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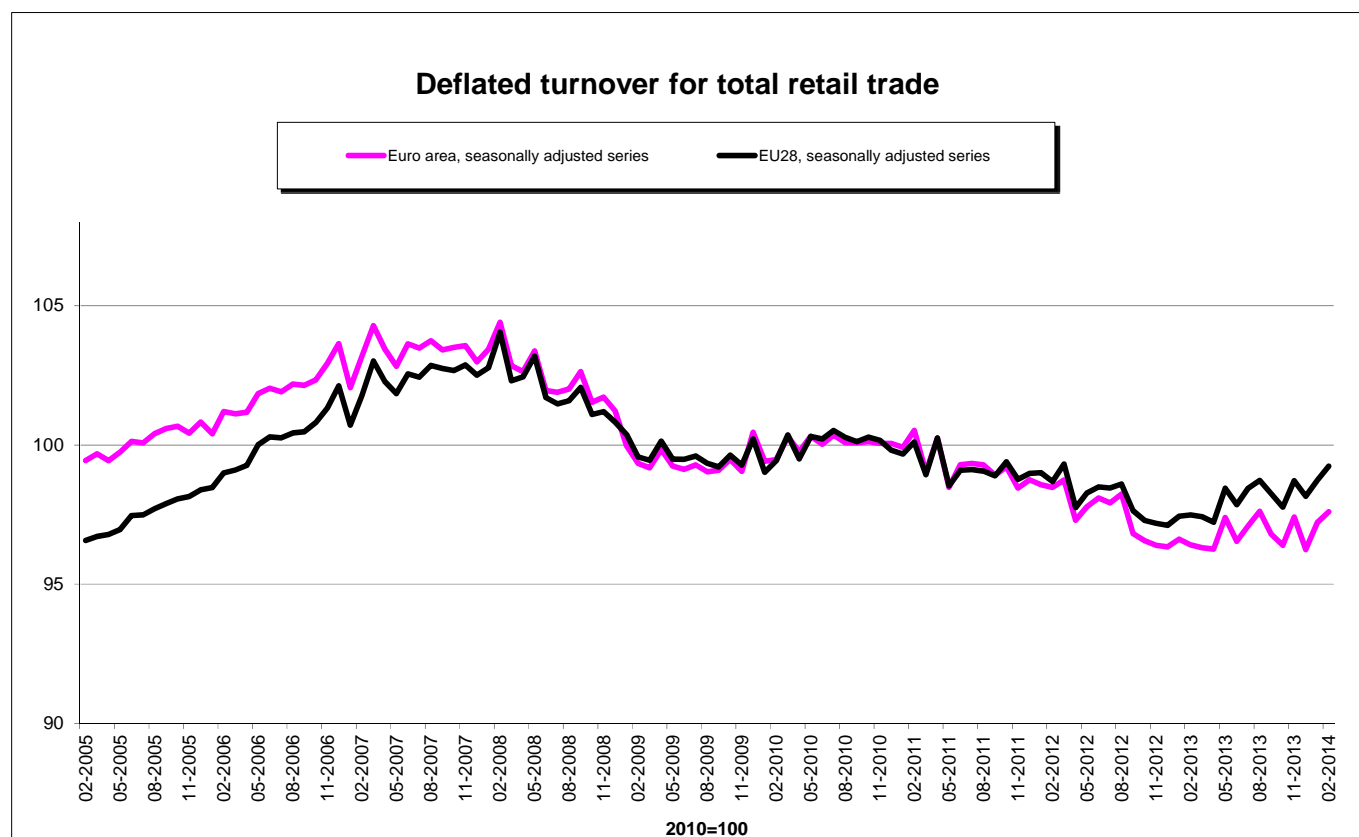
February 2014 compared with January 2014

Volume of retail trade up by 0.4% in euro area

Up by 0.5% in EU28

In February 2014 compared with January 2014, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade¹ rose by 0.4% in the **euro area**² (EA18) and by 0.5% in the **EU28**², according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In January³ retail trade increased by 1.0% and 0.6% respectively.

