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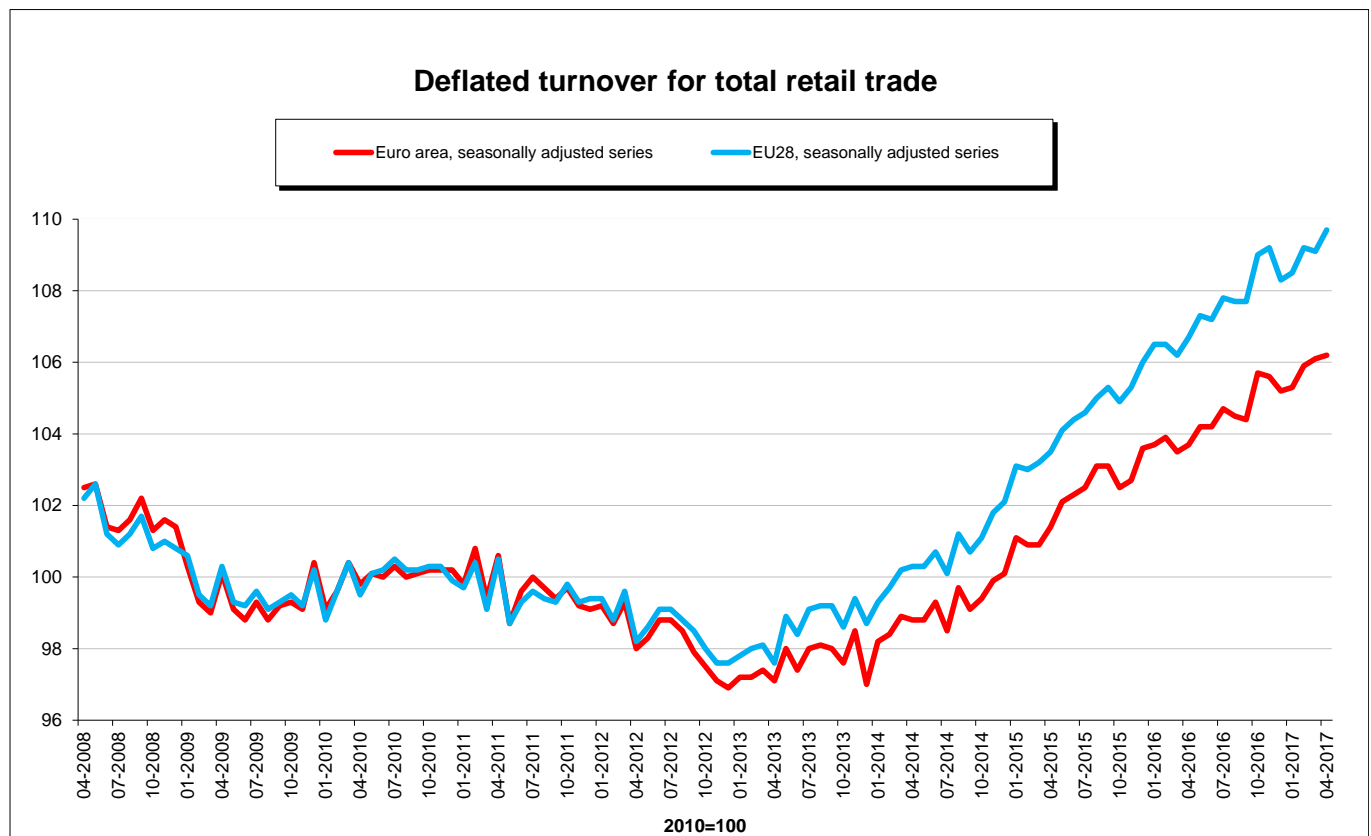
April 2017 compared with March 2017

Volume of retail trade up by 0.1% in euro area

Up by 0.5% in EU28

In April 2017 compared with March 2017, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade rose by 0.1% in the **euro area** (EA19) and by 0.5% in the **EU28**, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In March the retail trade volume increased by 0.2% in the **euro area**, while it fell by 0.1% in the **EU28**.

