



PRESS RELEASE
EVOLUTION OF TURNOVER OF ENTERPRISES IN
RETAIL TRADE
MARCH AND 1st QUARTER 2021

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) with this sectoral publication, presents in detail the evolution of the sales/turnover of all classes of activity of the retail trade section. Retail trade is the basic business model of the modern consumer supply chain, through the resale of material goods or services and the promotion of products for profit.

Therefore, retail trade has always been an important productive tertiary sector of the Greek economy with a significant contribution to the Gross Domestic Product.

At the same time, and during the recent circumstances, the monitoring of the evolution of the size of the retail trade activity classes is important, given the direct and indirect effects due to the 2019 coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

In addition, monitoring the aggregates of the retail trade, leads to conclusions on the evolution of consumption (in terms of volume, characteristics, preferences and substitution of products) of the Greek society, the citizens and the enterprises of the country.

This current publication is part of the sequel of the Press Releases published by ELSTAT ([link PR](#)) since April 2020, incorporating the most recent data on turnover from Administrative Sources for **March and 1st quarter 2021**.

A corresponding publication has been scheduled and is released by ELSTAT on a monthly basis, throughout the whole period during which the regular monitoring of the turnover of the retail trade enterprises remains relevant and warranted.

In particular, ELSTAT announces a) data on a quarterly basis, on turnover for **all enterprises** classified in the activity classes of the retail trade divisions (45 and 47 of the NACE Rev.2 classification) for the 4th quarter 2019 and 2020 and for the 1st quarter 2020 and 2021, b) turnover data on a monthly basis for **all enterprises obliged to double-entry accounting bookkeeping** classified in the activity classes of the retail trade divisions (45 and 47 of the NACE Rev.2 classification) for the period February - March 2020 and 2021 and c) turnover data for the **five biggest enterprises**, for each of the 10 largest classes, in terms of 2018 turnover, of the retail trade divisions (45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification), for the 4th quarter 2019 and 2020, for the 1st quarter 2020 and 2021 and for the period February - March 2020 and 2021.

Starting from the current press release an updated framework, for the determination of the enterprises classified in the classes of activity of the retail trade section, is used which occurs from the linking at micro-data level of administrative transactions files of the reference years 2019, 2020 and 2021 and of the final Statistical Business Register, of the reference year 2018, that provides a standardized set of data, harmonized with European classifications.

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a. Total of enterprises classified in the activity classes of the retail trade divisions (Table 1)

For the total of enterprises in retail trade, the turnover in the first quarter 2021 amounted to 10.9 billion euro, recording a decrease of 4.9% in comparison with the first quarter of 2020, when the respective turnover was 11.5 billion euro.

The activities that recorded the biggest increase in turnover in the **first quarter of 2021** compared with the corresponding quarter of 2020 are:

- Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet, increase 43.2%.
- Retail sale of computers, peripheral units and software in specialized stores, increase 30.0%.

The activities that recorded the biggest decrease in turnover in the **first quarter of 2021** compared with the corresponding quarter of 2020 are:

- Retail sale of cosmetic and toilet articles in specialized stores, decrease 41.1%.
- Retail sale of footwear and leather goods in specialized stores, decrease 33.2%.
- Retail sale of second-hand goods in stores, decrease 33.2%.

Presentation of activities with biggest rates of change

The class of economic activity **“Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet”** which recorded the biggest increase in turnover in the first quarter of 2021 compared with the corresponding quarter of 2020, includes the retail sales which are conducted by enterprises via mail or internet, with the application of specific procedures, and the products can either be downloaded directly from internet or can be sent to the customer.

The class of economic activity **“Retail sale of cosmetic and toilet articles in specialized stores”** which recorded the biggest decrease in turnover in the first quarter of 2021 compared with the corresponding quarter of 2020, includes the retail trade of perfumery items, cosmetics and toilet articles.

The main characteristics of the enterprises of these economic classes, according to the final Statistical Business Register, with reference year 2018, are the following:

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY	Number of			
	Enterprises	Branches	Enterprises able to conduct electronic transactions (*)	Persons employed
Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	2,078	2,412		3,930
Retail sale of cosmetic and toilet articles in specialized stores	2,278	3,267	97	11,625

(*) The number of enterprises able to conduct electronic transactions refers to the year 2019 and is derived from administrative files.

b. All enterprises classified in the activity classes of the retail trade divisions obliged to double-entry accounting bookkeeping (Table 2)

For the enterprises in retail trade divisions obliged to double-entry accounting bookkeeping, for which data are available on a monthly basis, the turnover in March 2021 amounted to 2.3 billion euro, recording an increase of 9.1% in comparison with March 2020, when the respective turnover was 2.129 billion euro and an increase of 9.3% in comparison with February 2021, when the respective turnover was 2.125 billion euro.

The activities that recorded the biggest increase in turnover in **March 2021** compared with March 2020 are:

- Sale of cars and light motor vehicles, increase 85.6%.
- Retail sale via mail order houses or via internet, increase 66.6%.

The activities that recorded the biggest decrease in turnover **March 2021** compared with March 2020 are:

- Retail sale of music and video recordings in specialized stores, decrease 64.3%.
- Retail sale of carpets, rugs, wall and floor coverings in specialized stores, decrease 48.4%.

Presentation of activities with biggest rates of change

The class of economic activity “**Sale of cars and light motor vehicles**” which recorded the biggest increase in turnover in March 2021 compared with March 2020 includes the wholesale and retail trade sale of new and used vehicles.

The class of economic activity “**Retail sale of music and video recordings in specialized stores**” which recorded the biggest decrease in turnover in March 2021 compared with March 2020 includes the retail sale of musical records, audio tapes, compact discs and cassettes, video tapes and DVDs, as well as the retail sale of blank tapes and discs.

