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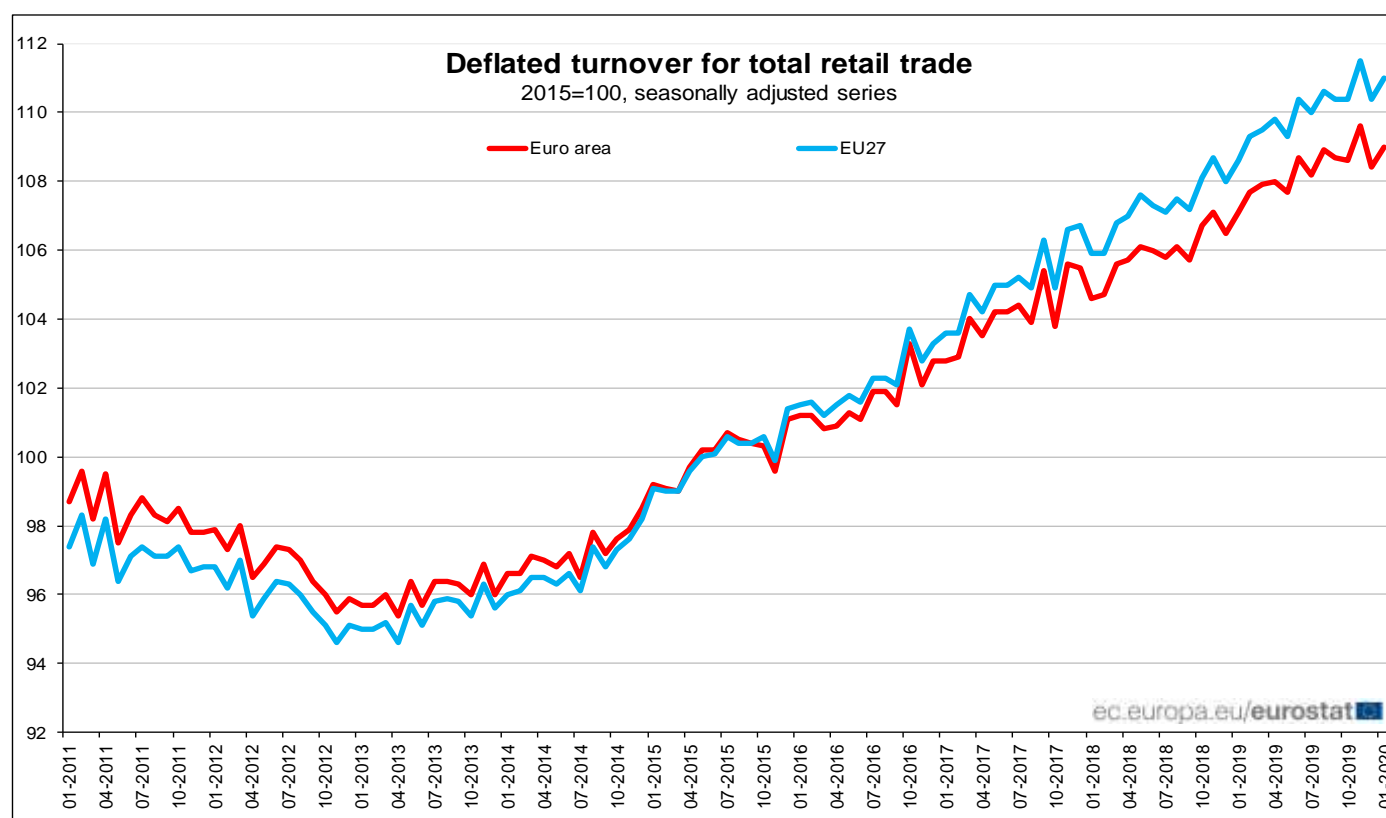
January 2020 compared with December 2019

Volume of retail trade up by 0.6% in euro area

Up by 0.5% in EU27

In January 2020 compared with December 2019, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade increased by 0.6% in the **euro area** (EA19) and by 0.5% in the **EU27**, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In December 2019, the retail trade volume decreased by 1.1% in the **euro area** and by 1.0% in the **EU27**.

