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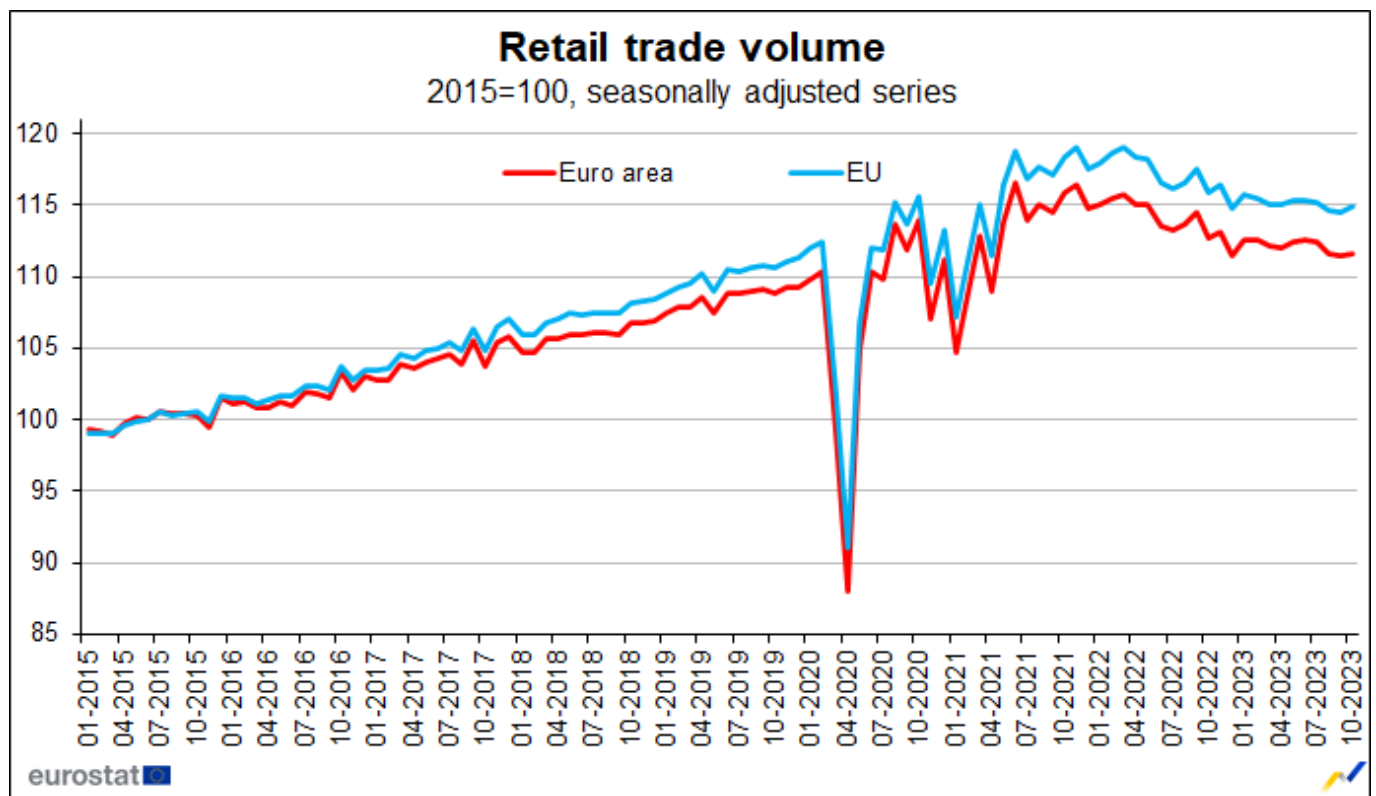
October 2023 compared with September 2023

Volume of retail trade up by 0.1% in the euro area and by 0.3% in the EU

Down by 1.2% in the euro area and by 0.9% in the EU compared with October 2022

In October 2023, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade increased by 0.1% in the **euro area** and by 0.3% in the **EU**, compared with September 2023, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In September 2023, the retail trade volume decreased by 0.1% both in the **euro area** and in the **EU**.

In October 2023 compared with October 2022, the calendar adjusted retail sales index decreased by 1.2% in the **euro area** and by 0.9% in the **EU**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in October 2023, compared with September 2023, the volume of retail trade increased by 0.8% for non-food products, while it decreased by 0.8% for automotive fuels and by 1.1% for food, drinks and tobacco.

