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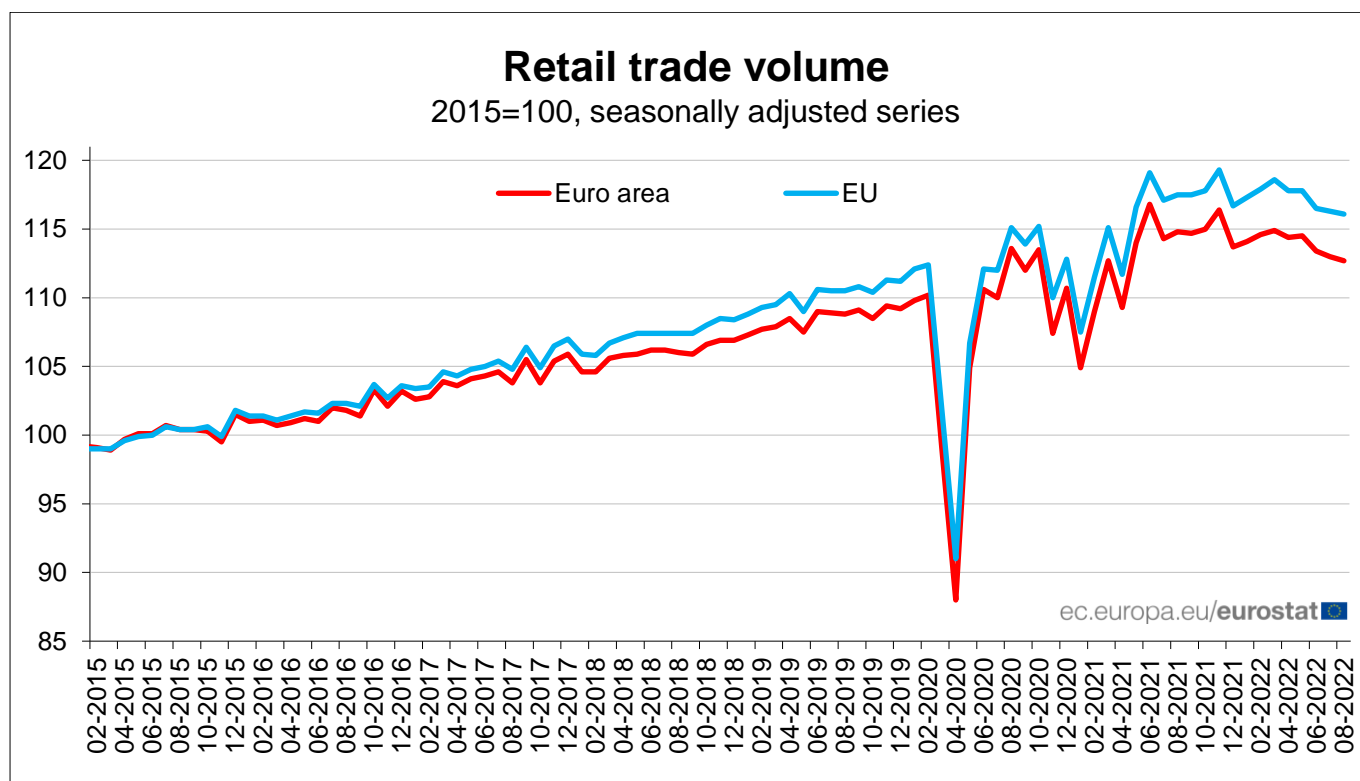
August 2022 compared with July 2022

Volume of retail trade down by 0.3% in the euro area and by 0.2% in the EU

Down by 2.0% in the euro area and by 1.3% in the EU compared with August 2021

In August 2022, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade decreased by 0.3% in the **euro area** and by 0.2% in the **EU**, compared with July 2022, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In July 2022, the retail trade volume decreased by 0.4% in the **euro area** and by 0.2% in the **EU**.

In August 2022 compared with August 2021, the calendar adjusted retail sales index decreased by 2.0% in the **euro area** and by 1.3% in the **EU**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in August 2022, compared with July 2022, the volume of retail trade decreased by 0.8% for food, drinks and tobacco, while it increased by 0.2% for non-food products and by 3.2% for automotive fuels.

In the **EU**, the volume of retail trade decreased by 0.6% for food, drinks and tobacco, while it increased by 0.1% for non-food products and by 2.9% for automotive fuels.