The main characteristics of the enterprises that belong to these economic classes, with turnover data in March 2021 according to the final Statistical Business Register, with reference year 2018, are the following:

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY	Number of			
	Enterprises with turnover data in March 2021	Branches	Enterprises able to conduct electronic transactions (*)	Persons employed
Sale of cars and light motor vehicles	685	1,528	6	7,825
Retail sale of music and video recordings in specialized stores	14	28	-	50

(*) The number of enterprises able to conduct electronic transactions refers to the year 2019 and is derived from administrative files.

b. 5 biggest enterprises for the 10 largest classes of the retail trade divisions, based on the 2018 turnover (Tables 3, 4)

Based on the turnover data of the final Statistical Business Register 2018, the 10 largest classes of economic activity in the retail trade divisions are:

- Sale of cars and light motor vehicles
- Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles
- Wholesale trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories
- Retail sale in non-specialized stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating
- Other retail sale in non-specialized stores
- Retail sale of automotive fuel in specialized stores
- Retail sale of hardware, paints and glass in specialized stores
- Retail sale of electrical household appliances in specialized stores
- Retail sale of clothing in specialized stores and
- Dispensing chemist in specialized stores

The activities that recorded the biggest increase in turnover in the **first quarter of 2021** compared with the corresponding quarter of 2020 are:

- Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles, increase 21.6%.
- Sale of cars and light motor vehicles, increase 14.3%.

The activities that recorded the biggest decrease in turnover in the **first quarter of 2021** compared with the corresponding quarter of 2020 are:

- Retail sale of clothing in specialized stores, decrease 45.1%.
- Other retail sale in non-specialized stores¹, decrease 41.4%.

The activities that recorded the biggest increase in turnover in **March 2021** compared with March 2020 are:

- Sale of cars and light motor vehicles, increase 71.6%.
- Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles, increase 58.6%.

The activities that recorded the biggest decrease in turnover in **March 2021** compared with March 2020 are:

- Other retail sale in non-specialized stores, decrease 33.3%
- Retail sale of clothing in specialized stores, decrease 30.6%

¹ The economic activity class "Other retail sale in non-specialized stores" includes:

a) the retail sale of a large variety of goods of which food products, beverages or tobacco are not predominant

b) activities of department stores carrying a general line of merchandise, including wearing apparel, furniture, appliances, hardware, cosmetics, jewellery, toys, sports goods etc.

Table 1: Turnover for the total of enterprises in all classes of the retail trade divisions (divisions 45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification)

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY		TURNOVER (in thousand €)				Annual Rate of Change (%)		Quarterly Rate of Change (%)	
Code NACE Rev.2	Description	4 th Quarter 2019	1 st Quarter 2020	4 th Quarter 2020	1 st Quarter 2021	4 th Quarter 2020/2019	1 st Quarter 2021/2020	1 st Quarter 2020/ 4 th Quarter 2019	1 st Quarter 2021 / 4 th Quarter 2020
4511	Sale of cars and light motor vehicles	1,164,373	948,632	1,115,120	1,107,540	-4.2	16.8	-18.5	-0.7
4519	Sale of other motor vehicles	89,770	71,325	105,768	81,747	17.8	14.6	-20.5	-22.7
4520	Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	321,047	249,578	296,829	258,616	-7.5	3.6	-22.3	-12.9
4531	Wholesale trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories	401,385	308,550	382,320	332,227	-4.7	7.7	-23.1	-13.1
4532	Retail trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories	117,927	85,001	104,902	85,199	-11.0	0.2	-27.9	-18.8
4540	Sale, maintenance and repair of motorcycles and related parts and accessories	109,289	89,679	102,161	97,444	-6.5	8.7	-17.9	-4.6
4711	Retail sale in non-specialized stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating	3,764,101	3,497,172	4,106,933	3,453,175	9.1	-1.3	-7.1	-15.9
4719	Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	700,832	477,853	547,527	413,342	-21.9	-13.5	-31.8	-24.5
4721	Retail sale of fruit and vegetables in specialized stores	83,945	82,875	92,897	82,519	10.7	-0.4	-1.3	-11.2
4722	Retail sale of meat and meat products in specialized stores	297,384	231,635	303,632	221,870	2.1	-4.2	-22.1	-26.9
4723	Retail sale of fish, crustaceans and molluscs in specialized stores	44,077	45,611	44,428	51,233	0.8	12.3	3.5	15.3
4724	Retail sale of bread, cakes, flour confectionery and sugar confectionery in specialized stores	160,003	119,110	130,275	103,234	-18.6	-13.3	-25.6	-20.8
4725	Retail sale of beverages in specialized stores	37,344	24,670	32,123	21,734	-14.0	-11.9	-33.9	-32.3
4726	Retail sale of tobacco products in specialized stores	55,884	42,027	53,505	43,187	-4.3	2.8	-24.8	-19.3
4729	Other retail sale of food in specialized stores	120,632	103,828	117,863	104,443	-2.3	0.6	-13.9	-11.4
4730	Retail sale of automotive fuel in specialized stores	1,852,255	1,622,551	1,261,432	1,280,975	-31.9	-21.1	-12.4	1.5
4741	Retail sale of computers, peripheral units and software in specialized stores	228,630	149,079	270,147	193,761	18.2	30.0	-34.8	-28.3
4742	Retail sale of telecommunications equipment in specialized stores	155,634	94,173	156,453	100,768	0.5	7.0	-39.5	-35.6
4743	Retail sale of audio and video equipment in specialized stores	17,255	10,553	15,972	12,387	-7.4	17.4	-38.8	-22.4
4751	Retail sale of textiles in specialized stores	102,507	68,675	86,306	66,348	-15.8	-3.4	-33.0	-23.1
4752	Retail sale of hardware, paints and glass in specialized stores	348,223	220,909	314,907	221,286	-9.6	0.2	-36.6	-29.7
4753	Retail sale of carpets, rugs, wall and floor coverings in specialized stores	19,791	6,751	14,052	5,587	-29.0	-17.2	-65.9	-60.2
4754	Retail sale of electrical household appliances in specialized stores	406,529	247,855	319,090	235,580	-21.5	-5.0	-39.0	-26.2
4759	Retail sale of furniture, lighting equipment and other household articles in specialized stores	226,221	133,765	166,542	120,321	-26.4	-10.1	-40.9	-27.8

Table 1: Turnover for the total of enterprises in all classes of the retail trade divisions (divisions 45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification) (continue)

