More Must Be Done To Support Retailers

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Chambers Ireland has called on Government to implement improved measures to support the struggling retail sector in Budget 2014. The call comes following the latest CSO figures which show a 1.6% decrease in the volume of retail sales in June 2013 when compared with May 2013.

Speaking this morning, Ian Talbot, Chambers Ireland Chief Executive, said "Retail Sales have remained relatively stable over the last couple of years but they will only begin to improve with increased support from the Government in Budget 2014. With retailers forming the heart of our towns and cities across the country, the Government must do everything it can to assist this sector which will support increased job creation and retention."

"Retailers in our once thriving town centres should be supported by a rates reduction for companies located within town and city centres, which provide much needed employment and contribute to the quality of life in these areas. Providing improved support for retailers through measures such as this and more will increase job creation and retention and improve consumer confidence," he concluded.

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