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AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, OCTOBER 1977
(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, delivered –								
Ordinary white loaf	900g (a)	47.0	47.0	43.6	51.0	48.0	50.0	49.0
Milk loaf, sliced and wrapped	680g	51.0	53.0	47.6	55.0	51.0	49.0	52.0
Flour, self-raising	1 kg pkt	43.9	44.4	37.8	39.8	46.3	52.0	41.2
Rice	500 g pkt	32.5	35.2	35.1	34.5	36.4	37.8	34.1
Breakfast cereal, corn based	500 g pkt	65.4	66.4	67.7	65.9	77.5	75.2	66.1
Biscuits, dry	225 g pkt	38.3	39.5	35.8	39.0	44.3	44.4	39.9
Peaches	825 g can	57.2	64.0	65.1	62.3	66.2	69.9	60.7
Pineapple pieces	450 g can	37.6	38.0	38.5	40.6	43.3	43.8	39.1
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	45.1	51.4	53.7	58.9	58.6	62.9	51.3
Potatoes	1 lb	13.1	10.1	12.4	15.9	16.7	10.7	10.2
Onions	1 lb	20.5	20.7	17.2	21.0	27.6	22.6	20.6
Butter	500 g	90.0	86.2	88.2	87.6	87.4	92.0	92.4
Cheese, processed	250 g pkt	51.0	51.6	50.6	52.8	51.1	57.2	52.5
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	500 g pkt	86.9	91.2	85.7	93.4	88.6	91.4	90.1
Eggs, 55g	1 doz	100.6	107.2	112.4	115.8	110.3	127.0	99.3
Milk –								
Evaporated	410 g can	25.9	26.4	27.5	27.0	28.7	28.3	27.6
Fresh, bottled, delivered	2 x 600 ml	51.0	50.0	48.0	44.0	48.0	42.0	44.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	250 g	107.0	125.3	103.0	119.9	104.4	127.3	112.4
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	172.3	182.4	186.2	187.3	175.4	188.3	164.5
Beef, corned	340 g can	91.2	98.4	95.8	88.2	97.7	101.5	94.4
Sausages	1 lb	44.9	56.9	51.4	52.6	60.5	63.9	55.0
Tea	250 g pkt	109.9	104.8	102.0	98.5	107.9	115.0	111.3
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	324.8	320.7	325.3	316.8	330.8	324.7	333.2
Sugar	2 kg pkt	61.5	61.1	61.1	62.5	61.1	66.5	65.8
Jam, strawberry	450 g jar (b)	74.2	83.1	81.4	72.6	82.7	81.4	77.0
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	90.9	100.5	97.3	97.6	101.2	104.1	91.8
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	450 g can	30.1	34.9	34.4	32.7	34.4	36.2	33.7
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle (c)	63.1	66.6	39.6	35.8	36.9	41.1	62.7
Prepared baby food	125 g can	15.0	17.3	16.9	16.1	19.0	18.2	14.7
Beef –								
Rib (without bone)	1 lb	81.0	83.8	81.0	97.8	82.2	84.3	91.3
Steak –								
Rump	1 lb	144.0	145.0	127.0	159.1	174.8	160.1	187.7
T-bone, without fillet (d)	1 lb	126.6	108.7	118.8	140.0	139.8	145.0	149.7
Chuck	1 lb	66.4	65.9	76.7	85.0	93.3	79.1	75.3
Silverside, corned	1 lb	84.6	79.4	87.3	103.1	108.4	101.2	101.6
Lamb –								
Leg	1 lb	99.0	89.0	111.0	107.3	123.0	118.7	118.0
Chops –								
Loin	1 lb	101.5	102.1	112.7	124.6	123.7	121.5	129.9
Forequarter	1 lb	81.7	72.9	109.3	104.3	109.9	105.9	98.6
Pork –								
Leg	1 lb	138.2	127.3	127.2	155.5	145.0	151.8	151.7
Chops	1 lb	128.4	135.1	128.4	157.8	139.5	150.4	151.7

