

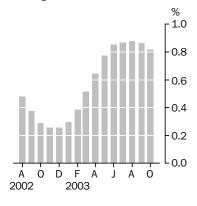
RETAIL TRADE

AUSTRALIA

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Monthly turnover

Trend estmates % change



KEY FIGURES

Turnover at current prices	Oct 03 \$m	Sep 03 to Oct 03 % change	
Trend estimates	15 515.8	0.8	
Seasonally adjusted estimates	15 570.8	1.2	
KEY POINTS			

TREND ESTIMATES

- The trend estimate of turnover for the Australian Retail and Hospitality/Services series increased by 0.8% in October 2003 compared with September 2003. This follows increases of 0.9% in the previous four months.
- The trend estimate increased in all states and territories except the Australian Capital Territory. The largest increases were in Queensland, Tasmania, New South Wales and the Northern Territory.
- Over the three months to October 2003 the trend estimate rose by \$391m. Hospitality and services (+\$101m), Food retailing (+\$77m), Other retailing (+\$74m) and Household good retailing (+\$61m) showed the largest increases.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

- The seasonally adjusted estimate of turnover for the Australian Retail and Hospitality/Services series increased by 1.2% in October 2003 compared with September 2003. This follows a revised increase of 0.8% in September 2003 and an increase of 1.0% in August 2003.
- The estimate of total turnover for October 2003 was 8.6% higher than October 2002.

ORIGINAL ESTIMATES

- In original terms, Australian turnover increased by 7.8% in October 2003 compared with September 2003. Chains and other large retailers (which are completely enumerated) increased by 8.2%, while 'smaller' retailers (the sampled units) increased by 7.4%.
- Australian turnover increased by 9.7% in October 2003 compared with October 2002. Chains and other large retailers increased by 8.4%, while 'smaller' retailers increased by 11.4%.

INQUIRIES

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

NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES	ISSUE	RELEASE DATE
	November 2003	7 January 2004
	December 2003	4 February 2004
	January 2004	2 March 2004
	February 2004	31 March 2004
	March 2004	6 May 2004
	April 2004	1 June 2004
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CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE	There are no changes in t	this issue.
NET PROCEEDS FROM	The net proceeds from g	ambling in Hotels and licensed clubs for June quarter 2003 was
GAMBLING	3.7% of the Total Retail se	easonally adjusted series, and for September quarter 2003 was
	3.5%. This compares with	3.7% in the March quarter 2003 and 3.6% in the December
	quarter 2002. These are the	he latest available estimates for this series. For more
	information see the Expla	anatory Notes, paragraph 17.
SAMPLING ERRORS	Standard errors for the Authors this publication are:	ustralian estimates (original data) for October 2003 contained in
	Data Series	Standard Estimate error
	Level of retail turnover (\$m)	16 013.0 150.1
	Change from preceding mon % change from preceding m	
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	Estimates for sampled bu	sinesses in the first month of each quarter can be influenced by

the quarterly rotation of sampled businesses. This rotation is done to spread the reporting load across retailers and to ensure the sample remains representative of the population. At times, the businesses rotated into the sample can perform differently from the businesses they replace or those already in the sample. The potential impact of the quarterly rotation is reflected in the sampling errors for the relevant months.

For more information see the Explanatory Notes, paragraphs 30–34, or contact Graham Phillips on 02 6252 5625.

Dennis Trewin Australian Statistician

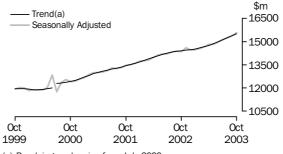
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INDUSTRY TRENDS

MONTHLY SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AND TREND ESTIMATES

TOTAL RETAIL

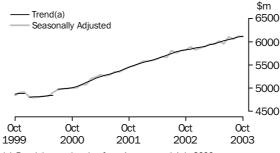
Trend growth has been strong over the last six months. Over this period all industries have experienced growth. Recreational good retailing, Other retailing and Hospitality and services have had strong trend growth in each of the last five months. The trend growth in Household good retailing is moderating after six months of strong trend growth.





FOOD RETAILING

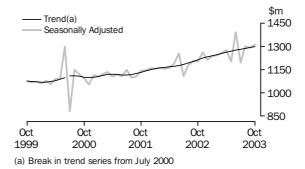
There has been weak to moderate trend growth over the last 15 months. Queensland and Tasmania have had strong growth in each of the last six months while the Northern Territory has had moderate growth. Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia and the Australian Capital Territory were flat or in decline in the last two months.



(a) Break in trend series from January and July 2000

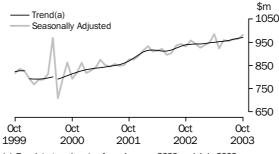
DEPARTMENT STORES

Trend growth has been moderate since December 2002. Queensland was the only state with strong growth in each of the last three months. The Australian Capital Territory was in decline in each of these months.



CLOTHING AND SOFT GOOD RETAILING

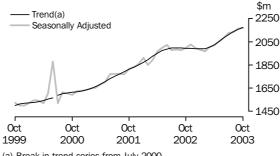
There has been moderate trend growth in each of the last three months after nine months of weak trend growth. Western Australia had moderate trend growth in October 2003 after strong growth in the previous five months and Queensland has had moderate trend growth over the last seven months.



(a) Break in trend series from January 2000 and July 2000

HOUSEHOLD GOOD RETAILING

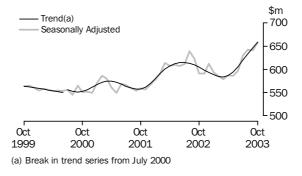
After six months of strong trend growth, there was moderate trend growth in October 2003. New South Wales, Queensland, Western Australia, Tasmania and the Northern Territory have all had strong growth in each of the last six months. The trend growth rate for Victoria has been decreasing since May 2003 with weak trend growth in August, September and October 2003.



(a) Break in trend series from July 2000

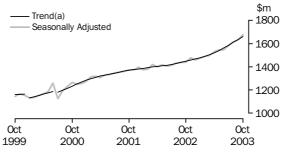
RECREATIONAL GOOD RETAILING

There has been strong trend growth over the last six months. New South Wales, Queensland and Tasmania have had strong trend growth over this period, while Western Australia has had strong growth for most of this period. The Northern Territory had no growth in October 2003 after having strong trend growth from February to July 2003. Victoria has been in decline for 14 months and South Australia for the last five months.



OTHER RETAILING

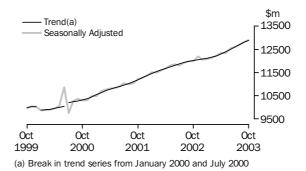
Trend growth has been strong over the last nine months, after a long period of mostly moderate growth. Queensland has had strong trend growth since August 2002, but had moderate growth in October 2003. Victoria has had strong trend growth over the last six months and New South Wales over the last eight months. South Australia and Western Australia have been flat or in decline since June 2003.



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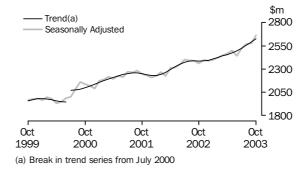
TOTAL RETAIL (EXCLUDING HOSPITALITY AND SERVICES)

The rate of trend growth for Total retail (excluding Hospitality and services) has been slightly below that of Total industries (including Hospitality and services) for five of the last seven months.



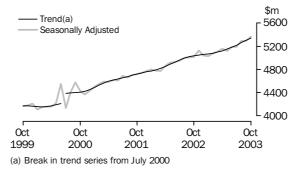
HOSPITALITY AND SERVICES

There has been strong trend growth over the last five months. Queensland and Tasmania have had strong trend growth in each of the last eight months, and Victoria over the last six months. Western Australia had moderate growth in October 2003 after five months of strong growth. The Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory were in decline in October 2003.



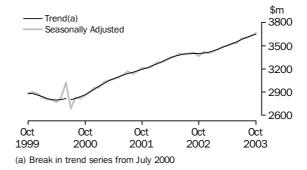
NEW SOUTH WALES

Trend growth has been moderate to strong for the last seven months. Household good retailing, Recreational good retailing and Other retailing have shown strong trend growth over this period. Clothing and soft good retailing has shown weak growth in the last three months after being flat or in decline for the previous seven months.



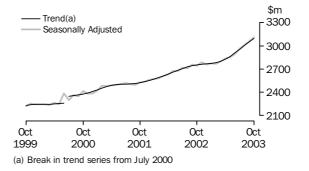
VICTORIA

Trend growth has been moderate in each of the last ten months. Other retailing and Hospitality and services have shown strong trend growth in each of the last six months. After six months of moderate to strong trend growth Household good retailing had weak growth in the last three months. Recreational good retailing has been in decline since September 2002. Food retailing was in decline in October 2003.



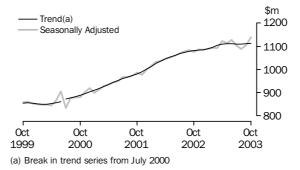
QUEENSLAND

Trend growth has been strong for seven months. Household good retailing, Recreational good retailing and Hospitality and services have all shown strong trend growth in each of these months, while Food retailing has had strong growth in the last six months. Department stores and Other retailing had moderate to strong growth in this period.



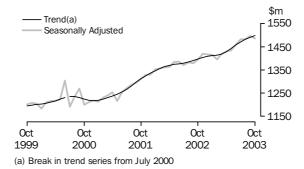
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

The trend has shown weak growth in the last two months after having been flat or in decline for the previous three months. Food retailing, Recreational good retailing and Other retailing were flat or in decline in October 2003. All other industries showed moderate growth.



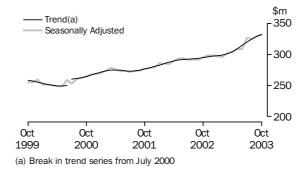
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

The trend growth has slowed to moderate in the last two months after four months of strong growth. The trend growth for Household good retailing has been strong since October 2002. Clothing and soft good retailing and Hospitality and services had moderate growth in October 2003 after five months of strong growth. Food retailing has been flat for the last two months.



TASMANIA

The trend growth has been strong over the last seven months. Household good retailing, Recreational good retailing and Hospitality and services have had strong growth in each of these months, while Food retailing has had strong growth over the last six months. Clothing and soft good retailing has been mostly flat over the last eight months.





RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)

	Food		Clothing and soft good	Household	Recreational	Other	Hospitality	
Month	retailing	Department stores	retailing	good retailing	good retailing	retailing	and services	Tota
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August	5 793.5 5 557.1	1 042.8	862.7 887.0	1 965.3	641.3 585.9	1 399.0 1 389.6	2 440.4 2 353.0	14 144. 13 726.
September October	5 963.7	1 038.1 1 187.7	952.7	1 915.7 2 047.6	579.8	1 474.2	2 390.8	13 720.
November								
	5 965.8 6 580.9	1 470.3	1 003.9	2 128.8 2 574.0	616.9	1 567.7	2 438.4 2 711.4	15 191.
December 2003	6 580.9	2 302.3	1 357.9	2 574.0	883.0	2 103.9	2711.4	18 513.
January	6 094.9	1 079.3	910.0	1 977.4	593.5	1 379.5	2 459.2	14 493.
February	5 449.8	882.1	732.7	1 747.0	526.2	1 298.6	2 206.4	12 842.
March	5 926.7	1 071.2	876.0	1 898.1	554.2	1 383.3	2 444.6	14 154.
April	5 852.2	1 197.7	943.7	1 830.4	538.4	1 427.1	2 382.7	14 172.
May	6 018.9	1 211.1	973.5	1 977.3	555.8	1 522.3	2 453.3	14 712.
June	5 574.1	1 214.1	929.1	2 041.4	543.5	1 436.0	2 311.2	14 049.
July	6 012.8	1 155.9	916.8	2 100.6	615.2	1 526.5	2 513.7	14 841.
August	6 005.8	1 079.9	867.7	2 084.9	626.3	1 547.5	2 603.4	14 815.
September	5 900.5	1 175.0	925.1	2 117.7	618.2	1 581.7	2 532.3	14 850.
October	6 322.9	1 292.0	1 010.8	2 247.7	644.8	1 734.7	2 760.0	16 013.
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August		1 177.7	936.1	1 982.8	639.2	1 432.8	2 394.9	14 321.
September	5 809.2	1 205.2	941.9	1 977.1	623.1	1 438.5	2 389.2	14 384.
October	5 821.7	1 202.3	931.1	1 997.0	591.2	1 438.8	2 360.8	14 342.
November December	5 888.8 5 828.1	1 263.4 1 213.8	957.1 944.9	2 024.8 1 997.4	590.8 612.2	1 477.7 1 459.7	2 395.5 2 390.5	14 598. 14 446.
2003	5 626.1	1 213.8	944.9	1 997.4	012.2	1 459.7	2 390.5	14 440.
January	5 866.6	1 238.1	926.8	1 979.0	593.5	1 475.1	2 403.1	14 482.1
February	5 901.7	1 242.6	937.2	1 968.6	585.2	1 491.8	2 420.9	14 548.
March	5 944.5	1 257.0	947.3	2 002.2	578.7	1 495.8	2 447.7	14 673.
April	5 949.7	1 277.1	985.3	2 019.7	586.8	1 530.7	2 465.0	14 814.
May	6 013.7	1 204.6	923.2	2 056.7	585.9	1 545.6	2 500.0	14 829.
June	5 955.4	1 393.0	960.0	2 081.8	596.4	1 547.5	2 443.6	14 977.
July	6 104.1	1 197.1	954.1	2 126.3	630.3	1 584.7	2 524.0	15 120.
August	6 051.3	1 302.2	962.8	2 130.7	642.6	1 610.6	2 567.7	15 267.
September	6 118.4	1 291.0	964.8	2 162.9	640.9	1 633.6	2 575.5	15 387.0
October	6 109.2	1 311.9	981.8	2 170.0	658.3	1 676.5	2 663.1	15 570.8
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August	5 780.9	1 192.4	925.2	1 997.1	612.8	1 427.2	2 384.1	14 319.0
September	5 808.0	1 202.5	933.6	1 995.3	609.3	1 437.2	2 387.5	14 372.4
October	5 828.7 5 844 0	1 213.0	938.8	1 994.0	604.5	1 447.9	2 386.8 2 387.7	14 413.
November December	5 844.9	1 224.8	941.8	1 992.9	598.7	1 457.7 1 467.8		14 450.
	5 861.8	1 232.8	942.8	1 990.8	593.1	1 467.8	2 394.5	14 487.
2003	5 880.2	1 239.9	042.0	1 000 0	E00 4	1 170 0	2 107 9	14 500
January February			943.2	1 989.0	588.1 584.6	1 478.3	2 407.8	14 530. 14 585
February March	5 902.9 5 927.9	1 246.8	944.7 947.1	1 991.2	583.8	1 490.4 1 504.6	2 424.1 2 440.5	14 585. 14 661.
April	5 927.9 5 957.1	1 254.4 1 262.2	947.1 949.6	2 002.2 2 023.2	583.8 586.5	1 504.6 1 520.6	2 440.5 2 456.0	14 661. 14 755.
May	5 957.1 5 988.2	1 262.2	949.8 952.2	2 023.2 2 052.3	586.5 593.8	1 520.6	2 456.0 2 473.6	14 755. 14 869.
June			952.2 955.0					14 869. 14 995.
	6 018.0 6 046 2	1 276.1		2 083.4	605.9 619.9	1 561.7	2 496.1	
July	6 046.2 6 073.6	1 281.7 1 287.5	957.8 961.9	2 111.4 2 135.7	619.9 633.5	1 585.4 1 610.4	2 523.8 2 555.9	15 125. 15 258
August September			961.9 966.6		646.4			15 258.
September	6 099.1	1 293.3 1 298.8	966.6 970.6	2 156.0 2 172.0	658.3	1 635.9 1 659.7	2 590.1 2 624.9	15 390. 15 515.
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(a) See paragraph 5 of the Explanatory Notes.

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Month	retailing	stores	retailing	retailing	retailing	retailing	services	То
		ORIGINAL	(% chang	e from p	receding r	nonth)		
2002								
August	2.8	-1.0	-0.6	0.9	8.4	3.5	2.5	2
September	-4.1	-0.4	2.8	-2.5	-8.6	-0.7	-3.6	-3
October	7.3	14.4	7.4	6.9	-1.0	6.1	1.6	(
November	0.0	23.8	5.4	4.0	6.4	6.3	2.0	
December	10.3	56.6	35.3	20.9	43.1	34.2	11.2	2
2003								
January	-7.4	-53.1	-33.0	-23.2	-32.8	-34.4	-9.3	-2
February	-10.6	-18.3	-19.5	-11.7	-11.3	-5.9	-10.3	-1
March	8.8	21.4	19.6	8.6	5.3	6.5	10.8	10
April	-1.3	11.8	7.7	-3.6	-2.9	3.2	-2.5	(
May	2.8	1.1	3.2	8.0	3.2	6.7	3.0	:
June	-7.4	0.2	-4.6	3.2	-2.2	-5.7	-5.8	
July	7.9	-4.8	-1.3	2.9	13.2	6.3	8.8	ļ
August	-0.1	-6.6	-5.4	-0.7	1.8	1.4	3.6	_(
September	-1.8	8.8	6.6	1.6	-1.3	2.2	-2.7	(
October	7.2	10.0	9.3	6.1	4.3	9.7	9.0	
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2002	0.0	C 4	2.0	0.4	4.0	4 5	0.0	
August	-0.8	6.4	3.6	0.4	4.6	1.5	-0.2	
September	0.9	2.3	0.6	-0.3	-2.5	0.4	-0.2	
October	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	1.0	-5.1	0.0	-1.2	_0
November	1.2	5.1	2.8	1.4	-0.1	2.7	1.5	
December	-1.0	-3.9	-1.3	-1.4	3.6	-1.2	-0.2	-3
2003								
January	0.7	2.0	-1.9	-0.9	-3.0	1.1	0.5	
February	0.6	0.4	1.1	-0.5	-1.4	1.1	0.7	
March	0.7	1.2	1.1	1.7	-1.1	0.3	1.1	
April	0.1	1.6	4.0	0.9	1.4	2.3	0.7	:
May	1.1	-5.7	-6.3	1.8	-0.2	1.0	1.4	(
June	-1.0	15.6	4.0	1.2	1.8	0.1	-2.3	:
July	2.5	-14.1	-0.6	2.1	5.7	2.4	3.3	:
August	-0.9	8.8	0.9	0.2	1.9	1.6	1.7	
September	1.1	-0.9	0.2	1.5	-0.3	1.4	0.3	(
October	-0.2	1.6	1.8	0.3	2.7	2.6	3.4	:
	TR	END ESTIM	ATES (% cl	nange fro	m preced	ing month	1)	
2002								
August	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.1	-0.3	0.6	0.5	(
September	0.5	0.8	0.9	-0.1	-0.6	0.7	0.1	(
October	0.4	0.9	0.6	-0.1	-0.8	0.7	0.0	(
November	0.3	1.0	0.3	-0.1	-1.0	0.7	0.0	
December	0.3	0.7	0.1	-0.1	-0.9	0.7	0.3	
2003								
January	0.3	0.6	0.0	-0.1	-0.8	0.7	0.6	
February	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.1	-0.6	0.8	0.7	
March	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.6	-0.1	0.9	0.7	
April	0.5	0.6	0.3	1.0	0.5	1.1	0.6	
May	0.5	0.6	0.3	1.4	1.3	1.1	0.0	
June	0.5	0.5	0.3	1.4	2.0	1.3	0.9	
	0.5			1.5 1.3				
July		0.4 0.5	0.3 0.4	1.3 1.1	2.3	1.5	1.1	
August		0.5	0.4	1.1	2.2	1.6	1.3	
August	0.5				0.0	4.0	4.0	
August September October	0.5 0.4 0.4	0.5 0.4	0.5 0.4	1.0 0.7	2.0 1.8	1.6 1.5	1.3 1.3	

(a) See paragraph 5 of the Explanatory Notes.

