

Fuel price report

Australia

September quarter 2026

Average prices from 1 July to 30 September 2026, from every service station reporting a price

Capital cities U91

198.9 c/L

+21.8 c/L on the June quarter 2026

Capital cities diesel

238.9 c/L

+12.6 c/L on the June quarter 2026

Australia U91 average

203.9 c/L

+20.4 c/L on the June quarter 2026

Australia diesel average

244.4 c/L

+9.5 c/L on the June quarter 2026

The capital cities and every state and territory, what makes up a litre, wholesale and crude oil prices, excise, and the cheapest and dearest towns we could rank.

Report highlights

- 1 Across Australia, U91 averaged 203.9 c/L in the September quarter 2026, up 20.4 c/L on the June quarter 2026.
- 2 Adelaide was the cheapest capital city for U91 in the September quarter 2026 at 197.5 c/L and Canberra the dearest at 206.5 c/L.
- 3 Oakford (WA) was the cheapest town in Australia for U91 in the September quarter 2026 at 185.2 c/L.
- 4 Cessnock (NSW) was the cheapest regional centre for U91 in the September quarter 2026 at 193.3 c/L.
- 5 Filling a 60-litre tank with U91 in Cessnock (NSW) rather than in Broome (WA) saved \$25.92 on average in the September quarter 2026.
- 6 In the September quarter 2026, Tuesday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Perth and Wednesday the dearest, 13.8 c/L apart on average: \$8.28 on a 60-litre tank.
- 7 Across Australia, diesel cost 40.5 c/L more than U91 in the September quarter 2026.

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Key points

- 1 Across Australia, U91 averaged 203.9 c/L in the September quarter 2026, up 20.4 c/L on the June quarter 2026 (from 13 April, when our full price history starts).
- 2 Across Australia, diesel averaged 244.4 c/L in the September quarter 2026, up 9.5 c/L on the June quarter 2026.
- 3 Among the capital cities, Adelaide was the cheapest for U91 at 197.5 c/L and Canberra the dearest at 206.5 c/L.
- 4 The capital cities's gross indicative retail margin for U91 (the retail average less the terminal gate price) was 5.5 c/L, up 0.1 c/L on the June quarter 2026, and for diesel 8.5 c/L.
- 5 The national average terminal gate price averaged 193.4 c/L for unleaded and 230.4 c/L for diesel, up 21.7 c/L and up 22.5 c/L on the June quarter 2026.
- 6 The cheapest town we ranked for U91 was Oakford (WA) at 185.2 c/L, and the dearest Gibson Desert North (WA) at 373.3 c/L.
- 7 Fuel excise on petrol and diesel changed from 20.6 c/L to 36.6 c/L on 1 July 2026 and from 36.6 c/L to 53.7 c/L on 3 August 2026.
- 8 Brent crude averaged US\$96.3 a barrel, or 86.0 c/L in Australian dollars, with the Australian dollar at an average of 70.62 US cents.

Written from FuelRadar's station-day averages for the September quarter 2026.

Every fuel

Across Australia, U91 averaged 203.9 c/L in the September quarter 2026, up 20.4 c/L on the June quarter 2026 (from 13 April, when our full price history starts). Across Australia, diesel averaged 244.4 c/L in the September quarter 2026, up 9.5 c/L on the June quarter 2026. The other fuels averaged E10 197.5 c/L, P95 218.1 c/L, P98 226.2 c/L and LPG 108.6 c/L.

Fuel	Australia	Change	Capital cities	Rest of Australia	Difference	Stations
Unleaded 91	203.9	+20.4	198.9	207.3	+8.4	7,244
Diesel	244.4	+9.5	238.9	246.3	+7.4	4,777
E10	197.5	+20.9	196.4	198.7	+2.3	2,937
Premium 95	218.1	+21.4	215.9	220.3	+4.4	4,439
Premium 98	226.2	+21.0	224.3	227.9	+3.6	6,179
LPG	108.6	+0.1	105.0	114.5	+9.5	978

Cents a litre. Change is on the June quarter 2026, which covers the days from 13 April, when our full price history starts. Difference is the rest against the capitals.

The capital cities averaged 198.9 c/L for U91 and the rest of the country 207.3 c/L, so regional drivers paid 8.4 c/L more than the capitals. The capital cities averaged 238.9 c/L for diesel and the rest of the country 246.3 c/L, so regional drivers paid 7.4 c/L more than the capitals.

What makes up a litre in the capital cities

Of the 198.9 c/L U91 average in the capital cities, crude oil was 86.0 c/L, wholesale 42.2 c/L, excise 47.6 c/L, GST 18.1 c/L and the retail difference 5.0 c/L. Of the 238.9 c/L diesel average in the capital cities, crude oil was 86.0 c/L, wholesale 75.9 c/L, excise 47.6 c/L, GST 21.7 c/L and the retail difference 7.7 c/L. Premium 95 has no terminal gate price of its own, so its breakdown uses the unleaded price and its premium sits in the retail difference. Our retail records begin on 13 April 2026, so earlier periods show the wholesale side only.

Unleaded 91

Crude oil (Brent) Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal Excise GST Retail difference



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Cents a litre	September quarter 2026	June quarter 2026 (part)	2025 average (wholesale only)
Crude oil (Brent, A\$)	86.0	88.8	67.5
Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal	42.2	46.7	29.7
Excise	47.6	20.6	51.1
GST	18.1	16.1	—
Retail difference	5.0	4.9	—
Retail price	198.9	177.1	—
Terminal gate price	193.4	171.7	163.1
Indicative margin (retail less TGP)	5.5	5.4	—

Diesel

Crude oil (Brent) Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal Excise GST Retail difference



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Cents a litre	September quarter 2026	June quarter 2026 (part)	2025 average (wholesale only)
Crude oil (Brent, A\$)	86.0	88.8	67.5
Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal	75.9	79.6	34.0
Excise	47.6	20.6	51.1
GST	21.7	20.6	—
Retail difference	7.7	16.7	—
Retail price	238.9	226.3	—
Terminal gate price	230.4	207.9	167.9
Indicative margin (retail less TGP)	8.5	18.4	—

Premium 95

Crude oil (Brent) Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal Excise GST Retail difference



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Cents a litre	September quarter 2026	June quarter 2026 (part)	2025 average (wholesale only)
Crude oil (Brent , A\$)	86.0	88.8	67.5
Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal	42.2	46.7	29.7
Excise	47.6	20.6	51.1
GST	19.6	17.6	—
Retail difference	20.5	19.6	—
Retail price	215.9	193.3	—
Terminal gate price (unleaded)	193.4	171.7	163.1

Premium 95 has no terminal gate price of its own. We use the unleaded price, so the premium grade’s extra wholesale cost sits in its retail difference, and we give no margin for it.

