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Same retail turnover in September

- Turnover and volume up after adjustment for shopping day effects
- Turnover in food and non-food at the same level as last year

Figures released by Statistics Netherlands show that retail turnover in September 2012 was about the same as in September 2011. Turnover changes came to -0.1 percent. Prices were 1.8 percent higher, while the volume fell by 1.9 percent.

The shopping day pattern was less favourable than in September 2011. Without this shopping day effect, turnover rose by almost 3 percent and volume by about 1 percent.

After five months of decline in turnover, non-food shops realised a turnover in September that was comparable to a year ago. Turnover and volume grew nearly 2 percent after adjustment for the shopping day effect. Shops selling consumer electronics, textile supermarkets and clothes shops realised a higher turnover than a year ago.

Turnover in shops selling food, drinks and tobacco reached about the same level as in September 2011. After adjustment for the shopping day effects, turnover in these shops rose by about 4 percent and volume by over 2 percent.

Mail order and companies and internet retailers increased their turnover by over 5 percent. Petrol stations saw their turnover decrease by 0.3 percent.

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