

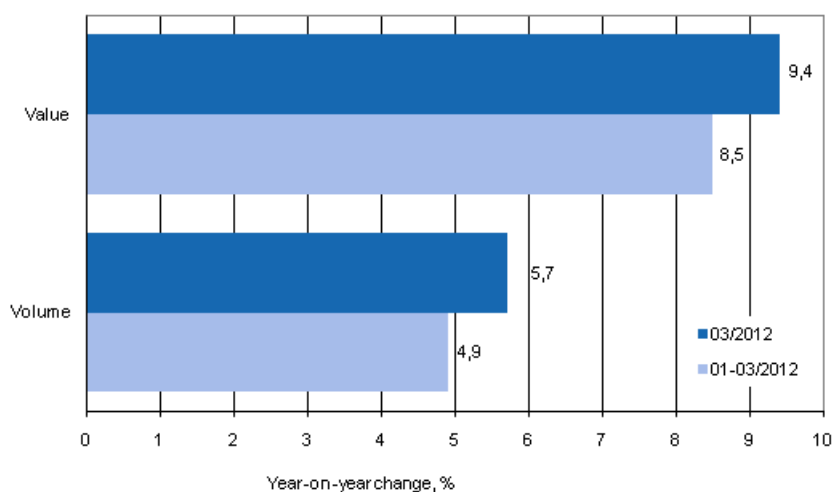
Turnover of trade

2012, March

Retail trade flash estimate: sales grew by 9.4 per cent in March

According to Statistics Finland's retail trade flash estimate, retail trade sales increased by 9.4 per cent in March 2012 from March 2011. Over the same time period, the volume of sales grew by 5.7 per cent.

Development of value and volume of retail trade sales, March 2012, % (TOL 2008)



Source: Statistics Finland

The retail trade flash estimate is based on a sample covering, on the average, 50 per cent of retail trade turnover. Data on trade sales by industry will next be released on 14 May 2012.

Flash estimates on retail trade are published at a lag of just under one month from the end of the statistical reference month. The preliminary data on motor vehicle, wholesale and retail trade based on a larger sample will be published at a lag of roughly six weeks from the end of the statistical reference month and the revised data based on total data are published at a lag of roughly ten weeks.

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	03/2012	03/2012	01-03/2012
Value	128,9	9,4	8,5
Volume	112,5	5,7	4,9

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

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