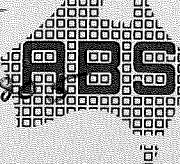


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SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA
JANUARY TO MARCH 1975**

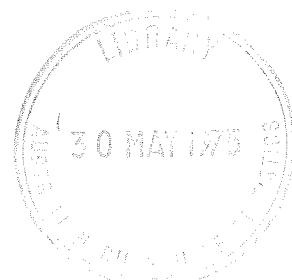
The prices shown in this bulletin are the averages of prices for specified grades, qualities, brands, etc. charged by a number of selected retailers in each city. The specified grades, etc. and the retailers have been selected as representative to measure price change over time. Prices of potatoes and onions are collected weekly and averaged to arrive at monthly prices, those of the other items are collected as at the mid point of each month. The prices are published as approximate indicators of price levels and changes therein. They do not purport to be the actual averages of all retail sales of these items. In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

This statement incorporates some changes in basis since December 1974.

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AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, JANUARY 1975
(Cents)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Sydney</i>	<i>Melbourne</i>	<i>Brisbane</i>	<i>Adelaide</i>	<i>Perth</i>	<i>Hobart</i>	<i>Canberra</i>
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	900g(a)	40.0	34.8	31.4	38.0	33.0	38.0	38.0
Flour –								
Plain	1 kg pkt (b)	29.0	30.2	25.4	25.2	27.1	28.2	30.5
Self-raising	1 kg pkt (c)	32.0	33.5	25.0	26.4	31.1	32.4	33.3
Breakfast cereal, corn based	453 g pkt	47.6	49.4	48.6	48.7	57.3	52.9	50.8
Biscuits, dry	226 g pkt	29.5	31.9	27.4	30.4	32.4	36.3	30.5
Tea	½ lb pkt	41.3	40.1	37.8	37.5	40.4	41.0	43.0
Sugar	2 kg pkt	44.8	44.5	45.3	45.6	46.8	47.6	50.2
Rice	500g pkt	20.7	22.7	22.5	22.0	22.2	24.3	23.6
Jam, apricot	680 g can	42.9	47.0	47.9	41.8	49.9	48.4	42.4
Peaches,	822 g can	42.7	45.2	48.1	43.8	51.2	47.9	47.1
Pears,	822 g can	42.0	45.2	48.0	44.6	50.1	48.0	45.9
Potatoes	7 lb	70.1	65.9	58.2	70.1	88.1	79.9	69.8
Onions	lb	16.3	16.9	12.9	12.5	16.0	16.3	19.5
Butter	454 g	65.5	62.4	65.6	63.4	64.7	67.6	68.0
Cheese, processed	227 g pkt	35.2	40.3	38.3	37.4	36.7	39.5	35.7
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	16 oz pkt	70.7	66.3	65.0	72.2	73.0	70.4	66.8
Eggs –								
60g	doz	87.5	88.4	83.0	89.0	87.5	86.2	85.8
55g	doz	84.2	85.4	81.8	87.4	84.5	82.1	82.8
50g	doz	80.6	83.3	76.8	85.7	81.5	77.4	79.1
Milk –								
Evaporated	14½ oz can	20.6	20.9	22.4	21.9	23.1	23.0	21.9
Fresh, bottled, delivered	quart (d)	43.0	31.0	35.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	34.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	½ lb	76.6	79.9	78.6	76.0	63.8	74.7	77.7
Sausages	lb	42.0	44.8	43.3	43.4	37.9	49.8	44.3
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	73.0	74.3	78.8	74.6	76.9	79.6	80.3
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle	31.3	29.6	33.5	31.0	34.1	33.9	31.1
Spaghetti (in tomato sauce)	454 g can	23.9	27.6	26.9	23.9	26.3	28.6	24.9
Prepared baby food	127 g can	11.3	12.2	12.8	12.8	13.3	12.9	12.6
Beef –								
Rib (without bone)	lb	73.5	68.3	68.3	76.1	62.8	59.9	64.0
Steak –								
Rump	lb	128.9	129.2	101.6	112.2	127.1	125.7	139.6
T-bone, without fillet (e)	lb	110.6	90.1	99.9	97.1	97.2	109.9	114.5
Chuck	lb	56.6	60.8	64.0	60.4	63.4	61.2	61.6
Silverside, corned	lb	78.7	79.7	70.9	81.1	75.6	80.2	74.0
Lamb –								
Leg	lb	71.5	58.1	79.5	71.0	85.4	66.9	69.2
Chops –								
Loin	lb	65.8	60.8	80.4	78.9	87.3	68.6	74.4
Leg	lb	70.9	65.6	82.0	81.4	88.1	74.0	74.4
Forequarter	lb	53.7	47.5	81.6	69.5	79.7	56.4	59.5
Pork –								
Leg	lb	114.9	111.3	110.8	121.2	97.6	108.1	116.8
Loin	lb	104.6	109.2	112.6	117.4	98.8	106.5	115.2
Chops	lb	105.5	107.2	112.6	120.0	98.1	107.0	115.2

