



## Synopsis

- Toughest retail climate for decades
- However, consumption growth is strong and economic indicators are positive
- So what's happening?...This presentation will look at various trends and patterns...

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- We're potentially in for one of the most exciting times in retail. Consumers are salivating in anticipation!
  - **On-line** – A new competitor; the reason why we have to redefine "service" in Australia; and a tremendous opportunity for bricks and mortar stores to adopt a multi-channel approach; ...and it should grow the market to some extent as well.
  - **International brands** – upping the ante for the 'passive' Australian retailer; and giving Australian consumers access to exciting brands.
  - **Improving the customer experience** – actually walking the walk regarding the shopping centre value equation (ie elevating intangibles in the consumer environment package).

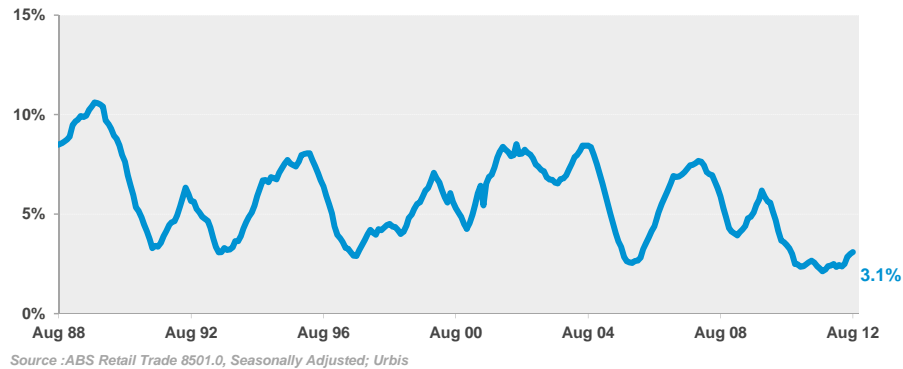






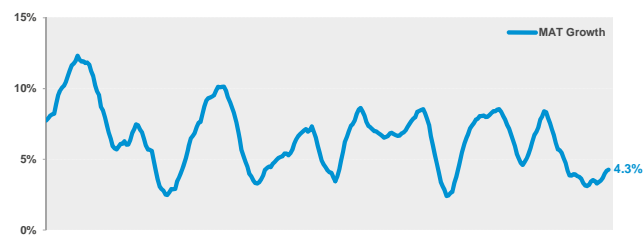
The trough continues, but there are some encouraging signs in the latest data

