

LARGE STORES AND FOOD CHAINS TRADE INDEX OF THE BASQUE COUNTRY, JANUARY 2019

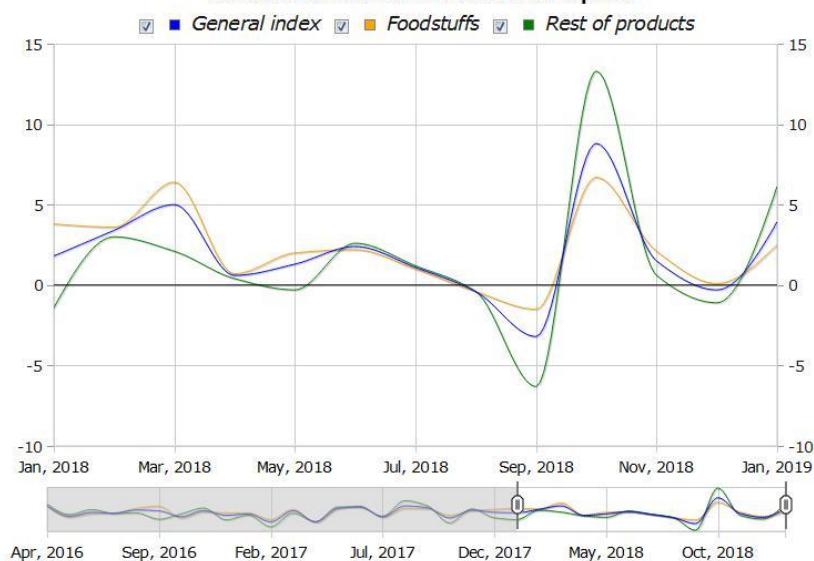
## Sales in large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 3.9% in January 2019

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Sales at large stores and food chains in the Basque Country in January 2019 experienced a year-on-year upturn at constant prices of 3.9% in homogenous terms of the working calendar, according to Eustat data. Compared to December 2018, sales were up 0.8% 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 2.5%, and sales corresponding to other items registered an increase of 6.1%, with respect to the same month of the previous year.

There were rises in all three provinces: Bizkaia saw an increase of 4.4%, in Gipuzkoa there was a rise of 3.7% and in Álava sales were up 2.4%, in all cases over the year-on-year period.

Compared to the previous month, December 2018, food sales increased by 0.6% and sales of other items rose by 1.2% at constant prices and in deseasonalised terms.

By province, compared to the previous month, December 2018, at constant prices and in deseasonalised terms, both Gipuzkoa and Bizkaia saw a rise of 0.8%, and Álava was up 1.2%.

The number of individuals employed in large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 2.4% compared to the same month of the previous year, but was down 0.5% on the previous month, in deseasonalised terms.

**Large Stores and Food Chains Trade Index of the Basque Country. Year-on-year and month-on-month growth rates. January. 2019**

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

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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**METHODOLOGICAL NOTE**

From January 2019 the series corrected for calendar effects and the series adjusted for seasonal effects since the 2015 base year are obtained using the software JDemetra+ 2.2.1, following the Eurostat recommendations for carrying out seasonal and calendar adjustments in the official statistics of the European Union.

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