

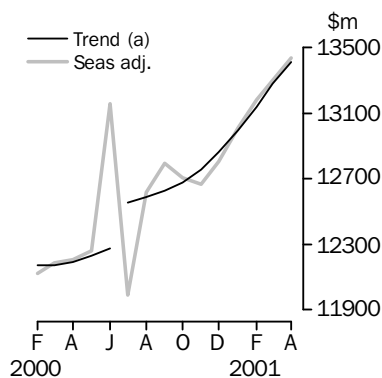
# RETAIL TRADE

AUSTRALIA

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## Monthly turnover

Current prices



(a) Break in series from July 2000.

## APRIL KEY FIGURES

### TREND ESTIMATES

Turnover at current prices (\$ millions)	Mar 2001	Apr 2001	% change
	13 279.2	13 414.3	1.0

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

Turnover at current prices (\$ millions)	Mar 2001	Apr 2001	% change
	13 300.6	13 438.5	1.0
	Apr 2000	Apr 2001	% change
	12 206.1	13 438.5	10.1

## APRIL KEY POINTS

### TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend estimate of turnover for the Australian Retail and Hospitality/Services series recorded an increase of 1.0% for April 2001; the ninth consecutive month of growth since the break in the series in July 2000.
- All states except the Northern Territory recorded strong increases in the trend estimate.
- The largest industry increases were recorded in the Other retailing, Food retailing, Recreational good retailing and Hospitality and service industries.
- Over the three months to April 2001, the trend estimate rose by \$416.3m. All industries recorded increases over this period, with the largest being in Food retailing (+\$176.8m), Hospitality and services (+\$79.3m) and Other retailing (+\$60.3m).

**TAKE CARE!**  
Trend estimates are revised as new monthly data become available.

### SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

- The seasonally adjusted estimate of turnover for the Australian Retail and Hospitality/Services series rose by 1.0% in April 2001 compared with March 2001. This follows revised increases in March 2001 (0.9%) and February 2001 (1.3%).

### ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- In original terms, Australian turnover increased by 9.0% in April 2001 compared with April 2000. For this period, chains and other large retailers (which are completely enumerated) increased by 6.0%, while 'smaller' retailers (the sampled units) increased by 13.0%.

- For further information about these and related statistics, contact Graham Phillips on 02 6252 5625, or the National Information Service on 1300 135 070.

# NOTES

## FORTHCOMING ISSUES

ISSUE	RELEASE DATE
May 2001	3 July 2001
June 2001	1 August 2001
July 2001	31 August 2001

## CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

As a part of the changes associated with The New Tax System, the ABS has recently changed the way in which it updates its Business Register, which provides the population framework for ABS collections including the Monthly Retail Trade Survey. This change caused a greater than normal rotation of the businesses included in the Retail Trade Survey sample between March and April. An impact of this is an increase in the sample uncertainty associated with estimates of movements in retail turnover. Using the standard estimation technique produced a sample error of movement that is appreciably larger than normal. To counter this, in estimating the April result, the ABS has used an estimation technique which placed increased emphasis on the movement in retail turnover of units common to both samples than would otherwise be the case. Because of this, users are advised to exercise caution when analysing the April results, particularly at the State/Industry levels.

As this is a "one-off" issue, it is expected that for future months estimates will be derived using the standard estimation techniques.

## SAMPLING ERRORS

Standard errors for the Australian estimates (original data) for April 2001 contained in this publication are:

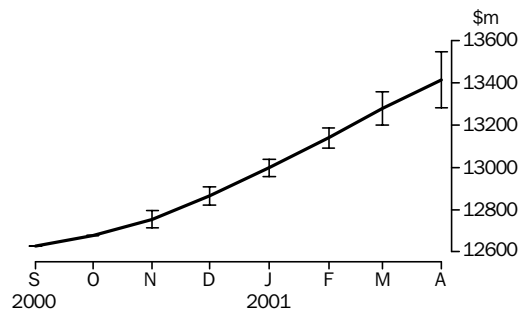
DATA SERIES	ESTIMATE	STANDARD ERROR
Level of retail turnover (\$m)	12 634.2	118.1
Change from March to April (\$m)	-490.8	74.8
% change from March to April	-3.7	0.6

For more information see the Explanatory notes, paragraphs 20–23.

## TREND REVISIONS

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Trend estimates can be revised as a result of revisions to the original and seasonally adjusted estimates, and due to the trending methodology itself. The graph below presents the expected range within which, based on past performance of the series, it is expected that the final trend estimates will fall around 90% of the time.

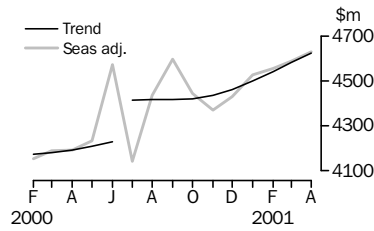


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# STATE TRENDS

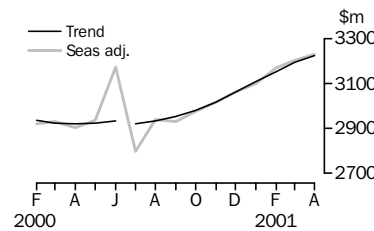
## MONTHLY SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND(a) ESTIMATES

### NEW SOUTH WALES



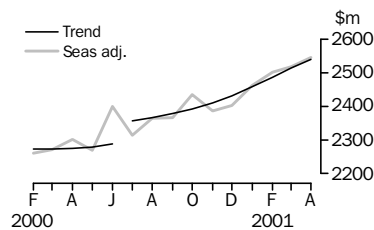
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### VICTORIA



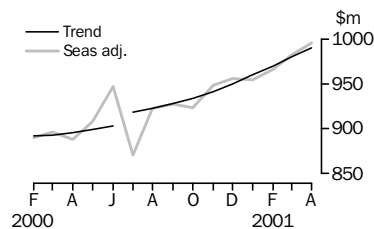
Strong growth was recorded for the seventh month in a row. All industries, except Department stores and Other retailing, recorded moderate to strong growth over the last six months.

### QUEENSLAND



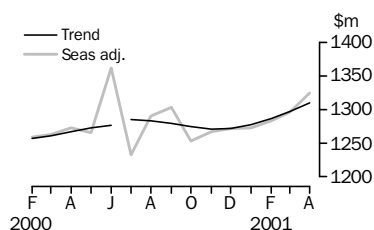
There was strong trend growth over the five months to April 2001. The Food retailing and Clothing and soft good retailing industries recorded strong growth in each of these months.

### SOUTH AUSTRALIA



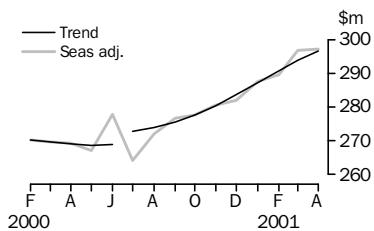
There was strong trend growth for the sixth consecutive month. All industries, except Clothing and soft good retailing and Hospitality and services, recorded strong growth over the last four months.

### WESTERN AUSTRALIA



The trend has continued to increase, with strong growth recorded in the last two months. In April 2001, all industries, except Clothing and soft good retailing, recorded moderate to strong growth.

### TASMANIA



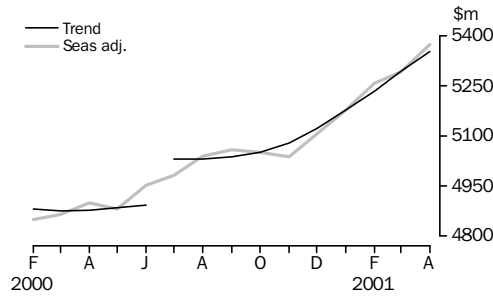
There was strong trend growth for the seventh month in a row. In recent months growth has been strongest in the Clothing and soft good retailing and Household good retailing industries.

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# INDUSTRY TRENDS

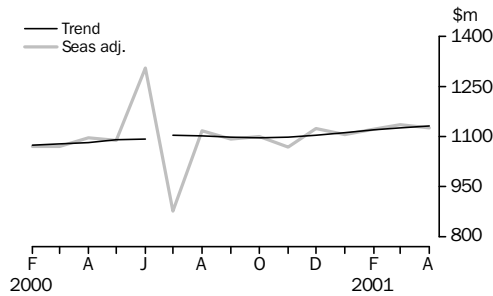
## MONTHLY SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND(a) ESTIMATES

### FOOD RETAILING



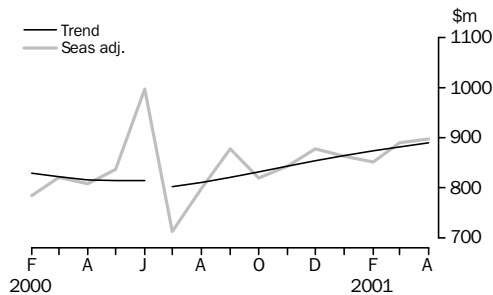
The trend estimate recorded strong growth for the fifth month in a row. During the last four months all states, except Western Australia, recorded strong growth.

### DEPARTMENT STORES



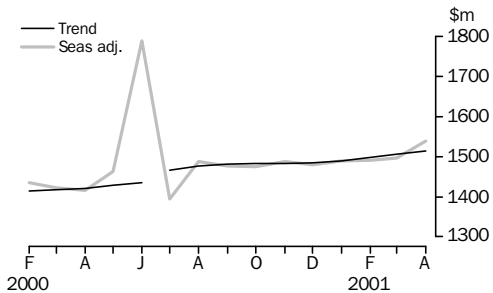
The trend estimate recorded moderate growth for the fifth consecutive month. Queensland and South Australia recorded strong growth in each of the last four months.

### CLOTHING AND SOFT GOOD RETAILING



The Clothing and soft good retailing industry recorded its ninth consecutive month of strong trend growth. All states, except South Australia and Western Australia, have recorded moderate to strong growth in each of the last four months.

### HOUSEHOLD GOOD RETAILING

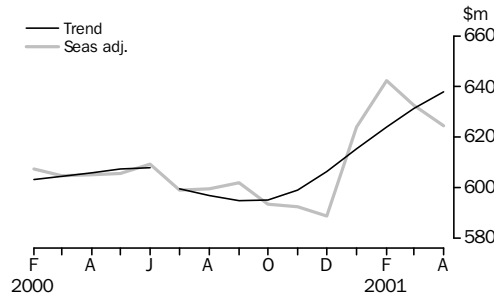


The trend estimate recorded moderate growth for the fourth month in a row. During this period Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania have recorded strong growth in each month.

