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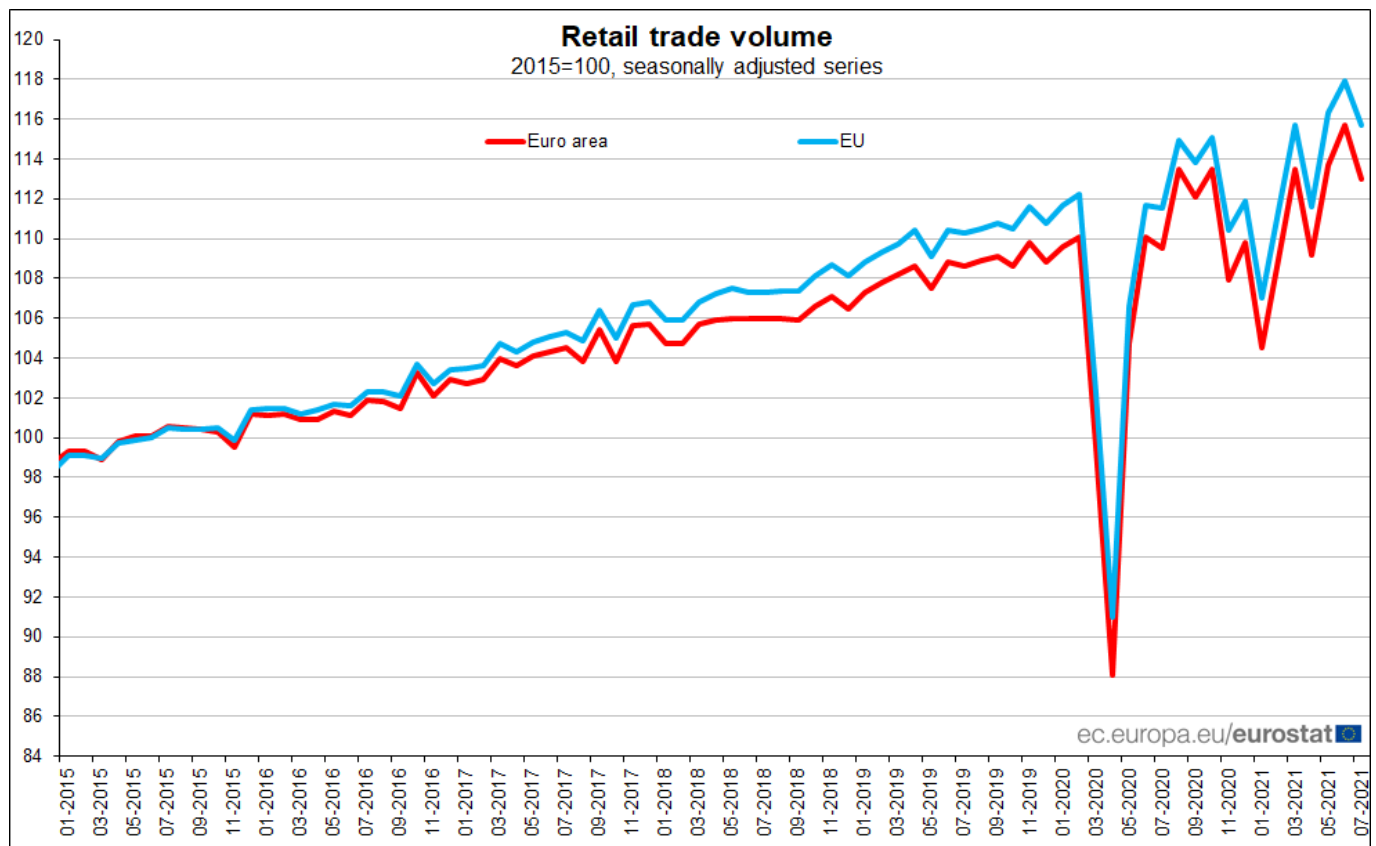
July 2021 compared with June 2021

Volume of retail trade down by 2.3% in the euro area and by 1.9% in the EU

Up by 3.1% and 3.8% compared with July 2020

In July 2021, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade fell by 2.3% in the **euro area** and by 1.9% the **EU**, compared with June 2021, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In June 2021, the retail trade volume increased by 1.8% in the **euro area** and by 1.4% in the **EU**.

In July 2021 compared with July 2020, the calendar adjusted volume of retail trade increased by 3.1% in the **euro area** and by 3.8% in the **EU**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in July 2021, compared with June 2021, the volume of retail trade decreased by 3.5% for non-food products, by 1.6% for automotive fuels and by 0.7% for food, drinks and tobacco.

