

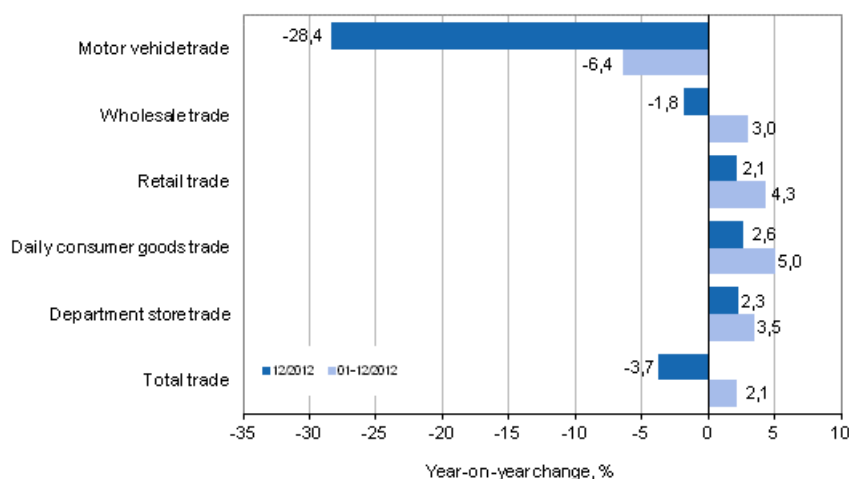
Turnover of trade

2012, December

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Retail trade sales increased by 2.1 per cent in December from December 2011. The volume of sales, from which the impact of prices has been eliminated, went down by 1.4 per cent in retail trade over the same period. In daily consumer goods trade, sales grew by 2.6 per cent and in department store trade by 2.3 per cent year-on-year. In contrast, wholesale trade sales went down by 1.8 per cent and motor vehicle trade sales by 28.4 per cent from twelve months back. In total trade, sales decreased by 3.7 per cent in December.

Annual change in turnover in trade industries, % (TOL 2008)



Source: Statistics Finland

For the whole year 2012, retail trade sales grew by 4.3 per cent and wholesale by 3.0 per cent from 2011. By contrast, motor vehicle sales fell by 6.4 per cent over the same period. The change in motor vehicle tax that entered into force on 1 April affected the development of motor vehicle sales in 2012. During the first half of 2012, sales in total trade grew by 5.8 per cent but during the second half of the year sales went down by 1.3 per cent compared to the corresponding period in 2011. Thus the growth in sales in total trade for January-December was 2.1 per cent compared to the year before.

The indices of turnover will adopt base year 2010=100 from the January 2013 data. The data will be released for the first time with the new base year on 14 March 2013.

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Appendix table 1. Year-on-year change in turnover in trade industries, % (TOL 2008)

	Year-on-year change by three-month period, % ¹⁾				Cumulative year-on-year change, % ¹⁾	Year-on-year change in the latest month, % ¹⁾
	01-03/2012	04-06/2012	07-09/2012	10-12/2012	01-12/2012	12/2012
Total trade (G)	9,9	2,2	-1,0	-1,6	2,1	-3,7
Motor vehicle trade (45)	21,9	-2,5	-18,8	-24,9	-6,4	-28,4
Wholesale trade (46)	7,9	2,9	0,7	1,0	3,0	-1,8
Retail trade (47)	7,7	3,2	3,2	3,7	4,3	2,1
Daily consumer goods trade (4711, 472) ²⁾	8,3	3,7	3,9	4,4	5,0	2,6
Department store trade (4719) ³⁾	6,8	2,0	3,3	2,8	3,5	2,3

