

RETAIL TRADE

AUSTRALIA

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MAY KEY FIGURES**TREND ESTIMATES**

Turnover at current prices (\$ millions)	Apr 2001	May 2001	% change
	13 346.3	13 441.7	0.7

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

Turnover at current prices (\$ millions)	Apr 2001	May 2001	% change
	13 396.6	13 326.3	-0.5
	May 2000	May 2001	% change
	12 289.3	13 326.3	8.4

MAY KEY POINTS**TREND ESTIMATES**

- The trend estimate of turnover for the Australian Retail and Hospitality/Services series recorded an increase of 0.7% for May 2001. This is the tenth consecutive month of growth since the break in the series in July 2000 but the rate of growth has slowed in recent months.
- All states continued to record increases except the Northern Territory which was flat.
- The largest industry increases were recorded in the Other retailing, Hospitality and services and Food retailing industries.
- Over the three months to May 2001, the trend estimate rose by \$316.4m. All industries recorded increases over this period, with the largest being in Food retailing (+\$142.7m), Hospitality and services (+\$68.0m) and Other retailing (+\$50.7m).

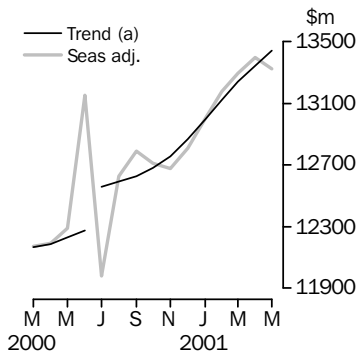
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SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

- The seasonally adjusted estimate of turnover for the Australian Retail and Hospitality/Services series fell by 0.5% in May 2001 compared with April 2001. This follows revised increases of 0.8% in April and 0.9% in March 2001.

ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- In original terms, Australian turnover increased by 9.7% in May 2001 over May 2000. For this period, chains and other large retailers (which are completely enumerated) increased by 7.7%, while 'smaller' retailers (the sampled units) increased by 12.3%.

Monthly turnover
Current prices

(a) Break in series from July 2000.

- For further information about these and related statistics, contact Jeremy Walker on 02 6252 5451, or the National Information Service on 1300 135 070.

NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

<i>ISSUE</i>	<i>RELEASE DATE</i>
June 2001	1 August 2001
July 2001	31 August 2001
August 2001	3 October 2001

CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

There are no changes in this issue.

SAMPLING ERRORS

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

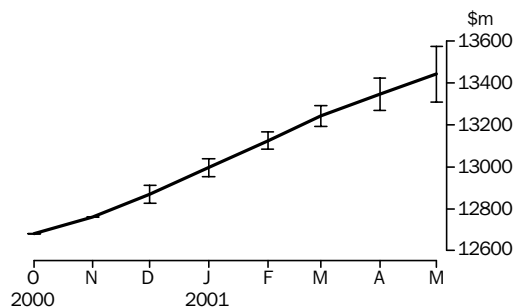
<i>DATA SERIES</i>	<i>ESTIMATE</i>	<i>STANDARD ERROR</i>
Level of retail turnover (\$m)	13 119.6	131.2
Change from April to May (\$m)	485.4	47.0
% change from April to May	3.8	0.4

For more information see the Explanatory notes, paragraphs 20–23, or contact Jeremy Walker on 02 6252 5451.

TREND REVISIONS

With the introduction of concurrent seasonal adjustment the trend 'What if?' analysis has been replaced with a trend revisions analysis. 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 extent of revisions to the trend series that have occurred due to the seasonal adjustment and trending methodologies can be used to assess the likely extent of revisions to the series. 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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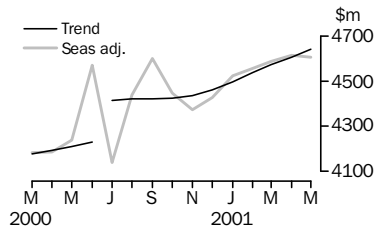


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STATE TRENDS

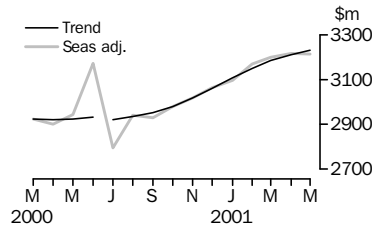
MONTHLY SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND(a) ESTIMATES

NEW SOUTH WALES



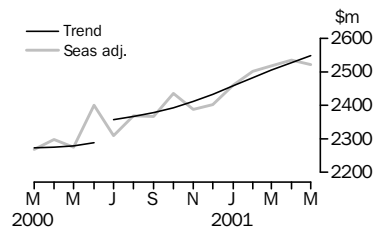
Trend growth has been moderate to strong over the last six months. In May 2001, all industries grew, except Household good and Recreational good retailing.

VICTORIA



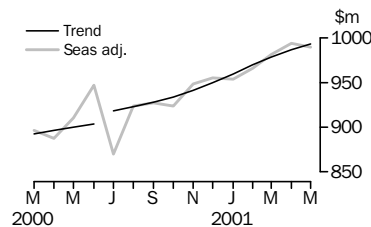
Trend growth was strong from October 2000 to April 2001 but has eased in recent months. Department stores and Clothing retailing have been in decline over the last three months.

QUEENSLAND



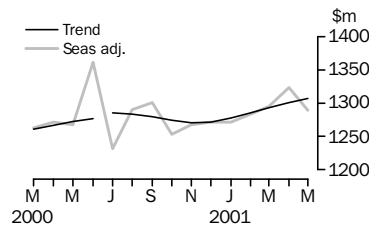
There was strong trend growth in each of the six months to May 2001. Over the past three months all industries, except Other retailing, have recorded increases.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



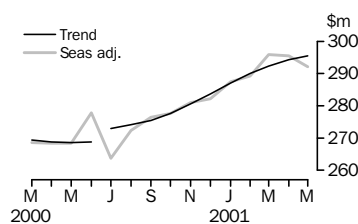
After six months of strong growth, moderate growth was recorded in May 2001 with Department stores, Clothing and soft good retailing and Hospitality and services in decline.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA



There has been moderate trend growth in each of the last five months. Clothing retailing and Household good retailing have been in decline over this period while the other industries have grown.

