



CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MONTHLY FOOD GROUP INDEX, SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA OCTOBER 1981

- PHONE INQUIRIES** *for more information about these statistics—contact Mr Phil Meere on Canberra (062) 52 6235 or any of our State offices.*
other inquiries including copies of publications—contact Information Services on Canberra (062) 52 6627 or in any of our State offices.
- MAIL INQUIRIES** *write to Information Services, ABS, P.O. Box 10, Belconnen, A.C.T. 2616 or any of our State offices.*

MAIN FEATURES

	Change between	
	Sept. 81 and Oct. 81 %	Oct. 80 and Oct. 81 %
Weighted average of six State capital cities	-0.1	+9.6
Sydney	+0.3	+8.5
Melbourne	-0.8	+9.3
Brisbane	+0.2	+10.3
Adelaide	+0.4	+10.9
Perth	-0.9	+12.2
Hobart	+0.6	+10.7
Canberra	+0.3	+9.1
Weighted average of seven capital cities	-0.1	+9.5

Main price changes between September 1981 and October 1981:

- Fresh vegetable prices decreased significantly in all cities except Hobart.
- Fresh fruit prices increased in all cities.
- Prices of meals out and take-away food increased in all cities.
- Bread prices increased in Sydney, Adelaide, Hobart and Canberra.
- Milk prices increased in Brisbane.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains monthly index numbers for the Food Group of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and for component subgroups of the Food Group. The Food Group is the only group of the CPI for which prices are collected monthly. Quarterly index numbers for the All Groups CPI and its groups and subgroups (including the Food Group) are published in the quarterly publication *Consumer Price Index* (6401.0). Detailed information about the CPI is presented in that publication.

2. The Food Group currently contributes approximately 20 per cent to the total CPI (ninth series) aggregate for the weighted average of six State capital cities.

Collection of prices

3. Prices for food items are collected as at the middle of each month except in the case of some fresh items (fruit, vegetables and fish) where prices are collected more frequently and averaged to obtain monthly prices.

Index points and percentage changes

4. Movements in indexes from one period to another can be expressed either as percentage changes, or as changes in 'index points'. The difference between these two methods of describing movements in indexes is shown by the following example:

Food Group: Weighted average of six State capital cities

<i>Index numbers</i>	
October 1981	336.8
Less: September 1981	337.3
Change in index points	-0.5

$$\text{Percentage change} = \frac{-0.5}{337.3} \times 100 = -0.1\%$$

Interpretation of results

5. Month-to-month price changes should not be interpreted in isolation and without reference to changes over longer periods, mainly because prices of fresh food items are subject to large short term fluctuations. Frequently these fluctuations are also the main cause of disparate movements in the indexes for various cities.

6. The capital city indexes measure price movements over time in *each city individually*. They do not measure differences in retail price levels between cities. Average retail prices of selected items in the various capital cities are shown in publication Catalogue No. 6403.0 (see paragraph 10).

7. Table 4 provides a detailed analysis of recent price movements in the Food Group index. It shows index numbers and percentage changes for subgroups and other groupings within the Food Group. Table 4 also shows the contribution which each subgroup makes to the total CPI. These are expressed in terms of 'All Groups index points'. For instance, in October 1981 the Dairy produce subgroup contributed 7.23 index points out of a total of 76.18 index points for the Food Group for the weighted average of six State capital cities. The final column indicates the contributions, to the change in All Groups index points, by each of the subgroups and groupings.

8. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in Table 4 are due to rounding. For similar reasons monthly movements shown by subgroup or group index numbers do not necessarily correspond exactly with those shown by the relevant index points.

9. Table 3 summarises the contributions (in terms of 'All Groups index points') which the Food Group makes to the total CPI in recent months. The figure of 76.18 for October 1981, for the weighted average of six State capital cities, indicates that the Food Group would contribute this amount to the quarterly All Groups CPI if food prices were to stand at this level for each month of the quarter.

Related publications

10. Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

Consumer Price Index (6401.0)—issued quarterly
Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Six State Capital Cities and Canberra (6403.0)—issued quarterly
Consumer Price Index Monthly Food Group Index, Darwin (6413.0)—issued monthly
A guide to the Consumer Price Index.

11. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia (1101.0)* which is available free of charge from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

— nil or rounded to zero

R. J. CAMERON
 Australian Statistician

**TABLE 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: FOOD GROUP
 INDEX NUMBERS**
 (Base of each index: Year 1966-67 = 100.0)

	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra	Weighted average of seven capital cities
1978-79	248.8	247.7	245.8	245.7	253.0	260.2	251.2	249.0	248.8
1979-80	283.6	284.3	278.8	284.6	285.5	290.7	286.8	283.9	283.6
1980-81	312.9	314.0	307.7	316.9	314.1	317.1	313.0	312.7	312.9
<i>1980-81—</i>									
September	304.4	304.7	300.4	306.4	305.1	310.4	305.5	306.6	304.4
October	307.4	308.5	303.6	308.6	306.9	312.0	307.4	305.8	307.4
November	310.5	312.4	306.1	314.5	308.2	311.6	310.8	310.8	310.5
December	314.3	315.2	310.1	318.5	314.1	317.3	314.8	315.5	314.4
January	317.8	318.6	313.9	321.9	318.0	320.2	315.8	317.1	317.8
February	316.2	316.3	310.3	323.1	319.6	321.7	315.5	316.1	316.2
March	316.8	319.4	309.0	323.1	321.0	319.3	313.6	316.0	316.7
April	317.7	321.5	308.5	326.4	321.2	318.5	317.0	318.6	317.8
May	320.6	322.0	314.8	326.9	321.3	322.9	321.9	320.3	320.6
June	326.1	326.7	319.3	332.3	327.0	336.0	325.3	324.1	326.0
<i>1981-82—</i>									
July	327.2	324.7	322.9	333.6	329.5	338.5	327.7	325.7	327.1
August	334.5	331.9	331.4	339.1	336.2	345.1	330.4	332.0	334.4
September	337.3	333.5	334.6	339.7	339.0	353.4	338.4	332.6	337.2
October	336.8	334.6	331.9	340.5	340.3	350.2	340.3	333.7	336.7

**TABLE 2. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : FOOD GROUP
PERCENTAGE CHANGES**

	Weighted average of six State capital cities %	Sydney %	Melbourne %	Brisbane %	Adelaide %	Perth %	Hobart %	Canberra %	Weighted average of seven capital cities %
<i>Change from previous year</i>									
1978-79	+11.5	+12.5	+11.3	+10.4	+10.1	+10.4	+12.0	+12.4	+11.5
