

# Retail Trade, January 2018

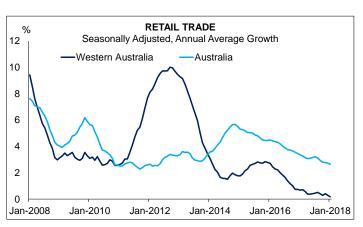
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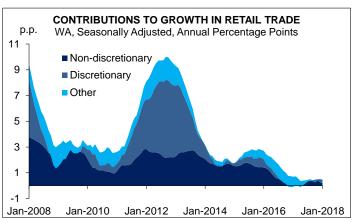
### Western Australia

- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.3% to \$2,842 million between December 2017 and January 2018.
- The monthly increase was mainly due to 'food retailing' and 'other' spending which each contributed 0.3 percentage points to growth. This was partially offset by 'household goods retailing' which detracted 0.4 percentage points from growth.
- Retail trade rose by 0.2% in annual average terms and lifted by 0.8% over the three months to January 2018.
- The main contributor to annual average growth was 'non-discretionary' spending. 'Other' spending and 'discretionary' spending detracted from growth.
- Trend retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.1% between December and January, and rose by 0.2% over the year.

#### Australia

- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade rose by 0.1% to \$26,263 million between December and January.
- Retail trade grew by 2.7% in annual average terms and increased by 1.3% in the three months ending in January.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 3.7% in South Australia. The smallest increase was 0.2% in Western Australia.
- Australia's trend retail trade rose by 0.3% between December and January, and grew by 2.6% in annual average terms.





#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE January 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

	% Change Over			
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,438	3.0%	0.8%	-0.2%
Victoria	6,748	3.9%	2.3%	0.3%
Queensland	5,246	1.6%	1.2%	0.4%
South Australia	1,732	3.7%	2.1%	-0.6%
Western Australia	2,842	0.2%	0.8%	0.3%
Tasmania	523	3.0%	1.4%	0.3%
Northern Territory	258	0.4%	0.0%	-0.5%
Australian Capital Territory	477	2.6%	0.5%	0.0%
Australia	26,263	2.7%	1.3%	0.1%



# **Retail Trade, February 2018**

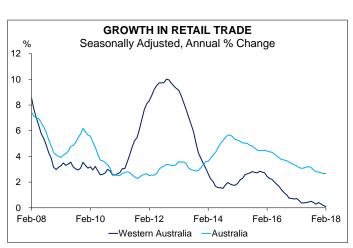
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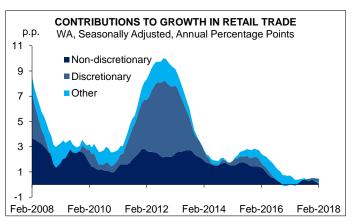
### Western Australia

- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia decreased by 0.6% to \$2,821 million between January and February.
- The monthly fall was mainly due to 'other' spending and 'food retailing' which detracted 0.3 and 0.2 percentage points from growth respectively.
- Retail trade rose by 0.1% in annual average terms and grew by 0.2% over the three months to February 2018.
- The only contributor to annual average growth was 'non-discretionary' spending. 'Other' spending detracted from growth, as did 'discretionary' spending.
- Trend retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.1% between January and February, and rose by 0.1% over the year.

#### Australia

- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade rose by 0.6% to \$26,450 million between January and February.
- Retail trade grew by 2.7% in annual average terms and increased by 0.8% in the three months ending in February.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.2% in Victoria. The smallest increase was 0.1% in Western Australia.
- Australia's trend retail trade rose by 0.4% between January and February, and grew by 2.6% in annual average terms.





#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE February 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,548	3.0%	0.5%	1.1%
Victoria	6,839	4.2%	1.6%	1.1%
Queensland	5,232	1.5%	0.8%	-0.3%
South Australia	1,746	3.7%	0.7%	0.7%
Western Australia	2,821	0.1%	0.2%	-0.6%
Tasmania	525	3.0%	0.0%	0.3%
Northern Territory	261	0.3%	0.1%	1.1%
Australian Capital Territory	480	2.6%	-0.3%	0.5%
Australia	26,450	2.7%	0.8%	0.6%



# **Retail Trade, March 2018**

## **Key Facts**

### Nominal

Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia decreased by 0.1% to \$2,817 million between February and March, and rose by 0.1% in annual average terms.

