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Consumer Price Index – September 2015

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 1.0% for Canada, 1.6% for Edmonton, and 0.6% in Whitehorse.

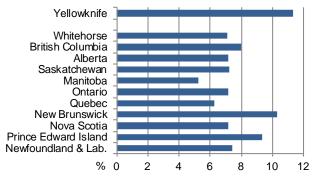
All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

				12-Month Average					
	15-Sep	15-Aug	14-Sep	% Chang 15-Aug	je from 14-Sep	14-Oct 15-Sep	13-Oct 14-Sep	% Change	
Yellowknife	131.2	131.6	128.7	-0.3	1.9	129.9	127.8	1.6	
Canada	127.1	127.3	125.8	-0.2	1.0	126.2	124.6	1.3	
Edmonton	134.4	134.7	132.3	-0.2	1.6	132.8	131.1	1.3	
Whitehorse	125.6	126.0	124.9	-0.3	0.6	124.0	124.3	-0.2	

Compared to September 2014, consumer prices increased in Yellowknife for most major components with the exception of shelter. Higher prices for recreation, education & reading (5.6%), food (4.9%) and clothing & footwear (4.6%) were offset by lower prices for fuel oil and other fuels (-24.2%) and gasoline (-10.6%).



Percentage Change in Prices - Food From Stores September 2013 to September 2015



Over the last 2 years, there has been an upward trend in the price of food from stores in Yellowknife. While every jurisdiction in Canada has experienced a price rise over this time, the increase has been more pronounced in Yellowknife.

Next release of CPI: November 20, 2015.

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Consumer Price Index, September 2015 Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

				——% Change from ——	
	15-Sep	15-Aug	14-Sep	15-Aug	14-Sep
All Items	131.2	131.6	128.7	-0.3	1.9
Food Food from Stores Food from Restaurants	139.6 139.5 138.4	139.0 138.7 138.3	133.1 132.1 136.0	0.4 0.6 0.1	4.9 5.6 1.8
Shelter Water, Fuel & Electricity	149.7 188.9	150.1 190.8	150.6 203.7	-0.3 -1.0	-0.6 -7.3
Household Operations & Furnishings Household Operations Household Furnishings	115.1 122.5 99.1	115.1 122.7 98.9	112.4 121.1 94.5	-0.2 0.2	2.4 1.2 4.9
Clothing & Footwear Clothing Footwear Clothing Accessories & Jewellery Clothing Material, Notions & Services	104.7 97.8 98.0 148.5 110.0	101.6 93.5 98.0 144.4 110.0	100.1 93.0 93.1 145.0 110.2	3.1 4.6 - 2.8	4.6 5.2 5.3 2.4 -0.2
Transportation Private Transportation Public Transportation	122.4 121.8 127.6	124.5 124.3 128.9	121.7 121.2 126.8	-1.7 -2.0 -1.0	0.6 0.5 0.6
Health & Personal Care Health Care Personal Care	121.6 117.6 125.6	119.7 115.1 124.0	120.1 116.5 123.9	1.6 2.2 1.3	1.2 0.9 1.4
Recreation, Education & Reading Recreation Education & Reading	106.8 102.9 129.7	108.2 104.8 126.7	101.1 96.6 128.2	-1.3 -1.8 2.4	5.6 6.5 1.2
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products Alcoholic Beverages Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	167.4 149.1 189.0	167.5 149.5 188.7	164.1 148.3 181.4	-0.1 -0.3 0.2	2.0 0.5 4.2
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
Food Energy Shelter Alcoholic Beverages Tobacco Products	129.6 126.9 123.3 130.8 130.1	130.2 127.0 123.7 131.2 130.5	127.8 123.1 119.7 128.2 127.7	-0.5 -0.1 -0.3 -0.3 -0.3	1.4 3.1 3.0 2.0 1.9
Housing (1986 Definition)	140.2	141.0	139.4	-0.6	0.6
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy Electricity Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	175.8 196.8 205.0	181.7 196.8 211.2	193.5 189.4 270.5	-3.2 - -2.9	-9.1 3.9 -24.2
Natural Gas Gasoline Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	 142.7 	 153.3 	 159.7 	 -6.9 	 -10.6

Notes:

Source: Statistics 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 centres are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.