

# Retail sales index – September 2021

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**↑5.1%**

An increase compared with the corresponding month of the previous year

In September 2021 retail sales<sup>1</sup> at constant prices were by 5.1% higher than the year before (against an increase of 2.5% in September 2020). Compared with August 2021 retail sales decreased by 2.4%.

In the period of January-September<sup>2</sup> 2021 retail sales y/y were by 7.3% higher (against a decrease of 3.1% in 2020).

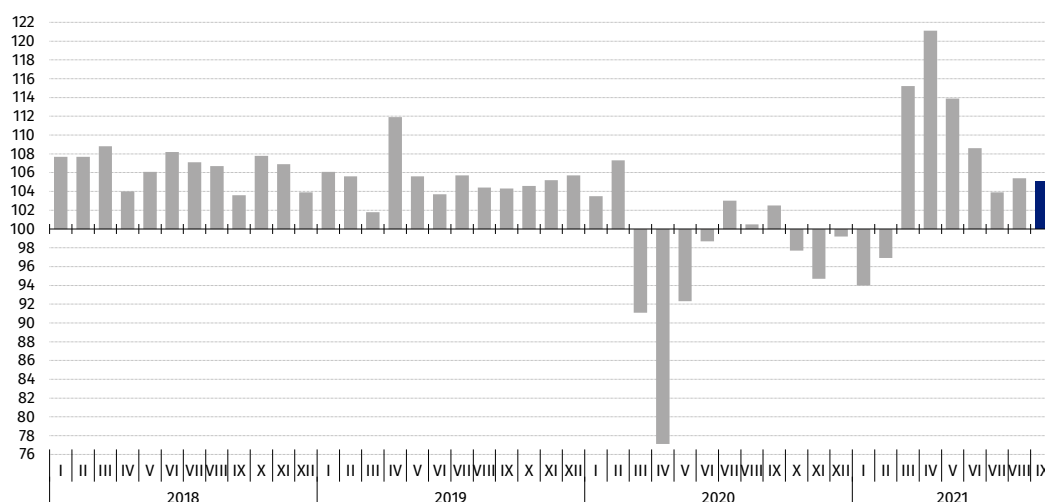
## Retail sales of goods by type of enterprise activity

In September 2021, the largest increase in retail sales (at constant prices) compared to the corresponding period of 2020, among the groups presented, was still recorded by units trading in textiles, clothing, footwear (by 14.5% against a decrease of 1.7% the year before). Higher sales than “total” sales were also observed in the groups: “others” (by 8.7%), “pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment” (by 8.2%) and “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (by 8.0%). A decrease in sales was reported however by units selling “motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts” (by 4.1%).

In September 2021 compared with August this year, an increase in retail sales value via Internet at current prices was recorded (by 5.0%). The share of such sales increased from 7.9% in August to 8.4% in September this year. An increase in the share of sales via Internet was noted in most of the groups. A largest increase was reported by enterprises classified into the groups “newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores” (from 19.4% a month ago to 22.5%) and “textiles, clothing, footwear” (from 19.0% to 21.9% respectively). A slight decrease in the share of sales via Internet was observed in units from the group “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (from 16.3% a month ago to 16.2%).

In September 2021 an increase in retail sales y/y was recorded in the majority of groups

**Chart 1. Retail sales of goods (constant prices) – corresponding period of previous year=100**



**Table 1. Index numbers of retail sales (constant prices)**

Specification	IX 2021		I-IX 2021
	VIII 2021=100	IX 2020=100	I-IX 2020=100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97.6</b>	<b>105.1</b>	<b>107.3</b>
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	100.9	95.9	117.7
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	97.1	100.4	101.1
Food, beverages and tobacco products	97.8	100.3	101.1
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	103.1	108.2	105.8
Textiles, clothing, footwear	89.5	114.5	126.2
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	100.3	108.0	108.1
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	92.5	103.0	106.1
Others	99.0	108.7	105.1

