

To: Grocery Prices Inquiry
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Subject: Submission to the ACCC grocery inquiry

I am a concerned shopper especially regarding grocery items. I would like to submit my thoughts for your consideration while surveying this matter.

While the prices are continually rising; the size or quantity is decreasing eg toilet paper was once 280 sheets per roll and now 190 sheets. The size use to only alter when on special.

The old excuse freight. There is freight cost but is it over catered.

It has been knowing that northern suppliers or growers to big retail chain can only charge the same as southern suppliers or growers.

The percentage to cover theft and more perishable lines I would imagine to be quite high if so is there a better way of monitoring so the honest person does not pay the price.

I don't know if it happens or not but it was said that companies use to give a rebate for best location on store shelves.

So how much is our retail giants out of pocket in the end. Like Quality Assurance; you need to follow the paper trail on different items from start to end.

Thanks for listening; I'm sure you will keep them honest.

Regards jean Weston