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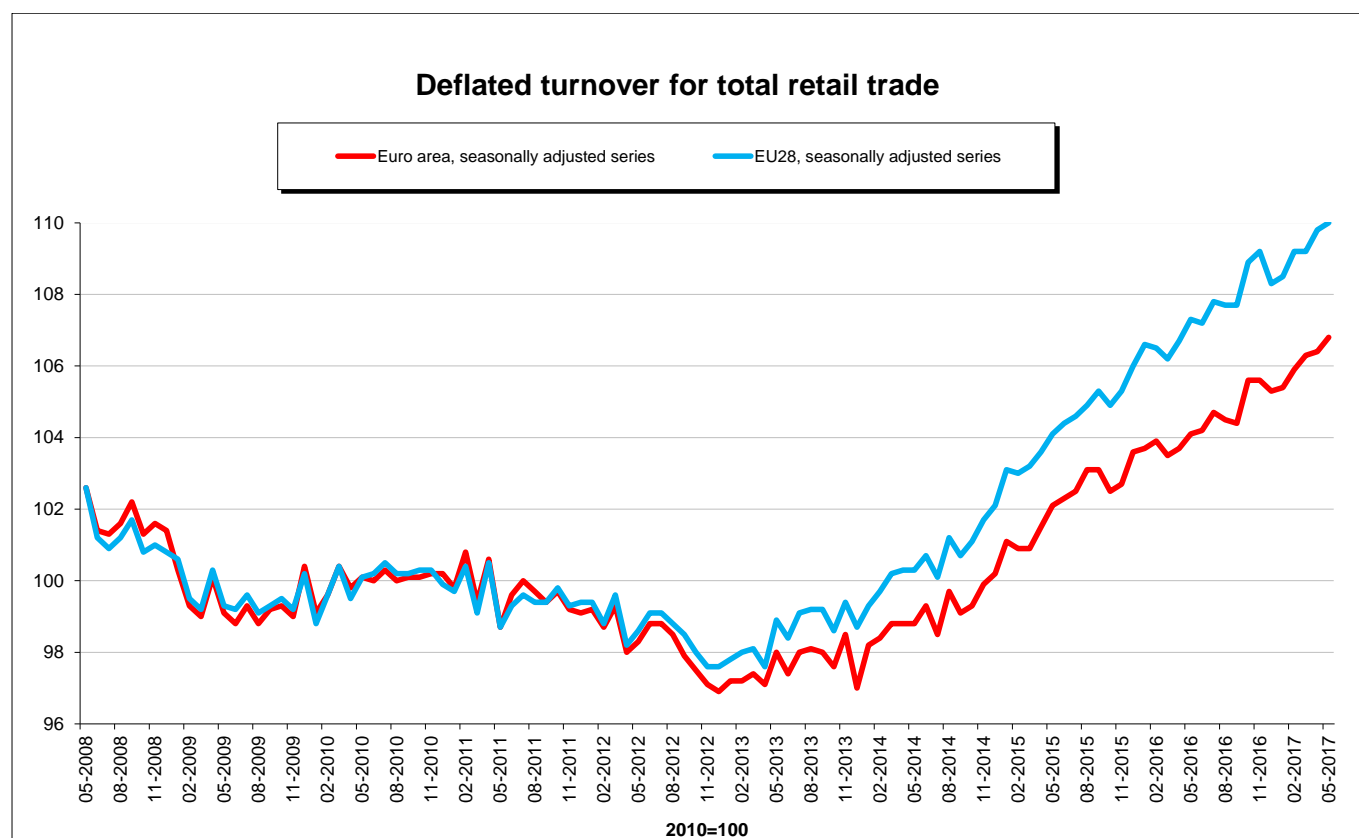
May 2017 compared with April 2017

Volume of retail trade up by 0.4% in euro area

Up by 0.2% in EU28

In May 2017 compared with April 2017, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade rose by 0.4% in the **euro area** (EA19) and by 0.2% in the **EU28**, according to estimates from **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In April the retail trade volume increased by 0.1% in the **euro area** and by 0.5% in the **EU28**.

