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AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS
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Consumer Price Index (quarterly) (Reference No. 9.1)

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AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, APRIL 1977
(Cents)

Item	Unit	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra
Bread, delivered -								
Ordinary white loaf	900g (a)	47.0	46.0	42.6	49.0	45.0	48.0	48.0
Milk loaf, sliced and wrapped	680g	51.0	52.0	46.6	53.0	49.0	48.0	51.0
Flour, self-raising	1 kg pkt	42.9	45.3	36.0	38.7	44.9	49.9	38.9
Rice	500 g pkt	31.1	33.1	32.3	33.1	33.4	34.4	32.1
Breakfast cereal, corn based	500 g pkt	63.7	61.8	63.8	62.2	78.3	68.6	65.6
Biscuits, dry	225 g pkt	36.1	37.8	35.8	36.9	43.7	42.1	36.4
Peaches	822 g can	53.0	58.9	65.9	61.8	62.8	69.9	59.4
Pineapple pieces	450 g can	36.1	37.4	36.6	37.8	41.2	41.3	36.0
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	53.7	54.1	52.8	61.5	60.0	62.1	52.9
Potatoes	1 lb	10.6	8.5	11.6	11.6	16.4	12.2	8.3
Onions	1 lb	17.9	17.9	17.3	15.0	16.4	19.9	20.3
Butter	500 g	89.7	86.6	88.7	85.6	84.7	91.4	93.9
Cheese, processed	250 g pkt	47.7	49.4	49.8	48.7	48.3	51.5	50.1
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	500 g pkt	78.0	80.6	79.6	83.5	79.9	82.1	74.8
Eggs, 55g	1 doz	94.6	107.6	109.6	112.5	103.6	119.3	92.4
Milk -								
Evaporated	410 g can	26.0	24.8	26.4	25.7	27.5	27.0	26.7
Fresh, bottled, delivered	2 x 600 ml	47.0	43.0	42.0	40.0	44.0	42.0	40.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	250 g	102.9	121.0	100.3	111.1	100.9	118.8	104.9
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	167.7	175.9	174.2	178.1	159.2	189.1	165.8
Beef, corned	340 g can	88.6	95.5	96.4	89.8	99.0	100.6	90.4
Sausages	1 lb	43.3	52.9	52.3	50.8	50.4	60.9	53.3
Tea	250 g pkt	67.1	64.4	62.8	63.1	65.9	68.8	68.6
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	220.3	243.9	249.0	257.2	258.7	236.0	257.1
Sugar	2 kg pkt	57.1	56.3	55.8	57.0	56.7	60.6	60.0
Jam, strawberry	450 g jar	68.9	70.8	69.4	65.6	70.4	72.4	69.1
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	93.7	99.5	94.3	97.9	100.9	103.0	94.1
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	450 g can	30.1	32.9	33.5	30.0	32.2	35.1	31.7
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle (b)	57.1	35.6	38.0	36.0	39.7	40.6	61.3
Prepared baby food	125 g can	15.4	17.3	17.4	16.8	18.0	17.9	15.9
Beef -								
Rib (without bone)	1 lb	82.3	81.4	81.6	97.0	73.7	82.2	89.7
Steak -								
Rump	1 lb	144.4	144.6	124.4	155.6	159.2	160.6	187.0
T-bone, without fillet (c)	1 lb	125.4	113.4	128.2	141.7	130.5	144.0	156.5
Chuck	1 lb	60.0	62.8	75.1	80.8	81.4	75.7	75.3
Silver-side, corned	1 lb	82.7	82.1	84.9	101.3	93.9	99.8	100.6
Lamb -								
Leg	1 lb	99.0	91.0	112.8	112.2	115.6	108.7	123.3
Chops -								
Loin	1 lb	106.7	106.3	114.3	130.6	119.3	107.4	137.8
Forequarter	1 lb	83.1	76.6	108.8	115.8	104.1	95.0	100.7
Pork -								
Leg	1 lb	136.9	127.0	122.4	153.6	143.2	146.1	148.1
Chops	1 lb	125.6	130.4	126.7	156.5	136.9	143.5	147.7

