Veda's Quarterly Business Credit Demand Index

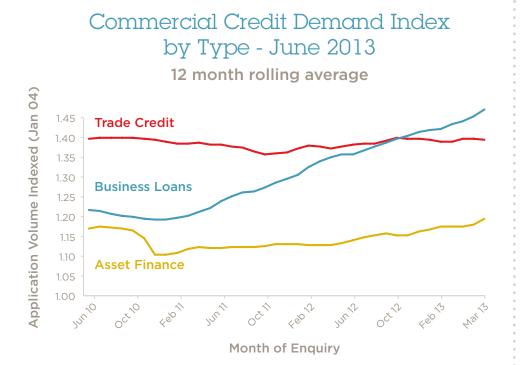
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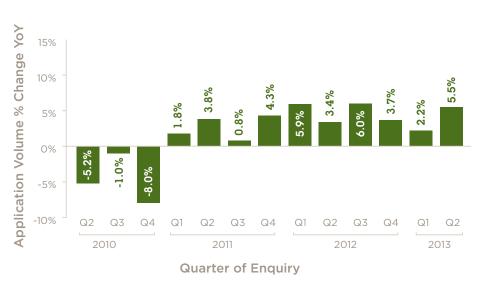
April – June 2013

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Non-mining states growing faster than mining states, first time in two years



Commercial Credit Demand Index Quarterly YoY%



Business credit growth increased



Non-mining states demonstrated stronger growth than mining states



for the first time in two years Business loans, asset finance and trade credit enquiries increased year on year





2013

Veda revealed the results of its business credit demand index for the second calendar quarter of 2013

which measures the **change in credit demand** for the June quarter **compared to the same period in 2012**.



Veda's business credit demand index has historically proven to be **a good indicator of how the overall economy is travelling**, with movements in the index being highly correlated with growth in real GDP, investment in machinery and equipment, and building construction.



Index showed overall
business credit demandincreased to
 5.5° over the
previous yearup from
2.2% in the March quarter and
3.7% in the December quarterThe growth by month was 5.1° in April 4.8° in May and 7.7° in June 2013

The growth in overall business credit enquiries was driven by growth in



The improvement in business credit enquiries has largely been driven by improvement in the non-mining states.

Growth in overall business credit enquiries across the **non-mining states** picked up from