### Australia Retail Growth – Total

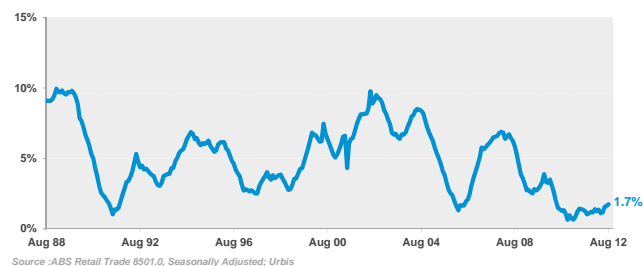


Non-food sector – extended period of low growth

### Australia Retail Growth – Food



### Australia Retail Growth – Non-Food

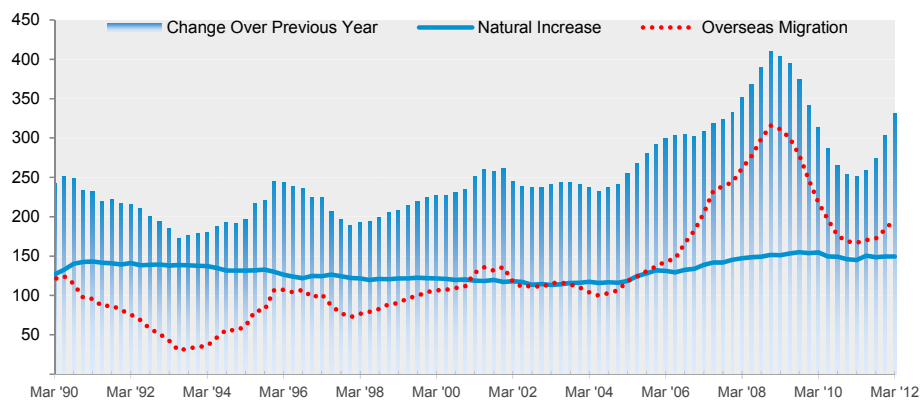


### Four key components to retail turnover growth



### Recent migration intake has kick-started Australia's population growth in recent quarters

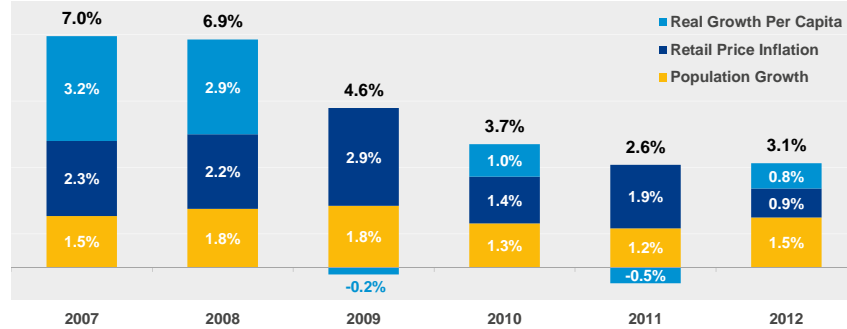
#### Australian Moving Annual Population Growth ('000s)



## Stronger real growth in 2012 but still well below pre-GST trend

### Australian Retail Trade - Total Year on Year Growth

FINANCIAL YEARS (%)<sup>1</sup>



1. Population growth to June extrapolated from 3 quarters of growth to March 2012

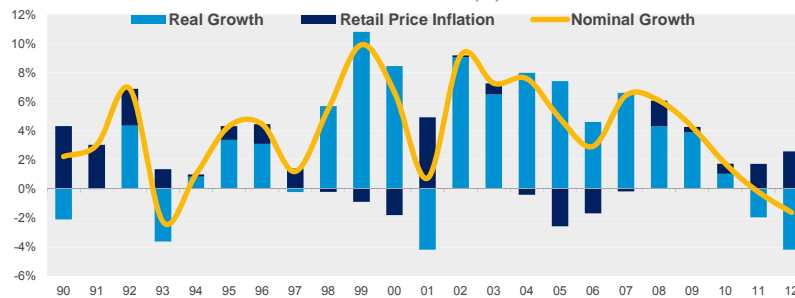
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## Fashion and footwear continue to struggle, but held up by growth in prices

### Australian Clothing, Footwear and Personal Accessory Retail Trade

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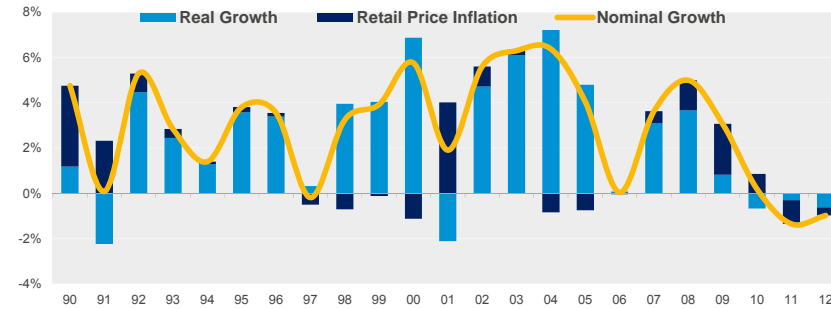
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## Australian department stores in no-man's land

### Australian Department Stores and DDSs

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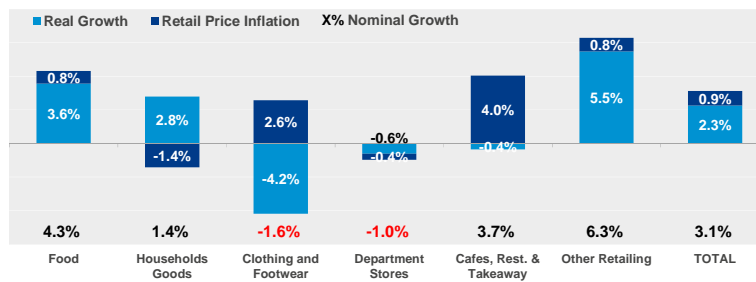
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## Fashion remains the weakest category in Australian retailing

