



WHOLESALE PRICE INDEXES

PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

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This bulletin contains index numbers of the Price Index of Materials used in House Building (base : Year 1966-67 = 100.0). A detailed description of the index is contained in Labour Report No. 55, 1970 (pp. 63-95). A Price Index of Materials used in Building other than House Building is published in a separate bulletin (Reference No. 9.6).

2. Index numbers for the current month and the previous month are preliminary and subject to revision.
3. The index measures changes in prices of selected materials used in the construction of houses. Its composition is in accordance with the usage of materials in actual houses which were selected as representative for the purpose. The index does not purport to represent buildings of any kind other than houses. The house building construction types included are those which use brick, brick veneer, timber or asbestos cement sheeting as the principal material for the outer walls.
4. The index is a fixed weights index and is calculated by the method known as "the weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives". The items and weights used in the index were derived from reported values of each material used in selected representative houses constructed in or about 1968-69 in each State capital city. Each State capital city has a unique weighting pattern which reflects the difference in the estimated relative importance of given items as between cities. In all cases the selection of materials was based on local usage. The weighting pattern for each capital city is applied to local price measures in calculating indexes for that city.
5. Price series used relate to specified standards of each commodity with the aim of incorporating in the index price changes for representative materials of constant quality. In general the point of pricing is "delivered on site", but in some cases it has been necessary to use the nearest realistic price available, e.g. that for "supplied and fixed". The price series are obtained in all State capital cities from representative suppliers of materials used in house building. In the main they are collected as at the mid-point of the month to which the index refers, or as near thereto as practicable.
6. The index has been compiled for each month from July 1966 and for the financial years from 1966-67. Index numbers for each group of items and for all groups combined are given in the following tables for each State capital city and for the six capital cities combined. In addition, a table showing All Groups index numbers for the State capital cities separately and in combination has been included. Figures are published to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number.
7. The separate city indexes measure price movements within each capital city individually. They enable comparisons to be drawn between capitals as to differences in degree of price movement from period to period, but not as to differences in price level.

8. Table 1 below shows, for the six State capital cities separately and combined, the percentage change of all Groups index number for the month of February 1972 from the preceding month (January 1972) and from the corresponding month of the previous year (February 1971).

TABLE 1. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING
ALL GROUPS

Percentage change from previous periods

Percentage change between -	State capital cities						Weighted average of six State capital cities
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
January 1972 and February 1972	+0.3	+0.1	+3.7	+0.6	..	+0.5	+0.7
February 1972 and February 1971	+4.5	+3.5	+8.5	+7.2	+5.7	+3.2	+5.1

9. Table 2 shows corresponding changes for the individual groups and All Groups of the index for the weighted average of the six State capital cities.

TABLE 2. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING
GROUPS AND ALL GROUPS - WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

Percentage change from previous periods

Group	Percentage change between		Group	Percentage change between	
	Jan. 1972 and Feb. 1972	Feb. 1971 and Feb. 1972		Jan. 1972 and Feb. 1972	Feb. 1971 and Feb. 1972
	Concrete mix, cement and sand	+0.6		+6.7	Plumbing fixtures, etc.
Cement products	+1.6	+6.4	Electrical installation materials	..	+7.1
Bricks, tiles, etc.	+0.2	+6.5	Installed appliances	+0.3	+2.8
Timber, board and joinery	+1.0	+3.0	Plaster and plaster products	+0.3	+8.0
Steel products	+0.7	+10.4	Miscellaneous materials	+0.3	+4.2
Other metal products	+0.3	+5.5	All groups	+0.7	+5.1