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

FOOD RE	TAILING							HOUSEHO	LD GOOD F	RETAILING	
Super- markets & grocery stores	Take- away food retailing	Other food retailing	Total	Depart- ment stores	•	•	Total	Furniture & floor covering retailing	Domestic hardware & house- ware retailing	Domestic appliance & recorded music retailing	Tot
				\$	MILLION						
4 338.3	609.2	1 016.1	5 963.7	1 187.7	667.3	285.4	952.7	486.3	635.8	925.5	2 047
4 335.0			5 965.8	1 470.3	713.6	290.3	1 003.9	496.7	667.6	964.5	2 128
4 652.8	642.2	1 285.8	6 580.9	2 302.3	997.0	360.9	1 357.9	502.3	737.4	1 334.2	2 574
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4 025.1	528.1	896.5	5 449.8	882.1	514.9	217.8	732.7	416.2	534.0	796.8	1 747
4 380.8	583.3	962.6	5 926.7	1 071.2	624.2	251.8	876.0	457.4	597.6	843.1	1 898
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RETAIL TURNOVER, By Sub-Group(a): **Original** continued

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November	370.4	246.5	616.9	617.7	950.0	1 567.7	1 361.9	838.6	237.9	2 438.4	15 191.8
December	483.1	400.0	883.0	736.2	1 367.7	2 103.9	1 505.2	936.3	269.9	2 711.4	18 513.5
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January	380.9	212.5	593.5	598.2	781.3	1 379.5	1 373.1	841.5	244.6	2 459.2	14 493.9
February	352.1	174.1	526.2	557.8	740.8	1 298.6	1 230.2	766.6	209.6	2 206.4	12 842.8
March	366.6	187.6	554.2	609.3	774.0	1 383.3	1 366.0	850.7	227.9	2 444.6	14 154.1
April	338.7	199.7	538.4	632.4	794.7	1 427.1	1 350.1	826.4	206.1	2 382.7	14 172.2
May	362.6	193.2	555.8	677.3	845.0	1 522.3	1 364.9	869.4	219.0	2 453.3	14 712.2
June	347.1	196.4	543.5	641.8	794.2	1 436.0	1 319.3	792.2	199.7	2 311.2	14 049.3
July	406.1	209.1	615.2	697.6	828.9	1 526.5	1 398.5	882.4	232.8	2 513.7	14 841.4
August	422.2	204.1	626.3	694.1	853.4	1 547.5	1 442.8	926.7	233.8	2 603.4	14 815.5
September	410.9	207.2	618.2	695.1	886.6	1 581.7	1 392.4	916.4	223.4	2 532.3	14 850.5
October	416.5	228.4	644.8	772.8	961.9	1 734.7		1 023.2	239.1	2 760.0	16 013.0
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			% C	HANGE F	ROM P	RECEDIN	IG MONTH	1			
2002											
October	-3.7	4.2	-1.0	-0.2	11.0	6.1	-0.4	2.3	11.6	1.6	6.3
November	-0.3	18.4	6.4	1.2	10.0	6.3	1.7	3.4	-1.2	2.0	4.1
December	30.4	62.3	43.1	19.2	44.0	34.2	10.5	11.6	13.4	11.2	21.9
2003	0011	02.0	1012	1012		0.112	2010		2011		2110
January	-21.1	-46.9	-32.8	-18.7	-42.9	-34.4	-8.8	-10.1	-9.4	-9.3	-21.7
February	-7.6	-18.1	-11.3	-6.8	-5.2	-5.9	-10.4	-8.9	-14.3	-10.3	-11.4
March	4.1	7.8	5.3	9.2	4.5	6.5	11.0	11.0	8.7	10.8	10.2
April	-7.6	6.4	-2.9	3.8	2.7	3.2	-1.2	-2.9	-9.6	-2.5	0.1
May	7.1	-3.3	3.2	7.1	6.3	6.7	1.1	5.2	-5.0	3.0	3.8
-											
June	-4.3	1.7	-2.2	-5.2	-6.0	-5.7	-3.3	-8.9	-8.8	-5.8	-4.5
July	17.0	6.5	13.2	8.7	4.4	6.3	6.0	11.4	16.6	8.8	5.6
August	4.0	-2.4	1.8	-0.5	3.0	1.4	3.2	5.0	0.4	3.6	-0.2
September	-2.7	1.5 10.2	-1.3	0.1	3.9	2.2	–3.5 7.6	-1.1	-4.4	-2.7	0.2 7.8
October	1.3	10.2	4.3	11.2	8.5	9.7	7.0	11.6	7.0	9.0	1.8
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2002	70	211/11/0		CONNEO					- IE////		
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October	6.4	6.3	6.4	3.1	7.4	5.6	4.8	1.2	25.9	5.3	7.5
November	3.3	7.0	4.8	2.8	7.7	5.7	6.1	3.8	20.8	6.6	7.5
December	11.0	6.7	9.0	4.8	6.2	5.7	6.3	6.9	20.7	7.8	6.1
2003											
January	3.4	2.3	3.0	13.9	4.0	8.1	8.8	11.2	17.8	10.5	6.4
February	-1.5	0.5	-0.9	10.8	6.0	8.0	5.1	8.3	11.4	6.8	5.7
March	-4.6	-8.4	-5.9	12.4	1.1	5.8	6.2	9.2	14.1	7.9	4.4
	-8.4	4.5	-4.0	9.1	8.5	8.8	6.7	8.5	0.5	6.8	6.8
April	-6.0	-0.5	-4.1	9.0	7.1	7.9	6.2	11.4	1.0	7.5	4.9
April May		3.0	-0.6	11.4	11.9	11.7	5.2	6.5	-5.9	4.6	5.2
May	-2.5				15.5	12.9	2.9	10.2	5.0	5.6	7.3
May June	-2.5 2.8	6.5	4.0	9.9					0.0	0.0	1.0
May June July	2.8	6.5 _1 9	4.0	9.9 10 5					2 /	67	17
May June July August	2.8 –2.5	-1.9	-2.3	10.5	10.7	10.6	5.0	10.4	3.4 3.5	6.7 7.6	
May June July	2.8								3.4 3.5 –0.7	6.7 7.6 15.4	4.7 8.2 9.7

(a) See paragraph 5 of Explanatory Notes.



RETAIL TURNOVER, By State

South South Western Northe Month Wales Victoria Queensland Australia Australia Tasmania Territ ORIGINAL (\$ million)	
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2002	
August 4 938.2 3 328.4 2 705.4 1 067.4 1 361.2 281.0 164	1.9 298.4 14.1
September 4 820.0 3 219.2 2 667.5 1 029.2 1 282.2 269.6 152	
October 5 082.3 3 407.1 2 813.5 1 093.4 1 442.0 297.9 153	3.2 306.9 14 5
November 5 298.1 3 582.2 2 882.5 1 151.9 1 490.7 313.1 150).7 322.7 15.1
December 6 468.0 4 435.2 3 467.6 1 385.9 1 823.0 387.9 162	2.7 383.1 18 5
2003	
January 5 036.9 3 407.3 2 829.6 1 085.2 1 412.3 299.5 135	
February 4 487.8 3 053.1 2 425.3 955.2 1 251.2 270.6 125	
March 4 928.0 3 390.8 2 657.3 1 061.8 1 372.9 296.8 139	
April 4 936.9 3 346.2 2 698.8 1 075.3 1 371.8 298.6 140	
May 5 092.5 3 486.0 2 814.6 1 108.5 1 434.6 307.4 152	
June 4 868.4 3 325.7 2 718.8 1 044.9 1 343.6 287.7 152	
July 5 061.1 3 518.1 2 946.4 1 082.8 1 443.0 309.9 169 August 5 113.0 3 465.1 2 951.7 1 063.6 1 434.7 307.0 169	
September 5 162.0 3 450.9 2 989.3 1 057.8 1 414.1 309.8 159 October 5 515.8 3 772.0 3 210.3 1 169.5 1 530.4 337.0 164	
October 5 515.8 5 112.0 5 210.5 1 103.5 1 550.4 551.0 10-	4.9 515.2 100
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SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million)	
2002	
August 5 003.1 3 404.0 2 710.0 1 078.2 1 382.5 292.3 148	3.8 302.9 14.3
September 5 008.4 3 410.0 2 759.0 1 082.8 1 379.5 291.3 150	
October 5 016.2 3 366.3 2 743.3 1 074.1 1 394.6 295.9 146	
November 5 122.6 3 424.9 2 789.6 1 086.8 1 419.5 299.1 148	3.2 307.6 145
December 5 038.2 3 403.9 2 757.9 1 084.1 1 416.8 298.9 147	7.7 299.0 14.4
2003	
January 5 026.0 3 426.0 2 774.8 1 089.6 1 414.6 297.0 148	9.3 304.8 14.4
February 5 078.8 3 456.7 2 767.2 1 091.9 1 395.8 296.4 149	9.9 311.4 14 5
March 5 107.8 3 489.6 2 796.9 1 093.5 1 418.8 302.6 150	
April 5 158.9 3 501.2 2 834.7 1 121.9 1 430.3 304.5 145	
May 5 120.7 3 528.9 2 856.2 1 114.6 1 435.1 309.0 150	
June 5 182.0 3 532.9 2 891.1 1 127.5 1 456.9 308.3 152	
July 5 187.1 3 594.5 2 964.1 1 101.7 1 481.9 327.0 155	
August 5 285.6 3 603.4 3 009.2 1 088.2 1 482.0 324.8 155 Soutember 5 007.6 2 007.4 2 056.4 4 404.0 2 400.0 220.0 455	
September 5 297.6 3 627.4 3 056.1 1 104.9 1 496.0 330.0 155 October 5 370.0 3 666.2 3 109.2 1 138.3 1 486.0 332.2 157	
OCIDER 5570.0 5000.2 5109.2 1158.5 1460.0 552.2 15	.4 511.0 155
TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million)	
2002	
August 4 994.7 3 397.6 2 726.9 1 073.5 1 384.0 293.4 145	9.3 303.5 143
September 5 018.5 3 398.0 2 743.2 1 078.2 1 390.4 294.2 148	
October 5 035.1 3 399.0 2 755.0 1 081.1 1 397.5 295.1 148	
November 5 048.2 3 404.3 2 762.4 1 083.1 1 404.0 296.2 148	
December 5 058.5 3 415.9 2 767.6 1 085.3 1 408.8 297.3 148	
2003	
January 5 069.0 3 433.2 2 772.9 1 089.6 1 411.4 298.2 148	3.8 306.6 14 5
February 5 081.6 3 454.2 2 782.2 1 096.5 1 413.7 299.2 145	9.2 309.2 14 5
March 5 098.5 3 477.8 2 799.0 1 104.1 1 418.7 301.2 148	9.7 312.0 14 6
April 5 120.3 3 502.0 2 825.7 1 109.3 1 428.2 304.5 150	
May 5 149.2 3 526.9 2 862.9 1 111.3 1 441.9 309.2 152	
June 5 182.8 3 552.8 2 908.0 1 110.9 1 457.0 314.6 152	
July 5 219.4 3 579.0 2 956.3 1 109.8 1 470.4 320.0 153	
August 5 260.1 3 605.2 3 004.9 1 109.7 1 481.5 324.9 154	
September 5 302.1 3 629.4 3 052.5 1 111.2 1 490.7 329.1 156	
October 5 343.1 3 650.1 3 097.8 1 112.6 1 498.6 332.6 157	7.2 316.0 15 5



