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# RETAIL TRADE

AUSTRALIA

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## AUGUST KEY FIGURES

### TREND ESTIMATES

Turnover at current prices

(in \$ millions)

Jul 96 Aug 96 % change

10 309.8 10 364.9 0.5

Aug 95 Aug 96 % change

9 852.3 10 364.9 5.2

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

Turnover at current prices

Jul 96 Aug 96 % change

10 328.4 10 439.5 1.1

Aug 95 Aug 96 % change

9 937.9 10 439.5 5.0

## AUGUST KEY POINTS

### TREND ESTIMATES

- The Australian Retail and Hospitality/Services trend estimates of turnover have shown accelerating growth over recent months.
- Over the three months to August 1996 the trend estimate increased by \$150.9m. Of this amount \$65.0m was attributable to the Food retailing group, \$49.6m to the Household good retailing group and \$35.6m to Department stores.

### INDUSTRY ANALYSIS

- The Household good retailing group and Department stores have recorded strong growth in recent months.
- Growth in Food retailing has been a consistent 0.5% over the last five months.
- The Hospitality and services group has been in decline for the last five months.

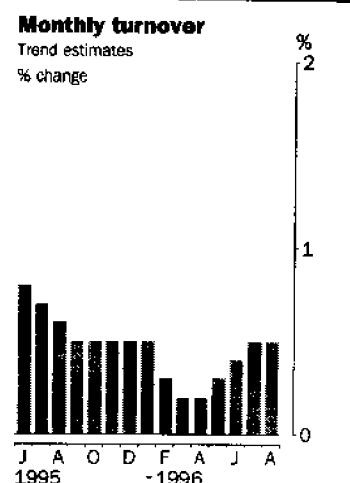
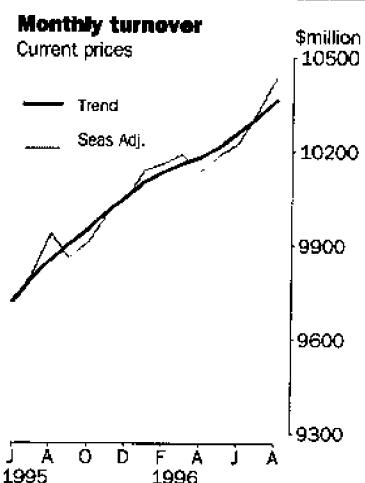
### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

- The relatively strong seasonally adjusted increase (up 1.1% over July) in August may have been influenced by Father's Day falling early on 1 September.

### ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- In original terms, Australian retail turnover increased by 5.3% in August 1996 compared to August 1995.
- Chains and other large retailers recorded growth of 7.5% for the same period while small retailers grew by 2.9%.

**TAKE CARE!**  
Revisions have been made  
to estimates. See 'Changes  
in this Issue' on page 2.



### INQUIRIES

- For further information about these and related statistics, contact Bill Powell on 06 252 6132. For information about constant price estimates contact Leon Ting on 06 252 6807.

## R E T A I L   T R A D E   N O T E S

**FORTHCOMING ISSUES**

ISSUE	RELEASE DATE
September 1996	1 November 1996
October 1996	2 December 1996
November 1996	7 January 1997

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**CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE**

Revisions have been made to both June and July 1996. The June 1996 estimates have been increased by about \$26m and July reduced by a comparable amount due to adjustments to the timing of data reported. Further downward revisions to July (-\$80m) have been made to account for the inadvertent inclusion of a number of retail businesses in the survey population.

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**SAMPLING ERRORS**

Standard errors for the Australian estimates (original data) for August 1996 contained in this publication are:

DATA SERIES	ESTIMATE	STANDARD ERROR
Level of retail turnover (\$m)	10 113.1	91.8
Change from July to August (\$m)	70.7	36.2
% change from July to August	0.7	0.4

For more information see the Explanatory notes, paragraphs 12-15, or contact Bill Powell on 06 252 6132.

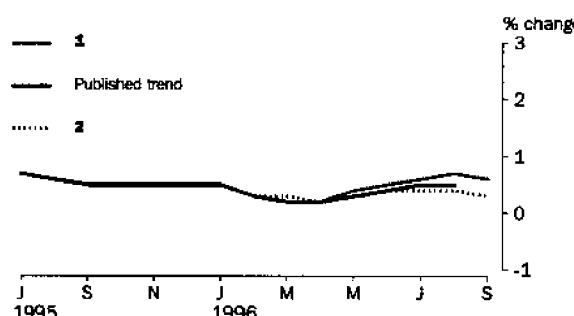
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**WHAT IF?**

The most recent trend estimates published in this release are likely to be revised when next month's seasonally adjusted estimates become available. To assist readers of this publication in analysing retail trends, the effect of two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates of the percentage change in retail turnover are presented below.

- 1 The September seasonally adjusted estimate of retail turnover is 1.0% higher than the August estimate.
- 2 The September seasonally adjusted estimate of retail turnover is 1.0% lower than the August estimate.

**TAKE CARE!**  
Trend estimates are subject  
to revision as subsequent  
data become available.  
See Explanatory note 9.



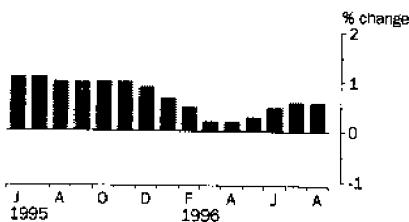
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## STATE TRENDS

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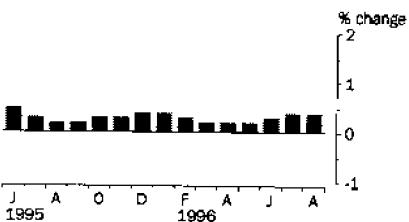
### MONTHLY PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN TREND ESTIMATES

#### NEW SOUTH WALES



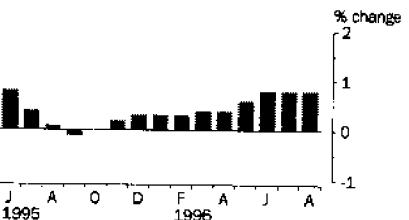
Trend estimate growth was around 0.6% for each of the last three months. Department stores and the Clothing, Recreational good and Household good groups showed strongest growth.

#### VICTORIA



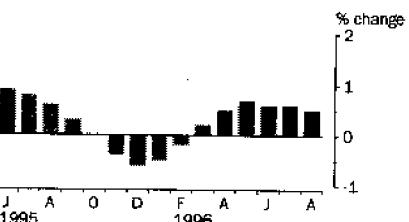
Growth increased slightly over the last three months. Household good and Other retailing groups recorded the strongest growth. Hospitality and services is the only group in decline.

#### QUEENSLAND



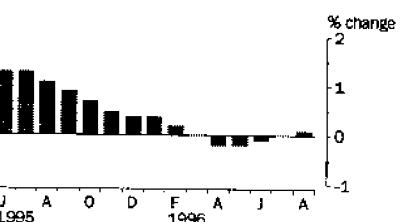
The trend estimate has grown by a steady 0.8% in each of the last three months. All industry groups, apart from the Recreational good group, are showing growth.

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA



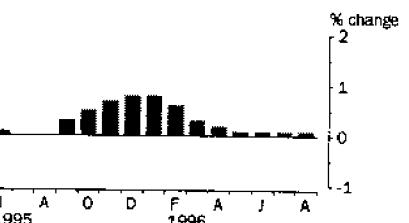
Monthly growth in the trend estimate has been around 0.7% for the last four months. The Food and Recreational good retailing groups have recorded the strongest growth.

#### WESTERN AUSTRALIA



Although growth of 0.1% was recorded in August, the four previous months were in decline. Only two of the seven industry groups have recorded growth.

#### TASMANIA



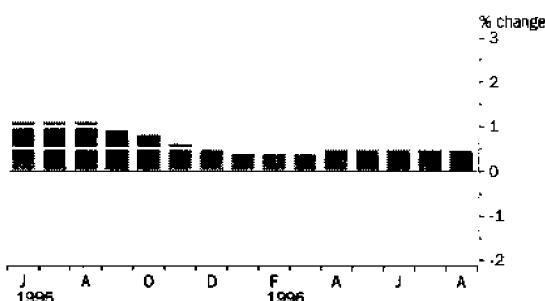
Over the last four months growth has been weak at 0.1% per month. The Household good and Recreational good retailing groups are in decline.

## INDUSTRY TRENDS

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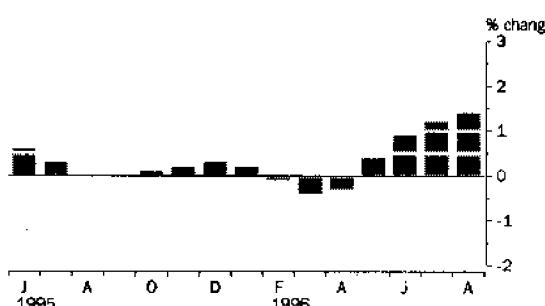
### MONTHLY PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN TREND ESTIMATES

#### FOOD RETAILING



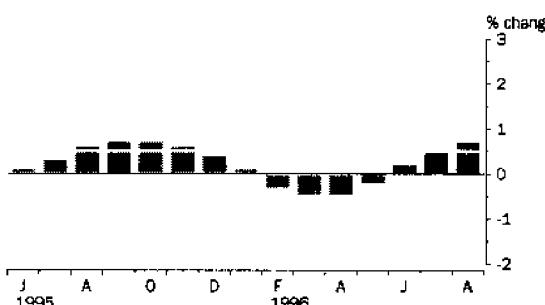
Monthly growth in the trend estimate has been 0.5% for each of the last five months. Western Australia, Tasmania and the Northern Territory are the only States not contributing to this growth.

#### DEPARTMENT STORES



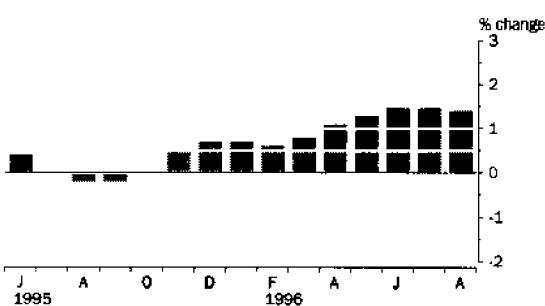
This industry has shown growth in the trend estimates in each of the last four months. Strong growth has been recorded in New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, Western Australia and the Australian Capital Territory.

#### CLOTHING AND SOFT GOOD RETAILING



The growth rate has increased over the last three months. Prior to this, this industry group was in decline. The acceleration is due to a strengthening in both New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory trend estimates.

#### HOUSEHOLD GOOD RETAILING



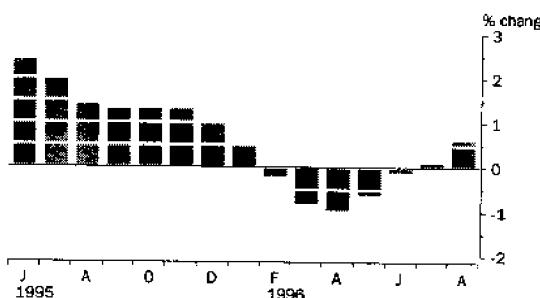
Growth in the trend estimate has been strong over the last five months. Apart from South Australia and Tasmania, all States have contributed to this growth.

