

September 19, 2014

Consumer Price Index – August 2014

Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 1.9% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 2.1% for Canada, 2.2% for Edmonton and 0.8% for Whitehorse.

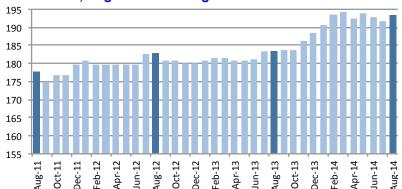
All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

						12-Month Average			
				% Change from		13-Sep	12-Sep	%	
	14-Aug	14-Jul	13-Aug	14-Jul	13-Aug	14-Aug	13-Aug	Change	
Yellowknife	129.0	128.7	126.6	0.2	1.9	127.7	125.5	1.8	
Canada	125.7	125.7	123.1	-	2.1	124.4	122.4	1.6	
Edmonton	132.2	132.4	129.4	-0.2	2.2	130.8	128.5	1.8	
Whitehorse	125.1	125.2	124.1	-0.1	0.8	124.2	122.1	1.7	

Over the one-year period, consumer prices increased for all major components in Yellowknife. Contributing to the overall increase was a 3.4% increase in alcoholic beverages and tobacco products, and a 2.8% increase in shelter. The largest year-over-year change was a 7.3% increase in the water, fuel & electricity component of shelter.

The price of energy, which includes electricity and fuel oil and other fuels sub-components, increased 5.5%

CPI - Energy Yellowknife, August 2011 to August 2014



from one year ago. This was driven by the price of fuel oil and other fuels increasing 7.8% and electricity rising 7.9%. Gasoline prices rose 0.7% between August 2013 and August 2014.

CPI values for Yellowknife and Whitehorse include estimates of price changes for owned accommodation based on the price of rental accommodation. As a result, the all-items indexes published for these centers are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.

Next release of CPI: October 17, 2014.

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Consumer Price Index, August 2014 Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

				% Change from	
	14-Aug	14-Jul	13-Aug	14-Jul	13-Aug
All Items	129.0	128.7	126.6	0.2	1.9
Food	132.2	131.6	130.8	0.5	1.1
Food from Stores	130.8	129.9	129.5	0.7	1.0
Food from Restaurants	135.9	135.9	134.4	-	1.1
Shelter	150.6	150.3	146.5	0.2	2.8
Water, Fuel & Electricity	203.7	201.6	189.9	1.0	7.3
Household Operations & Furnishings	111.6	111.9	110.8	-0.3	0.7
Household Operations	120.1	120.3	119.9	-0.2	0.2
Household Furnishings	93.9	94.5	92.4	-0.6	1.6
Clothing & Footwear	99.9	99.5	99.7	0.4	0.2
Clothing	92.6	91.8	92.1	0.9	0.5
Footwear	93.6	94.7	96.3	-1.2	-2.8
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	145.0	144.4	142.0	0.4	2.1
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	110.0	109.8	109.3	0.2	0.6
Transportation	122.3	121.6	119.1	0.6	2.7
Private Transportation	121.9	120.8	117.3	0.9	3.9
Public Transportation	126.6	128.0	129.5	-1.1	-2.2
Health & Personal Care	119.0	120.7	117.4	-1.4	1.4
Health Care	116.1	116.5	117.5	-0.3	-1.2
Personal Care	122.2	125.0	118.3	-2.2	3.3
Recreation, Education & Reading	104.6	104.5	103.5	0.1	1.1
Recreation	101.0	100.9	100.9	0.1	0.1
Education & Reading	125.8	125.8	119.4	-	5.4
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	164.4	164.3	159.0	0.1	3.4
Alcoholic Beverages	148.7	148.6	145.1	0.1	2.5
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	181.4	181.4	172.5	-	5.2
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	128.3	128.1	125.8	0.2	2.0
Energy	123.4	123.2	121.6	0.2	1.5
Shelter	120.0	119.8	118.3	0.2	1.4
Alcoholic Beverages	128.5	128.3	126.2	0.2	1.8
Tobacco Products	127.9	127.7	125.6	0.2	1.8
Housing (1986 Definition)	139.5	139.3	136.4	0.1	2.3
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	193.4	191.7	183.4	0.9	5.5
Electricity	189.4	181.5	175.5	4.4	7.9
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	270.5	273.8	251.0	-1.2	7.8
Natural Gas					
Gasoline	159.5	159.2	158.4	0.2	0.7
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicle	S	••		••	

Note: Additional indexes are available from the Time Series Retrieval and Statistics Canada Catalogue 62-001.

Source: Statistics Canada