Among Member States for which data are available, the largest monthly decreases in the total retail trade volume were registered in the **Netherlands** (-2.2%), **Germany** (-1.3%) and **Malta** (-1.1%). The highest increases were observed in **Slovenia** (+7.0%), **Luxembourg** (+3.8%) and **Ireland** (+3.5%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in August 2022, compared with August 2021, the volume of retail trade decreased by 3.0% for non-food products and by 2.0% for food, drinks and tobacco, while it grew by 5.1% for automotive fuels.

In the **EU**, the retail trade volume decreased by 2.6% for non-food products and by 1.3% for food, drinks and tobacco, while it grew by 5.5% for automotive fuels.

Among Member States for which data are available, the largest yearly decreases in the total retail trade volume were registered in **Denmark** (-6.0%), the **Netherlands** (-5.8%) and **Finland** (-4.7%). The highest increases were observed in **Slovenia** (+31.8%), **Poland** (+8.0%) and **Cyprus** (+5.1%).

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.

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 [99/2022](#) of 5 September 2022. The monthly percentage change for July 2022 has been revised from +0.3% to -0.4% in the euro area and from +0.3% to -0.2% in the EU. The annual percentage change has been revised from -0.9% to -1.2% in the euro area and from -0.5% to -0.7% 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*

	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22	Jun 22	Jul 22	Aug 22
Euro area						
Total retail trade	0.3	-0.4	0.1	-1.0	-0.4	-0.3
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.0	-1.7	-0.8	-0.1	-0.2	-0.8
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-0.4	-0.5	1.7	-1.7	-0.7	0.2
Mail orders and internet	-3.0	1.8	-0.1	-1.9	4.3	-3.8
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.8	1.5	0.0	-1.0	0.6	3.2
EU						
Total retail trade	0.6	-0.7	0.0	-1.1	-0.2	-0.2
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.9	-1.4	-1.0	0.0	-0.3	-0.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.4	-0.8	1.4	-1.9	-0.4	0.1
Mail orders and internet	-2.5	1.3	0.0	-1.5	3.7	-3.2
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-1.7	1.0	0.1	-1.2	0.6	2.9

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22	Jun 22	Jul 22	Aug 22
Euro area	0.3	-0.4	0.1	-1.0	-0.4	-0.3
EU	0.6	-0.7	0.0	-1.1	-0.2	-0.2
Belgium	0.9	-0.3	0.0	-2.1	0.3	1.4
Bulgaria	0.9	-1.1	-0.5	-1.7	0.1	1.0
Czechia	-0.2	-0.5	-2.3	0.0	-0.6	c
Denmark	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-2.0	-0.1	0.0
Germany	0.6	-2.9	-0.2	-1.0	0.7	-1.3
Estonia	5.2	-2.3	-0.7	-2.4	0.4	-0.2
Ireland	0.8	1.9	-8.3	1.1	-0.3	3.5
Greece	1.9	0.0	-4.5	1.8	1.6	c
Spain	-4.5	5.2	-0.1	-0.3	-1.0	0.6
France	0.1	0.4	1.0	-0.9	-2.4	0.2
Croatia	1.6	-0.5	0.8	-0.8	-0.2	-0.3
Italy	-0.2	-0.2	1.1	c	c	c
Cyprus	0.9	-1.2	6.8	-4.4	0.5	1.4
Latvia	10.1	-5.5	-1.3	-0.4	-0.4	0.2
Lithuania	2.8	-1.7	-0.1	-1.3	-0.4	0.7
Luxembourg	2.6	-3.0	1.1	-2.0	-2.6	3.8
Hungary	4.0	-2.5	-0.4	-0.6	0.4	-0.1
Malta	3.2	0.4	-0.8	0.5	0.8	-1.1
Netherlands	1.1	-1.4	1.5	-3.1	1.0	-2.2
Austria	4.5	2.4	-2.8	0.2	-1.8	0.6
Poland	4.4	-4.6	-0.2	-1.4	1.5	0.7
Portugal	2.4	-3.3	2.6	-2.6	1.1	1.0
Romania	0.4	3.1	0.1	-2.0	0.5	0.6
Slovenia	11.3	-7.6	0.8	-0.7	-0.2	7.0
Slovakia	0.5	-1.4	-0.3	-2.1	0.2	0.3
Finland	0.4	-0.1	-1.8	0.8	-1.2	-0.1
Sweden	0.9	-0.1	-0.9	-2.0	-0.4	-0.6
Norway	2.4	-1.5	-1.2	0.0	-2.0	0.7
Switzerland	1.1	-1.3	1.0	0.0	0.0	1.3