TABLE 3. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS - SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	State capital cities						Weighted average of six State capital cities
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	103.4	101.3	103.4	102.1	104.0	101.8	102.7
1968-69	109.3	103.6	105.6	107.0	105.9	104.1	106.3
1969-70	115.2	107.2	109.4	112.4	110.3	107.7	110.9
1970-71	119.8	112.3	115.2	116.7	113.9	114.3	115.7
1969-70							
January	115.2	107.1	109.3	112.3	110.4	107.8	110.9
February	115.7	107.5	109.9	112.6	110.4	108.0	111.3
March	116.4	107.5	110.6	113.8	110.8	108.1	111.7
April	116.9	107.9	110.8	114.1	111.3	109.1	112.2
May	117.0	107.9	110.6	113.0	111.6	109.3	112.1
June	116.9	107.9	110.7	113.6	111.0	110.5	112.1
1970-71							
July	117.2	108.2	111.2	113.2	111.0	110.9	112.3
August	117.4	108.4	111.7	113.3	111.1	111.0	112.5
September	117.4	108.8	112.1	114.2	111.0	111.1	112.7
October	117.6	109.5	112.6	114.5	111.2	111.3	113.1
November	118.0	110.2	112.9	115.4	111.7	112.9	113.7
December	118.3	110.5	113.0	115.5	113.4	113.1	114.2
January	119.5	112.1	113.6	115.7	114.8	113.4	115.3
February	120.9	115.1	118.2	117.1	115.0	117.0	117.5
March	122.2	115.9	118.9	119.4	116.1	117.5	118.6
April	122.8	116.2	119.2	119.9	116.8	117.6	119.1
May	122.9	116.4	119.2	120.7	117.1	117.5	119.3
June	123.2	116.6	119.5	121.0	117.7	117.8	119.6
1971-72							
July	123.4	116.7	120.1	121.2	118.2	118.3	119.9
August	124.1	116.8	120.4	121.8	118.6	118.5	120.3
September	124.8	117.3	121.3	122.5	119.5	118.9	121.0
October	125.3	117.8	122.0	122.9	119.5	119.4	121.4
November	125.6	118.0	123.4	124.3	120.9	119.9	122.0
December	126.2	118.6	123.4	124.7	121.1	120.0	122.5
January p	126.0	119.0	123.7	124.7	121.5	120.2	122.7
February p	126.4	119.1	128.3	125.5	121.5	120.8	123.5

For footnote and symbols see page 11.

TABLE 4. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - STONEY

(Base of each Index - Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement and sand	Cement products	Clay bricks, tiles, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel products	Other metal products	Flushing fixtures, etc.	Electrical installation materials	Installed appliances	Plaster and plaster products	Miscellaneous materials	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	103.0	102.2	104.2	104.7	102.0	103.4	102.7	103.1	99.9	101.5	102.2	103.4
1968-69	107.0	108.2	108.4	115.4	104.4	107.7	102.3	104.5	99.7	101.5	103.7	109.3
1969-70	111.9	111.6	113.3	123.2	110.1	112.8	112.9	114.8	103.0	103.7	106.7	115.2
1970-71	119.3	121.7	117.5	126.7	116.9	115.4	117.0	114.7	107.0	108.3	112.4	119.8
1969-70												
January	112.9	109.0	113.9	123.3	109.7	113.3	113.5	114.7	104.2	102.5	106.2	115.2
February	112.9	114.9	115.3	122.2	110.3	113.6	115.8	114.7	104.2	105.3	106.5	115.7
March	112.9	115.1	115.3	123.1	111.2	114.5	116.1	114.7	104.2	105.3	109.2	116.4
April	112.9	115.1	115.3	123.6	111.9	116.3	116.1	120.2	104.2	105.3	109.5	116.9
May	114.6	115.1	115.3	123.9	112.2	116.0	113.6	120.2	104.2	105.3	109.5	117.0
June	114.6	115.1	116.3	123.5	114.3	114.7	113.6	118.8	104.2	105.3	109.5	116.9
1970-71												
July	114.6	115.1	116.7	124.1	114.3	114.7	112.1	118.8	104.2	105.3	110.1	117.2
August	114.6	117.2	116.7	123.9	115.0	114.9	112.1	118.3	104.2	105.3	110.9	117.4
September	114.6	117.2	116.7	124.0	115.4	113.7	112.1	116.7	104.9	105.3	111.2	117.4
October	114.6	117.2	116.7	124.6	115.4	113.6	113.9	114.1	104.9	105.3	111.2	117.6
November	114.6	117.0	117.2	124.8	115.5	114.8	115.6	114.1	104.9	105.3	111.5	118.0
December	114.8	117.0	117.2	125.1	115.6	114.8	116.4	114.1	105.5	107.8	112.0	118.3
1971-72												
January	122.3	125.4	117.2	125.1	115.9	116.4	116.5	114.1	106.4	107.8	112.0	119.5
February	124.1	126.5	117.8	127.3	117.0	115.3	120.9	112.2	109.5	108.1	112.9	120.9
March	124.3	126.9	118.1	129.8	118.4	116.4	121.6	112.2	109.6	108.1	113.8	122.2
April	124.3	126.9	118.4	130.2	118.8	116.4	121.6	113.5	109.6	113.7	114.3	122.8
May	124.3	127.0	118.6	130.4	119.5	116.4	120.4	113.5	110.0	113.7	114.1	122.9
June	124.3	127.4	118.6	130.7	122.3	117.1	120.3	115.4	110.0	113.7	114.1	123.2
1971-72												
July	124.3	127.4	118.6	130.9	125.0	117.1	119.7	115.4	109.8	113.9	111.0	123.4
August	125.5	127.4	118.6	131.5	125.9	118.0	119.8	117.8	112.7	113.9	115.2	124.1
September	125.6	128.8	118.6	131.5	128.6	119.9	122.7	117.8	115.1	114.2	115.9	124.8
October	125.6	128.8	119.8	131.5	129.1	119.7	122.9	120.5	115.1	114.1	116.2	125.3
November	125.6	129.7	119.8	130.9	129.6	119.6	129.6	120.5	114.1	120.2	117.6	125.6
December	125.6	138.5	119.8	131.0	129.1	119.6	129.5	120.5	115.1	120.2	117.6	126.2
January p	125.6	138.7	119.5	131.0	129.1	119.3	129.5	120.5	115.1	120.2	116.3	126.0
February p	126.7	138.7	120.2	131.2	130.1	119.3	128.7	120.5	116.0	120.3	117.4	126.4

