

Turnover in the retail trade at the end of September 2015

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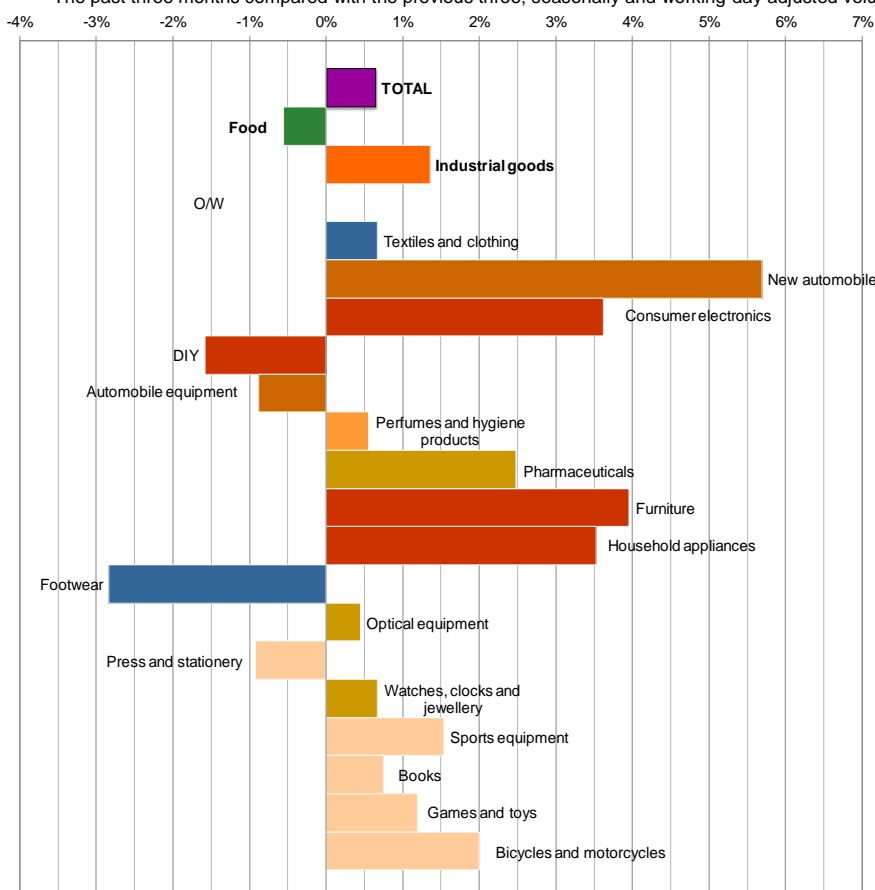
**In the third quarter, the seasonally adjusted volume of retail trade rose by 0.6%,
and inched down by 0.2% in September.**

In the third quarter, food sales fell by 0.6%. Industrial goods sales increased by 1.4%, driven notably by the new car, furniture, consumer electronics and household appliance sectors. The DIY and footwear sectors nevertheless lost ground. Turnover of small retail stores picked up by 0.7%. Sales of large general retailers were almost stable, contracting by just 0.2%. Department store sales dropped by 2.5%, while those of distance selling rose by 2.2%.

In September, food sales rose by 1.2%. Industrial goods sales declined by 1.0% on the back of falls in the footwear, household appliance and new car sectors. Sales of small retail stores were down 1.3% and those of large general retailers lost 1.2%.

Total industrial goods and food sales: Q/Q-1 change

The past three months compared with the previous three; seasonally and working-day adjusted volume terms



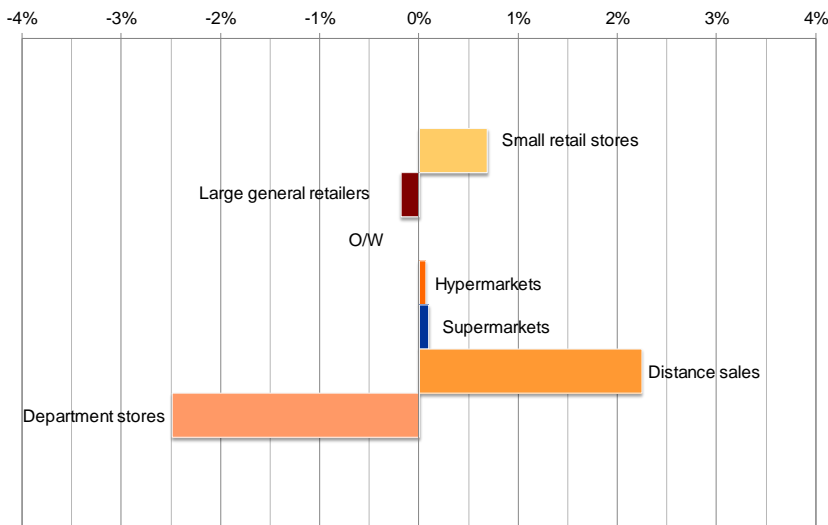
	Weight
Food products	42%
Industrial goods o/w	58%
Textiles and clothing	10%
New automobiles	6%
Consumer electronics	5%
DIY	5%
Automobile equipment	5%
Perfumes and hygiene products	5%
Pharmaceuticals	4%
Furniture	4%
Household appliances	3%
Footwear	2%
Optical equipment	2%
Press and stationery	2%
Watches, clocks and jewellery	1%
Sports equipment	1%
Books	1%
Games and toys	1%
Bicycles and motorcycles	1%

