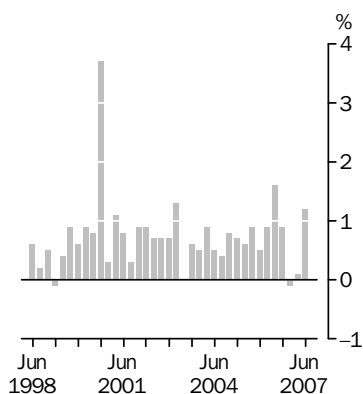


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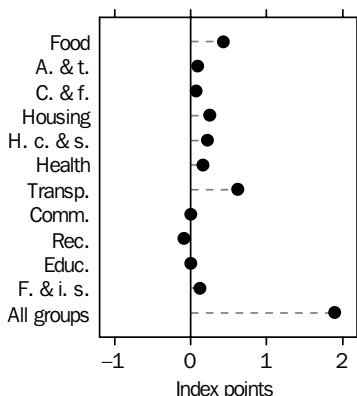
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All Groups
Quarterly change



Contribution to quarterly change
June quarter 2007



KEY FIGURES

**WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT
CAPITAL CITIES**

	<i>Mar Qtr 2007 to Jun Qtr 2007</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2006 to Jun Qtr 2007</i>
	<i>% change</i>	<i>% change</i>
Food	1.7	2.2
Alcohol and tobacco	0.8	3.0
Clothing and footwear	1.4	0.7
Housing	0.8	3.6
Household contents and services	1.5	2.1
Health	2.1	4.1
Transportation	3.0	0.2
Communication	0.2	1.5
Recreation	-0.4	1.0
Education	0.1	4.3
Financial and insurance services	0.9	1.5

All groups

1.2 **2.1**

All groups excluding Housing and Financial and insurance services

1.4 1.8

KEY POINTS

THE ALL GROUPS CPI

- rose 1.2% in the June quarter 2007, compared with 0.1% in the March quarter.
- rose 2.1% through the year to June quarter 2007.

OVERVIEW OF CPI MOVEMENTS

- The most significant price rises this quarter were for automotive fuel (+9.1%), hospital and medical services (+3.4%), fruit (+8.4%), rents (+1.6%), vegetables (+6.1%), furniture (+3.9%) and house purchase (+1.0%).
- Price falls for domestic holiday travel and accommodation (-3.5%) and audio, visual and computing equipment (-2.4%) provided some offset to the increases above.

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NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

<i>ISSUE (Quarter)</i>	<i>RELEASE DATE</i>
September 2007	24 October 2007
December 2007	23 January 2008

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ROUNDING

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

CHANGES IN THIS ISSUE

RBA Consumer Price Measures

The Australian Bureau of Statistics and the Reserve Bank of Australia have agreed that the ABS will publish on behalf of the RBA its trimmed mean and weighted median consumer price measures.

Publication of the measures by the ABS will commence in this issue of *Consumer Price Index, Australia* (cat. no. 6401.0).

The measures appear in table 10, along with other analytical price series.

For more information see *Information Paper: Consumer Price Index with Reserve Bank of Australia Consumer Price Measures, Australia, 2007* (cat. no. 6401.0.55.002).

ABBREVIATIONS

ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics

CPI Consumer Price Index

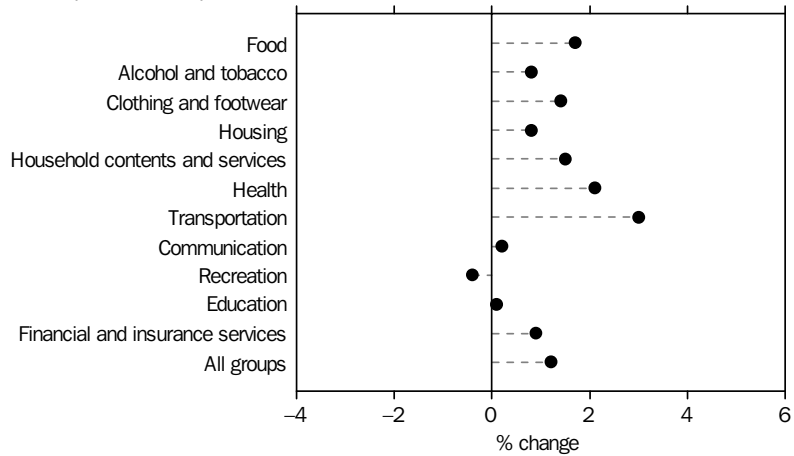
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ANALYSES AND COMMENTS

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 absolute significance to the change in All groups index points (see tables 6 and 7).

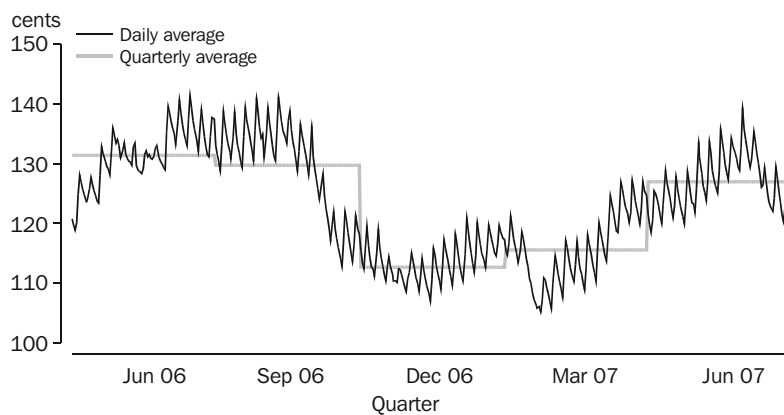
TRANSPORTATION (+3.0%)

The 3.0% rise in transportation costs this quarter was mainly due to the rise in the price of automotive fuel (+9.1%). All other categories in transportation also rose, with motor vehicle repair and servicing (+0.9%) and motor vehicles (+0.2%) being the next most significant contributors.

Automotive fuel prices fell in January (-3.0%), then rose in February (+1.1%), March (+7.6%), April (+1.2%) and May (+3.7%), then fell slightly in June (-0.3%). The automotive fuel expenditure class contributed 0.56 index points to the increase in the All Groups CPI in June quarter 2007 and -0.29 index points to the through the year change.

The following graph shows the pattern of the average daily prices for unleaded petrol for the eight capital cities over the last fifteen months.

AVERAGE PRICE OF ULP, cents per litre



Through the year to June quarter 2007, the transportation group rose 0.2%, with the main contributors being motor vehicles (+1.4%), motor vehicle repair and servicing (+2.7%) and other motoring charges (+4.8%). The fall in automotive fuel (-4.2%) provided the only offset.

ANALYSES AND COMMENTS *continued*

FOOD (+1.7%)

The main contributors to the rise in food prices for the quarter were fruit (+8.4%) and vegetables (+6.1%), with less significant increases in soft drinks, waters and juices (+2.6) and take away and fast foods (+0.8%). Bacon and ham (-2.7%) provided the only significant offset.

The rise in fruit prices was due to significant increases in the prices of bananas (with supplies affected by colder weather in the growing areas), berries, melons and stone fruits. Apples provided the only significant offsetting price fall in fruit. The rise in vegetable prices was due mainly to price increases for fresh vegetables, particularly salad vegetables.

Through the year to June quarter 2007, food prices rose 2.2%, mainly due to increases in take away and fast foods (+4.0%), vegetables (+6.6%), soft drinks, waters and juices (+8.0%) and restaurant meals (+3.2%). The major offsetting annual fall was in fruit (-18.1%) driven by the fall in banana prices from the high levels experienced after Cyclone Larry.

HOUSING (+0.8%)

The rise in housing this quarter was mainly due to increases in both rents (+1.6%) and house purchase (+1.0%). This is the largest quarterly rise in rents since September quarter 1989, when the rise was 2.1%.

Average rents rose in every capital city, with the highest increases in Perth (+2.9%), Darwin (+2.4%), Brisbane (+2.2%) and Canberra (+2.0%). Sydney and Melbourne both showed the lowest increase of 1.3%.

Increases in house purchase prices were recorded in all capital cities, with increases ranging from 0.3% in Canberra to 2.5% in Hobart.

Over the twelve months to June quarter 2007, the housing group rose 3.6%. This rise was mainly attributable to rents (+5.2%), house purchase (+2.7%), and property rates and charges (+5.6%). Annually, housing increases were led by rises in Darwin (+7.3%), Perth (+5.7%) and Brisbane (+5.1%).

HOUSEHOLD CONTENTS AND SERVICES (+1.5%)

Most categories of household contents and services rose this quarter with furniture (+3.9%), towels and linen (+5.5%), glassware, tableware and household utensils (+3.6%) and child care (+1.7%) being the most significant. There were no significant price falls.

The rises in prices for furniture and glassware, towels and linen, and tableware and household utensils were largely due to the ending of widespread discounting associated with post-Christmas and summer sales at major retailers in the March quarter. The rise in the net price of child care across all cities this quarter was mainly due to rises in fees by some providers of private day care.

Through the year to June quarter 2007, the household contents and services group rose 2.1%.

HEALTH (+2.1%)

The rise in health costs was largely due to increases in prices of hospital and medical services (+3.4%) and dental services (+1.4%). These rises were partially offset by a fall in the net cost of pharmaceuticals (-0.4%), mainly due to the effect of the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme safety net.

ANALYSES AND COMMENTS *continued*

HEALTH (+2.1%) *continued*

Hospital and medical services rose mainly as a result of increases in private health fund premiums from 1 April 2007.

Through the year to June quarter 2007, the health group rose 4.1% due mainly to an increase in net hospital and medical services (+5.2%).

FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE SERVICES (+0.9%)

All categories of financial and insurance services rose this quarter with deposit and loan facilities (+1.3%), insurance services (+0.8%) and other financial services (+0.4%) all contributing to the increase.

