

EQUIVALENT CONTEMPORARY VALUES OF THE POUND:  
A HISTORICAL SERIES 1270 to 2003

This statistical series shows changes in the value of money over the past seven centuries and gives the amount of money required at September 2003 to purchase the goods bought by £1 at the dates shown on the table.

Thus, £83.24 would have been required in September 2003 in order to have the same purchasing power as £1 in 1690.

The figures are derived from the Retail Prices Index, based at January 1987 =100 There are no figures for individual years before 1800.

Data in the period 1270 to 1914 has been taken from the source 'Phelps Brown, E H and Hopkins, S V (1981), 'Seven Centuries of the Prices of Consumables, compared with Builders' Wage-rates', *Economica*'.

The RPI is based on the combined cost of a number of specific goods and does not take into account other factors relevant to a comparison of values: for example, the cost of real property or the level of wages. We know of no figures incorporating all possible factors.

These figures are not seasonally adjusted.

£1 in 1270	=	£506.99	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1280	=	£482.15	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1290	=	£510.91	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1300	=	£492.55	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1310	=	£424.93	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1320	=	£319.61	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1330	=	£426.06	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1340	=	£520.33	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1350	=	£407.94	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1360	=	£345.88	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1370	=	£340.73	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1380	=	£428.72	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1390	=	£459.96	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1400	=	£425.68	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1410	=	£437.72	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1420	=	£446.69	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1430	=	£433.76	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1440	=	£446.69	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1450	=	£476.41	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1460	=	£480.22	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1470	=	£469.87	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1480	=	£434.55	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1490	=	£465.32	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1500	=	£462.62	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1510	=	£460.40	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1520	=	£361.25	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1530	=	£306.54	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1540	=	£292.70	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1550	=	£190.83	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1560	=	£162.07	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1570	=	£165.49	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1580	=	£142.10	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1590	=	£119.34	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1600	=	£95.78	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1610	=	£93.15	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1620	=	£91.36	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1630	=	£84.85	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1640	=	£81.66	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1650	=	£71.91	as at	September 2003
£1 in 1660	=	£73.06	as at	September 2003

£1	in	1670	=	£79.03	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1680	=	£79.51	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1690	=	£83.24	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1700	=	£74.32	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1710	=	£72.89	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1720	=	£80.66	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1730	=	£81.83	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1740	=	£82.12	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1750	=	£81.05	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1760	=	£71.18	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1770	=	£60.61	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1780	=	£59.81	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1790	=	£53.32	as	at	September	2003
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£1	in	1801	=	£30.83	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1802	=	£40.04	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1803	=	£42.57	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1804	=	£41.23	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1805	=	£35.49	as	at	September	2003
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£1	in	1809	=	£33.34	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1810	=	£32.32	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1811	=	£33.28	as	at	September	2003
£1	in	1812	=	£29.40	as	at	September	2003
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