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Summary

Headline¹ CPI inflation change (quarterly):

Brisbane	0.7%
Australia ²	0.6%

Headline CPI inflation change (annual):

Brisbane	3.2%
Australia	3.1%

Market sector goods and services (core CPI) inflation change (Australia):

Quarter	0.6%
Annual	2.0%

¹ Headline CPI refers to All Groups.

² Australia refers to the weighted average of the eight capital cities.

Commentary

- Brisbane's headline consumer price index (CPI) increased 0.7% in June quarter 2010, to be 3.2% higher over the year. In annual terms, Brisbane recorded the second-largest increase (along with Darwin) in headline consumer prices for all capital cities in Australia, behind Perth, which rose 3.5% over the year (Table 1).
- Compared with the Australian average for June quarter 2010, Brisbane recorded stronger contributions from the CPI groups of *Transportation*, *Household contents and services*, *Finance and insurance services* and *Alcohol and tobacco*. These were partly offset by detractions from the *Food* and *Clothing and footwear* groups (Figure 1).
- For Brisbane, the *Alcohol and tobacco* group made the largest contribution to inflation in the June quarter (0.42 of a percentage point). Within the *Alcohol and tobacco* category, *Tobacco* increased 15.5% in the quarter.
- For Brisbane, the *Recreation* group recorded the largest detraction from inflation in the June quarter (-0.15 of a percentage point). Within the *Recreation* category, *Audio, visual and computing equipment* decreased by 8.2% in the quarter.
- Australia's CPI for market sector goods and services, which excludes more volatile items, increased 0.6% in June quarter 2010, with annual inflation of 2.0%.

Table 1: Percentage change in the CPI

Capital City	June quarter 2010		March quarter 2010	
	Quarterly	Yearly	Quarterly	Yearly
Sydney	0.4	2.9	0.8	3.0
Melbourne	0.6	3.1	1.3	2.8
Brisbane	0.7	3.2	0.7	3.0
Adelaide	0.7	2.8	0.6	2.6
Perth	0.9	3.5	1.1	3.4
Hobart	0.4	3.0	0.8	3.2
Darwin	0.8	3.2	0.5	3.5
Canberra	0.3	2.3	0.6	2.6
Australia	0.6	3.1	0.9	2.9

Figure 1: Quarterly CPI contributions, by group, June quarter 2010

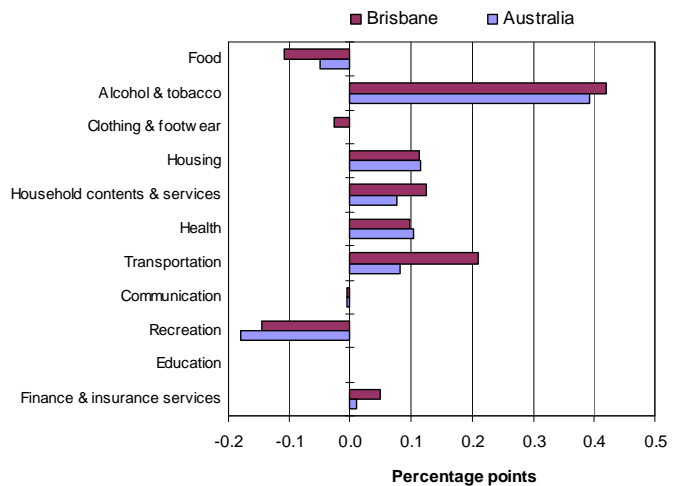


Figure 2: CPI annual change, Australia