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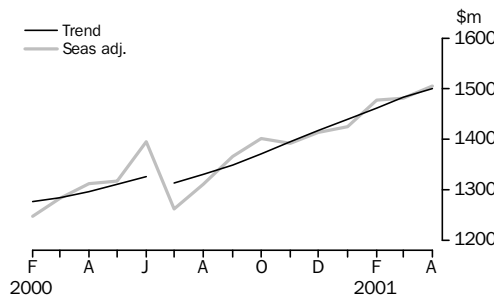
**MONTHLY SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND(a) ESTIMATES**

**RECREATIONAL GOOD RETAILING**



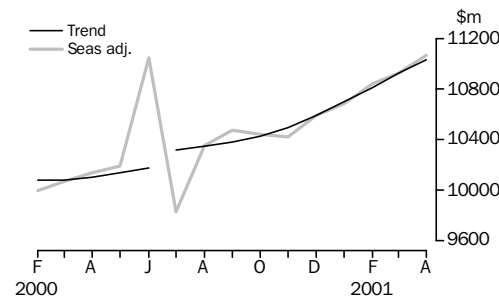
For the fifth month in a row, there was strong growth in the trend estimate. All states, except Queensland and the two Territories, recorded moderate to strong growth in each of the last four months.

**OTHER RETAILING**



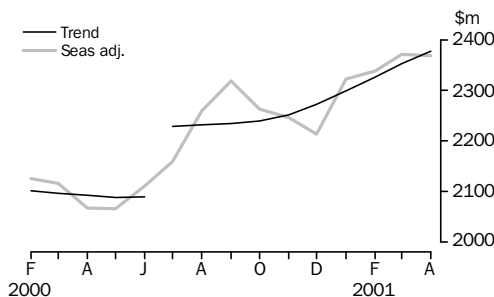
Since the trend break in July 2000 there has been strong growth in the trend estimate. Over the last seven months New South Wales, South Australia and the Australian Capital Territory have recorded strong growth.

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



In April 2001 the increase in the trend estimate for Total retail (excluding Hospitality and services) was the same as that recorded for Total industries (including the Hospitality and services group).

**HOSPITALITY AND SERVICES**



There was strong growth in the trend for the fifth consecutive month. All states, except South Australia and the Northern Territory, recorded moderate to strong growth in each month. The strongest growth in April 2001 was in Victoria and the Australian Capital Territory.

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## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a): 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>2000</b>								
February	4 633.2	798.3	641.4	1 324.0	561.8	1 135.4	2 001.3	11 095.4
March	4 965.2	902.1	753.3	1 398.1	589.8	1 213.2	2 153.8	11 975.5
April	4 776.4	1 024.9	778.4	1 272.6	540.2	1 193.8	2 004.3	11 590.6
May	4 763.6	1 052.5	865.8	1 437.9	563.7	1 280.0	1 997.2	11 960.7
June	4 768.8	1 165.8	975.3	1 735.3	558.2	1 307.5	2 037.1	12 547.9
July	4 864.7	847.2	703.0	1 359.0	570.1	1 203.8	2 120.3	11 668.1
August	5 004.2	990.8	737.7	1 460.3	585.4	1 317.6	2 210.7	12 306.8
September	4 971.7	1 035.4	858.3	1 435.2	590.9	1 338.6	2 286.2	12 516.4
October	5 074.6	1 050.1	817.6	1 486.7	579.4	1 423.0	2 302.7	12 734.0
November	5 115.3	1 207.6	873.9	1 563.4	629.1	1 499.5	2 293.4	13 182.2
December	5 920.3	2 142.3	1 281.3	1 908.3	851.3	1 989.7	2 607.4	16 700.5
<b>2001</b>								
January	5 197.1	954.9	823.9	1 481.1	614.8	1 316.3	2 320.2	12 708.3
February	4 859.1	797.8	668.4	1 337.0	572.3	1 288.9	2 137.4	11 661.0
March	5 423.3	995.9	816.2	1 459.0	622.7	1 391.0	2 416.7	13 124.9
April	5 169.1	1 015.4	855.3	1 391.3	552.0	1 368.2	2 282.8	12 634.2
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	4 851.1	1 071.4	785.2	1 435.4	607.4	1 247.3	2 125.6	12 123.5
March	4 865.4	1 071.0	821.8	1 423.1	605.0	1 283.5	2 116.5	12 186.3
April	4 900.3	1 097.3	807.8	1 415.1	605.0	1 313.0	2 067.6	12 206.1
May	4 881.5	1 089.3	837.9	1 462.6	605.8	1 317.3	2 066.5	12 260.8
June	4 951.9	1 305.0	998.1	1 788.6	609.4	1 394.6	2 110.4	13 158.0
July	4 983.0	878.0	714.4	1 394.4	599.2	1 262.4	2 159.7	11 991.1
August	5 039.5	1 118.8	798.6	1 488.7	599.5	1 311.7	2 259.4	12 616.4
September	5 058.9	1 093.2	878.3	1 477.2	602.0	1 366.1	2 319.3	12 795.0
October	5 051.3	1 100.4	820.0	1 474.6	593.6	1 402.1	2 264.3	12 706.4
November	5 037.3	1 068.8	843.9	1 488.7	592.5	1 393.0	2 246.0	12 670.1
December	5 107.5	1 123.7	877.9	1 479.8	588.9	1 414.0	2 214.3	12 806.1
<b>2001</b>								
January	5 178.1	1 107.1	863.8	1 489.3	624.0	1 425.1	2 322.5	13 010.0
February	5 257.5	1 122.9	852.3	1 492.0	642.4	1 477.5	2 338.7	13 183.3
March	5 291.8	1 135.9	889.8	1 496.3	632.8	1 482.0	2 372.0	13 300.6
April	5 375.0	1 126.2	898.3	1 539.2	624.5	1 506.2	2 369.1	13 438.5
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	4 882.0	1 075.4	829.7	1 414.7	603.4	1 276.6	2 102.1	12 171.7
March	4 876.4	1 078.8	822.4	1 416.8	604.5	1 285.0	2 097.2	12 170.3
April	4 877.6	1 084.1	817.0	1 421.4	606.0	1 296.9	2 092.5	12 190.1
May	4 885.2	1 090.2	814.8	1 428.1	607.4	1 311.0	2 089.1	12 228.6
June	4 894.3	1 093.8	815.5	1 436.3	608.1	1 326.6	2 089.5	12 275.0
July	5 030.8	1 105.5	803.5	1 467.3	599.6	1 313.7	2 229.0	12 555.1
August	5 032.5	1 102.7	811.4	1 476.1	597.1	1 330.1	2 231.8	12 589.8
September	5 037.1	1 099.1	821.6	1 481.9	594.8	1 349.1	2 235.2	12 626.2
October	5 050.6	1 097.3	832.8	1 483.3	595.0	1 371.1	2 240.6	12 676.2
November	5 079.3	1 099.2	844.2	1 482.9	599.1	1 394.7	2 252.4	12 754.2
December	5 123.1	1 104.4	855.1	1 484.3	606.5	1 418.1	2 272.9	12 864.4
<b>2001</b>								
January	5 177.1	1 112.1	865.1	1 489.9	615.5	1 440.5	2 298.8	12 998.0
February	5 235.6	1 120.0	874.3	1 497.7	624.0	1 462.2	2 326.2	13 139.2
March	5 294.3	1 127.0	882.3	1 506.3	631.3	1 483.2	2 353.1	13 279.2
April	5 353.9	1 132.2	890.1	1 514.7	638.0	1 500.8	2 378.1	13 414.3

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes.

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## RETAIL TURNOVER PERCENTAGE CHANGE, By Industry Group(a): 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>2000</b>								
February	-5.3	-13.7	-19.1	-4.5	-2.5	-0.8	-4.8	-6.1
March	7.2	13.0	17.4	5.6	5.0	6.9	7.6	7.9
April	-3.8	13.6	3.3	-9.0	-8.4	-1.6	-6.9	-3.2
May	-0.3	2.7	11.2	13.0	4.3	7.2	-0.4	3.2
June	0.1	10.8	12.6	20.7	-1.0	2.2	2.0	4.9
July	2.0	-27.3	-27.9	-21.7	2.1	-7.9	4.1	-7.0
August	2.9	17.0	4.9	7.5	2.7	9.5	4.3	5.5
September	-0.6	4.5	16.3	-1.7	0.9	1.6	3.4	1.7
October	2.1	1.4	-4.7	3.6	-2.0	6.3	0.7	1.7
November	0.8	15.0	6.9	5.2	8.6	5.4	-0.4	3.5
December	15.7	77.4	46.6	22.1	35.3	32.7	13.7	26.7
<b>2001</b>								
January	-12.2	-55.4	-35.7	-22.4	-27.8	-33.8	-11.0	-23.9
February	-6.5	-16.5	-18.9	-9.7	-6.9	-2.1	-7.9	-8.2
March	11.6	24.8	22.1	9.1	8.8	7.9	13.1	12.6
April	-4.7	2.0	4.8	-4.6	-11.4	-1.6	-5.5	-3.7
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (% change from preceding month)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	-0.4	0.5	-6.7	1.4	1.8	-1.2	1.8	-0.1
March	0.3	0.0	4.7	-0.9	-0.4	2.9	-0.4	0.5
April	0.7	2.5	-1.7	-0.6	0.0	2.3	-2.3	0.2
May	-0.4	-0.7	3.7	3.4	0.1	0.3	-0.1	0.4
June	1.4	19.8	19.1	22.3	0.6	5.9	2.1	7.3
July	0.6	-32.7	-28.4	-22.0	-1.7	-9.5	2.3	-8.9
August	1.1	27.4	11.8	6.8	0.1	3.9	4.6	5.2
September	0.4	-2.3	10.0	-0.8	0.4	4.1	2.6	1.4
October	-0.2	0.7	-6.6	-0.2	-1.4	2.6	-2.4	-0.7
November	-0.3	-2.9	2.9	1.0	-0.2	-0.6	-0.8	-0.3
December	1.4	5.1	4.0	-0.6	-0.6	1.5	-1.4	1.1
<b>2001</b>								
January	1.4	-1.5	-1.6	0.6	6.0	0.8	4.9	1.6
February	1.5	1.4	-1.3	0.2	2.9	3.7	0.7	1.3
March	0.7	1.2	4.4	0.3	-1.5	0.3	1.4	0.9
April	1.6	-0.9	1.0	2.9	-1.3	1.6	-0.1	1.0
TREND ESTIMATES (% change from preceding month)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	-0.2	0.1	-1.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.2
March	-0.1	0.3	-0.9	0.1	0.2	0.7	-0.2	0.0
April	0.0	0.5	-0.7	0.3	0.2	0.9	-0.2	0.2
May	0.2	0.6	-0.3	0.5	0.2	1.1	-0.2	0.3
June	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.1	1.2	0.0	0.4
July	2.8	1.1	-1.5	2.2	-1.4	-1.0	6.7	2.3
August	0.0	-0.3	1.0	0.6	-0.4	1.3	0.1	0.3
September	0.1	-0.3	1.3	0.4	-0.4	1.4	0.1	0.3
October	0.3	-0.2	1.4	0.1	0.0	1.6	0.2	0.4
November	0.6	0.2	1.4	0.0	0.7	1.7	0.5	0.6
December	0.9	0.5	1.3	0.1	1.2	1.7	0.9	0.9
<b>2001</b>								
January	1.1	0.7	1.2	0.4	1.5	1.6	1.1	1.0
February	1.1	0.7	1.1	0.5	1.4	1.5	1.2	1.1
March	1.1	0.6	0.9	0.6	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.1
April	1.1	0.5	0.9	0.6	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.0