Retail: FuelRadar station-day averages for the capital cities together; our retail records begin on 13 April 2026, so a period before then has the wholesale side only. Last year’s average is the previous calendar year. Until we have a full calendar year of retail prices it shows the wholesale side only: the terminal gate price, crude oil and excise. Its GST, retail difference and margin need a retail price, so they are left out. Terminal gate price: AIP, national average, carried over weekends. Crude oil is the US Energy Information Administration Brent spot price (FRED series DCOILBRETEU), converted to Australian cents a litre at each day’s exchange rate (FRED series DEXUSAL) and 158.987 litres a barrel, then averaged over the days both are published. Excise: ATO, averaged over the period’s days. Wholesale is the terminal gate price without GST and excise, less crude oil. GST is one eleventh of the retail price. The retail difference is what is left: the retailer’s costs and margin, without its GST. Bands are rounded so they add up to the retail price.

Month by month

The national U91 average was 180.4 c/L in July, 206.6 c/L in August and 225.5 c/L in September. The national diesel average was 210.1 c/L in July, 251.4 c/L in August and 272.4 c/L in September.

Area	U91, cents a litre				Diesel, cents a litre			
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Quarter	Jul	Aug	Sep	Quarter
Australia	180.4	206.6	225.5	203.9	210.1	251.4	272.4	244.4
Capital cities	174.5	201.6	221.4	198.9	203.3	245.8	268.7	238.9
Rest of Australia	184.5	210.0	228.3	207.3	212.5	253.4	273.8	246.3

Each month is the station-day average of the days it has in the period. An area’s months count the same stations as its quarter.

Gross indicative retail margins

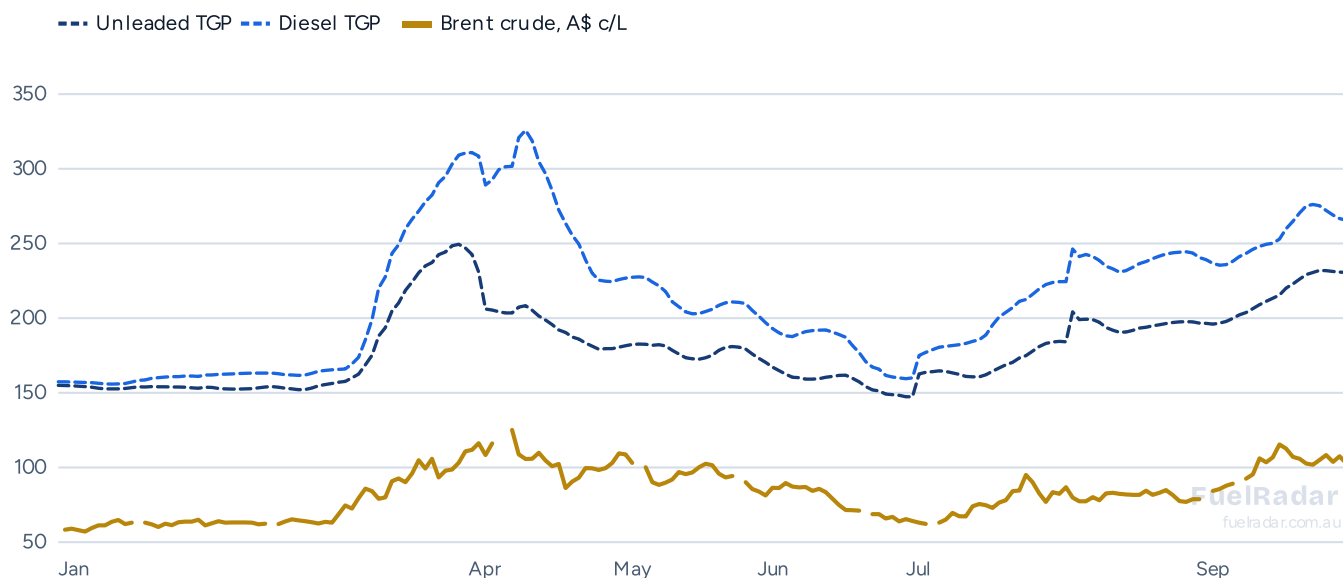
The capital cities's gross indicative retail margin for U91 (the retail average less the terminal gate price) was 5.5 c/L, up 0.1 c/L on the June quarter 2026, and for diesel 8.5 c/L. By month, the U91 margin was 5.4 c/L in July, 6.6 c/L in August and 4.6 c/L in September.

Area	U91 margin, cents a litre				Diesel margin, cents a litre			
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Quarter	Jul	Aug	Sep	Quarter
Terminal gate price (national)	169.1	195.0	216.8	193.4	197.3	238.4	256.3	230.4
Australia	11.3	11.6	8.7	10.5	12.8	13.0	16.1	14.0
Capital cities	5.4	6.6	4.6	5.5	6.0	7.4	12.4	8.5
Rest of Australia	15.4	15.0	11.5	13.9	15.2	15.0	17.5	15.9

The gross indicative retail margin is the retail average less the terminal gate price, both with GST. It is before the retailer's own costs (rent, wages, freight to the site, card fees), so it is not profit. The terminal gate price is AIP's price at its national average. AIP publishes terminal gate prices for the capital-city terminals only, so a regional town is measured against the capital's terminal, and its margin includes the cost of getting fuel there. Weekday prices are carried over weekends and public holidays.

Market trends this year

The national average terminal gate price averaged 193.4 c/L for unleaded and 230.4 c/L for diesel, up 21.7 c/L and up 22.5 c/L on the June quarter 2026. Brent crude averaged US\$96.3 a barrel, or 86.0 c/L in Australian dollars, with the Australian dollar at an average of 70.62 US cents.



Retail: FuelRadar daily averages, from 13 April 2026 when our records begin. Terminal gate prices (dashed): AIP, national average, weekdays. Brent crude: US EIA spot price via FRED, converted at each day's exchange rate and 158.987 litres a barrel.



US cents per Australian dollar, the Federal Reserve's noon buying rate in New York, via FRED.