Over the twelve months to June quarter 2007, financial and insurance services rose 1.5%.

ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO (+0.8%)

All four components in the alcohol and tobacco group rose this quarter with the most significant being contributions from beer (+1.8%), and spirits (+1.0%).

The rises in beer and spirit prices are attributed to higher raw materials costs and residual effects of the excise increase in the March quarter. There were small increases in prices of tobacco (+0.3%) and wine (+0.3%).

Through the year to June quarter 2007, the alcohol and tobacco group rose 3.0%, with rises in all categories except wine, which fell 1.0% over the year.

CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR (+1.4%)

The rise in prices of clothing and footwear this quarter was due to increases in the price of accessories (+6.6%), women's underwear, nightwear and hosiery (+3.7%) and women's outerwear (+1.2%). The most significant offsetting movement was in women's footwear (-3.7%).

Over the twelve months to June quarter 2007, the cost of clothing and footwear rose 0.7%.

RECREATION (-0.4%)

The fall in recreation was due mainly to domestic holiday travel and accommodation (-3.5%). The only significant offsetting price rise was in overseas holiday travel and accommodation (+2.5%).

The fall in domestic holiday travel and accommodation was largely due to seasonal factors as prices receded from the peak season highs seen in March quarter. Decreases in both accommodation and fares contributed to the overall fall. Prices fell in seven of eight capital cities, led by Hobart (-6.1%), Melbourne (-5.7%) and Brisbane (-3.4%). The only city to record a rise was Darwin (+4.0%). Most cities recorded price rises for overseas holiday travel and accommodation, with Darwin (-1.8%) and Perth (-1.6%) being the exceptions.

Annually, Recreation rose 1.0% with the strongest rises in other recreational activities (+5.1%), domestic holiday travel and accommodation (+2.4%) and overseas holiday travel and accommodation (+2.9%).

COMMUNICATION (+0.2%)

The rise in communication costs was mainly due to an increase in the cost of telecommunication (+0.1%).

Over the twelve months to June quarter 2007, the cost of communication rose 1.5%.

ANALYSES AND COMMENTS *continued*

TRADABLES AND NON-TRADABLES

The tradables component (see table 8) of the All groups CPI rose 2.0% in the June quarter 2007. This component includes goods and services whose prices are largely determined on the world market and represents approximately 42% of the weight of the CPI. The main contributors to the increase were automotive fuel, fruit, vegetables and furniture. The most significant offset was a fall in audio, visual and computing equipment.

The non-tradables component of the CPI rose 0.7% in the March quarter. This component includes goods and services whose prices are largely determined by domestic price pressures and represents approximately 58% of the CPI. Within non-tradables, the services component rose 0.7%, mainly due to increases in hospital and medical services, rents and deposit and loan facilities. The major offset was provided by domestic holiday travel and accommodation. The non-tradable goods component rose 0.6% mainly due to house purchase.

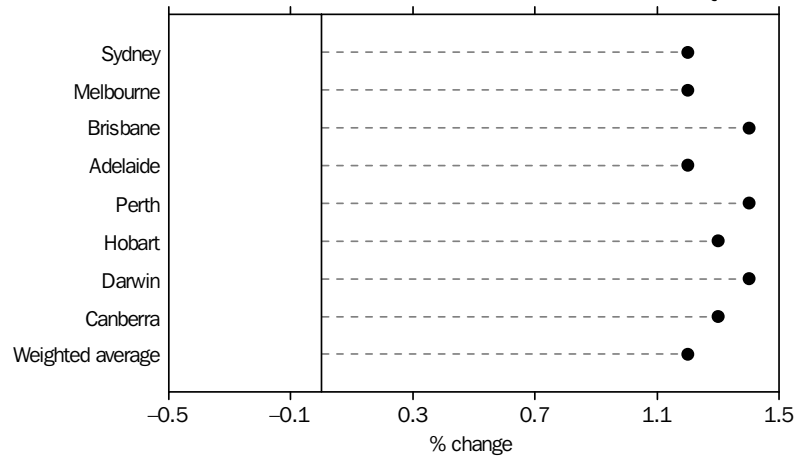
Through the year to June quarter 2007, non-tradables rose 3.4% and tradables rose 0.3%. This compares with rises of 3.5% and 1.0%, respectively, for these components through the year to March quarter 2007.

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, with little variation between the cities: Brisbane, Perth and Darwin showing rises of 1.4%, Hobart and Canberra at 1.3% and Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide at 1.2%.

Significant rises in automotive fuel prices were recorded in all cities, with increases in fruit and vegetables, hospital and medical services, rents, furniture and house purchase also being prominent.

Through the year to June quarter 2007, the All groups CPI rose in all capital cities with the increases ranging from 1.7% in Sydney and Adelaide to 3.7% in Darwin. The higher result for Darwin was largely due to a 7.3% rise in Housing, more than double the 3.6% increase for the weighted average of eight capital cities. Perth also recorded a strong rise for Housing (+5.7%). Melbourne and Adelaide showed the lowest rise in Housing, at 2.7% for the year.

CPI, All groups index numbers and percentage changes

	INDEX	PERCENTAGE CHANGE	
	NUMBER(a)		
	<i>Jun Qtr 2007</i>	<i>Mar Qtr 2007 to Jun Qtr 2007</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2006 to Jun Qtr 2007</i>
Sydney	157.4	1.2	1.7
Melbourne	155.6	1.2	2.0
Brisbane	160.2	1.4	2.6
Adelaide	160.3	1.2	1.7
Perth	158.0	1.4	3.1
Hobart	157.4	1.3	2.2
Darwin	154.7	1.4	3.7
Canberra	158.0	1.3	2.0
Weighted average of eight capital cities	157.5	1.2	2.1

(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>
2003-04	144.1	142.8	144.8	147.0	139.6	142.6	138.7	143.4	143.5
2004-05	147.7	145.7	148.5	150.4	144.0	147.1	141.8	146.7	147.0
2005-06	152.1	150.2	153.2	155.2	150.1	151.8	146.5	151.9	151.7
2006-07	156.2	154.2	158.3	159.2	156.1	155.7	152.9	156.4	156.1
2003									
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
2004									
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
2005									
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
September	150.5	148.6	150.9	153.4	147.8	150.1	144.7	149.7	149.8
December	151.0	149.2	152.1	154.1	149.0	151.0	145.4	150.9	150.6
2006									
March	152.2	150.5	153.5	155.6	150.5	152.2	146.7	152.2	151.9
June	154.7	152.6	156.2	157.6	153.2	154.0	149.2	154.9	154.3
September	156.1	153.7	157.5	159.3	154.9	155.1	151.8	156.0	155.7
December	155.8	153.5	157.3	158.8	155.5	154.7	152.6	155.6	155.5
2007									
March	155.6	153.8	158.0	158.4	155.8	155.4	152.6	155.9	155.6
June	157.4	155.6	160.2	160.3	158.0	157.4	154.7	158.0	157.5

(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)									
2003-04	2.1	2.2	2.9	3.0	2.0	2.5	1.4	2.6	2.4
2004-05	2.5	2.0	2.6	2.3	3.2	3.2	2.2	2.3	2.4
2005-06	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	4.2	3.2	3.3	3.5	3.2
2006-07	2.7	2.7	3.3	2.6	4.0	2.6	4.4	3.0	2.9
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)									
2003									
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
2004									
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
2005									
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
September	2.9	3.1	2.8	3.0	4.1	3.5	2.8	2.9	3.0
December	2.5	2.7	2.8	2.7	4.0	2.9	3.0	3.1	2.8
2006									
March	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.1	4.2	2.8	3.4	3.5	3.0
June	3.8	3.9	4.1	3.8	4.7	3.5	4.2	4.8	4.0
September	3.7	3.4	4.4	3.8	4.8	3.3	4.9	4.2	3.9
December	3.2	2.9	3.4	3.0	4.4	2.5	5.0	3.1	3.3
2007									
March	2.2	2.2	2.9	1.8	3.5	2.1	4.0	2.4	2.4
June	1.7	2.0	2.6	1.7	3.1	2.2	3.7	2.0	2.1
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)									
2003									
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
2004									
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
2005									
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
September	1.0	1.2	0.6	1.1	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.3	0.9
December	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.5
2006									
March	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
June	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.3	1.8	1.2	1.7	1.8	1.6
September	0.9	0.7	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.7	1.7	0.7	0.9
December	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	0.4	-0.3	0.5	-0.3	-0.1
2007									
March	-0.1	0.2	0.4	-0.3	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.1
June	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2

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 contents and services</i>	<i>Health</i>
2003-04	152.3	217.8	112.7	120.2	121.1	193.9
2004-05	154.8	225.4	110.8	124.8	120.7	204.3
2005-06	162.3	233.1	109.2	129.3	122.2	213.5
2006-07	172.4	240.6	108.4	133.7	124.6	223.5
2003						
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
2004						
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
2005						
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
September	157.4	230.3	110.5	128.0	121.6	209.3
December	160.2	231.4	110.3	128.8	122.4	207.1
2006						
March	162.5	234.3	107.5	129.6	121.9	216.2
June	169.1	236.4	108.4	130.6	122.9	221.4
September	173.0	237.7	108.5	132.2	124.5	219.8
December	173.9	239.5	108.1	132.9	124.7	218.0
2007						
March	169.9	241.6	107.7	134.2	123.6	225.7
June	172.8	243.6	109.2	135.3	125.5	230.5

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

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

<i>Period</i>	<i>Transportation</i>	<i>Communication</i>	<i>Recreation</i>	<i>Education</i>	<i>Financial and insurance services(b)</i>	<i>All groups</i>
2003-04	142.0	110.0	130.0	223.3	..	143.5
2004-05	146.8	111.1	130.7	238.7	..	147.0
2005-06	155.5	109.5	132.0	253.2	101.2	151.7
2006-07	158.0	110.8	133.8	264.6	103.0	156.1
2003						
June	139.4	108.9	131.5	214.8	..	141.3
September	141.3	109.7	130.0	215.1	..	142.1
December	140.7	109.9	131.1	215.1	..	142.8
2004						
March	141.7	110.0	129.7	231.4	..	144.1
June	144.1	110.4	129.3	231.5	..	144.8
September	145.2	110.9	129.9	231.5	..	145.4
December	147.2	111.2	130.9	231.7	..	146.5
2005						
March	145.8	111.6	131.8	245.7	..	147.5
June	148.8	110.6	130.1	245.9	100.0	148.4
September	153.7	109.8	131.7	246.0	100.1	149.8
December	153.0	109.0	131.7	246.3	101.6	150.6
2006						
March	155.0	109.5	132.5	260.1	101.0	151.9
June	160.2	109.6	132.0	260.2	102.2	154.3
September	160.8	110.3	133.0	258.0	102.5	155.7
December	154.7	110.8	134.8	258.0	103.0	155.5
2007						
March	155.8	111.0	133.9	270.9	102.8	155.6
June	160.5	111.2	133.3	271.3	103.7	157.5

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(b) Base: June quarter 2005 = 100.0.

