

Fuel price report

South Australia

September 2026

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

Adelaide U91

218.8 c/L

+16.7 c/L on August 2026

Adelaide diesel

269.2 c/L

+28.4 c/L on August 2026

South Australia U91 average

224.3 c/L

+17.0 c/L on August 2026

South Australia diesel average

273.9 c/L

+22.8 c/L on August 2026

Adelaide month by month, what makes up a litre, margins, the price cycle, excise, how Adelaide compares with the other capitals, its areas, and every regional town we could rank.

Report highlights

- 1 Drivers in Adelaide paid an average of 218.8 c/L for U91 in September 2026, which was up 16.7 c/L on August 2026.
- 2 Gawler was the cheapest town in Adelaide North for U91 in September 2026 at 219.0 c/L, coming in 0.2 c/L above Adelaide.
- 3 Since our records began on 13 April 2026, the day of the week made little difference to U91 prices in Adelaide, with the cheapest and dearest days just 0.8 c/L apart on average.
- 4 You saved \$55.38 on average in September 2026 by filling a 60-litre tank with U91 in Cowell rather than in Nullarbor.
- 5 Independent service stations in South Australia averaged 0.6 c/L more than the major brands for U91 in September 2026, but were 4.5 c/L less in Adelaide.
- 6 Diesel cost 50.4 c/L more than U91 in Adelaide in September 2026, climbing from 38.7 c/L in August 2026.
- 7 Cowell was the cheapest town in South Australia for U91 in September 2026 at 216.7 c/L, sitting 2.1 c/L below Adelaide.
- 8 Adelaide was the cheapest of the 8 capital cities for U91 in September 2026 at 218.8 c/L.

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Key points

- 1 U91 averaged 224.3 c/L across South Australia in September 2026, up 17 c/L on August 2026.
- 2 Drivers in Adelaide paid an average of 218.8 c/L for U91, up 16.7 c/L on the previous month.
- 3 Diesel averaged 273.9 c/L across the state, up 22.8 c/L on August 2026.
- 4 Adelaide was the cheapest of the 8 capital cities for U91 in September 2026.
- 5 Cowell was the cheapest town in the state for U91, averaging 216.7 c/L.
- 6 Nullarbor was the dearest town for U91, averaging 309 c/L.
- 7 Regional drivers paid 10 c/L more than Adelaide for U91, averaging 228.8 c/L.
- 8 The cheapest day to buy U91 in Adelaide since our records began on 13 April 2026 was Wednesday.
- 9 Filling a 60-litre tank in Cowell rather than Nullarbor saved you \$55.38 on average.
- 10 Independent service stations in Adelaide averaged 4.5 c/L less than the major brands for U91.
- 11 Diesel cost 50.4 c/L more than U91 in Adelaide, up from 38.7 c/L in August 2026.

Written from FuelRadar's station-day averages for September 2026 and checked against them.

Every fuel

U91 averaged 224.3 c/L across South Australia in September 2026, up 17 c/L on the previous month. Diesel averaged 273.9 c/L, up 22.8 c/L on August 2026. E10 averaged 212.9 c/L, P95 averaged 238.7 c/L, P98 averaged 247.3 c/L and LPG averaged 115.3 c/L.

Fuel	South Australia	Change	Adelaide	Rest of state	Difference	Stations
Unleaded 91	224.3	+17.0	218.8	228.8	+10.0	627
Diesel	273.9	+22.8	269.2	274.9	+5.7	371
E10	212.9	+16.3	211.3	216.4	+5.1	48
Premium 95	238.7	+16.6	235.9	244.1	+8.2	358
Premium 98	247.3	+16.8	244.4	250.3	+5.9	548
LPG	115.3	+0.5	105.9	130.4	+24.5	121

Cents a litre. Change is on August 2026. Difference is the rest against Adelaide.

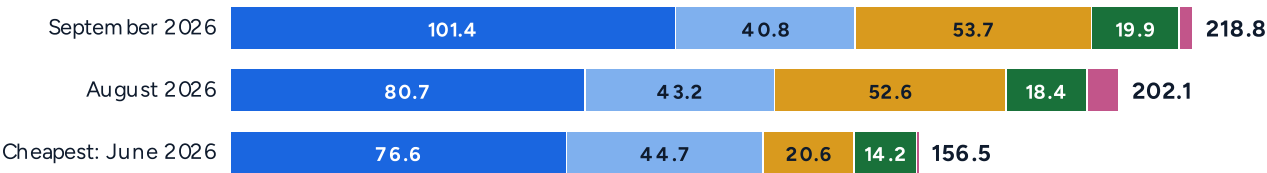
Drivers in Adelaide paid an average of 218.8 c/L for U91. The rest of the state averaged 228.8 c/L, which was 10 c/L more than the capital.

What makes up a litre in Adelaide

A litre of U91 in Adelaide was made up of 101.4 c/L for crude oil, 40.8 c/L for wholesale, 53.7 c/L for excise, 19.9 c/L for GST and a retail difference of 3 c/L, down from 7.2 c/L in August 2026. A litre of diesel was made up of 101.4 c/L for crude oil, 77.1 c/L for wholesale, 53.7 c/L for excise, 24.5 c/L for GST and a retail difference of 12.5 c/L, up from 2.5 c/L in the previous period.

Unleaded 91

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

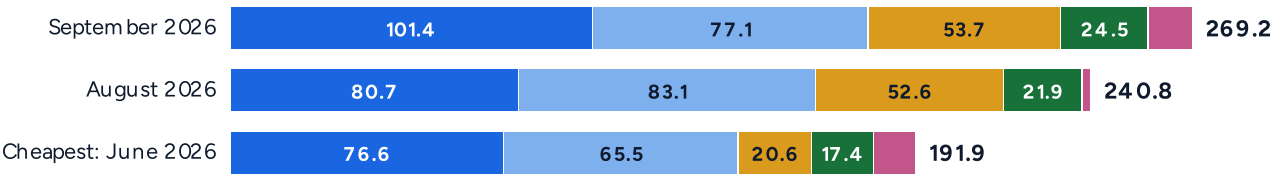


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Cents a litre	September 2026			
	dearest since our records began	August 2026	2025 average (wholesale only)	Cheapest: June 2026
Crude oil (Brent, A\$)	101.4	80.7	67.5	76.6
Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal	40.8	43.2	29.6	44.7
Excise	53.7	52.6	51.1	20.6
GST	19.9	18.4	—	14.2
Retail difference	3.0	7.2	—	0.4
Retail price	218.8	202.1	—	156.5
Terminal gate price	215.5	194.2	163.0	156.1
Indicative margin (retail less TGP)	3.3	7.9	—	0.4