(a) Price for 2 lb in Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth and Hobart. (b) Price for 2 lb packet in Hobart. (c) Price for 2 lb packet in Brisbane and Hobart. (d) Price for 2 x 1 pint bottles in all capitals except Sydney where price is for 2 x 600 ml bottles. (e) Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with fillet.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, FEBRUARY 1975
(Cents)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Sydney</i>	<i>Melbourne</i>	<i>Brisbane</i>	<i>Adelaide</i>	<i>Perth</i>	<i>Hobart</i>	<i>Canberra</i>
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	900 g (a)	40.0	34.8	31.4	38.0	33.0	38.0	38.0
Flour —								
Plain	1 kg pkt (b)	29.0	31.4	26.4	26.5	28.6	29.2	33.2
Self-raising	1 kg pkt (c)	32.2	32.8	26.1	27.4	32.1	34.9	35.8
Breakfast cereal, corn based	453 g pkt	47.0	47.3	48.3	49.3	58.3	53.6	50.8
Biscuits, dry	226 g pkt	29.6	32.8	28.2	30.8	32.5	35.9	30.6
Tea	½ lb pkt	41.1	40.1	38.2	36.7	40.7	42.0	42.0
Sugar	2 kg pkt	45.6	44.5	46.9	48.2	50.3	48.6	49.7
Rice	500 g pkt	21.9	23.0	23.7	23.5	23.1	24.8	23.3
Jam, apricot	680 g can	42.9	47.0	48.3	49.7	49.9	49.4	42.9
Peaches	822 g can	42.7	42.8	48.7	44.6	51.5	49.3	45.8
Pears	822 g can	42.0	45.4	48.5	44.4	50.1	49.1	46.5
Potatoes	7 lb	68.6	55.9	57.5	67.3	79.2	66.4	67.1
Onions	lb	15.6	16.2	14.1	12.1	14.4	15.7	17.7
Butter	454 g	66.5	62.0	65.6	62.9	64.7	67.7	64.7
Cheese, processed	227 g pkt	36.4	39.6	38.5	38.4	37.6	39.9	37.8
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	16 oz pkt	70.8	68.5	66.3	68.3	76.2	71.1	70.1
Eggs —								
60g	doz	87.4	88.3	88.4	88.8	91.8	86.2	85.8
55g	doz	84.4	85.6	82.8	87.6	88.8	82.1	82.8
50g	doz	80.4	83.3	78.4	86.0	85.8	77.4	79.1
Milk —								
Evaporated	14½ oz can	21.1	22.2	23.8	22.9	23.9	23.3	23.0
Fresh, bottled, delivered	quart (d)	43.0	31.0	35.0	32.0	30.0	30.0	34.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	½ lb	76.9	81.6	77.4	76.9	63.6	75.8	76.7
Sausages	lb	41.2	44.4	42.5	42.9	38.3	49.0	44.4
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	68.9	77.0	76.6	74.9	78.3	80.6	77.5
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle	31.2	29.6	35.0	32.5	35.4	35.0	31.1
Spaghetti (in tomato sauce)	454 g can	24.7	27.9	28.2	24.4	27.5	28.9	25.1
Prepared baby food	127 g can	11.0	12.3	13.0	12.8	14.1	13.3	12.8
Beef —								
Rib (without bone)	lb	72.1	69.2	65.6	74.3	61.4	59.3	64.8
Steak —								
Rump	lb	125.9	126.2	102.8	117.8	127.9	124.8	139.2
T-bone, without fillet (a)	lb	102.9	90.1	95.4	95.7	95.7	109.9	111.8
Chuck	lb	53.5	56.8	60.3	59.7	61.0	60.6	60.3
Silverside, corned	lb	77.1	77.9	70.6	74.8	76.0	79.3	73.7
Lamb —								
Leg	lb	74.2	59.8	80.5	72.2	89.0	66.5	74.0
Chops —								
Loin	lb	71.9	62.2	80.4	80.8	90.8	66.6	79.7
Leg	lb	76.2	66.6	81.4	82.8	92.1	73.4	79.7
Forequarter	lb	52.7	48.5	81.6	70.4	81.5	54.8	61.8
Pork —								
Leg	lb	114.9	110.1	108.5	124.3	103.6	108.1	117.8
Loin	lb	107.6	109.0	111.1	119.5	102.4	106.5	116.2
Chops	lb	106.5	107.9	111.1	120.4	101.9	107.0	116.2

