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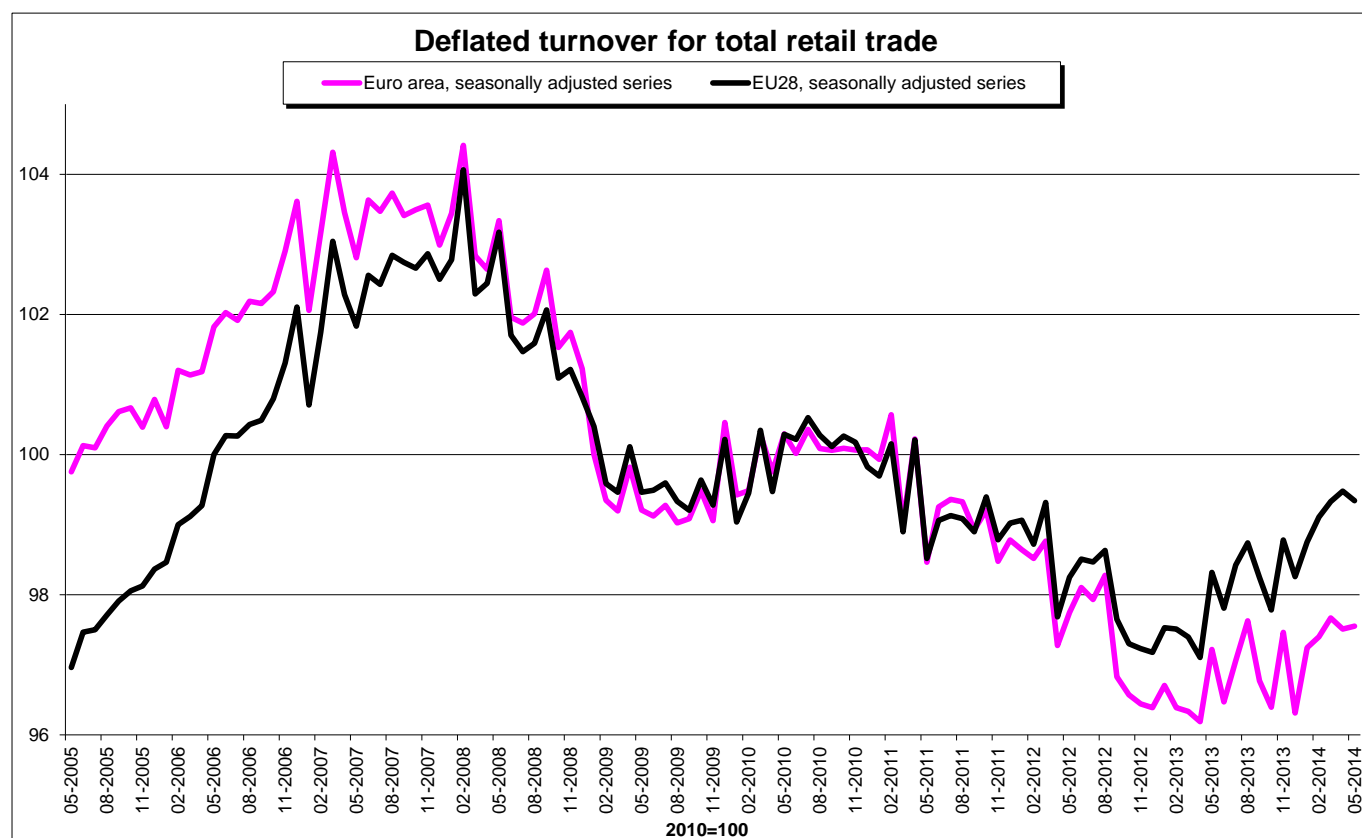
May 2014 compared with April 2014

Volume of retail trade stable in euro area

Down by 0.1% in EU28

In May 2014 compared with April 2014, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade¹ remained stable in the **euro area**² (EA18) and fell by 0.1% in the **EU28**², according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In April³ retail trade decreased by 0.2% in the **euro area** and rose by 0.2% in the **EU28**.