Diesel

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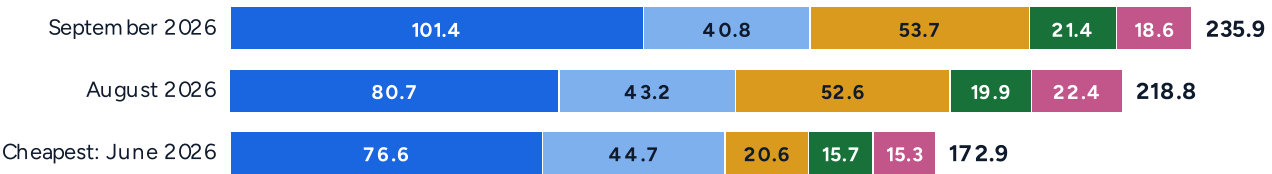


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Cents a litre	September 2026			
	dearest since our records began	August 2026	2025 average (wholesale only)	Cheapest: June 2026
Crude oil (Brent, A\$)	101.4	80.7	67.5	76.6
Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal	77.1	83.1	34.2	65.5
Excise	53.7	52.6	51.1	20.6
GST	24.5	21.9	—	17.4
Retail difference	12.5	2.5	—	11.8
Retail price	269.2	240.8	—	191.9
Terminal gate price	255.4	238.0	168.1	179.0
Indicative margin (retail less TGP)	13.8	2.8	—	12.9

Premium 95

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



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Cents a litre	September 2026			
	dearest since our records began	August 2026	2025 average (wholesale only)	Cheapest: June 2026
Crude oil (Brent, A\$)	101.4	80.7	67.5	76.6
Wholesale: refining, shipping, terminal	40.8	43.2	29.6	44.7
Excise	53.7	52.6	51.1	20.6
GST	21.4	19.9	—	15.7
Retail difference	18.6	22.4	—	15.3
Retail price	235.9	218.8	—	172.9
Terminal gate price (unleaded)	215.5	194.2	163.0	156.1

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 Adelaide; our retail records begin on 13 April 2026, so a period before then has the wholesale side only, and “dearest” and “cheapest” compare the periods since our records began. 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, Adelaide terminal, carried over weekends. Crude oil is the US Energy Information Administration Brent spot price (FRED series DCOILBRENTU), converted to Australian cents a litre at each day’s exchange rate (FRED series DEXU SAL) 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

Adelaide's U91 average was 218.8 c/L in September 2026, and diesel was 269.2 c/L. U91 started at 201.8 c/L on 1 September 2026, reached its highest day at 234.3 c/L on 22 September 2026, and ended at 232.7 c/L on 30 September 2026, while diesel started at 247.4 c/L, peaked at 290.2 c/L on 24 September 2026, and ended at 288.5 c/L.

Area	U91, cents a litre		Diesel, cents a litre	
	Sep	Month	Sep	Month
South Australia	224.3	224.3	273.9	273.9
Adelaide	218.8	218.8	269.2	269.2
Rest of South Australia	228.8	228.8	274.9	274.9
Adelaide North	217.7	217.7	268.7	268.7
Adelaide West	218.7	218.7	269.6	269.6
Adelaide South	219.0	219.0	267.7	267.7
Adelaide – Central and Hills	221.1	221.1	267.9	267.9

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 month. Every regional town, month by month, is in the regional towns section.

Gross indicative retail margins

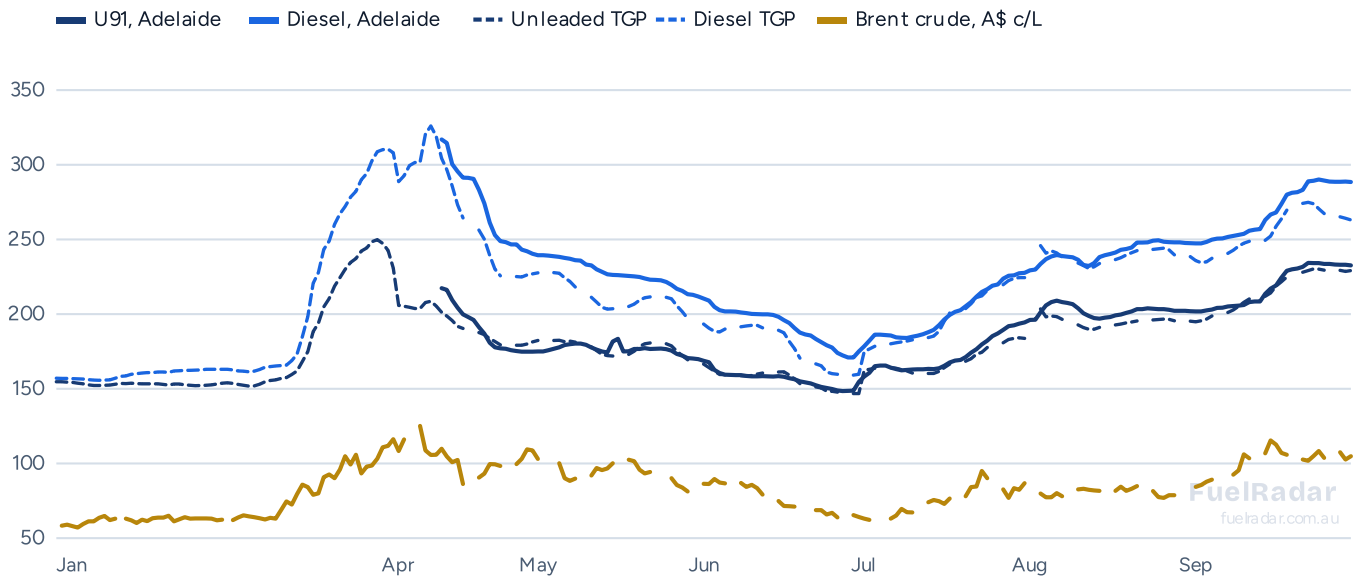
The gross indicative retail margin in Adelaide was 3.3 c/L for U91 in September 2026, down 4.6 c/L on the previous month. The indicative margin for diesel was 13.8 c/L, up 11 c/L on August 2026.