In January 2020 compared with January 2019, the calendar adjusted retail sales index increased by 1.7% in the **euro area** and by 2.1% in the **EU27**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in January 2020, compared with December 2019, the volume of retail trade increased by 1.9% for automotive fuels, by 0.7% for food, drinks and tobacco and by 0.4% for non-food products. In the **EU27**, the volume of retail trade increased by 1.9% for automotive fuels, by 0.7% for food, drinks and tobacco and by 0.3% for non-food products.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest increases in the total retail trade volume were registered in **Slovenia** (+5.6%), **Portugal** (+4.2%) and **Romania** (+3.5%). The largest decreases were observed in **Belgium** (-2.4%), **Ireland** (-1.7%) and **Malta** (-0.7%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in January 2020, compared with January 2019, the volume of retail trade increased by 2.4% for non-food products and by 0.7% for both automotive fuel and food, drinks and tobacco. In the **EU27**, the retail trade volume increased by 3.2% for non-food products, by 0.9% for food, drinks and tobacco and by 0.8% for automotive fuel.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest yearly increases in the total retail trade volume were registered in **Romania** (+11.0%), **Hungary** (+7.6%) and **Lithuania** (+5.5%). Decreases were observed in **Belgium** (-1.4%) and **Slovakia** (-1.0%).

Geographical information

The **euro area** (EA19) includes Belgium, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia and Finland.

The **European Union** (EU27) includes Belgium, Bulgaria, Czechia, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland and Sweden.

As of 1 February 2020, the United Kingdom is no longer part of the European Union. Information on dissemination of European statistics after Brexit can be found on the [Eurostat website](#).

Methods and definitions

The **index of the volume of retail trade** measures the evolution of the turnover in retail trade, adjusted for price changes (deflated), i.e. the evolution of the total amount of goods sold, based on data adjusted for calendar and seasonal effects.

Seasonally adjusted euro area and EU series are calculated by aggregating the seasonally adjusted national data. Eurostat carries out the seasonal adjustment of the data for those countries that do not adjust their data for seasonal effects.

Missing observations from Member States for recent months are estimated for the calculation of the euro area and the EU aggregates.

Revisions and timetable

Data of previous months have been revised compared to those issued in the News Release [27/2020](#) of 5 February 2020. The monthly percentage change for December 2019 has been revised from -1.6% to -1.1% in the euro area and from -1.3% to -1.0% in the EU27. The annual percentage change was revised from +1.3% to +1.7% in the euro area and from +1.9% to +2.0% in the EU27.

For more information

Eurostat [database section](#) on short-term business statistics

Eurostat [Statistics Explained article](#) on the index of retail trade

The [weights of the Member States](#) in the EU and euro area aggregates

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Volume of retail trade
% change compared with the previous month*

	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
EA19						
Total retail trade	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.9	-1.1	0.6
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.6	-0.8	0.4	0.5	-1.1	0.7
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.9	0.0	-0.4	1.3	-1.1	0.4
Textiles, clothing, footwear	1.1	-0.3	-0.7	1.8	-2.7	:
Electrical goods and furniture	0.5	-0.1	-0.5	1.5	-1.4	0.4
Computer equipment, books and other	1.3	-0.6	0.1	1.1	-1.6	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	1.2	0.4	0.3	0.7	-1.2	0.4
Mail orders and internet	1.9	-1.0	-2.5	2.1	0.7	-0.5
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.3	-0.4	0.5	-1.2	-0.1	1.9
EU27						
Total retail trade	0.5	-0.2	0.0	1.0	-1.0	0.5
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.6	-0.8	0.5	0.5	-1.1	0.7
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.8	0.0	-0.3	1.5	-1.3	0.3
Textiles, clothing, footwear	1.1	-0.3	-0.6	1.8	-2.5	:
Electrical goods and furniture	0.4	0.0	-0.3	1.9	-1.4	0.5
Computer equipment, books and other	1.1	-0.5	0.2	1.1	-1.6	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	1.1	0.4	0.2	1.0	-1.3	0.4
Mail orders and internet	1.5	-0.6	-2.0	2.1	0.8	-0.4
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.2	-0.2	0.4	-1.1	0.0	1.9