RETAIL TURNOVER PERCENTAGE CHANGE, By State

Month	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •		IGINAL (%			ding mon			
		UN	IGINAL (%	change h	om piece	ung mon	(11)		
2002	2.7	0.8	1.7	3.5	4.1	3.2	2.0	4.5	2.3
August September	-2.4	-3.3	1.7 -1.4	3.5 –3.6	4.1 -5.8	3.2 -4.1	2.0 -7.8	4.5 -4.0	2.3 -3.0
October	5.4	-5.8	5.5	6.2	-3.8 12.5	10.5	0.7	-4.0	6.3
November	4.2	5.1	2.5	5.3	3.4	5.1	-1.6	5.1	4.1
December	22.1	23.8	20.3	20.3	22.3	23.9	8.0	18.7	21.9
2003									
January	-22.1	-23.2	-18.4	-21.7	-22.5	-22.8	-16.9	-24.8	-21.7
February	-10.9	-10.4	-14.3	-12.0	-11.4	-9.6	-7.3	-4.7	-11.4
March	9.8	11.1	9.6	11.2	9.7	9.7	11.6	11.7	10.2
April	0.2	-1.3	1.6	1.3	-0.1	0.6	0.7	-0.9	0.1
May	3.2	4.2	4.3	3.1	4.6	2.9	8.5	4.0	3.8
June	-4.4	-4.6	-3.4	-5.7	-6.3	-6.4	-0.7	-2.3	-4.5
July	4.0	5.8	8.4	3.6	7.4	7.7	11.5	0.8	5.6
August	1.0	-1.5	0.2	-1.8	-0.6	-0.9	0.3	0.0	-0.2
September	1.0	-0.4	1.3	-0.5	-1.4	0.9	-6.1	-1.1	0.2
October	6.9	9.3	7.4	10.6	8.2	8.8	3.6	1.9	7.8
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2002									
August	1.1	0.5	-0.2	1.0	0.9	0.2	-0.5	6.1	0.7
September	0.1	0.0	1.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.3	1.3	-0.2	0.4
October	0.2	-1.3	-0.6	-0.8	1.1	1.6	-2.5	1.1	-0.3
November	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.2	1.8	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.8
December	-1.6	-0.6	-1.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.3	-2.8	-1.0
2003									
January	-0.2	0.7	0.6	0.5	-0.2	-0.6	1.1	1.9	0.2
February	1.1	0.9	-0.3	0.2	-1.3	-0.2	0.4	2.2	0.5
March	0.6	1.0	1.1	0.2	1.7	2.1	0.5	0.6	0.9
April	1.0	0.3	1.3	2.6	0.8	0.6	-1.1	0.2	1.0
May	-0.7	0.8	0.8	-0.7	0.3	1.5	1.3	0.1	0.1
June	1.2	0.1	1.2	1.2	1.5	-0.2	0.6	4.1	1.0
July	0.1	1.7	2.5	-2.3	1.7	6.0	2.1	-5.5	1.0
August	1.9	0.2	1.5	-1.2	0.0	-0.7	0.2	3.3	1.0
September	0.2	0.7	1.6	1.5	0.9	1.6	-0.1	0.1	0.8
October	1.4	1.1	1.7	3.0	-0.7	0.7	1.4	-2.6	1.2
	• • • • • • •	TREND	ESTIMATES	6 (% chan	ge from p	preceding	month)	• • • • • • • • • •	
2002						5			
August	0.6	0.1	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.5
September	0.5	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.5
October	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.3	-0.3 -0.3	0.1	0.4
	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.4	-0.1	0.1	0.3
November	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.3
November December		0.0	0.2	·	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.0
December 2003	0.2								
December	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.3
December 2003	0.2 0.2	0.5 0.6	0.2 0.3	0.6	0.2	0.3 0.4	0.3	0.8	0.3 0.4
December 2003 January February March	0.2 0.2 0.3				0.2 0.4		0.3 0.4	0.8 0.9	
December 2003 January February	0.2 0.2	0.6 0.7 0.7	0.3 0.6 1.0	0.6	0.2 0.4 0.7	0.4 0.6 1.1	0.3 0.4 0.5	0.8	0.4 0.5 0.6
December 2003 January February March April May	0.2 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.6	0.6 0.7 0.7 0.7	0.3 0.6 1.0 1.3	0.6 0.7 0.5 0.2	0.2 0.4 0.7 1.0	0.4 0.6 1.1 1.5	0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6	0.8 0.9 0.9 0.6	0.4 0.5 0.6 0.8
December 2003 January February March April May June	0.2 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.6 0.7	0.6 0.7 0.7 0.7 0.7	0.3 0.6 1.0 1.3 1.6	0.6 0.7 0.5 0.2 0.0	0.2 0.4 0.7 1.0 1.0	0.4 0.6 1.1 1.5 1.8	0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7	0.8 0.9 0.9 0.6 0.3	0.4 0.5 0.6 0.8 0.9
December 2003 January February March April May June July	0.2 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.6 0.7 0.7	0.6 0.7 0.7 0.7 0.7 0.7	0.3 0.6 1.0 1.3 1.6 1.7	0.6 0.7 0.5 0.2 0.0 -0.1	0.2 0.4 0.7 1.0 1.0 0.9	0.4 0.6 1.1 1.5 1.8 1.7	0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8	0.8 0.9 0.6 0.3 0.0	0.4 0.5 0.6 0.8 0.9 0.9
December 2003 January February March April May June July August	0.2 0.3 0.4 0.6 0.7 0.7 0.8	0.6 0.7 0.7 0.7 0.7 0.7 0.7	0.3 0.6 1.0 1.3 1.6 1.7 1.6	0.6 0.7 0.5 0.2 0.0 -0.1 0.0	0.2 0.4 0.7 1.0 1.0 0.9 0.8	0.4 0.6 1.1 1.5 1.8 1.7 1.5	0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.8	0.8 0.9 0.6 0.3 0.0 -0.1	0.4 0.5 0.6 0.8 0.9 0.9 0.9
December 2003 January February March April May June July	0.2 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.6 0.7 0.7	0.6 0.7 0.7 0.7 0.7 0.7	0.3 0.6 1.0 1.3 1.6 1.7	0.6 0.7 0.5 0.2 0.0 -0.1	0.2 0.4 0.7 1.0 1.0 0.9	0.4 0.6 1.1 1.5 1.8 1.7	0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8	0.8 0.9 0.6 0.3 0.0	0.4 0.5 0.6 0.8 0.9 0.9

	F '	Denestrees	Clothing and	Household	Recreational	044	Hospitality	
Month	Food retailing	Department stores	soft good retailing	good retailing	good retailing	Other retailing	and services	To
			ORIG	INAL (\$ r	nillion)			
2002								
August	1 908.7	367.2	292.7	630.7	223.5	499.8	1 015.7	4 938
September	1 849.5	364.5	304.0	611.7	197.2	504.2	989.1	4 820
October	1 980.8	417.2	329.1	647.2	186.6	513.6	1 007.8	5 082
November	1 971.9	507.9	345.1	685.1	210.8	564.0	1 013.3	5 298
December	2 196.9	801.2	483.1	830.0	283.5	758.4	1 114.8	6 468
2003								
January	2 022.5	369.8	319.4	629.2	189.5	472.8	1 033.7	5 036
February	1 807.1	301.2	251.4	559.4	176.2	461.6	930.9	4 487
March	1 964.5	365.2	297.4	606.4	193.4	477.1	1 024.1	4 928
April	1 925.8	417.9	319.6	587.4	181.3	502.6	1 002.4	4 936
May	1 965.3	415.3	327.9	637.8	184.9	537.1	1 024.0	5 092
June	1 833.0	410.0	310.3	649.5	187.9	515.6	962.2	4 868
July	1 960.4	387.7	305.3	657.7	221.0	528.5	1 000.5	5 061
August	1967.3	368.3	289.9	660.1	^ 227.0	533.4	1 067.1	5 113
September	1 943.1	412.9	313.4	668.8	^ 226.7	558.4	1 038.7	5 162
October	2 092.9	442.1	337.6	720.7	^ 222.0	605.3	1 095.2	5 515
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		SI	EASONALL	Y ADJUST	ED (\$ millio	on)		
2002								
August	1 909.3	409.7	324.3	632.8	220.2	515.0	991.7	5 003
September	1 927.6	418.8	318.1	634.3	201.4	515.0	993.3	5 008
October	1 919.1	419.9	324.2	636.3	198.0	513.2	1 005.4	5 016
November	1 952.0	441.3	331.8	655.7	205.1	534.5	1 002.2	5 122
December	1 934.6	416.2	322.6	639.5	202.3	514.7	1 008.3	5 038
2003								
January	1 948.7	424.5	323.9	627.4	194.6	503.8	1 003.2	5 026
February	1 953.8	427.8	320.8	634.7	194.2	526.9	1 020.7	5 078
March	1 968.2	437.1	327.6	645.1	191.0	522.8	1 016.1	5 107
April	1 962.8	451.6	325.2	648.8	194.9	538.9	1 036.8	5 158
May	1 973.4	399.9	315.4	659.2	198.6	544.0	1 030.2	5 120
June	1 948.0	487.6	331.2	656.5	203.1	549.3	1 006.3	5 182
July	2 003.5	400.8	321.4	664.3	221.5	559.3	1 016.2	5 18
August	2 008.8	442.2	319.3	671.3	229.4	560.8	1 053.7	5 285
September	1 999.6	443.3	325.4	683.4	227.8	569.1	1 048.9	5 297
October	2 009.4	446.1	325.8	700.0	233.5	593.3	1 061.8	5 370
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			TREND ES	STIMATES	(\$ million)			
2002	1 000 0	11E 0	210 7	600.0	202.0	510.0		4.004
August Sontombor	1 920.2	415.3	318.7	632.8	203.8	510.2	998.5	4 994
September	1 923.9	418.3	321.7	638.2	201.4	514.6	998.4	5 018
October	1 929.0	420.9	323.8	640.7	199.1	517.3	999.0	5 035
November	1 935.5	424.2	325.1	640.7	197.1	518.0	1 002.0	5 048
December 2003	1 943.1	426.5	325.3	639.2	195.3	518.0	1 006.8	5 058
January	1 949.6	428.7	324.8	638.5	193.6	518.8	1 012.4	5 069
February	1 954.6	431.0	324.2	639.6	192.5	521.7	1 016.7	5 081
March	1 958.7	433.4	323.7	642.5	192.0	527.1	1 019.6	5 098
April	1 963.7	435.3	323.3	647.0	195.9	534.1	1 021.3	5 120
May	1 970.2	436.6	323.2	653.2	201.3	542.1	1 023.1	5 14
June	1 978.2	437.1	323.2	660.2	201.5	550.1	1 026.2	5 18
July	1 978.2	437.1	323.2	667.2	208.5	557.7	1 020.2	5 219
August	1 996.1	437.4	323.1	674.8	210.2	565.7	1 031.4	5 21
0	2 004.0	438.4 439.8	323.3 323.6	674.8 682.4	223.4 229.5		1 038.5	5 200
Santombor		4398	37.3.0	002.4	229.0	573.6	1 040.0	5 30.
September October	2 004.0	441.4	324.3	689.4	234.3	580.1	1 053.3	5 34

estimate has a relative standard error of 10% to less than
 (a) See paragraph 5 of the Explanatory Notes.

