

RETAIL TRADE, JUNE 2017

Summary

During the month of June 2017, retail turnover in current prices:

- rose by 0.4% in South Australia in trend terms (also rose by 0.4% nationally);
- rose by 0.3% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (also rose by 0.3% nationally).

In addition to the monthly release of nominal retail turnover data, the ABS has this month also released chain volume retail turnover data for the June quarter 2017. Chain volume or 'real' data removes the effect of price movements, and therefore provides a measure of the volume of retail trade.

During the June quarter 2017, real retail turnover:

- rose by 1.2% in South Australia in trend terms (rose 0.8% nationally);
- rose by 1.7% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (rose by 1.5% nationally).

Retail turnover in current prices incorporates both changes in prices and sales volumes. The base year for chain volume measures is 2014-15.

Further Analysis

Nominal retail turnover (monthly)

Trend

During June 2017, trend nominal retail turnover in South Australia rose 0.4%, following a rise of 0.5% in the previous month. Trend nominal retail turnover rose 0.4% nationally during June.

Tasmania recorded the highest increase in the month (up 0.7%), followed by Victoria and New South Wales (both up 0.5%), South Australia (up 0.4%), Queensland (up 0.2%) and Western Australia (up 0.1%) —see Table 1.

Compared with a year earlier, retail turnover was 4.4% higher in South Australia and 3.6% higher nationally.

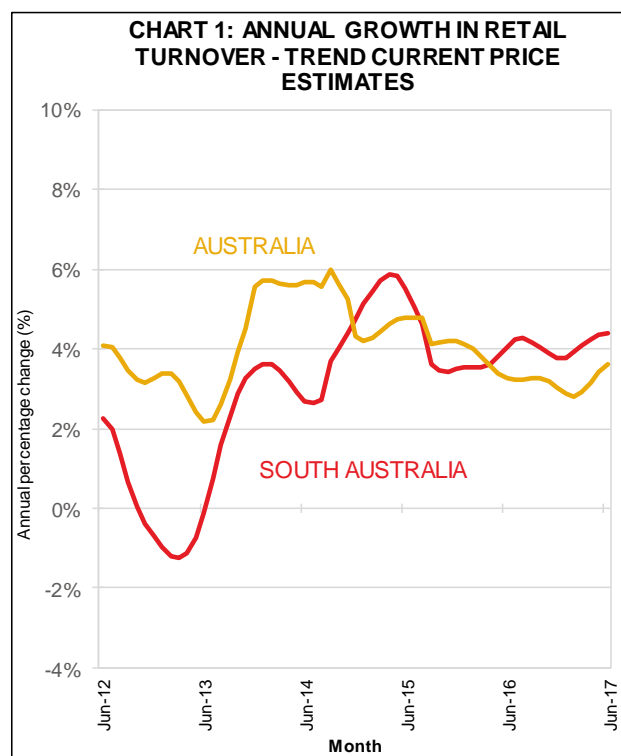


TABLE 1: Nominal Retail Turnover – Trend

	Jun 17 (\$m)	Jun 17 v May 17 (% change)	Jun 17 v Jun 16 (% change)
NSW	8,449.6	0.5	4.2
VIC	6,639.8	0.5	5.0
QLD	5,178.8	0.2	2.4
SA	1,718.5	0.4	4.4
WA	2,847.2	0.1	0.6
TAS	522.6	0.7	4.4
AUS	26,101.9	0.4	3.6

Through the year to June 2017, increases in South Australian retail turnover were recorded for cafes, restaurants and take away food services (up 10%), household goods retailing (up 8.3%), 'other' retailing (up 3.0%), food retailing (up 2.9%), clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing (up 1.2%) and department stores (up 0.4%).

Real retail turnover (quarterly)

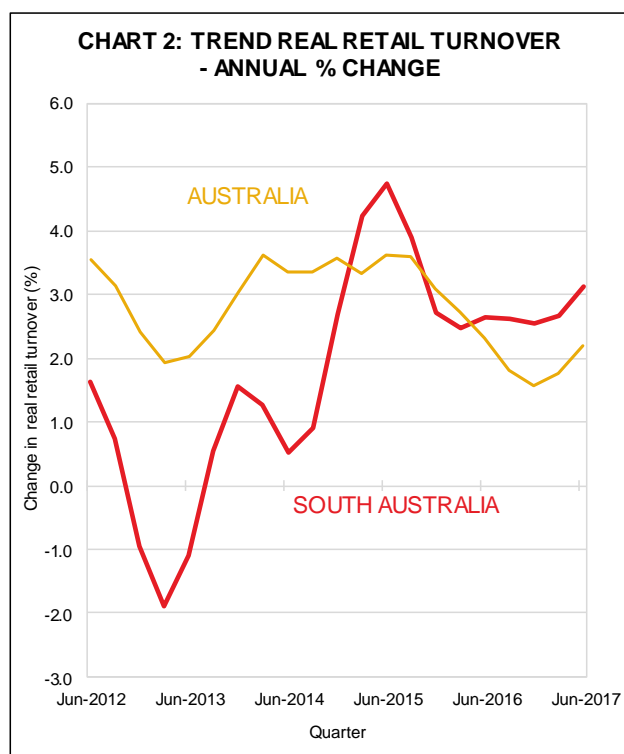


TABLE 2: Real Retail Turnover – Trend

	Jun qtr 17 (\$m)	Jun qtr 17 v Mar qtr 17 (% change)	Jun qtr 17 v Jun qtr 16 (% change)
NSW	24,498.3	1.0	2.5
VIC	19,337.3	1.2	3.2
QLD	15,084.6	0.1	1.4
SA	4,999.3	1.2	3.1
WA	8,343.3	0.3	0.0
TAS	1,514.8	1.0	2.4
AUS	75,948.1	0.8	2.2

Reference year for chain volume measures is 2014-15

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Next release of ABS cat. no. 8501.0 is 7 September 2017