In April 2017 compared with April 2016, the calendar adjusted retail sales index increased by 2.5% in the **euro area** and by 3.0% in the **EU28**.



Monthly comparison by retail sector and by Member State

The 0.1% increase in the volume of retail trade in the **euro area** in April 2017, compared with March 2017, is due to the rise of 0.6% for “Food, drinks and tobacco”, while non-food products fell by 0.4% and automotive fuel by 0.8%. In the **EU28**, the 0.5% increase in the volume of retail trade is due to rises of 0.6% for “Food, drinks and tobacco” and of 0.4% for non-food products, while automotive fuel fell by 0.3%.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest increases in the total retail trade volume were registered in the **United Kingdom** (+2.8%), **Finland** (+2.0%), **Portugal** and **Sweden** (both +1.5%), while the largest decreases were observed in **Croatia** (-2.1%), **Austria** (-1.2%) and **Hungary** (-0.8%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

The 2.5% increase in the volume of retail trade in the **euro area** in April 2017, compared with April 2016, is due to rises of 3.4% for non-food products and of 2.1% for “Food, drinks and tobacco”, while automotive fuel fell by 1.6%. In the **EU28**, the 3.0% increase in retail trade volume is due to rises of 4.2% for non-food products and of 2.6% for “Food, drinks and tobacco”, while automotive fuel fell by 1.1%.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest increases in the total retail trade volume were observed in **Luxembourg** (+11.3%), **Slovenia** (+10.4%) and **Ireland** (+8.4%), while a decrease was observed in **Belgium** (-0.8%).

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 [78/2017](#) of 4 May 2017. The monthly percentage change for March 2017 has been revised from +0.3% to +0.2% in the euro area and from -0.2% to -0.1% in the EU28. The annual percentage change has been revised from +2.3% to +2.5% in the euro area and from +2.5% to +2.6% 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*

	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17
EA19						
Total retail trade	-0.1	-0.4	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.1
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.5	0.0	0.0	0.3	-0.1	0.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	0.8	0.8	-0.4
<i>Textiles, clothing, footwear</i>	-2.3	-0.6	-1.6	4.2	-0.8	-1.4
<i>Electrical goods and furniture</i>	-0.3	0.3	1.1	0.1	1.0	0.8
<i>Computer equipment, books and other</i>	0.0	-0.4	0.5	-0.2	1.2	:
<i>Pharmaceutical and medical goods</i>	0.7	-0.2	-0.3	-0.9	0.7	0.8
<i>Mail orders and internet</i>	-0.5	0.5	-1.7	0.2	1.6	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.4	-0.4	0.5	-0.4	0.0	-0.8
EU28						
Total retail trade	0.2	-0.8	0.2	0.6	-0.1	0.5
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.3	-0.4	0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	0.5	-1.0	-0.1	1.0	0.2	0.4
<i>Textiles, clothing, footwear</i>	-1.7	-1.6	-0.6	3.9	-0.6	-1.2
<i>Electrical goods and furniture</i>	1.0	-1.6	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.7
<i>Computer equipment, books and other</i>	0.5	-0.3	0.3	0.2	-0.9	1.1
<i>Pharmaceutical and medical goods</i>	0.3	0.1	0.3	-0.7	0.7	1.2
<i>Mail orders and internet</i>	1.5	-2.3	-1.9	3.0	-0.4	2.6
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.1	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3