1979-80	+14.0	+14.8	+13.4	+15.8	+12.8	+11.7	+14.2	+14.0	+14.0
1980-81	+10.3	+10.4	+10.4	+11.3	+10.0	+9.1	+9.1	+10.1	+10.3
<i>Change from corresponding month of previous year</i>									
<i>1980-81—</i>									
September	+12.1	+12.4	+11.8	+14.4	+11.0	+10.8	+10.7	+11.8	+12.1
October	+11.7	+12.4	+11.6	+13.2	+9.6	+10.6	+9.6	+10.1	+11.7
November	+12.4	+13.2	+12.4	+14.5	+10.3	+9.6	+9.1	+11.4	+12.4
December	+11.8	+12.0	+11.9	+12.8	+11.6	+9.8	+10.1	+12.3	+11.8
January	+10.8	+9.9	+12.7	+9.2	+11.1	+9.1	+9.1	+10.4	+10.8
February	+9.7	+9.1	+10.7	+8.9	+10.7	+8.8	+8.6	+10.1	+9.7
March	+8.7	+9.0	+8.4	+9.3	+9.6	+7.1	+6.8	+9.3	+8.7
April	+8.3	+8.9	+7.2	+9.4	+9.2	+7.5	+7.7	+9.1	+8.3
May	+8.2	+8.2	+8.0	+9.6	+7.6	+7.6	+8.8	+9.1	+8.2
June	+9.1	+9.0	+8.7	+10.9	+8.1	+10.2	+8.3	+8.9	+9.1
<i>1981-82—</i>									
July	+9.0	+7.8	+9.0	+11.6	+8.9	+10.7	+8.3	+8.3	+8.9
August	+10.5	+9.9	+10.5	+12.4	+10.7	+11.6	+8.0	+10.3	+10.5
September	+10.8	+9.5	+11.4	+10.9	+11.1	+13.9	+10.8	+8.5	+10.8
October	+9.6	+8.5	+9.3	+10.3	+10.9	+12.2	+10.7	+9.1	+9.5
<i>Change from previous month</i>									
<i>1980-81—</i>									
September	+0.6	+0.9	+0.2	+1.5	+0.5	+0.4	-0.1	+1.9	+0.6
October	+1.0	+1.2	+1.1	+0.7	+0.6	+0.5	+0.6	-0.3	+1.0
November	+1.0	+1.3	+0.8	+1.9	+0.4	-0.1	+1.1	+1.6	+1.0
December	+1.2	+0.9	+1.3	+1.3	+1.9	+1.8	+1.3	+1.5	+1.3
January	+1.1	+1.1	+1.2	+1.1	+1.2	+0.9	+0.3	+0.5	+1.1
February	-0.5	-0.7	-1.1	+0.4	+0.5	+0.5	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5
March	+0.2	+1.0	-0.4	—	+0.4	0.7	-0.6	—	+0.2
April	+0.3	+0.7	-0.2	+1.0	+0.1	-0.3	+1.1	+0.8	+0.3
May	+0.9	+0.2	+2.0	+0.2	—	+1.4	+1.5	+0.5	+0.9
June	+1.7	+1.5	+1.4	+1.7	+1.8	+4.1	+1.1	+1.2	+1.7
<i>1981-82—</i>									
July	+0.3	-0.6	+1.1	+0.4	+0.8	+0.7	+0.7	+0.5	+0.3
August	+2.2	+2.2	+2.6	+1.6	+2.0	+1.9	+0.8	+1.9	+2.2
September	+0.8	+0.5	+1.0	+0.2	+0.8	+2.4	+2.4	+0.2	+0.8
October	-0.1	+0.3	-0.8	+0.2	+0.4	-0.9	+0.6	+0.3	-0.1