Source dataset: sts_trtu_m

Total retail trade	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
EA19	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.9	-1.1	0.6
EU27	0.5	-0.2	0.0	1.0	-1.0	0.5
EU28	0.4	-0.2	0.1	0.5	-0.6	0.5
Belgium	-0.8	-0.1	0.6	2.7	-2.5	-2.4
Bulgaria	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.7	-0.4
Czechia	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.4	c
Denmark	0.0	0.3	-0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.5
Germany	0.0	0.1	-0.5	1.7	-2.0	0.9
Estonia	1.0	0.4	0.0	1.7	-2.1	1.5
Ireland	0.4	2.1	-1.5	-1.2	3.3	-1.7
Greece	2.1	1.4	-0.7	0.0	-3.2	c
Spain	c	c	c	c	c	c
France	3.2	-1.7	0.2	1.1	-1.0	0.2
Croatia	-1.1	2.0	0.3	1.3	0.3	c
Italy	-0.2	0.3	-0.1	c	c	c
Cyprus	1.3	0.0	0.7	1.8	-0.6	c
Latvia	0.1	-1.2	0.3	2.7	-0.3	0.6
Lithuania	-0.1	0.7	-0.1	1.0	0.0	0.9
Luxembourg	-0.3	0.0	0.5	0.0	-0.3	0.0
Hungary	0.6	0.2	0.8	0.9	-0.2	1.2
Malta	0.0	0.9	0.2	-0.2	1.0	-0.7
Netherlands	-0.9	1.3	-0.3	0.5	0.4	c
Austria	-1.2	0.2	0.0	0.9	-0.7	-0.2
Poland	-0.3	-0.4	1.2	2.4	-2.0	0.5
Portugal	0.8	-2.6	2.6	0.6	-0.8	4.2
Romania	0.4	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.8	3.5
Slovenia	-0.8	-0.3	0.8	0.2	-2.0	5.6
Slovakia	-1.2	0.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.6	1.9
Finland	0.7	0.9	-0.7	-0.1	-0.5	0.4
Sweden	0.9	-0.4	0.2	0.6	-1.2	0.7
United Kingdom	-0.4	-0.2	0.1	-1.7	1.0	0.3
Norway	0.1	-0.1	-0.9	1.0	-2.1	0.5
Switzerland	-0.9	-0.1	0.7	0.7	-0.5	-0.6

* Calendar and seasonally adjusted

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Source dataset: sts_trtu_m

Volume of retail trade
% change compared with the same month of the previous year*

	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
EA19						
Total retail trade	2.9	2.9	1.8	2.4	1.7	1.7
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.2	0.5	0.4	1.6	-0.6	0.7
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	4.2	4.7	2.9	3.5	3.6	2.4
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-0.1	2.9	0.1	1.4	-0.7	:
Electrical goods and furniture	3.9	2.6	2.1	2.9	2.6	1.9
Computer equipment, books and other	5.6	5.1	3.8	5.6	3.6	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	3.7	4.2	3.5	3.6	2.9	2.4
Mail orders and internet	11.7	11.2	6.1	5.2	13.6	7.7
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	1.9	0.5	0.6	-1.2	-0.6	0.7
EU27						
Total retail trade	3.0	3.0	2.1	2.7	2.0	2.1
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.2	0.6	0.7	1.6	-0.2	0.9
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	4.4	5.0	3.4	4.1	4.0	3.2
Textiles, clothing, footwear	0.4	3.2	0.8	1.6	0.0	:
Electrical goods and furniture	4.8	3.7	3.3	4.5	4.3	3.3
Computer equipment, books and other	5.1	4.6	3.7	5.2	2.9	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	3.7	4.1	3.2	3.7	2.8	2.4
Mail orders and internet	11.7	11.5	7.0	5.8	14.1	8.6
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	3.1	1.6	1.5	-0.7	-0.1	0.8