Area	U91 margin, cents a litre		Diesel margin, cents a litre	
	Sep	Month	Sep	Month
Terminal gate price (Adelaide)	215.5	215.5	255.4	255.4
South Australia	8.8	8.8	18.5	18.5
Adelaide	3.3	3.3	13.8	13.8
Rest of South Australia	13.3	13.3	19.5	19.5
Adelaide North	2.2	2.2	13.3	13.3
Adelaide West	3.2	3.2	14.2	14.2
Adelaide South	3.5	3.5	12.3	12.3
Adelaide – Central and Hills	5.6	5.6	12.5	12.5

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 the Adelaide terminal. 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 terminal gate price at the Adelaide terminal averaged 215.5 c/L for unleaded and 255.4 c/L for diesel. Brent crude oil averaged 101.4 Australian cents a litre with an exchange rate of 71.15 US cents per Australian dollar.



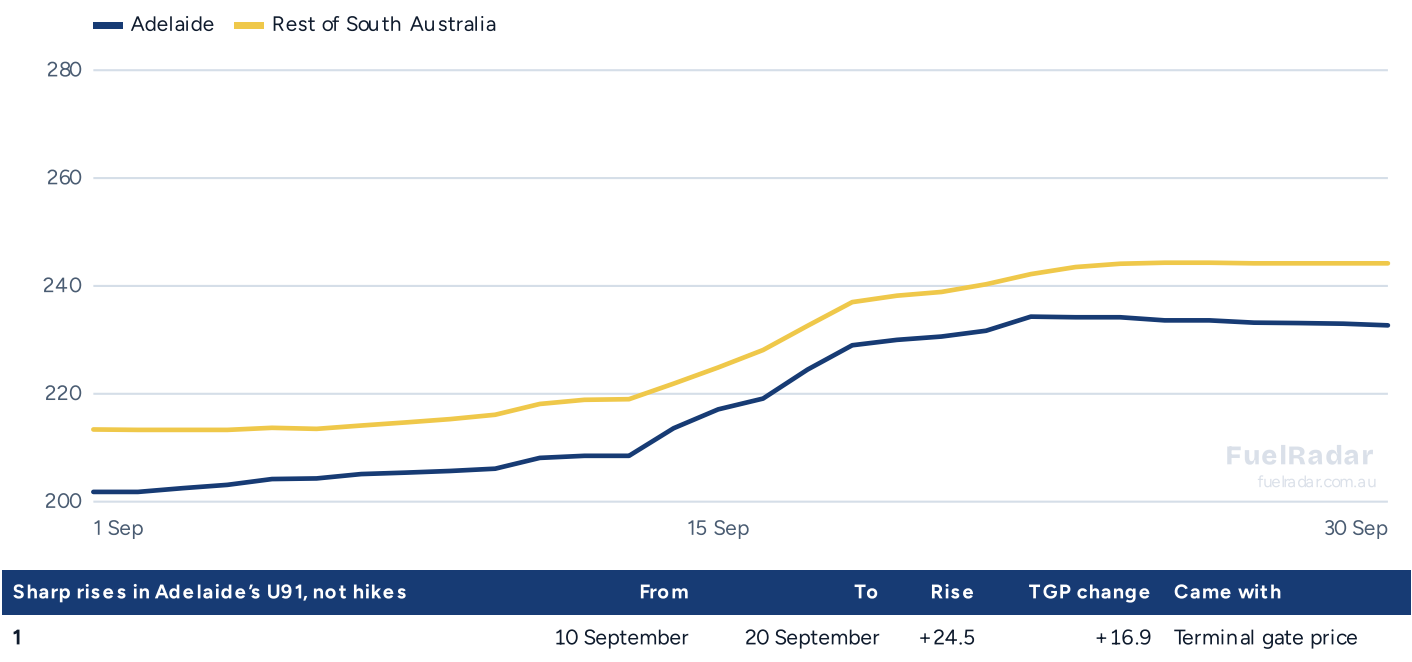
Retail: FuelRadar daily averages for Adelaide, from 13 April 2026 when our records begin. Terminal gate prices (dashed): AIP, Adelaide terminal, weekdays. Brent crude: US EIA spot price via FRED, converted at each day's exchange rate and 158.987 litres a barrel.



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

The price cycle and excise

No regular price cycle ran in Adelaide in the period, so prices followed wholesale costs. The sharp rise of 24.5 c/L between 10 September 2026 and 20 September 2026 came with the terminal gate price.



How we count a price-cycle hike: Adelaide's daily U91 average less the Adelaide terminal gate price (the indicative margin) rises by at least 8.0 c/L within 5 days, the retail average rises as much, stations making up at least 25% of Adelaide's raise their price by 5.0 c/L or more in a day, and the margin then eases back by half within 21 days. A rise within 3 days of an excise change, or one the terminal gate price explains, is not a hike. With no hike, no regular price cycle ran and prices followed wholesale costs.

Fuel excise

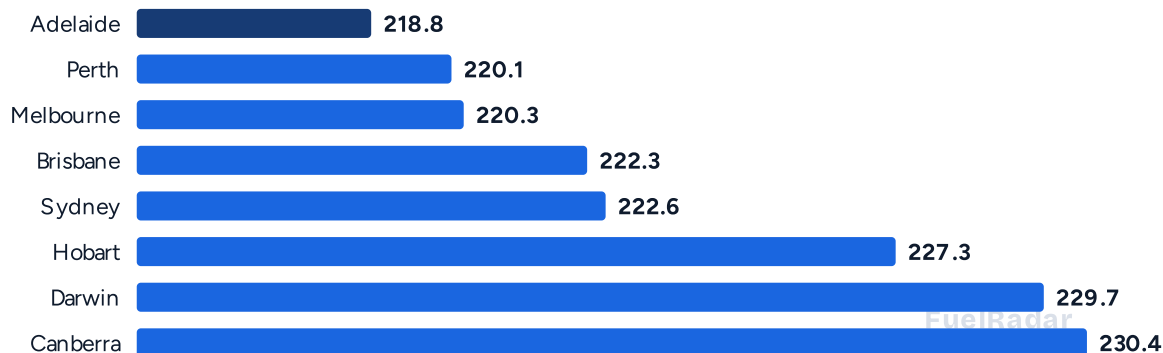
The fuel excise rate stayed at 53.7 c/L throughout the period.

Petrol and diesel excise	Rate (c/L, before GST)	Change
In force on 1 September 2026	53.7	
Average over the days of 1 September to 30 September 2026	53.7	

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

Adelaide was the cheapest of the 8 capital cities for U91, while Canberra was the dearest at 230.4 c/L. For diesel, Adelaide was third cheapest of the 8 capital cities, with Perth the cheapest at 262.9 c/L and Canberra the dearest at 282.6 c/L.



