

### **Explanatory methodological note for the ESTAT news release on retail trade (3.8.2017)**

Compared to the previous index releases, the retail trade turnover index for Luxembourg has been largely revised in July 2017.

- The first revision concerns a large multinational enterprise formerly classified in NACE 47.91 (Retail sale via mail order houses or via internet). It restructured its activities in Luxembourg from August 2015 onwards, and it is considered to have its main activity in NACE 70.10 (Activities of head offices). Therefore, the merchandise sold in other countries is no longer reported by this Luxembourg enterprise, but as a counterpart directly by national entities in the importing countries. This revision concerns **August 2015** and the subsequent months.
- A second revision concerns another important enterprise, also classified in NACE 47.91 that has ceased its commercial activity in Luxembourg. The turnover estimates have been revised for **October 2016** and the subsequent months.

Other statistics, such as the different business statistics, the balance of payments and National accounts are also affected by these revisions.

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