In May 2014 compared with May 2013⁴ the retail sales index increased by 0.7% in the **euro area** and by 1.2% in the **EU28**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

The stable volume of retail trade in the **euro area** in May 2014, compared with April 2014, is due to a rise of 0.3% for the non-food sector, while automotive fuel remained unchanged and “Food, drinks and tobacco” fell by 0.3%. In the **EU28**, the 0.1% decrease in retail trade is due to a rise of 0.2% for the non-food sector, while automotive fuel remained unchanged and “Food, drinks and tobacco” fell by 0.7%.

The highest increases in total retail trade were registered in **Portugal** (+2.9%), **Romania** (+1.9%) and **Malta** (+1.6%), and the largest decreases in **Latvia** (-3.0%), **Slovenia** (-2.9%) and **Estonia** (-1.5%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

The 0.7% increase in the volume of retail trade in the **euro area** in May 2014, compared with May 2013, is due to rises of 1.0% for the non-food sector, of 0.8% for automotive fuel and of 0.3% for “Food, drinks and tobacco”. In the **EU28**, the 1.2% increase in retail trade is due to rises of 2.1% for the non-food sector and of 0.4% for “Food, drinks and tobacco”, while automotive fuel remained stable.

The highest increases in total retail trade were observed in **Luxembourg** (+16.7%), **Romania** (+10.3%), **Hungary** (+5.0%), **Lithuania** (+4.6%) and **Estonia** (+4.2%), while decreases were registered in **Slovenia** (-2.4%), **Austria** and **Poland** (both -2.0%), **Germany** and **Finland** (both -0.6%).

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 86/2014 of 5 June 2014. The monthly growth rates for April 2014 have been revised from +0.4% to -0.2% in the euro area and from +0.6% to +0.2% in the EU28. The annual growth rates have been revised from +2.4% to +1.8% in the euro area and from +3.4% to +2.9% 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*

	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14
EA18						
Total retail trade	-1.2	1.0	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.0
Food, drinks, tobacco	-1.4	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.3	-0.3
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-0.9	0.9	0.8	0.2	-0.9	0.3
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-2.5	1.3	0.8	-0.6	-1.7	:
Electrical goods and furniture	-1.4	1.7	0.2	-0.6	-0.1	:
Computer equipment, books and other	-1.9	1.5	0.8	-0.1	0.5	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	0.4	0.4	0.6	-0.6	1.2	:
Mail orders and internet	-0.2	0.4	-2.1	4.2	0.0	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.1	0.3	-1.5	1.1	-0.3	0.0
EU28						
Total retail trade	-0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	-0.1
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.7	0.0	0.6	-0.2	1.2	-0.7
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-0.3	0.6	0.8	0.2	-0.6	0.2
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-1.7	0.0	0.9	0.2	-1.3	:
Electrical goods and furniture	-1.2	2.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.2	:
Computer equipment, books and other	-1.3	1.3	1.1	0.1	0.1	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	0.1	0.6	0.5	-0.7	1.4	:
Mail orders and internet	2.2	-1.3	0.1	3.1	1.4	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.1	0.4	-1.2	1.8	-1.3	0.0