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20
EA19	2.9	2.9	1.8	2.4	1.7	1.7
EU27	3.0	3.0	2.1	2.7	2.0	2.1
EU28	2.9	2.9	2.2	2.0	2.2	2.2
Belgium	0.1	0.7	0.3	2.4	0.3	-1.4
Bulgaria	3.6	3.5	2.6	3.7	5.8	3.1
Czechia	4.5	4.9	4.5	3.7	3.9	c
Denmark	0.8	0.7	0.8	-0.3	0.0	1.7
Germany	3.5	3.7	1.9	3.4	1.7	1.4
Estonia	4.6	3.7	4.3	4.4	3.2	3.3
Ireland	4.4	4.9	4.1	2.3	5.8	3.4
Greece	2.2	5.0	7.2	3.7	-1.5	c
Spain	c	c	c	c	c	c
France	4.3	2.6	1.3	3.2	2.5	2.1
Croatia	0.4	3.3	2.6	3.9	4.0	c
Italy	0.3	1.6	1.0	c	c	c
Cyprus	5.2	4.4	6.0	6.9	5.6	c
Latvia	2.5	-0.8	0.1	1.7	2.8	2.5
Lithuania	3.5	4.5	3.8	4.7	4.0	5.5
Luxembourg	3.4	3.8	3.7	2.5	0.9	0.6
Hungary	5.9	5.6	6.2	7.5	6.0	7.6
Malta	4.8	7.4	6.3	4.4	5.8	3.3
Netherlands	0.9	2.8	2.0	1.1	3.6	c
Austria	0.3	2.0	0.7	2.2	0.6	1.0
Poland	4.7	3.8	4.5	5.9	4.1	5.2
Portugal	4.5	3.6	3.6	4.6	2.7	4.4
Romania	7.4	7.1	6.8	6.6	8.5	11.0
Slovenia	4.1	1.7	-5.4	-3.3	-5.7	4.5
Slovakia	-3.0	-2.7	-3.3	-4.0	-2.5	-1.0
Finland	3.7	4.3	3.7	1.9	0.8	2.2
Sweden	2.0	1.9	2.2	1.0	2.0	1.7
United Kingdom	2.4	2.6	2.6	-0.9	2.9	2.4
Norway	0.4	0.8	-0.2	0.7	-0.7	-1.7
Switzerland	-0.4	1.6	0.2	1.1	0.8	0.0

Calendar adjusted

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Deflated turnover indices for total retail trade, calendar and seasonally adjusted
(base year 2015)

