

### Retail trade turnover increased in October 2018

#### ACT (seasonally adjusted<sup>1</sup>)

The value of retail trade turnover increased by 1.1 per cent in October 2018. Through the year<sup>2</sup> to October 2018, the value of retail trade turnover increased by 4.7 per cent.

#### National (seasonally adjusted)

The value of retail trade turnover increased by 0.3 per cent in October 2018. Through the year to October 2018, the value of retail trade turnover increased by 3.6 per cent.

#### Retail Trade Turnover, Seasonally Adjusted, October 2018

	Value (\$m)	Change (%)	
		Monthly	tty <sup>2</sup>
ACT	501	1.1	4.7
Australia	26,987	0.3	3.6

Source: ABS Cat. No. 8501.0

#### Commentary

The 1.1 per cent increase in retail trade turnover in the ACT in **October 2018** was as a result of a 3.2 per cent increase in *Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services* (contributing 0.4 of a percentage point), a 2.1 per cent increase in *Other retailing* (contributing 0.2 of a percentage point), a 1.4 per cent increase in *Food retailing* (contributing 0.6 of a percentage point), and a 1.0 per cent increase in *Department stores* (contributing 0.1 of a percentage point).

These increases were partially offset by a 1.7 per cent decrease in *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory* (detracting 0.1 of a percentage point), and a 0.5 per cent decrease in *Household goods* (detracting 0.1 of a percentage point) from the overall growth.

The **through the year growth** in the ACT's retail trade turnover has been positive for over four years. The ACT's result of a 4.7 per cent increase through the year to October 2018 was the third strongest of all jurisdictions. The Northern Territory (down 0.3 per cent) was the only jurisdiction to record a decrease in retail trade turnover through the year to October 2018.

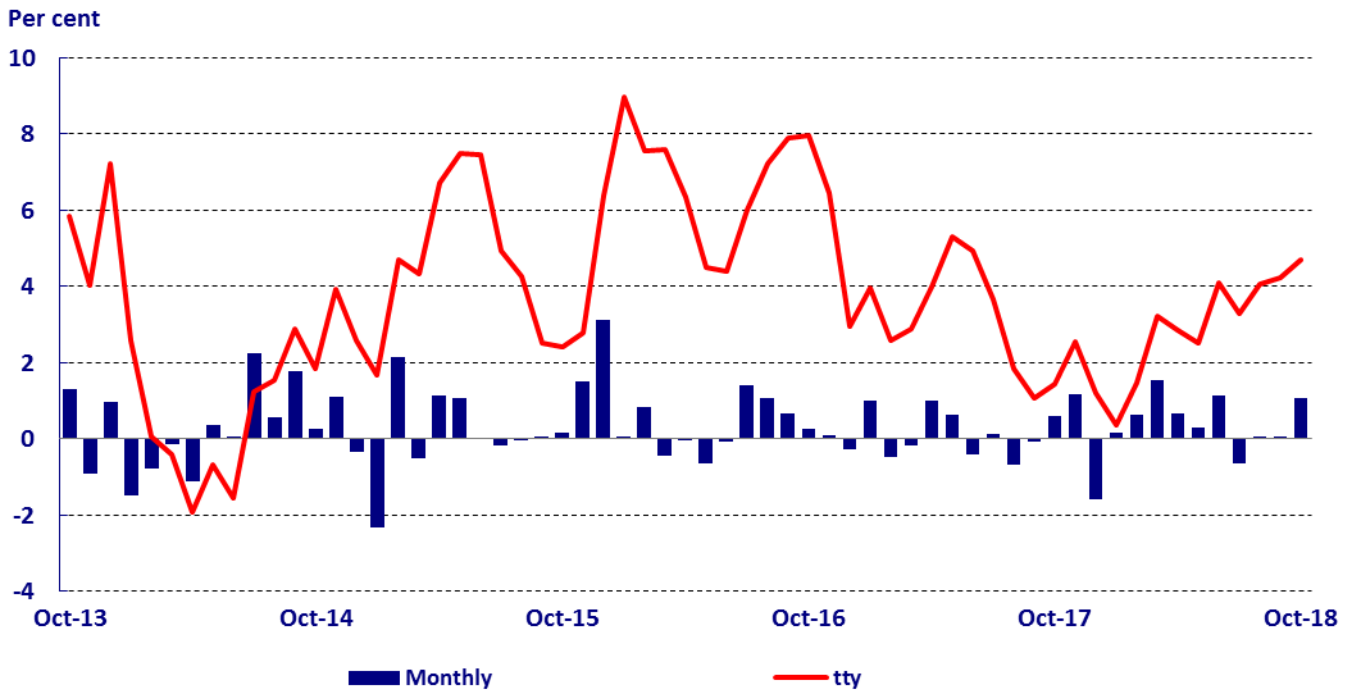
The 4.7 per cent increase in retail trade turnover in the ACT **through the year to October 2018** was driven by increases in most industry subgroups. The main contributors were a 13.5 per cent increase in *Clothing, footwear and personal accessory* (contributing 1.0 percentage points), a 6.7 per cent increase in *Other retailing* (contributing 0.8 of a percentage point), a 4.9 per cent increase in *Food Retailing* (contributing 2.0 percentage points), a 4.4 per cent increase in *Cafes, restaurants and takeaway food services* (contributing 0.6 of a percentage point), and a 2.7 per cent increase in *Household goods retailing* (contributing 0.5 of a percentage point).