In February 2014 compared with February 2013⁴ the retail sales index increased by 0.8% in the **euro area** and by 1.5% in the **EU28**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

The 0.4% increase in the volume of retail trade in the **euro area** in February 2014, compared with January 2014, is due to rises of 0.8% for the non-food sector and of 0.3% for "Food, drinks and tobacco", while automotive fuel fell by 0.8%. In the **EU28**, the 0.5% increase in retail trade is due to rises of 0.8% for the non-food sector and of 0.6% for "Food, drinks and tobacco", while automotive fuel fell by 0.7%.

The highest increases in total retail trade were registered in **Malta** (+1.9%), **Denmark, Romania** and the **United Kingdom** (all +1.4%) and **Germany** (+1.3%), and the largest decreases in **Estonia** (-3.4%), **Poland** (-1.5%), **Slovenia** and **Finland** (both -1.4%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

The 0.8% increase in the volume of retail trade in the **euro area** in February 2014, compared with February 2013, is due to rises of 2.0% for the non-food sector and of 0.8% for automotive fuel, while "Food, drinks and tobacco" fell by 0.4%. In the **EU28**, the 1.5% increase in retail trade is due to rises of 2.9% for the non-food sector, of 0.8% for automotive fuel and of 0.3% for "Food, drinks and tobacco".

The highest increases in total retail trade were observed in **Luxembourg** (+12.8%), **Bulgaria** (+9.2%), **Romania** (+8.7%) and **Hungary** (+6.7%). Decreases were registered in **Malta** (-1.4%), **Slovenia** and **Finland** (both -1.0%) and **Spain** (-0.4%).

1. 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 working day 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. The weights of the Member States in the EU and euro area aggregates can be found at: <https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/5e6d1e48-056c-4c6a-8278-3ab138bcf575>
See file: EU-28_EA-18_NEWS_RELEASE_WEIGHTINGS_2010
More detailed data can be found in the short-term statistics database on the Eurostat website: http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/short_term_business_statistics/data/database
2. The euro area (EA18) includes Belgium, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, 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.
The tables also include Norway and Switzerland.
3. Data of previous months have been revised compared to those issued in the News Release 33/2014 of 5 March 2014. The monthly growth rates for January 2014 have been revised from +1.6% to +1.0% in the euro area and from +0.9% to +0.6% in the EU28. The annual growth rates have been revised from +1.3% to +0.8% in the euro area and from +1.9% to +1.5% in the EU28.
4. Based on data adjusted for working days.
5. Data for Cyprus have been revised by the National Statistical Institute to take into account a new base year, and are confidential until published nationally.

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

	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14
EA18						
Total retail trade	-0.8	-0.4	1.1	-1.2	1.0	0.4
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.7	0.1	0.6	-1.6	0.9	0.3
Non food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-0.1	-0.8	1.3	-1.0	1.1	0.8
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-1.3	-1.6	3.5	-2.7	1.6	:
Electrical goods and furniture	0.0	-0.8	0.7	-1.3	1.6	:
Computer equipment, books and other	-0.3	-0.6	1.4	-2.0	2.0	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	0.2	-0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	:
Mail orders and internet	1.0	-0.4	1.6	-0.8	0.1	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.7	-0.5	1.0	-0.2	0.4	-0.8
EU28						
Total retail trade	-0.5	-0.5	1.0	-0.6	0.6	0.5
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.8	0.2	0.5	-0.9	0.2	0.6
Non food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.3	-0.9	1.3	-0.4	0.8	0.8
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-0.3	-2.1	3.6	-1.9	0.3	:
Electrical goods and furniture	0.5	-0.9	0.9	-1.1	2.1	:
Computer equipment, books and other	0.6	-0.7	1.1	-1.3	1.5	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	0.5	-0.3	0.2	0.1	0.6	:
Mail orders and internet	0.6	-0.4	1.5	1.3	-1.0	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.6	-0.6	0.7	-0.2	0.7	-0.7