### Australian Retail Trade - Retailer Category

FINANCIAL YEAR 2012



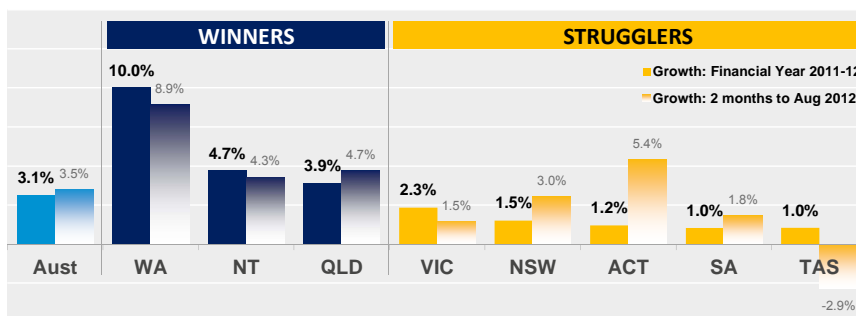
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Western Australia continues to outpace other states by a wide margin

### Annual Retail Trade

FINANCIAL YEAR 2012 & YEAR TO AUG 2012



Source: ABS Cat 8501.0 ; Urbis



Consumer Confidence & Expenditure Diversion

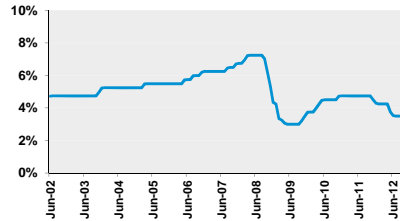




## There is capacity for additional spending on retail....

### Interest Rates

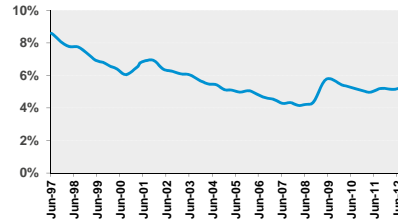
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Source: RBA Overnight Cash Rate

### Unemployment

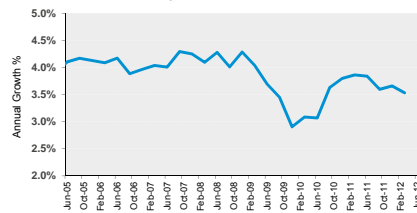
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Source: ABS Cat. 6202.0

### Wage Price Index - All Industries

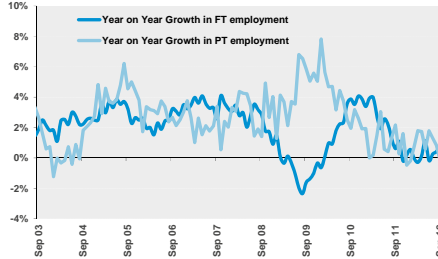
ROLLING ANNUAL GROWTH, YEAR ON PREV. CORRESP. YEAR



Source: ABS 6345.0; Urbis  
Measures changes in the real price of wages. Calculated as a rolling sum of 4 quarters on 4 corresponding quarters of the previous year.

