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Item	Unit	Sydney			Melbourne			Brisbane			Adelaide			Perth			Hobart			Canberra		
		OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.
- CENTS -																						
Groceries, etc. -																						
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	2 lb	24.0	24.0	24.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	25.0	25.0	25.0
Flour, plain	2 lb pkt	20.8	20.8	20.8	20.3	20.6	20.6	17.5	17.4	17.4	16.5	16.9	17.7	17.5	17.0	17.0	18.1	18.1	18.1	23.5	24.1	24.0
" self-raising	2 lb pkt	22.3	22.2	22.3	22.7	22.7	23.0	19.9	20.0	20.1	17.9	18.4	18.6	21.2	20.3	20.7	24.8	24.7	24.7	23.2	23.7	24.0
Tea	1 lb pkt	32.6	32.6	32.6	33.1	32.9	32.9	32.6	32.6	32.6	31.9	31.8	31.5	32.3	32.3	32.2	33.1	34.0	34.0	33.5	33.5	33.3
Sugar	4 lb pkt	42.6	42.6	42.7	..	..	..	41.4	..	..	40.8	..	..	39.0	..	..	..	..	..	45.0	45.0	44.7
"	2 kg pkt	..	..	..	46.1	45.7	45.8	..	44.8	46.2	..	45.9	45.9	..	45.0	45.2	48.5	48.3	48.2	..	..	..
Rice	1 lb pkt	17.4	17.5	17.5	17.4	17.3	17.6	17.0	17.3	17.4	16.8	16.7	16.9	16.8	16.9	16.8	17.6	17.7	17.9	17.3	17.9	17.9
Jam, apricot	1 1/2 lb	32.9	32.9	32.9	37.0	34.4	35.0	37.9	38.3	37.9	37.6	38.9	38.8	40.7	40.7	40.5	39.0	39.0	39.1	35.5	35.4	35.2
Oats, rolled	2 lb pkt (b)	40.6	41.0	41.0	33.0	33.6	34.0	46.2	46.4	47.4	29.3	29.3	24.2	31.0	31.0	31.1	30.2	31.6	31.4	42.7	42.7	42.7
Peaches, canned	29 oz	33.5	33.1	32.8	33.2	32.2	32.6	35.6	35.5	35.5	30.6	30.7	30.7	36.5	36.5	36.1	34.8	34.8	34.8	33.4	33.5	34.0
Pears, canned	29 oz	31.7	31.7	30.7	33.2	32.6	30.6	35.6	35.5	35.5	30.8	30.7	30.7	35.3	35.3	34.9	34.8	34.8	34.8	33.4	30.6	34.2
Potatoes	7 lb	61.0	61.9	51.9	44.2	58.1	55.6	50.3	54.5	40.4	57.1	64.2	53.3	51.2	52.6	52.4	47.3	57.1	72.5	56.1	66.7	56.1
Onions, brown	1 lb	10.6	10.3	10.5	11.6	11.4	11.2	8.9	7.9	7.8	11.9	11.3	9.9	12.1	9.9	8.9	10.9	11.3	11.6	12.5	12.4	12.3
Soap, laundry	500g pkt (c)	30.3	30.3	30.7	32.3	30.7	29.8	32.6	32.4	32.6	27.8	27.3	27.4	32.3	32.1	32.1	33.5	33.2	32.0	34.2	33.8	33.9
Dairy Produce, etc. -																						
Butter	1 lb	58.0	58.0	58.0	55.8	55.8	55.8	55.7	54.8	56.1	54.7	54.6	54.6	55.5	55.6	55.6	58.0	58.0	58.0	58.6	58.6	58.6
Cheese, processed	8 oz pkt	26.6	26.5	26.2	27.8	25.9	28.1	30.0	30.0	30.0	28.3	28.1	28.3	28.8	28.4	28.0	28.8	28.8	29.0	27.2	27.2	26.8
Eggs - 60 g.	doz	62.0	62.0	64.0	60.7	63.7	63.6	51.9	51.8	60.1	..	..	..	68.2	68.2	68.2	71.8	71.8	71.8	62.5	62.6	63.8
" 55 g.	" (d)	59.0	59.0	61.0	58.6	61.6	61.6	49.3	49.9	37.3	58.1	58.1	58.1	62.4	62.4	61.7	70.0	70.0	70.0	59.1	59.1	60.8
" 50 g.	"	55.0	55.0	57.0	55.7	58.7	58.7	45.6	46.3	53.3	55.3	55.3	55.3	56.2	56.2	55.7	63.7	63.7	63.7	54.7	54.7	56.1
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	1/2 lb	47.0	46.1	47.5	55.8	55.8	55.8	52.8	49.3	50.4	48.8	49.1	48.8	43.6	44.4	43.9	51.7	51.7	50.9	48.3	45.6	47.9
Milk, evaporated	14 1/2 oz tin	17.8	17.5	16.9	20.1	18.8	20.4	20.2	20.2	20.2	19.3	19.2	19.4	20.1	19.7	20.0	20.0	18.8	19.4	18.1	18.1	16.8
Milk, fresh, bottled delivered	quart (e)	27.0	27.0	27.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	22.0	22.0	21.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
		DEC. QTR. 1972			DEC. QTR. 1972			DEC. QTR. 1972			DEC. QTR. 1972			DEC. QTR. 1972			DEC. QTR. 1972			DEC. QTR. 1972		
Meat -																						
Beef, rib (without bone)	1b			65.8			71.9			65.8			67.0			61.2			57.3			63.1
" steak, rump	"			120.9			123.7			111.2			116.3			124.1			108.5			123.5
" " T-bone,	"																					
without fillet (f)	"			103.8			92.3			97.4			98.2			104.2			93.8			100.4
Beef, steak, chuck	"			58.8			57.0			67.6			65.9			65.4			59.1			60.4
" sausages	"			31.0			33.4			36.5			29.3			24.8			32.1			33.7
" silverside, corned	"			64.5			74.5			73.4			72.6			70.3			70.1			71.8
" brisket, corned	"			48.1			46.2			53.0			48.8			47.5			47.2			49.5
Mutton, leg	"			36.4			30.2			42.8			33.4			36.0			29.8			40.7
" chops, loin	"			33.1			30.4			43.2			32.1			30.8			28.3			37.5
" " leg	"			33.1			32.5			43.1			35.7			34.1			31.0			37.4
" " forequarter	"			31.0			25.4			39.0			25.6			25.2			24.7			32.8
Lamb, leg	"			51.7			47.4			62.3			47.8			57.1			55.2			55.9
" chops, loin	"			53.4			53.5			65.6			54.3			55.8			55.5			66.3
" " leg	"			56.1			57.9			65.6			58.0			57.7			57.7			63.0
" " forequarter	"			41.0			40.4			59.2			45.2			48.8			45.4			50.3
Pork, leg	"			67.9			66.2			72.6			69.4			66.5			69.6			69.2
" loin	"			64.6			69.1			73.0			68.6			67.0			70.1			68.4
" chops	"			64.2			66.5			72.9			68.3			67.1			69.9			68.4

(a) The prices shown in this bulletin are the averages of prices for specified grades, qualities, brands etc. charged by a number of retailers selected as representative to measure price change over time. The prices are published as approximate indicators of price levels and changes therein at a detailed level. They do not purport to be the actual averages of all sales of these items. In some cases the averages shown are price relatives. (b) Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Hobart 1 1/2 lb pkt. (c) Prices not comparable with previous series. (d) Hobart prices not comparable with previous series. (e) Price for 2 x 1 pint bottles. (f) Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with fillet, .. not available.