

SUMMARY

During the month of September 2022, retail turnover in **nominal** (current) prices:

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

In addition to the monthly release of nominal retail turnover data, the ABS has this month also released **chain volume** retail turnover data for the September quarter 2022. Chain volume ('real') data removes the effect of price movements, and therefore provides a measure of the volume of retail trade.

During the September quarter 2022, **real** retail turnover:

- rose by 0.3% 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

Nominal retail turnover (monthly)

During September 2022, seasonally adjusted nominal retail turnover in South Australia fell 0.2%, following a rise of 1.3% in the previous month. Nominal retail turnover rose 0.6% nationally during September.

Western Australia recorded the strongest rise in the month (up 1.4%), followed by Queensland (up 1.1%), Tasmania (up 0.9%), Victoria (up 0.4%), New South Wales (up 0.3%) and South Australia (down 0.2%)—see Table 1.

Compared to a year earlier, retail turnover was 8.7% higher in South Australia and 18% higher nationally.

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

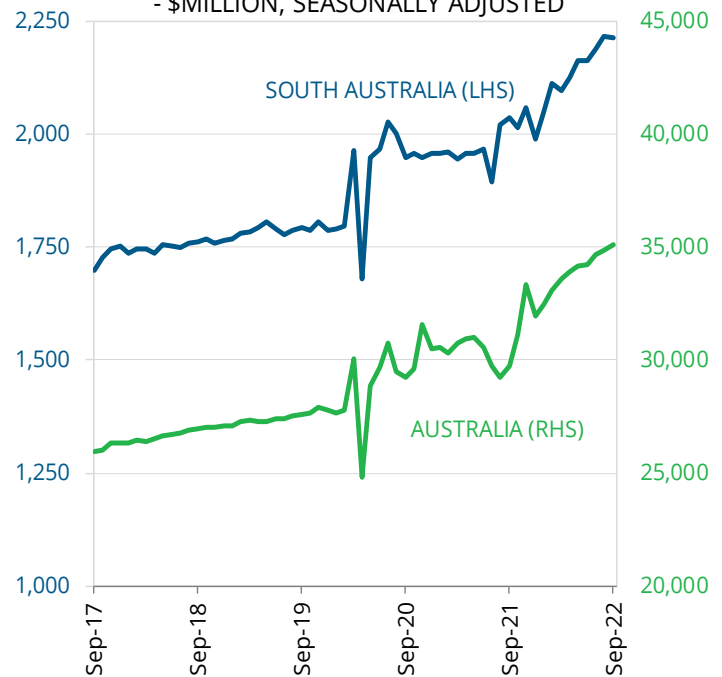


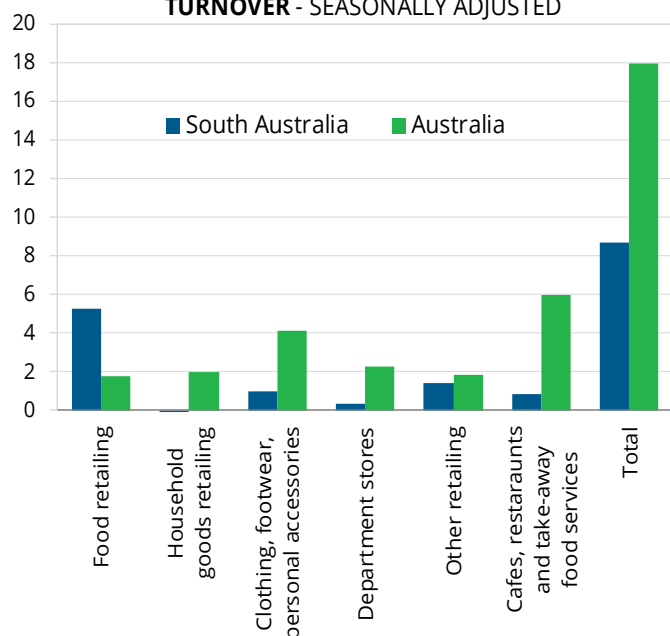
TABLE 1: Nominal Retail Turnover – Seasonally Adjusted

	Sep 22 (\$m)	Sep 22 v Aug 22 (% change)	Sep 22 v Sep 21 (% change)
NSW	11,075.8	0.3	25.9
VIC	8,998.5	0.4	22.9
QLD	7,254.4	1.1	9.7
SA	2,213.7	-0.2	8.7
WA	3,876.4	1.4	7.8
TAS	707.0	0.9	6.1
AUS	35,096.3	0.6	17.9

Through the year to September 2022, increases in South Australian retail turnover were recorded for clothing, footwear and personal accessory retailing (up 15%), food retailing (up 13%), 'other' retailing* (up 9.5%), cafes, restaurants and take-away food services (up 7.6%) and department stores retailing (up 5.8%). Turnover in the year to September declined for household goods retailing (down 1.1%)—see Chart 2.

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

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



Real retail turnover (quarterly)

The 0.3% rise in South Australian seasonally adjusted real retail turnover in the September quarter followed a rise of 0.8% in the previous quarter. Nationally, real retail turnover rose by 0.2% in the quarter.

Compared with a year earlier, seasonally adjusted real retail turnover was 3.4% higher in South Australia and 10% higher nationally—see Chart 3 and Table 2.

CHART 3: QUARTERLY REAL RETAIL TURNOVER - \$MILLION, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

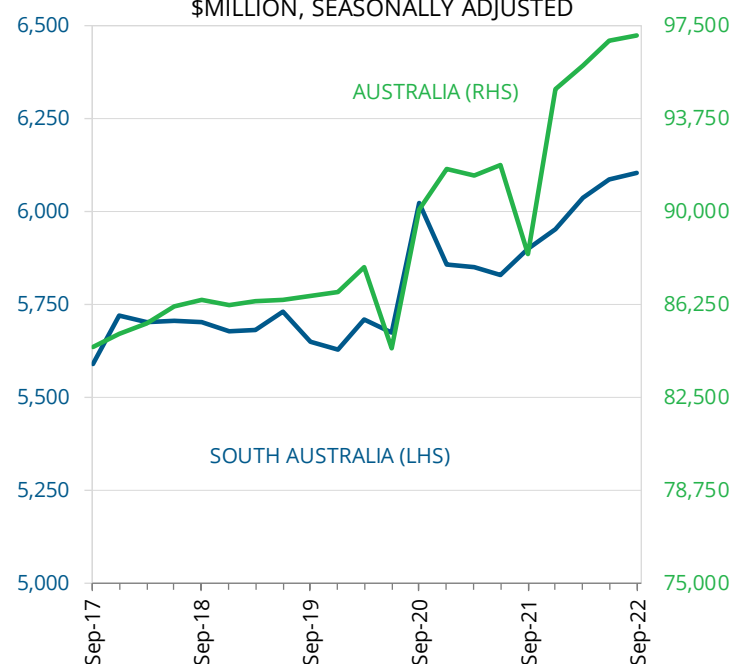


TABLE 2: Real Retail Turnover (seas. Adj.) #

	Sep qtr 22 (\$m)	Sep qtr 22 v Jun qtr 22 (% change)	Sep qtr 22 v Sep qtr 21 (% change)
NSW	30,625.0	0.6	17.8
VIC	25,044.6	0.6	12.0
QLD	20,079.5	-0.8	4.7
SA	6,105.1	0.3	3.4
WA	10,689.4	0.1	1.8
TAS	1,942.8	-0.3	-0.9
AUS	97,148.1	0.2	10.0

Reference year for chain volume measures is 2020-21

Next release of [this ABS data](#) (formerly cat. no. 8501.0) is 2 December 2022.