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

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, MAY 1977
(Cents)

Item	Unit	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra
Bread, delivered -								
Ordinary white loaf	900 g (a)	47.0	46.0	42.6	49.0	45.0	48.0	48.0
Milk loaf, sliced and wrapped	680 g	51.0	52.0	46.6	53.0	49.0	48.0	51.0
Flour, self-raising	1 kg pkt	43.4	45.3	36.3	38.7	45.3	49.7	39.0
Rice	500 g pkt	31.7	33.1	32.0	33.4	33.6	34.8	32.1
Breakfast cereal, corn based	500 g pkt	63.8	63.0	63.7	63.2	78.7	69.7	65.6
Biscuits, dry	225 g pkt	37.0	37.2	35.2	36.8	43.7	41.1	37.1
Peaches	822 g can	54.7	58.2	65.2	62.9	62.8	70.6	58.4
Pineapple pieces	450 g can	36.2	37.4	36.7	38.5	41.2	41.3	36.2
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	52.9	51.6	54.2	61.8	57.7	61.9	55.2
Potatoes	1 lb	19.1	8.4	11.6	8.8	16.4	11.7	7.8
Onions	1 lb	17.4	17.5	17.3	15.6	16.8	19.9	20.2
Butter	500 g	91.6	86.6	88.5	85.6	86.0	91.4	92.9
Cheese, processed	250 g pkt	47.6	49.4	49.7	49.1	48.8	54.3	50.8
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	500 g pkt	76.2	82.3	77.4	82.4	77.2	80.8	81.6
Eggs, 55 g	1 doz	94.6	107.6	109.6	112.7	104.6	120.2	92.4
Milk -								
Evaporated	410 g can	24.7	25.3	26.9	25.7	26.8	27.2	26.9
Fresh, bottled, delivered	2 x 600 ml	47.0	43.0	48.0	40.0	44.0	42.0	40.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	250 g	99.0	115.9	102.6	110.7	97.4	119.9	108.8
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	171.5	178.2	173.7	182.1	157.9	187.3	173.6
Beef, corned	340 g can	90.7	95.9	95.8	89.3	98.3	101.1	90.4
Sausages	1 lb	43.3	54.7	51.1	51.7	53.4	62.6	53.3
Tea	250 g pkt	69.2	68.0	71.5	68.4	71.4	78.0	71.5
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	258.1	252.5	257.1	259.4	267.4	265.3	272.0
Sugar	2 kg pkt	57.0	56.2	55.8	57.0	57.7	61.0	60.0
Jam, strawberry	450 g jar	69.8	71.9	70.5	66.1	76.3	73.8	71.4
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	93.7	99.7	94.9	97.9	101.8	103.0	93.7
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	450 g can	31.0	33.2	32.9	30.8	32.8	34.5	32.7
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle (b)	58.9	35.6	37.8	36.0	39.0	40.6	62.3
Prepared baby food	125 g can	15.5	17.3	17.6	16.8	18.4	18.3	16.1
Beef -								
Rib (without bone)	1 lb	81.3	83.8	82.6	98.0	76.4	81.7	88.4
Steak -								
Rump	1 lb	144.4	148.0	124.5	165.3	164.9	160.7	177.9
T-bone, without fillet (c)	1 lb	127.8	116.7	126.9	143.3	133.9	146.4	132.4
Chuck	1 lb	60.2	64.3	75.9	82.9	84.9	76.0	75.2
Silverside, corned	1 lb	82.3	83.8	83.6	103.3	98.4	100.9	98.0
Lamb -								
Leg	1 lb	96.7	91.3	112.6	113.1	128.8	108.6	115.3
Chops -								
Loin	1 lb	102.3	106.9	114.3	134.9	131.7	109.2	127.6
Forequarter	1 lb	80.2	79.2	108.8	117.5	117.4	95.5	96.8
Pork -								
Leg	1 lb	133.9	123.4	119.7	154.6	145.6	145.8	147.8
Chops	1 lb	124.7	131.4	122.4	157.0	137.5	143.3	150.7

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

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, JUNE 1977
(Cents)

