

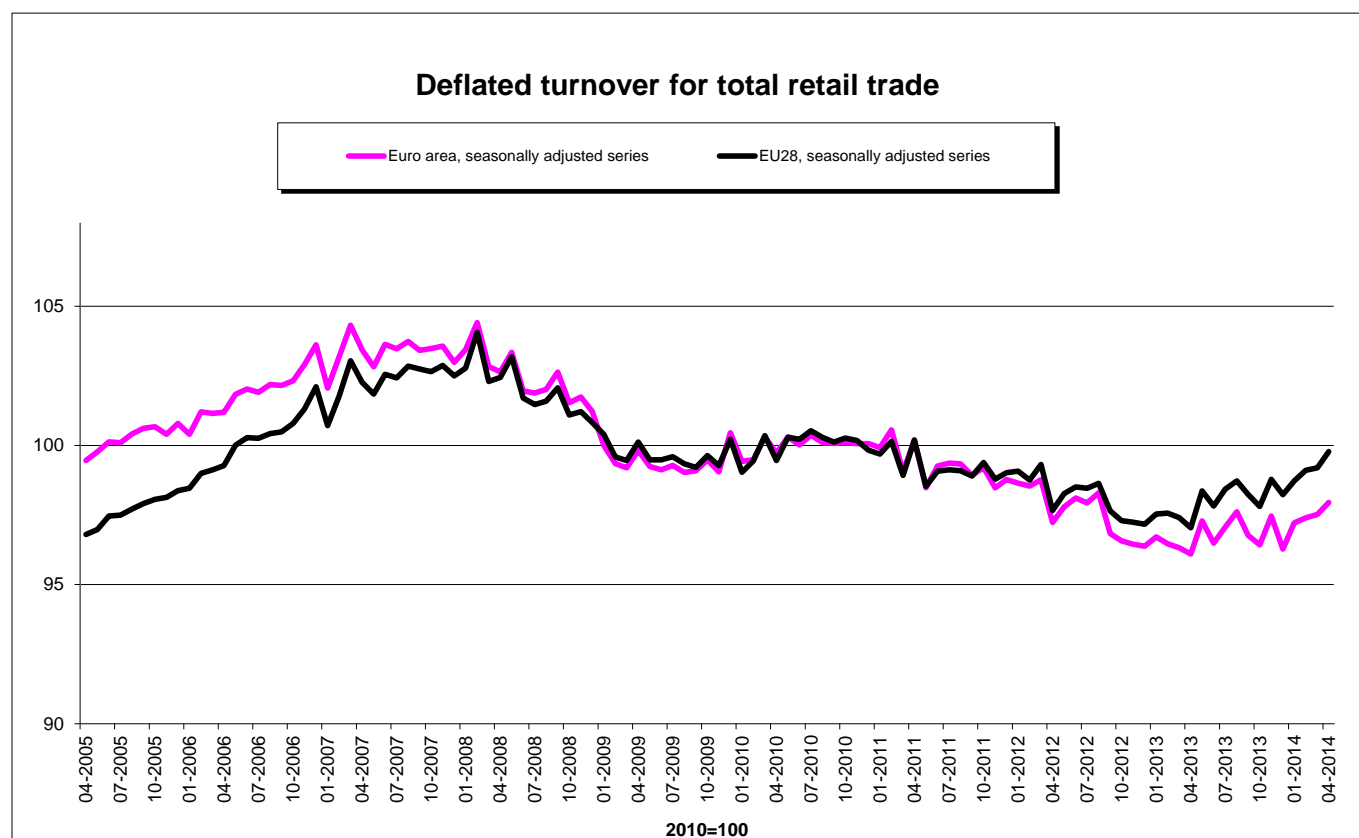
April 2014 compared with March 2014

Volume of retail trade up by 0.4% in euro area

Up by 0.6% in EU28

In April 2014 compared with March 2014, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade¹ rose by 0.4% in the **euro area**² (EA18) and by 0.6% in the **EU28**², according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In March³ retail trade increased by 0.1% in both zones.

In April 2014 compared with April 2013⁴ the retail sales index increased by 2.4% in the **euro area** and by 3.4% 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 April 2014, compared with March 2014, is due to a rise of 0.4% for both “Food, drinks and tobacco” and automotive fuel, while the non-food sector fell by 0.1%. In the **EU28**, the 0.6% increase in retail trade is due to a rise of 1.2% for “Food, drinks and tobacco”, while the non-food sector remained unchanged and automotive fuel fell by 1.0%.

