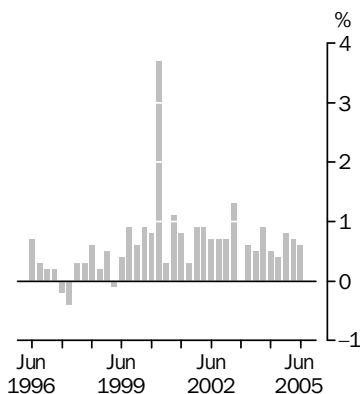


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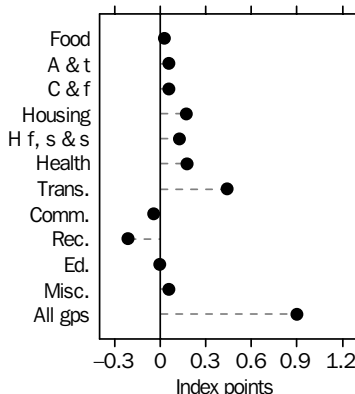
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**All Groups**  
Quarterly change



**Contribution to quarterly change**  
June quarter 2005



**KEY FIGURES**

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF  
EIGHT CAPITAL CITIES**

	<i>Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2004 to Jun Qtr 2005</i>
	<i>% change</i>	<i>% change</i>
Food	0.1	1.9
Alcohol and tobacco	0.5	3.4
Clothing and footwear	0.8	-2.1
Housing	0.6	3.9
Household furnishings, supplies and services	1.3	0.4
Health	2.4	5.0
Transportation	2.1	3.3
Communication	-0.9	0.2
Recreation	-1.3	0.6
Education	0.1	6.2
Miscellaneous	1.1	3.7
<b>All groups</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>2.5</b>
All groups excluding Housing	0.6	2.1

**KEY POINTS**

**THE ALL GROUPS CPI**

- rose 0.6% in the June quarter 2005, compared with 0.7% in the March quarter 2005.
- rose 2.5% through the year to June quarter 2005.

**OVERVIEW OF CPI MOVEMENTS**

- Contributing most to the overall increase this quarter were automotive fuel (+7.2%), hospital and medical services (+4.2%), house purchase (+0.9%), rents (+0.7%), restaurant meals (+1.3%), tobacco (+1.0%), motor vehicle repair and servicing (+1.2%), take away and fast foods (+0.6%), house repairs and maintenance (+1.1%) and insurance services (+1.1%).
- Partially offsetting these increases were falls in domestic holiday travel and accommodation (-5.7%), fruit (-10.5%), motor vehicles (-1.1%), electricity (-1.3%), pharmaceuticals (-1.8%) and telecommunication (-0.9%).
- Contributing most to the through the year (annual) increase were automotive fuel (+10.5%), house purchase (+5.0%), hospital and medical services (+4.8%), tobacco (+4.4%), beer (+4.4%), rents (+2.1%), motor vehicle repair and servicing (+4.1%), take away and fast foods (+2.8%) and restaurant meals (+3.8). Partially offsetting these, were falls in motor vehicles (-2.7%), fruit (-7.8%), women's outerwear (-6.5%) and audio, visual and computing equipment (-11.4%).

**INQUIRIES**

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## NOTES

### FORTHCOMING ISSUES

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### CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

There are no changes in this issue.

### INTRODUCTION OF THE 15TH SERIES CPI – SEPTEMBER QUARTER 2005 ISSUE

The 15th series Australian Consumer Price Index will be introduced from the September quarter 2005. For more details see the Appendix published in the March quarter 2005 issue of *Consumer Price Index, Australia* (cat. no. 6401.0). An *Information Paper: Introduction of the 15th Series Australian Consumer Price Index* (cat. no. 6462.0) containing full details of the 15th series CPI structure and weights will be released in September 2005.

### ROUNDING

Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in this publication are due to rounding.

### ABBREVIATIONS

ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics

CPI Consumer Price Index

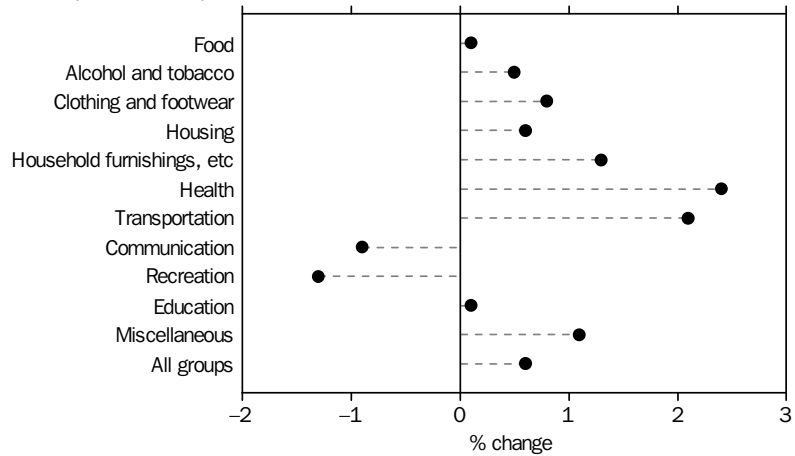
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## ANALYSES AND COMMENTS

### MAIN CONTRIBUTORS TO CHANGE

#### CPI GROUPS

WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CAPITAL CITIES, Percentage change from previous quarter

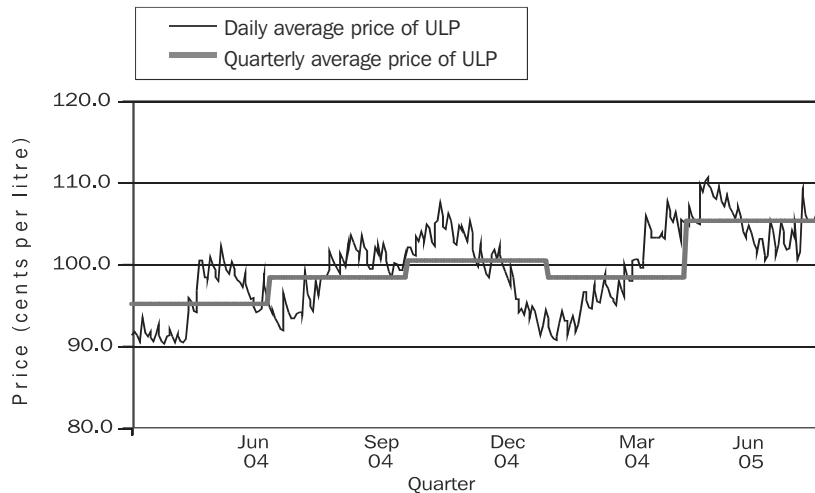


The discussion of the CPI groups below is ordered in terms of their significance to the change in All groups index points (see tables 6 and 7).

#### TRANSPORTATION (+2.1%)

The increase in transportation costs was mainly due to automotive fuel (+7.2%) and motor vehicle repair and servicing (+1.2%). These increases were partially offset by a fall in motor vehicle prices (-1.1%).

The following graph shows the pattern of daily price behaviour for unleaded petrol for the eight capital cities over the past 15 months.



The fall in the price of motor vehicles was mainly due to a combination of several factory bonus offers, competitive pricing between dealers in order to clear stocks of 2004 plated vehicles and the offering of incentives such as bonus inclusions, drive-away deals, free fuel and extended warranty offers. Little or no movement was observed in list prices.

Through the year to June quarter 2005, transportation prices rose 3.3%. Automotive fuel (+10.5%), motor vehicle repair and servicing (+4.1%) and other motoring charges (+3.1%) were the main contributors to the rise, while a 2.7% fall in the price of motor vehicles provided a partial offset.

## ANALYSES AND COMMENTS *continued*

### RECREATION (-1.3%)

The fall in the recreation index was mainly due to domestic holiday travel and accommodation (-5.7%) and audio, visual and computing media and services (-0.8%).

The fall in domestic holiday travel and accommodation was due to drops in both accommodation tariffs and fares in the first half of the quarter, following the peak rates that applied in the March quarter. The expected June quarter fall in domestic holiday travel and accommodation was larger than usual due to Easter occurring in the March quarter this year.

The fall in domestic holiday travel and accommodation this quarter also had an impact on the services component of the CPI and accounted for the overall decrease of 0.1% in the services component of the analytical index series for market goods and services excluding 'volatile items' (see tables 9 and 10).

Through the year to June quarter 2005, the recreation index rose 0.6%. The main contributors were domestic holiday travel and accommodation (+2.4%), sports participation (+4.5%) and other recreational activities (+1.7%). Audio, visual and computing equipment (-11.4%) and audio, visual and computing media and services (-2.0%) provided partially offsetting falls.

### HEALTH (+2.4%)

The rise in health costs was due to hospital and medical services (+4.2%) and dental services (+1.7%). These increases were partially offset by a fall in the net cost of pharmaceuticals (-1.8%), mainly due to the effect of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme safety net.

Hospital and medical services rose mainly as a result of an average increase of around 7% in private health fund premiums from 1 April 2005.

Through the year to June quarter 2005, health costs rose 5.0%. Hospital and medical services (+4.8%), pharmaceuticals (+5.1%) and dental services (+6.0%) were mainly responsible for the rise.

### HOUSING (+0.6%)

The rise in housing prices was mainly attributable to house purchase (+0.9%), rents (+0.7%) and house repairs and maintenance (+1.1%). The only offset was electricity (-1.3%).

The rise in the house purchase index was reported by builders as mainly being due to increasing labour costs (including tradesmen) and material costs (in particular steel roofing, pre-mixed concrete and roof tiles), especially in Perth and Darwin. The fall in Melbourne's house purchase index was the first since December quarter 2003 and was due to a range of bonuses being offered during the quarter by the surveyed builders.

Over the twelve months to June quarter 2005, housing prices rose 3.9%. All components of housing rose with house purchase (+5.0%), rents (+2.1%), property rates and charges (+5.1%), house repairs and maintenance (+3.2%) and electricity (+3.1%) being the most significant.

### HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES (+1.3%)

All categories of household furnishings, supplies and services recorded price rises this quarter with furniture (+0.7%), towels and linen (+3.6%), major household appliances (+1.8%) and glassware, tableware and households utensils (+3.7%) being the most significant.

## ANALYSES AND COMMENTS *continued*

### HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES (+1.3%)

*continued*

The rise in the June quarter was largely due to a combination of the ending of widespread discounting associated with post-Christmas and summer sales in the March quarter, and some reported price rises.

Over the twelve months to June quarter 2005, household furnishings, supplies and services rose 0.4%. Rises in floor and window coverings (+2.3%), major household appliances (+2.6%), other household supplies (+1.7%) and household services (+3.6%) were partially offset by falls in furniture (-1.9%) and small electric household appliances (-5.7%).

### ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO (+0.5%)

Alcohol and tobacco rose this quarter with tobacco (+1.0%) and beer (+0.5%) being the main contributors. This rise was partially offset by a small fall in wine prices (-0.3%).

The rise in tobacco and beer was mainly due to the residual impact of the February increase in Federal excise and customs duty and the end of discounting on some tobacco and beer products. The fall in wine prices was mainly due to discounting.

Over the twelve months to June quarter 2005, alcohol and tobacco prices rose 3.4%. Prices for tobacco (+4.4%), beer (+4.4%), spirits (+2.2%) and wine (+1.1%) all rose.

### CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR (+0.8%)

Most components of clothing and footwear rose this quarter, the most significant being men's outerwear (+2.0%).

The price increases were mainly due to the ending of post-Christmas/New Year sales at department and specialty clothing stores, and price rises for new winter stock.

Over the twelve months to June quarter 2005, clothing and footwear prices fell 2.1%. Women's outerwear (-6.5%) was the most significant contributor to this decrease.

### MISCELLANEOUS (+1.1%)

All components in the miscellaneous group rose in the June quarter with the main contributors being insurance services (+1.1%) and toiletries and personal care products (+1.1%).

Each of the three components in insurance services (household property, household contents and motor vehicle) rose as a result of increases in insurance premiums following regular and ongoing reviews of risk/claim factors by insurance service providers.

Through the year to June quarter 2005, the miscellaneous index rose 3.7%. Child care (+12.4%), insurance services (+2.9%), hairdressing and personal care services (+3.3%) and toiletries and personal care products (+1.8%) all contributed to the increase.

### FOOD (+0.1%)

The rise in food prices was mainly due to restaurant meals (+1.3%), take away and fast foods (+0.6%) and smaller contributing rises in a number of other food categories. The most significant offsetting movement in food, by far, was a 10.5% fall in the price of fruit.

Fruit prices fell in the quarter due to favourable growing conditions producing abundant supplies of apples and bananas, particularly in the first two months of the quarter.

## ANALYSES AND COMMENTS *continued*

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### FOOD (+0.1%) *continued*

Through the year to June quarter 2005, food prices rose 1.9%. The main contributors were take away and fast foods (+2.8%), restaurant meals (+3.8%), snacks and confectionery (+4.6%), beef and veal (+8.3%), soft drinks, waters and juices (+3.7%) and milk (+4.6%). Partially offsetting these rises were falls in fruit (-7.8%), vegetables(-1.9%) and poultry (-3.9%).

### TRADABLES AND NON-TRADABLES

The tradables component (see table 8) of the All groups CPI rose 0.8% in the June quarter. This component includes goods and services whose prices are largely determined on the world market and represents approximately 45% of the weight of the CPI. The main contributors to the rise were automotive fuel and tobacco prices, while falls in fruit and motor vehicles provided the most significant offsets.

The non-tradables component of the CPI, which includes goods and services whose prices are largely determined by domestic price pressures, rose 0.5%. Within non-tradables, the services component rose 0.4%, driven mainly by hospital and medical services, rents, restaurant meals and motor vehicle repair and servicing being only partially offset by the fall in domestic holiday travel and accommodation. The non-tradables goods component rose 0.5% with house purchase and take away and fast foods being the main contributors.

This was the first quarter since June 2002 that tradables contributed more than non-tradables to the movement in the All groups CPI.

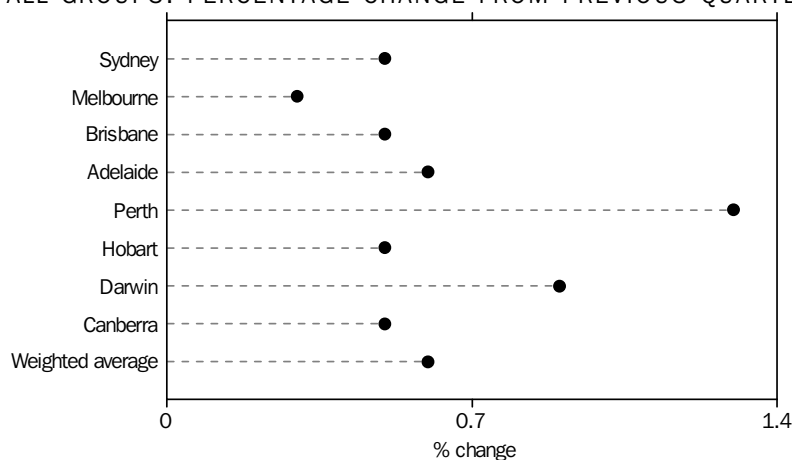
Through the year to June quarter 2005, non-tradables rose 3.5% and tradables rose 1.3%. This compares with rises of 3.7% and 0.6%, respectively, for these components through the year to March quarter 2005.

## ANALYSES AND COMMENTS *continued*

### CAPITAL CITIES COMPARISON

ALL GROUPS

ALL GROUPS: PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER



At the All groups level, the CPI rose in all capital cities in the June quarter 2005, ranging from 0.3% in Melbourne to 1.3% in Perth. The higher result for Perth was mainly due to that city recording above average increases in food, housing, and household furnishings, supplies and services. The low result for Melbourne was mainly due to that city being the only one to record a fall in house purchase prices.

Through the year to June quarter 2005, the All groups CPI rose in each of the eight capital cities and ranged from 2.1% in Melbourne to 3.8% in Perth. The higher result in Perth was largely due to an 8.5% increase in housing, more than double the national average of 3.9%. Perth's rise in housing costs was mainly attributable to a 14.1% rise in house purchase prices through the year.

### CPI, All groups index numbers and percentage changes

	INDEX	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	
	NUMBER(a)		
		<i>Jun Qtr 2005 to Mar Qtr 2005</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2004 to Jun Qtr 2005</i>
Sydney	149.0	0.5	2.4
Melbourne	146.9	0.3	2.1
Brisbane	150.0	0.5	2.5
Adelaide	151.8	0.6	2.2
Perth	146.3	1.3	3.8
Hobart	148.8	0.5	3.1
Darwin	143.2	0.9	2.6
Canberra	147.8	0.5	2.1
Weighted average of eight capital cities	148.4	0.6	2.5

(a) Base of each index: 1989–90 = 100.0.

## ALL GROUPS, Index numbers(a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>Sydney</i>	<i>Melbourne</i>	<i>Brisbane</i>	<i>Adelaide</i>	<i>Perth</i>	<i>Hobart</i>	<i>Darwin</i>	<i>Canberra</i>	<i>Weighted average of eight capital cities</i>
<b>2001-02</b>	137.2	135.3	136.3	137.2	133.1	134.7	133.7	135.2	136.0
<b>2002-03</b>	141.1	139.7	140.7	142.7	136.8	139.1	136.8	139.7	140.2
<b>2003-04</b>	144.1	142.8	144.8	147.0	139.6	142.6	138.7	143.4	143.5
<b>2004-05</b>	147.7	145.7	148.5	150.4	144.0	147.1	141.8	146.7	147.0
<b>2001</b>									
June	135.0	133.0	134.0	135.1	131.4	133.4	132.2	133.4	133.8
September	135.4	133.6	134.2	135.3	131.5	132.8	132.5	133.2	134.2
December	136.6	134.8	135.8	136.6	132.6	133.9	133.5	134.9	135.4
<b>2002</b>									
March	137.9	136.0	137.1	137.7	133.7	135.2	133.8	135.6	136.6
June	138.8	136.9	138.1	139.1	134.6	137.0	135.0	137.2	137.6
September	139.6	137.8	139.2	140.3	135.8	137.5	135.4	138.1	138.5
December	140.4	139.0	139.9	141.5	136.4	138.0	136.2	139.2	139.5
<b>2003</b>									
March	142.1	140.9	141.8	144.6	137.4	140.0	137.5	140.7	141.3
June	142.2	140.9	141.8	144.3	137.4	140.8	137.9	140.7	141.3
September	142.4	141.8	143.3	145.4	138.6	141.1	137.8	141.9	142.1
December	143.6	142.1	144.2	146.2	139.2	142.0	138.5	142.9	142.8
<b>2004</b>									
March	145.0	143.5	145.4	147.7	139.6	143.0	139.0	143.9	144.1
June	145.5	143.9	146.3	148.6	141.0	144.3	139.6	144.8	144.8
September	146.2	144.2	146.8	149.0	142.0	145.0	140.8	145.5	145.4
December	147.3	145.3	148.0	150.0	143.3	146.7	141.1	146.3	146.5
<b>2005</b>									
March	148.2	146.4	149.2	150.9	144.4	148.0	141.9	147.0	147.5
June	149.0	146.9	150.0	151.8	146.3	148.8	143.2	147.8	148.4

(a) Base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.



## ALL GROUPS, Percentage changes

<i>Period</i>	<i>Sydney</i>	<i>Melbourne</i>	<i>Brisbane</i>	<i>Adelaide</i>	<i>Perth</i>	<i>Hobart</i>	<i>Darwin</i>	<i>Canberra</i>	<i>Weighted average of eight capital cities</i>
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)									
<b>2001-02</b>	3.0	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.0	2.1	2.5	2.9
<b>2002-03</b>	2.8	3.3	3.2	4.0	2.8	3.3	2.3	3.3	3.1
<b>2003-04</b>	2.1	2.2	2.9	3.0	2.0	2.5	1.4	2.6	2.4
<b>2004-05</b>	2.5	2.0	2.6	2.3	3.2	3.2	2.2	2.3	2.4
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)									
<b>2001</b>									
June	6.3	5.9	6.0	5.9	6.0	5.5	5.2	6.0	6.0
September	2.9	2.5	2.2	2.3	2.3	1.1	1.9	1.9	2.5
December	3.3	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.0	2.1	2.2	2.9	3.1
<b>2002</b>									
March	2.9	2.9	3.3	2.7	3.2	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.9
June	2.8	2.9	3.1	3.0	2.4	2.7	2.1	2.8	2.8
September	3.1	3.1	3.7	3.7	3.3	3.5	2.2	3.7	3.2
December	2.8	3.1	3.0	3.6	2.9	3.1	2.0	3.2	3.0
<b>2003</b>									
March	3.0	3.6	3.4	5.0	2.8	3.6	2.8	3.8	3.4
June	2.4	2.9	2.7	3.7	2.1	2.8	2.1	2.6	2.7
September	2.0	2.9	2.9	3.6	2.1	2.6	1.8	2.8	2.6
December	2.3	2.2	3.1	3.3	2.1	2.9	1.7	2.7	2.4
<b>2004</b>									
March	2.0	1.8	2.5	2.1	1.6	2.1	1.1	2.3	2.0
June	2.3	2.1	3.2	3.0	2.6	2.5	1.2	2.9	2.5
September	2.7	1.7	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.2	2.5	2.3
December	2.6	2.3	2.6	2.6	2.9	3.3	1.9	2.4	2.6
<b>2005</b>									
March	2.2	2.0	2.6	2.2	3.4	3.5	2.1	2.2	2.4
June	2.4	2.1	2.5	2.2	3.8	3.1	2.6	2.1	2.5
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)									
<b>2001</b>									
June	0.7	0.6	1.0	0.7	1.4	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.8
September	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.3
December	0.9	0.9	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.3	0.9
<b>2002</b>									
March	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.2	0.5	0.9
June	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.0	0.7	1.3	0.9	1.2	0.7
September	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.7
December	0.6	0.9	0.5	0.9	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.7
<b>2003</b>									
March	1.2	1.4	1.4	2.2	0.7	1.4	1.0	1.1	1.3
June	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.0
September	0.1	0.6	1.1	0.8	0.9	0.2	-0.1	0.9	0.6
December	0.8	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.5
<b>2004</b>									
March	1.0	1.0	0.8	1.0	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.7	0.9
June	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.5
September	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.4
December	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.9	1.2	0.2	0.5	0.8
<b>2005</b>									
March	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.7
June	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.6	1.3	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.6