In the **EU**, the volume of retail trade increased by 1.0% for non-food products and by 0.1% for automotive fuels, while it decreased by 0.8% 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 **Croatia** (+3.1%), the **Netherlands** (+2.4%) and **Slovakia** (+1.9%). The largest decreases were observed in **France** (-1.0%), **Belgium** and **Austria** (both -0.8%), **Spain** and **Portugal** (both -0.4%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in October 2023, compared with October 2022, the volume of retail trade decreased by 6.4% for automotive fuels and by 1.5% for food, drinks and tobacco, while it grew by 0.1% for non-food products.

In the **EU**, the retail trade volume decreased by 5.5% for automotive fuels and by 1.2% for food, drinks and tobacco, while it grew by 0.2% 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 **Slovenia** (-15.6%), **Hungary** (-6.5%) and **Estonia** (-5.5%). The highest increases were observed in **Spain** (+5.9%), **Denmark** (+4.2%), **Bulgaria** and **Luxembourg** (both +3.1%).

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.

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 [126/2023](#) of 8 November 2023. The monthly percentage change for September 2023 has been revised from -0.3% to -0.1% in the euro area and from -0.2% to -0.1% in the EU. The annual percentage change remained stable at -2.9% in the euro area and has been revised from -2.7% to -2.6% 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*

	May 23	Jun 23	Jul 23	Aug 23	Sep 23	Oct 23
Euro area						
Total retail trade	0.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	0.1
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.2	0.1	0.2	-0.5	1.0	-1.1
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.8	-0.9	0.8
Mail orders and internet	-0.1	1.2	1.5	-2.1	-2.1	2.2
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.5	-0.4	-0.5	-2.2	0.4	-0.8
EU						
Total retail trade	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	0.3
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.3	1.0	-0.8
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.4	0.1	0.2	-0.6	-0.9	1.0
Mail orders and internet	-0.1	1.1	1.6	-1.4	-1.7	2.1
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.3	-0.6	-0.5	-1.7	1.2	0.1

Source dataset: [sts_trtu_m](#)

Total retail trade	May 23	Jun 23	Jul 23	Aug 23	Sep 23	Oct 23
Euro area	0.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	0.1
EU	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	0.3
Belgium	-0.2	1.1	-0.4	-1.6	0.8	-0.8
Bulgaria	1.7	-0.3	-0.5	-0.2	0.7	1.0
Czechia	0.3	0.5	0.0	-0.8	-0.4	c
Denmark	0.4	0.5	-2.2	1.5	0.9	0.8
Germany	0.9	-0.6	0.0	-1.1	-0.1	1.1
Estonia	-0.9	-0.7	-0.2	0.2	0.1	-0.1
Ireland	0.7	0.3	-2.4	1.3	-1.0	-0.2
Greece	0.5	-3.9	3.8	0.2	-0.7	c
Spain	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.4
France	0.1	1.1	0.2	-1.1	0.2	-1.0
Croatia	-0.5	-0.7	-0.2	-1.3	0.7	3.1
Italy	-0.1	-0.6	-0.1	c	c	c
Cyprus	0.8	-0.6	0.3	-0.8	0.2	-0.1
Latvia	0.3	-0.8	-0.4	-0.6	-0.2	0.8
Lithuania	1.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3
Luxembourg	2.8	1.9	-3.2	-1.6	-1.4	0.3
Hungary	-0.9	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	0.1	-0.3
Malta	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.1	-0.6	0.1
Netherlands	0.5	1.5	-1.9	0.0	-1.0	2.4
Austria	0.6	1.3	-1.0	-0.8	-0.3	-0.8
Poland	-1.8	0.0	-0.5	1.7	1.6	1.5
Portugal	3.0	-1.9	1.6	-3.0	0.1	-0.4
Romania	2.4	-1.9	-0.1	-0.4	-0.4	0.9
Slovenia	-5.3	-2.6	-0.4	0.0	1.6	0.3
Slovakia	0.7	0.6	0.4	1.4	-2.0	1.9
Finland	-0.8	-0.8	0.2	0.1	-0.4	1.0
Sweden	-0.2	-0.6	0.5	0.4	-1.3	1.6
Norway	1.1	0.2	-0.9	-0.3	-0.3	0.6
Switzerland	2.1	1.4	-2.5	0.4	0.5	0.3

