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■ Sales volume in wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles – May 2017

In May 2017, the sales volume in overall trade recovered (+1.6%)

The commentary shows variations of subsections by decreasing contribution to the overall variation. The contribution of a subsection depends on the extent of the change and on its weight.

In May 2017, the sales volume in overall trade bounced back (+1.6%) after a decrease of 1.3% in April. It recovered in wholesale trade (+1.8% after -1.5%) and in trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (+3.6% after -3.1%). It picked up slightly in retail trade (+0.5% after -0.3%).

The sales volume in overall trade rose by 1.3% over the last three months

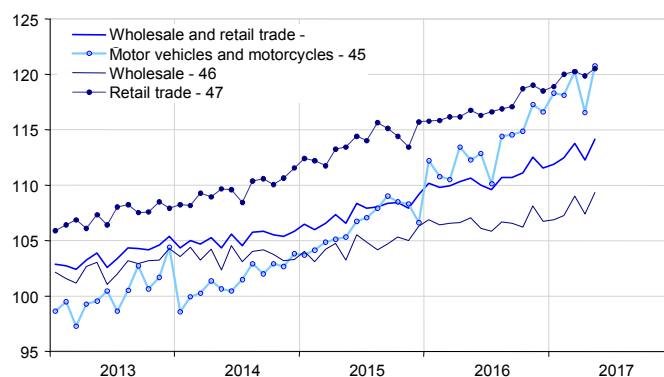
Over the last three months, the sales volume in overall trade went up by 1.3% compared to the previous three months. It rose sharply in wholesale trade (+1.5%). It went up more moderately in retail trade (+0.9%) – it increased by 1.0% in specialised stores, by 0.6% in non-specialised stores and by 1.8% in retail trade not in stores. It rose markedly in retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (+1.3%).

The sales volume rose by 2.8% over a year

Over the last three months, the sales volume in overall trade rose by 2.8% year-on-year. It rose sharply in retail trade (+3.3%) – it grew in specialised stores (+3.1%) and non-specialised stores (+3.6%) as well as in retail trade not in stores (+3.6%). It also increased in wholesale trade (+1.7%). It went up substantially in trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (+6.4%).

Sales volume in wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles

SA-WDA volume, Base year 2010



Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Sales volume in the retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles

SA-WDA volume, Base year 2010

NACE Classification	Weight	Change in %			
		May/ Apr	Apr/ Mar	q-o-q (1)	y-o-y (2)
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	10000	1.6	-1.3	1.3	2.8
45 Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	1248	3.6	-3.1	1.3	6.4
46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	5748	1.8	-1.5	1.5	1.7
47 Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	3004	0.5	-0.3	0.9	3.3
471 Retail sale in non-specialised stores	1112	0.4	0.3	0.6	3.6
472 to 477 Retail sale in specialised stores	1718	0.6	-0.7	1.0	3.1
478 and 479 Retail trade not in stores	174	1.2	0.1	1.8	3.6

(1) Quarter-on-quarter: last three months / previous three months.

(2) Year-on-year: last three months / same three months of the previous year.

The codes correspond to different levels of aggregation of the classification NAF rev.2

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Rebound in wholesale trade

In May 2017, the sales volume in wholesale trade bounced back (1.8% after -1.5% in April). All sectors increased except wholesale trade of other machinery, equipment and supplies which was virtually stable. It recovered markedly in wholesale of household goods (+3.4% after -2.6%) and in other specialised wholesale (+2.3% after -2.6%). It gathered pace for wholesalers on a fee or contract basis (+1.4% after +0.6%). It bounced back in wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco (+1.3% after -0.6%) and in non specialised wholesale trade (+2.7% after -3.2%). It went up again in wholesalers of information and communication (+1.3% after +0.6%) and bounced back in wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals (+1.1% after -3.0%).

Strong rebound in sales volume of trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles

In May 2017, the sales volume in trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles bounced back sharply (+3.6% after -3.1%), with an increase in all sectors – sale of motor vehicles (+3.5% after -3.7%), sale of motor vehicle parts and accessories (+4.8% after -1.7%), maintenance and repair of motor vehicles (+0.7% after -2.4%) and sale and repair of motorcycles (+1.5% after -3.2%).