Total retail trade	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14
EA18	-1.2	1.0	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.0
EU28	-0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	-0.1
Belgium	-0.8	1.8	-0.7	1.1	0.3	1.3
Bulgaria	0.3	2.1	-0.4	-1.3	-0.7	-0.1
Czech Republic	-1.1	1.3	0.0	0.0	-0.5	c
Denmark	-0.5	-0.8	1.6	-0.4	0.3	0.2
Germany	-1.6	1.9	0.6	0.6	-1.5	-0.6
Estonia	-0.9	5.3	-3.3	2.7	1.4	-1.5
Ireland	1.5	-0.6	-0.3	-0.3	1.4	-0.3
Greece	-3.2	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	c
Spain	-3.3	2.1	0.0	-0.5	1.1	0.9
France	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.6	0.1	0.8
Croatia	-0.7	-0.4	0.1	1.2	-1.1	c
Italy	-0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	c
Cyprus	0.8	-1.2	0.2	1.4	c	c
Latvia	-0.3	-1.5	-0.3	2.9	2.4	-3.0
Lithuania	0.1	0.9	-0.2	1.5	1.1	-0.2
Luxembourg	1.0	1.5	2.2	1.2	0.8	1.5
Hungary	-0.1	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.0	-0.1
Malta	5.3	-0.4	4.2	-4.6	-2.0	1.6
Netherlands	0.3	0.4	0.4	-0.3	0.0	c
Austria	-1.7	0.2	1.2	-1.0	0.2	-0.8
Poland	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8	1.2	-0.6	-1.1
Portugal	-5.7	6.0	-1.1	-2.4	-1.3	2.9
Romania	0.8	2.3	1.8	1.3	-3.0	1.9
Slovenia	0.1	0.6	-1.7	0.1	2.0	-2.9
Slovakia	-0.3	1.2	0.3	0.8	0.3	-1.1
Finland	-0.2	0.5	-0.8	1.7	0.1	-0.3
Sweden	-0.9	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.4	-0.7
United Kingdom	2.6	-1.5	1.4	-0.5	2.1	-0.9
Norway	-0.1	-0.2	0.8	1.2	0.5	-0.9
Switzerland	-0.9	-2.0	1.0	1.0	-0.9	:

* Working day and seasonally adjusted

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

	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14
EA18						
Total retail trade	-0.4	0.7	1.0	1.2	1.8	0.7
Food, drinks, tobacco	-1.4	-0.3	-0.1	-0.5	2.2	0.3
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.3	1.2	2.0	3.1	1.4	1.0
Textiles, clothing, footwear	-0.8	2.3	2.5	6.4	0.3	:
Electrical goods and furniture	-1.5	0.1	1.1	0.5	0.1	:
Computer equipment, books and other	0.6	0.5	3.1	3.0	2.9	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	2.1	1.5	2.0	1.8	3.1	:
Mail orders and internet	1.5	2.7	1.2	5.8	3.1	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.0	1.3	0.2	1.2	0.4	0.8
EU28						
Total retail trade	0.5	1.4	1.7	1.7	2.9	1.2
Food, drinks, tobacco	-1.0	0.2	0.4	-1.0	3.4	0.4
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	1.8	2.4	3.0	4.2	3.1	2.1
Textiles, clothing, footwear	0.4	1.9	1.9	6.5	2.0	:
Electrical goods and furniture	-0.3	1.8	2.2	2.6	1.9	:
Computer equipment, books and other	1.8	2.1	3.9	4.1	4.0	:
Pharmaceutical and medical goods	2.8	2.1	2.6	2.0	3.6	:
Mail orders and internet	7.3	6.5	7.5	9.8	9.8	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.3	1.0	-0.1	1.9	0.1	0.0

