

## Sales in the Market Services sector in the Basque Country rose by 1.8% in 2024 as a whole

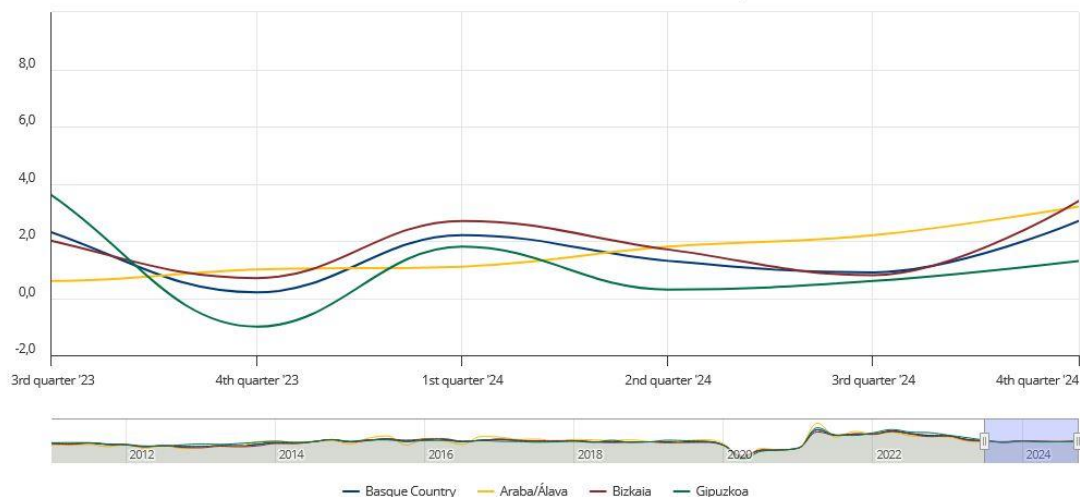
***In the final quarter of 2024, sales were up 2.7% on those observed in the same quarter of the previous year***

In **2024 as a whole**, sales in the *Other Market Services* sector increased by 1.8% compared to 2023, at constant prices and once corrected for calendar effects, according to Eustat data. This sector includes the services offered by the following sectors: *Transport and Storage*; *Hospitality*; *Information and Communications*; *Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities*; and *Administrative Activities and Auxiliary Services*.

Evolution for the year as a whole was positive in all sectors: there was growth of 2.7% in *Hospitality*, 2.3% in *Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities*, 1.5% in *Transport and Storage*, 1.1% in *Information and Communications*, and, lastly, 0.9% in *Administrative Activities and Auxiliary Services*.

### ≡ Year-on-year variation rate of the index of other services in the market of the Basque Country. (%)

Corrected for calendar effects. Constant prices



Source: Eustat. Other market services index

Sales in the *Other Market Services* sector were up in all three provinces. The rise in sales stood at 2.1% in both Álava and Bizkaia, and 1.0% in Gipuzkoa.

Meanwhile, the index of people employed in the sector posted a 1.1% increase during 2024.

In the **fourth quarter of 2024**, sales were up 2.7% compared to the fourth quarter of 2023. Compared to the previous quarter, and once corrected for seasonal effects, the growth in sales during the final quarter of the year was 1.7%.

Within the *Other Market Services* sector, the year-on-year evolution in sales was positive across the board. There was growth in sales of 4.4% in *Transport and Storage*, 2.5% in *Hospitality*, 2.3% in *Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities and Administrative Activities and Auxiliary Services*, and, lastly, 0.6% in *Information and Communications*.

In relation to the third quarter of 2024, there was a quarter-on-quarter rise in sales of 1.5% in *Information and Communications*, 1.3% in *Hospitality*, 1.0% in *Administrative Activities and Auxiliary Services*, and 0.5% in *Transport and Storage*. However, in *Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities*, sales fell by 0.1%.

## Other market services index of the Basque Country. Inter-annual and inter-mensual variation rates (p). 2024/IV

	Constant prices		
	t / t-4	t / t-1	At / A(t-4)
<b>SALES INDEX by sector</b>	2.7	1.7	1.8
Transportation and storage	4.4	0.5	1.5
Hostelry	2.5	1.3	2.7
Information and communication	0.6	1.5	1.1
Professional, scientific and technical activities	2.3	-0.1	2.3
Administrative and support service activities	2.3	1.0	0.9
<b>SALES INDEX by historic territory</b>			
Araba/Álava	3.2	1.9	2.1
Bizkaia	3.4	2.6	2.1
Gipuzkoa	1.3	0.1	1.0
<b>Employment index</b>			
Basque Country	1.1	0.5	1.1

(p)Provisional data

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. Index of other market services

By province, the performance of sales in the last quarter of the year was positive in both year-on-year and quarter-on-quarter terms. Growth in relation to the last quarter of 2023 stood at 3.4% in Bizkaia, 3.2% in Álava and 1.3% in Gipuzkoa. Similarly, compared to the third quarter, the increase in sales was 2.6% in Bizkaia, 1.9% in Álava and 0.1% in Gipuzkoa.

The index of people employed in the *Other Market Services* sector in the Basque Country rose by 1.1% in relation to the fourth quarter of 2023. Compared to the third quarter of 2024, there was a rise of 0.5%.

## **NOTE**

Eustat would like to thank all the establishments that have collaborated with gathering information. As a result, the index for this quarter was calculated with **93.85% coverage** of the sample.

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