

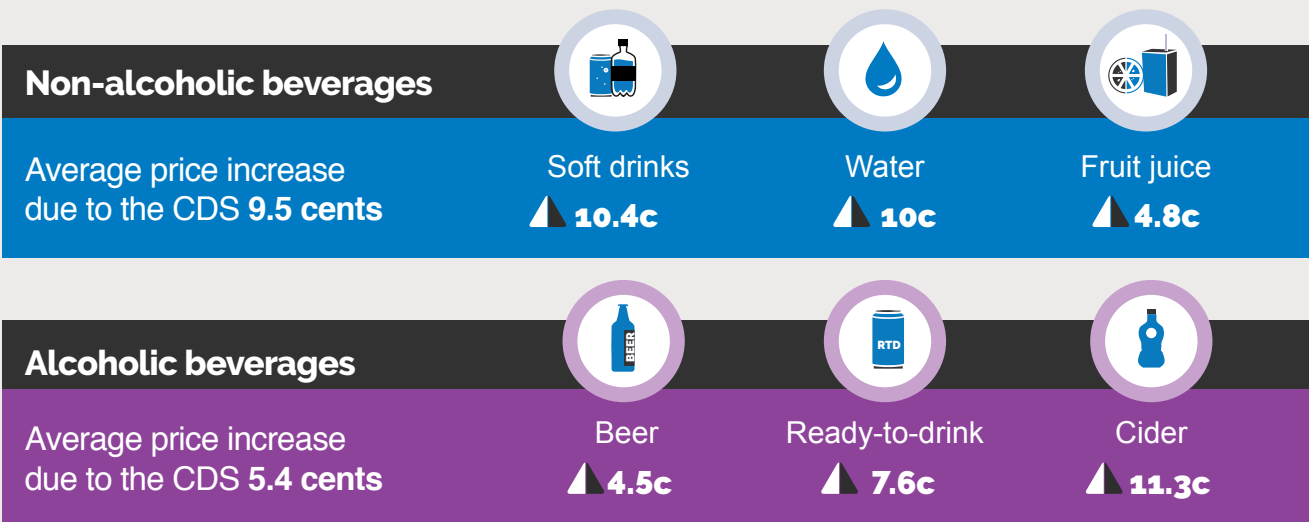
Monitoring the **impacts on container beverage prices** and **competition**

Our draft findings and recommendations based on first nine months of the scheme (November 2017 to July 2018)

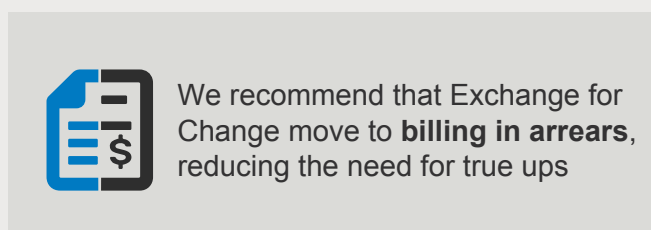
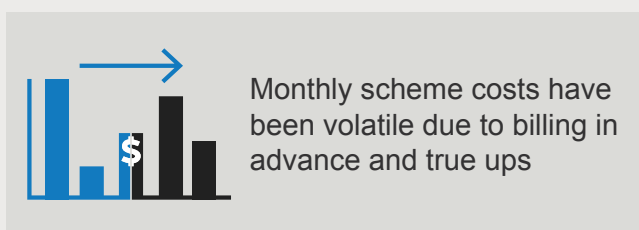


IMPACTS ON CONTAINER BEVERAGE PRICES

The overall average price increase due to the CDS was **7.5 cents per container**, compared to the scheme cost of **9.2 cents per container**



Averages weighted by market share



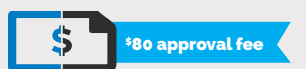
IMPACTS ON COMPETITION

No specific evidence of a material **reduction in competition** in the beverage market



NSW Government has already provided transitional assistance for retailers on **NSW-Victorian border**

To ensure competitiveness is maintained we recommend:



Container approval fee should reduce from \$80 to **\$13.70 per container**



Payment terms on Exchange for Changes' invoices should increase from **7 days to 30 days**