## INDUSTRY TRENDS (continued)

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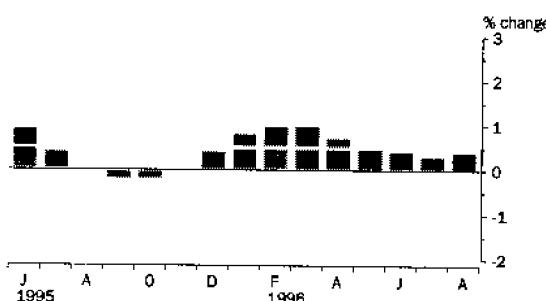
### MONTHLY PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN TREND ESTIMATES

#### RECREATIONAL GOOD RETAILING



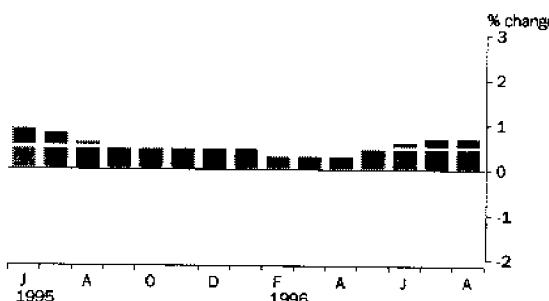
From February to June 1996 this industry group was in decline. In August 1996 growth of 0.6% was recorded. Growth was strongest in New South Wales and South Australia.

#### OTHER RETAILING



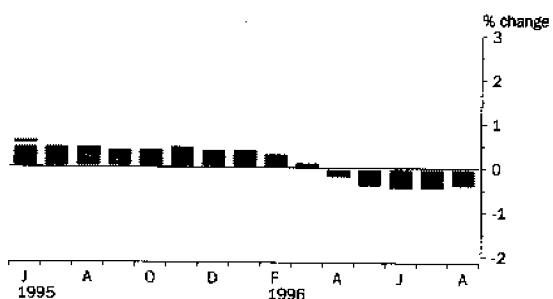
The trend estimate shows weak growth in this industry at around 0.4% for each of the last four months. This followed a short period of strong growth in February and March 1996.

#### TOTAL RETAIL (excluding Hospitality and Services)



Growth in the trend estimate for Total retail (excluding the Hospitality and services group) is stronger than that observed for Total industries (including the Hospitality and services group).

#### HOSPITALITY AND SERVICES



August 1996 was the fifth consecutive month that the Hospitality and services group was in decline. New South Wales, Victoria and Western Australia recorded decreases in the trend estimate.

**RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>: All series**

<i>Month</i>	<i>Food retailing</i>	<i>Department stores</i>	<i>Clothing and soft good retailing</i>	<i>Household good retailing</i>	<i>Recreational good retailing</i>	<i>Other retailing</i>	<i>Hospitality and services</i>	<i>Total</i>
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	3 703.9	906.8	683.3	1 077.9	497.1	833.5	1 620.7	9 323.2
July	3 787.5	880.7	646.0	1 045.9	537.7	855.5	1 695.3	9 448.6
August	3 922.3	874.0	633.7	1 026.9	545.7	907.4	1 694.9	9 604.9
September	3 872.1	856.9	648.2	1 029.9	544.1	922.8	1 729.9	9 603.9
October	3 997.1	920.8	674.1	1 085.1	551.3	929.5	1 775.1	9 933.0
November	4 105.7	1 067.8	705.2	1 129.9	607.6	977.3	1 816.7	10 410.2
December	4 639.0	1 857.5	979.1	1 436.6	856.8	1 339.1	2 110.2	13 218.3
<b>1996</b>								
January	4 034.4	833.2	673.7	1 073.4	602.0	868.9	1 798.8	9 884.4
February	3 956.4	737.2	569.7	1 000.3	551.7	845.0	1 652.9	9 313.2
March	4 107.7	812.2	631.2	1 060.0	558.0	865.6	1 775.6	9 810.3
April	4 004.7	895.3	675.8	1 014.1	532.4	869.9	1 736.8	9 729.0
May	4 156.3	962.8	712.9	1 108.6	550.6	933.1	1 711.2	10 135.5
June	3 934.5	908.7	672.5	1 093.0	531.8	864.3	1 674.0	9 678.8
July	4 090.2	908.2	689.7	1 191.0	550.4	914.1	1 698.8	10 042.4
August	4 230.7	889.1	646.2	1 141.6	559.9	929.1	1 716.5	10 113.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	3 837.5	942.9	666.7	1 103.2	545.8	913.8	1 712.0	9 721.8
July	3 881.9	978.1	670.0	1 074.5	560.7	920.7	1 721.4	9 807.3
August	3 950.7	1 013.2	683.0	1 053.2	565.8	929.6	1 742.5	9 937.9
September	3 942.7	912.8	689.9	1 073.0	568.3	918.4	1 752.8	9 857.9
October	4 002.1	949.5	677.2	1 072.6	561.7	914.4	1 732.8	9 910.4
November	4 063.4	958.9	685.7	1 064.4	562.0	902.0	1 760.3	9 996.7
December	4 013.3	980.9	691.7	1 084.4	609.3	905.9	1 761.8	10 047.2
<b>1996</b>								
January	4 015.3	985.5	699.0	1 100.0	618.7	940.1	1 778.1	10 136.7
February	4 095.6	967.5	696.5	1 095.3	583.3	947.9	1 771.4	10 157.5
March	4 110.9	960.1	699.7	1 117.3	567.4	938.2	1 794.1	10 187.9
April	4 082.4	964.4	671.6	1 105.2	587.3	943.6	1 777.2	10 131.6
May	4 147.2	947.9	678.0	1 112.0	572.5	964.9	1 764.0	10 186.5
June	4 145.3	943.6	669.6	1 148.2	582.0	959.4	1 775.7	10 223.8
July	4 165.2	1 013.5	702.1	1 193.4	562.9	969.2	1 722.1	10 328.4
August	4 220.9	1 024.3	703.8	1 183.9	593.7	958.3	1 754.7	10 439.5
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	3 845.4	957.5	670.4	1 074.3	542.1	914.6	1 717.8	9 722.0
July	3 888.4	960.0	672.5	1 074.3	552.8	918.6	1 726.3	9 793.0
August	3 929.4	960.3	676.3	1 072.0	560.7	918.8	1 734.7	9 852.3
September	3 965.2	960.7	680.9	1 069.7	567.9	916.9	1 742.0	9 903.3
October	3 995.0	961.8	685.7	1 070.2	575.4	915.2	1 749.6	9 952.9
November	4 018.5	964.0	690.0	1 075.1	583.1	915.6	1 757.6	10 003.9
December	4 037.5	967.2	692.9	1 082.6	589.0	919.5	1 765.4	10 054.1
<b>1996</b>								
January	4 054.7	969.2	693.6	1 090.1	592.1	926.7	1 773.1	10 099.5
February	4 071.6	967.7	691.6	1 096.9	590.9	935.8	1 778.7	10 133.2
March	4 089.8	963.5	688.1	1 105.6	586.2	944.7	1 779.7	10 157.5
April	4 110.2	960.9	684.7	1 117.5	580.4	951.4	1 775.4	10 180.6
May	4 132.6	964.9	683.3	1 132.2	576.7	956.1	1 768.2	10 214.0
June	4 154.6	974.2	684.8	1 149.0	576.0	960.0	1 760.2	10 258.8
July	4 177.3	986.4	688.1	1 165.8	576.7	963.3	1 752.2	10 309.8
August	4 197.6	1 000.5	692.7	1 181.8	580.3	966.7	1 745.3	10 364.9

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes



**RETAIL TURNOVER PERCENTAGE CHANGE, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>: All Series**

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
ORIGINAL (% change from preceding month)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	-0.9	-2.2	0.4	1.1	-3.6	-4.3	-1.7	-1.3
July	2.3	-2.9	-5.5	-3.0	8.2	2.6	4.6	1.3
August	3.6	-0.8	-1.9	-1.8	1.5	6.1	0.0	1.7
September	-1.3	-2.0	2.3	0.3	-0.3	1.7	2.1	0.0
October	3.2	7.5	4.0	5.4	1.3	0.7	2.6	3.4
November	2.7	16.0	4.6	4.1	10.2	5.1	2.3	4.8
December	13.0	74.0	38.8	27.1	41.0	37.0	16.2	27.0
<b>1996</b>								
January	-13.0	-55.1	-31.2	-25.3	-29.7	-35.1	-14.8	-25.2
February	-1.9	-11.5	-15.4	-6.8	-8.4	-2.8	-8.1	-5.8
March	3.8	10.2	10.8	6.0	1.1	2.4	7.4	5.3
April	-2.5	10.2	7.1	-4.3	-4.6	0.5	-2.2	-0.8
May	3.8	7.5	5.5	9.3	3.4	7.3	-1.5	4.2
June	-5.3	-5.6	-5.7	-1.4	-3.4	-7.4	-2.2	-4.5
July	4.0	-0.1	2.6	9.0	3.5	5.8	1.5	3.8
August	3.4	-2.1	-6.3	-4.1	1.7	1.6	1.0	0.7
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (% change from preceding month)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	0.8	1.7	2.4	3.6	2.2	1.1	0.4	1.3
July	1.2	3.7	0.5	-2.6	2.7	0.8	0.5	0.9
August	1.8	3.6	1.9	-2.0	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.3
September	-0.2	-9.9	1.0	1.9	0.4	-1.2	0.6	-0.8
October	1.5	4.0	-1.8	0.0	-1.2	-0.4	-1.1	0.5
November	1.5	1.0	1.3	-0.8	0.1	-1.4	1.6	0.9
December	-1.2	2.3	0.9	1.9	8.4	0.4	0.1	0.5
<b>1996</b>								
January	0.0	0.5	1.1	1.4	1.5	3.8	0.9	0.9
February	2.0	-1.8	-0.4	-0.4	-5.7	0.8	-0.4	0.2
March	0.4	-0.8	0.5	2.0	-2.7	-1.0	1.3	0.3
April	-0.7	0.4	-4.0	-1.1	3.5	0.6	-0.9	-0.6
May	1.6	-1.7	1.0	0.6	-2.5	2.3	-0.7	0.5
June	0.0	-0.5	-1.2	3.3	1.7	-0.6	0.7	0.4
July	0.5	7.4	4.9	3.9	-3.3	1.0	-3.0	1.0
August	1.3	1.1	0.2	-0.8	5.5	-1.1	1.9	1.1
TREND ESTIMATES (% change from preceding month)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	1.1	0.6	0.1	0.4	2.4	0.9	0.6	0.8
July	1.1	0.3	0.3	0.0	2.0	0.4	0.5	0.7
August	1.1	0.0	0.6	-0.2	1.4	0.0	0.5	0.6
September	0.9	0.0	0.7	-0.2	1.3	-0.2	0.4	0.5
October	0.8	0.1	0.7	0.0	1.3	-0.2	0.4	0.5
November	0.6	0.2	0.6	0.5	1.3	0.0	0.5	0.5
December	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.4	0.4	0.5
<b>1996</b>								
January	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.5
February	0.4	-0.2	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	1.0	0.3	0.3
March	0.4	-0.4	-0.5	0.8	-0.8	1.0	0.1	0.2
April	0.5	-0.3	-0.5	1.1	-1.0	0.7	-0.2	0.2
May	0.5	0.4	-0.2	1.3	-0.6	0.5	-0.4	0.3
June	0.5	1.0	0.2	1.5	-0.1	0.4	-0.5	0.4
July	0.5	1.3	0.5	1.5	0.1	0.3	-0.5	0.5
August	0.5	1.4	0.7	1.4	0.6	0.4	-0.4	0.5

