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Turnover of Austrian retail trade decreased by 12.9% in March 2020; -29.0% in the non-food area

Vienna, 2020-05-06 – In March 2020, the turnover of Austrian retail trade decreased by 12.9% in nominal terms and by 13.7% in real terms compared to March 2019, according to preliminary calculations by Statistics Austria. The main reason for this decline is the closure of a large part of the shops due to measures to contain the corona pandemic. In the non-food sector, which was particularly affected, the minus was 29.0% (nominal).

In the first quarter of 2020, turnover decreased by 1.5% in nominal terms and sales decreased by 2.7%.

Results were calculated by Statistics Austria, Short Term Statistics Trade.

For more detailed information please refer to the [German version](#).