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(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Sub-Group(a): Original

Month	FOOD RETAILING.....				Total Department stores	CLOTHING AND SOFT GOOD RETAILING.....			HOUSEHOLD GOOD RETAILING...			
	Super- markets and grocery stores	Takeaway food retailing	Other food retailing	Total		Clothing retailing	Other clothing related retailing	Total	Furniture and floor covering retailing	Domestic hardware & house- ware retailing	Domestic appliance retailing	Total
\$ MILLION												
<b>2000</b>												
February	3 345.5	474.5	813.2	4 633.2	798.3	429.4	212.0	641.4	371.0	371.6	581.4	1 324.0
March	3 591.3	518.3	855.6	4 965.2	902.1	513.3	240.0	753.3	411.3	383.4	603.4	1 398.1
April	3 448.1	520.3	808.0	4 776.4	1 024.9	541.1	237.3	778.4	365.0	367.5	540.1	1 272.6
May	3 451.9	519.8	791.9	4 763.6	1 052.5	592.7	273.2	865.8	405.6	374.1	658.1	1 437.9
June	3 443.9	514.4	810.6	4 768.8	1 165.8	670.5	304.8	975.3	542.9	421.1	771.3	1 735.3
July	3 496.6	547.4	820.8	4 864.7	847.2	477.5	225.4	703.0	356.4	352.4	650.2	1 359.0
August	3 605.4	544.1	854.7	5 004.2	990.8	508.1	229.6	737.7	394.5	385.8	679.9	1 460.3
September	3 545.1	557.4	869.2	4 971.7	1 035.4	601.8	256.4	858.3	374.8	414.4	646.0	1 435.2
October	3 635.5	601.0	838.1	5 074.6	1 050.1	548.1	269.6	817.6	401.6	444.3	640.8	1 486.7
November	3 683.9	580.7	850.7	5 115.3	1 207.6	597.7	276.2	873.9	417.9	465.0	680.5	1 563.4
December	4 172.2	627.1	1 121.0	5 920.3	2 142.3	898.4	382.9	1 281.3	415.5	577.9	914.8	1 908.3
<b>2001</b>												
January	3 731.1	619.9	846.1	5 197.1	954.9	540.7	283.1	823.9	383.9	453.3	643.9	1 481.1
February	3 517.3	549.9	791.9	4 859.1	797.8	446.7	221.7	668.4	343.4	399.6	593.9	1 337.0
March	3 905.2	621.8	896.3	5 423.3	995.9	557.5	258.6	816.2	391.7	441.7	625.6	1 459.0
April	3 712.1	587.9	869.1	5 169.1	1 015.4	610.9	244.4	855.3	384.4	431.2	575.7	1 391.3
% CHANGE FROM PRECEDING MONTH												
<b>2000</b>												
February	-4.2	-12.1	-5.3	-5.3	-13.7	-17.0	-23.1	-19.1	-5.4	-7.3	-2.1	-4.5
March	7.3	9.2	5.2	7.2	13.0	19.5	13.2	17.4	10.9	3.2	3.8	5.6
April	-4.0	0.4	-5.6	-3.8	13.6	5.4	-1.1	3.3	-11.3	-4.2	-10.5	-9.0
May	0.1	-0.1	-2.0	-0.3	2.7	9.5	15.1	11.2	11.1	1.8	21.8	13.0
June	-0.2	-1.0	2.4	0.1	10.8	13.1	11.6	12.6	33.8	12.5	17.2	20.7
July	1.5	6.4	1.3	2.0	-27.3	-28.8	-26.0	-27.9	-34.4	-16.3	-15.7	-21.7
August	3.1	-0.6	4.1	2.9	17.0	6.4	1.9	4.9	10.7	9.5	4.6	7.5
September	-1.7	2.4	1.7	-0.6	4.5	18.5	11.7	16.3	-5.0	7.4	-5.0	-1.7
October	2.5	7.8	-3.6	2.1	1.4	-8.9	5.1	-4.7	7.1	7.2	-0.8	3.6
November	1.3	-3.4	1.5	0.8	15.0	9.0	2.5	6.9	4.1	4.7	6.2	5.2
December	13.3	8.0	31.8	15.7	77.4	50.3	38.6	46.6	-0.6	24.3	34.4	22.1
<b>2001</b>												
January	-10.6	-1.2	-24.5	-12.2	-55.4	-39.8	-26.1	-35.7	-7.6	-21.6	-29.6	-22.4
February	-5.7	-11.3	-6.4	-6.5	-16.5	-17.4	-21.7	-18.9	-10.5	-11.9	-7.8	-9.7
March	11.0	13.1	13.2	11.6	24.8	24.8	16.7	22.1	14.1	10.5	5.3	9.1
April	-4.9	-5.4	-3.0	-4.7	2.0	9.6	-5.5	4.8	-1.9	-2.4	-8.0	-4.6
% CHANGE FROM CORRESPONDING MONTH OF PREVIOUS YEAR												
<b>2000</b>												
February	6.8	-3.7	0.9	4.5	8.1	0.4	3.7	1.4	18.3	27.5	3.9	13.7
March	3.5	-3.8	-3.4	1.4	-0.1	-1.6	0.5	-0.9	14.4	19.2	4.4	11.0
April	4.2	1.8	-8.8	1.5	7.5	-5.2	-7.0	-5.8	12.8	21.1	-6.7	5.5
May	3.9	1.5	-7.2	1.6	4.1	2.8	9.1	4.7	8.9	23.8	8.1	12.0
June	6.8	1.4	-2.9	4.5	30.3	16.8	28.4	20.2	44.2	39.4	23.5	33.2
July	1.7	6.9	-10.0	0.1	-19.7	-13.0	-13.1	-13.0	-10.7	11.9	6.8	2.8
August	8.1	4.6	-3.9	5.4	10.1	-4.9	-1.3	-3.8	-1.4	18.0	11.5	9.2
September	4.7	6.2	-4.0	3.3	3.3	5.5	6.8	5.9	-9.8	8.9	12.2	4.6
October	3.1	10.9	-12.4	1.0	0.6	-7.9	4.7	-4.1	-9.4	6.7	8.8	2.6
November	7.2	7.0	-9.4	4.0	0.0	-1.8	2.0	-0.6	-5.8	12.7	11.6	6.6
December	5.0	11.0	-10.4	2.3	3.5	-0.6	13.4	3.2	-6.9	17.9	4.4	5.3
<b>2001</b>												
January	6.8	14.9	-1.4	6.3	3.2	4.5	2.7	3.9	-2.1	13.0	8.4	6.8
February	5.1	15.9	-2.6	4.9	-0.1	4.0	4.6	4.2	-7.4	7.5	2.2	1.0
March	8.7	20.0	4.8	9.2	10.4	8.6	7.8	8.3	-4.7	15.2	3.7	4.4
April	7.7	13.0	7.6	8.2	-0.9	12.9	3.0	9.9	5.3	17.3	6.6	9.3

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes.



