

Consumer Price Index October 2019

Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in October rose by 1.4% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.9% for Canada, 1.6% for Edmonton, 2.2% for Whitehorse and 1.5% for Iqaluit.

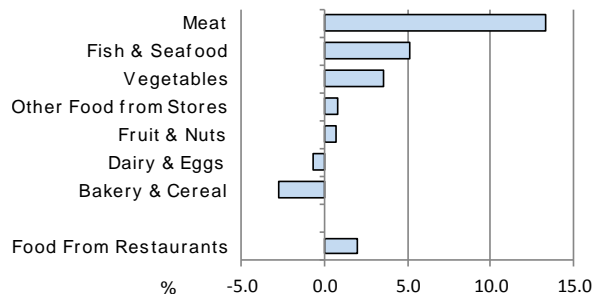
Table 1: All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002 = 100)

	19-Oct	19-Sep	18-Oct	% Change from		12-Month Average		
				19-Sep	18-Oct	18-Nov	17-Nov	%
				19-Sep	18-Oct	19-Oct	18-Oct	Change
Yellowknife	139.4	138.2	137.5	0.9	1.4	138.5	136.1	1.8
Canada	136.6	136.2	134.1	0.3	1.9	135.5	133.0	1.9
Edmonton	143.9	143.2	141.6	0.5	1.6	142.7	140.3	1.7
Whitehorse	133.9	133.5	131.0	0.3	2.2	132.7	130.3	1.8
Iqaluit	131.1	131.2	129.2	-0.1	1.5	131.1	128.5	2.0

Between October 2018 and October 2019, Yellowknife consumer prices increased for most major components with the exception of household operations & furnishings and health & personal care.

Food experienced the largest increase, rising by 2.8%. This increase was largely a result of higher prices for meat, with fish & seafood and vegetables also contributing to the rise. Dairy & eggs as well as bakery & cereal products were the only food subcomponents to experience a decline over the last 12 months. The increase in food prices were not unique to Yellowknife. Food prices increased the most in the western provinces and Prince Edward Island, while Newfoundland & Labrador experienced the lowest growth in food prices between October 2018 and October 2019.

**Percentage Change in Food by Subcomponent
Yellowknife, October 2018 to October 2019**



**Percentage Change in Prices - Food
October 2018 to October 2019**

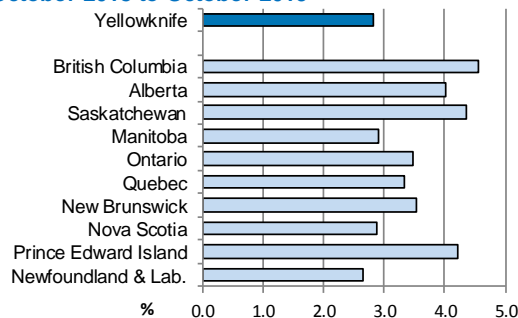


TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, OCTOBER 2019
SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

	19-Oct	19-Sep	18-Oct	% Change from	
				19-Sep	18-Oct
All Items	139.4	138.2	137.5	0.9	1.4
Food	145.2	146.5	141.2	-0.9	2.8
Food from Stores	142.2	144.5	138.0	-1.6	3.0
Food from Restaurants	153.6	152.1	150.6	1.0	2.0
Shelter	161.3	159.5	157.7	1.1	2.3
Water, Fuel & Electricity	214.1	206.2	208.3	3.8	2.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	113.4	112.4	114.2	0.9	-0.7
Household Operations	121.6	120.7	123.2	0.7	-1.3
Household Furnishings	95.2	94.4	94.3	0.8	1.0
Clothing & Footwear	110.0	109.5	108.1	0.5	1.8
Clothing	103.1	102.0	101.3	1.1	1.8
Footwear	95.6	96.4	95.4	-0.8	0.2
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	161.9	161.9	153.9	-	5.2
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	142.5	142.5	142.5	-	-
Transportation	139.6	136.1	137.4	2.6	1.6
Private Transportation	136.5	132.8	134.5	2.8	1.5
Public Transportation	157.8	155.2	154.0	1.7	2.5
Health & Personal Care	124.0	127.3	126.2	-2.6	-1.7
Health Care	124.8	124.3	127.9	0.4	-2.4
Personal Care	123.9	130.0	122.9	-4.7	0.8
Recreation, Education & Reading	110.2	109.5	109.9	0.6	0.3
Recreation	106.2	105.4	105.6	0.8	0.6
Education & Reading	132.5	132.6	134.7	-0.1	-1.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	181.6	181.5	179.5	0.1	1.2
Alcoholic Beverages	146.2	146.2	146.5	-	-0.2
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	237.1	236.5	228.6	0.3	3.7
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	194.4	188.4	195.7	3.2	-0.7
Electricity	202.4	202.4	195.4	-	3.6
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	258.1	236.0	256.3	9.4	0.7
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	152.6	152.7	166.7	-0.1	-8.5
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: December 18, 2019.