Excise

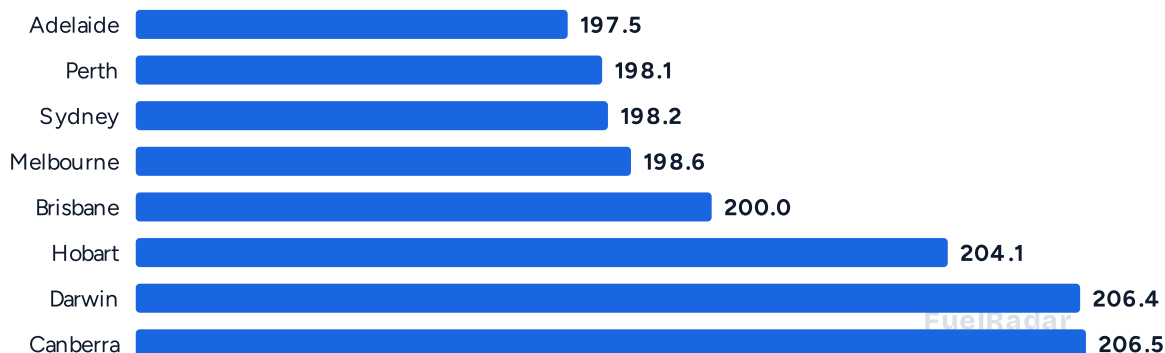
Fuel excise on petrol and diesel changed from 20.6 c/L to 36.6 c/L on 1 July 2026 and from 36.6 c/L to 53.7 c/L on 3 August 2026. Over the period it averaged 47.6 c/L a litre, before GST.

Petrol and diesel excise	Rate (c/L, before GST)	Change
In force on 1 July 2026	36.6	
From 1 July 2026 (Partial restoration; still a temporarily reduced rate, 1 July to 2 August 2026)	36.6	+ 16.0
From 3 August 2026 (Full rate restored, indexed by the CPI factor of 1.020)	53.7	+ 17.1
Average over the days of 1 July to 30 September 2026	47.6	

Source: Australian Taxation Office, <https://www.ato.gov.au/businesses-and-organisations/gst-excise-and-indirect-taxes/excise-on-fuel-and-petroleum-products/excise-duty-rates-for-fuel-and-petroleum-products>. Excise is charged on fuel as it leaves the terminal, so it is already in the terminal gate price; GST is then charged on top.

The capital cities

Among the capital cities, Adelaide was the cheapest for U91 at 197.5 c/L and Canberra the dearest at 206.5 c/L.
Among the capital cities, Adelaide was the cheapest for diesel at 233.9 c/L and Canberra the dearest at 248.2 c/L.



U91, cents a litre

Rank	Capital	Jul	Aug	Sep	Quarter	Change	Margin	Stations
1	Adelaide	172.1	202.1	218.8	197.5	+26.4	4.9	278
2	Perth	174.7	200.3	220.1	198.1	+23.0	5.9	439
3	Sydney	173.1	200.0	222.6	198.2	+20.7	4.2	677
4	Melbourne	174.1	201.9	220.3	198.6	+21.2	6.1	858
5	Brisbane	176.4	202.2	222.3	200.0	+20.7	5.8	504
6	Hobart	179.3	206.5	227.3	204.1	+23.0	7.2	59
7	Darwin	179.7	210.3	229.7	206.4	+19.1	5.2	46
8	Canberra	183.2	206.7	230.4	206.5	+25.2	12.5	38

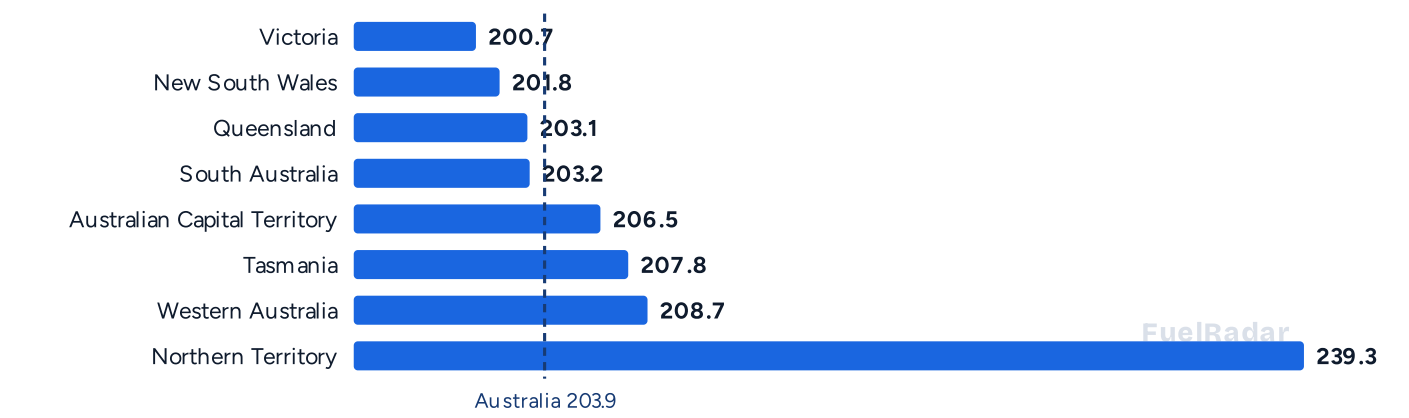
Diesel, cents a litre

Rank	Capital	Jul	Aug	Sep	Quarter	Change	Margin	Stations
1	Adelaide	200.4	240.8	269.2	233.9	+12.7	4.0	76
2	Perth	198.6	241.2	262.9	234.1	+14.5	8.7	201
3	Sydney	203.1	243.6	266.3	237.0	+13.2	5.3	253
4	Melbourne	204.0	248.0	269.6	240.5	+10.5	9.1	416
5	Brisbane	205.2	247.6	271.8	241.2	+13.8	9.3	198
6	Darwin	206.6	251.8	276.3	244.7	+15.5	3.7	48
7	Hobart	211.9	251.0	272.5	244.9	+11.2	12.4	37
8	Canberra	211.4	251.8	282.6	248.2	+4.0	16.5	13

Each capital is its ABS urban area, worked out exactly as in its own state's report. The margin is against its own terminal's gate price (Canberra uses Sydney's). Green is the cheapest capital and red the dearest.