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TABLE 5. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - MELBOURNE

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement and sand	Cement products	Clay bricks, tiles, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures, etc.	Electrical installation materials	Installed appliances	Plaster and plaster products	Miscellaneous materials	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	100.0	104.0	102.4	99.6	101.5	104.1	100.9	103.4	100.0	102.0	103.2	101.3
1968-69	101.1	108.2	107.7	101.5	104.8	107.1	101.6	105.3	99.9	103.8	104.7	103.6
1969-70	103.3	118.8	110.9	103.8	110.3	112.0	103.1	116.6	101.8	106.0	107.5	107.2
1970-71	110.4	129.9	115.7	109.2	113.9	114.0	110.9	114.7	102.7	111.6	111.4	112.3
1969-70												
January	105.1	118.1	111.1	103.8	109.3	110.6	102.7	116.3	101.3	105.9	108.1	107.1
February	104.4	118.1	113.0	103.6	111.1	111.2	104.5	116.3	101.7	107.5	108.2	107.5
March	102.4	118.2	113.0	103.6	112.3	111.9	104.6	116.3	101.7	107.5	108.2	107.5
April	98.7	120.9	113.0	104.0	112.6	113.1	104.6	121.4	101.7	107.5	108.2	107.9
May	98.9	120.9	113.0	103.9	112.6	112.8	104.4	121.4	101.7	107.5	108.2	107.9
June	99.3	121.6	113.0	103.9	112.6	112.6	104.7	119.8	101.7	107.5	108.2	107.9
1970-71												
July	99.0	121.5	113.0	104.6	113.1	110.3	105.9	119.8	101.7	109.2	108.7	108.2
August	101.2	122.2	112.6	104.7	112.7	110.9	106.1	118.6	101.7	109.2	109.0	108.4
September	104.2	122.4	112.7	105.0	112.7	111.9	106.1	117.3	102.3	109.2	109.4	108.8
October	107.2	122.4	113.4	106.0	113.0	112.1	109.3	114.1	102.1	109.2	109.5	109.5
November	109.6	126.8	113.9	106.1	113.1	112.4	109.8	114.1	102.5	109.3	109.7	110.2
December	110.3	126.8	113.9	106.3	113.1	114.0	109.8	114.1	102.7	111.3	109.7	110.5
January	111.3	135.9	114.2	107.5	113.1	115.2	109.8	114.1	102.8	111.4	111.5	112.1
February	111.9	136.6	115.7	113.8	114.0	116.2	114.4	112.0	103.4	111.4	113.0	115.1
March	116.1	136.9	119.4	113.9	114.5	116.9	114.9	112.0	103.5	111.4	113.7	115.9
April	117.6	135.6	119.9	114.0	114.8	115.6	114.9	112.5	103.1	115.8	114.1	116.2
May	117.7	136.0	119.9	114.2	115.3	116.5	114.9	113.2	103.2	115.8	114.1	116.4
June	118.2	135.9	119.9	114.3	117.4	116.3	114.4	114.8	103.2	115.8	114.1	116.6
1971-72												
July	118.3	137.0	119.9	113.9	120.8	116.7	114.4	114.8	103.3	115.8	114.1	116.7
August	118.8	135.9	119.9	113.8	122.8	117.3	115.0	117.4	103.3	115.8	114.1	116.8
September	118.7	136.5	119.9	113.9	124.4	119.2	116.3	117.4	103.9	115.8	115.6	117.3
October	118.7	137.6	119.9	113.9	124.5	118.8	115.5	119.7	103.8	120.0	116.9	117.8
November	118.7	137.2	119.9	113.9	124.7	119.0	119.9	119.7	104.3	120.3	116.9	118.0
December	118.7	138.4	125.3	113.9	124.9	119.5	119.9	119.7	103.8	120.3	116.0	118.6
January p	124.4	138.5	126.2	113.9	125.0	119.6	119.9	119.7	103.8	120.3	116.0	119.0
February p	125.2	138.7	126.0	113.9	125.7	120.8	119.9	119.7	103.8	120.3	115.9	119.1