* 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*

	May 23	Jun 23	Jul 23	Aug 23	Sep 23	Oct 23
Euro area						
Total retail trade	-2.1	-0.8	-0.8	-1.8	-2.9	-1.2
Food, drinks, tobacco	-2.8	-2.6	-2.1	-2.4	-0.9	-1.5
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-1.5	0.7	1.3	0.0	-3.4	0.1
Mail orders and internet	-2.9	-1.7	0.5	-1.1	-4.6	0.0
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.9	-0.9	-1.6	-7.3	-6.7	-6.4
EU						
Total retail trade	-2.4	-1.0	-1.0	-1.8	-2.6	-0.9
Food, drinks, tobacco	-2.8	-2.8	-2.3	-2.4	-0.7	-1.2
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-1.9	0.4	0.8	-0.1	-3.4	0.2
Mail orders and internet	-1.8	-0.9	1.5	0.8	-2.6	1.4
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-1.9	-1.8	-2.5	-7.0	-6.4	-5.5

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Total retail trade	May 23	Jun 23	Jul 23	Aug 23	Sep 23	Oct 23
Euro area	-2.1	-0.8	-0.8	-1.8	-2.9	-1.2
EU	-2.4	-1.0	-1.0	-1.8	-2.6	-0.9
Belgium	-7.6	-4.0	-5.0	-8.5	-8.4	-3.6
Bulgaria	1.8	2.4	1.6	0.1	0.0	3.1
Czechia	-6.3	-3.8	-2.1	-2.8	-4.1	c
Denmark	-2.6	-0.1	-4.3	-1.2	1.3	4.2
Germany	-1.7	-0.6	-1.8	-2.2	-3.6	-0.1
Estonia	-9.6	-8.7	-8.6	-7.9	-6.1	-5.5
Ireland	3.0	4.0	-0.2	1.7	0.8	0.1
Greece	0.2	-7.9	-2.9	-3.3	-3.3	c
Spain	7.3	7.6	8.5	8.1	7.5	5.9
France	-3.8	-1.9	0.0	-2.1	-3.3	-3.1
Croatia	-1.0	-2.0	-1.0	-3.8	-1.4	2.8
Italy	-4.7	-3.1	-3.4	c	c	c
Cyprus	6.3	7.0	7.2	3.9	3.3	2.6
Latvia	-1.4	-2.1	-1.9	-3.0	-4.4	-2.8
Lithuania	-0.9	-0.8	-1.8	-1.4	-2.4	-0.6
Luxembourg	6.2	10.8	5.2	2.2	-0.6	3.1
Hungary	-12.3	-8.3	-7.6	-7.0	-7.3	-6.5
Malta	3.2	3.4	2.1	2.4	-0.2	-0.6
Netherlands	-4.8	-0.7	-3.7	-2.2	-3.7	-0.6
Austria	-3.7	-1.4	0.0	-2.6	-7.1	-3.3
Poland	-2.6	-1.2	-2.4	-1.0	-0.6	2.1
Portugal	2.8	3.6	3.9	-0.4	1.5	0.5
Romania	3.1	1.7	1.1	0.4	-0.1	1.0
Slovenia	-12.7	-15.8	-16.2	-21.6	-16.4	-15.6
Slovakia	-8.1	-5.3	-4.4	-2.1	-5.1	-0.4
Finland	-2.2	-3.9	-2.3	-2.6	-3.5	-0.8
Sweden	-6.3	-5.6	-4.4	-3.1	-4.4	-1.0
Norway	-2.1	-1.4	-1.4	-2.1	-2.5	-0.9
Switzerland	-1.4	0.7	-2.7	-2.0	-1.2	-0.1

* Calendar adjusted

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Volume of retail trade, calendar and seasonally adjusted indices

(base year 2015)

