

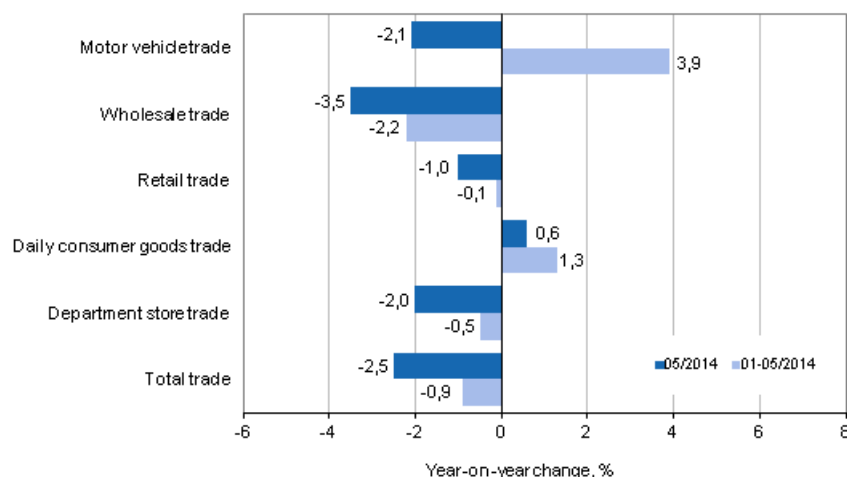
Turnover of trade

2014, May

Total trade sales fell by 2.5 per cent year-on-year in May

According to Statistics Finland, retail trade sales decreased by 1.0 per cent in May from May 2013. In daily consumer goods trade, sales grew by 0.6 per cent from one year ago, while sales in department store trade went down by 2.0 per cent. Wholesale trade sales went down by 3.5 per cent and motor vehicle sales by 2.1 per cent from one year ago. Thus, sales decreased in total trade by 2.5 per cent from May 2013.

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



Source: Statistics Finland

In May, **the sales volume** in retail trade contracted by 0.5 per cent and in wholesale trade by 2.6 per cent from one year back. In motor vehicle trade, the sales volume decreased by 2.1 per cent from May 2013. In total trade, the sales volume declined in May by 1.9 per cent from the corresponding period of the previous year. The volume index of sales is calculated by removing the effect of price changes from the value index series.

Total trade sales fell in January to May by 0.9 per cent year-on-year

In January to May, retail trade sales contracted by 0.1 per cent and wholesale trade by 2.2 per cent compared with the corresponding period last year, while motor vehicle sales grew by 3.9 per cent from January to May 2013. Total trade sales fell in January to May by 0.9 per cent year-on-year.

Industries of enterprises have been revised in the data released in July

As part of the renewal of the business statistics, uniform industries defined by the Business Register have been taken more extensively into use in the turnover and wage and salary indices starting from this statistical release. In the time series, the industry changes have been taken into consideration from the beginning of 2013. The industry corrections are visible as revised data in some of the published industries. The effects of the changes are taken into consideration in statistics production so that no breaks occur in the time series of the published index series. The interpretation of the statistics also remains unchanged in the renewal.

Revisions to annual changes in industries are presented under Revisions in these statistics.

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	Year-on-year change by quarter, % ¹⁾				Cumulative year-on-year change, % ¹⁾	Year-on-year change in the latest month, % ¹⁾
	04-06/2013	07-09/2013	10-12/2013	01-03/2014		
Total trade (G)	-3,2	-0,4	-1,2	-0,4	-0,9	-2,5
Motor vehicle trade (45)	-14,7	-0,1	2,0	9,0	3,9	-2,1
Wholesale trade (46)	-2,7	-0,8	-2,0	-2,1	-2,2	-3,5
Retail trade (47)	0,8	0,3	-0,8	-0,7	-0,1	-1,0
Daily consumer goods trade (4711, 472) ²⁾	2,2	2,1	1,4	-0,3	1,3	0,6
Department store trade (4719) ³⁾	1,7	-1,5	-0,6	0,2	-0,5	-2,0

