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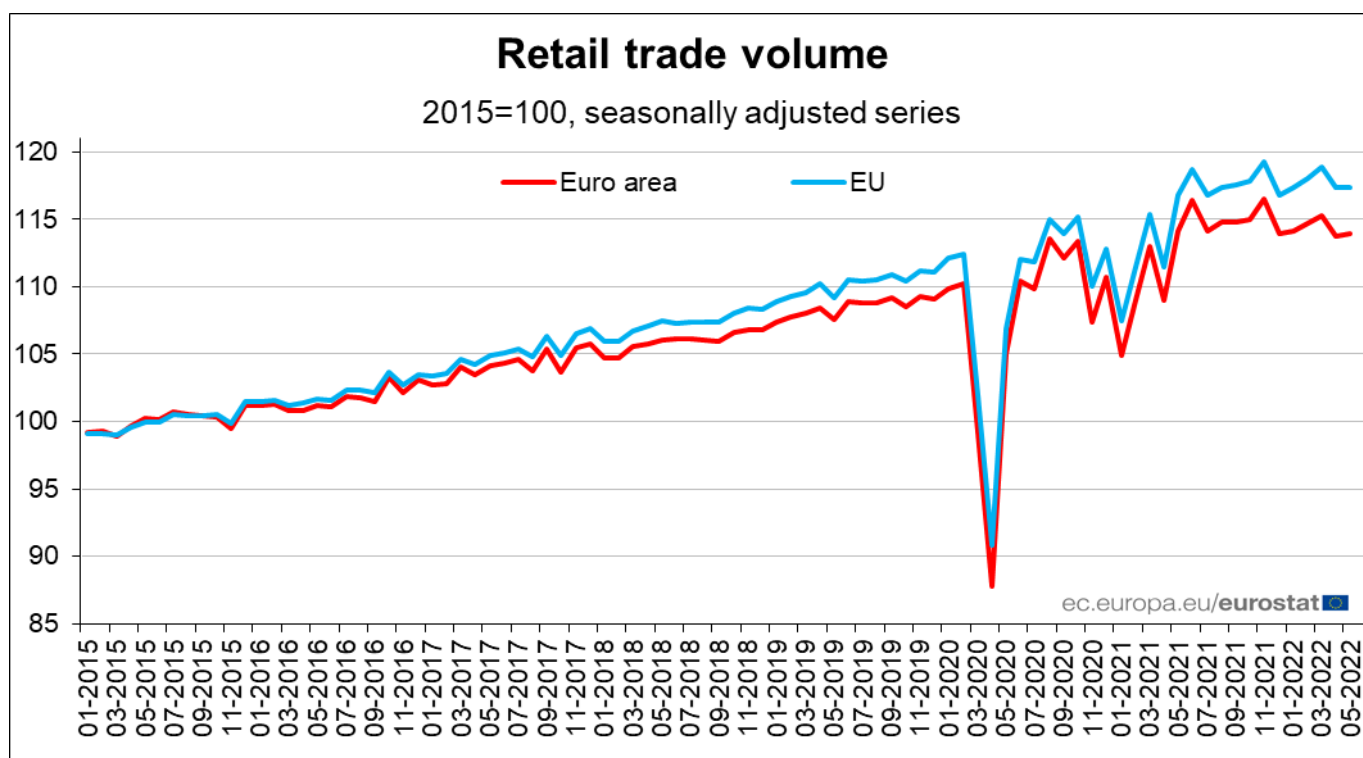
May 2022 compared with April 2022

Volume of retail trade up by 0.2% in the euro area and unchanged in the EU

Up by 0.2% in the euro area and by 0.8% in the EU compared with May 2021

In May 2022, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade increased by 0.2% in the **euro area** and remained unchanged in the **EU**, compared with April 2022, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In April 2022, the retail trade volume decreased by 1.4% in the **euro area** and by 1.3% in the **EU**.

In May 2022 compared with May 2021, the calendar adjusted retail sales index increased by 0.2% in the **euro area** and by 0.8% in the **EU**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in May 2022, compared with April 2022, the volume of retail trade increased by 1.2% for non-food products, while it decreased by 0.2% for automotive fuels and by 0.3% for food, drinks and tobacco.

