

## Retail sales index – January 2019

**↑ 105.2**  
Retail sales index y/y

**In January 2019 retail sales<sup>1</sup> at constant prices<sup>2</sup> were by 5.2% higher than the year before (against a growth of 7.7% in January 2018). Compared with December 2018 retail sales decreased by 18.9%.**

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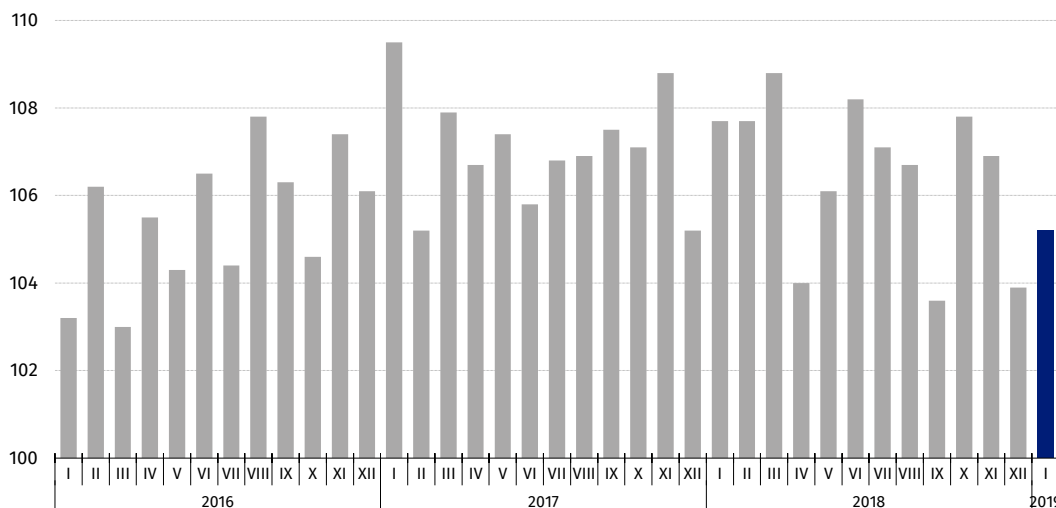
In January 2019, the growth rate of retail sales at constant prices y/y was higher by 1.3 pp than in December 2018

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

Among the groups with a significant share in total retail sales the highest increase in January 2019 compared to the corresponding period of 2018 (at constant prices) was observed in enterprises trading in solid, liquid and gaseous fuels” (by 6.0% against an increase of 1.2% the year before). Increased sales were also recorded in units selling food, beverages and tobacco products (by 5.2%) and entities conducting other retail sales in non-specialized stores (by 4.6%) as well as by units from group “others” (by 4.0%). Within groups with a lower share in total retail sales higher than average increase was reported by units from groups: “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (by 10.5%); “pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment” (by 10.1%). The drop in retail sales was noted by units trading in motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts (by 0.9% against an increase of 18.1% the year before).

In January 2019 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.

