

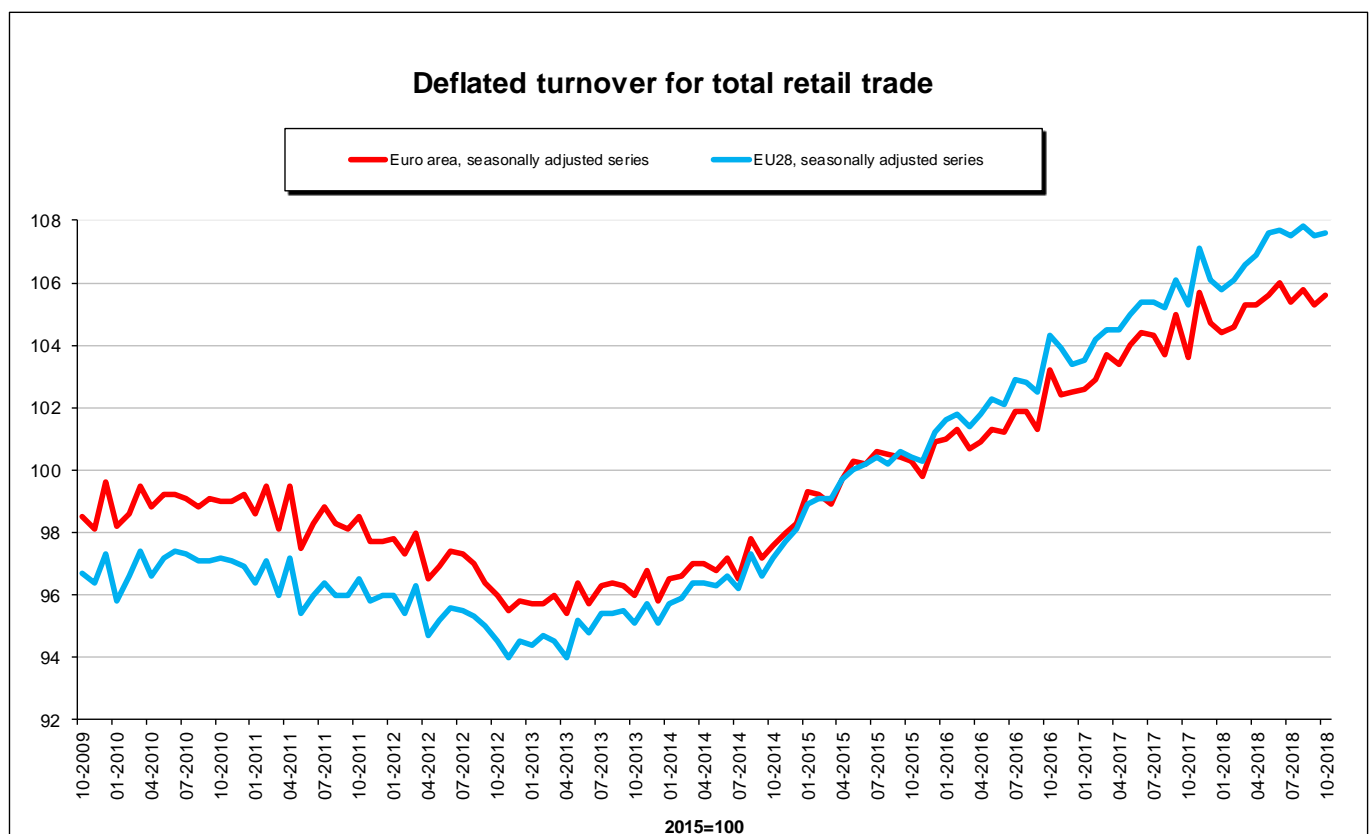
October 2018 compared with September 2018

Volume of retail trade up by 0.3% in euro area

Up by 0.1% in EU28

In October 2018 compared with September 2018, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade increased by 0.3% in the **euro area** (EA19) and by 0.1% in the **EU28**, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In September, the retail trade volume decreased by 0.5% in the **euro area** and by 0.3% in the **EU28**.