Total retail trade	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14
EA18	-0.8	-0.4	1.1	-1.2	1.0	0.4
EU28	-0.5	-0.5	1.0	-0.6	0.6	0.5
Belgium	-1.3	-1.0	1.5	-0.7	1.9	-0.2
Bulgaria	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	2.1	1.0
Czech Republic	0.1	-1.0	3.2	-1.2	0.7	c
Denmark	0.1	-1.0	1.7	-0.6	-0.8	1.4
Germany	0.1	-0.6	1.0	-1.5	1.7	1.3
Estonia	-0.9	2.4	0.4	-1.0	4.5	-3.4
Ireland	-0.4	0.2	1.2	1.5	-0.6	-0.5
Greece	-0.3	-0.3	1.7	-3.3	:	:
Spain	-5.0	-1.4	2.0	-3.5	2.1	-0.1
France	-0.7	-0.2	1.2	-0.8	0.0	0.4
Croatia	-1.7	-1.7	0.7	-0.8	-0.4	c
Italy	-0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.3	0.2	c
Cyprus⁵	c	c	c	c	c	c
Latvia	0.0	0.1	1.6	-0.3	-1.5	0.1
Lithuania	-0.5	0.2	0.9	0.1	0.9	-0.5
Luxembourg	0.4	0.6	1.7	1.0	1.2	1.1
Hungary	0.1	0.7	0.9	-0.1	0.8	0.5
Malta	-0.5	0.3	-2.7	1.7	-0.5	1.9
Netherlands	-0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	c
Austria	-0.7	-0.7	2.1	-1.7	0.4	1.0
Poland	0.3	-1.2	1.4	-0.8	1.1	-1.5
Portugal	-3.2	-0.7	3.9	-5.7	6.4	-1.1
Romania	0.0	0.6	0.9	0.8	2.3	1.4
Slovenia	-2.9	1.6	0.4	0.2	0.8	-1.4
Slovakia	-0.2	0.2	0.8	-0.3	1.2	0.4
Finland	0.8	-0.4	-0.5	-0.2	1.5	-1.4
Sweden	0.5	-0.4	1.4	-1.2	0.7	0.5
United Kingdom	0.7	-0.8	0.2	2.5	-1.5	1.4
Norway	0.7	-1.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.7
Switzerland	-0.5	0.1	2.0	-0.8	-1.8	:

* Working day and seasonally adjusted

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

	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14
EA18						
Total retail trade	-0.1	-0.4	1.4	-0.4	0.8	0.8
Food, drinks, tobacco	-1.4	-0.2	1.1	-1.4	-0.5	-0.4
Non food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.7	-0.5	2.4	0.4	1.6	2.0
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-1.1	-1.8	4.6	-0.9	3.0	:
Electrical goods and furniture	-1.1	-1.6	0.0	-1.4	0.4	:
Computer equipment, books and other	0.8	-0.4	2.1	0.5	1.1	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	2.9	1.2	2.1	2.4	1.8	:
Mail orders and internet	4.7	2.6	6.4	2.8	2.7	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	1.1	0.1	0.2	-0.1	1.4	0.8
EU28						
Total retail trade	0.6	0.3	2.0	0.5	1.5	1.5
Food, drinks, tobacco	-1.2	0.0	1.0	-1.0	0.2	0.3
Non food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	2.0	0.7	3.4	1.9	2.6	2.9
Textiles, clothing, footwear	0.3	-1.0	5.4	0.4	2.1	:
Electrical goods and furniture	-0.5	-0.8	0.5	-0.4	1.9	:
Computer equipment, books and other	2.1	0.9	2.8	1.7	2.3	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	4.2	2.5	3.4	3.0	2.2	:
Mail orders and internet	9.8	7.2	10.3	8.1	6.8	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.5	-0.1	0.2	-0.3	1.2	0.8