The highest increases in total retail trade were registered in **Latvia** (+2.5%), the **United Kingdom** (+2.1%), **Estonia**, **France** and **Slovenia** (all +1.4%). The highest decreases were observed in **Romania** (-3.2%), **Malta** (-2.6%), **Germany** and **Portugal** (both -0.9%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

The 2.4% increase in the volume of retail trade in the **euro area** in April 2014, compared with April 2013, is due to rises of 2.6% for the non-food sector, of 2.1% for “Food, drinks and tobacco” and of 1.4% for automotive fuel. In the **EU28**, the 3.4% increase in retail trade is due to rises of 4.0% for the non-food sector, of 3.2% for “Food, drinks and tobacco” and of 0.6% for automotive fuel.

The highest increases in total retail trade were observed in **Latvia** (+10.5%), **Estonia** (+9.3%), the **United Kingdom** (+8.4%) and **Lithuania** (+8.0%). The only decrease was registered in **Portugal** (-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 72/2014 of 6 May 2014. The monthly growth rates for March 2014 have been revised from +0.3% to +0.1% in both the euro area and the EU28. The annual growth rates have been revised from +0.9% to +1.0% in the euro area and from +1.6% to +1.5% in the EU28.
4. Based on data adjusted for working days.

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

	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14
EA18						
Total retail trade	1.1	-1.2	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.4
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.7	-1.5	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.4
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	1.3	-0.9	0.9	0.7	0.0	-0.1
Textiles, clothing, footwear	3.6	-2.7	1.4	0.8	-0.5	:
Electrical goods and furniture	0.7	-1.3	1.7	0.1	-0.7	:
Computer equipment, books and other	1.5	-1.9	1.5	0.8	-0.3	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.6	-0.9	:
Mail orders and internet	1.5	-0.4	0.5	-1.5	2.4	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.8	-0.1	0.3	-1.4	0.7	0.4
EU28						
Total retail trade	1.0	-0.6	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.6
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.6	-0.7	0.0	0.6	-0.2	1.2
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	1.3	-0.3	0.6	0.8	0.0	0.0
Textiles, clothing, footwear	3.7	-1.8	0.1	0.9	0.3	:
Electrical goods and furniture	0.9	-1.1	2.2	0.1	-0.4	:
Computer equipment, books and other	1.2	-1.3	1.4	1.1	0.0	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.5	-0.9	:
Mail orders and internet	1.4	1.9	-1.1	0.5	2.0	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.6	-0.1	0.4	-1.2	1.6	-1.0

Total retail trade	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14
EA18	1.1	-1.2	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.4
EU28	1.0	-0.6	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.6
Belgium	1.5	-0.8	1.8	-0.6	0.9	0.3
Bulgaria	0.4	0.3	2.1	-0.4	-1.3	-0.2
Czech Republic	3.2	-1.1	0.9	0.2	-0.1	c
Denmark	1.8	-0.5	-0.8	1.6	-0.4	0.2
Germany	1.0	-1.7	1.9	0.7	0.1	-0.9
Estonia	0.6	-0.8	5.2	-3.2	2.7	1.4
Ireland	1.3	1.4	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4	1.1
Greece	2.1	-3.0	1.0	0.8	1.0	c
Spain	2.0	-3.5	2.2	0.0	-0.6	1.1
France	1.2	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.6	1.4
Croatia	0.8	-0.8	-0.3	0.1	1.3	c
Italy	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.1	0.0	c
Cyprus	-0.7	0.7	-1.2	0.2	1.4	c
Latvia	1.6	-0.2	-1.4	-0.3	2.9	2.5
Lithuania	0.9	0.1	0.9	-0.2	1.5	0.6
Luxembourg	1.7	0.8	1.4	1.3	0.4	:
Hungary	0.9	-0.1	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.2
Malta	-7.5	4.9	-0.1	-0.4	-0.5	-2.6
Netherlands	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	-0.2	c
Austria	2.1	-1.7	0.3	1.3	-1.0	0.5
Poland	1.4	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8	1.2	-0.6
Portugal	4.0	-5.7	6.0	-1.1	-2.4	-0.9
Romania	0.9	0.8	2.3	1.8	1.3	-3.2
Slovenia	0.3	0.2	0.6	-1.7	0.1	1.4
Slovakia	0.9	-0.2	1.3	0.4	0.9	0.4
Finland	-0.6	-0.2	0.6	-0.7	1.2	0.9
Sweden	1.4	-0.9	0.6	0.5	1.0	0.1
United Kingdom	0.2	2.6	-1.4	1.4	-0.6	2.1
Norway	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.6	1.1	0.5
Switzerland	2.2	-0.9	-2.0	1.2	1.0	:

* Working day and seasonally adjusted

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

	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14
EA18						
Total retail trade	1.3	-0.4	0.7	1.0	1.0	2.4
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.1	-1.4	-0.4	0.0	-0.5	2.1
Non food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	2.2	0.3	1.3	1.8	2.7	2.6
Textiles, clothing, footwear	4.6	-0.8	2.4	2.5	6.5	:
Electrical goods and furniture	0.0	-1.5	0.1	1.1	0.3	:
Computer equipment, books and other	2.1	0.6	0.4	3.1	2.8	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	1.8	2.1	1.5	1.9	1.3	:
Mail orders and internet	4.3	1.3	3.1	0.8	4.7	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.2	0.0	1.3	0.2	0.9	1.4
EU28						
Total retail trade	1.9	0.5	1.4	1.6	1.5	3.4
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.0	-1.0	0.1	0.5	-1.0	3.2
Non food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	3.3	1.8	2.5	2.9	3.8	4.0
Textiles, clothing, footwear	5.4	0.4	1.9	1.9	6.6	:
Electrical goods and furniture	0.5	-0.3	1.8	2.2	2.4	:
Computer equipment, books and other	2.9	1.8	2.1	4.0	4.0	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	3.2	2.8	2.1	2.5	1.6	:
Mail orders and internet	8.9	7.2	6.7	7.2	9.1	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.2	-0.3	1.0	-0.1	1.7	0.6

Total retail trade	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14
EA18	1.3	-0.4	0.7	1.0	1.0	2.4
EU28	1.9	0.5	1.4	1.6	1.5	3.4
Belgium	-0.9	-2.9	0.0	0.3	-0.1	3.7
Bulgaria	6.9	5.5	7.3	9.3	5.6	2.4
Czech Republic	4.4	0.7	1.7	3.2	1.3	c
Denmark	0.8	-0.5	-0.8	1.0	1.0	2.0
Germany	1.0	-1.1	0.6	1.8	1.6	0.6
Estonia	5.7	1.6	9.0	5.3	6.4	9.3
Ireland	2.1	3.7	3.4	2.8	1.2	6.7
Greece	2.8	-6.1	-0.3	0.9	-0.8	c
Spain	2.1	-1.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.5	0.8
France	2.8	1.9	1.0	0.6	1.5	2.3
Croatia	-0.2	-1.9	-2.9	-2.3	-0.1	c
Italy	-0.5	-2.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.3	c
Cyprus	-3.4	0.1	-2.7	-2.1	2.1	c
Latvia	5.1	4.7	1.6	1.2	4.0	10.5
Lithuania	4.2	3.9	5.6	5.0	5.7	8.0
Luxembourg	10.8	9.9	12.6	13.8	12.1	:
Hungary	6.5	3.5	6.2	6.7	8.5	6.6
Malta	-3.7	6.6	5.9	1.0	0.3	0.5
Netherlands	-1.4	-1.6	-0.4	0.6	0.6	c
Austria	1.9	-0.2	0.3	1.6	1.1	0.9
Poland	6.8	5.4	0.2	1.1	1.9	0.6
Portugal	4.5	-0.6	2.2	1.8	0.6	-0.4
Romania	2.0	5.5	5.2	8.5	13.4	4.6
Slovenia	-0.6	-0.5	-0.9	-1.7	-0.4	1.5
Slovakia	1.3	0.7	3.1	4.0	5.7	5.8
Finland	-1.7	-2.0	-1.9	-1.4	-1.3	2.6
Sweden	3.9	1.5	2.0	1.9	3.6	5.3
United Kingdom	2.5	3.0	4.8	3.7	2.3	8.4
Norway	1.1	0.7	0.2	0.4	1.8	3.4
Switzerland	4.2	2.5	-0.1	1.2	3.0	:

* Working day adjusted

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

	04/13	05/13	06/13	07/13	08/13	09/13	10/13	11/13	12/13	01/14	02/14	03/14	04/14
EA18	96.1	97.3	96.5	97.1	97.6	96.8	96.4	97.5	96.3	97.2	97.4	97.5	97.9
EU28	97.0	98.4	97.8	98.4	98.7	98.2	97.8	98.8	98.2	98.7	99.1	99.2	99.8
Belgium	100.5	102.6	102.9	104.0	102.0	100.7	99.7	101.2	100.4	102.2	101.6	102.5	102.9
Bulgaria	107.3	107.3	108.0	109.1	109.4	110.1	110.7	111.1	111.4	113.8	113.3	111.8	111.6
Czech Republic	97.9	100.1	97.9	98.6	99.6	99.7	98.7	101.8	100.7	101.5	101.8	101.7	c
Denmark	93.1	94.0	95.1	94.0	94.1	94.3	93.3	95.0	94.5	93.7	95.2	94.8	95.0
Germany	101.3	102.0	101.1	101.2	101.3	101.3	100.8	101.8	100.1	102.0	102.7	102.8	101.9
Estonia	111.2	114.0	110.5	111.2	112.6	111.8	114.6	115.2	114.3	120.2	116.4	119.6	121.3
Ireland	96.7	98.2	98.1	99.2	99.0	98.6	98.8	100.1	101.5	101.0	100.8	100.4	101.5
Greece	70.5	75.4	72.8	70.8	73.1	73.0	73.0	74.5	72.2	73.0	73.6	74.4	c
Spain	81.1	82.5	81.9	82.4	86.2	81.9	80.8	82.4	79.6	81.3	81.3	80.8	81.7
France	102.5	104.1	102.5	104.6	104.6	103.8	103.6	104.8	104.1	103.7	103.6	104.2	105.7
Croatia	96.5	97.8	98.3	96.4	97.7	96.0	94.4	95.2	94.4	94.1	94.2	95.4	c
Italy	92.4	92.8	92.7	92.5	92.7	92.6	92.6	92.8	92.6	92.8	92.9	92.8	c
Cyprus	84.3	87.5	85.2	85.5	86.6	85.9	86.7	86.1	86.8	85.7	85.9	87.1	c
Latvia	109.5	113.9	112.7	114.8	114.5	114.7	114.8	116.7	116.4	114.8	114.5	117.8	120.8
Lithuania	113.2	115.7	116.0	115.9	116.4	115.8	116.0	117.1	117.2	118.3	118.1	119.9	120.6
Luxembourg	154.6	154.7	157.0	156.7	159.5	160.3	161.0	163.7	165.1	167.5	169.7	170.4	:
Hungary	99.1	99.5	99.2	100.0	100.7	100.9	101.7	102.6	102.5	103.5	104.2	105.2	105.4
Malta	95.8	98.0	97.6	100.9	99.1	96.9	103.4	95.7	100.4	100.3	99.9	99.4	96.9
Netherlands	91.2	91.5	91.9	92.0	91.8	91.8	91.6	91.8	92.1	92.5	92.9	92.7	c
Austria	98.1	99.6	97.3	98.7	98.9	98.2	97.5	99.5	97.8	98.1	99.4	98.4	98.9
Poland	101.9	103.2	103.1	103.9	103.9	104.2	103.0	104.4	103.6	102.8	102.0	103.2	102.6
Portugal	84.2	84.7	85.0	85.9	87.6	85.1	84.5	87.9	82.9	87.9	86.9	84.8	84.0
Romania	104.2	101.5	101.8	104.5	104.7	104.7	105.3	106.3	107.1	109.6	111.6	113.1	109.5
Slovenia	95.0	96.2	96.7	94.1	96.7	93.9	95.4	95.7	95.9	96.5	94.9	95.0	96.3
Slovakia	96.6	97.2	96.9	97.3	97.0	96.9	97.2	98.2	98.0	99.2	99.7	100.6	101.0
Finland	101.4	104.0	102.4	102.5	102.4	103.2	102.8	102.2	102.0	102.6	101.9	103.1	104.0
Sweden	102.7	105.0	106.2	104.5	105.2	105.6	105.4	106.9	105.9	106.5	107.0	108.1	108.2
United Kingdom	98.8	101.0	101.1	102.3	101.3	102.0	101.3	101.5	104.1	102.6	104.0	103.4	105.5
Norway	106.5	108.9	108.4	106.9	107.1	108.0	106.9	107.4	107.5	107.6	108.2	109.4	109.9
Switzerland	106.6	106.4	106.9	105.7	107.3	106.7	106.8	109.1	108.1	105.9	107.1	108.2	:

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

	04/11	04/12	04/13	05/13	06/13	07/13	08/13	09/13	10/13	11/13	12/13	01/14	02/14	03/14	04/14
EA18	98.3	94.9	93.6	95.9	94.8	100.4	95.6	95.1	98.7	97.6	117.0	93.6	85.5	95.4	95.9
EU28	98.3	95.3	94.4	97.2	96.6	101.4	97.4	96.7	99.8	100.1	119.6	93.4	87.2	96.6	97.6
Belgium	102.9	100.0	99.0	102.5	103.1	106.9	95.9	99.4	101.8	98.9	119.0	103.2	89.2	103.3	102.7
Bulgaria	96.5	103.5	106.7	107.9	110.5	120.4	120.7	116.9	117.2	111.2	122.3	95.7	94.1	105.1	109.2
Czech Republic	100.4	96.4	95.5	102.4	97.3	97.9	99.1	99.3	101.0	107.1	125.7	88.5	86.4	100.1	c
Denmark	99.1	95.5	92.9	97.3	96.3	93.4	94.4	90.1	91.7	95.4	118.8	86.4	81.8	92.9	94.8
Germany	101.0	101.4	101.5	102.0	99.1	101.4	98.7	99.7	103.9	105.9	115.5	94.8	91.1	104.3	102.1
Estonia	99.7	104.9	108.0	119.0	116.0	119.0	119.0	110.0	116.0	111.0	128.0	109.0	99.0	116.0	118.0
Ireland	94.5	92.9	90.9	94.6	93.9	101.1	96.6	93.4	96.3	104.2	141.5	94.8	94.3	91.6	97.0
Greece	93.2	80.9	69.1	73.1	71.1	72.5	75.3	71.9	69.8	71.3	83.2	70.2	73.2	69.3	c
Spain	92.7	83.3	77.8	80.7	82.0	89.8	81.8	79.9	81.2	79.1	94.1	84.2	72.7	78.6	78.5
France	100.5	97.7	99.0	99.7	100.6	109.5	104.5	102.0	106.5	103.2	129.9	101.4	89.9	99.8	101.3
Croatia	96.0	91.7	92.7	99.2	104.9	117.7	118.9	101.2	95.5	86.3	100.5	76.4	75.3	90.2	c
Italy	96.4	91.2	88.5	92.7	88.9	97.2	88.9	92.0	96.7	91.2	116.2	90.2	79.3	89.8	c
Cyprus	93.0	88.3	77.9	86.5	87.0	94.3	91.9	88.5	87.9	83.3	109.2	77.9	72.1	77.1	c
Latvia	95.1	100.5	103.7	113.6	115.0	122.5	124.8	118.0	118.2	112.3	134.5	103.7	97.6	111.2	114.6
Lithuania	101.1	102.7	107.1	118.3	117.9	123.3	125.9	115.9	119.0	114.4	134.5	107.1	99.4	114.7	115.6
Luxembourg	99.5	116.8	136.0	137.3	136.5	144.2	143.0	146.9	158.9	203.5	283.6	168.5	144.2	162.6	:
Hungary	97.3	94.4	96.8	97.9	98.7	107.0	108.5	104.0	107.7	104.9	127.1	84.1	82.7	99.5	103.2
Malta	96.5	101.9	93.1	98.6	98.2	106.1	102.2	96.7	110.0	92.6	110.6	92.6	90.3	97.0	93.5
Netherlands	99.3	93.3	89.3	93.9	94.1	94.3	90.6	91.0	92.8	91.6	107.6	87.3	80.6	90.4	c
Austria	99.2	97.5	98.0	98.2	93.9	100.1	96.2	95.3	100.8	100.5	118.6	92.2	88.1	99.0	98.9
Poland	98.1	98.0	101.0	103.4	103.1	106.6	108.0	107.0	107.7	100.6	122.0	92.2	88.2	104.1	101.6
Portugal	88.5	80.2	79.4	82.6	82.7	91.6	94.3	84.1	84.2	85.9	107.8	79.9	73.9	80.2	79.1
Romania	96.4	101.0	102.6	100.8	101.8	109.3	114.9	110.6	111.2	110.5	120.9	90.5	91.1	109.9	107.3
Slovenia	101.1	98.2	94.6	94.7	98.7	96.6	98.5	95.8	100.9	93.0	107.3	89.0	82.0	94.5	96.0
Slovakia	93.6	91.9	92.9	97.2	98.2	98.7	98.9	97.3	98.1	99.3	111.8	91.0	91.4	98.6	98.2
Finland	100.5	100.0	98.4	108.6	109.8	109.2	105.7	100.5	102.1	100.2	127.2	93.7	85.2	97.3	101.0
Sweden	99.1	98.7	99.9	108.3	112.3	110.1	108.3	102.7	105.6	104.8	127.7	95.1	89.9	104.1	105.2
United Kingdom	97.8	95.1	94.4	98.3	99.8	102.3	98.0	98.4	101.1	110.2	129.3	94.3	95.8	97.6	102.4
Norway	92.4	95.6	96.9	113.0	114.3	108.7	110.4	104.8	105.8	108.6	135.7	100.2	91.1	101.5	100.2
Switzerland	99.7	99.9	102.9	105.0	107.1	107.9	102.1	100.5	107.6	109.2	138.5	102.0	91.3	110.4	:

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