



CONSUMER PRICE INDEX—JUNE QUARTER 1985

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MAIN FEATURES

Change between

All groups index	Mar. qtr 1985 and June qtr 1985	June qtr 1984 and June qtr 1985
	%	%
Sydney	+2.1	+6.5
Melbourne	+3.0	+7.1
Brisbane	+1.7	+5.9
Adelaide	+2.6	+7.4
Perth	+2.3	+6.7
Hobart	+2.3	+7.1
Canberra	+2.3	+7.1
Darwin	+2.4	+5.7
Weighted average of eight capital cities	+2.4	+6.7

Main price changes between March quarter 1985 and June quarter 1985 were as follows:

Food: +1.9%

Prices of meals out and take-away foods increased in all cities.
 Beef prices increased in all cities.
 Prices of soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery increased in all cities.
 Bread prices increased in all cities.
 Dairy produce prices increased in all cities.
 Lamb prices increased in all cities except Canberra.
 Fish prices increased in all cities.
 Prices of fresh fruit and vegetables decreased in all cities except Hobart and Darwin.

Clothing: +2.8%

Main price increases were for winter seasonal items.
 Footwear prices increased in all cities.

Housing: +2.3%

House prices increased in all cities.
 Privately-owned dwelling rents increased in all cities.
 Local government rates and charges increased in Sydney and Melbourne.
 House repair and maintenance costs increased in all cities except Darwin.
 Government-owned dwelling rents increased in Canberra.

Household equipment and operation: +1.7%

Prices of household cleaning agents increased in all cities.
 Drapery prices increased in all cities.
 Prices of household utensils and tools increased in all cities.
 Average of quarter charges for postal and telephone services were higher in all cities as a result of price increases effected in March and February, respectively.
 Electricity charges increased in Brisbane, Canberra and Darwin.

Transportation: +4.4%

Petrol prices increased significantly in all cities.
 Motor vehicle prices increased in all cities.
 Motor vehicle service and repair costs increased in all cities.

Tobacco and alcohol: +1.4%

Beer and cigarette prices increased in all cities.

Health and personal care: +1.5%

Health insurance fund contributions increased in Melbourne and fell in Darwin.
 Net medical charges increased in all cities.
 Prices of personal care products increased in all cities.

Recreation and education: +2.5%

Overseas holiday travel and accommodation prices increased for all cities.
 Prices of books, newspapers and magazines increased in all cities.
 Prices for other recreational goods increased in all cities.
 Entertainment charges increased in all cities except Hobart.
 Prices for other recreational services increased in all cities.

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Brief description of the CPI

1. The CPI measures quarterly changes in the price of a 'basket' of goods and services which account for a high proportion of expenditures by metropolitan wage and salary earner households. This 'basket' covers a wide range of goods and services, arranged in the following eight groups: food; clothing; housing; household equipment and operation; transportation; tobacco and alcohol; health and personal care; and recreation and education. Each group is in turn divided into sub-groups. Index numbers at the *group* and *All Groups* levels are published for each State capital city, Canberra, Darwin, and for the weighted average of eight capital cities. Index numbers for *All Groups* are also published for the weighted average of six State capital cities. *Subgroup index numbers* are published for the weighted average of eight capital cities.

2. It is important to note that the capital city indexes measure price movements over time *in each city individually*. They do *not* measure differences in retail price levels *between* cities.

3. Further information about the CPI is contained in a booklet entitled *A Guide to the Consumer Price Index* (6440.0) which is available from the ABS on request. For a more detailed account, *The Australian Consumer Price Index, Concepts, Sources and Methods* (6461.0) describes what the index measures, the goods and services included in it, and how the index is produced; it also describes the problems encountered in compiling the CPI and how those are dealt with.

Prices

4. Prices of goods and services included in the CPI are generally collected quarterly. However, some important items are priced monthly or more frequently (e.g. bread, fresh meat and fish, fresh fruit and vegetables, petrol, alcohol and tobacco) and a small number annually (e.g. seasonal clothing, local government rates and charges).

5. The bulk of items for which prices are collected quarterly are priced at the middle of the mid-month of the quarter (i.e. in August, November, February and May), but, to facilitate a more even spread of the field collection workload, some goods and services are priced in the first and third months of each quarter. Items priced in the third month are generally those subject to price changes at discrete points of time (e.g. electricity and postal charges, milk); in these cases information is obtained of any changes in price during the quarter so that a weighted average price for the whole quarter can be calculated.

Weighting pattern

6. There are 105 *expenditure classes* (that is, groupings of like items) in the tenth series CPI and each expenditure class has its own weight, or measure of relative importance. In calculating the index, price changes for the various expenditure classes are combined using these weights.

7. Changes in the weighting pattern have been made at approximately five-yearly intervals to take account of changes in household spending patterns. The CPI now comprises ten series of price indexes which have been linked to form a continuous series. The tenth series (that is, the current series), which was introduced in the June quarter 1982, has a weighting pattern based, in general, on estimated household expenditure in 1979-80.

Index points and percentage changes

8. Movements in indexes from one period to another can be expressed either as percentage changes, or as changes in 'index points'. The difference between these two methods of describing movements in indexes is shown by the following example:

All Groups CPI: Weighted average of eight capital cities

Index numbers:

June quarter 1985:	141.1
Less: Mar. quarter 1985:	137.8
Change in index points:	+3.3

$$\text{Percentage change} = \frac{+3.3}{137.8} \times 100 = +2.4\%$$

The index number of 141.1 for June quarter 1985 indicates an increase of 41.1% since the reference base year (1980-81).

