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**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES**  
**OF**  
**SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS**  
  
**SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA**  
  
**MARCH QUARTER 1973**

**COMMONWEALTH BUREAU OF CENSUS AND STATISTICS**  
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Item	Unit	Sydney			Melbourne			Brisbane			Adelaide			Perth			Hobart			Canberra		
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.
		Cents -																				
Groceries, etc. -		24.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	26.0	21.0	21.0	23.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	25.0	25.0	25.0	26.0	26.0	26.0	25.0	25.0	25.0
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	2 lb pkt	21.1	21.6	21.9	21.2	21.4	21.5	17.7	17.6	17.2	17.8	17.8	18.0	17.6	18.0	18.3	18.4	18.6	18.6	25.0	25.0	25.0
"	2 lb pkt	22.4	22.5	23.4	23.4	23.7	22.7	19.7	19.1	17.6	18.7	18.6	19.0	21.3	21.6	22.0	24.8	24.8	25.3	24.4	24.4	24.9
"	½ lb pkt	32.6	31.7	31.3	32.9	32.1	30.3	32.4	31.2	30.8	31.5	30.5	29.7	31.9	31.6	31.6	32.0	33.3	32.4	33.5	31.1	32.9
Sugar	2 kg pkt	46.0	46.1	46.5	45.8	46.0	45.5	45.5	45.9	45.9	45.9	45.9	45.9	45.3	45.2	45.5	48.3	48.2	48.1	48.6	49.1	48.4
Rice	1 lb pkt	17.5	17.5	17.5	17.7	16.9	17.7	17.3	17.3	17.3	16.7	16.9	16.6	16.7	17.3	17.4	17.9	17.0	18.2	18.3	18.4	18.4
Jam, apricot	½ lb	32.7	32.1	33.1	36.4	37.4	38.0	37.4	36.5	38.0	38.8	39.1	38.8	40.6	40.8	41.1	38.8	38.6	37.3	34.6	35.3	35.5
"	2 lb pkt (c)	42.4	42.4	42.4	34.0	34.0	35.0	46.8	46.8	46.7	24.2	24.2	24.2	31.5	32.3	31.8	33.4	33.4	34.6	42.7	43.6	43.6
Peaches, canned	29 oz	32.8	32.8	32.4	33.0	32.8	33.5	34.6	33.8	34.5	30.7	30.3	30.4	35.9	36.6	37.1	34.9	33.2	34.6	34.3	32.5	34.0
Pears, canned	7 lb	54.9	67.6	65.4	55.3	67.6	60.1	54.8	71.5	54.8	51.7	65.6	53.5	52.6	53.1	53.9	71.7	65.2	61.8	58.4	71.9	67.8
Potatoes	1 lb	10.0	10.7	12.1	11.1	11.5	11.9	9.5	10.9	11.3	9.8	10.1	10.8	10.0	10.4	9.9	11.6	11.6	11.7	12.2	12.9	14.7
Onions, brown	500g pkt	30.8	30.6	31.3	31.3	32.4	31.5	32.5	33.3	32.9	27.7	28.0	28.3	32.7	33.8	33.9	33.2	33.5	33.4	34.5	33.5	33.9
Soap, laundry																						
Dairy Produce, etc. -																						
Butter	lb	58.0	58.0	58.0	55.8	55.8	55.8	55.5	55.5	55.4	54.7	54.9	54.6	55.4	55.4	55.5	56.0	58.0	58.0	58.6	58.5	58.3
Cheese, processed	8 oz pkt	26.4	25.9	26.6	28.3	27.1	28.1	29.4	29.4	29.3	28.0	28.2	27.8	28.6	28.2	28.2	28.5	29.1	28.2	27.2	27.6	27.9
Eggs - 50g	doz	64.0	69.0	75.0	63.7	69.6	63.6	63.3	68.3	70.3				67.9	67.9	67.9	71.8	77.2	77.3	65.4	68.9	74.7
"	50g	61.0	63.0	67.0	61.6	66.6	66.6	65.1	68.1	68.1	61.1	61.1	61.1	62.0	62.0	62.0	70.0	74.3	73.6	60.8	63.2	67.0
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	doz	57.0	61.0	65.0	58.7	63.7	53.3	56.1	58.3	62.2	56.0	59.0	58.8	55.9	55.9	55.9	63.7	66.0	67.6	56.7	60.7	65.0
