

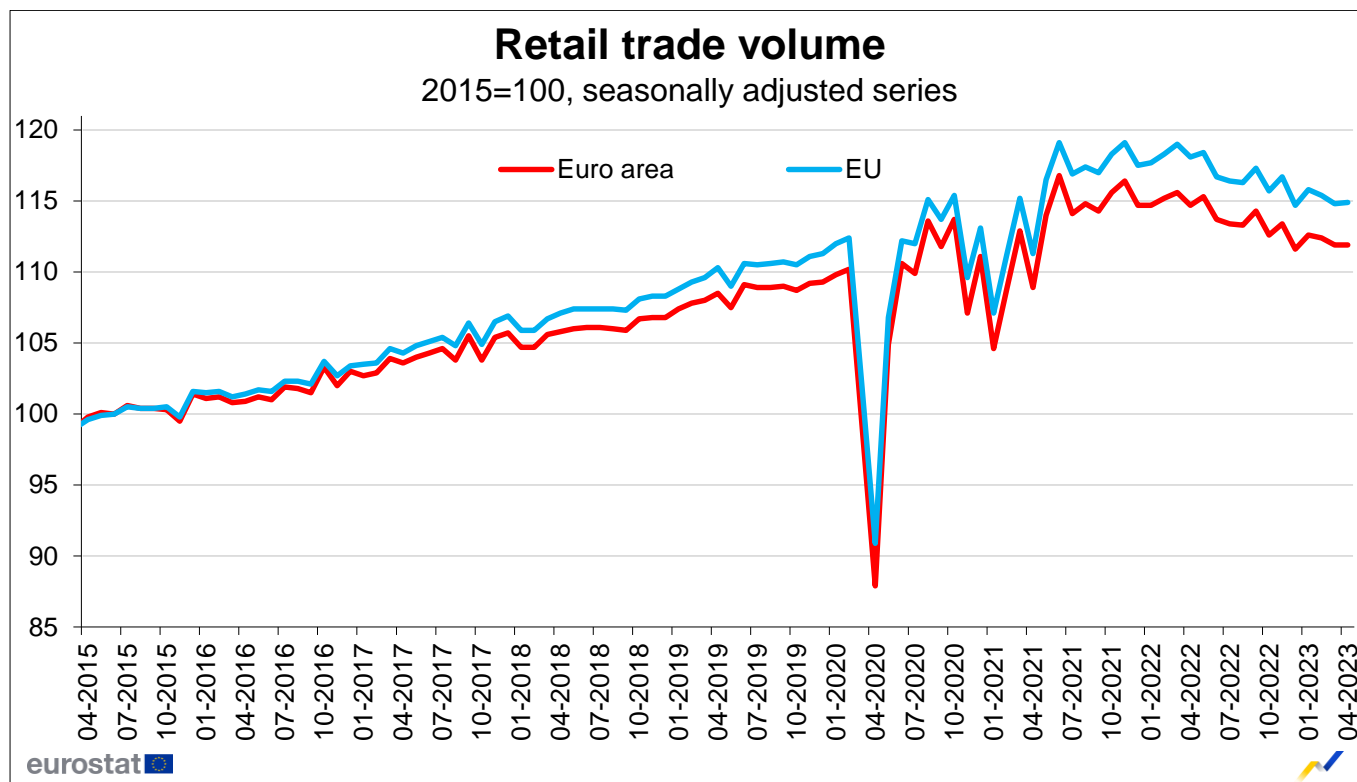
April 2023 compared with March 2023

Volume of retail trade unchanged in the euro area and up by 0.1% in the EU

Down by 2.6% in the euro area and by 2.9% in the EU compared with April 2022

In April 2023, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade remained unchanged in the **euro area** and increased by 0.1% in the **EU**, compared with March 2023, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In March 2023, the retail trade volume decreased by 0.4% in the **euro area** and by 0.5% in the **EU**.

In April 2023 compared with April 2022, the calendar adjusted retail sales index decreased by 2.6% in the **euro area** and by 2.9% in the **EU**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in April 2023, compared with March 2023, the volume of retail trade increased by 0.5% for non-food products, while it decreased by 0.5% for food, drinks and tobacco and by 2.3% for automotive fuels.