In October 2018 compared with October 2017, the calendar adjusted retail sales index increased by 1.7% in the **euro area** and by 2.1% in the **EU28**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in October 2018, compared with September 2018, the volume of retail trade increased by 1.0% for automotive fuel and by 0.6% for food, drinks and tobacco, while non-food products decreased by 0.1%. In the **EU28**, the retail trade volume increased by 0.8% for automotive fuel and by 0.5% for foods, drinks and tobacco, while non-food products fell by 0.3%.

Among Member States for which data are available, the largest increases in the total retail trade volume were registered in **Slovenia** (+7.9%), **Portugal** (+2.3%) and **Austria** (+1.6%). The highest decreases were observed in **Finland** (-2.0%), **Denmark** and **Sweden** (both -1.2%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

In the **euro area** in October 2018, compared with October 2017, the volume of retail trade increased by 2.3% for food, drinks and tobacco, by 1.7% for non-food products, and by 1.5% for automotive fuels. In the **EU28**, the retail trade volume increased by 2.4% for non-food products, by 2.3% for automotive fuel and by 1.9% 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** (+13.3%), **Ireland** (+8.4%) and **Lithuania** (+7.3%). Decreases were observed in **Malta** (-2.3%), **Finland** (-1.0%) and **Luxembourg** (-0.3%).

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** (EU28) includes Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland, Sweden and the United Kingdom.

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 [172/2018](#) of 7 November 2018. The monthly percentage changes for September 2018 have been revised from 0.0% to -0.5% in the euro area and from -0.1 to -0.3% in the EU28. The annual percentage changes have been revised from +0.8% to +0.3% in the euro area and from +1.5% to +1.3% in the EU28.

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-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18
EA19						
Total retail trade	0.3	0.4	-0.6	0.4	-0.5	0.3
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.4	0.4	-1.0	0.4	-0.2	0.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-0.8	0.1	-0.1	0.6	-0.7	-0.1
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-3.5	-0.7	0.6	1.5	-3.8	0.8
Electrical goods and furniture	-0.3	0.5	-1.2	0.3	0.9	-1.1
Computer equipment, books and other	-0.2	-0.1	-0.8	1.1	-1.0	1.0
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	-1.0	0.8	0.4	0.1	-0.2	-1.0
Mail orders and internet	-2.2	3.7	1.1	-2.1	2.6	0.9
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.4	1.1	-1.2	-0.7	0.8	1.0
EU28						
Total retail trade	0.7	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	0.1
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.5	0.1	-0.6	0.2	-0.3	0.5
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.8	-0.5	-0.3
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-1.9	-0.7	0.9	0.8	-2.4	0.2
Electrical goods and furniture	0.0	0.4	-1.3	0.9	1.0	-1.1
Computer equipment, books and other	0.2	-0.7	-0.3	1.9	-0.8	0.1
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	-0.4	0.5	1.1	0.1	-0.5	-0.1
Mail orders and internet	-0.3	2.3	2.0	-1.1	1.1	0.7
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.5	0.5	-1.3	-0.9	1.0	0.8

The source dataset is available [here](#).