* 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*

	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22	Jun 22	Jul 22	Aug 22
Euro area						
Total retail trade	1.8	4.4	0.7	-3.0	-1.2	-2.0
Food, drinks, tobacco	-2.8	-3.4	-3.9	-2.7	-2.2	-2.0
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	4.5	9.2	3.1	-3.8	-1.3	-3.0
Mail orders and internet	-12.7	-12.1	-11.0	-10.6	1.8	-6.0
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	10.9	15.7	5.9	1.3	0.7	5.1
EU						
Total retail trade	3.0	5.3	1.3	-2.3	-0.7	-1.3
Food, drinks, tobacco	-1.9	-2.3	-2.9	-1.9	-1.7	-1.3
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	5.6	9.7	3.0	-3.3	-1.0	-2.6
Mail orders and internet	-10.4	-9.7	-9.1	-8.3	2.1	-5.0
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	11.3	15.4	7.2	2.2	1.7	5.5

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22	Jun 22	Jul 22	Aug 22
Euro area	1.8	4.4	0.7	-3.0	-1.2	-2.0
EU	3.0	5.3	1.3	-2.3	-0.7	-1.3
Belgium	-3.9	-1.9	-3.0	-5.6	-2.7	-2.1
Bulgaria	9.6	5.7	5.0	0.1	-0.7	2.1
Czechia	5.7	5.8	-6.5	-6.9	-7.1	c
Denmark	-10.8	0.7	-6.1	-8.6	-7.2	-6.0
Germany	-1.0	1.0	-2.2	-8.2	-2.1	-4.2
Estonia	18.3	13.1	1.2	-1.0	1.0	2.0
Ireland	5.2	10.8	-1.0	-8.2	-5.2	-2.8
Greece	12.3	10.1	-4.6	1.2	1.6	c
Spain	-4.7	1.5	1.4	0.6	-1.3	0.2
France	4.3	11.0	5.1	2.1	-0.8	-0.9
Croatia	5.2	3.6	2.8	1.7	0.0	-1.7
Italy	5.7	4.2	3.6	c	c	c
Cyprus	-2.0	-3.5	7.9	1.4	1.8	5.1
Latvia	13.1	4.4	3.9	-0.6	0.6	0.7
Lithuania	8.0	2.7	-0.5	-3.5	-4.0	-2.2
Luxembourg	6.6	0.6	2.0	-2.5	-3.6	0.6
Hungary	16.7	15.8	11.0	4.5	4.3	2.4
Malta	17.4	17.5	10.2	9.2	9.5	1.8
Netherlands	2.9	2.2	-4.2	-5.9	-1.7	-5.8
Austria	-3.2	3.2	-5.1	-4.6	-4.7	-3.4
Poland	19.4	19.6	10.6	7.9	7.6	8.0
Portugal	11.9	4.8	2.0	1.0	3.3	3.8
Romania	5.4	4.5	6.6	2.8	3.6	4.5
Slovenia	26.2	29.3	25.5	22.7	24.2	31.8
Slovakia	14.5	9.6	7.8	1.5	1.2	-0.3
Finland	-1.4	-3.5	-4.6	-3.9	-4.5	-4.7
Sweden	2.8	3.7	0.5	-2.6	-2.0	-3.2
Norway	-0.9	-2.4	-8.8	-8.3	-9.0	-4.0
Switzerland	-6.1	-5.8	-2.0	0.1	3.0	3.0