TASMANIA



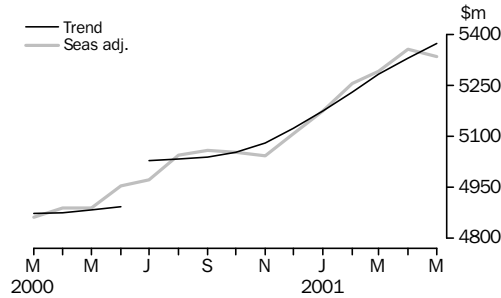
The rate of growth in the trend has slowed over the five months to May 2001. However, the Clothing and soft good and Hospitality and services industries continue to grow strongly.

(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.

INDUSTRY TRENDS

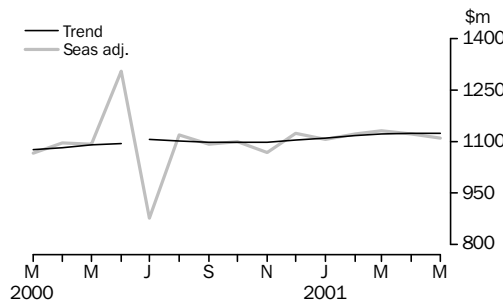
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FOOD RETAILING



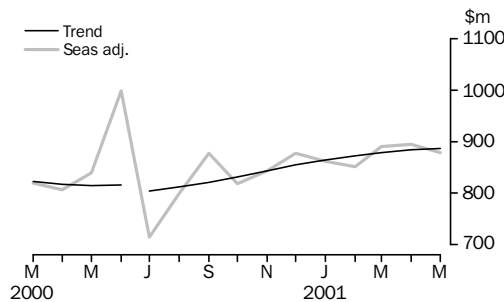
The trend estimate recorded strong growth for the sixth month in a row. During this period, the strongest growth was recorded in Queensland, Victoria and South Australia.

DEPARTMENT STORES



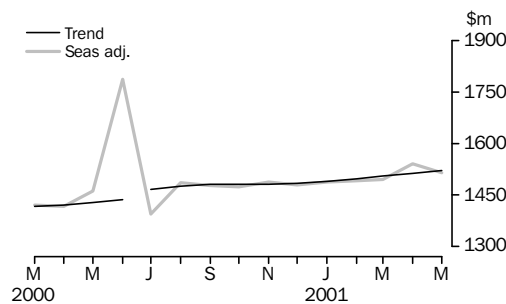
The trend estimate recorded weak growth for the third consecutive month. In May 2001, the strongest growth was recorded in Queensland, with all other states either flat or in decline.

CLOTHING AND SOFT GOOD RETAILING



The trend growth rate has been slowing since November 2000 and weak growth was recorded in May 2001. Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia recorded declines while all other states recorded strong growth.

HOUSEHOLD GOOD RETAILING

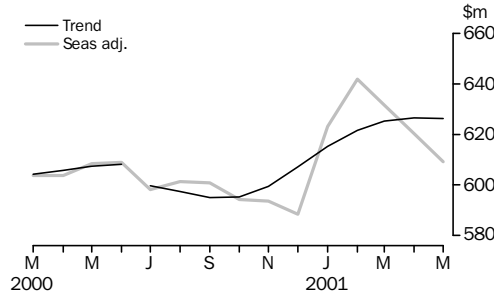


The trend estimate recorded moderate growth for the fifth month in a row. In each of these months, Victoria and South Australia recorded strong growth and Western Australia and Northern Territory recorded a decline.

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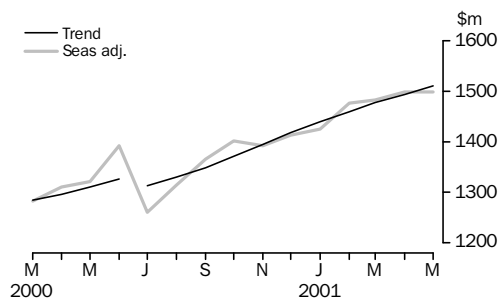
MONTHLY SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND(a) ESTIMATES

RECREATIONAL GOOD RETAILING



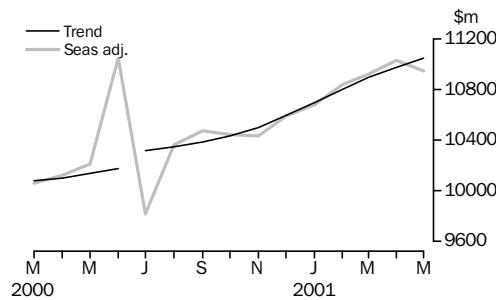
The trend estimate for May 2001 was flat. Strong growth in Victoria and South Australia was offset by all other states recording either weak growth, no growth or a decline for the month.

OTHER RETAILING



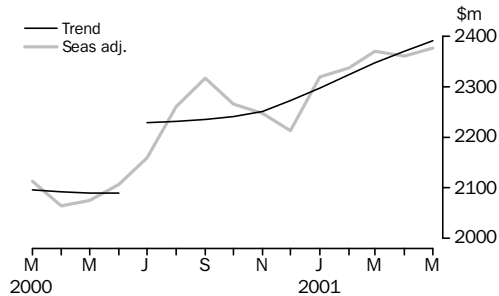
Since the trend break in July 2000, there has been strong growth in each month. New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and the Australian Capital Territory have recorded strong growth in each of the last eight months.

TOTAL RETAIL (excluding Hospitality and Services)



For the last two months the increase in the trend estimate for Total retail (excluding Hospitality and services) has been slightly weaker than that recorded for Total industries (including the Hospitality and service group).

HOSPITALITY AND SERVICES



There was strong growth in the trend estimate for the sixth consecutive month. All states except South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory have recorded moderate to strong growth in each month.

