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Consumer Price Index - May 2019 -

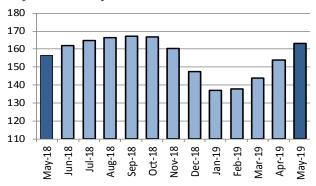
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in May rose by 2.3% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 2.4% for Canada, 2.3% for Edmonton, 1.8% for Whitehorse and 2.4% for Igaluit.

ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)

						12-Month Average			
				% Change from		18-Jun	17-Jun	%	
	19-May	19-Apr	18-May	19-Apr	18-May	19-May	18-May	Change	
Yellowknife	139.1	138.4	136.0	0.5	2.3	137.6	134.5	2.3	
Canada	136.6	136.0	133.4	0.4	2.4	134.4	131.6	2.1	
Edmonton	144.1	143.7	140.8	0.3	2.3	141.9	138.4	2.5	
Whitehorse	132.9	132.2	130.6	0.5	1.8	131.4	128.6	2.2	
Iqaluit	131.9	131.3	128.8	0.5	2.4	130.3	126.8	2.8	

Between May 2018 and May 2019, Yellowknife consumer prices increased for all major components with transportation and health and personal care experiencing the largest increases, rising by 4.5% and 3.3% respectively. Part of the increase in transportation is attributed to the 7.0% increase in public transportation which includes airline travel. Private transportation also increased, rising by 3.9% from May 2018 to May 2019.

Yellowknife CPI - Gasoline May 2018 to May 2019



Gasoline, which is a sub-component of private transportation, increased by 4.1% since May 2018. Month-over-month gasoline prices have trended up and down over the last 12 months, most recently increasing since the start of the year.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, MAY 2019 SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

				% Change from	
	19-May	19-Apr	18-May	19-Apr	18-May
All Items	139.1	138.4	136.0	0.5	2.3
Food	145.6	144.5	142.1	0.8	2.5
Food from Stores	143.4	142.0	140.3	1.0	2.2
Food from Restaurants	151.6	151.6	146.7	-	3.3
Shelter	160.3	159.7	156.6	0.4	2.4
Water, Fuel & Electricity	212.4	210.6	206.5	0.9	2.9
Household Operations & Furnishings	114.3	114.7	113.9	-0.3	0.4
Household Operations	124.3	124.2	121.0	0.1	2.7
Household Furnishings	93.0	94.3	98.1	-1.4	-5.2
Clothing & Footwear	108.9	108.2	108.0	0.6	0.8
Clothing	101.6	101.1	101.9	0.5	-0.3
Footwear	96.7	97.1	96.4	-0.4	0.3
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	157.0	152.5	151.9	3.0	3.4
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	142.5	142.5	120.3	-	18.5
Transportation	139.3	138.1	133.3	0.9	4.5
Private Transportation	135.9	135.2	130.8	0.5	3.9
Public Transportation	158.8	155.4	148.4	2.2	7.0
Health & Personal Care	126.5	124.4	122.4	1.7	3.3
Health Care	123.9	124.2	124.9	-0.2	-0.8
Personal Care	128.9	125.1	118.3	3.0	9.0
Recreation, Education & Reading	109.2	108.6	108.1	0.6	1.0
Recreation	104.9	104.2	103.7	0.7	1.2
Education & Reading	134.2	134.2	133.5	-	0.5
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	181.4	180.5	178.4	0.5	1.7
Alcoholic Beverages	146.4	146.2	146.5	0.1	-0.1
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	235.8	232.8	225.5	1.3	4.6
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	137.8	137.2	134.8	0.4	2.2
Energy	134.0	133.6	131.1	0.3	2.2
Shelter	130.2	129.5	127.3	0.5	2.3
Alcoholic Beverages	138.9	138.2	135.7	0.5	2.4
Tobacco Products	137.6	137.0	134.6	0.4	2.2
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	197.0	192.2	190.9	2.5	3.2
Electricity	197.6	199.4	193.5	-0.9	2.1
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	260.0	252.4	253.7	3.0	2.5
Natural Gas			••		••
Gasoline	163.2	153.8	156.7	6.1	4.1
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.