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### Consumer Price Index

### September 2023

Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in September rose by 1.8% compared to one year ago. This is the lowest year-over-year change in Yellowknife since June 2021. By comparison, annual prices increased by 3.8% for Canada, 3.5% for Edmonton, 3.8% for Whitehorse and 1.2% for Igaluit.

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

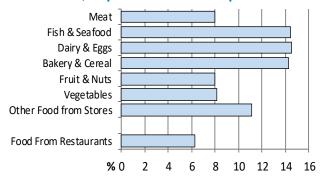
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				% Cha	nge from	22-Oct	21-Oct	%
	23-Sep	23-Aug	22-Sep	23-Aug	22-Sep	23-Sep	22-Sep	Change
Yellowknife	157.5	158.3	154.7	-0.5	1.8	156.3	149.3	4.7
Canada	158.5	158.7	152.7	-0.1	3.8	155.9	148.8	4.8
Edmonton	164.8	165.9	159.2	-0.7	3.5	162.0	156.1	3.8
Whitehorse	156.8	158.0	151.0	-0.8	3.8	154.4	145.5	6.1
Iqaluit	142.1	142.9	140.4	-0.6	1.2	141.2	137.1	3.0

The 1.8% annual increase in Yellowknife was largely a result of higher food prices, which increased by 9.5% between September 2022 and September 2023. Food prices went up across various grocery store items such as dairy & eggs (14.6%), fish & sea food (14.4%) and bakery & cereal (14.3%). Food from restaurants increased by 6.2% over the same period.

These increases were partially offset by decreases in household operations & furnishings (-10.3%), transportation (-0.4%) and recreation, education & reading (-1.8%). The year-over-year dip in transportation can be attributed to the decrease in public transportation (-14.1%), which includes airline travel.

September 2023 inflation in Yellowknife was lower than all Canadian provinces. Among provinces, the annual price increase ranged from a low of 2.6% in Manitoba to 4.8% in Nova Scotia.

## Percentage Change in Food by Subcomponent Yellowknife, September 2022 to September 2023



#### Percentage Change in Prices - All Items September 2022 to September 2023

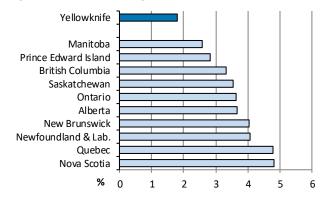


TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, SEPTEMBER 2023
SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

				% Change from	
	23-Sep	23-Aug	22-Sep	23-Aug	22-Sep
All Items	157.5	158.3	154.7	-0.5	1.8
Food	179.1	178.3	163.6	0.4	9.5
Food from Stores	179.6	178.4	162.4	0.7	10.6
Food from Restaurants	177.1	177.1	166.7	-	6.2
Shelter	186.3	186.0	179.4	0.2	3.8
Water, Fuel & Electricity	267.7	267.7	262.2	-	2.3
Household Operations & Furnishings	108.2	110.4	120.6	-2.0	-10.3
Household Operations	107.2	109.0	123.2	-1.7	-13.0
Household Furnishings	105.0	107.8	110.1	-2.6	-4.6
Clothing & Footwear	115.1	115.1	111.3	-	3.4
Clothing	105.8	105.8	100.9	-	4.9
Footwear	97.2	94.9	97.2	2.4	
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	173.4	177.0	173.3	-2.0	0.:
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	202.7	202.7	191.9	-	5.0
Transportation	165.9	170.0	166.6	-2.4	-0.4
Private Transportation	163.8	164.8	161.7	-0.6	1.
Public Transportation	173.2	197.3	201.6	-12.2	-14.
Health & Personal Care	138.8	140.8	135.6	-1.4	2.
Health Care	132.6	132.7	130.7	-0.1	1.
Personal Care	143.7	147.0	139.6	-2.2	2.
Recreation, Education & Reading	117.4	118.0	119.6	-0.5	-1.8
Recreation	112.0	113.4	115.1	-1.2	-2.
Education & Reading	150.7	142.7	142.5	5.6	5.8
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	196.3	196.1	189.5	0.1	3.0
Alcoholic Beverages	154.3	154.3	148.2	-	4.
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	306.8	305.7	280.8	0.4	9.3
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	252.2	252.2	249.3	-	1.3
Electricity	212.4	212.4	205.4	-	3.4
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	397.4	397.4	388.9	-	2.
Natural Gas					
Gasoline	191.0	191.0	198.7	-	-3.9
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles					

#### Notes:

Next release of CPI: November 12, 2023.

<sup>1.</sup> Source: Statistics Canada, Table 18-10-0004-01 Consumer Price Index, monthly, not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>2.</sup> 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.