In May 2017 compared with May 2016, the calendar adjusted retail sales index increased by 2.6% in both the **euro area** and 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 May 2017, compared with April 2017, is due to rises of 1.7% for automotive fuel and of 0.6% for non-food products, while “Food, drinks and tobacco” fell by 0.4%. In the **EU28**, the 0.2% increase in the volume of retail trade is due to rises of 1.2% for automotive fuel and of 0.3% for non-food products, while “Food, drinks and tobacco” fell by 0.4%.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest increases in the total retail trade volume were registered in **Romania** (+4.3%), **Lithuania** (+1.8%) and **Hungary** (+1.7%), while the largest decreases were observed in **Finland** (-1.2%), **Slovenia** and the **United Kingdom** (both -0.9%).

Annual comparison by retail sector and by Member State

The 2.6% increase in the volume of retail trade in the **euro area** in May 2017, compared with May 2016, is due to rises of 3.5% for non-food products, of 2.1% for “Food, drinks and tobacco” and of 0.9% for automotive fuel. In the **EU28**, the 2.6% increase in retail trade volume is due to rises of 3.5% for non-food products and of 1.7% for both “Food, drinks and tobacco” and automotive fuel.

Among Member States for which data are available, the highest increases in the total retail trade volume were observed in **Romania** (+14.0%), **Slovakia** (+7.9%), **Ireland** and **Slovenia** (both +7.7%).

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 [89/2017](#) of 6 June 2017. The monthly percentage change for April 2017 remains unchanged at +0.1% in the euro area and at +0.5% in the EU28. The annual percentage change has been revised from +2.5% to +2.6% in the euro area and from +3.0% to +3.1% 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*

	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17
EA19						
Total retail trade	-0.3	0.1	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.4
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	1.1	-0.4
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-0.2	-0.2	0.7	1.1	-0.7	0.6
<i>Textiles, clothing, footwear</i>	-0.6	-1.6	4.3	-0.6	-1.7	1.1
<i>Electrical goods and furniture</i>	0.4	1.0	0.1	1.2	0.2	:
<i>Computer equipment, books and other</i>	-0.4	0.5	-0.2	1.5	-0.7	:
<i>Pharmaceutical and medical goods</i>	-0.2	-0.3	-0.8	1.1	0.2	-0.3
<i>Mail orders and internet</i>	0.7	-1.6	0.1	2.3	-0.5	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.4	0.5	-0.4	0.1	-0.6	1.7
EU28						
Total retail trade	-0.8	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.5	0.2
Food, drinks, tobacco	-0.3	0.2	0.2	0.0	1.0	-0.4
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	-1.0	-0.2	1.1	0.3	0.1	0.3
<i>Textiles, clothing, footwear</i>	-1.5	-0.6	3.9	-0.3	-1.4	1.2
<i>Electrical goods and furniture</i>	-1.5	1.1	0.7	1.1	0.5	-1.3
<i>Computer equipment, books and other</i>	-0.2	-0.1	0.4	-0.8	-0.4	1.6
<i>Pharmaceutical and medical goods</i>	0.2	0.2	-0.6	1.1	0.3	-0.3
<i>Mail orders and internet</i>	-2.2	-1.8	3.0	-0.2	2.4	0.1
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	-0.2	0.4	-0.1	-0.3	0.5	1.2

