

# Retail sales index – April 2022

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 **19.0%**

An increase compared with the corresponding month of the previous year

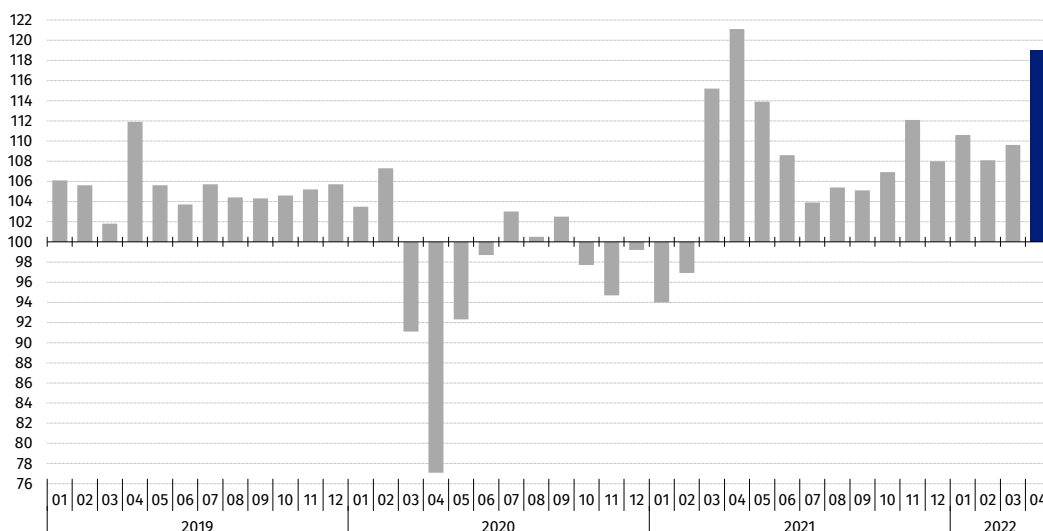
**In April 2022 retail sales<sup>1</sup> at constant prices were by 19,0% higher than the year before (against an increase of 21.1% in April 2021). Compared with March 2022 retail sales decreased by 0.1%. In the period of January-April<sup>2</sup> 2022 retail sales y/y were by 10.8% higher (against an increase of 6.4 in 2021).**

## Retail sales of goods by type of enterprise activity

In April 2022, the largest increase in retail sales (at constant prices) compared to the corresponding period of 2021 was recorded by units from the group “textiles, clothing, footwear” (by 121.4% against an increase of 75.9% the year before). Higher sales than “total” sales, among the categories of goods presented, were also observed in the groups: “newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores” (by 38.2%), “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (by 27.9%) and “others” (by 21,2%). The decline in sales was still reported by units selling motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts (by 11.2%).

In April 2022 compared with March 2022, a decrease in retail sales value via Internet at current prices was recorded (by 4.0%). The share of such sales decreased from 9.4% in March 2022 to 8.9% in April this year. Among the presented groups with a significant share of sales via Internet a decrease in this share was reported by enterprises classified into the groups: “newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores” (from 23.4% a month ago to 21.0%), “textiles, clothing, footwear” (from 26.7% to 24.4% respectively) and “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (from 18.2% to 17.4%).

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



High growth rate of retail sales in April 2022 compared with the corresponding month of the previous year was related to i.a. trade restrictions in April 2021 due the COVID-19 pandemic

<sup>1</sup> Data concerns trade and non-trade enterprises employing more than 9 persons. Groups of enterprises were created on the basis of the Polish Classification of Activities (PKD 2007) and a given enterprise is included to a specific category by predominating kind of activity and according to its present organizational status in mentioned period. The recorded changes of rise or fall of the volume of retail sales in particular groups of enterprises activity may result from a change in the predominating kind of activity and organisational changes (e.g. a merger of enterprises). This does not have impact on the dynamics of the total retail sales.

<sup>2</sup> Corrections made by reporting entities were included in cumulative data.

