



Subject: IT price discrimination submission by Andrew Boisen
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On the 29th March 2012, I ordered an SSD hard drive from Amazon ([Crucial 256 GB m4 2.5-Inch Solid State Drive SATA 6Gb/s CT256M4SSD2](#)). I paid \$315.27 AUD for the item, including international delivery.

At the time of purchase, this was an extremely good deal, as the item was available in Australia for prices between \$350- \$450, not including delivery.

Recently I went back to Amazon to purchase another of these hard drives, but have discovered that any SSD hard drives for sale are no longer allowed to be shipped internationally to Australia through Amazon.

Although I have no direct proof, I think that the Australian distributors and sellers of these hard drives have requested that Amazon cease selling directly to Australian consumers so that the Australian market on these items can be controlled. This seems to apply not just to Crucial, but all brands that I could find on Amazon, including Patriot, OCZ etc.

Aside from this specific incident, as a frequent online shopper through the US Amazon website, I have personally noticed an increasing occurrence of IT related items that I used to purchase, no longer being able to be shipped to Australia, including laptops, graphics cards and memory.

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Hello Mr Andrew D Boisen,

Thank you for shopping with us. We thought you'd like to know that we shipped your item, and that this completes your order. Your order is on its way, and can no longer be changed. If you need to return an item from this shipment or manage other orders, please visit [Your Orders](#) on Amazon.com.

Your estimated delivery date is:

Tuesday, April 3, 2012

Your order was sent to:

Andrew Boisen

Your package is being shipped by IPARCEL and the tracking number is
for your tracking number to return any information.

Depending on the ship speed you chose, it may take 24 hours

Shipment Details

Crucial 256 GB m4 2.5-Inch Solid State Drive SATA 6Gb/s	\$314.49
CT256M4SSD2	
Sold by Amazon Export Sales, Inc. (Amazon.com)	

Item Subtotal:	\$314.49
Shipping & Handling:	\$6.64
Total Before Tax:	\$321.13
Shipment Total:	\$321.13
	(AUD
	315.27)
Paid by Mastercard:	\$321.13
	(AUD 315.27)

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