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

RETAIL TURNOVER, By Sub-Group<sup>1</sup>: Original

Month	FOOD RETAILING.....				CLOTHING AND SOFT GOOD RETAILING.....				HOUSEHOLD GOOD RETAILING...			
	Supermarkets and grocery stores	Takeaway food retailing	Other food retailing	Total	Total Department stores	Clothing retailing	Other clothing related retailing	Total	Furniture and floor covering retailing	hardware & houseware retailing	Domestic appliance retailing	Total
(\$ million)												
<b>1995</b>												
June	2 613.5	493.7	596.7	3 703.9	906.8	490.6	192.7	683.3	284.8	191.8	601.3	1 077.9
July	2 639.8	529.4	618.3	3 787.5	880.7	459.1	186.9	646.0	290.3	194.5	561.1	1 045.9
August	2 743.8	538.4	640.1	3 922.3	874.0	454.8	178.9	633.7	277.6	209.1	540.2	1 026.9
September	2 702.1	537.3	632.7	3 872.1	856.9	457.3	190.9	648.2	287.7	212.8	529.4	1 029.9
October	2 757.4	577.0	662.7	3 997.1	920.8	483.2	190.9	674.1	297.9	254.9	532.3	1 085.1
November	2 831.6	574.1	700.0	4 105.7	1 067.8	513.9	191.3	705.2	278.5	271.9	579.5	1 129.9
December	3 181.0	605.3	852.7	4 639.0	1 857.5	726.0	253.1	979.1	283.4	344.7	808.5	1 436.6
<b>1996</b>												
January	2 770.1	625.4	638.9	4 034.4	833.2	478.3	195.4	673.7	258.9	258.3	556.2	1 073.4
February	2 761.9	569.9	624.6	3 956.4	737.2	402.0	167.7	569.7	244.4	230.4	525.5	1 000.3
March	2 870.9	599.1	637.7	4 107.7	812.2	442.8	188.4	631.2	254.2	239.4	566.4	1 060.0
April	2 757.0	596.8	650.9	4 004.7	895.3	487.1	188.7	675.8	237.8	230.6	545.7	1 014.1
May	2 915.2	585.4	655.7	4 156.3	962.8	513.6	199.3	712.9	248.1	248.0	612.5	1 108.6
June	2 740.7	556.6	637.2	3 934.5	908.7	472.4	200.1	672.5	254.3	232.5	606.2	1 093.0
July r	2 843.4	587.1	659.7	4 090.2	908.2	488.9	200.8	689.7	286.0	245.8	659.2	1 191.0
August	2 971.3	589.6	669.8	4 230.7	889.1	452.9	193.3	646.2	278.5	232.5	630.6	1 141.6
(% change from preceding month)												
<b>1995</b>												
June	-0.7	-1.9	-1.4	-0.9	-2.2	-0.7	3.3	0.4	1.5	1.4	0.9	1.1
July	1.0	7.2	3.6	2.3	-2.9	-6.4	-3.0	-5.5	1.9	1.4	-6.7	-3.0
August	3.9	1.7	3.5	3.6	-0.8	-0.9	-4.3	-1.9	-4.4	7.5	-3.7	-1.8
September	-1.5	-0.2	-1.2	-1.3	-2.0	0.5	6.7	2.3	3.6	1.8	-2.0	0.3
October	2.0	7.4	4.7	3.2	7.5	5.7	0.0	4.0	3.5	19.8	0.5	5.4
November	2.7	-0.5	5.6	2.7	16.0	6.4	0.2	4.6	-6.5	6.7	8.9	4.1
December	12.3	5.4	21.8	13.0	74.0	41.3	32.3	38.8	1.8	26.8	39.5	27.1
<b>1996</b>												
January	-12.9	3.3	-25.1	-13.0	-55.1	-34.1	-22.8	-31.2	-8.6	-25.1	-31.2	-25.3
February	-0.3	-8.9	-2.2	-1.9	-11.5	-16.0	-14.2	-15.4	-5.6	-10.8	-5.5	-6.8
March	3.9	5.1	2.1	3.8	10.2	10.1	12.3	10.8	4.0	3.9	7.8	6.0
April	-4.0	-0.4	2.1	-2.5	10.2	10.0	0.2	7.1	-6.5	-3.7	-3.7	-4.3
May	5.7	-1.9	0.7	3.8	7.5	5.4	5.6	5.5	4.3	7.5	12.2	9.3
June	-6.0	-4.9	-2.8	-5.3	-5.6	-8.0	0.4	-5.7	2.5	-6.3	-1.0	-1.4
July	3.7	5.5	3.5	4.0	-0.1	3.5	0.3	2.6	12.5	5.7	8.7	9.0
August	4.5	0.4	1.5	3.4	-2.1	-7.4	-3.7	-6.3	-2.6	-5.4	-4.3	-4.1
(% change from corresponding month of previous year)												
<b>1995</b>												
June	9.5	14.5	15.5	11.0	-0.7	9.3	3.7	7.7	-4.7	1.9	14.8	6.6
July	7.1	13.8	15.3	9.3	12.5	2.7	7.5	4.0	-3.1	5.1	9.2	4.7
August	11.1	17.2	19.4	13.2	9.4	5.2	7.5	5.8	-13.4	7.6	0.0	-2.7
September	8.2	15.0	14.8	10.1	-3.4	-0.1	8.3	2.2	-6.1	7.7	6.9	3.1
October	8.6	17.3	11.0	10.2	-1.5	2.1	4.9	2.9	-1.0	20.6	4.4	6.2
November	12.0	18.4	16.5	13.6	6.7	4.4	2.6	3.9	-11.7	22.5	2.7	2.6
December	7.0	14.4	9.9	8.4	2.2	3.0	5.1	3.5	-8.8	22.2	2.1	3.8
<b>1996</b>												
January	11.2	22.9	3.0	11.4	10.7	6.3	8.9	7.0	1.8	30.1	3.3	8.3
February	14.5	26.2	8.5	15.0	8.0	6.0	10.0	7.2	-2.0	21.5	9.1	8.6
March	7.8	18.7	2.9	8.5	0.1	0.7	6.9	2.5	-7.2	15.4	4.9	3.8
April	6.9	17.2	5.6	8.1	-1.2	-2.1	2.3	-0.9	0.4	19.6	5.1	6.9
May	10.8	16.4	8.4	11.2	3.8	3.9	6.8	4.7	-11.6	31.1	2.7	4.0
June	4.9	12.7	6.8	6.2	0.2	-3.7	3.8	-1.6	-10.7	21.2	0.8	1.4
July	7.7	10.9	6.7	8.0	3.1	6.5	7.4	6.8	-1.5	26.4	17.5	13.9
August	8.3	9.5	4.6	7.9	1.7	-0.4	8.0	2.0	0.3	11.2	16.7	11.2

