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## ***Higher turnover for hotels***

Hotels in the Netherlands did good business in the second quarter of 2006. Compared with the second quarter of 2005, they booked nearly 9 percent more turnover. According to figures from Statistics Netherlands, overall turnover in the hotel and restaurant sector was more than 5 percent higher in the second quarter of 2006 than twelve months previously. Price increases were modest, while the volume of sales was 3 percent higher. The hotel and restaurant sector has realised higher turnover than twelve months previously for five quarters in a row now.

## ***Restaurants and cafés also sell more***

For restaurants, cafés, pubs and bars, too, turnover was higher in the second quarter of 2006 than in the same quarter in 2005. Turnover in restaurants was mainly higher because of the higher volume of sales and to a lesser extent because of higher prices. For pubs and bars it was the other way around. Cafés and cafeterias sold less. May in particular was a poor month, but in June turnover picked up again.

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