

Consumer Price Index, June quarter 2015

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Key data

Headline¹ CPI inflation change (quarterly):

Brisbane..... ↑ 0.7%
 Australia² ↑ 0.7%

Headline CPI inflation change (annual):

Brisbane..... ↑ 1.5%
 Australia..... ↑ 1.5%

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

Quarter..... ↑ 0.3%
 Annual..... ↑ 1.6%

¹ Headline CPI refers to All Groups.

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

Main findings

- Brisbane's headline consumer price index (CPI) increased 0.7% in June quarter 2015, to be 1.5% higher over the year. In annual terms, Brisbane recorded the second-highest increase while Sydney recorded the largest increase for all capital cities in Australia (see Table 1).
- Compared with the weighted average of eight capital cities for June quarter 2015, Brisbane recorded stronger contributions from the CPI groups of *Furnishings, household equipment and services* and *Transport*. These were partly offset by detractions from the *Food and non-alcoholic beverages*, *Recreation and culture* and *Communication* groups (see Figure 1).
- For Brisbane, the *Transport* group made the largest contribution to inflation in June quarter 2015 (0.39 of a percentage point). Within the *Transport* group, *Automotive fuel* increased 13.0% in the quarter.
- For Brisbane, the *Food and non-alcoholic beverages* group recorded the largest detraction from inflation in June quarter 2015 (-0.12 of a percentage point). Within the *Food and non-alcoholic beverages* group, *Fruit* decreased 5.7% in the quarter.
- Australia's CPI for market sector goods and services, which excludes more volatile items, increased 0.3% in June quarter 2015, with an annual inflation rate of 1.6% (see Figure 2).

Table 1: Percentage change in the CPI

Capital city	June qtr 2015		March qtr 2015	
	Quarterly	Yearly	Quarterly	Yearly
Brisbane	0.7	1.5	0.0	1.4
Sydney	0.9	2.2	0.5	1.6
Melbourne	0.7	1.1	0.1	1.0
Adelaide	0.5	1.2	0.1	1.1
Perth	0.6	1.2	0.1	1.4
Hobart	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.9
Darwin	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.8
Canberra	0.4	0.8	-0.1	0.6
Australia	0.7	1.5	0.2	1.3

Figure 1: Quarterly CPI contributions, by group, June quarter 2015

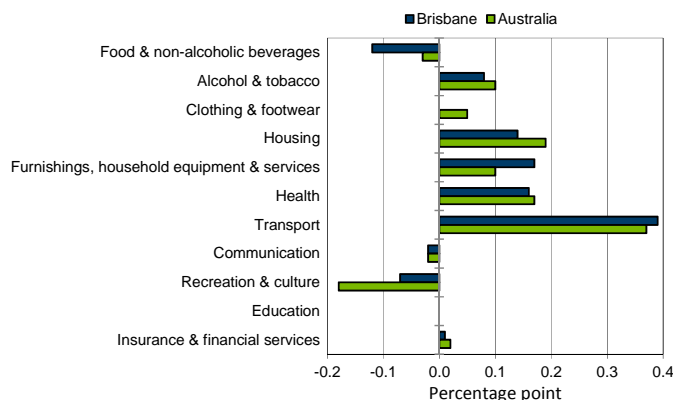


Figure 2: CPI annual change, Australia

