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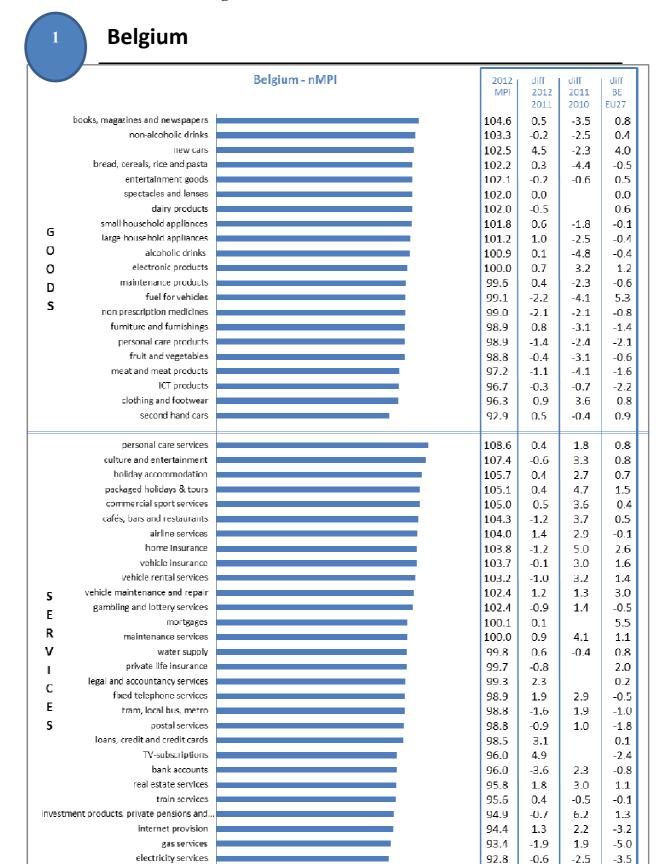
### **COMMISSION STAFF WORKING DOCUMENT**

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### Annex II — National rankings of markets

mobile telephone services



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### **Overall Performance**

Overall, Belgian consumers are slightly more positive in their assessment of market performance than the EU27 average, and the country's overall score has risen from 17th place in 2011 to 11th place this year, bringing Belgium back into line with its 2010 position of 10th.

For the goods market, the ranking of the bottom three markets has shifted slightly but the markets that were lowest in 2011 are still at the bottom in 2012. The ranking in 2012 is similar to the ranking of EU27. Some clear shifts in the top 3 of 2012 can be distinguished. The market for new cars has entered the top 3, while in 2011 it was ranked at 18. This market is performing particularly well in Belgium this year with an increase of 4.5 points in the nMPI score compared to 2011 and a ranking of 12 places higher than in the EU27 ranking. At the beginning of 2012 car dealers reacted with special offers to measures taken by the Belgian federal government cutting incentives on green cars and reforming the company cars regulations. This could be a possible explanation for the rise in the nMPI score in this market.

The ranking of the service markets stayed more or less close to their position in 2011. Only a few differences with 2011 can be noted. The markets for loans, credit and credit cards and bank accounts have decreased with respectively 3.1 and 3.6 points in the nMPI score. The market for TV subscriptions, however, has increased by 4.9 points. The markets for electricity and gas have entered the bottom 3. The standstill on energy prices until December 2012 decided by the government at the beginning of the year and the trial of strength that followed with the Belgian market's largest operators could have had an influence on this result.

In comparison with the EU27 results, the assessment of the markets for gas services and postal services is more negative. These markets rank 13 and 11 places lower respectively. The assessment of the market for mortgages is above the EU27 average. The banking crisis did not hit the Belgian market as fiercely as other EU countries and it is still relatively easy for Belgian consumers to get a mortgage. This could explain the difference in this particular market. Furthermore, the market for maintenance services also ranks higher in Belgium than in the EU27 ranking. The specific system developed in Belgium, with subsidised jobs in this sector allowing Belgian families to hire maintenance services at a low price, could be one reason for the high performance of this market in Belgium.



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		Bulgaria - nMPI	2012 MPI	diff 2012	diff 2011	diff BG
			IVIFI	2012	2011	EU27
	books, magazines and newspapers		108.8	0.2	-2.6	5.1
	spectacles and lenses		104.4	-1.5	2.0	2.4
	non-alcoholic drinks		103.3	0.5	-2.8	0.5
	large household appliances		103.1	-0.7	1.6	1.5
	furniture and furnishings		103.0	0.8	0.0	2.7
	electronic products		102.8	1.3	2.7	1.7
	entertainment goods		102.8	1.1	5.0	1.7
	personal care products		102.6	0.1	-2.0	1.6
G	small household appliances		102.0	1.3	0.5	0.2
0	non prescription medicines		101.9	1.3 -1.3	-0.4	2.0
	maintenance products					
0	alcoholic drinks		101.2	-0.1	3.4	1.0
D			101.0	0.4	-0.5	-0.2
S	new cars		100.5	2.0	-1.9	2.0
	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		100.3	1.4	-3.3	-2.3
	ICT products		100.1	1.9	0.1	1.2
	fruit and vegetables		96.6	1.6	-2.9	-2.8
	dairy products		95.5	-1.3	_	-6.0
	clothing and footwear		93.5	-2.0	3.2	-3.7
	meat and meat products		93.4	-0.2	-1.1	-5.4
	second hand cars		92.0	-0.1	3.0	0.0
	fuel for vehicles		91.2	-1.4	-7.3	-2.7
	personal care services		109.7	-1.7	-0.3	2.0
	airline services		109.6	-1.8	2.8	5.5
	postal services		108.6	0.4	0.1	8.1
	culture and entertainment		107.0	-3.7	4.5	0.4
	commercial sport services		105.9	-0.7	2.9	1.5
	holiday accommodation		105.5	0.7	1.7	0.4
	home insurance		103.6	1.6	-1.3	2.5
	TV-subscriptions		103.3	5.9		4.9
	vehicle rental services		102.8	0.7	3.3	1.0
	packaged holidays & tours		102.7	-1.6	3.5	-0.9
_	internet provision		102.6	2.6	-0.9	5.0
5	vehicle insurance		102.5	0.1	0.9	0.4
E	cafés, bars and restaurants		102.1	-0.8	1.1	-1.8
R	bank accounts		101./	-0.6 -0.4	-0.1	-1.6 4.9
v	legal and accountancy services		100.9	0.5	0.1	1.8
•	fixed telephone services		100.9	2.0	2.4	1.4
I	private life insurance		100.8	-0.8	£. <del>-,</del>	2.9
C	gambling and lottery services		99.7	-u.o 1.3	-0.4	-3.2
E	gas services		99.7			
S	gas services maintenance services			-2.1	-1.9	0.9
3			98.9	-1.2	4.1	0.0
	tram, local bus, metro		98.4	0.0	0.1	-1.5
	loans, credit and credit cards		98.1	2.0		-0.3
	vehicle maintenance and repair		96.2	0.6	3.5	-3.3
investn	nent products, private pensions and		94.9	2.6	2.4	1.3
	train services		94.3	2.3	2.9	1.4
	water supply		92.8	-1.6	0.2	-6.1
	mobile telephone services		91.8	-0.4	-10.5	-5.3
	real estate services		91.3	-0.7	2.6	-3.4
	mortgages		87.4	-0.5		-7.2
	electricity services		85.8	0.7	-2.5	-10.6



## **Bulgaria**

#### **Overall Performance**

Market performance in Bulgaria is evaluated as the poorest of all EU countries. The market performance evaluation, however, largely corroborates last years' results.

The ranking of the goods market in 2012 remained similar to 2011. In comparison to the EU27 level, two fast-moving goods markets stand out. The markets for bread, cereals, rice and pasta and for dairy products performed least well in comparison to the EU27 results.