(a) Unless otherwise specified, 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 contents and services</i>	<i>Health</i>
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)						
2003-04	3.0	4.3	-0.5	4.4	0.1	6.8
2004-05	1.6	3.5	-1.7	3.8	-0.3	5.4
2005-06	4.8	3.4	-1.4	3.6	1.2	4.5
2006-07	6.2	3.2	-0.7	3.4	2.0	4.7

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)						
2003						
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
2004						
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
2005						
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
September	3.3	3.5	-1.8	3.9	0.8	4.6
December	3.6	3.3	-0.5	3.6	0.9	4.2
2006						
March	4.2	3.3	-1.7	3.3	1.8	4.6
June	8.3	3.6	-1.7	3.5	1.4	4.6
September	9.9	3.2	-1.8	3.3	2.4	5.0
December	8.6	3.5	-2.0	3.2	1.9	5.3
2007						
March	4.6	3.1	0.2	3.5	1.4	4.4
June	2.2	3.0	0.7	3.6	2.1	4.1

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)						
2003						
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
2004						
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
2005						
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
September	0.8	1.0	0.2	1.4	0.3	-1.1
December	1.8	0.5	-0.2	0.6	0.7	-1.1
2006						
March	1.4	1.3	-2.5	0.6	-0.4	4.4
June	4.1	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	2.4
September	2.3	0.5	0.1	1.2	1.3	-0.7
December	0.5	0.8	-0.4	0.5	0.2	-0.8
2007						
March	-2.3	0.9	-0.4	1.0	-0.9	3.5
June	1.7	0.8	1.4	0.8	1.5	2.1

<i>Period</i>	<i>Transportation</i>	<i>Communication</i>	<i>Recreation</i>	<i>Education</i>	<i>Financial and insurance services</i>	<i>All groups</i>
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)						
2003-04	1.0	1.4	-1.4	6.3	..	2.4
2004-05	3.4	1.0	0.5	6.9	..	2.4
2005-06	5.9	-1.4	1.0	6.1	..	3.2
2006-07	1.6	1.2	1.4	4.5	1.8	2.9

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)						
2003						
June	0.1	2.4	0.3	5.0	..	2.7
September	1.8	1.7	-1.4	4.9	..	2.6
December	0.3	1.4	-0.6	4.8	..	2.4
2004						
March	-1.4	1.1	-2.0	7.8	..	2.0
June	3.4	1.4	-1.7	7.8	..	2.5
September	2.8	1.1	-0.1	7.6	..	2.3
December	4.6	1.2	-0.2	7.7	..	2.6
2005						
March	2.9	1.5	1.6	6.2	..	2.4
June	3.3	0.2	0.6	6.2	..	2.5
September	5.9	-1.0	1.4	6.3	..	3.0
December	3.9	-2.0	0.6	6.3	..	2.8
2006						
March	6.3	-1.9	0.5	5.9	..	3.0
June	7.7	-0.9	1.5	5.8	2.2	4.0
September	4.6	0.5	1.0	4.9	2.4	3.9
December	1.1	1.7	2.4	4.8	1.4	3.3
2007						
March	0.5	1.4	1.1	4.2	1.8	2.4
June	0.2	1.5	1.0	4.3	1.5	2.1

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)						
2003						
June	-3.0	0.1	-0.7	0.0	..	0.0
September	1.4	0.7	-1.1	0.1	..	0.6
December	-0.4	0.2	0.8	0.0	..	0.5
2004						
March	0.7	0.1	-1.1	7.6	..	0.9
June	1.7	0.4	-0.3	0.0	..	0.5
September	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.0	..	0.4
December	1.4	0.3	0.8	0.1	..	0.8
2005						
March	-1.0	0.4	0.7	6.0	..	0.7
June	2.1	-0.9	-1.3	0.1	..	0.6
September	3.3	-0.7	1.2	0.0	0.1	0.9
December	-0.5	-0.7	0.0	0.1	1.5	0.5
2006						
March	1.3	0.5	0.6	5.6	-0.6	0.9
June	3.4	0.1	-0.4	0.0	1.2	1.6
September	0.4	0.6	0.8	-0.8	0.3	0.9
December	-3.8	0.5	1.4	0.0	0.5	-0.1
2007						
March	0.7	0.2	-0.7	5.0	-0.2	0.1
June	3.0	0.2	-0.4	0.1	0.9	1.2

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FOOD									
2005									
June	156.4	154.5	157.4	160.3	156.5	153.1	151.4	159.6	156.2
September	158.0	156.0	157.2	161.9	157.4	153.4	152.4	159.4	157.4
December	161.0	158.1	160.8	165.5	159.7	156.1	154.4	164.3	160.2
2006									
March	163.1	160.6	164.7	167.7	160.9	157.8	158.4	165.8	162.5
June	170.3	167.0	171.1	174.7	166.4	161.9	162.3	173.0	169.1
September	174.8	170.7	175.1	179.3	169.3	165.1	165.5	174.0	173.0
December	175.5	171.7	176.1	179.3	170.4	167.6	167.3	175.3	173.9
2007									
March	170.5	168.2	171.5	175.6	168.0	165.2	164.1	172.1	169.9
June	172.8	171.8	174.8	177.6	171.3	167.4	167.2	175.7	172.8
ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO									
2005									
June	235.0	227.5	224.5	234.4	214.1	217.5	218.9	213.6	228.1
September	237.7	230.1	225.5	237.7	215.2	217.7	222.7	215.2	230.3
December	238.0	231.5	227.8	238.7	215.9	220.5	224.3	217.3	231.4
2006									
March	240.2	235.3	230.1	241.9	219.1	221.8	226.1	219.9	234.3
June	243.5	237.3	231.1	243.4	220.3	222.6	227.3	221.7	236.4
September	244.2	238.2	232.1	245.7	223.5	224.4	230.7	223.7	237.7
December	245.9	241.2	233.4	245.9	224.3	225.4	231.6	224.8	239.5
2007									
March	247.2	243.4	236.2	250.2	225.7	226.5	233.5	227.7	241.6
June	249.3	244.6	239.6	252.4	228.3	229.7	235.0	228.6	243.6
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR									
2005									
June	112.5	111.7	104.1	111.1	105.6	104.1	103.6	112.7	110.3
September	113.2	110.9	105.0	111.0	105.4	105.5	103.6	113.9	110.5
December	112.5	111.8	104.6	110.5	104.5	105.0	104.9	113.3	110.3
2006									
March	110.8	108.8	98.9	109.1	100.5	103.5	102.8	113.0	107.5
June	111.5	109.5	101.0	109.3	101.7	104.3	104.1	113.4	108.4
September	111.5	109.0	103.1	109.3	101.6	104.2	105.1	113.1	108.5
December	111.1	109.0	102.0	108.1	102.8	102.3	104.0	110.2	108.1
2007									
March	110.8	108.4	103.8	105.6	101.7	102.2	103.6	110.4	107.7
June	111.1	112.0	103.6	107.5	102.3	102.6	105.1	113.4	109.2
HOUSING									
2005									
June	132.0	113.9	136.6	126.2	124.1	129.4	140.5	131.1	126.2
September	133.6	115.5	138.3	127.3	126.9	130.9	142.0	133.5	128.0
December	134.4	115.6	139.7	127.9	129.7	131.4	143.7	134.4	128.8
2006									
March	134.7	115.9	140.6	129.4	132.2	133.6	146.5	135.2	129.6
June	135.4	116.1	142.2	129.4	135.2	134.8	149.6	136.7	130.6
September	137.2	116.4	143.9	131.2	138.7	135.8	153.8	140.2	132.2
December	137.5	117.4	144.8	131.4	139.7	135.7	157.4	140.9	132.9
2007									
March	138.3	118.6	147.4	132.5	141.3	137.4	158.9	141.8	134.2
June	139.5	119.2	149.4	132.9	142.9	139.6	160.5	142.5	135.3