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

Total retail trade	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17
EA19	-0.3	0.1	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.4
EU28	-0.8	0.2	0.6	0.0	0.5	0.2
Belgium	0.9	-1.4	-1.3	0.4	0.3	1.4
Bulgaria	0.0	0.4	0.8	-0.3	0.9	1.3
Czech Republic	-1.5	1.4	0.8	1.4	-0.8	c
Denmark	-1.5	1.1	-0.3	0.2	0.6	-0.8
Germany	0.6	-1.0	1.0	0.7	-0.2	0.5
Estonia	-0.9	-0.2	-0.7	1.6	-0.3	0.2
Ireland	-1.5	1.7	0.7	0.2	0.6	1.5
Greece	-1.8	0.1	3.7	-3.7	2.0	c
Spain	-0.2	-1.1	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.2
France	-0.3	0.3	0.9	0.3	-0.3	0.8
Croatia	1.5	-0.1	1.4	0.4	-2.1	0.0
Italy	-0.3	1.1	-0.6	0.1	0.0	c
Cyprus	-0.7	-0.9	1.6	0.9	1.1	c
Latvia	-1.4	2.7	-1.6	0.6	1.4	1.1
Lithuania	0.6	1.1	-0.6	1.0	-0.1	1.8
Luxembourg	-0.8	0.2	0.7	0.7	1.4	:
Hungary	0.0	0.4	-0.3	1.7	-0.7	1.7
Malta	-1.1	0.8	-1.2	2.0	0.2	-0.4
Netherlands	-1.4	1.6	-0.9	1.1	-0.1	0.6
Austria	-1.3	1.1	-0.1	1.5	-1.1	0.1
Poland	-1.3	4.1	-0.6	0.7	0.7	-0.7
Portugal	-2.6	3.0	2.6	-2.0	1.5	:
Romania	-0.1	0.4	2.1	0.8	0.4	4.3
Slovenia	0.4	1.6	1.5	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9
Slovakia	0.8	0.3	0.0	1.3	0.6	0.9
Finland	-5.1	5.4	-0.1	-0.2	1.4	-1.2
Sweden	-2.5	1.0	0.2	-0.6	1.2	0.6
United Kingdom	-2.9	-1.1	2.2	-2.4	2.9	-0.9
Norway	-2.4	1.5	1.1	0.2	0.5	1.3
Switzerland	-1.8	0.8	0.4	1.6	-2.6	0.2

* 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*

	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17
EA19						
Total retail trade	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.8	2.6	2.6
Food, drinks, tobacco	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.3	2.9	2.1
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	2.6	1.9	2.8	4.3	2.9	3.5
<i>Textiles, clothing, footwear</i>	-0.2	-2.8	2.4	5.2	0.6	1.7
<i>Electrical goods and furniture</i>	1.3	2.6	2.2	4.4	3.0	:
<i>Computer equipment, books and other</i>	2.6	3.2	3.3	4.4	2.7	:
<i>Pharmaceutical and medical goods</i>	3.3	3.5	1.1	1.8	2.2	1.7
<i>Mail orders and internet</i>	7.3	5.0	4.3	9.9	5.4	:
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	0.5	1.4	0.8	0.3	-0.8	0.9
EU28						
Total retail trade	2.5	1.7	2.5	2.8	3.1	2.6
Food, drinks, tobacco	1.5	0.9	1.1	1.1	3.2	1.7
Non-food products (except automotive fuel), of which:	3.6	2.3	3.8	4.4	3.6	3.5
<i>Textiles, clothing, footwear</i>	0.5	-1.6	3.3	5.9	2.3	2.7
<i>Electrical goods and furniture</i>	1.2	2.1	2.2	4.5	3.9	2.7
<i>Computer equipment, books and other</i>	4.0	3.5	4.6	3.1	0.6	2.3
<i>Pharmaceutical and medical goods</i>	3.8	4.3	2.0	2.8	3.2	2.7
<i>Mail orders and internet</i>	14.3	8.4	11.8	13.0	11.5	11.2
Automotive fuel in specialised stores	1.3	1.2	1.0	0.3	-0.1	1.7

