

Retail sales index – May 2021

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↑ 13.9%

An increase compared with the corresponding month of the previous year

In May 2021 retail sales¹ at constant prices were by 13.9% higher than the year before (against a decrease of 7.7% in May 2020). Compared with April 2021 retail sales increased by 8.2%.

In the period of January-May² 2021 retail sales y/y were by 7.9% higher (against a decrease of 6.2% in 2020).

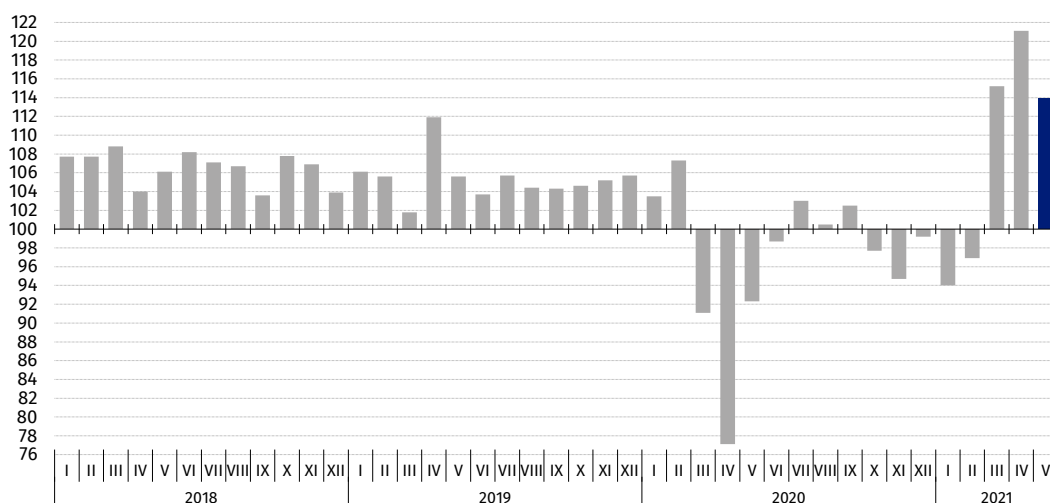
Retail sales of goods by type of enterprise activity

In May 2021, the largest increase in retail sales (at constant prices) compared to the corresponding period of 2020 was noted by units trading in motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts (by 51.2% against a decrease of 34.0% the year before). Among the presented groups higher sales than “total” sales were also observed in groups: “textiles, clothing, footwear” (by 46.1%) and “pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment” (by 18.5%).

In May 2021 compared with April this year, a decrease in retail sales value via Internet at current prices was recorded (by 7.8%). The share of such sales decreased from 10.8% in April to 9.1% in May this year. A decrease in the share of sales via Internet was noted in most of the groups. A significant decrease was reported by enterprises classified into the group “textiles, clothing, footwear” (from 47.2% a month ago to 21.3%) as well as by entities from groups “newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores” (from 32.6% to 20.7% respectively) and “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (from 27.5% to 18.3%).

In May 2021, annual growth in retail sales (as in the previous month) was recorded in all groups, the largest in the group “motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts” (by 51.2%)

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 2021		I-V 2021
	IV 2021=100	V 2020=100	I-V 2020=100
TOTAL	108.2	113.9	107.9
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	101.8	151.2	131.3
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	110.4	109.6	98.0
Food, beverages and tobacco products	94.1	102.8	102.2
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	101.1	118.5	101.9
Textiles, clothing, footwear	192.2	146.1	125.6
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	130.0	107.5	111.8
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	148.8	113.4	107.1
Others	104.5	112.6	100.2