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TABLE 6. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - BRISBANE

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement and sand	Cement products	Clay bricks, tiles, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures, etc.	Electrical installation materials	Installed appliances	Plaster and plaster products	Miscellaneous materials	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	100.8	100.9	104.2	105.7	102.2	103.5	101.3	102.8	98.3	101.0	103.7	103.4
1968-69	100.6	101.8	107.5	109.5	103.5	102.9	101.7	106.0	97.0	101.6	104.9	105.6
1969-70	105.0	107.0	111.9	114.0	107.7	102.9	109.4	115.8	100.7	103.6	105.2	109.4
1970-71	113.1	114.5	121.3	123.8	112.4	98.6	114.5	115.7	100.3	106.8	106.6	115.2
1969-70												
January	104.8	106.2	114.9	113.2	107.0	104.7	110.5	115.1	100.9	103.0	106.2	109.3
February	104.8	106.9	115.0	113.6	108.1	105.6	112.4	115.1	100.9	104.0	105.2	109.9
March	104.8	106.9	115.0	115.4	109.9	105.0	112.3	115.1	100.9	104.6	104.3	110.6
April	104.8	106.5	115.1	115.5	109.9	105.1	112.1	121.0	100.9	104.7	105.0	110.8
May	104.8	106.5	115.1	117.4	109.9	95.5	111.5	121.0	100.9	104.7	105.1	110.6
June	107.4	106.4	115.1	117.6	109.9	95.2	111.2	119.7	100.9	104.7	104.6	110.7
1970-71												
July	112.3	106.4	117.9	117.6	109.9	95.2	111.2	119.7	100.9	104.7	104.8	111.2
August	112.3	111.9	117.9	117.6	110.0	95.6	112.1	118.0	100.9	104.7	105.1	111.7
September	112.3	111.9	121.4	117.7	110.0	95.1	112.1	117.3	100.9	105.9	105.2	112.1
October	112.3	111.9	121.4	119.1	110.3	94.7	114.1	115.2	100.9	105.9	105.7	112.6
November	112.3	111.9	121.4	119.3	110.3	97.5	113.9	115.2	100.9	105.9	105.4	112.9
December	112.3	112.3	121.4	119.5	110.3	96.8	113.9	115.2	100.9	107.0	105.6	113.0
January	112.3	112.3	121.4	120.7	110.8	97.0	113.9	115.2	101.8	107.1	106.1	113.6
February	114.3	117.4	122.5	130.4	113.2	99.5	115.1	113.4	101.8	107.2	106.6	118.2
March	114.3	118.7	122.5	130.7	115.2	101.4	116.6	113.4	98.7	107.8	108.9	118.9
April	114.3	118.8	122.5	130.8	115.5	103.5	117.1	114.6	98.7	108.1	109.0	115.2
May	114.3	118.8	122.5	130.8	115.6	103.5	117.1	114.6	98.7	109.3	108.5	119.2
June	114.3	119.2	122.8	130.8	117.9	103.5	117.4	116.6	98.7	108.5	108.7	119.5
1971-72												
July	114.3	119.4	122.0	130.9	121.0	106.8	117.1	118.8	98.7	108.5	108.7	120.1
August	114.3	119.4	122.0	131.0	122.2	108.6	116.5	118.8	98.9	106.5	108.7	120.4
September	114.3	120.8	129.3	131.0	122.6	109.0	118.4	118.8	100.2	108.5	108.8	121.3
October	114.3	120.8	133.0	131.1	121.8	107.8	120.0	121.9	100.4	111.1	111.1	122.0
November	115.9	123.9	133.0	131.8	121.9	111.7	124.3	121.9	100.4	113.2	112.5	123.4
December	115.9	123.9	133.0	131.8	121.9	111.7	124.3	121.9	100.7	113.2	112.5	123.4
January p	122.4	123.9	133.0	131.8	121.9	111.7	124.3	121.9	100.7	113.2	112.5	123.7
February p	123.8	133.0	133.0	141.4	122.8	111.7	124.3	121.9	100.7	113.8	112.7	126.3