(a) Price for 2 lb in Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth and Hobart. (b) Price for 2 lb packet in Hobart. (c) Price for 2 lb packet in Brisbane and Hobart. (d) Price for 2 x 1 pint bottles in all capitals except Sydney where price is for 2 x 600 ml bottles. (e) Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with fillet.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, MARCH 1975
(Cents)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Sydney</i>	<i>Melbourne</i>	<i>Brisbane</i>	<i>Adelaide</i>	<i>Perth</i>	<i>Hobart</i>	<i>Canberra</i>
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	900 g (a)	40.0	34.8	33.4	38.0	36.0	38.0	39.0
Flour -								
Plain	1 kg pkt (b)	30.2	32.0	28.1	27.3	30.1	29.2	33.3
Self-raising	1 kg pkt (c)	32.2	34.0	26.2	28.3	34.6	37.0	34.4
Breakfast cereal, corn based	453 g pkt	47.1	48.9	49.1	49.4	60.6	53.6	51.2
Biscuits, dry	226 g pkt	30.5	33.5	28.6	31.6	34.1	37.1	31.3
Tea	½ lb pkt	44.0	42.0	40.9	39.3	43.0	42.7	45.4
Sugar	2 kg pkt	47.0	47.6	48.9	48.9	50.2	51.2	52.0
Rice	500 g pkt	23.9	24.6	24.9	24.6	24.4	25.1	24.8
Jam, apricot	680 g can	42.4	48.2	48.0	60.7	50.1	50.0	39.7
Peaches	822 g can	43.3	45.4	48.8	44.9	51.4	49.1	46.4
Pears	822 g can	43.0	45.0	48.6	44.5	51.1	49.9	47.5
Potatoes	7 lb	75.5	53.8	68.0	67.1	81.5	59.7	74.2
Onions	lb	15.8	15.9	14.0	12.7	14.5	15.3	17.9
Butter	454 g	65.6	61.6	64.7	63.1	64.8	67.0	67.7
Cheese, processed	227 g pkt	37.4	40.9	39.4	39.8	38.0	38.1	38.0
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	16 oz pkt	70.9	70.8	67.6	70.6	73.7	73.7	73.7
Eggs -								
60g	doz	93.2	88.3	88.1	89.1	91.5	89.7	87.9
55g	doz	85.1	84.8	81.9	88.0	88.3	85.3	82.8
50g	doz	81.2	83.3	78.1	86.4	85.3	80.3	79.1
Milk -								
Evaporated	14½ oz can	22.5	22.0	23.8	23.7	24.3	23.6	23.3
Fresh, bottled, delivered	quart (d)	43.0	31.0	35.0	32.0	32.0	32.0	34.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	½ lb	77.2	87.7	79.2	76.9	67.2	75.8	74.4
Sausages	lb	40.2	44.4	42.9	44.3	38.9	49.0	44.8
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	70.6	75.7	76.7	71.9	75.3	81.1	76.6
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle	33.6	33.4	36.2	33.1	34.8	38.2	31.1
Spaghetti (in tomato sauce)	454 g can	26.6	27.9	28.0	24.8	28.8	30.0	27.0
Prepared baby food	127 g can	11.9	12.0	12.9	13.2	14.4	13.7	13.1
Beef -								
Rib (without bone)	lb	73.4	68.8	65.3	76.4	62.4	59.2	64.6
Steak -								
Rump	lb	124.1	122.8	96.5	119.7	129.0	125.4	140.1
T-bone, without fillet (e)	lb	103.9	88.6	94.7	93.2	97.7	109.9	113.1
Chuck	lb	53.1	53.4	60.3	64.7	61.5	60.9	61.5
Silverside, corned	lb	77.1	77.3	69.7	78.4	75.8	79.3	74.0
Lamb -								
Leg	lb	76.1	61.9	88.3	75.2	89.4	67.2	80.6
Chops -								
Loin	lb	76.4	62.4	88.7	83.2	92.1	69.4	90.6
Leg	lb	80.1	64.6	89.7	86.6	92.6	74.6	87.2
Forequarter	lb	55.1	48.3	88.4	73.6	82.5	57.2	69.1
Pork -								
Leg	lb	115.8	107.0	108.5	124.4	105.2	108.1	116.8
Loin	lb	109.1	107.0	110.5	120.0	104.2	106.5	115.2
Chops	lb	108.5	105.9	110.5	122.4	104.7	107.0	115.2

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