



Main Features

Monthly change (trend):

Queensland	↑	0.3%
Australia	↑	0.4%

Annual change (trend):

Queensland	↑	1.7%
Australia	↑	3.8%

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 estimate of Queensland's retail turnover increased 0.3% in September 2010, the seventh monthly increase in a row since March 2010. Australia's trend turnover also increased, by 0.4%, during the month (Figure 1).
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased from \$4,147.5 million in August 2010 to \$4,158.6 million in September 2010.
- The increase in Queensland's nominal retail turnover in September 2010 mainly reflected higher spending in *cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services, other retailing and clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing*. This higher spending was partially offset by lower spending on *household goods retailing*.
- Annually, the trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased from \$4,090.4 million in September 2009 to \$4,158.6 million in September 2010. This represents a 1.7% rise in Queensland over the year to September 2010, well below the 3.8% growth for Australia (Figure 2).
- Queensland recorded the third-lowest annual growth in retail trade of all states and territories (1.7%). Victoria recorded the highest increase (6.5%), followed by Northern Territory (4.4%).
- *Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Queensland in September 2010 (0.14 percentage point). *Household goods retailing* recorded the largest deduction from retail turnover in Queensland in the month (0.07 percentage point) (Figure 3).

Figure 1: Monthly change in retail turnover

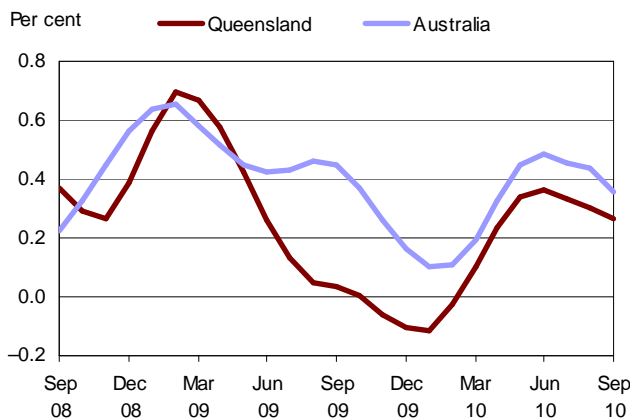


Figure 2: Annual change in retail turnover, September 2010

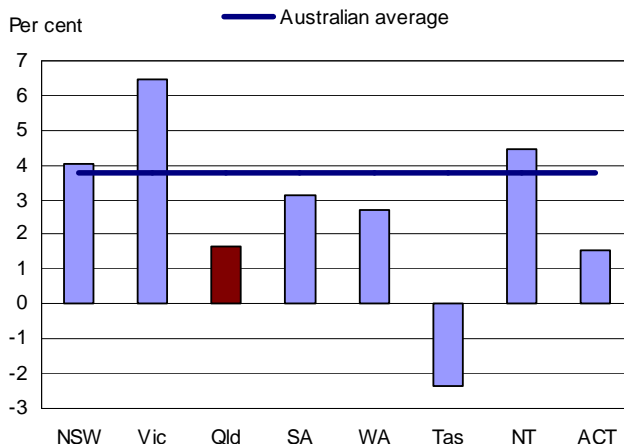


Figure 3: Monthly retail turnover contribution to growth by industry group, September 2010