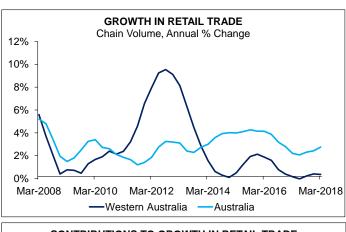
- The monthly decrease was driven by 'cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services', and 'other retailing' which detracted 0.5 and 0.2 percentage points from growth respectively. This was partially offset by 'food retailing' which contributed 0.7 percentage points to growth.
- The main contributor to annual average growth was 'non-discretionary' spending. 'Other' spending and 'discretionary' spending both detracted from growth.
- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade was unchanged at \$26,439 million between February and March, and grew by 2.8% in annual average terms.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.4% in Victoria. The smallest increase was 0.1% in Western Australia.

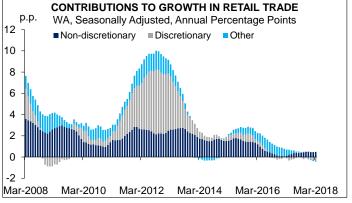
#### Real

Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia decreased by 0.6% to \$8,427 million in the March quarter 2018, and rose by 0.2% in annual average terms.

Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade increased by 0.2% to \$78,166 million in the March quarter 2018, and rose by 2.6% in annual average terms.

The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.1% in Victoria. The smallest increases were recorded in Western Australia and Northern Territory (0.2%).





#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE March 2018 Seasonally Adjusted, Chain Volume

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	Quarter	
New South Wales	25,146	2.8%	0.2%	
Victoria	20,183	4.1%	0.9%	
Queensland	15,509	1.4%	0.4%	
South Australia	5,160	3.6%	-0.5%	
Western Australia	8,427	0.2%	-0.6%	
Tasmania	1,549	2.6%	-0.9%	
Northern Territory	770	0.2%	-0.3%	
Australian Capital Territory	1,424	2.3%	0.0%	
Australia	78,166	2.6%	0.2%	



# Retail Trade, April 2018

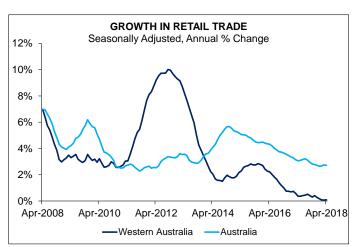
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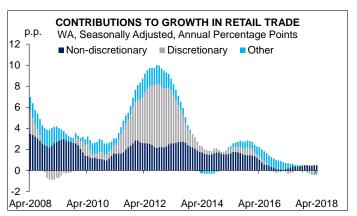
### Western Australia

- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.7% to \$2,841 million between March and April.
- The monthly increase was mainly due to 'other' spending and 'cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services' which contributed 0.3 and 0.2 percentage points to growth respectively. This was partially offset by 'household goods retailing' which detracted 0.2 percentage points from growth.
- Retail trade rose by 0.1% in annual average terms and dropped by 0.4% over the three months to April 2018.
- The main contributor to annual average growth was 'non-discretionary' spending. 'Discretionary' spending detracted from growth, as did 'other' spending.
- Trend retail trade in Western Australia was unchanged between March and April, and fell by 0.1% over the year.

#### Australia

- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade rose by 0.4% to \$26,557 million between March and April.
- Retail trade grew by 2.7% in annual average terms and increased by 0.7% in the three months ending in April.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.4% in Victoria. The smallest increase was 0.1% in Western Australia.
- Australia's trend retail trade rose by 0.3% between March and April, and grew by 2.5% in annual average terms.





#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE April 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,603	3.0%	1.1%	0.7%
Victoria	6,870	4.4%	1.3%	0.3%
Queensland	5,221	1.3%	-0.1%	0.1%
South Australia	1,733	3.5%	-0.1%	-0.6%
Western Australia	2,841	0.1%	-0.4%	0.7%
Tasmania	528	3.1%	0.2%	0.9%
Northern Territory	270	0.8%	2.1%	2.6%
Australian Capital Territory	491	2.5%	1.4%	0.6%
Australia	26,557	2.7%	0.7%	0.4%