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

RETAIL TURNOVER, By Sub-Group<sup>1</sup>: Original *continued*

Month	RECREATIONAL GOOD RETAILING.....			OTHER RETAILING.....			HOSPITALITY AND SERVICES.....				Total all Industries
	News— paper, book and stationery retailing	Other recreational good retailing	Total	Pharma— ceutical/ cosmetic & toiletry retailing	Other retailing	Total	Hotels and licensed clubs	Cafes and restau- rants	Selected services	Total	
	(\$ million)										
<b>1995</b>											
June	345.4	151.7	<b>497.1</b>	450.6	382.9	<b>833.5</b>	1 009.9	446.3	164.5	<b>1 620.7</b>	<b>9 323.2</b>
July	376.7	161.0	<b>537.7</b>	452.8	402.7	<b>855.5</b>	1 048.6	476.1	170.6	<b>1 695.3</b>	<b>9 448.6</b>
August	382.8	162.9	<b>545.7</b>	482.4	425.0	<b>907.4</b>	1 058.8	472.4	163.7	<b>1 694.9</b>	<b>9 604.9</b>
September	372.4	171.7	<b>544.1</b>	481.9	440.9	<b>922.8</b>	1 080.3	481.6	168.0	<b>1 729.9</b>	<b>9 603.9</b>
October	372.1	179.2	<b>551.3</b>	469.5	460.0	<b>929.5</b>	1 088.2	505.0	181.9	<b>1 775.1</b>	<b>9 933.0</b>
November	396.0	211.6	<b>607.6</b>	490.2	487.1	<b>977.3</b>	1 106.6	527.0	183.1	<b>1 816.7</b>	<b>10 410.2</b>
December	489.4	367.4	<b>856.8</b>	577.3	761.8	<b>1 339.1</b>	1 304.5	591.7	214.0	<b>2 110.2</b>	<b>13 218.3</b>
<b>1996</b>											
January	422.0	180.0	<b>602.0</b>	443.8	425.1	<b>868.9</b>	1 082.4	516.0	200.4	<b>1 798.8</b>	<b>9 884.4</b>
February	387.5	164.2	<b>551.7</b>	420.0	425.0	<b>845.0</b>	996.3	483.3	173.3	<b>1 652.9</b>	<b>9 313.2</b>
March	384.2	173.8	<b>558.0</b>	444.4	421.2	<b>865.6</b>	1 087.7	499.7	188.2	<b>1 775.6</b>	<b>9 810.3</b>
April	359.8	172.6	<b>532.4</b>	442.8	427.1	<b>869.9</b>	1 047.0	509.8	180.0	<b>1 736.8</b>	<b>9 729.0</b>
May	373.8	176.8	<b>550.6</b>	474.6	458.5	<b>933.1</b>	1 043.8	491.1	176.3	<b>1 711.2</b>	<b>10 135.5</b>
June	358.6	173.2	<b>531.8</b>	449.3	415.0	<b>864.3</b>	1 021.9	479.4	172.7	<b>1 674.0</b>	<b>9 678.8</b>
July r	370.3	180.1	<b>550.4</b>	474.8	439.3	<b>914.1</b>	1 019.4	497.2	182.2	<b>1 698.8</b>	<b>10 042.4</b>
August	384.0	175.9	<b>559.9</b>	474.4	454.7	<b>929.1</b>	1 047.1	493.7	175.7	<b>1 716.5</b>	<b>10 113.1</b>
(% change from preceding month)											
<b>1995</b>											
June	-5.8	1.8	<b>-3.6</b>	-2.4	-6.3	<b>-4.3</b>	0.0	-6.4	1.1	-1.7	-1.3
July	9.1	6.1	<b>8.2</b>	0.5	5.2	<b>2.6</b>	3.8	6.7	3.7	<b>4.6</b>	<b>1.3</b>
August	1.6	1.2	<b>1.5</b>	6.5	5.5	<b>6.1</b>	1.0	-0.8	-4.0	0.0	<b>1.7</b>
September	-2.7	5.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.1	3.7	<b>1.7</b>	2.0	1.9	2.6	<b>2.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>
October	-0.1	4.4	<b>1.3</b>	-2.6	4.3	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	4.9	8.3	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.4</b>
November	6.4	<b>18.1</b>	<b>10.2</b>	4.4	5.9	<b>5.1</b>	1.7	4.4	0.7	<b>2.3</b>	<b>4.8</b>
December	23.6	73.6	<b>41.0</b>	17.8	56.4	<b>37.0</b>	17.9	12.3	16.9	<b>16.2</b>	<b>27.0</b>
<b>1996</b>											
January	-13.8	<b>-51.0</b>	<b>-29.7</b>	-23.1	-44.2	<b>-35.1</b>	-17.0	-12.8	-6.4	<b>-14.8</b>	<b>-25.2</b>
February	-8.2	-8.8	<b>-8.4</b>	-5.4	0.0	<b>-2.8</b>	-8.0	-6.3	-13.5	<b>-8.1</b>	<b>-5.8</b>
March	-0.9	5.8	<b>1.1</b>	5.8	-0.9	<b>2.4</b>	9.2	3.4	8.6	<b>7.4</b>	<b>5.3</b>
April	-6.4	-0.7	<b>-4.6</b>	-0.4	1.4	<b>0.5</b>	-3.7	2.0	-4.4	-2.2	<b>-0.8</b>
May	3.9	2.4	<b>3.4</b>	7.2	7.4	<b>7.3</b>	-0.3	-3.7	-2.1	-1.5	<b>4.2</b>
June	-4.1	-2.0	<b>-3.4</b>	-5.3	-9.5	<b>-7.4</b>	-2.1	-2.4	-2.0	-2.2	<b>-4.5</b>
July	3.3	4.0	<b>3.5</b>	5.7	5.9	<b>5.8</b>	-0.2	3.7	5.5	<b>1.5</b>	<b>3.8</b>
August	3.7	-2.3	<b>1.7</b>	-0.1	3.5	<b>1.6</b>	2.7	-0.7	-3.6	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>
(% change from corresponding month of previous year)											
<b>1995</b>											
June	0.4	12.7	<b>3.9</b>	5.8	13.0	<b>9.0</b>	10.1	10.3	29.6	<b>11.9</b>	<b>8.6</b>
July	4.0	9.5	<b>5.6</b>	2.4	13.7	<b>7.4</b>	8.1	3.1	24.2	<b>8.0</b>	<b>8.1</b>
August	7.6	11.5	<b>8.7</b>	4.1	10.2	<b>6.8</b>	10.3	2.1	23.0	<b>8.9</b>	<b>8.8</b>
September	8.1	16.4	<b>10.6</b>	6.2	5.8	<b>6.0</b>	10.9	2.3	21.1	<b>9.2</b>	<b>6.9</b>
October	5.1	16.1	<b>8.5</b>	5.5	-0.1	<b>2.7</b>	5.8	3.5	19.1	<b>6.3</b>	<b>6.5</b>
November	2.5	21.0	<b>8.2</b>	6.8	6.6	<b>6.7</b>	7.2	7.2	19.8	<b>8.3</b>	<b>9.0</b>
December	3.7	21.8	<b>10.8</b>	5.2	11.9	<b>8.9</b>	8.2	8.7	18.8	<b>9.3</b>	<b>6.9</b>
<b>1996</b>											
January	18.3	23.2	<b>19.7</b>	10.8	12.8	<b>11.8</b>	3.2	9.1	20.4	<b>6.5</b>	<b>10.3</b>
February	13.2	34.2	<b>18.7</b>	12.0	12.7	<b>12.4</b>	9.5	10.3	18.4	<b>10.6</b>	<b>12.4</b>
March	6.2	25.1	<b>11.4</b>	2.5	4.1	<b>3.3</b>	5.6	2.7	22.4	<b>6.3</b>	<b>6.1</b>
April	12.5	13.9	<b>13.0</b>	4.8	8.1	<b>6.4</b>	1.5	9.6	8.2	<b>4.4</b>	<b>5.8</b>
May	1.9	18.7	<b>6.7</b>	2.7	12.2	<b>7.2</b>	3.4	3.0	8.4	<b>3.8</b>	<b>7.3</b>
June	3.8	14.2	<b>7.0</b>	-0.3	8.4	<b>3.7</b>	1.2	7.4	5.0	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.8</b>
July	-1.7	11.9	<b>2.4</b>	4.9	9.1	<b>6.8</b>	-2.8	4.4	6.8	<b>0.2</b>	<b>6.3</b>
August	0.3	8.0	<b>2.6</b>	-1.7	7.0	<b>2.4</b>	-1.1	4.5	7.3	<b>1.3</b>	<b>5.3</b>

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By State: All Series

Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
ORIGINAL (\$ million)									
<b>1995</b>									
June	3 225.8	2 160.4	1 773.2	717.3	928.2	226.6	116.3	175.4	9 323.2
July	3 338.0	2 148.9	1 742.6	729.6	959.0	225.3	122.8	182.4	9 448.6
August	3 373.5	2 173.7	1 797.7	744.8	978.6	230.5	129.5	176.6	9 604.9
September	3 368.2	2 176.8	1 804.3	747.5	987.5	222.3	118.3	179.0	9 603.9
October	3 552.3	2 227.5	1 810.6	774.0	1 024.2	236.0	122.0	186.4	9 933.0
November	3 732.1	2 345.7	1 889.1	814.7	1 066.4	251.6	119.7	190.9	10 410.2
December	4 724.9	3 067.2	2 358.1	1 024.4	1 343.8	320.5	133.9	245.5	13 218.3
<b>1996</b>									
January	3 566.1	2 238.9	1 817.7	724.5	1 019.5	240.5	103.8	173.4	9 884.4
February	3 373.5	2 097.1	1 684.2	691.4	962.1	233.5	103.9	167.5	9 313.2
March	3 553.0	2 229.3	1 760.1	737.3	992.7	241.3	112.1	184.5	9 810.3
April	3 512.3	2 233.5	1 719.3	738.4	990.0	237.8	110.8	186.9	9 729.0
May	3 644.7	2 298.5	1 831.0	768.1	1 032.6	250.3	117.3	193.0	10 135.5
June r	3 494.2	2 187.8	1 768.7	727.9	968.0	230.6	117.4	184.2	9 678.8
July r	3 632.9	2 244.1	1 872.4	746.7	999.0	234.2	124.5	188.6	10 042.4
August	3 640.8	2 272.1	1 881.7	756.5	1 004.5	243.2	123.7	190.6	10 113.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)									
<b>1995</b>									
June	3 384.9	2 240.9	1 822.5	758.1	978.6	238.0	115.9	182.9	9 721.8
July	3 458.4	2 248.0	1 810.9	763.4	984.3	238.5	113.5	190.2	9 807.3
August	3 503.5	2 270.8	1 825.9	771.7	1 025.0	237.4	120.4	183.2	9 937.9
September	3 470.8	2 256.3	1 819.2	774.4	1 005.5	232.9	115.7	183.1	9 857.9
October	3 547.3	2 227.9	1 797.8	768.7	1 028.5	239.3	117.7	183.3	9 910.4
November	3 571.1	2 273.1	1 815.2	775.1	1 017.0	242.9	117.3	185.0	9 996.7
December	3 603.2	2 283.8	1 820.8	770.8	1 024.7	241.1	117.1	185.7	10 047.2
<b>1996</b>									
January	3 657.3	2 306.5	1 830.9	750.7	1 040.1	246.7	117.1	187.5	10 136.7
February	3 673.2	2 287.0	1 851.3	755.7	1 039.5	245.9	117.9	186.9	10 157.5
March	3 682.9	2 309.0	1 845.1	757.8	1 040.8	245.7	118.8	187.8	10 187.9
April	3 648.4	2 300.6	1 833.6	761.0	1 034.5	246.3	118.6	188.7	10 131.6
May	3 652.6	2 309.8	1 850.9	775.6	1 037.7	251.1	117.5	191.3	10 186.5
June	3 685.6	2 307.8	1 864.9	778.9	1 026.3	247.3	118.3	194.7	10 223.8
July	3 749.9	2 324.1	1 909.9	772.9	1 018.0	245.2	113.9	194.5	10 328.4
August	3 767.4	2 359.1	1 914.3	786.8	1 049.7	250.0	115.4	196.9	10 439.5
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)									
<b>1995</b>									
June	3 400.8	2 239.2	1 807.8	758.6	980.5	236.9	114.4	183.8	9 722.0
July	3 436.7	2 245.8	1 815.4	764.8	993.2	237.0	115.8	184.2	9 793.0
August	3 472.1	2 250.7	1 817.2	769.7	1 004.5	237.0	116.8	184.3	9 852.3
September	3 506.9	2 255.6	1 815.6	772.3	1 013.5	237.7	117.3	184.5	9 903.3
October	3 543.0	2 261.5	1 815.0	772.0	1 020.5	239.0	117.4	184.6	9 952.9
November	3 578.9	2 269.4	1 817.8	769.0	1 026.0	240.7	117.4	184.8	10 003.9
December	3 611.8	2 279.1	1 822.9	764.4	1 030.5	242.6	117.4	185.3	10 054.1
<b>1996</b>									
January	3 637.9	2 289.1	1 829.0	760.5	1 034.6	244.5	117.7	186.2	10 099.5
February	3 654.8	2 296.7	1 834.7	758.7	1 037.0	246.0	118.0	187.3	10 133.2
March	3 663.8	2 301.6	1 841.2	760.1	1 037.4	246.8	118.2	188.4	10 157.5
April	3 671.2	2 305.1	1 849.3	764.1	1 035.7	247.3	118.0	189.8	10 180.6
May	3 683.2	2 310.7	1 860.4	769.4	1 033.7	247.6	117.5	191.4	10 214.0
June	3 700.7	2 318.7	1 874.4	774.7	1 032.3	247.9	116.9	193.2	10 258.8
July	3 721.4	2 327.6	1 889.8	779.8	1 031.9	248.1	116.1	194.9	10 309.8
August	3 744.5	2 337.7	1 905.5	784.3	1 032.6	248.4	115.3	196.7	10 364.9



