

Sales in the Market services sector in the Basque Country rose by 11.4% in 2022 as a whole

This growth was led by the Hospitality (23.2%) and Transport & Storage (18.3%) sectors

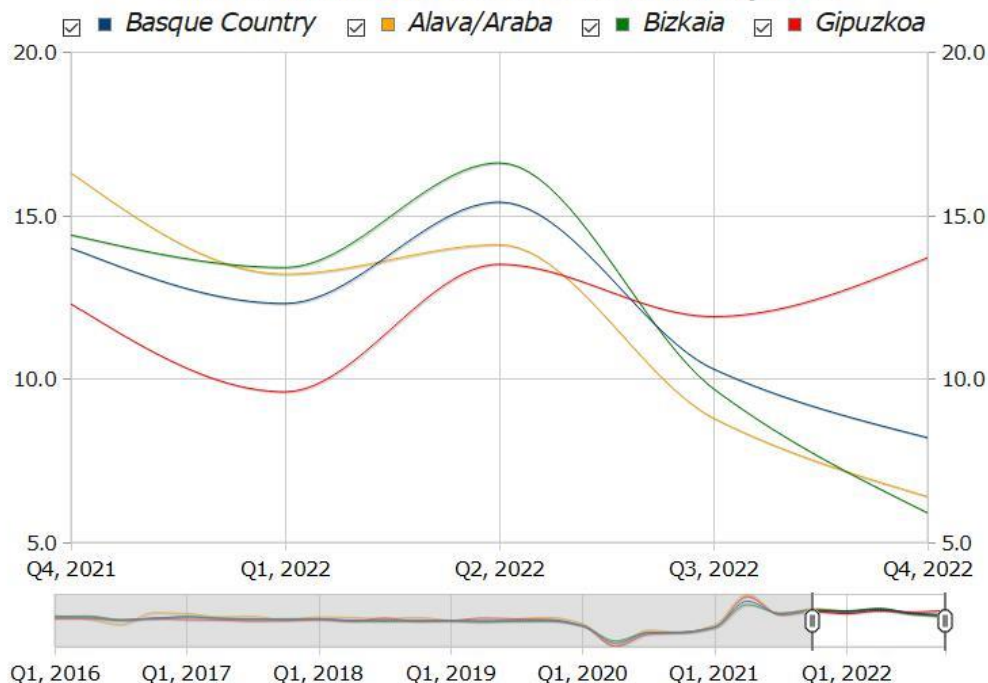
In **2022 as a whole**, sales in the *Other market services* sector increased by 11.4% at constant prices in relation to 2021, according to Eustat data.

Evolution for the year as a whole was positive in all sectors except *Professional, scientific and technical activities*, where sales for 2022 as a whole were 1.6% lower than those recorded in 2021.

Among the sectors with positive results throughout the year, *Hospitality* and *Transport & Storage* stand out, with annual growth of 23.2% and 18.3% respectively. Sales also increased in 2022 in the *Administrative Activities & Auxiliary Services* and *Information & Communications* sectors, by 8.1% and 4.6% respectively.

Year-on-year variation rate of the service index. (%)

Corrected for calendar effects. Constant prices



Taking into account that observed in the **fourth quarter of 2022**, sales in the *Other market services* sector in the Basque Country increased by 8.2% in relation to the same quarter of the previous year, at constant prices and once calendar effects had been eliminated.

Compared to the previous quarter, at constant prices and once corrected for seasonal effects, there was a 2.3% increase in sales.

Within the *Other Market Services* sector, the year-on-year recovery in real sales (at constant prices) in the final quarter of the year was due to the performance of *Transport & Storage*, where sales rose by 23.4% and, to a lesser extent, *Hospitality*, where sales were up 3.6%. In the *Professional, scientific and technical activities* sector, sales decreased in year-on-year terms by 1.5% in the fourth quarter of the year; sales were down 0.3% in *Administrative Activities & Auxiliary Services*; and, finally, sales fell by 0.1% in *Information & Communications*.

Compared to the third quarter of 2022, the decrease in Sales was widespread, with the exception of *Transport & Storage*, where sales rose by 9.3%. In the *Professional, scientific and technical activities* sector the quarter-on-quarter decrease was 1.7%; in *Administrative Activities & Auxiliary Services*, sales fell by 1.5%, and lastly, in the *Hospitality* and *Information & Communications* sectors, sales were down 1.4% in both cases.

Service index of the Basque Country. Other market services. Provisional data. 2022/IV

	Constant prices		
	Index	t / t-4	At / A(t-4)
GENERAL INDEX	8.2	2.3	11.4
Transportation and storage	23.4	9.3	18.3
Hostelry	3.6	-1.4	23.2
Information and communication	-0.1	-1.4	4.6
Professional, scientific and technical activities	-1.5	-1.7	-1.6
Administrative and support service activities	-0.3	-1.5	8.1
HISTORIC TERRITORIES			
Araba/Álava	6.4	2.1	10.5
Bizkaia	5.9	0.8	11.2
Gipuzkoa	13.7	5.0	12.3
EMPLOYMENT	-1.1	-0.3	0.0

t / t-4 Year-on-year variation. Data corrected for calendar effects

t / t-1 Interquarterly variation. Deseasonalised data

A(t) / A(t-4) Year-on-year change so far this year. Data corrected for calendar effects

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Source: Eustat. Service Index

By province, there was a year-on-year increase in the sales index of 13.7% in Gipuzkoa, 6.4% in Álava and 5.9% in Bizkaia.

With respect to the previous quarter, the increase in sales was also widespread, given that sales were 5.0% higher than the previous quarter in Gipuzkoa, increased by 2.1% in Álava and, lastly, were up 0.8% in Bizkaia.

The index of people employed in these services as a whole for the Basque Country fell in the fourth quarter of 2022 by 1.1% in year-on-year terms and 0.3% in quarter-on-quarter terms.

NOTE

Eustat would like to thank all the establishments that have collaborated in making this effort despite the circumstances. As a result, the index for this quarter was calculated with **92.8% coverage**.

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