9. Most of the tables in this publication show index numbers or percentage changes calculated from index numbers. However, Table 3 shows the main changes between March quarter 1985 and June quarter 1985, in terms of *All Groups index points*, for each capital city.

Special tables and groupings

10. Table 7 provides a *detailed analysis*, for the weighted average of eight capital cities, of movements in the CPI since the previous quarter, including information on movements for subgroups and for some special series. It also shows the *contribution* which each group and subgroup makes to the total CPI. For instance, the dairy produce subgroup contributed 2.70 index points to the total All Groups index number of 141.1 for June quarter 1985. The final column shows contributions to the *change in All Groups index points* by each group and subgroup.

11. The All Groups index includes the effects of changes in prices for hospital and medical services. To facilitate analysis of trends in retail prices without the effects of these changes, Table 5 shows index numbers and percentage changes for a special series *All Groups excluding hospital and medical services*, and compares these with changes in the All Groups index.

State and local government charges

12. Information on the impact of changes in selected State and local government charges on the CPI is included in Tables 3 and 7. Table 3 shows the contribution made by changes in these charges to the CPI for each capital city, while Table 7 shows index numbers for two special groupings '*Selected State and local government charges*' and '*All Groups excluding selected State and local government charges*'. For information on the derivation and limitations of these figures, see the Appendix to the December quarter 1982 issue of this publication.

Symbols and other usages

- nil or rounded to zero
- n.a. not available

NOTE. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in this publication are due to rounding. For similar reasons quarterly movements shown by subgroup or group index numbers in Table 7 do not necessarily correspond exactly with those shown by the relevant index points.

TABLE 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS
(Base of each index: Year 1980-81 = 100.0)

	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra	Darwin	Weighted average of eight capital cities
1981-82	110.4	110.2	110.4	110.7	110.5	111.2	110.0	110.7	111.1	110.4
1982-83	123.1	123.4	122.8	122.9	123.5	122.5	121.8	124.0	123.1	123.1
1983-84	131.6	130.9	132.1	131.7	132.3	131.0	129.9	132.3	130.2	131.6
1984-85	137.2	136.0	138.1	137.9	138.7	136.1	136.1	138.8	135.1	137.2
Quarter - 1980-81										
June	103.4	103.3	103.3	103.6	103.7	103.0	103.2	103.6	102.9	103.4
1981-82										
September	105.5	105.1	105.5	106.0	105.8	106.5	105.7	105.7	105.0	105.5
December	109.9	109.4	110.1	110.1	110.0	111.2	109.7	110.0	111.3	109.9
March	111.8	111.5	111.6	112.5	111.7	112.4	111.3	111.8	113.0	111.8
June	114.5	114.6	114.3	114.1	114.4	114.6	113.4	115.2	115.0	114.5
1982-83										
September	118.5	118.7	118.3	118.0	118.6	118.6	116.9	118.7	118.8	118.5
December	121.9	122.4	121.3	121.9	121.8	121.8	121.0	123.3	122.1	122.0
March	124.6	125.1	124.0	125.0	125.2	123.7	123.5	125.9	124.6	124.7
June	127.3	127.4	127.4	126.6	128.5	125.9	125.9	128.0	126.9	127.3
1983-84										
September	129.5	129.2	129.5	129.3	130.3	129.4	127.5	129.8	128.6	129.4
December	132.5	131.8	133.3	132.0	132.9	132.3	130.4	133.0	130.3	132.5
March	132.0	131.2	132.6	132.3	132.9	131.1	130.7	133.1	131.0	132.0
June	132.2	131.2	133.0	133.3	133.1	131.1	130.9	133.3	130.9	132.3
1984-85										
September	134.0	132.8	134.9	135.2	134.7	133.2	132.3	135.3	132.7	134.0
December	135.8	134.7	136.6	136.5	137.5	134.7	134.9	137.4	134.0	135.9
March	137.8	136.8	138.3	138.7	139.4	136.7	137.1	139.6	135.2	137.8
June	141.1	139.7	142.4	141.1	143.0	139.9	140.2	142.8	138.4	141.1

TABLE 2. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL GROUPS PERCENTAGE CHANGES

