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Consumer Price Index

August 2025

Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in August rose by 1.9% compared to one year ago. By comparison, annual prices increased by 1.9% for Canada, 1.3% for Edmonton, 3.1% for Whitehorse, and 0.7% for Iqaluit.

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

						1	12-Month Average		
				% Change from		24-Sep	23-Sep	%	
	25-Aug	25-Jul	24-Aug	25-Jul	24-Aug	25-Aug	24-Aug	Change	
Yellowknife	163.1	164.0	160.1	-0.5	1.9	162.3	159.0	2.1	
Canada	164.8	164.9	161.8	-0.1	1.9	163.0	159.9	1.9	
Edmonton	170.9	171.0	168.7	-0.1	1.3	169.6	166.0	2.2	
Whitehorse	165.2	165.3	160.2	-0.1	3.1	161.9	157.6	2.7	
Iqaluit	145.6	145.6	144.6	-	0.7	144.7	143.4	0.9	

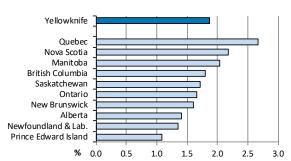
Consumer prices increased for all provinces in August 2025 compared to a year ago. Prince Edward Island had the lowest increase (1.1%) while Quebec had the highest (2.7%).

In Yellowknife, consumer prices rose in five of the eight major components compared to one year ago including food (3.0%) and shelter (3.4%).

Prices for many grocery store items rose year-over-year between August 2024 and August 2025. Fish & seafood increased more than 8% while meat increased by over 5%. These increases were partially offset by lower prices for bakery & cereal products (-1.5%) and vegetables (-2.7%). Food from restaurants rose by 2.1% during the same period.

Looking at energy and its components, both gasoline and fuel oil & other fuels decreased by 10.6% and 8.5%, respectively. In contrast, electricity increased by 3.5% over the last 12 months.

Percentage Change in Prices - All Items August 2024 to August 2025



Percentage Change in Food by Subcomponent Yellowknife, August 2024 to August 2025

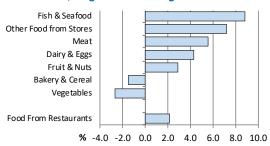


TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, AUGUST 2025
SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

				% Change	% Change from	
	25-Aug	25-Jul	24-Aug	25-Jul	24-Aug	
All Items	163.1	164.0	160.1	-0.5	1.9	
Food	187.1	189.5	181.7	-1.3	3.0	
Food from Stores	186.6	188.2	180.5	-0.9	3.4	
Food from Restaurants	187.9	192.3	184.0	-2.3	2.1	
Shelter	198.5	198.6	191.9	-0.1	3.4	
Water, Fuel & Electricity	256.1	256.6	260.0	-0.2	-1.5	
Household Operations & Furnishings	109.2	109.2	108.1	-	1.0	
Household Operations	103.3	103.1	101.6	0.2	1.7	
Household Furnishings	117.0	117.4	117.8	-0.3	-0.7	
Clothing & Footwear	111.9	113.1	111.9	-1.1	-	
Clothing	98.8	100.3	100.0	-1.5	-1.2	
Footwear	101.9	99.2	90.6	2.7	12.5	
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	178.8	187.3	191.1	-4.5	-6.4	
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	209.4	207.9	211.9	0.7	-1.2	
Transportation	165.9	170.3	168.0	-2.6	-1.3	
Private Transportation	164.0	165.7	162.8	-1.0	0.7	
Public Transportation	171.9	183.8	188.7	-6.5	-8.9	
Health & Personal Care	142.4	142.8	144.3	-0.3	-1.3	
Health Care	140.7	141.7	138.7	-0.7	1.4	
Personal Care	143.9	143.7	149.0	0.1	-3.4	
Recreation, Education & Reading	120.0	118.9	119.0	0.9	0.8	
Recreation	115.3	114.0	113.9	1.1	1.2	
Education & Reading	147.5	147.5	149.6	-	-1.4	
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	206.4	205.6	201.8	0.4	2.3	
Alcoholic Beverages	160.9	160.0	156.0	0.6	3.1	
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	331.8	331.8	326.2	-	1.7	
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:						
Energy	229.3	229.3	242.9	-	-5.6	
Electricity	236.7	236.7	228.6	-	3.5	
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	309.6	311.1	338.3	-0.5	-8.5	
Natural Gas						
Gasoline	166.7	165.6	186.4	0.7	-10.6	
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles						

Notes:

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

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.