### Employment Trends- Australia

EMPLOYED PERSONS, PERCENTAGE GROWTH SEPT 2003 TO SEPT 2012

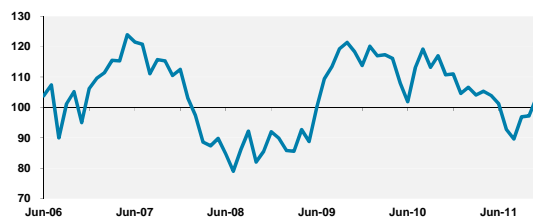


Source: ABS Labour Force, September 2012 (Seasonally Adj); Urbis



## ...but households are continuing to limit their spending...

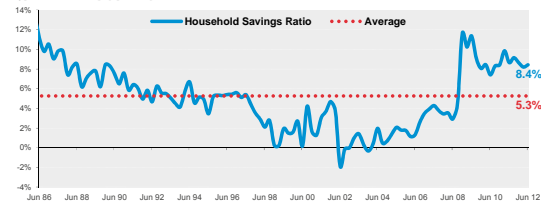
### Westpac Consumer Sentiment



Source: Consumer Sentiment Index Westpac Melbourne Institute; Urbis

### Household Savings Ratio

QUARTERLY TO JUNE 2012

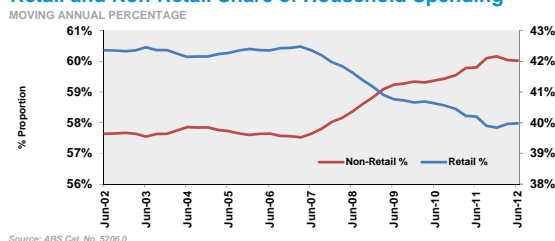


Source: ABS National Accounts Cat 5206.0; Urbis

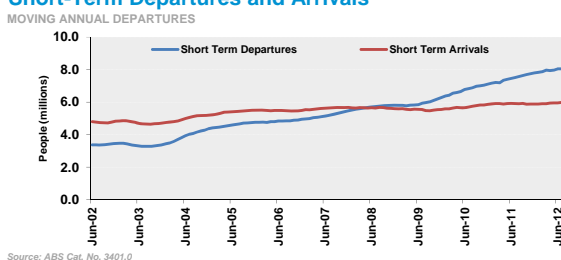


... and households are diverting more of their spending to non-retail services and travel

### Retail and Non-Retail Share of Household Spending



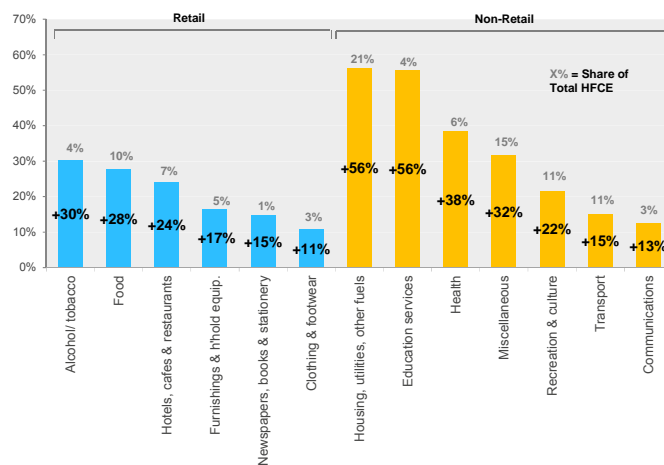
### Short-Term Departures and Arrivals



Consumption growth is strong but significant expenditure diversion to housing, utilities, petrol, education and health

### Household Expenditure

TOTAL GROWTH BY CATEGORY, 2007 - 2012



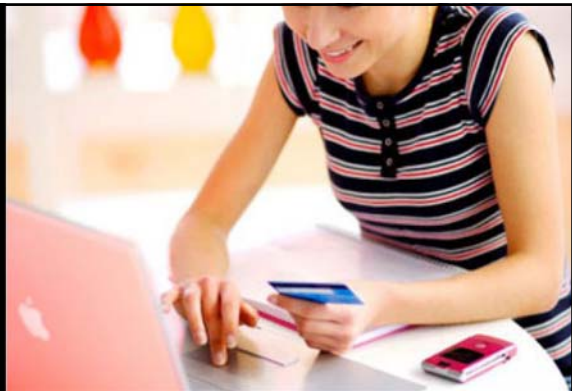
## Online retail should thrive in the future

- **High** in-store prices on an international scale
- Narrower local **product range**
- Relatively **wealthy** population
- Rapid delivery & “**parcel excitement**”



## Online retail should thrive in the future

- Australian's willingness to adopt **new technologies**
- Improved **online presence** of Australian retailers
- Increased focus of **international** retailers on the Australian market
- **Instant** access