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Total retail trade	Dec-16	Jan-17	Feb-17	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17
EA19	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.8	2.6	2.6
EU28	2.5	1.7	2.5	2.8	3.1	2.6
Belgium	2.3	1.2	-2.6	1.1	-0.9	0.3
Bulgaria	2.4	4.0	3.8	5.9	2.3	6.2
Czech Republic	2.9	3.8	5.2	7.8	4.7	c
Denmark	-1.1	0.3	0.1	1.5	1.0	0.1
Germany	1.2	-0.1	1.2	3.2	2.6	2.3
Estonia	1.7	-0.3	0.8	4.8	2.4	1.5
Ireland	3.6	6.4	6.2	4.4	8.4	7.7
Greece	-1.0	-0.1	9.9	-1.2	3.0	c
Spain	2.8	-1.1	0.3	1.5	1.8	2.9
France	2.5	2.4	3.7	3.5	3.3	4.2
Croatia	0.5	2.6	5.2	5.3	0.8	1.5
Italy	-0.6	2.4	-0.5	0.7	0.8	c
Cyprus	3.6	2.1	3.3	3.9	5.1	c
Latvia	2.4	3.5	0.8	2.1	3.0	3.8
Lithuania	5.7	8.7	7.6	6.8	4.5	5.9
Luxembourg	15.2	10.8	10.1	10.1	11.3	:
Hungary	3.4	3.7	0.9	5.2	1.7	5.5
Malta	-1.9	2.5	-3.3	4.1	4.1	2.2
Netherlands	0.4	2.8	1.3	3.5	3.3	2.6
Austria	-1.3	1.4	0.2	2.9	0.7	0.3
Poland	2.9	6.3	6.3	7.4	4.9	3.8
Portugal	3.8	1.9	0.0	3.4	3.5	:
Romania	7.9	5.8	7.8	9.2	5.5	14.0
Slovenia	11.2	12.2	15.4	13.0	9.6	7.7
Slovakia	4.3	5.8	4.5	6.0	6.6	7.9
Finland	-2.2	2.7	2.5	1.8	4.7	1.3
Sweden	1.2	2.7	2.6	1.7	3.1	1.7
United Kingdom	6.7	0.2	3.8	0.3	4.6	1.0
Norway	-2.2	-0.7	1.1	2.7	2.2	2.4
Switzerland	-3.5	-0.8	0.5	2.6	-0.9	-0.4