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY		TURNOVER (in thousand €)				Annual Rate of Change (%)		Quarterly Rate of Change (%)	
Code NACE Rev.2	Description	4 th Quarter 2019	1 st Quarter 2020	4 th Quarter 2020	1 st Quarter 2021	4 th Quarter 2020/2019	1 st Quarter 2021/2020	1 st Quarter 2020/ 4 th Quarter 2019	1 st Quarter 2021/ 4 th Quarter 2020
4761	Retail sale of books in specialized stores	56,470	32,611	54,307	29,376	-3.8	-9.9	-42.3	-45.9
4762	Retail sale of newspapers and stationery in specialized stores	37,794	24,399	35,333	24,650	-6.5	1.0	-35.4	-30.2
4763	Retail sale of music and video recordings in specialized stores	2,157	1,350	1,492	1,120	-30.8	-17.0	-37.4	-24.9
4764	Retail sale of sporting equipment in specialized stores	137,561	99,942	113,688	104,410	-17.4	4.5	-27.3	-8.2
4765	Retail sale of games and toys in specialized stores	306,995	146,817	178,612	116,343	-41.8	-20.8	-52.2	-34.9
4771	Retail sale of clothing in specialized stores	813,883	462,776	392,255	321,159	-51.8	-30.6	-43.1	-18.1
4772	Retail sale of footwear and leather goods in specialized stores	139,345	75,211	70,230	50,277	-49.6	-33.2	-46.0	-28.4
4773	Dispensing chemist in specialized stores	983,727	984,329	1,029,160	916,224	4.6	-6.9	0.1	-11.0
4774	Retail sale of medical and orthopaedic goods in specialized stores	28,142	23,113	26,633	24,728	-5.4	7.0	-17.9	-7.2
4775	Retail sale of cosmetic and toilet articles in specialized stores	272,467	162,629	149,666	95,791	-45.1	-41.1	-40.3	-36.0
4776	Retail sale of flowers, plants, seeds, fertilisers, pet animals and pet food in specialized stores	121,797	114,256	130,367	129,307	7.0	13.2	-6.2	-0.8
4777	Retail sale of watches and jewellery in specialised stores	106,769	48,219	60,230	37,044	-43.6	-23.2	-54.8	-38.5
4778	Other retail sale of new goods in specialized stores	227,151	183,918	154,130	154,228	-32.1	-16.1	-19.0	0.1
4779	Retail sale of second-hand goods in stores	3,136	1,961	1,880	1,310	-40.1	-33.2	-37.5	-30.3
4781	Retail sale via stalls and markets of food, beverages and tobacco products	32,859	25,148	28,351	21,165	-13.7	-15.8	-23.5	-25.3
4782	Retail sale via stalls and markets of textiles, clothing and footwear	3,253	1,223	1,273	1,419	-60.9	16.0	-62.4	11.5
4789	Retail sale via stalls and markets of other goods	12,137	7,575	9,525	6,171	-21.5	-18.5	-37.6	-35.2
4791	Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	129,684	102,838	162,998	147,264	25.7	43.2	-20.7	-9.7
4799	Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	40,088	35,990	30,963	30,213	-22.8	-16.1	-10.2	-2.4
Total		14,280,453	11,466,162	12,772,277	10,906,722	-10.6	-4.9	-19.7	-14.6

Notes:

- The table and the total include the turnover of the economic class "4531: Wholesale trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories", given that several enterprises classified in this class have as secondary activity retail trade and in order to present all classes of division "45: Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles".
- Enterprises with single-entry accounting bookkeeping are obliged to submit data to tax authorities on a quarterly basis, while enterprises with double-entry accounting bookkeeping are obliged to submit data on a monthly basis. Therefore, for the total of enterprises, data are available only on a quarterly basis.

Table 2: Turnover for the total of enterprises obliged to double-entry accounting bookkeeping in all classes of the retail trade divisions (divisions 45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification)

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY		TURNOVER (in thousand €)				Annual Rate of Change (%) 2021/2020		Monthly Rate of Change (%) March / February	
Code NACE Rev.2	Description	February 2020	March 2020	February 2021	March 2021	February	March	2020	2021
4511	Sale of cars and light motor vehicles	337,251	211,719	318,834	392,930	-5.5	85.6	-37.2	23.2
4519	Sale of other motor vehicles	20,930	20,427	21,590	27,242	3.2	33.4	-2.4	26.2
4520	Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	33,533	25,679	34,452	38,581	2.7	50.2	-23.4	12.0
4531	Wholesale trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories	79,295	63,730	80,580	90,141	1.6	41.4	-19.6	11.9
4532	Retail trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories	9,716	7,043	8,691	9,869	-10.5	40.1	-27.5	13.6
4540	Sale, maintenance and repair of motorcycles and related parts and accessories	21,986	19,350	19,322	26,796	-12.1	38.5	-12.0	38.7
4711	Retail sale in non-specialized stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating	1,015,095	1,161,555	979,411	1,088,508	-3.5	-6.3	14.4	11.1
4719	Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	42,185	29,896	23,570	22,662	-44.1	-24.2	-29.1	-3.9
4721	Retail sale of fruit and vegetables in specialized stores	5,604	7,255	5,777	7,104	3.1	-2.1	29.5	23.0
4722	Retail sale of meat and meat products in specialized stores	21,221	18,359	18,642	18,595	-12.2	1.3	-13.5	-0.3
4723	Retail sale of fish, crustaceans and molluscs in specialized stores	3,216	3,310	2,535	4,471	-21.2	35.1	2.9	76.4
4724	Retail sale of bread, cakes, flour confectionery and sugar confectionery in specialized stores	7,820	5,793	6,153	7,097	-21.3	22.5	-25.9	15.3
4725	Retail sale of beverages in specialized stores	2,595	2,143	1,500	1,902	-42.2	-11.2	-17.4	26.8
4726	Retail sale of tobacco products in specialized stores	1,144	1,019	1,451	1,404	26.8	37.8	-10.9	-3.2
4729	Other retail sale of food in specialized stores	10,255	10,590	11,135	12,835	8.6	21.2	3.3	15.3
4730	Retail sale of automotive fuel in specialized stores	202,773	154,855	146,921	158,180	-27.5	2.1	-23.6	7.7
4741	Retail sale of computers, peripheral units and software in specialized stores	44,493	41,045	57,678	52,372	29.6	27.6	-7.7	-9.2
4742	Retail sale of telecommunications equipment in specialized stores	20,555	14,089	18,354	21,139	-10.7	50.0	-31.5	15.2
4743	Retail sale of audio and video equipment in specialized stores	1,989	1,589	2,527	2,389	27.0	50.3	-20.1	-5.5
4751	Retail sale of textiles in specialized stores	2,624	1,869	1,789	1,564	-31.8	-16.3	-28.8	-12.6
4752	Retail sale of hardware, paints and glass in specialized stores	31,471	25,366	24,470	29,594	-22.2	16.7	-19.4	20.9
4753	Retail sale of carpets, rugs, wall and floor coverings in specialized stores	1,358	706	836	364	-38.4	-48.4	-48.0	-56.5
4754	Retail sale of electrical household appliances in specialized stores	69,241	54,688	63,009	47,934	-9.0	-12.4	-21.0	-23.9
4759	Retail sale of furniture, lighting equipment and other household articles in specialized stores	30,739	20,105	20,833	20,110	-32.2	0.0	-34.6	-3.5

