

European Retail Intelligence -Continental Europe



# December 2010

# **Food Retailing - Italy**

- Economic recovery in Italy is forecast to be slow, with GDP growth of around 1% expected for 2010 and 2011 with only a small increase in growth thereafter.
- Austerity measures, coupled with rising unemployment, are likely to continue to put pressure on consumer spending over the next few years, although ...

# Food Retailing - Spain

- The consensus economic forecast is for a further small decline in GDP in 2010 and only a marginal increase in 2011.
- The retail trade will remain subdued in the short term because of high unemployment, high personal indebtedness and an oversupplied housing market.
- However we estimate that all retail sales ...

# **Food Retailing - France**

- The French economy emerged from recession in 2009 and is well on its way to recovery.
  The government forecasts growth of around 1.5% in 2010 and between 1% and 2% in 2011.
- Spending on food has remained robust throughout the economic crisis. Spend in 2008 was boosted by inflation ...

### **Food Retailing - Germany**

- The economy is recovering, but consumers are being held back by the recent austerity measures.
- This will delay any resurgence in retail sales till 2012 at the earliest, when consumers may finally feel confident enough to trade up again.
- The grocers will drive growth in food retailers' sales going forwards ...

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#### **Food Retailing - Europe**

This report series covers the 19 leading economies of Western Europe. In total these countries account for around 98% of all European retail sales, excluding Russia. The remaining ten countries are either too small (eg Luxembourg) or are not sufficiently well developed to warrant detailed coverage (eg Romania and Bulgaria

## **Clothing Retailing - Germany**

- The population is ageing, but there is a growing segment of the population which aspires to younger fashion.
- The economy is recovering, but consumers are being held back by the recent austerity measures.
- Historically, Germans have shown a lack of interest in clothing and clothing retailers' share of all retail ...

#### **Clothing Retailing - France**

#### **Clothing Retailing - Italy**

- Economic contraction began in the second quarter of 2008. Positive growth returned in the third quarter of 2009, but GDP still declined by 5.0% for the full year.
- The recovery is forecast to be slow, with GDP growth of around 1% forecast for 2010 and 2011 with only a ...

#### **Clothing Retailing - Spain**

- Spain is emerging from a deep recession. Given the problems of its housing industry, the recovery will be very slow.
- The prospects for spending on clothing are therefore poor. 2010 should mark the low point, but we do not expect clothing specialists sales to exceed those of 2007 until 2015 ...

## **Clothing Retailing - Europe**



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- The French population is aging, and is seeking good quality as they seek to make their clothes last and good value as they don't tend to spend a lot on clothes.
- The French economy emerged from recession in 2009 and is on its way to recovery. The Government forecasts growth ...
- The European clothing market was worth an estimated €301.4 billion (including VAT) in 2009.
- Compared to 2008, spending on clothing declined by 4% in 2009.
- As a discretionary area of spend, it comes as little surprise that clothing has been heavily impacted by the recessionary climate across Europe. Nevertheless ...

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# **Clothing Retailing - UK**

There is more choice than ever before in the UK's clothing mass-market. But the retail landscape is about to change as the deflation of the last decade comes to an abrupt end. Raw material prices, freight and labour costs (particularly in the Far East) are rising and, coupled with the ...