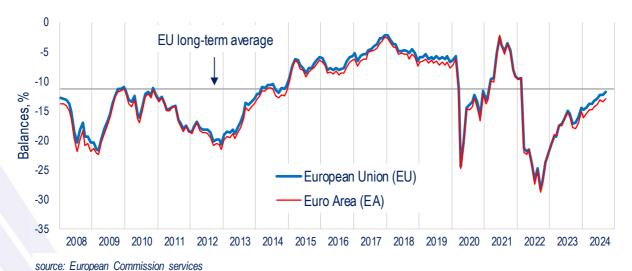


## FLASH CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDICATOR FOR THE EU AND EURO AREA

In September 2024, DG ECFIN's flash estimate<sup>1</sup> of the consumer confidence indicator<sup>2</sup> picked up by 0.5 percentage points (pps.) in both the EU and the euro area. At -11.7 (EU) and -12.9 (euro area) points,<sup>3</sup> consumer confidence has almost caught up with its long-term average.



<sup>1</sup> This month's Flash CCI for the EU aggregate is computed on the basis of consumer survey data from 26 EU countries (all except Ireland), covering 98,5% (EU) and 98,2% (euro area) of total private final consumption expenditure.

## **Information**

Data collection period: September 1-19.

**Release policy of the Consumer Confidence Indicator (CCI):** Every month, the Directorate-General Economic and Financial Affairs (DG ECFIN) of the European Commission releases the flash CCI for the EU and euro-area aggregates, using the data available on the cut-off date. The final Consumer Survey results are then published as part of the full Business and Consumer Survey release at the end of the month.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The consumer confidence indicator builds on replies to selected questions addressed to consumers according to the Joint Harmonised EU Programme of Business and Consumer Surveys. More information on the consumer confidence indicator as well as time series can be found via the following link: <a href="https://economy-finance.ec.europa.eu/economic-forecast-and-surveys/business-and-consumer-surveys">https://economy-finance.ec.europa.eu/economic-forecast-and-surveys/business-and-consumer-surveys</a> en.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Past results were slightly revised due to seasonal adjustment.