

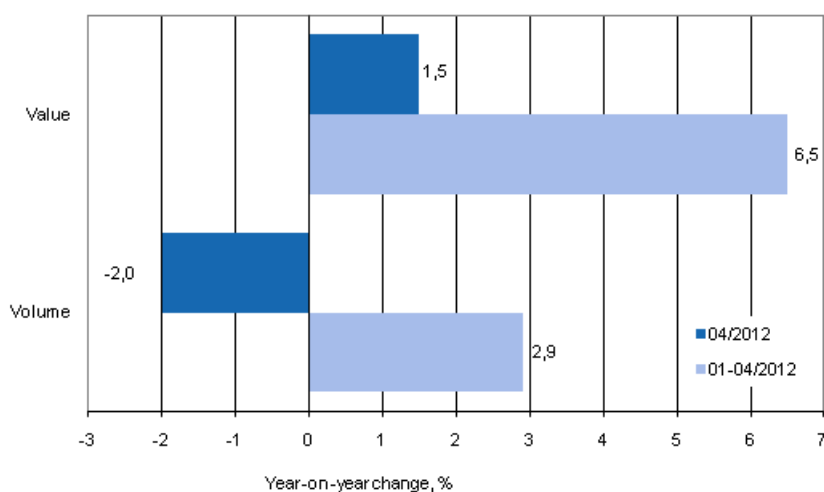
# Turnover of trade

2012, April

## Retail trade flash estimate: sales grew by 1.5 per cent in April

According to Statistics Finland's retail trade flash estimate, retail trade sales increased by 1.5 per cent in April 2012 from April 2011. Over the same time period, the volume of sales fell by 2.0 per cent.

### Development of value and volume of retail trade sales, April 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 13 June 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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	Index	Year-on-year change in the latest month, % <sup>1)</sup>	Cumulative year-on-year change, % <sup>1)</sup>
	04/2012	04/2012	01-04/2012
Value	126,2	1,5	6,5
Volume	109,8	-2,0	2,9

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

## 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).

### Revisions to data on annual changes in main industries<sup>1)</sup>

Industry / time of publishing	2011			2012	
	10	11	12	01	02
Flash estimate	3,5	4,6	4,3	8,1	9,2
1st release	5,4	5,3	4,6	9,0	9,0
Latest release (2012-05-24)	4,0	3,9	3,6	7,0	9,3
Revision	0,5	-0,7	-0,7	-1,1	0,1

1) The revision describes the difference of annual change percentages between the flash estimate and the latest release.

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