**RETAIL TURNOVER PERCENTAGE CHANGE, By State: All Series**

Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
ORIGINAL (% change from preceding month)									
<b>1995</b>									
June	-2.6	-0.9	1.7	-2.5	-2.9	-1.0	3.7	-2.5	-1.3
July	3.5	-0.5	-1.7	1.7	3.3	-0.6	5.6	4.0	1.3
August	1.1	1.2	3.2	2.1	2.0	2.3	5.5	-3.2	1.7
September	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.9	-3.6	-8.6	1.4	0.0
October	5.5	2.3	0.3	3.5	3.7	6.2	3.1	4.1	3.4
November	5.1	5.3	4.3	5.3	4.1	6.6	-1.9	2.4	4.8
December	26.6	30.8	24.8	25.7	26.0	27.4	11.9	28.6	27.0
<b>1996</b>									
January	-24.5	-27.0	-22.9	-29.3	-24.1	-25.0	-22.5	-29.4	-25.2
February	-5.4	-6.3	-7.3	-4.6	-5.6	-2.9	0.1	-3.4	-5.8
March	5.3	6.3	4.5	6.6	3.2	3.3	7.9	10.1	5.3
April	-1.1	0.2	-2.3	0.1	-0.3	-1.5	-1.2	1.3	-0.8
May	3.8	2.9	6.5	4.0	4.3	5.3	5.9	3.3	4.2
June	-4.1	-4.8	-3.4	-5.2	-6.3	-7.9	0.1	-4.6	-4.5
July	4.0	2.6	5.9	2.6	3.2	1.6	6.0	2.4	3.8
August	0.2	1.2	0.5	1.3	0.6	3.8	-0.6	1.1	0.7
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (% change from preceding month)									
<b>1995</b>									
June	1.3	1.1	1.9	1.0	1.0	1.2	3.1	2.1	1.3
July	2.2	0.3	-0.6	0.7	0.6	0.2	-2.1	4.0	0.9
August	1.3	1.0	0.8	1.1	4.1	-0.5	6.1	-3.7	1.3
September	-0.9	-0.6	-0.4	0.3	-1.9	-1.9	-3.9	-0.1	-0.8
October	2.2	-1.3	-1.2	-0.7	2.3	2.7	1.7	0.1	0.5
November	0.7	2.0	1.0	0.8	-1.1	1.5	-0.3	0.9	0.9
December	0.9	0.5	0.3	-0.6	0.8	-0.7	-0.2	0.4	0.5
<b>1996</b>									
January	1.6	1.0	0.6	-2.6	1.5	2.3	0.0	1.0	0.9
February	0.4	-0.8	1.1	0.7	-0.1	-0.3	0.7	-0.3	0.2
March	0.3	1.0	-0.3	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.8	0.5	0.3
April	-0.9	-0.4	-0.6	0.4	-0.6	0.2	-0.2	0.5	-0.6
May	0.1	0.4	0.9	1.9	0.3	1.9	-0.9	1.4	0.5
June	0.9	-0.1	0.8	0.4	-1.1	-1.5	0.7	1.8	0.4
July	1.7	0.7	2.4	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8	-3.7	-0.1	1.0
August	0.5	1.5	0.2	1.8	3.1	2.0	1.3	1.2	1.1
TREND ESTIMATES (% change from preceding month)									
<b>1995</b>									
June	1.1	0.5	0.8	0.9	1.3	0.1	1.5	0.5	0.8
July	1.1	0.3	0.4	0.8	1.3	0.0	1.2	0.2	0.7
August	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.6	1.1	0.0	0.9	0.1	0.6
September	1.0	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.9	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.5
October	1.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.5
November	1.0	0.3	0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.1	0.5
December	0.9	0.4	0.3	-0.6	0.4	0.8	0.0	0.3	0.5
<b>1996</b>									
January	0.7	0.4	0.3	-0.5	0.4	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.5
February	0.5	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.3
March	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.2
April	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.5	-0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.7	0.2
May	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.7	-0.2	0.1	-0.4	0.8	0.3
June	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.7	-0.1	0.1	-0.5	0.9	0.4
July	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.0	0.1	-0.7	0.9	0.5
August	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.1	-0.7	0.9	0.5

RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>—New South Wales: All Series

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	1 204.6	306.8	249.1	360.9	141.0	290.4	673.0	3 225.8
July	1 239.7	314.4	245.2	360.7	162.5	307.4	708.1	3 338.0
August	1 289.8	299.4	235.4	352.4	169.2	320.7	706.6	3 373.5
September	1 254.8	292.9	238.3	355.9	165.5	334.3	726.5	3 368.2
October	1 344.9	321.6	248.5	375.1	176.1	330.8	755.3	3 552.3
November	1 383.2	370.0	262.0	401.2	201.5	355.9	758.3	3 732.1
December	1 582.9	663.3	377.3	498.9	259.3	477.9	865.3	4 724.9
<b>1996</b>								
January	1 361.2	290.8	258.4	384.7	175.1	314.3	781.6	3 566.1
February	1 329.1	255.0	227.9	359.5	180.5	307.8	713.7	3 373.5
March	1 383.2	284.0	247.1	386.2	187.2	301.3	764.0	3 553.0
April	1 346.8	301.9	262.3	377.0	173.7	313.2	737.4	3 512.3
May	1 396.1	336.3	274.6	407.3	181.0	326.4	723.0	3 644.7
June	1 341.2	314.2	256.0	404.1	182.1	302.9	693.7	3 494.2
July	1 367.6	315.0	280.0	439.9	194.6	326.7	709.1	3 632.9
August	1 416.3	303.5	257.1	396.3	206.0	334.6	727.0	3 640.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	1 259.7	321.7	241.2	377.0	150.4	321.3	713.6	3 384.9
July	1 261.9	357.8	253.5	371.1	168.1	330.0	716.0	3 458.4
August	1 307.8	343.6	259.5	366.2	174.0	325.6	726.8	3 503.5
September	1 293.8	312.1	257.0	364.6	173.8	331.9	737.7	3 470.8
October	1 334.2	333.0	251.9	375.8	177.3	324.1	751.0	3 547.3
November	1 363.0	331.5	252.9	371.9	184.1	326.6	741.0	3 571.1
December	1 355.2	339.7	267.2	371.8	196.7	334.1	738.6	3 603.2
<b>1996</b>								
January	1 347.3	347.0	266.2	401.3	189.8	333.4	772.3	3 657.3
February	1 382.5	336.0	274.7	390.0	189.2	336.0	764.7	3 673.2
March	1 394.5	334.7	274.3	405.1	184.9	326.6	762.8	3 682.9
April	1 372.2	331.5	261.7	413.0	186.6	336.3	747.1	3 648.4
May	1 408.1	329.4	257.9	405.6	183.7	340.9	727.0	3 652.6
June	1 406.4	332.8	253.8	430.1	198.3	338.1	726.1	3 685.6
July	1 393.0	358.1	286.1	447.8	194.9	351.4	718.6	3 749.9
August	1 428.8	344.5	281.9	415.8	216.2	341.8	738.4	3 767.4
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	1 258.2	332.8	248.7	370.9	157.0	320.3	713.0	3 400.8
July	1 274.7	333.5	250.5	370.3	163.2	324.0	720.6	3 436.7
August	1 292.9	333.4	252.3	369.3	169.6	326.5	728.1	3 472.1
September	1 311.3	333.3	254.4	369.1	175.9	328.2	734.7	3 506.9
October	1 329.1	333.7	257.1	370.6	181.4	329.4	741.7	3 543.0
November	1 344.4	334.7	260.5	374.8	185.8	330.0	748.9	3 578.9
December	1 356.7	336.1	264.0	381.0	188.3	330.6	755.2	3 611.8
<b>1996</b>								
January	1 366.8	337.1	266.6	387.7	189.1	331.5	759.1	3 637.9
February	1 375.1	337.0	267.6	395.3	188.5	332.7	758.7	3 654.8
March	1 382.4	335.5	266.9	403.2	187.6	334.2	754.0	3 663.8
April	1 389.3	334.7	265.9	410.9	187.9	336.2	746.3	3 671.2
May	1 396.6	336.9	265.9	417.8	190.4	338.6	737.8	3 683.2
June	1 403.5	338.7	267.9	423.8	194.6	341.2	730.9	3 700.7
July	1 410.2	342.2	271.2	428.5	199.6	343.7	726.0	3 721.4
August	1 415.6	346.3	274.9	432.9	204.6	346.0	724.2	3 744.5

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

**RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>—Victoria: All Series**

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	897.6	209.9	151.5	276.1	128.7	203.8	292.8	2 160.4
July	914.0	197.2	150.2	270.2	131.2	199.7	286.4	2 148.9
August	944.3	197.8	138.9	263.1	132.4	214.2	283.0	2 173.7
September	942.5	195.3	138.2	264.2	129.8	212.6	294.2	2 176.8
October	959.3	203.0	151.8	280.4	128.8	217.0	287.2	2 227.5
November	982.0	246.8	157.9	288.1	136.4	225.3	309.2	2 345.7
December	1 130.6	436.7	224.1	384.2	212.8	327.3	351.5	3 067.2
<b>1996</b>								
January	975.5	187.4	147.8	274.7	165.7	183.9	303.9	2 238.9
February	965.4	169.2	118.8	252.2	137.5	183.1	270.9	2 097.1
March	1 004.2	189.4	139.0	271.9	131.4	193.0	300.4	2 229.3
April	976.6	220.1	157.9	266.5	124.5	187.0	300.9	2 233.5
May	1 003.4	224.2	157.5	289.0	129.4	200.4	294.6	2 298.5
June	940.2	213.3	146.4	288.4	122.8	182.8	293.9	2 187.8
July	970.7	203.4	147.0	306.8	127.4	201.1	287.7	2 244.1
August	1 014.0	199.7	133.2	303.9	134.0	207.9	279.4	2 272.1
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	929.4	210.7	151.1	280.0	141.9	222.9	305.0	2 240.9
July	935.6	241.5	153.1	273.8	139.5	213.7	290.6	2 248.0
August	969.1	225.3	153.9	270.9	138.6	218.7	294.3	2 270.8
September	960.5	208.7	153.8	279.7	137.6	222.0	294.0	2 256.3
October	956.9	213.0	153.3	274.2	132.3	209.9	288.3	2 227.9
November	983.7	225.3	158.1	277.6	125.5	205.9	296.9	2 273.1
December	966.1	227.1	150.9	287.5	145.6	217.5	289.1	2 283.8
<b>1996</b>								
January	977.3	222.8	159.2	277.6	158.4	207.1	304.0	2 306.5
February	991.3	225.7	144.6	278.4	146.1	208.6	292.2	2 287.0
March	993.9	220.8	151.3	290.4	142.8	207.2	302.5	2 309.0
April	991.1	225.9	148.2	287.5	139.0	201.9	307.0	2 300.6
May	1 004.2	216.8	150.0	293.1	135.4	205.0	305.3	2 309.8
June	993.7	222.6	149.0	298.7	136.7	202.5	304.6	2 307.8
July	994.4	242.7	148.3	303.2	131.2	210.3	294.0	2 324.1
August	1 022.7	225.9	147.6	317.6	142.4	216.5	286.3	2 359.1
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	933.0	220.8	151.9	274.0	137.2	222.5	299.7	2 239.2
July	943.4	221.3	151.7	274.3	138.1	220.4	296.7	2 245.8
August	952.8	220.9	152.7	275.2	137.0	217.8	294.2	2 250.7
September	960.5	220.6	153.9	276.3	136.1	215.5	292.7	2 255.6
October	966.5	220.5	154.8	277.3	136.6	213.6	292.2	2 261.5
November	971.4	221.1	154.8	278.4	138.9	212.1	292.7	2 269.4
December	976.0	222.2	153.9	279.8	142.1	210.6	294.4	2 279.1
<b>1996</b>								
January	981.1	223.2	152.6	281.4	145.0	209.0	296.9	2 289.1
February	986.0	223.7	151.3	283.1	145.7	207.1	299.8	2 296.7
March	990.4	223.3	150.1	285.6	144.2	205.8	302.2	2 301.6
April	993.9	223.3	149.3	289.4	141.0	205.1	303.1	2 305.1
May	997.4	224.5	148.9	294.3	137.9	205.4	302.3	2 310.7
June	1 000.9	226.5	148.6	299.7	136.2	206.7	300.2	2 318.7
July	1 004.5	228.5	148.3	305.1	135.4	208.7	297.2	2 327.6
August	1 007.8	230.3	148.6	309.8	135.8	210.7	294.6	2 337.7