Table 2: Turnover for the total of enterprises obliged to double-entry accounting bookkeeping in all classes of the retail trade divisions (divisions 45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification) (continue)

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY		TURNOVER (in thousand €)				Annual Rate of Change (%) 2021/2020		Monthly Rate of Change (%) March / February	
Code NACE Rev.2	Description	February 2020	March 2020	February 2021	March 2021	February	March	2020	2021
4761	Retail sale of books in specialized stores	4,812	3,199	3,932	3,576	-18.3	11.8	-33.5	-9.1
4762	Retail sale of newspapers and stationery in specialized stores	1,243	1,227	1,174	1,410	-5.6	14.9	-1.3	20.1
4763	Retail sale of music and video recordings in specialized stores	75	28	11	10	-85.3	-64.3	-62.7	-9.1
4764	Retail sale of sporting equipment in specialized stores	26,106	15,718	22,746	20,318	-12.9	29.3	-39.8	-10.7
4765	Retail sale of games and toys in specialized stores	59,657	26,715	32,083	27,754	-46.2	3.9	-55.2	-13.5
4771	Retail sale of clothing in specialized stores	124,026	47,796	61,853	47,665	-50.1	-0.3	-61.5	-22.9
4772	Retail sale of footwear and leather goods in specialized stores	17,093	8,095	8,721	7,362	-49.0	-9.1	-52.6	-15.6
4773	Dispensing chemist in specialized stores	28,390	31,121	30,461	35,762	7.3	14.9	9.6	17.4
4774	Retail sale of medical and orthopaedic goods in specialized stores	2,357	2,688	2,577	2,942	9.3	9.4	14.0	14.2
4775	Retail sale of cosmetic and toilet articles in specialized stores	48,645	37,637	22,374	20,132	-54.0	-46.5	-22.6	-10.0
4776	Retail sale of flowers, plants, seeds, fertilizers, pet animals and pet food in specialized stores	9,259	10,951	10,837	12,806	17.0	16.9	18.3	18.2
4777	Retail sale of watches and jewelry in specialized stores	10,543	6,545	6,883	6,853	-34.7	4.7	-37.9	-0.4
4778	Other retail sale of new goods in specialized stores	13,801	10,072	10,636	10,209	-22.9	1.4	-27.0	-4.0
4779	Retail sale of second-hand goods in stores	201	76	34	74	-83.1	-2.6	-62.2	117.6
4781	Retail sale via stalls and markets of food, beverages and tobacco products	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
4782	Retail sale via stalls and markets of textiles, clothing and footwear	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
4789	Retail sale via stalls and markets of other goods	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
4791	Retail sale via mail order houses or via Internet	27,357	24,286	39,899	40,450	45.8	66.6	-11.2	1.4
4799	Other retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets	1,684	1,383	1,507	1,613	-10.5	16.6	-17.9	7.0
Total		2,392,348	2,129,721	2,125,793	2,322,721	-11.1	9.1	-11.0	9.3

Notes:

The table and the total include the turnover of the economic class "4531: Wholesale trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories", given that several enterprises classified in this class have as secondary activity retail trade and in order to present all classes of division "45: Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles".

(*) Data are not published due to statistical confidentiality reasons and regarding the protection of the identity of the reporting enterprises.

Table 3: Quarterly turnover for the 5 biggest enterprises in the 10 largest classes of retail trade divisions (divisions 45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification)

ECONOMIC ACTIVITY		TURNOVER (in thousand €)				Annual Rate of Change (%)		Quarterly Rate of Change (%)	
Code NACE Rev.2	Description	4 th Quarter 2019	1 st Quarter 2020	4 th Quarter 2020	1 st Quarter 2021	4 th Quarter 2020/2019	1 st Quarter 2021/2020	1 st Quarter 2020/ 4 th Quarter 2019	1 st Quarter 2021 / 4 th Quarter 2020
4511	Sale of cars and light motor vehicles	345,391	317,995	339,889	363,457	-1.6	14.3	-7.9	6.9
4520	Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	62,169	53,310	59,427	64,799	-4.4	21.6	-14.2	9.0
4531	Wholesale trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories	65,096	51,141	61,931	54,824	-4.9	7.2	-21.4	-11.5
4711	Retail sale in non-specialized stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating	2,417,677	2,269,863	2,655,554	2,226,781	9.8	-1.9	-6.1	-16.1
4719	Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	135,183	88,904	72,948	52,102	-46.0	-41.4	-34.2	-28.6
4730	Retail sale of automotive fuel in specialized stores	453,036	393,267	314,485	300,854	-30.6	-23.5	-13.2	-4.3
4752	Retail sale of hardware, paints and glass in specialized stores	57,548	35,581	42,728	26,604	-25.8	-25.2	-38.2	-37.7
4754	Retail sale of electrical household appliances in specialized stores	259,280	157,824	179,851**	124,667**	-30.6	-21.0	-39.1	-30.7
4771	Retail sale of clothing in specialized stores	245,270	124,958	100,530	68,639	-59.0	-45.1	-49.1	-31.7
4773	Dispensing chemist in specialized stores	14,987	15,853	17,205	16,026	14.8	1.1	5.8	-6.9