States and territories

Victoria had the lowest U91 average at 200.7 c/L and Northern Territory the highest at 239.3 c/L. New South Wales had the lowest diesel average at 241.5 c/L and Northern Territory the highest at 273.7 c/L.



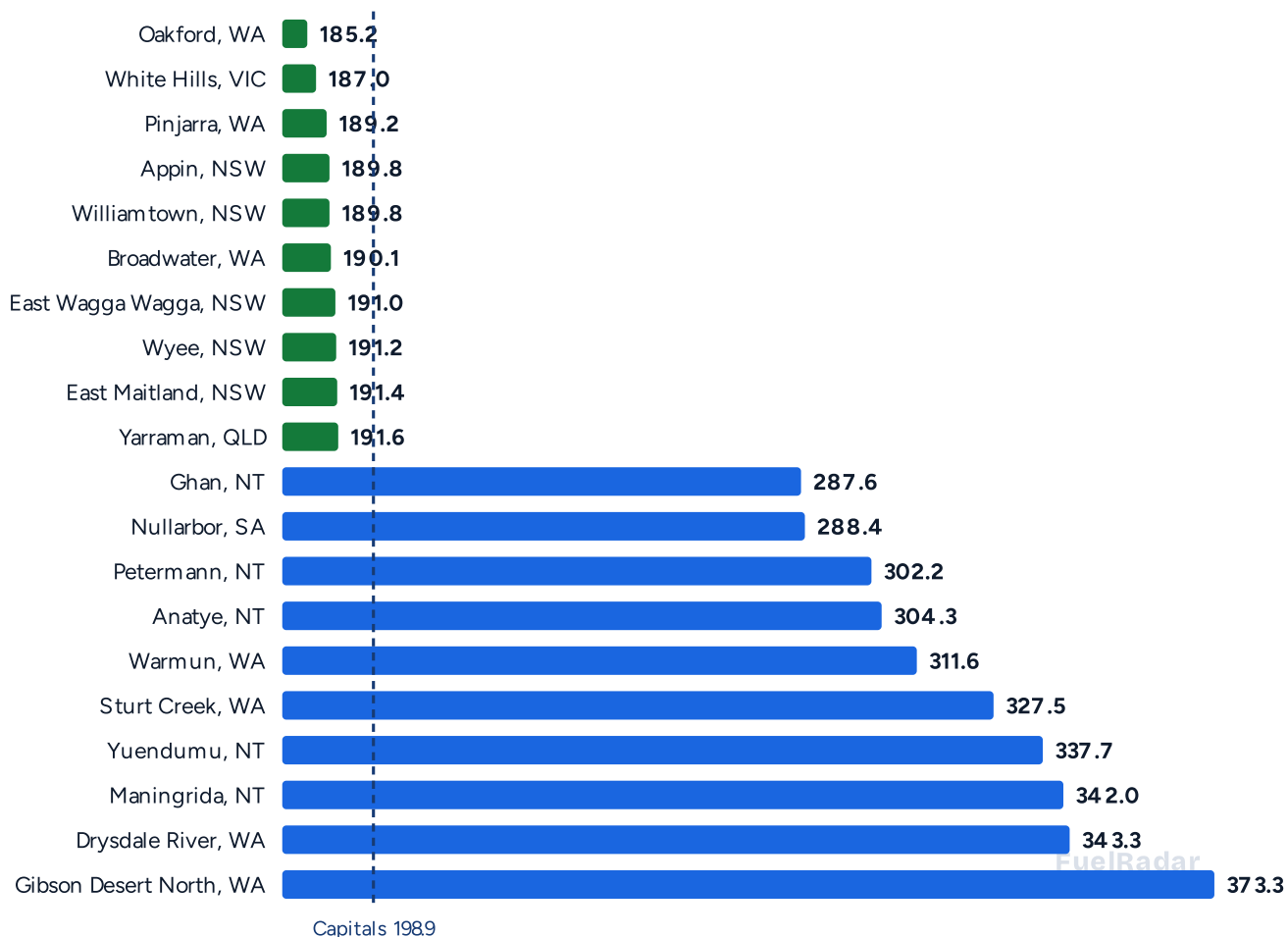
State or territory	Average	Change	Capital	Rest of state	Difference	Stations
Victoria	200.7	+20.2	198.6	203.1	+4.5	1,647
New South Wales	201.8	+19.5	198.2	203.7	+5.5	1,975
Queensland	203.1	+20.0	200.0	204.6	+4.6	1,566
South Australia	203.2	+22.3	197.5	207.9	+10.4	630
Australian Capital Territory	206.5	+25.2	206.5	—	—	38
Tasmania	207.8	+18.4	204.1	208.9	+4.8	266
Western Australia	208.7	+21.9	198.1	218.2	+20.1	932
Northern Territory	239.3	+13.5	206.4	253.1	+46.7	190

Diesel

State or territory	Average	Change	Capital	Rest of state	Difference	Stations
New South Wales	241.5	+10.8	237.0	242.7	+5.7	1,203
Victoria	241.9	+8.0	240.5	242.8	+2.3	1,051
Queensland	242.9	+8.4	241.2	243.3	+2.1	1,026
South Australia	243.7	+10.0	233.9	245.9	+12.0	389
Tasmania	246.3	+6.7	244.9	246.6	+1.7	221
Western Australia	247.4	+11.9	234.1	253.2	+19.1	662
Australian Capital Territory	248.2	+4.0	248.2	—	—	13
Northern Territory	273.7	+1.1	244.7	284.4	+39.7	212

Cheapest and dearest towns

The cheapest town we ranked for U91 was Oakford (WA) at 185.2 c/L, and the dearest Gibson Desert North (WA) at 373.3 c/L. The cheapest town we ranked for diesel was Oakford (WA) at 220.8 c/L, and the dearest Gibson Desert North (WA) at 392.3 c/L.



U91 average over the period; the dashed line is the capitals' average and green bars are towns at or below it.

