

## Sales in the Market Services sector in the Basque Country increased by 5.5% in the second quarter of 2023

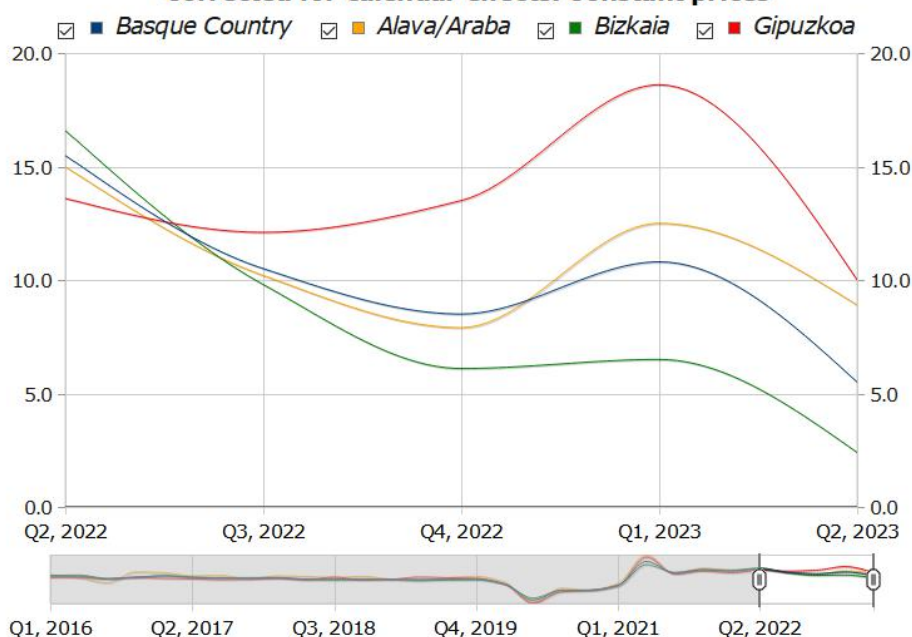
***In the cumulative total of the first quarter of 2023, sales rose by 8.0%***

Sales in the *Other Market Services* sector in the Basque Country increased by 5.5% in the second quarter of 2023 in relation to the same quarter of the previous year, at constant prices and once calendar effects had been eliminated, according to Eustat data. This sector includes the services offered by the sectors of *Transport, Hospitality, Information & Communications* and *Corporate Services Activities*.

Compared to the previous quarter, at constant prices and once corrected for seasonal effects, sales rose by 0.5% in the second quarter of 2023.

### Year-on-year variation rate of the service index. (%)

Corrected for calendar effects. Constant prices



Source: Eustat. Service Index

Within the *Other Market Services* sector, there was a positive year-on-year evolution of real sales (at constant prices) in all sectors, with the exception of *Administrative Activities and Auxiliary Services*, where sales were down 1.9%. Growth reached 13.2% in the *Transport and Storage* sector; 2.5% in *Information and Communications*; 1.3% in *Hospitality*; and, finally, 0.8% in *Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities*.

Comparing the second quarter of 2023 with the first quarter of the year, the sectors that experienced a positive result in their sales were *Transport and Storage*, with 2.2%, *Hospitality*, with 1.2%, and *Information and Communications*, with 0.5%. In contrast, sales were down 1.4% in *Administrative Activities and Auxiliary Services* and 1.1% in *Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities*, all at constant prices and once corrected for seasonal effects.

## Service index of the Basque Country. Other market services. Provisional data. 2023/II

	Constant prices		
	t / t-4	t / t-1	A(t) / A(t-4)
<b>GENERAL INDEX</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>8.0</b>
Transportation and storage	13.2	2.2	17.7
Hotels	1.3	1.2	3.1
Information and communication	2.5	0.5	3.4
Professional, scientific and technical activities	0.8	-1.1	1.1
Administrative and support service activities	-1.9	-1.4	1.4
<b>HISTORIC TERRITORIES</b>			
Araba/Álava	8.9	0.1	10.7
Bizkaia	2.4	0.8	4.4
Gipuzkoa	10.0	0.2	14.0
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.5</b>

t / t-4 Year-on-year variation. Data corrected for calendar effects

t / t-1 Interquarterly variation. Deseasonalised data

A(t) / A(t-4) Year-on-year change so far this year. Data corrected for calendar effects

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Source: Eustat. Service Index

By province, in Gipuzkoa there was a 10.0% year-on-year increase in the sales index, this rose by 8.9% in Álava and in Bizkaia it was up 2.4%.

The index of people employed in these services as a whole for the Basque Country had a positive variation of 1.5% in respect of the second quarter of 2022. In relation to the previous quarter, the increase was 0.8%.

### NOTE

Eustat would like to thank all the establishments that have collaborated with gathering information. As a result, the index for this quarter was calculated with **94.3% coverage**.

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