RETAIL TURNOVER, By Sub-Group(a): **Original** *continued*

Month	RECREATIONAL GOOD RETAILING.....			OTHER RETAILING.....			HOSPITALITY AND SERVICES.....				Total all industries
	<i>News- paper, book and stationery retailing</i>	<i>Other recreational good retailing</i>	Total	<i>Pharma- ceutical cosmetic &amp; toiletry retailing</i>	<i>Other retailing</i>	Total	<i>Hotels and licensed clubs</i>	<i>Cafes and restau- rants</i>	<i>Selected services</i>	Total	
\$ MILLION											
<b>2000</b>											
February	378.8	183.0	561.8	539.6	595.8	1 135.4	1 167.5	653.4	180.4	2 001.3	11 095.4
March	395.9	193.8	589.8	592.2	621.1	1 213.2	1 243.1	716.8	193.9	2 153.8	11 975.5
April	340.4	199.9	540.2	575.6	618.3	1 193.8	1 170.8	651.6	181.9	2 004.3	11 590.6
May	372.2	191.6	563.7	618.4	661.5	1 280.0	1 133.4	677.2	186.6	1 997.2	11 960.7
June	350.7	207.5	558.2	629.2	678.3	1 307.5	1 174.7	677.0	185.4	2 037.1	12 547.9
July	389.5	180.6	570.1	632.6	571.2	1 203.8	1 216.0	686.1	218.2	2 120.3	11 668.1
August	383.5	202.0	585.4	695.7	621.9	1 317.6	1 290.7	699.6	220.3	2 210.7	12 306.8
September	368.0	222.9	590.9	670.9	667.8	1 338.6	1 282.9	782.7	220.6	2 286.2	12 516.4
October	377.6	201.8	579.4	676.7	746.3	1 423.0	1 302.6	769.1	230.9	2 302.7	12 734.0
November	400.4	228.7	629.1	698.4	801.1	1 499.5	1 311.8	746.7	235.0	2 293.4	13 182.2
December	484.6	366.7	851.3	835.6	1 154.1	1 989.7	1 515.3	813.4	278.7	2 607.4	16 700.5
<b>2001</b>											
January	401.8	213.1	614.8	634.8	681.5	1 316.3	1 312.3	761.7	246.2	2 320.2	12 708.3
February	391.2	181.2	572.3	621.3	667.6	1 288.9	1 209.2	706.7	221.6	2 137.4	11 661.0
March	421.5	201.2	622.7	683.4	707.7	1 391.0	1 363.7	804.7	248.3	2 416.7	13 124.9
April	355.9	196.1	552.0	687.7	680.6	1 368.2	1 290.1	759.9	232.8	2 282.8	12 634.2
% CHANGE FROM PRECEDING MONTH											
<b>2000</b>											
February	3.5	-13.0	-2.5	0.7	-2.1	-0.8	-5.2	-3.2	-7.1	-4.8	-6.1
March	4.5	5.9	5.0	9.7	4.2	6.9	6.5	9.7	7.4	7.6	7.9
April	-14.0	3.1	-8.4	-2.8	-0.5	-1.6	-5.8	-9.1	-6.2	-6.9	-3.2
May	9.3	-4.1	4.3	7.4	7.0	7.2	-3.2	3.9	2.5	-0.4	3.2
June	-5.8	8.3	-1.0	1.7	2.5	2.2	3.6	0.0	-0.6	2.0	4.9
July	11.1	-13.0	2.1	0.5	-15.8	-7.9	3.5	1.3	17.7	4.1	-7.0
August	-1.5	11.8	2.7	10.0	8.9	9.5	6.1	2.0	1.0	4.3	5.5
September	-4.0	10.4	0.9	-3.6	7.4	1.6	-0.6	11.9	0.1	3.4	1.7
October	2.6	-9.5	-2.0	0.9	11.8	6.3	1.5	-1.7	4.7	0.7	1.7
November	6.0	13.3	8.6	3.2	7.3	5.4	0.7	-2.9	1.7	-0.4	3.5
December	21.0	60.3	35.3	19.7	44.1	32.7	15.5	8.9	18.6	13.7	26.7
<b>2001</b>											
January	-17.1	-41.9	-27.8	-24.0	-40.9	-33.8	-13.4	-6.4	-11.7	-11.0	-23.9
February	-2.6	-15.0	-6.9	-2.1	-2.0	-2.1	-7.9	-7.2	-10.0	-7.9	-8.2
March	7.8	11.0	8.8	10.0	6.0	7.9	12.8	13.9	12.1	13.1	12.6
April	-15.6	-2.5	-11.4	0.6	-3.8	-1.6	-5.4	-5.6	-6.3	-5.5	-3.7
% CHANGE FROM CORRESPONDING MONTH OF PREVIOUS YEAR											
<b>2000</b>											
February	6.9	6.0	6.6	3.4	10.3	6.9	6.5	16.5	4.1	9.3	6.8
March	-0.8	1.0	-0.2	-2.7	7.8	2.4	4.1	14.2	1.6	7.0	3.2
April	-4.6	5.6	-1.1	-0.4	4.5	2.1	-0.1	1.2	-2.0	0.2	1.6
May	1.1	6.6	2.9	3.3	11.9	7.5	-0.3	0.5	-4.1	-0.4	3.5
June	-2.2	6.7	0.9	2.8	20.3	11.2	5.4	9.5	-5.9	5.6	11.7
July	1.8	-7.6	-1.4	-2.0	-4.6	-3.2	-1.0	9.8	13.0	3.6	-2.1
August	3.2	0.0	2.1	9.2	0.6	5.0	9.4	11.2	26.4	11.5	6.4
September	-0.4	-2.3	-1.1	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.3	20.6	24.2	11.1	4.8
October	2.0	-7.7	-1.6	7.3	13.4	10.4	1.1	12.5	19.5	6.3	2.6
November	0.6	-5.2	-1.6	5.6	12.5	9.2	5.6	8.8	23.2	8.2	4.6
December	-3.4	-6.3	-4.7	2.2	10.1	6.7	3.5	3.2	20.3	4.9	3.4
<b>2001</b>											
January	9.7	1.3	6.7	18.5	12.0	15.1	6.5	12.8	26.8	10.4	7.5
February	3.3	-1.0	1.9	15.1	12.1	13.5	3.6	8.2	22.8	6.8	5.1
March	6.5	3.8	5.6	15.4	13.9	14.7	9.7	12.3	28.1	12.2	9.6
April	4.6	-1.9	2.2	19.5	10.1	14.6	10.2	16.6	28.0	13.9	9.0

(a) 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>2000</b>									
February	3 808.9	2 654.2	2 060.7	808.3	1 179.6	257.4	115.3	211.0	11 095.4
March	4 107.8	2 905.5	2 201.3	886.6	1 245.5	272.8	125.2	230.7	11 975.5
April	3 993.3	2 755.3	2 162.7	852.8	1 210.0	256.8	126.9	232.8	11 590.6
May	4 158.6	2 861.3	2 184.1	876.8	1 241.0	258.2	134.6	246.0	11 960.7
June	4 359.4	3 005.8	2 325.6	904.5	1 279.8	264.8	141.9	266.1	12 547.9
July	4 042.3	2 707.6	2 260.5	845.2	1 185.0	247.7	142.6	237.1	11 668.1
August	4 288.1	2 853.6	2 361.4	895.7	1 253.0	261.6	148.6	244.6	12 306.8
September	4 490.9	2 847.6	2 355.2	900.3	1 269.8	264.9	140.0	247.6	12 516.4
October	4 452.7	2 971.6	2 434.0	931.6	1 271.3	274.7	138.6	259.4	12 734.0
November	4 520.6	3 163.0	2 476.6	1 000.2	1 319.4	294.1	135.6	272.6	13 182.2
December	5 774.1	4 083.3	3 071.7	1 254.1	1 645.3	372.5	153.3	346.1	16 700.5
<b>2001</b>									
January	4 439.8	3 010.1	2 441.9	919.3	1 244.6	281.8	120.2	250.7	12 708.3
February	4 036.6	2 796.0	2 208.3	844.6	1 158.1	265.5	114.6	237.3	11 661.0
March	4 521.9	3 165.1	2 457.2	982.4	1 294.8	299.1	131.5	273.1	13 124.9
April	4 391.8	3 046.4	2 348.9	936.8	1 239.3	280.5	126.8	263.5	12 634.2
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)									
<b>2000</b>									
February	4 155.3	2 921.6	2 260.8	890.3	1 259.5	270.2	131.9	233.9	12 123.5
March	4 188.1	2 929.9	2 271.8	896.3	1 263.7	269.7	132.3	234.4	12 186.3
April	4 191.1	2 905.3	2 302.8	888.6	1 273.0	269.4	134.5	241.3	12 206.1
May	4 232.3	2 936.3	2 269.5	908.7	1 265.9	267.0	134.2	246.8	12 260.8
June	4 573.5	3 174.8	2 401.2	947.1	1 361.9	277.8	140.7	281.1	13 158.0
July	4 142.0	2 798.8	2 314.1	870.6	1 232.7	264.3	133.1	235.5	11 991.1
August	4 435.7	2 940.1	2 366.4	923.4	1 290.1	272.0	135.5	253.1	12 616.4
September	4 599.3	2 931.0	2 367.2	927.1	1 302.9	276.7	135.6	255.3	12 795.0
October	4 444.8	2 978.9	2 435.3	924.2	1 252.9	277.7	134.0	258.6	12 706.4
November	4 372.2	3 017.8	2 386.9	948.5	1 266.9	280.6	134.3	262.9	12 670.1
December	4 431.7	3 063.5	2 402.0	955.9	1 272.3	282.0	135.5	263.2	12 806.1
<b>2001</b>									
January	4 526.4	3 100.0	2 464.0	954.5	1 273.0	287.8	135.9	268.3	13 010.0
February	4 558.1	3 173.0	2 503.1	966.8	1 284.1	289.6	136.4	272.1	13 183.3
March	4 589.4	3 202.9	2 518.7	982.3	1 296.3	297.0	138.3	275.6	13 300.6
April	4 629.6	3 231.1	2 546.8	995.6	1 324.9	297.2	136.8	276.5	13 438.5
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(a)									
<b>2000</b>									
February	4 175.2	2 937.6	2 274.1	891.9	1 257.3	270.3	132.8	234.7	12 171.7
March	4 180.1	2 925.5	2 274.4	893.1	1 261.6	269.6	133.1	237.2	12 170.3
April	4 192.7	2 922.1	2 275.9	896.1	1 266.9	269.0	133.6	239.7	12 190.1
May	4 210.9	2 925.8	2 280.3	899.9	1 272.8	268.7	134.2	241.9	12 228.6
June	4 229.6	2 933.4	2 288.2	903.6	1 277.0	268.9	134.7	243.8	12 275.0
July	4 416.4	2 921.8	2 357.8	918.5	1 285.8	272.9	135.0	252.7	12 555.1
August	4 419.3	2 934.8	2 367.9	922.9	1 284.1	274.0	135.0	254.3	12 589.8
September	4 418.9	2 953.6	2 379.1	928.0	1 280.1	275.5	134.9	256.1	12 626.2
October	4 421.7	2 981.1	2 392.7	934.1	1 274.7	277.6	134.8	258.5	12 676.2
November	4 435.2	3 018.5	2 410.3	941.6	1 271.2	280.4	135.0	261.5	12 754.2
December	4 462.4	3 063.5	2 432.3	950.7	1 272.1	283.7	135.4	264.9	12 864.4
<b>2001</b>									
January	4 500.1	3 110.4	2 458.7	960.5	1 277.9	287.3	135.9	268.2	12 998.0
February	4 541.9	3 154.6	2 486.9	970.4	1 286.8	290.8	136.5	271.4	13 139.2
March	4 583.6	3 194.0	2 515.1	980.4	1 296.9	294.0	137.1	274.4	13 279.2
April	4 625.0	3 224.8	2 540.3	990.4	1 310.5	296.7	137.7	277.2	13 414.3