	Weighted average of six State capital cities %	Sydney %	Melbourne %	Brisbane %	Adelaide %	Perth %	Hobart %	Canberra %	Darwin %	Weighted average of eight capital cities %
Change from previous year										
1982-83	+11.5	+12.0	+11.2	+11.0	+11.8	+10.2	+10.7	+12.0	+10.8	+11.5
1983-84	+6.9	+6.1	+7.6	+7.2	+7.1	+6.9	+6.7	+6.7	+5.8	+6.9
1984-85	+4.3	+3.9	+4.5	+4.7	+4.8	+3.9	+4.8	+4.9	+3.8	+4.3
Change from corresponding quarter of previous year										
1982-83										
June	+11.2	+11.2	+11.5	+11.0	+12.3	+9.9	+11.0	+11.1	+10.3	+11.2
1983-84										
September	+9.3	+8.8	+9.5	+9.6	+9.9	+9.1	+9.1	+9.4	+8.2	+9.2
December	+8.7	+7.7	+9.9	+8.3	+9.1	+8.6	+7.8	+7.9	+6.7	+8.6
March	+5.9	+4.9	+6.9	+5.8	+6.2	+6.0	+5.8	+5.7	+5.1	+5.9
June	+3.8	+3.0	+4.4	+5.3	+3.6	+4.1	+4.0	+4.1	+3.2	+3.9
1984-85										
September	+3.5	+2.8	+4.2	+4.6	+3.4	+2.9	+3.8	+4.2	+3.2	+3.6
December	+2.5	+2.2	+2.5	+3.4	+3.5	+1.8	+3.5	+3.3	+2.8	+2.6
March	+4.4	+4.3	+4.3	+4.8	+4.9	+4.3	+4.9	+4.9	+3.2	+4.4
June	+6.7	+6.5	+7.1	+5.9	+7.4	+6.7	+7.1	+7.1	+5.7	+6.7
Change from previous quarter										
1982-83										
June	+2.2	+1.8	+2.7	+1.3	+2.6	+1.8	+1.9	+1.7	+1.8	+2.1
1983-84										
September	+1.7	+1.4	+1.6	+2.1	+1.4	+2.8	+1.3	+1.4	+1.3	+1.6
December	+2.3	+2.0	+2.9	+2.1	+2.0	+2.2	+2.3	+2.5	+1.3	+2.4
March	-0.4	-0.5	-0.5	+0.2	-	-0.9	+0.2	+0.1	+0.5	-0.4
June	+0.2	-	+0.3	+0.8	+0.2	-	+0.2	+0.2	-0.1	+0.2
1984-85										
September	+1.4	+1.2	+1.4	+1.4	+1.2	+1.6	+1.1	+1.5	+1.4	+1.3
December	+1.3	+1.4	+1.3	+1.0	+2.1	+1.1	+2.0	+1.6	+1.0	+1.4
March	+1.5	+1.6	+1.2	+1.6	+1.4	+1.5	+1.6	+1.6	+0.9	+1.4
June	+2.4	+2.1	+3.0	+1.7	+2.6	+2.3	+2.3	+2.3	+2.4	+2.4

TABLE 3. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
CHANGE BETWEEN MARCH QUARTER 1985 AND JUNE QUARTER 1985 IN TERMS OF ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS

	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra	Darwin	Weighted average of eight capital cities
FOOD	+0.54	+0.37	+0.78	+0.28	+0.73	+0.51	+0.65	-0.02	+0.82	+0.53
Meals out, take away food	+0.16	+0.20	+0.15	+0.11	+0.15	+0.13	+0.15	+0.12	+0.12	+0.16
Beef and veal	+0.09	+0.04	+0.13	+0.05	+0.11	+0.14	+0.08	+0.10	+0.12	+0.09
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	+0.08	+0.07	+0.11	+0.12	+0.04	+0.06	+0.11	+0.05	+0.03	+0.09
Cereal products	+0.09	+0.07	+0.10	+0.12	+0.13	+0.05	+0.05	+0.04	+0.10	+0.08
Other food	+0.08	+0.07	+0.09	+0.11	+0.09	+0.07	+0.01	+0.07	+0.13	+0.08
Dairy produce	+0.06	+0.04	+0.09	+0.04	+0.01	+0.08	+0.04	+0.02	+0.08	+0.06
Lamb and mutton	+0.04	+0.06	+0.03	+0.01	+0.04	+0.01	+0.08	-0.04	+0.01	+0.04
Fish	+0.04	+0.03	+0.05	+0.02	+0.05	+0.02	+0.04	+0.02	+0.06	+0.04
Fresh fruit and vegetables	-0.15	-0.24	-0.05	-0.31	-0.02	-0.11	+0.09	-0.39	+0.09	-0.15
CLOTHING	+0.30	+0.30	+0.31	+0.20	+0.38	+0.26	+0.40	+0.29	+0.12	+0.29
Women's and girls' clothing	+0.17	+0.21	+0.16	+0.11	+0.18	+0.14	+0.20	+0.15	+0.05	+0.17
Men's and boys' clothing	+0.07	+0.05	+0.10	+0.04	+0.11	+0.08	+0.12	+0.09	+0.06	+0.07
Footwear	+0.04	+0.03	+0.04	+0.02	+0.06	+0.02	+0.07	+0.05	+0.01	+0.03
HOUSING	+0.43	+0.50	+0.54	+0.17	+0.29	+0.21	+0.31	+0.56	+0.04	+0.43
House purchase	+0.19	+0.13	+0.31	+0.08	+0.14	+0.11	+0.18	+0.22	+0.04	+0.18
Privately-owned dwelling rents	+0.11	+0.15	+0.11	+0.07	+0.10	+0.08	+0.08	+0.19	+0.02	+0.11
Local government rates and charges	+0.09	+0.17	+0.07	--	--	--	--	--	--	+0.08
House repairs and maintenance	+0.04	+0.05	+0.05	+0.02	+0.04	+0.01	+0.03	+0.04	-0.03	+0.04
Government-owned dwelling rents	+0.01	+0.01	--	--	+0.01	--	--	+0.12	--	+0.01
HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION	+0.32	+0.22	+0.39	+0.36	+0.42	+0.40	+0.31	+0.53	+0.38	+0.33
Household cleaning agents	+0.07	+0.05	+0.07	+0.08	+0.07	+0.10	+0.06	+0.08	+0.05	+0.06
Drapery	+0.03	+0.03	+0.04	+0.02	+0.04	+0.05	+0.01	+0.01	--	+0.04
Household utensils and tools	+0.03	+0.04	+0.03	+0.03	+0.06	+0.04	+0.02	+0.08	+0.01	+0.04
Postal and telephone charges	+0.04	+0.04	+0.04	+0.04	+0.04	+0.05	+0.03	+0.04	+0.03	+0.04
Other fuel	+0.02	+0.01	+0.04	--	+0.02	+0.02	+0.10	+0.12	--	+0.02
Electricity	+0.01	--	--	+0.06	--	--	--	+0.07	+0.16	+0.01
TRANSPORTATION	+1.02	+0.89	+1.19	+0.90	+1.08	+1.06	+0.86	+1.20	+1.19	+1.02
Automotive fuel	+0.67	+0.56	+0.88	+0.53	+0.62	+0.70	+0.41	+0.66	+0.55	+0.67
Motor vehicle purchase	+0.19	+0.17	+0.19	+0.22	+0.23	+0.22	+0.27	+0.15	+0.35	+0.19
Vehicle servicing, repairs and parts	+0.10	+0.07	+0.12	+0.07	+0.12	+0.11	+0.12	+0.24	+0.21	+0.10
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	+0.20	+0.21	+0.20	+0.18	+0.11	+0.19	+0.13	+0.19	+0.31	+0.19
Beer	+0.09	+0.10	+0.09	+0.10	+0.02	+0.08	+0.04	+0.14	+0.04	+0.09
Cigarettes and tobacco	+0.08	+0.07	+0.10	+0.07	+0.05	+0.07	+0.10	+0.05	+0.24	+0.08
Spirits	+0.03	+0.04	+0.03	+0.02	+0.01	+0.03	+0.01	+0.02	+0.03	+0.03
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	+0.12	+0.08	+0.19	+0.11	+0.14	+0.10	+0.14	+0.12	+0.05	+0.12
Personal care products	+0.06	+0.04	+0.08	+0.06	+0.06	+0.06	+0.06	+0.06	+0.03	+0.05
Hospital and medical services	+0.04	+0.02	+0.08	+0.01	+0.03	+0.02	+0.01	+0.03	-0.02	+0.04
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	+0.38	+0.36	+0.45	+0.24	+0.36	+0.46	+0.30	+0.35	+0.35	+0.38
Holiday travel and accommodation	+0.23	+0.26	+0.25	+0.10	+0.19	+0.25	+0.19	+0.18	+0.13	+0.22
Other recreational goods	+0.07	+0.03	+0.09	+0.05	+0.09	+0.09	+0.07	+0.08	+0.09	+0.07
Books, newspapers, magazines	+0.04	+0.02	+0.05	+0.05	+0.03	+0.05	+0.02	+0.05	+0.04	+0.04
Entertainment	+0.04	+0.02	+0.06	+0.04	+0.02	+0.03	--	+0.04	+0.07	+0.04
Total change	+3.3	+2.9	+4.1	+2.4	+3.6	+3.2	+3.1	+3.2	+3.2	+3.3
Contribution of selected State and local government charges(a) to total change	+0.12	+0.23	+0.08	+0.05	+0.09	--	--	+0.23	+0.20	+0.12