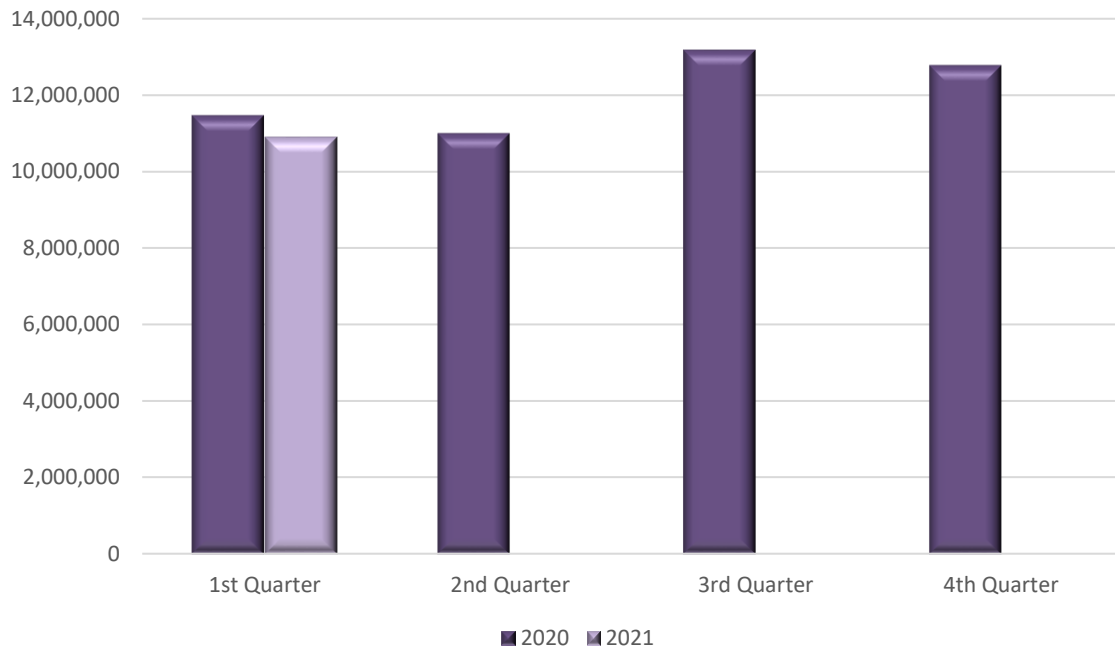
(**) Quarterly data are available for less than the 5 biggest enterprises

Table 4: Monthly turnover for the 5 biggest enterprises in the 10 largest classes of retail trade divisions (divisions 45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification)

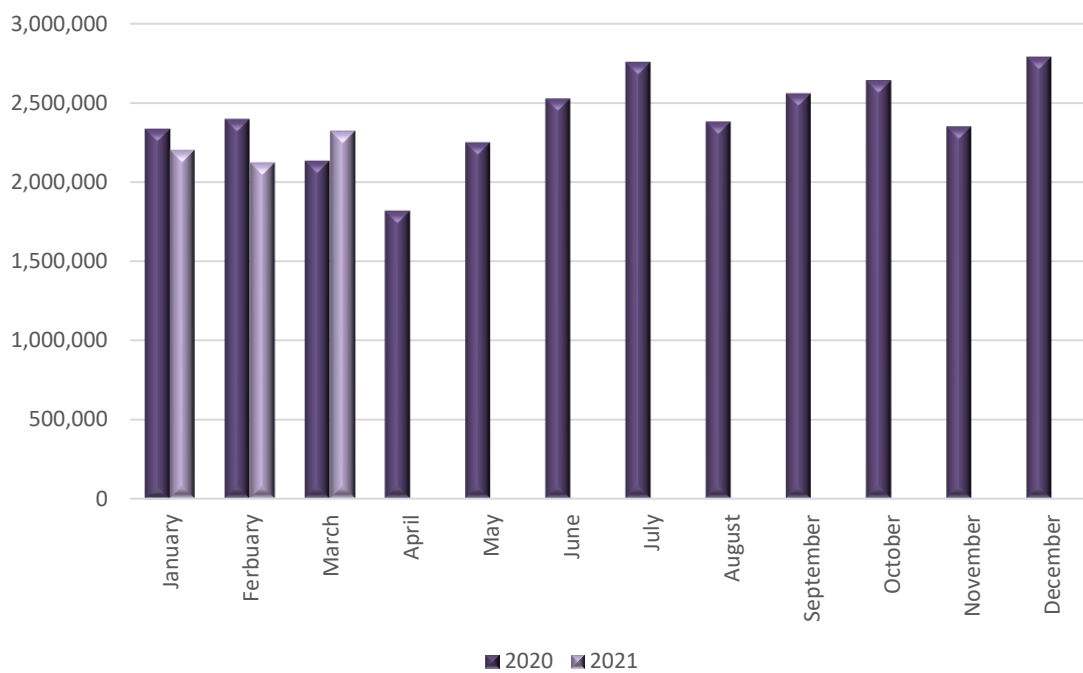
ECONOMIC ACTIVITY		TURNOVER (in thousand €)				Annual Rate of Change (%) 2021/2020		Monthly Rate of Change (%) March / February	
Code NACE Rev.2	Description	February 2020	March 2020	February 2021	March 2021	February	March	2020	2021
4511	Sale of cars and light motor vehicles	116,287	78,628	109,308	134,955	-6.0	71.6	-32.4	23.5
4520	Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	19,042	14,801	21,909	23,467	15.1	58.6	-22.3	7.1
4531	Wholesale trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories	17,126	14,380	17,469	20,332	2.0	41.4	-16.0	16.4
4711	Retail sale in non-specialized stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating	758,056	860,115	728,254	799,821	-3.9	-7.0	13.5	9.8
4719	Other retail sale in non-specialized stores	32,513	20,909	15,584	13,946	-52.1	-33.3	-35.7	-10.5
4730	Retail sale of automotive fuel in specialized stores	139,752	104,152	97,899	105,912	-29.9	1.7	-25.5	8.2
4752	Retail sale of hardware, paints and glass in specialized stores	13,883	8,962	7,664	8,478	-44.8	-5.4	-35.4	10.6
4754	Retail sale of electrical household appliances in specialized stores	53,125	41,866	42,453**	29,964**	-20.1	-28.4	-21.2	-29.4
4771	Retail sale of clothing in specialized stores	44,216	16,123	16,568	11,195	-62.5	-30.6	-63.5	-32.4
4773	Dispensing chemist in specialized stores	3,506**	4,342**	3,746**	4,535**	6.8	4.4	23.8	21.1

