



International Trade April 2019

Key Facts

Exports

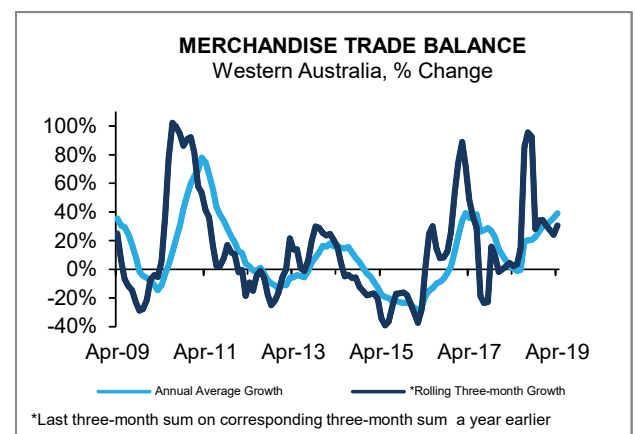
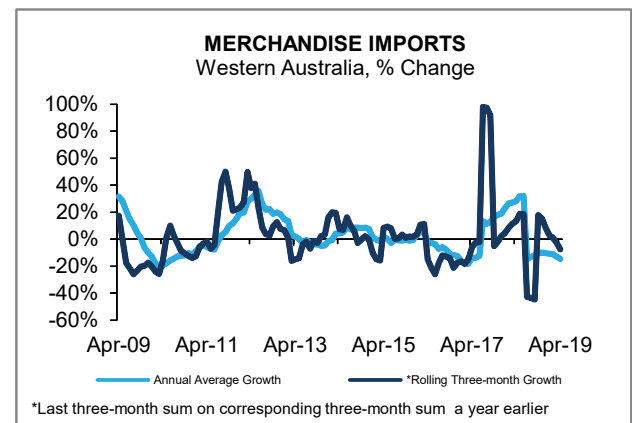
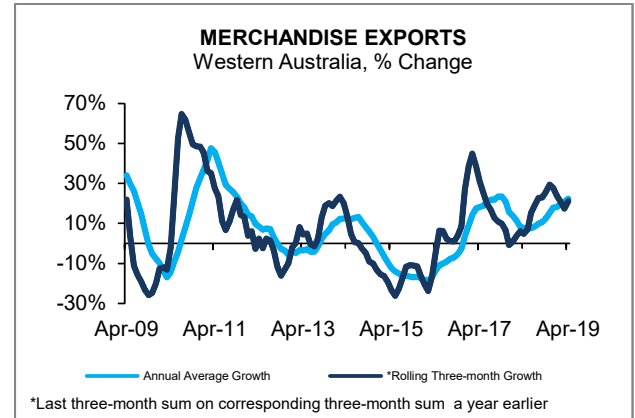
- Merchandise exports from Western Australia increased by 21.0% to \$40.7 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period the previous year. Exports rose by 22.4% in the 12 months to April 2019.
- The value of exports from Australia increased by 15.3% to \$91.3 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period the previous year. Exports rose by 17.2% over the year in rolling annual terms.
- Over the year to April, the largest increase in exports by State was 22.4%, in Western Australia. The smallest increase was 2.3%, in South Australia.

Imports

- The value of imports in Western Australia decreased by 7.6% to \$7.8 billion in the three months to April 2019 compared to the same period in 2018, and fell by 14.7% over the year to April 2019.
- Australia's imports increased by 3.5% to \$72.4 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period a year earlier. Imports rose by 3.2% over the year in rolling annual terms.
- Over the year to April, the largest increase in imports by State was 18.2% in Tasmania. The largest decrease was 14.7% in Western Australia.

Trade Balance

- WA's merchandise trade surplus increased by 39.1% to \$120.8 billion in the year to April 2019. This compares to a surplus of \$52.8 billion nationally and a deficit of \$67.9 billion for the rest of Australia excluding Western Australia.



WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE (NOMINAL)

| | April 2019 | | | | | |
|---------------|---------------------------------|---|------|-----------------------------|---|-------|
| | 3 Months to April 2019 Value | 3 Months to April 2019 on 3 Months to April 2018 Change | | Year to April 2019 Value | Year to April 2019 on Year to April 2018 Change | |
| | \$ Million | \$ Million | % | \$ Million | \$ Million | % |
| Exports | 40,731 | 7,082 | 21.0 | 154,186 | 28,229 | 22.4 |
| Imports | 7,751 | -638 | -7.6 | 33,427 | -5,740 | -14.7 |
| Trade Balance | 32,980 | 7,720 | 30.6 | 120,759 | 33,969 | 39.1 |