

January 2018

RETAIL TRADE

The retail trade index measures the monthly evolution of the turnover at current prices of businesses which are engaged in retail trade. From this bulletin (referred to January 2018) onwards, the indices will be calculated with reference to the base year 2015, using the Ateco 2007 classification (Italian edition of Nace Rev. 2) and a new index measuring online sales will be released to estimate how much was sold through online retailers in Italy.

The value of retail trade in January 2018 is estimated to have decreased by 0.8% while the volume dropped by 1.9% compared with January 2017.

The underlying pattern in the data, as suggested by the 3 month on 3 month movement, showed falls, as the value went down 0.2% and the volume went down 0.5%

The monthly picture shows a decrease both in the value (-0.5%) and in the volume (-0.7%).

The value of online sales increased by 2.4% in January 2018 compared with January 2017, while both small scale distribution and large scale distribution fell by 1.2

RETAIL TRADE INDEX AT CURRENT PRICES (BASE 2015=100) BY MARKETABLE GOODS SECTOR, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND SEASONALLY UNADJUSTED (a)

	Seasonally unadjusted				Seasonally adjusted					
	Jan18		Jan18 Jan17		Jan18		Jan18 Dic17		Nov17-Jan18 Aug-Oct17	
	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume	Value	Volume
Food	94.4	90.8	-0.5	-1.8	101.2	98.3	0.0	0.0	-0.4	-1.0
Non food	93.8	96.9	-1.0	-1.5	99.7	98.7	-0.9	-1.0	0.0	-0.1
Total	94.0	94.1	-0.8	-1.9	100.3	98.5	-0.5	-0.7	-0.2	-0.5

(a) Provisional data

RETAIL TRADE INDEX AT CURRENT PRICES (BASE 2015=100) BY KIND OF BUSINESS, SEASONALLY UNADJUSTED (a)

	Jan18	Jan18 Jan17
Large scale distribution	97.9	-1.2
Small scale distribution	91.7	-1.2
Online sales	68.8	+2.4

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For more details, please refer to the Italian version

Time series are available at database I.stat: <http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en>

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