CPI GROUPS, Weighted average of eight capital cities—Index numbers(a)

<i>Period</i>	<i>Food</i>	<i>Alcohol and tobacco</i>	<i>Clothing and footwear</i>	<i>Housing</i>	<i>Household furnishings, supplies and services</i>	<i>Health</i>
<b>2001-02</b>	142.7	203.1	112.4	111.1	119.7	169.9
<b>2002-03</b>	147.9	208.9	113.3	115.1	121.0	181.5
<b>2003-04</b>	152.3	217.8	112.7	120.2	121.1	193.9
<b>2004-05</b>	154.8	225.4	110.8	124.8	120.7	204.3
<b>2001</b>						
June	138.8	199.4	112.5	108.4	119.3	166.7
September	139.8	201.5	111.1	110.0	118.9	166.5
December	143.4	201.8	112.7	110.7	120.3	166.1
<b>2002</b>						
March	144.2	203.9	112.2	111.5	119.4	171.1
June	143.5	205.0	113.7	112.2	120.3	175.9
September	145.0	207.3	113.0	113.7	120.5	176.4
December	147.0	207.3	114.0	114.2	121.6	177.1
<b>2003</b>						
March	149.8	209.9	112.4	115.7	120.4	183.5
June	149.8	211.2	113.7	116.8	121.4	189.1
September	149.3	215.2	113.3	118.9	121.5	189.1
December	152.0	216.5	113.1	119.6	121.4	189.4
<b>2004</b>						
March	154.7	218.8	111.5	120.7	120.7	195.5
June	153.3	220.5	112.7	121.5	120.7	201.6
September	152.4	222.5	112.5	123.2	120.6	200.1
December	154.6	224.0	110.9	124.3	121.3	198.8
<b>2005</b>						
March	156.0	226.9	109.4	125.5	119.7	206.7
June	156.2	228.1	110.3	126.2	121.2	211.6

(a) Base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

<i>Period</i>	<i>Transportation</i>	<i>Communication</i>	<i>Recreation</i>	<i>Education</i>	<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<i>All groups</i>
<b>2001-02</b>	137.3	105.2	128.6	200.0	171.8	136.0
<b>2002-03</b>	140.6	108.5	131.9	210.0	178.6	140.2
<b>2003-04</b>	142.0	110.0	130.0	223.3	183.4	143.5
<b>2004-05</b>	146.8	111.1	130.7	238.7	188.8	147.0
<b>2001</b>						
June	139.4	103.8	124.3	195.4	168.7	133.8
September	137.0	103.6	125.4	195.4	170.4	134.2
December	136.1	105.4	127.5	195.5	170.6	135.4
<b>2002</b>						
March	136.8	105.5	130.4	204.6	172.8	136.6
June	139.3	106.3	131.1	204.6	173.5	137.6
September	138.8	107.9	131.8	205.0	177.4	138.5
December	140.3	108.4	131.9	205.3	178.0	139.5
<b>2003</b>						
March	143.7	108.8	132.4	214.7	179.2	141.3
June	139.4	108.9	131.5	214.8	179.6	141.3
September	141.3	109.7	130.0	215.1	182.2	142.1
December	140.7	109.9	131.1	215.1	182.2	142.8
<b>2004</b>						
March	141.7	110.0	129.7	231.4	184.5	144.1
June	144.1	110.4	129.3	231.5	184.5	144.8
September	145.2	110.9	129.9	231.5	186.8	145.4
December	147.2	111.2	130.9	231.7	187.7	146.5
<b>2005</b>						
March	145.8	111.6	131.8	245.7	189.3	147.5
June	148.8	110.6	130.1	245.9	191.3	148.4

(a) Base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

## CPI GROUPS, Weighted average of eight capital cities—Percentage changes

<i>Period</i>	<i>Food</i>	<i>Alcohol and tobacco</i>	<i>Clothing and footwear</i>	<i>Housing</i>	<i>Household furnishings, supplies and services</i>	<i>Health</i>
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)						
<b>2001-02</b>	5.2	4.3	-0.1	3.0	2.0	3.4
<b>2002-03</b>	3.6	2.9	0.8	3.6	1.1	6.8
<b>2003-04</b>	3.0	4.3	-0.5	4.4	0.1	6.8
<b>2004-05</b>	1.6	3.5	-1.7	3.8	-0.3	5.4

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)						
<b>2001</b>						
June	6.6	11.6	6.4	7.1	4.6	3.3
September	5.6	5.9	-2.1	2.4	2.1	2.7
December	7.5	5.0	-0.4	2.8	3.4	2.6
<b>2002</b>						
March	4.8	3.5	1.4	3.0	1.9	2.8
June	3.4	2.8	1.1	3.5	0.8	5.5
September	3.7	2.9	1.7	3.4	1.3	5.9
December	2.5	2.7	1.2	3.2	1.1	6.6
<b>2003</b>						
March	3.9	2.9	0.2	3.8	0.8	7.2
June	4.4	3.0	0.0	4.1	0.9	7.5
September	3.0	3.8	0.3	4.6	0.8	7.2
December	3.4	4.4	-0.8	4.7	-0.2	6.9
<b>2004</b>						
March	3.3	4.2	-0.8	4.3	0.2	6.5
June	2.3	4.4	-0.9	4.0	-0.6	6.6
September	2.1	3.4	-0.7	3.6	-0.7	5.8
December	1.7	3.5	-1.9	3.9	-0.1	5.0
<b>2005</b>						
March	0.8	3.7	-1.9	4.0	-0.8	5.7
June	1.9	3.4	-2.1	3.9	0.4	5.0

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)						
<b>2001</b>						
June	0.9	1.2	1.6	0.2	1.8	0.2
September	0.7	1.1	-1.2	1.5	-0.3	-0.1
December	2.6	0.1	1.4	0.6	1.2	-0.2
<b>2002</b>						
March	0.6	1.0	-0.4	0.7	-0.7	3.0
June	-0.5	0.5	1.3	0.6	0.8	2.8
September	1.0	1.1	-0.6	1.3	0.2	0.3
December	1.4	0.0	0.9	0.4	0.9	0.4
<b>2003</b>						
March	1.9	1.3	-1.4	1.3	-1.0	3.6
June	0.0	0.6	1.2	1.0	0.8	3.1
September	-0.3	1.9	-0.4	1.8	0.1	0.0
December	1.8	0.6	-0.2	0.6	-0.1	0.2
<b>2004</b>						
March	1.8	1.1	-1.4	0.9	-0.6	3.2
June	-0.9	0.8	1.1	0.7	0.0	3.1
September	-0.6	0.9	-0.2	1.4	-0.1	-0.7
December	1.4	0.7	-1.4	0.9	0.6	-0.6
<b>2005</b>						
March	0.9	1.3	-1.4	1.0	-1.3	4.0
June	0.1	0.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	2.4

<i>Period</i>	<i>Transportation</i>	<i>Communication</i>	<i>Recreation</i>	<i>Education</i>	<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<i>All groups</i>
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)						
<b>2001-02</b>	0.2	0.5	3.2	4.5	3.5	2.9
<b>2002-03</b>	2.4	3.1	2.6	5.0	4.0	3.1
<b>2003-04</b>	1.0	1.4	-1.4	6.3	2.7	2.4
<b>2004-05</b>	3.4	1.0	0.5	6.9	2.9	2.4

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)						
<b>2001</b>						
June	5.5	5.1	3.6	4.5	5.2	6.0
September	1.0	-1.9	0.5	4.3	4.2	2.5
December	-0.2	0.5	2.3	4.3	3.4	3.1
<b>2002</b>						
March	0.1	1.1	4.7	4.7	3.7	2.9
June	-0.1	2.4	5.5	4.7	2.8	2.8
September	1.3	4.2	5.1	4.9	4.1	3.2
December	3.1	2.8	3.5	5.0	4.3	3.0
<b>2003</b>						
March	5.0	3.1	1.5	4.9	3.7	3.4
June	0.1	2.4	0.3	5.0	3.5	2.7
September	1.8	1.7	-1.4	4.9	2.7	2.6
December	0.3	1.4	-0.6	4.8	2.4	2.4
<b>2004</b>						
March	-1.4	1.1	-2.0	7.8	3.0	2.0
June	3.4	1.4	-1.7	7.8	2.7	2.5
September	2.8	1.1	-0.1	7.6	2.5	2.3
December	4.6	1.2	-0.2	7.7	3.0	2.6
<b>2005</b>						
March	2.9	1.5	1.6	6.2	2.6	2.4
June	3.3	0.2	0.6	6.2	3.7	2.5

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)						
<b>2001</b>						
June	2.0	-0.6	-0.2	0.0	1.2	0.8
September	-1.7	-0.2	0.9	0.0	1.0	0.3
December	-0.7	1.7	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.9
<b>2002</b>						
March	0.5	0.1	2.3	4.7	1.3	0.9
June	1.8	0.8	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.7
September	-0.4	1.5	0.5	0.2	2.2	0.7
December	1.1	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.7
<b>2003</b>						
March	2.4	0.4	0.4	4.6	0.7	1.3
June	-3.0	0.1	-0.7	0.0	0.2	0.0
September	1.4	0.7	-1.1	0.1	1.4	0.6
December	-0.4	0.2	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.5
<b>2004</b>						
March	0.7	0.1	-1.1	7.6	1.3	0.9
June	1.7	0.4	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.5
September	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.2	0.4
December	1.4	0.3	0.8	0.1	0.5	0.8
<b>2005</b>						
March	-1.0	0.4	0.7	6.0	0.9	0.7
June	2.1	-0.9	-1.3	0.1	1.1	0.6