25% and should be used with caution

	Food	Department	Clothing and soft good	Household good	Recreational good	Other	Hospitality and	
Month	retailing	stores	retailing	retailing	retailing	retailing	services	То
	• • • • • • •			NAL (\$ m				• • • • • •
2002			URIGI	NAL (\$ II	1111011)			
August	1 412.8	246.4	230.6	496.2	^ 154.6	319.8	468.1	3 328
0	1 365.1	240.4 247.3	230.0	490.2	138.1	319.8	436.0	3 219
September October								3 407
	1 460.6	285.3	252.2	514.0	141.3	334.5	419.2	
November	1 483.9	364.2	265.6	536.2	147.2	350.6	434.4	3 582
December 2003	1 625.2	580.8	341.3	674.6	230.2	483.2	500.0	4 435
January	1 506.9	264.7	209.2	502.8	^ 139.0	310.9	473.7	3 407
February								
-	1 355.4	219.5	190.8	446.1	120.9	306.1	414.2	3 053
March	1 465.0	272.5	240.0	486.3	124.5	333.6	469.0	3 390
April	1 440.5	297.0	257.7	473.0	128.0	306.9	443.1	3 346
May	1 481.6	304.8	263.5	512.7	130.6	^ 337.0	456.0	3 486
June	1 375.4	313.5	246.8	527.2	120.5	^ 311.0	431.2	3 32
July	1 479.7	282.1	231.4	530.8	122.8	377.2	494.1	3 51
August	1 471.6	264.1	224.4	504.2	125.4	381.6	493.9	3 46
September	1 445.6	278.0	230.1	517.2	123.3	385.1	471.5	3 450
October	1 530.4	317.4	260.2	540.0	135.0	452.4	536.6	3 77
		SE	EASONALLY	ADJUSTE	ED (\$ millio	n)		
002								
August	1 405.1	290.7	255.1	514.4	157.0	324.8	457.0	3 40
September	1 427.8	290.6	256.1	503.8	146.7	330.7	454.3	3 41
October	1 436.0	291.6	249.8	505.6	146.8	319.2	417.3	3 36
November	1 443.6	321.2	250.4	503.2	139.1	332.6	434.7	3 42
December	1 430.9	298.2	240.6	516.1	148.0	323.9	446.1	3 40
2003	1 400.0	200.2	240.0	510.1	140.0	020.0	440.1	0 +0
January	1 445.6	306.5	224.1	504.5	132.9	346.6	465.9	3 42
February	1 462.0	308.7	243.4	504.3	140.1	351.5	449.8	3 45
-								
March	1 458.5	314.1	247.2	523.9	136.6	351.2	458.1	3 48
April	1 490.9	309.2	252.7	510.9	145.8	338.1	453.6	3 50
May	1 492.0	310.5	251.0	527.3	137.4	347.2	463.5	3 52
June	1 475.8	341.2	250.5	529.8	134.0	344.7	456.9	3 53
July	1 504.1	297.0	247.7	541.4	130.1	386.6	487.6	3 59
August	1 489.5	322.2	251.1	528.6	131.4	395.6	485.0	3 60
September	1 502.5	316.1	248.6	536.5	127.4	401.4	495.1	3 62
October	1 477.0	325.5	253.0	527.0	138.3	433.2	512.1	3 66
			TREND ES	TIMATES	(\$ million)			
002								
August	1 424.1	294.4	251.4	515.5	149.8	323.3	453.5	3 39
September	1 430.7	295.7	251.6	509.8	148.9	324.0	453.2	3 398
October	1 434.7	298.5	249.2	506.4	146.7	326.3	(b)437.5	3 399
November	1 437.5	302.1	245.4	505.2	143.7	330.4	439.6	3 40
December	1 441.9	305.0	241.8	505.8	141.2	335.5	443.9	3 41
2003								
January	1 448.8	307.6	240.1	507.5	139.9	339.5	449.2	3 43
February	1 458.1	309.8	241.1	510.3	139.5	342.1	453.6	3 45
March	1 468.1	311.8	244.1	514.3	139.3	344.1	456.4	3 47
April	1 477.9	313.7	247.5	519.4	138.4	346.5	458.6	3 50
	1 485.8	315.5	249.9	524.8	136.8	351.9	462.2	3 52
	1 490.4	316.8	249.9 250.7	529.3	134.9	361.8	468.9	3 55
May		210.0			134.9	301.8	408.9	3 55
May June		347 E						
May June July	1 492.4	317.5	250.4	532.1				
May June July August	1 492.4 1 492.9	318.4	250.2	533.4	131.8	391.2	487.3	3 60
May June July	1 492.4							3 60 3 62 3 65

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 (b) Break in series. See the 'Trend Estimates' section of the 25% and should be used with caution

Explanatory Notes.

(a) See paragraph 5 of the Explanatory Notes.

RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)-Queensland

	Food	Department	Clothing and soft good	Household good	Recreational good	Other	Hospitality and	
Month	retailing	stores	retailing	retailing	retailing	retailing	services	To
	• • • • • • •		ORIGI	NAL (\$ m	nillion)	• • • • • • • • •		• • • • • •
2002					,			
August	1 095.1	183.0	162.8	422.2	122.5	246.8	472.9	2 70
September	1 048.5	186.3	177.2	424.5	^ 124.0	245.5	461.3	2 66
October	1 110.9	204.3	184.4	424.3	^ 120.4	299.0	470.2	2 81
November	1 090.4	247.9	191.2	434.1	121.3	307.7	489.9	2 88
December	1 184.4	384.9	260.4	512.1	168.7	419.4	537.7	3 46
2003	1 104.4	004.0	200.4	512.1	100.1	410.4	331.1	0 +0
January	1 141.8	188.5	200.9	398.1	^ 121.4	304.7	474.1	2 82
February	1 002.3	149.7	141.8	346.9	^ 98.8	257.9	427.8	2 42
March	1 096.1	175.5	162.0	373.6	^ 102.2	282.2	465.5	2 65
April	1 098.1	198.1	177.0	350.1	^ 101.4	308.5	465.6	2 69
May	1 143.0	202.2	181.9	372.5	^ 107.1	313.1	494.8	2 81
June	1 054.2	202.2	179.8	404.7	^ 107.9	304.0	466.4	2 71
July	1 156.6	201.8	189.9	428.1	125.8	319.5	521.8	2 94
August	1 156.0	204.8 192.6	189.9	420.1	^ 126.1	319.5	521.8 541.8	2 94 2 95
September	1 144.9						524.5	
October		216.8	203.4	447.1	^ 129.5 ^ 141.0	323.0		2 98
October	1 231.7	229.6	210.8	453.0	141.0	340.7	603.4	3 21
		SE	ASONALLY	ADJUSTE	ED (\$ millio	n)		
						,		
2002								
August	1 080.2	201.8	174.0	419.9	122.9	251.7	459.5	2 71
September	1 083.5	198.7	172.1	434.3	130.4	265.3	474.8	2 75
October	1 089.2	202.5	174.2	418.2	116.9	288.2	454.1	2 74
November	1 094.5	218.6	183.7	416.2	118.7	288.1	469.9	2 78
December	1 083.1	205.6	182.4	403.8	118.3	297.0	467.7	2 75
2003								
January	1 092.8	207.5	186.6	383.9	115.0	324.9	464.1	2 77
February	1 094.0	211.1	182.0	388.3	111.1	302.1	478.5	2 76
March	1 100.0	214.1	193.2	389.1	108.8	308.3	483.5	2 79
April	1 112.4	218.5	190.9	391.6	112.8	322.5	486.0	2 83
May	1 128.2	212.6	188.3	395.1	114.8	315.3	501.7	2 85
June	1 117.9	224.1	191.5	417.6	119.7	321.9	498.4	2 89
July	1 153.2	214.2	194.3	430.0	128.7	324.8	518.8	2 96
August	1 159.9	221.6	191.3	438.8	131.6	335.5	530.6	3 00
September	1 171.8	225.0	194.8	453.2	133.3	342.8	535.1	3 05
October	1 195.7	229.3	195.7	442.8	138.0	333.3	574.4	3 10
000000	1 10011	22010	10011		10010	00010	0.111	0 10
			TREND ES	TIMATES	(\$ million)			
2002								
August	1 094 2	200 F	170 6	101 0	100 0	060 N	463.3	2 72
0	1 084.3	200.5	170.6	424.9	123.3	263.4		
September	1 086.3	202.5	173.3	423.8	122.4	270.4	464.9	2 74
October	1 087.4	204.8	176.5	418.9	121.0	280.0	465.3	2 75
November	1 087.9	207.2	179.8	411.4	119.1	290.3	465.8	2 76
December	1 089.3	209.1	182.8	402.3	116.5	299.8	467.3	2 76
2003								
January	1 091.9	210.7	185.2	393.9	113.8	306.9	470.5	2 77
February	1 096.1	212.1	187.2	388.5	111.8	311.2	475.3	2 78
March	1 102.1	213.5	188.7	388.1	111.5	313.6	481.4	2 79
April	1 110.3	215.0	189.9	393.3	113.0	316.0	488.2	2 82
May	1 120.9	216.6	190.8	403.0	116.2	319.1	496.4	2 86
June	1 133.3	218.3	191.7	414.8	120.9	323.2	506.5	2 90
July	1 146.7	220.0	192.5	426.3	125.7	328.0	518.0	2 95
August	1 160.3	222.0	193.3	436.4	130.2	332.2	530.6	3 00
September	1 173.2	224.1	194.0	444.8	134.1	335.7	543.2	3 05
October	1 184.1	226.0	195.0	451.1	137.1	338.1	554.6	3 09

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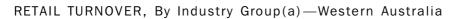
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RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—South Australia

