



Consumer Price Index April 2023

Information released yesterday by Statistics Canada indicates the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in April rose by 4.9% compared to one year ago. By comparison, annual prices increased by 4.4% for Canada, 3.8% for Edmonton, 5.8% for Whitehorse and 3.1% for Iqaluit.

Table 1: All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002 = 100)

	23-Apr	23-Mar	22-Apr	% Change from		12-Month Average		
				23-Mar	22-Apr	22-May 23-Apr	21-May 22-Apr	% Change
Yellowknife	157.6	156.5	150.3	0.7	4.9	154.6	144.7	6.8
Canada	156.4	155.3	149.8	0.7	4.4	153.7	144.4	6.4
Edmonton	162.5	160.3	156.5	1.4	3.8	160.1	151.7	5.5
Whitehorse	154.2	152.9	145.8	0.9	5.8	151.5	141.1	7.4
Iqaluit	142.1	140.8	137.8	0.9	3.1	139.8	134.6	3.9

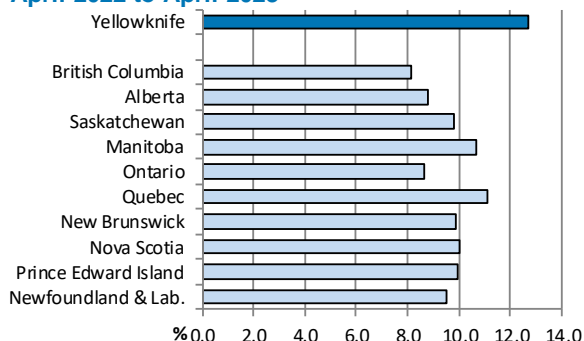
Since peaking at 8.3% last June, the year-over-year inflation rate for Yellowknife has slowed to just below 5%. In contrast, the year-over-year change in food prices remained elevated (12.8%) in April 2023. While food prices have increased across the country, the rise was more pronounced in Yellowknife.

Food prices in Yellowknife went up across various grocery store items such as bakery & cereal (20.6%), dairy & eggs (19.0%), fruit & nuts (15.6%) and vegetables (15.1%). Food from restaurants increased by 9.8% over the same period.

In contrast to food, the other major subcomponents increased by less than 6%, except for household operations & furnishings which declined by 1.4% between April 2022 and April 2023.

The price of child care & housekeeping services is a component of household operations; the decline in this component can be traced back to the child care fee reduction subsidy that was initiated in 2022.

**Percentage Change in Prices - Food
April 2022 to April 2023**



**Percentage Change in Food by Subcomponent
Yellowknife, April 2022 to April 2023**

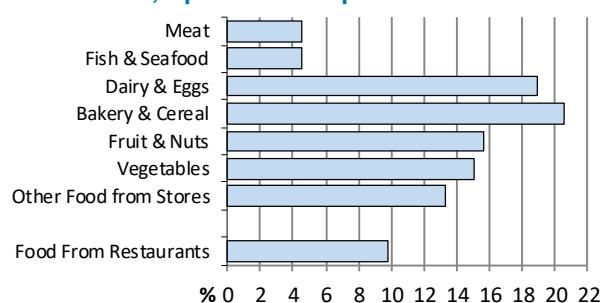


TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, APRIL 2023
SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

	23-Apr	23-Mar	22-Apr	% Change from	
				23-Mar	22-Apr
All Items	157.6	156.5	150.3	0.7	4.9
Food	175.7	176.8	155.8	-0.6	12.8
Food from Stores	175.3	176.8	154.1	-0.8	13.8
Food from Restaurants	176.1	175.6	160.4	0.3	9.8
Shelter	182.6	178.8	174.8	2.1	4.5
Water, Fuel & Electricity	259.0	245.3	251.1	5.6	3.1
Household Operations & Furnishings	115.7	114.3	117.3	1.2	-1.4
Household Operations	116.7	116.7	120.2	-	-2.9
Child Care & Housekeeping Services	102.0	102.0	150.5	-	-32.2
Household Furnishings	107.8	104.4	106.5	3.3	1.2
Clothing & Footwear	115.5	113.4	110.3	1.9	4.7
Clothing	105.9	103.4	99.4	2.4	6.5
Footwear	97.1	97.2	96.7	-0.1	0.4
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	179.0	176.3	175.8	1.5	1.8
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	191.9	191.9	187.5	-	2.3
Transportation	167.0	165.8	161.3	0.7	3.5
Private Transportation	164.2	162.7	157.9	0.9	4.0
Public Transportation	178.4	181.5	180.7	-1.7	-1.3
Health & Personal Care	138.0	137.1	132.3	0.7	4.3
Health Care	131.3	132.4	129.0	-0.8	1.8
Personal Care	143.3	141.1	135.4	1.6	5.8
Recreation, Education & Reading	118.7	120.8	117.8	-1.7	0.8
Recreation	114.0	116.2	113.5	-1.9	0.4
Education & Reading	145.3	144.8	139.8	0.3	3.9
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	196.0	195.0	185.2	0.5	5.8
Alcoholic Beverages	152.7	152.6	147.4	0.1	3.6
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	295.9	292.3	265.0	1.2	11.7
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	244.3	230.7	239.6	5.9	2.0
Electricity	205.4	205.4	202.4	-	1.5
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	377.9	329.7	355.2	14.6	6.4
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	190.7	185.5	199.2	2.8	-4.3
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Notes:

1. Source: Statistics Canada, Table 18-10-0004-01 Consumer Price Index, monthly, not seasonally adjusted.
2. 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.

Next release of CPI: June 27, 2023.