Slight rebound in sales volume of retail trade

In May 2017, the sales volume in retail trade recovered slightly (+0.5% after -0.3% in April). Among specialised stores, it bounced back in retail trade of other goods (+1.5% after -1.2%) and in retail sale of information and communication equipment (+0.9% after -2.7%). By contrast, it fell back in retail sale of other household equipment (-0.6% after -1.5%), in retail sale of automotive fuel (-0.7% after +1.4%), in retail sale of food, beverages and tobacco (-0.6% after +0.3%) and in retail sale of cultural and recreation goods (-0.2% after +2.1%). The sales volume rose slightly again in non-specialised stores (+0.4% after +0.3%).

According to the first early estimates, the sales volume in retail trade except of motor vehicles and motorcycles should fall back in June 2017 (-0.4%). However, year on year, it should continue to rise markedly (+2.9%).

Sales volume in the retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles

SA-WDA volume, Base year 2010

Nace Classification	Weight	May 2017	Change in %		
			May/ Apr	Apr/ Mar	q-o-q (1)
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	10000	114.1	1.6	-1.3	1.3
45 Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and moto.	1248	120.8	3.6	-3.1	1.3
451 Sale of motor vehicles	837	116.6	3.5	-3.7	0.9
452 Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	97	107.9	0.7	-2.4	-0.3
453 Sale of motor vehicle parts and accessories	283	140.4	4.8	-1.7	2.6
454 Sale, maintenance and repair of moto. and related parts and accessories	31	94.6	1.5	-3.2	3.4
46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and moto.	5748	109.4	1.8	-1.5	1.5
461 Wholesale on a fee or contract basis	869	122.0	1.4	0.6	1.9
462 Wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals	319	93.4	1.1	-3.0	2.2
463 Wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco	992	109.0	1.3	-0.6	3.0
464 Wholesale of household goods	1196	114.8	3.4	-2.6	0.4
465 Wholesale of information and communication equipment	349	119.5	1.3	0.6	2.0
466 Wholesale of other machinery, equipmt and supplies	721	109.0	0.1	-1.9	3.4
467 Other specialised wholesale	1138	94.1	2.3	-2.6	-0.2
469 Non specialised wholesale trade	164	121.7	2.7	-3.2	-0.6
47 Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and moto.	3004	120.5	0.5	-0.3	0.9
471 Non-specialised stores	1112	113.7	0.4	0.3	0.6
472 to 477 Specialised stores	1718	124.4	0.6	-0.7	1.0
472 Retail sale of food, beverages and tobacco	144	138.4	-0.6	0.3	1.9
473 Retail sale of automotive fuel	231	95.6	-0.7	1.4	-0.9
474 Retail sale of information and communication equipmt	84	186.7	0.9	-2.7	2.5
475 Retail sale of other household equipment	338	105.0	-0.6	-1.5	0.7
476 Retail sale of cultural and recreation goods	143	110.5	-0.2	2.1	1.4
477 Retail sale of other goods	778	134.7	1.5	-1.2	1.1
478 et 479 Retail trade not in stores	174	125.0	1.2	0.1	1.8

(1) Quarter-on-quarter: last three months / previous three months.

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Revision of variations

in percentage points

	Apr/ Mar	Mar/ Feb.	Feb./ Jan.	Q1 2017/ Q4 2016	2016/ 2015
G Overall trade	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.10	0.02
Raw series	-0.02	0.06	-0.02	0.05	0.03
SA-WDA parameters	0.03	-0.05	0.04	0.05	-0.01

How to read: in the wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles, the SA-WDA variation between March and April is virtually unchanged: the series is revised by +0.01 points: -0.02 points due to the revision of raw data, +0.03 points to the update of SA-WDA parameters.

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Revisions

The variation in the sales volume of overall trade in April 2017 is unchanged at -1.3%.

For more information :

- Additional data (long time series) and metadata (methodology, linked internet pages, etc.) are available on the web page of this index : <https://www.insee.fr/en/statistiques?debut=0&theme=30&conjoncture=69>
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