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HOUSEHOLD CONTENTS AND SERVICES									
2005									
June	120.0	121.4	124.2	120.7	118.3	129.8	113.0	126.7	121.2
September	120.3	122.3	123.5	121.6	119.0	130.7	113.1	127.8	121.6
December	120.9	123.3	124.8	121.9	119.3	131.5	114.3	129.3	122.4
2006									
March	120.4	122.7	124.5	122.1	118.5	130.9	114.3	129.7	121.9
June	121.2	123.5	126.0	122.7	119.4	131.4	115.0	131.5	122.9
September	122.6	125.6	127.4	124.9	120.9	131.8	115.6	131.7	124.5
December	122.5	125.6	128.0	124.1	122.4	132.0	117.3	132.3	124.7
2007									
March	121.5	124.8	127.3	122.6	120.6	132.2	117.2	130.4	123.6
June	122.9	126.3	129.3	125.2	123.2	133.8	118.6	133.7	125.5
HEALTH									
2005									
June	197.7	224.4	214.4	218.2	200.5	234.2	196.2	209.1	211.6
September	195.3	221.9	211.2	215.5	199.3	230.8	194.8	208.9	209.3
December	193.0	219.8	207.5	214.4	198.7	228.2	193.6	205.7	207.1
2006									
March	201.9	229.2	219.7	221.7	204.8	238.2	199.2	216.2	216.2
June	206.8	233.7	225.9	228.6	210.4	245.0	205.0	219.7	221.4
September	206.1	231.4	223.1	226.4	209.6	241.3	202.9	217.3	219.8
December	203.2	230.9	220.6	225.8	208.7	239.2	204.8	214.5	218.0
2007									
March	209.9	239.0	230.9	231.9	216.0	247.0	213.2	224.3	225.7
June	215.3	242.7	235.3	236.9	221.6	253.9	216.2	227.0	230.5
TRANSPORTATION									
2005									
June	150.7	148.3	147.2	151.5	147.3	145.1	141.6	145.8	148.8
September	154.7	153.9	152.0	157.4	152.1	150.0	144.3	151.6	153.7
December	153.6	153.1	151.4	156.5	152.1	150.1	146.7	152.1	153.0
2006									
March	155.6	155.5	153.3	158.1	154.0	150.2	148.2	153.2	155.0
June	160.9	160.8	158.6	163.2	158.9	155.0	152.2	159.5	160.2
September	161.3	161.3	159.5	163.9	159.8	154.7	153.6	159.3	160.8
December	155.2	154.9	154.0	157.6	154.7	146.9	148.4	152.1	154.7
2007									
March	156.3	155.8	154.9	158.4	156.0	149.4	148.4	152.7	155.8
June	160.7	160.5	159.6	163.8	161.5	154.6	153.5	159.1	160.5
COMMUNICATION									
2005									
June	110.1	110.4	114.1	112.0	108.9	111.5	102.3	109.2	110.6
September	109.3	109.6	113.3	111.2	108.1	110.8	101.6	108.5	109.8
December	108.5	108.8	112.4	110.4	107.3	110.0	100.8	107.7	109.0
2006									
March	109.0	109.3	112.9	110.9	107.8	110.4	101.3	108.2	109.5
June	109.1	109.4	113.0	111.0	107.9	110.5	101.4	108.3	109.6
September	109.8	110.0	113.8	111.7	108.6	111.3	102.0	108.9	110.3
December	110.4	110.3	114.4	112.2	109.2	111.8	102.5	109.5	110.8
2007									
March	110.6	110.5	114.7	112.4	109.4	112.0	102.7	109.7	111.0
June	110.7	110.7	114.8	112.6	109.5	112.2	102.8	109.9	111.2

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RECREATION									
2005									
June	133.3	130.4	125.7	130.7	127.1	126.9	107.3	127.2	130.1
September	134.7	132.0	126.7	132.1	129.0	128.7	111.1	129.5	131.7
December	134.7	132.0	127.6	132.1	129.2	129.1	108.3	128.9	131.7
2006									
March	135.2	133.3	128.7	132.5	130.3	130.2	106.7	129.8	132.5
June	134.8	132.2	128.4	131.7	130.3	129.1	108.6	130.1	132.0
September	135.7	133.3	129.1	133.2	130.6	132.4	112.9	131.4	133.0
December	137.5	134.3	130.1	135.7	134.3	134.0	113.1	133.1	134.8
2007									
March	136.5	134.6	129.2	133.1	132.2	133.6	110.7	132.2	133.9
June	136.8	132.8	128.7	132.9	131.3	131.7	111.7	131.4	133.3
EDUCATION									
2005									
June	254.7	234.7	265.9	283.0	227.9	250.0	174.1	227.2	245.9
September	254.6	234.8	266.6	283.2	227.9	250.0	174.3	227.2	246.0
December	254.7	235.3	266.7	283.4	227.9	250.4	174.3	227.6	246.3
2006									
March	271.8	246.4	279.5	299.9	241.6	259.7	180.8	241.7	260.1
June	272.0	246.4	279.8	300.1	241.6	259.7	180.8	241.8	260.2
September	270.9	245.7	270.9	295.9	241.2	254.0	174.8	234.1	258.0
December	271.0	245.8	271.0	296.0	241.2	254.0	174.8	234.2	258.0
2007									
March	284.2	255.2	288.5	308.8	260.5	263.6	184.8	249.1	270.9
June	284.4	255.8	289.2	308.8	260.5	263.6	184.8	249.1	271.3
FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE SERVICES (b)									
2005									
June	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
September	100.8	100.2	99.4	99.3	98.7	99.9	98.9	100.1	100.1
December	101.9	102.2	100.9	100.5	100.5	101.4	99.4	102.2	101.6
2006									
March	101.2	101.5	100.4	100.3	100.3	100.3	98.4	101.3	101.0
June	102.4	102.8	101.4	100.8	102.1	100.7	99.3	102.4	102.2
September	102.8	103.5	101.5	101.3	101.8	100.8	99.5	102.8	102.5
December	103.5	103.3	102.0	101.5	102.6	102.2	100.1	103.6	103.0
2007									
March	103.1	103.3	102.0	101.4	102.3	102.4	101.2	103.4	102.8
June	103.8	104.5	102.9	102.1	103.0	103.3	102.4	104.3	103.7

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(b) Base: June quarter 2005 = 100.0.

Group, sub-group and expenditure class									Weighted
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	average of eight capital cities
Food	0.33	0.53	0.48	0.29	0.47	0.35	0.46	0.49	0.43
Dairy and related products	0.00	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.00	0.02
Milk	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01
Cheese	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02
Ice cream and other dairy products	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.01	0.00
Bread and cereal products	0.02	0.06	0.01	-0.05	0.02	-0.01	0.06	-0.05	0.02
Bread	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.02	-0.02	0.03	0.00	0.02
Cakes and biscuits	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.02	0.00	0.02	0.03	-0.02	0.01
Breakfast cereals	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.02	0.00	-0.02	-0.01	-0.02	0.00
Other cereal products	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01
Meat and seafoods	0.00	0.04	0.02	-0.04	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.02
Beef and veal	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.02	-0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01
Lamb and mutton	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01
Pork	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	0.02	0.00	0.00
Poultry	0.00	0.01	0.01	-0.01	0.01	0.02	-0.02	0.00	0.01
Bacon and ham	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.03	0.00	-0.02	-0.03	0.01	-0.01
Other fresh and processed meat	0.00	0.01	0.00	-0.02	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.01	0.00
Fish and other seafood	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.00
Fruit and vegetables	0.22	0.31	0.27	0.25	0.27	0.22	0.27	0.37	0.27
Fruit	0.15	0.15	0.16	0.12	0.14	0.18	0.10	0.20	0.14
Vegetables	0.07	0.16	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.04	0.17	0.17	0.12
Non-alcoholic drinks and snack food	0.04	0.03	0.08	0.07	0.01	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.04
Soft drinks, waters and juices	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.02	0.04
Snacks and confectionery	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.02	-0.03	0.01	0.00
Meals out and take away foods	0.03	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.09	0.02	0.03	0.09	0.06
Restaurant meals	0.01	0.01	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.02	0.04	0.02
Take away and fast foods	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.01	0.06	0.03
Other food	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.01	-0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01
Eggs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Jams, honey and sandwich spreads	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tea, coffee and food drinks	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01
Food additives and condiments	0.01	0.00	-0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00
Fats and oils	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Food n.e.c.	0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	0.01	0.00
Alcohol and tobacco	0.08	0.05	0.15	0.11	0.13	0.19	0.09	0.04	0.09
Alcoholic drinks	0.08	0.03	0.12	0.10	0.10	0.15	0.06	0.03	0.08
Beer	0.07	0.01	0.07	0.12	0.09	0.05	0.01	0.06	0.05
Wine	0.00	0.01	0.03	-0.02	0.02	0.08	0.04	-0.02	0.01
Spirits	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.02
Tobacco	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.01
Clothing and footwear	0.02	0.20	-0.02	0.12	0.03	0.02	0.07	0.17	0.08
Men's clothing	0.02	0.02	0.00	-0.02	-0.01	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.01
Men's outerwear	0.02	0.02	0.02	-0.02	-0.01	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.01
Men's underwear, nightwear and socks	0.00	0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.00
Women's clothing	0.01	0.10	0.00	0.02	-0.02	-0.01	0.01	0.05	0.03
Women's outerwear	0.00	0.08	0.01	-0.02	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	0.04	0.02
Women's underwear, nightwear and hosiery	0.01	0.03	-0.01	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.02
Children's and infants' clothing	0.00	0.01	-0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00
Footwear	-0.07	0.01	-0.04	-0.01	0.00	-0.02	-0.01	-0.03	-0.02
Men's footwear	-0.02	0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.02	-0.01	-0.03	-0.01
Women's footwear	-0.04	0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.00	-0.03	0.01	0.00	-0.02
Children's footwear	-0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Accessories and clothing services	0.04	0.06	0.04	0.12	0.05	0.01	0.03	0.11	0.05
Accessories	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.11	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.11	0.05
Clothing services and shoe repair	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01

(a) All groups index points.