(a) Selected charges comprise: government-owned dwelling rents; water and sewerage rates; council property rates and charges; electricity prices; gas prices (Melbourne and Perth only); motor vehicle third party insurance premiums (except Canberra); motor vehicle registration fees; drivers' licence fees; urban bus fares (government fares only in Sydney and Melbourne, council fares only in Brisbane); urban rail and tram fares (not applicable in Hobart, Canberra and Darwin). The derivation and limitation of these figures was described in the Appendix to the December quarter 1982 issue of this publication.

TABLE 4. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: GROUP INDEXES: WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CAPITAL CITIES: PERCENTAGE CHANGES

	Food %	Clothing %	Housing %	Household equipment and operation %	Trans- portation %	Tobacco and alcohol %	Health and personal care (a) %	Recreation and education %	All Groups (a) %
Change from previous year									
1982-83	+9.1	+6.6	+10.5	+11.9	+12.6	+13.6	+23.3	..	+11.5
1983-84	+7.8	+5.9	+7.1	+7.1	+8.5	+12.5	-4.4	+6.3	+6.9
1984-85	+5.2	+6.2	+7.5	+4.8	+6.4	+8.4	-16.9	+3.8	+4.3
Change from corresponding quarter of previous year									
1982-83									
June	+12.2	+7.1	+8.7	+9.9	+10.2	+13.8	+19.8	+10.7	+11.2
1983-84									
September	+10.2	+5.9	+7.1	+8.4	+8.1	+11.2	+15.0	+9.6	+9.2
December	+8.9	+5.9	+6.7	+7.4	+9.6	+12.5	+11.0	+7.4	+8.6
March	+8.7	+6.1	+6.8	+6.5	+7.2	+12.9	-13.9	+5.6	+5.9
June	+3.7	+5.6	+7.5	+6.1	+9.3	+13.2	-26.6	+3.0	+3.9
1984-85									
September	+4.8	+6.0	+8.2	+5.5	+6.7	+12.4	-28.1	+3.1	+3.6
December	+5.0	+6.4	+7.4	+3.6	+4.8	+7.9	-28.1	+3.0	+2.6
March	+4.4	+6.2	+7.2	+4.5	+5.8	+7.3	-9.2	+3.1	+4.4
June	+6.7	+6.1	+7.3	+5.4	+8.4	+6.3	+5.8	+6.2	+6.7
Change from previous quarter									
1982-83									
June	+4.5	+3.4	+1.5	+1.3	-	+2.1	+2.4	+2.0	+2.1
1983-84									
September	+1.1	-	+1.1	+1.6	+3.6	+2.1	+2.1	+1.1	+1.6
December	+1.3	+2.2	+2.4	+2.9	+2.8	+6.3	+2.1	+0.3	+2.4
March	+1.6	+0.4	+1.6	+0.7	+0.7	+1.8	-19.3	+2.1	-0.4
June	-0.3	+2.9	+2.2	+0.8	+1.9	+2.5	-12.8	-0.4	+0.2
1984-85									
September	+2.2	+0.4	+1.8	+1.0	+1.2	+1.4	-	+1.1	+1.3
December	+1.4	+2.6	+1.7	+1.0	+0.9	+2.0	+2.2	+0.2	+1.4
March	+1.0	+0.2	+1.4	+1.5	+1.8	+1.3	+1.9	+2.2	+1.4
June	+1.9	+2.8	+2.3	+1.7	+4.4	+1.4	+1.5	+2.5	+2.4

