

Retail sales index – March 2022

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9.6%

An increase compared with the corresponding month of the previous year

In March 2022 retail sales¹ at constant prices were by 9.6% higher than the year before (against an increase of 15.2% in March 2021). Compared with February 2022 retail sales increased by 16.4%. In the period of January-March² 2022 retail sales y/y were by 9.0% higher (against an increase of 1.2% in 2021).

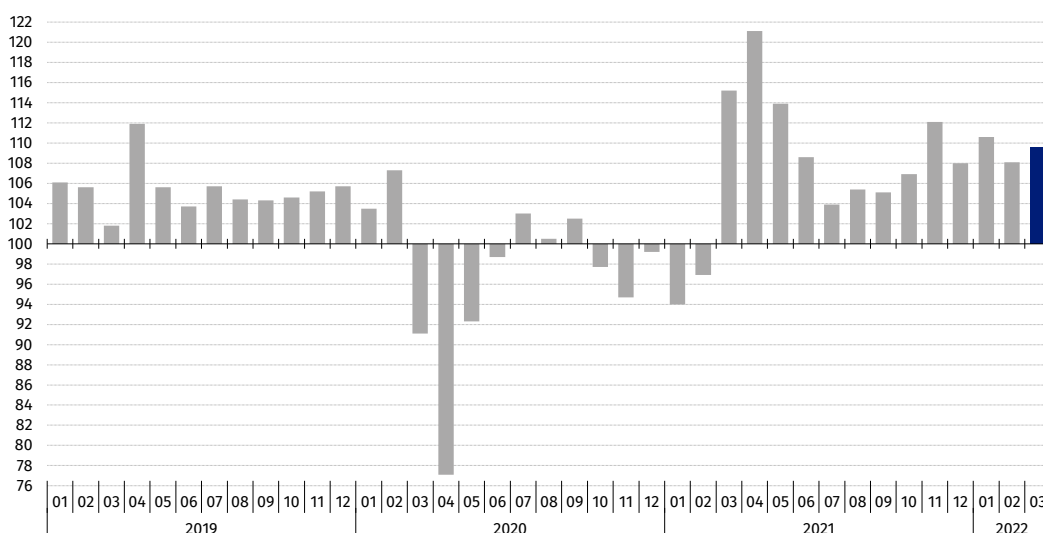
Retail sales of goods by type of enterprise activity

In March 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 41.9% against an increase of 93.0% the year before). Higher sales than “total” sales, among the categories of goods presented, were also observed in the groups: “others” (by 31,2%), “pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment” (by 15.9%), “solid, liquid and gaseous fuels” (by 15.5%). The decline in sales was still reported by units selling motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts (by 9.3%).

In March 2022 compared with February 2022, an increase in retail sales value via Internet at current prices was recorded (by 14.9%). The share of such sales decreased from 10.0% in February 2022 to 9.4% in March this year. Among the presented groups with a significant share in sales a decrease was reported by enterprises classified into the groups: “newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores” (from 25.4% a month ago to 23.4%), “textiles, clothing, footwear” (from 28.6% to 26.7% respectively) and “furniture, radio, TV and household appliances” (from 19.0% to 18.2%).

In March 2022 an increase in retail sales y/y was recorded in the majority of groups

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	03 2022		01-03 2022
	02 2022=100	03 2021=100	01-03 2021=100
TOTAL	116.4	109.6	109.0
of which:			
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	128.7	90.7	88.6
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	104.0	115.5	110.2
Food, beverages and tobacco products	112.4	100.2	103.0
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	.	.	.
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	111.4	115.9	117.8
Textiles, clothing, footwear	126.6	141.9	136.7
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	125.7	102.8	100.4
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	125.7	107.3	105.6
Others	126.1	131.2	129.7