These increases were partially offset by a 3.5 per cent decrease in *Department stores* (detracting 0.2 of a percentage point) from the overall growth.

<sup>1</sup> Seasonally adjusted data takes into account calendar effects so that the effects of other influences on the series may be clearly recognised.

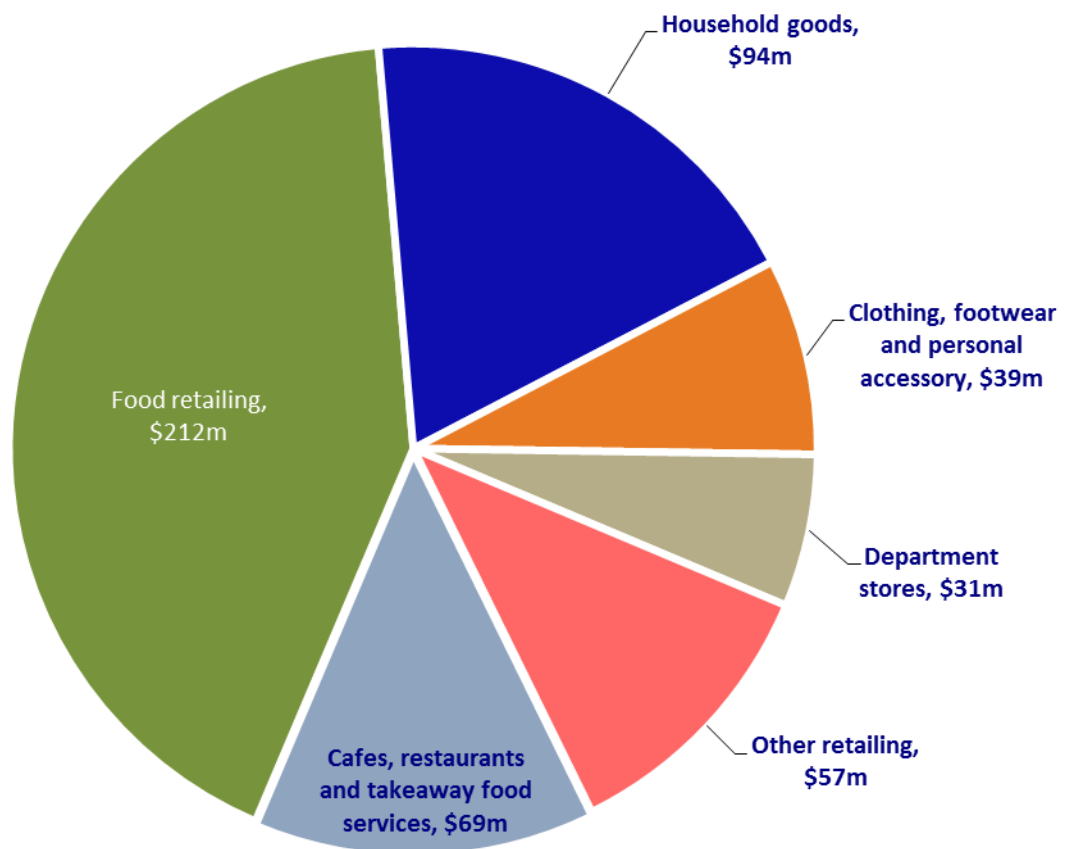
<sup>2</sup> Through the year (tty) is the percentage change from the same period in the previous year.