Total retail trade	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14
EA18	-0.1	-0.4	1.4	-0.4	0.8	0.8
EU28	0.6	0.3	2.0	0.5	1.5	1.5
Belgium	-3.6	-4.3	-0.9	-2.9	0.0	1.7
Bulgaria	7.0	7.7	6.9	5.5	7.3	9.2
Czech Republic	0.0	-0.8	4.4	0.7	1.5	c
Denmark	-1.1	-1.8	0.8	-0.5	-0.9	0.6
Germany	0.8	0.3	1.4	-1.0	1.0	2.0
Estonia	-0.7	5.5	5.7	1.6	8.0	4.3
Ireland	0.2	-1.9	2.1	3.7	3.4	2.5
Greece	-5.2	-1.2	2.8	-6.1	:	:
Spain	2.0	-0.3	2.1	-1.1	0.5	-0.4
France	1.5	0.7	2.8	1.8	1.4	1.3
Croatia	0.8	-1.5	-0.2	-2.0	-3.0	c
Italy	-2.1	-1.6	-0.4	-1.9	-0.2	c
Cyprus⁵	c	c	c	c	c	c
Latvia	2.2	2.9	5.1	4.7	1.8	2.0
Lithuania	4.1	2.9	4.2	3.9	5.5	4.3
Luxembourg	8.9	7.2	10.1	10.1	12.2	12.8
Hungary	2.3	4.5	6.6	3.6	6.2	6.7
Malta	-0.6	0.2	-4.3	0.6	-1.1	-1.4
Netherlands	-5.0	-2.8	-1.4	-1.5	-0.5	c
Austria	0.8	-1.0	1.9	-0.2	0.3	1.6
Poland	7.0	5.3	6.8	5.4	2.4	2.4
Portugal	-1.6	0.0	4.3	-0.6	2.2	1.7
Romania	-0.6	2.0	2.0	5.5	5.2	8.7
Slovenia	-4.7	-1.4	-0.6	-0.1	-0.3	-1.0
Slovakia	-1.0	-0.7	1.3	0.7	3.1	4.0
Finland	-0.9	0.1	-1.7	-2.1	-0.4	-1.0
Sweden	1.4	3.1	3.9	1.2	1.9	1.9
United Kingdom	2.0	1.6	2.4	3.0	4.6	3.8
Norway	1.6	1.0	1.2	0.7	0.1	0.4
Switzerland	1.1	1.5	4.2	2.5	0.3	:

* Working day adjusted

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Deflated turnover indices for total retail trade, working day and seasonally adjusted
(base year 2010)

