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Consumer Price Index – January 2012

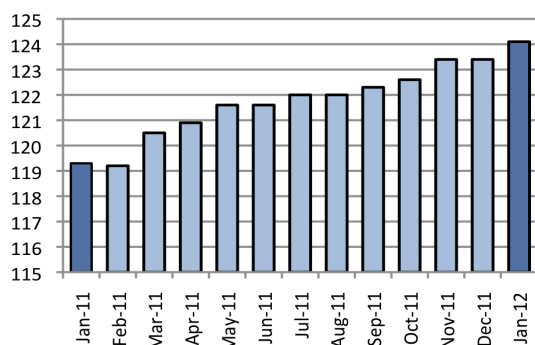
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 4.0% from January 2011. By comparison, the annual price increase was 2.5% for Canada, 2.7% for Edmonton and 2.5% for Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

	12-Jan	11-Dec	11-Jan	% Change from		—12-Month Average—		
				11-Dec	11-Jan	11-Feb	10-Feb	%
				11-Dec	11-Jan	12-Jan	11-Jan	Change
Yellowknife	124.1	123.4	119.3	0.6	4.0	122.0	118.2	3.2
Whitehorse	118.8	118.8	115.9	-	2.5	118.3	114.9	3.0
Canada	120.7	120.2	117.8	0.4	2.5	120.1	116.7	2.9
Edmonton	127.3	126.7	123.9	0.5	2.7	126.2	123.0	2.6

Between January 2011 and January 2012 prices in Yellowknife increased for all major components. Contributing to the overall increase was a 10.3% increase in transportation and a 4.2% increase in shelter.

**CPI - Yellowknife
January 2011 to January 2012**



On a monthly basis, overall prices in Yellowknife increased by 0.6% between January 2012 and December 2011. This increase resulted from a 2.0% increase in the transportation component, a 1.1% increase in both food and health & personal care and a 0.4% increase in recreation, education & reading. The indexes for shelter and household operations & furnishings also rose in January. A 0.7% price drop in alcoholic beverages & tobacco products and a 0.5% decrease in clothing and footwear moderated these increases.

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.

Next release of CPI: Friday, March 23, 2012.

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

	12-Jan	11-Dec	11-Jan	% Change from	
				11-Dec	11-Jan
All Items	124.1	123.4	119.3	0.6	4.0
Food	124.9	123.5	121.5	1.1	2.8
Food from Stores	123.9	122.0	119.8	1.6	3.4
Food from Restaurants	127.7	127.5	125.8	0.2	1.5
Shelter	144.4	144.2	138.6	0.1	4.2
Water, Fuel & Electricity	183.6	182.4	170.8	0.7	7.5
Household Operations & Furnishings	110.2	110.1	108.2	0.1	1.8
Household Operations	119.5	119.2	115.4	0.3	3.6
Household Furnishings	91.5	91.6	92.4	-0.1	-1.0
Clothing & Footwear	98.2	98.7	97.4	-0.5	0.8
Clothing	90.9	91.1	91.9	-0.2	-1.1
Footwear	96.8	97.2	89.7	-0.4	7.9
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	135.6	137.5	131.8	-1.4	2.9
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	109.9	109.9	112.4	-	-2.2
Transportation	119.7	117.3	108.5	2.0	10.3
Private Transportation	119.8	117.6	107.8	1.9	11.1
Public Transportation	122.7	119.3	113.8	2.8	7.8
Health & Personal Care	116.4	115.1	114.7	1.1	1.5
Health Care	116.5	115.9	117.3	0.5	-0.7
Personal Care	117.3	115.4	113.4	1.6	3.4
Recreation, Education & Reading	98.4	98.0	96.5	0.4	2.0
Recreation	95.2	94.8	93.7	0.4	1.6
Education & Reading	117.3	117.3	113.5	-	3.3
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	151.6	152.7	147.7	-0.7	2.6
Alcoholic Beverages	137.1	138.6	136.4	-1.1	0.5
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	167.3	167.5	159.0	-0.1	5.2
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	123.9	123.3	118.7	0.5	4.4
Energy	119.1	118.4	115.6	0.6	3.0
Shelter	115.8	114.8	111.3	0.9	4.0
Alcoholic Beverages	123.8	123.0	118.9	0.7	4.1
Tobacco Products	123.2	122.4	118.4	0.7	4.1
Housing (1986 Definition)	133.3	133.0	128.8	0.2	3.5
Energy and its Components:					
Energy	180.6	179.8	162.1	0.4	11.4
Electricity	158.5	154.3	150.4	2.7	5.4
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	264.2	266.4	237.0	-0.8	11.5
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	157.9	157.9	135.2	-	16.8
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

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