Group, sub-group and expenditure class									Weighted
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	average of eight capital cities
Housing	0.24	0.15	0.47	0.08	0.38	0.48	0.36	0.16	0.25
Rents	0.14	0.08	0.24	0.08	0.20	0.08	0.20	0.18	0.14
Utilities	0.00	-0.04	0.00	-0.22	0.00	0.04	0.01	-0.04	-0.03
Electricity	0.00	-0.05	0.00	-0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.03
Gas and other household fuels	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00	-0.04	0.01
Water and sewerage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other housing	0.11	0.10	0.23	0.22	0.18	0.36	0.15	0.03	0.14
House purchase	0.08	0.07	0.23	0.21	0.17	0.32	0.11	0.04	0.12
Property rates and charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
House repairs and maintenance	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	-0.01	0.02
Household contents and services	0.16	0.15	0.26	0.33	0.34	0.19	0.18	0.37	0.22
Furniture and furnishings	0.14	0.10	0.19	0.21	0.14	0.13	0.03	0.26	0.14
Furniture	0.12	0.09	0.13	0.15	0.09	0.09	0.01	0.19	0.12
Floor and window coverings	-0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Towels and linen	0.03	0.01	0.05	0.06	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.05	0.03
Household appliances, utensils and tools	0.02	0.02	0.00	0.04	0.09	0.03	-0.01	0.04	0.03
Major household appliances	-0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.02	0.04	0.00	-0.01	0.01	0.00
Small electric household appliances	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.01	-0.01	0.01
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	0.03	0.02	0.00	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.00	0.03	0.03
Tools	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Household supplies	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.07	0.07	0.01	0.07	0.04	0.02
Household cleaning agents	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01
Toiletries and personal care products	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.01	0.02	0.01	-0.01	0.01
Other household supplies	-0.02	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.04	-0.02	0.05	0.03	0.00
Household services	0.00	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.04	0.02	0.08	0.04	0.02
Child care	0.01	0.00	0.06	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
Hairdressing and personal care services	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.00
Other household services	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.00
Health	0.20	0.11	0.13	0.16	0.20	0.21	0.09	0.09	0.16
Health services	0.21	0.12	0.14	0.17	0.20	0.19	0.08	0.09	0.16
Hospital and medical services	0.18	0.11	0.12	0.15	0.17	0.18	0.05	0.08	0.15
Optical services	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dental services	0.02	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01
Pharmaceuticals	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00	-0.01
Transportation	0.56	0.61	0.65	0.72	0.70	0.71	0.61	0.81	0.62
Private motoring	0.56	0.58	0.65	0.72	0.70	0.70	0.61	0.81	0.62
Motor vehicles	-0.01	-0.02	0.03	0.03	0.09	0.02	0.13	0.11	0.02
Automotive fuel	0.52	0.60	0.55	0.62	0.53	0.66	0.46	0.65	0.56
Motor vehicle repair and servicing	0.04	0.00	0.01	0.05	0.07	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.03
Motor vehicle parts and accessories	0.01	0.00	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01
Other motoring charges	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Urban transport fares	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Communication	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Postal	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
Telecommunication	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01

(a) All groups index points.

Group, sub-group and expenditure class									Weighted
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra	average of eight capital cities
Recreation	0.04	-0.24	-0.05	-0.04	-0.12	-0.27	0.17	-0.12	-0.08
Audio, visual and computing	-0.04	-0.07	-0.07	-0.06	-0.07	-0.10	-0.08	-0.07	-0.07
Audio, visual and computing equipment	-0.04	-0.05	-0.04	-0.03	-0.04	-0.06	-0.05	-0.04	-0.04
Audio, visual and computing media and services	-0.01	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03	-0.04	-0.02	-0.04	-0.03
Books, newspapers and magazines	0.00	0.01	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Books	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00
Newspapers and magazines	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00
Sport and other recreation	0.06	0.00	0.04	0.07	0.05	0.11	0.05	0.01	0.04
Sports and recreational equipment	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.01	0.00
Toys, games and hobbies	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.00	-0.02	0.00
Sports participation	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01
Pets, pet foods and supplies	0.02	-0.01	0.01	0.04	0.03	0.07	0.02	0.03	0.01
Pet services including veterinary	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other recreational activities	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Holiday travel and accommodation	0.03	-0.17	-0.02	-0.04	-0.11	-0.29	0.20	-0.06	-0.06
Domestic holiday travel and accommodation	-0.12	-0.21	-0.11	-0.06	-0.06	-0.33	0.23	-0.13	-0.14
Overseas holiday travel and accommodation	0.15	0.04	0.08	0.01	-0.05	0.05	-0.03	0.07	0.07
Education	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Preschool and primary education	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Secondary education	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tertiary education	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Financial and insurance services	0.11	0.16	0.13	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.13	0.12	0.12
Financial services	0.10	0.13	0.11	0.07	0.07	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.10
Deposit and loan facilities	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.08	0.08
Other financial services	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.00	-0.01	0.05	0.03	0.01	0.02
Insurance services	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.04	-0.01	0.04	0.03	0.02
All groups	1.8	1.8	2.2	1.9	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.1	1.9

(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 2006	Mar Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007 to Jun Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2006 to Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007 to Jun Qtr 2007
Food	169.1	169.9	172.8	1.7	2.2	24.91	25.34	0.43
Dairy and related products	175.2	180.6	182.7	1.2	4.3	1.89	1.91	0.02
Milk	190.2	195.9	197.4	0.8	3.8	0.87	0.88	0.01
Cheese	153.7	159.3	164.3	3.1	6.9	0.52	0.54	0.02
Ice cream and other dairy products	165.6	170.2	169.6	-0.4	2.4	0.49	0.49	0.00
Bread and cereal products	173.7	181.3	182.6	0.7	5.1	2.81	2.83	0.02
Bread	198.1	213.1	215.6	1.2	8.8	1.09	1.11	0.02
Cakes and biscuits	161.8	167.8	168.7	0.5	4.3	1.14	1.15	0.01
Breakfast cereals	150.3	147.2	144.9	-1.6	-3.6	0.30	0.30	0.00
Other cereal products	142.4	146.2	149.2	2.1	4.8	0.27	0.28	0.01
Meat and seafoods	148.1	149.4	150.0	0.4	1.3	3.70	3.72	0.02
Beef and veal	166.0	160.8	163.9	1.9	-1.3	0.74	0.75	0.01
Lamb and mutton	215.1	208.0	213.2	2.5	-0.9	0.40	0.41	0.01
Pork	164.5	174.2	170.1	-2.4	3.4	0.25	0.25	0.00
Poultry	97.3	96.8	97.4	0.6	0.1	0.68	0.69	0.01
Bacon and ham	138.7	145.9	141.9	-2.7	2.3	0.37	0.36	-0.01
Other fresh and processed meat	158.1	160.4	160.8	0.2	1.7	0.59	0.59	0.00
Fish and other seafood	130.2	136.6	137.1	0.4	5.3	0.67	0.67	0.00
Fruit and vegetables	189.7	165.1	176.9	7.1	-6.7	3.74	4.01	0.27
Fruit	243.5	184.1	199.5	8.4	-18.1	1.76	1.90	0.14
Vegetables	152.6	153.3	162.6	6.1	6.6	1.99	2.11	0.12
Non-alcoholic drinks and snack food	167.5	174.2	176.4	1.3	5.3	3.15	3.19	0.04
Soft drinks, waters and juices	148.3	156.2	160.2	2.6	8.0	1.47	1.51	0.04
Snacks and confectionery	191.8	197.1	197.3	0.1	2.9	1.68	1.68	0.00
Meals out and take away foods	170.9	175.9	177.1	0.7	3.6	7.20	7.26	0.06
Restaurant meals	175.4	180.0	181.1	0.6	3.2	3.16	3.18	0.02
Take away and fast foods	169.3	174.6	176.0	0.8	4.0	4.05	4.08	0.03
Other food	150.4	159.0	159.9	0.6	6.3	2.42	2.43	0.01
Eggs	182.4	200.6	202.9	1.1	11.2	0.17	0.18	0.01
Jams, honey and sandwich spreads	182.5	192.6	193.7	0.6	6.1	0.24	0.24	0.00
Tea, coffee and food drinks	141.4	146.7	149.7	2.0	5.9	0.39	0.40	0.01
Food additives and condiments	131.8	139.7	140.9	0.9	6.9	0.44	0.44	0.00
Fats and oils	155.8	170.7	172.4	1.0	10.7	0.32	0.32	0.00
Food n.e.c.	149.1	155.7	154.9	-0.5	3.9	0.86	0.86	0.00
Alcohol and tobacco	236.4	241.6	243.6	0.8	3.0	10.67	10.76	0.09
Alcoholic drinks	173.2	175.8	177.8	1.1	2.7	6.81	6.89	0.08
Beer	188.9	194.4	197.9	1.8	4.8	3.09	3.14	0.05
Wine	150.3	148.3	148.8	0.3	-1.0	2.33	2.34	0.01
Spirits	171.3	177.3	179.0	1.0	4.5	1.39	1.41	0.02
Tobacco	412.3	426.3	427.7	0.3	3.7	3.86	3.87	0.01
Clothing and footwear	108.4	107.7	109.2	1.4	0.7	5.67	5.75	0.08
Men's clothing	106.7	104.8	106.1	1.2	-0.6	1.07	1.08	0.01
Men's outerwear	104.3	101.8	103.3	1.5	-1.0	0.91	0.92	0.01
Men's underwear, nightwear and socks	120.2	121.7	121.7	0.0	1.2	0.16	0.16	0.00
Women's clothing	108.8	108.5	110.4	1.8	1.5	2.01	2.04	0.03
Women's outerwear	101.9	101.5	102.7	1.2	0.8	1.61	1.63	0.02
Women's underwear, nightwear and hosiery	137.6	137.8	142.9	3.7	3.9	0.40	0.42	0.02
Children's and infants' clothing	114.7	116.0	116.5	0.4	1.6	0.59	0.59	0.00
Footwear	97.3	98.3	95.7	-2.6	-1.6	0.96	0.94	-0.02
Men's footwear	90.8	93.0	91.7	-1.4	1.0	0.27	0.26	-0.01
Women's footwear	102.0	103.3	99.5	-3.7	-2.5	0.52	0.50	-0.02
Children's footwear	98.3	97.0	95.5	-1.5	-2.8	0.18	0.18	0.00
Accessories and clothing services(b)	106.5	103.7	109.1	5.2	2.4	1.04	1.09	0.05
Accessories(b)	90.7	86.9	92.6	6.6	2.1	0.79	0.84	0.05
Clothing services and shoe repair	180.8	185.5	187.5	1.1	3.7	0.25	0.26	0.01