Quarters	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	Weighted average of eight capital cities
<b>FOOD</b>									
<b>2003</b>									
June	150.3	149.1	151.1	151.9	148.7	146.5	145.5	152.1	149.8
September	148.9	149.0	150.5	152.8	148.7	146.4	146.0	152.2	149.3
December	152.6	151.8	153.0	153.8	149.2	147.7	147.1	155.0	152.0
<b>2004</b>									
March	155.8	154.5	155.7	157.0	150.4	149.1	149.1	158.4	154.7
June	153.8	152.9	153.3	156.7	151.3	149.8	148.4	157.4	153.3
September	152.8	151.5	152.5	155.8	151.8	148.4	148.0	156.4	152.4
December	155.3	153.3	155.5	158.8	152.8	150.7	149.6	158.4	154.6
<b>2005</b>									
March	156.9	154.1	157.5	159.9	154.4	152.9	151.9	160.0	156.0
June	156.4	154.5	157.4	160.3	156.5	153.1	151.4	159.6	156.2
<b>ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO</b>									
<b>2003</b>									
June	215.1	212.2	208.2	216.8	200.0	203.3	205.5	199.5	211.2
September	219.5	217.2	211.3	220.0	202.8	206.5	206.5	201.5	215.2
December	221.4	217.6	212.4	222.3	204.2	208.9	208.0	203.4	216.5
<b>2004</b>									
March	224.5	219.9	215.2	224.7	204.1	210.0	210.8	206.2	218.8
June	226.7	220.7	217.4	227.7	205.2	210.7	211.5	207.6	220.5
September	229.1	222.3	219.8	228.3	207.4	213.9	215.0	209.9	222.5
December	231.4	224.3	219.8	228.6	208.8	214.5	214.5	209.9	224.0
<b>2005</b>									
March	234.5	226.5	222.7	232.1	212.2	215.9	216.4	212.5	226.9
June	235.0	227.5	224.5	234.4	214.1	217.5	218.9	213.6	228.1
<b>CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</b>									
<b>2003</b>									
June	117.4	114.2	106.3	113.5	108.3	110.1	106.7	116.1	113.7
September	115.4	115.1	107.4	111.4	110.3	103.3	107.8	116.0	113.3
December	115.4	114.9	105.5	112.3	109.4	106.8	109.3	116.2	113.1
<b>2004</b>									
March	114.4	112.9	103.7	111.5	106.8	104.3	106.8	114.9	111.5
June	115.9	113.0	106.2	113.3	108.1	105.6	106.5	115.1	112.7
September	115.5	113.4	106.5	111.7	107.4	105.2	105.4	114.6	112.5
December	113.4	112.4	105.2	110.5	105.6	103.5	105.2	112.3	110.9
<b>2005</b>									
March	112.6	110.3	102.1	109.5	104.1	103.5	103.4	112.4	109.4
June	112.5	111.7	104.1	111.1	105.6	104.1	103.6	112.7	110.3
<b>HOUSING</b>									
<b>2003</b>									
June	123.3	108.4	122.9	117.8	107.8	116.9	128.8	119.9	116.8
September	125.1	109.6	126.6	120.2	110.4	118.3	129.3	124.0	118.9
December	125.6	109.3	129.2	121.6	111.7	119.3	131.1	125.3	119.6
<b>2004</b>									
March	126.3	110.5	130.4	123.6	112.8	121.2	131.9	126.8	120.7
June	127.4	110.7	132.0	123.1	114.4	122.9	133.9	127.8	121.5
September	129.4	112.0	133.5	124.2	116.5	124.5	135.8	129.0	123.2
December	130.5	112.5	135.0	125.1	118.7	126.9	136.5	129.5	124.3
<b>2005</b>									
March	131.1	114.0	135.7	126.8	121.6	128.5	138.6	130.0	125.5
June	132.0	113.9	136.6	126.2	124.1	129.4	140.5	131.1	126.2

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Quarters	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	Weighted average of eight capital cities
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES									
<b>2003</b>									
June	120.7	121.7	122.7	122.9	118.5	128.8	110.6	124.7	121.4
September	121.0	121.8	122.7	122.2	118.5	128.4	110.4	124.7	121.5
December	120.4	121.9	122.5	123.1	118.7	128.1	111.3	125.1	121.4
<b>2004</b>									
March	120.3	121.1	121.9	121.1	117.1	127.1	111.2	124.3	120.7
June	120.0	120.8	122.4	120.8	118.1	128.2	111.3	124.8	120.7
September	119.7	121.0	123.0	120.2	117.7	128.5	111.0	125.3	120.6
December	120.7	122.0	123.1	120.8	117.8	129.4	112.1	125.9	121.3
<b>2005</b>									
March	118.7	120.9	123.3	118.2	114.7	129.2	111.5	124.1	119.7
June	120.0	121.4	124.2	120.7	118.3	129.8	113.0	126.7	121.2
HEALTH									
<b>2003</b>									
June	175.9	202.3	189.9	194.0	181.1	209.1	171.3	185.1	189.1
September	175.8	201.8	190.7	193.9	181.4	207.8	172.3	188.5	189.1
December	176.0	202.6	190.6	193.3	181.7	207.4	175.9	187.9	189.4
<b>2004</b>									
March	182.0	209.3	197.1	197.9	187.3	214.5	180.5	193.5	195.5
June	187.6	214.7	203.4	207.2	192.8	223.0	186.8	197.7	201.6
September	185.9	213.2	202.6	205.5	191.9	221.3	186.4	197.4	200.1
December	184.5	212.0	200.5	204.8	190.9	218.5	185.7	196.4	198.8
<b>2005</b>									
March	192.1	220.5	209.1	211.3	197.7	226.8	191.6	205.5	206.7
June	197.7	224.4	214.4	218.2	200.5	234.2	196.2	209.1	211.6
TRANSPORTATION									
<b>2003</b>									
June	141.1	139.4	137.3	137.4	139.0	134.3	140.8	139.0	139.4
September	143.2	140.9	139.3	140.7	140.9	136.7	136.9	140.2	141.3
December	143.2	139.7	138.6	139.9	140.3	136.3	135.8	140.2	140.7
<b>2004</b>									
March	143.2	141.3	140.2	142.0	141.4	137.0	137.1	139.9	141.7
June	145.2	144.1	142.6	145.1	143.6	139.8	137.9	142.7	144.1
September	146.8	144.7	143.4	147.4	144.3	141.5	139.0	143.3	145.2
December	148.8	146.7	145.0	149.4	146.6	144.1	140.2	144.9	147.2
<b>2005</b>									
March	147.5	145.4	144.3	147.8	144.6	142.3	139.5	143.4	145.8
June	150.7	148.3	147.2	151.5	147.3	145.1	141.6	145.8	148.8
COMMUNICATION									
<b>2003</b>									
June	108.6	108.7	112.3	110.1	107.2	109.8	101.0	107.7	108.9
September	109.3	109.5	113.2	111.0	108.0	110.6	101.6	108.4	109.7
December	109.5	109.7	113.4	111.2	108.3	110.8	101.8	108.7	109.9
<b>2004</b>									
March	109.6	109.8	113.4	111.2	108.3	110.9	101.8	108.7	110.0
June	110.0	110.2	113.9	111.8	108.7	111.4	102.2	109.1	110.4
September	110.5	110.7	114.4	112.3	109.2	111.9	102.6	109.6	110.9
December	110.7	111.0	114.7	112.6	109.5	112.1	102.9	109.8	111.2
<b>2005</b>									
March	111.1	111.4	115.1	113.0	109.9	112.5	103.2	110.2	111.6
June	110.1	110.4	114.1	112.0	108.9	111.5	102.3	109.2	110.6

(a) Base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

Quarters	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	Weighted average of eight capital cities
RECREATION									
<b>2003</b>									
June	135.1	131.3	129.1	131.7	126.8	125.0	111.4	128.6	131.5
September	131.9	130.8	129.3	130.7	125.7	124.5	110.5	126.9	130.0
December	134.1	131.0	129.5	131.2	127.0	125.6	110.8	127.4	131.1
<b>2004</b>									
March	132.9	130.3	126.9	130.5	124.4	125.2	107.7	125.3	129.7
June	132.4	129.4	126.4	130.6	125.3	123.8	107.6	125.7	129.3
September	133.0	129.8	126.5	131.6	125.8	125.0	110.3	127.3	129.9
December	134.3	131.1	126.9	131.8	127.3	128.0	108.2	128.4	130.9
<b>2005</b>									
March	134.5	132.7	128.1	132.0	127.9	129.5	106.6	128.9	131.8
June	133.3	130.4	125.7	130.7	127.1	126.9	107.3	127.2	130.1
EDUCATION									
<b>2003</b>									
June	214.8	207.6	236.2	251.5	205.5	233.4	161.4	202.0	214.8
September	215.5	207.9	236.3	251.8	205.5	233.6	161.4	202.2	215.1
December	215.5	208.0	236.3	251.8	205.5	233.6	161.4	202.2	215.1
<b>2004</b>									
March	239.0	221.6	248.7	266.4	214.9	241.6	167.0	213.4	231.4
June	239.2	221.6	248.9	266.4	214.9	241.8	167.0	213.4	231.5
September	239.3	221.7	248.9	266.5	214.9	241.5	167.0	213.6	231.5
December	239.6	221.7	249.0	266.6	214.9	241.6	167.0	213.7	231.7
<b>2005</b>									
March	254.5	234.4	265.8	282.9	227.9	249.9	173.9	227.1	245.7
June	254.7	234.7	265.9	283.0	227.9	250.0	174.1	227.2	245.9
MISCELLANEOUS									
<b>2003</b>									
June	185.0	169.3	189.7	172.2	183.7	177.6	175.3	203.8	179.6
September	185.3	173.6	190.6	176.5	187.4	178.8	180.0	209.8	182.2
December	186.2	172.2	191.7	176.7	187.5	179.5	175.9	209.6	182.2
<b>2004</b>									
March	189.3	173.6	195.4	177.9	189.3	181.3	176.8	214.0	184.5
June	187.9	174.0	196.3	178.1	190.3	183.2	177.1	215.9	184.5
September	190.3	175.8	197.3	180.4	195.2	184.4	178.3	219.9	186.8
December	190.2	177.1	199.1	181.8	196.0	186.5	179.6	220.8	187.7
<b>2005</b>									
March	191.7	179.1	199.9	183.6	198.0	187.2	181.9	222.7	189.3
June	194.0	181.5	201.6	184.6	198.8	190.1	183.6	225.7	191.3

(a) Base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.