Total retail trade	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18
EA19	0.3	0.4	-0.6	0.4	-0.5	0.3
EU28	0.7	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	0.1
Belgium	2.9	0.0	-2.5	0.1	-0.4	1.0
Bulgaria	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.5
Czechia	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.0	0.6	c
Denmark	1.3	0.0	-0.7	0.5	0.8	-1.2
Germany	-1.3	1.0	-1.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3
Estonia	2.9	-1.8	0.9	0.5	1.5	-0.5
Ireland	1.6	0.4	-0.7	0.8	1.6	-0.8
Greece	0.6	-0.1	1.4	-0.7	0.0	c
Spain	0.0	0.7	-1.0	0.7	-0.6	1.4
France	1.1	0.6	-0.6	1.4	-1.2	0.5
Croatia	2.8	-1.7	0.0	1.0	0.5	c
Italy	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	c	c	c
Cyprus	1.4	0.7	-0.8	-0.1	0.6	c
Latvia	2.9	-1.2	0.0	-1.2	1.5	-1.1
Lithuania	0.9	0.0	0.4	0.8	0.1	0.1
Luxembourg	0.9	0.0	0.3	0.3	-0.6	0.0
Hungary	1.4	-0.1	-0.1	1.0	0.2	0.5
Malta	0.7	-0.5	-0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.5
Netherlands	-0.7	-0.3	0.8	-0.7	-0.1	c
Austria	-0.5	-0.4	-0.5	1.1	-1.1	1.6
Poland	1.2	0.2	-0.7	-0.8	0.1	0.2
Portugal	4.8	-1.6	-0.9	1.1	-1.8	2.3
Romania	2.0	-0.4	-1.1	0.0	1.7	1.3
Slovenia	3.4	0.5	-0.8	0.9	1.5	7.9
Slovakia	1.0	-0.6	1.2	0.1	0.4	1.5
Finland	2.4	-2.2	1.0	-0.2	0.8	-2.0
Sweden	-0.2	-1.6	0.0	1.2	0.5	-1.2
United Kingdom	1.9	-0.5	1.1	0.5	-0.5	-0.5
Norway	1.8	-2.8	0.5	0.4	-0.6	-0.2
Switzerland	-1.1	0.4	-1.0	0.1	-1.6	2.0

* Calendar and seasonally adjusted

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The source dataset is available [here](#).

Volume of retail trade
% change compared with the same month of the previous year*

	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18
EA19						
Total retail trade	1.6	1.6	1.0	2.2	0.3	1.7
Food, drinks, tobacco	2.1	1.9	1.0	1.8	0.2	2.3
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	1.5	1.5	1.0	2.7	0.4	1.7
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-2.5	-2.5	-2.3	1.4	-7.2	1.1
Electrical goods and furniture	1.7	1.6	0.2	1.3	1.4	0.6
Computer equipment, books and other	2.2	2.2	0.7	3.3	1.4	3.2
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	1.1	2.4	3.1	3.2	1.7	1.1
Mail orders and internet	4.5	8.4	7.0	5.5	5.9	9.9
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.4	1.2	-0.3	-0.1	1.2	1.5
EU28						
Total retail trade	2.6	2.2	1.9	2.7	1.3	2.1
Food, drinks, tobacco	2.4	2.1	1.6	2.0	0.6	1.9
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	3.0	2.2	2.1	3.3	1.8	2.4
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-1.1	-1.4	-0.8	1.6	-4.5	1.4
Electrical goods and furniture	3.3	2.8	0.9	2.8	3.1	1.6
Computer equipment, books and other	2.3	0.8	0.5	2.6	2.8	2.6
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	4.6	5.4	6.7	6.1	4.0	4.3
Mail orders and internet	7.4	8.8	9.9	7.6	6.2	9.2
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	2.5	2.6	0.9	0.1	1.8	2.3