* Calendar adjusted

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

	08-21	09-21	10-21	11-21	12-21	01-22	02-22	03-22	04-22	05-22	06-22	07-22	08-22
Euro area	114.8	114.7	115.0	116.4	113.7	114.1	114.6	114.9	114.4	114.5	113.4	113.0	112.7
EU	117.5	117.5	117.8	119.3	116.7	117.3	117.9	118.6	117.8	117.8	116.5	116.3	116.1
Belgium	107.9	108.3	108.2	109.8	108.2	107.4	105.4	106.4	106.1	106.1	103.9	104.2	105.7
Bulgaria	142.0	142.4	143.6	144.4	146.3	146.6	146.9	148.2	146.6	145.8	143.3	143.4	144.8
Czechia	130.3	129.1	129.9	128.6	124.9	127.4	126.9	126.6	126.0	123.1	123.1	122.3	c
Denmark	114.3	112.7	113.5	113.3	109.8	111.2	110.0	110.3	110.1	109.8	107.6	107.5	107.5
Germany	118.4	117.5	118.0	120.0	116.1	117.7	118.0	118.7	115.3	115.1	114.0	114.8	113.3
Estonia	128.8	134.9	132.5	136.2	132.7	134.1	131.2	138.0	134.8	133.8	130.6	131.1	130.8
Ireland	136.4	138.5	132.4	141.9	131.3	133.1	134.3	135.4	138.0	126.5	127.9	127.5	132.0
Greece	109.8	111.9	114.1	111.4	112.0	110.4	112.4	114.5	114.5	109.3	111.3	113.1	c
Spain	104.0	104.6	104.5	109.9	103.8	103.3	104.5	99.8	105.0	104.9	104.6	103.6	104.2
France	123.7	123.7	124.1	124.8	124.2	125.6	125.3	125.4	125.9	127.2	126.0	123.0	123.2
Croatia	124.7	124.1	122.9	121.8	122.6	120.9	122.1	124.0	123.4	124.4	123.4	123.1	122.7
Italy	102.7	102.9	102.6	102.1	102.3	101.3	101.5	101.3	101.1	102.2	c	c	c
Cyprus	126.5	129.4	130.9	130.3	128.0	127.6	127.8	128.9	127.3	135.9	129.9	130.5	132.3
Latvia	122.1	122.3	116.1	112.6	120.3	120.2	120.5	132.7	125.4	123.8	123.3	122.8	123.0
Lithuania	150.1	151.6	150.8	150.3	150.0	146.1	146.3	150.4	147.9	147.8	145.9	145.3	146.3
Luxembourg	34.9	35.2	34.9	35.9	35.3	35.5	35.2	36.1	35.0	35.4	34.7	33.8	35.1
Hungary	131.4	132.3	133.1	133.3	134.7	134.5	136.3	141.8	138.2	137.7	136.9	137.5	137.3
Malta	126.1	124.7	124.7	125.8	125.7	127.3	126.5	130.6	131.1	130.0	130.6	131.7	130.2
Netherlands	119.9	118.4	120.1	120.4	109.0	113.6	117.4	118.7	117.0	118.7	115.0	116.2	113.6
Austria	108.4	108.6	108.7	105.1	106.8	100.7	101.8	106.4	109.0	106.0	106.2	104.3	104.9
Poland	142.9	144.9	146.0	150.5	147.7	153.3	154.5	161.3	153.9	153.6	151.5	153.8	154.8
Portugal	118.0	119.7	122.4	126.5	123.7	119.4	123.2	126.1	121.9	125.1	121.9	123.2	124.4
Romania	161.9	160.9	160.4	162.1	163.6	162.5	163.5	164.2	169.3	169.4	166.0	166.9	167.9
Slovenia	126.6	130.3	147.2	147.2	150.9	139.7	151.9	169.0	156.1	157.3	156.2	155.9	166.8
Slovakia	114.7	117.7	116.7	117.7	117.4	115.8	117.8	118.4	116.7	116.4	113.9	114.1	114.4
Finland	118.3	117.8	116.4	117.6	114.8	115.9	115.1	115.6	115.5	113.4	114.3	112.9	112.8
Sweden	116.3	115.7	116.3	118.2	114.8	115.7	116.5	117.5	117.4	116.4	114.1	113.6	112.9
Norway	111.6	111.2	112.8	113.8	110.3	110.7	109.2	111.8	110.1	108.8	108.8	106.6	107.3
Switzerland	107.7	108.5	109.1	110.1	108.3	108.4	108.7	109.9	108.5	109.6	109.6	109.6	111.0

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Volume of retail trade, calendar adjusted indices

(base year 2015)