U91, cents a litre

Rank	Capital	Sep	Month	Change	Margin	Stations
1	Adelaide	218.8	218.8	+16.7	3.3	278
2	Perth	220.1	220.1	+19.8	5.3	439
3	Melbourne	220.3	220.3	+18.4	4.5	857
4	Brisbane	222.3	222.3	+20.1	4.2	501
5	Sydney	222.6	222.6	+22.6	4.4	675
6	Hobart	227.3	227.3	+20.8	7.3	59
7	Darwin	229.7	229.7	+19.4	5.7	46
8	Canberra	230.4	230.4	+23.7	12.2	38

Diesel, cents a litre

Rank	Capital	Sep	Month	Change	Margin	Stations
1	Perth	262.9	262.9	+21.7	12.7	200
2	Sydney	266.3	266.3	+22.7	8.0	248
3	Adelaide	269.2	269.2	+28.4	13.8	61
4	Melbourne	269.6	269.6	+21.6	12.9	414
5	Brisbane	271.8	271.8	+24.2	13.0	193
6	Hobart	272.5	272.5	+21.5	15.0	37
7	Darwin	276.3	276.3	+24.5	10.3	48
8	Canberra	282.6	282.6	+30.8	24.3	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.

Adelaide by area

Adelaide North was the cheapest of Adelaide's ABS SA4 areas for U91 at 217.7 c/L, while Adelaide – Central and Hills was the dearest at 221.1 c/L. This gave a spread of 3.4 c/L across the capital's areas.

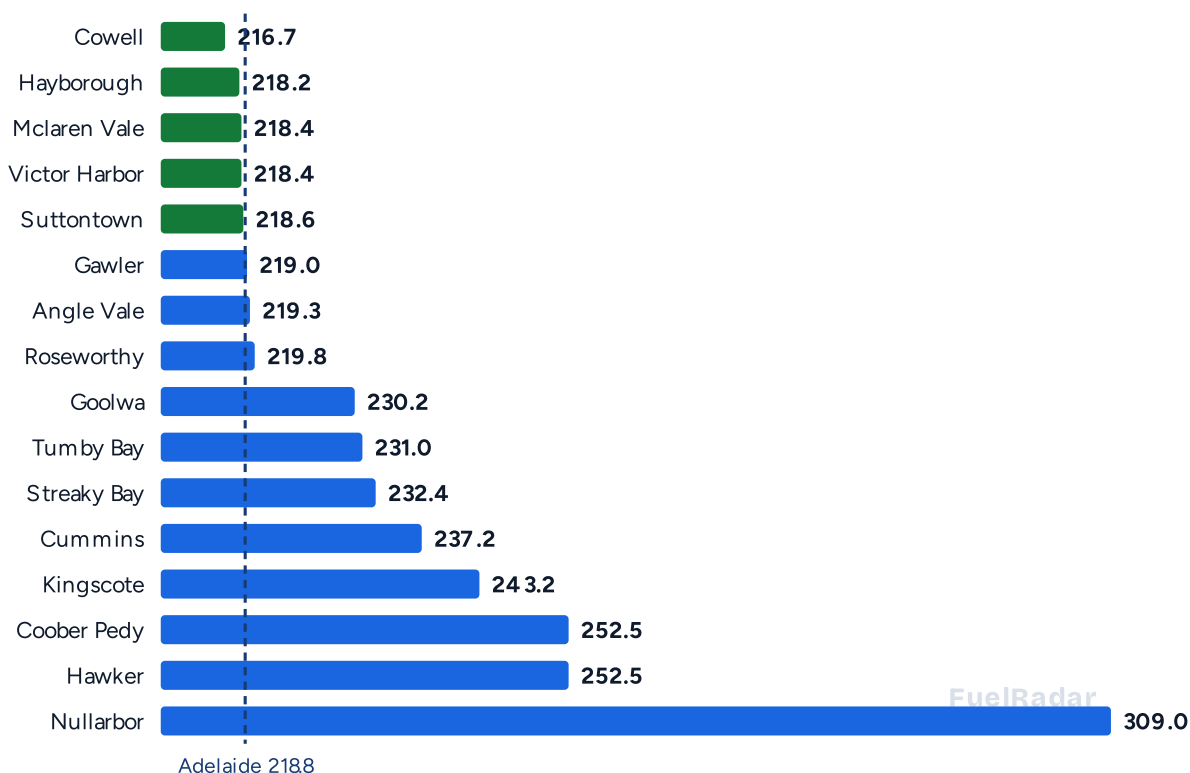


Area (ABS SA4)	U91	Change	Margin	Diesel	Margin	Stations	Cheapest U91 station
Adelaide North	217.7	+16.8	2.2	268.7	13.3	101	Costco Kilburn (206.7)
Adelaide West	218.7	+16.1	3.2	269.6	14.2	68	U-Go West Hindmarsh (212.7)
Adelaide South	219.0	+16.8	3.5	267.7	12.3	63	United Melrose Park (210.0)
Adelaide – Central and Hills	221.1	+17.1	5.6	267.9	12.5	46	X Convenience Prospect (213.4)

Areas are the ABS Statistical Areas Level 4 (SA4, 2021) inside Adelaide's urban area, named in plain words ("Brisbane - East" is Brisbane East). An area counts its stations that reported on at least a quarter of the days; its average, station count and cheapest station all come from them, so the cheapest station never averages more than its area.

Regional towns

Cowell was the cheapest town for U91 at 216.7 c/L and Nullarbor was the dearest at 309 c/L, making a spread of 92.3 c/L. For diesel, Cowell was the cheapest at 261.4 c/L and Nullarbor was the dearest at 344.6 c/L, with a spread of 83.2 c/L. We found 5 of the 67 ranked towns were cheaper than the capital for U91, and 18 of 64 were cheaper for diesel.