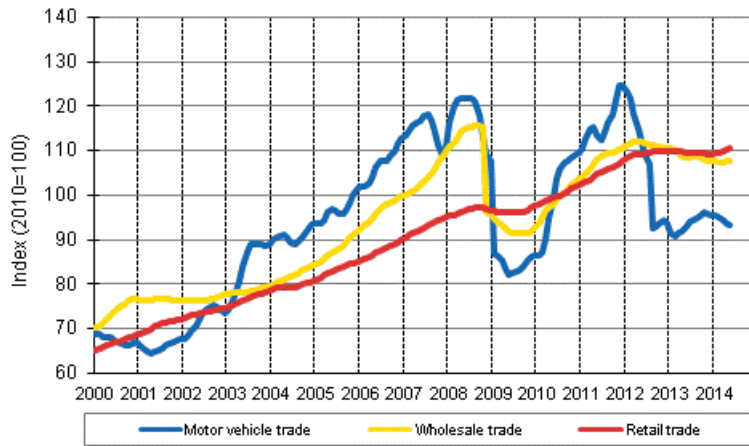
1) Year-on-year change compares the value for an examined time period to the value for the corresponding time period twelve months back.

2) According to the Business Register, the share of daily consumer goods (4711, 472) of turnover in retail trade was 47.6 per cent in 2012.

3) According to the Business Register, the share of retail sale in department stores (4719) of turnover in retail trade was 11.8 per cent in 2012.

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 (2014-07-15)	
G Wholesale and retail trade	12/2013	0,4	0,7	0,3
	01/2014	1,3	0,6	-0,7
	02/2014	-0,1	-1,2	-1,1
	03/2014	-2,0	-0,6	1,4
	04/2014	-0,8	-0,4	0,4
45 Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motorvehicles and motorcycles	12/2013	1,3	0,5	-0,8
	01/2014	13,4	12,6	-0,8
	02/2014	9,1	6,8	-2,3
	03/2014	6,6	7,5	0,9
	04/2014	-4,1	-3,2	0,9
46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	12/2013	1,4	2,2	0,8
	01/2014	-1,7	-1,7	0,0
	02/2014	-1,9	-2,9	-1,0
	03/2014	-4,0	-1,9	2,1
	04/2014	-1,3	-1,3	0,0
47 Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	12/2013	-1,4	-1,7	-0,3
	01/2014	2,1	0,3	-1,8
	02/2014	-0,4	-1,0	-0,6
	03/2014	-1,5	-1,2	0,3
	04/2014	1,8	2,3	0,5
Retail sale in non-specialised stores (4711, 472)	12/2013	0,2	0,4	0,2
	01/2014	4,3	3,4	-0,9
	02/2014	0,8	1,0	0,2
	03/2014	-3,5	-4,6	-1,1
	04/2014	6,4	6,5	0,1
Department store trade (4719)	12/2013	-1,7	-2,4	-0,7
	01/2014	3,8	3,1	-0,7
	02/2014	-1,6	-2,7	-1,1
	03/2014	-1,6	-0,6	1,0
	04/2014	-1,7	-0,8	0,9

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)	2010	-0,3	0,9
	2011	-0,8	1,1
	2012	-0,7	0,9
Motor vehicle trade (45)	2010	-1,5	2,9
	2011	-2,6	2,6
	2012	0,6	2,3

Industry	Year	Average ¹⁾	Average for absolute values ²⁾
Wholesale trade (46)	2010	0,1	1,0
	2011	-0,5	1,2
	2012	-0,8	1,1
Retail trade (47)	2010	-0,6	0,8
	2011	-1,1	1,1
	2012	-0,7	0,9
Daily consumer goods trade (4711, 472)	2010	-0,3	0,7
	2011	-0,7	0,7
	2012	-0,5	0,7
Department store trade (4719)	2010	0,1	0,9
	2011	-0,1	0,4
	2012	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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