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OF
SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS

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Item	Unit	Sydney			Melbourne			Brisbane			Adelaide			Perth			Hobart			Canberra		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
- Cents -																						
Groceries, etc. -																						
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	2 lb	20.0	20.0	20.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	19.0	19.0	19.0	19.0	19.0	19.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0
Flour, plain	2 lb pkt	17.6	18.2	18.2	19.7	19.7	19.3	15.2	15.8	16.0	15.7	15.9	17.4	15.9	16.1	16.1	17.5	17.3	17.3	20.3	20.7	20.8
" self-raising	2 lb pkt	20.2	21.3	21.0	21.4	21.9	21.0	18.4	18.8	18.8	17.2	17.4	18.7	19.7	19.7	19.7	21.7	22.4	22.5	22.0	22.4	22.5
Tea	½ lb pkt	28.4	28.4	28.4	29.9	30.4	30.1	29.3	29.0	29.3	28.7	28.4	28.4	28.7	28.7	28.7	31.0	30.4	31.2	29.7	29.7	29.7
Sugar	4 lb pkt	43.3	43.8	43.8	42.6	42.6	42.4	42.7	42.7	42.9	41.9	41.9	41.9	40.4	40.5	40.5	45.0	44.4	45.0	43.9	45.5	45.5
Rice	1 lb pkt	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.3	14.6	14.4	15.0	15.0	15.0	14.0	14.0	13.8	15.0	15.2	15.2	14.8	15.1	15.2	15.1	14.7	15.4
Jam, apricot	1½ lb	32.6	33.7	33.8	34.2	34.4	34.4	33.4	34.0	35.0	33.5	33.5	33.5	34.7	34.6	34.4	33.5	35.0	35.2	34.3	34.7	35.2
Oats, rolled	2 lb pkt (c)	38.1	38.4	38.1	28.5	28.5	28.5	43.0	43.0	43.0	23.6	23.6	23.6	28.1	28.7	28.7	29.1	29.5	29.5	40.3	40.3	40.3
Peaches, canned	29 oz	32.1	31.7	32.9	28.8	31.1	31.5	32.8	34.0	34.3	28.8	29.6	29.9	34.5	34.5	35.0	33.3	33.6	32.2	32.7	33.3	33.5
Pears, canned	29 oz	32.1	31.7	32.9	30.7	31.1	32.1	32.8	34.0	34.4	28.8	29.6	30.3	34.5	35.0	35.0	33.1	33.4	34.0	32.9	32.6	33.2
Potatoes	7 lb	38.8	38.5	38.9	33.5	31.5	32.7	34.0	36.3	32.3	24.1	21.7	23.9	42.9	43.3	43.5	49.4	41.7	38.4	39.5	37.0	38.1
Onions, brown	1 lb	13.4	11.1	10.5	12.6	11.4	10.5	13.9	11.2	9.9	11.9	11.6	10.0	10.5	10.1	9.6	14.8	12.8	10.8	13.6	12.7	11.1
Soap, laundry	20 oz pkt	31.7	31.9	31.7	33.9	35.7	35.8	34.2	35.4	34.6	28.1	28.0	28.5	32.8	35.0	35.1	35.7	35.7	33.1	33.9	34.5	33.9
Dairy Produce, etc. -																						
Butter	1 lb	54.4	54.3	54.4	53.2	53.2	53.1	53.7	53.6	54.0	52.5	52.5	52.7	53.2	53.2	53.2	55.0	55.0	55.0	55.9	55.7	55.9
Cheese, processed	8 oz pkt	23.9	24.1	23.5	23.8	23.8	23.5	25.5	25.2	24.7	23.8	23.9	23.8	25.1	24.2	23.7	25.2	24.2	24.2	24.2	24.2	23.7
Eggs	doz (d)	66.0	66.0	66.0	64.0	62.6	62.5	61.7	61.7	61.7	63.1	63.7	63.7	66.0	66.0	66.0	68.9	68.8	68.8	66.0	66.0	66.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	½ lb	44.5	44.5	44.0	52.3	52.0	52.0	50.6	48.5	50.1	46.6	46.6	46.6	43.0	44.5	43.0	49.7	49.7	50.4	47.3	47.9	48.1
Milk, evaporated	14½ oz tin	16.4	16.0	15.9	17.1	17.1	16.3	17.5	17.8	17.8	16.2	16.5	16.6	17.4	17.4	17.4	17.6	17.6	17.6	16.2	15.6	16.1
Milk, fresh, bottled, delivered	quart	23.0	23.0	23.0	19.0	19.0	19.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
		March qtr 1970			March qtr 1970			March qtr 1970			March qtr 1970			March qtr 1970			March qtr 1970			March qtr 1970		
Meat -																						
Beef, rib (without bone)	1 lb		55.4			64.5			55.2			58.5			53.6			54.0			52.9	
" steak, rump	"		102.6			115.4			85.3			103.9			103.7			91.7			108.5	
" " T-bone, without fillet (e)	"		86.5			88.2			75.0			87.5			84.8			84.1			87.8	
" " chuck	"		50.7			52.0			52.4			60.4			58.3			54.3			53.3	
" sausages	"		27.9			31.2			29.2			27.4			25.0			29.5			30.1	
" silverside, corned	"		56.1			64.3			58.6			64.7			59.8			61.3			62.2	
" brisket, corned	"		41.5			45.4			43.3			47.6			44.6			44.6			46.0	
Mutton, leg	"		31.4			27.3			34.9			31.4			32.3			26.5			37.9	
" chops, loin	"		27.4			29.3			33.9			30.5			27.9			22.8			30.8	
" " leg	"		29.0			32.2			34.2			33.0			28.7			27.1			30.8	
" " forequarter	"		25.2			24.0			32.7			26.6			22.3			18.8			26.1	
Lamb, leg	"		45.3			41.5			51.0			45.4			52.0			47.8			48.5	
" chops, loin	"		47.9			47.1			53.5			51.6			53.3			49.1			54.2	
" " leg	"		49.2			47.4			53.1			53.8			54.2			52.0			52.5	
" " forequarter	"		37.0			34.9			50.3			42.7			45.1			40.0			41.4	
Pork, leg	"		65.4			62.0			61.4			68.3			64.1			67.4			66.6	
" loin	"		63.4			64.6			60.3			66.7			64.5			67.6			66.8	
" chops	"		63.3			64.6			61.0			66.7			64.4			67.7			66.7	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives. (b) This statement incorporates some alterations in the selected list and some minor changes in basis since December quarter 1969. (c) Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Hobart 1½ lb pkt. (d) Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth and Canberra - "24 oz" doz; Adelaide - doz "Large"; Hobart - doz of "2 oz". (e) Sydney and Brisbane with fillet.

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