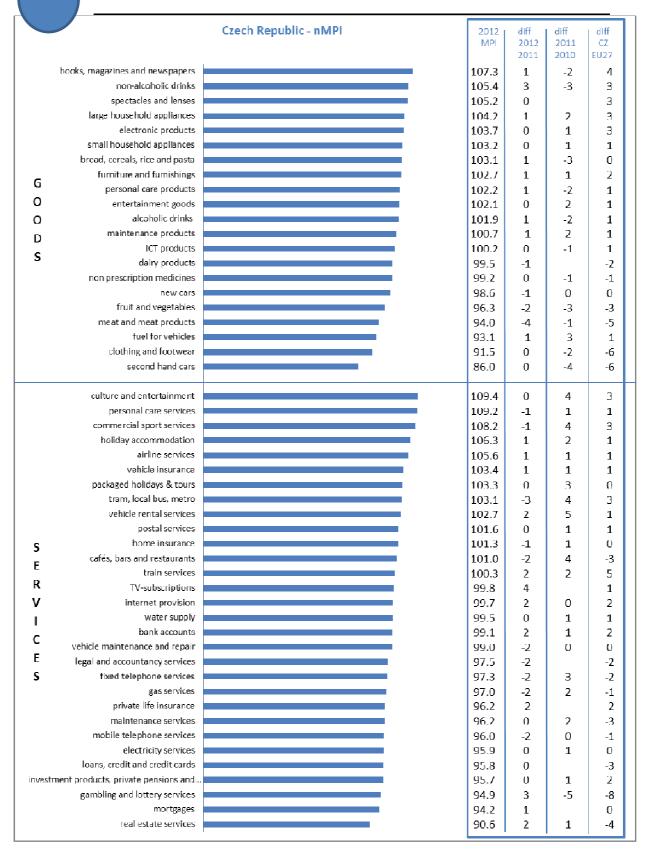
In the ranking for service markets, one market stands out in comparison to last year. TV subscriptions have increased by 13 places. The nMPI has also increased by 5.9 points. An increase in variety and attractive offers could be the cause of the improved evaluation in this market. Conversely, the market for culture and entertainment services performs worse than in 2011, with a decrease of 3.7 points.

Two markets (TV subscriptions and internet provision) show a difference of 14 places compared to EU27 and are assessed more positively in Bulgaria, with nMPI scores that are higher than EU27 by 5.6 and 5.3 points respectively. The markets for airline and postal services also have a higher nMPI than EU27, respectively by 5.1 and 6.2 points. Four markets are assessed more negatively in Bulgaria than in EU27: water supply (nMPI difference of 5.6 points), mobile telephone services (nMPI difference of 5.9 points), mortgages (nMPI difference of 6.7 points) and electricity services (nMPI difference of 9.4 points).

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## **Czech Republic**





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### **Overall Performance**

The overall assessment of market performance in the Czech Republic is below the EU27 average and has declined sharply in the past 2 years, from being the second highest in 2010, to 12th in 2011 and 22nd in 2012.

The top 3 and bottom 3 ranked goods and services markets in the Czech Republic are very similar to the EU27 average, with the notable exception of gambling and lottery services, which were rated 28th in the Czech Republic but 11th at the EU27 level. However, the rating of gambling and lottery services in the Czech Republic has increased by 3.1 points in the past year, as the main lottery service provider, Sazka, gradually recovers from the financial difficulties that caused it to have such a low score in 2011.

In terms of goods, there have been few changes since 2011. The biggest improvement has been for the non-alcoholic drinks sector, which increased its score by 3.0, moving up 5 places in the ranking. The rating for meat and meat products has fallen by 3.5 points since 2011, perhaps as a result of rising meat prices in the Czech Republic.

Among service markets, the rating of TV subscriptions in the Czech Republic increased by 3.6 and rose by 9 places to 14th position, compared to 22nd an average at the EU27 level. Another service market which is performing well in the Czech Republic is Internet provision, with a ranking 10 places higher than EU27.

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# Denmark

		Denmark - nMPI	2012	diff	diff	diff
			MPI	2017 2011	2011 2010	DK EU27
	alla la como de cada				2010	
	dairy products alcoholic drinks		104.4	-1.2		2.9
			104.0	-0.2	-1.7	2.8
	books, magazines and newspapers		103.6	-2.2	-2.6	-0.1
	non-alcoholic drinks		102.9	-1.0	-1.7	0.1
	tuel tor vehicles		102.8	-1.3	-2.7	9.0
	entertainment goods		102.6	1.3	-0.3	1.0
	small household appliances		102.2	0.8	2.3	0.3
G	furniture and furnishings		102.2	1.5	-3.3	1.9
	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		102.1	-0.1	-1.3	-0.5
0	large household appliances		101.9	1.6	-2.6	0.3
0	spectacles and lenses		101.1	1.0		-1.0
D	non prescription medicines		100.6	-0.3	-0.6	0.8
_	maintenance products		100.2	0.9	-1.6	0.1
S	personal care products		99.9	0.6	0.9	1.1
	new cars		99.0	0.9	-3.1	0.5
	electronic products		98.4	0.9	-1.7	-2.7
	fruit and vegetables		97.6	-2.1	0.5	-1.8
	clothing and footwear		95.7	-2.6	-2.3	-1.5
	ICT products		95.1	1.6	-3.6	-3.8
	meat and meat products		94.2	-0.7	1.9	-4.6
	second hand cars		89.3	0.7	-1.9	-2.7
	culture and entertainment		109.4	0.3	1.8	2.8
	commercial sport services		107.5	-0.4	2.8	2.1
	holiday accommodation		105.0	0.8	0.3	0.9
	personal care services		105.7	-1.1	1.9	-2.0
	airline services		105.2	-1.2	3.9	1.0
	packaged holidays & tours		104.2	-0.6	4.5	0.5
	water supply		102.6	-1.7	3.0	3.7
	mortgages		102.5	0.4		7.9
	vehicle rental services		101.2	-1.0	1.9	-0.6
	vehicle maintenance and repair		101.2	2.7	-0.2	1.7
_	vehicle insurance		101.2	1.7	1.2	-0.9
S	gas services		101.1	-0.5	2.0	2.7
Ε	gas services cafés, bars and restaurants					
R			100.7	-3.1	3.2	-3.1
	home insurance		100.5	1.3	-0.1	-0.7
V	gambling and lottery services		99.5	0.2	-1.4	-3.3
ı	train services		99.6	-2.0	-1.8	3.9
С	maintenance services		99.3	3.2	0.6	0.4
E	tram, local bus, metro		99.0	-3.5	0.9	-0.9
	loans, credit and credit cards		98.9	-0.9		0.5
S	postal services		98.7	-0.9	-0.7	-1.8
	legal and accountancy services		98.7	-3.1		-0.4
	fixed telephone services		98.5	1.9	1./	-0.9
	private life insurance		98.4	0.6		0.7
	electricity services		98.1	0.4	1.9	1.8
	real estate services		97.2	0.8	1.8	2.5
	bank accounts		95.4	-0.6	3.7	-1.4
Invest	ment products, private pensions and		93.4	-0.2	3.9	-0.2
	internet provision		93.2	0.6	2.8	-4.4
	TV-subscriptions		91.8	4.3		-6.5
	mobile telephone services		91.4	4.1	1.8	-5.7
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## **Denmark**

### **Overall Performance**

Overall, the performance of the different markets in Denmark is evaluated as rather good with an overall score of 100.1. Denmark's assessment is ranked just above the EU27 mean for 2012.

As regards the goods markets, the top performers are dairy products, alcoholic drinks and books, magazines and newspapers. None of these markets deviates very far from EU27 and from 2011 rankings. A more extreme goods market in Denmark is that of fuel for vehicles. In most European countries this market is evaluated less well than in Denmark. The difference in the nMPI score between Denmark and EU27 is a remarkable 7.5, accompanied by a difference in ranking of 15 places.

From the assessment of the service markets it is clear that Danes give a positive evaluation to services that have to do with leisure. The markets for culture and entertainment, commercial sports services and holiday accommodation are at the top of the ranking. Here again the difference with EU27 and 2011 rankings is small. For the bottom service markets (TV-subscriptions and mobile telephone services) this difference is more substantial. For TV-subscriptions there is a 4.3 increase in the nMPI score between 2012 and 2011. However, this market is assessed less well in Denmark than in EU27 with a difference in the nMPI score of -5.9 and a difference in ranking of -7. Mobile telephone services show a similar pattern: a positive nMPI evolution of 4.1 and a negative nMPI of -6.3 compared to EU27. Other markets that are evaluated more negatively in Denmark than in other countries include bank account and postal services, which show a difference in ranking compared to EU27 of -10 and -11 respectively. Water supply, vehicle maintenance and repair, and mortgages are evaluated more positively than in the rest of Europe (difference in ranking of 11, 10 and 20).