Cheapest towns, U91

Town	State	Average	Change	Stations
Oakford	WA	185.2	+23.6	2
White Hills	VIC	187.0	+23.3	2
Pinjarra	WA	189.2	+20.3	3
Appin	NSW	189.8	+13.5	3
Williamtown	NSW	189.8	+18.1	2
Broadwater	WA	190.1	+19.3	2
East Wagga Wagga	NSW	191.0	+10.6	5
Wyee	NSW	191.2	+14.2	2
East Maitland	NSW	191.4	+15.8	5
Yarraman	QLD	191.6	+28.1	2

Dearest towns, U91

Town	State	Average	Change	Stations
Gibson Desert North	WA	373.3	+30.7	2
Drysdale River	WA	343.3	—	2
Maningrida	NT	342.0	—	2
Yuendumu	NT	337.7	—	2
Sturt Creek	WA	327.5	+11.8	2
Warmun	WA	311.6	-12.5	2
Anatye	NT	304.3	-63.1	3
Petermann	NT	302.2	—	2
Nullarbor	SA	288.4	+15.8	2
Ghan	NT	287.6	—	2

Cheapest towns, diesel

Town	State	Average	Change	Stations
Oakford	WA	220.8	+21.2	2
Narrogin	WA	222.2	-17.9	2
Broadwater	WA	225.7	+2.5	2
Pinjarra	WA	226.4	+9.6	3
Harden	NSW	226.7	+22.1	2
Moonyoonooka	WA	227.2	-5.1	2
Yarraman	QLD	227.3	+26.0	2
Nanango	QLD	227.5	+7.4	2
Roseneath	QLD	228.1	-3.0	2
West Busselton	WA	228.6	+4.5	2

Dearest towns, diesel

Town	State	Average	Change	Stations
Gibson Desert North	WA	392.3	+4.3	2
Maningrida	NT	377.6	-19.6	2
Drysdale River	WA	351.4	—	2
Yuendumu	NT	343.6	—	2
Sturt Creek	WA	340.0	+12.7	2
Warmun	WA	337.0	-7.0	2
Petermann	NT	333.8	-25.0	3
Anatye	NT	332.1	-19.6	3
Ghan	NT	319.2	-14.6	2
Nullarbor	SA	315.8	-0.1	2

Regional centres

Cessnock (NSW) was the cheapest of the 125 regional centres we ranked for U91 at 193.3 c/L, and Broome (WA) the dearest at 236.5 c/L.

#	Centre	State	Size	U91	vs Capital cities	Change	Diesel	Stations
1	Cessnock	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	193.3	-4.9	+16.8	230.1	10
2	Moe–Newborough	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	194.0	-4.6	+20.3	237.1	8
3	Raymond Terrace	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	195.3	-2.9	+19.5	237.6	6
4	Nowra–Bomaderry	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	195.4	-2.8	+20.9	231.9	17
5	Portland	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	195.6	-3.0	+19.9	233.6	5
6	Wagga Wagga	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	196.0	-2.2	+14.3	237.5	22
7	Muswellbrook	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	196.2	-2.0	+17.2	—	7
8	Drysdale – Clifton Springs	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	196.7	-1.9	+21.7	236.6	3
9	Maitland	NSW	50,000 to 99,999 people	196.8	-1.4	+19.4	239.2	26
10	Ballarat	VIC	100,000 to 249,999 people	197.1	-1.5	+21.8	239.6	39
11	Medowie	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	197.1	-1.1	+12.2	—	3
12	Albury	NSW	50,000 to 99,999 people	197.3	-0.9	+15.6	239.3	19
13	Busselton	WA	20,000 to 49,999 people	197.3	-0.8	+18.6	232.0	14
14	Geelong	VIC	100,000 to 249,999 people	197.3	-1.3	+20.4	236.1	48
15	Hervey Bay	QLD	50,000 to 99,999 people	197.3	-2.7	+16.7	236.4	15
16	Torquay – Jan Juc	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	197.3	-1.3	+19.9	236.6	5
17	Warwick	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	197.5	-2.5	+18.3	236.4	10
18	Leopold	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	197.7	-0.9	+22.6	—	2
19	Morwell	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	197.7	-0.9	+19.8	241.0	7
20	Albany	WA	20,000 to 49,999 people	197.8	-0.3	+18.1	233.0	15
21	Mount Gambier	SA	20,000 to 49,999 people	197.8	+0.3	+19.4	235.4	16
22	Bundaberg	QLD	50,000 to 99,999 people	197.9	-2.1	+20.3	237.9	21
23	Echuca	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	197.9	-0.7	+20.5	240.3	9
24	Nelson Bay	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	197.9	-0.3	+22.1	—	3
25	Ocean Grove – Barwon Heads	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	198.0	-0.6	+18.2	233.9	5
26	Morisset–Cooranbong	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	198.1	-0.1	+17.7	241.2	9
27	Kingaroy	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	198.2	-1.8	+20.9	234.9	5
28	St Georges Basin – Sanctuary Point	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	198.3	+0.1	+15.8	237.0	2
29	Maryborough	QLD	20,000 to 49,999 people	198.4	-1.6	+17.3	234.1	12
30	Gympie	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	198.5	-1.5	+17.5	236.9	16
31	Sunbury	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	198.5	-0.1	+22.7	—	7
32	Bunbury	WA	50,000 to 99,999 people	198.6	+0.5	+18.5	232.4	27
33	Gawler	SA	20,000 to 49,999 people	198.6	+1.1	+27.4	—	7

