

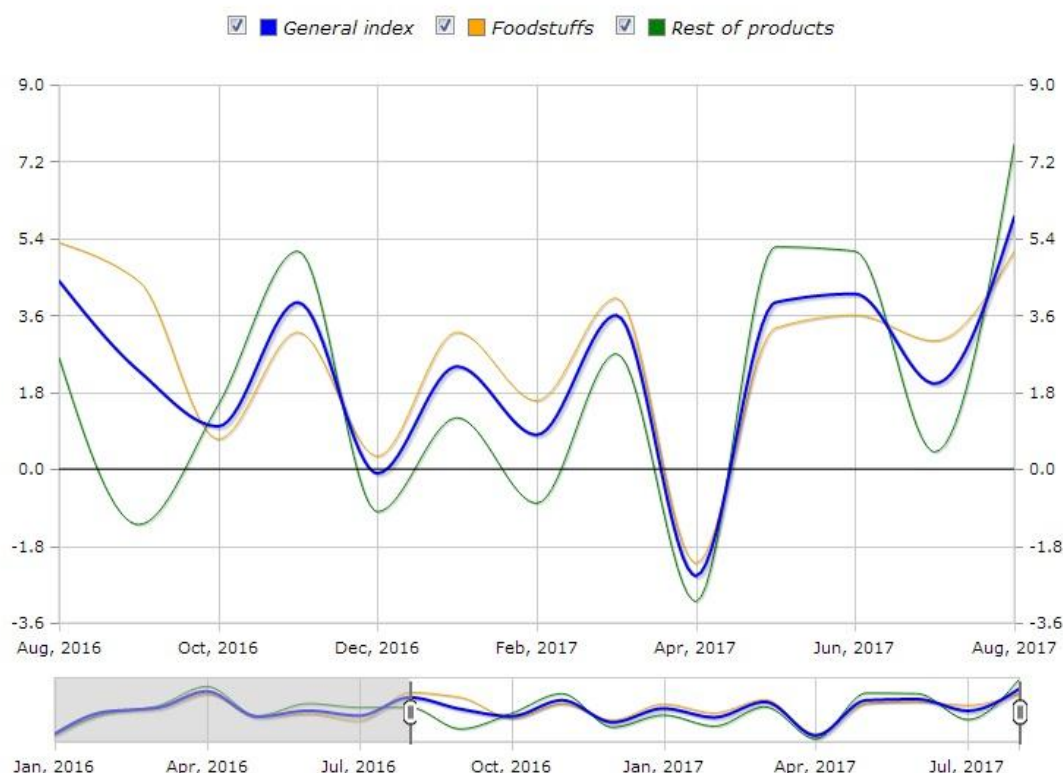
LARGE STORES AND FOOD CHAINS TRADE INDEX (IGSC). AUGUST 2017

The sales index of large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 5.9% in August 2017

The balance of the first eight months of 2017 closed with 2.5% growth

Sales at large stores and food chains in the Basque Country in August 2017 experienced a year-on-year upturn at constant prices of 5.9% in homogenous terms of the working calendar, according to Eustat data. Compared to July, sales were up 2.2% in deseasonalised terms.

Year-on-year growth rate of the index of trade by large stores and food chains in the Basque Country. (%) Corrected for calendar effects. Constant prices



Source: Eustat. Large Stores and Food Chains Trade Index-IGSC

Sales of food products at large stores and food chains reflected a rise of 5.1%, and sales corresponding to other items were also up by 7.6%.

There were increases in the three provinces: 6.6% in Bizkaia, 6.3% in Álava, and 4.7% in Gipuzkoa.

Over the first eight months of the year as a whole, sales in large stores and food chains in the Basque Country were up 2.5% with respect to the same period of the previous year, in homogeneous terms of the working calendar and at constant prices.

In this period, food sales saw a 2.7% upturn overall and other products saw an increase of 2.2%.

By province, in Bizkaia sales in the first eight months of the year rose by 2.6% at constant prices and with respect to the same period of the previous year; they were up by 2.5% in Gipuzkoa, and in Álava 2.2% rise was recorded.

The number of individuals employed in large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 3.9% compared to the same month of the previous year.

Table 1. Large Stores and Food Chains Trade Index of the Basque Country. Year-on-year and month-on-month growth rates. August. 2017

	CONSTANT PRICES		
	m / m-12	m / m-1	A (m) / A (m-12)
SALES INDEX by historic territory			
Basque Country	5,9	2,2	2,5
Araba/Álava	6,3	1,7	2,2
Bizkaia	6,6	2,8	2,6
Gipuzkoa	4,7	1,3	2,5
SALES INDEX by sector			
Food	5,1	1,7	2,7
Non food products	7,6	3,1	2,2
EMPLOYMENT INDEX			
Basque Country	3,9	-0,2	4,0

m / m-12 Year-on-year growth. Data corrected for calendar effects

m / m-1 Month-on-month growth. Seasonally adjusted data

A(m) / A(m-12) Year-on-year variation rate for the accumulated period from January to the current month of current year compared to the same accumulated period last year

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