(a) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

## 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>2000</b>									
February	-6.1	-6.7	-8.4	-6.5	-2.2	-1.4	-0.3	-3.3	-6.1
March	7.8	9.5	6.8	9.7	5.6	6.0	8.6	9.3	7.9
April	-2.8	-5.2	-1.8	-3.8	-2.8	-5.9	1.3	0.9	-3.2
May	4.1	3.8	1.0	2.8	2.6	0.6	6.1	5.7	3.2
June	4.8	5.0	6.5	3.2	3.1	2.6	5.4	8.2	4.9
July	-7.3	-9.9	-2.8	-6.6	-7.4	-6.5	0.5	-10.9	-7.0
August	6.1	5.4	4.5	6.0	5.7	5.6	4.2	3.2	5.5
September	4.7	-0.2	-0.3	0.5	1.3	1.3	-5.8	1.2	1.7
October	-0.9	4.4	3.3	3.5	0.1	3.7	-1.0	4.8	1.7
November	1.5	6.4	1.7	7.4	3.8	7.1	-2.1	5.1	3.5
December	27.7	29.1	24.0	25.4	24.7	26.6	13.0	27.0	26.7
<b>2001</b>									
January	-23.1	-26.3	-20.5	-26.7	-24.4	-24.4	-21.6	-27.6	-23.9
February	-9.1	-7.1	-9.6	-8.1	-6.9	-5.8	-4.7	-5.3	-8.2
March	12.0	13.2	11.3	16.3	11.8	12.6	14.7	15.1	12.6
April	-2.9	-3.7	-4.4	-4.6	-4.3	-6.2	-3.5	-3.5	-3.7
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (% change from preceding month)									
<b>2000</b>									
February	0.2	-0.9	-0.6	-0.3	1.5	0.1	0.0	0.4	-0.1
March	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.2	0.5
April	0.1	-0.8	1.4	-0.9	0.7	-0.1	1.7	3.0	0.2
May	1.0	1.1	-1.4	2.3	-0.6	-0.9	-0.3	2.3	0.4
June	8.1	8.1	5.8	4.2	7.6	4.0	4.9	13.9	7.3
July	-9.4	-11.8	-3.6	-8.1	-9.5	-4.9	-5.4	-16.2	-8.9
August	7.1	5.0	2.3	6.1	4.7	2.9	1.8	7.5	5.2
September	3.7	-0.3	0.0	0.4	1.0	1.7	0.1	0.9	1.4
October	-3.4	1.6	2.9	-0.3	-3.8	0.4	-1.2	1.3	-0.7
November	-1.6	1.3	-2.0	2.6	1.1	1.0	0.3	1.7	-0.3
December	1.4	1.5	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.5	0.9	0.1	1.1
<b>2001</b>									
January	2.1	1.2	2.6	-0.1	0.0	2.1	0.3	1.9	1.6
February	0.7	2.4	1.6	1.3	0.9	0.6	0.3	1.4	1.3
March	0.7	0.9	0.6	1.6	1.0	2.5	1.4	1.3	0.9
April	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.4	2.2	0.1	-1.1	0.3	1.0
TREND ESTIMATES (% change from preceding month)(a)									
<b>2000</b>									
February	-0.1	-0.6	0.0	-0.1	0.3	-0.3	0.3	1.0	-0.2
March	0.1	-0.4	0.0	0.1	0.3	-0.2	0.3	1.1	0.0
April	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	-0.2	0.4	1.0	0.2
May	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.9	0.3
June	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.4
July	4.4	-0.4	3.0	1.6	0.7	1.5	0.2	3.7	2.3
August	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.0	0.6	0.3
September	0.0	0.6	0.5	0.6	-0.3	0.6	-0.1	0.7	0.3
October	0.1	0.9	0.6	0.6	-0.4	0.8	0.0	0.9	0.4
November	0.3	1.3	0.7	0.8	-0.3	1.0	0.1	1.2	0.6
December	0.6	1.5	0.9	1.0	0.1	1.2	0.3	1.3	0.9
<b>2001</b>									
January	0.8	1.5	1.1	1.0	0.5	1.3	0.4	1.3	1.0
February	0.9	1.4	1.1	1.0	0.7	1.2	0.4	1.2	1.1
March	0.9	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.8	1.1	0.4	1.1	1.1
April	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.4	1.0	1.0

(a) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—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>2000</b>								
February	1 484.4	276.6	240.8	428.0	180.9	386.9	811.4	3 808.9
March	1 574.5	315.1	289.0	442.8	196.2	411.1	879.2	4 107.8
April	1 528.1	351.1	286.7	398.6	182.5	392.2	854.2	3 993.3
May	1 516.3	372.0	323.9	459.3	203.7	429.8	853.6	4 158.6
June	1 526.4	408.6	357.7	572.5	188.7	446.0	859.4	4 359.4
July	1 556.7	290.2	267.1	422.1	215.1	373.1	918.0	4 042.3
August	1 612.2	347.0	276.6	467.4	210.1	409.5	965.3	4 288.1
September	1 620.7	373.3	359.2	448.1	208.6	444.2	1 036.8	4 490.9
October	1 653.6	367.4	310.4	473.6	203.6	456.0	988.1	4 452.7
November	1 628.1	422.0	312.2	499.5	222.9	471.6	964.4	4 520.6
December	1 903.6	761.0	472.1	628.5	282.4	647.9	1 078.6	5 774.1
<b>2001</b>								
January	1 674.7	333.9	292.4	480.9	216.2	430.4	1 011.4	4 439.8
February	1 553.7	272.9	231.7	435.3	216.7	412.2	914.0	4 036.6
March	1 721.9	338.6	290.2	470.2	236.5	439.7	1 024.8	4 521.9
April	1 667.7	351.1	317.2	438.9	199.2	452.2	965.5	4 391.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	1 540.9	376.3	294.4	457.3	195.1	429.0	862.2	4 155.3
March	1 551.9	374.3	318.9	452.8	197.6	426.8	865.9	4 188.1
April	1 559.4	375.9	301.1	448.6	202.6	426.9	876.6	4 191.1
May	1 553.3	382.8	314.1	459.8	211.4	438.0	873.0	4 232.3
June	1 586.3	463.8	373.8	579.4	203.2	478.9	888.1	4 573.5
July	1 601.0	299.0	276.2	425.9	220.0	394.5	925.5	4 142.0
August	1 635.7	397.3	300.0	473.7	212.8	425.2	991.1	4 435.7
September	1 649.4	393.5	366.4	467.3	206.2	462.2	1 054.4	4 599.3
October	1 630.8	386.9	308.1	469.5	213.8	450.6	985.2	4 444.8
November	1 605.6	373.9	304.9	484.2	211.8	439.8	951.9	4 372.2
December	1 641.7	392.9	312.4	487.7	209.4	450.8	936.8	4 431.7
<b>2001</b>								
January	1 669.8	388.4	304.4	493.2	227.3	455.3	988.0	4 526.4
February	1 677.7	390.5	298.2	481.6	241.2	472.1	996.7	4 558.1
March	1 679.3	387.0	320.9	490.7	236.3	470.6	1 004.7	4 589.4
April	1 730.4	389.0	332.3	486.9	219.9	481.5	989.6	4 629.6
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	1 548.8	375.7	315.9	446.8	198.0	429.7	862.3	4 175.2
March	1 551.0	376.2	312.1	447.7	200.2	430.7	867.7	4 180.1
April	1 553.5	377.3	308.8	449.1	202.6	431.9	873.6	4 192.7
May	1 556.5	379.2	307.3	449.9	204.5	432.7	879.5	4 210.9
June	1 559.0	380.6	307.4	450.1	205.7	433.0	885.7	4 229.6
July	1 632.3	392.2	308.2	465.8	209.6	432.7	968.3	4 416.4
August	1 631.0	391.3	309.8	468.4	208.8	432.7	968.7	4 419.3
September	1 629.7	389.7	310.4	472.3	208.4	434.2	966.5	4 418.9
October	1 630.2	388.0	309.3	476.6	210.0	438.0	964.2	4 421.7
November	1 634.8	386.9	307.5	480.6	214.0	444.2	964.7	4 435.2
December	1 644.6	386.7	306.9	484.1	219.2	452.0	969.0	4 462.4
<b>2001</b>								
January	1 658.7	387.3	308.5	486.7	224.4	459.2	976.5	4 500.1
February	1 675.1	388.1	311.6	488.4	228.6	465.9	984.8	4 541.9
March	1 691.5	388.9	315.3	489.3	231.5	472.3	992.4	4 583.6
April	1 707.6	389.7	320.2	489.5	232.7	477.1	998.5	4 625.0

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—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>2000</b>								
February	1 155.2	195.9	181.7	326.1	120.7	268.1	406.6	2 654.2
March	1 244.7	224.2	217.4	342.8	132.1	292.6	451.7	2 905.5
April	1 163.1	260.6	224.2	309.6	117.4	291.9	388.4	2 755.3
May	1 180.1	265.3	248.2	349.8	118.9	305.2	393.8	2 861.3
June	1 173.5	298.6	279.7	416.3	124.1	313.6	399.9	3 005.8
July	1 211.9	202.4	173.1	316.4	115.5	294.2	394.1	2 707.6
August	1 236.0	234.6	189.4	340.4	124.0	315.0	414.1	2 853.6
September	1 216.2	245.9	193.9	341.3	130.7	311.2	408.4	2 847.6
October	1 253.7	264.7	202.4	353.7	124.5	354.3	418.4	2 971.6
November	1 296.2	302.9	240.8	385.8	136.9	375.1	425.2	3 163.0
December	1 515.4	543.4	350.2	481.6	207.5	504.7	480.6	4 083.3
<b>2001</b>								
January	1 309.7	240.0	212.4	366.5	141.2	312.4	428.0	3 010.1
February	1 228.9	202.0	182.3	336.7	117.2	317.8	411.2	2 796.0
March	1 365.9	261.7	228.7	361.7	130.3	341.8	475.0	3 165.1
April	1 297.4	259.1	227.0	356.6	119.3	332.2	454.9	3 046.4
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	1 210.9	265.0	224.5	349.3	135.2	304.0	432.8	2 921.6
March	1 218.3	249.9	225.4	356.3	141.0	304.8	434.2	2 929.9
April	1 216.2	274.6	223.7	338.2	134.8	320.0	397.8	2 905.3
May	1 214.2	276.0	235.6	360.1	132.3	316.3	401.8	2 936.3
June	1 216.7	336.6	288.1	440.0	137.1	337.3	419.0	3 174.8
July	1 232.5	214.6	179.3	337.3	126.2	304.1	404.7	2 798.8
August	1 246.0	273.2	203.5	353.2	130.3	317.5	416.5	2 940.1
September	1 248.4	268.8	210.9	351.2	131.3	309.0	411.5	2 931.0
October	1 254.0	278.4	210.9	349.0	127.9	342.3	416.4	2 978.9
November	1 265.2	265.8	224.8	364.2	127.5	351.6	418.7	3 017.8
December	1 288.7	280.7	235.8	359.0	132.0	352.1	415.1	3 063.5
<b>2001</b>								
January	1 305.3	281.9	228.1	359.9	138.6	353.6	432.6	3 100.0
February	1 324.3	283.6	235.1	372.6	133.4	375.8	448.1	3 173.0
March	1 338.6	284.9	241.6	384.3	137.0	354.9	461.6	3 202.9
April	1 363.6	277.8	233.1	392.5	137.6	361.5	465.1	3 231.1
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	1 217.7	264.4	230.1	363.0	136.1	306.4	430.1	2 937.6
March	1 217.8	265.3	228.7	359.8	136.4	309.4	425.0	2 925.5
April	(c) 1 208.5	267.8	227.2	357.3	136.4	313.2	419.8	2 922.1
May	1 214.1	271.1	224.9	355.5	136.3	316.6	414.5	2 925.8
June	1 221.3	273.9	221.8	354.2	136.1	320.1	409.5	2 933.4
July	1 230.5	271.9	210.2	352.3	129.8	312.1	418.6	2 921.8
August	1 238.6	272.2	209.6	352.3	129.6	317.9	415.1	2 934.8
September	1 247.9	272.2	211.2	352.9	129.6	325.5	413.5	2 953.6
October	1 258.8	273.0	215.5	354.0	130.0	334.9	414.1	2 981.1
November	1 271.9	275.2	221.6	356.7	130.8	344.5	417.9	3 018.5
December	1 287.4	277.7	227.6	361.0	132.1	352.4	425.2	3 063.5
<b>2001</b>								
January	1 304.9	279.9	232.1	366.9	133.8	358.1	434.6	3 110.4
February	1 322.7	281.5	235.1	373.5	135.4	361.7	444.6	3 154.6
March	1 339.1	282.6	237.2	380.1	136.7	364.0	454.2	3 194.0
April	1 353.1	282.9	238.5	386.1	137.9	363.9	462.4	3 224.8