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

5 towns cheaper than Adelaide for U91

Cowell 216.7

Mclaren Vale 218.4

Suttontown 218.6

Hayborough 218.2

Victor Harbor 218.4

Every ranked town, U91 (67 towns), cheapest first

Town	Month	vs Adelaide	Margin	Stations	Cheapest station (its average)
Cowell	216.7	-2.1	1.2	2	Mobil Cowell Roadhouse (215.2)
Hayborough	218.2	-0.6	2.7	2	X-Convenience Hayborough (215.5)
Mclaren Vale	218.4	-0.4	2.9	2	Shell Reddy Express Mclaren Vale (216.8)
Victor Harbor	218.4	-0.4	2.9	4	X Convenience Victor Harbor (215.5)
Suttontown	218.6	-0.2	3.1	2	Matthews Petroleum (214.3)
Gawler	219.0	+0.2	3.5	2	AMPM Gawler (218.4)
Angle Vale	219.3	+0.5	3.8	3	AMPM Angle Vale (218.4)
Roseworthy	219.8	+1.0	4.3	2	Recharge Roseworthy Road (219.0)
Barmera	220.1	+1.3	4.6	3	Liberty Barmera (215.8)
Nuriootpa	220.1	+1.3	4.6	4	X Convenience Nuriootpa (218.5)

Town	Month	vs Adelaide	Margin	Stations	Cheapest station (its average)
Tintinara	220.1	+1.3	4.6	3	United Tintinara (218.7)
Berri	220.5	+1.7	5.0	3	Ampol Berri (216.2)
Mount Gambier	220.9	+2.1	5.4	13	APCO Mount Gambier (214.2)
Strathalbyn	220.9	+2.1	5.4	3	United Strathalbyn (219.9)
Angaston	221.1	+2.3	5.6	2	Barossa Roadhouse (218.9)
Virginia	221.5	+2.7	6.0	3	X Convenience Virginia North (220.8)
Balaklava	221.6	+2.8	6.1	2	McCracken Ford (221.1)
Keith	221.7	+2.9	6.2	4	24 Seven Keith (219.0)
Port Augusta West	221.7	+2.9	6.2	3	Liberty Port Augusta (216.3)
Stirling	221.8	+3.0	6.3	2	AMPM Stirling (221.6)
Port Augusta	222.6	+3.8	7.1	6	BP Port Augusta Truckstop (219.2)
Littlehampton	222.7	+3.9	7.2	2	BP Littlehampton (222.1)
Waikerie	222.9	+4.1	7.4	3	Sutton Ford (214.7)
Edithburgh	223.2	+4.4	7.7	2	Edithburgh Deli & Newsagency (220.7)
Kapunda	223.8	+5.0	8.3	2	Mobil Kapunda (223.6)
Lameroo	224.2	+5.4	8.7	2	Ampol Lameroo (Mallee Tyres) (223.8)
Meadows	224.2	+5.4	8.7	2	Mogas Meadows (223.7)
Port Wakefield	224.2	+5.4	8.7	3	United Port Wakefield (223.5)
Bordertown	224.4	+5.6	8.9	5	Liberty Bordertown (218.9)
Mount Barker	225.0	+6.2	9.5	6	X Convenience Mount Barker (224.2)
Loxton	225.2	+6.4	9.7	5	Perrys Loxton (222.4)
Tailem Bend	225.4	+6.6	9.9	4	United Tailem Bend (222.5)
Maitland	225.5	+6.7	10.0	2	Eglinton Bros (224.2)
Gladstone	226.0	+7.2	10.5	3	Hanley Auto Repairs (224.9)
Mannum	226.2	+7.4	10.7	2	Astron Mannum (225.3)
Moonta	226.8	+8.0	11.3	2	Mobil Moonta (226.8)
Laura	227.0	+8.2	11.5	2	Stevens Motors Pty Ltd (226.4)
Clare	227.3	+8.5	11.8	4	Clare Rural Supplies (225.9)
Eudunda	227.3	+8.5	11.8	2	Eudunda Road House (224.9)
Murray Bridge	227.4	+8.6	11.9	7	United Murray Bridge (226.0)
Murray Bridge East	227.4	+8.6	11.9	2	BP Murray Bridge East (227.1)
Port Lincoln	227.4	+8.6	11.9	8	Cruisers Hub Cafe (225.1)
Wilmington	227.5	+8.7	12.0	2	GM Hitch Auto Repairs (226.3)
Kadina	227.7	+8.9	12.2	4	OTR Kadina (227.6)
Jamestown	227.9	+9.1	12.4	3	Mobil Jamestown (227.3)
Burra	228.0	+9.2	12.5	2	Burra Roadhouse (226.5)
Yorke town	228.0	+9.2	12.5	2	Yorke town Fuel (227.0)
Yunta	228.1	+9.3	12.6	2	Mobil Yunta (228.0)
Rosetown	228.2	+9.4	12.7	3	BP Kingston SE (227.4)
Port Pirie West	228.5	+9.7	13.0	2	Fuchs Garage (228.0)

Town	Month	vs Adelaide	Margin	Stations	Cheapest station (its average)
Renmark	228.7	+9.9	13.2	3	Astron Renmark (227.8)
Warnertown	228.8	+10.0	13.3	2	Ampol Bungama (228.8)
Whyalla Playford	229.1	+10.3	13.6	2	Perrys Whyalla (228.4)
Port Pirie	229.2	+10.4	13.7	2	Shell Port Pirie (228.9)
Whyalla Norrie	229.5	+10.7	14.0	3	United Whyalla (229.0)
Port Vincent	229.7	+10.9	14.2	2	Port Vincent Service Station (225.7)
Naracoorte	229.8	+11.0	14.3	6	Ampol Naracoorte Depot Front – TASCO (226.5)
Wallaroo	229.8	+11.0	14.3	3	Mobil Wallaroo (226.9)
Ceduna	229.9	+11.1	14.4	5	Ceduna Perrys (223.0)
Goolwa	230.2	+11.4	14.7	2	Shell Goolwa - South Coast Marine (229.0)
Tumby Bay	231.0	+12.2	15.5	4	Tumby Bay Roadhouse (226.8)
Streaky Bay	232.4	+13.6	16.9	3	Ampol Streaky Bay (229.5)
Cummins	237.2	+18.4	21.7	2	Bascombe Autoag (235.8)
Kingscote	243.2	+24.4	27.7	2	Ampol Kingscote (243.2)
Coober Pedy	252.5	+33.7	37.0	3	Ampol Coober (251.8)
Hawker	252.5	+33.7	37.0	3	BP Hawker (247.6)
Nullarbor	309.0	+90.2	93.5	2	Border Village Roadhouse (307.1)

