

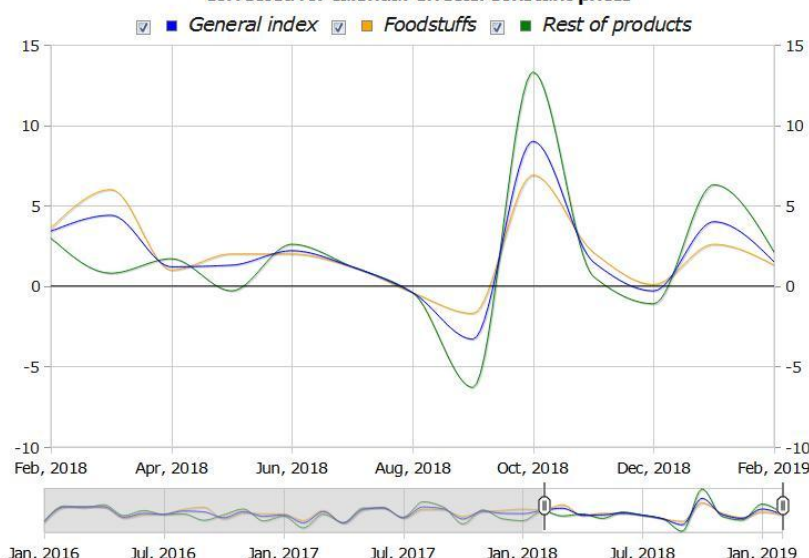
## Sales in large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 1.5% in February 2019

*With regards to the previous month they remained unchanged (0.0%)*

Sales at large stores and food chains in the Basque Country in February 2019 experienced a year-on-year upturn at constant prices of 1.5% in homogenous terms of the working calendar, according to Eustat data. Compared to January 2019, sales remained unchanged (0.0%) 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 1.3%, and sales corresponding to other items registered an increase of 2.1%, with respect to the same month of the previous year.

There were rises and falls in the provinces: Bizkaia saw a rise of 2.5%, in Gipuzkoa there was an increase of 0.6%, but in Álava sales were down 0.2%, in the year-on-year period.

Compared to the previous month, January 2019, food sales increased by 0.1% and sales of other items decreased by 0.2%, at constant prices and in deseasonalised terms.

By province, Bizkaia saw an increase of 0.1%, Gipuzkoa remained stable (0.0%) and Álava was down 0.5%, all with regards to the previous month, January 2019, at constant prices and in deseasonalised terms.

The number of people employed in large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 3.3% compared to the same month of the previous year. It was also up 0.5% on the previous month.

### **Large Stores and Food Chains Trade Index of the Basque Country. Year-on-year and month-on-month growth rates. February 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>1,5</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>2,8</b>
Araba/Álava	-0,2	-0,5	1,2
Bizkaia	2,5	0,1	3,6
Gipuzkoa	0,6	0,0	2,2
<b>SALES INDEX by sector</b>			
Food	1,3	0,1	1,9
Non food products	2,1	-0,2	4,5
<b>EMPLOYMENT INDEX</b>			
<b>Basque Country</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,9</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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