# Retail Trade, May 2018

# **Key Facts**

### Western Australia

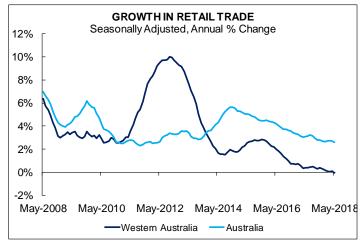
- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia decreased by 0.5% to \$2,826 million between April and May.
- The monthly fall was mainly due to 'clothing, footwear and personal accesory retailing' which detracted 0.3 percentage points from growth while 'cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services' and 'department stores' both detracted 0.2 percentage points from growth. This was partially offset by 'food retailing' which contributed 0.5 percentage points to growth.
- Retail trade was unchanged in annual average terms and was unchanged over the three months to May 2018.
- The main detractor from annual average growth was 'discretionary' spending. 'Other' spending also detracted from growth, while 'non-discretionary' spending contributed to growth.
- Trend retail trade in Western Australia was unchanged between April and May, and fell by 0.2% over the year.

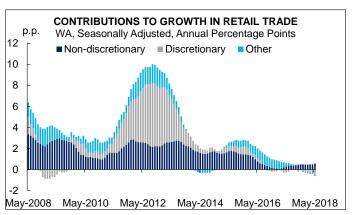
### Australia

- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade rose by 0.4% to \$26,674 million between April and May.
- Retail trade grew by 2.6% in annual average terms and increased by 0.9% in the three months ending in May.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.3% in Victoria. Western Australia was the worst performing state, with growth flat.
- Australia's trend retail trade rose by 0.3% between April and May, and grew by 2.5% in annual average terms.

#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE May 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,654	3.0%	1.3%	0.5%
Victoria	6,886	4.3%	1.3%	0.2%
Queensland	5,251	1.2%	0.1%	0.4%
South Australia	1,756	3.3%	0.3%	1.1%
Western Australia	2,826	0.0%	0.0%	-0.5%
Tasmania	538	3.1%	1.6%	1.5%
Northern Territory	271	1.1%	3.1%	0.4%
Australian Capital Territory	491	2.2%	2.5%	0.0%
Australia	26,674	2.6%	0.9%	0.4%







# Retail Trade, June 2018

## **Key Facts**

## Nominal

Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.2% to \$2,835 million between May and June, and fell by 0.2% in annual average terms.

- Food and Cafes, restaurants and takeaway detracted 0.5 pp and 0.2 pp from monthly growth while the remaining categories all contributed to growth.
- In annual average terms, 'Discretionary' and 'other' spending detracted from growth, while 'non-discretionary' spending contributed to growth (Chart 1).
- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade increased by 0.4% to \$26,813 million between May and June, and grew by 2.5% in annual average terms.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.4% in Victoria. Western Australia recorded the weakest result (0%).

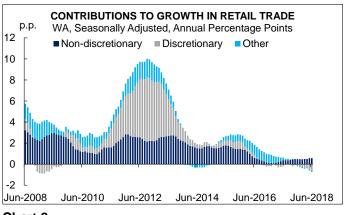
#### Real

Real retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.4% to \$8,466 million in the June quarter 2018, and was unchanged in annual average terms.

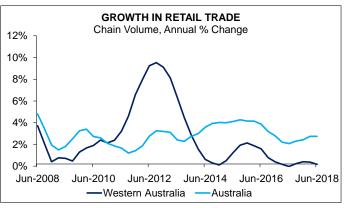
Australia's retail trade volumes increased by 1.2% to \$79,139 million in the June quarter 2018, and rose by 2.5% in annual average terms.

The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.4% in Victoria.

#### Chart 1







#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE June 2018 Seasonally Adjusted, Chain Volume

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	Quarter	
New South Wales	25,586	2.9%	1.7%	
Victoria	20,530	4.4%	1.7%	
Queensland	15,525	1.0%	0.2%	
South Australia	5,182	3.1%	0.6%	
Western Australia	8,466	0.0%	0.4%	
Tasmania	1,595	2.6%	2.7%	
Northern Territory	796	0.7%	3.0%	
Australian Capital Territory	1,459	2.1%	2.4%	
Australia	79,139	2.5%	1.2%	



