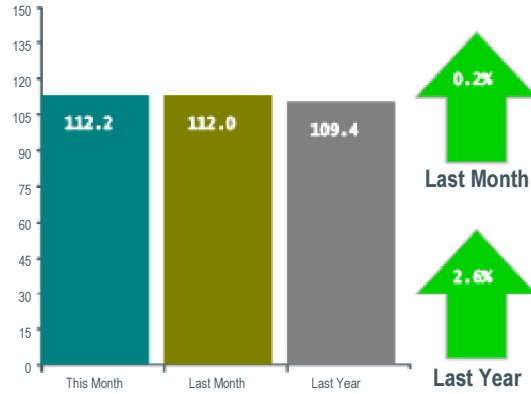
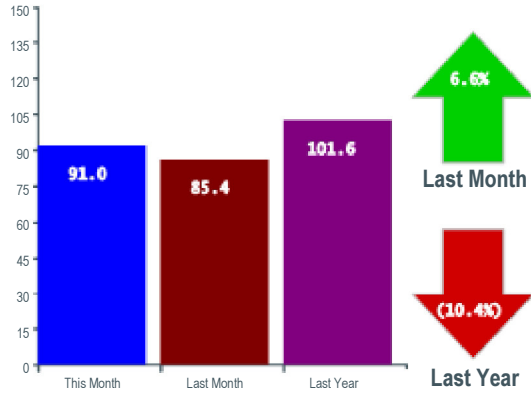


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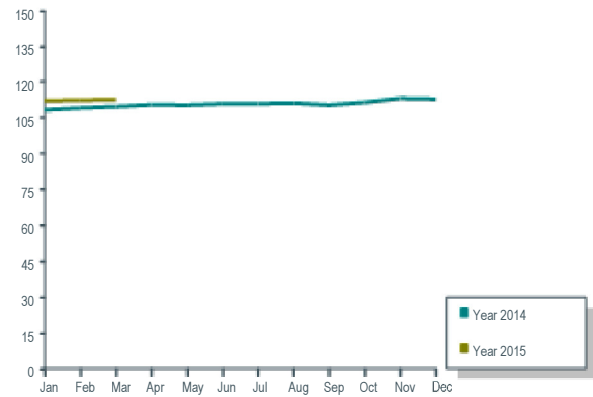
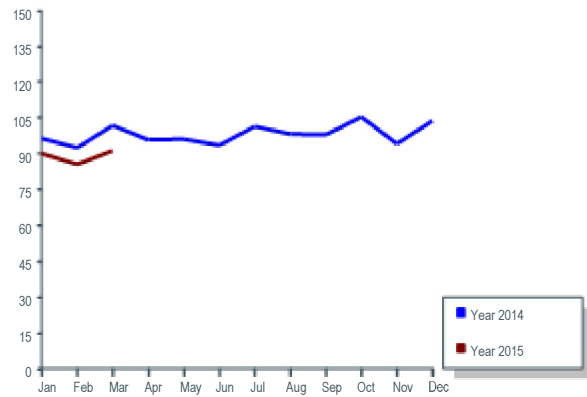
Markets Footfall Index (March)

Retail Sales Value Index (March)



Annual Footfall Trend

Annual Retail Sales Trend



Weather

1st-5th Mar 2015		6th-12th Mar 2015		13th-20th Mar 2015		21st-31st Mar 2015	
6.7°C		8.9°C		7.2°C		8.3°C	
Rain and wind		Showers		Strong winds and rain		Strong winds and showers	

This issue shows a lively bounce back from a weak start to the year by the UK markets sector. Footfall in markets during March was up by almost 7% on the previous month; an important advance, though still not enough to cancel out the acquired backlog on a yoy basis (source : PFM Intelligence)

In spite of wintry weather persisting through the month, footfall on High Streets followed a similar pattern : up strongly mom, though with a smaller yoy decline (source : Springboard)

Retail Sales continued to show resilience, up by a healthy 2.6% on value, the 24th consecutive monthly increase and a great tribute to the retail energy that is putting the economy back on track (source : ONS)