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TABLE 7. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - ADELAIDE

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement and sand	Cement products	Clay bricks, tiles, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures, etc.	Electrical installation materials	Installed appliances	Plaster and plaster products	Miscellaneous materials	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	100.4	101.5	104.3	101.9	103.5	103.1	101.7	104.0	99.7	100.0	101.6	102.1
1968-69	105.3	106.0	109.0	110.3	106.2	102.5	101.4	106.0	99.7	100.4	105.6	107.0
1969-70	108.2	109.5	114.5	116.9	111.0	109.7	109.6	117.3	103.8	101.2	112.1	112.4
1970-71	110.0	120.3	121.1	119.9	116.4	111.6	117.5	114.7	105.9	104.8	113.8	116.7
1969-70												
January	108.8	109.1	111.5	117.3	110.2	110.5	110.2	117.2	103.9	99.0	112.2	112.3
February	108.6	109.6	111.5	117.3	112.2	109.9	113.0	117.2	103.9	101.9	112.2	112.6
March	108.8	109.6	117.0	118.0	112.7	110.7	113.0	117.2	104.1	101.9	112.2	113.8
April	108.8	110.5	117.5	118.0	112.9	112.2	114.3	122.2	104.1	101.9	112.2	114.1
May	108.9	110.5	117.5	114.9	113.3	111.5	114.3	122.2	104.1	101.9	112.3	113.0
June	108.9	110.7	117.5	116.3	113.3	111.4	114.4	120.5	104.9	102.2	112.3	113.6
1970-71												
July	108.8	110.7	117.5	116.3	114.9	105.8	114.4	120.5	104.9	102.2	112.3	113.2
August	108.8	110.7	117.6	116.3	114.9	105.8	114.4	119.1	104.5	102.2	112.8	113.3
September	109.3	120.6	118.8	116.3	115.1	105.8	114.4	116.8	105.2	102.2	112.8	114.2
October	109.2	121.4	119.6	116.6	115.1	105.5	115.8	114.1	105.8	102.2	112.8	114.5
November	109.3	121.4	119.6	118.0	115.0	111.9	115.8	114.1	105.8	102.2	112.8	115.4
December	109.2	121.4	119.6	118.0	115.0	111.9	115.9	114.1	105.6	103.4	112.8	115.5
January	109.2	121.4	119.6	118.4	115.0	111.8	116.1	114.1	105.6	104.3	113.3	115.7
February	109.3	122.6	120.0	120.4	115.5	115.6	118.6	111.8	106.1	105.7	114.3	117.1
March	109.8	123.2	124.8	123.4	117.7	117.0	121.0	111.8	106.5	106.1	115.4	119.4
April	110.0	123.6	124.0	124.4	118.0	117.0	121.0	112.7	106.8	108.7	115.1	119.9
May	113.4	123.2	125.7	125.5	118.0	117.0	121.0	112.7	106.8	108.9	115.8	120.7
June	113.4	123.2	125.7	125.5	122.0	117.0	121.0	114.3	106.8	108.9	115.8	121.0
1971-72												
July	113.4	123.2	125.7	125.5	125.3	117.0	121.0	114.3	106.1	108.9	115.8	121.2
August	113.9	123.2	125.7	125.5	126.0	119.7	122.8	117.1	107.4	108.9	118.0	121.8
September	113.9	124.1	125.7	125.5	127.7	123.0	124.4	117.1	110.6	110.4	118.1	122.5
October	114.9	124.1	125.7	126.0	127.8	123.0	124.2	118.9	110.6	114.5	118.1	122.9
November	120.1	124.7	129.5	126.5	127.8	123.2	128.7	118.9	110.6	114.7	118.3	124.3
December	120.5	124.7	130.2	126.7	127.8	123.2	128.6	118.9	110.6	115.3	119.3	124.7
January p	121.0	124.7	130.2	126.7	127.8	123.2	128.6	118.9	110.8	115.3	119.5	124.7
February p	121.3	132.9	130.2	126.7	128.4	123.2	128.6	118.9	111.0	110.5	119.5	125.5