Every ranked town, diesel (64 towns), cheapest first

Town	Month	vs Adelaide	Margin	Stations	Cheapest station (its average)
Cowell	261.4	-7.8	6.0	2	Eyre Fuels Cowell (260.8)
Berri	261.7	-7.5	6.3	3	Ampol Berri (259.0)
Suttontown	262.5	-6.7	7.1	2	Matthews Petroleum (258.2)
Tintinara	262.6	-6.6	7.2	3	United Tintinara (260.2)
Keith	263.7	-5.5	8.3	4	Keith OPT (260.9)
Edithburgh	263.9	-5.3	8.5	2	Edithburgh Deli & Newsagency (261.0)
Mount Gambier	265.1	-4.1	9.7	11	APCO Mount Gambier (258.1)
Barmera	265.8	-3.4	10.4	3	Liberty Barmera (263.4)
Balaklava	266.5	-2.7	11.1	3	Simon Exhaust & Auto Repairs (263.4)
Lameroo	267.4	-1.8	12.0	2	Mogas Lameroo (267.1)
Roseworthy	267.4	-1.8	12.0	2	Recharge Roseworthy Road (266.0)
Bordertown	267.5	-1.7	12.1	6	Liberty Bordertown (258.9)
Meningie	268.1	-1.1	12.7	2	Meningie Perrys Unmanned (266.4)
Port Vincent	268.1	-1.1	12.7	2	Port Vincent Service Station (263.9)
Renmark	268.1	-1.1	12.7	3	Renmark OPT (262.9)
Wilmington	268.1	-1.1	12.7	2	GM Hitch Auto Repairs (267.2)
Tailem Bend	268.3	-0.9	12.9	3	United Tailem Bend (264.8)
Yorketown	268.3	-0.9	12.9	2	Yorketown Fuel (266.3)
Gladstone	269.2	0.0	13.8	3	H T Harslett Rural (267.0)
Port Augusta West	269.3	+0.1	13.9	6	Liberty Port Augusta (265.2)

Town	Month	vs Adelaide	Margin	Stations	Cheapest station (its average)
Stirling North	269.3	+0.1	13.9	2	Perrys Port Augusta - Tiling Road (268.2)
Victor Harbor	269.3	+0.1	13.9	2	Victor Harbor Roadhouse (265.0)
Ardrossan	269.7	+0.5	14.3	2	Ardrossan (Maxi-Tankers) (265.4)
Burra	269.8	+0.6	14.4	3	Burra Motor Company (266.8)
Littlehampton	270.6	+1.4	15.2	2	Ampol Littlehampton (267.0)
Angaston	270.7	+1.5	15.3	2	Angaston Motors (270.3)
Port Augusta	270.8	+1.6	15.4	5	IOR Port Augusta - South (260.3)
Loxton	271.3	+2.1	15.9	3	Perrys Loxton (270.2)
Peterborough	271.4	+2.2	16.0	2	BP OPT Peterborough (270.4)
Booleroo Centre	271.8	+2.6	16.4	2	Perrys Booleroo Centre (271.1)
Eudunda	271.8	+2.6	16.4	2	SSkids Tyres & Mechanical (270.0)
Yunta	271.8	+2.6	16.4	2	Shell Yunta (271.0)
Laura	272.1	+2.9	16.7	2	Stevens Motors Pty Ltd (270.6)
Port Wakefield	272.2	+3.0	16.8	2	24 Seven Port Wakefield (272.2)
Jamestown	272.6	+3.4	17.2	2	Hunts Fuel Jamestown (272.6)
Kimba	272.9	+3.7	17.5	2	MRO Kimba (270.0)
Willunga	272.9	+3.7	17.5	2	BP OPT Willunga Hill (272.9)
Strathalbyn	273.1	+3.9	17.7	3	United Strathalbyn (271.7)
Mclaren Vale	273.4	+4.2	18.0	2	Shell Reddy Express McLaren Vale (272.3)
Tumby Bay	273.4	+4.2	18.0	5	Tumby Bay Roadhouse (267.7)
Two Wells	273.4	+4.2	18.0	2	24 Seven Two Wells (271.2)
Clare	273.8	+4.6	18.4	2	Ampol Clare (272.9)
Kadina	273.8	+4.6	18.4	2	Hunts Fuel Kadina (272.5)
Nuriootpa	273.9	+4.7	18.5	2	BP OPT Angaston (272.4)
Ceduna	274.2	+5.0	18.8	7	Liberty Ceduna (263.8)
Port Lincoln	274.2	+5.0	18.8	7	Perrys Port Lincoln (270.3)
Pinnaroo	274.4	+5.2	19.0	2	Shell Pinnaroo (272.8)
Streaky Bay	274.6	+5.4	19.2	3	Ampol Streaky Bay (271.8)
Robe	275.8	+6.6	20.4	2	K&S Fuels Robe (275.6)
Cummins	275.9	+6.7	20.5	4	Perrys Unmanned – Cummins (269.5)
Meadows	276.0	+6.8	20.6	2	Mogas Meadows (275.5)
Murray Bridge	276.0	+6.8	20.6	3	United Murray Bridge (274.5)
Wudinna	276.3	+7.1	20.9	3	Hunts Fuel Wudinna (272.8)
Naracoorte	276.9	+7.7	21.5	4	Ampol Naracoorte Depot Front – TASCO (271.9)
Whyalla Playford	276.9	+7.7	21.5	2	Perrys Whyalla (276.2)
Whyalla Norrie	277.0	+7.8	21.6	2	Des's Cabs (277.0)
Lock	277.1	+7.9	21.7	2	Perrys Lock (272.3)
Warnertown	277.3	+8.1	21.9	2	Shell Warnertown (276.9)
Rosetown	277.6	+8.4	22.2	2	BP Kingston SE (276.7)
Kingscote	285.9	+16.7	30.5	2	Ampol Kingscote (285.7)

Town	Month	vs Adelaide	Margin	Stations	Cheapest station (its average)
Hawker	292.3	+23.1	36.9	3	BP Hawker (286.4)
Lyndhurst	300.1	+30.9	44.7	2	Perrys Lyndhurst (297.9)
Coober Pedy	305.9	+36.7	50.5	2	Perrys Coober Pedy (305.2)
Nullarbor	344.6	+75.4	89.2	2	Border Village Roadhouse (342.4)

Other fuels: cheapest and dearest towns

Fuel	Cheapest town	Average	Dearest town	Average	Towns ranked
E10	Mount Gambier	212.2	Barmera	213.9	2
Premium 95	Hayborough	234.9	Nullarbor	319.2	25
Premium 98	Tintinara	236.8	Coober Pedy	278.9	55
LPG	Cawler	108.9	Port Wakefield	111.2	2

A town is the ABS locality a station sits in; a station in a large regional city (marked “city”) counts in that city as one place. A town is ranked with at least 2 stations that reported on a quarter of the days and a price on 60% of the days. Its margin is against Adelaide’s terminal gate price, so it includes the cost of carrying fuel to the town.