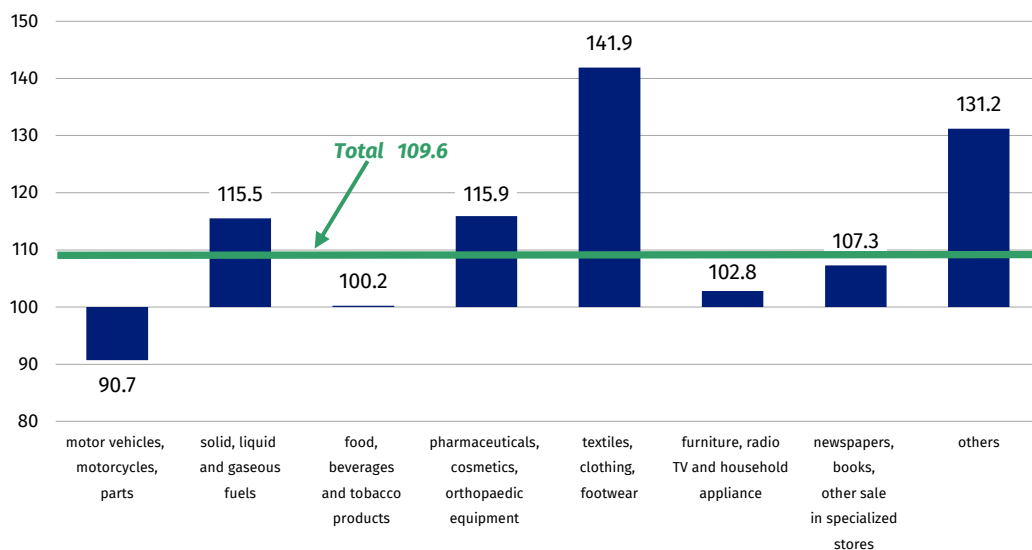
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Table 2. Index numbers of retail sales (current prices)

Specification	03 2022		01-03 2022	
	02 2022=100	03 2021=100	01-03 2021=100	Structure in %
TOTAL	122.0	122.0	119.1	100.0
of which:				
Motor vehicles, motorcycles, parts	129.9	98.1	95.1	7.5
Solid, liquid and gaseous fuels	129.5	165.1	144.3	15.7
Food, beverages and tobacco products	114.7	108.7	111.2	24.5
Other retail sale in non-specialized stores
Pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, orthopaedic equipment	112.3	119.2	120.4	7.1
Textiles, clothing, footwear	131.3	146.8	142.0	6.3
Furniture, radio, TV and household appliances	126.2	110.5	107.4	8.7
Newspapers, books, other sale in specialized stores	126.0	114.0	111.8	4.4
Others	128.2	139.2	137.1	9.6

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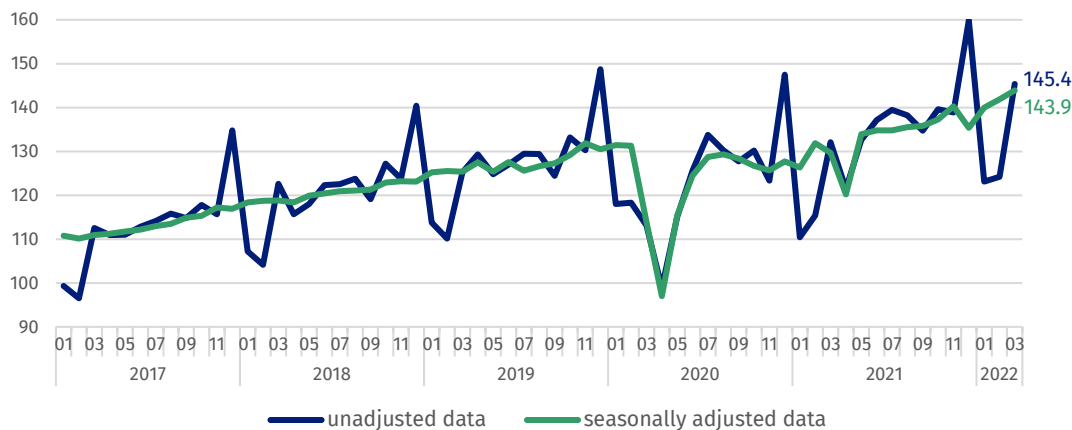
Chart 2. Retail sales of goods in March 2022 by type of enterprise activity (constant prices) – corresponding period of previous year=100



Retail sales seasonally adjusted

After eliminating the seasonal factors, retail sales at constant prices in March 2022 were by 1.4% higher in comparison to February 2022.

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



In March 2022, there was an increase of 1.4% in retail sales seasonally adjusted in comparison with February 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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