

The Retail Property Telescope Spain 2025

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Macro Outlook



Supply &

Demand

Spain expected to keep "healthy" but with demand stabilizing

- ► GDP expected growth: + 2.3% forecasted to 2025, according to OCDE, compared to a 3.0% growth in 2024.
- ► 11.4% unemployment rate as of Q1 2025 expected to level off.
- ➤ Consumer confidence falling 8 points YoY, from 85 to 76. E-commerce sales grew by 8% in 2024, and the Purchasing Manager Index (PMI) fell below 50 (49%) as of May 25, in line with most countries in Central Europe, which means recession.
- Yield evolution is expected to level off progressively in 2025 once compressed in 2023-24, financing costs decrease and robust NOI and effort rates setting the positive tone.

► Commercial density levelled off to 344 sq.m/1,000 inhab with only 6 new openings/enlargements last year.

- ▶ 19 out of the 21 new projects in the pipeline (next 3 years) are **Retail Parks** leaving shopping centres in stand-by.
- Consumer spending habits still conditioned by the COVID tailwinds. Food and Household categories the winning categories by far.
- ➤ Sales per sq.m beginning to show signs of stagnation. In some instances, we are even witnessing slight declines, which seem to be a result of a drop in consumer confidence. This is also impacting on the M&A activity of the underlying retail business, with lower EBITDA multiples considered.
- ► E-Commerce hitting its limits. Key categories remain firmly anchored in physical retail.

Financing Activity



- ▶ 46% of debt granted in 2024 was by traditional banks actively lending yielding assets in dislocated regions. However, still reluctant to provide financing on speculative developments in good locations of Madrid and Catalonia.
- ➤ Alternative capital providers on the rise, expanding their share up to 31% of total debt granted in 2024, open to secure 70% LTC/LTV senior loan facilities and Mezz/Pref Equity tranches (15% all-in).
- ▶ International banks reduced their share to 22%
- ► C. €2.3bn debt expected to be requested in 2025, including new supply and refinancings.

Retail Investment Market



- ▶ Global Retail investment growing by 2% YoY to 129bn. Global retail investment is also recovering share vs other asset classes (21% over total RE in 2025 vs 12% in 2021). Investment in Spain rocketed (2,7X vs 2023).
- ➤ Yield compressed sharply thanks to NOI growth, sales jump and interest rates cuts. Value Added investors had profit from an unprecedent opportunistic outlook.
- ► European retail REITS stock price trading at 28% discount to NAV (36% in 2023). Real Estate investors bowing to retail again.
- ▶ No more bargains 11% of the Spanish divestment pipeline is ranked as "prime" in 2025, (36% in 2024)

5 SC - Key Performing Indicators



	Sales growth vs 2019	Sales growth vs 2023	Sales (€/sq.m)	Effort Rate
Food	4.7%	37.6%	3,700	4.7%
Household and Furniture	4.4%	31.1%	1,247	9.3%
Services	5.4%	20.7%	2,025	10.9%
Electronics	10.1%	-13.8%	3,906	11.3%
Restaurants	3.7%	12.8%	3,988	13.2%
Leisure	4.1%	21.4%	4566	13.6%
Fashion	3.1%	18.2%	2,840	15.8%
Specialty Retail	2.8%	4.6%	591	24.6%