

Retail trade, April 2016

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Key data

Monthly change (trend):

Queensland..... ↔ 0.0%
Australia ↑ 0.2%

Annual change (trend):

Queensland..... ↑ 1.1%
Australia ↑ 3.4%

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 was largely unchanged in April 2016. Australia's trend turnover increased 0.2% in April 2016.
- The trend value of Queensland's nominal retail turnover decreased from \$4,999.0 million in March 2016 to \$4,996.7 million in April 2016.
- Queensland's nominal retail turnover in April 2016 mainly reflected higher spending in *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing* and *Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services*. This was offset by lower spending mainly in *Food retailing* and *Other retailing*.
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased by 1.1% over the previous 12 months, from \$4,940.3 million in April 2015 (Figure 2).
- Queensland recorded the lowest annual growth in retail turnover of all states and territories (1.1%). Australian Capital Territory recorded the highest increase (7.3%).
- *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Queensland in the month (0.03 percentage point). *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Australia (0.06 percentage point) in April 2016 (Figure 3).

Figure 1 Monthly change in retail turnover

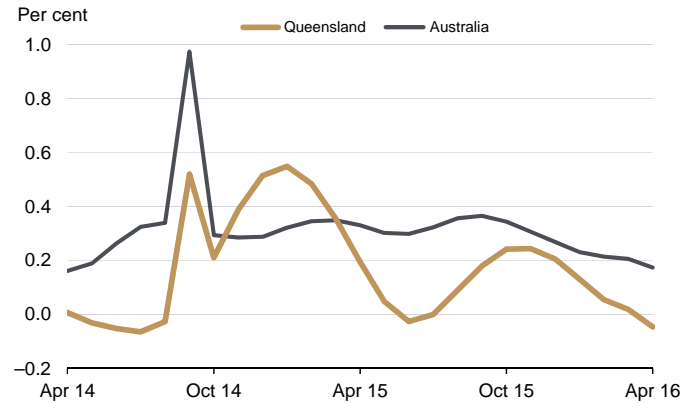


Figure 2 Annual change in retail turnover, April 2016



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