Clothing and Household Recreational Hospitality Food Department soft good Other good and good retailing stores retailing retailing retailing retailing services Total Month ORIGINAL (\$ million) 2002 August 458.9 88.7 50.9 128.4 31.4 122.9 186.3 1 067.4 87.0 September 429.7 51.9 127.9 30.0 119.7 183.1 1 029.2 October 463.4 59.0 140.7 ^ 32.5 118.1 97.8 181.9 1 093.4 November 464.6 125.9 64.2 149.6 33.2 127.0 187.4 1 151.9 December 517.5 190.7 84.6 177.4 51.2 151.9 212.6 1 385.9 2003 466.1 91.6 59.6 133.4 108.1 192.4 1 085.2 January 34.1 February 419.2 73.8 47.4 114.5 31.5 102.2 166.6 955.2 124.4 March 454.1 94.5 59.2 36.0 108.4 185.2 1 061.8 April 459.1 100.7 63.3 122.6 33.0 117.6 179.1 1 075.3 469.3 ^ 34.3 Mav 103.9 66.1 129.6 125.9 179.4 1 108.5 ^ 31.6 June 429.3 103.5 62.6 133.7 116.4 167.9 1 044.9 July 457.2 102.2 58.2 133.9 35.2 113.2 182.9 1 082.8 54.2 August 454.0 90.5 136.8 32.0 111.2 184.9 1 063.6 September 438.9 94.0 54.9 134.9 ^ 32.4 115.5 187.2 1 057.8 ^ 36.7 October 485.1 108.1 1 169.5 68.8 144.3 124.5 202.0 SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (\$ million) 2002 448.6 99.8 55.6 128.6 32.8 126.4 186.5 1078.2 August 133.5 September 452.9 101.3 56.1 31.7 121.3 186.0 1 082.8 October 451.7 103.1 58.5 135.1 32.8 116.4 176.5 1074.1 November 452.0 105.1 59.7 139.1 31.9 119.2 1 086.8 179.7 December 456.8 105.2 61.3 136.4 33.1 112.4 178.9 1 084.1 2003 Januarv 451.5 104.3 62.3 134.5 34.5 116.2 186.4 1 089.6 February 459.4 103.9 63.2 131.4 34.9 117.9 181.1 1 091.9 455.6 60.9 134.9 35.9 March 104.6 115.0 186.5 1 093.5 April 467.4 108.6 63.5 136.3 36.9 122.1 187.1 1 121.9 May 464.2 104.5 63.2 133.0 37.7 125.9 186.2 1 114.6 123.9 June 466.5 117.4 63.1 135.3 36.3 185.0 1 127.5 461.2 July 102.8 59.9 137.5 35.7 118.5 186.1 1 101.7 August 451.6 105.0 59.9 135.5 34.5 115.7 186.0 1 088.2 September 458.9 107.3 59.8 139.3 34.3 188.6 1 104.9 116.7 469.6 66.1 137.2 37.1 194.5 1 138.3 October 113.1 120.7 TREND ESTIMATES (\$ million) 2002 August 449.1 101.2 55.7 134.9 30.6 121.0 181.8 1073.5 September 451.4 102.2 57.0 134.4 31.6 120.3 182.2 1078.2 452.7 181.8 1 081.1 October 103.1 58.3 134.5 32.4 119.0 November 453.3 103.8 59.7 135.0 33.0 117.3 181.3 1 083.1 December 454.0 104.2 60.9 135.4 33.5 115.9 181.2 1 085.3 2003 455.5 104.6 135.2 January 61.9 34.2 115.8 182.2 1 089.6 February 458.0 105.3 62.5 134.6 35.2 117.1 183.7 1 096.5 March 460.6 106.2 62.9 134.2 36.1 119.1 185.1 1 104.1 185.7 April 462.3 106.9 62.7 36.5 1 109.3 134.2 120.8 462.8 107.5 62.3 134.8 121.5 May 36.6 185.8 1 111.3 462.3 June 107.8 61.8 135.6 36.3 121.2 186.1 1 110.9 July 461.4 107.9 136.3 35.9 120.2 186.7 1 109.8 61.5 460.8 108.1 136.9 35.5 119.2 187.8 1 109.7 August 61.4 September 460.9 108.4 61.7 137.4 35.4 118.3 189.0 1 111.2 October 460.9 108.8 62.0 137.9 35.3 117.4 190.4 1 112.6

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			Clothing and	Household	Recreational		Hospitality	
	Food	Department	soft good	good	good	Other	and	
Month	retailing	stores	retailing	retailing	retailing	retailing	services	Tota
•••••				• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • •		• • • • • • • • • • •	
			ORIG	GINAL (\$ m	illion)			
2002								
August	604.1	104.8	83.8	179.1	^ 73.8	^ 130.9	184.7	1 361.
September	568.0	100.3	78.4	170.3	^ 64.6	^ 124.2	176.3	1 282.
October	630.1	122.3	86.9	206.5	^ 67.2	^ 131.1	197.8	1 442.
November	641.3	149.1	91.5	207.1	^ 70.0	^ 134.5	197.1	1 490.
December	719.2	231.1	127.3	240.9	^ 100.0	182.8	221.7	1 823.
2003								
January	648.1	109.9	82.3	201.1	^ 77.1	^ 114.2	179.7	1 412.
February	580.8	90.4	66.3	175.5	^ 65.5	^ 106.9	165.7	1 251.
March	638.6	106.5	75.1	189.2	^ 63.9	^ 112.2	187.3	1 372.
April	620.8	122.4	81.7	184.8	^ 62.8	^ 122.1	177.2	1 371.
Мау	640.0	123.4	89.0	203.2	^ 65.4	^ 135.8	177.7	1 434.
June	586.6	122.6	85.7	202.2	^ 62.0	^ 121.6	162.9	1 343.
July	635.5	119.2	89.8	224.6	^ 71.2	116.3	186.4	1 443.
August	633.4	108.6	83.0	226.0	^ 76.8	117.0	189.8	1 434.
September	615.5	114.8	83.3	222.0	^ 68.0	122.2	188.4	1 414.
October	645.1	130.7	90.7	255.5	^ 72.8	^ 131.4	204.2	1 530.
		SI	EASONALL	Y ADJUSTE	D (\$ millio	on)		
2002								
August	602.8	117.3	88.7	184.1	71.9	133.9	183.8	1 382.
September	607.4	119.5	87.8	181.7	69.8	127.8	185.6	1 379
October	616.8	122.2	86.4	192.8	70.6	122.9	182.8	1 394
November	629.9	130.0	83.7	194.9	67.6	124.1	189.2	1 419.
December	624.7	124.0	87.6	190.7	71.9	131.3	186.6	1 416.
2003	02	12	0.110	10011	1210	10110	10010	
January	626.8	126.9	86.1	198.3	75.8	121.2	179.6	1 414.
February	621.8	122.4	82.9	197.1	71.4	119.6	180.6	1 395
March	636.4	124.8	85.8	199.1	68.8	120.1	183.8	1 418
April	628.6	128.6	85.4	202.7	66.6	132.0	186.4	1 430
May	636.7	120.2	80.7	207.6	69.3	139.1	181.6	1 435.
June	636.1	140.9	86.6	210.4	67.5	134.2	181.1	1 456.
July	648.0	125.9	95.7	224.4	72.6	124.6	190.7	1 481.
August	640.5	128.3	90.1	232.6	74.1	123.5	193.1	1 482.
September	651.0	129.7	90.5	236.9	71.4	123.5	193.0	1 496.
October	630.8	131.3	89.8	243.8	75.7	123.5	191.1	1 486.
			TREND E	STIMATES	(\$ million)			
2002					,			
August	606.1	117.9	88.4	185.1	70.2	132.1	185.7	1 384.
September	611.6	120.5	87.4	185.7	70.3	129.9	187.9	1 390.
October	616.9	120.5	86.6	185.7	70.3	129.9	(b) 182.8	1 390. 1 397.
November	621.4	122.5	86.0	191.0	71.1	124.8	183.9	1 404.
December	624.9	124.7	85.6	193.9	71.4	124.0	184.3	1 404.
2003	024.3	120.4	65.0	193.9	1 1.4	123.1	104.0	± 400.
January	627.1	125.4	85.0	195.9	71.3	123.0	183.9	1 411.
February	628.6	125.3	84.4	197.4	70.7	124.4	183.0	1 413.
March	630.2	125.7	84.3	199.6	69.8	126.8	182.4	1 418.
April	632.8	126.6	84.8	203.1	69.1	129.1	182.7	1 428.
May	636.2	127.8	86.0	208.4	68.9	130.5	184.2	1 441
June	639.3	128.9	87.6	215.0	69.6	130.5	186.2	1 457
July	641.4	129.7	89.2	222.4	70.9	128.9	188.2	1 470
August	642.4	130.0	90.4	229.7	72.3	126.5	190.1	1 481.
	642.4	130.3	90.4 91.2	236.3	73.5	120.5	190.1	1 490.
September								

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RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)-Tasmania

	t good tailing	good	good	Other	and	
	anng	retailing	retailing	retailing	services	Total
	ORIGINA	AL (\$ mi	illion)		• • • • • • • • • • •	•••••
	on and	(•				
np	15.3	47.0	14.8	np	29.5	281.0
np	14.3	44.7	^ 13.7	np	29.7	269.6
np	14.4	49.0	^ 14.2	np	32.8	297.9
np	18.1	49.6	15.7	np	35.1	313.1
np	25.0	59.7	^ 24.7	np	42.3	387.9
np	15.8	44.9	15.5	np	33.7	299.5
np	13.9	41.5	14.9	np	31.0	270.6
np	16.6	48.6	15.0	np	33.8	296.8
np	17.7	45.8	^ 14.5	np	34.9	298.6
np	17.5	49.9	^ 14.4	np	35.9	307.4
np	16.4	52.4	^ 13.6	np	32.4	287.7
np	15.0	54.5	17.2	np	34.7	309.9
np	14.4	53.7	^ 17.8	np	34.9	307.0
np	14.8	54.1	^ 18.2	np	37.4	309.8
np	15.5	57.7	17.9	np	38.0	337.0
SEAS(D (\$ millio	•••••	• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •
SLAS	JNALLIA	DJUSIL		1)		
22	17.7	47.3	16.2	22	32.5	292.3
np	16.2	47.3	15.5	np	32.5	292.3
np np	16.2	47.2	15.5	np np	33.0	291.3
np	16.5	46.9	15.3	np	33.4	299.1
np	16.9	45.6	16.5	np	34.6	298.9
	2010	1010	1010		0.110	20010
np	16.5	47.5	14.8	np	31.3	297.0
np	16.2	47.9	14.8	np	31.8	296.4
np	17.3	50.0	15.2	np	32.1	302.6
np	16.8	48.7	15.5	np	34.9	304.5
np	16.5	50.7	15.3	np	35.8	309.0
np	16.7	53.1	15.4	np	36.3	308.3
np	16.7	56.2	18.7	np	38.3	327.0
np	16.9	55.1	19.5	np	38.6	324.8
np	17.0	56.8	20.0	np	39.4	330.0
np	16.7	56.8	19.3	np	38.4	332.2
TRE	END ESTI	MATES ((\$ million)		• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •
			φ miniton)			
n n	16 7	17 1	15.0	~~~	20 /	293.4
np	16.7 16.6	47.1	15.9 15.7	np	32.4	
np	16.6 16.5	47.0	15.7 15.6	np	32.9	294.2
np	16.5 16.5	46.9 46.8	15.6 15.4	np	33.1 33.0	295.1 296.2
np				np		
np	16.5	47.0	15.3	np	32.8	297.3
np	16.6	47.2	15.2	np	32.6	298.2
np	16.7	47.8	15.0	np	32.7	299.2
np	16.7	48.8	15.0	np	33.2	301.2
np	16.7	50.0	15.2	np	34.1	304.5
np	16.7	51.5	15.9	np	35.4	309.2
np	16.7	53.0	16.8	np	36.7	314.6
np	16.8	54.4	17.8	np	37.7	320.0
np	16.8	55.6	18.7	np	38.4	324.9
np	16.8	56.5	19.5	np	39.0	329.1
np	16.9	57.4	20.1	np	39.3	332.6
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RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)—Northern Territory