In the **EU**, the volume of retail trade increased by 1.0% for non-food products, while it decreased by 0.4% for automotive fuels and by 0.6% for food, drinks and tobacco.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest monthly increases in the total retail trade volume were registered in **Cyprus** (+9.0%), **Croatia** (+1.7%) and **Portugal** (+1.5%). The largest decreases were observed in **Ireland** (-6.5%), **Finland** (-2.8%) and **Austria** (-2.2%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in May 2022, compared with May 2021, the volume of retail trade increased by 5.6% for automotive fuels and by 2.0% for non-food products, while it fell by 3.6% for food, drinks and tobacco.

In the **EU**, the retail trade volume increased by 6.8% for automotive fuels and by 2.0% for non-food products, while it fell by 2.6% for food, drinks and tobacco.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest yearly increases in the total retail trade volume were registered in **Slovenia** (+25.0%), **Poland** (+11.2%) and **Hungary** (+11.1%). The largest decreases were observed in **Austria** (-6.4%), **Denmark** (-5.6%), as well as **Luxembourg** and **Finland** (both -5.2%).

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.

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 [64/2022](#) of 3 June 2022. The monthly percentage change for April 2022 has been revised from -1.3% to -1.4% in the euro area and remained at -1.3% in the EU. The annual percentage change has been revised from +3.9% to +4.0% in the euro area and remained at +5.0% 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*

	Dec 21	Jan 22	Feb 22	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22
Euro area						
Total retail trade	-2.2	0.2	0.5	0.5	-1.4	0.2
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.4	-0.3	-0.5	1.1	-2.3	-0.3
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-4.4	1.3	1.2	-0.1	-1.2	1.2
Mail orders and internet	-4.3	1.5	-0.1	-3.2	2.0	-0.2
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.2	-1.8	2.6	-1.1	1.6	-0.2
EU						
Total retail trade	-2.1	0.5	0.5	0.8	-1.3	0.0
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.3	0.1	-0.3	1.0	-1.9	-0.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-4.3	1.7	0.8	0.6	-1.3	1.0
Mail orders and internet	-4.2	1.5	-0.4	-2.6	1.5	0.0
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.2	-1.2	3.9	-1.8	1.3	-0.4

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	Dec 21	Jan 22	Feb 22	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22
Euro area	-2.2	0.2	0.5	0.5	-1.4	0.2
EU	-2.1	0.5	0.5	0.8	-1.3	0.0
Belgium	-1.5	-0.7	-1.8	0.9	-0.3	0.1
Bulgaria	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.9	-1.1	0.4
Czechia	-2.7	2.2	-0.2	0.0	0.1	c
Denmark	-4.6	3.9	-1.1	0.4	0.5	-0.8
Germany	-2.4	-0.2	0.2	1.7	-5.4	0.6
Estonia	-2.4	1.3	-1.7	4.8	-1.5	-0.1
Ireland	-7.0	1.4	0.9	-0.2	3.6	-6.5
Greece	0.8	-1.5	2.0	1.9	c	:
Spain	-5.6	-0.4	1.2	-4.5	5.4	0.0
France	-0.6	1.2	-0.2	0.2	-0.6	0.0
Croatia	0.7	-1.3	0.9	1.8	-0.5	1.7
Italy	0.1	-0.8	0.3	c	c	c
Cyprus	-1.8	-0.4	0.0	0.8	-0.5	9.0
Latvia	6.8	0.4	0.0	10.8	-4.4	-1.1
Lithuania	-0.2	-2.6	0.1	2.8	-1.7	-0.5
Luxembourg	-0.3	0.0	-0.9	-1.8	0.6	0.3
Hungary	1.3	0.1	1.6	4.4	-2.2	-0.1
Malta	0.0	1.5	-0.4	3.4	0.8	-1.1
Netherlands	-9.5	4.2	3.3	1.3	-1.5	1.1
Austria	-1.3	2.2	1.7	1.0	0.4	-2.2
Poland	-1.9	3.8	0.8	4.4	-3.3	-0.8
Portugal	-2.2	-3.5	3.2	2.4	-3.2	1.5
Romania	0.9	-0.7	0.6	0.4	3.1	0.9
Slovenia	2.5	-7.4	8.9	11.3	-7.5	0.3
Slovakia	-0.2	-1.3	1.8	0.6	-1.3	-0.1
Finland	-2.4	1.2	-0.5	0.8	0.3	-2.8
Sweden	-3.1	1.1	0.6	0.9	0.3	-0.2
Norway	-3.0	0.4	-1.2	3.0	-1.3	-0.9
Switzerland	-1.6	0.1	0.0	1.0	-0.9	1.1