Group, sub-group and expenditure class	Weighted average of eight capital cities								
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	
<b>Food</b>	-0.09	0.07	-0.01	0.06	0.34	0.04	-0.07	-0.06	0.03
Dairy and related products	0.02	0.04	0.06	0.03	0.08	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.03
Milk	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.02
Cheese	—	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01
Ice cream and other dairy products	0.01	0.01	0.01	—	0.01	—	0.01	0.02	—
Bread and cereal products	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.06	0.04	-0.01	0.02	0.04
Bread	—	0.03	—	—	0.02	0.03	-0.01	0.01	0.01
Cakes and biscuits	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.01	—	0.01	0.02
Breakfast cereals	-0.01	—	-0.01	—	—	0.01	-0.01	—	—
Other cereal products	0.01	—	0.01	0.01	—	—	—	—	—
Meat and seafoods	0.04	—	0.06	-0.01	0.04	0.02	—	0.06	0.03
Beef and veal	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.01	0.02
Lamb and mutton	-0.01	-0.01	0.01	-0.01	—	0.02	0.02	-0.01	—
Pork	0.04	—	0.03	0.01	—	-0.01	—	0.04	0.02
Poultry	-0.01	-0.03	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	—	-0.03	—	-0.02
Bacon and ham	0.01	—	—	-0.01	0.02	—	—	—	—
Other fresh and processed meat	-0.01	0.01	—	—	0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.02	0.01
Fish and other seafood	0.01	—	0.01	-0.01	0.01	0.01	—	—	0.01
Fruit and vegetables	-0.23	-0.18	-0.23	-0.17	0.05	-0.12	-0.06	-0.21	-0.17
Fruit	-0.20	-0.20	-0.19	-0.12	-0.11	-0.03	-0.04	-0.16	-0.18
Vegetables	-0.03	0.03	-0.05	-0.05	0.16	-0.09	-0.03	-0.05	—
Non-alcoholic drinks and snack food	0.02	0.08	0.05	0.04	0.07	-0.01	-0.04	—	0.04
Soft drinks, waters and juices	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.06	0.05	-0.04	0.02	0.02
Snacks and confectionery	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.01	0.01	-0.04	—	-0.01	0.02
Meals out and take away foods	0.05	0.09	0.04	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.01	0.06	0.06
Restaurant meals	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	—	—	0.04	0.04
Take away and fast foods	—	0.05	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.05	0.01	0.02	0.03
Other food	0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.07	—	0.03	-0.02	—	0.01
Eggs	-0.01	—	—	0.01	-0.01	—	—	—	-0.01
Jams, honey and sandwich spreads	—	-0.02	-0.02	—	—	—	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Tea, coffee and food drinks	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	—	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01
Food additives and condiments	—	—	—	—	0.01	—	-0.01	-0.01	—
Fats and oils	—	0.01	—	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.01	—
Food n.e.c.	-0.01	-0.01	0.01	0.03	-0.01	—	-0.01	0.01	—
<b>Alcohol and tobacco</b>	0.02	0.05	0.09	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.19	0.07	0.06
Alcoholic drinks	-0.03	0.01	0.06	0.08	0.10	0.07	0.08	0.01	0.02
Beer	-0.03	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.07	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.02
Wine	—	-0.03	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.05	-0.01
Spirits	—	0.01	0.02	—	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.01
Tobacco	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.03	0.11	0.06	0.04
<b>Clothing and footwear</b>	-0.01	0.09	0.11	0.12	0.10	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.06
Men's clothing	—	0.04	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.04	—	0.02	0.02
Men's outerwear	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.04	—	0.03	0.02
Men's underwear, nightwear and socks	-0.01	—	0.01	0.01	0.01	—	—	—	0.01
Women's clothing	-0.01	0.03	0.05	0.02	-0.04	0.01	—	-0.01	0.01
Women's outerwear	-0.01	0.02	0.03	0.03	-0.04	0.01	—	-0.01	—
Women's underwear, nightwear and hosiery	—	0.02	0.02	-0.01	0.01	-0.01	—	0.01	0.01
Children's and infants' clothing	0.01	0.02	0.02	—	0.01	0.01	—	0.03	0.01
Footwear	—	0.01	-0.04	—	0.01	—	0.01	—	—
Men's footwear	—	-0.01	-0.01	0.01	-0.01	0.01	0.01	—	-0.01
Women's footwear	—	0.01	-0.03	—	0.02	-0.01	—	—	—
Children's footwear	—	0.01	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Clothing accessories, supplies and services	-0.01	-0.01	0.04	0.06	0.06	-0.02	-0.01	-0.02	0.01
Clothing accessories and jewellery	-0.01	-0.02	0.03	-0.01	0.05	-0.03	-0.01	-0.03	-0.01
Fabrics and knitting wool	—	—	0.01	0.01	—	—	0.01	—	0.01
Clothing services and shoe repair	—	—	—	0.06	—	—	—	—	0.01

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(a) All groups index points.

Group, sub-group and expenditure class									Weighted average of eight capital cities
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	
<b>Housing</b>	0.22	-0.02	0.22	-0.13	0.63	0.21	0.39	0.24	0.17
Rents	0.06	0.02	0.12	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.04	0.09	0.05
Utilities	0.01	-0.07	0.03	-0.25	0.02	0.04	—	0.04	-0.03
Electricity	—	-0.05	—	-0.28	—	—	—	—	-0.04
Gas and other household fuels	0.01	-0.02	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.05	-0.01	0.04	0.01
Water and sewerage	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other housing	0.14	0.04	0.08	0.05	0.58	0.11	0.35	0.11	0.15
House purchase	0.10	—	0.06	0.03	0.54	0.10	0.31	0.10	0.12
Property rates and charges	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
House repairs and maintenance	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.03
<b>Household furnishings, supplies and services</b>	0.12	0.03	0.08	0.24	0.33	0.05	0.14	0.26	0.13
Furniture and furnishings	0.06	—	0.01	0.19	0.12	0.01	0.04	0.10	0.05
Furniture	0.02	-0.01	0.01	0.05	0.08	—	0.01	0.07	0.02
Floor and window coverings	—	—	—	0.09	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01
Towels and linen	0.03	0.01	—	0.04	0.02	—	—	0.01	0.02
Household appliances, utensils and tools	0.04	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.14	0.05	0.03	0.04	0.04
Major household appliances	0.03	—	-0.01	0.02	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.02	0.02
Small electric household appliances	—	0.01	—	-0.01	0.02	-0.01	—	-0.01	0.01
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	0.02	—	0.04	—	0.08	0.01	-0.01	0.02	0.02
Tools	—	—	—	0.01	0.01	—	0.01	0.01	0.01
Household supplies	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.05	-0.02	0.06	0.04	0.02
Household cleaning agents	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01
Other household supplies	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.03	-0.04	0.03	0.04	0.01
Household services	—	0.01	—	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.08	0.01
<b>Health</b>	0.23	0.14	0.19	0.28	0.09	0.31	0.14	0.13	0.18
Health services	0.26	0.16	0.21	0.31	0.12	0.34	0.14	0.16	0.21
Hospital and medical services	0.23	0.14	0.20	0.29	0.11	0.33	0.13	0.16	0.19
Optical services	—	—	—	—	—	0.01	—	—	—
Dental services	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	—	0.02
Pharmaceuticals	-0.03	-0.03	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03	-0.01	-0.03	-0.03
<b>Transportation</b>	0.46	0.45	0.43	0.44	0.40	0.38	0.30	0.35	0.44
Private motoring	0.46	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.40	0.37	0.30	0.34	0.44
Motor vehicles	-0.11	-0.04	-0.07	-0.06	-0.07	-0.11	-0.13	-0.12	-0.08
Automotive fuel	0.44	0.51	0.46	0.46	0.42	0.45	0.34	0.45	0.46
Motor vehicle repair and servicing	0.11	-0.03	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.08	0.02	0.04
Motor vehicle parts and accessories	0.01	-0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	—
Other motoring charges	0.01	0.02	0.02	—	0.01	—	—	—	0.01
Urban transport fares	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Communication</b>	-0.04	-0.03	-0.05	-0.04	-0.04	-0.03	-0.04	-0.04	-0.04
Postal	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Telecommunication	-0.03	-0.04	-0.05	-0.04	-0.03	-0.03	-0.04	-0.04	-0.03

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(a) All groups index points.

Group, sub-group and expenditure class									Weighted average of eight capital cities
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	
<b>Recreation</b>	-0.16	-0.28	-0.31	-0.20	-0.11	-0.38	0.11	-0.25	-0.21
Audio, visual and computing	-0.01	-0.03	-0.04	-0.04	-0.02	-0.02	-0.04	-0.02	-0.03
Audio, visual and computing equipment	-0.02	-0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.01	-0.02	-0.02	—	-0.01
Audio, visual and computing media and services	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03	—	-0.02	-0.01	-0.02
Books, newspapers and magazines	—	0.01	0.01	—	—	0.01	0.02	0.01	—
Books	—	—	—	—	-0.01	0.01	—	0.01	0.01
Newspapers and magazines	—	0.01	0.01	—	0.01	—	0.02	—	—
Sport and other recreation	0.05	0.01	—	—	-0.03	-0.07	-0.01	0.01	0.01
Sports and recreational equipment	—	—	—	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	—	—
Toys, games and hobbies	-0.01	—	—	-0.01	0.01	—	-0.01	-0.01	—
Sports participation	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.04	—	—	0.04	0.04	0.01
Pets, pet foods and supplies	0.01	—	0.02	—	—	-0.03	-0.01	0.02	—
Pet services including veterinary	—	—	—	—	0.01	—	—	—	0.01
Other recreational activities	0.03	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.05	-0.03	-0.01	-0.04	—
Holiday travel and accommodation	-0.19	-0.27	-0.28	-0.17	-0.05	-0.31	0.13	-0.26	-0.21
Domestic holiday travel and accommodation	-0.19	-0.28	-0.27	-0.19	-0.09	-0.37	0.12	-0.25	-0.22
Overseas holiday travel and accommodation	0.01	0.01	—	0.02	0.03	0.05	—	—	0.01
<b>Education</b>	0.01	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Preschool and primary education	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01	—	—	0.01
Secondary education	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tertiary education	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	0.07	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.10	0.06
Insurance services	0.03	0.04	0.01	—	0.01	0.04	—	0.04	0.03
Personal care	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.03
Hairdressing and personal care services	—	0.01	—	0.02	—	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.01
Toiletries and personal care products	0.03	0.01	0.03	0.01	—	0.01	—	0.03	0.02
Child care	0.01	0.02	0.01	—	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
<b>All groups</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.9</b>

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(a) All groups index points.

Group, sub-group and expenditure class	INDEX NUMBERS(a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		CHANGE IN POINTS CONTRIBUTION
	Jun Qtr 2004	Mar Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2004 to Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005
<b>Food</b>	153.3	156.0	156.2	0.1	1.9	26.78	26.81	0.03
Dairy and related products	161.3	165.6	168.4	1.7	4.4	2.18	2.21	0.03
Milk	176.0	180.7	184.1	1.9	4.6	1.14	1.16	0.02
Cheese	135.3	142.4	144.9	1.8	7.1	0.54	0.55	0.01
Ice cream and other dairy products	158.6	158.4	160.5	1.3	1.2	0.50	0.50	—
Bread and cereal products	163.1	163.1	164.9	1.1	1.1	3.13	3.17	0.04
Bread	181.2	181.8	183.7	1.0	1.4	1.12	1.13	0.01
Cakes and biscuits	153.5	152.8	155.2	1.6	1.1	1.29	1.31	0.02
Breakfast cereals	140.9	142.1	141.6	-0.4	0.5	0.36	0.36	—
Other cereal products	141.4	141.2	142.6	1.0	0.8	0.36	0.36	—
Meat and seafoods	141.0	144.0	144.9	0.6	2.8	4.11	4.14	0.03
Beef and veal	147.8	156.4	160.1	2.4	8.3	0.94	0.96	0.02
Lamb and mutton	198.5	204.6	202.1	-1.2	1.8	0.52	0.52	—
Pork	146.2	157.4	166.2	5.6	13.7	0.32	0.34	0.02
Poultry	104.3	103.3	100.2	-3.0	-3.9	0.67	0.65	-0.02
Bacon and ham	135.0	134.8	136.8	1.5	1.3	0.38	0.38	—
Other fresh and processed meat	152.0	151.7	152.5	0.5	0.3	0.67	0.68	0.01
Fish and other seafood	123.6	124.3	125.2	0.7	1.3	0.61	0.62	0.01
Fruit and vegetables	144.5	145.0	137.9	-4.9	-4.6	3.60	3.43	-0.17
Fruit	160.8	165.7	148.3	-10.5	-7.8	1.69	1.51	-0.18
Vegetables	134.7	132.0	132.1	0.1	-1.9	1.92	1.92	—
Non-alcoholic drinks and snack food	154.2	158.6	160.5	1.2	4.1	3.54	3.58	0.04
Soft drinks, waters and juices	137.9	141.1	143.0	1.3	3.7	1.75	1.77	0.02
Snacks and confectionery	174.8	180.8	182.9	1.2	4.6	1.79	1.81	0.02
Meals out and take away foods	160.0	163.8	165.1	0.8	3.2	7.84	7.90	0.06
Restaurant meals	163.2	167.3	169.4	1.3	3.8	3.24	3.28	0.04
Take away and fast foods	159.2	162.8	163.7	0.6	2.8	4.59	4.62	0.03
Other food	143.6	144.8	144.9	0.1	0.9	2.38	2.39	0.01
Eggs	178.4	174.4	170.7	-2.1	-4.3	0.18	0.17	-0.01
Jams, honey and sandwich spreads	178.1	180.3	175.6	-2.6	-1.4	0.28	0.27	-0.01
Tea, coffee and food drinks	133.1	130.6	134.5	3.0	1.1	0.40	0.41	0.01
Food additives and condiments	128.7	129.2	128.7	-0.4	0.0	0.44	0.44	—
Fats and oils	138.0	145.1	147.8	1.9	7.1	0.33	0.33	—
Food n.e.c.	143.9	146.0	145.3	-0.5	1.0	0.77	0.77	—
<b>Alcohol and tobacco</b>	220.5	226.9	228.1	0.5	3.4	11.88	11.94	0.06
Alcoholic drinks	162.8	167.1	167.6	0.3	2.9	7.82	7.84	0.02
Beer	172.8	179.5	180.4	0.5	4.4	3.85	3.87	0.02
Wine	146.6	148.6	148.2	-0.3	1.1	2.44	2.43	-0.01
Spirits	161.4	164.1	165.0	0.5	2.2	1.52	1.53	0.01
Tobacco	379.0	391.8	395.8	1.0	4.4	4.06	4.10	0.04
<b>Clothing and footwear</b>	112.7	109.4	110.3	0.8	-2.1	6.77	6.83	0.06
Men's clothing	109.5	106.6	108.7	2.0	-0.7	1.23	1.25	0.02
Men's outerwear	107.7	104.2	106.3	2.0	-1.3	1.02	1.04	0.02
Men's underwear, nightwear and socks	119.4	119.7	121.4	1.4	1.7	0.21	0.22	0.01
Women's clothing	118.9	112.4	112.9	0.4	-5.0	2.35	2.36	0.01
Women's outerwear	113.7	106.1	106.3	0.2	-6.5	1.83	1.83	—
Women's underwear, nightwear and hosiery	139.1	137.7	139.6	1.4	0.4	0.52	0.53	0.01
Children's and infants' clothing	116.4	113.3	115.9	2.3	-0.4	0.63	0.64	0.01
Footwear	97.4	97.2	97.0	-0.2	-0.4	1.08	1.08	—
Men's footwear	92.1	91.8	91.2	-0.7	-1.0	0.33	0.32	-0.01
Women's footwear	101.8	101.3	101.1	-0.2	-0.7	0.51	0.51	—
Children's footwear	97.8	98.1	98.5	0.4	0.7	0.24	0.24	—
Clothing accessories, supplies and services(b)	107.0	105.8	106.5	0.7	-0.5	1.48	1.49	0.01
Clothing accessories and jewellery(b)	94.9	91.9	91.6	-0.3	-3.5	0.76	0.75	-0.01
Fabrics and knitting wool	111.6	109.9	113.5	3.3	1.7	0.15	0.16	0.01
Clothing services and shoe repair	169.5	172.8	174.8	1.2	3.1	0.57	0.58	0.01

