.2	-0.5	-0.2
2. General Index without Service Stations	96	8.8	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6
2.1. Single retail stores	96	5.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.4
2.2. Small chain stores	89	.7	-1.6	-2.1	-1.8
2.3. Large chain stores	111	.4	-0.7	8.0	1.1
2.4. Department stores	92	2.3	-1.9	-1.4	-1.9

7. General Retail Trade Indices of Autonomous Cities and Communities

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
National total	88.3	-0.1	-0.3	77.7	-4.8	-4.8
Andalucía	80.9	-4.5	-3.1	71.3	-9.1	-7.6
Aragón	91.0	-2.8	-2.6	79.9	-7.2	-6.8
Asturias, Principado de	96.2	0.7	-0.2	85.0	-4.5	-5.2
Balears, Illes	71.8	-0.8	-1.6	63.4	-5.0	-5.7
Canarias	87.6	4.2	2.2	79.0	0.3	-1.4
Cantabria	91.3	-0.6	0.9	79.5	-5.2	-3.5
Castilla y León	95.9	3.4	2.8	83.8	-1.7	-2.1
Castilla - La Mancha	93.1	0.7	0.5	81.7	-4.8	-4.7
Cataluña	89.1	-0.3	-0.8	77.7	-4.9	-5.2
Comunitat Valenciana	83.9	1.5	0.6	73.9	-3.2	-3.9
Extremadura	100.0	4.0	3.4	88.0	-0.8	-1.2
Galicia	92.1	-0.4	-1.3	81.5	-5.1	-5.6
Madrid, Comunidad de	91.5	0.4	0.5	80.9	-4.2	-3.9
Murcia, Región de	87.5	-1.3	-1.5	76.3	-5.9	-5.9
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	93.9	0.3	0.1	83.5	-4.2	-4.1
País Vasco	93.9	1.8	1.5	82.6	-2.7	-2.9
Rioja, La	87.3	-0.4	-1.2	76.4	-5.3	-5.9
Ceuta	92.1	-7.1	-4.6	82.0	-9.7	-7.4
Melilla	104.6	2.0	2.4	92.4	-1.5	-1.3

8. General Indices without Service Stations, by Autonomous Cities and Communities

	Index	% variation		Deflated	% variation	
		Annual	Year-to-date average	index	Annual	Year-to-date average
National total	86.0	-1.8	-1.8	77.8	-4.7	-4.6
Andalucía	80.3	-5.7	-4.2	72.9	-8.4	-6.9
Aragón	89.9	-3.7	-3.6	80.7	-6.7	-6.5
Asturias, Principado de	95.4	-0.3	-1.2	86.6	-4.0	-4.7
Balears, Illes	71.1	-1.2	-2.0	64.6	-3.6	-4.3
Canarias	85.7	3.6	1.5	80.0	2.1	0.2
Cantabria	89.5	-1.7	-0.1	80.2	-4.4	-2.8
Castilla y León	93.5	0.8	0.4	83.6	-2.8	-3.0
Castilla - La Mancha	92.7	-0.2	-0.5	83.6	-4.2	-4.2
Cataluña	87.5	-1.7	-2.0	78.2	-4.7	-4.9
Comunitat Valenciana	82.4	0.6	-0.4	74.7	-2.4	-3.3
Extremadura	95.6	1.5	1.2	86.4	-1.5	-1.8
Galicia	90.0	-1.6	-2.3	82.0	-4.6	-5.2
Madrid, Comunidad de	84.9	-3.5	-2.9	77.1	-6.3	-5.7
Murcia, Región de	87.3	-2.0	-1.9	78.4	-4.6	-4.5
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	89.4	-2.3	-2.5	81.5	-5.3	-5.2
País Vasco	92.2	1.2	0.6	83.0	-1.9	-2.3
Rioja, La	85.8	-1.8	-2.5	77.0	-5.3	-5.9
Ceuta	93.7	-7.6	-5.0	86.0	-9.4	-6.9
Melilla	104.3	2.1	2.4	94.8	-0.3	-0.1

9. General Employment Indices of Autonomous Cities and Communities

	Index	% variation	on	
		Previous m	o Same month	Year-to-date
			previous year	average
National total	96.8	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6
Andalucía	93.6	-1.0	-1.6	-1.5
Aragón	95.7	-0.7	-1.5	-1.3
Asturias, Principado de	101.8	-0.7	-2.0	-1.7
Balears, Illes	90.3	-0.7	0.1	0.2
Canarias	94.6	-0.2	0.4	0.5
Cantabria	103.5	-0.8	0.8	0.8
Castilla y León	104.4	0.7	0.9	0.5
Castilla - La Mancha	98.2	-0.5	0.5	0.2
Cataluña	96.1	-0.3	0.4	0.0
Comunitat Valenciana	95.2	-0.7	-0.6	-0.5
Extremadura	100.9	-0.5	-0.3	-0.3
Galicia	102.7	0.0	1.0	0.6
Madrid, Comunidad de	96.8	-0.9	-1.3	-1.3
Murcia, Región de	97.7	-0.5	-3.0	-2.9
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	98.8	-0.4	-1.4	-1.6
País Vasco	101.0	0.0	0.4	0.1
Rioja, La	96.3	-0.2	-1.3	-1.3
Ceuta	101.0	-1.1	-0.7	0.0
Melilla	101.9	-0.6	0.9	1.5

10. General Employment Indices without Service Stations, by Autonomous Cities and Communities

	Index	% variation	on	
		Previous m	Same month previous year	Year-to-date average
National total	96.8	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6
Andalucía	93.7	-1.0	-1.6	-1.5
Aragón	95.7	-0.7	-1.6	-1.3
Asturias, Principado de	102.2	-0.7	-2.1	-1.8
Balears, Illes	90.2	-0.7	0.1	0.2
Canarias	93.8	-0.2	0.4	0.5
Cantabria	103.3	-0.8	0.7	0.7
Castilla y León	104.9	0.7	0.7	0.2
Castilla - La Mancha	98.5	-0.5	0.5	0.2
Cataluña	96.0	-0.3	0.5	0.0
Comunitat Valenciana	95.3	-0.7	-0.5	-0.4
Extremadura	101.2	-0.5	-0.3	-0.4
Galicia	102.9	0.0	1.0	0.6
Madrid, Comunidad de	96.4	-1.0	-1.3	-1.3
Murcia, Región de	97.9	-0.5	-3.0	-3.0
Navarra, Comunidad Foral de	98.6	-0.4	-1.5	-1.7
País Vasco	100.9	0.0	0.4	0.1
Rioja, La	96.4	-0.2	-1.1	-1.1
Ceuta	101.1	-1.2	-0.7	0.0
Melilla	102.0	-0.6	0.8	1.4

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