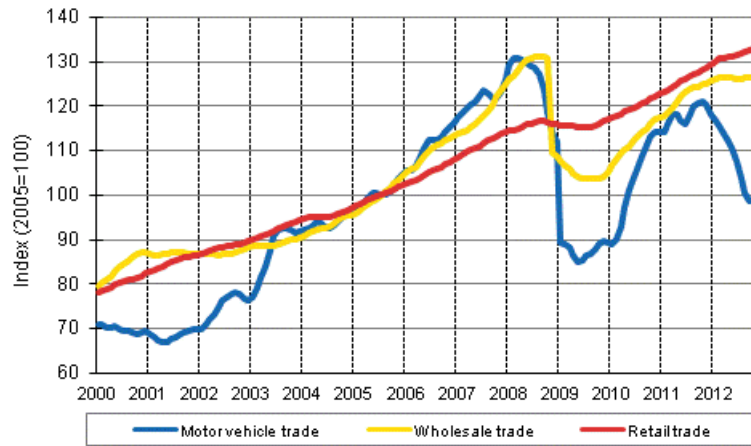
1) Year-on-year change compares the value for an examined time period to the value for the corresponding time period twelve months back.

2) According to the Register of Enterprises and Establishments, the share of daily consumer goods (4711, 472) of turnover in retail trade was 47.0 per cent in 2011.

3) According to the Register of Enterprises and Establishments, the share of retail sale in department stores (4719) of turnover in retail trade was 12.0 per cent in 2011.

Appendix figures

Appendix figure 1. Turnover of motor vehicles, wholesale and retail trade, trend series (TOL 2008)



Source: Statistics Finland

Revisions in these statistics

The data of the statistics have become revised according to the table below. For more information about data revisions, see Section 3 of the quality description (only in Finnish).

Revision of annual changes in turnover in main industries¹⁾

Industry / Reference period		Year-on-year change,%		Revision, percentage point
		1st release	Latest release (2013-02-13)	
G Wholesale and retail trade	07/2012	2,1	2,0	-0,1
	08/2012	0,3	-0,3	-0,6
	09/2012	-2,7	-4,7	-2,0
	10/2012	1,4	2,6	1,2
	11/2012	-3,4	-3,5	-0,1
45 Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motorvehicles and motorcycles	07/2012	-15,2	-11,1	4,1
	08/2012	-24,2	-22,0	2,2
	09/2012	-21,7	-22,7	-1,0
	10/2012	-22,2	-18,8	3,4
	11/2012	-27,3	-27,8	-0,5
46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	07/2012	5,1	4,2	-0,9
	08/2012	3,0	2,0	-1,0
	09/2012	-1,6	-3,7	-2,1
	10/2012	5,7	6,6	0,9
	11/2012	-1,5	-1,5	0,0
47 Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	07/2012	3,8	3,7	-0,1
	08/2012	4,9	4,4	-0,5
	09/2012	3,4	1,6	-1,8
	10/2012	3,8	4,9	1,1
	11/2012	4,6	4,6	0,0
Retail sale in non-specialised stores (4711, 472)	07/2012	3,2	3,0	-0,2
	08/2012	6,2	6,5	0,3
	09/2012	3,6	2,1	-1,5
	10/2012	4,4	4,6	0,2
	11/2012	5,4	6,4	1,0
Department store trade (4719)	07/2012	3,7	3,4	-0,3
	08/2012	4,0	3,0	-1,0
	09/2012	3,9	3,4	-0,5
	10/2012	1,2	1,6	0,4
	11/2012	4,6	4,6	0,0

1) The 1st release refers to the time when data for the reference period were released for the first time. The revision describes the difference of annual change percentages between the first and latest release.

Revision of long-term annual changes in turnover in main industries

Industry	Year	Average ¹⁾	Average for absolute values ²⁾
Total trade (G)	2009	-0,1	0,8
	2010	-0,3	0,9
	2011	-0,8	1,1
Motor vehicle trade (45)	2009	2,4	2,4
	2010	-1,5	2,9
	2011	-2,6	2,6
Wholesale trade (46)	2009	-0,4	1,2
	2010	0,1	1,0
	2011	-0,5	1,2
Retail trade (47)	2009	-0,5	1,0
	2010	-0,6	0,8
	2011	-1,1	1,1
Daily consumer goods trade (4711, 472)	2009	0,1	0,6
	2010	-0,3	0,7
	2011	-0,7	0,7
Department store trade (4719)	2009	-0,6	0,7
	2010	0,1	0,9
	2011	-0,1	0,4

1) Average for data revised between the first and seventh release in the statistical reference year.

2) Average for absolute values of differences between the first and seventh release.

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