

## Retail sales index – December 2018

**↑ 103.9**  
Retail sales index y/y

**In December 2018 retail sales<sup>1</sup> at constant prices were by 3.9% higher than the year before (against a growth of 5.2% in December 2017). Compared with November 2018 retail sales increased by 13.2%.**

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In December 2018, the growth rate of retail sales at constant prices y/y was lower than in December 2017

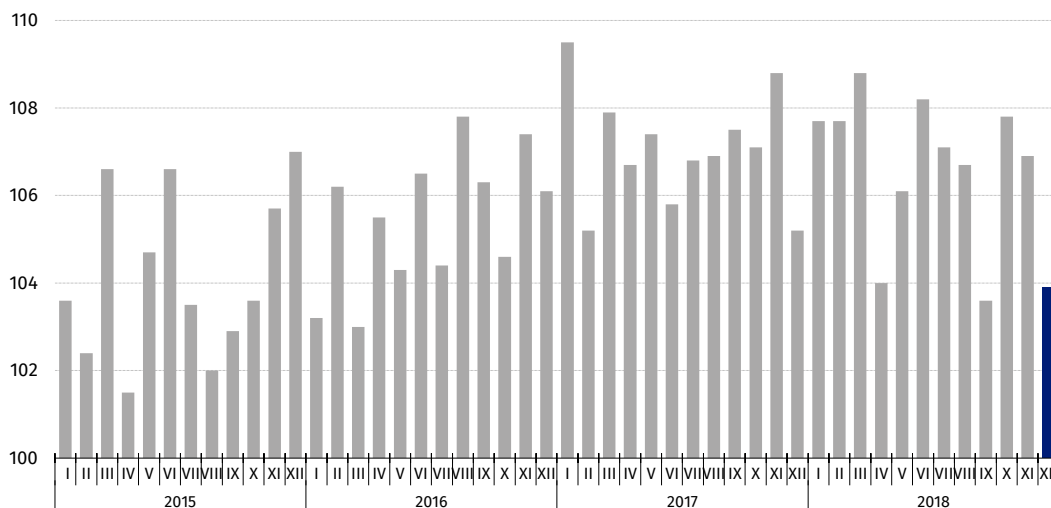
### Retail sales of goods by type of enterprise activity

Among the groups with a significant share in total retail sales the highest increase in December 2018 compared to the corresponding period of 2017 (at constant prices) was observed in enterprises from the group “others” (by 10.4% against a decrease of 1.3% the year before). Increased sales were also recorded in units trading in motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts (by 6.8%) as well as by entities conducting other retail sales in non-specialized stores (by 5.1%) and sellers of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels (by 4.8%). Within groups with a lower share in total retail sales, the highest growth was reported by units from group “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (by 8.1%). The drop in retail sales was noted by units trading in food, beverages and tobacco products (by 2.4%).

In the period of January-December 2018<sup>2</sup> retail sales y/y were by 6.2% higher (against a growth of 7.3% in 2017).

In December 2018 the increase in retail sales at constant prices per annum was recorded in the majority of groups.