Regional centres

Victor Harbor (10,000 to 19,999 people) was the cheapest regional centre for U91 at 217.7 c/L, while Whyalla (20,000 to 49,999 people) was the dearest at 229.5 c/L. One regional centre averaged less than the capital.

#	Centre	Size	U91	vs Adelaide	Change	Diesel	Stations
1	Victor Harbor	10,000 to 19,999 people	217.7	-1.1	+14.0	266.5	7
2	Gawler	20,000 to 49,999 people	220.4	+1.6	+17.1	—	7
3	Mount Gambier	20,000 to 49,999 people	220.4	+1.6	+19.1	264.5	16
4	Crafers–Bridgewater	10,000 to 19,999 people	221.1	+2.3	+17.2	271.8	5
5	Port Augusta	10,000 to 19,999 people	222.7	+3.9	+16.1	270.4	10
6	Mount Barker	20,000 to 49,999 people	224.6	+5.8	+17.8	272.1	9
7	Murray Bridge	10,000 to 19,999 people	227.4	+8.6	+18.9	276.0	9
8	Port Lincoln	10,000 to 19,999 people	227.4	+8.6	+17.1	274.2	8
9	Port Pirie	10,000 to 19,999 people	229.0	+10.2	+17.3	276.7	7
10	Whyalla	20,000 to 49,999 people	229.5	+10.7	+17.0	277.2	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 Adelaide. It is ranked by the town rule. Cents a litre; vs Adelaide and change are differences of the published averages.

Against Adelaide, month by month

Adelaide North averaged 1.1 c/L less than Adelaide this period, and 0.9 c/L less since our records began on 13 April 2026, being cheaper in 6 of 6 months. Adelaide West averaged 0.1 c/L less than the capital this period, and was cheaper in 3 of 6 months.

U91	Month	vs Adelaide	Year so far	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Months cheaper
Adelaide North	217.7	-1.1	-0.9	-0.6	-1.0	-1.2	-0.4	-1.2	-1.1	6 of 6
Adelaide West	218.7	-0.1	+0.1	+0.7	-0.1	+0.2	-0.6	+0.5	-0.1	3 of 6
Adelaide South	219.0	+0.2	+0.4	+0.1	+0.5	+0.7	+0.3	+0.1	+0.2	0 of 6
Adelaide – Central and Hills	221.1	+2.3	+1.6	+0.5	+1.9	+1.1	+1.6	+1.9	+2.3	0 of 6

Each area's U91 average less Adelaide's, in cents a litre: this period, since our records began on 13 April 2026 to 30 September 2026, and each month of it (Apr from 13 April). Negative (green) is cheaper than Adelaide. The areas are Adelaide's ABS SA4s and the regional centres of 50,000 people or more.

Cheapest and dearest in each area

Gawler was the cheapest town outside the capital in Adelaide North for U91 at 219 c/L. Klemzig was the cheapest suburb in Adelaide North at 212.3 c/L, while Bolivar was the dearest at 223.6 c/L.

Area (ABS SA4), U91	Cheapest suburb or town	Dearest	Cheapest town outside Adelaide	Cheapest since records began
Adelaide North (Adelaide area)	Klemzig 212.3	Bolivar 223.6	Gawler 219.0	Klemzig 181.3
Adelaide South (Adelaide area)	St Marys 214.5	O'halloran Hill 223.0	Mclaren Vale 218.4	St Marys 182.4
Adelaide West (Adelaide area)	Port Adelaide 214.4	West Beach 221.8	—	Port Adelaide 181.4
Adelaide – Central and Hills (Adelaide area)	Nailsworth 213.6	Mount Barker 225.0	Stirling 221.8	Nailsworth 183.3
Barossa – Yorke – Mid North	Nuriootpa 220.1	Walleroo 229.8	Nuriootpa 220.1	Nuriootpa 187.5
Outback South Australia	Cowell 216.7	Nullarbor 309.0	Cowell 216.7	Cowell 191.6
South Australia South East	Hayborough 218.2	Kingscote 243.2	Hayborough 218.2	Barmera 185.9

A suburb or town is the ABS locality a station sits in, ranked within its ABS Statistical Area Level 4 by the town rule. A town outside Adelaide is one of this report's towns (outside Adelaide's urban area) in that SA4.

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 193.1 c/L across the state and 185.4 c/L in the capital. Angle Vale was the cheapest town over that time at 185.5 c/L, while Nullarbor was the dearest at 283.1 c/L.

	South Australia	Adelaide	Rest of South Australia
U91	193.1	185.4	199.6
Diesel	239.2	227.8	241.9

Towns, U91 (66 ranked; 0 cheaper than Adelaide)

Cheapest	Average	vs Adelaide	Dearest	Average	vs Adelaide
Angle Vale	185.5	+0.1	Nullarbor	283.1	+97.7
Gawler	185.6	+0.2	Coober Pedy	240.5	+55.1
Barmera	185.9	+0.5	Hawker	218.3	+32.9
Roseworthy	186.2	+0.8	Kingscote	217.4	+32.0
Nuriootpa	187.5	+2.1	Streaky Bay	210.6	+25.2
Virginia	187.5	+2.1	Cummins	210.5	+25.1
Stirling	187.8	+2.4	Ceduna	204.7	+19.3
Sutton town	187.8	+2.4	Tumby Bay	203.2	+17.8
Strathalbyn	188.0	+2.6	Whyalla Norrie	201.8	+16.4
Littlehampton	189.4	+4.0	Whyalla Playford	201.7	+16.3

Regional centres, U91

1	Gawler	186.2	+0.8
2	Crafers-Bridgewater	187.1	+1.7
3	Mount Gambier	188.9	+3.5
4	Mount Barker	190.0	+4.6
5	Victor Harbor	192.0	+6.6
6	Murray Bridge	192.3	+6.9
7	Port Augusta	196.9	+11.5
8	Port Lincoln	199.0	+13.6
9	Port Pirie	199.6	+14.2
10	Whyalla	201.8	+16.4

The day of the week to buy

Since our records began on 13 April 2026, Wednesday was the cheapest day to buy U91 in Adelaide and Saturday was the dearest. Buying on the cheapest day saved you 0.8 c/L or \$0.48 on a 60-litre tank, while in Gawler the saving between Thursday and Saturday was 0.6 c/L or \$0.36 a tank.

