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RETAIL PRICE VARIATIONS.

THE "ALL ITEMS" ("C") SERIES) INDEX.

JUNE QUARTER, 1943.

(Base Period 1923-27 = 1000)

Particulars concerning variations in retail prices as measured by the "All Items" ("C") Series Index for 30 principal cities and towns of Australia have been made available by the Acting Commonwealth Statistician for the June quarter, 1943.

This index covers principal items of food, groceries, house rents, clothing, footwear, headwear, household drapery, household utensils, fares, fuel, light, recreation, smoking and other miscellaneous items. It excludes fresh fruit and vegetables other than potatoes and onions.

Compared with the previous quarter the index number increased in the six Capital Cities by 1.8%, and the 30 Cities and Towns combined by 1.9%. Individually the Capital Cities recorded the following increases:- Sydney (2.1%), Perth (2.1%), Brisbane (1.9%), Adelaide (1.6%), Melbourne (1.5%), and Hobart (0.9%).

The weighted average index of the Five Towns in each State compared with the previous quarter showed the following increases:- New South Wales (2.2%), Western Australia (2.2%), Queensland (1.9%), South Australia (1.7%), Victoria (1.6%) and Tasmania (1.1%).

From June quarter, 1942, to June quarter, 1943, the following increases were recorded in the Five Town Index Numbers:- New South Wales (6.2%), Queensland (6.2%), Victoria (5.9%), Western Australia (5.5%), Tasmania (4.9%), and South Australia (3.8%).

The rise in the index for June quarter as compared with March quarter, 1943, was due partly to rises in prices of certain foods and items of clothing and drapery. Potatoes were substantially dearer, while eggs and onions also rose in price; prices of meat were pegged in February and have shown only minor variations since. Most of the principal foods are now sold under stabilised price schemes. Seasonal winter clothing and some other garments showed rises in prices over those previously recorded and this was the main cause of the rise in price level.

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"C" SERIES

QUARTERLY RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS (1) Individual Towns.
FOOD, GROCERIES, HOUSING (1 AND 5 ROOMS), CLOTHING AND
MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE
"C" SERIES FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE, 1943.
(BASE: WEIGHTED AVERAGE 6 CAPITALS IN 1923-27 = 1000)
(1) INDIVIDUAL TOWNS.

Town	1942			1943		Six Months ended June Quarter 1943	Year ended June Quarter 1943	
	June Quarter	September Quarter	December Quarter	March Quarter	June Quarter			
NEW SOUTH WALES -								
Sydney	1096	1122	1128	1141	1165	1153	1142	
Newcastle	1060	1079	1090	1101	1126	1114	1101	
Broken Hill	1132	1144	1159	1149	1185	1167	1159	
Goulburn	1078	1103	1118	1116	1140	1133	1119	
Bathurst	1043	1060	1080	1080	1107	1094	1082	
Weighted Average - 5 Towns:	1094	1118	1135	1137	1162	1150	1138	
VICTORIA -								
Melbourne	1039	1111	1126	1136	1153	1145	1136	
Ballarat	1026	1084	1070	1074	1099	1037	1074	
Bendigo	1046	1069	1032	1033	1104	1096	1086	
Geelong	1052	1083	1090	1099	1125	1112	1101	
Warrnambool	1066	1093	1116	1121	1141	1131	1113	
Weighted Average - 5 Towns:	1055	1113	1130	1131	1149	1140	1131	
QUEENSLAND -								
Brisbane	1020	1044	1055	1063	1033	1073	1061	
Toowoomba	1026	1043	1056	1068	1089	1079	1064	
Rockhampton	1023	1035	1052	1059	1036	1073	1053	
Townsville	1069	1081	1090	1103	1124	1114	1102	
Bundaberg	1007	1021	1038	1047	1062	1058	1044	
Weighted Average - 5 Towns:	1023	1045	1057	1066	1066	1076	1064	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA -								
Adelaide	1071	1093	1100	1093	1111	1102	1099	
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	956	977	988	993	1003	996	999	
Port Pirie	1050	1072	1086	1079	1097	1093	1084	
Mount Gambier	1013	1034	1063	1051	1060	1060	1054	
Peterborough	1048	1067	1082	1073	1097	1092	1081	
Weighted Average - 5 Towns:	1065	1087	1095	1092	1116	1097	1094	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA -								
Perth, Fremantle	1051	1077	1090	1092	1115	1104	1094	
Kalgoorlie, Boulder	1174	1173	1132	1173	1222	1190	1135	
Northam	1074	1089	1103	1093	1122	1110	1103	
Bunbury	1057	1074	1083	1091	1112	1102	1091	
Geraldton	1106	1126	1130	1135	1171	1155	1143	
Weighted Average - 5 Towns:	1064	1085	1097	1099	1123	1111	1101	
TASMANIA -								
Hobart	1063	1089	1113	1108	1118	1113	1107	
Launceston	1031	1050	1072	1069	1081	1075	1063	
Burnie	1024	1043	1060	1073	1095	1084	1071	
Devonport	1005	1019	1044	1048	1060	1054	1043	
Queenstown	1032	1057	1077	1086	1099	1092	1080	
Weighted Average - 5 Towns:	1051	1071	1094	1091	1103	1097	1086	
Weighted Average - 30 Towns:	1077	1102	1117	1112	1140	1130	1120	
Weighted Average - 6 Capitals:	1091	1116	1122	1123	1143	1133	1124	
SPECIAL TOWNS (NOT INCLUDED IN WEIGHTED AVERAGE)								
Derwick (Q.)	1000	1017	1029	1040	1064	1052	1038	
Port Augusta (S.A.)	1045	1065	1079	1073	1085	1079	1076	
Gambara (N.C.T.)	1109	1137	1153	1158	1134	1171	1152	

