

Turnover in retail trade at the end of May 2023

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Manufactured goods sales picked up slightly in May

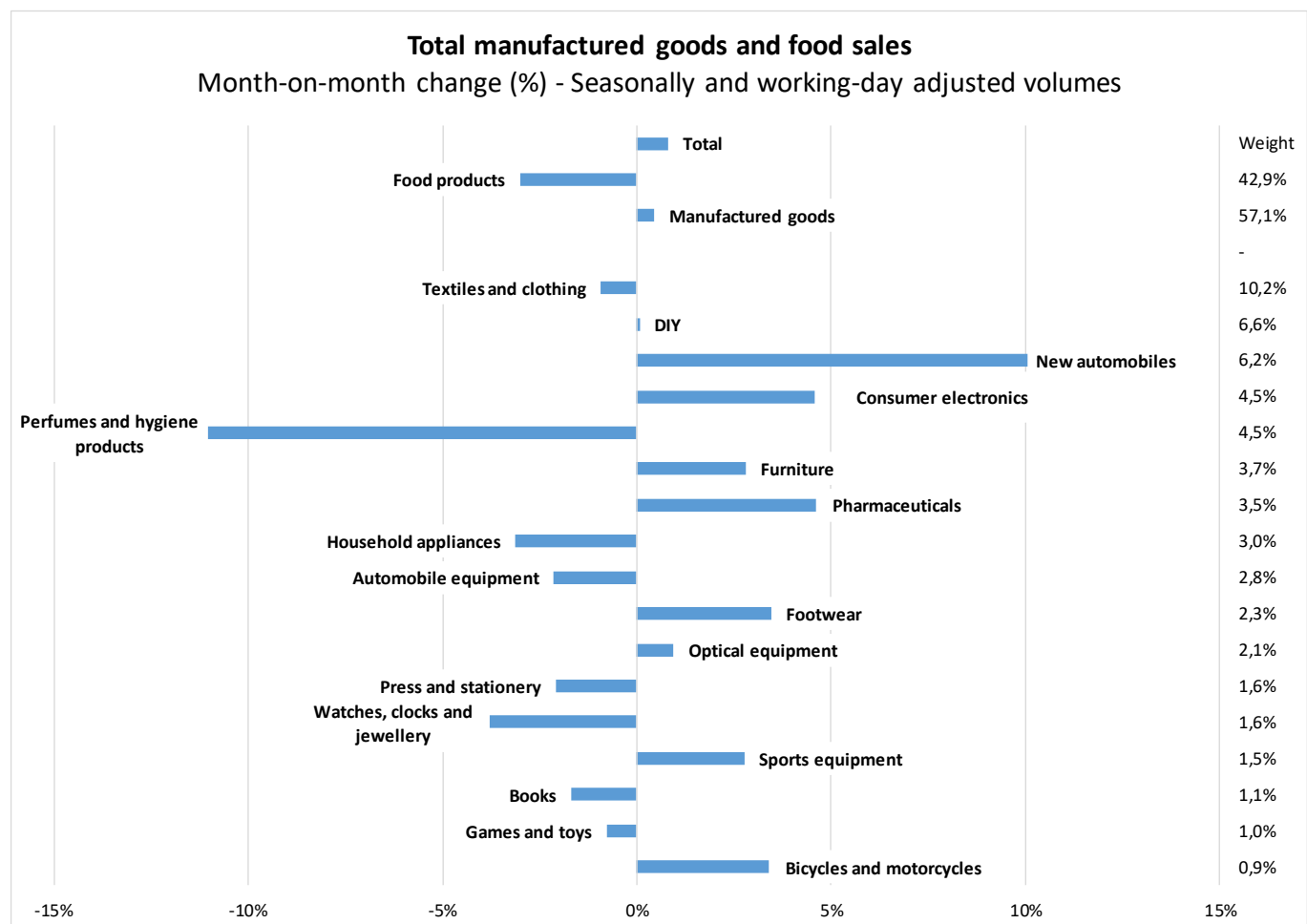
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In May, sales of manufactured goods edged up by 0.4% (after -2.1% in April), with contrasting trends across sub-sectors: new car sales surged by 10.0% (after -2.9%), pharmaceuticals rose by 4.6% (after -0.3%) and consumer electronics by 4.5% (after -5.6%), while perfumes and toilet preparations fell by 12.1% (after increasing by 0.2%), watches and jewellery by 4.0% (after -0.3%), and household appliances were down sharply.

