

LARGE STORES AND FOOD CHAINS TRADE INDEX OF THE BASQUE COUNTRY. SEPTEMBER 2019

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

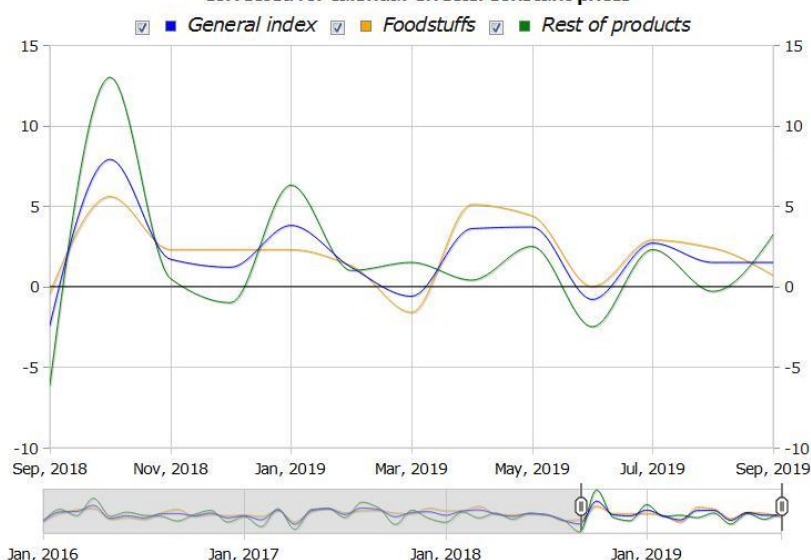
The accumulated total for the first nine months of the year closed with 1.8% growth

Sales at large stores and food chains in the Basque Country in September 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 August, sales were down 0.4% in deseasonalised terms.

Sales of food products were up 0.7%, and sales corresponding to other items increased by 3.2%, with respect to the same month of the previous year, once corrected for calendar effects.

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

Compared to the previous month, August 2019, food sales decreased by 0.6% and sales of other products remained unchanged, at constant prices and in deseasonalised terms.

By province, in Bizkaia there was a 2.7% increase, and in Álava there was a 1.3% rise, whereas in Gipuzkoa there was a 0.3% decrease, compared to the same month of the previous year, all at constant prices and corrected for calendar effects.

In the accumulated period of January to September 2019, the Sales index in large stores and food chains registered 1.8% growth, an increase that was produced both in food sales (1.9%) and in sales of other products (1.7%). There was also a positive trend in the three provinces: Álava increased in the year-to-date by 1.0%, Bizkaia by 2.3%, and Gipuzkoa by 1.5%, all at constant prices and in homogeneous terms of the working calendar.

The number of people employed in large stores and food chains in the Basque Country rose by 1.9% compared to the same month of the previous year. It was also up 0.3% on August. In the accumulated period of January to September the number of people employed was up 2.2% on the same period of 2018.

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

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

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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