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(b) Base: June quarter 1998 = 100.0.

(a) Unless otherwise specified, base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

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Group, sub-group and expenditure class	INDEX NUMBERS(a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		CHANGE IN POINTS CONTRIBUTION
	Jun Qtr 2004	Mar Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2004 to Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005
<b>Housing</b>	121.5	125.5	126.2	0.6	3.9	30.89	31.06	0.17
Rents	140.3	142.2	143.2	0.7	2.1	7.92	7.97	0.05
Utilities	150.8	157.4	156.5	-0.6	3.8	5.25	5.22	-0.03
Electricity	145.5	152.0	150.0	-1.3	3.1	2.73	2.69	-0.04
Gas and other household fuels	166.8	175.3	176.1	0.5	5.6	1.22	1.23	0.01
Water and sewerage(b)	121.5	125.7	125.7	0.0	3.5	1.29	1.29	—
Other housing	115.5	120.0	121.0	0.8	4.8	17.73	17.88	0.15
House purchase(b)	139.3	144.9	146.2	0.9	5.0	12.85	12.97	0.12
Property rates and charges(b)	134.0	140.9	140.9	0.0	5.1	1.97	1.97	—
House repairs and maintenance	152.8	156.0	157.7	1.1	3.2	2.91	2.94	0.03
<b>Household furnishings, supplies and services</b>	120.7	119.7	121.2	1.3	0.4	10.71	10.84	0.13
Furniture and furnishings	129.3	127.0	128.4	1.1	-0.7	4.74	4.79	0.05
Furniture	131.5	128.1	129.0	0.7	-1.9	3.01	3.03	0.02
Floor and window coverings	137.6	139.3	140.7	1.0	2.3	1.12	1.13	0.01
Towels and linen	107.9	104.8	108.6	3.6	0.6	0.61	0.63	0.02
Household appliances, utensils and tools	104.4	102.9	104.7	1.7	0.3	2.41	2.45	0.04
Major household appliances	106.3	107.2	109.1	1.8	2.6	1.12	1.14	0.02
Small electric household appliances	101.6	95.4	95.8	0.4	-5.7	0.32	0.33	0.01
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	96.9	93.4	96.9	3.7	0.0	0.55	0.57	0.02
Tools	112.1	110.7	111.2	0.5	-0.8	0.41	0.42	0.01
Household supplies	131.9	132.5	133.8	1.0	1.4	2.58	2.60	0.02
Household cleaning agents	125.3	122.6	125.4	2.3	0.1	0.55	0.56	0.01
Other household supplies	135.4	136.9	137.7	0.6	1.7	2.03	2.04	0.01
Household services	201.4	206.9	208.6	0.8	3.6	0.99	1.00	0.01
<b>Health</b>	201.6	206.7	211.6	2.4	5.0	7.58	7.76	0.18
Health services	214.4	217.2	225.0	3.6	4.9	5.88	6.09	0.21
Hospital and medical services	225.0	226.4	235.9	4.2	4.8	4.55	4.74	0.19
Optical services	140.7	142.3	143.7	1.0	2.1	0.22	0.22	—
Dental services	199.8	208.2	211.7	1.7	6.0	1.10	1.12	0.02
Pharmaceuticals	150.8	161.4	158.5	-1.8	5.1	1.70	1.67	-0.03
<b>Transportation</b>	144.1	145.8	148.8	2.1	3.3	21.24	21.68	0.44
Private motoring	140.8	142.5	145.6	2.2	3.4	19.91	20.35	0.44
Motor vehicles	102.0	100.3	99.2	-1.1	-2.7	7.08	7.00	-0.08
Automotive fuel	165.3	170.3	182.6	7.2	10.5	6.44	6.90	0.46
Motor vehicle repair and servicing	139.9	144.0	145.7	1.2	4.1	3.34	3.38	0.04
Motor vehicle parts and accessories	113.4	115.6	115.8	0.2	2.1	1.38	1.38	—
Other motoring charges	194.8	199.4	200.8	0.7	3.1	1.67	1.68	0.01
Urban transport fares	202.1	205.4	205.4	0.0	1.6	1.33	1.33	—
<b>Communication</b>	110.4	111.6	110.6	-0.9	0.2	4.11	4.07	-0.04
Postal	132.7	134.1	134.1	0.0	1.1	0.22	0.22	—
Telecommunication	108.3	109.4	108.4	-0.9	0.1	3.88	3.85	-0.03

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Group, sub-group and expenditure class	INDEX NUMBERS(a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		CHANGE IN POINTS CONTRIBUTION
	Jun Qtr 2004	Mar Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2004 to Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005	Jun Qtr 2005	Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005
<b>Recreation</b>	129.3	131.8	130.1	-1.3	0.6	17.02	16.81	-0.21
Audio, visual and computing	56.4	53.9	53.4	-0.9	-5.3	2.54	2.51	-0.03
Audio, visual and computing equipment	32.5	29.2	28.8	-1.4	-11.4	0.85	0.84	-0.01
Audio, visual and computing media and services	100.2	99.0	98.2	-0.8	-2.0	1.69	1.67	-0.02
Books, newspapers and magazines	201.7	204.8	205.3	0.2	1.8	1.66	1.66	—
Books(b)	122.2	123.8	124.0	0.2	1.5	0.72	0.73	0.01
Newspapers and magazines(b)	133.9	136.3	136.6	0.2	2.0	0.94	0.94	—
Sport and other recreation	159.0	161.6	162.0	0.2	1.9	6.09	6.10	0.01
Sports and recreational equipment(b)	90.6	89.7	89.2	-0.6	-1.5	0.75	0.75	—
Toys, games and hobbies(b)	98.6	97.9	97.9	0.0	-0.7	0.66	0.66	—
Sports participation(b)	138.9	143.5	145.2	1.2	4.5	1.34	1.35	0.01
Pets, pet foods and supplies	132.0	136.3	137.3	0.7	4.0	0.60	0.60	—
Pet services including veterinary	193.2	196.3	197.3	0.5	2.1	0.52	0.53	0.01
Other recreational activities(b)	134.1	136.6	136.4	-0.1	1.7	2.22	2.22	—
Holiday travel and accommodation	128.8	135.0	130.9	-3.0	1.6	6.74	6.53	-0.21
Domestic holiday travel and accommodation	133.5	145.0	136.7	-5.7	2.4	3.78	3.56	-0.22
Overseas holiday travel and accommodation	122.6	123.1	123.5	0.3	0.7	2.96	2.97	0.01
<b>Education</b>	231.5	245.7	245.9	0.1	6.2	4.46	4.46	—
Preschool and primary education(c)	128.4	137.1	137.7	0.4	7.2	0.87	0.88	0.01
Secondary education(c)	129.3	138.3	138.3	0.0	7.0	1.63	1.63	—
Tertiary education(c)	117.7	123.9	123.9	0.0	5.3	1.95	1.95	—
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	184.5	189.3	191.3	1.1	3.7	6.02	6.08	0.06
Insurance services	241.6	245.9	248.6	1.1	2.9	2.24	2.27	0.03
Personal care	151.0	153.2	154.6	0.9	2.4	3.05	3.08	0.03
Hairdressing and personal care services	170.7	175.2	176.4	0.7	3.3	1.17	1.18	0.01
Toiletries and personal care products	140.4	141.4	142.9	1.1	1.8	1.88	1.90	0.02
Child care	179.2	198.7	201.5	1.4	12.4	0.73	0.74	0.01
<b>All groups</b>	<b>144.8</b>	<b>147.5</b>	<b>148.4</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>147.5</b>	<b>148.4</b>	<b>0.9</b>

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	INDEX NUMBERS(a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		CHANGE IN POINTS CONTRIBUTION
	<i>Jun Qtr 2004</i>	<i>Mar Qtr 2005</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2005</i>	<i>Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2004 to Jun Qtr 2005</i>	<i>Mar Qtr 2005</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2005</i>	<i>Mar Qtr 2005 to Jun Qtr 2005</i>
<b>All groups</b>	144.8	147.5	148.4	0.6	2.5	147.5	148.4	0.9
<b>Selected components</b>								
Goods component(b)	144.2	146.2	147.2	0.7	2.1	94.12	94.79	0.67
Services component(b)	146.5	150.6	151.2	0.4	3.2	53.34	53.56	0.22
Tradables component(b)(c)	112.0	112.5	113.4	0.8	1.3	65.12	65.64	0.52
Non-tradables component(b)(c)	126.7	130.5	131.1	0.5	3.5	82.35	82.71	0.36
<b>All groups excluding</b>								
Food	142.9	145.7	146.7	0.7	2.7	120.69	121.54	0.85
Alcohol and tobacco	139.4	141.9	142.7	0.6	2.4	135.59	136.41	0.82
Clothing and footwear	147.0	150.1	150.9	0.5	2.7	140.70	141.52	0.82
Housing	148.4	150.6	151.5	0.6	2.1	116.58	117.29	0.71
Household furnishings, supplies and services	148.6	151.7	152.5	0.5	2.6	136.76	137.51	0.75
Health	142.0	144.6	145.3	0.5	2.3	139.89	140.59	0.70
Transportation	144.9	147.8	148.3	0.3	2.3	126.23	126.67	0.44
Communication	145.4	148.1	149.1	0.7	2.5	143.36	144.28	0.92
Recreation	147.0	149.7	151.0	0.9	2.7	130.45	131.54	1.09
Education	143.7	146.2	147.1	0.6	2.4	143.01	143.89	0.88
Miscellaneous	143.2	145.8	146.7	0.6	2.4	141.45	142.27	0.82
Hospital and medical services	142.6	145.4	146.1	0.5	2.5	142.92	143.61	0.69

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(c) Base: June quarter 1998 = 100.0.