* 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*

	Dec 21	Jan 22	Feb 22	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22
Euro area						
Total retail trade	2.4	8.5	5.2	1.9	4.0	0.2
Food, drinks, tobacco	-1.0	-1.7	-2.1	-2.6	-3.6	-3.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	3.8	16.1	9.9	4.4	8.8	2.0
Mail orders and internet	-6.1	-5.2	-8.3	-13.1	-12.0	-10.7
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	13.7	12.9	12.2	10.5	15.3	5.6
EU						
Total retail trade	3.0	8.7	5.7	3.0	5.0	0.8
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.9	-1.0	-1.3	-1.8	-2.4	-2.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	4.7	16.1	10.0	5.5	9.5	2.0
Mail orders and internet	-3.9	-2.7	-5.8	-10.7	-9.6	-9.2
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	12.9	11.6	13.4	10.9	15.0	6.8

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Total retail trade	Dec 21	Jan 22	Feb 22	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22
Euro area	2.4	8.5	5.2	1.9	4.0	0.2
EU	3.0	8.7	5.7	3.0	5.0	0.8
Belgium	1.7	0.3	-5.1	-3.9	-1.9	-3.0
Bulgaria	9.9	11.1	6.6	9.6	5.7	5.0
Czechia	0.1	9.4	4.2	5.7	6.2	c
Denmark	1.4	13.5	6.4	-10.8	-0.8	-5.6
Germany	1.1	10.1	7.0	-0.9	0.5	-3.6
Estonia	12.5	7.7	3.9	18.4	13.1	1.2
Ireland	-3.6	15.2	5.9	5.5	10.4	-0.2
Greece	19.6	6.6	10.8	12.3	c	:
Spain	-2.8	3.0	1.6	-4.8	1.5	1.5
France	0.5	6.8	5.6	4.3	9.7	3.7
Croatia	6.7	1.8	-0.6	5.3	3.5	2.8
Italy	9.1	8.8	3.2	c	c	c
Cyprus	0.0	14.3	-2.8	-2.0	-2.0	10.7
Latvia	7.9	15.4	9.5	13.1	4.4	4.1
Lithuania	16.5	18.1	12.8	8.0	2.7	-0.9
Luxembourg	4.5	6.3	-0.3	-3.5	-4.4	-5.2
Hungary	6.3	4.0	9.9	16.7	15.7	11.1
Malta	2.8	9.4	5.5	17.0	17.9	7.8
Netherlands	3.2	13.9	10.4	2.9	2.1	-4.9
Austria	-1.4	19.8	-4.5	-3.0	2.6	-6.4
Poland	10.2	18.0	15.0	19.4	21.1	11.2
Portugal	7.0	10.7	17.5	11.9	4.9	1.0
Romania	6.5	5.6	5.6	5.4	4.5	6.6
Slovenia	45.0	31.6	22.1	26.3	29.6	25.0
Slovakia	1.0	16.9	16.5	14.5	9.6	7.8
Finland	-0.5	0.1	-1.5	-0.7	-2.2	-5.2
Sweden	5.6	4.0	3.0	2.3	3.6	-1.0
Norway	-1.9	-1.6	-2.9	-0.9	-2.4	-8.8
Switzerland	0.0	6.3	12.7	-6.3	-5.5	-1.6

