



International Trade April 2018

Key Facts

Exports

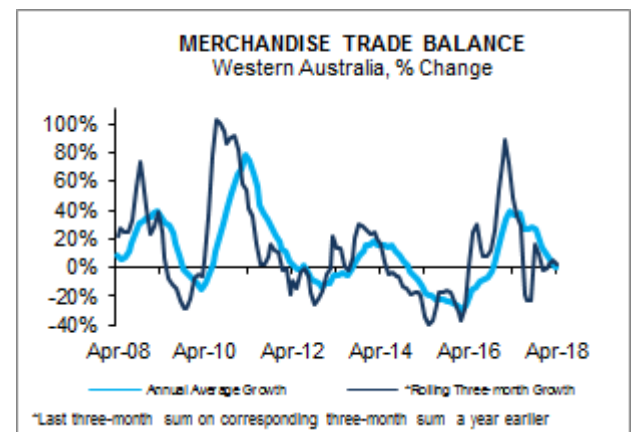
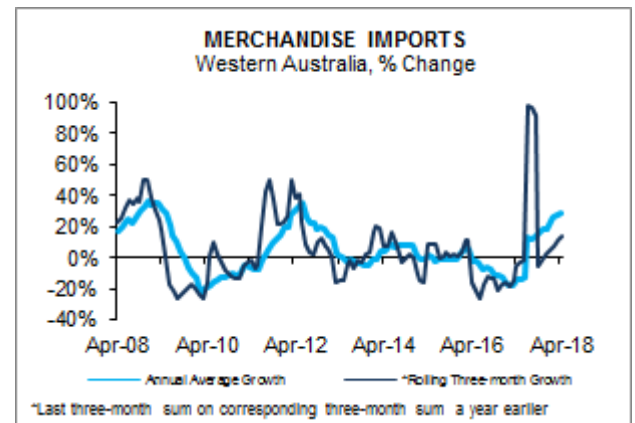
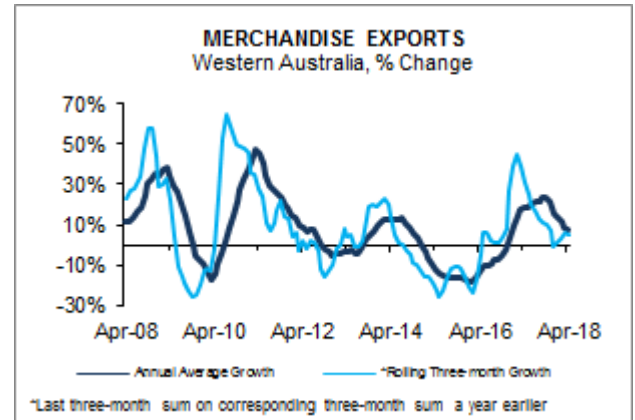
- Merchandise exports from Western Australia increased by 5.1% to \$33.7 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period the previous year. Exports rose by 7.7% in the 12 months to April 2018.
- The value of exports from Australia increased by 6.5% to \$78.6 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period the previous year. Exports rose by 9.8% over the year in rolling annual terms.
- Over the year to April, the largest increase in exports by State was 34.8%, in Tasmania. The smallest increase was 6.1%, in South Australia.

Imports

- The value of imports in Western Australia increased by 14.3% to \$8.5 billion in the three months to April 2018 compared to the same period in 2017, and rose by 28.4% over the year to April 2018.
- Australia's imports increased by 12.2% to \$69.8 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period a year earlier. Imports rose by 16.2% over the year in rolling annual terms.
- Over the year to April, the largest increase in imports by State was 37.2% in Tasmania. The smallest increase was 2.1% in South Australia.

Trade Balance

- WA's merchandise trade surplus increased by 0.4% to \$86.8 billion in the year to April 2018. This compares to a surplus of \$9 billion nationally and a deficit of \$77.9 billion for the rest of Australia excluding Western Australia.



WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE (NOMINAL)

	April 2018					
	3 Months to April 2018 Value	3 Months to April 2018 on 3 Months to April 2017 Change		Year to April 2018 Value	Year to April 2018 on Year to April 2017 Change	
	\$ Million	\$ Million	%	\$ Million	\$ Million	%
Exports	33,746	1,642	5.1	126,047	8,989	7.7
Imports	8,466	1,058	14.3	39,242	8,684	28.4
Trade Balance	25,280	584	2.4	86,805	305	0.4