

Introduction

The table compares consumer spending by the percentage for three different groups in five separate regions over a one year period.

Overview

It is clear that the largest amount of money in all countries went on cigarettes, food and beverages. On the other hand, the lowest expenditure from all five countries was in the education and free-time category.

Details 1

In 2002, Turkish people spent the most money on food and drinks at 32.14%, This was closely followed by Ireland at around 29%. The proportion of spending on free-time and schooling was also the highest in Turkey at 4.35%, while expenditure on cloths was considerably higher in Italy at 9%. The other countries only spent around 6% on this category.

Details 2

It is clear that Sweden had the lowest percentages of national consumer expenditure in two categories, namely food, drinks, tobacco and clothing and shoes. These were at just under 16 % and just over 5% respectively. Spain had slightly higher figures for these categories, but the lowest figure for leisure and education at only 1.98%.