	02/13	03/13	04/13	05/13	06/13	07/13	08/13	09/13	10/13	11/13	12/13	01/14	02/14
EA18	96.4	96.3	96.3	97.4	96.5	97.1	97.6	96.8	96.4	97.4	96.2	97.2	97.6
EU28	97.5	97.4	97.2	98.4	97.9	98.4	98.7	98.2	97.8	98.7	98.2	98.7	99.2
Belgium	101.3	101.8	100.5	102.6	102.9	104.0	102.0	100.7	99.7	101.2	100.5	102.4	102.2
Bulgaria	105.5	106.2	107.3	107.3	108.0	109.1	109.4	110.1	110.7	111.1	111.4	113.8	114.8
Czech Republic	99.0	100.7	98.0	100.2	97.9	98.6	99.5	99.6	98.6	101.7	100.5	101.2	c
Denmark	94.5	94.1	93.4	94.0	95.1	94.0	94.1	94.2	93.3	94.9	94.3	93.5	94.8
Germany	101.6	101.2	101.4	102.3	101.3	101.3	101.5	101.6	101.0	102.0	100.5	102.2	103.5
Estonia	110.0	112.8	111.7	114.4	110.7	111.4	112.7	111.7	114.3	114.9	113.8	118.8	114.8
Ireland	98.1	97.3	96.9	98.2	98.0	99.2	99.0	98.6	98.8	100.0	101.5	101.0	100.5
Greece	72.6	74.0	71.8	75.8	73.0	70.8	72.9	72.7	72.4	73.7	71.2	:	:
Spain	81.4	81.2	81.3	82.5	82.0	82.5	86.2	81.9	80.8	82.4	79.5	81.2	81.1
France	102.1	102.3	102.5	104.2	102.5	104.7	104.6	103.9	103.7	104.9	104.1	104.1	104.5
Croatia	95.8	96.3	96.7	97.9	98.4	96.5	97.6	95.9	94.3	95.0	94.2	93.8	c
Italy	93.0	92.9	92.9	92.9	92.8	92.5	92.7	92.4	92.4	92.5	92.2	92.4	c
Cyprus⁵	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
Latvia	111.9	113.3	110.3	114.2	112.9	114.9	114.5	114.5	114.7	116.5	116.1	114.4	114.5
Lithuania	112.2	113.4	113.2	115.7	116.0	115.9	116.4	115.8	116.0	117.1	117.2	118.3	117.7
Luxembourg	147.5	148.2	150.9	151.1	153.1	153.0	155.5	156.2	157.0	159.7	161.4	163.3	165.2
Hungary	97.5	98.1	99.4	99.6	99.3	100.1	100.7	100.8	101.5	102.4	102.3	103.1	103.6
Malta	99.9	99.6	94.6	97.2	97.0	99.3	98.0	97.6	97.8	95.2	96.8	96.3	98.2
Netherlands	92.6	91.8	91.4	91.6	92.0	92.0	91.8	91.7	91.6	91.8	92.0	92.3	c
Austria	97.6	97.0	98.1	99.6	97.3	98.7	98.9	98.2	97.5	99.5	97.8	98.2	99.2
Poland	100.5	101.3	101.9	103.2	103.1	103.9	103.9	104.2	103.0	104.4	103.6	104.7	103.1
Portugal	85.4	84.0	84.3	84.8	85.1	85.8	87.8	85.0	84.4	87.7	82.7	88.0	87.0
Romania	103.3	102.0	104.2	101.5	101.8	104.5	104.7	104.7	105.3	106.3	107.1	109.6	111.1
Slovenia	96.3	95.1	95.3	96.3	96.8	94.2	96.7	93.9	95.4	95.8	96.0	96.8	95.4
Slovakia	96.1	96.5	97.0	97.4	97.0	97.4	97.0	96.8	97.0	97.8	97.5	98.6	99.0
Finland	103.2	104.5	101.7	103.9	102.5	102.5	102.3	103.1	102.7	102.2	102.0	103.5	102.1
Sweden	104.8	104.9	103.0	104.9	105.9	104.4	105.1	105.6	105.2	106.7	105.4	106.1	106.6
United Kingdom	100.3	100.0	99.1	101.0	101.1	102.3	101.3	102.0	101.2	101.4	103.9	102.4	103.8
Norway	107.7	107.7	106.9	108.8	108.4	107.0	107.2	108.0	106.9	107.3	107.3	107.3	108.0
Switzerland	105.4	105.3	106.7	106.4	106.9	105.8	107.3	106.7	106.8	109.0	108.1	106.1	:

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Deflated turnover indices for total retail trade, working days adjusted
(base year 2010)

