

Change of the base period and the classification according to activity units

Together with the publication of the data for January 2024, the Statistical Office of the SR applied changes to the methodology bringing improvements to the **short-term monthly sectoral statistics** resulting from European legislation – transition to a new base period (from 2015 to 2021) and application of the concept of activity units of the enterprise for selected indicators (the selected indicators are not automatically classified according to the main activity of the entire enterprise, but according to which activities of the enterprise they come from).

In **internal trade**, these changes affected the **retail sector, repair of motor vehicles (except sales), wholesale, food and beverage service activities, as well as accommodation**. It specifically concerns the following indicators:

- ✓ **turnover** (year-on-year indices at constant prices / month-on-month and quarterly; month-on-month indices; absolute values / quarterly)
- ✓ **employment** (year-on-year indices; absolute values / quarterly)
- ✓ **wages** (absolute values / quarterly; year-on-year indices)

The changes were reflected in the modification of indicators in the entire time series in all affected data cubes in the public DATAcube. database. (including data for this informative report) in chapter [4.6 Trade and catering services](#). The original data before the change is archived in chapter [4.6.1. Historical data](#).