Milk, evaporated	½ lb	47.0	45.7	45.4	55.8	55.8	55.8	47.8	50.1	52.3	49.3	49.6	51.0	44.3	44.4	45.1	50.3	51.2	50.7	49.8	49.0	49.0
Milk, fresh, bottled, delivered	14½ oz tin	17.5	17.2	17.0	20.4	19.9	20.3	19.4	19.5	19.6	19.5	19.6	19.0	20.1	20.1	19.5	19.2	19.9	19.3	18.0	17.4	17.0
Meat -	quart (d)	27.0	27.0	27.0	21.0	21.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	22.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
Beef, rib (without bone)	lb	66.1	72.2	70.7	70.7	73.3	77.5	66.5	69.4	69.8	68.7	68.8	74.3	62.6	65.4	68.8	58.3	58.1	58.6	65.3	68.7	70.8
"	steak, rump	123.4	132.0	132.9	125.3	137.4	143.9	110.8	117.5	121.5	117.4	121.1	130.8	125.2	127.0	131.3	108.8	109.3	110.3	127.2	139.6	145.6
"	T-bone, without fillet (e)	106.3	115.9	114.5	90.3	100.0	103.4	99.2	104.3	105.3	98.4	102.3	108.5	103.5	105.0	108.3	95.0	94.5	94.9	103.1	114.2	119.7
"	chuck	58.9	63.7	63.2	57.4	60.8	64.4	68.3	71.3	72.3	65.6	67.6	71.6	61.9	66.1	70.6	59.0	59.3	59.8	60.0	65.8	69.8
"	sausages	30.6	33.7	36.1	32.9	35.7	40.3	36.7	37.6	39.0	29.6	31.7	34.3	25.4	27.0	28.1	33.3	33.3	33.9	33.7	37.1	38.4
"	silverside, corned	64.7	69.2	70.3	74.3	76.8	81.2	74.0	78.0	80.9	73.2	76.0	81.1	70.8	75.3	75.3	69.9	70.2	70.7	72.3	80.4	83.3
"	brisket, corned	48.0	52.8	53.0	43.9	48.8	52.1	54.1	57.0	59.9	50.6	52.3	57.6	48.7	50.3	54.3	47.6	47.9	48.2	51.0	55.8	58.1
"	lutton, leg	35.8	44.7	46.3	30.1	38.5	43.5	42.5	44.4	47.8	33.4	40.2	45.4	37.3	40.3	44.3	29.2	29.8	37.2	39.6	49.0	47.1
"	chops, loin	30.9	42.6	43.7	30.4	39.5	43.0	42.8	44.1	47.8	33.8	44.4	49.0	32.6	36.5	39.9	28.7	30.3	34.0	34.2	49.0	45.4
"	leg	32.1	43.4	44.1	31.3	40.6	45.0	43.0	44.4	47.8	35.8	45.6	52.3	35.6	40.1	44.1	31.8	32.7	36.4	34.2	49.0	45.4
"	forequarter	28.6	39.2	41.9	25.0	30.8	39.3	41.2	43.2	46.0	28.6	34.0	39.0	27.0	31.2	36.0	24.3	25.5	30.2	31.4	44.3	41.7
Lamb, leg		53.2	69.0	63.8	50.2	65.3	69.3	65.0	73.4	71.2	55.6	73.0	70.6	56.7	60.0	62.7	52.1	64.6	64.6	66.2	70.4	67.6
"	chops, loin	40.7	69.7	65.5	54.0	69.2	73.5	65.0	75.0	71.5	59.3	74.3	73.9	60.9	65.4	68.6	51.9	65.0	66.2	66.6	86.2	79.9
"	leg	55.7	69.7	65.5	54.0	69.2	73.5	65.0	75.0	71.5	59.3	74.3	73.9	60.9	65.4	68.6	51.9	65.0	66.2	66.6	86.2	79.9
"	forequarter	40.2	54.1	52.0	37.2	48.5	54.5	63.2	70.6	68.9	46.5	61.6	59.0	51.2	56.4	60.1	43.4	55.5	57.5	63.6	80.3	74.4
Pork, leg		67.9	68.5	72.4	66.5	67.1	72.7	73.6	75.2	76.8	69.7	70.2	72.3	65.7	66.0	66.5	69.7	70.0	69.9	70.4	74.0	74.6
"	loin	64.7	67.0	72.6	69.8	70.4	74.4	75.2	75.5	76.8	69.7	70.2	72.3	66.6	66.6	66.3	70.2	70.2	70.1	67.5	73.9	74.6
"	chops	64.7	66.0	71.0	66.8	69.0	71.9	74.3	74.6	76.8	69.4	70.5	73.2	67.8	67.5	67.9	70.2	70.4	70.3	67.5	73.9	74.9

(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) This statement incorporates some minor changes in basis since December quarter 1972. (c) Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Hobart 1½ lb pkt. (d) Price for 2 x 1 pint bottles. (e) Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with fillet. v. not available.