### Growth in ACT Retail Trade Turnover, Seasonally Adjusted



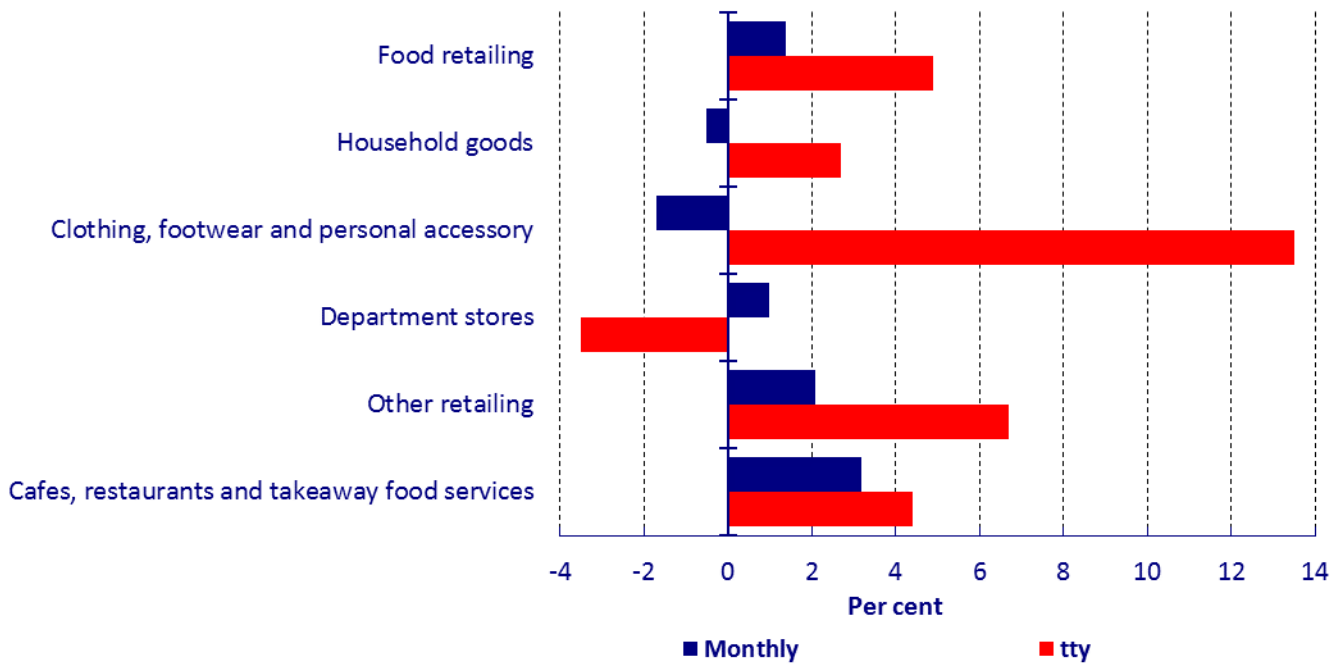
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### Retail Trade Turnover (ACT) by Industry Sector, Seasonally Adjusted, October 2018