Vehicle maintenance services and home maintenance services have improved the most since 2011 (difference in ranking of 11 places and +3.2 points in the nMPI score, respectively). The markets for tram, local bus and metro, and for cafés, bars and restaurants, as well as legal and accountancy services have seen the biggest deterioration in the nMPI score (-3.5 -3.1 and -3.1 respectively).

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		Gormany nMDI	2012	diff	ı diff	ı diff
		Germany - nMPI	MPI	2017	2011	DE
				2011	2010	EU27
	non-alcoholic drinks		101.9	-0.7	-2.2	-0.9
	small household appliances		101.8	1.8	-4.6	-0.1
	books, magazines and newspapers		101.5	1.0	7.1	2.2
	large household appliances		101.3	0.7	-3.6	-0.3
	dairy products		101.2	-1.9		-0.2
	entertainment goods		101.2	1.7	-1.5	-0.4
	spectacles and lenses		101.1	-0.6		-1.0
_	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		101.0	0.4	-2.6	-1.7
G	electronic products		101.0	0.9	-1.7	-0.2
0	personal care products		100.9	-0.2	-2.7	-0.1
О	meat and meat products		100.7	1.7	0.0	1.8
D	alcoholic drinks		100.5	1.9	2.0	0.8
	fruit and vegetables		100.2	0.6	0.0	0.8
S	furniture and furnishings		100.1	0.7	-1.5	-0.1
	clothing and footwear		100.1	-1.3	2.6	3.0
	non prescription medicines		99.7	0.7	-2.3	-0.1
	maintenance products		98.9	-0.4	-1.7	-1.2
	ICT products		98.7	1.0	-1.7	-0.2
	new cars		98.1	1.9	1.7	0.3
	second hand cars		95.2	-1.0	-0.7	3.2
	fuel for vehicles		94.8	-1.5	-4.0	1.0
	personal care services		104.4	0.7	-0.6	-3.3
	commercial sport services		103.1	-0.4	2.1	-2.3
	culture and entertainment		103.0	-1.7	-2.2	-3.6
	catés, bars and restaurants		102.5	0.5	0.2	-1.4
	airline services		102.1	-1.4	1.7	-2.1
	TV-subscriptions		102.0	2.4		3.6
	packaged holidays & tours		101.8	-0.2	1.9	-1.8
	vehicle insurance		101.1	-1.2	1.2	-1.0
	water supply		101.1	-1.3	2.1	2.1
	holiday accommodation		100.9	-0.6	-0.4	-4.2
S	gambling and lottery services		100.8	2.5	0.7	-2.2
Ε	tram, local bus, metro		100.5	-0.6	0.5	0.6
R	postal services		100.5	0.8	1.9	0.1
	loans, credit and credit cards		100.4	0.8		2.0
V	legal and accountancy services		100.3	-0.2		1.2
- 1	maintenance services		100.0	-0.8	2.5	1.1
С	bank accounts		99.9	0.1	1.7	3.1
E	vehicle rental services		99.8	-3.1	1.5	-2.1
	mobile telephone services		99.7	1.0	5.1	2.5
S	fixed telephone services		99.3	2.0	2.9	-0.1
	vehicle maintenance and repair		99.2	-0.3	0.0	-0.2
	internet provision		99.2	1.6	6.9	1.6
	home Insurance		99.1	-0.8	1.1	-2.1
	electricity services		98.9	0.4	0.5	2.5
	gas services		98.8	0.0	2.6	0.4
	mortgages		98.8	-2.8		4.2
	real estate services		98.6	0.6	2.8	3.9
	private life insurance		96.3	-1.4		-1.5
	train services		94.2	1.9	0.4	1.5
inves	trnent products, private pensions and		94.1	1.6	5.1	0.5



## Germany

### **Overall Performance**

The performance of the various markets is evaluated as very good in Germany, coming second overall in the European market ranking.

For goods markets, non-alcoholic drinks, small household appliances and books, magazines and newspapers are the top performers. Compared to 2011 small household appliances went up 10 places in the ranking, with a difference of 1.8 in the nMPI score. At the other end of the goods spectrum are new cars, second-hand cars and fuel for vehicles. For the latter two markets this bottom ranking is perfectly in line with the European trend. For the new cars market there is only a small movement downwards of 4 positions compared to EU27 results. The new car market is considered to be performing less well than in 2011 with a difference in the nMPI score of 1.9. Another good market that shows a big discrepancy with 2011 is the clothing and footwear market. This market went down 10 places compared with last year.

For service markets the top markets in Germany are personal care, commercial sports and cultural entertainment. These three markets also come out on top of the EU27 ranking. Hence it can be concluded that among the top performers, Germany is in line with EU27. The poorest performing service markets in Germany are private life insurance, train services, and investment products, private pensions and securities services. Again these figures do not deviate widely from the EU27 results or from 2011 figures (the biggest difference between the nMPI in EU27 and Germany being -4.1).

There are a few other notable differences: TV subscriptions went up 13 places in comparison to last year and 16 places in comparison to EU27. Gambling and lottery services also went up 13 places in comparison to 2011. However, home insurance and gas services went down 11 and 10 places respectively in comparison to EU27. Mortgages went down 16 places in comparison to 2011.

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# **Estonia**

2012	diff diff diff	Estonia - nMPI	2012	diff	diff	ı diff
MPI	2012 2011 AT		MPI	2012	2011	FF
	2011 2010 EU27			2011	2010	EU27
	books, magazines and newspapers		105.6	-0.8	0.8	1.9
	non prescription medicines		105.2	0.9	1.6	5.3
	spectacles and lenses		104.1	3.3		2.0
	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		103.6	-1.5	0.8	1.0
	dairy products		103.6	-0.7		2.1
	personal care products		103.5	<b>1</b> .3	0.0	2.5
	non-alcoholic drinks		103.3	0.3	0.1	0.5
_	alcoholic drinks		102.2	-0.5	1.0	0.9
G	large household appliances		101.8	0.2	1.3	0.2
0	electronic products		101.8	0.0	1.2	0.6
O	small household appliances		101.2	-0.6	2.2	-0.7
_	new cars		101.1	-0.2	1.6	2.6
D	entertainment goods		100.8	0.7	2.8	-0.8
S	furniture and furnishings		100.2	3.0	2.0	0.1
	ICT products		99.8	0.9	0.5	0.9
	maintenance products		98.4	0.8	0.5	-1.7
	fuel for vehicles		96.9	-1.1	0.5	3.1
	meat and meat products		96.9	-0.6	1.2	-1.9
	fruit and vegetables		95.8	0.1	-0.1	-3./
	second hand cars		87.5	-0.5	1.8	-4.5
	clothing and footwear		86.9	-0.3 -4.3	-0.2	-10.2
	cioanii ana ioocweai		80.9	-71.3	-0.2	-10.2
	personal care services		106.2	1.7	1.5	1.5
	vehicle Insurance		105.4	-1.1	1.1	3.3
	postal services		105.0	0.6	-1.3	4.4
	bank accounts		104.9	0.9	-0.6	8.1
	fixed telephone services		104.9	-0.2	-1.0	5.4
	culture and entertainment		103.9	-1.2	1.0	-2.7
	gambling and lottery services		103.2	-0.9	0.7	0.3
	commercial sport services		103.2	0.6	1.4	2.2
	holiday accommodation		102.5	-0.3	0.0	-2.6
	mobile telephone services		102.3	0.6	-0.5	5.2
_	train services		102.2	-3.4	-0.7	6.5
S	legal and accountancy services		101.7	-0.3	,,,,	2.6
E	airline services		101.7	-0.3 -1.2	-0.7	-3.0
R	home insurance		101.2	-1.2 -0.2	-0.7	-0.2
v	loans, credit and credit cards		100.9	-0.2 -1.1	د.0-	2.5
=	tram, local bus, metro				0.1	
ı	packaged holidays & tours		100.7 100.5	-1.0 0.6	-0.1 0.5	0.8 3.1
С	packaged nondays & tours private life insurance				U.3	3.1 2.6
Ε	vehicle rental services		100.4	1.7	0.3	
			99.6	-0.1	-0.3	-2.2
S	gas services		99.6	0.0	-1.8	1.2
	internet provision		99.1	1.1	-0.3	1.5
	cafés, bars and restaurants		98.7	-1.3	1.9	-5.1
	TV-subscriptions		98.2	4.8		-0.2
	water supply		96.0	0.0	0.3	2.9
	electricity services		94.8	1.3	-5.8	-1.5
	mortgages		94.8	0.2		0.2
	maintenance services		93.2	2.1	-0.1	-5.7
	real estate services		92.9	0.8	0.3	-1.8
	vehicle maintenance and repair ment products, private pensions and		92.5 90.9	-1.9 0.9	0./ 1.1	-1.0 -2.7



## **Estonia**

### **Overall Performance**

Overall, the performance of the various markets in Estonia is assessed as very good. Estonia is ranked 3rd in 2012 in the EU27 ranking. This is a better positionthan in 2011, when the country ranked 5th.