Food sales continued to decline, by 3.0% compared with April.

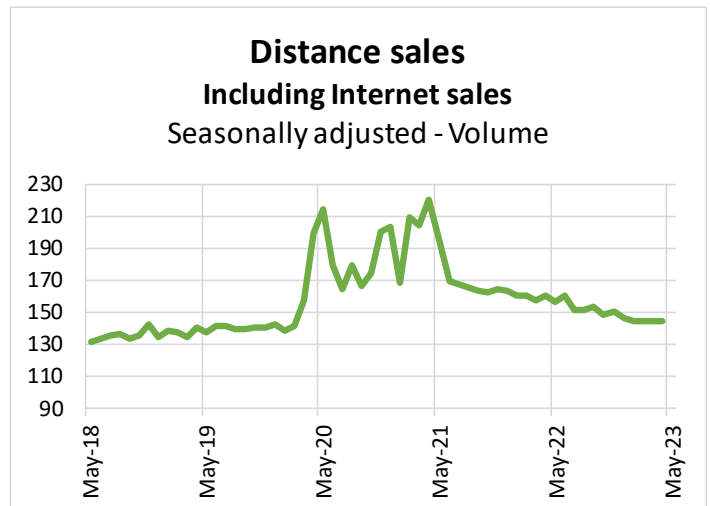
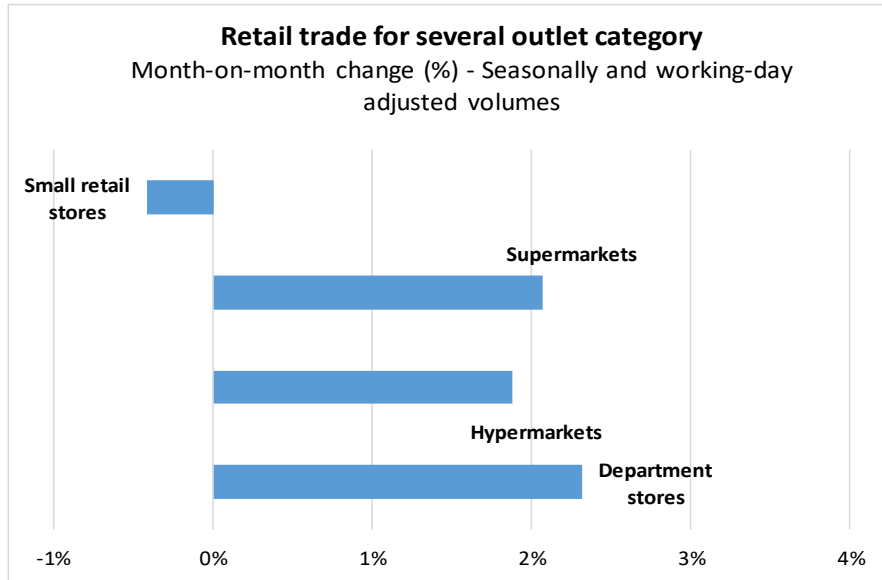
In terms of distribution channels, sales of department shops, hypermarkets and supermarkets all rose by around 2% compared with April. Only sales of small retailers were down slightly (-0.4% compared with April).

Three-month-on-three-month, overall turnover in retail trade was stable (+0.0%), with an increase in manufactured goods sales (0.3%) and a fall in food sales (-0.8%).



Notes :

- 1) Sectors are classified according to the relative weight of the products included in the total aggregate of retail trade (weights are given on the right scale)
- 2) 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.



Source: FEVAD and Banque de France

Provisional data as of the 8th working day following the month under review.

Notes:

- 1) The Fevad and the Banque de France work together to publish the e-commerce figures for France (excluding food). The last published figure covers April 2023. The actual figure for May will be published as soon as it is available.
- 2) 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.

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