In the **EU**, the volume of retail trade increased by 0.6% for non-food products, while it decreased by 0.4% for food, drinks and tobacco and by 2.2% for automotive fuels.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest monthly increases in the total retail trade volume were registered in the **Croatia** (+3.4%), **Luxembourg** (+3.3%) and **Sweden** (+3.1%). The largest decreases were observed in **Slovakia** (-5.8%), **Romania** (-3.7%) and **Slovenia** (-2.4%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in April 2023, compared with April 2022, the volume of retail trade decreased by 4.4% for food, drinks and tobacco, by 1.8% for automotive fuels and by 1.1% for non-food products.

In the **EU**, the retail trade volume decreased by 4.6% for food, drinks and tobacco, by 2.3% for automotive fuels and by 1.5% for non-food products.

Among Member States for which data are available, the largest yearly decreases in the total retail trade volume were registered in **Hungary** (-12.6%), **Estonia** (-10.0%) and **Slovakia** (-9.8%). The highest increases were observed in **Cyprus** (+9.4%), **Spain** (+7.8%) and **Luxembourg** (+6.0%).

Geographical information

The **euro area** (EA20) includes Belgium, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, 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 [55/2023](#) of 5 May 2023. The monthly percentage change for March 2023 has been revised from -1.2% to -0.4% in the euro area and from -1.1% to -0.5% in the EU. The annual percentage change has been revised from -3.8% to -3.3% in the euro area and from -4.1% to -3.7% 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*

	Nov 22	Dec 22	Jan 23	Feb 23	Mar 23	Apr 23
Euro area						
Total retail trade	0.7	-1.6	0.9	-0.2	-0.4	0.0
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.6	-1.7	1.8	-0.3	-0.8	-0.5
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	1.1	-1.6	1.0	0.1	-0.9	0.5
Mail orders and internet	-0.3	-3.3	-3.0	2.2	-1.3	2.7
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.8	0.8	-1.6	-1.3	1.1	-2.3
EU						
Total retail trade	0.9	-1.7	1.0	-0.3	-0.5	0.1
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.5	-1.9	1.7	-0.4	-0.7	-0.4
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	1.3	-1.9	1.5	-0.4	-0.9	0.6
Mail orders and internet	-0.1	-3.3	-2.5	2.2	-1.3	2.8
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	1.0	1.0	-2.5	-1.4	0.6	-2.2

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	Nov 22	Dec 22	Jan 23	Feb 23	Mar 23	Apr 23
Euro area	0.7	-1.6	0.9	-0.2	-0.4	0.0
EU	0.9	-1.7	1.0	-0.3	-0.5	0.1
Belgium	0.7	-3.0	-0.3	0.8	-1.0	0.5
Bulgaria	2.4	0.0	1.4	-1.0	-1.8	-2.0
Czechia	-0.1	-0.7	0.9	-0.8	-0.7	c
Denmark	0.3	-1.5	1.6	-0.1	-0.7	0.4
Germany	1.4	-2.4	0.5	0.1	-1.3	0.8
Estonia	1.3	-2.7	-1.0	-1.4	-0.2	-0.3
Ireland	2.8	-1.7	1.1	0.7	0.7	1.2
Greece	0.4	-1.0	-0.2	1.4	-4.8	c
Spain	1.8	0.4	1.0	-0.2	0.9	1.4
France	-0.4	-1.0	1.0	-0.2	0.1	-1.3
Croatia	-0.9	-0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	3.4
Italy	0.5	-1.4	0.7	c	c	c
Cyprus	0.8	0.1	1.3	1.5	-0.9	1.5
Latvia	1.1	-2.8	1.3	0.5	-2.5	1.3
Lithuania	0.1	-2.0	0.8	-1.6	-0.3	0.1
Luxembourg	0.8	1.1	-0.5	-0.3	-3.0	3.3
Hungary	0.1	-2.9	-0.8	-1.9	0.7	-0.9
Malta	0.1	1.0	-0.8	0.1	0.4	0.2
Netherlands	1.2	-5.4	4.5	-0.4	-2.0	0.0
Austria	-1.3	-0.9	0.3	0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Poland	2.8	-3.0	1.6	-1.8	-1.7	1.4
Portugal	1.5	-2.9	2.0	0.0	2.3	-1.4
Romania	0.4	1.3	-0.1	0.4	1.7	-3.7
Slovenia	-0.3	-1.1	3.7	-10.0	0.5	-2.4
Slovakia	1.0	6.3	-8.0	-0.9	4.3	-5.8
Finland	0.3	-3.2	2.6	0.1	-1.0	0.5
Sweden	1.3	-2.1	0.8	-2.3	-0.6	3.1
Norway	2.3	-4.6	1.3	-0.7	-0.2	-1.2
Switzerland	0.4	-1.9	1.2	0.3	-0.2	-2.0