The top goods performers in Estonia are books, magazines and newspapers, non prescription medicines, and spectacles and lenses. Non-prescription medicines are 11 places higher in ranking compared to EU27. The bottom goods performers in Estonia are fruit and vegetables, second hand cars, and clothing and footwear. For the latter, the nMPI score is lower in relation to 2011 by -4.3. The difference is -8.6 compared with the EU27 nMPI score.

As regards the service markets in Estonia, personal care services, vehicle insurance and postal services lead the ranking. The bottom performers here are real estate services, vehicle maintenance and repair, and investment products. Vehicle maintenance and repair even shows a difference of -5.9 with the EU27 nMPI score. Other service markets that show results deviating from EU27 are bank accounts, mobile telephone services, train services and packaged holidays and tours. They have a difference in ranking of 12, 13, 10 and -11, respectively.

# Ireland

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		Ireland - nMPI	2012	diff	diff	diff
			MPI	2012	2011	IE
				2011	2010	EU27
	books, magazines and newspapers		104.7	-1.4	3.3	0.9
	dairy products		104.5	0.2		3.1
	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		104.0	0.1	0.6	1.4
	non-alcoholic drinks		104.0	0.5	0.5	1.2
	small household appliances		102.2	0.3	-0.5	0.3
	spectacles and lenses		102.0	-2.3		-0.1
	entertainment goods		101.5	0.2	0.2	0.0
_	alcoholic drinks		101.4	1.1	-2.ნ	0.2
G	fruit and vegetables		101.2	1.5	-2.1	1.8
0	maintenance products		100.5	-0.8	0.7	0.4
0	electronic products		100.4	0.6	-2.3	-0.7
D	personal care products		100.2	-1./	-1.3	-0.7
	large household appliances		99.5	0.0	-2.4	-2.1
S	meat and meat products		99.5	0.1	1.9	0.7
	furniture and furnishings		98.8	0.7	-3.3	-1.5
	non prescription medicines		98.2	-2.7	0.0	-1.6
	clothing and footwear		97.6	-0.3	-3.0	0.5
	new cars		97.4	1.8	-3.8	-1.1
	ICT products		97.2	0.4	-4.5	-1./
	fuel for vehicles		94.6	-1.2	-2.G	0.7
	second hand cars		90.4	2.9	-7.6	-1.6
	personal care services		109.0	2.0	7.2	1.3
	culture and entertainment		107.6	-1.5	6.4	1.0
	commercial sport services		107.6	1.1	4.6	2.2
	holiday accommodation		106.7	-1.7	6.9	1.7
	vehicle insurance		106.0	1.5	4.0	3.9
	gambling and lottery services		105.8	-3.0	5.1	2.8
	postal services		105.5	-2.8	5.5	5.0
	airline services		104.3	0.9	4.8	0.1
	packaged holidays & tours		104.1	-0.2	5.0	0.5
	cafés, bars and restaurants		103.7	-2.7	6.0	-0.1
S	gas services		103.4	0.6	2.2	5.0
	train services		102.2	-0.8	3.2	6.6
E	tram, local bus, metro		102.1	-1.6	2.8	2.2
R	home insurance		102.0	-0.2	3.7	0.8
ν	electricity services		101.8	-1.2	0.8	5.5
1	vehicle rental services		100.1	0.0	1.8	-1.8
	fixed telephone services		98.6	1.2	0.8	0.8
С	maintenance services		98.0	-1.1	1.0	-0.8
Ε	vehicle maintenance and repair		98.0	0.2	0.3	-1.5
5	water supply		97.8	2.0	-4.9	-1.1
	TV subscriptions		97.7	3.8		-0.7
	loans, credit and credit cards		97.3	2.2		-1.1
	legal and accountancy services		95.8	-0.1		-3.3
	private life insurance		95.6	0.1		2.2
	mobile telephone services		94.9	-1.2	-1.1	-2.3
	internet provision		93.5	2.7	-6.9	-4.1
	real estate services		91.9	0.1	-3.2	-2.8
	bank accounts		90.5	3.7	-7.3	-6.3
invest	ment products, private pensions and		89.6	3.8	0.9	-4.0
	mortgages		88.8	-1.2	"	-5.8
					<u> </u>	5.5



## **Ireland**

### **Overall Performance**

The performance of the various markets in Ireland is ranked just below the EU27 average and the country is in 19th position overall. The 2012 ranking of goods markets is mostly stable in comparison with the EU27 and 2011 rankings with no major differences worth mentioning.

The 2012 ranking of service markets remains close to the 2011 ranking. The top 3 service markets for Ireland are exactly the same as the top 3 for EU27. Bank accounts are in the bottom 3 for Ireland and their market assessment is much more negative than in EU27, with a difference of 8.1 points. In contrast, electricity services are considered more positively in Ireland, with a difference of 12 positions in relation to the EU27 ranking. The nMPI for TV subscriptions has increased by 3.8 points from last year, although this market only moved by 4 rankings.

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		Greece - nMPI	2012 MPI	diff 2012 2011	diff 2011 2010	diff AT EU27
	spectacles and lenses		104.2	0.6		2.2
	books, magazines and newspapers		102.6	-1.2	-3.9	-1.1
	non-alcoholic drinks		102.1	1.4	-3.8	-0.7
	small household appliances		102.0	1.0	-3.8	0.1
	ICT products		101.5	0.7	-3.3	2.6
	furniture and furnishings		101.5	1.1	-1.6	1.2
	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		101.3	0.2	-4.7	-1.3
	electronic products		101.1	-0.7	-1.7	0.0
G	non prescription medicines		101.0	-1.1	-1.9	1.1
0	entertainment goods		100.7	-1.4	1.9	-0.9
0	maintenance products		100.7	0.4	2.0	0.5
_	dairy products		100.4	-0.2	2.0	-1.1
D	personal care products		100.4	-1.3	-1.1	-0.6
S	alcoholic drinks		100.3	0.0	-3.1	-0.9
	large household appliances		100.0	-0.9	-2.8	-1.6
	fruit and vegetables		99.6	1.0	-4./	0.2
	meat and meat products		99.3	0.3	-3.9	0.5
	new cars		98.3	-2.0	-3. <del>3</del> -2.4	-0.1
	clothing and footwear		98.2	3.1	-3.8	1.0
	second hand cars		97.1	2.1	-3.8 1.7	5.1
	fuel for vehicles		87.8	-2.1 -2.5	-5.1	-6.1
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	personal care services		108.8	0.1	-0.5	1.1
	commercial sport services		105.0	0.7	4.2	0.6
	airline services		105.8	0.6	-0.3	1.6
	culture and entertainment		105.1	-1.0	1.4	-1.5
	vehicle rental services		104.0	0.1	2.7	2.1
	postal services		103.8	-0.2	1.1	3.2
	cafés, bars and restaurants		103.7	-0.5	3.8	-0.1
	TV-subscriptions		103.4	4.7		5.0
	fixed telephone services		102.9	1.3	-0.1	3.5
	vehicle insurance		102.2	0.0	0.9	0.2
s	internet provision		102.2	1.8	4.2	4.6
	packaged holidays & tours		102.1	-0.5	6.1	-1.5
E	holiday accommodation		102.0	0.3	3.6	-3.1
R	legal and accountancy services		101.9	0.3		2.8
v	gas services		101.6	3.2	-1.5	3.3
Ιį	vehicle maintenance and repair		101.4	-0.1	3.3	2.0
1	mobile telephone services		100.2	0.2	1.5	3.1
C	tram, local bus, metro		99.2	3.8	-3.5	-0.7
E	gambling and lottery services		99.1	0.7	1.4	-3.9
S	real estate services		99.0	3.2	6.8	4.3
	tment products, private pensions and		98.4	2.7	6.4	4.8
	home insurance		97.5	-3.2	2.5	-3.7
	bank accounts		96.9	0.4	5.1	0.1
	maintenance services		96.6	-1.6	5.6	-2.2
	train services		96.3	0.2	-2.2	0.6
	private life insurance		95.6	-1./		-2. <b>1</b>
	water supply		95.0	-1.7 -1.9	-1.5	-3.9
	mortgages		92.2	-2.7		-2.3
	loans, credit and credit cards		90.4	-4.6		-8.0
	electricity services		86.5	6.5	2.6	9.8
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### **Overall Performance**