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes



**RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>—Queensland: All Series**

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	689.2	163.5	138.0	197.3	124.2	168.2	292.8	1 773.2
July	703.2	141.7	112.6	176.9	127.8	172.3	308.1	1 742.6
August	719.5	155.1	121.5	177.1	126.4	180.2	317.9	1 797.7
September	710.7	155.5	135.0	178.9	132.7	180.3	311.2	1 804.3
October	712.7	160.3	127.7	174.8	124.9	184.2	326.0	1 810.6
November	720.2	182.2	132.6	180.0	138.9	191.5	343.7	1 889.1
December	785.9	302.7	169.6	227.0	197.6	245.5	429.8	2 358.1
<b>1996</b>								
January	722.0	147.1	129.1	177.9	138.8	175.2	327.6	1 817.7
February	705.5	124.5	104.2	165.0	118.5	166.0	300.5	1 684.2
March	722.5	130.7	114.3	174.4	121.0	176.5	320.7	1 760.1
April	718.8	141.8	111.3	147.5	115.6	170.0	314.3	1 719.3
May	747.7	159.9	129.6	176.8	119.4	186.0	311.6	1 831.0
June	712.4	153.8	122.5	170.8	117.3	176.0	315.9	1 768.7
July	766.0	158.2	120.0	188.9	112.4	191.5	335.4	1 872.4
August	784.0	156.5	124.8	182.2	105.2	190.1	338.9	1 881.7
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	705.2	163.5	135.5	199.8	133.7	180.6	304.3	1 822.5
July	706.7	164.4	117.9	189.4	133.9	188.1	310.5	1 810.9
August	713.3	172.6	127.2	187.0	132.6	179.0	314.1	1 825.9
September	715.3	154.1	128.4	182.5	143.4	182.9	312.6	1 819.2
October	705.9	162.3	126.7	175.1	131.1	178.1	318.5	1 797.8
November	712.5	162.7	128.6	168.1	131.9	178.7	332.8	1 815.2
December	715.9	163.1	122.1	172.0	131.6	167.0	349.0	1 820.8
<b>1996</b>								
January	712.1	171.1	129.1	180.4	131.3	185.6	321.3	1 830.9
February	740.8	163.0	128.4	176.1	125.8	187.0	330.2	1 851.3
March	729.5	158.0	129.3	177.0	130.0	194.1	333.2	1 845.1
April	739.1	159.9	118.5	164.1	128.6	191.4	332.0	1 833.6
May	741.5	159.8	127.7	181.0	126.4	190.0	324.5	1 850.9
June	744.0	155.6	125.0	178.8	130.9	194.5	336.1	1 864.9
July	758.8	184.1	121.5	194.1	115.4	200.8	335.3	1 909.9
August	778.8	170.8	131.6	193.9	113.2	191.0	334.9	1 914.3
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	705.1	163.5	127.6	189.2	133.6	181.7	307.1	1 807.8
July	709.0	163.7	126.8	189.2	134.9	182.1	309.7	1 815.4
August	710.5	163.4	126.4	186.3	135.6	181.6	313.5	1 817.2
September	711.0	163.1	126.2	181.7	135.3	180.0	318.2	1 815.6
October	711.6	163.2	126.5	177.6	134.4	178.2	323.6	1 815.0
November	713.2	163.5	126.9	174.8	133.1	177.6	328.6	1 817.8
December	716.2	163.9	127.1	173.6	131.4	178.9	331.8	1 822.9
<b>1996</b>								
January	720.4	163.4	127.1	173.4	130.1	181.7	332.8	1 829.0
February	725.2	162.3	126.5	173.4	129.5	185.4	332.3	1 834.7
March	730.6	161.2	125.8	174.2	129.1	189.1	331.2	1 841.2
April	736.6	161.0	125.3	175.9	128.0	191.9	330.6	1 849.3
May	743.3	162.5	125.0	178.7	126.1	193.6	331.3	1 860.4
June	750.9	165.2	125.1	182.6	123.5	194.5	332.6	1 874.4
July	759.0	168.4	125.5	186.8	120.7	195.1	334.2	1 889.8
August	766.4	172.1	126.4	191.4	118.2	195.8	335.2	1 905.5

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

**RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>—South Australia: All Series**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Food retailing</b>	<b>Department stores</b>	<b>Clothing and soft good retailing</b>	<b>Household good retailing</b>	<b>Recreational good retailing</b>	<b>Other retailing</b>	<b>Hospitality and services</b>	<b>Total</b>
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	282.3	86.8	43.4	80.1	28.3	64.4	132.0	717.3
July	282.2	92.0	41.9	80.2	29.4	65.0	138.9	729.6
August	297.8	86.9	42.7	78.6	30.2	69.9	138.7	744.8
September	301.0	84.0	40.8	72.4	31.0	72.9	145.4	747.5
October	305.4	92.0	45.4	81.4	32.3	70.1	147.4	774.0
November	322.2	105.0	48.0	80.7	36.1	72.0	150.7	814.7
December	360.9	174.5	67.9	100.3	51.4	92.4	177.0	1 024.4
<b>1996</b>								
January	289.6	80.2	44.7	77.9	34.4	66.2	131.5	724.5
February	288.2	73.2	37.7	71.1	32.7	65.8	122.7	691.4
March	306.7	80.8	40.0	79.1	34.1	68.4	128.2	737.3
April	300.2	90.6	42.5	73.5	32.6	64.4	134.6	738.4
May	321.5	91.9	42.4	76.1	32.1	72.4	131.7	768.1
June	300.3	87.5	41.0	73.3	30.7	65.6	129.5	727.9
July	316.7	90.6	40.6	78.8	33.9	60.7	125.4	746.7
August	329.4	86.8	34.8	79.6	33.7	63.5	128.7	756.5
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	293.9	93.0	43.4	82.5	31.1	67.1	147.0	758.1
July	289.4	101.8	43.4	79.9	31.4	68.7	148.7	763.4
August	302.9	95.1	45.9	78.9	31.9	70.6	146.5	771.7
September	310.2	90.9	41.8	76.8	32.5	72.0	150.2	774.4
October	303.9	94.8	44.9	79.1	33.7	70.0	142.1	768.7
November	316.8	92.3	47.6	75.9	35.3	67.3	140.0	775.1
December	302.8	96.1	48.3	77.7	34.9	68.7	142.3	770.8
<b>1996</b>								
January	295.7	94.1	48.2	78.9	34.8	70.7	128.2	750.7
February	301.2	94.4	47.7	79.3	34.4	72.8	125.9	755.7
March	301.1	94.6	43.1	83.2	34.2	73.3	128.3	757.8
April	306.1	95.4	39.7	79.1	34.3	68.8	137.6	761.0
May	320.7	90.6	41.0	78.1	33.1	72.7	139.3	775.6
June	317.9	93.8	41.7	77.0	34.4	69.7	144.4	778.9
July	322.3	99.5	41.0	77.7	36.2	62.8	133.5	772.9
August	335.0	95.7	37.8	81.6	35.5	64.1	137.1	786.8
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	292.9	96.0	44.1	79.8	31.3	68.1	146.5	758.6
July	297.0	95.7	43.8	79.9	31.7	69.1	147.7	764.8
August	301.5	95.1	43.9	79.3	32.3	69.7	148.0	769.7
September	305.2	94.5	44.6	78.4	33.0	69.9	146.8	772.3
October	306.9	94.1	45.7	77.7	33.7	69.8	144.0	772.0
November	306.4	93.9	46.8	77.6	34.3	69.8	140.0	769.0
December	304.3	94.1	47.3	78.2	34.7	70.1	135.7	764.4
<b>1996</b>								
January	302.3	94.3	47.0	79.0	34.8	70.7	132.6	760.5
February	301.7	94.3	45.9	79.6	34.5	71.4	131.4	758.7
March	303.8	94.1	44.2	79.7	34.2	71.7	132.2	760.1
April	308.3	94.1	42.6	79.4	34.1	71.2	134.3	764.1
May	314.1	94.3	41.3	79.0	34.3	69.8	136.5	769.4
June	319.8	94.9	40.4	78.7	34.6	68.2	138.2	774.7
July	325.2	95.6	39.6	78.7	35.0	66.5	139.2	779.8
August	330.0	96.3	39.1	78.9	35.4	64.9	139.7	784.3