(b) Refer to paragraph 12 of the Explanatory Notes for a description of this series.

## ANALYTICAL SERIES, Index numbers(a)(b)

Period	All groups	All groups excluding Housing	All groups excluding 'volatile items'	MARKET GOODS AND SERVICES EXCLUDING 'VOLATILE ITEMS'			Tradables(c)	Non-tradables(c)
				Goods	Services	Total		
<b>2001-02</b>	136.0	140.4	143.3	137.1	149.3	140.5	109.1	115.5
<b>2002-03</b>	140.2	144.5	147.4	139.6	154.7	143.8	111.3	120.0
<b>2003-04</b>	143.5	147.1	150.8	141.6	157.7	146.1	111.5	125.1
<b>2004-05</b>	147.0	150.2	154.0	143.2	161.5	148.4	112.6	129.6
<b>2001</b>								
June	133.8	138.4	140.4	135.0	145.0	137.7	108.4	112.6
September	134.2	138.4	141.4	135.7	146.4	138.6	107.8	113.8
December	135.4	139.8	142.7	137.0	148.4	140.1	108.7	114.9
<b>2002</b>								
March	136.6	141.1	144.1	137.6	150.5	141.2	109.4	116.2
June	137.6	142.1	145.0	138.2	151.8	142.0	110.3	116.9
September	138.5	142.8	146.0	138.4	153.5	142.7	110.3	118.4
December	139.5	143.9	146.8	139.2	154.5	143.5	111.1	119.2
<b>2003</b>								
March	141.3	145.7	148.0	139.9	155.2	144.2	112.4	120.8
June	141.3	145.4	148.9	140.8	155.6	144.9	111.4	121.7
September	142.1	145.8	149.8	141.3	156.2	145.5	111.1	123.3
December	142.8	146.5	150.3	141.4	157.9	146.1	111.1	124.4
<b>2004</b>								
March	144.1	147.8	151.1	141.5	158.0	146.1	111.8	125.8
June	144.8	148.4	151.8	142.0	158.6	146.7	112.0	126.7
September	145.4	148.7	152.5	142.2	159.9	147.2	111.9	127.8
December	146.5	149.8	153.4	143.1	161.2	148.2	112.6	128.8
<b>2005</b>								
March	147.5	150.6	154.7	143.4	162.5	148.8	112.5	130.5
June	148.4	151.5	155.3	144.2	162.4	149.3	113.4	131.1

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(c) Base: June quarter 1998 = 100.0.

(b) Refer to paragraph 12 of the Explanatory Notes for a description of these series.



Period	All groups	All groups excluding Housing	All groups excluding 'volatile items'	MARKET GOODS AND SERVICES EXCLUDING 'VOLATILE ITEMS'				
				Goods	Services	Total	Tradables	Non-tradables
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)								
<b>2001-02</b>	2.9	2.9	3.3	3.2	3.6	3.3	2.4	3.3
<b>2002-03</b>	3.1	2.9	2.9	1.8	3.6	2.3	2.0	3.9
<b>2003-04</b>	2.4	1.8	2.3	1.4	1.9	1.6	0.2	4.3
<b>2004-05</b>	2.4	2.1	2.1	1.1	2.4	1.6	1.0	3.6
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)								
<b>2001</b>								
June	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.5	7.0	5.9	5.2	6.7
September	2.5	2.6	2.9	3.2	2.2	2.8	2.5	2.6
December	3.1	3.2	3.6	3.9	3.2	3.6	3.1	3.1
<b>2002</b>								
March	2.9	3.0	3.6	3.2	4.4	3.6	2.3	3.6
June	2.8	2.7	3.3	2.4	4.7	3.1	1.8	3.8
September	3.2	3.2	3.3	2.0	4.8	3.0	2.3	4.0
December	3.0	2.9	2.9	1.6	4.1	2.4	2.2	3.7
<b>2003</b>								
March	3.4	3.3	2.7	1.7	3.1	2.1	2.7	4.0
June	2.7	2.3	2.7	1.9	2.5	2.0	1.0	4.1
September	2.6	2.1	2.6	2.1	1.8	2.0	0.7	4.1
December	2.4	1.8	2.4	1.6	2.2	1.8	0.0	4.4
<b>2004</b>								
March	2.0	1.4	2.1	1.1	1.8	1.3	-0.5	4.1
June	2.5	2.1	1.9	0.9	1.9	1.2	0.5	4.1
September	2.3	2.0	1.8	0.6	2.4	1.2	0.7	3.6
December	2.6	2.3	2.1	1.2	2.1	1.4	1.4	3.5
<b>2005</b>								
March	2.4	1.9	2.4	1.3	2.8	1.8	0.6	3.7
June	2.5	2.1	2.3	1.5	2.4	1.8	1.3	3.5
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)								
<b>2001</b>								
June	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.3	0.6	1.0	1.4	0.4
September	0.3	0.0	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.7	-0.6	1.1
December	0.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.4	1.1	0.8	1.0
<b>2002</b>								
March	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.4	1.4	0.8	0.6	1.1
June	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.6
September	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.1	1.1	0.5	0.0	1.3
December	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7
<b>2003</b>								
March	1.3	1.3	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.2	1.3
June	0.0	-0.2	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.5	-0.9	0.7
September	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	-0.3	1.3
December	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	1.1	0.4	0.0	0.9
<b>2004</b>								
March	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.6	1.1
June	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.7
September	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.3	-0.1	0.9
December	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.8
<b>2005</b>								
March	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.8	0.4	-0.1	1.3
June	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6	-0.1	0.3	0.8	0.5

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<i>Period</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>New Zealand</i>	<i>Hong Kong</i>	<i>Indonesia</i>	<i>Japan</i>	<i>Korea, Republic of</i>	<i>Singapore</i>	<i>Taiwan</i>	<i>Canada</i>	<i>United States of America</i>	<i>Germany</i>	<i>United Kingdom</i>
<b>2001-02</b>	140.4	127.0	162.5	458.3	107.7	185.0	122.7	130.6	130.3	136.4	126.0	143.5
<b>2002-03</b>	144.5	129.5	159.2	495.8	106.4	190.9	123.1	130.5	135.2	138.9	127.4	145.8
<b>2003-04</b>	147.1	130.2	158.7	524.4	106.1	197.4	124.9	131.1	136.9	141.8	128.9	147.9
<b>2004-05</b>	150.2	132.6	nya	nya	nya	204.9	nya	134.7	nya	146.2	131.1	149.7
<b>2001</b>												
June	138.4	125.1	164.4	424.4	110.8	182.5	123.3	129.9	129.8	137.1	125.2	143.0
September	138.4	125.8	164.0	435.3	108.8	183.7	123.3	130.4	130.1	136.7	125.4	142.9
December	139.8	126.5	163.4	453.8	108.3	183.3	122.5	131.6	128.7	135.8	125.2	143.2
<b>2002</b>												
March	141.1	127.1	161.4	470.1	107.0	185.1	122.3	130.1	129.9	135.7	126.6	143.4
June	142.1	128.5	161.2	473.8	106.8	187.7	122.8	130.4	132.5	137.3	126.8	144.6
September	142.8	129.0	160.4	480.5	106.6	188.2	122.9	130.5	134.1	137.7	127.1	144.5
December	143.9	129.6	160.0	498.6	106.5	189.1	122.9	131.1	134.5	138.2	126.8	145.4
<b>2003</b>												
March	145.7	129.8	158.5	500.9	106.0	192.7	123.5	130.1	136.2	139.7	127.9	146.0
June	145.4	129.5	157.9	503.3	106.5	193.7	123.2	130.3	135.8	140.1	127.7	147.1
September	145.8	129.5	157.1	509.8	106.3	194.0	123.8	129.4	136.2	140.6	128.1	147.1
December	146.5	130.0	158.4	523.2	106.1	195.8	124.1	131.1	136.0	140.6	128.1	147.7
<b>2004</b>												
March	147.8	130.2	159.2	526.4	105.8	199.1	125.7	131.2	136.9	141.8	129.2	147.9
June	148.4	131.0	160.2	538.3	106.2	200.5	126.1	132.6	138.6	144.0	130.2	148.9
September	148.7	131.4	160.2	539.1	106.2	203.2	126.4	134.5	138.5	144.3	130.6	148.6
December	149.8	132.5	161.0	553.0	106.8	203.0	126.6	134.2	138.9	145.7	130.6	149.5
<b>2005</b>												
March	150.6	132.9	161.5	571.4	105.6	206.0	nya	133.9	139.2	146.2	131.2	149.7
June	151.5	133.7	nya	nya	nya	207.3	nya	136.2	nya	148.6	131.8	151.1

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(b) Refer to paragraphs 14-16 of the Explanatory Notes for further information.

(a) Base of each index: 1989-90 = 100.0.