	08-19	08-20	08-21	09-21	10-21	11-21	12-21	01-22	02-22	03-22	04-22	05-22	06-22	07-22	08-22
Euro area	111.2	116.3	117.9	111.6	117.2	119.3	134.6	107.6	101.7	113.1	110.7	113.9	113.5	111.4	115.6
EU	113.1	117.9	120.6	114.7	120.0	122.1	137.2	109.4	104.1	116.8	114.4	117.6	117.1	115.6	119.0
Belgium	93.7	105.6	100.4	102.6	109.8	108.2	127.7	106.1	94.6	107.0	104.7	108.8	107.7	104.1	98.3
Bulgaria	133.7	134.3	151.0	146.2	148.2	145.8	158.0	130.9	125.7	143.4	141.1	143.3	143.2	149.4	154.1
Czechia	119.0	120.5	126.0	125.9	133.6	143.2	150.1	115.3	111.1	127.1	121.1	122.7	122.2	116.5	c
Denmark	105.1	109.9	114.8	106.7	113.3	120.8	130.3	102.0	94.5	107.0	110.7	113.7	109.2	106.2	107.9
Germany	107.6	115.2	115.6	112.9	120.9	128.2	133.2	108.5	105.8	121.1	114.7	114.9	112.2	115.8	110.8
Estonia	116.6	121.5	132.1	135.6	134.5	135.3	150.3	121.7	111.0	137.7	131.6	138.9	135.0	136.9	134.7
Ireland	118.8	130.4	134.2	137.3	130.2	155.4	180.5	123.0	123.8	120.3	127.6	124.0	124.6	121.8	130.5
Greece	111.7	111.0	116.9	112.8	116.0	110.6	121.2	103.0	106.0	108.4	115.3	102.2	114.0	118.8	c
Spain	107.5	104.4	102.9	102.4	104.3	107.8	121.2	102.5	91.5	97.0	99.4	103.7	106.4	112.0	103.1
France	131.5	140.0	143.6	118.6	125.4	126.3	152.5	120.7	110.5	122.3	122.1	124.7	126.3	102.7	142.3
Croatia	136.3	127.3	150.4	128.6	122.7	112.4	129.5	99.4	99.5	118.5	114.5	122.9	131.6	148.3	147.9
Italy	99.2	100.0	102.0	103.6	108.3	103.0	125.1	94.1	89.4	96.3	91.3	101.4	c	c	c
Cyprus	126.6	124.0	128.2	129.3	132.2	132.1	157.1	113.2	111.8	122.0	123.2	127.4	131.8	140.2	134.7
Latvia	121.7	127.0	131.9	122.8	117.1	109.0	133.6	108.3	104.0	126.9	122.4	126.2	127.4	131.5	132.8
Lithuania	133.4	143.4	158.0	148.3	151.0	146.0	168.3	131.0	126.4	146.3	146.1	151.5	150.0	152.5	154.6
Luxembourg	29.4	31.5	32.0	34.1	36.2	36.4	40.7	33.0	31.0	37.0	34.9	35.9	35.2	35.2	32.2
Hungary	131.6	129.8	135.5	130.7	137.7	137.4	157.8	116.1	120.0	141.8	137.9	141.4	140.0	141.2	138.8
Malta	120.1	110.4	133.5	123.4	126.4	129.7	146.1	115.3	108.3	127.1	123.7	136.2	132.3	139.3	135.9
Netherlands	105.4	113.9	115.9	114.5	121.2	123.6	124.6	108.3	101.5	116.4	116.1	123.6	118.4	119.5	109.2
Austria	102.3	105.4	106.4	106.0	110.1	104.9	120.8	97.2	95.4	108.7	108.8	104.4	104.7	104.5	102.8
Poland	127.5	135.5	146.5	144.8	149.1	146.2	168.1	134.8	134.8	162.8	155.0	156.6	154.2	159.2	158.2
Portugal	126.8	122.8	127.4	118.6	121.5	126.7	149.4	110.7	108.1	119.7	114.6	120.7	117.3	130.3	132.3
Romania	153.3	155.8	171.7	168.3	164.8	167.5	181.1	140.5	139.5	155.9	163.9	166.0	164.3	176.2	179.5
Slovenia	124.0	115.1	129.7	134.7	152.4	143.7	165.3	129.6	133.1	164.5	151.4	156.4	162.4	163.9	170.9
Slovakia	108.2	112.4	114.9	121.2	119.7	118.6	127.4	99.7	101.7	121.5	115.8	121.1	120.7	114.6	114.6
Finland	113.6	119.5	122.6	115.2	115.3	117.6	135.5	101.6	96.4	109.8	112.0	118.3	122.5	119.6	116.8
Sweden	109.6	110.5	117.1	112.1	116.6	122.6	130.4	102.3	98.7	115.3	115.3	123.2	122.2	116.8	113.3
Norway	108.0	117.5	114.4	106.9	110.0	120.9	133.1	101.2	92.0	105.6	103.7	115.6	115.8	105.6	109.8
Switzerland	95.9	100.2	101.1	101.8	111.1	118.2	132.7	102.4	96.1	110.8	105.7	111.3	107.8	108.3	104.1

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