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

(c) Possible break in series. See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—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>2000</b>								
February	858.4	134.3	99.9	226.8	134.7	214.5	392.2	2 060.7
March	923.2	144.0	111.1	249.1	129.5	224.1	420.3	2 201.3
April	901.1	168.7	118.9	227.3	114.6	242.1	390.0	2 162.7
May	882.1	162.3	128.8	262.5	112.0	252.9	383.5	2 184.1
June	895.0	189.3	151.0	318.2	115.5	257.2	399.4	2 325.6
July	931.7	146.1	124.7	270.6	113.2	256.5	417.8	2 260.5
August	946.5	173.5	129.8	285.4	116.1	278.4	431.7	2 361.4
September	944.9	176.7	150.4	276.1	116.9	262.6	427.7	2 355.2
October	959.8	175.6	144.4	290.0	127.5	282.5	454.3	2 434.0
November	953.8	194.1	147.4	287.6	132.0	298.8	463.1	2 476.6
December	1 087.1	348.0	214.8	331.1	172.1	389.4	529.3	3 071.7
<b>2001</b>								
January	998.8	163.1	163.6	280.7	125.1	263.7	447.0	2 441.9
February	932.8	132.3	118.4	248.0	112.8	253.6	410.3	2 208.3
March	1 042.0	156.1	133.4	275.7	125.2	268.5	456.3	2 457.2
April	981.7	165.5	150.8	259.7	107.8	252.5	430.9	2 348.9
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	900.4	181.2	121.2	244.3	145.8	241.6	426.3	2 260.8
March	909.2	176.6	126.9	251.9	134.3	244.8	428.2	2 271.8
April	920.6	190.5	130.8	256.9	130.3	266.3	407.5	2 302.8
May	900.7	175.4	135.2	271.6	125.7	257.4	403.4	2 269.5
June	913.3	201.7	153.9	325.0	122.1	267.6	417.7	2 401.2
July	951.1	152.8	130.0	276.7	121.3	261.5	420.7	2 314.1
August	935.1	191.4	135.9	287.3	117.7	266.9	432.1	2 366.4
September	945.1	177.2	141.7	282.2	116.9	268.2	436.0	2 367.2
October	964.9	182.5	138.4	295.5	128.1	282.7	443.3	2 435.3
November	952.1	173.2	141.9	274.4	124.2	281.5	439.6	2 386.9
December	975.1	183.0	150.3	257.2	121.6	278.8	436.1	2 402.0
<b>2001</b>								
January	985.9	182.6	161.9	274.3	124.1	285.0	450.2	2 464.0
February	1 011.2	186.0	146.9	273.3	129.9	297.9	457.8	2 503.1
March	1 020.2	185.8	154.0	279.5	129.4	291.0	458.7	2 518.7
April	1 022.3	191.1	166.6	294.7	126.8	284.3	461.2	2 546.8
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	(c)905.7	178.1	131.7	247.4	136.6	244.4	418.8	2 274.1
March	907.8	179.4	130.4	252.7	134.1	249.6	418.0	2 274.4
April	909.5	180.2	130.5	258.2	130.7	254.6	414.6	2 275.9
May	911.1	180.6	132.0	263.9	127.1	259.1	410.0	2 280.3
June	912.7	180.3	134.1	269.9	124.1	263.6	405.9	2 288.2
July	940.4	182.6	134.4	282.2	120.9	263.8	433.1	2 357.8
August	943.1	181.7	136.8	285.0	120.2	267.7	432.7	2 367.9
September	947.3	180.9	139.5	284.4	120.8	271.8	434.2	2 379.1
October	954.2	180.3	142.3	280.9	121.9	276.4	436.8	2 392.7
November	964.1	180.3	145.3	276.5	123.3	280.7	440.3	2 410.3
December	976.2	180.9	148.5	273.6	124.7	284.1	444.6	2 432.3
<b>2001</b>								
January	989.7	182.6	151.8	273.2	125.9	286.9	449.0	2 458.7
February	1 002.7	184.8	155.0	275.3	127.0	288.8	453.3	2 486.9
March	1 014.1	187.0	157.9	278.7	127.8	290.1	457.4	2 515.1
April	1 023.3	188.7	160.6	282.3	128.1	290.3	460.8	2 540.3

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

(c) Possible break in series. See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—South 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>2000</b>								
February	357.5	67.6	36.5	83.5	27.4	84.8	151.0	808.3
March	389.8	81.0	45.6	91.0	30.1	93.5	155.6	886.6
April	383.8	87.0	47.4	83.0	23.9	84.4	143.4	852.8
May	385.5	92.1	52.4	94.5	23.6	89.6	139.0	876.8
June	376.2	99.0	58.6	110.1	23.8	91.1	145.8	904.5
July	369.2	76.5	41.5	89.9	24.1	90.9	153.2	845.2
August	384.9	84.2	42.5	95.8	25.3	101.8	161.2	895.7
September	376.8	87.2	47.7	94.1	24.9	102.2	167.4	900.3
October	385.2	85.0	47.8	102.3	23.5	111.0	176.9	931.6
November	400.9	106.8	54.2	107.8	28.4	120.6	181.6	1 000.2
December	454.0	176.6	75.2	131.0	40.0	157.6	219.7	1 254.1
<b>2001</b>								
January	391.1	78.3	45.9	96.6	23.0	105.0	179.5	919.3
February	369.2	68.7	36.9	85.9	22.1	102.1	159.7	844.6
March	423.9	89.3	50.7	97.0	24.6	116.1	180.8	982.4
April	391.9	86.6	50.5	94.9	24.4	117.8	170.7	936.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	375.4	91.1	49.0	91.4	29.4	93.6	160.4	890.3
March	379.4	91.7	46.7	96.7	30.4	94.6	156.8	896.3
April	392.0	93.7	46.4	93.2	26.9	89.6	146.7	888.6
May	396.6	95.5	50.5	98.7	26.1	92.7	148.6	908.7
June	391.8	110.2	57.1	114.4	26.3	94.6	152.6	947.1
July	380.7	74.7	41.1	92.2	26.0	96.1	159.7	870.6
August	386.0	93.7	46.5	98.4	26.6	103.1	169.1	923.4
September	385.2	95.0	49.9	97.9	25.3	107.0	166.9	927.1
October	384.4	90.4	48.3	94.4	23.8	112.2	170.6	924.2
November	389.4	91.7	50.8	103.2	25.9	111.9	175.7	948.5
December	393.0	97.4	54.9	98.5	25.6	114.2	172.2	955.9
<b>2001</b>								
January	390.2	91.8	50.5	97.6	24.5	113.2	186.8	954.5
February	402.2	96.1	50.9	98.5	25.3	117.1	176.6	966.8
March	407.6	98.3	51.1	102.1	24.9	119.2	179.2	982.3
April	410.1	96.6	51.1	105.0	27.7	125.7	179.5	995.6
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	378.0	92.2	48.8	93.0	29.1	92.3	154.0	891.9
March	379.5	92.8	48.0	93.8	28.4	92.0	152.9	893.1
April	(c)390.1	93.8	47.6	94.9	27.8	92.2	152.3	896.1
May	389.4	94.8	47.7	95.8	27.4	93.6	152.3	899.9
June	387.0	95.3	48.1	96.3	27.0	96.4	153.0	903.6
July	390.5	95.2	47.3	97.7	25.9	98.2	164.1	918.5
August	387.2	94.5	48.0	98.1	25.7	102.5	166.5	922.9
September	385.2	93.6	49.0	98.3	25.6	106.7	169.4	928.0
October	385.4	93.0	49.9	98.3	25.3	109.8	172.0	934.1
November	387.9	93.1	50.8	98.4	25.1	112.0	174.3	941.6
December	391.8	93.8	51.4	98.7	25.0	113.7	176.4	950.7
<b>2001</b>								
January	396.0	94.7	51.6	99.5	25.2	115.6	178.1	960.5
February	400.3	95.7	51.6	100.4	25.5	117.6	179.4	970.4
March	404.6	96.5	51.4	101.4	25.8	119.8	180.2	980.4
April	408.3	97.4	51.3	102.5	26.2	121.7	180.5	990.4

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

(c) Possible break in series. See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—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>2000</b>								
February	524.7	81.5	53.2	185.1	61.4	125.0	148.7	1 179.6
March	561.6	90.6	58.0	191.2	63.9	131.7	148.6	1 245.5
April	541.2	103.8	66.6	173.3	66.5	124.4	134.3	1 210.0
May	533.5	105.5	76.1	185.2	69.5	137.9	133.4	1 241.0
June	527.8	110.0	87.5	214.8	69.3	133.9	136.5	1 279.8
July	521.4	86.0	63.0	183.6	66.1	125.2	139.7	1 185.0
August	541.4	99.3	66.0	189.8	70.7	144.2	141.6	1 253.0
September	537.4	99.3	72.3	194.6	72.5	148.5	145.2	1 269.8
October	541.3	102.3	75.7	181.8	63.6	148.1	158.5	1 271.3
November	551.5	118.8	78.7	192.5	68.8	157.6	151.6	1 319.4
December	640.4	204.9	109.1	229.0	94.7	188.2	179.0	1 645.3
<b>2001</b>								
January	544.5	91.9	72.5	175.9	73.0	138.2	148.6	1 244.6
February	505.9	80.5	65.1	156.2	67.1	138.3	144.9	1 158.1
March	568.6	97.3	72.2	172.7	67.4	151.4	165.2	1 294.8
April	546.6	99.9	66.0	165.0	68.7	144.5	148.7	1 239.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	544.3	109.0	62.8	192.7	65.1	131.3	154.3	1 259.5
March	544.7	105.8	62.4	197.4	68.4	138.0	147.0	1 263.7
April	553.2	109.1	69.5	188.7	72.1	140.2	140.1	1 273.0
May	546.6	105.3	71.4	188.5	69.8	143.3	141.0	1 265.9
June	555.3	124.3	87.9	223.5	74.3	150.3	146.3	1 361.9
July	540.1	89.8	64.5	192.2	68.9	135.5	141.8	1 232.7
August	548.6	112.4	73.0	193.5	72.2	146.2	144.3	1 290.1
September	547.5	108.6	76.3	204.9	73.8	148.3	143.5	1 302.9
October	542.8	104.7	75.4	174.1	64.8	143.2	147.9	1 252.9
November	543.1	104.5	75.6	181.1	66.4	145.7	150.5	1 266.9
December	546.6	109.9	79.2	181.5	67.6	134.6	152.9	1 272.3
<b>2001</b>								
January	544.2	107.8	74.3	177.3	73.9	142.6	152.8	1 273.0
February	540.2	110.4	78.9	170.9	73.1	154.5	156.0	1 284.1
March	548.1	109.7	76.1	172.9	73.1	156.8	159.6	1 296.3
April	566.6	108.6	70.4	182.9	76.0	164.2	156.1	1 324.9
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	547.8	107.3	63.0	192.3	67.6	132.5	144.2	1 257.3
March	547.6	107.0	64.7	191.6	68.4	136.7	143.6	1 261.6
April	547.1	107.1	67.0	191.2	69.9	140.2	143.0	1 266.9
May	546.2	107.7	69.7	191.4	71.7	143.0	142.1	1 272.8
June	544.3	108.3	72.3	191.8	73.2	145.6	140.8	1 277.0
July	551.7	108.8	72.3	194.2	71.4	142.8	146.3	1 285.8
August	548.5	108.6	73.8	193.3	70.8	144.1	145.7	1 284.1
September	545.9	108.2	75.0	191.1	69.8	144.1	146.1	1 280.1
October	544.0	107.7	76.0	187.2	69.0	143.3	147.3	1 274.7
November	543.3	107.4	76.7	182.6	68.7	142.9	149.4	1 271.2
December	543.7	107.6	76.9	178.7	69.4	143.9	151.9	1 272.1
<b>2001</b>								
January	545.1	108.3	76.6	176.5	70.8	146.6	154.1	1 277.9
February	547.5	109.0	76.0	175.6	72.4	150.6	155.8	1 286.8
March	550.7	109.5	75.2	175.2	73.9	154.9	157.1	1 296.9
April	554.3	110.0	74.3	176.7	75.5	159.3	158.0	1 310.5