* Calendar adjusted

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

	05/16	06/16	07/16	08/16	09/16	10/16	11/16	12/16	01/17	02/17	03/17	04/17	05/17
EA19	104.1	104.2	104.7	104.5	104.4	105.6	105.6	105.3	105.4	105.9	106.3	106.4	106.8
EU28	107.3	107.2	107.8	107.7	107.7	108.9	109.2	108.3	108.5	109.2	109.2	109.8	110.0
Belgium	104.5	104.5	104.3	103.6	102.7	104.2	104.7	105.6	104.1	102.7	103.1	103.4	104.8
Bulgaria	140.0	140.8	140.8	141.7	141.8	142.2	142.8	142.8	143.4	144.6	144.1	145.4	147.3
Czech Republic	113.5	115.0	114.8	114.9	115.8	115.9	118.0	116.2	117.8	118.8	120.5	119.5	c
Denmark	96.7	97.4	96.8	96.7	97.4	98.2	97.8	96.3	97.4	97.1	97.3	97.9	97.1
Germany	108.6	108.6	109.3	109.1	108.4	110.0	109.4	110.1	109.0	110.1	110.9	110.7	111.2
Estonia	130.9	129.5	129.8	129.0	130.7	131.0	133.3	132.1	131.9	131.0	133.1	132.7	132.9
Ireland	115.8	115.8	115.4	117.0	117.8	118.3	121.0	119.2	121.2	122.1	122.3	123.0	124.8
Greece	69.3	70.0	73.4	70.5	71.7	72.1	72.1	70.8	70.9	73.5	70.8	72.2	c
Spain	88.0	89.0	89.4	89.0	89.1	89.1	89.2	89.0	88.0	88.5	89.3	89.9	90.1
France	116.9	116.2	116.5	116.8	117.0	118.7	118.9	118.5	118.8	119.9	120.3	119.9	120.9
Croatia	101.2	100.1	101.3	101.3	101.8	102.7	101.6	103.1	103.0	104.4	104.8	102.6	102.6
Italy	95.4	95.2	95.3	95.0	95.2	95.8	95.3	95.0	96.0	95.4	95.5	95.5	c
Cyprus	91.1	93.0	91.9	91.4	93.0	95.4	95.8	95.1	94.2	95.7	96.6	97.7	c
Latvia	127.4	126.9	127.4	127.4	126.6	127.4	128.7	126.9	130.3	128.2	129.0	130.8	132.2
Lithuania	136.9	137.4	137.8	139.4	139.0	140.3	139.5	140.3	141.8	140.9	142.3	142.1	144.6
Luxembourg	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	115.8	116.9	116.4	116.6	117.5	116.8	118.1	118.1	118.6	118.2	120.2	119.3	121.3
Malta	106.7	107.0	106.2	107.8	107.4	107.3	108.5	107.3	108.2	106.9	109.0	109.2	108.8
Netherlands	95.9	95.7	96.5	95.5	95.3	98.5	97.6	96.2	97.7	96.8	97.9	97.8	98.4
Austria	101.1	100.7	100.8	101.2	101.5	102.4	101.3	100.0	101.1	101.0	102.5	101.4	101.5
Poland	118.5	118.1	117.1	117.3	118.7	118.2	119.7	118.1	122.9	122.2	123.1	124.0	123.1
Portugal	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	135.2	137.4	136.9	137.2	137.2	138.3	140.2	140.1	140.7	143.7	144.8	145.4	151.7
Slovenia	98.4	99.1	100.1	100.5	100.4	104.6	105.7	106.1	107.8	109.4	108.4	107.4	106.4
Slovakia	103.8	104.1	103.2	104.5	104.9	105.0	106.6	107.4	107.7	107.7	109.1	109.8	110.8
Finland	104.0	103.2	103.3	103.8	104.3	104.5	105.5	100.1	105.5	105.4	105.2	106.7	105.4
Sweden	119.2	118.1	117.8	118.1	117.9	119.1	121.2	118.2	119.4	119.6	118.9	120.3	121.0
United Kingdom	115.8	114.8	116.7	117.0	116.8	118.8	120.0	116.5	115.2	117.7	114.9	118.2	117.1
Norway	109.0	108.7	108.1	108.6	108.1	109.2	109.5	106.9	108.5	109.7	109.9	110.4	111.8
Switzerland	104.5	104.0	104.1	103.9	104.1	105.4	105.9	104.0	104.8	105.2	106.9	104.1	104.3

