

Regional Accounts

2016 and 2017Po

In 2017, Algarve registered again the highest growth in volume, led by the tourism sector

According to the provisional results for 2017, all regions registered increases in real GDP, especially *Algarve* (3.5%), *Alentejo* (3.2%), *Região Autónoma da Madeira* (3.1%) and *Área Metropolitana de Lisboa* (3.0%), which presented higher growth rates than the country average. *Norte* and *Centro* (both 2.5%) and the *Região Autónoma dos Açores* (2.4%) registered growths lower than the national average.

The final results of 2016 revealed that the asymmetries of GDP per capita among the twenty-five regions reach their maximum expression in the comparison of *Alentejo Litoral* (141.7) with *Tâmega e Sousa* (62.8). It should be noted that, compared to 2015, there was a decrease in the regional disparity in this indicator, the difference between these two regions ranging from 84.7 percentage points to 78.9 percentage points.