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes



**RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>—Western Australia: All Series**

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational/ good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	403.5	91.5	63.6	111.3	43.6	65.3	149.4	928.2
July	414.4	85.9	60.9	106.3	53.0	70.6	167.9	959.0
August	431.2	89.0	59.1	105.2	53.1	77.4	163.6	978.5
September	430.0	84.7	61.1	109.4	52.5	79.9	169.9	987.5
October	436.2	93.2	64.3	122.3	54.2	79.3	174.7	1 024.2
November	452.7	107.4	66.5	129.8	58.9	80.7	170.4	1 066.4
December	509.3	182.0	86.3	163.4	88.6	123.0	191.2	1 343.8
<b>1996</b>								
January	451.4	83.3	59.3	111.5	55.5	84.8	173.7	1 019.5
February	433.9	74.8	49.5	109.8	50.3	79.6	164.2	962.1
March	445.0	82.5	55.4	101.0	53.0	80.5	175.3	992.7
April	423.7	91.6	62.5	102.1	55.9	89.6	164.6	990.0
May	436.6	99.9	69.6	108.3	57.5	98.4	162.3	1 032.6
June	400.6	90.3	67.5	108.0	50.5	92.6	158.5	968.0
July	420.5	93.6	64.7	127.7	53.4	88.5	150.6	999.0
August	431.1	94.2	60.7	130.6	52.1	84.0	151.8	1 004.5
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	426.3	95.6	62.7	110.6	49.2	71.5	162.6	978.6
July	419.9	96.9	61.9	107.1	54.1	72.9	171.7	984.3
August	438.7	105.1	62.6	112.1	55.3	79.4	171.8	1 025.0
September	436.6	92.6	63.7	113.9	54.3	77.6	166.7	1 005.5
October	445.7	95.2	63.7	120.6	54.4	78.1	170.8	1 028.5
November	442.0	96.9	64.0	121.6	55.3	74.9	162.3	1 017.0
December	432.6	99.5	60.8	127.3	58.3	82.2	164.2	1 024.7
<b>1996</b>								
January	449.7	96.6	61.9	114.4	57.4	92.3	167.8	1 040.1
February	448.7	97.3	59.1	117.7	54.0	90.9	171.8	1 039.5
March	445.6	95.4	65.8	110.5	57.1	91.2	175.1	1 040.8
April	433.9	95.5	65.2	110.4	60.5	99.3	169.6	1 034.5
May	436.8	94.7	65.6	107.9	61.1	101.4	170.2	1 037.7
June	424.1	93.8	67.1	107.9	56.4	102.7	174.3	1 026.3
July	425.4	105.7	65.2	125.9	52.7	90.2	152.8	1 018.0
August	436.8	110.1	64.8	140.7	54.2	85.5	157.6	1 049.7
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	422.1	96.4	62.9	108.9	50.9	74.5	164.6	980.5
July	427.7	97.5	63.0	110.6	52.5	74.8	167.2	993.2
August	432.9	97.8	63.1	113.1	53.8	75.4	168.5	1 004.5
September	437.1	97.6	63.1	116.0	54.8	76.4	168.4	1 013.5
October	440.4	97.3	62.9	118.8	55.5	78.0	167.6	1 020.5
November	442.6	97.1	62.5	120.6	55.9	80.3	167.0	1 026.0
December	444.2	97.0	62.1	120.7	56.2	83.3	167.0	1 030.5
<b>1996</b>								
January	444.8	96.7	62.1	118.7	56.8	87.1	168.4	1 034.6
February	443.9	96.1	62.6	114.9	57.5	91.6	170.4	1 037.0
March	441.5	95.6	63.5	111.8	58.1	95.3	171.6	1 037.4
April	438.0	95.7	64.6	110.9	58.1	97.3	171.2	1 035.7
May	434.3	97.0	65.4	112.8	57.7	97.5	169.1	1 033.7
June	431.2	99.2	65.9	116.8	56.9	96.5	166.0	1 032.3
July	429.0	101.9	66.0	121.9	55.9	94.6	162.7	1 031.9
August	428.0	104.6	66.0	127.1	55.0	92.6	159.3	1 032.6

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

**RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>—Tasmania: All Series**

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	95.9	n.p.	15.6	26.4	13.4	n.p.	35.5	226.6
July	100.2	n.p.	13.6	25.2	13.6	n.p.	34.7	225.3
August	101.3	n.p.	14.7	25.2	14.9	n.p.	35.2	230.5
September	99.7	n.p.	13.4	23.9	13.5	n.p.	34.8	222.3
October	102.1	n.p.	14.4	26.2	14.7	n.p.	35.5	236.0
November	106.9	n.p.	16.0	25.2	15.7	n.p.	38.2	251.6
December	119.4	n.p.	21.2	32.4	21.9	n.p.	46.5	320.5
<b>1996</b>								
January	104.9	n.p.	14.3	23.1	16.9	n.p.	39.3	240.5
February	102.6	n.p.	13.7	21.9	16.3	n.p.	40.1	233.5
March	105.2	n.p.	14.9	24.3	14.7	n.p.	40.4	241.3
April	102.6	n.p.	16.2	24.0	13.6	n.p.	39.3	237.8
May	107.4	n.p.	15.9	26.8	13.9	n.p.	41.4	250.3
June	99.6	n.p.	16.0	24.5	12.1	n.p.	36.7	230.6
July r	102.9	n.p.	14.8	23.1	12.5	n.p.	39.3	234.2
August	107.0	n.p.	14.6	23.1	12.9	n.p.	40.8	243.2
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	100.4	n.p.	15.1	26.1	14.7	n.p.	38.5	238.0
July	102.4	n.p.	14.5	25.7	15.0	n.p.	37.8	238.5
August	102.1	n.p.	15.8	24.5	15.6	n.p.	36.7	237.4
September	101.2	n.p.	15.6	25.0	14.6	n.p.	36.6	232.9
October	102.2	n.p.	15.6	26.9	15.3	n.p.	35.1	239.3
November	105.1	n.p.	15.8	24.0	15.2	n.p.	37.3	242.9
December	102.1	n.p.	14.7	24.6	14.6	n.p.	37.2	241.1
<b>1996</b>								
January	105.7	n.p.	15.4	25.5	17.6	n.p.	37.2	246.7
February	104.9	n.p.	15.2	24.7	15.6	n.p.	39.7	245.9
March	104.0	n.p.	15.6	26.3	15.1	n.p.	39.4	245.7
April	106.1	n.p.	15.2	25.0	14.9	n.p.	40.7	246.3
May	108.6	n.p.	14.9	25.1	14.4	n.p.	44.2	251.1
June	105.3	n.p.	16.2	25.6	13.6	n.p.	40.2	247.3
July	104.4	n.p.	15.1	23.0	13.6	n.p.	43.2	245.2
August	106.7	n.p.	15.8	23.0	13.8	n.p.	41.6	250.0
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	100.3	n.p.	15.2	25.9	14.8	n.p.	38.1	236.9
July	101.2	n.p.	15.2	25.8	14.9	n.p.	37.4	237.0
August	101.8	n.p.	15.3	25.5	15.0	n.p.	36.8	237.0
September	102.4	n.p.	15.4	25.2	15.1	n.p.	36.5	237.7
October	102.9	n.p.	15.5	25.1	15.2	n.p.	36.4	239.0
November	103.3	n.p.	15.5	25.1	15.4	n.p.	36.5	240.7
December	103.8	n.p.	15.4	25.1	15.7	n.p.	37.1	242.6
<b>1996</b>								
January	104.4	n.p.	15.3	25.2	15.8	n.p.	38.0	244.5
February	105.0	n.p.	15.2	25.3	15.7	n.p.	39.0	246.0
March	105.5	n.p.	15.3	25.4	15.3	n.p.	40.1	246.8
April	105.8	n.p.	15.4	25.3	14.9	n.p.	40.9	247.3
May	106.0	n.p.	15.4	25.0	14.4	n.p.	41.6	247.6
June	106.1	n.p.	15.5	24.5	14.0	n.p.	42.0	247.9
July	106.1	n.p.	15.6	24.0	13.7	n.p.	42.3	248.1
August	106.1	n.p.	15.6	23.6	13.5	n.p.	42.4	248.4

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes



## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>—Northern Territory: All Series

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	59.4	n.p.	7.9	9.7	7.0	n.p.	17.5	116.3
July	62.0	n.p.	8.3	9.3	7.1	n.p.	20.5	122.8
August	63.8	n.p.	9.2	9.3	7.7	n.p.	21.4	129.5
September	60.0	n.p.	7.6	9.4	6.8	n.p.	19.1	118.3
October	61.1	n.p.	8.3	8.4	8.9	n.p.	18.8	122.0
November	62.6	n.p.	8.2	7.9	6.9	n.p.	17.0	119.7
December	65.0	n.p.	11.3	8.4	7.5	n.p.	18.3	133.9
<b>1996</b>								
January	56.4	n.p.	6.3	6.6	5.4	n.p.	15.4	103.8
February	57.2	n.p.	5.8	6.7	5.6	n.p.	14.9	103.9
March	61.3	n.p.	6.6	7.6	5.3	n.p.	16.7	112.1
April	60.2	n.p.	6.6	7.1	6.3	n.p.	16.4	110.8
May	62.3	n.p.	6.9	8.2	6.4	n.p.	17.2	117.3
June	63.6	n.p.	7.3	7.9	6.4	n.p.	17.9	117.4
July r	66.8	n.p.	7.2	8.4	7.1	n.p.	20.3	124.5
August	66.9	n.p.	7.2	8.5	6.6	n.p.	19.2	123.7
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	59.8	n.p.	7.3	9.2	7.0	n.p.	17.1	115.9
July	57.3	n.p.	6.9	9.1	6.6	n.p.	18.7	113.5
August	59.5	n.p.	8.2	9.2	6.8	n.p.	19.9	120.4
September	59.5	n.p.	7.6	9.4	6.4	n.p.	17.8	115.7
October	59.7	n.p.	7.9	8.3	8.3	n.p.	17.4	117.7
November	61.6	n.p.	8.1	7.5	6.6	n.p.	17.3	117.3
December	61.5	n.p.	8.7	6.8	6.7	n.p.	17.2	117.1
<b>1996</b>								
January	60.7	n.p.	7.4	7.5	6.6	n.p.	17.6	117.1
February	61.7	n.p.	7.7	7.4	6.6	n.p.	17.6	117.9
March	63.4	n.p.	8.0	7.5	6.0	n.p.	17.2	118.8
April	63.3	n.p.	7.5	7.9	6.6	n.p.	17.5	118.6
May	62.1	n.p.	7.1	8.3	6.5	n.p.	17.3	117.5
June	64.7	n.p.	7.0	7.5	6.3	n.p.	17.8	118.3
July	61.1	n.p.	5.8	8.2	6.4	n.p.	18.3	113.9
August	62.3	n.p.	6.5	8.4	6.0	n.p.	17.7	115.4
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	58.3	n.p.	7.2	9.2	6.7	n.p.	17.7	114.4
July	58.8	n.p.	7.4	9.2	6.8	n.p.	18.2	115.8
August	59.2	n.p.	7.7	9.1	6.9	n.p.	18.3	116.8
September	59.7	n.p.	7.9	8.7	7.0	n.p.	18.2	117.3
October	60.1	n.p.	8.0	8.3	7.0	n.p.	17.9	117.4
November	60.7	n.p.	8.1	7.8	6.9	n.p.	17.6	117.4
December	61.2	n.p.	8.1	7.5	6.8	n.p.	17.4	117.4
<b>1996</b>								
January	61.7	n.p.	8.0	7.3	6.6	n.p.	17.3	117.7
February	62.2	n.p.	7.9	7.4	6.5	n.p.	17.3	118.0
March	62.6	n.p.	7.7	7.6	6.4	n.p.	17.4	118.2
April	62.8	n.p.	7.4	7.8	6.4	n.p.	17.5	118.0
May	62.9	n.p.	7.1	7.9	6.4	n.p.	17.6	117.5
June	62.9	n.p.	6.8	8.0	6.4	n.p.	17.7	116.9
July	62.7	n.p.	6.5	8.1	6.3	n.p.	17.8	116.1
August	62.4	n.p.	6.3	8.2	6.3	n.p.	17.9	115.3