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34	Bendigo	VIC	100,000 to 249,999 people	198.9	+0.3	+20.9	238.1	29
35	Crafrers–Bridgewater	SA	10,000 to 19,999 people	199.0	+1.5	+25.9	240.6	5
36	Dalby	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	199.0	-1.0	+20.4	239.6	11
37	Gold Coast	QLD	250,000 to 999,999 people	199.0	-1.0	+22.5	241.5	137
38	Toowoomba	QLD	100,000 to 249,999 people	199.0	-1.0	+20.5	237.2	37
39	Goulburn	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	199.2	+1.0	+21.3	236.2	14
40	Bacchus Marsh	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	199.5	+0.9	+19.8	240.6	7
41	Lara	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	199.5	+0.9	+22.1	239.5	2
42	Newcastle	NSW	250,000 to 999,999 people	199.5	+1.3	+21.7	239.5	79
43	Bairnsdale	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	199.6	+1.0	+20.3	241.3	8
44	Kempsey	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	199.6	+1.4	+16.8	236.0	8
45	Taree	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	199.8	+1.6	+22.7	243.7	7
46	Traralgon	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	199.9	+1.3	+23.1	238.8	13
47	Warragul	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	199.9	+1.3	+21.5	242.8	8
48	Tamworth	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	200.0	+1.8	+18.0	239.2	18
49	Warrnambool	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	200.0	+1.4	+22.2	240.5	12
50	Airlie Beach – Cannonvale	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	200.1	+0.1	+19.5	237.8	6
51	Kurri Kurri	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	200.2	+2.0	+13.9	234.5	13
52	Victor Harbor	SA	10,000 to 19,999 people	200.2	+2.7	+18.2	238.4	7
53	Ballina	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	200.4	+2.2	+17.1	250.4	7
54	Geraldton	WA	20,000 to 49,999 people	200.5	+2.4	+18.8	234.8	17
55	Bathurst	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	200.6	+2.4	+20.7	241.4	12
56	Melton	VIC	50,000 to 99,999 people	200.6	+2.0	+22.4	244.6	13
57	Singleton	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	200.7	+2.5	+21.7	240.8	7
58	Sunshine Coast	QLD	250,000 to 999,999 people	200.7	+0.7	+20.5	243.4	55
59	Central Coast	NSW	250,000 to 999,999 people	201.0	+2.8	+22.7	240.3	69
60	Horsham	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	201.0	+2.4	+21.6	241.0	12
61	Tweed Heads	NSW	250,000 to 999,999 people	201.1	+2.9	+23.9	244.4	12
62	Mildura	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	201.2	+2.6	+16.5	240.7	16
63	Shepparton–Mooroopna	VIC	20,000 to 49,999 people	201.3	+2.7	+22.8	243.2	21
64	Yanchep	WA	10,000 to 19,999 people	201.6	+3.5	+24.2	—	3
65	Drouin	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	201.7	+3.1	+24.6	246.0	2
66	Bongaree–Woorim	QLD	20,000 to 49,999 people	201.9	+1.9	+22.4	—	2
67	Port Macquarie	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	201.9	+3.7	+22.3	241.6	10
68	Wallan	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	201.9	+3.3	+20.5	241.5	7

#	Centre	State	Size	U91	vs Capital cities	Change	Diesel	Stations
69	Mount Barker	SA	20,000 to 49,999 people	202.0	+4.5	+26.3	242.0	9
70	Orange	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	202.1	+3.9	+22.7	237.5	11
71	Kalgoorlie–Boulder	WA	20,000 to 49,999 people	202.2	+4.1	+19.3	238.3	11
72	Wollongong	NSW	250,000 to 999,999 people	202.2	+4.0	+22.3	238.9	65
73	Cairns	QLD	100,000 to 249,999 people	202.3	+2.3	+23.1	239.6	42
74	Colac	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	202.5	+3.9	+22.9	243.6	6
75	Townsville	QLD	100,000 to 249,999 people	202.6	+2.6	+20.8	240.6	52
76	Wangaratta	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	202.6	+4.0	+24.0	240.9	7
77	Gladstone	QLD	20,000 to 49,999 people	202.7	+2.7	+19.2	241.8	14
78	Devonport	TAS	20,000 to 49,999 people	202.8	-1.3	+18.5	241.9	14
79	Yarrabilba	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	203.1	+3.1	+22.8	—	2
80	Wodonga	VIC	50,000 to 99,999 people	203.3	+4.7	+20.9	242.6	15
81	Forster–Tuncurry	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	203.7	+5.5	+24.3	242.8	7
82	Swan Hill	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	203.7	+5.1	+16.1	241.8	8
83	Burnie–Somerset	TAS	20,000 to 49,999 people	203.9	-0.2	+18.3	241.0	10
84	Murray Bridge	SA	10,000 to 19,999 people	204.0	+6.5	+25.5	245.2	9
85	Dubbo	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	204.2	+6.0	+25.7	245.1	13
86	Highfields	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	204.3	+4.3	+24.2	240.2	5
87	Batemans Bay	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	204.4	+6.2	+25.0	243.9	5
88	Broken Hill	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	204.5	+6.3	+17.7	242.5	10
89	Bowral–Mittagong	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	204.6	+6.4	+25.2	244.3	10
90	Queanbeyan	NSW	250,000 to 999,999 people	204.6	+6.4	+21.4	—	2
91	Port Augusta	SA	10,000 to 19,999 people	204.7	+7.2	+18.6	241.8	10
92	Mackay	QLD	50,000 to 99,999 people	205.0	+5.0	+22.2	241.3	30
93	Armidale	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	205.3	+7.1	+24.2	244.1	6
94	Launceston	TAS	50,000 to 99,999 people	205.3	+1.2	+22.5	243.9	22
95	Grafton	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	205.5	+7.3	+24.7	241.5	10
96	Nambour	QLD	20,000 to 49,999 people	205.6	+5.6	+25.3	243.3	9
97	Blue Mountains	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	205.7	+7.5	+22.5	243.5	5
98	Griffith	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	205.7	+7.5	+23.1	241.4	11
99	Rockhampton	QLD	50,000 to 99,999 people	206.2	+6.2	+23.4	242.1	28
100	Gracemere	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	206.5	+6.5	+24.6	243.9	4
101	Gisborne	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	206.8	+8.2	+23.5	—	2
102	Lithgow	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	206.8	+8.6	+26.6	244.5	5
103	Coffs Harbour	NSW	50,000 to 99,999 people	207.4	+9.2	+26.5	246.3	17
104	Port Lincoln	SA	10,000 to 19,999 people	208.0	+10.5	+19.6	240.9	8
105	Port Pirie	SA	10,000 to 19,999 people	208.5	+11.0	+19.6	246.0	7

#	Centre	State	Size	U91	vs Capital cities	Change	Diesel	Stations
106	Esperance	WA	10,000 to 19,999 people	208.7	+10.6	+17.6	241.1	7
107	Lismore	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	208.8	+10.6	+24.4	247.8	17
108	Ulverstone	TAS	10,000 to 19,999 people	209.9	+5.8	+14.7	247.9	7
109	Whyalla	SA	20,000 to 49,999 people	210.0	+12.5	+17.9	246.9	7
110	Yeppoon	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	210.1	+10.1	+24.9	243.7	7
111	Byron Bay	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	210.7	+12.5	+16.0	250.2	3
112	Sale	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	211.2	+12.6	+19.1	251.8	8
113	Mudgee	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	211.7	+13.5	+25.6	242.0	5
114	Kiama	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	211.9	+13.7	+20.9	—	2
115	Yarrawonga	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	212.7	+14.1	+23.9	258.9	4
116	Ulladulla	NSW	10,000 to 19,999 people	213.9	+15.7	+18.8	—	4
117	Bargara – Innes Park	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	215.2	+15.2	+21.9	—	2
118	Moama	NSW	20,000 to 49,999 people	215.2	+17.0	+27.0	246.2	3
119	Castlemaine	VIC	10,000 to 19,999 people	215.7	+17.1	+19.2	256.0	4
120	Karratha	WA	10,000 to 19,999 people	216.4	+18.3	+18.7	247.5	7
121	Mount Isa	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	219.5	+19.5	+31.2	247.0	5
122	Emerald	QLD	10,000 to 19,999 people	224.1	+24.1	+34.7	246.0	5
123	Alice Springs	NT	20,000 to 49,999 people	225.2	+18.8	+11.3	253.9	14
124	Port Hedland	WA	10,000 to 19,999 people	235.1	+37.0	+22.0	253.5	9
125	Broome	WA	10,000 to 19,999 people	236.5	+38.4	+17.8	255.9	7

