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Sales grew the most for clothing and footwear

Retail trade – September 2017

In September 2017, seasonally adjusted sales in retail trade at constant prices increased by 1.9%, month-on-month (m-o-m). Sales adjusted for calendar effects increased by 7.4%, year-on-year (y-o-y). Non-adjusted sales increased by 6.2%, y-o-y.

Seasonally adjusted sales in retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles (CZ‑NACE 47) increased by 1.9% in September at constant prices, month-on-month. Sales for sale of automotive fuel increased by 1.4%, sales for sale of non-food goods increased by 2.1%, and for food by 1.1%.

Sales in retail trade adjusted for calendar effects increased by 7.4%, year-on-year; sales for sale of non-food goods by 10.6%, for automotive fuel sales increased by 6.6%, and for food by 2.9%. September 2017 had 1 working day less than September 2016.

Non-adjusted sales in retail trade increased by 6.2%, y-o-y; sales for sale of non-food goods increased by 8.8%, for automotive fuel sales increased by 5.2%, and for food by 2.7%.

Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet (growth by 19.3%) had the highest influence on the y-o-y growth of non-adjusted sales in retail trade. However, the highest growth rate was reported by retail sale of clothing and footwear (+22.3%). Higher sales were also in the following: retail sale of electrical household appliances in specialised stores, retail sale of hardware, paints and glass in specialised stores, and in retail sale of furniture, lighting equipment and other household articles in specialised stores (+8.9%), retail sale of information and communication equipment (+7.3%), and retail sale of cultural and recreation goods (+6.1%). In retail sale in non-specialised stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating sales increased by 3.0%. On the contrary, retail sale of food, beverages and tobacco in specialised stores reported decrease (-2.0%). Lower sales were recorded also by retail sale of dispensing chemist and medical and orthopaedic goods in specialised stores (-2.2%).

The price deflator (CZ-NACE 47) related to the corresponding period of the previous year (VAT excluded) was 101.7%. It was influenced mainly by higher prices of food, dispensing chemist and medical and orthopaedic goods, and automotive fuel. On the contrary, prices decreased in retail sale of information and communication equipment in specialised stores and retail sale of other household equipment in specialised stores.

**Seasonally adjusted** sales **for sale and repair of motor vehicles (CZ-NACE 45)** decreased **at constant prices** by 0.5%, **m-o-m**. Sales **adjusted for calendar effects** increased by 1.6%, **y-o-y**. **Non-adjusted** sales decreased by 1.7%, **y-o-y**; sales for sale of motor vehicles (including spare parts) decreased by 2.0%, y‑o‑y, and for repair of motor vehicles by 0.4%, y‑o‑y.

International comparison of retail sales development in the EU Member States is available at: <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/short-term-business-statistics/publications/news-releases>.

**For the entire third quarter of 2017,** sales **in retail trade except of motor vehicles and motorcycles (CZ‑NACE 47) adjusted for calendar effects** increased by 5.6% **at constant prices, y-o-y,** **non-adjusted** increased by 5.2%(there was 1 working day less in the Q3 2017 compared to the corresponding period of 2016). Non-adjusted sales for sale of non-food goods increased by 7.1%, y-o-y, for automotive fuel by 6.2%, and for food by 2.3%. For **sale and repair of motor vehicles (CZ-NACE 45)** sales **adjusted for calendar effects** increased by 0.2%, **y-o-y**, **non-adjusted** decreased by 0.9%. Non-adjusted sales for sale of motor vehicles (including spare parts) decreased by 1.5%, y-o-y, while for repair of motor vehicles they increased by 1.6%.

Notes:

*All data in the text of the News Release are at constant prices.*

*Data for September 2017 are preliminary. Final data for all months of 2017 will be published in June 2018.*

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Annexes:

Table 1 Retail trade and sale and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (year-on-year indices, non‑adjusted data)

Table 2 Sales in main assortment types of stores (year-on-year changes, decomposition of increase – year-on-year)

Table 3 Retail trade and sale and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (year-on-year indices, adjusted for calendar effects)

Chart: Sales in retail trade except of motor vehicles and motorcycles – base indices, constant prices

Chart: Sales in retail trade except of motor vehicles and motorcycles – international comparison, seasonally adjusted, constant prices