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## Honey grades

In 1964, a standard system of honey grading using a Pfund Honey Colour Grader was introduced in Australia. It was modified in June 1981 to bring the Australian scale in line with the international scale.

## National honey grades

Pfund honey colour grader range (mm)	Official Australian grade
0-34	White
35-48	Extra light amber
48-65	Light amber
65-83	Pale amber
83-100	Medium amber
101-114	Amber
Above 114	Dark amber

## Colour grades of some Queensland honeys

mm	Floral source
4-35	White clover
15-35	Brush box

mm	Floral source
20-30	Narrow leaf ironbark
20-35	Dusky-leaved ironbark
30-45	Yellow box
35-45	Yapunyah, brown box
40-60	Stringybark
45-95	Paper-barked tea-tree
50-70	Blue gum
75-81	Pink bloodwood
Above 90	Blue heliotrope

## **Further reading**

Blake, ST and Roff, C 1988, Honey Flora of Queensland, Department of Primary Industries.

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