A regional centre is a large regional city we map on its own, or an ABS urban centre of 10,000 people or more (2021 Census) outside the capitals. It is ranked by the town rule. Cents a litre; vs its capital and change are differences of the published averages.

The year so far

Since our records began on 13 April 2026 to 30 September 2026: every station-day of U91.

Since our records began on 13 April 2026, U91 has averaged 194.8 c/L across Australia and 189.0 c/L in the capital cities; Oakford (WA) has been the cheapest town at 174.3 c/L.

State or territory	Average	Capital	Capital average	Rest
Victoria	191.6	Melbourne	189.0	194.5
New South Wales	193.0	Sydney	188.8	195.2
South Australia	193.2	Adelaide	185.4	199.6
Queensland	194.0	Brisbane	190.5	195.7
Australian Capital Territory	195.1	Canberra	195.1	—
Western Australia	199.3	Perth	187.6	210.8
Tasmania	199.4	Hobart	193.7	201.1
Northern Territory	233.9	Darwin	197.8	251.1

Cheapest towns (744 ranked)

Oakford	WA	174.3
White Hills	VIC	178.2
Yarraman	QLD	178.9
Pinjarra	WA	179.8
Broadwater	WA	181.3
Williamstown	NSW	181.6
Boggabilla	NSW	183.4
Bullsbrook	WA	183.6
Appin	NSW	183.7
Epsom	VIC	183.7

Dearest towns (744 ranked)

Maningrida	NT	365.1
Gibson Desert North	WA	364.1
Drysdale River	WA	345.2
Anatye	NT	329.4
Sturt Creek	WA	323.7
Warmun	WA	316.0
Petermann	NT	305.7
Anmatjere	NT	291.2
Davenport	NT	285.8
Ghan	NT	285.7

The day of the week to buy

In the September quarter 2026, Sunday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Canberra and Saturday the dearest, 0.8 c/L apart on average; since our records began on 13 April 2026, Friday has been the cheapest. In the September quarter 2026, Sunday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Sydney and Thursday the dearest, 0.9 c/L apart on average; since our records began on 13 April 2026, Tuesday has been the cheapest. In the September quarter 2026, Monday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Darwin and Saturday the dearest, 1.4 c/L apart on average; since our records began on 13 April 2026, Monday has been the cheapest. In the September quarter 2026, Monday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Brisbane and Thursday the dearest, 0.8 c/L apart on average; since our records began on 13 April 2026, Tuesday has been the cheapest. In the September quarter 2026, Sunday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Adelaide and Saturday the dearest, 0.6 c/L apart on average; since our records began on 13 April 2026, Wednesday has been the cheapest. In the September quarter 2026, Sunday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Hobart and Thursday the dearest, 0.9 c/L apart on average; since our records began on 13 April 2026, Sunday has been the cheapest. In the September quarter 2026, Tuesday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Melbourne and Wednesday the dearest, 1.9 c/L apart on average; since our records began on 13 April 2026, Tuesday has been the cheapest. In the September quarter 2026, Tuesday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Perth and Wednesday the dearest, 13.8 c/L apart on average; since our records began on 13 April 2026, Tuesday has been the cheapest.

U91	Cheapest day	Dearest day	Apart	60 litres	Since records began	Apart
Canberra (ACT)	Sunday	Saturday	0.8	\$0.48	Friday / Thursday	0.4
Sydney (NSW)	Sunday	Thursday	0.9	\$0.54	Tuesday / Thursday	0.3
Darwin (NT)	Monday	Saturday	1.4	\$0.84	Monday / Saturday	0.7
Brisbane (QLD)	Monday	Thursday	0.8	\$0.48	Tuesday / Thursday	0.2
Adelaide (SA)	Sunday	Saturday	0.6	\$0.36	Wednesday / Saturday	0.8
Hobart (TAS)	Sunday	Thursday	0.9	\$0.54	Sunday / Thursday	0.4
Melbourne (VIC)	Tuesday	Wednesday	1.9	\$1.14	Tuesday / Sunday	1.0
Perth (WA)	Tuesday	Wednesday	13.8	\$8.28	Tuesday / Wednesday	12.6

Each day's average against the seven days centred on it, averaged by weekday, so a steady rise or fall over the period does not favour one end of the week. A place needs four of each weekday with prices from 5 stations or more; a month usually has too few, so it shows the year so far only.

A 60-litre tank, and the towns that moved most

Filling a 60-litre tank with U91 in Oakford (WA) rather than Gibson Desert North (WA) saved \$112.86 on average in the September quarter 2026. At BP Viaduct in Tamworth, the cheapest station we ranked, it cost \$17.34 less than at the national average.

U91, the September quarter 2026	Cheaper	Dearer	A litre	A 60-litre tank
Cheapest and dearest town	Oakford 185.2	Gibson Desert North 373.3	188.1	\$112.86
Cheapest and dearest regional centre	Cessnock 193.3	Broome 236.5	43.2	\$25.92
Cheapest station and the national average	BP Viaduct 175.0	Australia 203.9	28.9	\$17.34

Emerald (QLD) rose most on the June quarter 2026, up 34.7 c/L to 224.1 c/L, while Davenport (NT) fell most, down 76.9 c/L to 253.3 c/L.