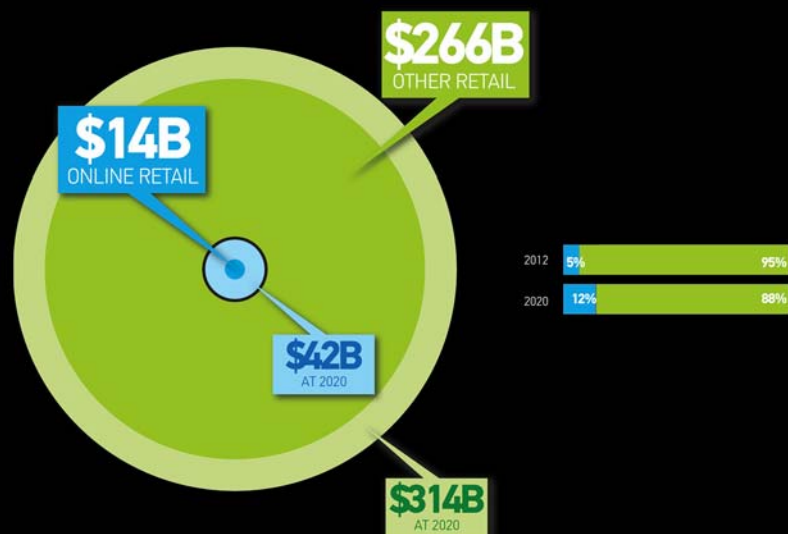


## New online retail competition will impact growth for shopping centres

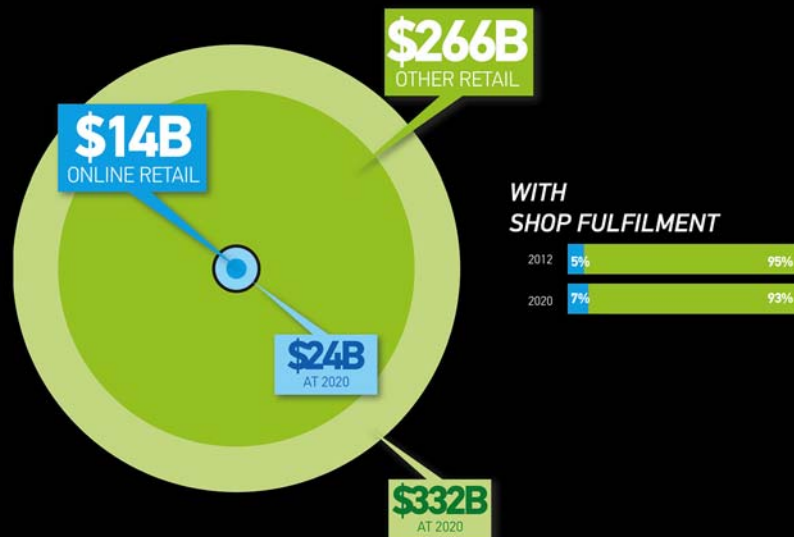
- Online retailing accounts for approximately:
  - 5%, or \$14 billion of retail spending
  - 9% of discretionary spending
- Grew by 25% last year, and is expected to grow by 12%-15% per annum over next 10 years
- Currently impacting retail trade through bricks and mortar shops by almost 1% per annum



The impact of online retail on shopping centres will be to reduce growth by less than 1% per annum, unless...



...Australian retailers “clawback” via a multi-channel approach, including in-store fulfilment. This would reduce growth by around 0.5% per annum.



Shopping Centre Performance





## Retail Averages 2012 Sample

	Centres	Coverage <sup>1</sup>
<b>Regionals</b>	57	86%
<b>Sub-Regionals</b>	156	56%

1. Excludes unstable centres

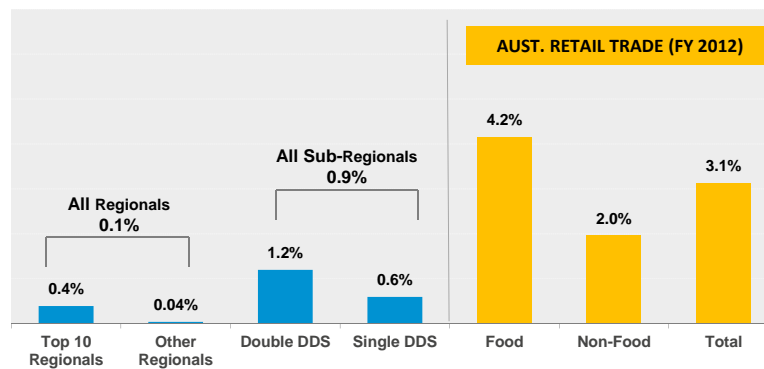
Source: Urbis



## A very tough year for shopping centres

### Centre Turnover Growth

SAME CENTRE (%)



