

Retail trade

August 2011

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 August 2011 the seasonally adjusted retail trade index was unchanged with respect to the previous month (+0.3% for food goods and -0.1% for non food goods). The average of the last three months compared to the previous three months decreased by 0.4%.

The unadjusted index fell by 0.3% with respect to August 2010.

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
	Aug 11	Aug 11 Jul 11	Jun-Aug 11 Mar-May 11	Aug 11	Aug 11 Aug 10
Food	103.2	+0.3	0.0	102.6	+1.6
<i>Large scale distribution</i>				108.5	+2.6
<i>Small and medium scale distribution</i>				93.9	-0.3
Non food	98.8	-0.1	-0.5	87.7	-1.2
<i>Large scale distribution</i>				99.0	-1.4
<i>Small and medium scale distribution</i>				82.8	-1.1
Total	100.1	0.0	-0.4	92.1	-0.3
<i>Large scale distribution</i>				103.3	+0.5
<i>Small and medium scale distribution</i>				85.0	-0.9

(a) Provisional data

For more details please refer to the Italian version.

Time series are available in ConIstat database: <http://con.istat.it/amerigo/default.asp?lg=E> (english version).

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