* 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*

	Nov 22	Dec 22	Jan 23	Feb 23	Mar 23	Apr 23
Euro area						
Total retail trade	-2.4	-2.8	-1.8	-2.4	-3.3	-2.6
Food, drinks, tobacco	-4.5	-6.5	-4.7	-4.6	-6.4	-4.4
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-1.9	-0.8	0.0	-0.8	-1.7	-1.1
Mail orders and internet	-6.5	-6.5	-9.5	-7.0	-4.8	-3.9
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	3.6	3.8	4.9	0.4	2.6	-1.8
EU						
Total retail trade	-2.0	-2.5	-1.5	-2.6	-3.7	-2.9
Food, drinks, tobacco	-3.9	-6.1	-4.4	-4.7	-6.2	-4.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-1.6	-0.9	0.0	-0.9	-2.5	-1.5
Mail orders and internet	-5.5	-5.9	-8.7	-5.7	-4.0	-2.2
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	4.9	5.7	4.8	-0.9	1.7	-2.3

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	Nov 22	Dec 22	Jan 23	Feb 23	Mar 23	Apr 23
Euro area	-2.4	-2.8	-1.8	-2.4	-3.3	-2.6
EU	-2.0	-2.5	-1.5	-2.6	-3.7	-2.9
Belgium	-6.0	-9.2	-8.9	-6.1	-8.4	-7.3
Bulgaria	5.3	3.8	5.6	4.3	1.1	-2.7
Czechia	-9.1	-8.1	-6.8	-6.8	-8.1	c
Denmark	-7.4	-8.1	-5.5	-4.1	-5.4	-4.1
Germany	-4.8	-5.7	-6.0	-5.6	-7.7	-4.4
Estonia	-2.3	-5.9	-7.4	-6.3	-12.9	-10.0
Ireland	-1.7	-1.0	-0.2	0.1	0.3	-0.1
Greece	1.1	-1.1	0.0	1.1	-8.7	c
Spain	-0.6	5.0	6.9	4.8	10.9	7.8
France	-0.6	-2.0	-1.6	-1.6	-1.7	-2.9
Croatia	-4.7	-5.8	-4.4	-4.9	-7.3	-0.4
Italy	-2.7	-4.7	-1.0	c	c	c
Cyprus	3.3	4.7	7.3	10.2	6.4	9.4
Latvia	10.8	-0.2	2.7	2.4	-8.9	-3.1
Lithuania	-1.5	-5.9	0.7	-1.8	-4.5	-3.3
Luxembourg	3.6	6.9	7.3	6.4	2.4	6.0
Hungary	0.6	-4.0	-4.6	-10.1	-13.2	-12.6
Malta	6.8	8.2	5.5	4.9	3.5	3.2
Netherlands	-2.0	1.0	1.6	-2.4	-5.4	-4.4
Austria	-0.4	-1.1	-3.2	-3.3	-3.5	-5.0
Poland	7.1	4.3	3.4	0.1	-5.1	-2.0
Portugal	-1.9	0.8	3.7	0.5	0.3	2.6
Romania	4.5	5.3	5.2	3.1	7.2	-0.7
Slovenia	7.4	2.9	17.8	-3.3	-11.9	-8.6
Slovakia	-1.4	3.0	-0.2	-2.5	-5.9	-9.8
Finland	-3.6	-7.2	-3.5	-2.4	-4.4	-3.1
Sweden	-4.1	-5.8	-4.5	-8.1	-9.1	-4.8
Norway	-3.4	-8.4	-5.3	-3.8	-5.3	-6.4
Switzerland	-1.8	-3.5	-1.7	-0.7	-1.9	-3.7

* Calendar adjusted

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Volume of retail trade, calendar and seasonally adjusted indices

(base year 2015)

