

Retail trade, August 2019

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Key data

Monthly change (trend):

Queensland..... ↑ 0.1%
Australia ↑ 0.1%

Annual change (trend):

Queensland..... ↑ 4.6%
Australia ↑ 2.3%

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 0.1% in August 2019. Australia's trend turnover increased 0.1% in August 2019.
- The trend value of Queensland's nominal retail turnover increased from \$5,537.0 million in July 2019 to \$5,544.1 million in August 2019.
- The increase in Queensland's nominal retail turnover in August 2019 mainly reflected higher spending in *Food retailing* and *Household goods retailing*.
- The trend value of Queensland's retail turnover increased by 4.6% over the previous 12 months, from \$5,301.9 million in August 2018 (Figure 2).
- Queensland recorded the highest annual growth in retail turnover of all states and territories (4.6%).
- *Food retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Queensland in the month (0.10 percentage point). *Food retailing* recorded the largest contribution to retail turnover growth in Australia (0.05 percentage point) in August 2019 (Figure 3).

Figure 1 Monthly change in retail turnover

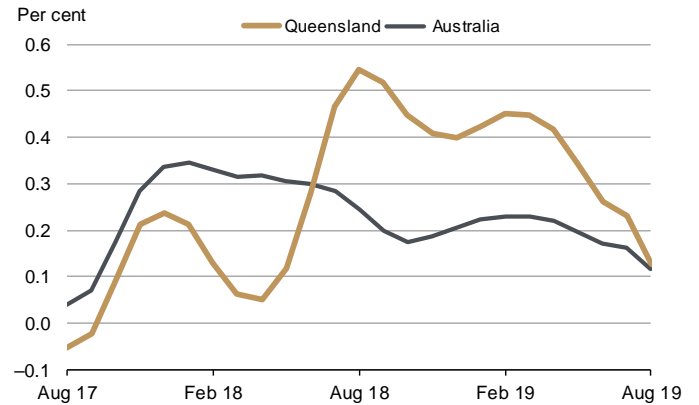


Figure 2 Annual change in retail turnover, August 2019

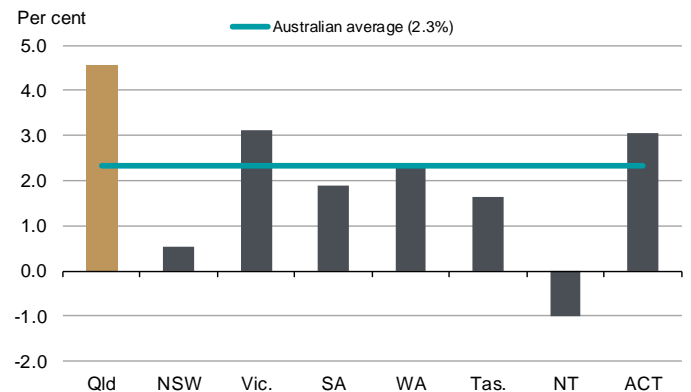


Figure 3 Monthly retail turnover contribution to growth by industry group, August 2019