(a) The price in Hobart is for a wrapped loaf. (b) Melbourne, Brisbane and Hobart 500g jar. (c) Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra 600 ml bottle. (d) Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with fillet.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, NOVEMBER 1977
(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, delivered –								
Ordinary white loaf	900 g (a)	47.0	47.0	44.4	51.0	48.0	50.0	50.0
Milk loaf, sliced and wrapped	680 g	51.0	53.0	48.5	55.0	51.0	49.0	54.0
Flour, self-raising	1 kg pkt	42.5	45.1	37.8	40.7	46.3	51.9	38.8
Rice	500 g pkt	32.5	35.0	35.3	34.7	36.4	38.1	34.5
Breakfast cereal, corn based	500 g pkt	66.4	68.9	70.1	66.3	81.4	75.9	68.4
Biscuits, dry	225 g pkt	38.6	40.1	37.8	38.9	45.2	43.6	41.2
Peaches	825 g can	56.8	64.0	66.5	61.9	65.2	72.4	59.1
Pineapple pieces	450 g can	38.6	38.4	37.5	41.0	41.4	43.8	39.4
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	45.7	52.3	53.2	57.6	55.6	60.7	48.5
Potatoes	1 lb	11.6	11.7	10.2	15.5	17.4	11.3	10.4
Onions	1 lb	19.6	20.2	15.5	19.5	24.4	23.7	19.5
Butter	500 g	91.3	85.8	90.2	87.5	87.4	92.2	92.9
Cheese, processed	250 g pkt	50.1	51.6	51.5	52.7	51.8	56.9	51.0
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	500 g pkt	86.8	88.3	86.1	92.3	89.3	88.9	85.7
Eggs, 55 g	1 doz	100.6	105.0	111.3	115.3	110.1	126.9	99.3
Milk –								
Evaporated	410 g can	25.9	26.0	26.9	25.7	27.8	26.6	26.0
Fresh, bottled, delivered	2 x 600 ml	51.0	50.0	48.0	44.0	48.0	42.0	44.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	250 g	108.4	125.1	103.8	118.5	108.6	127.7	113.1
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	176.4	184.6	192.3	192.7	176.7	200.9	175.8
Beef, corned	340 g can	89.3	98.4	96.8	88.3	97.9	103.3	91.8
Sausages	1 lb	44.9	56.5	52.1	52.6	60.0	64.9	55.2
Tea	250 g pkt	102.9	103.2	92.8	99.9	102.1	114.2	104.4
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	318.5	320.7	322.7	316.8	330.8	327.0	337.1
Sugar	2 kg pkt	61.1	61.1	61.4	62.5	61.1	66.5	65.8
Jam, strawberry	500 g jar (b)	73.0	78.3	83.0	79.1	83.6	78.0	74.6
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	90.9	99.4	97.1	96.9	101.3	103.8	93.0
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	450 g can	32.3	35.1	34.3	31.6	33.7	37.5	35.6
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle (c)	62.2	65.1	40.3	37.1	40.2	41.7	62.9
Prepared baby food	125 g can	14.6	17.3	17.6	16.9	18.5	18.2	14.5
Beef –								
Rib (without bone)	1 lb	83.5	86.3	80.1	97.3	80.3	84.5	92.5
Steak –								
Rump	1 lb	145.1	147.4	127.9	166.3	180.2	162.8	182.6
T-bone, without fillet (d)	1 lb	126.6	102.6	121.0	133.2	137.8	144.1	145.2
Chuck	1 lb	66.0	64.9	76.9	80.0	88.1	78.0	76.2
Silverside, corned	1 lb	84.6	78.9	85.1	96.7	106.2	101.0	100.4
Lamb –								
Leg	1 lb	96.6	87.5	112.1	103.1	123.8	113.2	108.5
Chops –								
Loin	1 lb	100.1	98.8	115.4	122.8	126.1	112.0	119.3
Forequarter	1 lb	78.7	69.3	110.5	99.3	109.2	97.0	74.0
Pork –								
Leg	1 lb	141.2	128.3	129.7	155.0	147.0	154.1	151.4
Chops	1 lb	128.3	132.8	129.5	157.8	138.7	151.3	152.0