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

Total retail trade	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17
EA19	-0.1	-0.4	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.1
EU28	0.2	-0.8	0.2	0.6	-0.1	0.5
Belgium	0.6	0.9	-1.4	-1.2	0.1	0.3
Bulgaria	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.8	-0.3	-0.5
Czech Republic	2.0	-1.4	1.1	0.9	1.2	c
Denmark	-0.3	-1.5	1.1	0.1	-0.2	0.8
Germany	-0.5	0.5	-1.0	1.1	0.2	-0.2
Estonia	1.8	-0.9	-0.2	-0.7	1.6	-0.3
Ireland	2.4	-1.7	1.6	0.6	0.1	0.2
Greece	0.1	-1.9	0.1	3.7	-3.7	c
Spain	0.1	-0.2	-1.1	0.5	0.9	0.6
France	0.2	-0.3	0.2	0.9	0.1	-0.1
Croatia	-1.1	1.5	-0.1	1.4	0.4	-2.1
Italy	-0.5	-0.3	1.1	-0.6	0.2	c
Cyprus	0.1	0.2	-1.9	1.1	1.1	c
Latvia	1.0	-1.5	2.8	-1.6	0.5	1.3
Lithuania	-0.6	0.6	1.1	-0.6	1.0	-0.6
Luxembourg	3.4	-0.8	0.2	0.7	0.7	1.4
Hungary	1.0	-0.1	0.4	-0.4	1.7	-0.8
Malta	1.1	-0.7	0.7	-0.8	1.6	0.4
Netherlands	-0.9	-1.4	1.5	-0.8	1.1	c
Austria	-1.2	-1.2	1.1	-0.1	1.6	-1.2
Poland	1.3	-1.3	4.1	-0.6	0.7	0.7
Portugal	-0.4	-2.6	3.0	2.6	-2.0	1.5
Romania	1.4	-0.1	0.4	2.1	0.8	-0.2
Slovenia	1.1	0.5	1.6	1.6	-0.9	-0.4
Slovakia	1.0	1.2	-0.2	0.2	1.1	0.9
Finland	0.9	-4.8	5.2	0.0	-1.2	2.0
Sweden	1.8	-2.5	1.0	0.2	-0.6	1.5
United Kingdom	1.0	-2.7	-0.8	1.6	-2.1	2.8
Norway	0.2	-2.4	1.5	1.0	0.2	0.2
Switzerland	0.5	-1.8	0.6	0.6	1.1	-2.4

* Calendar and seasonally adjusted

: Data not available

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

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

	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17
EA19						
Total retail trade	3.0	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.5	2.5
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.7	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.1	2.1
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	4.2	2.6	1.8	2.7	4.0	3.4
<i>Textiles, clothing, footwear</i>	3.6	-0.2	-2.8	2.4	5.0	0.4
<i>Electrical goods and furniture</i>	1.7	1.3	2.6	2.1	4.1	3.7
<i>Computer equipment, books and other</i>	3.7	2.6	3.2	3.2	4.2	:
<i>Pharmaceutical and medical goods</i>	4.1	3.3	3.6	1.0	1.1	2.7
<i>Mail orders and internet</i>	8.5	7.2	4.6	4.1	9.3	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	2.1	0.4	1.4	0.8	-0.1	-1.6
EU28						
Total retail trade	4.0	2.6	1.8	2.4	2.6	3.0
Food, drinks, tobacco	2.2	1.5	0.8	1.1	1.0	2.6
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	5.6	3.7	2.5	3.7	4.2	4.2
<i>Textiles, clothing, footwear</i>	3.7	0.4	-1.7	3.3	5.8	2.1
<i>Electrical goods and furniture</i>	3.1	1.2	2.1	2.2	4.2	4.3
<i>Computer equipment, books and other</i>	5.0	4.1	3.9	4.6	2.9	2.5
<i>Pharmaceutical and medical goods</i>	3.8	3.7	4.3	2.0	2.3	3.8
<i>Mail orders and internet</i>	17.4	14.2	8.2	11.6	13.1	11.0
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	2.5	1.3	1.3	1.0	0.3	-1.1