U91	Cheapest day	Dearest day	Apart	60 litres	Since records began	Apart
Adelaide	—	—	—	—	Wednesday / Saturday	0.8
Gawler	—	—	—	—	Thursday / Saturday	0.6
Mount Barker	—	—	—	—	Wednesday / Tuesday	0.6
Mount Gambier	—	—	—	—	Monday / Tuesday	0.2
Whyalla	—	—	—	—	Monday / Saturday	0.4
Crafers–Bridgewater	—	—	—	—	Wednesday / Saturday	0.9
Murray Bridge	—	—	—	—	Tuesday / Saturday	0.3
Port Augusta	—	—	—	—	Monday / Saturday	0.3
Port Lincoln	—	—	—	—	Wednesday / Saturday	0.4
Port Pirie	—	—	—	—	Monday / Saturday	0.6
Victor Harbor	—	—	—	—	Wednesday / Monday	0.3

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 Cowell rather than Nullarbor saved you \$55.38, and saved \$1.26 compared to the Adelaide average. Buying at Costco Kilburn in Kilburn saved you \$10.56 on a tank against the state average.

U91, September 2026	Cheaper	Dearer	A litre	A 60-litre tank
Cheapest and dearest town	Cowell 216.7	Nullarbor 309.0	92.3	\$55.38
Cheapest and dearest regional centre	Victor Harbor 217.7	Whyalla 229.5	11.8	\$7.08
Cheapest town and Adelaide	Cowell 216.7	Adelaide 218.8	2.1	\$1.26
Cheapest station and the state average	Costco Kilburn 206.7	South Australia 224.3	17.6	\$10.56

Port Vincent saw the largest U91 average rise, up 23.5 c/L on the previous month.

Rose most on August 2026, U91

Port Vincent	206.2 to 229.7	+23.5
Burra	205.9 to 228.0	+22.1
Hawker	230.5 to 252.5	+22.0
Balaklava	201.4 to 221.6	+20.2
Streaky Bay	212.3 to 232.4	+20.1

Independents and the major brands

Independent service stations across South Australia averaged 224.7 c/L for U91, which was 0.6 c/L more than the major brands. In Adelaide, independents averaged 215.4 c/L, coming in 4.5 c/L less than the majors.

U91	Major brands	Independents	Difference
South Australia	224.1 (430)	224.7 (195)	+0.6
Adelaide	219.9	215.4	-4.5

U-Go 212.1 · 5	On The Run (OTR) 222.5 · 155	Perrys 228.3 · 9
Solo 213.1 · 10	AM/PM 222.6 · 18	Mobil 230.4 · 31
X Convenience 217.2 · 45	Reddy Express 224.7 · 16	Independent 232.1 · 81
United 217.6 · 32	Ampol 225.1 · 113	Mogas 237.5 · 7
Liberty 219.3 · 14	Shell 226.3 · 19	
Caltex 221.8 · 27	BP 228.2 · 37	

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

Costco Kilburn in Kilburn was the cheapest service station for U91 at 206.7 c/L. Pink Roadhouse in Oodnadatta was the dearest at 333.8 c/L.

Cheapest, U91	Place	Average	Dearest, U91	Place	Average
Costco Kilburn	Kilburn	206.7	Pink Roadhouse	Oodnadatta	333.8
United Melrose Park	Melrose Park	210.0	Nullarbor Roadhouse	Nullarbor	311.5
Liberty Clarence Gardens	Clarence Gardens	210.3	Border Village Roadhouse	Nullarbor	307.1
U-Go St Marys	St Marys	210.5	Leigh Creek Motors	Leigh Creek	284.6
U-Go Clearview	Enfield	210.7	Marla Travellers Rest	Marla	274.9
United Pooraka	Pooraka	210.7	Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary	Arkaroola Village	273.4
Ampol Foodary Edwardstown	Edwardstown	210.8	Cadney Homestead Roadhouse	Tieyon	273.0
X Convenience Gepps Cross	Gepps Cross	211.0	Smoky Bay General Store	Smoky Bay	262.0
Solo Blair Athol	Blair Athol	211.9	Chris's Mechanical Services	Hawker	258.5
X Convenience Klemzig	Klemzig	212.0	Cooke's Outback Motors	Copley	258.3

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

Diesel against U91

Diesel cost 50.4 c/L more than U91 in Adelaide, up 11.7 c/L on the previous month. The gap was narrowest in Nullarbor at 35.6 c/L and widest in McLaren Vale at 55 c/L.

	Diesel less U91	Month	Change
Adelaide	50.4	38.7	+11.7
South Australia	49.6	43.8	+5.8
Rest of South Australia	46.1	41.8	+4.3

Nullarbor 35.6	Hawker 39.8	Strathalbyn 52.2
Port Vincent 38.4	McLaren Vale 55.0	Meadows 51.8
Cummins 38.7	Nuriootpa 53.8	
Renmark 39.4	Cooper Pedy 53.4	

The five towns with the narrowest and the five with the widest gap, of 51 ranked for both fuels.

Crude oil and the dollar

Brent crude oil averaged \$114.20 US a barrel and \$161.20 Australian a barrel in September 2026, with an exchange rate of 71.15 US cents per Australian dollar. In August 2026, it averaged \$91.10 US and \$128.30 Australian, with an exchange rate of 71.03 US cents.

Period	Brent, US\$ a barrel	US cents per A\$	Brent, A\$ a barrel	Brent, A\$ cents a litre	Trading days
September 2026	114.2	71.15	161.2	101.4	22
August 2026	91.1	71.03	128.3	80.7	20
July 2026	83.8	69.71	121.1	76.2	23
June 2026	85.4	70.25	121.8	76.6	22

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/sa/2026-09.

Data quality, method and sources

We collected prices from 686 service stations for this report, and our price records start on 13 April 2026.

Service stations listed	705
Stations that reported a price in the period	686
Station-days counted (every fuel)	60,455
Days covered	1 September 2026 to 30 September 2026
Our price records begin	13 April 2026
Towns ranked for U91 (left out: too few steady stations)	67 (139)

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

Adelaide is its ABS urban area, split into ABS SA4 areas. Outside it, a town is the ABS locality a station sits in. 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 Adelaide terminal. 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/sa/2026-09.

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Next reports

October 2026 report	from 4 November 2026
The December quarter 2026 report	from 4 January 2027
The 2026 annual report	from 4 January 2027

The commentary in this report was written from FuelRadar’s figures for the period and checked against them.