Notes:

- Sectors are classified according to the relative weight of the products included in the total aggregate of retail trade (see methodology)
- The aggregated and by sub-sector series are seasonally adjusted on an individual basis: the seasonally adjusted series do not represent the sum of the seasonally adjusted components.

Retail trade by certain outlet category: Q/Q-1 change

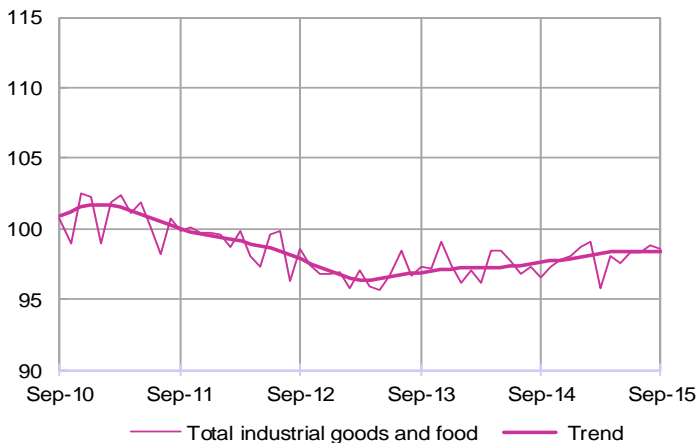
The past three months compared with the previous three; seasonally and working-day adjusted volume terms



Large general retailers	Weight
Hypermarkets	50%
Supermarkets	34%
Distance sales	10%
Department stores	6%

Total industrial goods and food

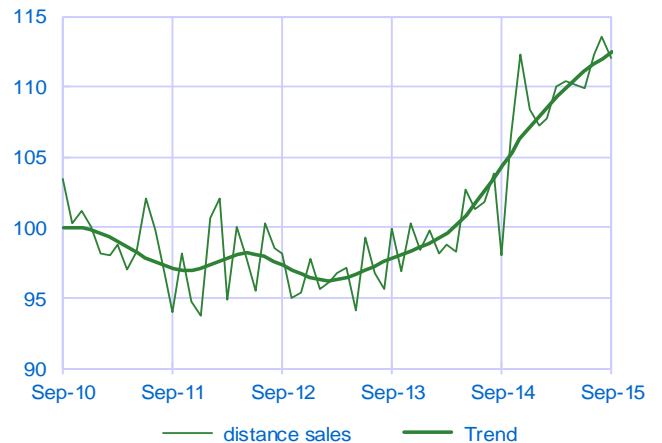
index in seasonally-adjusted volume terms (100 = 2010)



Distance sales

Source: FEVAD and Banque de France

index in seasonally-adjusted volume terms (100 = 2010)



Provisional data as of the 7th working day following the month under review.

Notes:

- The FEVAD and the Banque de France work together to publish data on product distance selling, including online sales, in France (excluding food sales). Since 2011 these data have been taken into account and are being published for the first time in April 2014.
- The aggregated and by sub-sector series are seasonally adjusted on an individual basis: the seasonally adjusted series do not represent the sum of the seasonally adjusted components.
- Following a change in the base year, the series are now on base 2010 = 100.
- Sectors are classified according to the relative weight of the distribution methods included in the aggregates for small retail stores and large general retailers (see methodology)
- However, the "large general retailer" aggregate is not a sub-aggregate of the "total industrial and food product" index. Rather, it is an independent index that covers the overall turnover of hypermarkets, supermarkets, department stores and distance selling. It does not cover national chains.

For further details, see [sectoral level information](#), [methodology](#), [publications calendar](#) and [contacts](#)

Find the series on the website of the Bank of France in Webstat database.

<http://webstat.banque-france.fr/en/browse.do?node=5384243>