Source : Urbis Averages 2011/12



## Regional Centres

### TURNOVER GROWTH - SPECIALTY TENANTS

TOP 10	Change	BOTTOM 10	Change
Key Cutting, Shoe/Watch Repairs	+23.0%	Music/Video/Games	-14.6%
Electrical/Sound/Computers	+20.4%	Furniture/Hardware	-9.5%
Children's Apparel	+9.1%	Film Processing/Photography	-7.2%
Optometrist	+9.1%	Jeaneries & Unisex	-5.8%
Phone & Mobile Communications	+9.0%	Books	-4.6%
Sporting Goods	+7.4%	Women's Apparel	-3.6%
Cafe/Restaurant	+5.2%	Florists/Pets/Toys/Misc	-3.4%
Other Specialty Food	+4.3%	Poultry	-3.0%
Hairdressing/Beauty	+3.4%	Pharmacy & Cosmetics	-2.2%
Discount Variety	+2.8%	Giftware	-1.8%

Source : Urbis Averages 2011/12



Outlook & Opportunities



## Retail Trade Forecasts

NOMINAL GROWTH (%)

	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
NSW	1.5%	3.0%	4.0%
VIC	2.3%	2.4%	3.9%
QLD	3.9%	5.0%	6.0%
SA	1.0%	1.7%	3.2%
WA	10.0%	8.0%	7.3%
TAS	1.0%	0.8%	2.3%
NT	4.7%	4.8%	5.3%
ACT	1.2%	3.7%	4.7%
<b>Australia</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>

Source: ABS Cat No.8501.0 Retail Trade Australia; Urbis



## Australian shopping centres continue to have considerable appeal

- Multi- purpose & resilient
- Dynamic
- Proximate
- Range & choice (including centre types)
- Instant gratification
- High touch (social, entertainment, outing, browsing )
- Hands on (see, touch & feel)



### Neighborhood Centres & Small Sub-regionals - get up close and personal!

- **Don't compromise** on customer convenience (accessibility, ingress-egress, car parking, well targeted mix)
- Strengthen **community role** & build loyalty (local facilities, services & events)
- Improve **personal service**



### Major Shopping Centres must improve the experience to increase visitation and spending

#### CHANGE NO.1:

- Make it a **special Place**
- What are the particular **needs & aspirations** of your market?  
- Understand your **segments**
- **Broaden role** (facilities & services, growing consumer economics - health, education, leisure, utilities)

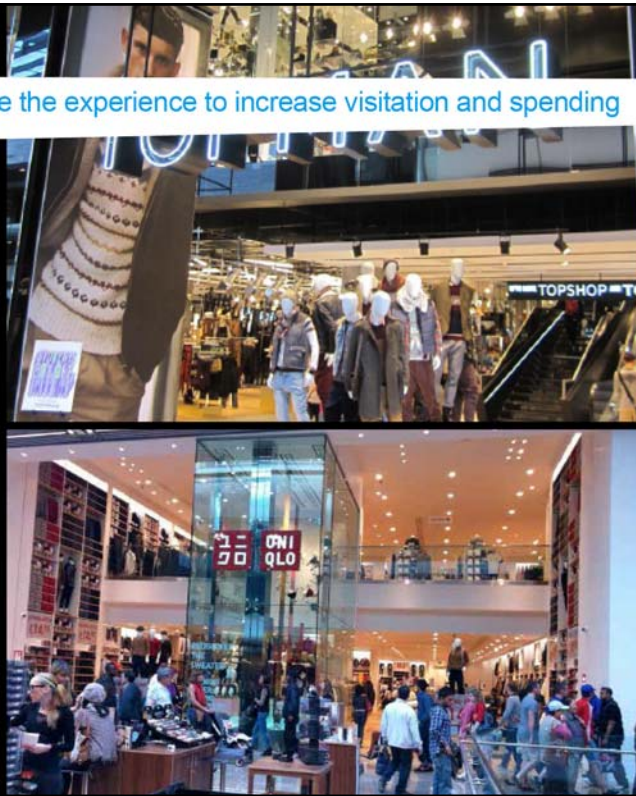


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### CHANGE NO.2:

Constantly rework the mix and feel.

