

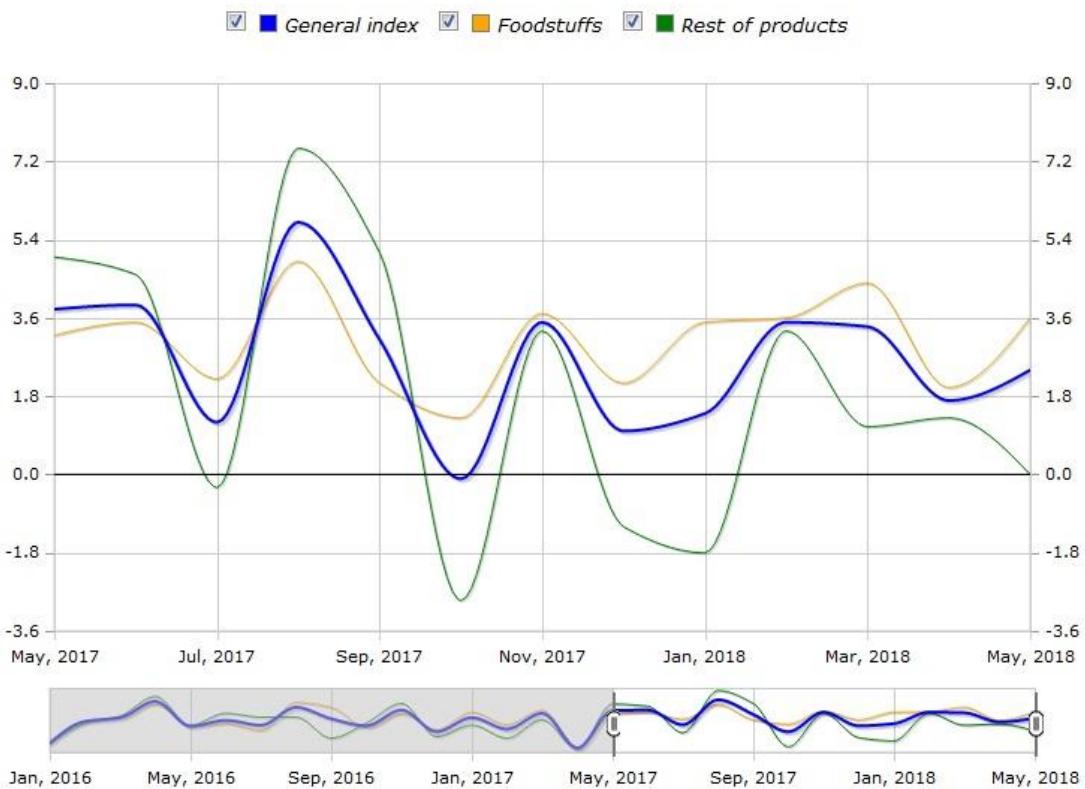
LARGE STORES AND FOOD CHAINS TRADE INDEX OF THE BASQUE COUNTRY. MAY 2018

The sales index of large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 2.4% in May 2018

The accumulated total for the first five months of the year closed with 2.5% growth

Sales at large stores and food chains in the Basque Country in May 2018 experienced a year-on-year upturn at constant prices of 2.4% in homogenous terms of the working calendar, according to Eustat data. Compared to April, sales were up 0.3% 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 were up 3.6%, and sales corresponding to other items experienced a fall of 0.0%, with respect to the same month of the previous year.

Compared to the previous month, April 2018, food sales have increased by 0.3% and sales of other items have decreased by 0.1%, at constant prices and in deseasonalised terms.

By province, Gipuzkoa saw an increase of 3.1% and in Bizkaia there was a rise of 2.7%, however in Álava sales were down by 0.2%, in all cases over the year-on-year period.

The number of individuals employed in large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 3.5% compared to the same month of the previous year. It was also up 1.5% on the previous month, in deseasonalised terms.

Table 1. Large Stores and Food Chains Trade Index of the Basque Country. Year-on-year and month-on-month growth rates. May. 2018

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

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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