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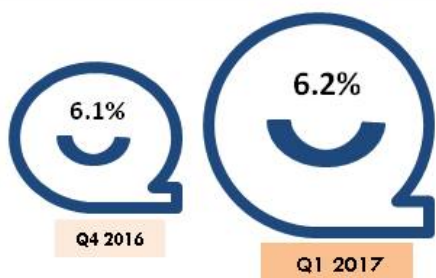
INDEX OF DISTRIBUTIVE TRADE (2010=100) FIRST QUARTER 2017



INDEX OF WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE
FIRST QUARTER 2017

YEAR-ON-YEAR

WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE SECTOR



Index of Wholesale & Retail Trade increased **6.2%** in first quarter 2017

SUB-SECTORS



Other Specialised Wholesale : 9.0%

Wholesale of Machinery, Equipment and Supplies : 6.3%



Sale of Motor Vehicles : 3.4%

Maintenance and Repair of Motor Vehicles: 3.4%



Retail Sale of Food, Beverages and Tobacco: 10.4%

Retail Sale Via Stalls and Markets: 9.9%

QUARTER-ON-QUARTER

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED INDEX

The seasonally adjusted index of Wholesale & Retail Trade grew 1.0% as against the previous quarter



Source: Quarterly Index of Distributive Trade, First Quarter 2017

The index of Wholesale & Retail Trade rose **6.2 per cent** to **153.1 points** during the first quarter 2017 as compared to the same period in 2016. The growth was spurred by the increase in the Retail Trade (**7.8%**) subsector.

The seasonally adjusted index of Wholesale & Retail Trade edged up **1.0 per cent** as against the fourth quarter 2016. The increase was mainly contributed by the Retail Trade subsector of **2.2 per cent**.

Table 1: Performance of Wholesale & Retail Trade Index by Sub-sector

Sub-sector (2010=100)	Index			
	Original	% Change YoY	Seasonally Adjusted	% Change QoQ
Index of Wholesale & Retail Trade	153.1	6.2	152.1	1.0
Index of Wholesale Trade	160.2	5.4	160.5	0.1
Index of Retail Trade	157.4	7.8	153.6	2.2
Index of Motor Vehicles	124.0	3.4	125.8	-0.5

Performance of Wholesale Trade Sub-sector

The index of Wholesale Trade went up **5.4 per cent** to **160.2 points** in the first quarter 2017 over the first quarter 2016. The increase was supported by Other Specialised Wholesale (**9.0%**) and Wholesale of Machinery, Equipment and Supplies (**6.3%**).

Performance of Retail Trade Sub-sector

In first quarter 2017, the Retail Trade sub-sector registered an increase of **7.8 per cent** to **157.4 points** year-on-year. The growth was driven by Retail Sale of Food, Beverages and Tobacco in Specialised Stores (**10.4%**), Retail Sale Via Stalls and Markets (**9.9%**) and Retail Sale of Information and Communications Equipment in Specialised Stores (**8.9%**).

Performance of Motor Vehicles Sub-sector

The index of Motor Vehicles which includes Parts and Accessories posted a positive growth of **3.4 per cent** to **124.0 points** in the first quarter 2017 as against the same quarter 2016. This increase was led by Sale of Motor Vehicles and Maintenance and Repair of Motor Vehicles which registered the same growth of **3.4 per cent**.

***Notes:**

Data for first quarter 2017 is **provisional**. The data will be updated based on the latest available figures and subsequently published in the publication second quarter 2017.

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