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Hotels do great business

Turnover in catering – from hotels to fast food – went up by nearly 6% in the second quarter of this year compared to the second quarter a year ago. The figures by Statistics Netherlands show that hotels did especially well. June was a positive exception for snack bars and cafés while turnover in restaurants in the second quarter was below the growth rate for catering as a whole.

Hotels continue to do well

The hotel branch, traditionally first in the catering branch, continued to do well. Hotel turnover, including B&B's and conference centres went up by 9.3% in the second quarter on the second quarter of 1999. The year on year increase in the first six months was 9.5% higher. This makes hotels the fastest growing branch in catering.

June good month for snack bars and cafés

Turnover for snack bars and similar types of outlets went up 5% on the second quarter of 1999, with a peak in June. The second quarter volume growth for snack bars, which is the growth rate corrected for price changes, came to 3.1%.

Second quarter turnover for cafés in the second quarter went up by 5.1% on a year ago, with a price corrected volume growth of 1.8%. Like snack bars the top month for cafés was June.

Slower turnover restaurants

The results of restaurants compared to the rest of catering are slightly less positive. Turnover increased by 4.4% on the second quarter of 1999. When corrected for price changes, volume growth was 1.9%.

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