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.



## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—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>2000</b>								
February	114.3	n.p.	12.2	26.2	18.5	n.p.	43.3	257.4
March	122.2	n.p.	12.4	28.2	17.0	n.p.	46.3	272.8
April	110.8	n.p.	12.4	31.0	16.1	n.p.	38.7	256.8
May	110.1	n.p.	12.7	31.4	16.4	n.p.	37.2	258.2
June	110.3	n.p.	14.0	37.0	16.2	n.p.	36.1	264.8
July	111.6	n.p.	11.6	29.8	14.4	n.p.	34.4	247.7
August	116.3	n.p.	12.4	33.3	15.8	n.p.	32.7	261.6
September	115.8	n.p.	12.8	31.3	15.5	n.p.	36.6	264.9
October	120.6	n.p.	12.4	33.3	16.4	n.p.	39.6	274.7
November	124.0	n.p.	15.3	36.2	17.9	n.p.	39.8	294.1
December	144.0	n.p.	21.7	44.1	24.7	n.p.	48.9	372.5
<b>2001</b>								
January	124.9	n.p.	12.6	32.3	19.4	n.p.	43.4	281.8
February	118.9	n.p.	11.8	31.7	18.5	n.p.	38.7	265.5
March	132.1	n.p.	14.2	34.8	19.0	n.p.	45.4	299.1
April	123.0	n.p.	16.7	32.3	16.5	n.p.	42.1	280.5
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	118.0	n.p.	13.5	29.2	17.3	n.p.	42.0	270.2
March	118.1	n.p.	12.9	29.8	17.0	n.p.	42.1	269.7
April	114.8	n.p.	12.0	33.3	17.8	n.p.	39.9	269.4
May	113.5	n.p.	12.9	31.1	17.4	n.p.	39.5	267.0
June	114.0	n.p.	14.0	37.5	17.6	n.p.	38.8	277.8
July	115.9	n.p.	12.3	31.3	16.2	n.p.	39.1	264.3
August	117.5	n.p.	14.0	33.2	16.8	n.p.	36.3	272.0
September	119.2	n.p.	13.9	32.6	17.2	n.p.	39.2	276.7
October	120.8	n.p.	13.4	32.2	17.5	n.p.	39.5	277.7
November	121.1	n.p.	14.6	33.1	17.3	n.p.	39.2	280.6
December	124.6	n.p.	14.5	32.0	17.2	n.p.	39.2	282.0
<b>2001</b>								
January	124.6	n.p.	13.7	35.1	18.4	n.p.	40.8	287.8
February	125.9	n.p.	13.9	36.8	18.3	n.p.	39.3	289.6
March	127.5	n.p.	14.7	37.5	19.0	n.p.	41.5	297.0
April	129.4	n.p.	16.0	36.3	18.2	n.p.	42.7	297.2
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	117.8	n.p.	13.0	30.1	17.5	n.p.	41.4	270.3
March	117.1	n.p.	12.8	30.8	17.5	n.p.	41.3	269.6
April	(c)114.4	n.p.	12.8	31.6	17.4	n.p.	40.5	269.0
May	114.0	n.p.	12.9	32.2	17.3	n.p.	39.4	268.7
June	114.1	n.p.	13.1	32.5	17.2	n.p.	38.1	268.9
July	115.8	n.p.	13.2	33.0	17.0	n.p.	39.7	272.9
August	117.0	n.p.	13.6	32.8	17.0	n.p.	38.9	274.0
September	118.6	n.p.	13.9	32.6	17.0	n.p.	38.6	275.5
October	120.4	n.p.	14.0	32.6	17.2	n.p.	38.7	277.6
November	122.0	n.p.	14.1	33.0	17.4	n.p.	39.1	280.4
December	123.5	n.p.	14.1	33.8	17.7	n.p.	39.6	283.7
<b>2001</b>								
January	124.9	n.p.	14.3	34.7	18.0	n.p.	40.1	287.3
February	126.3	n.p.	14.5	35.7	18.2	n.p.	40.6	290.8
March	127.5	n.p.	14.8	36.5	18.5	n.p.	41.2	294.0
April	128.5	n.p.	15.1	37.2	18.6	n.p.	41.7	296.7

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

(c) Possible break in series. See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—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>2000</b>								
February	57.6	n.p.	4.7	14.4	4.6	n.p.	17.2	115.3
March	63.8	n.p.	5.2	15.6	5.0	n.p.	17.5	125.2
April	62.9	n.p.	5.5	15.9	4.7	n.p.	18.9	126.9
May	66.5	n.p.	6.0	15.6	4.9	n.p.	20.8	134.6
June	68.4	n.p.	7.5	17.8	5.0	n.p.	21.4	141.9
July	70.5	n.p.	7.2	14.5	6.3	n.p.	24.1	142.6
August	72.1	n.p.	7.8	15.1	6.9	n.p.	24.6	148.6
September	68.1	n.p.	7.0	15.2	6.2	n.p.	22.8	140.0
October	64.7	n.p.	7.7	14.9	5.9	n.p.	23.8	138.6
November	62.7	n.p.	7.4	14.9	5.9	n.p.	23.1	135.6
December	66.1	n.p.	10.5	16.7	7.9	n.p.	23.5	153.3
<b>2001</b>								
January	58.5	n.p.	6.3	12.5	5.2	n.p.	19.4	120.2
February	57.3	n.p.	5.8	12.2	5.1	n.p.	17.6	114.6
March	65.2	n.p.	6.7	12.6	5.7	n.p.	21.5	131.5
April	63.9	n.p.	6.7	12.0	4.7	n.p.	20.0	126.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	64.4	n.p.	6.1	15.2	5.2	n.p.	20.8	131.9
March	66.1	n.p.	6.3	15.4	5.3	n.p.	19.0	132.3
April	65.5	n.p.	6.2	16.4	4.8	n.p.	20.2	134.5
May	65.4	n.p.	6.2	15.2	4.7	n.p.	20.3	134.2
June	66.9	n.p.	7.5	17.7	5.0	n.p.	20.6	140.7
July	64.6	n.p.	6.5	15.0	6.1	n.p.	21.4	133.1
August	65.7	n.p.	7.0	15.2	6.2	n.p.	21.4	135.5
September	65.5	n.p.	6.8	15.3	5.9	n.p.	21.6	135.6
October	63.5	n.p.	7.3	14.5	5.7	n.p.	22.4	134.0
November	63.5	n.p.	7.1	14.6	6.0	n.p.	22.8	134.3
December	63.7	n.p.	7.6	14.3	7.1	n.p.	22.7	135.5
<b>2001</b>								
January	64.9	n.p.	7.5	13.7	6.0	n.p.	22.7	135.9
February	66.2	n.p.	7.8	13.3	6.1	n.p.	22.1	136.4
March	66.8	n.p.	7.9	12.7	5.9	n.p.	23.2	138.3
April	67.8	n.p.	7.8	12.6	5.1	n.p.	21.7	136.8
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	65.0	n.p.	6.1	15.7	5.2	n.p.	19.9	132.8
March	65.3	n.p.	6.1	15.6	5.0	n.p.	20.0	133.1
April	65.6	n.p.	6.2	15.4	5.0	n.p.	20.1	133.6
May	65.7	n.p.	6.4	15.2	5.3	n.p.	20.2	134.2
June	65.7	n.p.	6.6	15.2	5.8	n.p.	20.3	134.7
July	65.7	n.p.	6.6	15.2	5.1	n.p.	21.4	135.0
August	65.2	n.p.	6.8	15.1	5.6	n.p.	21.6	135.0
September	64.6	n.p.	7.0	15.0	6.0	n.p.	21.9	134.9
October	64.2	n.p.	7.2	14.8	6.2	n.p.	22.2	134.8
November	64.1	n.p.	7.3	14.5	6.3	n.p.	22.5	135.0
December	64.4	n.p.	7.4	14.1	6.3	n.p.	22.6	135.4
<b>2001</b>								
January	65.0	n.p.	7.6	13.7	6.2	n.p.	22.6	135.9
February	65.7	n.p.	7.7	13.3	6.0	n.p.	22.6	136.5
March	66.5	n.p.	7.8	13.0	5.9	n.p.	22.5	137.1
April	67.3	n.p.	7.9	12.7	5.7	n.p.	22.4	137.7

