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**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS
SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES AND CANBERRA
OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 1973**

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AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, OCTOBER 1973
(Cents)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Sydney</i>	<i>Melbourne</i>	<i>Brisbane</i>	<i>Adelaide</i>	<i>Perth</i>	<i>Hobart</i>	<i>Canberra</i>
GROCERIES, ETC. —								
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	2 lb	27.0	26.0	23.0	26.0	26.0	28.0	28.0
Flour —								
Plain	2 lb pkt	22.5	21.2	17.4	19.5	18.8	18.8	24.6
Self-raising	2 lb pkt	24.2	23.7	19.1	20.4	21.8	25.3	24.3
Tea	½ lb pkt	31.0	31.4	30.2	29.7	31.3	32.0	32.1
Sugar	2 kg pkt	46.1	44.7	46.3	46.3	45.5	47.8	48.9
Rice	500g pkt	19.1	19.3	19.0	18.3	19.0	18.3	20.0
Jam, apricot	1½ lb	33.1	38.4	38.7	39.9	41.6	39.3	34.4
Oats, rolled	1½ lb pkt (a)	43.3	32.5	47.0	25.7	30.4	32.9	44.4
Peaches, canned	29 oz	34.0	35.2	36.4	32.8	38.5	35.5	34.8
Pears, canned	29 oz	33.8	35.2	36.4	33.3	37.9	35.7	34.7
Potatoes	7 lb	110.4	97.0	93.6	100.7	65.9	68.7	104.6
Onions, Brown	lb	35.6	42.1	31.7	39.9	28.3	36.4	44.6
Soap, laundry	500g pkt	38.0	38.7	40.1	34.7	39.1	39.3	39.3
DAIRY PRODUCE, ETC. —								
Butter	lb	58.0	54.6	55.6	54.9	55.7	58.0	58.4
Cheese, processed	8 oz pkt	28.7	29.5	31.4	29.6	29.8	30.8	28.7
Eggs —								
60g	doz	78.0	78.9	73.5	73.4	70.9	81.6	77.9
55g	doz	72.0	75.9	72.4	71.9	65.0	77.2	71.5
50g	doz	68.0	72.1	71.5	69.8	58.9	69.3	67.3
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	½ lb	55.2	61.9	61.3	57.8	47.2	53.8	57.4
Milk —								
evaporated	14½ oz tin	18.4	19.8	19.8	19.6	18.6	19.0	18.0
fresh, bottled, delivered	quart (b)	30.0	24.0	28.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	26.0
MEAT —								
Beef —								
Rib (without bone)	lb	82.8	83.0	85.7	82.8	72.1	71.2	78.7
Steak —								
Rump	"	148.8	151.5	135.7	143.2	142.3	135.8	154.4
T-bone, without fillet (c)	"	127.5	118.8	125.0	114.8	116.7	122.7	128.9
Chuck	"	76.7	73.9	85.3	84.0	79.1	73.6	82.5
Sausages	"	41.0	45.7	46.7	43.6	33.4	43.6	45.3
Silverside, corned	"	83.5	86.1	92.7	92.0	82.4	87.6	88.4
Brisket, corned	"	64.8	60.9	73.5	68.3	60.4	57.9	65.0
Mutton, (d) —								
Leg	"	58.6	48.3	60.8	59.0	52.6	48.4	59.5
Chops —								
Loin	"	59.0	47.7	60.0	61.0	49.6	48.4	61.3
Leg	"	59.6	49.0	60.8	60.7	53.7	52.0	61.2
Forequarter	"	58.3	40.5	57.0	54.7	45.4	46.6	58.1
Lamb —								
Leg	"	72.2	68.1	82.8	67.2	68.1	70.6	78.8
Chops —								
Loin	"	78.8	73.5	85.8	78.3	69.5	69.3	91.1
Leg	"	80.2	80.0	85.8	80.8	71.2	75.0	85.7
Forequarter	"	68.6	61.1	84.1	72.7	63.2	61.9	72.7
Pork —								
Leg	"	82.2	78.4	86.8	82.8	72.2	85.9	86.9
Loin	"	80.5	80.4	88.5	84.5	72.1	85.9	88.5
Chops	"	79.1	80.9	88.1	84.8	73.5	86.3	88.5