	10-22	11-22	12-22	01-23	02-23	03-23	04-23	05-23	06-23	07-23	08-23	09-23	10-23
Euro area	112.7	113.1	111.5	112.5	112.5	112.1	112.0	112.4	112.5	112.4	111.6	111.5	111.6
EU	115.8	116.4	114.7	115.7	115.4	115.0	115.0	115.3	115.3	115.2	114.6	114.5	114.9
Belgium	101.0	101.2	98.0	97.7	99.2	98.2	98.7	98.5	99.6	99.2	97.6	98.4	97.6
Bulgaria	143.7	147.1	147.1	149.1	147.6	144.9	143.8	146.2	145.8	145.1	144.8	145.8	147.2
Czechia	118.0	117.9	117.2	118.2	117.5	116.1	115.5	115.8	116.4	116.4	115.5	115.0	c
Denmark	103.4	104.8	103.0	104.7	104.9	104.3	105.1	105.5	106.0	103.7	105.3	106.3	107.1
Germany	113.0	113.1	111.6	112.3	112.6	112.1	112.7	113.7	113.0	113.0	111.8	111.7	112.9
Estonia	127.8	129.4	125.9	124.6	122.8	122.7	122.2	121.1	120.2	120.0	120.2	120.3	120.2
Ireland	131.2	132.3	132.1	132.5	132.4	132.4	133.6	134.6	135.0	131.7	133.4	132.0	131.7
Greece	111.7	112.0	110.8	110.6	112.2	106.8	109.1	109.7	105.4	109.4	109.6	108.8	c
Spain	106.6	108.2	108.7	109.8	109.6	110.6	112.1	112.2	112.6	112.9	113.3	113.5	113.1
France	124.9	124.5	123.3	124.4	124.3	124.0	122.3	122.4	123.7	124.0	122.6	122.9	121.7
Croatia	118.5	117.5	117.0	117.2	117.3	117.4	120.5	119.9	119.1	118.9	117.3	118.1	121.8
Italy	99.1	99.6	98.2	98.9	98.4	97.9	97.8	97.7	97.1	97.0	c	c	c
Cyprus	133.8	134.4	134.4	136.0	138.0	136.5	138.0	139.1	138.3	138.7	137.6	137.9	137.8
Latvia	122.6	124.0	120.4	122.0	122.5	119.3	120.5	120.9	119.9	119.4	118.7	118.5	119.4
Lithuania	146.6	146.8	143.9	145.0	142.7	142.3	142.8	144.5	144.1	143.6	144.1	144.2	144.7
Luxembourg	34.5	36.1	36.5	37.1	37.3	36.6	36.0	37.0	37.7	36.5	35.9	35.4	35.5
Hungary	133.2	133.8	129.3	128.3	125.8	126.7	125.6	124.5	125.3	125.1	124.5	124.6	124.2
Malta	142.4	142.3	143.2	142.4	142.5	142.6	142.6	143.2	143.2	143.0	143.1	142.3	142.4
Netherlands	115.6	117.0	110.7	115.6	115.1	112.8	112.8	113.4	115.1	112.9	112.9	111.8	114.5
Austria	104.3	102.9	101.8	102.6	102.9	102.6	102.0	102.6	103.9	102.9	102.1	101.8	101.0
Poland	154.9	159.2	154.5	157.0	154.2	151.6	153.4	150.6	150.6	149.9	152.4	154.9	157.2
Portugal	123.3	125.1	121.5	123.9	123.9	127.2	125.0	128.7	126.3	128.3	124.4	124.5	124.0
Romania	167.0	167.6	169.8	169.7	170.3	173.2	168.5	172.6	169.3	169.2	168.6	167.9	169.4
Slovenia	159.1	158.6	156.8	162.5	146.2	146.9	143.3	135.7	132.2	131.7	131.7	133.8	134.2
Slovakia	111.7	113.2	120.4	110.8	109.9	114.4	108.1	108.9	109.5	109.9	111.4	109.2	111.3
Finland	112.2	112.5	108.8	111.1	111.1	109.6	111.2	110.3	109.4	109.6	109.7	109.3	110.4
Sweden	110.1	111.8	109.5	110.4	108.0	107.2	108.7	108.5	107.9	108.4	108.8	107.4	109.1
Norway	101.7	105.3	99.7	101.1	100.8	100.6	100.3	101.4	101.6	100.7	100.4	100.1	100.7
Switzerland	107.5	108.1	106.2	107.2	107.8	107.4	105.1	107.3	108.8	106.1	106.5	107.0	107.3

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Volume of retail trade, calendar adjusted indices

(base year 2015)

