



Consumer Price Index May 2026

Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in May rose by 3.5% compared to one year ago. By comparison, annual prices increased by 3.2% for Canada, 3.5% for Edmonton, 5.5% for Whitehorse, and 1.4% for Iqaluit.

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

				% Change from		12-Month Average		
	26-May	26-Apr	25-May	26-Apr	25-May	25-Jun 26-May	24-Jun 25-May	% Change
Yellowknife	168.8	168.0	163.1	0.5	3.5	164.9	161.4	2.2
Canada	169.6	168.0	164.3	1.0	3.2	165.9	162.2	2.3
Edmonton	176.3	174.5	170.3	1.0	3.5	172.2	169.0	1.9
Whitehorse	172.2	169.5	163.3	1.6	5.5	166.2	160.8	3.4
Iqaluit	147.5	146.6	145.4	0.6	1.4	146.0	144.5	1.0

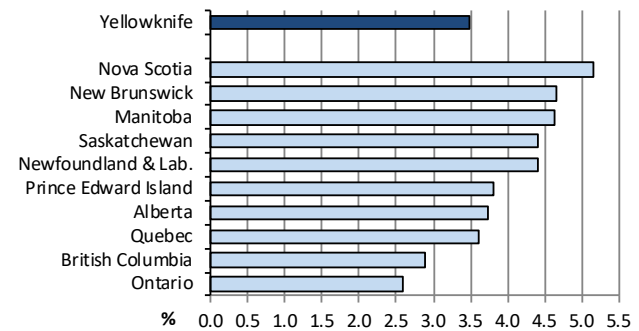
Consumer prices increased for all provinces between May 2025 and May 2026. Ontario had the lowest increase (2.6%) while Nova Scotia had the highest (5.2%).

Between May 2025 and May 2026, Yellowknife consumer prices rose in seven of the eight major components. Transportation increased by 8.7%, a result of higher prices for private transportation which includes gasoline. Shelter increased by 4.8% over the 12-month period, a result of higher prices for water, fuel and electricity.

Fuel oil & other fuels rose 35.9% between May 2025 and May 2026 while electricity decreased by 0.2% over this period. Gasoline rose by 38.3% resulting in an overall increase of 18.0% in energy prices.

The increase in energy prices was not unique to Yellowknife as all jurisdictions experienced double-digit growth between May 2025 and May 2026.

**Percentage Change in Prices - All Items
May 2025 to May 2026**



**Percentage Change in Prices - Energy
May 2025 to May 2026**

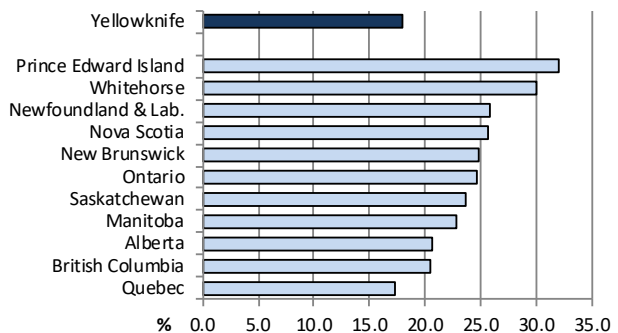


Table 2: Consumer Price Index, May 2026
Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

	26-May	26-Apr	25-May	% Change from	
				26-Apr	25-May
All Items	168.8	168.0	163.1	0.5	3.5
Food	193.1	193.5	190.7	-0.2	1.3
Food from Stores	193.9	194.5	188.8	-0.3	2.7
Food from Restaurants	190.2	190.2	195.1	0.0	-2.5
Shelter	207.8	207.2	198.3	0.3	4.8
Water, Fuel & Electricity	285.5	282.0	258.2	1.2	10.6
Household Operations & Furnishings	108.6	109.5	108.6	-0.8	0.0
Household Operations	103.7	101.9	102.4	1.8	1.3
Household Furnishings	113.6	122.4	117.3	-7.2	-3.2
Clothing & Footwear	111.5	114.0	110.4	-2.2	1.0
Clothing	99.7	103.2	97.4	-3.4	2.4
Footwear	95.0	92.2	95.9	3.0	-0.9
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	182.8	186.2	187.8	-1.8	-2.7
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	216.1	216.1	207.9	0.0	3.9
Transportation	177.9	171.9	163.6	3.5	8.7
Private Transportation	180.0	176.1	164.4	2.2	9.5
Public Transportation	172.6	160.7	162.0	7.4	6.5
Health & Personal Care	147.0	147.1	142.7	-0.1	3.0
Health Care	146.8	146.0	140.8	0.5	4.3
Personal Care	147.5	147.9	144.5	-0.3	2.1
Recreation, Education & Reading	123.2	122.1	120.4	0.9	2.3
Recreation	118.1	116.8	115.4	1.1	2.3
Education & Reading	153.3	153.3	149.4	0.0	2.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	209.4	209.6	205.7	-0.1	1.8
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Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	336.4	338.2	331.7	-0.5	1.4
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	271.1	261.0	229.8	3.9	18.0
Electricity	236.2	238.0	236.7	-0.8	-0.2
Fuel Oil and Other Fuels	429.6	406.3	316.2	5.7	35.9
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	225.4	204.5	163.0	10.2	38.3
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: July 20, 2026.