

Latest Announcements from the Quarterly Financial Report

- Beginning with its June 2012 release for the first quarter of 2012, the Quarterly Financial Report (QFR) will publish seasonally adjusted net sales data for large corporations in the retail trade sector. Seasonal adjustment removes seasonal patterns from an unadjusted data series, making it more useful for observing underlying trends in the data. The new data will be computed using the X-12-ARIMA seasonal adjustment program. Prior quarter data (beginning with the first quarter of 2011) will be created using this methodology to provide data comparability over time. For more information, contact the Statistical Research and Methods Branch at 301-763-3310.