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

## RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—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>2000</b>								
February	81.1	19.2	12.5	33.9	13.6	19.7	31.0	211.0
March	85.5	21.8	14.7	37.4	16.0	20.8	34.6	230.7
April	85.4	25.8	16.8	33.9	14.5	20.0	36.4	232.8
May	89.6	27.0	17.6	39.5	14.7	21.7	35.9	246.0
June	91.3	29.3	19.2	48.5	15.5	23.7	38.6	266.1
July	91.7	20.7	14.8	32.0	15.5	23.6	38.9	237.1
August	94.9	22.3	13.3	33.1	16.5	25.1	39.4	244.6
September	91.7	23.8	15.0	34.6	15.6	25.4	41.3	247.6
October	95.7	25.3	16.8	37.2	14.3	27.0	43.1	259.4
November	98.1	27.9	17.9	39.2	16.4	28.5	44.6	272.6
December	109.7	52.0	27.9	46.3	21.9	40.6	47.8	346.1
<b>2001</b>								
January	95.0	22.3	18.1	35.8	11.8	24.7	42.9	250.7
February	92.5	19.0	16.3	30.9	12.9	24.7	41.0	237.3
March	103.8	24.8	20.0	34.3	14.1	28.4	47.8	273.1
April	96.9	25.7	20.5	31.9	11.3	27.2	50.0	263.5
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	84.4	25.5	15.2	36.9	15.0	23.1	33.8	233.9
March	83.4	25.1	16.0	37.6	15.8	22.3	34.2	234.4
April	88.1	25.6	16.0	37.2	16.0	22.7	35.8	241.3
May	90.3	27.2	16.5	40.3	14.9	22.3	35.3	246.8
June	93.4	34.8	19.9	53.0	15.6	26.0	38.5	281.1
July	91.1	20.2	13.7	31.9	15.9	24.7	38.1	235.5
August	95.6	26.8	14.6	34.7	17.0	24.6	39.8	253.1
September	94.0	26.6	16.1	36.4	16.3	25.2	40.6	255.3
October	95.4	26.6	17.6	36.9	15.0	25.6	41.4	258.6
November	96.4	25.7	18.3	36.7	15.7	26.4	43.7	262.9
December	96.4	26.6	18.8	34.7	14.9	27.2	44.8	263.2
<b>2001</b>								
January	97.1	26.3	20.2	35.2	14.0	28.4	47.1	268.3
February	99.5	26.5	20.8	34.5	14.8	29.6	46.4	272.1
March	100.9	27.0	21.5	35.5	13.7	30.0	47.0	275.6
April	101.4	26.8	20.3	35.2	12.4	31.2	49.2	276.5
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
<b>2000</b>								
February	85.6	25.6	15.5	36.2	15.8	22.1	34.3	234.7
March	86.7	25.6	15.6	36.9	15.6	22.1	34.8	237.2
April	87.9	25.7	15.5	37.1	15.5	22.4	35.5	239.7
May	89.1	25.8	15.3	36.6	15.7	23.0	36.1	241.9
June	90.1	25.8	15.2	35.9	15.9	23.8	36.6	243.8
July	94.2	26.5	15.2	36.3	16.3	24.0	39.9	252.7
August	94.6	26.5	15.6	36.0	16.3	24.7	40.4	254.3
September	94.8	26.4	16.2	35.9	16.1	25.4	41.1	256.1
October	95.2	26.4	17.2	35.9	15.8	26.0	42.1	258.5
November	95.9	26.4	18.2	35.8	15.4	26.6	43.3	261.5
December	96.9	26.4	19.1	35.6	14.9	27.4	44.7	264.9
<b>2001</b>								
January	97.9	26.5	19.9	35.3	14.5	28.3	45.9	268.2
February	99.1	26.6	20.5	35.1	14.0	29.3	46.9	271.4
March	100.1	26.7	20.9	34.9	13.6	30.1	47.8	274.4
April	101.0	26.8	21.2	34.9	13.2	30.8	48.5	277.2

(a) See paragraph 3 of the Explanatory Notes

(b) A break in the trend series occurred between June and July 2000 because of the impact of The New Tax System on Retail turnover.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### 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 6,600 retail and selected service businesses (covering 20,000 outlets). All 'large' businesses are included in the survey, while a sample of about 3,800 'smaller' businesses is selected. The 'large' business' contribution of approximately 56% 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)

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### SCOPE AND COVERAGE *continued*

- Hospitality and Services
  - Hotels and licensed clubs
    - Pubs, taverns and bars (5720)
    - Clubs (Hospitality) (5740)
    - Cafes and restaurants (5730)
  - Selected services
    - Video hire outlets (9511)
    - Hairdressing and beauty salons (9526).

**4** The Retail Trade survey, like most ABS economic surveys, takes its frame from the ABS Business Register which is primarily based on registrations to the Australian Taxation Office's Pay As You Go Withholding (PAYGW) scheme (and prior to 1 July 2000 the Group Employer (GE) scheme). The frame is updated quarterly to take account of new businesses, businesses which have ceased employing, changes in employment levels, changes in industry and other general business changes. The estimates include an allowance for the time it takes a newly registered business to get on to the survey frame.

**5** Businesses which have ceased employing are identified when the Australian Taxation Office cancels their PAYGW registration (or previously their GE registration). In addition, from July 1999, businesses which did not remit under the GE scheme for the previous five quarters were removed from the frame. A similar process will be adopted to remove businesses who do not remit under the PAYGW scheme. Updating the frame to take account of changes in employment levels and industry was introduced from the April 2000 reference month. The July 1999 and April 2000 changes resulted in a shift in the level of the Retail series. However, in both cases historic data have been revised to progressively phase in this shift of level. As a result of this process, month to month movements are not perceptibly affected.

### CHANGES TO ABS BUSINESS REGISTER

**6** The introduction of The New Tax System has a number of significant implications for ABS business statistics, and these are discussed in the information paper *ABS Statistics And The New Tax System* (ABS Cat. no. 1358.0). The replacement of the GE registration process by PAYGW registration resulted in a number of changes to most business survey frames. However, an adjustment has been made to the Retail Trade series so that these changes will not affect broader level estimates of level and movement.

**7** From June 2002, the ABS will make further changes to the business surveys including adopting a new units model and expanding the frames to include all units on the Australian Business Register, including non-employers. Further information will be provided before these changes are implemented.

### DEFINITION OF TURNOVER

**8** 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. From July 2000, turnover includes GST.

### SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

**9** Seasonally adjusted estimates are derived by estimating and removing systematic calendar related effects from the original series. In the Retail trade series, these calendar related effects are known as seasonal (e.g. increased spending in December as a result of Christmas) and trading day influences (arising from the varying length of each month and the varying number of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in each month). Each influence is estimated by separate seasonal and trading day factors which, when combined, are referred to as the combined adjustment factors.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT *continued*

**10** The Retail series uses a concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology to derive the combined adjustment factors. This means that data from the current month are used in estimating seasonal and trading day factors for the current and previous months. Concurrent seasonal adjustment replaced the forward factor methodology from the April 2000 reference month. For more information see *Information Paper: Introduction of Concurrent Seasonal Adjustment into the Retail Trade Series* (Cat. no.8514.0).

**11** Concurrent adjustment can result in revisions each month to estimates for earlier periods. However, in most instances, the only noticeable revisions will be to the combined adjustment factors for the current month, the previous month and the same month a year ago. The following table shows how the combined adjustment factor for these months, at the total Australian Retail, hospitality and services level, evolved under the concurrent seasonal adjustment methodology. The table presents two different estimates of the combined adjustment factors. The first row gives the combined adjustment factors estimated following the last annual reanalysis in July 2000 using data up to and including the June 2000 reference month. The second row gives the most recent combined adjustment factors estimated and used in this month's calculation of the concurrent seasonally adjusted series.

	COMBINED ADJUSTMENT FACTORS		
	<i>Apr 2000</i>	<i>Mar 2001</i>	<i>Apr 2001</i>
Factors as estimated at last reanalysis (June 2000 reference month)	0.95232	0.98459	0.94294
Factors as estimated with current month's data (April 2001 reference month)	0.94958	0.98679	0.94015

**12** The seasonal adjustment methodology is able to produce combined adjustment factors for future months. The latest factors for some future months are shown in the following table. While these factors represent the best current estimate, the actual factors used for estimating the seasonally adjusted estimates in these months will differ because they will incorporate subsequent month's data as it becomes available.

	COMBINED ADJUSTMENT FACTORS		
	<i>May 2001</i>	<i>Jun 2001</i>	<i>Jul 2001</i>
Factors as estimated with current month's data (April 2001 reference month)	0.98915	0.94822	0.96844

**13** The seasonal and trading day factors are reviewed annually at a more detailed level than possible in the monthly processing cycle. The annual reanalysis will not normally result in significant changes. For Retail Trade, the results of the latest review are shown in the July issue each year.

**14** In the seasonal adjustment process, both the seasonal and trading day factors evolve over time to reflect changes in spending and trading patterns. Examples of this evolution include the slow move in spending from December to January; and, increased trading activity on weekends and public holidays. The seasonally adjusted estimates still reflect the sampling and non-sampling errors to which the original estimates are subject.

**15** As a result of the different treatment of Australian and State totals in the seasonal adjustment process, the Australian total for an industry group may not necessarily equal the sum of the State totals for that industry group.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### TREND ESTIMATES

**16** 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 is used that have been tailored to reduce a small bias associated with estimating these recent values when the trend growth is increasing or decreasing.

**17** Trend estimates are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time. As a result of the introduction of The New Tax System, a break in the monthly trend series has been inserted between June 2000 and July 2000. Care should therefore be taken in comparing the series over time. For more details refer to the Appendix in the December 2000 issue of this publication.

**18** For further information on trend estimates, see *Information Paper: A Guide to Interpreting Time Series — Monitoring 'Trends': an Overview* (Cat. no. 1348.0) or contact the Assistant Director, Time Series Analysis on Canberra 02 6252 6345.

### CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES

**19** The chain volume measures of retail turnover appearing in the quarterly issue of this publication are annually reweighted chain Laspeyres indexes referenced to current price values in a chosen reference year (currently 1998–1999). The reference year will be updated in the June quarter publication each year. Each year's data in the Retail chain volume series are based on the prices of the previous year, except for the quarters of the latest incomplete year (i.e. for the 2000–2001 financial year) which are based upon the 1998–1999 financial year. Comparability with previous years is achieved by linking (or chaining) the series together to form a continuous time series.

### RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES

**20** 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

**21** Seasonally adjusted and trend estimates and chain volume measures 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 chain volume measures, the standard errors may be up to 10% 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.

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

- A represents a relative standard error on level of less than 2%. The published estimates are highly reliable for movement analysis;
- B represents a relative standard error on level between 2 and 5%, meaning the estimate is reliable for movement analysis purposes;
- C represents a relative standard error on level between 5 and 10%, meaning users are advised to exercise some caution in interpreting movements for such series;
- D represents a relative standard error on level between 10 and 15% meaning users are advised to exercise caution in interpreting movements for such series; and
- E represents a relative standard error on level greater than 15% (mainly affects unpublished state by industry series).

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

STANDARD ERRORS *continued*

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

	<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>
NSW	B	A	B	C	C	C	B	A
Vic.	B	A	C	C	C	C	B	A
Qld	B	A	B	C	C	D	C	B
SA	B	A	B	C	C	C	C	B
WA	B	A	B	C	D	D	C	B
Tas.	B	n.p.	C	C	D	n.p.	C	B
NT	B	n.p.	C	C	E	n.p.	C	B
ACT	B	A	B	C	C	D	C	B
Australia	A	A	B	B	B	B	B	A

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