	04-22	05-22	06-22	07-22	08-22	09-22	10-22	11-22	12-22	01-23	02-23	03-23	04-23
Euro area	114.7	115.3	113.7	113.4	113.3	114.3	112.6	113.4	111.6	112.6	112.4	111.9	111.9
EU	118.1	118.4	116.7	116.4	116.3	117.3	115.7	116.7	114.7	115.8	115.4	114.8	114.9
Belgium	106.9	105.6	102.9	103.1	104.4	105.5	102.0	102.7	99.6	99.3	100.1	99.1	99.6
Bulgaria	142.9	143.4	141.5	141.6	143.1	144.2	143.7	147.1	147.1	149.1	147.6	144.9	142.0
Czechia	124.8	122.9	122.1	120.2	119.7	120.4	118.2	118.1	117.3	118.3	117.4	116.6	c
Denmark	109.1	108.9	106.8	106.6	106.7	106.1	104.3	104.6	103.0	104.6	104.5	103.8	104.2
Germany	116.7	116.6	115.2	115.8	114.0	115.9	112.7	114.3	111.6	112.2	112.3	110.8	111.7
Estonia	134.7	133.9	130.6	131.0	129.8	129.5	128.0	129.6	126.1	124.8	123.0	122.8	122.4
Ireland	137.9	126.6	127.4	127.2	131.5	129.4	130.9	134.5	132.2	133.7	134.7	135.7	137.3
Greece	114.8	109.5	111.3	113.2	114.1	112.6	111.8	112.2	111.1	110.9	112.5	107.1	c
Spain	104.4	105.1	105.0	104.1	105.0	105.6	106.3	108.2	108.6	109.7	109.5	110.5	112.0
France	125.9	126.4	126.0	123.9	125.0	126.7	124.8	124.3	123.1	124.3	124.0	124.1	122.5
Croatia	121.8	122.5	122.3	120.8	121.3	119.6	118.3	117.2	116.7	116.9	117.0	117.1	121.1
Italy	100.4	104.8	100.1	100.5	99.9	99.6	99.0	99.5	98.1	98.8	c	c	c
Cyprus	126.9	132.8	129.5	129.7	131.7	132.8	133.1	134.2	134.3	136.0	138.1	136.8	138.8
Latvia	124.7	122.9	122.4	121.8	121.9	123.4	122.6	124.0	120.5	122.1	122.7	119.6	121.1
Lithuania	146.9	145.6	144.6	144.5	146.8	148.0	146.6	146.8	143.9	145.0	142.7	142.3	142.5
Luxembourg	35.1	35.8	35.3	36.4	36.7	37.4	36.6	36.9	37.3	37.1	37.0	35.9	37.1
Hungary	142.9	141.4	136.9	136.5	134.6	135.1	133.2	133.3	129.4	128.4	125.9	126.8	125.7
Malta	137.9	136.9	137.9	138.9	137.2	139.2	140.0	140.1	141.5	140.4	140.6	141.1	141.4
Netherlands	118.1	119.3	116.3	117.3	114.4	115.7	115.6	117.0	110.7	115.7	115.2	112.9	112.9
Austria	107.5	106.4	106.5	103.2	104.9	109.6	104.3	102.9	102.0	102.3	102.6	102.4	102.2
Poland	156.5	153.8	151.5	151.8	153.1	155.9	154.9	159.2	154.5	157.0	154.2	151.6	153.7
Portugal	121.9	125.1	121.9	123.3	124.8	122.4	123.3	125.1	121.5	123.9	123.9	126.7	124.9
Romania	169.3	169.4	166.0	166.9	167.4	166.2	167.0	167.6	169.8	169.7	170.3	173.2	166.8
Slovenia	157.1	157.4	156.3	155.8	166.1	160.1	159.2	158.7	156.9	162.7	146.5	147.3	143.8
Slovakia	119.4	118.8	116.1	115.4	115.0	113.3	112.0	113.1	120.2	110.6	109.6	114.3	107.7
Finland	115.1	113.0	113.5	112.0	112.9	113.4	112.3	112.6	109.0	111.8	111.9	110.8	111.4
Sweden	116.5	116.1	113.9	113.4	112.5	111.8	110.5	111.9	109.5	110.4	107.9	107.3	110.6
Norway	105.1	104.0	103.7	100.9	102.1	102.2	101.7	104.0	99.2	100.5	99.8	99.6	98.4
Switzerland	109.1	109.1	108.8	108.2	108.5	108.6	107.8	108.2	106.1	107.4	107.7	107.5	105.3

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Volume of retail trade, calendar adjusted indices

(base year 2015)

