

## Retail trade

## February 2012

The retail trade index measures the monthly evolution of the turnover at current prices of enterprises with retail sale outlets. Since January 2009 the indices are calculated with reference to the base year 2005 using the new Ateco 2007 classification (Italian edition of Nace Rev. 2).

In February 2012 the seasonally adjusted retail trade index increased by 0.6% with respect to the previous month (+0.7% for food goods and +0.6% for non food goods). The average of the last three months compared to the previous three months decreased by 0.2.

The unadjusted index increased by 0.1% with respect to February 2011.

Retail trade index at current prices (base 2005=100) by marketable goods sector and type of distribution (a)

Marketable goods sector	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted	
	Index	Percentage changes		Index	Percentage changes
	Feb 12	Feb 12 Jan 12	Dec 11- Feb 12 Sept -Nov 11	Feb 12	Feb 12 Feb 11
Large scale distribution				97.3	4.0
Small and medium scale distribution				79.0	-0.3
Non food	98.3	0.6	-0.2	83.0	-1.0
Large scale distribution				93.7	0.3
Small and medium scale distribution				78.3	-1.6
Total	100.0	0.6	-0.2	85.0	0.1
Large scale distribution				95.3	1.9
Small and medium scale distribution				78.5	-1.3

<sup>(</sup>a) Provisional data

For more details please refer to the Italian version.

Time series are available in I.Stat database: <a href="http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en">http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en</a> (english version).

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