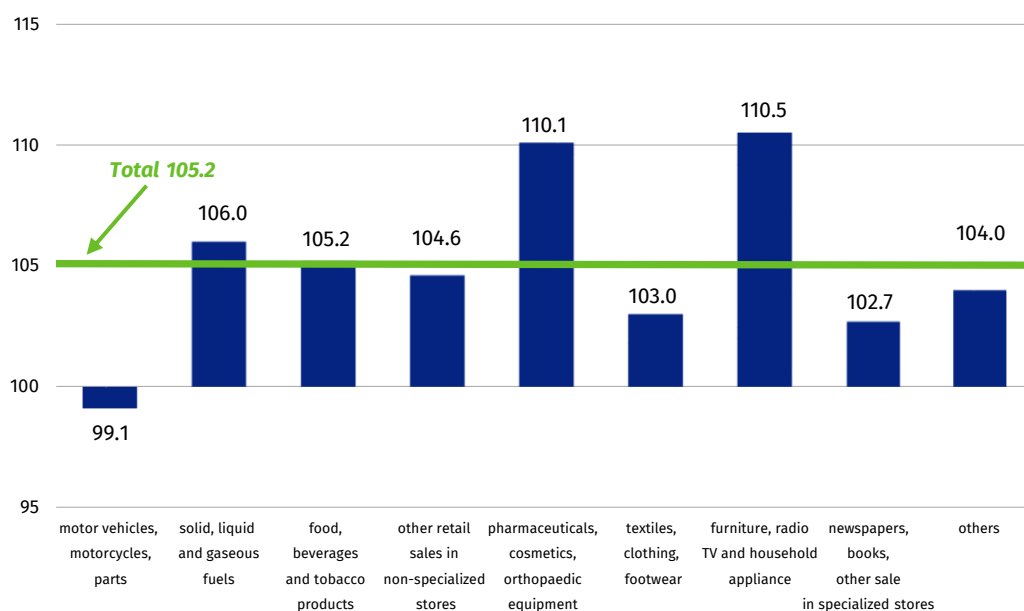
<sup>2</sup> Preliminary data

**Table 1. Index numbers of retail sales**

SPECIFICATION	Constant prices		Current prices	
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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>81.1</b>	<b>105.2</b>	<b>80.9</b>	<b>106.6</b>
of which:				
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	89.9	99.1	88.2	101.7
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	98.2	106.0	96.3	108.7
Food, beverages and tobacco products	77.6	105.2	78.3	106.1
Other retail sales in non-specialized stores	81.3	104.6	81.4	105.6
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	89.1	110.1	89.1	111.0
Textiles, clothing, footwear	67.7	103.0	67.7	103.9
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	70.1	110.5	70.2	111.5
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	66.6	102.7	66.6	103.6
Others	82.0	104.0	82.1	104.9

In January 2019 the percentage share of group “ food, beverages and tobacco products” in total retail sales (current prices) amounted to 25.4

**Chart 2. Retail sales of goods in January 2019 by type of enterprise activity (constant prices) – corresponding period of previous year=100**

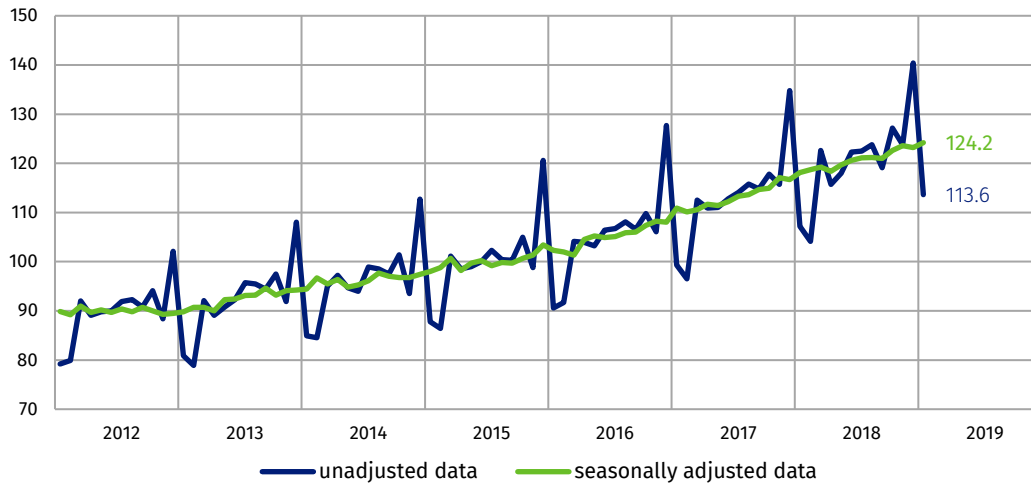


### Retail sales seasonally adjusted

After eliminating the seasonal factors, retail sales at constant prices in January 2019 were by 0.8% higher in comparison to December 2018.

In January 2019, there was an increase of 0.8% in retail sales seasonally adjusted in comparison with December 2018

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



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