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group<sup>1</sup>—Australian Capital Territory: All Series

Month	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
ORIGINAL (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	71.4	22.7	14.2	16.1	10.9	12.4	27.7	175.4
July	71.8	25.0	13.3	17.1	13.1	11.4	30.7	182.4
August	74.6	19.9	12.2	16.0	11.8	13.6	28.5	176.6
September	73.4	20.5	13.8	15.8	12.3	14.4	28.8	179.0
October	75.4	23.2	13.7	16.5	11.4	16.0	30.2	186.4
November	75.9	25.3	14.0	17.0	13.2	16.3	29.2	190.9
December	85.0	46.7	21.4	22.0	17.7	22.1	30.6	245.5
<b>1996</b>								
January	73.4	19.7	13.8	17.0	10.2	13.5	25.8	173.4
February	74.5	17.8	12.1	14.1	10.3	12.8	25.9	167.5
March	79.6	20.1	13.9	15.5	11.3	14.2	29.9	184.5
April	75.8	23.6	16.5	16.4	10.2	15.1	29.3	186.9
May	81.3	23.6	16.4	16.1	10.9	15.3	29.4	193.0
June	76.6	23.6	15.8	16.0	9.9	14.4	27.9	184.2
July	79.0	22.2	15.4	17.4	9.1	14.5	31.0	188.6
August	82.0	20.8	13.8	17.4	9.4	16.5	30.7	190.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	74.7	23.2	13.6	16.5	11.9	14.1	28.9	182.9
July	74.3	27.1	14.0	17.3	14.0	13.2	30.4	190.2
August	75.8	23.8	14.0	15.6	11.7	13.8	28.4	183.2
September	74.0	22.7	14.7	16.8	12.3	14.1	28.5	183.1
October	74.1	23.8	14.1	16.5	11.6	14.6	28.6	183.3
November	74.5	23.9	14.6	16.7	12.8	14.7	27.7	185.0
December	74.5	25.0	14.6	16.8	12.4	14.4	27.9	185.7
<b>1996</b>								
January	75.4	23.8	15.1	17.4	11.4	15.3	29.1	187.5
February	77.5	23.4	14.2	15.9	11.1	15.4	29.4	186.9
March	78.5	23.1	14.6	16.3	11.0	15.4	28.8	187.8
April	77.4	23.9	15.2	17.0	11.0	15.4	28.8	188.7
May	80.2	22.5	15.6	16.2	11.5	16.0	29.4	191.3
June	80.5	24.6	15.9	16.9	11.0	16.7	29.1	194.7
July	81.5	23.6	16.1	17.0	9.7	15.4	30.3	194.5
August	82.3	24.9	15.7	17.3	9.5	16.6	30.6	196.9
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)								
<b>1995</b>								
June	74.0	23.9	13.7	16.5	12.3	13.7	29.6	183.8
July	74.4	24.0	13.9	16.4	12.4	13.8	29.3	184.2
August	74.5	24.1	14.1	16.4	12.5	13.9	28.9	184.3
September	74.5	24.1	14.3	16.5	12.4	14.1	28.6	184.5
October	74.4	24.1	14.5	16.6	12.3	14.3	28.3	184.6
November	74.6	24.0	14.5	16.7	12.1	14.6	28.3	184.8
December	75.0	23.9	14.6	16.7	11.9	14.9	28.4	185.3
<b>1996</b>								
January	75.8	23.8	14.6	16.7	11.7	15.1	28.6	186.2
February	76.7	23.7	14.7	16.6	11.5	15.3	28.8	187.3
March	77.7	23.5	14.9	16.6	11.2	15.5	29.0	188.4
April	78.7	23.4	15.1	16.6	11.0	15.8	29.1	189.8
May	79.7	23.5	15.4	16.7	10.8	16.0	29.3	191.4
June	80.5	23.8	15.7	16.8	10.6	16.2	29.6	193.2
July	81.4	24.1	15.9	16.9	10.3	16.5	29.9	194.9
August	82.1	24.4	16.1	17.2	10.0	16.7	30.2	196.7

<sup>1</sup> See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

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### INTRODUCTION

**1** This publication presents monthly estimates of the value of turnover of retail businesses classified by industry, and by State. The principal objective of the Retail Trade survey is to show month to month movement of retail turnover.

**2** Estimates of turnover contained in this publication are based on a survey of about 7,000 retail and selected service businesses (covering 20,000 outlets). All 'large' businesses are included in the survey, while a sample of about 4,400 'smaller' businesses is selected. The 'large' business' contribution of approximately 54 per cent of the total estimate ensures a highly reliable Australian total turnover estimate.

### SCOPE AND COVERAGE

**3** The Retail Trade survey covers all employing businesses, with at least one retail establishment. The scope of the survey (classified according to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification [ANZSIC]) is detailed below:

- Food Retailing
  - Supermarkets and grocery stores (5110)
    - and non-petrol sales of identified convenience stores of petrol stations
  - Takeaway food retailing (5125)
  - Other food retailing
    - Fresh meat, fish and poultry retailing (5121)
    - Fruit and vegetable retailing (5122)
    - Liquor retailing (5123)
    - Bread and cake retailing (5124)
    - Specialised food retailing n.e.c. (5129)
- Department Stores (5210)
- Clothing and Soft Good Retailing
  - Clothing retailing (5221)
    - Other clothing related retailing
      - Footwear retailing (5222)
      - Fabric and other soft good retailing (5223)
  - Household Good Retailing
    - Furniture and floorcovering retailing
      - Furniture retailing (5231)
      - Floor covering retailing (5232)
    - Domestic hardware and houseware retailing (5233)
    - Domestic appliance retailing
      - Domestic appliance retailing (5234)
      - Recorded music retailing (5235)
  - Recreational Good Retailing
    - Newspaper, book and stationery retailing (5243)
    - Other recreational good retailing
      - Sport and camping equipment retailing (5241)
      - Toy and game retailing (5242)
      - Photographic equipment retailing (5244)
  - Other Retailing
    - Pharmaceutical, cosmetic and toiletry retailing (5251)
    - Other retailing
      - Antique and used good retailing (5252)
      - Garden supplies retailing (5253)
      - Flower retailing (5254)
      - Watch and jewellery retailing (5255)
      - Retailing n.e.c. (5259)

SCOPE AND COVERAGE (continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hospitality and Services           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hotels and licensed clubs               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pubs, taverns and bars (5720)</li> <li>Clubs (Hospitality) (5740)</li> <li>Cafes and restaurants (5730)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Selected services               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Video hire outlets (9511)</li> <li>Hairdressing and beauty salons (9526)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
DEFINITION OF TURNOVER	<p><b>4</b> Turnover includes retail sales; wholesale sales; takings from repairs, meals and hiring of goods (except for rent, leasing and hiring of land and buildings); and commissions from agency activity (e.g. commissions received from collecting dry cleaning, selling lottery tickets, etc.) and net takings from gaming machines etc.</p>
SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT	<p><b>5</b> Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences can be more clearly recognised.</p> <p><b>6</b> In the seasonal adjustment of the turnover estimates, account has been taken of both normal seasonal factors and 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying length of each month and the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in the month). There is some evidence suggesting possible changes in retail trading patterns, including increased activity on weekends and public holidays. The impact of these changes on the seasonal pattern and trading day component of the data is being investigated and can only be confirmed once sufficient data becomes available. While these changes may impact on the unadjusted and seasonally adjusted data, the trend estimate is less likely to be affected. Further, the seasonal adjustment does not remove from the series the effect of irregular influences (e.g. abnormal weather, industrial disputes). The seasonally adjusted estimates still reflect the sampling and non-sampling errors to which the original estimates are subject.</p> <p><b>7</b> The State component series have been seasonally adjusted independently. Therefore, the adjusted components may not add to the Australian Group totals.</p> <p><b>8</b> As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's data. For Retail Trade, the results of the latest review are shown in the July issue each year.</p>
TREND ESTIMATES	<p><b>9</b> Most monthly trend estimates in this publication have been obtained by smoothing the seasonally adjusted series using a centred 13-term Henderson weighted moving average (7-term for quarterly series). However, to estimate the last six monthly trend values (or the last three quarters) a set of asymmetric moving averages have been designed to reduce a small bias associated with estimating these recent values when the trend growth is increasing or decreasing. Overall, revision to the estimates should be reduced, however, there may be a greater revision to the estimates whenever there are large irregular movements in the seasonally adjusted series.</p> <p><b>10</b> For further information, see <i>A Guide to Interpreting Time Series — Monitoring 'Trends': an Overview</i> (1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on (06) 252 6345.</p>
CONSTANT PRICE STATISTICS	<p><b>11</b> To enable analysis of the movement of retail activity in 'real' terms, estimates of retail turnover at constant (average 1989–90) prices are compiled and published each quarter. Constant price retail turnover series are derived by deflating the original current price series of retail turnover by specially compiled indexes of price change.</p>

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RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES

**12** There are two types of error possible in estimates of retail turnover:

*Sampling error* which occurs because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. One measure of the likely difference resulting from not including all establishments in the survey is given by the standard error, see below.

*Non sampling error* which arises from inaccuracies in collecting, recording and processing the data. The most significant of these errors are: misreporting of data items; deficiencies in coverage; non-response; and processing errors. Every effort is made to minimise reporting error by the careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers, and efficient data processing procedures.

## STANDARD ERRORS

**13** Seasonally adjusted, trend and constant price estimates are also subject to sampling variability. For seasonally adjusted estimates, the standard errors are approximately the same as for the original estimates. For trend estimates, the standard errors are likely to be smaller. For constant price estimates, the standard errors may be up to 10 per cent higher than those for the corresponding current price estimates because of the sampling variability contained in the prices data used to deflate the current price estimates.

**14** To assist users in assessing the reliability of estimates, each data series has been given a grading of A to D. Where:

- A represents a relative standard error on level of less than 2 per cent. The published estimates are highly reliable for movement analysis;
- B represents a relative standard error on level between 2 and 5 per cent, meaning the estimate is reliable for movement analysis purposes;
- C represents a relative standard error on level between 5 and 10 per cent, meaning users are advised to exercise some caution in interpreting movements for such series; and
- D represents a relative standard error on level greater than 10 per cent (mainly affects unpublished state by industry series).

**15** The table below provides an indicator of reliability for key retail turnover estimates.

	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
NSW	B	A	B	C	C	C	C	A
Vic	B	A	B	C	C	C	C	A
Qld	B	A	B	C	C	C	C	A
SA	B	A	B	C	C	C	C	A
WA	B	A	B	C	C	C	C	A
Tas	B	—	B	C	C	—	C	B
NT	B	—	B	C	C	—	C	B
ACT	B	A	B	C	C	C	C	A
Australia	A	A	A	B	B	B	B	A

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UNPUBLISHED DATA

**16** The Retail Survey Special Data Service provides additional retail trade statistics which include further State industry dissections through to 'top ten' industry reports. For more information, contact the Retail Trade Special Data Services manager on (06) 252 5220.

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