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■ Sales volume in wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles – May 2018

In May 2018, the sales volume in overall trade bounced back (+1.3%)

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 2018, the sales volume in overall trade bounced back (+1.3%) after a virtual stability in April (-0.1%). It increased again in wholesale trade (+1.6% after +0.9%). It rebounded in retail trade (+1.1% after -1.7%) and in retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (+0.8% after -0.4%).

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

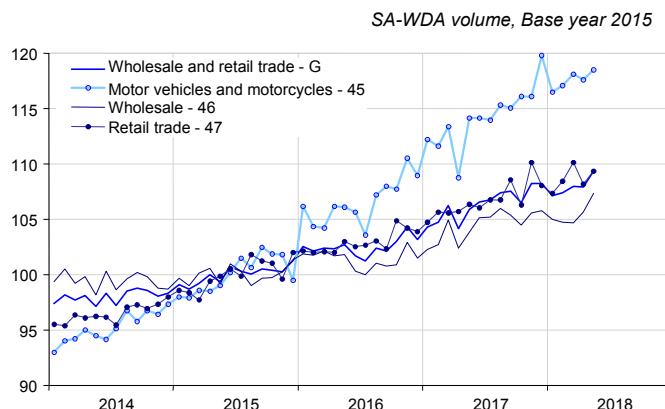
Over the last three months, the sales volume in overall trade rose by 0.8% compared to the previous three months. It went up in wholesale trade (+0.7%) and in retail trade (+1.2%) – it grew in specialised stores (+1.1%), non-specialised stores (+1.2%), and retail trade not in stores (+1.2%).

The sales volume also expanded slightly in retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (+0.2%).

The sales volume rose by 2.8% over a year

The sales volume in overall trade grew by 2.8% over a year. It increased markedly in all sectors. It rose by 2.1% in wholesale trade. It also rose sharply in retail trade (+3.2%) – it grew both in specialised stores (+2.5%) and non-specialised stores (+3.2%) and in retail trade not in stores (+7.3%). It went up substantially in trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (+5.3%).

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



Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

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

SA-WDA volume, Base year 2015

| 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 | 1.3 | -0.1 | 0.8 | 2.8 |
| 45 Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles | 1272 | 0.8 | -0.4 | 0.2 | 5.3 |
| 46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles | 5777 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 2.1 |
| 47 Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles | 2952 | 1.1 | -1.7 | 1.2 | 3.2 |
| 471 Retail sale in non-specialised stores | 1109 | 2.4 | -3.7 | 1.2 | 3.2 |
| 472 to 477 Retail sale in specialised stores | 1622 | 0.3 | -0.8 | 1.1 | 2.5 |
| 478 and 479 Retail trade not in stores | 221 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 7.3 |

(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

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

SA-WDA volume, Base year 2015

| Nace Classification | Weight | May 2018 | Change in % | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| | | | May/Apr | Apr/Mar | q-o-q (1) |
| G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles | 10000 | 109.4 | 1.3 | -0.1 | 0.8 |
| 45 Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and moto. | 1272 | 118.5 | 0.8 | -0.4 | 0.2 |
| 451 Sale of motor vehicles | 850 | 119.6 | 0.7 | -0.7 | 0.1 |
| 452 Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles | 89 | 113.4 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 1.7 |
| 453 Sale of motor vehicle parts and accessories | 306 | 117.7 | 0.9 | -0.4 | 0.6 |
| 454 Sale, maintenance and repair of moto. and related parts and accessories | 27 | 109.8 | 3.3 | 3.9 | -3.0 |
| 46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and moto. | 5777 | 107.3 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 0.7 |
| 461 Wholesale on a fee or contract basis | 813 | 110.4 | 3.5 | -1.3 | 1.6 |
| 462 Wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals | 390 | 99.4 | 2.1 | 6.6 | -0.6 |
| 463 Wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco | 1029 | 105.1 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 2.6 |
| 464 Wholesale of household goods | 1130 | 105.6 | -0.9 | 1.8 | 0.0 |
| 465 Wholesale of information and communication equipment | 331 | 122.5 | 3.9 | 0.1 | 0.7 |
| 466 Wholesale of other machinery, equipmt and supplies | 716 | 109.7 | 1.8 | 0.9 | -0.8 |
| 467 Other specialised wholesale | 1132 | 105.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 |
| 469 Non specialised wholesale trade | 236 | 111.1 | 6.4 | -2.9 | 1.1 |
| 47 Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and moto. | 2952 | 109.4 | 1.1 | -1.7 | 1.2 |
| 471 Non-specialised stores | 1109 | 107.9 | 2.4 | -3.7 | 1.2 |
| 472 to 477 Specialised stores | 1622 | 108.1 | 0.3 | -0.8 | 1.1 |
| 472 Retail sale of food, beverages and tobacco | 155 | 117.3 | 3.8 | -6.5 | 1.2 |
| 473 Retail sale of automotive fuel | 224 | 97.9 | 0.0 | -0.8 | -0.9 |
| 474 Retail sale of information and communication equipmt | 65 | 115.1 | -0.8 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| 475 Retail sale of other household equipment | 310 | 107.7 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.9 |
| 476 Retail sale of cultural and recreation goods | 118 | 107.6 | 1.0 | -2.9 | 0.2 |
| 477 Retail sale of other goods | 750 | 108.9 | -0.6 | 0.4 | 2.0 |
| 478 et 479 Retail trade not in stores | 221 | 125.9 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.2 |

(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 2018/Q4 2017 | 2017/2016 |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|
| G Overall trade | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.08 | -0.01 |
| Raw series | 0.12 | -0.06 | 0.00 | -0.03 | -0.01 |
| SA-WDA parameters | -0.02 | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.00 |

How to read: in the wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles, the SA-WDA variation between March and April 2018 is revised by +0.10 points. +0.12 points are due to the raw series' revision and -0.02 points to the new calculation of the SA-WDA parameters.

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Further increase in wholesale trade

In May 2018, the sales volume in wholesale trade went up again (+1.6 after +0.9% in April). It bounced back for wholesalers on a fee or contract basis (+3.5% after -1.3%) and in non-specialised wholesale trade (+6.4% after -2.9%). It increased again in wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco (+1.8% after +1.5%), in wholesale of information and communication equipment (+3.9% after +0.1%) and in wholesale of other machinery, equipment and supplies (+1.8% after +0.9%). By contrast, it fell back in wholesale of household goods (-0.9% after +1.8%).

Rebound in sales volume of retail trade in May

In May 2018, the sales volume in retail trade picked up sharply (+1.1% after -1.7% in April), especially for the non-specialised stores (+2.4% after -3.7%) and more moderately in specialised stores (+0.3% after -0.8%). In particular, the sales volume rebounded strongly in retail sale of food, beverages and tobacco (+3.8 after -6.5%), and sharply in other household equipment (+1.2% after a stability) and in cultural and recreation goods (+1.0% after -2.9%). It dwindled in specialised stores of other goods (clothing, shoes etc.; -0.6% after +0.4%).

Rebound in trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles

In May 2018, the sales volume in trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles recovered (+0.8% after -0.4%). It bounced back in sale of motor vehicles (+0.7% after -0.7%) and in sale of motor vehicle parts and accessories (+0.9% after -0.4%). It kept expanding in sale, maintenance and repair of motorcycles and related parts and accessories (+3.3% after +3.9%) and in maintenance and repair of motor vehicles (+0.4% after +0.7%).

Revisions

The variation in the sales volume of overall trade in April 2018 has been revised upwards at -0.1% instead of -0.2% initially published.

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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