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Consumer Price Index – July 2012

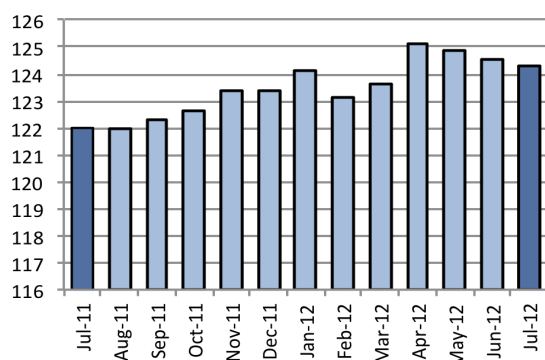
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 1.9% from July 2011. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.3% for Canada, 1.0% for Edmonton and 2.3% for Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

	12-Jul	12-Jun	11-Jul	% Change from		12-Month Average		
				12-Jun	11-Jul	11-Aug 12-Jul	10-Aug 11-Jul	% Change
Yellowknife	124.3	124.5	122.0	-0.2	1.9	123.6	119.8	3.2
Whitehorse	121.4	121.3	118.7	0.1	2.3	119.8	116.6	2.8
Edmonton	127.1	127.2	125.9	-0.1	1.0	127.0	124.4	2.1
Canada	121.5	121.6	120.0	-0.1	1.3	121.2	118.5	2.3

Consumer prices rose for every major component in Yellowknife between July 2011 and July 2012. Contributing to the overall increase was a 3.0% increase in shelter and a 2.6% increase in transportation.

CPI - Yellowknife July 2011 to July 2012



The annual increase in transportation is largely a result of higher prices for leasing and purchasing of passenger vehicles. While transportation prices have increased between July 2011 and July 2012, monthly comparisons indicate prices have declined in recent months.

Transportation fell 2.2% between June and July, contributing to an overall 0.2% price decrease in Yellowknife. Also contributing to the monthly decrease were declining prices for clothing & footwear and health & personal care both at 0.6%. These decreases were countered, to some extent, with higher

prices for recreation, education & reading at 1.0%, shelter at 0.3%, food, household operations & furnishings and alcoholic beverages & tobacco products all at 0.2%.

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 centers are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.

Next release of CPI: Friday, September 21, 2012.

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

	12-Jul	12-Jun	11-Jul	% Change from	
				12-Jun	11-Jul
All Items	124.3	124.5	122.0	-0.2	1.9
Food	124.8	124.6	124.1	0.2	0.6
Food from Stores	123.7	123.2	123.1	0.4	0.5
Food from Restaurants	127.7	128.2	126.8	-0.4	0.7
Shelter	144.9	144.4	140.7	0.3	3.0
Water, Fuel & Electricity	187.5	183.7	179.9	2.1	4.2
Household Operations & Furnishings	111.4	111.2	109.0	0.2	2.2
Household Operations	118.6	118.4	116.9	0.2	1.5
Household Furnishings	95.7	95.4	92.5	0.3	3.5
Clothing & Footwear	98.9	99.5	98.4	-0.6	0.5
Clothing	92.2	94.2	91.8	-2.1	0.4
Footwear	95.3	89.1	97.2	7.0	-2.0
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	135.0	137.9	130.9	-2.1	3.1
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	110.3	110.3	110.3	-	-
Transportation	115.6	118.2	112.7	-2.2	2.6
Private Transportation	114.6	116.6	110.6	-1.7	3.6
Public Transportation	122.2	127.0	123.0	-3.8	-0.7
Health & Personal Care	117.0	117.7	115.3	-0.6	1.5
Health Care	118.4	117.5	115.9	0.8	2.2
Personal Care	117.0	118.8	115.8	-1.5	1.0
Recreation, Education & Reading	102.5	101.5	102.4	1.0	0.1
Recreation	99.9	98.7	100.0	1.2	-0.1
Education & Reading	118.2	118.2	116.2	-	1.7
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	153.7	153.4	150.6	0.2	2.1
Alcoholic Beverages	139.6	139.2	135.9	0.3	2.7
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	168.2	168.2	166.8	-	0.8
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	124.1	124.4	121.5	-0.2	2.1
Energy	119.2	119.6	117.0	-0.3	1.9
Shelter	115.8	116.3	114.2	-0.4	1.4
Alcoholic Beverages	123.9	124.1	121.6	-0.2	1.9
Tobacco Products	123.4	123.5	121.0	-0.1	2.0
Housing (1986 Definition)	135.0	134.3	131.5	0.5	2.7
Energy and its Components:					
Energy	182.7	179.8	177.8	1.6	2.8
Electricity	167.7	159.2	154.3	5.3	8.7
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	260.5	260.5	258.3	-	0.9
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	157.9	157.9	158.2	-	-0.2
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