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"C" Series
(2) Combination of
Towns, etc.

QUARTERLY RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS
FOOD, GROCERIES, HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS), CLOTHING
AND MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE.

"C" SERIES FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE, 1943.
(BASE : WEIGHTED AVERAGE SIX CAPITALS IN 1923-27 = 1000)
(2) COMBINATION OF TOWNS, ETC.

Combinations of Towns and States	1 9 4 2			1 9 4 3		Six months ended June Quarter, 1943	Year ended June Quarter, 1943
	June Quarter	September Quarter	December Quarter	March Quarter	June Quarter		
1. CAPITAL CITIES:							
1. S.M.B.A.P.H. - 6 Capitals	1081	1106	1122	1123	1143	1133	1124
2. S.M.B.A.-H.	1082	1109	1124	1125	1146	1136	1126
3. S.M.B.-H.	1084	1111	1127	1129	1150	1140	1129
4. S.M.-A.P.H.	1087	1113	1129	1130	1150	1140	1131
5. S.M.-A.P.-	1087	1114	1129	1130	1151	1141	1131
6. S.M.-A.-H.	1090	1116	1132	1133	1153	1143	1134
7. S.M.-A.-	1090	1117	1133	1133	1154	1144	1134
8. S.M.-.-	1093	1120	1137	1139	1160	1150	1139
9. S.-B.-.-	1081	1107	1122	1126	1149	1138	1126
10. -M.B.A.P.H.	1070	1096	1111	1111	1129	1120	1112
11. -M.-A.P.H.	1080	1107	1122	1121	1136	1130	1122
12. -M.-A.-H.	1084	1111	1127	1125	1142	1134	1126
13. -M.-A.-	1085	1112	1127	1126	1143	1135	1127
14. -.-A.-H.	1071	1092	1102	1095	1112	1104	1100
2. COUNTRY TOWNS:							
1. New South Wales 4 Towns	1073	1091	1109	1109	1136	1123	1111
2. Victoria 4 "	1043	1071	1086	1090	1112	1101	1090
3. Queensland 4 "	1035	1048	1064	1072	1095	1084	1070
4. South Australia 4 "	1010	1031	1047	1040	1061	1051	1045
5. West Australia 4 "	1130	1140	1149	1146	1171	1159	1152
6. Tasmania 4 "	1028	1047	1069	1068	1081	1075	1066
7. N.V.Q.S.W.T. 24 "	1054	1073	1089	1091	1114	1103	1092
8. N.V.-S.W.T. 20 "	1058	1079	1096	1096	1119	1108	1098
9. N.V.Q.S.- 16 "	1050	1070	1087	1089	1113	1101	1090
10. N.V.-S.-T. 16 "	1052	1073	1091	1091	1114	1103	1092
11. N.V.-.-W.T. 16 "	1063	1083	1100	1101	1124	1113	1102
12. N.V.-S.- 12 "	1055	1077	1094	1095	1119	1107	1096
13. Broken Hill - Goulburn - Bathurst	1099	1116	1132	1125	1157	1141	1133
3. WHOLE STATES:							
1. N.V.Q.S.W.T. 30 Towns	1077	1102	1117	1119	1140	1130	1120
2. N.V.Q.S.-T.	1078	1103	1119	1120	1141	1131	1121
3. N.V.-S.W.T.	1084	1109	1125	1125	1147	1136	1127
4. N.V.-S.W.-	1085	1110	1126	1126	1148	1137	1128
5. N.V.-S.-T.	1086	1111	1127	1127	1148	1138	1128
6. N.V.-S.-	1087	1112	1128	1129	1150	1140	1130
7. N.V.-.-W.T.	1086	1112	1128	1130	1151	1141	1130
8. N.V.-.-	1090	1116	1133	1134	1156	1145	1135
9. -V.-S.W.T.	1076	1102	1117	1116	1135	1126	1118
10. -V.-S.W.-	1076	1104	1118	1118	1137	1128	1119
11. -V.-S.-T.	1078	1104	1120	1119	1136	1128	1120
12. -V.-S.-	1080	1107	1122	1121	1139	1130	1122
13. -V.-S.-T.	1080	1109	1127	1126	1195	1137	1127

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