In the **EU** the volume of retail trade decreased by 2.9% for non-food products, by 0.9% for automotive fuels and by 0.7% for food, drinks and tobacco.

Among Member States for which data are available, the largest monthly decreases in total retail trade were registered in **Ireland** (-5.9%), **Germany** (-5.1%) and **Austria** (-3.9%). The highest increases were observed in **Croatia** (+2.5%), **Malta** (+2.3%) and **Luxembourg** (+2.2%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in July 2021, compared with July 2020, the volume of retail trade increased by 4.8% for non-food products, by 1.1% for food, drinks and tobacco and by 0.6% for automotive fuels.

In the **EU**, the volume of retail trade increased by 5.7% for non-food products, by 2.0% for automotive fuels and by 1.3% for food, drinks and tobacco.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest annual increases in total retail trade were registered in **Bulgaria** (+20.2%), **Croatia** (+12.9%) and **Lithuania** (+12.4%). Decreases were registered in **Luxembourg** (-5.6%), **Austria** (-2.4%), **Germany** (-0.3%) and **Spain** (-0.1%).

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.

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.

Seasonal adjustment is a statistical method for removing the effects of recurring seasonal influences, which have been observed in the past from an economic time series, thus showing non-seasonal trends more clearly. **Calendar adjustment** is a statistical method for removing the variation caused by the changing number of particular weekdays or holidays in different months or other time periods (quarters, years). The annual comparisons are based on data adjusted for calendar effects only.

Seasonally adjusted euro area and EU series are calculated by aggregating the seasonally adjusted national data.

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 [91/2021](#) of 4 August 2021. The monthly percentage change for June 2021 has been revised from +1.5% to +1.8% in the euro area and from +1.2% to +1.4% in the EU. The annual percentage change has been revised from +5.0% to +5.4% in the euro area and from +5.3% to +5.9% in the EU.

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*

	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21
Euro area						
Total retail trade	4.3	4.1	-3.8	4.1	1.8	-2.3
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.6	2.0	-1.6	-0.6	-1.2	-0.7
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	8.9	6.2	-6.0	8.2	3.4	-3.5
Mail orders and internet	2.8	2.5	-3.2	2.8	-6.5	-7.3
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	4.7	-0.8	-1.0	8.1	2.7	-1.6
EU						
Total retail trade	4.1	3.9	-3.5	4.2	1.4	-1.9
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.4	1.7	-1.5	-0.5	-0.7	-0.7
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	8.0	5.8	-5.5	8.4	2.4	-2.9
Mail orders and internet	2.4	2.9	-2.9	2.9	-5.8	-6.0
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	3.5	-0.6	-1.3	6.9	2.7	-0.9

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21
Euro area	4.3	4.1	-3.8	4.1	1.8	-2.3
EU	4.1	3.9	-3.5	4.2	1.4	-1.9
Belgium	2.9	0.2	-2.8	1.3	-0.6	-2.5
Bulgaria	-0.1	2.5	1.3	1.6	1.4	1.0
Czechia	3.2	-0.7	0.9	9.1	0.6	c
Denmark	3.6	18.4	-7.7	5.4	-2.2	-1.0
Germany	3.6	9.6	-6.8	4.6	4.5	-5.1
Estonia	0.1	-1.4	0.2	8.1	0.4	-1.1
Ireland	8.0	0.8	-0.3	3.8	9.2	-5.9
Greece	-0.8	1.1	3.3	4.6	-1.4	c
Spain	3.9	2.6	-0.8	0.0	0.2	0.0
France	1.2	1.7	-7.0	7.0	1.7	-0.7
Croatia	3.3	-2.6	-0.9	5.7	-2.6	2.5
Italy	8.7	-0.5	0.6	c	c	c
Cyprus	16.7	1.1	-1.7	-4.6	1.5	c
Latvia	4.6	7.0	3.8	-2.3	4.3	-1.5
Lithuania	5.9	8.4	4.2	2.4	2.0	-0.9
Luxembourg	2.1	0.3	-0.9	-1.2	-3.0	2.2
Hungary	-1.2	1.0	-0.8	0.2	0.6	-0.2
Malta	-1.4	2.7	-1.8	2.4	-2.4	2.3
Netherlands	5.9	8.7	-0.3	9.1	-2.7	-2.1
Austria	27.9	-0.6	-5.2	7.1	-2.0	-3.9
Poland	3.5	0.1	-4.4	7.5	0.2	0.6
Portugal	-1.3	4.3	4.3	3.7	-1.9	-0.4
Romania	1.5	3.5	2.1	1.3	-1.1	0.1
Slovenia	18.0	6.9	-11.6	6.9	0.5	-2.5
Slovakia	5.1	5.7	1.6	3.4	1.5	-0.3
Finland	1.0	0.5	2.5	-1.6	1.0	-2.6
Sweden	2.1	2.1	-1.2	3.1	-0.5	-1.3
Norway	-0.3	0.0	0.4	5.7	-0.1	-3.1
Switzerland	-5.8	24.0	-3.5	-2.3	-3.7	-2.8