(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): 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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	5 272.6	1 099.0	914.4	1 485.5	568.0	1 478.0	2 302.2	13 119.6

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)

2000								
March	4 862.4	1 067.7	819.7	1 422.3	603.8	1 283.9	2 113.5	12 173.2
April	4 888.7	1 096.3	807.2	1 417.7	603.7	1 310.4	2 064.8	12 188.8
May	4 888.8	1 091.9	840.7	1 463.0	608.6	1 321.3	2 075.0	12 289.3
June	4 954.6	1 305.6	998.5	1 787.1	609.0	1 392.2	2 107.7	13 154.7
July	4 972.3	877.6	714.8	1 395.6	598.4	1 261.7	2 160.1	11 980.5
August	5 044.5	1 120.1	798.9	1 486.0	601.4	1 314.8	2 260.7	12 626.3
September	5 059.1	1 093.1	878.1	1 477.9	600.8	1 366.0	2 317.1	12 792.1
October	5 054.0	1 101.1	819.5	1 474.4	594.2	1 402.0	2 266.1	12 711.3
November	5 042.5	1 069.8	844.0	1 488.6	593.7	1 393.2	2 247.8	12 679.6
December	5 109.1	1 123.9	877.8	1 480.4	588.5	1 413.6	2 214.0	12 807.4
2001								
January	5 174.9	1 105.8	862.1	1 489.1	623.2	1 425.9	2 320.1	13 001.0
February	5 256.0	1 122.7	851.6	1 491.9	641.9	1 476.9	2 337.7	13 178.8
March	5 291.5	1 132.7	890.8	1 496.0	631.7	1 482.8	2 370.3	13 295.8
April	5 356.7	1 123.2	894.6	1 541.7	620.4	1 499.1	2 361.0	13 396.6
May	5 336.3	1 110.3	879.9	1 515.3	609.3	1 498.6	2 376.6	13 326.3

TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)

2000								
March	4 874.7	1 078.1	822.3	1 417.0	604.3	1 284.8	2 096.8	12 167.2
April	4 875.6	1 083.7	817.2	1 421.7	606.0	1 296.9	2 092.6	12 188.2
May	4 883.3	1 090.2	815.2	1 428.4	607.5	1 311.1	2 089.6	12 228.0
June	4 893.0	1 094.2	816.1	1 436.4	608.4	1 326.9	2 090.2	12 275.7
July	5 030.4	1 106.1	804.1	1 467.1	600.0	1 314.0	2 229.8	12 557.1
August	5 033.2	1 103.4	811.8	1 475.8	597.4	1 330.5	2 232.5	12 592.6
September	5 038.7	1 099.8	821.7	1 481.6	595.1	1 349.5	2 235.7	12 629.3
October	5 052.9	1 097.9	832.6	1 483.0	595.3	1 371.6	2 241.0	12 679.7
November	5 081.2	1 099.8	844.1	1 482.8	599.7	1 395.5	2 252.4	12 758.1
December	5 124.2	1 104.8	855.3	1 484.4	607.2	1 419.1	2 272.3	12 867.3
2001								
January	5 176.6	1 111.6	864.8	1 489.9	615.4	1 440.7	2 297.6	12 995.7
February	5 231.6	1 117.9	872.6	1 498.1	621.8	1 460.1	2 323.9	13 125.3
March	5 283.6	1 121.8	879.0	1 506.5	625.3	1 478.3	2 348.5	13 243.0
April	5 330.7	1 123.5	884.6	1 514.7	626.6	1 494.5	2 370.2	13 346.3
May	5 374.3	1 124.7	887.6	1 521.3	626.4	1 510.8	2 391.9	13 441.7

(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 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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	2.0	8.2	6.9	6.8	2.9	8.0	0.9	3.8

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (% change from preceding month)

2000								
March	0.2	-0.4	4.4	-0.8	-0.8	2.8	-0.6	0.4
April	0.5	2.7	-1.5	-0.3	0.0	2.1	-2.3	0.1
May	0.0	-0.4	4.1	3.2	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.8
June	1.3	19.6	18.8	22.1	0.1	5.4	1.6	7.0
July	0.4	-32.8	-28.4	-21.9	-1.7	-9.4	2.5	-8.9
August	1.5	27.6	11.8	6.5	0.5	4.2	4.7	5.4
September	0.3	-2.4	9.9	-0.5	-0.1	3.9	2.5	1.3
October	-0.1	0.7	-6.7	-0.2	-1.1	2.6	-2.2	-0.6
November	-0.2	-2.8	3.0	1.0	-0.1	-0.6	-0.8	-0.2
December	1.3	5.1	4.0	-0.6	-0.9	1.5	-1.5	1.0
2001								
January	1.3	-1.6	-1.8	0.6	5.9	0.9	4.8	1.5
February	1.6	1.5	-1.2	0.2	3.0	3.6	0.8	1.4
March	0.7	0.9	4.6	0.3	-1.6	0.4	1.4	0.9
April	1.2	-0.8	0.4	3.1	-1.8	1.1	-0.4	0.8
May	-0.4	-1.1	-1.6	-1.7	-1.8	0.0	0.7	-0.5

TREND ESTIMATES (% change from preceding month)(b)

2000								
March	-0.1	0.3	-0.9	0.2	0.2	0.7	-0.2	0.0
April	0.0	0.5	-0.6	0.3	0.3	0.9	-0.2	0.2
May	0.2	0.6	-0.2	0.5	0.3	1.1	-0.1	0.3
June	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.1	1.2	0.0	0.4
July	2.8	1.1	-1.5	2.1	-1.4	-1.0	6.7	2.3
August	0.1	-0.2	1.0	0.6	-0.4	1.3	0.1	0.3
September	0.1	-0.3	1.2	0.4	-0.4	1.4	0.1	0.3
October	0.3	-0.2	1.3	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	0.8	0.5	1.3	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.9	0.9
2001								
January	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.4	1.3	1.5	1.1	1.0
February	1.1	0.6	0.9	0.5	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.0
March	1.0	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.6	1.2	1.1	0.9
April	0.9	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.2	1.1	0.9	0.8
May	0.8	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.0	1.1	0.9	0.7

