

Consumer Price Index, December 2025

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, *Consumer Price Index, Australia*, released 28 January 2026, 10:30 am (AEST)

Key data

Monthly change in headline^(a) CPI:

Brisbane↑ 1.0%

Australia^(b)↑ 1.0%

Annual change in headline CPI:

Brisbane↑ 5.2%

Australia↑ 3.8%

Trimmed mean^(c) change (Australia):

Monthly↑ 0.2%

Annual↑ 3.3%

(a) Headline CPI refers to All Groups.

(b) Australia refers to the weighted average of the eight capital cities.

(c) Trimmed mean removes large price movements in either direction and provides a measure of underlying inflation each month.

Main findings

- Brisbane's headline consumer price index (CPI) increased 1.0% in December 2025, resulting in an annual inflation of 5.2%. In annual terms Brisbane recorded the largest inflation figure of all capital cities in Australia (Table 1).
- Compared with the weighted average of the eight capital cities for the year ending December 2025, Brisbane recorded stronger contributions from the CPI groups of 'Housing', 'Furnishings, household equipment and services', and 'Alcohol and tobacco' (Figure 1).
- For Brisbane, the 'Housing' group made the largest contribution to inflation over the year to December 2025 (2.39 percentage points). Within this group, the 'Electricity' subgroup increased 456.1% over the year, reflecting the unwinding of electricity rebates from a year earlier.
- For Brisbane, there were no groups that recorded a detractor from inflation over the year to December 2025.
- Australia's trimmed mean inflation, which excludes more volatile items, increased 0.2% in December 2025 with an annual inflation rate of 3.3% (Figure 2).

Table 1 Percentage change in the CPI, December 2025

| Capital city | Monthly | Annual |
|------------------|------------|------------|
| Brisbane | 1.0 | 5.2 |
| Sydney | 1.1 | 3.7 |
| Melbourne | 0.9 | 3.1 |
| Adelaide | 0.8 | 3.3 |
| Perth | 0.7 | 4.4 |
| Hobart | 0.8 | 3.8 |
| Darwin | 0.6 | 3.1 |
| Canberra | 0.7 | 3.3 |
| Australia | 1.0 | 3.8 |

Figure 1 CPI contributions, by group, December 2025

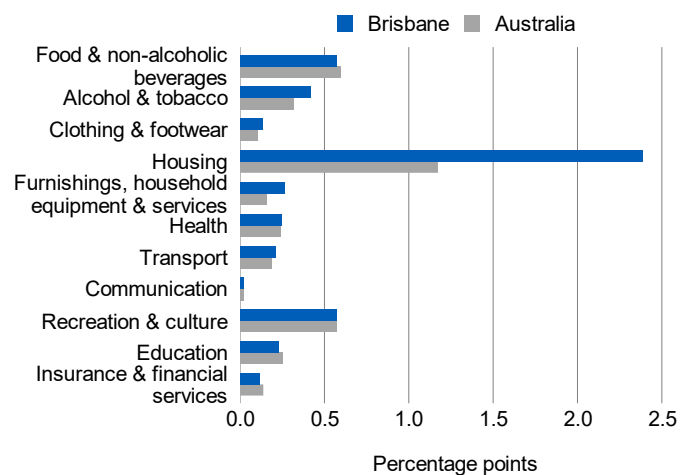
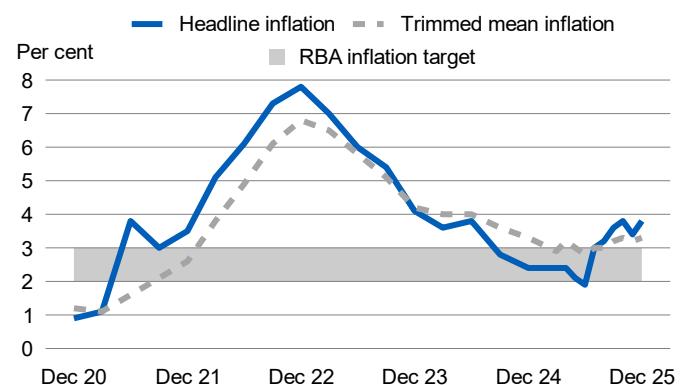


Figure 2 CPI change, Australia, year ending^(d)



(d) Based on a quarterly frequency to March 2025 and a monthly frequency from April 2025 onwards.

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