(a) Series includes effects of price changes in hospital and medical services; see paragraph 11.

TABLE 5. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX:
COMPARISON OF 'ALL GROUPS' AND 'ALL GROUPS EXCLUDING HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICES' INDEXES:
WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CAPITAL CITIES

	Index Numbers		Percentage Changes			
	(Base of each index: 1980-81=100.0)		From previous quarter		From corresponding quarter of previous year	
	All Groups	All Groups excluding hospital and medical services	All groups %	All Groups excluding hospital and medical services %	All groups %	All Groups excluding hospital and medical services %
1981-82						
December	109.9	108.8	+4.2	+2.9	+11.2	+10.2
March	111.8	110.6	+1.7	+1.7	+10.6	+9.4
June	114.5	113.3	+2.4	+2.4	+10.7	+9.6
1982-83						
September	118.5	117.0	+3.5	+3.3	+12.3	+10.7
December	122.0	120.2	+3.0	+2.7	+11.0	+10.5
March	124.7	122.7	+2.2	+2.1	+11.5	+10.9
June	127.3	125.3	+2.1	+2.1	+11.2	+10.6
1983-84						
September	129.4	127.4	+1.6	+1.7	+9.2	+8.9
December	132.5	130.4	+2.4	+2.4	+8.6	+8.5
March	132.0	132.0	-0.4	+1.2	+5.9	+7.6
June	132.3	133.5	+0.2	+1.1	+3.9	+6.5
1984-85						
September	134.0	135.4	+1.3	+1.4	+3.6	+6.3
December	135.9	137.3	+1.4	+1.4	+2.6	+5.3
March	137.8	139.2	+1.4	+1.4	+4.4	+5.5
June	141.1	142.6	+2.4	+2.4	+6.7	+6.8

TABLE 6. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX-GROUP INDEXES

Quarter	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra	Darwin	Weighted average of eight capital cities
FOOD (Base of each index:Year 1980-81=100.0)									
1982-83									
June	122.4	126.1	124.9	125.1	124.6	123.7	122.6	124.9	124.2
1983-84									
September	124.0	126.8	126.9	125.9	126.2	125.3	124.2	125.1	125.6
December	125.7	128.6	128.3	126.0	128.5	127.8	126.4	126.2	127.2
March	128.0	130.2	129.9	128.4	130.2	129.0	129.5	129.5	129.2
June	127.2	129.8	129.6	128.6	130.7	130.5	128.2	129.2	128.8
1984-85									
September	129.6	133.0	132.1	131.6	134.0	133.7	130.5	130.5	131.6
December	132.3	134.4	133.6	134.0	134.6	135.4	132.9	131.1	133.5
March	133.8	135.3	136.3	134.6	137.0	136.0	135.7	132.1	134.9
June	135.5	138.8	137.5	137.9	139.3	139.1	135.7	135.4	137.4
CLOTHING (Base of each index:Year 1980-81=100.0)									
1982-83									
June	118.0	116.8	119.4	118.9	117.7	116.2	118.3	118.0	117.8
1983-84									
September	117.6	117.2	119.5	119.0	116.9	116.6	118.7	120.6	117.8
December	120.9	119.4	122.2	119.9	120.6	118.7	120.9	121.6	120.4
March	121.4	119.6	123.0	121.3	121.2	119.6	120.9	122.1	120.9
June	124.7	123.3	125.6	124.9	125.0	123.1	124.8	124.2	124.4
1984-85									
September	125.3	124.0	125.6	125.8	124.6	124.0	126.2	125.3	124.9
December	128.2	127.2	128.7	129.0	128.3	126.9	129.4	127.7	128.1
March	128.4	127.4	129.1	129.3	129.5	127.8	129.5	127.5	128.4
June	132.0	131.1	132.0	133.5	132.8	131.7	133.4	130.0	132.0
HOUSING (Base of each index:Year 1980-81=100.0)									
1982-83									
June	124.1	128.2	130.6	127.4	120.5	118.6	127.0	127.3	126.0
1983-84									
September	124.8	130.4	132.4	129.2	121.3	120.0	130.3	127.8	127.4
December	126.9	134.3	135.8	134.3	123.7	122.9	134.7	129.2	130.5
March	127.8	137.5	137.2	138.8	124.6	125.3	137.7	129.5	132.6
June	130.1	141.8	138.1	142.5	126.7	127.3	141.8	130.4	135.5
1984-85									
September	131.8	144.9	141.5	145.0	128.9	130.3	145.3	134.0	137.9
December	132.8	148.0	143.1	150.0	130.8	134.5	149.3	134.7	140.2
March	134.6	150.7	144.3	152.3	132.4	136.7	152.1	135.1	142.2
June	138.0	154.8	145.6	154.6	134.1	139.1	156.5	135.4	145.4
HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION (Base of each index:Year 1980-81=100.0)									
1982-83									
June	129.3	126.4	125.0	127.1	122.4	126.6	127.9	124.8	127.1
1983-84									
September	130.8	128.1	128.8	128.3	127.0	128.3	128.6	127.5	129.1
December	135.1	132.4	130.4	131.6	128.7	132.1	132.8	129.8	132.8
March	134.9	133.4	132.2	134.8	129.7	134.6	133.2	132.4	133.7
June	135.3	134.8	133.9	136.4	131.1	136.1	134.7	133.6	134.8
1984-85									
September	136.7	136.1	137.0	136.8	132.9	136.7	135.2	134.9	136.2
December	138.1	137.9	137.1	139.5	133.6	138.5	135.9	134.2	137.6
March	141.0	139.4	139.2	142.0	134.7	140.3	136.8	136.0	139.7
June	142.6	142.1	141.9	144.8	137.6	142.6	140.6	139.3	142.1

