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Consumer Price Index – December 2012

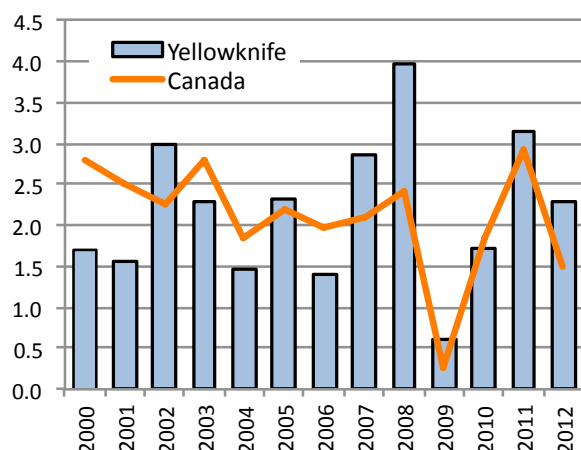
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 1.1% from December 2011. By comparison, the annual price increase was 0.8% for Canada, 0.2% for Edmonton and 1.9% for Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

	12-Dec	12-Nov	11-Dec	% Change from		—12-Month Average—		
				12-Nov	11-Dec	12-Jan	11-Jan	% Change
Yellowknife	124.8	124.9	123.4	-0.1	1.1	124.3	121.6	2.2
Whitehorse	121.1	121.6	118.8	-0.4	1.9	120.8	118.1	2.3
Canada	121.2	121.9	120.2	-0.6	0.8	121.7	119.9	1.5
Edmonton	127.0	127.7	126.7	-0.5	0.2	127.4	126.0	1.1

Compared to December 2011, consumer prices increased for all major components in Yellowknife. The highest price increases were for health & personal care (3.4%), clothing and footwear (2.7%) and alcoholic beverages & tobacco products (2.4%). Although prices increased from 12 months earlier, this was the smallest year-over-year change since November 2009.

**Annual Inflation Rate (Jan - Dec)
Canada & Yellowknife, 2000 to 2012**



The annual inflation rate shows how prices change from one year to the next based on the 12-month average index. Businesses tend to use this rate for the calendar year (January to December) to adjust salaries or evaluate the prices of their goods and services. Between 2011 and 2012, the calendar year inflation rate for Yellowknife increased by 2.2%. By comparison, the rate increased 1.5% for Canada, 1.1% for Edmonton and 2.3% for Whitehorse.

Both the Yellowknife and Canadian inflation rate were lower in 2012 than 2011. However, this is the sixth consecutive year where the rate has been higher in Yellowknife than in Canada.

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.

Consumer Price Index, December 2012
Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

	12-Dec	12-Nov	11-Dec	% Change from	
				12-Nov	11-Dec
All Items	124.8	124.9	123.4	-0.1	1.1
Food	124.3	125.2	123.5	-0.7	0.6
Food from Stores	121.4	122.7	122.0	-1.1	-0.5
Food from Restaurants	131.6	131.6	127.5	-	3.2
Shelter	145.9	143.9	144.2	1.4	1.2
Water, Fuel & Electricity	183.9	183.9	182.4	-	0.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	110.3	110.7	110.1	-0.4	0.2
Household Operations	118.4	118.3	119.2	0.1	-0.7
Household Furnishings	93.2	94.4	91.6	-1.3	1.7
Clothing & Footwear	101.4	103.3	98.7	-1.8	2.7
Clothing	96.3	97.0	91.1	-0.7	5.7
Footwear	89.8	97.7	97.2	-8.1	-7.6
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	141.4	142.0	137.5	-0.4	2.8
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	108.7	109.0	109.9	-0.3	-1.1
Transportation	118.9	120.2	117.3	-1.1	1.4
Private Transportation	119.3	120.5	117.6	-1.0	1.4
Public Transportation	120.4	122.4	119.3	-1.6	0.9
Health & Personal Care	119.0	118.1	115.1	0.8	3.4
Health Care	117.7	117.0	115.9	0.6	1.6
Personal Care	120.9	120.0	115.4	0.8	4.8
Recreation, Education & Reading	98.9	99.8	98.0	-0.9	0.9
Recreation	95.4	96.5	94.8	-1.1	0.6
Education & Reading	119.4	119.2	117.3	0.2	1.8
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	156.3	156.4	152.7	-0.1	2.4
Alcoholic Beverages	142.1	142.1	138.6	-	2.5
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	171.0	171.0	167.5	-	2.1
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All-Items Excluding:					
Food	124.8	124.8	123.3	-	1.2
Energy	119.9	120.0	118.4	-0.1	1.3
Shelter	116.2	117.1	114.8	-0.8	1.2
Alcoholic Beverages	124.4	124.5	123.0	-0.1	1.1
Tobacco Products	123.9	123.9	122.4	-	1.2
Housing (1986 Definition)	134.3	133.2	133.0	0.8	1.0

Note: Additional indexes are available from T-stat and Statistics Canada Catalogue 62-001.
Source: Statistics Canada