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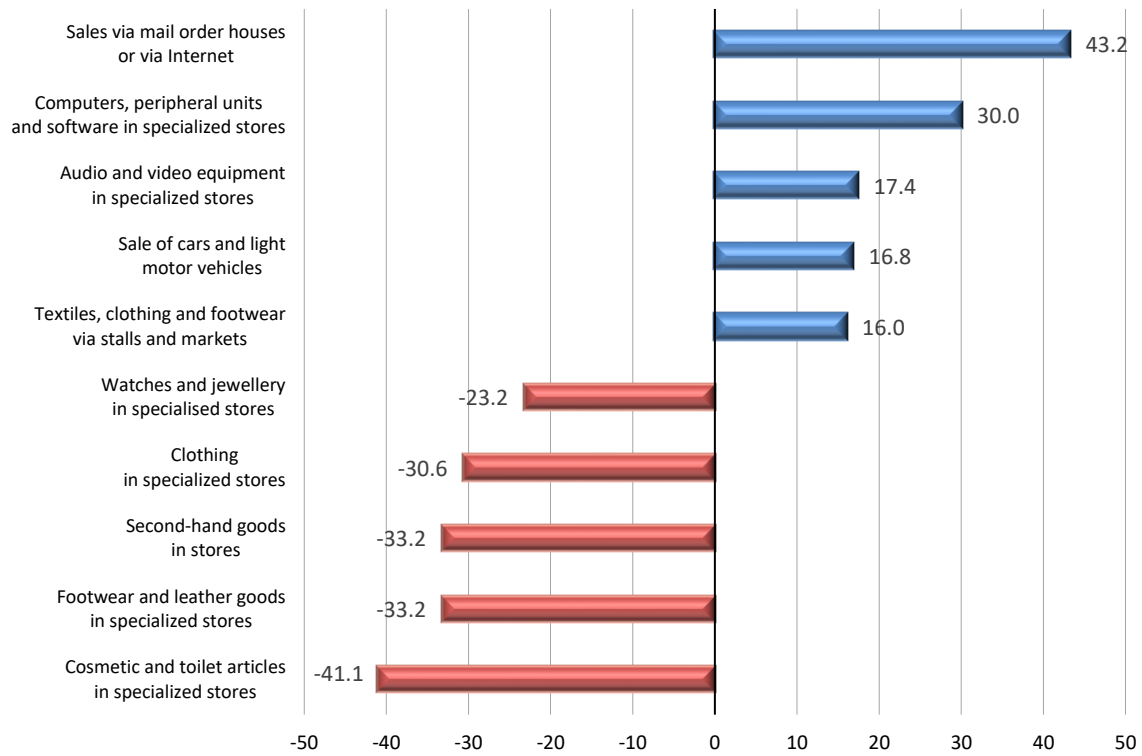
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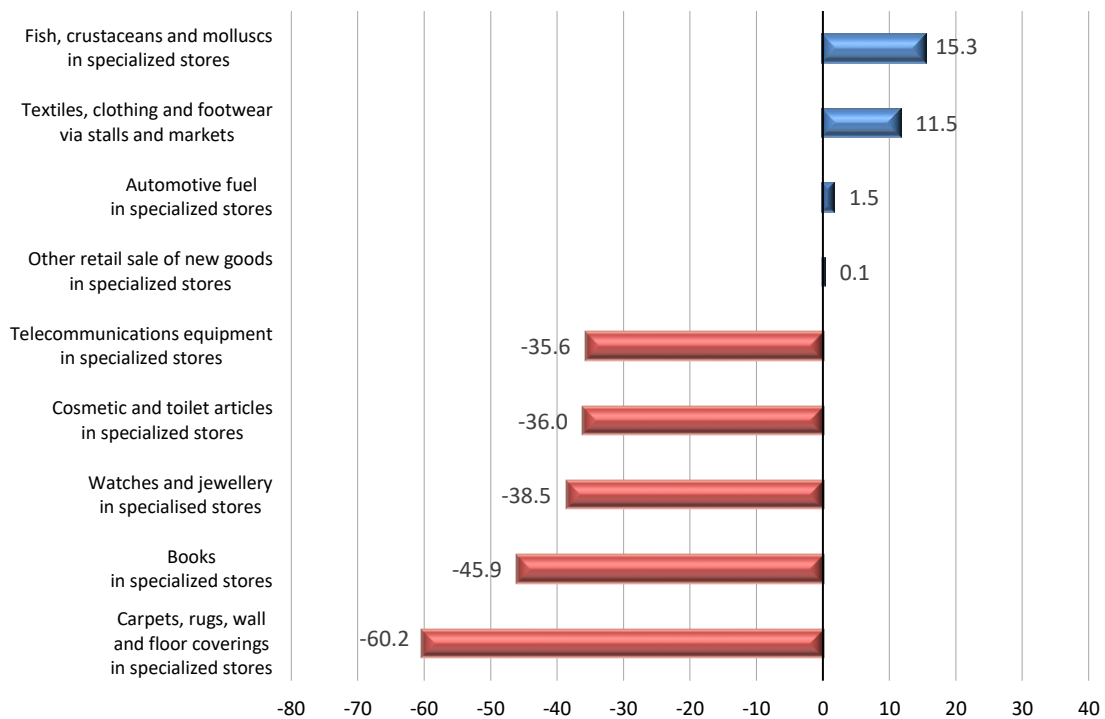
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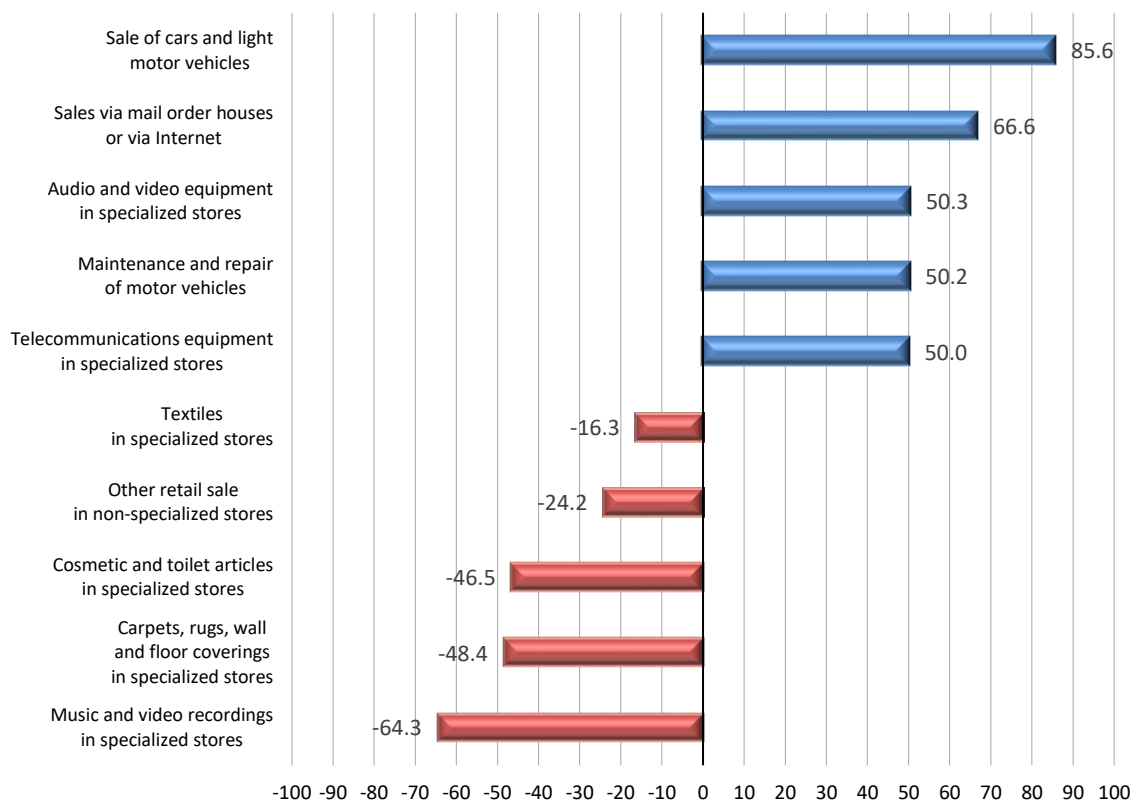
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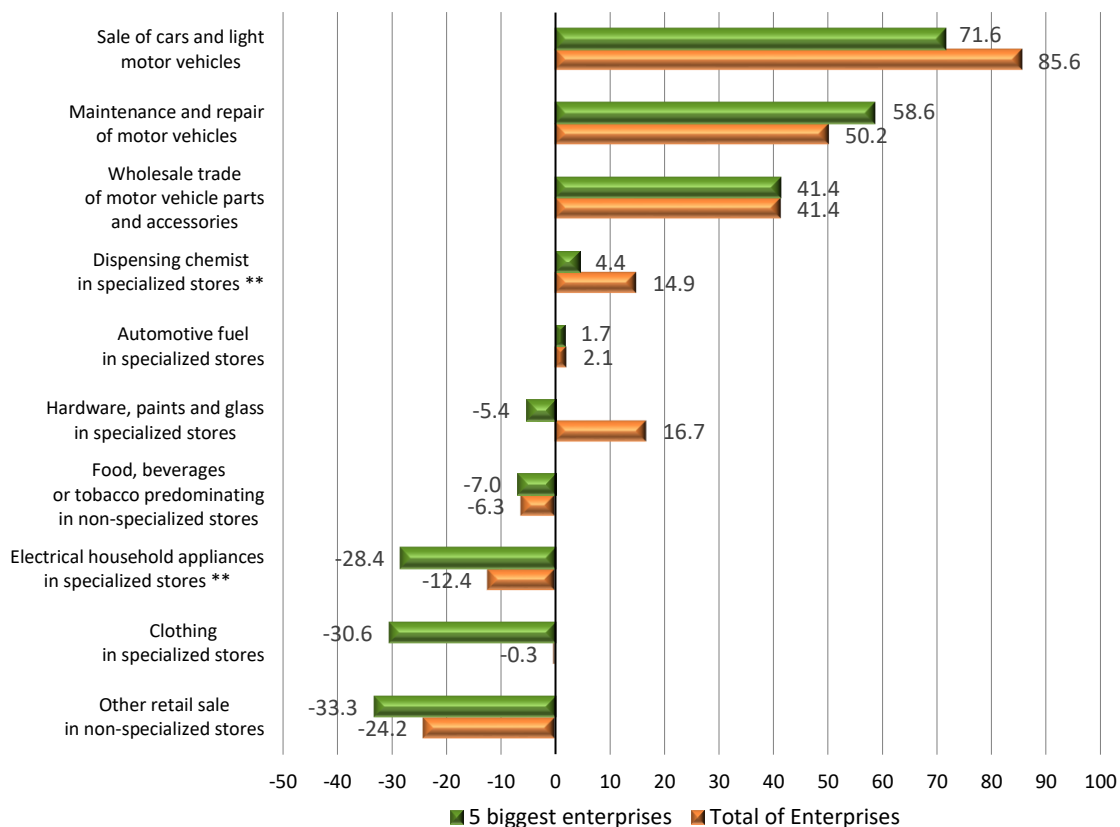
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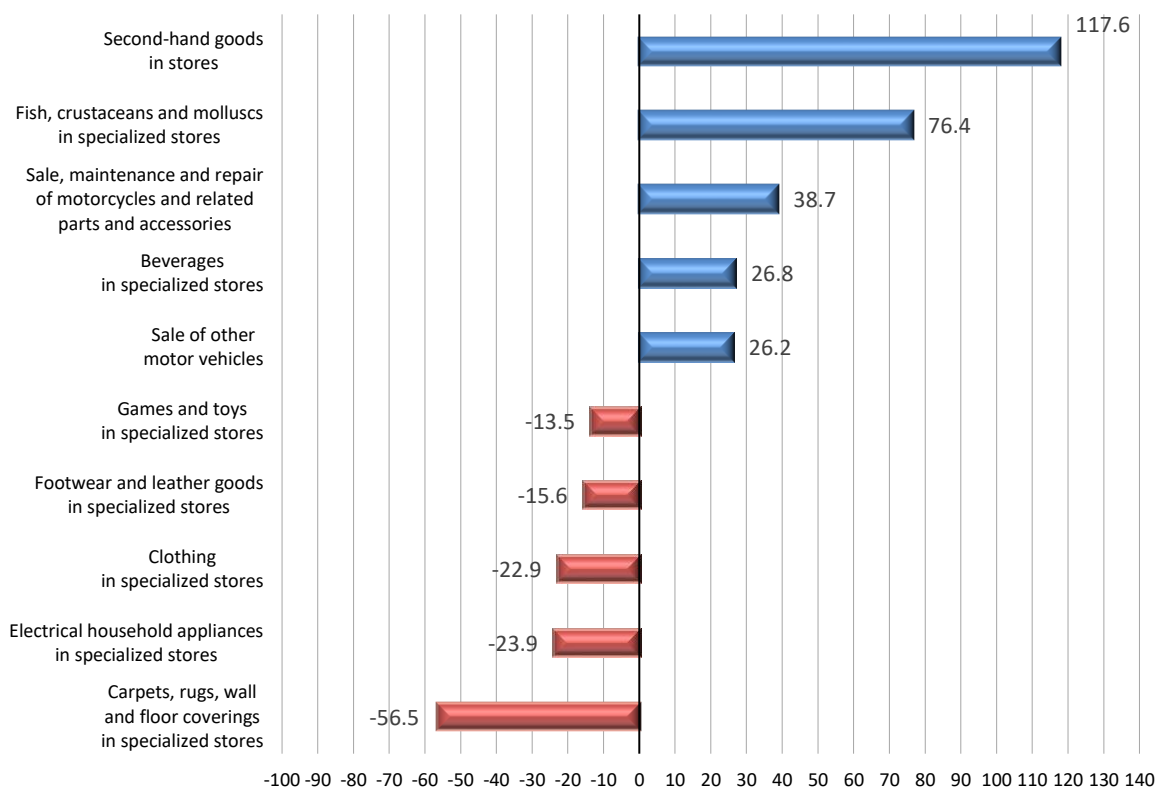