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TABLE 8. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - FIFTH

(Base of each Index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement and sand	Cement products	Clay bricks, tiles, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures, etc.	Electrical installation materials	Installed appliances	Plaster and plaster products	Miscellaneous materials	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	102.3	104.5	103.5	105.8	101.6	105.3	101.3	103.3	101.4	103.0	103.5	104.0
1968-69	102.8	106.5	106.2	107.5	106.2	107.5	102.7	105.2	101.1	107.1	104.7	105.9
1969-70	105.3	109.1	111.4	111.1	110.8	118.4	108.1	115.1	102.6	109.4	107.7	110.3
1970-71	110.6	113.8	118.5	115.5	115.5	115.4	109.0	115.5	102.8	109.8	110.2	113.9
1969-70												
January	105.7	109.9	112.1	110.2	111.4	119.7	108.8	114.7	102.3	109.4	107.8	110.4
February	105.7	109.5	112.1	110.2	112.2	118.9	108.8	114.7	103.6	109.4	108.0	110.4
March	105.7	109.5	112.1	111.5	112.4	119.3	109.3	114.7	103.6	109.4	107.9	110.8
April	105.7	109.5	112.1	112.0	112.8	121.5	110.3	120.1	104.1	109.4	108.0	111.3
May	105.7	109.8	113.8	112.0	112.8	120.5	110.3	120.1	104.1	109.4	108.1	111.6
June	105.7	109.2	113.8	111.0	112.8	119.3	110.3	118.9	101.4	109.4	108.1	111.0
1970-71												
July	105.7	109.2	113.8	111.0	112.9	118.4	110.0	120.5	101.4	109.4	108.4	111.0
August	106.3	109.2	113.8	111.0	112.9	118.9	110.0	119.7	101.4	109.4	109.1	111.1
September	107.0	109.1	113.8	111.0	113.5	117.2	110.0	116.7	101.4	109.4	109.1	111.0
October	107.0	110.2	113.8	111.0	113.5	117.6	111.0	114.2	101.4	109.4	109.1	111.2
November	109.1	110.2	114.3	113.1	114.1	114.0	108.1	115.4	102.9	109.8	109.1	111.7
December	109.3	115.2	119.3	114.4	114.1	113.9	108.1	115.4	102.9	110.1	109.8	113.4
January	112.8	115.4	119.5	117.5	114.4	113.7	108.3	115.4	102.9	110.1	110.8	114.8
February	113.7	115.7	119.5	117.5	115.5	112.8	108.4	113.3	102.9	110.1	112.0	115.0
March	114.1	117.0	119.5	119.9	117.4	114.4	108.5	113.3	104.0	110.1	112.2	116.1
April	114.1	117.0	124.0	120.1	117.7	114.4	108.5	113.3	104.0	110.1	110.9	116.8
May	114.1	117.1	125.6	120.1	117.7	114.5	108.5	113.3	103.8	110.1	110.9	117.1
June	114.1	120.5	125.6	119.8	122.8	114.6	108.5	115.2	104.8	110.1	111.0	117.7
1971-72												
July	114.1	120.6	125.6	120.6	125.6	114.9	108.7	115.3	105.9	110.1	111.1	118.2
August	114.1	120.6	125.7	120.7	125.3	116.1	108.9	117.6	105.9	110.1	113.3	118.6
September	114.4	120.6	125.7	121.5	126.6	119.4	111.4	117.6	105.9	110.1	115.8	119.5
October	115.2	120.2	126.1	120.7	127.1	119.5	111.3	121.4	106.5	110.1	115.8	119.5
November	115.2	120.5	131.1	120.9	126.4	120.6	113.9	121.4	107.7	110.1	119.0	120.9
December	115.2	120.5	131.1	120.9	126.6	121.1	116.0	121.4	107.7	110.1	118.8	121.1
January p	119.7	120.5	131.3	121.0	126.8	120.9	116.0	121.4	108.0	110.1	118.8	121.5
February p	119.7	120.5	131.3	120.7	128.0	120.9	116.0	121.4	108.5	110.1	118.8	121.5