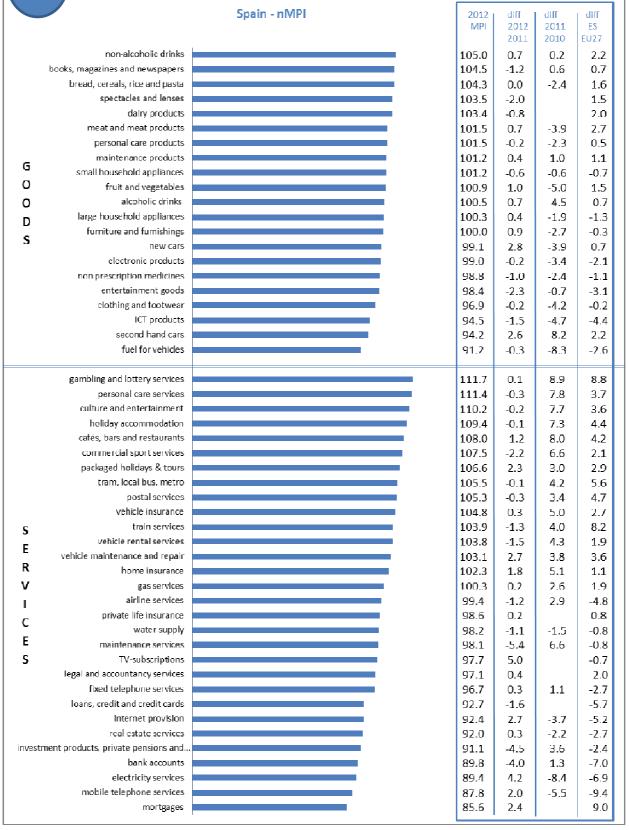
With a score of 99.8 points, the market performance of Greece is assessed at the same level as the EU27 average. Greece's ranking has fluctuated slightly over the past 3 years, from 19th in 2010, to 13th in 2011, to its current position of 17th.

The top 3 goods sectors in Greece are spectacles and lenses, books, magazines and newspapers, and non-alcoholic drinks. These sectors are also highly rated at EU27 level. The bottom 3 goods sectors are fuel for vehicles, second-hand cars, and clothing and footwear. These are also the 3 lowest ranked goods at EU27 level, although fuel for vehicles is 7.7 points below the EU27 score, while the assessment for second-hand cars is 6.2 points higher in Greece than at EU27 level. Other marked differences compared to EU27 are ICT products, where Greece's assessment ranks 11 positions higher, and large household appliances, where Greece ranks 10 places below the EU27 average. There has been little change since 2011, the largest difference being an increase of 3.1 points for clothing and footwear.

The top 3 service sectors in Greece — personal care, commercial sport, and airline services — all score highly at EU27 level. There is more differentiation at the other end of the spectrum, where the assessment of electricity services has decreased by 6.5 points since 2011 to its current position of 8.7 points below its EU27 score. The assessment of loans, credit and credit cards has decreased by 4.6 points since 2011 and is now at 8.1 points and 10 positions below the EU27 average. The score for TV subscription services increased by 4.7 points and is now ranked 8th in Greece compared to 22nd in EU27. Further differences between Greece and EU27 are observed in the market assessments for internet provision (14 places higher in Greece), investment products, private pensions and securities (5.5 points higher in Greece), real estate services (5.0 points higher in Greece), and home insurance (10 places higher in EU27). In comparison to 2011, the score for tram, bus and metro services has increased by 3.8 points. Real estate services and gas services have both increased by 3.2 points, and home insurance services have decreased by 3.2 points.

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## **Spain**

### **Overall Performance**

Spain's overall assessment of market performance is below that of the EU27 level. It has been ranked in 25th place for the last 2 years, although it was ranked 16th in 2010.

The top 3 goods sectors — non-alcoholic drinks, books, magazines and newspapers, and bread, cereals, rice and pasta — are also the top 3 at EU27 level. Fuel for vehicles, second-hand cars, and ICT products are the bottom 3 sectors in Spain, and their assessment also ranks at a low level for EU27. The rankings reflect those of EU27, with the biggest difference being meat and meat products, which are ranked 6th in Spain but 18th for EU27. There has been relatively little change since 2011.

The highest rated service sectors in Spain broadly reflect the EU27 average, with the exception of gambling and lottery services, ranked 1st in Spain and 11th in EU27. The lowest rated services in Spain are mortgages (8.5 points below the EU27 score), mobile telephone services (9.9 points below EU27), electricity services (5.8 points below EU27), and bank accounts (8.8 points and 11 places below EU27). Other service markets that are assessed more negatively than the EU27 average include loans, credit and credit cards (by 5.8 points), airline services (by 5.1 points and 11 places) and internet provision (by 5.0 points). However, a number of service markets are rated more highly in Spain than in the EU27: train services (by 5.6 points and 10 places), cafés, bars and restaurants (by 5.3 points), and tram, local bus, metro services (by 5.1 points). Compared to 2011, TV subscription services in Spain have improved by 5.0 points, partly as a result of an increase in special offers. The score for electricity services has also increased by 4.2 points. On the other hand, the scores for maintenance services, investment products, private pensions and securities, and bank accounts have decreased by 5.4 points, 4.5 points and 4.0 points respectively since 2011.

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# France

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	France - nMPI	2012	diff	diff	diff
		MPI	2017 2011	2011 2010	FR EU27
non-alcoholic drinks		102.4	0.5		
		103.4		-1.3	0.6
clothing and footwear		103.1	2.1	-0.8	6.0
dairy products		102.5	-0.1		1.0
bread, cereals, rice and pasta		102.0	0.7	-4.0	-0.7
spectacles and lenses		101.3	2.0		-0.7
large household appliances		101.2	1.2	-2.1	-0.4
electronic products		101.1	0.9	3.7	0.0
small household appliances		101.1	0.8	-3.ნ	-0.8
alcoholic drinks		100.9	0.0	-4.0	-0.3
O entertainment goods		100.8	-0.1	-1.7	-0.8
O ICT products		100.5	1.2	-1.5	1.6
D books, magazines and newspapers		100.2	-2.1	-5.3	-3.5
meat and meat products		99.7	0.2	-1.9	0.9
5 furniture and furnishings		99.4	1.6	1.8	0.9
maintenance products		99.4	1.7	-2.4	-0.8
fruit and vegetables		99.0	-0.9	-1.5	-0.4
new cars		98.7	-1.3	-1.6	0.2
personal care products		98.5	-1.0	-3.5	-2.5
second hand cars		96.3	0.9	0.8	4.3
non prescription medicines		96.2	-1.3	-2.2	-3.7
tuel for vehicles		94.7	-3.7	-1.3	0.9
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culture and entertainment		105.4	3.0	3.3	1.2
commercial sport services		104.6	0.8	-0.7	-0.8
airline services		104.5	1.7	1.5	0.4
holiday accommodation		103.9	2.7	-2.6	-1.2
packaged holidays & tours		103.9	0.2	1.7	0.2
gambling and lottery services		103.7	2.3	1.2	0.8
maintenance services		103.4	4.7	0.7	4.6
personal care services		102.0	1.0	2.4	5.7
train services		102.0	5.9	1.5	6.3
vehicle insurance		100.9	0.0	0.5	-1.2
S home Insurance		100.8	1.8	-1.0	-0.4
vehicle cental services		100.0	-0.8	-0.7	-1.8
E cafés, bars and restaurants		100.0	-0.3	0.5	-3.9
R water supply		99.3	-0.7	2.6	0.3
for all and an inches		99.3	0.5	6.9	1./ -0.3
legal and accountancy convices		99.1	-0.1	3.2	-0.3 0.3
<i>r</i>		98.8	2.9		
private life insurance		98.7	1.0		0.9
		98.6	0.1	1.1	-0.9
S electricity services		98.6	-0.6	2.2	2.2
loans, credit and credit cards		98.5	-2.8		0.1
investment products, private pensions and		98.2	0.2	8.3	4.6
tram, local bus, metro		98.1	-3.0	1.0	-1.8
real estate services		98.0	0.2	8.8	3.3
bank accounts		97.9	0.6	5.1	1.1
mortgages		97.0	-3.0		2.4
postal services		97.0	-3.6	0.8	-3.6
gas services		96.7	-2.6	1.7	-1.7
TV-subscriptions		95.6	-1.6		-2.8
mobile telephone services		95.6	-1.4	5.0	-1.5



