



Good News for EAE instore clients.

More visitors through Safeway, Tesco & Dobbies Garden Centres means increased demand for what's on info.

Higher Tourist numbers good for Scottish retail sales

Retail sales in Scotland continued to surge ahead in August, helped by good weather and high numbers of tourists travelling within the country.

Total sales grew at an annual rate of 7.6% in August, the highest figure posted since April, when the late arrival of Easter sent consumers on a shopping spree that pushed sales growth up to 9.9%. August also marked the third successive month in which overall sales growth in Scotland outpaced that for the UK as a whole.

The Scottish Retail Consortium, which produces the monthly monitor in conjunction with the Royal Bank of Scotland, said the high level of domestic and international tourism during August boosted sales across the board. Food retailers once again posted an “extremely strong” performance, while convenience stores also fared well.

Other sectors reporting a good month included carpets and furniture, health and beauty and department stores.

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