

# Retail trade, February 2016

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## Key data

### Monthly change (trend):

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

### Annual change (trend):

Queensland..... ↑ 2.0%  
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 February 2016. Australia's trend turnover increased 0.2% in February 2016.
- The trend value of Queensland's nominal retail turnover increased from \$5,000.5 million in January 2016 to \$5,010.5 million in February 2016.
- The increase in Queensland's nominal retail turnover in February 2016 mainly reflected higher spending in *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing* and *Household goods retailing*.
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased by 2.0% over the previous 12 months, from \$4,914.3 million in February 2015 (Figure 2).
- Queensland recorded the seventh-highest annual growth in retail turnover of all states and territories (2.0%). Australian Capital Territory recorded the highest increase (7.7%).
- *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Queensland in the month (0.07 percentage point). *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Australia (0.06 percentage point) in February 2016 (Figure 3).

Figure 1 Monthly change in retail turnover

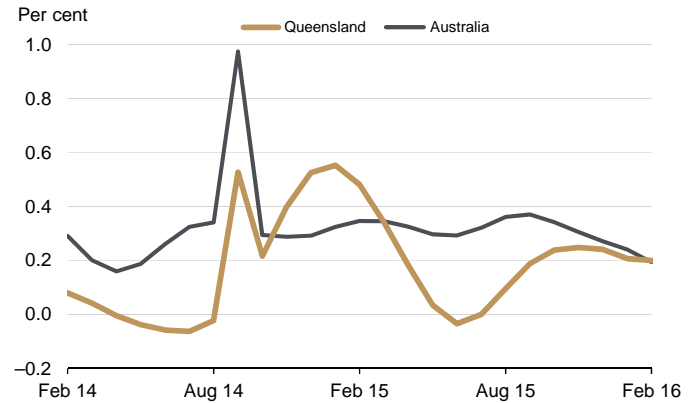


Figure 2 Annual change in retail turnover, February 2016



Figure 3 Monthly retail turnover contribution to growth by industry group, February 2016