(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 Sub-Group(a): Original

Month	FOOD RETAILING.....				CLOTHING AND SOFT GOOD RETAILING.....				HOUSEHOLD GOOD RETAILING...			
	Super- markets 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	Domestic hardware & house- ware retailing	Domestic appliance retailing	Total
\$ MILLION												
2000												
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
2001												
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
May	3 828.7	579.0	864.8	5 272.6	1 099.0	651.6	262.8	914.4	400.9	428.3	656.3	1 485.5
% CHANGE FROM PRECEDING MONTH												
2000												
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
2001												
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
May	3.1	-1.5	-0.5	2.0	8.2	6.7	7.5	6.9	4.3	-0.7	14.0	6.8
% CHANGE FROM CORRESPONDING MONTH OF PREVIOUS YEAR												
2000												
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
2001												
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
May	10.9	11.4	9.2	10.7	4.4	9.9	-3.8	5.6	-1.2	14.5	-0.3	3.3

(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
	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 resta- urants	Selected services	Total	
\$ MILLION											
2000											
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
2001											
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
May	377.5	190.5	568.0	754.3	723.6	1 478.0	1 295.0	774.9	232.3	2 302.2	13 119.6
% CHANGE FROM PRECEDING MONTH											
2000											
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
2001											
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
May	6.1	-2.8	2.9	9.7	6.3	8.0	0.4	2.0	-0.2	0.9	3.8
% CHANGE FROM CORRESPONDING MONTH OF PREVIOUS YEAR											
2000											
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
2001											
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
May	1.4	-0.5	0.8	22.0	9.4	15.5	14.3	14.4	24.5	15.3	9.7

(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)									
2000									
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
2001									
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
May	4 555.3	3 151.2	2 465.0	980.5	1 271.6	285.8	137.9	272.3	13 119.6
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)									
2000									
March	4 183.2	2 925.4	2 268.8	896.3	1 263.4	268.7	132.4	235.1	12 173.2
April	4 186.6	2 900.7	2 298.9	887.7	1 271.5	268.6	134.2	240.6	12 188.8
May	4 240.4	2 944.2	2 274.9	910.8	1 268.4	268.6	134.3	247.7	12 289.3
June	4 570.5	3 174.4	2 400.8	947.3	1 362.4	277.8	140.7	281.0	13 154.7
July	4 139.4	2 796.2	2 311.1	870.2	1 231.8	263.7	132.9	235.2	11 980.5
August	4 438.7	2 943.2	2 368.8	923.7	1 290.5	272.4	135.6	253.4	12 626.3
September	4 600.5	2 929.2	2 366.8	927.1	1 301.7	276.5	135.4	254.9	12 792.1
October	4 447.9	2 979.4	2 436.3	923.5	1 253.6	277.8	134.0	258.8	12 711.3
November	4 375.9	3 019.7	2 388.9	948.9	1 267.7	281.1	134.6	262.8	12 679.6
December	4 428.9	3 065.5	2 403.8	955.6	1 272.4	282.2	135.8	263.2	12 807.4
2001									
January	4 524.6	3 097.7	2 462.0	953.8	1 271.6	287.5	135.9	267.9	13 001.0
February	4 556.9	3 171.7	2 502.1	966.8	1 283.9	289.4	136.3	271.7	13 178.8
March	4 589.7	3 200.0	2 517.6	982.2	1 295.6	296.0	138.1	276.6	13 295.8
April	4 615.7	3 219.4	2 536.6	994.0	1 323.8	295.5	136.4	275.2	13 396.6
May	4 607.7	3 216.6	2 522.8	989.7	1 289.4	292.2	136.0	272.0	13 326.3
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(a)									
2000									
March	4 179.1	2 924.6	2 273.6	893.1	1 261.4	269.4	133.1	237.3	12 167.2
April	4 191.9	2 921.6	2 275.2	896.2	1 266.9	268.9	133.6	239.8	12 188.2
May	4 210.4	2 925.7	2 279.9	900.2	1 272.9	268.7	134.1	242.0	12 228.0
June	4 229.6	2 933.7	2 288.1	903.9	1 277.2	268.9	134.7	243.8	12 275.7
July	4 417.1	2 922.4	2 358.0	918.7	1 285.9	273.0	135.0	252.7	12 557.1
August	4 420.7	2 935.5	2 368.4	923.0	1 284.1	274.1	135.0	254.2	12 592.6
September	4 420.5	2 954.3	2 379.8	928.0	1 280.1	275.7	134.9	256.0	12 629.3
October	4 423.3	2 981.8	2 393.7	933.9	1 274.7	277.8	134.9	258.4	12 679.7
November	4 436.2	3 019.3	2 411.6	941.4	1 271.3	280.6	135.1	261.6	12 758.1
December	4 462.5	3 064.2	2 433.5	950.6	1 272.2	283.9	135.5	265.1	12 867.3
2001									
January	4 498.9	3 109.7	2 458.5	960.2	1 277.7	287.1	136.0	268.2	12 995.7
February	4 538.8	3 150.8	2 483.7	969.8	1 285.8	290.0	136.4	270.9	13 125.3
March	4 575.7	3 185.5	2 507.1	978.7	1 293.9	292.4	136.7	273.1	13 243.0
April	4 608.0	3 213.4	2 527.3	987.2	1 301.5	294.3	136.9	274.8	13 346.3
May	4 640.7	3 233.6	2 548.8	993.9	1 306.8	295.5	136.9	276.0	13 441.7