# Retail Trade, July 2018

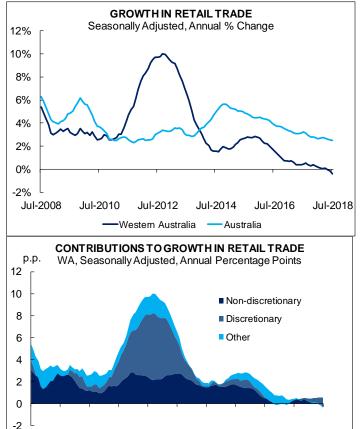
# **Key Facts**

### Western Australia

- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia decreased by 0.6% to \$2,816 million between June and July.
- The monthly fall was broad based, off-set partially by continued growth in 'food', 'cafes, restaurants & takeaway food' and 'other retailing'.
- Retail trade fell by 0.4% in annual average terms and was unchanged over the three months to July 2018.
- The main detractor from annual average growth was 'discretionary' spending. 'Other' spending also detracted from growth, while 'non-discretionary' spending contributed to growth.
- Trend retail trade in Western Australia was unchanged between June and July, and fell by 0.4% over the year.

#### Australia

- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade was unchanged at \$26,787 million between June and July.
- Retail trade grew by 2.5% in annual average terms and increased by 1.0% in the three months ending in July.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.4% in Victoria. The largest decrease was 0.4% in Western Australia.
- Australia's trend retail trade rose by 0.3% between June and July, and grew by 2.5% in annual average terms.



#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE July 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

Jul-2008

Jul-2010

Jul-2012

Jul-2014

Jul-2016

Jul-2018

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,687	2.8%	1.2%	0.0%
Victoria	6,961	4.4%	1.3%	-0.2%
Queensland	5,273	1.0%	0.5%	0.8%
South Australia	1,748	3.1%	0.6%	-0.3%
Western Australia	2,816	-0.4%	0.0%	-0.6%
Tasmania	541	3.1%	2.6%	-0.3%
Northern Territory	265	0.8%	1.0%	-1.6%
Australian Capital Territory	496	2.2%	1.8%	-0.6%
Australia	26,787	2.5%	1.0%	0.0%



# Retail Trade, August 2018

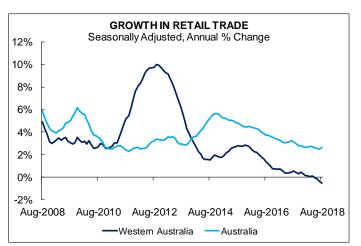
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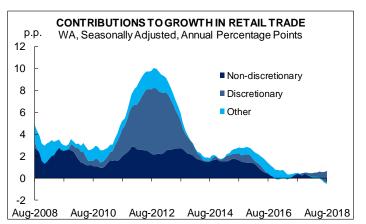
### Western Australia

- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia was unchanged at \$2,814 million between July and August.
- The monthly fall was mainly due to 'household goods retailing' and 'cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services' which both detracted 0.1 percentage points to growth. This was partially offset by 'food retailing' which contributed 0.1 percentage points to growth.
- Retail trade fell by 0.5% in annual average terms and dropped by 0.2% over the three months to August 2018.
- The main detractor from annual average growth was 'discretionary' spending. 'Other' spending also detracted from growth, while 'non-discretionary' spending contributed to growth.
- Trend retail trade in Western Australia decreased by 0.1% between July and August, and fell by 0.5% over the year.

## Australia

- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade rose by 0.3% to \$26,867 million between July and August.
- Retail trade grew by 2.6% in annual average terms and increased by 0.9% in the three months ending in August.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.6% in Victoria. The largest decrease was 0.5% in Western Australia.
- Australia's trend retail trade rose by 0.2% between July and August, and grew by 2.6% in annual average terms.





#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE August 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,736	2.9%	1.2%	0.5%
Victoria	6,973	4.6%	1.4%	0.2%
Queensland	5,278	1.2%	0.6%	0.1%
South Australia	1,765	3.4%	0.7%	0.8%
Western Australia	2,814	-0.5%	-0.2%	0.0%
Tasmania	544	3.5%	2.0%	0.6%
Northern Territory	261	0.7%	-1.2%	-1.3%
Australian Capital Territory	496	2.4%	1.2%	0.2%
Australia	26,867	2.6%	0.9%	0.3%



# **Retail Trade, September 2018**

## **Key Facts**

### **Monthly Values**

- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia was unchanged at \$2,814 million between August and September, and fell by 0.4% in annual average terms.
- Household goods and Clothing footwear and person spending detracted 0.2 pp and 0.1pp from growth while all other categories were either flat or contributed slightly to growth.
- In annual average terms, 'Discretionary' spending detracted 1.0pp from growth while 'non-discretionary' spending contributed 0.7pp to growth (Chart 1).
- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade increased by 0.2% to \$26,893 million between August and September, and grew by 2.8% in annual average terms.
- WA was the only state where the annual average value of retail trade declined (down by 0.4%). Victoria grew at the fastest pace (up by 5.0%) (see table below)

## **Quarterly Volumes**

The volume of retail trade in Western Australia declined by 1.2% in the September quarter to \$8391 million, and by 0.7% in annual average terms.