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Total retail trade	Nov-16	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17
EA19	3.0	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.5	2.5
EU28	4.0	2.6	1.8	2.4	2.6	3.0
Belgium	1.6	2.3	1.2	-2.6	1.1	-0.8
Bulgaria	4.6	2.4	4.0	3.8	5.9	2.1
Czech Republic	6.6	3.0	3.3	4.9	7.0	c
Denmark	0.9	-1.0	0.3	0.8	1.6	1.2
Germany	1.3	1.2	-0.2	1.2	2.6	2.0
Estonia	5.7	1.7	-0.3	0.8	4.8	2.4
Ireland	6.7	3.6	6.4	6.2	4.4	8.4
Greece	4.0	-1.0	-0.1	9.9	-1.0	c
Spain	3.1	2.6	-1.1	0.3	1.5	1.6
France	4.9	2.4	2.3	3.5	3.2	3.4
Croatia	-0.4	0.5	2.6	5.2	5.3	0.8
Italy	0.0	-0.6	2.4	-0.5	0.6	c
Cyprus	7.1	3.7	1.3	2.6	3.5	c
Latvia	5.2	2.4	3.6	0.9	2.0	2.9
Lithuania	7.9	5.7	8.7	7.6	6.8	4.5
Luxembourg	16.9	15.2	10.8	10.1	10.1	11.3
Hungary	4.5	3.3	3.7	0.9	5.3	2.0
Malta	4.3	-1.0	2.6	-1.8	3.5	4.2
Netherlands	3.5	0.4	2.8	1.3	3.5	c
Austria	1.8	-1.3	1.4	0.2	3.0	0.6
Poland	5.8	2.9	6.3	6.3	7.4	4.9
Portugal	5.1	3.8	1.9	0.0	3.4	3.5
Romania	9.5	7.9	5.8	7.8	9.2	5.6
Slovenia	10.7	11.2	12.2	15.4	12.9	10.4
Slovakia	3.4	4.8	5.3	4.7	6.0	7.1
Finland	2.6	-2.1	2.7	2.5	0.4	4.2
Sweden	3.6	1.2	2.7	2.6	1.8	3.8
United Kingdom	7.5	7.0	1.1	3.7	0.7	4.8
Norway	0.3	-2.2	-0.7	1.0	2.7	2.2
Switzerland	0.8	-3.5	-1.1	0.5	2.1	-1.2