**TABLE 3. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : FOOD GROUP
CONTRIBUTION OF FOOD GROUP TO ALL GROUPS INDEX
(in terms of All Groups Index points)**

	Weighted average of six State capital cities	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Canberra	Weighted average of seven capital cities
<i>1981—</i>									
July	74.01	75.09	72.24	75.99	72.28	75.59	71.84	64.52	73.78
August	75.67	76.77	74.14	77.25	73.75	77.07	72.43	65.77	75.42
September	76.30	77.13	74.84	77.38	74.36	78.93	74.19	65.89	76.04
September quarter	75.32	76.33	73.74	76.87	73.46	77.20	72.82	65.39	75.08
October	76.18	77.40	74.25	77.56	74.63	78.22	74.60	66.11	75.93

TABLE 4. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : FOOD GROUP AND COMPONENT SUBGROUPS

Reference base period	Change between				Contribution to total CPI (expressed as All Groups index points)			Change between Sept. 1981 and Oct. 1981	
	Index numbers		Sept. 1981 and Oct. 1981 %		Sept. 1981				
	Sept. 1981	Oct. 1981	Sept. 1981 %	Oct. 1981 %	Sept. 1981	Oct. 1981	Oct. 1981		
WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES									
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	284.7	285.9	+0.4	+12.7	7.20	7.23	3.80	+0.03
Cereal products	"	352.5	355.3	+0.8	+10.2	7.73	7.79	9.60	+0.06
Meat and seafoods	"	358.3	357.2	-0.3	+4.3	20.52	20.46	3.43	0.06
Beef and veal	"	346.5	347.0	+0.1	+0.8		9.59	3.43	+0.01
Lamb and mutton	"	389.1	371.9	-4.4	+5.0		3.58	0.86	-0.15
Pork	"	330.3	338.4	+2.5	+10.4		0.84	1.66	+0.02
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	238.9	237.8	-0.5	+14.7		1.67	1.66	-0.01
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	346.7	348.0	+0.4	+9.3		3.32	3.33	+0.01
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	175.1	181.6	+3.7	+1.7		1.52	1.58	+0.06
Fruit and vegetables	"	188.4	180.6	-4.1	+18.3	11.32	10.86	8.21	-0.46
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	208.4	196.7	-5.6	+21.1		8.70	2.65	-0.49
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	243.8	245.9	+0.9	+10.3		2.63	2.65	+0.02
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	404.0	408.8	+1.2	+13.7		7.48	7.57	+0.09
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	165.9	167.8	+1.1	+9.7	15.11	15.28	15.28	+0.17
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	258.8	260.9	+0.8	+4.7	6.93	6.99	76.18	+0.06
Food group	"	337.3	336.8	-0.1	+9.6	76.30			-0.12
SYDNEY									
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	260.8	263.7	+1.1	+9.8	6.57	6.64	3.80	+0.07
Cereal products	"	347.8	351.7	+1.1	+7.9	7.53	7.61	9.98	+0.08
Meat and seafoods	"	370.9	368.4	-0.7	+3.0	21.12	20.98	0.79	-0.14
Beef and veal	"	374.8	373.2	-0.4	-1.4		10.02	1.68	-0.04
Lamb and mutton	"	417.9	402.9	-3.6	+2.5		0.77	0.79	+0.02
Pork	"	337.8	345.1	+2.2	+11.4		1.68	1.65	-0.03
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	235.2	230.9	-1.8	+18.2		3.14	3.11	-0.03
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	341.3	337.7	-1.1	+11.0		1.56	1.66	-0.10
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	158.7	168.1	+5.9	+1.1				+0.03
Fruit and vegetables	"	192.1	190.2	-1.0	+18.7	11.66	8.96	11.54	-0.12
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	214.2	213.2	-0.5	+20.5		2.69	2.70	-0.12
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	232.1	232.7	+0.3	+12.7			8.84	+0.01
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	410.2	419.4	+2.2	+14.0	7.37	7.54	16.34	+0.17
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	159.0	160.3	+0.8	+8.0	16.21	16.34	6.74	+0.13
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	250.6	253.1	+1.0	+5.5	6.67	6.74	77.40	+0.07
Food group	"	333.5	334.6	+0.3	+8.5	77.13			+0.27
MELBOURNE									
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	304.5	301.9	-0.9	+13.1	7.69	7.62	8.85	-0.07
Cereal products	"	356.3	357.1	+0.2	+11.6	7.84	7.86	3.57	+0.02
Meat and seafoods	"	334.8	334.2	-0.2	+4.0	20.21	20.18	3.57	-0.03
Beef and veal	"	297.4	298.5	+0.4	+0.2		8.82	8.85	+0.03
Lamb and mutton	"	353.7	339.0	-4.2	+6.7		3.72	0.96	-0.15
Pork	"	315.5	326.3	+3.4	+8.5		0.93	1.73	+0.03
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	236.1	235.4	-0.3	+10.9		1.74	1.73	-0.01
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	367.1	368.9	+0.5	+7.4		3.48	3.50	+0.02
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	199.3	205.1	+2.9	+2.9		1.52	1.56	+0.04
Fruit and vegetables	"	184.6	171.8	-6.9	+18.0	11.17	11.17	10.40	-0.77
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	199.4	181.2	-9.1	+21.5		8.75	7.95	-0.80
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	257.8	260.1	+0.9	+7.9		2.43	2.45	+0.02
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	405.1	407.8	+0.7	+12.8		6.98	7.03	+0.05
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	168.3	170.0	+1.0	+9.8	13.89	14.03	7.14	+0.14
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	265.1	268.4	+1.2	+3.3	7.05	7.14	74.25	+0.09
Food group	"	334.6	331.9	-0.8	+9.3	74.84			-0.59

TABLE 4. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: FOOD GROUP AND COMPONENT SUBGROUPS—continued

