



## International Trade September 2017

### Key Facts

#### Exports

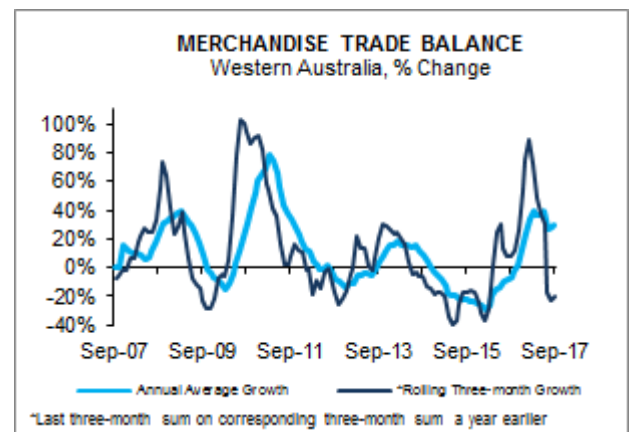
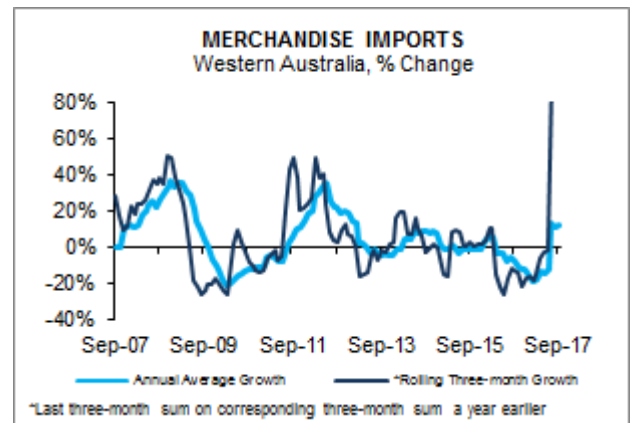
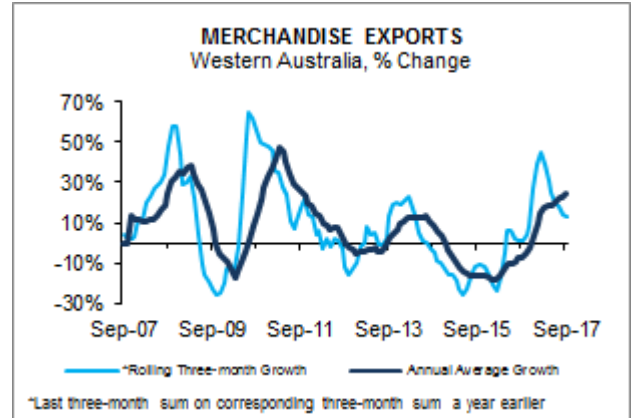
- Merchandise exports from Western Australia increased by 13.2% to \$30.8 billion in the three months to September compared to the same period the previous year. Exports rose by 24.2% in the 12 months to September 2017.
- The value of exports from Australia increased by 17.5% to \$75.5 billion in the three months to September compared to the same period the previous year. Exports rose by 24.4% over the year in rolling annual terms.
- Over the year to September, the largest increase in exports by State was 46.8%, in Queensland. The smallest increase was 8.3%, in Tasmania.

#### Imports

- The value of imports in Western Australia increased by 92.2% to \$15.3 billion in the three months to September 2017 compared to the same period in 2016, and rose by 12.8% over the year to September 2017.
- Australia's imports increased by 26.1% to \$82.2 billion in the three months to September compared to the same period a year earlier. Imports rose by 8.8% over the year in rolling annual terms.
- Over the year to September, the largest increase in imports by State was 19.6% in Tasmania. The smallest increase was 1.1% in New South Wales.

#### Trade Balance

- WA's merchandise trade surplus increased by 30% to \$86.4 billion in the year to September 2017. This compares to a surplus of \$21.2 billion nationally and a deficit of \$65.2 billion for the rest of Australia excluding Western Australia.



#### INTERNATIONAL TRADE (NOMINAL)

September 2017

	3 Months to	3 Months to September 2017 on		Year to	Year to September 2017 on	
	September 2017	3 Months to September 2016		September 2017	Year to September 2016	
	Value	Change		Value	Change	
	\$ Million	\$ Million	%	\$ Million	\$ Million	%
Exports	30,833	3,604	13.2	124,133	24,225	24.2
Imports	15,343	7,359	92.2	37,744	4,285	12.8
Trade Balance	15,490	-3,755	-19.5	86,389	19,940	30.0