* 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*

	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21
Euro area						
Total retail trade	-1.3	13.8	23.6	8.6	5.4	3.1
Food, drinks, tobacco	2.6	-0.4	3.8	0.2	1.9	1.1
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-3.2	28.0	42.8	14.0	7.1	4.8
Mail orders and internet	41.8	39.1	19.2	12.0	12.9	11.2
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-11.9	18.6	62.1	28.3	11.6	0.6
EU						
Total retail trade	-0.9	13.1	22.2	9.1	5.9	3.8
Food, drinks, tobacco	2.4	-0.7	3.9	0.5	2.1	1.3
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-2.2	26.3	38.6	14.6	7.8	5.7
Mail orders and internet	40.3	38.2	17.8	12.5	12.7	12.0
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-10.8	15.5	52.0	25.2	11.4	2.0

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	Feb-21	Mar-21	Apr-21	May-21	Jun-21	Jul-21
Euro area	-1.3	13.8	23.6	8.6	5.4	3.1
EU	-0.9	13.1	22.2	9.1	5.9	3.8
Belgium	11.0	13.8	19.0	7.2	3.4	2.9
Bulgaria	-0.5	17.3	25.9	23.9	22.7	20.2
Czechia	-2.5	7.5	7.2	7.4	7.1	c
Denmark	-1.3	22.7	11.1	6.3	4.7	4.8
Germany	-2.1	7.9	7.6	-0.2	4.9	-0.3
Estonia	3.7	3.4	22.4	17.0	12.2	11.0
Ireland	1.5	1.5	29.1	21.1	7.6	1.3
Greece	-2.8	-0.7	39.8	17.6	10.8	c
Spain	-6.2	13.5	37.2	17.6	1.1	-0.1
France	4.2	24.8	42.1	11.0	5.3	7.8
Croatia	4.8	10.5	32.9	15.0	10.6	12.9
Italy	-5.6	23.2	39.2	c	c	c
Cyprus	6.4	11.3	54.4	2.9	5.4	c
Latvia	-8.4	3.4	15.6	5.3	6.4	4.8
Lithuania	0.0	19.6	36.2	19.3	15.5	12.4
Luxembourg	2.0	24.4	64.3	17.8	-1.5	-5.6
Hungary	-6.0	-2.1	10.6	5.7	5.8	3.0
Malta	-10.2	0.6	18.2	22.9	3.0	11.4
Netherlands	-5.4	5.3	9.7	9.1	4.6	2.5
Austria	4.9	20.6	21.7	3.5	3.9	-2.4
Poland	2.1	9.3	15.8	13.2	8.7	6.4
Portugal	-15.0	0.9	27.4	15.3	7.1	3.1
Romania	3.8	8.4	41.8	18.5	12.1	8.4
Slovenia	4.0	26.3	23.8	14.5	13.2	8.4
Slovakia	-14.7	0.4	11.5	11.5	6.6	1.4
Finland	4.2	6.5	10.5	3.9	4.2	1.4
Sweden	3.6	8.1	7.3	11.2	8.4	6.0
Norway	6.1	6.7	2.9	5.5	0.0	-4.1
Switzerland	-7.1	23.2	38.7	2.5	0.1	-2.5

* Calendar adjusted

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Volume of retail trade, calendar and seasonally adjusted indices
(base year 2015)