Reference base period	Change between				Contribution to total CPI (expressed as All Groups index points)			
	Index numbers		Sept. 1981	Oct. 1980	Sept. 1981		Oct. 1981	Change between Sept. 1981 and Oct. 1981
	Sept. 1981	Oct. 1981	Oct. 1981 and Sept. 1981 %	Oct. 1981 and Sept. 1981 %	Sept. 1981	Oct. 1981		
BRISBANE								
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	302.5	313.9	+3.8	+19.0	8.25	8.57	+0.32
Cereal products	"	346.8	348.7	+0.5	+10.5	7.94	7.98	+0.04
Meat and seafoods	"	367.3	371.4	+1.1	+5.3	20.38	20.60	+0.22
Beef and veal	"	374.0	377.3	+0.9	+3.2		10.81	10.90
Lamb and mutton	"	369.8	363.9	-1.6	+5.4		2.31	2.27
Pork	"	340.3	345.1	+1.4	+10.4		1.03	1.04
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	225.3	236.6	+5.0	+12.9		1.33	1.39
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	318.2	326.6	+2.6	+10.2		3.32	3.41
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	189.1	189.4	+0.2	+0.5		1.58	1.58
Fruit and vegetables	"	178.9	166.6	-6.9	+8.6	10.91	10.16	-0.75
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	199.2	180.1	-9.6	+8.0		8.15	7.37
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	236.8	239.5	+1.1	+10.0		2.76	2.79
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	385.6	389.0	+0.9	+15.0		8.35	8.35
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	171.9	174.9	+1.7	+14.1	8.27	14.33	+0.08
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	260.1	260.9	+0.3	+6.0		7.29	7.31
Food group	"	339.7	340.5	+0.2	+10.3		77.38	77.56
ADELAIDE								
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	285.1	284.7	-0.1	+13.4	6.60	6.59	-0.01
Cereal products	"	360.9	368.9	+2.2	+12.8	7.92	8.09	+0.17
Meat and seafoods	"	353.5	351.5	-0.6	+4.9	19.37	19.26	-0.11
Beef and veal	"	337.6	344.1	+1.9	+2.7		8.19	8.35
Lamb and mutton	"	394.0	349.8	-11.2	+3.6		11.2	3.27
Pork	"	354.0	356.0	+0.6	+13.6		0.59	0.59
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	268.9	265.9	-1.1	+9.8		1.57	1.55
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	331.6	337.8	+1.9	+9.3		3.68	3.75
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	162.0	170.6	+5.3	+1.9		1.66	1.75
Fruit and vegetables	"	182.5	180.8	-0.9	+25.9	10.38	10.29	-0.09
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	205.1	201.3	-1.9	+32.8		7.47	7.33
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	247.6	251.5	+1.6	+11.7		2.91	2.96
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	397.7	399.5	+0.5	+13.7	8.56	8.60	+0.04
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	165.2	168.5	+2.0	+9.3	14.35	14.63	+0.28
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	267.4	267.0	-0.1	+4.7	7.19	7.18	-0.01
Food group	"	339.0	340.3	+0.4	+10.9	74.36	74.63	+0.27
PERTH								
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	277.7	275.8	-0.7	+13.3	7.18	7.13	-0.05
Cereal products	"	353.2	354.9	+0.5	+10.6	7.62	7.66	+0.04
Meat and seafoods	"	383.3	380.0	-0.9	+10.2	20.31	20.13	-0.18
Beef and veal	"	371.6	368.8	-0.8	+8.6		10.58	10.50
Lamb and mutton	"	431.5	411.9	-4.5	+12.8		2.79	2.66
Pork	"	319.6	329.9	+3.2	+14.7		0.78	0.81
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	236.7	234.1	-1.1	+22.0		1.94	1.91
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	354.4	358.4	+1.1	+10.2		3.06	3.09
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	166.2	164.7	-0.9	-		1.16	1.15
Fruit and vegetables	"	208.9	194.4	-6.9	+21.1	12.29	11.44	-0.85
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	239.0	216.5	-9.4	+25.7		9.74	8.82
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	247.3	253.7	+2.6	+7.8		2.55	2.62
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	410.0	411.8	+0.4	+13.4	7.83	7.86	+0.03
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	180.7	183.8	+1.7	+12.0	17.00	17.29	+0.29
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	253.8	254.2	+0.2	+5.0	6.70	6.71	+0.01
Food group	"	353.4	350.2	-0.9	+12.2	78.93	78.22	-0.71

TABLE 4. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: FOOD GROUP AND COMPONENT SUBGROUPS—(continued)