- **Modern** shopfronts
- New & **exciting** business
- **Strong** brands
- Enhance **dining, leisure & entertainment** options

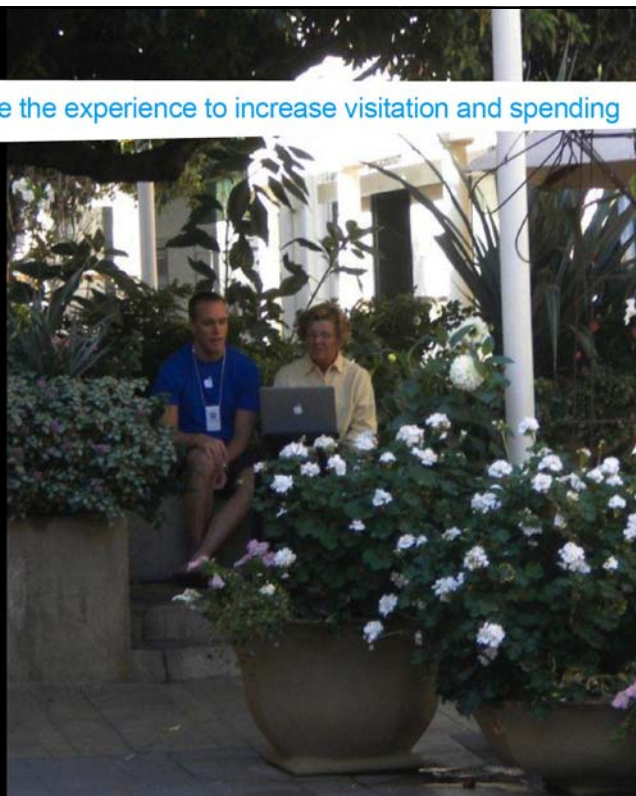


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### CHANGE NO.3:

Customer service - a key differentiator.

- Employment numbers OK but service ethic poor. Can Australian retailers instil a **service attitude**?
  - Choose tenants that can.




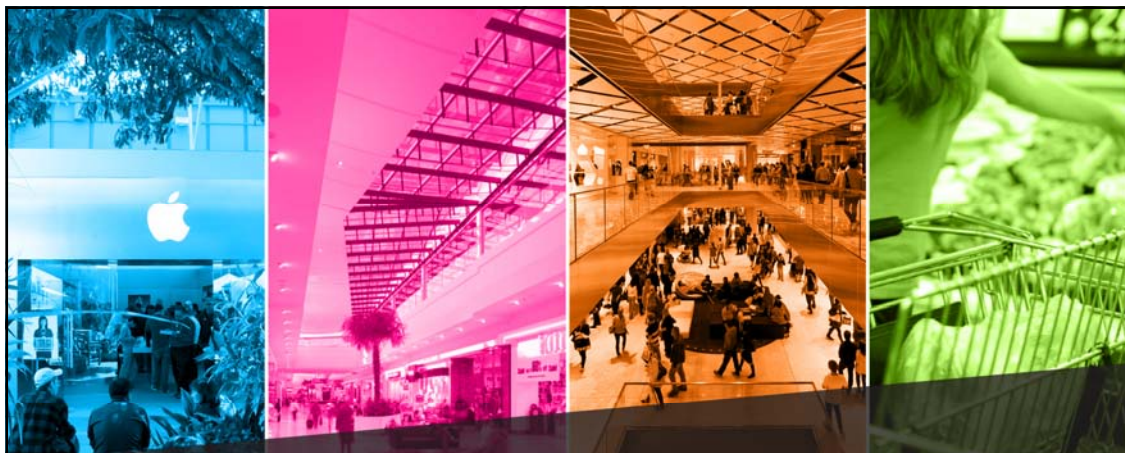




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**CHANGE NO.3:**

- **Technology friendly** (free WiFi, Me-Ality, customer recognition)
- Facilitate **on-line clawback/** in-store fulfilment
- Connect to the **multi-channel** retailer
- Rethink **trading hours**

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