	07/20	08/20	09/20	10/20	11/20	12/20	01/21	02/21	03/21	04/21	05/21	06/21	07/21
Euro area	109.5	113.5	112.1	113.5	107.9	109.8	104.5	109.0	113.5	109.2	113.7	115.7	113.0
EU	111.5	114.9	113.8	115.1	110.4	111.9	107.0	111.4	115.7	111.6	116.3	117.9	115.7
Belgium	102.3	114.0	107.1	108.7	99.0	107.1	107.2	110.3	110.5	107.4	108.8	108.1	105.4
Bulgaria	104.6	106.9	109.1	110.6	112.0	113.5	117.4	117.3	120.2	121.8	123.8	125.5	126.8
Czechia	125.3	125.0	124.7	122.5	115.6	124.1	115.7	119.4	118.6	119.7	130.6	131.4	c
Denmark	110.1	109.2	107.9	117.5	115.2	103.8	99.8	103.4	122.4	113.0	119.1	116.5	115.3
Germany	117.1	118.6	118.0	120.2	123.2	113.2	106.4	110.2	120.8	112.6	117.8	123.1	116.8
Estonia	116.7	116.5	117.8	119.1	120.2	119.6	121.6	121.7	120.0	120.3	130.0	130.5	129.0
Ireland	132.5	133.5	136.5	137.3	123.1	135.6	115.2	124.4	125.4	125.0	129.7	141.6	133.3
Greece	100.1	102.6	101.5	106.3	99.5	90.3	102.8	102.0	103.1	106.5	111.4	109.8	c
Spain	104.6	105.2	104.9	105.7	104.5	106.5	98.7	102.5	105.2	104.4	104.4	104.6	104.6
France	113.0	120.9	116.7	119.4	100.9	122.2	117.2	118.6	120.6	112.1	119.9	121.9	121.1
Croatia	109.1	107.2	109.8	113.8	116.0	114.9	117.2	121.1	118.0	116.9	123.6	120.4	123.4
Italy	92.6	100.4	100.3	99.9	91.5	92.5	90.6	98.5	98.0	98.6	c	c	c
Cyprus	120.6	121.2	121.2	124.0	125.4	126.2	111.7	130.4	131.8	129.6	123.7	125.5	c
Latvia	116.3	117.5	118.1	119.3	117.1	110.1	104.5	109.3	117.0	121.4	118.6	123.7	121.9
Lithuania	133.4	134.2	134.0	136.0	134.5	127.7	121.2	128.4	139.2	145.1	148.6	151.5	150.1
Luxembourg	34.6	34.0	33.7	33.8	33.2	33.0	32.8	33.5	33.6	33.3	32.9	31.9	32.6
Hungary	125.3	125.9	126.4	126.9	127.5	126.5	127.3	125.8	127.0	126.0	126.3	127.1	126.8
Malta	106.3	109.9	110.5	112.1	114.1	116.5	114.3	112.7	115.7	113.6	116.3	113.5	116.1
Netherlands	116.1	117.7	115.2	114.2	118.1	105.9	99.9	105.8	115.0	114.6	125.0	121.6	119.0
Austria	109.0	108.2	108.5	107.6	97.1	103.8	87.5	111.9	111.2	105.4	112.9	110.6	106.3
Poland	131.6	132.2	131.9	131.5	132.5	133.5	130.1	134.6	134.8	128.9	138.6	138.9	139.7
Portugal	114.7	113.5	116.0	118.0	114.1	114.4	108.2	106.8	111.4	116.2	120.5	118.2	117.7
Romania	147.4	145.4	149.7	151.9	152.6	152.9	148.1	150.3	155.5	158.8	160.9	159.2	159.3
Slovenia	114.5	111.8	110.5	109.4	103.2	104.4	106.3	125.4	134.1	118.5	126.7	127.3	124.1
Slovakia	110.7	113.0	115.2	114.4	113.2	113.8	94.9	99.7	105.4	107.1	110.7	112.4	112.1
Finland	114.4	115.3	114.9	115.5	117.5	113.9	115.6	116.7	117.3	120.2	118.3	119.5	116.4
Sweden	109.1	108.7	109.6	109.9	111.3	107.0	111.0	113.3	115.7	114.3	117.8	117.2	115.7
Norway	117.4	111.7	112.1	113.5	116.8	110.2	110.1	109.8	109.8	110.2	116.5	116.4	112.8
Switzerland	107.5	106.3	105.1	108.5	106.4	107.9	101.7	95.8	118.8	114.6	112.0	107.9	104.9

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Volume of retail trade, calendar adjusted indices
(base year 2015)

