

Retail sales index – May 2020

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7.7%

A decrease compared with the corresponding month of the previous year

In May 2020 retail sales¹ at constant prices were by 7.7% lower than the year before (against a growth of 5.6% in May 2019). Compared with April 2020 retail sales increased by 14.9%.

In the period of January-May² 2020 retail sales y/y were by 6.2% lower (against a growth of 6.5% in 2019).

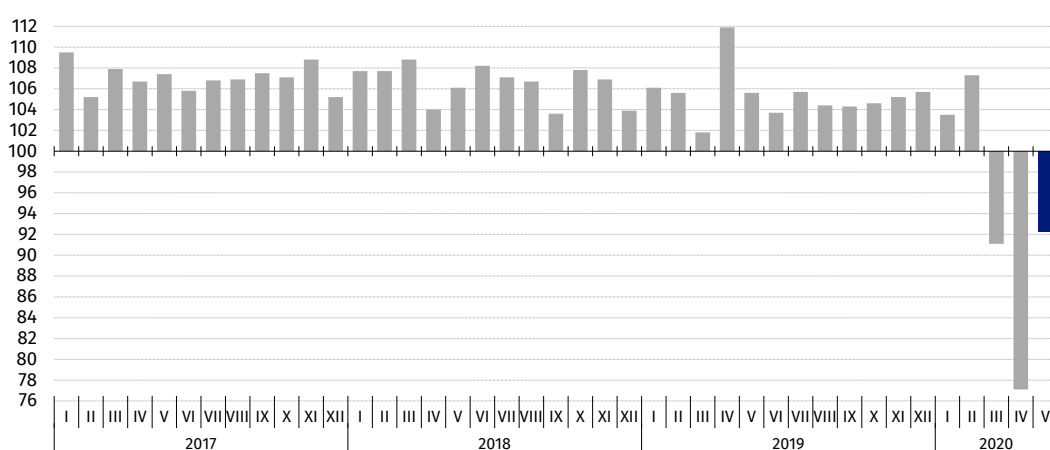
Retail sales of goods by type of enterprise activity

In May 2020 compared to the corresponding period of 2019 retail sales (at constant prices) decreased in most of presented groups. A drop in sales was recorded in all groups with a significant share in total retail sales: “motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts” (by 34.0%); “solid, liquid and gaseous fuels” (by 17.9%); “others” (by 14.5%); “food, beverages and tobacco products” (by 7.6%). Within groups with a smaller share in total retail sales the largest decrease was noted in the group “pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment” (by 14.1%). An increase in sales was reported however by entities trading in furniture, radio, TV and household appliances (by 14.4%) and units classified into the group “newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores” (by 0.8%).

In May this year compared with the previous month, a drop in retail sales value via Internet was recorded (by 12.7%). The share of such sales (in current prices) decreased from 11.9% in April this year to 9.1% in May this year. A decline in the share of sales via Internet was reported i.a. by enterprises classified into the group “textiles, clothing, footwear” (from 61.3% a month before to 26.8%) as well as by entities from groups “newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores” (from 39.9% to 25.2% respectively) and “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (from 28.6% to 15.6%).

In May 2020 a decrease in retail sales per annum was recorded in the majority of presented groups, with the largest in the group “motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts” – 34.0%

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



¹ 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.

² Corrections made by reporting entities were included in cumulative data.

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

Specification	V 2020		I-V 2020
	IV 2020=100	V 2019=100	I-V 2019=100
TOTAL	114.9	92.3	93.8
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	146.8	66.0	75.7
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	124.2	82.1	88.7
Food, beverages and tobacco products	99.5	92.4	96.2
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	99.7	85.9	97.7
Textiles, clothing, footwear	231.4	91.8	77.1
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	133.2	114.4	99.2
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	138.7	100.8	90.4
Others	114.1	85.5	91.1