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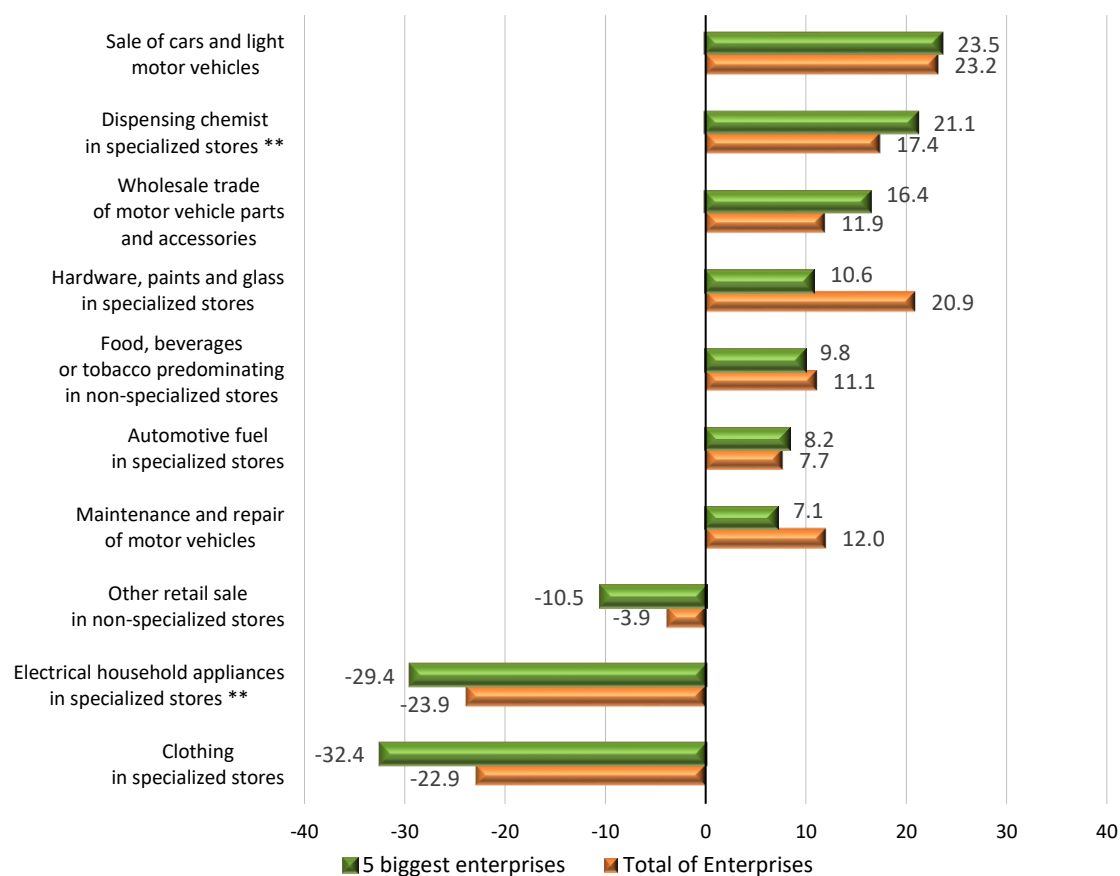


