



Retail Trade, September 2012

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Key data

Monthly change (trend):

Queensland.....↑ 0.2%
 Australia↑ 0.2%

Annual change (trend):

Queensland.....↑ 5.1%
 Australia↑ 3.7%

Main findings

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 0.2% in September 2012. Australia's trend turnover also increased by 0.2% during the month (Figure 1).
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased from \$4,458.3 million in August 2012 to \$4,468.2 million in September 2012.
- The increase in Queensland's nominal retail turnover in September 2012 mainly reflected higher spending in *Food retailing*, *Other retailing* and *Household goods retailing*. This increase in spending was partially offset by lower spending on *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing* and *Department stores* groups.
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased by 5.1% over the previous 12 months, from \$4,251.0 million in September 2011 (Figure 2).
- Queensland recorded the third-highest annual growth in retail trade of all states and territories (5.1%). Western Australia had the highest increase (9.3%).
- *Food retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Queensland in the month (0.13 percentage point). *Food retailing* also recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Australia (0.15 percentage point) in September 2012 (Figure 3).
- In real terms (which measures the volume of retail turnover, removing the effect of price movements), trend retail trade in Queensland increased 1.0% in September quarter 2012. Over the year to September quarter 2012, real retail turnover rose 5.6%.

Figure 1: Monthly change in retail turnover

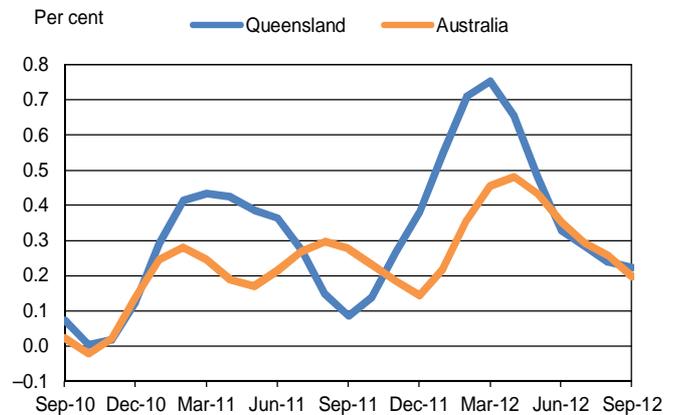


Figure 2: Annual change in retail turnover, September 2012

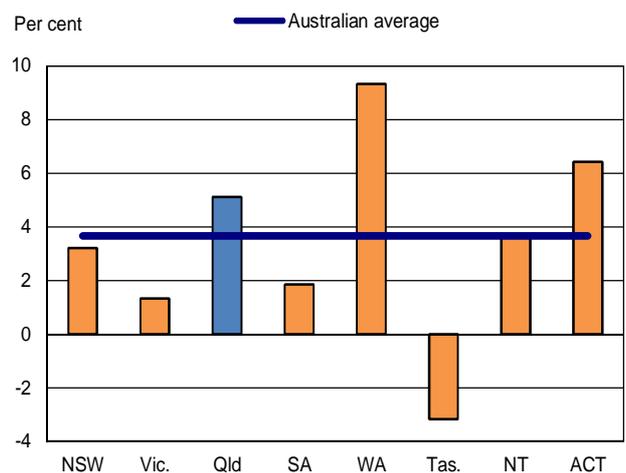


Figure 3: Monthly retail turnover contribution to growth by industry group, September 2012

