

## Consumer Price Index February 2022

Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in February rose by 5.4% compared to one year ago, the largest annual increase for Yellowknife since 1991. By comparison, annual prices increased by 5.7% for Canada, 5.5% for Edmonton, 4.5% for Whitehorse and 2.9% for Iqaluit.

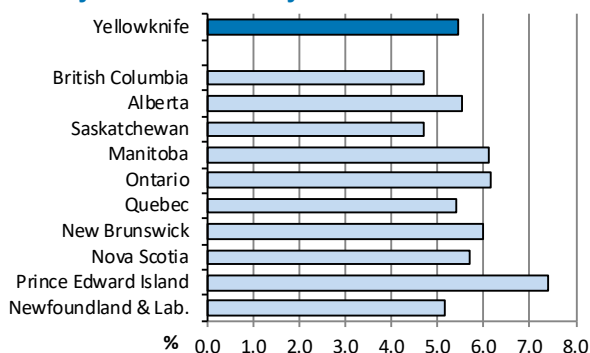
**Table 1: All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002 = 100)**

	22-Feb	22-Jan	21-Feb	% Change from		12-Month Average		
				22-Jan	21-Feb	21-Mar	20-Mar	%
				22-Jan	21-Feb	22-Feb	21-Feb	Change
<b>Yellowknife</b>	<b>147.2</b>	<b>145.3</b>	<b>139.6</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>143.1</b>	<b>138.6</b>	<b>3.2</b>
Canada	146.8	145.3	138.9	1.0	5.7	142.9	137.2	4.2
Edmonton	154.2	152.5	146.2	1.1	5.5	150.2	144.9	3.7
Whitehorse	142.5	141.1	136.4	1.0	4.5	139.8	134.5	3.9
Iqaluit	135.8	134.8	132.0	0.7	2.9	133.8	131.4	1.8

Consumer prices increased by at least 5% in most provinces between February 2021 and February 2022. Prince Edward Island had the highest increase (7.4%) while both Saskatchewan and British Columbia had the lowest (4.7%). Gasoline was the main contributor to the increase in most of the provinces and in Whitehorse. For Yellowknife, fuel oil and other fuels was the main contributor to the increase, rising by 36.1% compared to 27.1% for gasoline.

In Yellowknife, higher prices for fuel oil and other fuels contributed to the increase in shelter (4.9%), while the rise in gasoline prices contributed to the increase in private transportation (8.8%). The other transportation sub-component, public transportation, also increased, largely due to a rise in inter-city transportation (airlines). Food prices also rose over the 12 month period, in part due to the increase of the price of meat, fish & seafood.

### Percentage Change in Prices - All Items February 2021 to February 2022



### Percentage Change in Food by Subcomponent Yellowknife, February 2021 to February 2022



**TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, FEBRUARY 2022**  
**SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)**

	22-Feb	22-Jan	21-Feb	% Change from	
				22-Jan	21-Feb
All Items	147.2	145.3	139.6	1.3	5.4
Food	153.1	152.7	146.8	0.3	4.3
Food from Stores	151.5	150.9	143.6	0.4	5.5
Food from Restaurants	157.6	157.6	155.7	-	1.2
Shelter	170.4	166.7	162.5	2.2	4.9
Water, Fuel & Electricity	233.0	224.0	204.7	4.0	13.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	115.1	114.6	112.9	0.4	1.9
Household Operations	119.8	120.0	120.2	-0.2	-0.3
Household Furnishings	101.9	100.5	96.6	1.4	5.5
Clothing & Footwear	110.1	108.9	107.0	1.1	2.9
Clothing	99.6	98.6	97.4	1.0	2.3
Footwear	96.4	96.5	93.0	-0.1	3.7
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	173.4	169.5	171.3	2.3	1.2
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	187.5	182.0	162.8	3.0	15.2
Transportation	154.9	152.8	142.5	1.4	8.7
Private Transportation	152.2	149.7	139.9	1.7	8.8
Public Transportation	166.4	169.7	158.7	-1.9	4.9
Health & Personal Care	126.4	121.3	124.4	4.2	1.6
Health Care	126.4	124.6	123.5	1.4	2.3
Personal Care	127.3	120.1	125.6	6.0	1.4
Recreation, Education & Reading	116.6	114.6	106.5	1.7	9.5
Recreation	112.0	109.8	101.3	2.0	10.6
Education & Reading	141.6	141.5	138.7	0.1	2.1
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	183.6	183.3	181.1	0.2	1.4
Alcoholic Beverages	147.4	146.3	146.0	0.8	1.0
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	260.0	261.1	253.5	-0.4	2.6
<b>ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:</b>					
Energy	218.1	208.0	181.2	4.9	20.4
Electricity	202.4	202.4	202.4	-	-
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	303.0	277.0	222.6	9.4	36.1
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	180.7	173.2	142.2	4.3	27.1
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: April 20, 2022.