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Sales in retail trade increased thanks to non-food goods

Retail trade – January 2017

In January 2017, seasonally adjusted sales in retail trade at constant prices increased by 1.0%, month-on-month (m-o-m). Sales adjusted for calendar effects increased by 3.3%, year-on-year (y-o-y), non-adjusted sales increased by 5.6%, y-o-y.

Seasonally adjusted sales in retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles (CZ‑NACE 47) increased by 1.0% in January at constant prices, month-on-month. Sales for sale of food increased by 2.2%, for sale of non-food goods by 1.3%, while for sale of automotive fuel they dropped by 1.1%.

Sales in retail trade adjusted for calendar effects increased by 3.3%, year-on-year; for sale of non-food goods sales increased by 5.8% and for sale of automotive fuel by 4.7%, while for sale of food they dropped by 0.4%. The sales development was influenced by a different number of working days (January 2017 had two more working days than the corresponding month of 2016).

Non-adjusted sales in retail trade increased by 5.6%, y-o-y; for sale of non-food goods sales increased by 9.2%, for sale of automotive fuel by 7.5%, and for sale of food by 0.1%.

In a more detailed breakdown: the highest growth was recorded in retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet (+27.4%) and retail sale of cultural and recreation goods in specialised stores (+15.6%). A sales increase was reported also by retail sale of dispensing chemist, medical and orthopaedic goods, and cosmetic and toilet articles in specialised stores (+8.7%), retail sale of clothing and footwear in specialised stores (+5.7%), retail sale of information and communication equipment in specialised stores (+4.3%), and retail sale of other household equipment in specialised stores (+1.2%). Sales in retail sale of food, beverages and tobacco in specialised stores increased by 6.0%, while in non-specialised stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating they dropped by 0.3%.

The price deflator (CZ-NACE 47) related to the corresponding period of the previous year (VAT excluded) was 102.3%. It was influenced mainly by higher prices for automotive fuel and food. On the contrary, prices decreased in retail sale of information and communication equipment in specialised stores and retail sale of other household equipment in specialised stores.

**Seasonally adjusted** sales **for sale and repair of motor vehicles (CZ-NACE 45)** increased **at constant prices** by 1.3%, **m-o-m**. Sales **adjusted for calendar effects** increased by 5.1%, **y-o-y**. **Non-adjusted** sales increased by 12.0%, **y-o-y**; sales for repair of motor vehicles increased by 20.0%, y-o-y, and for sale of motor vehicles (including spare parts) by 10.4%, y‑o‑y.

International comparison of retail sales development in the EU Member States is available at: <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/short-term-business-statistics/publications/news-releases>.

Notes:

*All data in the text of the News Release are at constant prices.*

*Data for January 2017 are preliminary. Final data for all months of 2017 will be released in June 2018.*

*Starting with the News Release for January 2017, the CZSO extended the scope of published information – see the* [*News*](https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/new-look-of-news-releases-on-retail-trade-and-services)*.*

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Annexes:

Table 1 Retail trade and sale and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (year-on-year indices, non‑adjusted data)

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

Table 3 Retail trade and sale and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (year-on-year indices, adjusted for calendar effects)

Chart Sales in retail trade except of motor vehicles and motorcycles – base indices, constant prices

Chart Sales in retail trade except of motor vehicles and motorcycles – international comparison, seasonally adjusted, constant prices