## **France**

### **Overall Performance**

Market performance in France is assessed just slightly more favourably than the EU27 average and the country is in 7<sup>th</sup> position overall.

To some extent the top and bottom goods markets for France match the EU27 ranking, although the market for clothing and footwear appears in the top 3 for France but the bottom 3 for EU27, with a difference of 7.6 points. The market performance of books, magazines and newspapers is assessed as lower than in the EU27 ranking, with a difference of 11 places. Spectacles and lenses rank higher than in 2011, but the difference in the nMPI remains limited.

The top 3 service markets are close to EU27, while the bottom 3 markets are completely different, with gas, mobile telephone and TV subscription services scoring the lowest. There is a wide discrepancy between the ranking of services and the EU27 ranking, although the differences in the nMPI mostly remain small. Train services moved up by 21 places in relation to 2011 following an increase of 5.9 points, and their market assessment is now above the EU27 average. This could be linked to a recovery following major strikes in early 2011. Maintenance services went up by 15 positions from 2011 with a 6.3 point increase and are now assessed well above the EU27 average. Postal services went down the ranking by 18 positions from last year and are now rated at below the EU27 average. This could be linked to strikes in early 2012. Tram, local bus and metro went down by 12 positions from 2011 and are now 10 ranks below the EU27 average.

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		Italy - nMPI	2012 MPI	diff 2012	diff 2011	dIff IT
			IVIPI	2012	2011	EU27
	books, magazines and newspapers		105.8	1.6	-5.7	2.0
	spectacles and lenses		103.8	-2.1	-5.7	1.2
	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		103.2	0.2	-2.6	0.4
	electronic products		102.6	0.6	-2.0 -1.7	1.5
	small household appliances		102.5	0.0	-1.7 -2.3	0.6
	entertainment goods		102.5	-0.8		0.6
	non-alcoholic drinks		102.1	-u.o 0.6	-0.9 4.7	1.2
	personal care products		101.6			
G	•			-0.2	-3.0	0.5
o	large household appliances		101.4	-0.3	-1.9	-0.2
	dairy products		100.9	0.4		-0.6
0	furniture and furnishings		100.6	1.1	-2.1	0.3
D	alcoholic drinks		100.5	1.5	-5.2	-0.8
S	ICT products		100.4	0.2	-3.3	1.4
_	maintenance products		100.3	0.1	1.4	0.2
	fruit and vegetables		99.7	0.4	-3.1	0.3
	meat and meat products		99.6	0.5	-4.0	8.0
	non prescription medicines		99.5	-1.6	-4.8	-0.3
	new cars		99.2	0.1	-2.4	8.0
	clothing and footwear		95.9	0.6	-3.9	-1.2
	second hand cars		90.5	-1.6	-2.4	-1.5
	tuel tor vehicles		89.0	-1.6	-2.8	-4.8
	personal care services		111.9	1.5	1.1	4.2
	culture and entertainment		109.6	1.5	2.5	3.0
	commercial sport services		109.3	1.2	2.4	3.9
	cafés, bars and restaurants		107.8	1.7	4.2	4.0
	holiday accommodation		107.5	0.7	2.8	2.4
	airline services		106.9	1.5	5.1	2./
	vehicle rental services		105.2	0.2	2.8	3.4
	packaged holidays & tours		104.4	0.1	2.1	0.8
	gambling and lottery services		102.6	0.1	1.1	-0.3
	vehicle maintenance and repair		102.0			2.2
_	loans, credit and credit cards			-0.4	1.1	2.2
S	home insurance		100.7	0.0	1 1 2	
Ε			99.1	-3.2	1.2	-2.1
R	maintenance services		98.8	-0.8	4.5	0.0
v	vehicle insurance		98.8	-0.9	-0.5	-3.3
V	legal and accountancy services		98.7	0.7		-0.4
I	gas services		98.6	-1.2	3.7	0.2
С	fixed telephone services		98.2	0.3	6.0	1.3
E	mobile telephone services		98.1	2.0	0.9	1.0
	internet provision		98.0	0.5	4.9	0.4
S	TV-subscriptions		97.9	2.6		-0.5
	private life insurance		97.8	0.7		0.0
	tram, local bus, metro		97.4	-0.3	0.3	-2.5
	water supply		97.3	0.8	-1.6	-1.7
	postal services		97.2	1.9	0.2	3.4
	electricity services		97.1	0.5	0.2	0.8
	mortgages		94.1	-0.9		-0.5
Inves	tment products, private pensions and		93.7	-0.3	6.3	0.1
	real estate services		93.5	-0.2	5.3	-1.2
	bank accounts		92.2	-2.3	3.5	-4.6
	train services		85.9	-4.5	2.5	-9.8
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### **Overall Performance**

Italy's market performance is rated below the EU27 average overall and appears in 23rd position in the country ranking.

Italy's 2012 ranking of the goods market is fairly similar to the 2011 and EU27 rankings with no major changes to mention.

The 2012 ranking of service markets is fairly similar to the 2011 ranking, although the market assessment for home insurance is more negative with a decrease of 3.2 points. The differences with the EU27 ranking are more significant. Maintenance services and vehicle maintenance and repair services are assessed better than the EU27 average by 13 and 10 ranks respectively. Bank accounts are rated less favourably than the EU average with a difference of 6.3 points. This could be linked to the introduction of new regulations regarding bank accounts. Postal services are 5.2 points below the EU average. This is the market that has moved down the most in the ranking from 2011.

