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Trade Turnover, Employment, Wages and Salaries and Hours worked Indexes

March 2026

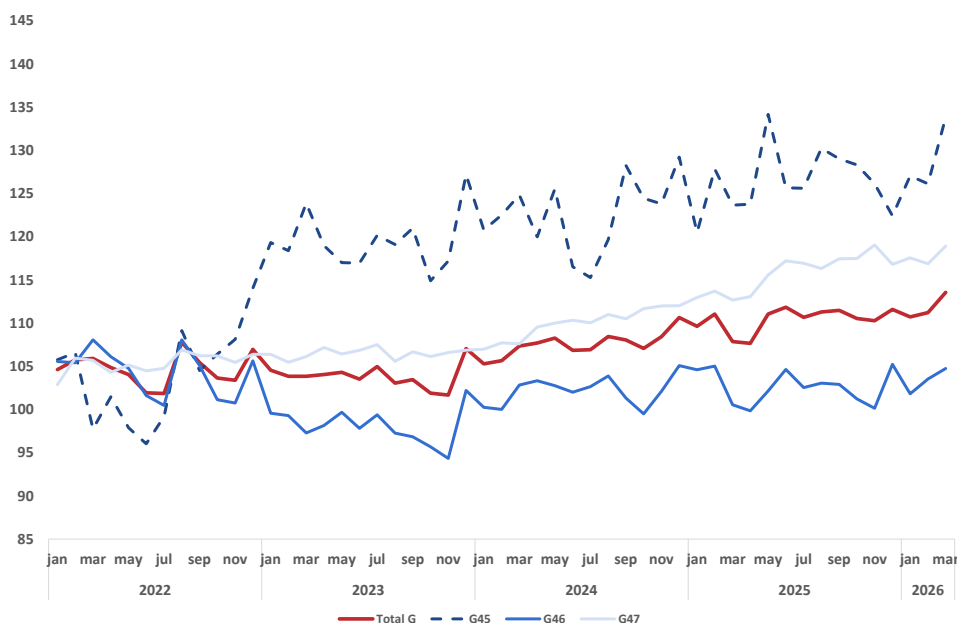
TRADE TURNOVER¹ ACCELERATED TO 5.3%

The trade turnover index recorded a year-on-year change rate of 5.3% in March, 5.1 percentage points (p.p.) higher than that observed in the previous month. Retail trade turnover increased by 5.5% (2.8% in February), while wholesale trade rose by 4.2% (-1.4% in the previous month).

In the first quarter of 2026, trade sales registered a year-on-year growth of 2.1%, slightly accelerating (by 0.2 p.p.) compared to the previous quarter.

The indices of employment, wages and hours worked adjusted for calendar effects recorded year-on-year changes of 0.3%, 5,8% and 3.6% in March, respectively (0.3%, 6.8% and -0.2% in February).

Figure 1



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¹ Trade indices for turnover analysed are deflated and adjusted for calendar and seasonal effects.