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

(b) Base: June quarter 1998 = 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 2006	Mar Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007 to Jun Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2006 to Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007 to Jun Qtr 2007
Housing	130.6	134.2	135.3	0.8	3.6	30.80	31.05	0.25
Rents	147.5	152.6	155.1	1.6	5.2	8.24	8.38	0.14
Utilities	162.7	170.0	169.1	-0.5	3.9	5.00	4.97	-0.03
Electricity	154.1	161.2	159.4	-1.1	3.4	2.60	2.57	-0.03
Gas and other household fuels	183.9	190.3	190.9	0.3	3.8	1.12	1.13	0.01
Water and sewerage(b)	133.4	140.2	140.2	0.0	5.1	1.28	1.28	0.00
Other housing	125.2	127.7	128.7	0.8	2.8	17.56	17.70	0.14
House purchase(b)	151.4	154.0	155.5	1.0	2.7	12.30	12.42	0.12
Property rates and charges(b)	147.9	156.2	156.2	0.0	5.6	1.91	1.91	0.00
House repairs and maintenance	162.3	163.5	164.5	0.6	1.4	3.35	3.37	0.02
Household contents and services	122.9	123.6	125.5	1.5	2.1	14.54	14.76	0.22
Furniture and furnishings	128.0	126.8	130.8	3.2	2.2	4.58	4.72	0.14
Furniture	128.1	126.7	131.7	3.9	2.8	2.85	2.97	0.12
Floor and window coverings	143.6	145.1	145.4	0.2	1.3	1.19	1.19	0.00
Towels and linen	104.4	100.4	105.9	5.5	1.4	0.54	0.57	0.03
Household appliances, utensils and tools	103.9	101.9	103.1	1.2	-0.8	2.54	2.57	0.03
Major household appliances	108.9	106.2	106.5	0.3	-2.2	0.97	0.97	0.00
Small electric household appliances	93.3	92.7	93.6	1.0	0.3	0.38	0.39	0.01
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	96.7	92.9	96.2	3.6	-0.5	0.67	0.70	0.03
Tools	110.0	111.0	110.4	-0.5	0.4	0.52	0.52	0.00
Household supplies	136.1	137.3	137.8	0.4	1.2	4.43	4.45	0.02
Household cleaning agents	129.1	130.3	132.3	1.5	2.5	0.50	0.51	0.01
Toiletries and personal care products	145.5	144.8	145.2	0.3	-0.2	1.78	1.79	0.01
Other household supplies	139.7	142.4	142.6	0.1	2.1	2.15	2.15	0.00
Household services	221.0	232.2	234.1	0.8	5.9	2.99	3.01	0.02
Child care	226.5	251.3	255.6	1.7	12.8	0.83	0.85	0.02
Hairdressing and personal care services	182.9	186.8	187.8	0.5	2.7	1.19	1.19	0.00
Other household services	216.7	225.3	226.3	0.4	4.4	0.97	0.97	0.00
Health	221.4	225.7	230.5	2.1	4.1	7.44	7.60	0.16
Health services	236.5	241.2	248.2	2.9	4.9	5.67	5.83	0.16
Hospital and medical services	248.1	252.6	261.1	3.4	5.2	4.40	4.55	0.15
Optical services	146.0	147.2	147.5	0.2	1.0	0.18	0.18	0.00
Dental services	222.9	229.7	232.9	1.4	4.5	1.09	1.10	0.01
Pharmaceuticals	163.6	166.6	166.0	-0.4	1.5	1.77	1.76	-0.01
Transportation	160.2	155.8	160.5	3.0	0.2	20.35	20.97	0.62
Private motoring	157.1	152.2	157.1	3.2	0.0	19.20	19.82	0.62
Motor vehicles	98.3	99.5	99.7	0.2	1.4	7.29	7.31	0.02
Automotive fuel	227.6	199.9	218.1	9.1	-4.2	6.15	6.71	0.56
Motor vehicle repair and servicing	148.8	151.4	152.8	0.9	2.7	3.07	3.10	0.03
Motor vehicle parts and accessories	120.0	123.0	124.2	1.0	3.5	1.08	1.09	0.01
Other motoring charges	205.1	214.3	214.9	0.3	4.8	1.62	1.62	0.00
Urban transport fares	212.1	218.4	220.0	0.7	3.7	1.14	1.15	0.01
Communication	109.6	111.0	111.2	0.2	1.5	4.93	4.94	0.01
Postal	137.0	139.5	141.9	1.7	3.6	0.17	0.17	0.00
Telecommunication	107.3	108.6	108.7	0.1	1.3	4.76	4.77	0.01

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(b) Base: June quarter 1998 = 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 2006	Mar Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007 to Jun Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2006 to Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007	Jun Qtr 2007	Mar Qtr 2007 to Jun Qtr 2007
Recreation	132.0	133.9	133.3	-0.4	1.0	17.64	17.56	-0.08
Audio, visual and computing	50.9	48.9	48.1	-1.6	-5.5	3.97	3.90	-0.07
Audio, visual and computing equipment	26.3	24.6	24.0	-2.4	-8.7	1.94	1.90	-0.04
Audio, visual and computing media and services	97.9	96.9	96.0	-0.9	-1.9	2.03	2.00	-0.03
Books, newspapers and magazines	208.7	213.1	213.6	0.2	2.3	1.31	1.31	0.00
Books(b)	124.3	126.4	126.4	0.0	1.7	0.67	0.67	0.00
Newspapers and magazines(b)	141.1	144.6	145.5	0.6	3.1	0.64	0.64	0.00
Sport and other recreation	165.8	170.2	171.4	0.7	3.4	5.81	5.85	0.04
Sports and recreational equipment(b)	86.1	86.1	85.9	-0.2	-0.2	0.79	0.79	0.00
Toys, games and hobbies(b)	96.0	94.5	95.5	1.1	-0.5	0.74	0.74	0.00
Sports participation(b)	150.4	154.6	155.1	0.3	3.1	1.15	1.16	0.01
Pets, pet foods and supplies	146.7	155.1	158.2	2.0	7.8	0.67	0.68	0.01
Pet services including veterinary	204.9	211.2	212.5	0.6	3.7	0.71	0.71	0.00
Other recreational activities(b)	142.2	148.4	149.4	0.7	5.1	1.76	1.77	0.01
Holiday travel and accommodation	137.5	142.5	141.1	-1.0	2.6	6.56	6.50	-0.06
Domestic holiday travel and accommodation	146.2	155.1	149.7	-3.5	2.4	3.83	3.69	-0.14
Overseas holiday travel and accommodation	126.7	127.2	130.4	2.5	2.9	2.74	2.81	0.07
Education	260.2	270.9	271.3	0.1	4.3	4.47	4.47	0.00
Preschool and primary education(c)	146.5	157.6	158.6	0.6	8.3	0.90	0.90	0.00
Secondary education(c)	147.8	158.3	158.3	0.0	7.1	1.61	1.61	0.00
Tertiary education(c)	129.8	130.2	130.2	0.0	0.3	1.96	1.96	0.00
Financial and insurance services(d)	102.2	102.8	103.7	0.9	1.5	14.19	14.31	0.12
Financial services(d)	101.9	102.3	103.2	0.9	1.3	11.85	11.95	0.10
Deposit and loan facilities(d)	101.0	100.3	101.6	1.3	0.6	6.65	6.73	0.08
Other financial services(d)	103.0	105.0	105.4	0.4	2.3	5.20	5.22	0.02
Insurance services	257.8	261.7	263.8	0.8	2.3	2.34	2.36	0.02
All groups	154.3	155.6	157.5	1.2	2.1	155.6	157.5	1.9

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(b) Base: June quarter 1998 = 100.0.

(c) Base: June quarter 2000 = 100.0.

(d) Base: June quarter 2005 = 100.0.

SPECIAL SERIES, Weighted average of eight capital cities(a)

	INDEX NUMBERS(b)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS) (INDEX POINTS)		CHANGE IN POINTS CONTRIBUTION
	<i>Jun Qtr</i>	<i>Mar Qtr</i>	<i>Jun Qtr</i>	<i>Mar Qtr 2007 to</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2006 to</i>	<i>Mar Qtr</i>	<i>Jun Qtr</i>	<i>Mar Qtr 2007 to</i>
	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2007</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2007</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>Jun Qtr 2007</i>
All groups	154.30	155.6	157.5	1.2	2.1	155.6	157.5	1.9
Selected components								
Goods component	153.9	153.5	155.8	1.5	1.2	90.46	91.85	1.39
Services component	156.2	160.1	161.3	0.7	3.3	65.17	65.67	0.50
Tradables component(c)	118.8	116.9	119.2	2.0	0.3	63.88	65.15	1.27
Non-tradables component(c)	135.6	139.2	140.2	0.7	3.4	91.74	92.37	0.63
All groups excluding								
Food	151.4	152.8	154.6	1.2	2.1	130.71	132.18	1.47
Alcohol and tobacco	148.5	149.6	151.5	1.3	2.0	144.95	146.76	1.81
Clothing and footwear	157.3	158.8	160.7	1.2	2.2	149.95	151.77	1.82
Housing	157.8	158.4	160.5	1.3	1.7	124.82	126.47	1.65
Household contents and services	159.0	160.4	162.4	1.2	2.1	141.08	142.77	1.69
Health	151.1	152.3	154.1	1.2	2.0	148.19	149.93	1.74
Transportation	153.4	155.7	157.1	0.9	2.4	135.28	136.55	1.27
Communication	155.3	156.6	158.6	1.3	2.1	150.69	152.58	1.89
Recreation	157.5	158.8	161.0	1.4	2.2	137.98	139.97	1.99
Education	152.9	154.1	156.0	1.2	2.0	151.16	153.05	1.89
Financial and insurance services	161.1	162.5	164.6	1.3	2.2	141.43	143.21	1.78
Housing and Financial and insurance services	158.4	159.0	161.2	1.4	1.8	110.63	112.16	1.53
Hospital and medical services	151.8	153.1	154.9	1.2	2.0	151.22	152.97	1.75

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(c) Base: June quarter 1998 = 100.0.