(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)									
2000									
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
2001									
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
May	3.7	3.4	4.9	4.7	2.6	1.9	8.7	3.3	3.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (% change from preceding month)									
2000									
March	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.7	0.3	-0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4
April	0.1	-0.8	1.3	-1.0	0.6	-0.1	1.4	2.4	0.1
May	1.3	1.5	-1.0	2.6	-0.3	0.0	0.1	2.9	0.8
June	7.8	7.8	5.5	4.0	7.4	3.5	4.7	13.4	7.0
July	-9.4	-11.9	-3.7	-8.1	-9.6	-5.1	-5.5	-16.3	-8.9
August	7.2	5.3	2.5	6.2	4.8	3.3	2.0	7.7	5.4
September	3.6	-0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.9	1.5	-0.2	0.6	1.3
October	-3.3	1.7	2.9	-0.4	-3.7	0.5	-1.0	1.5	-0.6
November	-1.6	1.4	-1.9	2.8	1.1	1.2	0.5	1.6	-0.2
December	1.2	1.5	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.2	1.0
2001									
January	2.2	1.0	2.4	-0.2	-0.1	1.9	0.1	1.8	1.5
February	0.7	2.4	1.6	1.4	1.0	0.6	0.3	1.4	1.4
March	0.7	0.9	0.6	1.6	0.9	2.3	1.3	1.8	0.9
April	0.6	0.6	0.8	1.2	2.2	-0.2	-1.3	-0.5	0.8
May	-0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.4	-2.6	-1.1	-0.3	-1.1	-0.5
TREND ESTIMATES (% change from preceding month)(a)									
2000									
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	0.4	0.4	-0.2	0.3	1.1	0.2
May	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.9	0.3
June	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.4
July	4.4	-0.4	3.1	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	0.5	-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	0.2	1.2	0.6
December	0.6	1.5	0.9	1.0	0.1	1.2	0.3	1.3	0.9
2001									
January	0.8	1.5	1.0	1.0	0.4	1.1	0.3	1.2	1.0
February	0.9	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.0
March	0.8	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.8	0.9
April	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.1	0.6	0.8
May	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.5	0.7

(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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	1 692.1	393.8	347.7	471.2	195.6	480.7	974.3	4 555.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
2000								
March	1 550.2	374.6	319.0	451.2	195.7	426.9	865.6	4 183.2
April	1 560.6	375.5	301.0	447.3	201.9	427.0	873.3	4 186.6
May	1 553.7	381.9	314.2	463.2	216.1	436.0	875.2	4 240.4
June	1 586.0	463.3	373.6	578.8	202.5	479.1	887.3	4 570.5
July	1 598.4	299.0	276.4	426.2	219.7	394.4	925.5	4 139.4
August	1 637.0	397.3	299.9	474.2	213.8	425.4	991.0	4 438.7
September	1 651.2	393.6	366.8	466.0	204.9	463.0	1 055.1	4 600.5
October	1 630.4	387.3	308.3	470.2	214.6	450.5	986.6	4 447.9
November	1 606.8	374.5	304.6	483.1	212.6	440.9	953.3	4 375.9
December	1 640.9	393.2	312.3	488.0	208.1	450.9	935.4	4 428.9
2001								
January	1 667.3	388.7	303.7	493.9	227.5	455.3	988.1	4 524.6
February	1 677.5	390.6	298.0	480.8	240.9	472.5	996.6	4 556.9
March	1 681.9	386.8	322.5	489.3	232.7	471.1	1 005.4	4 589.7
April	1 726.7	388.8	331.6	484.6	219.4	480.8	984.0	4 615.7
May	1 706.6	388.6	335.4	476.3	209.0	488.4	1 003.5	4 607.7
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
2000								
March	1 550.9	376.1	312.1	447.7	200.1	430.6	867.1	4 179.1
April	1 553.3	377.0	308.8	449.2	202.9	431.5	873.0	4 191.9
May	1 556.3	378.8	307.3	450.1	205.0	432.3	879.1	4 210.4
June	1 558.9	380.2	307.5	450.5	206.3	432.6	885.5	4 229.6
July	1 632.3	391.9	308.3	466.2	210.1	432.5	968.5	4 417.1
August	1 631.2	391.3	309.9	468.6	209.1	432.8	969.2	4 420.7
September	1 630.1	389.9	310.5	472.3	208.5	434.6	967.1	4 420.5
October	1 630.5	388.3	309.3	476.5	210.0	438.5	964.9	4 423.3
November	1 634.7	387.3	307.0	480.9	214.3	444.4	965.1	4 436.2
December	1 644.1	387.0	306.2	484.5	219.7	451.9	968.9	4 462.5
2001								
January	1 658.2	387.4	308.1	486.6	224.2	459.3	976.1	4 498.9
February	1 674.7	388.3	312.3	487.0	226.6	466.4	984.4	4 538.8
March	1 690.9	388.9	317.9	485.9	226.6	473.4	992.2	4 575.7
April	1 705.0	389.1	324.2	484.2	224.7	479.7	998.4	4 608.0
May	1 716.7	389.5	330.2	481.8	222.2	485.7	1 004.6	4 640.7

(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)—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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	1 301.9	269.0	231.1	381.7	131.6	374.1	461.9	3 151.2
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
2000								
March	1 215.6	249.2	224.6	356.5	141.4	304.7	433.5	2 925.4
April	1 213.5	273.9	222.9	338.6	135.1	319.4	397.3	2 900.7
May	1 216.8	277.4	239.9	359.2	131.6	317.6	401.7	2 944.2
June	1 217.0	336.2	287.8	440.1	136.9	337.6	418.7	3 174.4
July	1 231.6	214.4	178.2	337.0	126.5	304.2	404.5	2 796.2
August	1 248.1	273.9	204.5	353.5	129.8	317.0	416.3	2 943.2
September	1 247.3	268.3	210.3	351.0	131.6	309.0	411.6	2 929.2
October	1 254.5	278.7	211.0	348.7	127.9	341.6	417.0	2 979.4
November	1 266.1	266.2	225.0	364.8	127.3	351.4	418.9	3 019.7
December	1 289.6	280.7	235.4	359.0	132.3	352.7	415.8	3 065.5
2001								
January	1 304.2	281.3	228.4	359.4	138.4	353.5	432.4	3 097.7
February	1 324.0	283.1	233.1	372.9	133.6	376.7	448.3	3 171.7
March	1 337.5	284.2	240.0	385.3	137.5	354.3	461.1	3 200.0
April	1 356.7	276.2	231.0	392.3	138.3	361.0	464.0	3 219.4
May	1 330.2	274.7	220.3	392.2	143.7	386.6	468.9	3 216.6
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
2000								
March	1 217.2	265.2	228.7	359.9	136.4	309.5	424.8	2 924.6
April	(c)1208.0	267.7	227.5	357.3	136.4	313.3	419.5	2 921.6
May	1 213.9	271.1	225.4	355.4	136.2	316.8	414.1	2 925.7
June	1 221.3	274.0	222.4	354.1	136.0	320.2	409.1	2 933.7
July	1 230.8	272.1	210.6	352.2	129.7	312.1	418.4	2 922.4
August	1 239.1	272.4	209.8	352.3	129.5	317.7	415.1	2 935.5
September	1 248.4	272.4	211.2	352.9	129.6	325.3	413.7	2 954.3
October	1 259.3	273.2	215.4	354.0	130.0	334.7	414.4	2 981.8
November	1 272.8	275.4	221.8	356.5	130.7	344.2	417.9	3 019.3
December	1 288.5	277.8	228.0	360.8	132.0	352.1	425.0	3 064.2
2001								
January	1 304.9	279.7	231.8	366.9	133.9	358.0	434.5	3 109.7
February	1 320.2	280.6	233.1	373.9	135.9	362.4	444.8	3 150.8
March	1 332.7	280.5	232.8	380.9	137.8	366.2	454.5	3 185.5
April	1 342.3	279.7	231.6	387.3	139.6	369.8	463.0	3 213.4
May	1 348.5	279.1	229.2	392.3	141.1	373.3	470.0	3 233.6