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

Specification	04 2022		01-04 2022
	03 2022=100	04 2021=100	01-04 2021=100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>99.9</b>	<b>119.0</b>	<b>110.8</b>
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	87.3	88.8	85.9
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	94.1	111.0	108.9
Food, beverages and tobacco products	106.7	111.9	105.1
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	100.5	118.9	116.9
Textiles, clothing, footwear	110.9	221.4	154.0
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	98.7	127.9	108.7
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	99.8	138.2	113.6
Others	90.9	121.2	127.4

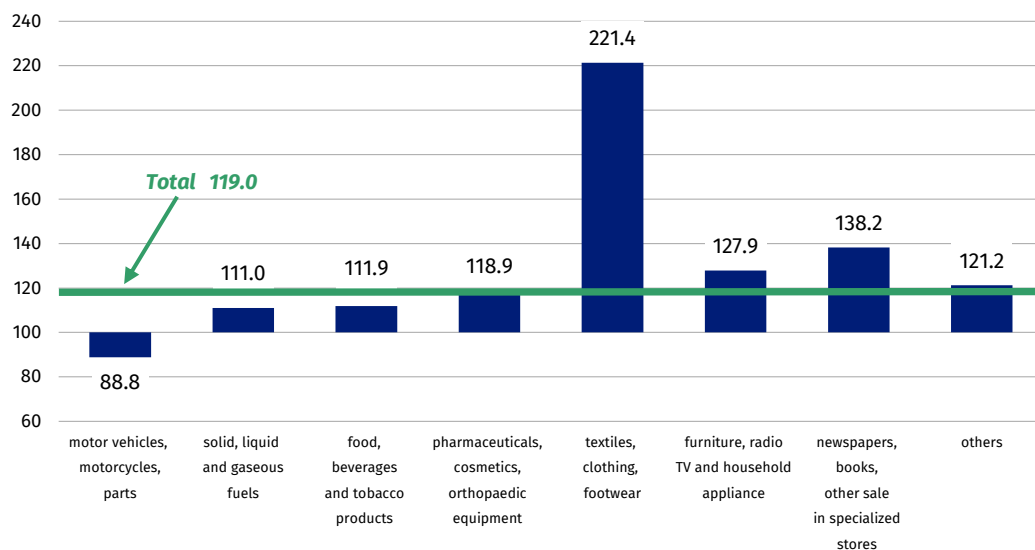
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**Table 2. Index numbers of retail sales (current prices)**

Specification	04 2022		01-04 2022
	03 2022=100	04 2021=100	01-04 2021=100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>102.1</b>	<b>133.4</b>	<b>121.9</b>
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	87.7	96.0	92.4
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	96.1	157.9	145.8
Food, beverages and tobacco products	110.4	124.6	114.3
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	101.6	123.3	120.0
Textiles, clothing, footwear	114.1	230.5	160.0
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	100.3	138.7	116.6
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	100.7	147.9	120.6
Others	93.0	130.3	135.4

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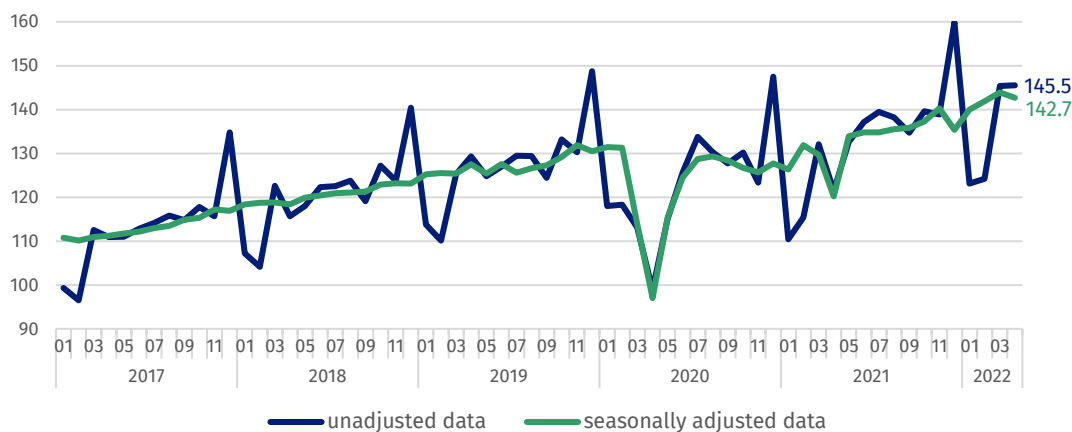
**Chart 2. Retail sales of goods in April 2022 by type of enterprise activity (constant prices) – corresponding period of previous year=100**



### Retail sales seasonally adjusted

After eliminating the seasonal factors, retail sales at constant prices in April 2022 were by 0.8% lower in comparison to March 2022.

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



In April 2022, there was a decrease of 0.8% in retail sales seasonally adjusted in comparison with March 2022

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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