(a) The price in Hobart is for a wrapped loaf. (b) Perth 450 g jar. (c) Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra 600 ml bottle. (d) Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with fillet.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, DECEMBER 1977
(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, delivered –								
Ordinary white loaf	900 g (a)	47.0	47.0	44.4	51.0	48.0	52.0	50.0
Milk loaf, sliced and wrapped	680 g	51.0	53.0	48.5	55.0	51.0	52.0	54.0
Flour, self-raising	1 kg pkt	42.8	46.8	37.8	40.7	45.2	52.6	39.9
Rice	500 g pkt	33.0	35.4	35.9	35.4	36.0	38.1	34.1
Breakfast cereal, corn based	500 g pkt	67.7	68.3	68.6	68.7	78.5	75.9	68.2
Biscuits, dry	225 g pkt	39.1	39.9	38.5	40.2	44.2	45.0	41.2
Peaches	825 g can	56.0	63.6	62.9	55.7	57.6	68.7	59.3
Pineapple pieces	450 g can	38.3	37.9	37.6	41.1	43.2	43.8	39.1
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	46.3	52.8	52.9	60.5	52.0	62.9	51.0
Potatoes	1 lb	12.3	12.8	11.7	15.0	17.3	12.9	11.7
Onions	1 lb	20.8	20.0	17.7	20.1	19.1	24.4	21.4
Butter	500 g	92.5	86.6	89.1	87.8	87.4	92.2	94.3
Cheese, processed	250 g pkt	51.0	51.6	51.6	52.7	51.0	56.8	51.6
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	500 g pkt	85.2	91.9	83.9	92.2	80.4	89.3	84.2
Eggs, 55 g	1 doz	100.6	106.1	112.8	115.3	113.5	126.9	99.3
Milk –								
Evaporated	410 g can	26.7	26.1	27.5	26.8	27.6	27.4	27.3
Fresh, bottled, delivered	2 x 600 ml	51.0	50.0	48.0	44.0	48.0	42.0	44.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	250 g	109.2	127.7	107.4	118.8	108.1	127.7	112.9
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	166.1	185.8	189.4	191.2	173.5	196.1	164.1
Beef, corned	340 g can	91.5	98.4	96.8	87.8	99.7	103.3	94.7
Sausages	1 lb	44.9	55.5	52.1	52.1	59.9	64.7	55.2
Tea	250 g pkt	101.5	99.7	91.6	98.5	98.7	107.8	105.2
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	311.3	320.7	330.7	316.8	330.8	324.3	343.6
Sugar	2 kg pkt	61.3	61.0	61.4	62.6	61.4	66.5	65.8
Jam, strawberry	500 g jar (b)	73.0	70.3	79.8	80.3	84.0	75.2	76.6
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	90.8	98.0	96.2	96.8	100.3	103.4	92.8
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	450 g can	32.8	35.8	34.6	33.1	33.1	36.8	34.0
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle (c)	64.2	67.0	40.4	37.7	40.4	42.1	65.6
Prepared baby food	125 g can	16.0	18.2	18.2	16.8	18.5	19.5	16.5
Beef –								
Rib (without bone)	1 lb	83.5	83.7	82.0	93.0	78.0	83.6	90.7
Steak –								
Rump	1 lb	145.1	141.1	128.6	165.7	167.6	163.1	179.3
T-bone, without fillet (d)	1 lb	125.6	110.9	126.5	139.2	132.1	144.8	151.1
Chuck	1 lb	63.3	60.5	76.9	79.6	85.0	76.2	79.4
Silverside, corned	1 lb	83.6	80.8	88.2	105.6	101.3	98.7	100.2
Lamb –								
Leg	1 lb	97.1	85.8	114.4	107.8	126.0	109.0	120.9
Chops –								
Loin	1 lb	99.1	98.3	117.1	131.7	128.7	107.0	134.5
Forequarter	1 lb	76.7	68.3	108.9	108.0	116.0	92.1	93.9
Pork –								
Leg	1 lb	141.7	131.2	126.9	154.9	149.8	154.5	146.2
Chops	1 lb	128.3	132.8	129.6	157.7	139.4	151.2	141.8

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