TABLE 6. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX-GROUP INDEXES-continued

Quarter	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra	Darwin	Weighted average of eight capital cities
TRANSPORTATION (Base of each index: Year 1980-81=100.0)									
1982-83									
June	128.8	122.3	126.8	129.2	126.6	130.4	130.7	123.4	126.4
1983-84									
September	133.1	127.4	132.4	132.9	130.4	133.5	134.0	126.0	130.9
December	136.3	130.7	137.6	137.2	133.8	136.3	137.2	128.1	134.5
March	137.3	131.7	137.7	138.0	135.0	139.0	138.7	130.1	135.5
June	140.4	134.5	141.8	138.8	136.4	138.0	139.9	131.7	138.1
1984-85									
September	142.8	135.2	143.2	140.3	138.9	138.9	142.2	132.8	139.7
December	144.3	135.7	143.2	142.9	140.6	141.0	143.1	133.6	140.9
March	147.4	137.5	145.9	145.9	142.8	144.9	145.9	136.1	143.4
June	153.2	144.8	150.7	152.1	148.8	150.7	153.2	143.6	149.7
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL (Base of each index: Year 1980-81=100.0)									
1982-83									
June	131.9	125.6	126.9	127.8	126.6	127.5	127.6	131.0	128.5
1983-84									
September	133.5	128.2	128.7	131.4	134.9	129.7	129.8	134.0	131.2
December	140.5	140.8	134.4	138.6	140.3	136.4	135.6	139.6	139.5
March	143.2	142.7	136.5	142.2	142.7	141.3	138.6	143.4	142.0
June	146.5	146.0	140.5	146.3	146.2	143.7	142.2	146.2	145.5
1984-85									
September	148.8	147.8	142.0	148.3	148.3	143.9	144.6	150.3	147.5
December	151.6	150.7	143.9	151.9	151.9	150.5	148.2	158.0	150.5
March	153.9	151.6	145.0	154.1	155.3	154.6	150.8	159.7	152.4
June	156.2	154.1	147.1	155.6	157.4	156.0	153.0	162.5	154.6
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE (Base of each index: Year 1980-81=100.0)									
1982-83									
June	156.4	170.2	142.0	167.7	163.4	147.1	159.8	169.5	161.1
1983-84									
September	158.7	174.0	143.3	168.9	177.0	147.4	160.7	170.1	164.5
December	160.0	181.1	144.4	170.0	183.7	148.0	162.0	170.9	167.9
March	130.1	142.7	127.9	134.8	144.1	122.0	132.1	139.6	135.5
June	114.1	122.7	118.4	115.4	122.7	108.4	115.8	123.9	118.2
1984-85									
September	113.2	123.5	117.8	115.8	123.6	108.5	116.3	124.4	118.2
December	115.7	126.8	121.1	118.2	124.6	110.0	119.1	124.9	120.8
March	117.7	129.8	123.4	119.9	126.4	111.1	120.4	125.1	123.1
June	118.9	132.9	125.1	122.1	128.1	113.0	122.5	126.2	125.0
RECREATION AND EDUCATION (Base of each index: March quarter 1982=100.0)									
1982-83									
June	112.3	113.0	111.0	110.2	109.6	113.7	112.9	110.0	112.0
1983-84									
September	113.7	113.7	112.6	111.5	111.1	114.9	114.1	112.0	113.2
December	113.3	114.6	112.8	112.2	111.8	116.3	115.9	111.8	113.5
March	116.1	117.3	114.3	114.8	112.3	118.8	118.1	112.7	115.9
June	115.3	116.9	114.4	114.6	111.8	119.0	117.9	111.9	115.4
1984-85									
September	116.1	118.5	116.1	115.4	113.1	119.1	119.5	112.8	116.7
December	116.3	118.3	117.4	116.0	113.7	120.6	120.2	112.9	116.9
March	119.1	120.8	120.0	118.8	115.0	123.6	122.8	113.5	119.5
June	121.9	124.3	121.9	121.9	118.7	125.9	125.1	115.7	122.5

TABLE 7. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX-INDEX NUMBERS AND POINTS CONTRIBUTIONS:WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CAPITAL CITIES