(a) Sydney, Brisbane and Canberra 2 lb packet. (b) Price for 2X1 pint bottles. (c) Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with fillet. (d) Figures for Canberra are price relatives based on price movement in Sydney since March 1973.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, NOVEMBER 1973
(Cents)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Sydney</i>	<i>Melbourne</i>	<i>Brisbane</i>	<i>Adelaide</i>	<i>Perth</i>	<i>Hobart</i>	<i>Canberra</i>
GROCERIES, ETC.								
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	2 lb	29.0	26.0	23.0	26.0	26.0	28.0	29.7
Flour								
Plain	2 lb pkt	22.1	21.5	17.8	19.5	20.0	18.7	24.7
Self-raising	2 lb pkt	24.1	22.9	19.7	20.4	23.1	25.3	24.7
Tea	½ lb pkt	30.1	30.8	29.7	29.5	30.6	31.3	31.9
Sugar	2 kg pkt	46.1	45.4	46.3	46.2	45.5	47.8	49.0
Rice	500g pkt	19.2	19.6	19.0	18.3	19.0	19.9	19.3
Jam, apricot	1½ lb	33.1	38.4	38.5	39.7	41.0	41.5	34.1
Oats, rolled	1½ lb pkt (a)	43.3	32.5	47.0	26.6	30.4	33.3	44.5
Peaches, canned	29 oz	34.0	34.7	36.6	33.5	38.3	35.7	35.0
Pears, canned	29 oz	33.8	34.7	36.6	33.5	38.5	36.1	33.3
Potatoes	7 lb	113.1	113.1	97.5	105.6	65.7	67.6	118.5
Onions, brown	lb	31.8	35.5	26.4	31.3	19.5	37.3	40.6
Soap, laundry	500g pkt	38.1	39.6	39.5	35.3	38.5	39.4	39.8
DAIRY PRODUCE, ETC.								
Butter	lb	58.0	55.8	55.4	54.8	55.7	58.0	58.5
Cheese, processed	8 oz pkt	28.5	29.5	31.0	29.9	29.5	31.2	28.7
Eggs								
60g	doz	79.0	79.1	76.5	73.4	70.9	81.5	78.1
55g	doz	74.8	76.3	75.7	72.1	65.0	76.3	74.0
50g	doz	70.8	72.5	73.8	69.9	58.9	68.0	69.9
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	½ lb	56.5	62.2	60.3	62.2	50.3	53.9	56.1
Milk								
Evaporated	14½ oz tin	18.4	20.0	19.5	18.9	19.2	19.3	17.9
Fresh, bottled, delivered	quart (b)	30.0	24.0	28.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	26.0
MEAT								
Beef								
Rib (without bone)	lb	84.9	84.8	85.9	84.9	71.2	82.4	81.5
Steak -								
Rump	"	151.4	152.4	135.8	143.9	135.3	155.5	155.2
T-bone, without fillet (c)	"	129.8	117.8	125.0	115.1	110.8	142.2	127.5
Chuck	"	76.7	73.3	85.7	85.1	76.9	84.8	81.8
Sausages	"	41.2	45.2	46.7	42.3	33.4	43.8	45.3
Silverside, corned	"	85.3	87.5	92.4	91.2	81.8	100.4	88.4
Brisket, corned	"	67.4	63.3	74.3	69.5	60.6	71.5	64.9
Mutton (d) -								
Leg	"	58.7	48.3	60.0	57.5	51.1	51.0	59.6
Chops -								
Loin	"	59.0	47.7	60.0	53.7	48.3	51.4	61.3
Leg	"	59.6	49.0	60.0	56.7	53.4	54.8	61.2
Forequarter	"	58.3	40.5	57.3	50.0	43.3	47.4	58.1
Lamb -								
Leg	"	72.7	68.9	85.3	68.4	68.4	76.5	78.4
Chops -								
Loin	"	77.0	75.8	86.5	78.9	69.2	76.6	90.5
Leg	"	79.6	81.3	86.5	82.2	71.7	80.4	86.1
Forequarter	"	66.5	61.9	85.6	74.1	62.6	68.7	72.5
Pork -								
Leg	"	86.1	84.0	90.2	90.7	73.2	95.4	90.5
Loin	"	83.6	83.5	89.9	89.0	72.8	94.5	91.2
Chops	"	82.6	82.6	89.9	91.0	74.2	94.7	91.7

(a) Sydney, Brisbane and Canberra 2lb packet. (b) Price for 2X1 pint bottles. (c) Sydney, Brisbane and Perth with fillet. (d) Figures for Canberra are price relatives based on price movement in Sydney since March 1973.