	02/11	02/12	02/13	03/13	04/13	05/13	06/13	07/13	08/13	09/13	10/13	11/13	12/13	01/14	02/14
EA18	88.3	86.5	84.6	94.6	93.7	95.9	94.8	100.4	95.6	95.2	98.7	97.7	116.9	93.6	85.3
EU28	88.2	86.9	85.8	95.2	94.5	97.2	96.6	101.4	97.4	96.7	99.8	100.1	119.5	93.4	87.1
Belgium	87.4	91.6	89.0	103.4	99.0	102.5	103.1	106.9	95.9	99.4	101.8	98.9	119.0	103.2	90.5
Bulgaria	89.0	90.1	86.0	99.5	106.7	107.9	110.5	120.4	120.7	116.9	117.2	111.2	122.3	95.7	93.9
Czech Republic	86.1	83.7	83.7	98.8	95.5	102.4	97.3	97.9	99.1	99.3	101.0	107.1	125.7	88.3	c
Denmark	84.5	80.8	81.0	92.0	92.9	97.3	96.3	93.4	94.4	90.1	91.7	95.4	118.8	86.3	81.5
Germany	90.1	88.8	89.6	102.9	101.7	102.2	99.3	101.5	98.9	100.1	104.2	106.3	115.6	95.2	91.4
Estonia	84.7	98.0	94.0	109.0	108.0	119.0	116.0	119.0	119.0	110.0	116.0	111.0	128.0	108.0	98.0
Ireland	91.8	90.5	91.8	90.5	90.9	94.6	93.9	101.1	96.6	93.4	96.3	104.2	141.5	94.8	94.0
Greece	96.9	84.5	72.5	69.9	69.1	73.1	71.1	72.5	75.3	71.9	69.8	71.3	83.2	:	:
Spain	85.6	80.6	72.9	79.1	77.8	80.7	82.0	89.8	81.8	79.9	81.2	79.2	94.1	84.2	72.7
France	90.0	89.4	89.4	98.3	99.0	99.7	100.6	109.5	104.5	102.0	106.5	103.2	129.8	101.8	90.6
Croatia	79.6	75.3	77.1	90.2	92.8	99.2	104.9	117.7	118.8	101.3	95.5	86.3	100.5	76.3	c
Italy	85.0	82.1	79.3	90.1	88.6	92.7	88.9	97.2	88.9	92.0	96.7	91.2	116.3	90.2	c
Cyprus⁵	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
Latvia	85.9	92.7	96.4	107.0	103.7	113.5	115.0	122.6	124.8	118.0	118.2	112.2	134.5	103.8	98.3
Lithuania	88.5	92.8	94.7	108.5	107.1	118.3	117.9	123.3	125.9	115.9	119.0	114.4	134.5	106.9	98.7
Luxembourg	97.3	107.8	124.2	142.2	133.5	134.8	133.9	141.4	139.6	143.1	155.2	196.6	274.4	163.7	140.1
Hungary	79.5	79.4	77.5	91.7	96.8	97.9	98.7	107.0	108.5	104.0	107.7	105.0	127.2	84.1	82.7
Malta	85.3	87.9	89.6	96.8	92.8	98.8	98.5	104.3	101.7	98.8	101.4	92.9	104.7	87.1	88.3
Netherlands	87.5	83.2	80.1	89.9	89.3	93.9	94.2	94.3	90.6	91.0	92.8	91.6	107.7	87.2	c
Austria	88.4	86.7	86.6	97.9	98.0	98.2	93.9	100.2	96.1	95.2	100.9	100.5	118.6	92.2	88.0
Poland	85.9	87.3	87.2	102.2	101.0	103.4	103.1	106.6	108.0	107.0	107.7	100.6	122.0	94.2	89.3
Portugal	82.7	77.9	72.7	79.6	79.5	82.6	82.7	91.5	94.4	83.9	84.1	85.7	107.7	80.0	73.9
Romania	80.3	82.2	84.0	96.9	102.6	100.8	101.8	109.3	114.9	110.6	111.2	110.5	120.9	90.5	91.3
Slovenia	88.9	86.7	83.4	94.9	94.5	94.7	98.7	96.6	98.5	95.7	100.9	93.0	107.6	89.5	82.6
Slovakia	87.7	89.5	87.9	93.3	92.9	97.2	98.2	98.7	98.9	97.3	98.1	99.3	111.8	91.0	91.4
Finland	83.7	89.3	86.3	98.6	98.4	108.5	109.8	109.2	105.6	100.3	102.0	100.2	127.2	95.1	85.4
Sweden	84.1	85.3	88.1	100.4	99.8	108.2	112.2	110.0	108.2	102.6	105.5	104.7	127.3	94.9	89.8
United Kingdom	90.6	91.0	92.4	95.4	94.4	98.3	99.8	102.3	98.0	98.3	101.0	110.2	129.3	94.2	95.9
Norway	85.1	88.0	90.7	99.7	96.8	112.8	114.3	108.7	110.5	104.8	105.9	108.6	135.7	100.1	91.1
Switzerland	87.4	88.2	90.3	107.1	102.9	105.0	107.1	107.9	102.1	100.5	107.7	109.2	138.5	102.4	:

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