

# Monthly consumer price index

November 2025 | Economic brief

## National result

The national consumer price index (CPI) increased by 3.4% over the year to November 2025.

The largest contributors to the year-ended result were:

- housing (up by 5.2% contributing 1.12 percentage points (ppt)), mainly driven by electricity
- food and non-alcoholic beverages (up by 3.3 % contributing 0.58 ppt), mainly driven by restaurant meals
- transportation (up by 2.7% contributing 0.30 ppt), mainly driven by automotive fuel.

In seasonally adjusted terms, national CPI increased by 0.2% in November 2025, to be 3.5% higher over the year.

National trimmed mean CPI increased by 0.3% in the month, to be 3.2% higher over the year (Chart 1). The increase in national trimmed mean is tracking in line with the December quarter forecast (3.2%) from the latest RBA Statement of Monetary Policy.

	Darwin	Australia
Year-ended change (original)	↑3.2%	↑3.4%
Year-ended change (seasonally adjusted)	n.a.	↑3.5%

## Darwin result (original)

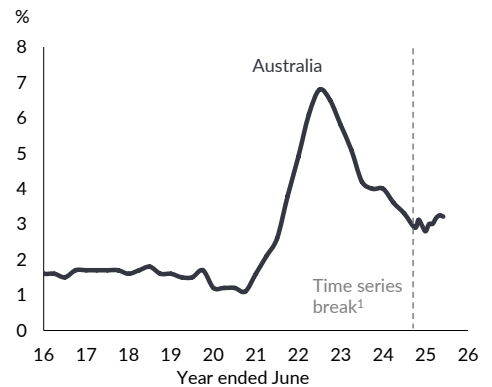
The Darwin CPI increased by 3.2% over the year to November 2025 (Chart 2). This was third lowest result of the capital cities, which ranged from an increase of 2.8% in Perth to an increase of 5.1% in Brisbane (Chart 3).

The largest contributors to the year-ended result were:

- food and non-alcoholic beverages (up by 3.2% contributing 0.61 ppt), mainly driven by takeaway and fast foods
- housing (up by 3.1% contributing 0.55 ppt), mainly driven by rents
- transportation (up by 4.3% contributing 0.50 ppt), mainly driven by automotive fuel.

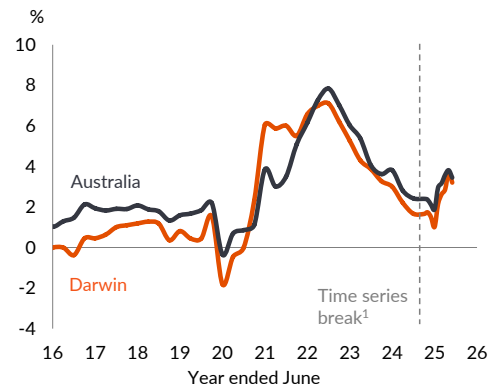
Over the year to November 2025, the price of both goods and services increased by 3.2%. Nationally, the price of goods increased by 3.3% while the price of services increased by 3.6%.

Chart 1: Trimmed mean consumer price index (monthly, year-ended change, seasonally adjusted)



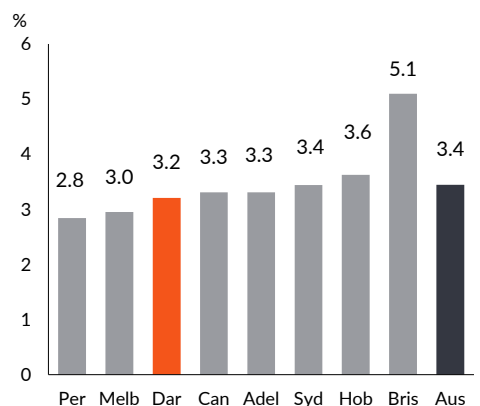
1 Data up to March 25 is from the former quarterly publication. Source: DTF; ABS, Consumer Price Index

Chart 2: Consumer price index (monthly, year-ended change, original)



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Chart 3: Capital cities consumer price index (monthly, year-ended change, original)



Source: DTF; ABS, Consumer Price Index

### 3-month average (rolling) result

The new monthly data series is inherently more volatile than the previous quarterly series and is too short for reliable seasonal adjustment, a 3-month average reduces this volatility.

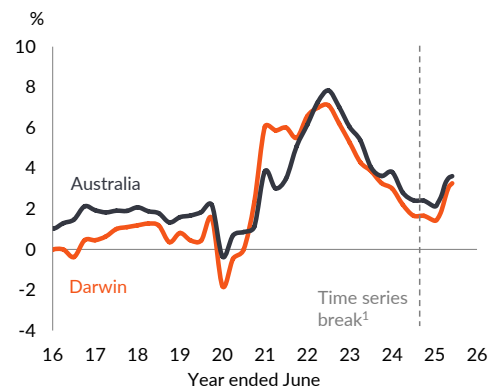
The Darwin CPI (3-month average) increased by 3.3% over the year to November 2025 (Chart 4). This was the third lowest result of the capital cities, which ranged from an increase of 3.0% in Melbourne to an increase of 5.2% in Brisbane (Chart 5). Nationally, the 3-month average CPI increased by 3.6% over the year to November 2025.