	07/18	07/19	07/20	08/20	09/20	10/20	11/20	12/20	01/21	02/21	03/21	04/21	05/21	06/21	07/21
Euro area	106.1	108.6	109.1	116.2	108.6	115.1	109.8	131.2	99.2	96.6	111.1	105.9	112.9	116.6	112.5
EU	107.9	110.8	111.7	117.7	110.7	116.8	112.4	132.9	100.5	98.3	113.3	108.4	115.9	119.4	115.9
Belgium	102.7	103.3	104.0	105.6	100.8	109.4	96.1	125.6	105.8	99.7	111.4	106.7	112.2	114.1	107.0
Bulgaria	123.3	132.7	109.4	117.7	117.8	120.2	119.5	126.1	102.9	102.9	114.1	116.6	119.2	124.9	131.5
Czechia	113.6	118.4	120.8	120.5	121.7	124.1	128.1	149.9	105.6	106.1	120.2	114.2	131.0	131.6	c
Denmark	101.9	103.3	109.4	110.1	103.6	115.1	120.7	127.1	90.2	88.3	120.6	112.0	121.7	119.9	114.7
Germany	108.4	111.9	117.4	115.0	113.5	122.7	130.1	131.0	98.7	99.1	122.3	113.6	117.4	121.4	117.0
Estonia	113.5	117.9	122.2	121.4	116.1	121.1	119.4	133.7	112.9	106.8	116.5	116.4	137.1	136.3	135.6
Ireland	111.8	117.1	126.7	130.4	135.0	134.5	134.6	187.2	106.8	116.9	114.2	115.4	125.3	135.8	128.4
Greece	110.3	107.9	104.9	111.0	102.9	107.0	94.8	101.3	96.6	95.7	96.5	104.7	107.1	112.2	c
Spain	114.2	117.8	113.7	104.3	102.4	105.4	102.7	124.7	99.4	90.1	101.9	97.8	102.2	105.8	113.6
France	95.9	96.8	96.9	139.7	111.5	120.3	101.2	151.5	112.5	104.2	116.6	109.3	118.3	123.0	104.5
Croatia	133.2	138.1	131.3	127.4	112.5	112.9	108.7	121.4	97.6	100.1	112.8	110.4	119.6	129.4	148.3
Italy	107.0	108.8	100.3	99.9	99.4	103.6	91.8	114.6	86.6	86.1	91.8	87.7	c	c	c
Cyprus	127.4	131.4	130.3	123.4	120.2	122.6	124.5	153.9	99.3	114.8	124.8	127.4	117.9	129.8	c
Latvia	119.3	121.0	124.7	127.0	118.0	119.9	113.2	123.6	94.0	94.9	112.2	117.2	121.5	128.0	130.7
Lithuania	125.7	131.9	141.0	143.4	133.1	138.4	132.1	144.5	111.0	112.2	135.3	142.3	152.2	155.2	158.5
Luxembourg	32.3	34.4	37.3	31.3	32.3	34.7	32.8	37.6	29.9	30.0	34.2	34.0	33.7	33.9	35.2
Hungary	121.7	129.5	131.6	129.8	123.4	130.3	132.1	146.3	111.0	108.7	123.2	118.3	127.5	134.1	135.5
Malta	116.6	126.0	111.1	109.1	104.8	113.2	117.0	139.6	106.2	100.4	108.1	103.8	121.8	117.2	123.8
Netherlands	111.4	113.0	119.3	113.9	111.4	115.3	120.7	120.7	95.1	92.0	113.2	113.5	128.9	125.6	122.3
Austria	103.4	107.3	111.4	106.1	105.5	110.5	98.0	122.9	81.5	100.0	111.9	105.6	110.9	109.3	108.7
Poland	122.5	128.4	136.1	135.4	131.6	134.3	127.7	152.6	114.1	117.2	136.3	129.6	141.6	142.9	144.8
Portugal	119.4	125.4	122.8	122.8	115.1	117.1	114.1	139.6	100.1	92.1	106.7	108.7	117.6	116.3	126.6
Romania	138.1	147.8	155.2	155.8	154.6	157.3	161.0	170.1	133.0	132.1	147.9	156.8	155.7	159.9	168.2
Slovenia	119.5	126.9	121.0	115.1	113.5	113.5	101.5	114.0	98.5	109.0	130.2	116.7	124.3	132.3	131.2
Slovakia	110.8	109.9	111.6	112.4	115.1	117.1	114.1	126.1	85.3	87.3	106.1	105.7	112.3	118.9	113.2
Finland	113.7	116.8	121.2	119.6	112.2	114.8	116.8	135.8	101.4	97.8	111.1	115.9	123.9	127.8	122.9
Sweden	108.6	111.6	112.8	110.5	106.6	110.4	114.6	123.4	98.6	95.6	112.7	111.2	122.4	125.4	119.6
Norway	104.1	104.9	119.4	115.8	107.8	111.3	122.6	133.5	100.0	92.3	103.4	103.2	123.9	124.0	114.5
Switzerland	101.0	103.0	107.3	100.2	99.2	109.1	112.8	132.7	96.3	84.8	118.0	112.5	113.7	107.3	104.6

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