* Calendar adjusted

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

	05-21	06-21	07-21	08-21	09-21	10-21	11-21	12-21	01-22	02-22	03-22	04-22	05-22
Euro area	114.1	116.4	114.1	114.8	114.8	115.0	116.5	113.9	114.1	114.7	115.3	113.7	113.9
EU	116.8	118.7	116.8	117.4	117.5	117.8	119.3	116.8	117.4	118.0	118.9	117.4	117.4
Belgium	109.5	109.0	106.3	108.0	108.4	108.4	109.9	108.3	107.5	105.6	106.5	106.2	106.3
Bulgaria	138.6	139.8	140.6	142.0	142.4	143.6	144.4	146.3	146.6	146.9	148.2	146.6	147.2
Czechia	130.8	131.1	129.8	129.9	128.9	130.0	128.8	125.3	128.0	127.7	127.7	127.8	c
Denmark	116.9	116.2	115.3	114.0	112.4	113.8	112.9	107.7	111.9	110.7	111.1	111.7	110.8
Germany	117.8	123.3	118.2	118.9	117.9	118.2	120.2	117.3	117.1	117.3	119.3	112.9	113.6
Estonia	129.6	128.7	130.1	128.5	134.5	132.4	136.1	132.8	134.5	132.2	138.5	136.4	136.2
Ireland	129.7	141.6	133.7	136.4	138.2	132.3	141.1	131.2	133.0	134.2	133.9	138.7	129.7
Greece	112.0	113.3	111.4	109.7	111.9	114.0	111.7	112.6	110.9	113.1	115.2	c	:
Spain	103.9	104.3	104.2	103.9	104.5	104.3	109.9	103.8	103.4	104.6	99.9	105.3	105.3
France	121.0	123.5	122.3	123.5	123.7	124.0	124.7	124.0	125.5	125.3	125.5	124.8	124.8
Croatia	122.5	121.0	122.7	124.4	124.0	122.9	121.7	122.5	120.9	122.0	124.2	123.6	125.7
Italy	100.9	102.1	102.0	102.3	102.7	102.6	102.3	102.4	101.6	101.9	c	c	c
Cyprus	125.3	128.0	128.4	127.5	129.6	131.0	130.3	128.0	127.5	127.5	128.5	127.8	139.3
Latvia	120.3	123.9	121.7	122.0	122.5	115.8	111.9	119.5	120.0	120.0	133.0	127.1	125.7
Lithuania	148.5	151.6	151.2	150.1	151.6	150.8	150.3	150.0	146.1	146.3	150.4	147.9	147.1
Luxembourg	35.0	34.6	33.6	34.0	34.1	34.0	34.0	33.9	33.9	33.6	33.0	33.2	33.3
Hungary	127.8	129.1	129.4	130.8	132.0	133.1	133.5	135.3	135.5	137.7	143.7	140.5	140.3
Malta	121.6	117.9	120.8	124.7	124.1	124.1	125.4	125.4	127.3	126.8	131.1	132.2	130.7
Netherlands	124.4	122.0	118.6	119.9	118.4	120.1	120.4	109.0	113.6	117.4	118.9	117.1	118.4
Austria	112.8	110.6	106.9	108.4	109.3	107.5	103.9	102.5	104.8	106.6	107.7	108.1	105.7
Poland	138.9	139.3	142.5	142.9	144.9	146.0	150.5	147.7	153.3	154.5	161.3	156.0	154.8
Portugal	121.3	118.0	117.2	118.0	119.7	122.4	126.5	123.7	119.4	123.2	126.1	122.1	123.9
Romania	160.9	159.2	161.0	161.9	160.9	160.4	162.1	163.6	162.5	163.5	164.2	169.3	170.8
Slovenia	125.8	127.5	125.2	126.5	130.2	147.1	147.2	150.9	139.7	152.1	169.3	156.6	157.1
Slovakia	110.0	112.0	112.0	114.5	117.5	116.6	117.8	117.6	116.1	118.2	118.9	117.3	117.2
Finland	119.2	119.2	117.5	117.9	117.7	116.3	117.6	114.8	116.2	115.6	116.5	116.8	113.5
Sweden	118.7	116.9	115.1	115.4	115.4	116.0	118.0	114.4	115.7	116.4	117.4	117.7	117.5
Norway	120.2	118.9	114.7	110.5	111.0	112.5	113.7	110.3	110.7	109.4	112.7	111.2	110.2
Switzerland	111.7	109.0	106.3	108.1	108.5	109.1	110.1	108.3	108.4	108.4	109.5	108.5	109.7