(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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	1 022.4	176.3	158.5	281.5	112.3	274.4	439.5	2 465.0
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
2000								
March	907.9	176.7	127.9	252.4	133.8	242.6	427.5	2 268.8
April	917.4	190.0	129.9	256.4	130.3	267.9	407.0	2 298.9
May	902.8	175.7	135.2	271.3	126.6	258.6	404.6	2 274.9
June	913.2	201.8	153.7	324.9	122.1	267.3	417.7	2 400.8
July	949.9	152.5	129.6	276.5	121.1	261.4	420.1	2 311.1
August	935.4	191.6	136.1	287.1	118.1	267.3	433.2	2 368.8
September	945.0	177.2	142.1	282.5	116.5	268.0	435.6	2 366.8
October	965.7	182.5	137.9	295.4	128.4	282.7	443.8	2 436.3
November	953.5	173.1	142.4	274.4	124.2	281.5	439.8	2 388.9
December	976.4	183.1	150.4	257.4	121.4	279.4	435.6	2 403.8
2001								
January	985.9	182.6	162.0	274.0	123.9	283.9	449.7	2 462.0
February	1 010.7	186.0	147.1	273.4	129.6	297.9	457.3	2 502.1
March	1 018.6	186.1	155.1	280.6	129.2	289.2	458.8	2 517.6
April	1 017.4	190.2	165.3	294.7	125.9	283.8	459.2	2 536.6
May	1 024.5	187.1	165.5	290.6	124.8	274.3	456.0	2 522.8
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
2000								
March	907.2	179.3	130.4	252.7	134.1	249.6	417.9	2 273.6
April	908.7	180.1	130.4	258.1	130.8	254.8	414.6	2 275.2
May	910.5	180.5	131.8	263.7	127.3	259.4	410.2	2 279.9
June	912.3	180.3	133.9	269.7	124.3	263.9	406.1	2 288.1
July	940.3	182.6	134.2	282.1	121.0	264.1	433.4	2 358.0
August	943.2	181.7	136.7	285.0	120.3	267.9	433.0	2 368.4
September	947.8	180.9	139.5	284.4	120.8	271.9	434.4	2 379.8
October	955.0	180.3	142.4	280.9	121.8	276.4	436.9	2 393.7
November	964.9	180.3	145.4	276.3	123.3	281.1	440.3	2 411.6
December	976.8	181.0	148.6	273.2	124.7	284.7	444.6	2 433.5
2001								
January	989.7	182.6	152.0	273.2	125.8	286.8	448.7	2 458.5
February	1 001.7	184.8	155.3	276.1	126.4	287.4	452.5	2 483.7
March	1 012.1	186.6	158.4	280.6	126.8	286.7	455.9	2 507.1
April	1 020.6	188.0	161.4	285.3	126.9	285.1	458.5	2 527.3
May	1 027.8	189.3	163.7	290.8	127.1	283.3	460.6	2 548.8

(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)—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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	409.7	92.3	53.5	105.7	26.5	124.9	167.9	980.5
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
2000								
March	379.2	91.3	46.5	97.0	30.5	94.9	156.8	896.3
April	391.4	93.5	46.5	93.5	27.0	89.4	146.4	887.7
May	398.1	96.3	51.0	98.3	26.0	92.1	149.1	910.8
June	391.6	110.2	57.0	114.5	26.3	94.8	152.7	947.3
July	380.1	74.5	41.1	92.5	26.1	96.6	159.3	870.2
August	386.3	93.9	46.8	98.1	26.4	103.1	169.2	923.7
September	385.2	94.9	49.6	98.1	25.4	106.9	167.0	927.1
October	384.4	90.5	48.3	94.3	23.7	111.8	170.6	923.5
November	389.6	91.7	50.8	103.1	25.8	112.2	175.6	948.9
December	393.0	97.4	54.7	98.4	25.7	114.1	172.4	955.6
2001								
January	390.3	91.5	50.3	97.5	24.4	113.2	186.5	953.8
February	402.3	96.0	50.8	98.5	25.5	117.2	176.6	966.8
March	406.7	98.0	51.1	102.6	25.1	119.7	179.1	982.2
April	409.5	96.0	50.8	105.9	27.8	125.4	178.7	994.0
May	408.0	93.4	50.9	108.9	28.2	123.6	176.6	989.7
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
2000								
March	379.4	92.8	48.0	93.9	28.4	92.0	152.9	893.1
April	(c)390.1	93.9	47.7	95.0	27.9	92.2	152.3	896.2
May	389.5	94.9	47.8	95.8	27.4	93.6	152.3	900.2
June	387.1	95.4	48.2	96.4	27.0	96.4	153.1	903.9
July	390.5	95.3	47.4	97.7	25.9	98.2	164.1	918.7
August	387.2	94.6	48.1	98.1	25.7	102.6	166.6	923.0
September	385.3	93.7	49.0	98.2	25.5	106.7	169.4	928.0
October	385.5	93.1	49.9	98.2	25.3	109.8	172.0	933.9
November	387.8	93.1	50.7	98.1	25.0	112.0	174.4	941.4
December	391.7	93.8	51.3	98.5	24.9	113.8	176.6	950.6
2001								
January	395.9	94.6	51.5	99.4	25.2	115.6	178.2	960.2
February	400.1	95.3	51.4	100.8	25.6	117.7	179.0	969.8
March	404.0	95.7	51.1	102.6	26.2	120.0	179.1	978.7
April	407.4	95.8	51.0	104.5	26.8	122.1	178.9	987.2
May	409.9	95.7	50.7	106.1	27.3	124.0	178.4	993.9

