

# Retail trade, April 2017

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## Key data

### Monthly change (trend):

Queensland..... ↔ 0.0%  
 Australia ..... ↑ 0.1%

### Annual change (trend):

Queensland..... ↑ 2.7%  
 Australia ..... ↑ 2.7%

## 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 was largely unchanged in April 2017. Australia's trend turnover increased 0.1% in April 2017.
- The trend value of Queensland's nominal retail turnover decreased from \$5,157.8 million in March 2017 to \$5,156.8 million in April 2017.
- Queensland's nominal retail turnover in April 2017 showed higher spending in *Food retailing* and *Department stores*. This was offset by lower spending mainly in *Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services* and *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing*.
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased by 2.7% over the previous 12 months, from \$5,022.1 million in April 2016 (Figure 2).
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- *Food retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Queensland in the month (0.08 percentage point). *Food retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Australia (0.09 percentage point) in April 2017 (Figure 3).

Figure 1 Monthly change in retail turnover

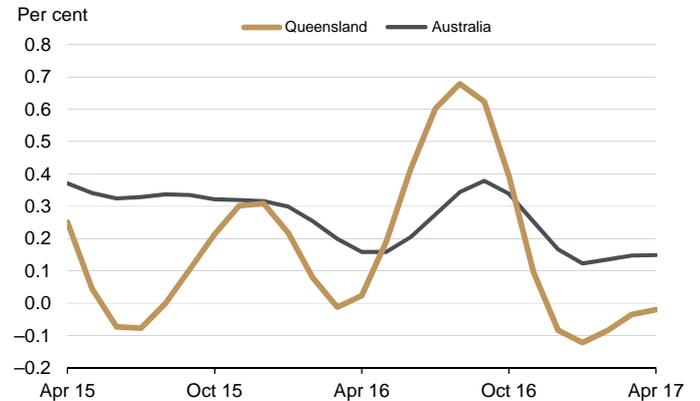


Figure 2 Annual change in retail turnover, April 2017



Figure 3 Monthly retail turnover contribution to growth by industry group, April 2017