Source: ABS Cat. No. 8501.0

## Growth in Retail Trade Turnover (ACT) by Industry Sector, Seasonally Adjusted, October 2018

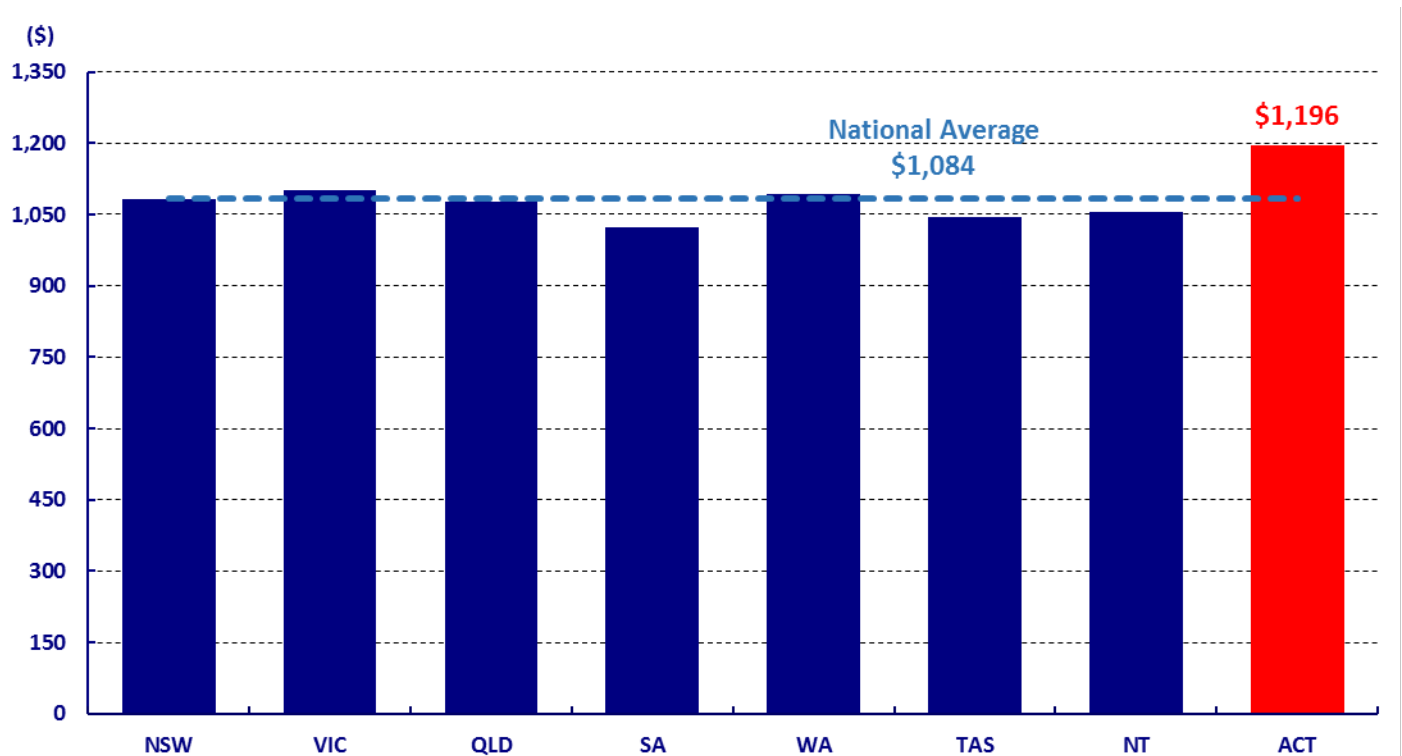


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## Retail Trade Turnover per capita

In October 2018, retail trade turnover per capita in the ACT was \$1,196, the highest of any state and territory. The national average retail trade turnover per capita was \$1,084 for the month.

## Retail Trade Turnover per capita by State/Territory, Seasonally Adjusted, October 2018



Source: ACT Treasury calculation based on ABS Cat. No. 3101.0 and 8501.0

**Note:** Retail trade turnover per capita is calculated by dividing the estimate of retail trade turnover (ABS Cat No. 8501.0) by the latest estimated resident population (ABS Cat No. 3101.0).