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TABLE 9. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBER - BOMBS

(Base of each index = Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement and sand	Cement products	Clay bricks, tiles, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures, etc.	Electrical installation materials	Installed appliances	Plaster and plaster products	Miscellaneous materials	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	104.8	100.9	104.6	100.8	100.9	103.3	101.9	103.5	100.1	100.2	100.3	101.8
1968-69	108.0	105.3	109.6	102.8	104.0	102.5	104.5	105.9	99.9	104.6	103.1	104.1
1969-70	109.1	110.4	111.7	105.4	110.4	108.3	115.8	118.2	100.9	105.3	110.0	107.7
1970-71	116.0	114.6	120.6	113.9	116.5	113.7	123.8	115.9	102.5	108.1	115.5	114.3
1969-70												
January	108.9	110.6	110.9	105.3	110.3	108.6	119.7	117.8	100.5	104.7	112.8	107.8
February	106.9	110.6	110.9	105.3	111.7	108.6	119.7	117.8	100.9	106.0	112.8	108.0
March	108.9	110.6	110.9	105.3	113.7	108.6	119.7	117.8	100.9	106.1	112.8	108.1
April	109.0	110.6	115.6	106.0	114.1	109.0	120.1	123.2	102.2	106.1	112.8	109.1
May	109.2	110.6	115.6	106.1	114.2	109.8	120.1	123.2	102.2	106.1	113.3	109.3
June	111.3	110.6	115.6	108.8	114.2	109.5	120.1	123.2	102.2	106.1	113.4	110.5
1970-71												
July	111.3	110.6	116.5	109.3	114.2	109.5	120.1	121.4	102.2	106.1	113.7	110.9
August	111.4	110.7	118.5	109.4	114.2	109.5	120.6	119.6	102.2	106.1	113.9	111.0
September	111.5	110.7	119.4	109.4	114.3	109.5	123.2	117.9	101.7	106.5	113.9	111.1
October	111.5	111.3	120.4	109.4	114.5	109.5	123.6	115.3	102.0	106.7	113.9	111.3
November	117.8	111.3	121.6	111.5	114.7	112.8	123.6	115.3	102.0	106.7	114.0	112.9
December	117.8	111.8	121.6	111.6	115.6	112.8	123.6	115.3	102.0	107.5	114.3	113.1
January	117.8	113.4	121.6	111.7	115.6	113.7	123.1	115.3	102.0	107.5	114.5	113.4
February	117.8	118.9	122.0	119.1	115.3	117.6	124.0	113.0	102.2	107.5	117.0	117.0
March	118.9	118.9	122.0	118.7	119.2	118.2	126.6	113.0	103.8	107.6	117.2	117.5
April	118.9	118.9	120.5	118.7	119.4	118.3	125.6	114.0	103.8	111.5	117.3	117.6
May	118.9	115.6	120.5	118.7	119.5	116.5	129.9	114.9	103.0	111.5	117.4	117.5
June	118.9	119.6	120.5	118.8	122.0	116.7	129.9	116.0	103.0	111.5	118.4	117.8
1971-72												
July	118.9	119.6	120.9	119.2	124.7	116.4	125.9	116.7	105.7	111.5	119.4	118.3
August	120.8	119.6	120.8	119.2	125.4	116.4	126.8	119.0	104.4	111.5	119.4	118.5
September	120.8	119.7	120.8	119.2	126.4	116.4	128.8	119.0	106.3	111.5	121.3	118.9
October	120.8	120.3	121.5	119.5	127.2	116.5	129.9	121.4	105.9	114.1	122.1	119.4
November	120.8	123.1	121.9	119.6	127.4	117.1	133.5	121.0	105.2	114.1	123.3	119.9
December	120.8	123.1	121.9	119.7	127.9	117.1	134.2	121.0	105.2	114.1	123.3	120.0
January	120.8	123.1	121.9	120.0	128.2	117.1	134.2	121.0	105.2	114.1	123.9	120.2
February	121.4	123.1	126.1	120.0	129.8	117.1	134.4	121.0	106.0	114.1	123.9	120.8

