## Retail Sales Dashboard - January 2022

## Headline Figures

Most recent month Most recent 3 months YoY growth (\%) YoY growth (\%)

|  | Yalue | +12.8 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Volume $^{*}$ | +7.2 | +6.1 |
|  |  | +1.1 |

*Seasonally adjusted, excluding fuel.
Including fuel values ( $+16.5 \%$ ); volumes ( $+9.1 \%$,

## Key Messages

A strong set of retail sales figures that defy economic logic. A consumer supposedly squeezed by inflation, low wage growth, and energy costs spent significantly in January. Retail sales grew
$+12.8 \%$, the third strongest monthly performance since records begn since records began.

Non-Food grew $+41.0 \%$ (vs. weak YoY comparison $-26.8 \%$ ). All sub-categories experienced strong
growth except for chemists. Food declined $-2.1 \%$ growth except for chemists. Food declined $-2.1 \%$
(vs. strong YoY comparison $+4.7 \%$ ).
Online declined -130bps to $25.3 \%$ of all retail sales, the lowest level since the pandemic struck. Online grocery also receded to $9.5 \%$.
E-commerce Share of Retail Spend
\%Penetration
38
35
33
30

Monthly Performance YoY - All Retail


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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Volumes (SA) } \\
& \text { Values (SA) }
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| November | December | January |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.5 | -0.4 | 6.0 |
| 4.9 | 4.4 | 11.6 |
| 1.6 | -3.8 | 7.2 |
| 5.9 | 1.4 | 12.8 |

## Monthly Performance YoY - by Sub-Sector



## Quarterly Performance vs GDP (QoQ)



## Monthly Performance YoY - Food vs. Non-Food



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| $\%$ | November | December | January |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Non-Food | -0.2 | 3.3 | -2.1 |
| Food | 18.3 | 3.3 | 41.0 |