Australia's retail trade volumes increased by 0.2% to \$80,011 million in the September quarter 2018, and rose by 2.4% in annual average terms.

The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 4.6% in Victoria. The largest decline was 0.7% in Western Australia.

#### Chart 1

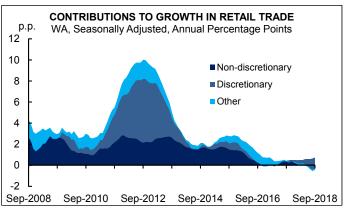
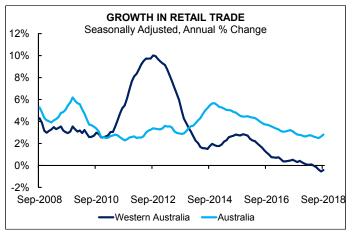


Chart 2



#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE September 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,684	3.0%	0.5%	-0.4%
Victoria	7,023	5.0%	1.0%	0.7%
Queensland	5,300	1.3%	0.9%	0.4%
South Australia	1,770	3.5%	0.7%	0.3%
Western Australia	2,814	-0.4%	-0.7%	0.0%
Tasmania	549	3.8%	1.3%	0.8%
Northern Territory	258	0.7%	-3.0%	-0.9%
Australian Capital Territory	496	2.6%	0.2%	0.0%
Australia	26,893	2.8%	0.6%	0.2%



# **Retail Trade, October 2018**

# **Key Facts**

### Western Australia

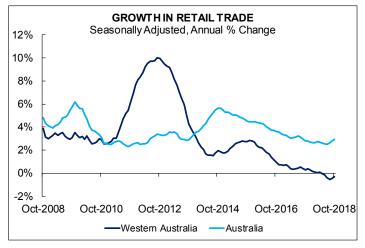
- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.6% to \$2,834 million between September and October.
- The monthly increase was mainly due to 'cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services' and 'household goods retailing' which contributed 0.3 and 0.2 percentage points to growth respectively. This was partially offset by 'department stores' which detracted 0.1 percentage points from growth.
- Retail trade fell by 0.3% in annual average terms and dropped by 0.1% over the three months to October 2018.
- The main detractor from annual average growth was 'discretionary' spending. 'Other' spending also detracted from growth, while 'non-discretionary' spending contributed to growth.
- Trend retail trade in Western Australia was unchanged between September and October, and fell by 0.5% over the year.

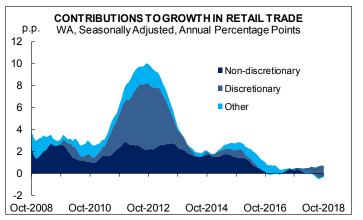
### Australia

- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade rose by 0.3% to \$26,987 million between September and October.
- Retail trade grew by 3.0% in annual average terms and increased by 0.6% in the three months ending in October.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 5.2% in Victoria. The largest decrease was 0.3% in Western Australia.
- Australia's trend retail trade rose by 0.2% between September and October, and grew by 2.8% in annual average terms.

#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE October 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,619	2.9%	0.0%	-0.4%
Victoria	7,079	5.2%	1.2%	0.6%
Queensland	5,372	1.7%	1.3%	1.1%
South Australia	1,772	3.4%	0.8%	0.1%
Western Australia	2,834	-0.3%	-0.1%	0.6%
Tasmania	550	4.0%	1.2%	0.1%
Northern Territory	260	0.7%	-2.8%	0.6%
Australian Capital Territory	501	2.9%	0.4%	1.1%
Australia	26,987	3.0%	0.6%	0.3%







