

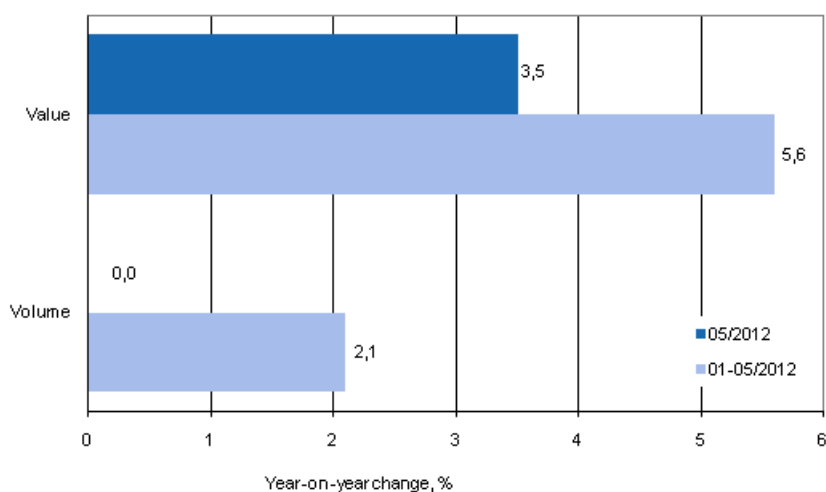
# Turnover of trade

2012, May

## Retail trade flash estimate: sales grew by 3.5 per cent in May

According to Statistics Finland's retail trade flash estimate, retail trade sales increased by 3.5 per cent in May 2012 from May 2011. Over the same time period, the volume of sales remained at the same level.

### Development of value and volume of retail trade sales, May 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 July 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>
	05/2012	05/2012	01-05/2012
Value	135,4	3,5	5,6
Volume	118,2	0,0	2,1

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 retail trade<sup>1)</sup>

Time of publishing	2011		2012		
	11	12	01	02	03
Flash estimate, %	4,6	4,3	8,1	9,2	9,4
1st release, %	5,3	4,6	9,0	9,0	9,0
Latest release (2012-06-26), %	3,9	3,6	7,0	9,2	8,0
Revision, percentage point	-0,7	-0,7	-1,1	0,0	-1,4

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

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