

SUMMARY

During the month of February, retail turnover in **nominal** (current) prices:

- rose by 0.6% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (rose by 0.2% nationally).

Note: The ABS has suspended the retail trend series since February 2020. It will be reinstated when more certainty emerges in the underlying trend in retail.

FURTHER ANALYSIS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

During February, Western Australia recorded the strongest rise in the month (up 0.8%), followed by South Australia (up 0.6%), New South Wales (up 0.3%), and Tasmania and Victoria (both up 0.2%). Retail turnover fell in Queensland (down 0.4%)—see Table 1.

Compared to a year earlier, retail turnover was 7.2% higher in South Australia and was 6.4% higher nationally.

Through the year to February 2023, increases in South Australian retail turnover were recorded for cafes, restaurants and take-away food services (up 20%), clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing (up 16%), food retailing (up 8.2%), department stores retailing (up 7.2%) and 'other' retailing* (up 6.2%). The only category to record a fall through the year was household goods retailing (down 5.0%)—see Chart 2.

TABLE 1: Nominal Retail Turnover – Seasonally Adjusted

| | Feb 23 (\$m) | Feb 23 v Jan 23 (% change) | Feb 23 v Feb 22 (% change) |
|------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| NSW | 11,125.4 | 0.3 | 6.6 |
| VIC | 9,068.0 | 0.2 | 6.1 |
| QLD | 7,102.5 | -0.4 | 4.8 |
| SA | 2,253.6 | 0.6 | 7.2 |
| WA | 3,907.9 | 0.8 | 8.8 |
| TAS | 707.0 | 0.2 | 7.1 |
| AUS | 35,141.4 | 0.2 | 6.4 |

CHART 1: MONTHLY NOMINAL RETAIL TURNOVER
- \$MILLION, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

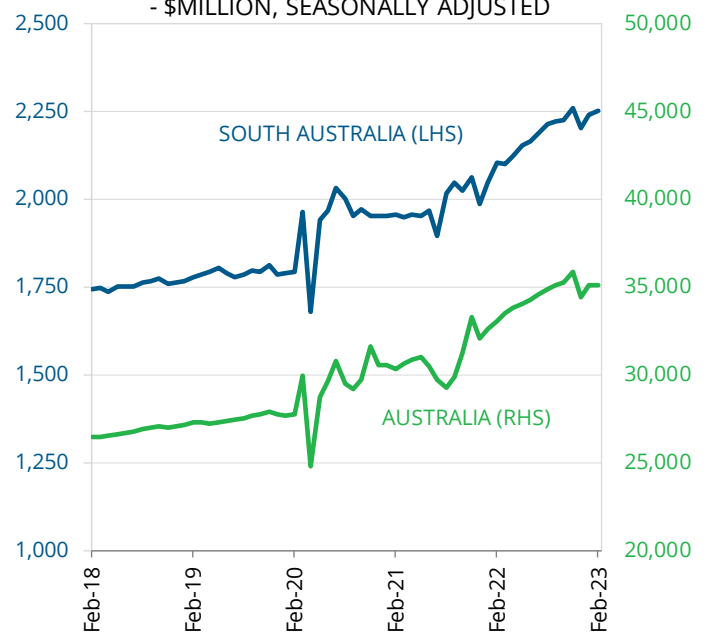
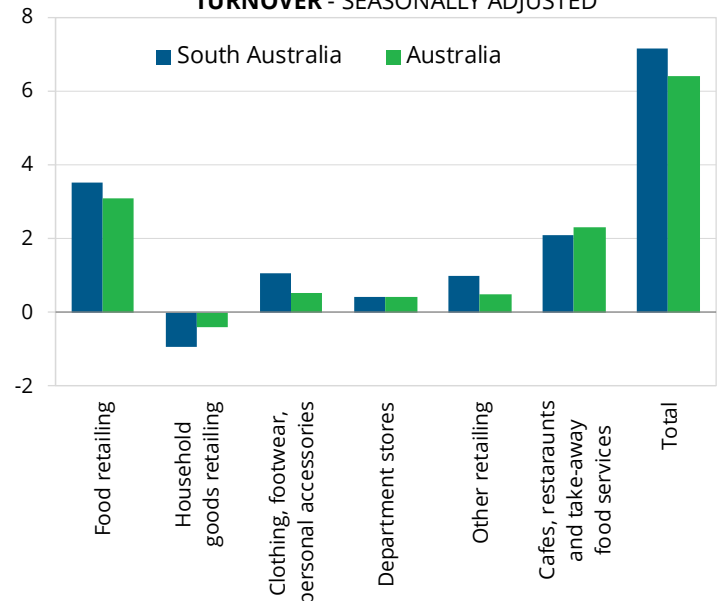


CHART 2: THROUGH YEAR PERCENTAGE POINT CONTRIBUTIONS TO GROWTH IN NOMINAL RETAIL TURNOVER – SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



*'Other' retailing includes: pharmacy and cosmetics, newspapers and books, stationery, flowers, toys and games, sport and camping equipment and entertainment media retailing.

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