

# Retail Trade, April 2013

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## Key data

### Monthly change (trend):

Queensland ..... ↑ 0.4%  
 Australia ..... ↑ 0.4%

### Annual change (trend):

Queensland ..... ↑ 4.6%  
 Australia ..... ↑ 3.2%

## 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 0.4% in April 2013. Australia's trend turnover also increased by 0.4% during the month (Figure 1).
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased from \$4,584.7 million in March 2013 to \$4,603.6 million in April 2013.
- The increase in Queensland's nominal retail turnover in April 2013 mainly reflected higher spending in, *Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services, Household goods retailing and Food retailing.*
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased by 4.6% over the previous 12 months, from \$4,399.4 million in April 2012 (Figure 2).
- Queensland recorded the third-highest annual growth in retail trade of all states and territories (4.6%). The Australian Capital Territory recorded the highest increase (5.0%).
- *Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Queensland in the month (0.23 percentage point). *Food retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Australia (0.23 percentage point) in April 2013 (Figure 3).

Figure 1: Monthly change in retail turnover

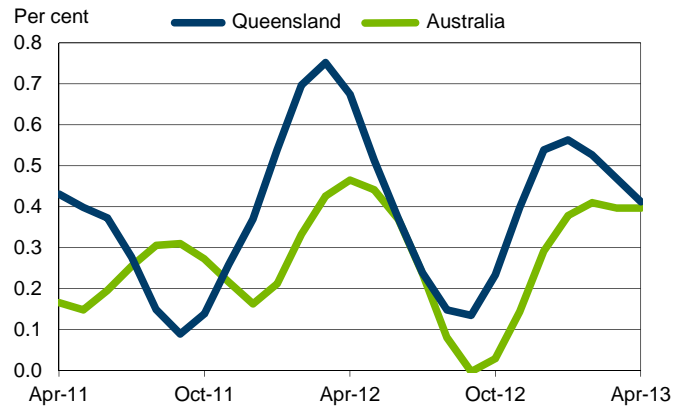


Figure 2: Annual change in retail turnover, April 2013

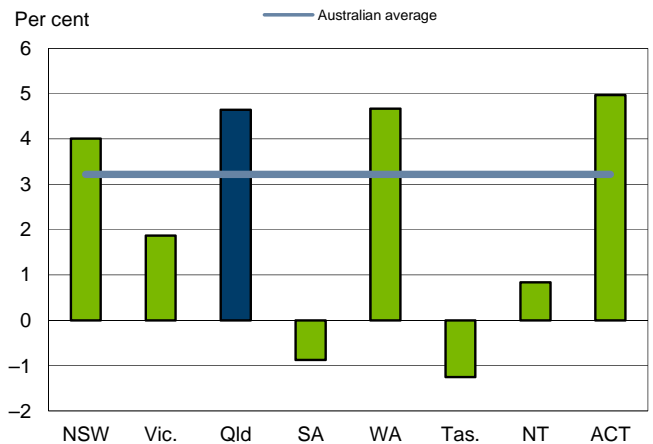


Figure 3: Monthly retail turnover contribution to growth by industry group, April 2013