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

	05-19	05-20	05-21	06-21	07-21	08-21	09-21	10-21	11-21	12-21	01-22	02-22	03-22	04-22	05-22
Euro area	106.5	104.0	113.1	116.9	112.8	117.9	111.6	117.2	119.2	134.7	107.6	101.7	113.1	110.3	113.3
EU	108.5	106.3	116.1	119.7	116.4	120.6	114.7	120.0	122.0	137.3	109.4	104.1	116.7	114.1	117.0
Belgium	101.7	104.7	112.2	114.1	107.0	100.4	102.6	109.8	108.2	127.7	106.1	94.6	107.0	104.7	108.8
Bulgaria	121.1	109.8	136.5	143.0	150.5	151.0	146.2	148.2	145.8	158.0	130.9	125.7	143.4	141.1	143.3
Czechia	120.7	122.0	131.3	131.3	125.4	126.0	125.9	133.6	143.2	150.1	115.3	111.1	127.1	121.6	c
Denmark	107.8	113.8	120.0	119.7	114.9	114.6	106.6	113.2	121.0	129.7	102.3	94.5	106.7	110.8	113.3
Germany	108.8	117.8	117.5	121.9	118.2	115.6	113.0	120.8	128.2	133.7	108.6	105.9	121.1	114.2	113.3
Estonia	114.1	117.3	137.2	136.3	135.6	132.1	135.6	134.5	135.3	150.4	121.7	111.0	137.8	131.6	138.9
Ireland	114.4	103.5	125.3	135.8	128.5	134.2	137.3	130.2	155.4	180.5	123.0	123.8	120.4	127.4	125.0
Greece	96.0	91.1	107.1	112.7	116.9	116.9	112.8	116.0	110.6	121.2	103.0	106.0	108.4	c	:
Spain	105.8	87.0	102.2	105.8	113.5	102.9	102.4	104.3	107.9	121.2	102.5	91.5	97.0	99.4	103.7
France	110.7	106.7	118.7	123.6	103.5	143.6	118.6	125.4	126.2	152.3	120.4	110.3	122.1	120.8	123.1
Croatia	110.4	104.0	119.6	129.4	148.3	150.4	128.6	122.7	112.4	129.5	99.4	99.5	118.6	114.4	122.9
Italy	97.0	83.1	97.9	103.2	108.2	102.1	103.5	108.3	103.0	125.0	94.0	89.4	c	c	c
Cyprus	118.4	114.1	118.1	130.0	137.7	128.2	129.3	132.2	132.1	157.1	113.2	111.8	122.0	125.1	130.7
Latvia	116.0	115.3	121.5	128.1	130.7	132.0	122.8	117.1	109.0	133.6	108.4	103.9	126.9	122.4	126.5
Lithuania	126.6	127.5	152.2	155.5	158.8	158.0	148.3	151.0	146.0	168.3	131.0	126.4	146.3	146.1	150.8
Luxembourg	31.6	28.6	34.7	35.3	35.6	31.3	33.1	35.5	34.0	39.3	31.9	30.0	33.0	32.7	32.9*
Hungary	123.4	120.5	127.4	134.0	135.5	135.1	130.6	137.7	137.4	158.0	116.0	120.0	141.8	137.8	141.5
Malta	120.5	99.3	123.5	120.7	127.1	133.2	123.4	126.3	129.5	146.0	115.3	108.3	126.7	124.2	133.1
Netherlands	113.4	118.2	129.0	125.8	121.6	115.9	114.5	121.2	123.6	124.6	108.3	101.5	116.4	116.0	122.7
Austria	100.7	107.2	110.9	109.3	109.2	106.4	106.1	110.2	104.8	121.2	97.6	95.5	108.5	108.3	103.8
Poland	124.1	125.2	141.6	142.9	147.9	146.5	144.8	149.1	146.2	168.1	134.8	134.8	162.8	157.0	157.5
Portugal	114.3	102.0	118.3	116.1	126.1	127.4	118.6	121.5	126.7	149.4	110.7	108.1	119.7	114.8	119.5
Romania	137.2	131.4	155.7	159.9	170.1	171.7	168.3	164.8	167.5	181.1	140.5	139.5	155.9	163.9	166.0
Slovenia	119.2	108.6	124.6	132.4	132.0	129.8	134.7	152.4	143.7	165.3	129.6	133.2	164.7	151.8	155.8
Slovakia	110.6	100.7	112.3	118.9	113.2	114.9	121.2	119.7	118.6	127.4	99.7	101.7	121.5	115.8	121.1
Finland	112.0	119.4	124.0	127.5	125.3	122.6	115.2	115.2	117.5	135.3	101.8	96.7	110.6	113.5	117.6
Sweden	110.5	110.1	122.6	125.5	119.2	117.1	112.1	116.6	122.6	130.4	102.5	98.4	114.8	115.2	121.4
Norway	109.8	119.3	126.6	126.3	116.0	114.4	106.9	109.9	120.9	133.1	101.2	92.0	105.7	103.7	115.5
Switzerland	102.8	110.9	113.6	107.7	105.1	101.1	101.8	111.1	118.2	132.7	102.4	95.6	110.6	106.0	111.8

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