ANALYTICAL SERIES, Index numbers(a)(b)

Period	All groups	All groups excluding Housing and Financial and insurance services	All groups excluding 'volatile items'	MARKET GOODS AND SERVICES EXCLUDING 'VOLATILE ITEMS'				
				Goods	Services	Total	Tradables(c)	Non-tradables(c)
2003-04	143.5	147.3	150.8	141.6	157.7	146.1	111.5	125.1
2004-05	147.0	150.3	154.0	143.2	161.5	148.4	112.6	129.6
2005-06	151.7	155.2	157.6	145.6	165.2	151.2	116.0	133.9
2006-07	156.1	159.8	161.7	148.2	170.0	154.6	118.5	138.6
2003								
June	141.3	145.5	148.9	140.8	155.6	144.9	111.4	121.7
September	142.1	145.9	149.8	141.3	156.2	145.5	111.1	123.3
December	142.8	146.6	150.3	141.4	157.9	146.1	111.1	124.4
2004								
March	144.1	147.9	151.1	141.5	158.0	146.1	111.8	125.8
June	144.8	148.6	151.8	142.0	158.6	146.7	112.0	126.7
September	145.4	148.8	152.5	142.2	159.9	147.2	111.9	127.8
December	146.5	149.9	153.4	143.1	161.2	148.2	112.6	128.8
2005								
March	147.5	150.8	154.7	143.4	162.5	148.8	112.5	130.5
June	148.4	151.7	155.3	144.2	162.4	149.3	113.4	131.1
September	149.8	153.2	156.2	144.9	163.4	150.2	114.8	132.2
December	150.6	153.7	156.9	145.3	164.8	150.9	114.8	133.3
2006								
March	151.9	155.4	158.1	145.7	165.6	151.4	115.7	134.5
June	154.3	158.4	159.1	146.4	166.8	152.3	118.8	135.6
September	155.7	159.7	160.3	147.3	168.2	153.4	119.8	136.9
December	155.5	159.2	161.1	147.8	170.1	154.4	118.1	138.0
2007								
March	155.6	159.0	162.1	148.3	170.3	154.8	116.9	139.2
June	157.5	161.2	163.3	149.5	171.3	155.9	119.2	140.2

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

(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 excluding Housing and Financial and insurance services			MARKET GOODS AND SERVICES EXCLUDING 'VOLATILE ITEMS'					RBA CONSUMER PRICE MEASURES	
	All groups		All groups excluding 'volatile items'	Goods	Services	Total	Tradables	Non-tradables	Weighted median	Trimmed mean
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)										
2003-04	2.4	1.9	2.3	1.4	1.9	1.6	0.2	4.3	2.7	2.5
2004-05	2.4	2.0	2.1	1.1	2.4	1.6	1.0	3.6	2.5	2.6
2005-06	3.2	3.3	2.3	1.7	2.3	1.9	3.0	3.3	2.7	2.6
2006-07	2.9	3.0	2.6	1.8	2.9	2.2	2.2	3.5	3.0	2.8
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)										
2003										
June	2.7	2.3	2.7	1.9	2.5	2.0	1.0	4.1	2.9	2.7
September	2.6	2.2	2.6	2.1	1.8	2.0	0.7	4.1	2.8	2.7
December	2.4	1.8	2.4	1.6	2.2	1.8	0.0	4.4	2.7	2.5
2004										
March	2.0	1.4	2.1	1.1	1.8	1.3	-0.5	4.1	2.5	2.4
June	2.5	2.1	1.9	0.9	1.9	1.2	0.5	4.1	2.7	2.4
September	2.3	2.0	1.8	0.6	2.4	1.2	0.7	3.6	2.5	2.4
December	2.6	2.3	2.1	1.2	2.1	1.4	1.4	3.5	2.6	2.7
2005										
March	2.4	2.0	2.4	1.3	2.8	1.8	0.6	3.7	2.4	2.6
June	2.5	2.1	2.3	1.5	2.4	1.8	1.3	3.5	2.5	2.6
September	3.0	3.0	2.4	1.9	2.2	2.0	2.6	3.4	2.4	2.6
December	2.8	2.5	2.3	1.5	2.2	1.8	2.0	3.5	2.5	2.3
2006										
March	3.0	3.1	2.2	1.6	1.9	1.7	2.8	3.1	2.8	2.6
June	4.0	4.4	2.4	1.5	2.7	2.0	4.8	3.4	3.0	2.8
September	3.9	4.2	2.6	1.7	2.9	2.1	4.4	3.6	3.2	2.9
December	3.3	3.6	2.7	1.7	3.2	2.3	2.9	3.5	3.0	2.9
2007										
March	2.4	2.3	2.5	1.8	2.8	2.2	1.0	3.5	2.8	2.7
June	2.1	1.8	2.6	2.1	2.7	2.4	0.3	3.4	2.8	2.7
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)										
2003										
June	0.0	-0.3	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.5	-0.9	0.7	0.5	0.6
September	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	-0.3	1.3	0.7	0.7
December	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	1.1	0.4	0.0	0.9	0.6	0.5
2004										
March	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.6	1.1	0.6	0.6
June	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.7	0.6
September	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.3	-0.1	0.9	0.6	0.6
December	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.7
2005										
March	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.8	0.4	-0.1	1.3	0.5	0.6
June	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6	-0.1	0.3	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.7
September	0.9	1.0	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	1.2	0.8	0.6	0.6
December	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.9	0.5	0.0	0.8	0.7	0.5
2006										
March	0.9	1.1	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.8
June	1.6	1.9	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.6	2.7	0.8	0.9	0.9
September	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.7
December	-0.1	-0.3	0.5	0.3	1.1	0.7	-1.4	0.8	0.5	0.5
2007										
March	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.3	-1.0	0.9	0.6	0.5
June	1.2	1.4	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.7	2.0	0.7	0.9	0.9

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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>
2003-04	147.3	130.5	158.5	524.4	106.1	197.4	124.2	131.1	136.9	141.8	128.9	147.9
2004-05	150.3	132.9	161.2	560.2	106.2	204.9	125.6	134.7	139.3	146.2	131.1	149.7
2005-06	155.2	r136.8	162.6	646.6	106.1	210.4	126.9	138.2	142.2	152.6	133.1	152.8
2006-07	159.8	139.5	164.7	681.5	106.4	215.4	127.6	138.4	143.8	155.6	135.0	156.9
2003												
June	145.5	130.0	157.7	503.3	106.5	193.7	122.4	130.3	135.8	140.1	127.7	147.1
September	145.9	129.9	156.9	509.8	106.3	194.0	123.0	129.4	136.2	140.6	128.1	147.1
December	146.6	130.3	158.2	523.2	106.1	195.8	123.3	131.1	136.0	140.6	128.1	147.7
2004												
March	147.9	130.6	159.0	526.4	105.8	199.1	125.1	131.2	136.9	141.8	129.2	147.9
June	148.6	131.3	160.0	538.3	106.2	200.5	125.3	132.6	138.6	144.0	130.2	148.9
September	148.8	131.8	160.0	539.1	106.2	203.2	125.7	134.5	138.5	144.3	130.6	148.6
December	149.9	132.8	161.6	553.0	106.8	203.0	125.6	134.2	138.9	145.7	130.6	149.5
2005												
March	150.8	133.1	161.4	571.4	105.6	206.0	125.4	133.9	139.2	146.2	131.2	149.7
June	151.7	133.9	161.9	577.1	106.1	207.3	125.6	136.2	140.6	148.6	131.8	151.1
September	153.2	r135.3	162.1	589.5	105.8	208.7	126.3	139.8	141.9	150.9	132.8	151.4
December	153.7	r136.1	162.6	655.1	106.1	208.8	127.1	138.5	141.5	152.0	132.9	152.3
2006												
March	155.4	r136.7	162.2	668.6	105.9	211.4	127.2	136.0	141.9	152.4	132.8	152.5
June	158.4	138.9	163.4	673.3	106.5	212.5	127.1	138.6	143.6	155.2	133.7	154.9
September	159.7	139.5	164.0	681.5	106.8	214.3	127.3	138.5	143.3	155.7	134.2	156.0
December	159.2	138.8	164.3	nya	106.5	213.6	127.9	137.7	142.2	153.4	134.2	157.1
2007												
March	159.0	r139.3	164.8	nya	105.8	215.7	127.7	137.2	143.7	154.8	135.1	157.7
June	161.2	140.4	165.7	nya	nya	218.1	nya	140.3	145.9	158.5	136.5	nya

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Period	Australia	New Zealand	Hong Kong	Indonesia	Japan	Korea, Republic of	Singapore	Taiwan	Canada	United States of America	Germany	United Kingdom
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)												
2003-04	1.9	0.3	-0.3	5.8	-0.3	3.4	1.5	0.5	1.3	2.1	1.2	1.4
2004-05	2.0	1.8	1.7	6.8	0.1	3.8	1.1	2.7	1.8	3.1	1.7	1.2
2005-06	3.3	r2.9	0.9	15.4	-0.1	2.7	1.0	2.6	2.1	4.4	1.5	2.1
2006-07	3.0	2.0	1.3	5.4	0.3	2.4	0.6	0.1	1.1	2.0	1.4	2.7

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)