			Clothing and	Household	Recreational		Hospitality	
	Food	Department	soft good	good	good	Other	and	
Month	retailing	stores	retailing	retailing	retailing	retailing	services	Te
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			ORIG	INAL (\$ m	iillion)			
2002				. – .				
August	77.8	np	8.5	17.8	^ 6.2	np	27.4	16
September	72.2	np	7.9	17.0	^ 5.5	np	24.8	15
October	73.4	np	7.8	16.6	^ 5.1	np	26.4	15
November	70.0	np	8.0	16.3	^ 4.9	np	26.0	15
December	72.3	np	9.3	18.2	^ 6.0	np	25.3	16
2003								
January	66.0	np	6.1	16.4	^ 3.8	np	21.9	13
February	61.9	np	5.4	14.9	^ 4.1	np	20.0	12
March	69.7	np	6.1	16.3	^ 4.3	np	22.2	13
April	70.7	np	6.0	15.6	4.8	np	23.6	14
May	75.0	np	7.0	17.0	^ 5.4	np	26.1	15
June	72.5	np	6.9	17.7	6.4	np	27.0	15
July	81.0	np	8.0	18.6	^ 6.7	np	29.7	16
August	80.2		8.0 7.8	18.0	6.3		29.7	16
0		np		19.8 19.9	6.3 ^ 6.3	np	29.3 25.4	16 15
September	75.0	np	7.0			np		
October	78.0	np	7.7	22.0	5.8	np	25.2	16
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2002		-				,		
August	70.5	np	7.6	17.6	5.7	np	23.9	14
September	70.5		7.8	17.0	5.3		23.9	14
		np				np		
October	71.0	np	7.3	16.0	4.9	np	24.9	14
November	71.3	np	7.5	15.8	4.9	np	24.7	14
December	71.9	np	7.0	15.4	5.0	np	24.7	14
2003								
January	71.7	np	7.1	17.0	4.4	np	25.0	14
February	71.4	np	7.1	16.9	4.8	np	25.3	14
March	72.1	np	7.3	17.3	4.7	np	25.0	15
April	72.2	np	7.0	16.5	5.4	np	25.1	14
May	72.1	np	7.1	17.2	5.6	np	26.0	15
June	72.0	np	7.1	17.5	6.6	np	26.2	15
July	74.4	np	7.1	18.7	6.0	np	25.5	15
August	73.5	np	7.0	19.6	5.8	np	25.4	15
September	73.6	np	6.8	19.9	5.8	np	24.7	15
October	75.2	np	7.2	20.7	5.7	np	23.7	15
			TREND ES	STIMATES	(\$ million)			
2002							<i></i>	
August	71.2	np	7.7	17.1	5.2	np	24.3	14
September	71.2	np	7.6	16.6	5.2	np	24.4	14
October	71.2	np	7.4	16.3	5.1	np	24.6	14
November	71.4	np	7.3	16.1	5.0	np	24.7	14
December	71.5	np	7.2	16.2	4.8	np	24.8	14
2003								
January	71.6	np	7.1	16.3	4.7	np	25.0	14
February	71.7	np	7.1	16.5	4.8	np	25.1	14
March	71.9	np	7.1	16.8	5.0	np	25.3	14
April	72.1	np	7.1	17.1	5.4	np	25.5	15
May	72.4	np	7.1	17.4	5.7	np	25.7	15
June	72.4	np	7.1	17.4	5.9	np	25.6	15
July	73.3	np	7.0	18.6	6.0	np	25.5	15
August	73.7	np	7.0	19.3	6.0	np	25.2	15
September	74.2	np	7.0	19.9	5.9	np	24.8	15
October	74.5	np	7.0	20.5	5.9	np	24.5	15

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applicable, unless otherwise indicated

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RETAIL TURNOVER, By Industry Group(a)-Australian Capital Territory

	Food	Department	Clothing and soft good	Household good	Recreational good	Other	Hospitality and	
Month	retailing	stores	retailing	retailing	retailing	retailing	services	Тс
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			ORIGI	NAL (\$ m	illion)			
2002								
August	116.7	24.1	18.1	43.9	14.4	25.3	55.9	298
September	111.6	24.0	17.1	41.3	12.7	^ 27.4	52.6	28
October	118.8	27.5	18.7	49.4	12.5	25.4	54.6	30
November	119.7	33.8	20.2	50.8	13.7	^ 29.4	55.2	32
December	129.3	52.5	26.8	61.2	18.7	37.5	57.1	38
2003								
January	114.2	24.2	16.8	51.6	13.1	18.0	50.1	28
February	107.0	21.4	15.7	48.3	14.3	17.5	50.2	27
March	116.3	25.9	19.6	53.4	14.9	19.1	57.6	30
April	113.6	28.9	20.6	51.1	12.7	20.0	56.8	30
May	118.1	28.4	20.6	54.6	13.7	21.0	59.4	31
June	109.0	30.4	20.6	54.0	13.8	19.8	61.1	30
July	115.1	24.9	19.1	52.3	15.3	20.6	63.6	31
August								
0	116.5	24.3	18.4	52.6	14.9	22.4	61.7	31
September	113.1	25.5	18.3	53.6	13.8	23.9	59.2	30
October	119.8	28.1	19.4	54.6	13.7	22.3	55.3	31
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		SEA	ASONALLY	ADJUSTE	D (\$ millio	n)		
2002								
August	114.5	28.1	20.0	45.4	14.4	25.0	55.6	30
September	116.8	29.0	19.5	43.7	13.7	26.0	53.6	30
October	116.2	28.6	19.5	49.1	13.7	25.0	53.6	30
November	115.9	28.0	19.5	49.1	13.5	23.0	53.6	30
December 2003	114.3	27.6	18.8	47.4	13.1	23.6	54.2	29
January	115.5	28.7	18.6	51.3	15.1	20.8	54.8	30
,								
February	115.5	29.3	19.3	54.0	16.0	21.4	55.8	31
March	116.8	29.5	20.1	55.3	15.0	20.7	55.7	31
April	116.9	29.5	19.8	55.0	13.8	22.0	56.8	31
May	117.1	26.9	19.2	56.3	13.9	22.4	58.4	31
June	116.6	36.1	20.6	56.0	14.2	22.3	61.3	32
July	115.1	25.2	19.2	52.9	14.6	21.5	60.8	30
August	116.4	29.2	20.1	54.7	15.1	22.2	62.0	31
September	116.3	29.4	20.7	56.3	14.8	22.5	60.1	31
October	116.2	29.5	20.4	53.6	14.6	22.4	54.9	31
			TREND ES	TIMATES	(\$ million)			
2002								
August	114.6	28.3	19.5	44.8	13.5	25.4	52.2	30
September	114.0	28.5	19.5	44.8	13.5	25.4 25.6	52.2	30
October	115.4	28.6	19.4	46.3	13.6	25.5	53.5	30
November	115.6	28.8	19.3	47.8	13.8	24.8	53.9	30
December	115.5	28.8	19.3	49.6	14.1	23.8	54.3	30
2003								
January	115.6	28.8	19.3	51.4	14.4	22.7	54.7	30
February	115.9	29.0	19.3	53.1	14.6	21.8	55.4	30
March	116.2	29.3	19.5	54.5	14.7	21.4	56.3	31
April	116.6	29.6	19.6	55.3	14.6	21.4	57.7	31
April	116.6	29.7	19.8	55.5	14.4	21.7	59.0	31
May	116.5	29.6	19.9	55.3	14.4	22.0	59.9	31
May			19.9	55.0	14.4	22.1	60.3	31
May June		29 5			T	~~		
May June July	116.3	29.5 29.3			1/6	<u> </u>	60.2	21
May June July August	116.3 116.1	29.3	20.1	54.8	14.6	22.2	60.2	
May June July	116.3				14.6 14.8 14.9	22.2 22.3 22.3	60.2 59.6 58.9	31 31 31

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

INTRODUCTION	1 This publication presents monthly estimates of the value of turnover of retail businesses classified by industry, and by state/territory. The principal objective of the series is to show month to month movement of turnover.
	2 Estimates of turnover contained in this publication are compiled from the Retail Business survey which includes about 6,500 retail and selected service businesses. All 'large' businesses are included in the survey, while a sample of about 4,100 'smaller' businesses is selected. The 'large' business' contribution of approximately 55% of the total estimate ensures a highly reliable Australian total turnover estimate.
SCOPE AND COVERAGE	3 The scope of the Retail Business survey is all employing businesses with at least one retail outlet. Like most ABS economic surveys, the frame used for the Retail Business survey is taken from the ABS Business Register which includes registrations to the Australian Taxation Office's (ATO) Pay As You Go Withholding (PAYGW) scheme. Each statistical unit (as defined below) included on the ABS Business Register is classified to the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC) industry in which it mainly operates. The frame is supplemented with information about business which are classified as non-retail but which have significant retail activity.
	4 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. Businesses which have ceased employing are identified when the ATO cancels their Australian Business Number (ABN) and/or PAYGW registration. In addition, businesses with less than 50 employees which did not remit under the PAYGW scheme in each of the previous five quarters are removed from the frame.
	 5 The following industries included in the survey are as defined in ANZSIC: Food Retailing Supermarkets and grocery stores (5110) and non-petrol sales of convenience stores of selected 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 and Soft Good Retailing Clothing retailing (5221) Footwear, fabric and other soft good retailing Footwear retailing (5222) Fabric and other soft good retailing (5223) Household Good Retailing Furniture and floor covering retailing Furniture retailing (5231)
	Floor covering retailing (5232) Domestic hardware and houseware retailing (5233) Domestic appliance and recorded music retailing

Recorded music retailing (5235)

SCOPE AND COVERAGE continued	 Recreational Good Retailing Newspaper, book and stationery retailing (5243) Other recreational goods 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 n.e.c. Antique and used good retailing (5252) Garden supplies retailing (5253) Flower retailing (5254) Watch and jewellery retailing (5255) Retailing n.e.c. (5259) 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).
STATISTICAL UNITS DEFINED ON THE ABS BUSINESS REGISTER	 6 The ABS uses an economic statistics units model on the ABS Business Register to describe the characteristics of businesses, and the structural relationships between related businesses. The units model is also used to break groups of related businesses into relatively homogeneous components that can provide data to the ABS. 7 In mid 2002, to better use the information available as a result of The New Tax
	System, the ABS changed its economic statistics units model. The new units model allocates businesses to one of two sub-populations. The vast majority of businesses are in what is called the ATO Maintained Population, while the remaining businesses are in the ABS Maintained Population. Together, these two sub-populations make up the ABS Business Register population.
ATO Maintained Population	8 Most businesses and organisations in Australia need to obtain an ABN, and are then included on the ATO Australian Business Register. Most of these businesses have simple structures; therefore the unit registered for an ABN will satisfy ABS statistical requirements. For these businesses, the ABS has aligned its statistical units structure with the ABN unit. The businesses with simple structures constitute the ATO Maintained Population, and the ABN unit is used as the statistical unit for all economic collections.
ABS Maintained Population	9 For the population of businesses where the ABN unit is not suitable for ABS statistical requirements, the ABS maintains its own units structure through direct contact with each business. These businesses constitute the ABS Maintained Population. This population consists typically of large, complex and diverse businesses. The new statistical units model described below has been introduced to cover such businesses. Enterprise Group: This is a unit covering all the operations in Australia of one or more legal entities under common ownership and/or control. It covers all the operations in Australia of legal entities which are related in terms of the current Corporations Law (as amended by the Corporations Legislation Amendment Act 1991), including legal entities such as companies, trusts, and partnerships. Majority ownership is not required for control to be exercised.

