

# **Retail sales premises**

## **1. Purpose and economic importance**

The survey is annual and provides information for the number, type, form of organization and commodity specialization of the retail sales premises.

The information allows to trace the trends in the development of the market infrastructure, which reflects the qualitative changes in the offering process of goods and commercial services. The data can be used for examination of the structural changes and the concentration of the sales premises by type and territorial location.

## **2. Indicator definition and information sources**

Number of retail sales premises - includes all premises in the stationary and non-stationary trade network. The premises are observed by an established nomenclature for their type and their commodity specialization. The premise is specialized, if there is a commodity group forming more than 1/3 of the sales volume.

The data are collected from the non-financial enterprises, compiling balance sheets, by annual report - long form and from the enterprises, non-compiling balance sheets - short annual report. In the both reports the forms for the retail sales premises are the same and they are integral part of them.

## **3. Survey coverage, model and volume of the sample**

The survey is exhaustive and covers all enterprises, which have realized retail sales in managed by them sales premises (constantly acting, seasonal or at repair till a month), no matter of their branch classification by NACE.BG 2008.

## **4. Calculation of the indicator**

The number of the retail sales premises is calculated as a sum of the processed data of the long and short annual reports of the non-financial enterprises for each cell of the nomenclature of the relevant aggregation level.

## **5. Non-response valuation**

The survey is exhaustive and all enterprises are obligated by Law on Statistics to submit an annual report for their activity. If for an enterprise is known, that it is active, but for various reasons, has not presented such a report, the data for that enterprise are determined on the base of the existing information and are added to the aggregated data for all levels of aggregation, which are concerned.

## **6. Dissemination of information**

Data for the number of the retail sales premises by type and commodity specialization are published on the NSI website and in the Statistical yearbook of Republic of Bulgaria.

The data are provided to Eurostat in the type and terms, defined in Regulation (EC) 295/2008.