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS, DECEMBER 1973
(Cents)

<i>Item</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Sydney</i>	<i>Melbourne</i>	<i>Brisbane</i>	<i>Adelaide</i>	<i>Perth</i>	<i>Hobart</i>	<i>Canberra</i>
GROCERIES, ETC. —								
Bread, ordinary white, delivered	2 lb	29.0	26.0	23.0	26.0	26.0	28.0	29.7
Flour								
Plain	2 lb pkt	22.1	21.7	17.6	19.2	20.0	20.3	24.7
Self-raising	2 lb pkt	23.8	23.8	19.4	20.4	23.3	25.4	24.1
Tea	½ lb pkt	30.1	30.5	29.8	29.5	30.1	31.2	31.8
Sugar	2 kg pkt	46.1	45.4	46.3	46.2	45.5	47.8	49.0
Rice	500g pkt	18.9	20.3	19.5	18.4	19.7	19.6	19.9
Jam, apricot	1½ lb	33.0	38.4	39.0	39.5	41.0	42.2	33.9
Oats, rolled	1½ lb pkt (a)	44.6	33.9	48.1	26.6	30.4	33.3	45.1
Peaches, canned	29 oz	34.0	34.7	37.2	32.7	38.1	35.7	31.6
Pears, canned	29 oz	33.8	34.7	37.2	32.7	36.7	36.2	31.5
Potatoes	7 lb	110.9	111.2	106.3	87.2	65.4	77.0	122.2
Onions, brown	lb	21.9	22.8	21.2	20.5	14.2	22.5	29.3
Soap, laundry	500g pkt	38.3	40.1	39.9	34.9	39.9	39.7	40.1
DAIRY PRODUCE, ETC. —								
Butter	lb	58.0	55.8	55.5	54.8	55.7	58.0	58.5
Cheese, processed	8 oz pkt	29.0	29.8	31.0	30.2	29.4	31.2	28.6
Eggs —								
60g	doz	82.5	79.0	76.4	73.4	77.4	84.5	80.3
55g	doz	77.6	76.2	75.6	72.0	74.4	80.0	76.0
50g	doz	73.6	72.6	74.4	69.8	71.4	71.8	71.7
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	½ lb	56.9	64.6	60.7	62.8	51.2	56.6	60.0
Milk —								
Evaporated	14½ oz tin	18.2	20.0	19.4	19.4	19.6	19.4	17.9
Fresh, bottled, delivered	quart (b)	30.0	24.0	28.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	26.0
MEAT —								
Beef —								
Rib (without bone)	lb	85.2	84.0	87.2	86.4	71.5	80.0	83.1
Steak —								
Rump	"	154.6	154.0	140.1	146.5	135.1	149.9	161.9
T-bone, without fillet (c)	"	133.7	119.9	127.6	119.9	108.7	135.0	133.8
Chuck	"	78.0	74.3	85.6	86.9	77.1	82.3	82.2
Sausages	"	42.5	45.2	46.9	44.5	33.7	44.3	46.0
Silverside, corned	"	85.7	89.0	91.9	92.5	81.4	100.3	90.6
Brisket, corned	"	70.5	63.7	74.4	71.4	60.7	69.5	67.9
Mutton, (d) —								
Leg	"	61.2	48.3	60.5	58.5	52.3	51.0	62.2
Chops —								
Loin	"	58.3	47.7	60.5	56.3	49.9	50.0	60.6
Leg	"	59.6	49.0	60.5	59.3	53.4	55.0	61.2
Forequarter	"	57.8	40.5	57.3	52.0	43.1	46.2	57.6
Lamb —								
Leg	"	74.5	69.6	86.0	74.6	71.6	74.4	82.1
Chops —								
Loin	"	79.5	76.8	88.0	85.9	74.9	73.2	94.6
Leg	"	81.7	82.5	88.0	88.8	76.2	78.7	91.2
Forequarter	"	68.8	62.7	87.3	79.6	67.0	67.5	77.1
Pork —								
Leg	"	101.0	96.1	93.3	92.6	77.0	97.7	101.6
Loin	"	93.5	94.1	91.5	93.4	75.3	95.9	102.0
Chops	"	93.1	92.6	91.5	92.6	77.4	95.7	102.6

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