2003												
June	2.3	0.6	-2.1	6.2	-0.3	3.2	0.3	-0.1	2.5	2.0	0.7	1.7
September	2.2	0.3	-2.0	6.1	-0.3	3.1	0.7	-0.8	1.6	2.1	0.8	1.8
December	1.8	0.0	-1.0	4.9	-0.4	3.5	0.9	0.0	1.1	1.7	1.0	1.6
2004												
March	1.4	0.0	0.4	5.1	-0.2	3.3	2.0	0.8	0.5	1.5	1.0	1.3
June	2.1	1.0	1.5	7.0	-0.3	3.5	2.4	1.8	2.1	2.8	2.0	1.2
September	2.0	1.5	2.0	5.7	-0.1	4.7	2.2	3.9	1.7	2.6	2.0	1.0
December	2.3	1.9	2.1	5.7	0.7	3.7	1.9	2.4	2.1	3.6	2.0	1.2
2005												
March	2.0	1.9	1.5	8.5	-0.2	3.5	0.2	2.1	1.7	3.1	1.5	1.2
June	2.1	2.0	1.2	7.2	-0.1	3.4	0.2	2.7	1.4	3.2	1.2	1.5
September	3.0	r2.6	1.3	9.3	-0.4	2.7	0.5	3.9	2.5	4.6	1.7	1.9
December	2.5	r2.5	0.6	18.5	-0.7	2.9	1.2	3.2	1.9	4.3	1.8	1.9
2006												
March	3.1	r2.7	0.5	17.0	0.3	2.6	1.4	1.6	1.9	4.2	1.2	1.9
June	4.4	3.7	0.9	16.7	0.4	2.5	1.2	1.8	2.1	4.4	1.4	2.5
September	4.2	r3.1	1.2	15.6	1.0	2.7	0.8	-0.9	1.0	3.2	1.1	3.0
December	3.6	r1.9	1.0	nya	0.4	2.3	0.6	-0.6	0.5	0.9	1.0	3.2
2007												
March	2.3	r1.9	1.6	nya	-0.1	2.0	0.4	0.9	1.3	1.6	1.7	3.4
June	1.8	1.1	1.4	nya	nya	2.6	nya	1.2	1.6	2.1	2.1	nya

PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)

2003												
June	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	-0.2	0.2	-0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.8
September	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	1.3	-0.2	0.2	0.5	-0.7	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.0
December	0.5	0.3	0.8	2.6	-0.2	0.9	0.2	1.3	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4
2004												
March	0.9	0.2	0.5	0.6	-0.3	1.7	1.5	0.1	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.1
June	0.5	0.5	0.6	2.3	0.4	0.7	0.2	1.1	1.2	1.6	0.8	0.7
September	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.3	0.3	1.4	-0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2
December	0.7	0.7	1.0	2.6	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.6
2005												
March	0.6	0.2	-0.1	3.3	-1.1	1.5	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.1
June	0.6	0.6	0.3	1.0	0.5	0.6	0.2	1.7	1.0	1.6	0.5	0.9
September	1.0	r1.0	0.1	2.1	-0.3	0.7	0.6	2.6	0.9	1.5	0.8	0.2
December	0.3	r0.6	0.3	11.1	0.3	0.0	0.6	-0.9	-0.3	0.7	0.1	0.6
2006												
March	1.1	r0.4	-0.2	2.1	-0.2	1.2	0.1	-1.8	0.3	0.3	-0.1	0.1
June	1.9	r1.6	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.5	-0.1	1.9	1.2	1.8	0.7	1.6
September	0.8	0.4	0.4	1.2	0.3	0.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	0.4	0.7
December	-0.3	-0.5	0.2	nya	-0.3	-0.3	0.5	-0.6	-0.8	-1.5	0.0	0.7
2007												
March	-0.1	r0.4	0.3	nya	-0.7	1.0	-0.2	-0.4	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.4
June	1.4	0.8	0.5	nya	nya	1.1	nya	2.3	1.5	2.4	1.0	nya

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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 contents and services
health
transportation
communication
recreation
education
financial and insurance services.

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, 2005* (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 90 expenditure classes (that is, groupings of like items) in the fifteenth 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 fifteen series of price indexes which have been linked to form a continuous series. The current weighting pattern for the CPI for the weighted average of the eight capital cities is published in *A Guide to the Consumer Price Index, 15th Series* (cat. no. 6440.0). The 15th series weighting pattern for the weighted average of eight capital cities and for each of the eight capital cities, as well as each city's percentage contribution to the weighted average, are also published in the *Consumer Price Index: 15th Series Weighting Pattern (Reissue)* (cat. no. 6430.0) (electronic publication). Both publications 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:
Jun Quarter 2007	157.5 (see table 1)
less Mar Quarter 2007	155.6 (see table 1)
Change in index points	1.9
Percentage change	$1.9/155.6 \times 100 = 1.2\%$

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 0.02 index points to the total All groups index number of 157.5 for June Quarter 2007. 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, sub-groups 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 excluding Financial and insurance services*: Reflecting the changing composition of the CPI, from September quarter 1989 to June quarter 1998, comprises the All groups CPI excluding house insurance, house contents insurance, vehicle insurance and mortgage interest charges and consumer credit charges; from September quarter 1998 to June quarter 2000 comprises the All groups CPI excluding house insurance, house contents insurance and vehicle insurance; from September quarter 2000 to June quarter 2005 comprises the All groups CPI excluding insurance services; from September quarter 2005 comprises the All groups CPI excluding Financial and insurance services.
- *All groups excluding Housing and Financial and insurance services*: Reflecting the changing composition of the CPI, from September quarter 1989 to June quarter 1998, comprises the All groups CPI excluding Housing, house contents insurance, vehicle insurance and consumer credit charges; from September quarter 1998 to June quarter 2000 comprises the All groups CPI excluding Housing, house insurance, house contents insurance and vehicle insurance; from September quarter 2000 to June quarter 2005 comprises the All groups CPI excluding Housing and insurance services; from September quarter 2005 comprises the All groups CPI excluding Housing and Financial and insurance services.

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SPECIAL SERIES *continued*

- *All groups, goods component*: comprises the Food group (except Restaurant meals expenditure class), Alcohol and tobacco group, Clothing and footwear group (except Clothing services and shoe repair expenditure class) and Household contents and services group (except Household services sub-group); 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 and Pets, pet foods and supplies 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.
- *RBA measures 'Weighted median' and 'Trimmed mean'*: These measures are calculated following the methodology adopted by the Reserve Bank of Australia. The 'Trimmed mean' is calculated by ordering the CPI expenditure class components by their price change in the quarter and taking the expenditure weighted average of the middle 70 per cent of these price changes. The 'Weighted median' is the price change of the component in the middle of this ordering. For calculating the 'Weighted median' and 'Trimmed mean' series, where CPI components are identified as having a seasonal pattern, quarterly price changes are estimated on a seasonally adjusted basis. Seasonal adjustment factors are calculated using the history of price changes up to the current quarter CPI and are revised each quarter. These revisions to the seasonal adjustment factors lead to revisions in the 'Weighted median' and 'Trimmed mean' series. Movements in the series from one period to another are expressed as percentage changes (see paragraph 9).

13 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, Child care, Health, Other motoring charges, Urban transport fares, Postal, and Education. A detailed description of the special and analytical series was published in Appendix 1 to the September quarter 2005 issue of *Consumer Price Index, Australia* (cat. no. 6401.0).

14 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.

ROUNDING

15 The CPI uses a hierarchy of rounding procedures to ensure consistency between published index numbers and percentage changes. However, rounding differences can arise in the "points contributions" published in tables 6, 7 and 8 because of the different levels of precision required in those data.

INTERNATIONAL COMPARISONS

16 In analysing price movements in Australia, an important consideration is Australia's performance relative to other countries. However, a simple comparison of All groups (or headline) CPIs is often inappropriate because of the different measurement approaches used by countries for certain products, particularly housing and financial and insurance services. To provide a better basis for international comparisons, the Seventeenth International Conference of Labour Statisticians adopted a resolution which called for countries to 'if possible, compile and provide for dissemination to the international

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

INTERNATIONAL COMPARISONS *continued*

community an index that excludes housing and financial services' in addition to the all-items index.

17 Table 11 aims to present indexes for selected countries on a basis consistent with the above resolution and comparable to the Australian series 'All groups excluding Housing and Financial services' (see paragraph 12). However, other than Australia and New Zealand, the countries represented in this table are yet to develop indexes on this basis, so the indexes presented here are consistent with the series previously published for 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.

18 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 housing and financial services or data to enable their derivation.

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19 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.

20 Users may also wish to refer to the following publications and other data products that are available free of charge from the ABS web site:

- *Average Retail Prices of Selected Items, Eight Capital Cities* (cat. no. 6403.0.55.001)
- *Information Paper: Experimental Price Indexes for Financial Services* (cat. no. 6413.0)
- *House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities* (cat. no. 6416.0)
- *Consumer Price Index: 15th Series Weighting Pattern (Reissue)* (cat. no. 6430.0)
- *A Guide to the Consumer Price Index, 15th Series* (cat. no. 6440.0)
- *Consumer Price Index: Concordance with Household Expenditure Classification, Australia* (cat. no. 6446.0.55.001)
- *Consumer Price Index Standard Data Report: Capital Cities Index Numbers by Expenditure Class* (cat. no. 6455.0.55.001)
- *Information Paper: The Introduction of Hedonic Price Indexes for Personal Computers* (cat. no. 6458.0)
- *Australian Consumer Price Index: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 2005* (cat. no. 6461.0)
- *Information Paper: Introduction of the 15th Series Australian Consumer Price Index 2005 (Reissue)* (cat. no. 6462.0)
- *Information Paper: Consumer Price Index with Reserve Bank of Australia Consumer Price Measures, Australia, 2007* (cat. no. 6401.0.55.002).

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21 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 Lee Taylor on (02) 6252 6251 or to the National Information and Referral Service on 1300 135 070.

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