# Retail Trade, November 2018

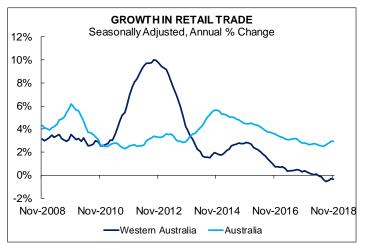
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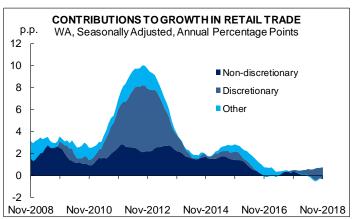
### Western Australia

- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.6% to \$2,857 million between October and November.
- The monthly increase was mainly due to 'other' spending and 'household goods retailing' which contributed 0.4 and 0.1 percentage points to growth respectively. This was partially offset by 'food retailing' which detracted 0.1 percentage points from growth.
- Retail trade fell by 0.3% in annual average terms and grew by 0.7% over the three months to November 2018.
- The main detractor from annual average growth was 'discretionary' spending. 'Other' spending also detracted from growth, while 'non-discretionary' spending contributed to growth.
- Trend retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.3% between October and November, and fell by 0.3% over the year.

## Australia

- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade rose by 0.4% to \$27,115 million between October and November.
- Retail trade grew by 2.9% in annual average terms and increased by 0.7% in the three months ending in November.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 5.2% in Victoria. The largest decrease was 0.3% in Western Australia.
- Australia's trend retail trade rose by 0.2% between October and November, and grew by 3.0% in annual average terms.





#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE November 2018 Seasonally Adjusted

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	3 Months	1 Month
New South Wales	8,680	2.9%	-0.4%	0.8%
Victoria	7,091	5.2%	1.4%	0.1%
Queensland	5,402	2.0%	1.9%	0.4%
South Australia	1,771	2.9%	0.8%	0.0%
Western Australia	2,857	-0.3%	0.7%	0.6%
Tasmania	547	3.9%	1.0%	-0.2%
Northern Territory	257	0.5%	-2.1%	-0.9%
Australian Capital Territory	510	3.1%	1.3%	1.6%
Australia	27,115	2.9%	0.7%	0.4%



# **Retail Trade, December 2018**

## **Key Facts**

#### **Monthly Values**

- Seasonally adjusted retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.1% to \$2,863 million between November and December and fell by 0.2% in annual average terms.
- The monthly increase was mainly due to 'cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services' and 'food retailing' which contributed 0.3 and 0.1 percentage points to growth respectively.
- Australia's seasonally adjusted retail trade fell by 0.4% to \$27,006 million between November and December and grew by 3.0% in annual average terms.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade by State was 5.2% in Victoria. The largest decrease was 0.2% in Western Australia.

#### **Quarterly Volumes**

- The volume of retail trade in Western Australia increased by 0.9% to \$8,474 million in the December quarter 2018, although fell by 0.8% in annual average terms.
- Australia's retail trade volumes increased by 0.1% to \$80,064 million in the December quarter 2018 and rose by 2.2% in annual average terms.
- The largest annual average increase in retail trade volumes by State was 4.5% in Victoria. The largest decline was 0.8% in Western Australia.

#### Chart 1

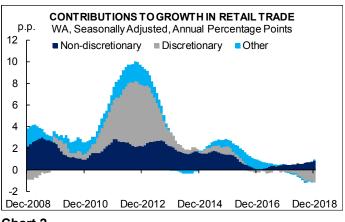
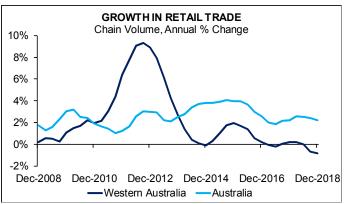


Chart 2



#### RETAIL TRADE BY STATE December 2018 Seasonally Adjusted, Chain Volume

		% Change Over:		
	\$m	Annual Average	Quarter	
New South Wales	25,630	2.1%	-1.1%	
Victoria	20,936	4.5%	0.5%	
Queensland	15,945	1.5%	1.2%	
South Australia	5,222	1.6%	-0.1%	
Western Australia	8,474	-0.8%	0.9%	
Tasmania	1,609	2.9%	-0.3%	
Northern Territory	764	-0.2%	-1.7%	
Australian Capital Territory	1,485	2.5%	0.9%	
Australia	80,064	2.2%	0.1%	