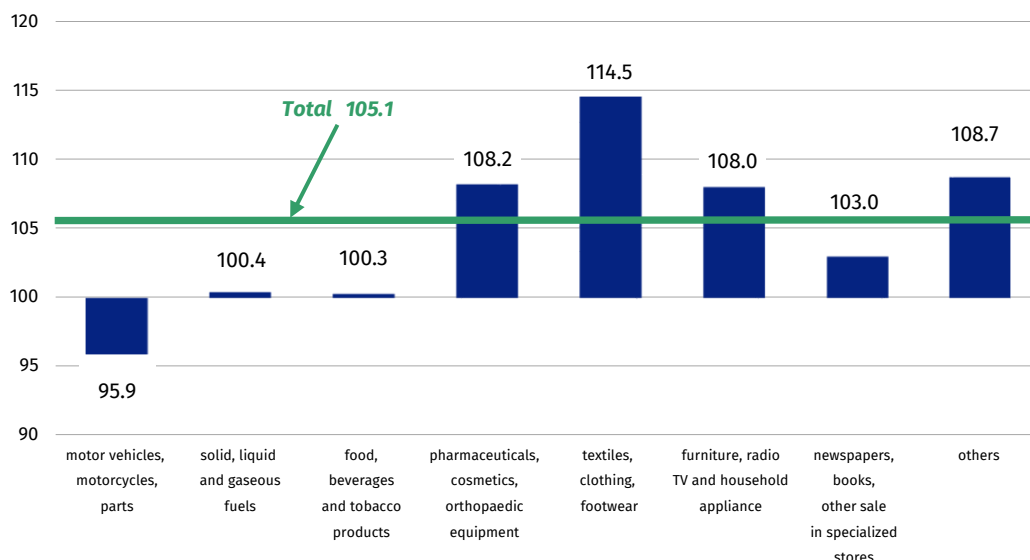
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**Table 2. Index numbers of retail sales (current prices)**

Specification	IX 2021		I-IX 2021	
	VIII 2021=100	IX 2020=100	I-IX 2020=100	Structure in %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>98.6</b>	<b>111.1</b>	<b>110.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>
of which:				
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	101.2	98.0	119.0	8.6
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	99.4	123.7	115.3	14.3
Food, beverages and tobacco products	97.9	104.3	103.1	24.9
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	103.3	110.3	107.5	6.8
Textiles, clothing, footwear	92.1	115.2	125.3	6.3
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	101.2	112.1	110.8	9.4
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	93.1	106.2	109.1	4.8
Others	99.8	111.6	106.8	9.1

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**Chart 2. Retail sales of goods in September 2021 by type of enterprise activity (constant prices) – corresponding period of previous year=100**

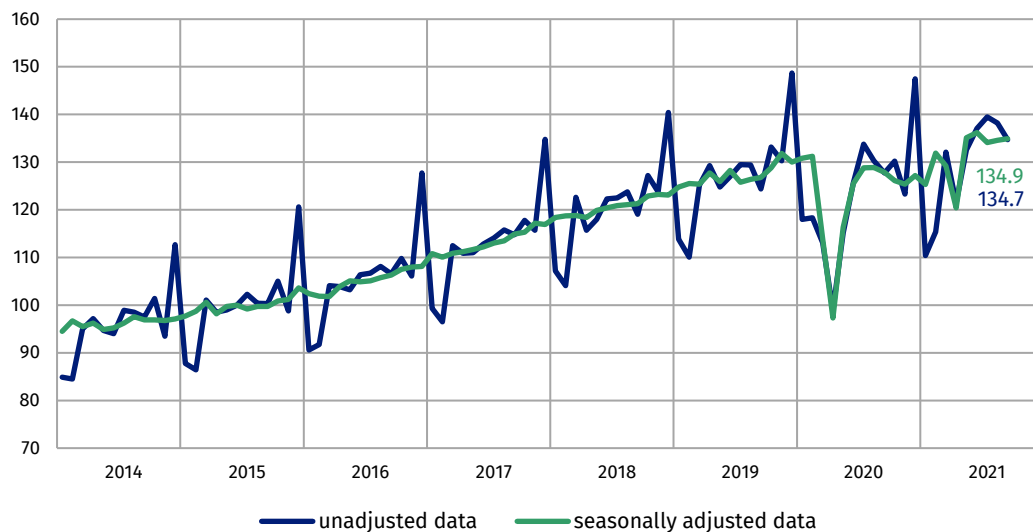


**Retail sales seasonally adjusted**

After eliminating the seasonal factors, retail sales at constant prices in September 2021 were by 0.2% higher in comparison to August 2021.

In September 2021, there was an increase of 0.2% in retail sales seasonally adjusted in comparison with August 2021

**Chart 3. Retail sales – seasonally adjusted data and unadjusted (constant prices) – monthly average 2015=100**



In the publication "Statistical Bulletin" in tab. 1 simultaneously with the data on retail sales, the indices of the deflated turnover in retail trade are also presented, which are provided in accordance with the requirements for the needs of European statistics. The deflated turnover in retail trade covers the complete population of entities classified according to NACE in division 47 - "Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles".

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