	04-20	04-21	04-22	05-22	06-22	07-22	08-22	09-22	10-22	11-22	12-22	01-23	02-23	03-23	04-23
Euro area	85.7	106.0	111.3	114.3	113.8	112.1	116.5	111.8	114.2	116.8	131.1	106.4	99.8	109.8	108.4
EU	88.8	108.5	114.9	117.9	117.2	115.8	119.5	115.0	117.4	120.1	134.1	108.3	101.9	112.9	111.6
Belgium	89.7	106.7	104.7	108.8	107.7	104.1	98.3	101.7	103.5	101.7	115.9	96.7	88.8	98.0	97.1
Bulgaria	106.1	131.4	139.1	141.3	141.1	146.9	151.4	147.9	147.1	151.5	161.9	135.5	128.5	142.6	135.3
Czechia	106.7	114.5	120.5	123.2	122.3	115.2	115.6	118.4	119.7	130.1	137.9	107.6	103.6	117.0	c
Denmark	101.5	109.9	110.4	113.1	108.8	105.7	107.4	100.2	102.8	112.1	119.6	96.4	90.2	100.8	105.9
Germany	105.8	113.1	116.4	115.8	112.6	116.1	110.6	112.0	115.1	123.7	126.7	104.3	101.7	113.0	111.3
Estonia	95.0	116.4	131.6	138.9	135.0	136.9	134.7	127.6	129.1	132.2	141.5	112.7	104.0	120.0	118.4
Ireland	89.4	115.4	127.4	124.0	124.6	121.8	130.4	128.6	125.0	152.8	178.7	122.8	123.9	120.8	127.3
Greece	74.9	104.7	115.3	102.2	114.0	119.3	123.0	114.1	113.8	111.8	119.9	103.0	107.2	99.0	c
Spain	71.2	98.1	99.4	103.7	106.4	112.1	103.1	102.6	105.5	107.1	127.2	109.6	95.9	107.6	107.2
France	76.9	110.0	122.5	125.0	126.7	104.2	145.3	122.5	126.1	125.6	149.7	119.0	108.9	120.5	119.0
Croatia	83.4	110.4	114.5	121.9	132.2	147.8	148.0	125.9	116.7	106.4	120.5	94.5	94.5	109.8	114.0
Italy	62.9	87.6	91.5	101.5	100.0	107.9	99.5	100.7	102.8	100.2	119.1	93.3	c	c	c
Cyprus	82.5	127.6	123.4	127.1	130.4	137.8	132.3	133.2	134.7	136.3	164.5	121.2	121.4	129.0	135.0
Latvia	101.4	117.2	121.3	124.9	126.3	130.2	131.7	124.4	124.1	120.8	133.2	110.2	105.5	114.5	117.6
Lithuania	104.3	142.4	146.3	151.5	149.4	152.7	155.0	146.5	146.7	143.9	158.3	131.9	124.1	139.3	141.5
Luxembourg	21.0	34.7	35.0	35.9	34.9	37.2	33.2	36.3	37.2	37.8	43.6	35.5	33.2	38.0	37.1
Hungary	107.3	119.8	138.1	141.6	139.1	141.2	138.7	134.6	138.5	139.4	152.6	110.6	108.0	122.7	120.7
Malta	90.4	111.0	131.2	141.7	139.6	145.3	141.7	137.5	142.5	143.9	163.8	126.9	121.0	137.0	135.4
Netherlands	103.5	113.6	116.9	124.3	119.4	120.4	110.3	111.6	116.7	121.1	125.8	110.1	99.6	111.0	111.7
Austria	86.6	105.2	108.4	104.2	104.9	104.5	102.9	107.7	106.6	104.5	119.2	94.4	92.4	104.7	103.0
Poland	111.9	129.8	155.2	156.6	154.1	156.5	156.1	156.1	158.1	156.6	175.4	139.3	134.9	154.4	152.1
Portugal	85.3	109.4	114.6	120.7	117.3	130.5	132.7	121.6	123.2	124.3	150.6	114.8	108.6	120.1	117.6
Romania	110.6	156.8	163.9	166.0	164.3	176.2	179.7	172.4	172.5	175.1	190.7	147.8	143.8	167.2	162.7
Slovenia	94.3	117.0	151.0	156.1	162.3	163.4	170.4	166.9	164.7	154.2	169.9	152.7	128.7	144.8	138.0
Slovakia	94.7	105.6	115.9	120.6	120.6	115.0	114.4	115.2	114.7	116.9	130.6	99.7	99.4	113.9	104.5
Finland	105.0	116.2	112.1	117.9	121.8	118.4	117.5	111.8	111.2	113.3	125.7	98.1	94.0	105.0	108.6
Sweden	103.2	111.6	115.8	123.3	122.5	117.2	113.4	108.0	110.0	116.9	122.5	97.3	90.7	104.9	110.2
Norway	98.5	102.5	99.5	105.8	111.0	101.1	105.9	98.7	100.0	112.3	117.9	89.5	85.0	96.4	93.1
Switzerland	81.2	112.1	105.8	111.4	107.8	107.7	102.7	104.0	108.4	116.1	128.0	100.7	95.4	108.6	101.9

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