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TABLE 10. - WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS - WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES

(Base of each Index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0) (a)

Period	Concrete mix, cement and sand	Cement products	Clay bricks, tiles, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures, etc.	Electrical installation materials	Installed appliances	Plaster and plaster products	Miscellaneous materials	All groups
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1967-68	101.6	102.8	101.6	103.0	101.9	103.9	101.7	103.3	100.0	101.7	102.9	102.7
1968-69	103.8	107.0	107.8	108.6	104.8	106.3	102.0	105.2	99.7	103.0	104.5	106.3
1969-70	107.1	112.6	112.4	113.5	110.0	111.8	108.7	115.8	102.2	105.1	107.4	110.9
1970-71	113.4	121.8	118.0	118.5	115.0	112.4	113.6	115.0	103.8	109.4	111.0	115.7
1969-70												
January	108.0	111.7	112.7	113.4	109.5	112.1	109.2	115.5	102.3	104.5	107.6	110.9
February	107.8	113.7	113.6	113.0	110.7	112.3	110.8	115.5	102.7	106.3	107.6	111.3
March	107.3	113.8	114.2	113.7	111.7	112.8	111.0	115.5	102.7	106.3	108.3	111.7
April	106.4	114.7	114.3	114.1	112.1	114.3	111.3	120.9	102.8	106.4	108.5	112.2
May	107.0	114.7	114.6	114.1	112.2	112.5	110.4	120.9	102.8	106.4	108.5	112.1
June	107.4	114.8	115.0	114.1	112.7	111.8	110.4	119.4	102.5	106.4	108.5	112.1
1970-71												
July	107.8	114.8	115.4	114.5	113.0	110.6	110.2	119.7	102.5	107.0	108.9	112.3
August	108.5	116.2	115.3	114.5	113.1	110.9	110.4	118.6	102.5	107.0	109.4	112.5
September	109.5	116.9	115.8	114.6	113.4	110.5	110.4	117.0	102.9	107.2	109.6	112.7
October	110.2	117.1	116.0	115.3	113.5	110.5	112.4	114.3	102.9	107.2	109.7	113.1
November	111.4	118.5	116.5	115.9	113.6	111.3	112.5	114.5	103.3	107.3	109.9	113.7
December	111.7	119.4	117.5	116.2	113.7	111.7	112.8	114.5	103.5	109.1	110.1	114.2
January	114.8	124.7	117.6	117.2	113.9	112.5	112.9	114.5	103.9	109.2	110.9	115.3
February	115.9	126.2	118.3	121.4	115.1	113.0	115.9	112.5	105.0	109.4	112.1	117.5
March	117.2	126.9	119.8	122.8	116.5	114.2	116.7	112.5	104.9	109.4	113.0	118.6
April	117.6	126.5	120.9	123.1	116.9	114.2	116.8	113.3	104.8	113.2	113.0	119.1
May	118.0	126.7	121.4	123.3	117.2	114.4	116.4	113.5	104.9	113.3	112.9	119.3
June	118.1	127.3	121.4	123.4	120.2	114.6	116.2	115.3	105.0	113.2	113.0	119.6
1971-72												
July	118.1	127.7	121.4	123.5	123.2	115.2	116.0	115.6	105.1	113.3	113.0	119.9
August	118.7	127.4	121.4	123.7	124.3	116.3	116.3	117.8	106.0	113.3	113.9	120.3
September	118.8	128.3	122.0	123.8	125.9	118.3	118.5	117.8	107.3	113.5	115.1	121.0
October	119.1	128.6	122.8	123.8	126.1	118.0	118.5	120.5	107.4	117.2	115.8	121.4
November	119.8	129.3	124.2	123.7	126.2	118.8	123.3	120.5	107.7	117.9	117.1	122.0
December	119.9	132.1	125.6	123.8	126.1	119.0	123.7	120.5	107.5	117.9	116.9	122.5
January p	123.0	132.2	125.3	123.8	126.2	118.9	123.7	120.5	107.6	117.9	116.5	122.7
February p	123.7	134.3	126.0	125.0	127.1	119.2	123.4	120.5	107.9	118.2	116.8	123.5

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Footnote and Symbols

The following footnote and symbols are standard throughout tables 3-10.

- (a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number.

p - preliminary, subject to revision.

r - revised.

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