ABS Maintained Population continued	Enterprise: The enterprise is an institutional unit comprising (i) a single legal entity or business entity, or (ii) more than one legal entity or business entity within the same Enterprise Group and in the same institutional sub-sector (ie they are all classified to a single Standard Institutional Sector Classification of Australia sub-sector).
	Type of Activity Unit (TAU): The TAU is comprised of one or more business entities, sub-entities or branches of a business entity within an Enterprise Group that can report production and employment data for similar economic activities. When a minimum set of data items are available, a TAU is created which covers all the operations within an industry sub-division (and the TAU is classified to the relevant sub-division of the ANZSIC). Where a business cannot supply adequate data for each industry, a TAU is formed which contains activity in more than one industry sub-division.
	10 For more information on the impacts of the introduction of the new economic statistics units model, refer to <i>Information Paper: Improvements in ABS Economic Statistics [Arising from the New Tax System]</i> (cat. no. 1372.0).
	11 Prior to the July 2002 reference month, the Retail Business survey used the management unit as the statistical unit. From the July 2002 reference month onwards, the statistical unit is the ABN unit for businesses with simple structures, and the TAU for businesses with complex structures. In most cases, ABN/TAU units concord with the management units previously used.
SURVEY METHODOLOGY	12 The survey is conducted monthly by both telephone interview and a questionnaire mailed to businesses. The businesses included in the survey are selected by random sample from a frame stratified by state, industry and business size. For the ABS Maintained Population, the ABS uses reported employment as the measure of business size. For the ATO Maintained Population, for which employment data are not updated on a regular basis, the ABS uses a derived size benchmark. The derived size benchmark is a modelled employment size measure, based primarily on wages and salaries from Business Activity Statements or number of payees from the ATO, which is scaled to be the same magnitude as the previous employment benchmark, using current ABS employment data from the Survey of Employment and Earnings.
	13 In the first month of each quarter, some businesses in the sample are replaced, at random, by other businesses so that the reporting load can be spread across smaller retailers.
	14 Most businesses can provide turnover on a calendar month basis and this is how the data are presented. When businesses cannot provide turnover on a calendar month basis, the reported data and the period they relate to are used to estimate turnover for the calendar month.
	15 Most retailers operate in a single state/territory. For this reason, estimates of turnover by state/territory are only collected from the larger retailers which are included in the survey each month. These retailers are asked to provide turnover for sales from each state/territory in which the business operates. Turnover for the smaller businesses is allocated to the state of their head office or main outlet.
DEFINITION OF TURNOVER	16 Turnover includes retail sales; wholesale sales; takings from repairs, meals and hiring of goods (except for rent, leasing and hiring of land and buildings); 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 the Goods and Service Tax.

DEFINITION OF TURNOVER continued

17 Turnover presented in the Retail Trade series includes net proceeds from licensed gambling activities undertaken in the Hotels and licensed clubs industry. The impact of net proceeds from gambling on movements in the Retail Trade series was discussed in a feature article 'Contribution of gambling to retail estimates' included in the December 2002 issue of this publication. The article concluded that net proceeds from gambling had not had a significant impact on quarterly movements for the series but net proceeds from gambling the series. For June quarter 2003, net proceeds from gambling was 3.7% of the Total Retail seasonally adjusted series and 41.4% of the turnover of Hotels and licensed clubs. For September quarter 2003, net proceeds from gambling was 3.5% of the Total Retail seasonally adjusted series and 38.2% of the turnover of Hotels and licensed clubs.

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT**18** 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.

19 The seasonally adjusted estimates also have an allowance for an Easter proximity effect, which is caused when Easter falls late in March or early in April. This effect, when present, is combined with the seasonal and trading day factors to form the combined adjustment factors. There is also a similar allowance for the variable timing of Father's Day. See the Appendix of the July 2001 and August 2002 issues respectively of this publication for more information.

20 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. For more information see *Information Paper: Introduction of Concurrent Seasonal Adjustment into the Retail Trade Series* (cat. no. 8514.0).

21 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 and Hospitality/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 2003 using data up to and including the June 2003 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

(June 2003 reference month) 1.01629 0.96621 1.02677		Oct 2002	Sep 2003	Oct 2003
	Factors as estimated at last reanalysis (June 2003 reference month)	1.01629	0.96621	1.02677
	Factors as estimated with current month's data (October 2003 reference month)	1.01768	0.96513	1.02840

SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT continued

22 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 months' data as they become available.

COMBINED ADJUSTMENT FACTORS

	Nov	Dec	Jan
	2003	2003	2004
ors as estimated with current month's dat	a		
October 2003 reference month)	1.02596	1.28774	0.99994

23 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 usually shown in the July issue each year.

24 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.

25 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.

TREND ESTIMATES26 The monthly trend estimates are derived by applying a 13-term Henderson moving
average to the seasonally adjusted estimates (7-term for quarterly series). The Henderson
moving average is symmetric, but as the end of a time series is approached, asymmetric
forms of the moving average have to be applied. The asymmetric moving averages have
been tailored to suit the particular characteristics of individual series and enable trend
estimates for recent periods to be produced. Estimates of the trend will be improved at
the current end of the time series as additional observations become available. This
improvement is due to the combined effect of the concurrent seasonal adjustment
methodology and the application of different asymmetric moving averages for the most
recent six months (or three quarters). As a result of the improvement, most revisions to
the trend estimates will be observed for the most recent six months (or three quarters).

27 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 and July 2000. Care should therefore be taken if comparisons span this period. For more details refer to the Appendix in the December 2000 issue of this publication.

28 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	29 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. The reference year is advanced in each June issue and is currently 2001-2002. 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. Data for the 2003-2004 financial year will initially be based upon price data for the 2001-2002 financial year. Comparability with previous years is achieved by linking (or chaining) the series together to form a continuous time series. While current price estimates reflect both price and volume changes, chain volume estimates measure changes in value after the direct effects of price changes have been eliminated and hence only reflect volume changes. Further information on the nature and concepts of chain volume measures is contained in the ABS publication <i>Information Paper: Introduction of Chain Volume Measures in the Australian National Accounts</i> (cat. no. 5248.0).
RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES	 30 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. Sampling error may be larger for the first month of each quarter, when some of the businesses in the sample are replaced by other businesses so that the reporting load can be spread across retailers. 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	31 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.
	32 Estimates, in original terms, that have an estimated relative standard error (RSE) between 10% and 25% are annotated with the symbol '^'. These estimates should be used with caution as they are subject to sampling variability too high for some purposes. Estimates with an RSE between 25% and 50% are annotated with the symbol '*', indicating that the estimates should be used with caution as they are subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes. Estimates with an RSE greater than 50% are annotated with the symbol '*' indicating that the symbol '*' indicating that the sampling variability causes the estimates to be considered too unreliable for general use.
	 33 To further assist users in assessing the reliability of estimates, key 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

STANDARD ERRORS continued

- E represents a relative standard error on level greater than 15% (mainly affects unpublished state by industry series.
- **34** The table below provides an indicator of reliability for key retail turnover estimates.

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		Food retailing	Depart -ment Stores	Clothing & soft good retailing	House -hold good retailing	Recrea -tional good retailing	Other retailing	Hospit -ality & services	Total	-
	NSW	В	А	В	С	С	С	В	А	
	Vic.	В	А	С	С	С	С	В	A	
	Qld	В	A	В	С	С	D	С	В	
	SA	В	A	В	С	С	С	С	В	
	WA Tas.	B	А	B C	C C	D D	D	C C	B B	
	NT	В	np np	C	C	E	np np	C C	В	
	ACT	B	A	B	C	C	D	C	В	
	Aust.	А	А	В	В	В	В	В	А	
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	ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics									
	ANZSIC Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification									
	ATO Australian Taxation Office									
	n.e.	c. not els	sewhere	classified						
	PAYG	W pay-as	-you-go	withholdi	ng					
	RS	E relativ	e standa	rd error						
	TA	U type o	f activity	unit						

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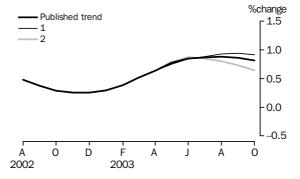
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EFFECT OF NEW SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES ON TREND ESTIMATES

1 The most recent trend estimates published in this release are likely to be revised when next month's seasonally adjusted estimates become available. To assist readers of this publication in analysing retail trends, the approximate effect of the two possible scenarios on the previous trend estimates of the percentage change in total retail turnover for Australia are presented below. For more information see the trend estimates section of the explanatory notes.

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



TECHNICAL NOTE

2 Under concurrent seasonal adjustment, the most recent seasonally adjusted and trend estimates are likely to be revised when original estimates for subsequent months become available. The trend revision is a combined result of the revision of the seasonally adjusted estimates and the revision derived from the use of asymmetric moving averages as future data become available (for more information, refer to paragraph 26 in the explanatory notes). ABS research shows that about 75% of the total revision to the trend estimate at the current end of the time series is due to the use of different asymmetric moving averages when the original estimate for the next time period becomes available. To assess the reliability of the trend estimate at the current end, the "what-if" chart presents trend estimates under two different scenarios of the next time period. The chart shows only the impact due to the changes of the asymmetric moving averages and does not include the unknown impact of revision to seasonal factor estimates that would arise when the original estimate for the next time period becomes available.

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