<i>Period</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>New Zealand</i>	<i>Hong Kong</i>	<i>Indonesia</i>	<i>Japan</i>	<i>Korea, Republic of</i>	<i>Singapore</i>	<i>Taiwan</i>	<i>Canada</i>	<i>United States of America</i>	<i>Germany</i>	<i>United Kingdom</i>
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)												
<b>2001-02</b>	2.9	2.8	-1.4	13.8	-3.0	3.2	-0.2	-0.2	1.7	0.8	1.9	1.5
<b>2002-03</b>	2.9	2.0	-2.0	8.2	-1.2	3.2	0.3	-0.1	3.8	1.8	1.1	1.6
<b>2003-04</b>	1.8	0.5	-0.3	5.8	-0.3	3.4	1.5	0.5	1.3	2.1	1.2	1.4
<b>2004-05</b>	2.1	1.8	nya	nya	nya	3.8	nya	2.7	nya	3.1	1.7	1.2
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)												
<b>2001</b>												
June	5.8	4.4	-0.9	14.8	-0.5	5.6	1.9	-0.3	2.9	3.2	2.3	1.6
September	2.6	3.3	-0.8	15.6	-2.0	4.3	0.9	-0.7	2.2	2.2	2.0	1.7
December	3.2	2.5	-1.3	12.5	-2.6	3.2	-0.2	-0.6	0.9	0.9	1.8	1.4
<b>2002</b>												
March	3.0	2.7	-1.4	15.8	-3.5	2.5	-1.0	0.2	1.6	0.0	2.3	1.8
June	2.7	2.7	-1.9	11.6	-3.6	2.8	-0.4	0.4	2.1	0.1	1.3	1.1
September	3.2	2.5	-2.2	10.4	-2.0	2.4	-0.3	0.1	3.1	0.7	1.4	1.1
December	2.9	2.5	-2.1	9.9	-1.7	3.2	0.4	-0.4	4.5	1.8	1.3	1.5
<b>2003</b>												
March	3.3	2.1	-1.8	6.6	-0.9	4.1	1.0	0.0	4.8	2.9	1.0	1.8
June	2.3	0.8	-2.0	6.2	-0.3	3.2	0.4	-0.1	2.5	2.0	0.7	1.7
September	2.1	0.4	-2.1	6.1	-0.3	3.1	0.7	-0.8	1.6	2.1	0.8	1.8
December	1.8	0.3	-1.0	4.9	-0.4	3.5	1.0	0.0	1.1	1.7	1.0	1.6
<b>2004</b>												
March	1.4	0.3	0.4	5.1	-0.2	3.3	1.8	0.8	0.5	1.5	1.0	1.3
June	2.1	1.2	1.5	7.0	-0.3	3.5	2.3	1.8	2.1	2.8	2.0	1.2
September	2.0	1.5	2.0	5.7	-0.1	4.7	2.1	3.9	1.7	2.6	2.0	1.0
December	2.3	1.9	1.6	5.7	0.7	3.7	2.0	2.4	2.1	3.6	2.0	1.2
<b>2005</b>												
March	1.9	2.1	1.4	8.5	-0.2	3.5	nya	2.1	1.7	3.1	1.5	1.2
June	2.1	2.1	nya	nya	nya	3.4	nya	2.7	nya	3.2	1.2	1.5
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)												
<b>2001</b>												
June	1.0	1.1	0.4	4.5	-0.1	1.1	-0.2	0.1	1.5	1.0	1.2	1.5
September	0.0	0.6	-0.2	2.6	-1.8	0.7	0.0	0.4	0.2	-0.3	0.2	-0.1
December	1.0	0.6	-0.4	4.2	-0.5	-0.2	-0.6	0.9	-1.1	-0.7	-0.2	0.2
<b>2002</b>												
March	0.9	0.5	-1.2	3.6	-1.2	1.0	-0.2	-1.1	0.9	-0.1	1.1	0.1
June	0.7	1.1	-0.1	0.8	-0.2	1.4	0.5	0.2	2.0	1.2	0.2	0.8
September	0.5	0.4	-0.5	1.4	-0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	1.2	0.3	0.2	-0.1
December	0.8	0.5	-0.2	3.8	-0.1	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.4	-0.2	0.6
<b>2003</b>												
March	1.3	0.2	-0.9	0.5	-0.5	1.9	0.5	-0.8	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.4
June	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	-0.2	0.2	-0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.8
September	0.3	0.0	-0.5	1.3	-0.2	0.2	0.4	-0.7	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.0
December	0.5	0.4	0.8	2.6	-0.2	0.9	0.3	1.3	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4
<b>2004</b>												
March	0.9	0.2	0.5	0.6	-0.3	1.7	1.3	0.1	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.1
June	0.4	0.6	0.6	2.3	0.4	0.7	0.3	1.1	1.2	1.6	0.8	0.7
September	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.3	0.2	1.4	-0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2
December	0.7	0.8	0.5	2.6	0.6	-0.1	0.2	-0.2	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.6
<b>2005</b>												
March	0.5	0.3	0.3	3.3	-1.1	1.5	nya	-0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.1
June	0.6	0.6	nya	nya	nya	0.6	nya	1.7	nya	1.6	0.5	0.9

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(a) Refer to paragraphs 14-16 of the Explanatory Notes for further information.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE CPI

**1** The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures quarterly changes in the price of a 'basket' of goods and services which account for a high proportion of expenditure by the CPI population group (i.e. metropolitan households). This 'basket' covers a wide range of goods and services, arranged in the following eleven groups:

- food
- alcohol and tobacco
- clothing and footwear
- housing
- household furnishings, supplies and services
- health
- transportation
- communication
- recreation
- education
- miscellaneous.

**2** The capital city indexes measure price movements over time in each city individually. They do not measure differences in retail price levels between cities.

**3** Further information about the CPI is contained in *Australian Consumer Price Index: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (cat. no. 6461.0) which is available on the ABS web site <<http://www.abs.gov.au>>.

### PRICES

**4** The frequency of price collection by item varies as necessary to obtain reliable price measures. Prices of some items are volatile (i.e. their prices may vary many times each quarter) and for these items frequent price observations are necessary to obtain a reliable measure of the average price for the quarter. Each month prices are collected at regular intervals for goods such as milk, bread, fresh meat and seafood, fresh fruit and vegetables, alcohol, tobacco, women's outerwear, project homes, motor vehicles, petrol and holiday travel and accommodation. For most other items, price volatility is not a problem and prices are collected once a quarter. There are a few items where prices are changed at infrequent intervals, for example education fees where prices are set once a year. In these cases, the frequency of price collection is modified accordingly.

**5** In order to facilitate a more even spread of field collection workload, the number of items for which prices are collected quarterly is distributed roughly equally across each month of each quarter. In all cases, however, individual items are priced in the same month of each quarter. For example, items for which prices are collected in the first month of the September quarter, July, are also priced in the first month of subsequent quarters, namely October, January and April.

### WEIGHTING PATTERN

**6** There are 89 expenditure classes (that is, groupings of like items) in the fourteenth series CPI and each expenditure class has its own weight, or measure of relative importance. In calculating the index, price changes for the various expenditure classes are combined using these weights.

**7** Changes in the weighting pattern have been made at approximately five-yearly intervals to take account of changes in household spending patterns. The CPI now comprises fourteen series of price indexes which have been linked to form a continuous series. The current weighting pattern for the CPI is given in *A Guide to the Consumer Price Index, 14th Series* (cat. no. 6440.0) and *Australian Consumer Price Index: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (cat. no. 6461.0) which are available on the ABS web site <<http://www.abs.gov.au>>.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### ANALYSIS OF CPI CHANGES

**8** Movements in indexes from one period to another can be expressed either as changes in index points or as percentage changes. The following example illustrates the method of calculating changes in index points and percentage changes between any two periods:

All groups CPI: Weighted average of eight capital cities.

	Index numbers:
June Quarter 2005	148.4 (see table 1)
less March Quarter 2004	147.5 (see table 1)
Change in index points	0.9
Percentage change	$0.9/147.5 \times 100 = 0.6\%$

**9** Percentage changes are calculated to illustrate three different kinds of movements in index numbers:

- movements between consecutive financial years (where the index numbers for financial years are simple averages of the quarterly index numbers)
- movements between corresponding quarters of consecutive years
- movements between consecutive quarters.

**10** Table 7 provides a detailed analysis, for the weighted average of eight capital cities, of movements in the CPI since the previous quarter, including information on movements for groups, sub-groups and expenditure classes. It also shows the contribution which each makes to the total CPI. For instance, the dairy and related products sub-group contributed 2.21 index points to the total All groups index number of 148.4 for June Quarter 2005. The final column shows contributions to the change in All Groups index points by each group, sub-group and expenditure class.

### SPECIAL SERIES

**11** Various series are presented in tables 8, 9 and 10 in this publication which are helpful for analytical purposes. These series are compiled by taking subsets of the CPI basket. (A complete list of CPI groups, subgroups and expenditure classes is contained in tables 6 and 7.)

**12** Some of the compiled series are self explanatory, such as 'All groups excluding Food'. Other series and their composition are described below:

- *All groups, goods component*: comprises the Food group (except Restaurant meals), Alcohol and tobacco group, Clothing and footwear group (except Clothing services and shoe repair) and Household furnishings, supplies and services group (except Household services); the Utilities, Audio, visual and computing and Books, newspapers and magazines sub-groups; and the House purchase, Pharmaceuticals, Motor vehicles, Automotive fuel, Motor vehicle parts and accessories, Sports and recreational equipment, Toys, games and hobbies, Pets, pet foods and supplies and Toiletries and personal care products expenditure classes.
- *All groups, services component*: comprises all items not included in the 'All groups, goods component'.
- *All groups, tradables component*: comprises all items whose prices are largely determined on the world market.
- *All groups, non-tradables component*: comprises all items not included in the 'All groups, tradables component'.
- *All groups excluding 'volatile items'*: comprises the All groups CPI excluding Fruit and vegetables and Automotive fuel.
- *Market goods and services excluding 'volatile items'*: in addition to the items excluded from the series 'All groups excluding 'volatile items'', also excludes: Utilities, Property rates and charges, Health, Other motoring charges, Urban transport fares, Postal, Education and Child care.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

### SPECIAL SERIES *continued*

**13** A detailed description of the special and analytical series was published in Appendix 1 to the September quarter 2000 issue of *Consumer Price Index, Australia* (cat. no. 6401.0). The ABS is grateful for the assistance of the Reserve Bank of Australia for specifying the items included in the 'All groups excluding 'volatile items'' and 'Market goods and services excluding 'volatile items''. The Reserve Bank of Australia does not accord any special policy status to these series.

### INTERNATIONAL COMPARISONS

**14** In analysing price movements in Australia, an important consideration is Australia's performance relative to other countries. However, due to the many differences in the structure of the housing sector in different countries and in the way that housing is treated in their CPIs, a simple comparison of All groups (or headline) CPIs is often inappropriate. To provide a better basis for international comparisons, the Fourteenth International Conference of Labour Statisticians adopted a resolution which called for countries to 'provide for dissemination at the international level of an index which excludes shelter, in addition to the all-items index'.

**15** Table 11 presents indexes for selected countries on a basis consistent with the above resolution and broadly comparable to the Australian series 'All groups excluding Housing'. To facilitate comparisons all indexes in this table have been converted, where necessary, to a quarterly basis and re-referenced to a base of 1989–90 = 100.0.

**16** In producing table 11, the ABS is grateful for the assistance of the relevant national statistical agencies which have either directly supplied indexes for all items excluding shelter or data to enable their derivation.

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**17** Current publications and other products released by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications and Products* (cat. no. 1101.0). The Catalogue is available from any ABS office or the ABS web site <<http://www.abs.gov.au>>. The ABS also issues a daily Release Advice on the web site which details products to be released in the week ahead.

**18** Users may also wish to refer to the following publications and other data products:

- *A Guide to the Consumer Price Index, 14th Series* (cat. no. 6440.0)
- *Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Eight Capital Cities* (cat. no. 6403.0.55.001)
- *House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities* (cat. no. 6416.0)
- *Information Paper: Price Indexes and the New Tax System* (cat. no. 6425.0)
- *Information Paper: Introduction of the 14th Series Australian Consumer Price Index* (cat. no. 6456.0)
- *Australian Consumer Price Index: Concepts, Sources and Methods* (cat. no. 6461.0).

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**19** As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant data available on request. Inquiries should be made to Steve Whennan on (02) 6252 6251 or to the National Information and Referral Service on 1300 135 070.



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