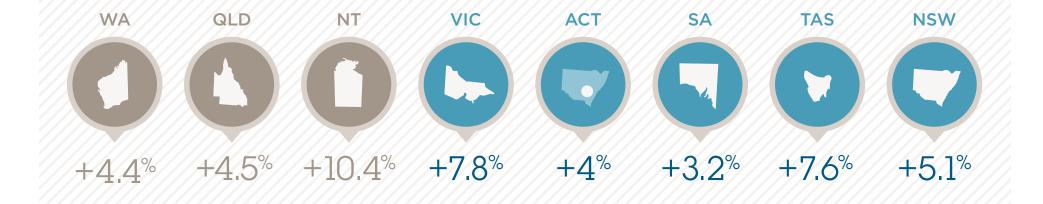


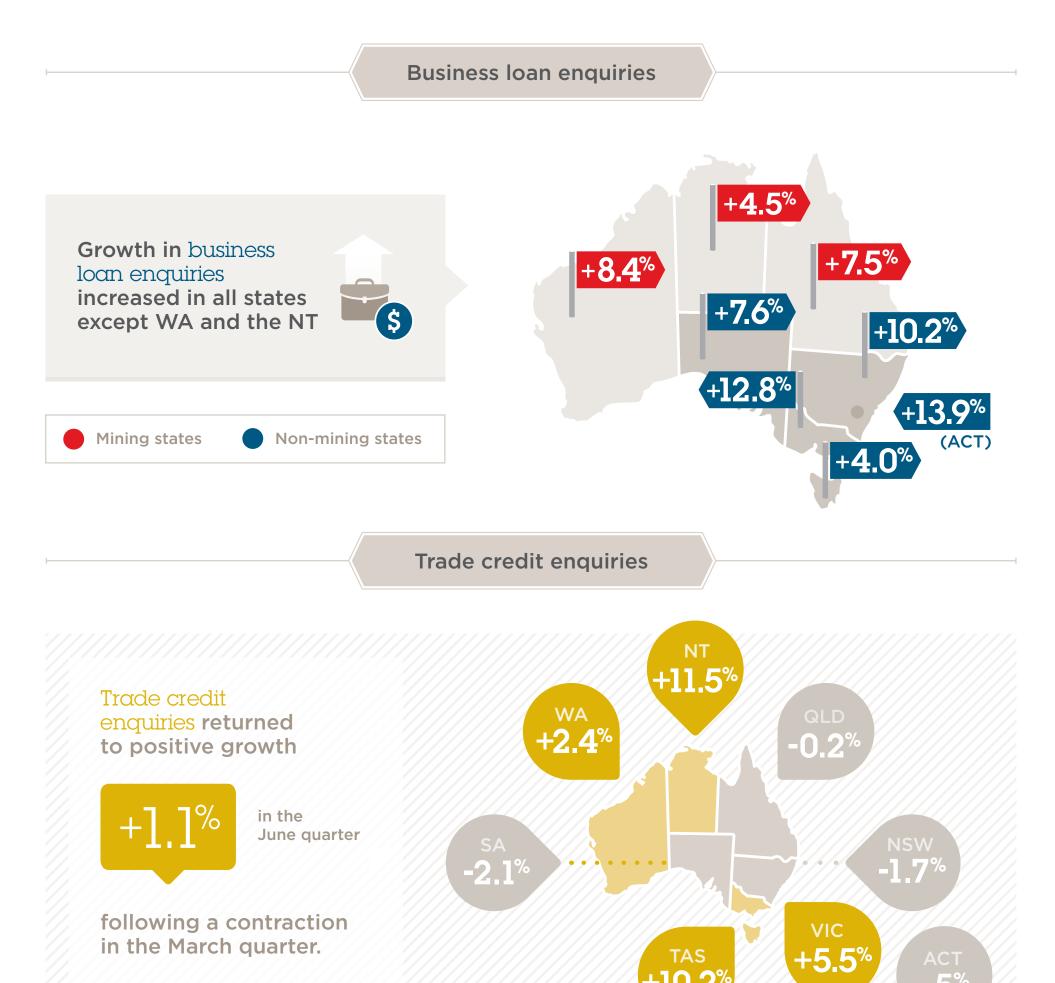
while growth across the **mining states** edged up from

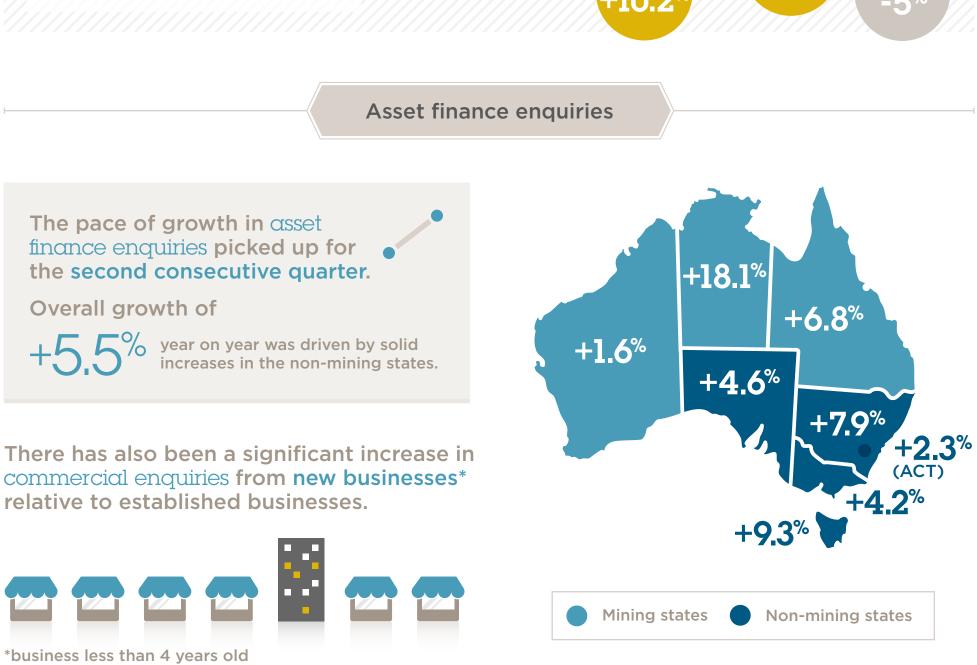


Growth in overall business credit enquiries picked up in all states except WA and the ACT

Mining statesNon-mining states









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