* Calendar adjusted

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

	04/16	05/16	06/16	07/16	08/16	09/16	10/16	11/16	12/16	01/17	02/17	03/17	04/17
EA19	103.7	104.2	104.2	104.7	104.5	104.4	105.7	105.6	105.2	105.3	105.9	106.1	106.2
EU28	106.7	107.3	107.2	107.8	107.7	107.7	109.0	109.2	108.3	108.5	109.2	109.1	109.7
Belgium	103.9	104.5	104.6	104.4	103.6	102.7	104.1	104.7	105.6	104.1	102.8	102.9	103.2
Bulgaria	139.8	140.0	140.8	140.8	141.7	141.8	142.2	142.8	142.8	143.4	144.6	144.1	143.4
Czech Republic	113.8	113.3	114.9	114.8	114.8	115.7	115.4	117.7	116.1	117.4	118.5	119.9	c
Denmark	97.2	96.5	97.4	96.8	96.7	97.4	98.2	97.9	96.4	97.5	97.6	97.4	98.2
Germany	107.9	108.6	108.6	109.3	109.1	108.4	110.1	109.5	110.0	108.9	110.1	110.3	110.1
Estonia	129.7	130.8	129.5	129.8	128.9	130.7	131.0	133.3	132.1	131.9	131.0	133.1	132.7
Ireland	114.7	116.3	116.1	115.5	117.1	117.9	118.4	121.3	119.2	121.1	121.8	121.9	122.1
Greece	70.5	69.4	70.0	73.4	70.5	71.7	72.0	72.1	70.7	70.8	73.4	70.7	c
Spain	88.2	88.1	89.0	89.4	89.1	89.1	89.1	89.2	89.0	88.0	88.4	89.2	89.7
France	116.4	117.0	116.3	116.5	116.9	117.0	118.7	118.9	118.5	118.7	119.8	119.9	119.8
Croatia	101.5	101.2	100.1	101.3	101.3	101.8	102.7	101.6	103.1	103.0	104.4	104.8	102.6
Italy	95.0	95.3	95.2	95.3	95.0	95.2	95.8	95.3	95.0	96.0	95.4	95.6	c
Cyprus	93.4	91.1	92.9	92.2	91.6	93.1	95.1	95.2	95.4	93.6	94.6	95.6	c
Latvia	127.0	127.6	127.0	127.5	127.4	126.6	127.4	128.7	126.8	130.3	128.2	128.8	130.5
Lithuania	134.8	136.9	137.4	137.8	139.4	139.0	140.3	139.5	140.3	141.8	140.9	142.3	141.5
Luxembourg	207.3	208.3	211.2	215.1	213.9	217.1	218.8	226.2	224.5	224.9	226.4	228.0	231.1
Hungary	116.6	116.4	117.0	116.4	116.7	117.5	116.8	118.0	117.9	118.4	117.9	119.9	119.0
Malta	105.7	106.5	107.0	106.4	108.1	107.5	107.5	108.7	107.9	108.7	107.8	109.5	109.9
Netherlands	94.6	96.0	95.8	96.5	95.5	95.3	98.5	97.6	96.2	97.6	96.8	97.9	c
Austria	100.8	101.0	100.7	100.8	101.2	101.5	102.4	101.2	100.0	101.1	101.0	102.6	101.4
Poland	118.4	118.5	118.1	117.1	117.3	118.7	118.2	119.7	118.1	122.9	122.2	123.1	124.0
Portugal	90.4	87.8	91.0	92.1	92.6	90.4	91.9	91.5	89.1	91.8	94.2	92.3	93.7
Romania	136.2	135.2	137.4	136.9	137.2	137.2	138.3	140.2	140.1	140.7	143.7	144.8	144.5
Slovenia	98.0	97.9	99.0	100.0	100.5	100.4	104.7	105.8	106.3	108.0	109.7	108.7	108.3
Slovakia	103.6	104.0	104.1	103.7	104.2	104.9	105.2	106.3	107.6	107.4	107.6	108.8	109.8
Finland	102.1	103.8	103.2	103.3	103.8	104.3	104.5	105.4	100.3	105.5	105.5	104.2	106.3
Sweden	116.3	119.8	118.0	117.7	118.1	117.9	119.1	121.2	118.2	119.4	119.6	118.9	120.7
United Kingdom	114.1	115.6	114.7	116.7	117.0	116.9	119.0	120.2	116.9	116.0	117.8	115.3	118.5
Norway	107.5	109.7	108.7	108.1	108.5	108.1	109.2	109.4	106.8	108.4	109.5	109.7	109.9
Switzerland	104.9	104.4	104.0	104.0	103.9	104.1	105.4	105.9	104.0	104.6	105.2	106.4	103.8