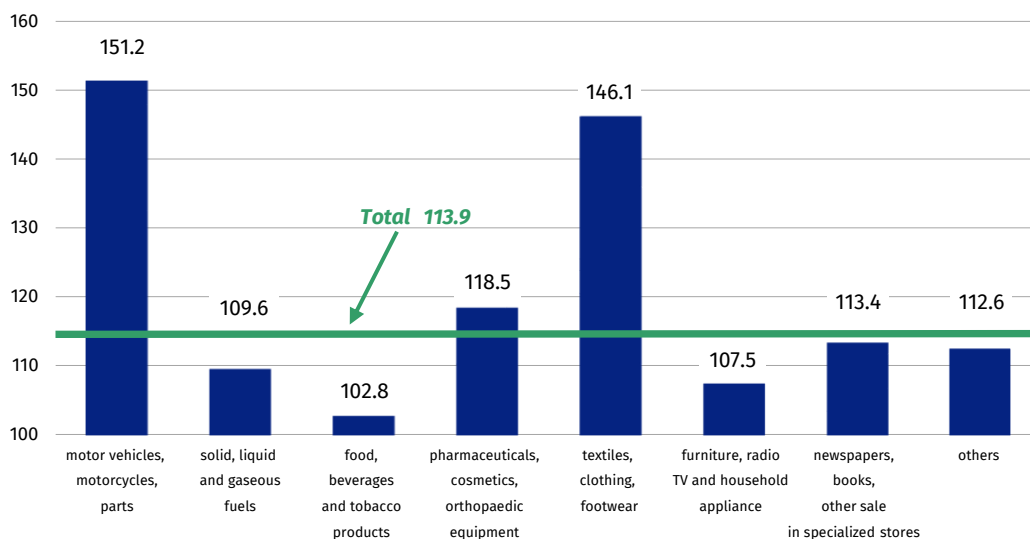
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Table 2. Index numbers of retail sales (current prices)

Specification	V 2021		I-V 2021
	IV 2021=100	V 2020=100	I-V 2020=100
TOTAL	108.4	119.1	110.1
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	102.2	152.8	132.3
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	109.6	136.7	105.8
Food, beverages and tobacco products	94.6	104.6	103.4
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	101.4	119.9	103.6
Textiles, clothing, footwear	192.6	147.5	124.0
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	130.6	110.3	114.1
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	149.1	117.7	110.1
Others	104.8	114.7	101.4

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

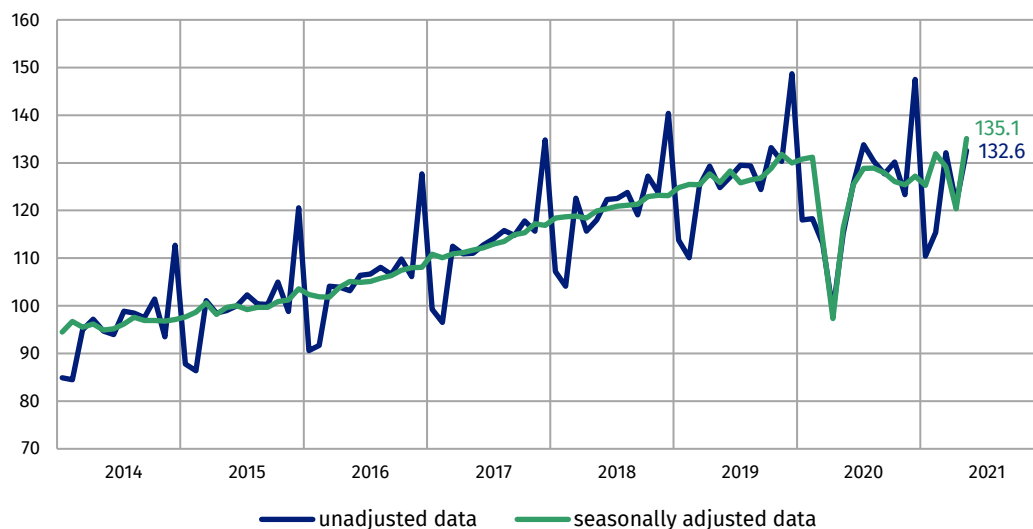


Retail sales seasonally adjusted

After eliminating the seasonal factors, retail sales at constant prices in May 2021 were by 12.2% higher in comparison to April 2021.

In May 2021, there was an increase of 12.2% in retail sales seasonally adjusted in comparison with April 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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