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Sale of consumption goods further increased; less food sold

Retail trade – August 2014

In August 2014, sales in retail trade including the automotive segment after seasonal adjustment increased by 0.6% at constant prices, month-on-month. Working days adjusted sales increased by 4.4%, year-on-year. The y-o-y growth of non-adjusted sales by 2.7% was the most contributed to by sale of motor vehicles and non-food goods.

Seasonally adjusted sales in retail trade including sale and repair of motor vehicles (CZ‑NACE 45+47) increased in August by 0.6% at constant prices, month-on-month. Sales adjusted for calendar effects increased by 4.4%, y-o-y. The 2.7% y-o-y growth of non‑adjusted sales was influenced at a lower number of working days (-1) mainly by sale in the automotive segment and non-food goods (see Table 2).

**Seasonally adjusted** sales for **sale and repair of motor vehicles (CZ-NACE 45)** increased by 0.5% **at constant prices, m-o-m**. **Year-on-year**, sales **adjusted for calendar effects** increased by 11.3%. **Non-adjusted** sales increased by 7.8%, **y-o-y**; for sale of motor vehicles (including spare parts) by 7.9% and for repairs by 7.5%.

In **retail trade including sale of automotive fuel (CZ-NACE 47) seasonally adjusted** sales increased **at constant prices** by 1.2%, **m-o-m**. Sales **adjusted for calendar effects** increased by 2.0%, **y-o-y**. **Non-adjusted** sales increased by 0.8%, **y-o-y**; sales for sale of non‑food goods increased by 3.8%, while for automotive fuel and food sales decreased (-2.2% and -1.7%, respectively).

Growth of sales in the retail trade alone was the most contributed to by retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet (+24.9%) and retail sale of clothing and footwear in specialised stores (+11.7%). Higher growth was recorded also by retail sale of information and communication equipment in specialised stores (+12.7%), retail sale of cultural and recreation goods in specialised stores (+9.8%), and retail sale of other household equipment in specialised stores (+2.3%). On the contrary, a decrease was reported by dispensing chemist, medical and orthopaedic goods in specialised stores (-6.4%), retail sale of food, beverages and tobacco in specialised stores and by retail sale in non‑specialised stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating (-2.1% and -1.6%, respectively).

The price deflator (CZ-NACE 47) related to the corresponding period of the previous year (VAT excluded) was 100.3%. Prices increased mainly in retail sale of clothing and footwear in specialised stores, dispensing chemist, medical and orthopaedic goods in specialised stores, and food, while decrease of prices occurred in retail sale of information and communication equipment and other household equipment in specialised stores.

International comparison of retail sales development in the EU Member States is available at: (<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/eurostat/home>).

Notes:

*Data for August 2014 are preliminary. Final data for all months of 2014 will be available in June 2015 at the latest.*

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Annexes:

Table 1 Retail trade, sale and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles

Table 2 Sales in main assortment types of stores (year-on-year changes, decomposition of increase – year-on-year)

Graph 1 Sales in retail trade, excl. automotive fuel (fixed-base indices)

Graph 2 Sales in retail trade (CZ-NACE 47) – international comparison