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Graph 7: Biggest changes (%) for the total of enterprises obliged to double-entry accounting bookkeeping in all classes of the retail trade divisions (divisions 45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification) March 2021 / February 2021



Graph 8: Changes (%) for the 5 biggest enterprises in the 10 largest classes of the retail trade divisions (divisions 45 and 47 of NACE Rev.2 classification) and corresponding changes for the total of enterprises of the same classes March 2021 / February 2021



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Generally The statistical data presented in this Press Release have been compiled on the basis of the linking and processing of primary data from the following sources:

- The final Statistical Business Register of ELSTAT, of the reference year 2018.
- Administrative transactions files (tax, etc.) of the reference years 2019, 2020 and 2021.

In particular, the following primary data have been used per source:

- Active enterprises, the economic activity class and the 5 biggest enterprises in the 10 largest classes of retail trade divisions in terms of turnover, according to the final Statistical Business Register of ELSTAT of the reference year 2018.
- Income data from administrative transactions files of the years 2019, 2020 and 2021.

Statistical classifications For the economic activities, the European statistical classification of economic activities [NACE Rev. 2](#) is used.

Reference Period March and 1st Quarter 2021.

Statistical unit The statistical unit is the legal unit (distinct VAT numbers).

Comparability The announced statistical data are comparable with the data of the final Statistical Business Register of ELSTAT, of the reference year 2018 (relevant link from the webpage of ELSTAT, where tables and information on the methodology applied are provided [Statistical Business Register](#)).

References The updated timeseries on the evolution of turnover for the period January 2019 - March 2021 (on monthly and quarterly level), which has been compiled on the basis of the new determination framework, will be available on 26 May 2021 under ELSTAT's website (www.statistics.gr) at the following link: <https://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/SBR04/>