Extract from the Research Brief

Number of retail outlets, 2004-2013 Selling: Cosmetics and personal care products +1 500% Wearing apparel and footwear +41.5% Leather goods +32.9% Jewellery and watches +30.5% Audio and video equipment and photographic equipment +21.6% Foodstuff +4.7% Medicine, health supplements and Chinese drugs +4.7% Selling: Non-specialized goods (groceries of Chinese provisions and general household goods) -29.5% Books, newspapers and stationery -25.4% Source: Census and Statistics Department.