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

	05/14	05/15	05/16	06/16	07/16	08/16	09/16	10/16	11/16	12/16	01/17	02/17	03/17	04/17	05/17
EA19	97.6	100.7	102.6	102.4	104.0	105.8	101.7	107.8	106.0	129.1	101.4	93.4	104.0	103.8	105.3
EU28	99.1	102.8	105.9	105.7	107.7	108.5	105.0	110.9	111.6	132.8	102.4	96.6	106.3	107.4	108.7
Belgium	104.7	105.6	105.3	104.9	107.3	97.6	100.6	107.0	100.8	126.5	103.9	89.6	104.0	102.5	105.6
Bulgaria	116.9	130.3	136.6	143.9	152.5	154.1	146.9	146.0	141.6	158.1	123.9	122.5	140.9	140.1	145.1
Czech Republic	102.6	109.7	114.6	115.2	111.0	112.7	114.4	118.2	124.1	141.7	106.1	104.0	120.1	117.5	c
Denmark	99.7	97.1	100.5	98.4	95.8	97.6	92.0	98.0	101.3	118.1	90.1	83.0	93.9	98.2	100.6
Germany	101.7	106.5	108.1	106.0	109.8	105.7	104.4	112.7	113.4	130.6	101.3	98.6	113.0	110.6	110.6
Estonia	123.0	129.0	136.0	135.0	139.0	135.0	128.0	132.8	130.0	149.5	121.6	110.9	127.9	129.0	138.1
Ireland	95.4	102.2	109.9	113.0	111.6	113.1	112.5	115.1	134.2	173.5	109.0	113.0	109.3	114.9	118.4
Greece	68.6	71.4	66.9	69.4	74.8	74.5	71.2	71.4	70.0	81.5	67.4	70.9	66.6	72.0	c
Spain	81.3	83.9	85.7	88.8	98.2	87.8	87.3	88.6	86.0	105.4	89.7	77.8	86.1	86.4	88.2
France	106.1	109.8	113.0	115.0	101.4	131.8	114.6	121.5	116.9	150.3	115.4	105.8	115.8	116.1	117.7
Croatia	95.6	99.3	101.6	105.2	123.0	122.3	106.7	102.9	92.0	110.2	83.1	82.7	97.6	99.7	103.1
Italy	92.9	94.3	95.0	91.0	100.9	91.6	93.6	100.5	94.0	117.6	95.7	82.2	91.4	92.4	c
Cyprus	85.5	88.3	89.0	94.0	101.6	95.4	94.1	95.2	92.3	119.4	86.0	80.6	88.6	94.9	c
Latvia	116.5	123.5	128.1	128.8	136.0	138.4	128.6	130.8	124.3	143.6	118.0	110.1	122.5	125.4	133.0
Lithuania	123.5	130.0	138.2	139.7	145.4	149.7	139.4	145.0	136.5	161.2	128.1	121.2	136.2	136.2	146.4
Luxembourg	164.1	166.7	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	101.5	106.9	113.7	117.0	123.1	121.9	120.0	121.5	120.8	145.3	98.3	96.8	115.0	116.9	119.9
Malta	98.7	106.9	106.3	108.6	114.2	108.5	103.8	110.5	109.2	121.5	99.5	96.2	104.6	107.2	108.6
Netherlands	94.8	96.6	98.6	98.2	98.5	93.0	92.4	100.3	97.9	112.3	94.0	84.2	95.8	96.2	101.2
Austria	96.0	96.9	98.8	98.3	102.0	99.3	98.7	105.5	101.3	120.2	95.1	90.8	103.5	101.3	99.1
Poland	102.2	110.9	118.7	118.3	119.5	120.6	120.2	122.9	114.7	137.3	109.5	106.2	124.6	124.2	123.2
Portugal	83.8	85.5	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	110.3	115.0	130.9	136.3	143.8	146.6	141.1	142.5	148.0	157.9	118.3	120.8	139.0	145.0	149.2
Slovenia	92.4	95.1	95.5	99.8	102.5	102.3	102.0	110.4	103.2	118.7	102.1	96.4	107.7	107.1	102.9
Slovakia	98.7	100.1	104.1	106.4	103.3	103.7	104.7	107.3	109.0	124.9	96.8	95.7	108.7	108.1	112.3
Finland	105.1	105.7	107.4	107.9	110.0	106.8	100.4	103.7	102.8	122.6	95.5	88.7	100.6	103.5	108.8
Sweden	110.4	117.6	123.9	125.9	122.7	120.4	113.5	119.9	120.8	139.2	107.4	101.1	114.5	118.2	126.0
United Kingdom	102.2	106.9	112.9	111.8	116.3	111.9	112.0	119.0	133.6	147.2	104.8	107.8	107.8	115.3	114.0
Norway	112.7	112.1	114.3	116.1	109.5	111.9	104.5	108.8	111.9	131.9	99.4	92.7	103.1	101.9	117.1
Switzerland	104.5	103.5	101.5	106.1	105.4	99.4	97.3	107.2	107.9	133.5	99.7	88.5	109.6	99.8	101.1

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