Item	Unit	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra
Bread, delivered -								
Ordinary white loaf	900 g (a)	47.0	46.0	43.6	49.0	46.0	48.0	49.0
Milk loaf, sliced and wrapped	680 g	51.0	52.0	47.6	53.0	50.0	48.0	52.0
Flour, self-raising	1 kg pkt	43.5	45.4	36.4	38.3	45.3	50.2	39.7
Rice	500 g pkt	31.3	33.1	32.8	33.2	33.9	34.9	32.1
Breakfast cereal, corn based	500 g pkt	63.8	59.5	64.2	62.1	73.6	69.9	59.3
Biscuits, dry	225 g pkt	35.7	38.1	35.6	38.7	42.2	41.5	36.8
Peaches	822 g can	55.7	61.0	65.9	59.7	63.4	70.1	58.8
Pineapple pieces	450 g can	36.2	37.4	35.7	38.6	41.2	41.3	36.2
Peas, frozen	500 g pkt	52.3	53.2	54.5	61.5	56.1	61.9	50.5
Potatoes	1 lb	11.2	8.9	10.4	11.0	16.4	10.5	8.4
Onions	1 lb	19.5	18.4	21.3	17.6	18.0	19.1	20.5
Butter	500 g	91.2	86.6	88.9	85.4	86.0	91.4	92.8
Cheese, processed	250 g pkt	48.2	49.4	50.2	49.1	49.1	54.3	51.4
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	500 g pkt	79.2	82.7	78.3	78.0	76.9	82.1	78.7
Eggs, 55 g	1 doz	94.6	107.6	109.1	113.0	106.8	126.7	92.7
Milk -								
Evaporated	410 g can	25.4	25.3	27.1	25.9	27.6	27.0	26.8
Fresh, bottled, delivered	2 x 600 ml	47.0	43.0	48.0	40.0	46.0	42.0	40.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	250 g	101.0	120.3	101.9	111.1	100.9	122.3	106.0
Chicken, frozen	1 kg	168.0	177.5	176.3	181.1	164.4	191.0	163.5
Beef, corned	340 g can	90.7	95.9	97.4	88.6	99.2	101.5	89.3
Sausages	1 lb	43.5	56.6	51.1	52.2	58.5	62.2	53.7
Tea	250 g pkt	77.1	83.2	90.8	85.4	83.9	86.1	84.5
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	308.8	294.8	305.6	304.7	316.4	293.4	304.0
Sugar	2 kg pkt	57.0	56.2	55.8	57.0	57.7	61.1	60.0
Jam, strawberry	450 g jar	70.5	73.4	72.4	69.5	76.3	74.3	71.4
Salmon, imported pink	220 g can	93.2	99.8	94.9	97.9	101.8	103.0	89.2
Baked beans (in tomato sauce)	450 g can	31.1	33.1	34.0	30.7	33.2	34.9	33.0
Tomato sauce	300 ml bottle (b)	61.2	35.6	37.4	35.8	39.8	40.5	63.8
Prepared baby food	125 g can	15.8	17.4	17.1	16.8	18.4	18.3	16.3
Beef -								
Rib (without bone)	1 lb	82.6	83.8	82.5	99.7	88.8	81.2	76.3
Steak -								
Rump	1 lb	147.2	149.0	121.8	158.7	179.1	163.2	185.0
T-bone, without fillet(c)	1 lb	130.3	114.4	127.8	144.3	142.9	147.3	146.1
Chuck	1 lb	63.7	65.9	75.7	85.8	96.1	77.8	74.5
Silverside, corned	1 lb	82.6	84.1	85.2	103.7	109.7	101.8	97.0
Lamb -								
Leg	1 lb	99.1	92.5	114.2	119.5	137.3	108.3	119.7
Chops -								
Loin	1 lb	103.8	108.3	117.0	139.4	138.3	109.4	134.4
Forequarter	1 lb	81.8	78.5	109.4	122.8	126.9	95.5	95.5
Pork -								
Leg	1 lb	135.5	128.9	122.8	154.6	147.7	145.9	148.6
Chops	1 lb	125.3	133.3	125.5	157.2	139.4	143.7	150.7

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