(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)								
2000								
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

2001								
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
May	552.6	112.0	77.5	163.7	68.3	151.4	146.0	1 271.6

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)

2000								
March	544.7	105.9	62.0	197.2	68.5	137.8	147.3	1 263.4
April	552.9	109.1	69.4	188.5	71.6	140.2	139.9	1 271.5
May	546.6	105.1	71.9	188.0	70.6	144.9	141.3	1 268.4
June	555.1	124.2	87.9	223.5	74.2	150.5	146.9	1 362.4
July	540.3	89.8	64.4	192.1	68.5	135.1	141.6	1 231.8
August	548.4	112.2	73.0	193.9	72.2	146.8	143.9	1 290.5
September	547.5	108.6	76.1	204.5	73.8	147.8	143.3	1 301.7
October	542.9	104.8	75.6	174.3	64.5	143.2	148.2	1 253.6
November	543.5	104.4	75.7	181.4	66.8	145.8	150.1	1 267.7
December	546.6	110.0	79.0	181.7	67.9	134.3	153.0	1 272.4
2001								
January	543.9	107.8	74.4	177.4	73.8	142.1	152.3	1 271.6
February	540.5	110.5	78.8	170.8	73.1	154.3	155.8	1 283.9
March	548.0	109.7	75.8	172.7	72.9	156.6	160.0	1 295.6
April	566.8	108.9	70.4	182.7	74.8	163.6	156.6	1 323.8
May	557.3	110.3	73.1	165.7	70.8	158.4	153.6	1 289.4

TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)

2000								
March	547.4	107.0	64.6	191.5	68.4	136.9	143.6	1 261.4
April	546.9	107.1	67.0	191.0	69.9	140.5	143.1	1 266.9
May	546.0	107.7	69.7	191.2	71.8	143.4	142.2	1 272.9
June	544.2	108.2	72.3	191.7	73.2	146.0	140.9	1 277.2
July	551.7	108.7	72.3	194.1	71.4	143.0	146.4	1 285.9
August	548.5	108.6	73.8	193.3	70.8	144.2	145.7	1 284.1
September	546.0	108.2	75.0	191.2	69.8	144.0	146.0	1 280.1
October	544.1	107.7	76.0	187.4	69.0	143.2	147.2	1 274.7
November	543.2	107.4	76.8	182.9	68.9	142.7	149.3	1 271.3
December	543.5	107.6	76.9	179.0	69.6	143.6	151.9	1 272.2
2001								
January	545.1	108.3	76.6	176.6	70.8	146.3	154.1	1 277.7
February	547.8	109.1	75.8	175.3	72.1	150.3	155.5	1 285.8
March	551.2	109.7	74.9	174.2	73.0	154.6	156.3	1 293.9
April	554.8	110.1	73.9	173.3	73.5	158.5	156.7	1 301.5
May	558.1	110.2	72.9	171.8	73.5	161.7	156.8	1 306.8

(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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	126.7	n.p.	16.5	33.5	16.5	n.p.	41.4	285.8
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
2000								
March	117.7	n.p.	12.9	29.5	16.9	n.p.	42.1	268.7
April	114.5	n.p.	12.0	33.0	17.7	n.p.	39.9	268.6
May	113.9	n.p.	12.9	31.6	17.7	n.p.	39.3	268.6
June	114.1	n.p.	14.0	37.2	17.6	n.p.	39.0	277.8
July	115.7	n.p.	12.4	31.3	16.1	n.p.	39.0	263.7
August	117.8	n.p.	13.9	33.3	16.8	n.p.	36.3	272.4
September	119.1	n.p.	13.9	32.5	17.2	n.p.	39.2	276.5
October	120.8	n.p.	13.4	32.2	17.5	n.p.	39.5	277.8
November	121.3	n.p.	14.6	33.3	17.3	n.p.	39.2	281.1
December	124.8	n.p.	14.6	32.0	17.2	n.p.	39.2	282.2
2001								
January	124.4	n.p.	13.7	35.1	18.4	n.p.	40.7	287.5
February	125.9	n.p.	13.8	36.7	18.2	n.p.	39.3	289.4
March	127.3	n.p.	14.8	37.2	18.9	n.p.	41.6	296.0
April	128.6	n.p.	16.0	35.7	18.1	n.p.	42.8	295.5
May	128.2	n.p.	16.2	34.3	17.6	n.p.	43.3	292.2
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
2000								
March	117.0	n.p.	12.8	30.8	17.5	n.p.	41.3	269.4
April	(c)114.3	n.p.	12.8	31.5	17.4	n.p.	40.5	268.9
May	114.0	n.p.	12.9	32.1	17.4	n.p.	39.4	268.7
June	114.1	n.p.	13.1	32.5	17.3	n.p.	38.1	268.9
July	115.8	n.p.	13.2	33.0	17.0	n.p.	39.7	273.0
August	117.0	n.p.	13.6	32.9	17.0	n.p.	38.9	274.1
September	118.7	n.p.	13.9	32.6	17.0	n.p.	38.6	275.7
October	120.5	n.p.	14.0	32.6	17.2	n.p.	38.7	277.8
November	122.1	n.p.	14.1	33.1	17.5	n.p.	39.0	280.6
December	123.6	n.p.	14.1	33.9	17.8	n.p.	39.5	283.9
2001								
January	124.9	n.p.	14.3	34.7	18.0	n.p.	40.1	287.1
February	126.0	n.p.	14.5	35.4	18.2	n.p.	40.7	290.0
March	127.1	n.p.	14.9	35.9	18.2	n.p.	41.4	292.4
April	128.0	n.p.	15.3	36.0	18.2	n.p.	42.1	294.3
May	128.6	n.p.	15.7	36.0	18.2	n.p.	42.8	295.5

(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.