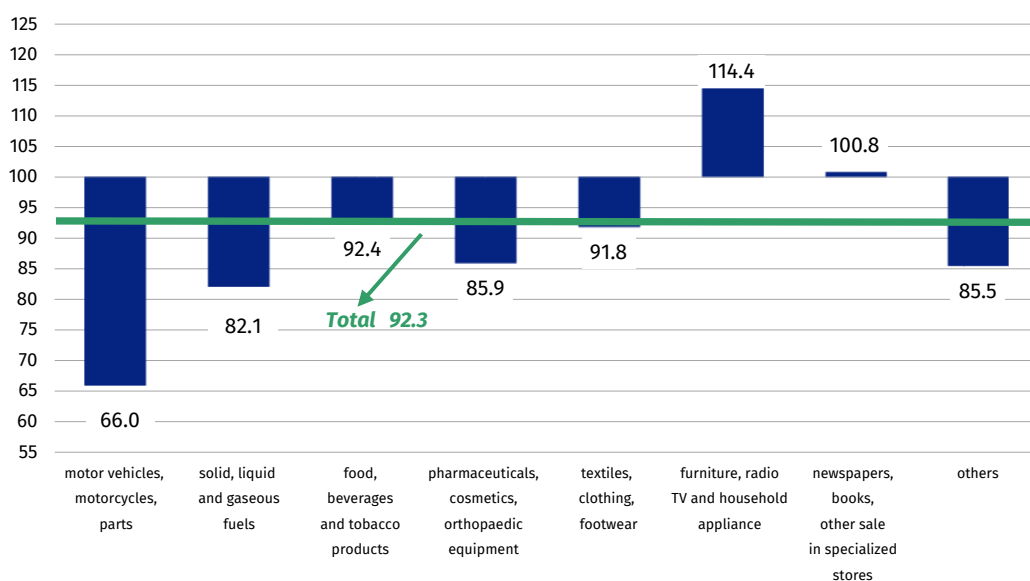
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Table 2. Index numbers of retail sales (current prices)

Specification	V 2020		I-V 2020
	IV 2020=100	V 2019=100	I-V 2019=100
TOTAL	114.5	91.4	94.8
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	146.8	65.3	74.4
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	120.1	67.8	83.4
Food, beverages and tobacco products	99.7	97.7	102.7
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	100.3	88.6	100.3
Textiles, clothing, footwear	229.6	88.3	75.3
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	133.3	114.6	99.3
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	139.0	100.8	90.8
Others	114.2	87.1	93.2

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Chart 2. Retail sales of goods in May 2020 by type of enterprise activity (constant prices) – corresponding period of previous year=100

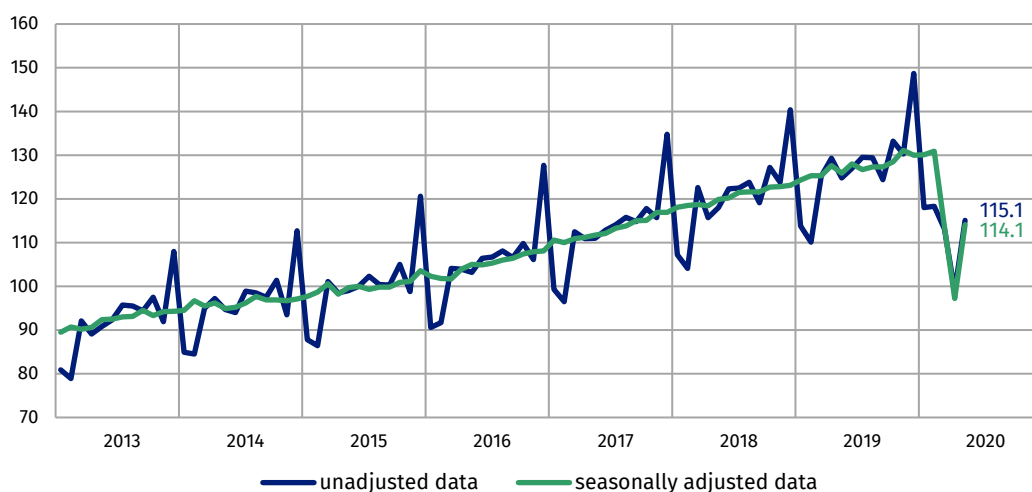


Retail sales seasonally adjusted

After eliminating the seasonal factors, retail sales at constant prices in May 2020 were by 17.4% higher in comparison to April 2020.

In May 2020, there was an increase of 17.4% in retail sales seasonally adjusted in comparison with April 2020

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



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