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Total retail trade	May-18	Jun-18	Jul-18	Aug-18	Sep-18	Oct-18
EA19	1.6	1.6	1.0	2.2	0.3	1.7
EU28	2.6	2.2	1.9	2.7	1.3	2.1
Belgium	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-1.8	0.5
Bulgaria	6.2	6.0	4.9	5.1	4.7	4.9
Czechia	5.1	3.2	4.4	4.2	2.6	c
Denmark	3.3	2.8	1.0	2.2	2.9	1.0
Germany	0.8	1.2	0.8	1.4	0.1	0.5
Estonia	1.6	-1.8	0.7	1.8	2.8	2.3
Ireland	5.0	8.9	6.5	7.4	10.1	8.4
Greece	4.1	1.7	2.4	3.6	3.3	c
Spain	-0.2	0.3	-0.8	0.3	-1.4	2.8
France	3.2	4.2	2.0	4.6	0.6	2.6
Croatia	9.2	1.1	2.4	4.0	5.0	c
Italy	0.0	-0.7	-0.6	c	c	c
Cyprus	5.2	6.1	4.3	3.9	3.3	c
Latvia	6.7	5.2	4.3	1.5	3.5	2.5
Lithuania	7.1	7.2	7.4	7.9	7.9	7.3
Luxembourg	1.7	2.9	3.7	4.5	-0.3	-0.3
Hungary	7.6	6.3	5.3	6.8	5.5	5.7
Malta	-0.4	-1.9	-2.3	-1.5	-0.9	-2.3
Netherlands	3.3	2.7	3.5	3.2	2.1	c
Austria	0.9	-0.9	-0.9	1.5	-1.6	2.4
Poland	8.4	7.8	6.9	5.6	5.0	4.8
Portugal	5.8	3.2	2.2	3.5	1.0	5.1
Romania	7.0	8.1	4.6	1.5	3.4	5.8
Slovenia	4.0	4.6	2.1	4.3	6.5	13.3
Slovakia	3.5	1.2	4.3	3.0	3.6	6.0
Finland	4.6	0.2	1.4	1.1	1.9	-1.0
Sweden	3.6	0.5	-0.3	2.0	2.1	0.1
United Kingdom	4.0	2.8	4.0	3.4	3.4	2.2
Norway	3.1	-0.4	0.1	1.1	1.0	0.6
Switzerland	0.1	0.1	-0.4	0.5	-2.6	0.7