(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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	67.5	n.p.	7.7	14.2	5.2	n.p.	21.3	137.9
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
2000								
March	66.1	n.p.	6.3	15.5	5.3	n.p.	19.0	132.4
April	65.2	n.p.	6.2	16.5	4.8	n.p.	20.2	134.2
May	65.7	n.p.	6.2	15.1	4.7	n.p.	20.5	134.3
June	66.8	n.p.	7.6	17.7	5.0	n.p.	20.6	140.7
July	64.5	n.p.	6.4	15.0	6.1	n.p.	21.3	132.9
August	65.9	n.p.	6.9	15.2	6.2	n.p.	21.5	135.6
September	65.3	n.p.	6.8	15.4	5.9	n.p.	21.5	135.4
October	63.6	n.p.	7.2	14.5	5.7	n.p.	22.4	134.0
November	63.8	n.p.	7.1	14.6	6.0	n.p.	22.8	134.6
December	63.8	n.p.	7.6	14.3	7.1	n.p.	22.7	135.8
2001								
January	64.9	n.p.	7.5	13.7	5.9	n.p.	22.7	135.9
February	66.1	n.p.	7.8	13.3	6.1	n.p.	22.0	136.3
March	66.6	n.p.	8.0	12.8	5.9	n.p.	23.0	138.1
April	67.3	n.p.	7.8	12.6	5.1	n.p.	21.6	136.4
May	65.7	n.p.	8.0	13.7	5.0	n.p.	20.9	136.0
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
2000								
March	65.3	n.p.	6.1	15.6	5.0	n.p.	20.0	133.1
April	65.5	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	134.1
June	65.6	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	64.7	n.p.	7.0	15.0	6.0	n.p.	21.9	134.9
October	64.3	n.p.	7.1	14.8	6.2	n.p.	22.2	134.9
November	64.2	n.p.	7.3	14.5	6.3	n.p.	22.5	135.1
December	64.4	n.p.	7.4	14.1	6.3	n.p.	22.7	135.5
2001								
January	65.0	n.p.	7.6	13.7	6.2	n.p.	22.6	136.0
February	65.6	n.p.	7.7	13.4	6.0	n.p.	22.5	136.4
March	66.2	n.p.	7.8	13.2	5.7	n.p.	22.2	136.7
April	66.6	n.p.	7.9	13.0	5.5	n.p.	21.9	136.9
May	66.8	n.p.	8.0	12.9	5.2	n.p.	21.6	136.9

(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)								
2000								
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
2001								
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
May	99.7	26.5	21.9	34.0	11.9	28.4	49.9	272.3
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)								
2000								
March	83.5	25.2	16.0	37.9	15.8	22.4	34.3	235.1
April	87.8	25.5	15.9	37.2	15.9	22.6	35.7	240.6
May	90.4	27.3	16.7	40.5	15.0	22.4	35.4	247.7
June	93.3	34.8	19.9	52.8	15.7	26.0	38.5	281.0
July	91.1	20.1	13.6	31.8	15.9	24.6	38.1	235.2
August	95.7	26.9	14.7	34.6	17.0	24.7	39.8	253.4
September	93.8	26.5	16.1	36.5	16.2	25.2	40.6	254.9
October	95.6	26.7	17.6	36.9	15.1	25.6	41.4	258.8
November	96.4	25.8	18.3	36.6	15.7	26.5	43.7	262.8
December	96.5	26.6	18.7	34.6	14.8	27.1	44.8	263.2
2001								
January	96.9	26.1	20.2	35.3	14.0	28.4	47.1	267.9
February	99.3	26.4	20.7	34.4	14.9	29.5	46.4	271.7
March	101.1	27.2	21.7	35.8	13.6	30.1	47.1	276.6
April	101.0	26.6	20.1	35.2	12.4	31.0	48.9	275.2
May	99.4	26.2	20.7	35.1	12.1	29.8	48.7	272.0
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)(b)								
2000								
March	86.6	25.7	15.6	37.0	15.6	22.1	34.9	237.3
April	87.9	25.7	15.5	37.2	15.6	22.4	35.5	239.8
May	89.1	25.8	15.4	36.7	15.7	23.0	36.1	242.0
June	90.1	25.9	15.2	36.0	16.0	23.7	36.6	243.8
July	94.2	26.5	15.2	36.3	16.3	23.9	39.9	252.7
August	94.6	26.5	15.6	35.9	16.3	24.7	40.4	254.2
September	94.8	26.4	16.2	35.8	16.1	25.4	41.1	256.0
October	95.2	26.3	17.1	35.8	15.8	26.0	42.1	258.4
November	96.0	26.3	18.2	35.8	15.4	26.6	43.3	261.6
December	97.0	26.4	19.1	35.6	14.9	27.4	44.7	265.1
2001								
January	98.0	26.4	19.9	35.4	14.5	28.3	45.9	268.2
February	98.9	26.5	20.4	35.1	14.0	29.2	46.9	270.9
March	99.7	26.6	20.7	35.1	13.5	29.8	47.7	273.1
April	100.4	26.6	20.9	35.1	13.0	30.4	48.3	274.8
May	100.8	26.6	21.1	35.1	12.5	30.7	48.8	276.0

(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.

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)

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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.

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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>May 2000</i>	<i>Apr 2001</i>	<i>May 2001</i>
Factors as estimated at last reanalysis (June 2000 reference month)	0.97701	0.94294	0.98762
Factors as estimated with current month's data (May 2001 reference month)	0.97326	0.94308	0.98449

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>Jun 2001</i>	<i>Jul 2001</i>	<i>Aug 2001</i>
Factors as estimated with current month's data (May 2001 reference month)	0.94937	0.96912	0.98069

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.

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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).

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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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