	Index numbers (Base of each index: Year 1980-81=100.0)				Change between				Contribution to total CPI (expressed as All Groups index points)					
	1984		1985		1984		1985		1984		1985		1985	
	June	June	Mar	June	Mar	June	Mar	June	Mar	June	Mar	June	Mar	June
FOOD	128.8	134.9	137.4	137.4	+1.9	+6.7	+6.7	+6.7	29.98	29.98	+0.53			
Dairy produce	134.4	136.3	139.2	139.2	+2.1	+3.6	+3.6	+3.6	2.64	2.70	+0.06			
Cereal products	141.9	146.3	150.3	150.3	+2.7	+5.9	+5.9	+5.9	3.22	3.30	+0.08			
Meat and seafoods	115.4	119.3	122.8	122.8	+2.9	+6.4	+6.4	+6.4	6.46	6.64	+0.18			
Beef and veal	118.8	122.3	126.3	126.3	+3.3	+6.3	+6.3	+6.3	2.76	2.85	+0.09			
Lamb and mutton	107.8	107.5	112.3	112.3	+4.5	+4.2	+4.2	+4.2	0.91	0.95	+0.04			
Pork	118.1	129.3	126.7	126.7	-2.0	+7.3	+7.3	+7.3	0.30	0.29	-0.01			
Poultry	115.5	124.3	124.2	124.2	-0.1	+7.5	+7.5	+7.5	0.76	0.76	-			
Other meat	118.8	122.0	124.4	124.4	+2.0	+4.7	+4.7	+4.7	1.16	1.19	+0.03			
Fish	116.0	121.2	129.6	129.6	+6.9	+11.7	+11.7	+11.7	0.56	0.60	+0.04			
Fresh fruit and vegetables	113.4	129.6	121.1	121.1	-6.6	+6.8	+6.8	+6.8	2.34	2.19	-0.15			
Processed fruit and vegetables	135.7	141.5	144.8	144.8	+2.3	+6.7	+6.7	+6.7	1.26	1.29	+0.03			
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	141.9	149.1	152.3	152.3	+2.1	+7.3	+7.3	+7.3	3.93	4.02	+0.09			
Meals out, take away food	135.9	142.4	145.8	145.8	+2.4	+7.3	+7.3	+7.3	6.60	6.76	+0.16			
Other food	128.3	136.0	139.5	139.5	+2.6	+8.7	+8.7	+8.7	3.00	3.08	+0.08			
CLOTHING	124.4	128.4	132.0	132.0	+2.8	+6.1	+6.1	+6.1	10.46	10.75	+0.29			
Men's and boys' clothing	124.6	127.6	130.6	130.6	+2.4	+4.8	+4.8	+4.8	3.13	3.20	+0.07			
Women's and girls' clothing	121.3	125.8	130.8	130.8	+4.0	+7.8	+7.8	+7.8	4.30	4.47	+0.17			
Piecegoods and other clothing	129.2	130.7	133.3	133.3	+2.0	+3.2	+3.2	+3.2	0.62	0.63	+0.01			
Footwear	125.8	131.4	134.0	134.0	+2.0	+6.5	+6.5	+6.5	1.84	1.87	+0.03			
Clothing and footwear services	137.2	139.8	141.3	141.3	+1.1	+3.0	+3.0	+3.0	0.57	0.57	-			
HOUSING	135.5	142.2	145.4	145.4	+2.3	+7.3	+7.3	+7.3	19.14	19.57	+0.43			
Rent	134.9	142.5	145.4	145.4	+2.0	+7.8	+7.8	+7.8	6.02	6.14	+0.12			
Privately-owned dwelling rents	133.2	140.5	143.6	143.6	+2.2	+7.8	+7.8	+7.8	5.26	5.37	+0.11			
Government-owned dwelling rents	147.0	156.8	158.2	158.2	+0.9	+7.6	+7.6	+7.6	0.76	0.77	+0.01			
Home ownership (a)	136.0	142.4	145.7	145.7	+2.3	+7.1	+7.1	+7.1	13.12	13.43	+0.31			
Local government rates and charges	149.6	156.9	161.3	161.3	+2.8	+7.8	+7.8	+7.8	2.89	2.97	+0.08			
Other home ownership	132.6	138.8	141.8	141.8	+2.2	+6.9	+6.9	+6.9	10.23	10.46	+0.23			
HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION	134.8	139.7	142.1	142.1	+1.7	+5.4	+5.4	+5.4	19.00	19.33	+0.33			
Fuel and light	152.6	164.8	166.4	166.4	+1.0	+9.0	+9.0	+9.0	3.99	4.03	+0.04			
Furniture and floor coverings	131.4	137.5	138.4	138.4	+0.7	+5.3	+5.3	+5.3	3.38	3.40	+0.02			
Appliances	114.7	113.1	114.5	114.5	+1.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	1.94	1.96	+0.02			
Drapery	131.4	130.8	134.4	134.4	+2.8	+2.3	+2.3	+2.3	1.21	1.25	+0.04			
Household utensils and tools	133.9	137.5	140.2	140.2	+2.0	+4.7	+4.7	+4.7	1.95	1.99	+0.04			
Household supplies and services	137.9	142.6	146.6	146.6	+2.8	+6.3	+6.3	+6.3	4.74	4.88	+0.14			
Postal and telephone services	130.6	134.6	137.6	137.6	+2.2	+5.4	+5.4	+5.4	1.79	1.83	+0.04			
TRANSPORTATION	138.1	143.4	149.7	149.7	+4.4	+8.4	+8.4	+8.4	23.60	24.62	+1.02			
Private motoring	136.8	142.0	148.7	148.7	+4.7	+8.7	+8.7	+8.7	21.53	22.55	+1.02			
Motor vehicle purchase	130.3	137.5	141.9	141.9	+3.2	+8.9	+8.9	+8.9	5.89	6.08	+0.19			
Automotive fuel	142.7	145.6	159.7	159.7	+9.7	+11.9	+11.9	+11.9	6.95	7.62	+0.67			
Other motoring costs	136.9	142.4	145.0	145.0	+1.8	+5.9	+5.9	+5.9	8.69	8.85	+0.16			
Urban transport fares	147.5	155.2	155.7	155.7	+0.3	+5.6	+5.6	+5.6	2.07	2.07	-			

