# Transcript: Summary of food price index for May 2019

Video, 1:17 min

See video in [Prices for winter veggies cool down](https://www.stats.govt.nz/news/prices-for-winter-veggies-cool-down), published 14 June 2019

**Visual:** Gael Price, consumer prices manager, speaking to the camera

**Audio (Gael):** The prices of winter vegetables fell in May 2019.

**Visual:** Broccoli in produce department of supermarket.

**Audio:** Kumara, broccoli, potatoes, and cabbage all fell in price.

**Visual:** Gael Price, speaking to the camera

**Audio:** Kumara cost $4.86 per kilogram on average in May 2019.

**Visual:** Line graph showing kumara prices per kg from 2009 to 2019

**Audio:** That’s down from $7.77 per kilogram a year ago – a fall of nearly 40 percent.

**Visual:** Gael Price, speaking to the camera

**Audio:** Kumara prices last year were unusually high after wet weather led to a shortage. The prices of avocados and oranges increased in the month.

**Visual:** Close-up of avocado overlaid with text ‘Avocado $5.73 for 200 gm in May 2019, up 13 percent on May 2018’.

**Audio:** Avocado prices were 13 percent higher than a year ago. The avocado season runs from August to April.

**Visual:** Close-up of plate of bacon, avocado, tomato, and eggs

**Audio:** Avocados are in short supply in winter, which means prices are usually at their highest in May or June.

**Visual:** Gael Price, speaking to the camera

**Audio:** Prices for dairy products rose in May 2019. The prices of cheese, butter, and yoghurt all rose in the month.

**Visual:** Close-up of yoghurt followed by a cheese block overlaid with text ‘Mild cheddar $9.57 a kg in May’.

**Audio:** A kilogram of mild cheddar cheese cost $9.57 on average.

**Visual:** Gael Price, speaking to the camera

**Audio:** The highest price in almost five years. Overall, food prices rose 0.7 percent in May 2019.

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