	01/19	02/19	03/19	04/19	05/19	06/19	07/19	08/19	09/19	10/19	11/19	12/19	01/20
EA19	107.1	107.7	107.9	108.0	107.7	108.7	108.2	108.9	108.7	108.6	109.6	108.4	109.0
EU27	108.6	109.3	109.5	109.8	109.3	110.4	110.0	110.6	110.4	110.4	111.5	110.4	111.0
EU28	109.1	109.7	110.1	110.3	109.8	110.8	110.6	111.0	110.8	110.9	111.4	110.7	111.3
Belgium	98.1	99.2	98.5	99.0	100.3	100.5	99.4	98.6	98.5	99.1	101.8	99.3	96.9
Bulgaria	117.8	116.9	117.9	118.0	118.3	118.6	119.7	119.8	119.9	120.0	120.8	121.7	121.2
Czechia	119.6	120.8	121.5	121.6	120.4	122.5	122.0	122.3	123.0	123.0	123.1	123.6	c
Denmark	103.2	104.3	104.9	104.7	103.4	104.7	104.6	104.6	104.9	104.5	104.6	104.5	105.0
Germany	109.7	110.2	110.5	110.0	109.4	111.5	111.0	111.0	111.1	110.5	112.4	110.2	111.2
Estonia	110.1	111.6	112.4	112.4	109.7	110.2	110.9	112.0	112.5	112.5	114.4	112.0	113.7
Ireland	118.3	120.4	120.3	121.5	119.1	118.3	120.5	121.0	123.5	121.7	120.2	124.2	122.1
Greece	99.7	100.4	104.6	100.9	101.4	104.0	102.1	104.2	105.7	105.0	105.0	101.6	c
Spain	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
France	110.7	111.9	111.7	112.5	112.3	112.7	111.3	114.9	112.9	113.1	114.3	113.1	113.3
Croatia	113.8	115.3	114.9	113.9	111.1	115.1	113.7	112.5	114.7	115.0	116.5	116.8	c
Italy	100.4	100.1	100.0	100.4	99.7	100.9	100.7	100.5	100.8	100.7	c	c	c
Cyprus	117.5	118.7	120.0	120.1	119.6	120.5	120.8	122.4	122.4	123.2	125.4	124.6	c
Latvia	112.4	113.8	114.0	115.0	113.7	113.5	112.8	112.9	111.5	111.8	114.8	114.5	115.2
Lithuania	121.6	122.4	124.3	129.4	123.4	125.2	125.0	124.9	125.8	125.7	127.0	127.0	128.2
Luxembourg	36.3	36.6	36.3	36.8	36.4	36.8	37.0	36.9	36.9	37.1	37.1	37.0	37.0
Hungary	121.7	123.7	123.5	124.1	123.1	125.0	125.7	126.4	126.7	127.7	128.9	128.7	130.3
Malta	111.4	111.4	112.0	113.4	111.8	113.7	114.2	114.2	115.2	115.4	115.2	116.4	115.6
Netherlands	108.3	109.3	109.6	110.3	110.2	110.0	110.3	109.3	110.7	110.4	111.0	111.4	c
Austria	102.6	103.2	103.0	104.4	102.4	103.9	105.0	103.7	103.9	103.9	104.8	104.1	103.9
Poland	120.9	123.1	123.7	125.7	123.5	126.5	125.6	125.2	124.7	126.2	129.2	126.6	127.2
Portugal	115.7	114.6	116.5	115.7	117.2	115.5	116.5	117.4	114.3	117.3	118.0	117.0	121.9
Romania	138.8	138.7	139.6	139.0	138.3	140.4	141.0	141.6	142.9	144.2	145.6	146.7	151.8
Slovenia	121.6	124.8	121.7	124.0	121.7	120.8	122.5	121.5	121.1	122.1	122.4	120.0	126.7
Slovakia	113.1	110.5	110.8	112.1	110.1	110.9	110.8	109.5	109.8	110.6	110.5	109.8	111.9
Finland	107.4	108.0	108.5	109.2	107.9	109.7	109.1	109.9	110.9	110.1	110.0	109.4	109.8
Sweden	106.4	106.5	106.9	110.1	106.8	107.2	107.3	108.3	107.9	108.1	108.8	107.5	108.3
United Kingdom	111.5	111.8	113.0	112.3	112.0	112.7	113.4	113.0	112.8	112.9	111.0	112.1	112.4
Norway	103.3	101.8	102.4	104.3	102.9	102.4	103.2	103.3	103.2	102.3	103.3	101.1	101.6
Switzerland	98.1	98.3	98.1	98.5	97.9	99.2	98.8	97.9	97.8	98.5	99.2	98.7	98.1

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Deflated turnover indices for total retail trade, calendar adjusted
(base year 2015)

