

Special points of interest:

* The Index of Retail Sales is a measure of consumer confidence
* The All Sections Index for 2nd quarter 2022 is 265.3 an increase of $3.9 \%$ over the index for the previous quarter.
* The volume of retail sales in the 1st quarter 2022 decreased by 2.4\%.

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## INDEX OF RETAIL SALES 2ND QUARTER 2022

The All Sections Index of Retail Sales increased by 3.9\% from 255.3 in the 1 st quarter 2022 to 265.3 in the 2nd quarter 2022.
This increase was directly attributable to increases observed in:

- Textiles and Wearing Apparel : 36.8\%
- Petrol Filling Stations: 23.4\%
- Other: 8.6\%
- Household Appliances, Furniture and other Furnishings: 8.0\%
- Supermarkets and Groceries: 5.1\%
- Motor Vehicles and Parts: $1.6 \%$

When a year on year analysis is undertaken, the All Sections Index increased by $21.8 \%$ from 217.9 in 2 nd quarter 2021. The Sections that contributed to this increase were:

- Household Appliances, Furniture and other Furnishings: 127.5\%
- Motor Vehicles and Parts: 121.9\%
- Textiles and Wearing Apparel : 89.2\%
- Construction Materials and Hardware: 57.5\%
- Petrol Filling Stations: 55.9\%
- Other: 38.9\%
- Dry Goods: $1.6 \%$

Offsetting these increases were decreased sales in Supermarkets and Groceries 7.50\%.

When the All Sections Index of the Retail Sales is deflated by the All Items Index of Retail Prices, the volume of sales by retail establishments increased by $2.4 \%$ between 1st quarter 2022 and 2nd quarter 2022 as compared with $15.1 \%$ decrease over the same period a year earlier.

## What is the Index of Retail Sales?

The Index of Retail Sales is a quarterly measure of the value of goods sold by retailers based on a sampling of retail stores of different types and sizes.

It is an important indicator of movements in retail trade and is computed using the total receipts of a sample of retail establishments. It is therefore, essentially a value index.

The series may be used, within limitations, to estimate the quarterly consumer expenditure and, when deflated by the Retail Price Index, can be a useful tool to monitor the volume of retail sales.

Comparison of the movement in the Index of Retail Sales, the Retail Price Index and the Valume Index


## INDEX OF RETAIL SALES

(Base Period: Average of 4 quarters $2000=100$ )

## 2nd Quarter 2022

| Industry | Weight | 2021 <br> Qtr 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 2021 \\ & \text { Qtr } 2 \end{aligned}$ | 2021 Qtr 3 | 2021 Qtr 4r | 2022 Qtr 1r | 2022 Qtr 2 | Annual Average 2020 | Annual Average 2021 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dry Goods Stores | 76 | 827.0 | 759.7 | 888.7 | 1240.8 | 808.0 | 771.6 | 1075.4 | 929.0 |
| Supermarkets \& Groceries | 279 | 308.2 | 325.5 | 301.9 | 325.0 | 286.7 | 301.3 | 336.2 | 315.2 |
| Construction Materials \& Hardware | 130 | 138.7 | 97.5 | 141.0 | 148.1 | 159.5 | 153.5 | 119.5 | 131.3 |
| Household Appliances, Furniture \& other | 79 | 178.3 | 79.9 | 172.3 | 357.3 | 168.4 | 181.8 | 266.1 | 197.0 |
| Furnishings |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Textiles \& Wearing | 43 | 40.4 | 32.6 | 40.1 | 80.6 | 45.1 | 61.6 | 46.1 | 48.4 |
| Apparel |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Motor Vehicles \& Parts | 173 | 186.2 | 99.7 | 244.2 | 237.3 | 217.8 | 221.3 | 207.4 | 191.8 |
| Petrol Filling Stations | 99 | 244.5 | 200.5 | 232.9 | 257.4 | 253.2 | 312.5 | 242.9 | 233.8 |
| Other | 121 | 130.7 | 97.9 | 157.2 | 152.3 | 125.2 | 136.0 | 127.9 | 134.5 |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pharmaceuticals \& | 61 | 92.6 | 95.9 | 83.8 | 95.1 | 87.6 | 95.5 | 91.7 | 91.8 |
| Cosmetics |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Books \& Stationery | 24 | 137.4 | 78.5 | 307.0 | 197.5 | 124.3 | 164.8 | 155.4 | 180.1 |
| Jewellery | 6 | 13.8 | 4.3 | 11.1 | 32.0 | 18.9 | 19.5 | 23.1 | 15.3 |
| Miscellaneous | 30 | 226.3 | 136.2 | 215.8 | 256.6 | 223.5 | 218.5 | 200.6 | 208.7 |
| ALL SECTION INDEX | 1000 | 254.9 | 217.9 | 269.8 | 320.9 | 255.3 | 265.3 | 289.5 | 265.9 |

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Differences in totals may be due to rounding