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

	04/14	04/15	04/16	05/16	06/16	07/16	08/16	09/16	10/16	11/16	12/16	01/17	02/17	03/17	04/17
EA19	96.6	99.2	101.3	102.6	102.4	104.0	105.8	101.6	107.8	106.0	129.1	101.4	93.4	103.7	103.8
EU28	98.2	101.1	104.3	105.9	105.7	107.7	108.5	105.0	110.9	111.6	132.9	102.5	96.5	106.1	107.4
Belgium	102.0	104.7	103.4	105.3	104.9	107.3	97.6	100.6	107.0	100.8	126.5	103.9	89.6	104.0	102.6
Bulgaria	116.3	129.6	136.9	136.6	143.9	152.5	154.1	146.9	146.0	141.6	158.1	123.9	122.5	140.9	139.8
Czech Republic	100.0	105.6	112.1	114.4	115.1	111.2	112.6	114.3	117.6	123.7	141.8	105.6	103.6	119.3	c
Denmark	95.1	95.5	97.2	100.5	98.4	95.8	97.6	92.0	98.0	101.3	118.2	90.1	83.6	94.0	98.4
Germany	102.5	105.2	107.8	108.1	106.0	109.8	105.7	104.4	112.8	113.5	130.5	101.2	98.6	112.4	110.0
Estonia	118.0	120.0	126.0	136.0	135.0	139.0	135.0	128.0	132.8	130.0	149.5	121.6	110.9	127.9	129.0
Ireland	96.0	102.3	106.0	109.9	113.0	111.6	113.1	112.5	115.1	134.2	173.5	109.0	113.0	109.3	114.9
Greece	72.6	71.3	69.9	66.9	69.4	74.8	74.5	71.2	71.4	70.0	81.5	67.4	70.9	66.7	c
Spain	78.5	81.5	85.0	85.7	88.8	98.2	87.8	87.3	88.6	86.0	105.3	89.7	77.8	86.1	86.4
France	105.8	109.8	112.8	113.0	115.0	101.3	131.8	114.6	121.5	116.9	150.2	115.3	105.6	115.5	116.6
Croatia	92.3	96.6	98.9	101.6	105.2	123.0	122.3	106.7	102.9	92.0	110.2	83.1	82.7	97.6	99.7
Italy	89.9	91.7	91.8	95.0	91.0	100.9	91.6	93.6	100.5	94.0	117.6	95.7	82.2	91.3	c
Cyprus	81.7	82.8	90.5	88.8	94.1	101.6	95.2	93.9	95.4	92.1	119.2	85.2	80.0	87.9	c
Latvia	114.6	118.7	121.8	128.1	128.8	136.0	138.4	128.6	130.8	124.3	143.6	118.1	110.2	122.4	125.3
Lithuania	116.6	122.9	130.3	138.2	139.7	145.4	149.7	139.4	145.0	136.5	161.2	128.1	121.2	136.2	136.1
Luxembourg	165.2	161.7	185.5	186.9	190.7	206.6	188.4	198.2	207.9	291.0	361.4	224.8	195.7	214.2	206.4
Hungary	102.1	107.2	114.9	113.7	117.0	123.1	121.9	120.0	121.5	120.8	145.3	98.3	96.8	115.1	117.2
Malta	98.5	104.2	103.2	106.3	108.6	115.1	109.3	103.6	110.3	108.7	122.7	99.6	97.7	104.0	107.5
Netherlands	91.6	93.5	93.1	98.6	98.2	98.5	93.0	92.4	100.3	97.9	112.3	94.0	84.2	95.8	c
Austria	98.4	99.8	100.6	98.8	98.3	102.0	99.3	98.7	105.5	101.3	120.2	95.1	90.8	103.6	101.2
Poland	103.6	109.7	118.4	118.7	118.3	119.5	120.6	120.2	122.9	114.7	137.3	109.5	106.2	124.6	124.2
Portugal	79.0	82.1	84.7	85.6	88.2	98.6	99.8	89.5	91.4	90.5	113.6	84.2	79.6	87.1	87.7
Romania	106.7	114.2	137.5	130.9	136.3	143.8	146.6	141.1	142.5	148.0	157.9	118.3	120.8	139.0	145.2
Slovenia	96.7	96.1	97.7	95.5	99.7	102.5	102.3	102.0	110.4	103.1	118.7	102.1	96.4	107.6	107.9
Slovakia	98.0	97.6	101.7	104.2	106.1	103.9	103.3	104.5	108.0	108.7	125.0	96.9	95.8	108.2	108.9
Finland	100.6	98.9	98.9	107.4	107.9	110.1	106.9	100.4	103.7	102.8	122.7	95.5	88.8	99.2	103.1
Sweden	105.7	112.6	114.7	123.9	125.9	122.7	120.4	113.5	119.9	120.8	139.2	107.4	101.1	114.5	119.1
United Kingdom	102.1	104.9	110.2	112.9	111.8	116.3	111.9	112.1	119.1	133.7	147.7	105.7	107.7	108.2	115.5
Norway	100.8	103.8	99.7	114.3	116.1	109.5	111.9	104.5	108.7	111.9	131.8	99.4	92.6	103.1	101.9
Switzerland	103.6	102.9	100.7	101.5	106.1	105.4	99.4	97.3	107.2	107.9	133.5	99.4	88.5	109.0	99.5

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