	10-20	10-21	10-22	11-22	12-22	01-23	02-23	03-23	04-23	05-23	06-23	07-23	08-23	09-23	10-23
Euro area	115.2	117.2	114.2	116.3	131.0	106.3	99.9	110.1	108.5	112.1	113.0	111.2	114.4	108.5	112.8
EU	117.0	120.0	117.3	119.7	134.1	108.2	102.0	113.2	111.6	115.3	116.1	114.5	117.3	111.9	116.3
Belgium	109.4	109.8	103.5	101.7	115.9	96.7	88.8	98.0	97.1	100.5	103.4	98.9	89.9	93.2	99.8
Bulgaria	137.2	145.6	147.1	151.5	161.9	135.5	128.5	142.6	135.3	143.8	144.5	149.3	151.6	147.9	151.7
Czechia	124.1	133.6	119.7	130.1	137.9	107.6	103.6	115.2	110.4	115.4	117.6	112.8	112.3	113.6	c
Denmark	114.5	113.1	102.9	112.0	119.5	96.4	90.3	100.7	106.2	110.2	108.8	101.1	106.1	101.4	107.2
Germany	122.9	120.8	114.6	122.0	126.0	103.7	101.7	114.0	112.1	114.8	112.2	113.8	108.0	107.7	114.5
Estonia	121.1	134.5	129.1	132.2	141.5	112.7	104.0	120.0	118.4	125.6	123.2	125.1	124.1	119.8	122.0
Ireland	134.5	130.2	125.0	152.8	178.7	122.8	123.9	120.7	127.8	127.7	129.6	121.5	132.6	129.6	125.1
Greece	107.0	116.0	113.8	111.8	119.9	103.0	107.2	99.0	108.1	102.4	105.0	115.8	119.0	110.3	c
Spain	105.4	104.3	105.5	107.1	127.2	109.6	95.9	107.7	107.2	111.3	114.5	121.6	111.4	110.3	111.7
France	120.4	125.5	126.4	125.8	150.3	119.3	109.4	120.8	118.3	120.3	124.4	104.2	142.5	118.6	122.5
Croatia	113.3	122.3	116.7	106.4	120.5	94.5	94.5	109.8	114.0	120.7	129.5	146.3	142.4	124.2	120.0
Italy	103.7	108.3	102.8	100.2	119.2	93.3	87.0	93.6	88.7	96.7	96.9	104.2	c	c	c
Cyprus	123.3	132.2	134.7	136.3	164.5	121.2	121.4	129.0	134.2	135.1	139.5	147.7	137.4	137.6	138.2
Latvia	119.9	117.2	124.1	120.8	133.2	110.2	105.5	114.5	117.2	123.2	123.7	127.7	127.8	118.9	120.6
Lithuania	138.1	151.3	146.7	143.9	158.3	131.9	124.1	139.3	141.8	150.2	148.2	149.9	152.9	143.0	145.8
Luxembourg	35.0	35.8	35.9	36.7	42.4	34.5	32.7	36.9	35.4	37.4	38.0	38.2	33.0	34.9	37.0
Hungary	130.3	137.6	138.6	140.4	152.4	110.7	108.0	122.7	120.7	124.2	127.5	129.7	128.2	124.1	129.6
Malta	119.2	134.0	145.3	146.1	163.7	127.7	121.7	138.2	136.0	149.5	147.2	152.2	146.6	139.1	144.4
Netherlands	115.3	121.2	116.7	121.1	125.8	110.1	99.6	111.0	111.8	118.3	118.6	116.0	107.9	107.5	116.0
Austria	110.6	110.2	106.6	104.5	119.2	94.4	92.4	104.7	102.2	100.2	103.5	104.6	100.3	100.1	103.1
Poland	134.4	149.2	158.1	156.6	175.4	139.3	134.9	154.4	152.5	152.6	152.3	152.8	154.6	155.2	161.4
Portugal	117.1	121.5	123.2	124.3	150.6	114.8	108.6	120.5	117.7	124.1	121.5	135.6	132.2	123.4	123.8
Romania	157.3	164.8	172.5	175.1	190.7	147.8	143.8	167.2	162.9	171.2	167.1	178.1	180.4	172.3	174.2
Slovenia	113.5	152.5	164.7	154.2	170.0	152.8	128.7	144.8	137.8	136.2	136.7	136.9	133.5	139.6	139.0
Slovakia	117.2	120.0	114.7	116.9	130.5	99.7	99.4	113.9	104.5	110.8	114.2	109.9	112.0	109.3	114.2
Finland	115.0	115.3	111.2	113.3	125.6	97.5	93.2	103.5	108.8	115.2	117.0	115.6	114.4	107.9	110.3
Sweden	110.5	116.2	110.0	116.9	122.6	97.4	90.8	104.8	107.9	115.5	115.7	112.0	109.9	103.2	108.9
Norway	110.1	106.6	100.1	112.0	117.7	91.4	84.9	95.5	94.4	108.8	109.3	100.0	103.0	96.4	99.2
Switzerland	109.1	111.1	108.4	116.1	128.0	100.3	95.4	108.4	101.5	109.7	108.6	104.8	100.6	102.7	108.3

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