Reference base period	Change between				Contribution to total CPI (expressed as All Groups index points)			Change between Sept. 1981 and Oct. 1981	
	Index numbers		Sept. 1981 and Oct. 1981		Sept. 1981		Oct. 1981		
	Sept. 1981	Oct. 1981	Oct. 1981 %	Oct. 1981 %	Sept. 1981	Oct. 1981	Oct. 1981		
HOBART									
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	287.2	285.0	-0.8	+14.3	7.49	7.44	-0.05	
Cereal products	"	357.5	364.6	+2.0	+13.6	7.21	7.35	+0.14	
Meat and seafoods	"	361.4	362.9	+0.4	+2.6	21.40	21.49	+0.09	
Beef and veal	"	362.6	362.7	-0.1	-2.1		4.20	4.19	-0.01
Lamb and mutton	"	360.5	359.1	-0.4	-5.0		0.92	0.92	—
Pork	"	368.6	370.2	+0.4	+7.1		10.86	10.87	+0.01
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	245.0	259.7	+6.0	+22.9		1.47	1.56	+0.09
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	335.4	334.4	-0.3	+6.2		2.75	2.74	-0.01
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	184.7	187.7	+1.6	+6.1		1.20	1.22	+0.02
Fruit and vegetables	"	173.5	174.2	+0.4	+24.1	9.61	9.65	9.63	+0.04
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	190.6	192.2	+0.8	+30.0		6.57	6.63	+0.06
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	250.9	249.6	-0.5	-12.6		3.04	3.02	-0.02
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	386.6	390.5	+1.0	+15.3	6.60		6.66	+0.06
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	175.7	176.8	+0.6	+11.2	14.84		14.93	+0.09
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	274.8	276.4	+0.6	+9.2	7.03		7.07	+0.04
Food group	"	338.4	340.3	+0.6	+10.7	74.19		74.60	+0.41
CANBERRA									
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	263.5	264.2	+0.3	+14.4	5.97	5.98	6.01	+0.01
Cereal products	"	348.3	354.6	+1.8	+10.5	6.28	6.39	6.39	+0.11
Meat and seafoods	"	371.5	371.3	-0.1	+5.6	19.58	19.57	19.57	-0.01
Beef and veal	"	367.9	365.1	-0.8	+2.2		9.72	9.65	-0.07
Lamb and mutton	"	435.8	404.7	-7.1	+0.2		3.50	3.25	-0.25
Pork	"	342.5	368.8	+7.7	+17.9		0.67	0.72	+0.05
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	222.3	241.4	+8.6	+24.7	1.19		1.30	+0.11
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	325.0	336.0	+3.4	+14.0	3.06		3.16	+0.10
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	165.8	172.4	+4.0	+4.5	1.44		1.50	+0.06
Fruit and vegetables	"	161.6	158.1	-2.2	+8.9	8.42		8.23	0.19
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	167.9	162.8	-3.0	+7.8		5.38	5.21	0.17
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	239.9	238.1	-0.8	+10.6		3.04	3.02	-0.02
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	403.9	408.9	+1.2	+14.7	6.35		6.43	+0.08
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	165.8	167.7	+1.1	+11.0	12.87		13.01	+0.14
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	265.5	268.1	+1.0	+5.7	6.43		6.49	+0.06
Food group	"	332.6	333.7	+0.3	+9.1	65.89		66.11	+0.22
WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF SEVEN CAPITAL CITIES									
Dairy produce	1966-67 = 100.0	284.4	285.5	+0.4	+12.8	7.17	7.20	7.20	+0.03
Cereal products	"	352.4	355.4	+0.9	+10.2	7.69	7.75	7.75	+0.06
Meat and seafoods	"	358.5	357.4	-0.3	+4.3	20.50	20.44	20.44	0.06
Beef and veal	"	346.9	347.4	+0.1	+0.9		9.60	9.61	+0.01
Lamb and mutton	"	389.6	372.1	-4.5	+4.8		3.42	3.42	0.06
Pork	"	330.4	338.9	+2.6	+10.6		0.83	0.86	-0.03
Poultry	Dec. Qtr. 1968 = 100.0	238.5	237.8	-0.3	+14.9		1.66	1.66	—
Other meat	1966-67 = 100.0	346.5	348.0	+0.4	+9.4		3.31	3.33	+0.02
Fish	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	174.8	181.3	+3.7	+1.8		1.52	1.57	+0.05
Fruit and vegetables	"	187.7	189.1	+4.0	+18.1	11.25		10.79	0.46
Fresh fruit and vegetables	"	207.5	196.0	-5.5	+20.8		8.61	8.13	-0.48
Processed fruit and vegetables	1966-67 = 100.0	243.9	245.9	+0.8	+10.3	2.64		2.66	+0.02
Soft drinks, ice cream and confectionery	"	404.0	408.9	+1.2	+13.7	7.45		7.54	+0.09
Meals out and take-away food	Sept. Qtr. 1976 = 100.0	165.9	167.8	+1.1	+9.7	15.05		15.23	+0.18
Other food	1966-67 = 100.0	259.0	261.1	+0.8	+4.7	6.92		6.98	+0.06
Food group	"	337.2	336.7	-0.1	+9.5	76.04		75.93	-0.11