	01/17	01/18	01/19	02/19	03/19	04/19	05/19	06/19	07/19	08/19	09/19	10/19	11/19	12/19	01/20
EA19	98.1	99.6	101.8	95.5	105.7	105.5	106.6	108.9	108.5	111.1	105.8	109.8	111.3	128.9	103.5
EU27	97.7	99.6	102.1	96.2	107.3	107.5	108.5	110.9	110.7	113.0	107.8	111.8	113.3	130.8	104.2
EU28	97.1	99.0	101.6	97.3	107.1	108.0	108.7	110.8	111.3	112.4	107.9	112.0	115.0	132.5	103.8
Belgium	100.3	97.3	97.0	87.4	99.4	98.5	101.9	102.5	101.5	92.1	96.1	100.9	99.8	118.4	95.6
Bulgaria	95.1	97.9	102.6	96.6	112.4	113.3	118.0	121.2	129.3	130.7	122.7	123.5	124.0	138.0	105.8
Czechia	95.2	103.1	108.0	104.3	120.1	118.4	120.6	123.0	118.4	119.0	121.0	125.0	134.0	150.9	c
Denmark	94.4	94.6	94.2	88.8	102.2	105.0	107.1	106.8	103.4	105.3	101.0	102.2	110.2	127.1	95.8
Germany	95.6	98.1	101.3	98.6	111.9	110.7	108.8	110.9	111.7	107.5	107.6	112.1	118.6	127.4	102.7
Estonia	96.9	95.8	101.1	95.3	109.5	109.1	114.1	114.0	117.9	116.6	110.7	113.7	112.4	126.2	104.4
Ireland	98.5	104.7	109.9	114.3	108.3	113.8	114.4	115.9	117.1	118.8	118.8	117.5	133.0	168.8	113.6
Greece	94.7	95.6	92.5	96.1	99.6	99.3	96.0	105.3	107.9	111.7	107.2	102.2	102.4	114.6	c
Spain	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
France	102.2	104.5	107.1	98.9	107.8	109.5	110.6	112.7	96.8	131.3	108.3	114.1	114.0	139.6	109.3
Croatia	83.2	87.6	92.1	92.2	107.6	109.4	110.4	123.0	138.1	136.3	119.7	113.2	107.1	123.4	c
Italy	96.5	93.8	95.8	88.5	95.7	94.4	97.1	100.2	108.9	99.1	99.5	103.6	c	c	c
Cyprus	95.2	105.1	104.3	99.3	111.9	116.4	118.1	125.2	131.3	126.4	124.3	122.4	124.2	151.6	c
Latvia	95.0	101.0	102.3	97.5	109.1	111.3	115.8	115.5	121.0	121.7	111.4	112.6	111.4	130.2	104.9
Lithuania	99.7	104.5	110.1	104.7	120.4	125.9	126.6	127.2	131.8	133.5	125.0	127.7	124.1	145.0	116.2
Luxembourg	31.5	32.8	34.0	31.8	36.9	36.4	35.9	37.2	39.2	33.5	35.7	38.8	37.4	43.2	34.2
Hungary	90.6	99.5	105.2	103.8	121.7	122.0	122.5	127.0	129.4	132.0	126.0	132.8	132.4	152.8	113.2
Malta	94.3	99.3	101.5	96.4	106.2	112.5	110.8	118.0	120.6	115.3	115.1	121.0	115.2	134.0	104.8
Netherlands	99.5	102.2	103.3	94.8	107.3	109.6	113.8	112.9	113.4	105.5	107.5	112.2	113.0	128.1	c
Austria	95.0	95.8	95.9	92.8	103.7	104.3	100.7	102.7	107.2	101.7	100.9	106.7	105.8	122.9	96.9
Poland	98.5	104.1	107.4	107.3	125.2	126.9	124.0	128.1	128.4	127.5	124.7	130.0	125.6	146.0	113.0
Portugal	95.4	100.8	106.8	99.3	111.3	108.3	114.5	113.6	125.5	127.0	113.4	116.3	118.6	142.6	111.5
Romania	98.1	109.6	117.8	114.4	132.0	137.2	137.2	139.7	147.8	153.3	148.7	150.1	154.7	165.7	130.8
Slovenia	105.9	105.1	114.6	110.1	120.6	122.1	119.1	122.3	126.9	124.0	124.1	127.2	119.9	131.5	119.7
Slovakia	94.9	99.0	103.5	98.6	110.0	110.2	110.6	113.2	109.9	108.1	108.7	113.9	114.6	126.8	102.5
Finland	91.7	94.8	95.0	90.3	103.6	105.1	111.8	115.0	116.5	113.5	108.3	109.5	108.7	132.7	97.1
Sweden	92.3	92.7	95.0	89.1	103.8	108.8	110.9	113.7	111.2	110.4	104.5	108.2	111.3	125.1	96.6
United Kingdom	94.2	96.2	99.4	101.7	105.6	109.7	109.4	110.2	113.9	109.5	108.2	112.6	122.4	140.1	101.8
Norway	91.3	93.1	94.1	85.4	96.0	96.8	108.9	109.1	104.9	107.0	99.2	100.6	107.7	123.6	92.5
Switzerland	93.9	93.5	93.3	86.6	97.5	96.1	99.3	99.0	98.7	91.9	92.7	99.4	105.6	120.7	93.3

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