Total retail trade	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14
EA18	-0.4	0.7	1.0	1.2	1.8	0.7
EU28	0.5	1.4	1.7	1.7	2.9	1.2
Belgium	-2.8	0.0	0.3	-0.1	3.0	2.3
Bulgaria	5.5	7.3	9.3	5.6	2.2	1.3
Czech Republic	0.6	2.2	3.2	3.0	2.6	c
Denmark	-0.5	-0.8	1.0	0.9	1.9	1.8
Germany	-1.0	0.7	1.9	1.9	0.4	-0.6
Estonia	1.6	9.0	5.3	6.4	9.3	4.2
Ireland	3.7	3.4	2.8	1.2	7.1	3.6
Greece	-6.1	-0.3	0.9	-1.3	7.3	c
Spain	-1.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.6	0.8	0.7
France	1.9	1.0	0.6	1.6	1.5	2.1
Croatia	-1.9	-2.9	-2.3	-0.1	-2.2	c
Italy	-2.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	2.3	c
Cyprus	0.0	-2.7	-2.1	2.2	c	c
Latvia	4.7	1.6	1.2	4.1	10.4	2.1
Lithuania	3.9	5.6	5.0	5.7	8.8	4.6
Luxembourg	10.0	12.5	16.5	17.1	15.1	16.7
Hungary	3.5	6.2	6.7	8.5	6.3	5.0
Malta	7.5	5.9	9.5	0.9	1.6	2.4
Netherlands	-1.6	-0.4	0.6	0.7	2.2	c
Austria	-0.2	0.2	1.6	1.0	0.2	-2.0
Poland	5.4	0.2	1.1	1.9	0.6	-2.0
Portugal	-0.6	2.2	1.8	0.6	-0.6	1.3
Romania	5.5	5.2	8.5	13.4	4.6	10.3
Slovenia	-0.6	-1.0	-1.7	-0.2	2.5	-2.4
Slovakia	0.7	3.1	4.0	5.7	5.8	1.6
Finland	-2.0	-1.9	-1.7	-0.8	2.0	-0.6
Sweden	1.5	2.0	1.9	3.6	5.9	2.5
United Kingdom	3.0	4.8	3.7	2.5	8.7	3.7
Norway	0.9	-0.2	0.7	2.0	3.5	0.4
Switzerland	2.5	-0.1	1.2	3.4	0.4	:

* Working day adjusted

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

	05/13	06/13	07/13	08/13	09/13	10/13	11/13	12/13	01/14	02/14	03/14	04/14	05/14
EA18	97.2	96.5	97.1	97.6	96.8	96.4	97.5	96.3	97.2	97.4	97.7	97.5	97.6
EU28	98.3	97.8	98.4	98.7	98.2	97.8	98.8	98.3	98.8	99.1	99.3	99.5	99.3
Belgium	102.4	102.8	103.9	102.0	100.7	99.7	101.3	100.4	102.3	101.6	102.6	102.9	104.3
Bulgaria	107.3	108.0	109.1	109.4	110.1	110.7	111.1	111.4	113.8	113.3	111.8	111.1	111.0
Czech Republic	100.0	98.2	98.6	99.7	99.8	98.7	101.9	100.8	102.1	102.1	102.1	101.6	c
Denmark	93.8	95.0	94.0	94.1	94.3	93.3	95.0	94.5	93.7	95.2	94.8	95.1	95.3
Germany	101.9	101.1	101.2	101.4	101.3	100.7	101.8	100.2	102.1	102.7	103.3	101.7	101.1
Estonia	114.4	110.6	111.4	112.7	111.8	114.6	115.2	114.1	120.1	116.2	119.3	121.0	119.1
Ireland	98.2	98.1	99.2	99.0	98.6	98.7	100.1	101.6	101.1	100.8	100.5	101.9	101.6
Greece	76.0	73.0	70.9	73.2	73.0	72.8	74.3	71.9	72.5	73.0	73.5	74.0	c
Spain	82.2	81.9	82.3	86.0	81.9	80.8	82.5	79.7	81.4	81.4	80.9	81.9	82.6
France	104.0	102.4	104.6	104.6	103.8	103.6	104.8	104.1	103.7	103.6	104.2	104.3	105.1
Croatia	97.9	98.4	96.5	97.8	96.0	94.5	95.1	94.4	94.0	94.1	95.2	94.2	c
Italy	92.8	92.8	92.5	92.7	92.6	92.6	92.7	92.5	92.8	92.8	92.8	93.2	c
Cyprus	87.2	85.2	85.5	86.5	85.9	86.8	86.2	86.8	85.8	86.0	87.2	c	c
Latvia	114.4	112.9	115.0	114.7	114.7	114.8	116.6	116.3	114.5	114.2	117.5	120.3	116.7
Lithuania	115.7	116.0	115.9	116.4	115.8	116.0	117.1	117.2	118.3	118.1	119.9	121.2	120.9
Luxembourg	154.3	156.8	156.7	159.7	160.8	161.8	164.8	166.5	169.0	172.8	174.9	176.3	179.0
Hungary	99.6	99.3	100.1	100.7	100.9	101.7	102.5	102.4	103.4	104.1	105.1	105.1	105.0
Malta	97.7	97.6	101.3	99.6	97.5	103.2	96.3	101.4	101.0	105.3	100.5	98.5	100.1
Netherlands	91.7	92.0	92.0	91.8	91.8	91.6	91.8	92.0	92.4	92.8	92.6	92.6	c
Austria	99.7	97.3	98.7	98.9	98.2	97.5	99.5	97.8	98.0	99.2	98.2	98.4	97.6
Poland	103.2	103.1	103.9	103.9	104.2	103.0	104.4	103.6	102.8	102.0	103.2	102.6	101.5
Portugal	84.7	85.0	85.9	87.6	85.1	84.5	87.9	82.9	87.9	86.9	84.8	83.7	86.1
Romania	101.5	101.8	104.5	104.7	104.7	105.3	106.3	107.1	109.6	111.6	113.1	109.7	111.8
Slovenia	96.4	96.8	94.1	96.8	93.9	95.4	95.8	95.9	96.5	94.9	95.0	96.9	94.1
Slovakia	97.8	97.1	97.5	97.1	96.9	97.2	98.0	97.7	98.9	99.3	100.1	100.4	99.3
Finland	104.0	102.4	102.4	102.4	103.1	102.8	102.2	102.0	102.5	101.7	103.4	103.5	103.2
Sweden	105.2	106.2	104.5	105.3	105.6	105.4	106.9	105.9	106.5	107.1	108.2	108.6	107.8
United Kingdom	101.0	101.1	102.3	101.3	102.0	101.3	101.5	104.1	102.6	104.0	103.6	105.7	104.8
Norway	108.9	108.6	106.9	107.3	108.2	107.2	107.7	107.6	107.4	108.3	109.6	110.1	109.1
Switzerland	106.4	106.9	105.8	107.3	106.7	106.8	109.1	108.1	106.0	107.1	108.2	107.2	:

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

	05/11	05/12	05/13	06/13	07/13	08/13	09/13	10/13	11/13	12/13	01/14	02/14	03/14	04/14	05/14
EA18	96.7	96.1	95.9	94.8	100.4	95.6	95.1	98.6	97.6	117.0	93.6	85.5	95.7	95.3	96.5
EU28	97.1	96.8	97.1	96.6	101.4	97.4	96.7	99.8	100.1	119.6	93.4	87.3	96.8	97.2	98.3
Belgium	102.1	99.5	102.5	103.1	106.9	95.9	99.4	101.8	98.9	119.0	103.2	89.2	103.3	102.0	104.8
Bulgaria	99.7	105.9	107.9	110.5	120.4	120.7	116.9	117.2	111.2	122.3	95.7	94.1	105.1	109.0	109.3
Czech Republic	100.5	101.3	101.4	98.3	97.2	99.9	99.6	100.9	107.1	124.0	89.4	87.3	100.9	99.5	c
Denmark	101.4	98.7	97.3	96.3	93.4	94.4	90.1	91.7	95.4	118.8	86.4	81.8	92.8	94.7	99.1
Germany	98.4	100.9	101.9	99.1	101.4	98.8	99.7	103.8	105.9	115.6	94.9	91.1	104.8	102.0	101.3
Estonia	106.2	113.2	119.0	116.0	119.0	119.0	110.0	116.0	111.0	128.0	109.0	99.0	116.0	118.0	124.0
Ireland	92.5	94.4	94.6	93.9	101.1	96.6	93.4	96.3	104.2	141.5	94.8	94.3	91.6	97.4	98.0
Greece	83.1	74.8	73.1	71.1	72.5	75.3	71.9	69.8	71.3	83.2	70.2	73.2	69.0	74.2	c
Spain	90.7	86.1	80.7	82.1	89.8	81.8	79.9	81.2	79.1	94.1	84.2	72.7	78.6	78.4	81.3
France	96.8	97.9	99.7	100.6	109.5	104.5	102.0	106.5	103.2	129.9	101.4	89.9	99.9	100.4	101.8
Croatia	99.6	95.6	99.2	104.9	117.7	118.9	101.2	95.5	86.3	100.5	76.4	75.3	90.2	90.8	c
Italy	98.1	94.3	92.7	88.9	97.2	88.9	92.0	96.6	91.2	116.3	90.2	79.3	89.9	90.6	c
Cyprus	93.2	88.6	86.5	87.0	94.3	91.8	88.5	87.9	83.2	109.2	77.9	72.1	77.1	c	c
Latvia	100.6	106.9	113.5	115.0	122.5	124.9	118.0	118.1	112.4	134.5	103.7	97.6	111.3	114.5	115.9
Lithuania	105.0	110.4	118.3	117.9	123.3	125.9	115.9	119.0	114.4	134.5	107.1	99.4	114.7	116.5	123.7
Luxembourg	102.7	121.9	137.3	136.6	144.2	143.0	146.9	158.9	203.6	283.8	168.3	147.7	169.9	156.6	160.3
Hungary	97.9	95.8	97.9	98.7	107.0	108.5	104.0	107.7	104.9	127.1	84.1	82.7	99.5	102.9	102.8
Malta	98.7	102.9	98.6	98.2	106.4	102.7	96.8	109.1	92.7	111.5	92.8	98.1	97.8	94.7	101.0
Netherlands	101.5	98.0	93.9	94.1	94.3	90.6	91.0	92.8	91.6	107.6	87.3	80.5	90.5	91.3	c
Austria	95.9	96.5	98.1	93.9	100.1	96.2	95.2	100.8	100.6	118.6	92.1	88.1	99.0	98.2	96.1
Poland	99.5	99.0	103.4	103.1	106.6	108.0	107.0	107.7	100.6	122.0	92.2	88.2	104.1	101.6	101.3
Portugal	88.1	84.8	82.6	82.7	91.6	94.3	84.1	84.2	85.9	107.8	79.9	73.9	80.2	78.9	83.7
Romania	98.7	105.2	100.8	101.8	109.3	114.9	110.6	111.2	110.5	120.9	90.5	91.1	109.9	107.3	111.2
Slovenia	99.7	96.3	94.7	98.7	96.6	98.5	95.9	100.9	93.0	107.3	88.9	82.1	94.7	96.9	92.4
Slovakia	95.0	95.5	97.2	98.2	98.7	98.9	97.3	98.1	99.3	111.8	91.0	91.4	98.6	98.2	98.7
Finland	108.0	108.9	108.6	109.8	109.2	105.7	100.4	102.1	100.3	127.2	93.7	84.9	97.8	100.4	107.9
Sweden	103.9	105.2	108.3	112.3	110.1	108.3	102.7	105.6	104.8	127.7	95.1	89.9	104.1	105.9	111.0
United Kingdom	95.5	96.8	98.3	99.8	102.3	98.0	98.4	101.1	110.2	129.3	94.3	95.8	97.8	102.7	101.9
Norway	105.1	110.4	112.8	114.5	108.7	110.7	105.0	106.0	108.8	135.9	99.9	91.3	101.7	100.3	113.2
Switzerland	97.2	103.4	105.0	107.1	107.9	102.1	100.4	107.7	109.2	138.4	102.0	91.3	111.0	103.1	:

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