



International Trade April 2017

Key Facts

Exports

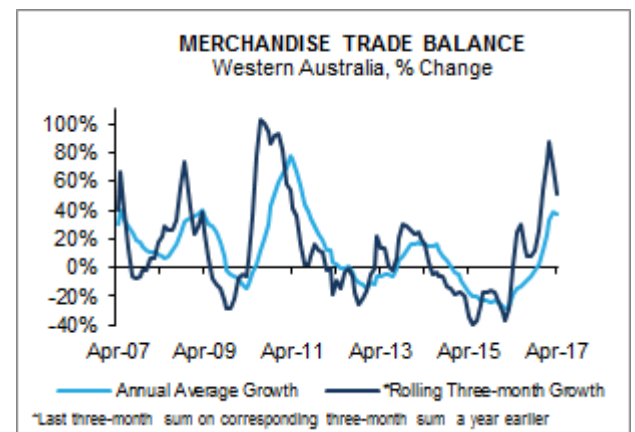
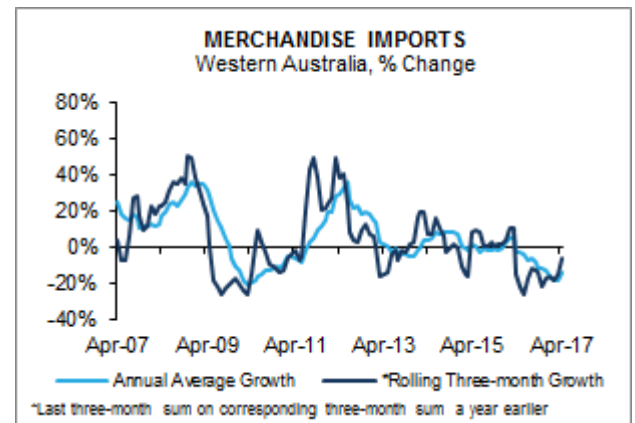
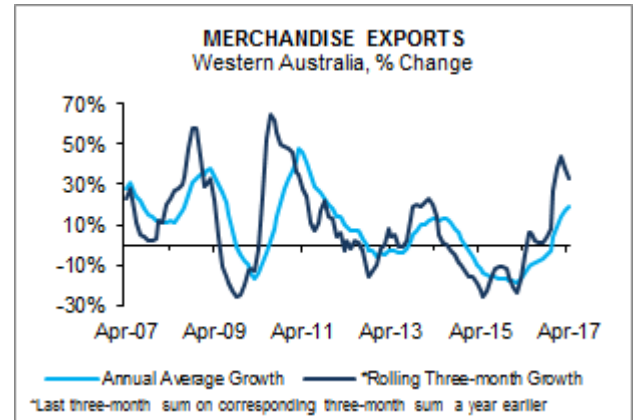
- Merchandise exports from Western Australia increased by 33.4% to \$32.7 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period the previous year. Exports rose by 18.6% in the 12 months to April 2017.
- The value of exports from Australia increased by 25.6% to \$73.7 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period the previous year. Exports rose by 14.7% over the year in rolling annual terms.
- Over the year to April, the largest increase in exports by State was 27.0%, in Queensland. The largest decrease was 8.1%, in Tasmania.

Imports

- The value of imports in Western Australia decreased by 5.5% to \$7.4 billion in the three months to April 2017 compared to the same period in 2016, and fell by 13.6% over the year to April 2017.
- Australia's imports increased by 2.3% to \$62.3 billion in the three months to April compared to the same period a year earlier. Imports fell by 2.6% over the year in rolling annual terms.
- Over the year to April, the largest increase in imports by State was 7.2% in Tasmania. The largest decrease was 13.6% in Western Australia.

Trade Balance

- WA's merchandise trade surplus increased by 36.6% to \$86.9 billion in the year to April 2017. This compares to a surplus of \$22.7 billion nationally and a deficit of \$64.2 billion for the rest of Australia excluding Western Australia.



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	3 Months to	3 Months to April 2017 on		Year to	Year to April 2017 on	
	April 2017	3 Months to April 2016		April 2017	Year to April 2016	
	Value	Change		Value	Change	
	\$ Million	\$ Million	%	\$ Million	\$ Million	%
Exports	32,657	8,171	33.4	117,474	18,465	18.6
Imports	7,438	-435	-5.5	30,589	-4,825	-13.6
Trade Balance	25,219	8,606	51.8	86,885	23,290	36.6