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



<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)**

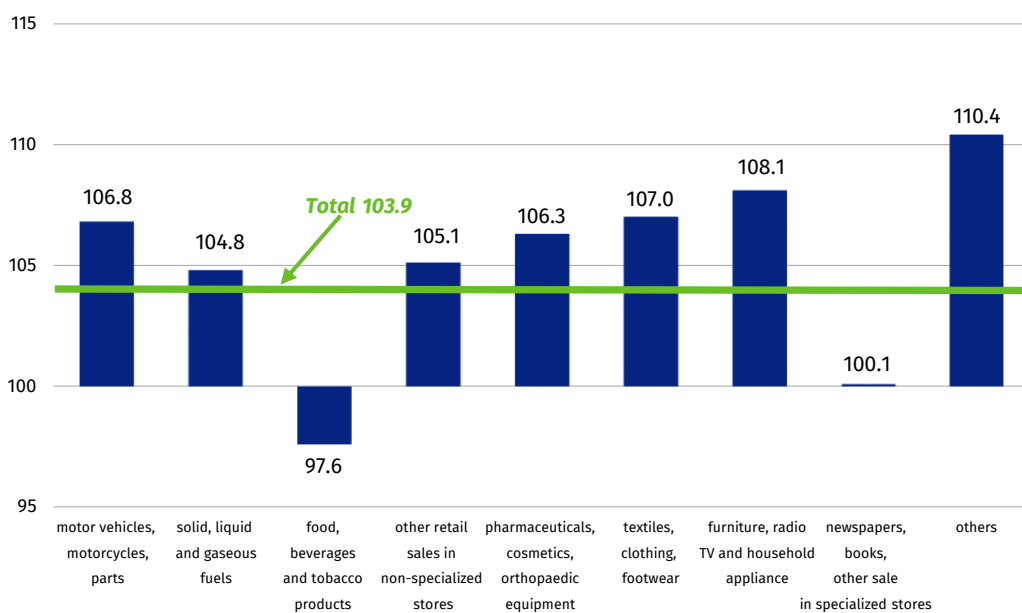
Specification	XII 2018		I-XII 2018
	XI 2018=100	XII 2017=100	I-XII 2017=100
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>113.2</b>	<b>103.9</b>	<b>106.2</b>
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	106.4	106.8	106.1
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	95.9	104.8	108.0
Food, beverages and tobacco products	121.3	97.6	100.9
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	118.0	105.1	105.9
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	113.1	106.3	111.5
Textiles, clothing, footwear	117.5	107.0	112.1
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	117.3	108.1	107.1
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	142.0	100.1	101.3
Others	106.5	110.4	111.0

In the period of January-December 2018 the retail sales index at constant prices y/y amounted to 106.2

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

Specification	XII 2018		I -XII 2018	
	XI 2018=100	XII 2017=100	I-XII 2017=100	Structure in %
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>112.9</b>	<b>104.7</b>	<b>107.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>
of which:				
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	105.9	102.2	102.3	9.4
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	93.8	110.7	115.8	15.9
Food, beverages and tobacco products	121.9	98.6	103.3	25.6
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	117.6	105.4	105.4	11.1
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	113.1	108.0	112.5	6.7
Textiles, clothing, footwear	116.0	104.3	108.3	6.6
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	117.1	109.2	107.9	8.3
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	142.4	101.1	101.5	5.1
Others	106.5	110.9	111.5	10.0

**Chart 2. Retail sales of goods in December 2018 by type of enterprise activity (constant prices) – corresponding period of previous year=100**

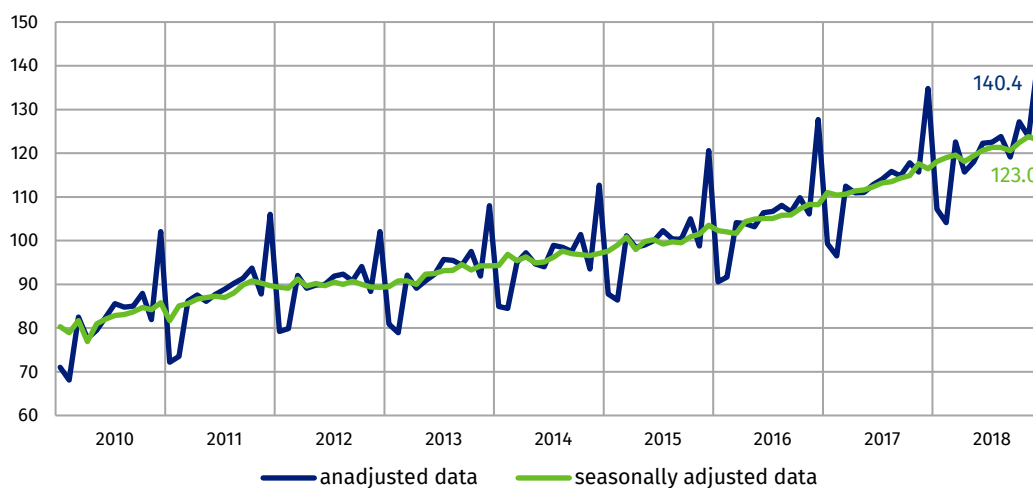


**Retail sales seasonally adjusted**

After eliminating the seasonal factors, retail sales at constant prices in December 2018 were by 0.6% higher in comparison to November 2018.

In December 2018, the retail sales seasonally adjusted increased by 0.6% in comparison with November 2018

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



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