



Main Features

Monthly change (trend):

Queensland	↑	0.0%
Australia	↑	0.4%

Annual change (trend):

Queensland	↑	3.2%
Australia	↑	5.9%

Commentary

Note: Commentary on monthly figures is based on nominal values throughout and, as such, movements are affected by price and quantity changes.

- The trend estimates of Queensland's retail turnover were largely unchanged in January 2010, following an upward revised growth of 0.1% in December 2009. Australia's trend turnover increased 0.4% from December 2009 to January 2010 (Figure 1).
- The trend value of Queensland retail turnover increased slightly from \$4,096.0 million in December 2009 to \$4,097.3 million in January 2010.
- The slight increase in Queensland retail turnover in January 2010 reflected higher spending in food, department stores and other retailing. This higher spending was offset by falls in spending on household goods, clothing, footwear and personal accessories, as well as cafes, restaurants and takeaway food.
- Annually, the trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased from \$3,969.5 million in January 2009 to \$4,097.3 million in January 2010. This was a 3.2% growth in Queensland over the year to January 2010, which was below the 5.9% growth for Australia.
- Queensland recorded the lowest annual growth in retail trade of all states and territories (3.2%). New South Wales recorded the highest increase (8.8%), followed by Australian Capital Territory (6.1%) (Figure 2).
- *Other retailing* recorded the largest positive contribution to retail turnover in Queensland in January 2010 (0.11 percentage point). *Food retailing* recorded the largest positive contribution to retail turnover in Australia in this month (0.11 percentage point) (Figure 3).

Figure 1: Monthly change in retail turnover, January 2008 to January 2010

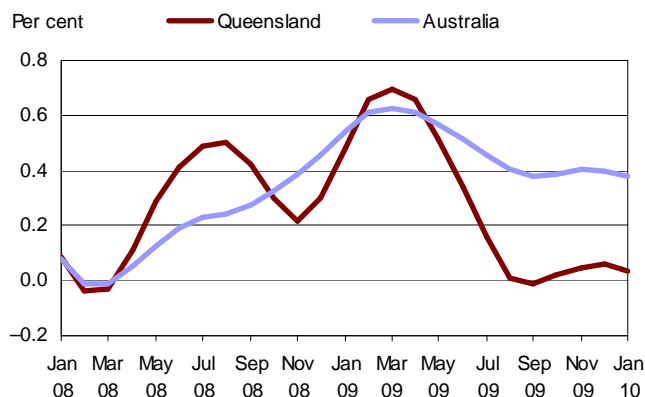


Figure 2: Annual change in retail turnover by state and territory, January 2009 to January 2010

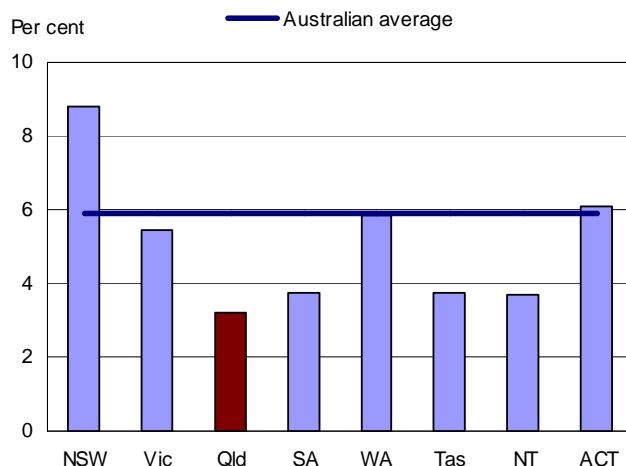


Figure 3: Monthly retail turnover contribution to growth by industry group, January 2010