* Calendar adjusted

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

	10/17	11/17	12/17	01/18	02/18	03/18	04/18	05/18	06/18	07/18	08/18	09/18	10/18
EA19	103.6	105.7	104.7	104.4	104.6	105.3	105.3	105.6	106.0	105.4	105.8	105.3	105.6
EU28	105.3	107.1	106.1	105.8	106.1	106.6	106.9	107.6	107.7	107.5	107.8	107.5	107.6
Belgium	98.4	101.1	100.0	97.5	98.9	99.4	97.9	100.7	100.7	98.2	98.3	97.9	98.9
Bulgaria	111.3	111.6	112.2	112.0	111.8	112.8	114.3	115.0	115.1	115.3	115.7	116.1	116.7
Czechia	112.2	113.7	114.0	114.7	114.6	114.7	115.3	115.7	115.5	116.2	116.2	116.9	c
Denmark	102.0	103.2	103.0	102.5	102.6	103.3	102.8	104.1	104.1	103.4	103.9	104.7	103.4
Germany	104.9	106.7	105.7	105.7	105.1	105.6	107.7	106.3	107.4	106.3	106.1	105.8	105.5
Estonia	105.6	105.5	107.3	104.6	106.7	107.4	104.4	107.4	105.5	106.4	106.9	108.5	108.0
Ireland	111.6	114.9	111.9	113.6	113.4	111.2	113.6	115.4	115.9	115.1	116.0	117.9	116.9
Greece	100.5	99.7	101.3	101.0	102.1	101.4	102.4	103.0	102.9	104.3	103.6	103.6	c
Spain	103.5	106.2	104.9	105.0	105.5	105.8	105.1	105.1	105.8	104.7	105.4	104.8	106.3
France	106.3	110.0	108.3	107.4	108.5	110.3	108.4	109.6	110.3	109.6	111.1	109.8	110.4
Croatia	105.1	106.4	105.9	107.9	106.6	107.4	107.9	110.9	109.0	109.0	110.1	110.7	c
Italy	99.4	100.0	99.6	99.1	99.8	99.7	98.9	99.7	99.6	99.5	c	c	c
Cyprus	114.3	115.0	114.2	116.8	116.8	118.1	115.7	117.3	118.1	117.1	117.0	117.7	c
Latvia	107.3	109.0	109.3	110.9	108.2	110.5	109.2	112.4	111.1	111.1	109.8	111.5	110.3
Lithuania	111.9	113.3	114.5	114.7	113.9	115.3	117.6	118.7	118.7	119.2	120.2	120.3	120.4
Luxembourg	34.5	34.8	34.5	34.9	34.6	35.1	34.7	35.0	35.0	35.1	35.2	35.0	35.0
Hungary	112.8	113.6	113.8	114.9	114.9	115.9	115.7	117.3	117.2	117.1	118.3	118.5	119.1
Malta	108.9	108.0	110.1	109.0	108.3	108.4	107.4	108.1	107.6	107.3	107.4	107.3	106.8
Netherlands	105.2	107.0	105.4	106.4	105.5	106.3	108.7	107.9	107.6	108.5	107.7	107.6	c
Austria	101.0	103.3	100.7	102.1	101.5	103.1	103.2	102.7	102.3	101.8	102.9	101.8	103.4
Poland	113.4	116.3	115.3	116.4	117.4	117.2	118.9	120.3	120.6	119.8	118.9	119.0	119.2
Portugal	106.2	109.4	109.8	109.8	109.6	111.5	107.6	112.8	111.0	110.0	111.2	109.2	111.7
Romania	128.4	129.7	131.9	130.1	126.5	127.8	130.5	133.1	132.6	131.1	131.1	133.3	135.0
Slovenia	112.6	115.1	112.7	112.3	112.1	113.6	111.8	115.6	116.2	115.3	116.3	118.1	127.4
Slovakia	108.7	110.1	110.9	109.9	110.4	111.5	110.9	112.0	111.3	112.6	112.7	113.2	114.9
Finland	105.7	106.7	106.0	106.5	105.9	106.0	105.1	107.6	105.2	106.3	106.1	107.0	104.9
Sweden	105.3	106.1	105.4	104.3	103.9	106.0	106.8	106.6	104.9	104.9	106.2	106.7	105.4
United Kingdom	107.5	108.1	106.9	106.6	107.5	106.8	107.8	109.9	109.3	110.5	111.0	110.5	110.0
Norway	101.5	103.2	102.3	101.8	102.0	102.5	103.1	105.0	102.1	102.6	103.0	102.4	102.2
Switzerland	97.1	99.0	98.4	98.0	98.4	98.7	99.2	98.1	98.5	97.5	97.6	96.0	97.9

