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## Mackay motorists feeling hip pocket pain

The State's peak motoring body has revealed motorists in Mackay were slugged almost 10 cents per litre (cpl) more at the bowser than those just up the road in the Whitsundays last month.

According to RACQ's Monthly Fuel Price Report, motorists in Mackay paid an average of 151.4cpl for unleaded petrol (ULP) last month, compared to 141.5cpl in the Whitsunday region.

RACQ spokesperson Lucinda Ross said indicative retail margins in Mackay were also high at 11.3cpl.

"They were up in April, but again last month we saw indicative retail margins in Mackay jump by another 2.6cpl," Ms Ross said.

"It's unfair Mackay drivers are being slugged like this, while just up the road in Whitsunday, servos are offering very competitive prices, 10cpl cheaper."

Ms Ross said regardless of the town or city they filled the tank, drivers needed to shop around for the best deal.

"Our message to drivers is simple – only fill up at the servo selling for the lowest price. Make sure you spend 30 seconds before you jump in the car on one of the apps or websites, like RACQ's Fair Fuel Finder, to find out the cheapest price in your area," she said.

The Club's May 2019 Fuel Price Report could be viewed on RACQ's [website](#).

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