

Retail trade sales in the Basque Country rose by 3.5% in the second quarter of 2025

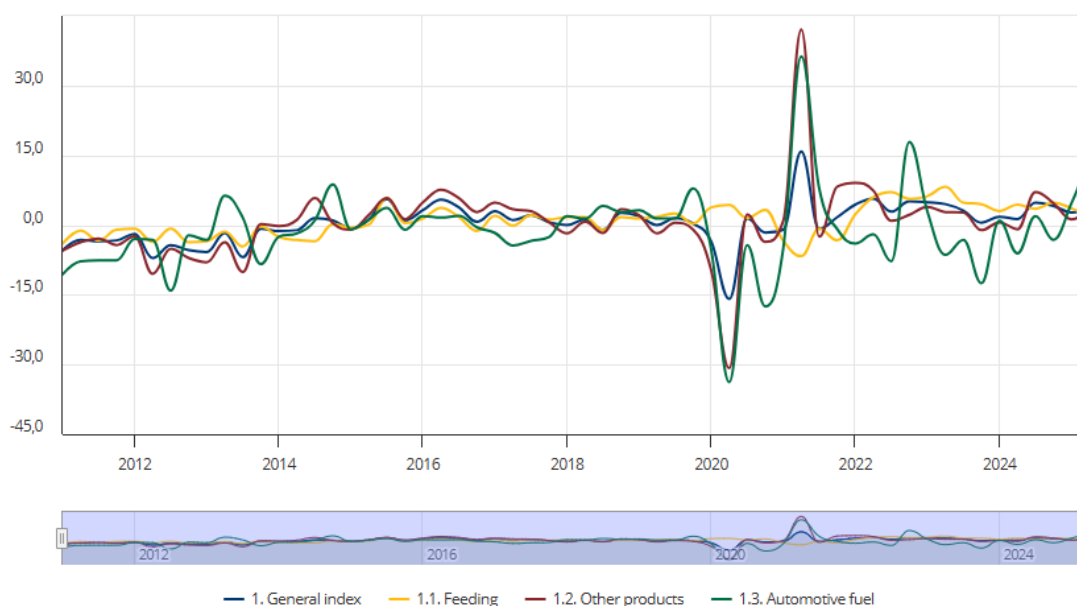
In relation to the previous quarter, the increase in sales stood at 1.1%

In the second quarter of 2025 sales in the retail trade sector of the Basque Country rose by 3.5% compared to the same quarter of the previous year, once corrected for calendar effects and at constant prices, according to Eustat data. Without taking service stations into consideration, the year-on-year increase in sales was 2.6%.

In respect of the previous quarter, once seasonal effects had been eliminated, the sales index increased by 1.1% during the second quarter of 2025.

≡ Year-on-year variation rate of the retail trade index of the Basque Country (%)

Constant prices



Source: Eustat. Retail trade index (ICIm)

Sales at constant prices increased by 1.7% in *Food*, 3.7% in *Other Products* and 14.1% in the *Automotive fuel* sector compared to the same quarter of 2024.

In respect of the first quarter of 2025, in deseasonalised terms and at constant prices, there was a growth of sales in *Food*, *Other Products* and *Automotive fuel* of 0.7%, 1.3% and 2.2% respectively.

Retail Trade Index in the Basque Country. Inter-annual and inter-mensual variation rates (p). 2025/II

	Constant prices		
	t / t-4	t / t-1	At / At-4
SALES INDEX by historic territory			
Basque Country	3.5	1.1	3.1
Araba/Álava	5.5	1.2	4.6
Bizkaia	3.5	1.3	2.9
Gipuzkoa	2.6	0.7	2.8
SALES INDEX by sector			
Foodstuffs	1.7	0.7	2.6
Establishments specialized in food	-3.4	-0.7	-0.2
Nonspecialist establishments mainly selling food products	3.6	2.2	3.6
Rest of products	3.7	1.3	2.4
Establishments specialising in personal equipment	3.3	0.9	1.7
Establishments specialising in household equipment	3.7	0.9	3.4
Establishments specialising in other consumer goods	5.5	1.0	4.8
Nonspecialist establishments mainly selling other products	2.4	1.0	-0.5
Automotive fuel	14.1	2.2	9.4
GENERAL INDEX without service station	2.6	1.0	2.5
Personnel index			
Basque Country	1.2	0.5	0.6

(p)Provisional data

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

t / t-1 Interquarterly variation. Deseasonalised data

At / A(t-4) Year-on-year variation rate in the accumulated period from the 1st quarter to the last quarter observed (At) with regards to the same accumulated period in the previous year (A(t-4))

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Source: Eustat. Retail trade index

Within the *Food* sector, sales increased by 3.6% in *Non-specialised retail trade with food, beverages or tobacco predominating* (basically supermarkets and hypermarkets). However, in *Specialised trade in food, beverages and tobacco* (establishments such as greengrocers, butchers and fishmongers) sales fell by 3.4% compared to the second quarter of 2024.

With regard to sales in *Other Products*, in the *Specialised trade in personal goods* (clothes, footwear, cosmetic and hygiene products), sales increased by 3.3%, in the *Specialised trade in household goods* sector (including domestic appliances, furniture and telecommunications equipment), they increased by 3.7%, in the *Specialised trade in other consumer goods* sector (including, among others, sporting goods, games and toys) there was a 5.5% increase, and in the *Non-specialised trade with other products predominating* sector (by mail order or online) there was an increase of 2.4%.

The retail trade sales index for the second quarter of 2025 registered a year-on-year increase in all three provinces. The index increased by 5.5% in Álava, 3.5% in Bizkaia and 2.6% in Gipuzkoa.

Compared to the previous quarter, the evolution in sales was also positive in all three provinces. Álava registered a quarter-on-quarter growth of 1.2%, in Bizkaia it was 1.3% and 0.7% in Gipuzkoa.

The number of people employed in the retail trade sector in the whole of the Basque Country in the second quarter of 2025 rose 1.2% in relation to the second quarter of the previous year. Compared to the first quarter of 2025, there was a rise of 0.5%.

NOTE

Year-on-year variations are calculated using the series corrected for calendar effects, and month-on-month variations are calculated using the deseasonalised series.

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