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TABLE 7. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX-INDEX NUMBERS AND POINTS CONTRIBUTIONS:WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CAPITAL CITIES-continued

	Index numbers (Base of each index: Year 1980-81=100.0)				Change between				Contribution to total CPI (expressed as All Groups index points)			
	June		June		Mar		June		Mar		June	
	qtr	1984	qtr	1985	qtr	1985	qtr	1985	qtr	1985	qtr	1985
TOBACCO AND ALCOHOL	145.5	152.4	154.6	154.6	+1.4	+6.3	13.05	13.24	8.89	9.00	6.36	+0.19
Alcoholic beverages	139.4	145.4	147.3	147.3	+1.3	+5.7	8.89	9.00	6.27	6.36	6.36	+0.11
Beer	144.1	150.4	152.5	152.5	+1.4	+5.8			2.62	2.64	2.64	+0.09
Wine and spirits	129.1	134.7	136.1	136.1	+1.0	+5.4						+0.02
Cigarettes and tobacco	160.9	169.7	173.0	173.0	+1.9	+7.5	4.16	4.24				+0.08
HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE	118.2	123.1	125.0	125.0	+1.5	+5.8	7.87	7.99	3.80	3.85	3.85	+0.12
Health services	102.7	104.7	106.1	106.1	+1.3	+3.3	3.80	3.85	3.10	3.15	3.15	+0.05
Personal care products	138.7	147.8	150.4	150.4	+1.8	+8.4	0.97	0.99				+0.02
Personal care services	136.4	144.1	146.8	146.8	+1.9	+7.6						+0.02
RECREATION AND EDUCATION(b)	115.4	119.5	122.5	122.5	+2.5	+6.2	15.25	15.63	2.17	2.21	2.21	+0.38
Books, newspapers, magazines	141.5	150.0	152.7	152.7	+1.8	+7.9	2.92	2.99	4.33	4.35	4.35	+0.02
Other recreational goods	105.4	103.5	105.7	105.7	+2.1	+0.3	4.93	5.15	3.32	3.37	3.37	+0.05
Holiday travel and accommodation(b)	115.9	121.9	127.5	127.5	+4.6	+10.0	1.90	1.91				+0.01
Other recreational services	141.6	146.5	148.4	148.4	+1.3	+4.8						+0.05
Education and child care(b)	128.0	134.7	135.1	135.1	+0.3	+5.5	137.8	141.1	137.8	141.1	141.1	+3.3
ALL GROUPS	132.3	137.8	141.1	141.1	+2.4	+6.7	108.36	111.14	118.67	121.55	121.55	+2.88
SPECIAL SERIES	133.3	138.6	142.2	142.2	+2.6	+6.7	134.67	137.95	98.97	101.45	101.45	+2.48
All groups, excluding food group	131.8	137.1	140.5	140.5	+2.5	+6.6	38.84	39.66	10.48	10.60	10.60	+0.12
All groups, excl housing group	133.5	139.2	142.6	142.6	+2.4	+6.8	127.33	130.51				+3.18
All groups, goods component(c)	132.0	137.4	140.9	140.9	+2.5	+6.7						
All groups, services component(d)	133.9	139.8	142.7	142.7	+2.1	+6.6						
Selected State and local gov. charges(e)	159.0	169.2	171.2	171.2	+1.2	+7.7						
All groups, excluding selected State and government charges(e)	130.4	135.6	139.0	139.0	+2.5	+6.6						

(a) Does not include cost of land and interest charges on house purchase. (b) Base March quarter 1982=100.0. (c) The special series 'All groups, goods component' comprises the Food group (except meals out); Clothing group (except clothing and footwear services); Household equipment and operation group (except contents insurance, repairs to appliances and postal and telephone services); Tobacco and alcohol group; house purchase; house repairs and maintenance; goods; motor vehicle purchase; automotive fuel; tyres and tubes; vehicle service and repairs; goods; personal care products; books, newspapers and magazines; and other recreational goods. (d) The 'All groups, services component' comprises all items not included in the 'All groups, goods component'. (e) Selected State and local government charges comprise: government-owned dwelling rents; water and sewerage rates; council property rates and charges; electricity prices; gas prices (Melbourne and Perth only); motor vehicle third party insurance premiums (except Canberra); motor vehicle registration fees; drivers' licence fees; urban bus fares (government fares only in Sydney and Melbourne; council fares only in Brisbane); urban rail and tram fares (not applicable in Hobart, Canberra and Darwin). The derivation and limitations of these figures was described in the Appendix to the December quarter 1982 issue of this publication.