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

	10/15	10/16	10/17	11/17	12/17	01/18	02/18	03/18	04/18	05/18	06/18	07/18	08/18	09/18	10/18
EA19	101.8	104.6	104.8	106.2	125.8	99.5	92.5	103.3	102.8	104.8	105.3	105.6	107.6	102.6	106.6
EU28	101.9	105.6	106.4	109.6	128.0	98.9	94.0	104.0	104.1	106.9	107.0	108.0	109.0	104.8	108.6
Belgium	101.8	102.5	100.2	98.4	119.3	97.5	87.0	100.3	97.4	102.1	102.2	100.2	91.9	95.6	100.7
Bulgaria	104.4	110.1	114.5	111.1	125.0	97.9	95.2	109.0	111.3	115.8	118.2	123.6	125.7	118.4	120.1
Czechia	106.3	109.7	113.5	123.2	139.1	102.8	98.8	113.3	112.2	117.2	115.7	112.7	113.9	114.9	c
Denmark	99.3	102.2	100.5	107.6	125.9	94.6	87.4	99.9	102.8	109.0	105.9	102.2	104.4	100.3	101.5
Germany	102.7	106.4	107.0	111.1	125.3	97.8	93.6	106.9	108.4	105.8	105.0	106.7	102.6	103.0	107.5
Estonia	103.6	105.8	107.0	102.7	122.0	95.8	90.5	103.8	100.8	112.3	109.8	113.5	111.5	106.8	109.5
Ireland	97.8	98.3	104.1	121.9	150.8	101.6	105.0	98.2	102.6	107.7	113.3	111.8	113.8	113.2	112.8
Greece	97.8	100.3	99.4	95.9	116.4	95.6	99.2	94.9	101.9	98.2	102.8	110.3	109.3	102.5	c
Spain	101.4	103.8	102.0	103.3	123.3	106.4	92.6	102.0	100.8	102.6	106.8	114.2	104.0	102.5	104.9
France	102.3	106.0	107.3	108.6	134.6	104.6	95.7	106.7	105.1	108.1	109.9	96.1	126.0	105.7	110.1
Croatia	100.3	103.0	104.4	96.3	112.4	87.6	82.8	99.2	104.1	111.9	114.6	133.3	135.8	116.0	c
Italy	102.6	103.8	102.0	99.7	120.7	93.9	88.1	96.3	93.0	99.0	97.4	107.0	c	c	c
Cyprus	101.5	109.0	114.2	110.3	137.6	105.6	98.4	109.5	112.1	116.7	123.1	128.3	120.4	119.8	c
Latvia	105.0	105.3	109.9	105.4	124.0	101.0	92.2	105.1	104.6	114.4	113.0	119.4	118.7	112.6	112.6
Lithuania	103.9	112.3	114.3	110.8	132.7	104.9	97.2	111.8	113.1	122.4	120.0	125.5	129.0	119.4	122.6
Luxembourg	53.8	35.0	35.4	34.3	40.7	32.8	30.1	36.0	34.0	35.1	35.6	36.9	32.3	34.2	35.3
Hungary	107.0	109.9	117.7	116.4	136.1	96.7	94.1	112.4	112.2	117.2	117.4	122.2	125.0	120.3	124.4
Malta	103.0	106.0	111.8	108.6	129.0	99.4	94.5	102.5	104.2	109.5	109.2	111.5	108.3	107.6	109.2
Netherlands	101.4	105.9	107.0	107.9	121.6	102.2	91.6	104.1	107.5	111.2	110.4	111.4	104.5	104.5	c
Austria	103.2	105.5	103.7	103.7	119.3	95.8	91.0	104.1	102.9	101.4	100.7	103.5	101.2	99.0	106.2
Poland	104.7	110.2	117.4	111.8	134.0	104.1	102.4	118.8	119.0	120.8	121.2	122.4	121.7	120.0	123.0
Portugal	101.2	103.4	105.6	108.2	133.7	100.8	94.4	106.4	101.0	109.3	108.9	119.1	121.1	109.0	111.0
Romania	109.6	117.7	132.8	135.6	148.0	109.6	104.6	120.5	128.9	132.8	132.1	138.1	142.7	138.8	140.5
Slovenia	104.2	114.6	117.7	113.3	124.6	105.2	97.6	112.5	108.5	113.1	118.2	119.4	119.2	121.9	133.4
Slovakia	104.4	105.2	111.1	113.3	129.3	99.0	98.5	111.8	108.7	113.6	113.7	110.8	111.4	111.7	117.8
Finland	99.4	102.4	104.9	104.9	128.5	94.6	88.6	101.2	100.9	112.0	110.2	113.9	109.7	104.2	103.9
Sweden	102.0	104.1	105.9	107.2	124.0	93.3	87.6	102.3	105.0	111.7	111.0	108.7	107.9	102.9	106.0
United Kingdom	100.3	107.0	107.3	119.5	133.6	95.8	98.1	101.3	102.9	107.6	106.7	110.3	107.0	105.8	109.7
Norway	99.9	99.9	100.3	106.4	126.1	93.0	86.2	96.0	95.5	111.2	108.7	104.0	106.6	98.3	100.9
Switzerland	100.5	99.9	97.9	104.8	120.2	93.5	86.7	98.3	96.6	99.8	97.9	97.2	91.9	91.5	98.6

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