Rose most on the June quarter 2026, U91

Emerald (QLD)	189.4 to 224.1	+ 34.7
Sapphire (QLD)	192.5 to 226.2	+ 33.7
Exeter (NSW)	174.1 to 206.3	+ 32.2
Blackwater (QLD)	182.4 to 214.2	+ 31.8
Half way Creek (NSW)	175.9 to 207.3	+ 31.4

Fell most on the June quarter 2026, U91

Davenport (NT)	330.2 to 253.3	- 76.9
Anatye (NT)	367.4 to 304.3	- 63.1
Batchelor (NT)	259.9 to 220.7	- 39.2
Lagrange (WA)	281.9 to 261.5	- 20.4
Borroloola (NT)	234.9 to 221.7	- 13.2

Independents and the major brands

Independent service stations averaged 204.1 c/L for U91 and the major brands 203.8 c/L, 0.3 c/L more at the independents.

U91	Major brands	Independents	Difference
Australia	203.8 (5,059)	204.1 (2,164)	+0.3

The major brands are 7-Eleven, Ampol, BP, Caltex, EG, Mobil, On The Run (OTR), Reddy Express, Shell, United; every other brand, and a station without one, is independent. Stations with a price on a quarter of the days; a brand is listed with five or more.

Cheapest and dearest service stations

BP Viaduct in Tamworth (NSW) was the cheapest service station we ranked for U91 at 175.0 c/L, and Kunawarritji Store in Gibson Desert North (WA) the dearest at 447.4 c/L.

Cheapest, U91	Place	Average	Dearest, U91	Place	Average
BP Viaduct	Tamworth (NSW)	175.0	Kunawarritji Store	Gibson Desert North (WA)	447.4
Atlas Fuel Narrogin	Narrogin (WA)	177.5	Yakanarra Community Store	St George Ranges (WA)	410.0
Costco Casuarina	Casuarina (WA)	180.6	Ramingining Xpress	Ramingining (NT)	384.1
Independent Culburra Beach	Culburra Beach (NSW)	180.7	Kalumburu Mission	Drysdale River (WA)	375.0
Costco Perth Airport	Perth Airport (WA)	180.9	Independent Elcho Fuel	Galiwinku (NT)	366.8
Metro Orange Bathurst Road	Orange (NSW)	180.9	Jameson Store	(WA)	360.6
Metro Petroleum	Lurnea (NSW)	181.3	Kururrungku Community Store	Sturt Creek (WA)	360.0
Metro Petroleum Carlton	Carlton (VIC)	181.7	Independent Warc Minjilang Fuel	Minjilang (NT)	358.0
LMCT + Preston - (Members Only)	Preston (VIC)	181.9	Tjukurla Store	Tjukurla (WA)	356.2
Metro Frankston	Frankston (VIC)	183.3	Wanarn Store	(WA)	356.2

7,151 stations with a price on half the days or more, by their own average over the period.

Diesel against U91

Diesel cost 40.5 c/L more than U91 across Australia, against 51.4 c/L on the June quarter 2026.

	Diesel less U91	Quarter	Change
Australia	40.5	51.4	- 10.9
Perth	36.0	44.5	- 8.5
Adelaide	36.4	50.1	- 13.7
Darwin	38.3	41.9	- 3.6
Sydney	38.8	46.3	- 7.5
Hobart	40.8	52.6	- 11.8
Brisbane	41.2	48.1	- 6.9
Canberra	41.7	62.9	- 21.2
Melbourne	41.9	52.6	- 10.7

Crude oil and the dollar

Brent crude averaged US\$96.3 a barrel in the September quarter 2026, against US\$63.7 in the December quarter 2025.

Period	Brent, US\$ a barrel	US cents per A\$	Brent, A\$ a barrel	Brent, A\$ cents a litre	Trading days
September quarter 2026	96.3	70.62	136.7	86.0	65
June quarter 2026	102.6	71.01	144.8	91.1	61
March quarter 2026	80.7	69.56	116.5	73.3	63
December quarter 2025	63.7	65.68	96.9	61.0	64

Brent: Europe Brent spot price FOB (US Energy Information Administration). Exchange rate: the Federal Reserve's noon buying rate in New York. Both via FRED, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, averaged over the days each is published; the Australian-dollar figures use each day's rate. A litre is a barrel ÷ 158.987. We use these free benchmarks because the refined-petrol and diesel benchmarks Australian wholesale prices follow (Singapore) are sold by subscription.

Outlook

An estimate, not a guarantee. Our outlook describes the days after the period ended. Prices can move quickly; check the live price at the station before you fill.

We give our outlook only in the days after a period ends, when it still describes the days ahead. See today's forecast for your area in the FuelRadar app or at fuelradar.com.au/fuel-price-reports/australia/2026-q3.

Data quality, method and sources

We counted 7,967 stations that reported a price, over 2,376,817 station-days. Our price records begin on 13 April 2026.

Service stations listed	8,077
Stations that reported a price in the period	7,967
Station-days counted (every fuel)	2,376,817
Days covered	1 July 2026 to 30 September 2026
Our price records begin	13 April 2026

The station-day average

Each day, every service station counts once at its latest price as of the end of that day, in the state's own time. A price is carried forward for at most 30 days, and each average is taken over every station-day in the period. Prices held for checking, prices a station reported as unavailable and implausible prices are left out (we count U91 between 100.0 and 450.0 c/L).

Places

Each state's report ranks its regional towns and its capital's areas; this report adds their station-days together, so a national figure is the average of every station-day in the country. A town or area counts its stations that report on at

least a quarter of the days and is ranked with at least 2 of them and a price on 60% of the days.

Wholesale, margins and the cost of a litre

The terminal gate price is AIP's weekday price at the nearest terminal: the national average. AIP publishes the capital-city terminals only. Weekday prices are carried over weekends, and a period's price is the mean of its calendar days. The margin is the retail average less the terminal gate price. Crude oil is the US Energy Information Administration Brent spot price (FRED series DCOILBRENT EU), converted to Australian cents a litre at each day's exchange rate (FRED series DEXUSAL) and 158.987 litres a barrel, then averaged over the days both are published. In the cost of a litre, wholesale is the terminal gate price without GST and excise less crude oil, excise is the ATO rate averaged over the days, GST is one eleventh of the retail price, and the retail difference is the rest. Last year's average is the previous calendar year. Until we have a full calendar year of retail prices it shows the wholesale side only: the terminal gate price, crude oil and excise. Its GST, retail difference and margin need a retail price, so they are left out.

About these prices

These are averages over the whole period, not today's prices. Check the station price and its update time before you fill. The full report, with every town linked to its live prices, is at fuelradar.com.au/fuel-price-reports/australia/2026-q3.

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