

Consumer Price Index June 2020

During the past few months, COVID-19 has restricted the movement of people and forced many businesses to change their normal operations. This affected how Statistics Canada conducted the Consumer Price Index in June; in-person data collection was done remotely, supplemented with alternate data sources, and a higher level of data imputation occurred due to the reduced availability of some products and services.

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

	20-Jun	20-May	19-Jun	% Change from		12-Month Average		
				20-May	19-Jun	19-Jul 20-Jun	18-Jul 19-Jun	% Change
Yellowknife	139.3	137.7	139.1	1.2	0.1	139.4	137.8	1.2
Canada	137.2	136.1	136.3	0.8	0.7	136.6	134.6	1.5
Edmonton	145.0	144.0	143.0	0.7	1.4	144.0	142.0	1.4
Whitehorse	134.3	133.1	134.1	0.9	0.1	134.5	131.7	2.1
Iqaluit	131.3	131.4	132.1	-0.1	-0.6	132.0	130.5	1.1

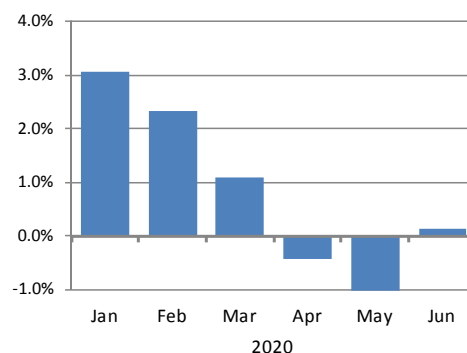
Statistics Canada indicates that in June 2020 the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose by 0.1% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price change in June was 0.7% for Canada, 1.4% for Edmonton, 0.1% for Whitehorse and -0.6% for Iqaluit. The slight increase in Yellowknife follows two consecutive annual declines in both April and May.

Between June 2019 and June 2020, Yellowknife consumer prices decreased in four of the eight major components. Shelter contributed to the decline, largely a result the 12.8% decline in water, fuel and electricity.

Fuel oil & other fuels declined by 32.8% between June 2019 and June 2020 while electricity prices remained the same over this period. Gasoline fell by 20.8% resulting in an overall decrease of 17.4% in energy prices.

While energy prices have trended downward since the start of 2020, they increased by 5.8% between May 2020 and June 2020. The monthly increase in both gasoline and fuel oil & other fuels contributed to the 1.2% increase in the Yellowknife CPI between May and June.

**Annual (12 month) Change in Yellowknife CPI
January 2020 to June 2020**



**Yellowknife CPI - Energy
June 2019 to June 2020**

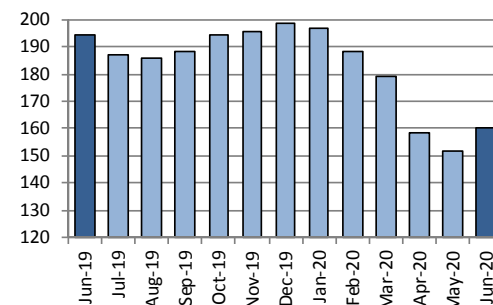


TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, JUNE 2020
SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

	20-Jun	20-May	19-Jun	% Change from	
				20-May	19-Jun
All Items	139.3	137.7	139.1	1.2	0.1
Food	146.2	144.8	146.8	1.0	-0.4
Food from Stores	142.8	140.9	144.8	1.3	-1.4
Food from Restaurants	155.7	155.9	151.9	-0.1	2.5
Shelter	158.6	157.8	160.2	0.5	-1.0
Water, Fuel & Electricity	183.8	179.3	210.8	2.5	-12.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	113.1	112.7	114.3	0.4	-1.0
Household Operations	121.3	120.2	124.4	0.9	-2.5
Household Furnishings	95.1	95.8	92.5	-0.7	2.8
Clothing & Footwear	107.3	106.0	104.4	1.2	2.8
Clothing	100.0	98.5	96.1	1.5	4.1
Footwear	92.7	91.9	94.2	0.9	-1.6
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	154.5	153.5	155.2	0.7	-0.5
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	162.8	162.8	142.5	-	14.2
Transportation	143.6	139.1	140.6	3.2	2.1
Private Transportation	137.4	133.3	136.6	3.1	0.6
Public Transportation	177.0	170.4	163.0	3.9	8.6
Health & Personal Care	124.5	124.3	128.1	0.2	-2.8
Health Care	124.1	124.7	124.0	-0.5	0.1
Personal Care	125.3	124.6	131.6	0.6	-4.8
Recreation, Education & Reading	108.8	108.1	108.2	0.6	0.6
Recreation	104.3	103.6	103.7	0.7	0.6
Education & Reading	134.9	133.8	134.4	0.8	0.4
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	183.3	183.3	181.6	-	0.9
Alcoholic Beverages	145.6	145.4	146.3	0.1	-0.5
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	244.7	245.2	236.8	-0.2	3.3
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	160.3	151.5	194.1	5.8	-17.4
Electricity	202.4	202.4	202.4	-	-
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	168.6	155.7	250.8	8.3	-32.8
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	125.4	110.8	158.4	13.2	-20.8
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Notes:

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.

Next release of CPI: August 19, 2020.