### Quarterly result (September quarter 2025)

The Darwin CPI increased by 2.6% over the year to the September quarter 2025. This was the third lowest result of the capital cities, which ranged from an increase of 2.4% in Adelaide to an increase of 4.9% in Brisbane. Nationally, the CPI increased by 3.2% over the year to the September quarter 2025.

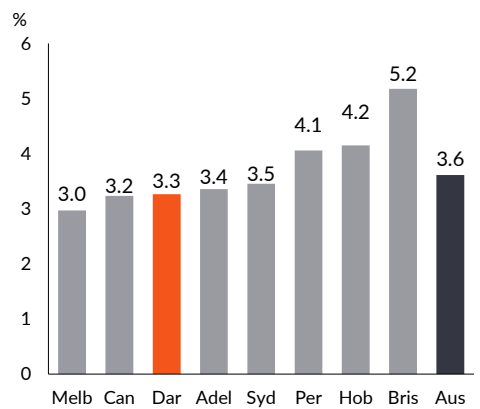
The updated quarterly data indexed to September 2025 will be published in the December 2025 publication, to be released on 28 January 2026.

Chart 4: Consumer price index (3-month average, year-ended change, original)



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Chart 5: Capital cities consumer price index (3-month average, year-ended change, original)



Source: DTF; ABS, Consumer Price Index

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Table 1: Consumer price index (original)

	Period			Change		Contribution to change	
	Nov 24	Oct 25	Nov 25	Monthly <sup>1</sup>	Year-ended <sup>2</sup>	Monthly <sup>1</sup>	Year-ended <sup>2</sup>
<b>Darwin</b>	<b>97.0</b>	<b>100.2</b>	<b>100.1</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>-0.07 ppt</b>	<b>3.21 ppt</b>
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	97.2	100.0	100.3	0.3%	3.2%	0.06 ppt	0.61 ppt
Alcohol and tobacco	96.5	99.2	100.7	1.6%	4.4%	0.16 ppt	0.44 ppt
Clothing and footwear	94.6	102.0	100.2	-1.8%	5.9%	-0.05 ppt	0.16 ppt
Housing	97.5	100.3	100.5	0.2%	3.1%	0.03 ppt	0.55 ppt
Furnishings, household equipment and services	97.7	100.0	99.7	-0.3%	2.0%	-0.03 ppt	0.18 ppt
Health	95.5	100.4	98.8	-1.5%	3.4%	-0.09 ppt	0.20 ppt
Transportation	96.1	100.6	100.2	-0.4%	4.3%	-0.05 ppt	0.50 ppt
Communication	99.1	99.9	100.3	0.5%	1.3%	0.01 ppt	0.03 ppt
Recreation and culture	97.2	100.4	99.5	-0.9%	2.3%	-0.12 ppt	0.29 ppt
Education	95.1	100.0	100.0	0.0%	5.2%	0.00 ppt	0.17 ppt
Insurance and financial services	98.8	100.1	100.1	0.0%	1.4%	0.00 ppt	0.07 ppt
<b>Australia</b>	<b>96.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>0.02 ppt</b>	<b>3.45 ppt</b>
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	97.3	100.2	100.5	0.4%	3.3%	0.07 ppt	0.58 ppt
Alcohol and tobacco	96.0	100.0	100.1	0.1%	4.3%	0.01 ppt	0.28 ppt
Clothing and footwear	94.2	102.2	99.0	-3.1%	5.1%	-0.10 ppt	0.16 ppt
Housing	95.3	99.2	100.3	1.1%	5.2%	0.24 ppt	1.12 ppt
Furnishings, household equipment and services	98.5	100.7	99.8	-0.9%	1.3%	-0.07 ppt	0.10 ppt
Health	96.0	100.0	99.5	-0.5%	3.6%	-0.04 ppt	0.25 ppt
Transportation	98.0	100.3	100.6	0.3%	2.7%	0.04 ppt	0.30 ppt
Communication	98.9	99.8	100.2	0.4%	1.3%	0.01 ppt	0.03 ppt
Recreation and culture	96.9	99.8	98.8	-1.1%	2.0%	-0.13 ppt	0.24 ppt
Education	94.9	100.0	100.0	0.0%	5.4%	0.00 ppt	0.25 ppt
Insurance and financial services	97.8	100.2	100.3	0.1%	2.5%	0.00 ppt	0.14 ppt
<b>Trimmed mean CPI (seasonally adjusted)</b>							
Darwin	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a.	n.a.		
Australia	101.9	104.9	105.2	0.3%	3.2%		

n.a.: not available

1 Compares the latest month with the previous month.

2 Compares the latest month with the same month last year.

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance; ABS Consumer Price Index

Term	Definition
Consumer price index	The consumer price index tracks changes in the price of a 'basket' of goods and services that is representative of expenditure by metropolitan households.

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