# **Cyprus**

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	Cyprus - nMPI	2012	diff	diff	diff
		MPI	2017 2011	2011 2010	CY EU27
non-alcoholic drinks		400.6			
		103.6	1.5	-0.2	0.8
bread, cereals, rice and pasta		103.6	1.9	-3.5	0.9
spectacles and lenses		102.7	1.7		0.6
dairy products		102.3	0.3		0.8
electronic products		101.7	2.6	-4.6	0.5
ICT products		101.6	3.1	0.9	2.7
clothing and footwear		101.5	5.5	-4.4	4.4
large household appliances		101.4	2.4	-2.4	-0.2
small household appliances		101.0	-0.1	0.8	-0.9
- meacand meac products		100.8	1.1	-1.9	2.0
O books, magazines and newspapers		100.5	-5.6	0.0	-3.2
<b>D</b> new cars		100.3	1.4	3.1	1.9
furniture and furnishings		99.9	-0.7	-4.2	-0.4
alcoholic drinks		99.8	-2.0	-0.8	-1.4
fruit and vegetables		99.8	3.9	-6.7	0.4
personal care products		99.7	-0.3	-4.2	-1.3
entertainment goods		99.1	-1.8	2.7	-2.1
non prescription medicines		98.9	-2.7	-2.9	-1.0
maintenance products		98.5	0.3	0.3	1.7
second hand cars		94.5	0.0	-1.1	2.6
fuel for vehicles		88.6	-5.9	-4.0	-5.2
commercial sport services		107.1	0.6	5.8	1.7
holiday accommodation		107.0	2.2	1.7	2.0
personal care services		106.9	-5.4	3.9	-0.8
airline services		106.0	0.2	4.0	1.8
culture and entertainment		105.5	0.8	1.6	-1.1
postal services		104.8	-1.0	5.5	4.3
packaged holidays & tours		104.0	2.0	4.5	0.4
tram, local bus, metro		103.5	7.1	6.6	3.6
S vehicle insurance		103.0	-0.2	2.2	0.9
cafés, bars and restaurants		102.6	-1.6	2.8	-1.2
vehicle rental services		102.6	10.0	5.8	0.8
R home insurance		102.0	1.8	0.8	0.8
V gambling and lottery services		101.9	-0.8	4.0	-1.1
fixed telephone services		101.7	-0.7	0.2	2.3
C mobile telephone services		100.3	-3.3	1.5	3.2
internet provision		98.6	-0.5	2.5	1.0
E bank accounts		98.3	1.4	1.3	1.5
<b>S</b> vehicle maintenance and repair		98.3	-3.2	1.7	-1.2
TV-subscriptions		98.2	5.9		-0.1
loans, credit and credit cards		98.1	1.3		0.3
maintenance services		97.9	0.7	2.2	-0.9
real estate services		97.0	2.6	5.5	2.3
private life insurance		96.8	0.2		-1.0
investment products, private pensions and		95.7	-1.1	4.7	2.1
legal and accountancy services		94.3	-1./		-4.8
water supply		94.1	-2.8	1.7	-4.9
mortgages		91.6	1.9		3.0
electricity services		82.0	-9.8	-1.3	-14.4
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## **Cyprus**

### **Overall Performance**

In Cyprus, overall market performance is evaluated at the same level as the EU27 average, which demonstrates a marked improvement in relation to its overall country ranking of 25th in 2010.

The top 3 and bottom 3 ranked goods and services are compatible with the EU27 average, although a notable exception is books, magazines and newspapers category, which ranked 1st in Cyprus in 2011 and 1st at EU27 level this year, although it ranked 11th in Cyprus this year.

Amongs the goods markets, ICT products and clothing and footwear have seen the most positive change since 2011, both rising by 11 places in Cyprus. They are now 10 and 12 places respectively above their EU27 average ranking. Conversely, non-prescription medicines have dropped 10 places, and fuel for vehicles has dropped by 5.9 points to 88.6 in comparison to last year.

The biggest improvement in the service market is vehicle rental, whose assessment has increased by 10.0 points and 15 places since 2011. The assessment of tram, bus and metro services has increased by 7.1 points and 14 places, while the rating of TV subscription services has risen by 5.9 points and 8 places since 2011. As a result of shortages in electricity supply, the assessment of electricity services is particularly poor this year, 9.8 points below its 2011 rating and 13.2 below the EU27 average.

The improved scores for ICT products and TV subscription services may be indicative of reduced prices in these sectors in recent months, as firms respond to limited consumer income.

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		Latvia - nMPI	2012 MPI	dlff 2012	dlff 2011	dlff LV
				2011	2010	EU27
	books, magazines and newspapers		107.7	-2	-1	4
	spectacles and lenses		105.9	0.4	_	3.9
	large household appliances		105.0	1./	-0.8	3.4
	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		104.3	0.9	-1.4	1.6
	non-alcoholic drinks		103.5	1.0	0.5	0.7
	electronic products		102.8	1.4	-0.5	1.6
	ICT products		102.5	0.8	0.3	3.6
_	personal care products		101.9	-0.1	-0.1	0.9
G	small household appliances		101.3	-1.7	0.2	-0.6
0	new cars		100.7	1.6	0.5	2.2
0	maintenance products		100.3	2.0	1.3	0.1
D	alcoholic drinks		100.3	-0.1	0.8	-1.0
	furniture and furnishings		100.1	-1.0	-1.4	-0.2
S	entertainment goods		99.8	1.0	0.7	1.8
	dairy products		99.4	0.1		-2.0
	non prescription medicines		98.5	-0.8	-0.4	-1.3
	fuel for vehicles		96.0	-3.6	-1.5	2.2
	fruit and vegetables		95.6	0.1	-2.1	-3.8
	meat and meat products		94.4	-1.6	1.1	-4.5
	second hand cars		91.0	0.4	-0.1	-1.0
	clothing and footwear		89.1	1.4	-2.6	-8.0
	vehicle insurance		107.1	0.2	2.6	5.0
	personal care services		106.5	-2.7	0.5	-1.2
	train services		105.2	1.0	-2.0	9.6
	commercial sport services		105.1	-0.3	0.6	-0.3
	fixed telephone services		105.1	-0.4	-1.3	5.6
	culture and entertainment		104.8	-0.8	1.6	-1.8
	home insurance		104.1	1.4	1.1	2.9
	airline services		103.8	1.5	0.1	0.3
	packaged holidays & tours		103.7	-0.5	3.4	0.0
	tram, local bus, metro		103.6	1.1	2.3	3.8
S	bank accounts		103.5	0.1	2.7	6.8
Ε	mobile telephone services		103.0	0.1	2.4	5.8
	holiday accommodation		102.7	-1.0	-0.1	-2.3
R	private life insurance		102.2	0.9		4.5
V	catés, bars and restaurants		101.7	0.9	1.4	-2.1
1	postal services		101.2	-3.3	2.1	0.7
С	legal and accountancy services		100.8	0.1		1.7
	vehicle rental services		100.3	-1.2	3.3	-1.5
E	gas services		100.0	-3.5	-0.1	1.6
S	loans, credit and credit cards		99.9	0.7		1.5
	gambling and lottery services		98.9	0.8	0.9	-4.0
	internet provision		98.4	0.8	-0.2	0.8
	TV-subscriptions		95.6	3.4		-2.8
investr	ment products, private pensions and		95.5	0.3	1.6	1.9
	mortgages		92.6	2.7		-2.0
	vehicle maintenance and repair		92.3	-1.7	4.5	-7.2
	maintenance services		91.7	-1.0	-1.5	-7.1
	real estate services		91.0	0.1	2.3	-3.7
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	electricity services water supply		90.2 89.4	1.2 -0.9	-/.2 1.5	-6. <b>1</b> -9.6

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### **Overall Performance**

Latvia's overall assessment of market performance is almost identical to the EU27 average and the country ranks 13th overall.

The ranking of goods markets is fairly similar to last year's. The most significant change has been in the fuel market, whose score went down by 3.6 points, possibly linked to a slowdown in this market. Differences with the EU27 ranking are more salient, although differences in the nMPI and ranking remain limited.

Turning to the service markets, only small differences in ranking and in the nMPI results can be noted since last year. Postal services register the largest difference in ranking and are 10 ranks below their 2011 level, while gas services are down by 3.5 points.

The differences with the EU27 ranking are greater. Train services' assessment is 18 ranks above the EU27 average, while mobile telephone services are 11 ranks above average and private life insurance 10 ranks above. For mobile telephone services, this could be explained by market growth. As for water supply, the market is 12 ranks below the EU average, which could be linked to limited competition and rising prices. Gambling and lottery services are 10 ranks below the EU27 average.

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	Lithuania - nMPI	12/14/11	diff	l diff	11100
	Lithuania - niviPi	2012 MPI	2012	2011	diff
			2011	2010	EU27
books, magazines and newspapers		110.5	1.3	-0.6	6.8
spectacles and lenses		105.8	0.5		3.8
electronic products		104.2	3.4	-1.2	3.0
large household appliances		103.7	0.1	-0.3	2.1
bread, cereals, rice and pasta		103.0	0.1	-2.1	0.4
non-alcoholic drinks		102.9	-0.9	0.2	0.1
furniture and furnishings		102.7	2.8	1.2	2.4
ICT products		102.7	-0.4	ი.5	3.8
alconoric drinks		102.6	-2.9	-0.7	1.4
O small household appliances		102.4	0.5	1.9	0.5
O new cars		102.2	1.6	1.3	3.7
D entertainment goods		102.0	1.4	2.8	0.4
S maintenance products		100.4	-0.1	1.4	0.2
non prescription medicines		100.3	0.8	0.3	0.5
personal care products		100.1	-1.7	-0.2	-0.9
dairy products		99.1	-2.2		-2.4
fuel for vehicles		97.8	-0.6	-1.4	4.0
fruit and vegetables		92.5	-0.4	-3.4	-6.9
meat and meat products		90.0	-3.8	-1.3	-8.9
clothing and footwear second hand cars		89.6	-1.9	-1.4	-7.6
second nand cars		85.5	2.4	-2.1	-6.5
train services		110.8	0.0	0.0	15.1
personal care services		108.9	-0.8	1.6	1.2
postal services		107.1	-2.4	4.9	6.5
vehicle insurance		106.9	-1.7	2.8	4.9
commercial sport services		106.4	1.6	1.5	1.0
culture and entertainment		105.4	-0.4	0.0	-1.2
home insurance		103.8	-0.7	1.5	2.6
tram, local bus, metro		103.1	3.2	1.5	3.3
airline services		103.1	1.0	-2.9	-1.0
packaged holidays & tours		102.9	1.5	0.2	-0.7
S holiday accommodation		102.6	1.1	-0.8	-2.5
E vehicle rental services		102.4	-0.7	0.1	0.6
R gas services		102.2	-0.8	-0.3	5.4
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V mobile telephone services		101.4	-0.3	5.3	1.3
cafés, bars and restaurants fixed telephone services		100.9	-3.3	2.4	-2.9
loans, credit and credit cards		100.4	2.4	1.8	1.0
E gambling and lottery services		99.0 98.5	0.6 -1.7	⊃ <i>∈</i>	0.6 -4.5
S internet provision		98.5 98.1	-1./ -0.3	3.6 2.0	-4.5 0.6
private life insurance				2.0	
legal and accountancy services		98.1 97.1	-1.4 3.2		0.3 -2.0
TV-subscriptions		96.9	4.2		-2.0 -1.5
mortgages		95.1	3.8		0.5
maintenance services		92.7	-0.8	-2.9	-6.1
real estate services		92.4	1.8	0.1	-2.3
electricity services		92.4	1.8	-0.1	-3.9
investment products, private pensions and		90.5	1.1	-2.3	-2.9
water supply		89.6	1.6	0.8	-9.4
vehicle maintenance and repair		88.8	-1.5	-1.5	-10.7

## Lithuania

### **Overall Performance**

Lithuania's market performance is assessed just slightly less positively than the EU27 average and the country is in 18th position overall.

The ranking of goods markets is fairly similar to last year's, although electronic products have performed better than in 2011 with a 3.4 point increase. The 2012 Lithuanian goods ranking and scores are different from the EU27. In particular, the performance of the bottom 5 markets is rated remarkably lower than the EU27 average, although this is not reflected in a large difference in ranking.

The 2012 and 2011 service rankings are fairly similar, although the market performance of cafés, bars and restaurants is rated lower in 2012 with a decrease of 3.3 points. The Lithuanian service market ranking is rather different from EU27, although changes in the ranking correspond to to fairly small variations in the MPI. The biggest differences can be observed for train services, which are 20 ranks above their EU27 position with a difference of 12.5 points, while water supply and vehicle maintenance and repair services are below the EU27 averages by 8.9 points and 9.6 points respectively. In the case of water supply, this could be linked to limited competition in the market and increases in prices.

# Luxembourg

		Luxembourg - nMPI	2012	diff	diff	dlff
			MPI	2012	2011	LU
				2011	2010	EU27
	non-alcoholic drinks		101.9	-0.9	-1.2	-0.9
	bread, cereals, rice and pasta		101.9	1.5	-2.3	-0.8
	hooks, magazines and newspapers		101.8	-1.1	-2.2	-1.9
	personal care products		101.7	2.7	-2.3	0.7
	dairy products		101.6	0.4		0.2
	alcoholic drinks		101.5	3.0	-5.7	0.3
	fruit and vegetables		101.5	5.3	2.5	2.1
G	clothing and footwear		101.3	7.3	-4.4	4.7
	small household appliances		100.7	-1.8	1.0	-1.2
0	meat and meat products		100.5	3.0	-0.9	1.7
0	non prescription medicines		100.3	1.2	-2.1	0.4
D	large household appliances		100.2	-1.0	-0.8	-1.4
S	entertainment goods		99.8	-0.9	0.2	-1.8
_	tuel for vehicles		99.3	3.0	3.3	5.5
	furniture and furnishings		99.0	0.0	-1.1	-1.3
	spectacles and lenses		98.9	-2.8		-3.1
	new cars		98.4	-1.7	0.3	-0.1
	maintenance products		98.2	-2.6	2.0	-1.9
	electronic products		98.2	-2.3	-0.2	-3.0
	ICT products		96.9	-2.6	0.0	-2.0
	second hand cars		96.4	-3.6	3.3	4.4
	culture and entertainment		103.7	0.5	0.7	2.9
	personal care services		102.5	-2.1	0.2	-5.2
	water supply		102.2	2.2	-2.7	3.2
	gambling and lottery services		102.1	1.4	1.9	-0.9
	commercial sport services		101.5	-0.4	1.6	-3.9
	bank accounts		101.5	3.0	-2.6	4./
	legal and accountancy services		101.4	1.5		2.3
	airline services		101.2	0.8	2.7	3.0
	fixed telephone services		100.8	-1.6	0.4	1.3
	mobile telephone services		100.7	6.5	-0.3	3.6
S	cafés, bars and restaurants		100.7	1.0	1.5	-3.2
Ε	tram, local bus, metro		100.5	-1.1	0.3	0.6
	packaged holidays & tours		100.5	-1.5	1.3	-3.2
R	loans, credit and credit cards		100.3	-2.2		1.9
ν	electricity services		100.2	1.5	-1.0	3.9
ı	holiday accommodation		100.2	-1.9	0.0	-4.9
С	gas services		100.2	1.0	0.5	1.8
	vehicle insurance		99.8	-1.5	-0.3	-2.3
E	postal services		99.7	-1.1	-2.4	-0.8
S	TV-subscriptions		99.7	4.1		1.3
	mortgages		99.2	-1.4		4.6
	vehicle rental services		99.1	-2.0	3.0	-2.8
	train services		98.9	-0.5	-0.9	3.2
	home insurance		98.5	5.7	1.0	2.6
	internet provision		97.9	4.6	2.1	0.3
	vehicle maintenance and repair		97.8	-1.8	5.1	-1.7
	maintenance services		97.7	0.6	1.7	-1.2
	private life insurance		97.6	-2.9		-0.2
invest	ment products, private pensions and		97.3	-0.2	5.8	3./
	real estate services	II.	96.6	0.8	5.9	1.9

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## Luxembourg

### **Overall Performance**

Of all countries Luxembourg's market performance is assessed as the best. Large differences in MPI and ranking are recorded, with 13 markets differing from the EU ranking by 10 ranks or more, and 17 markets differing from the 2011 ranking by 10 ranks or more. In this respect, it is important to note that the sample size for Luxembourg is smaller than for most other countries and that similar changes were recorded from 2010 to 2011.

The ranking for goods markets differs from the EU27 ranking, although this only corresponds to a major difference in the nMPI for the clothing and footwear market, which is rated 5.8 points above the EU27 average. This market is also assessed more favourably than in 2011 with a 7.3 point increase over last year's result. The second-hand car market is rated 5.5 points above the EU average, but appears in the same position in the overall and national rankings. The 2011 ranking differs widely from the 2012 ranking, although in this case as well, nMPI differences remain small. The clothing and footwear market displays the largest difference with 2011 among goods markets and is 7.3 points above the level of last year. Furthermore the market for fruits and vegetables has also improved its assessment remarkably, with 5.3 points.

The service market ranking is rather different from the EU27 ranking. However, this difference in ranking is only linked to a major difference in nMPI for the electricity services markets, with a 5 point difference. Differences in ranking also appear when the data is compared with 2011. Three markets present major differences in both the nMPI and ranking: mobile telephone services, which improved by 6.5 points over last year, home insurance, which is down by 5.7 points and the electricity market, which is 4.5 points above its 2011 level.