

## Consumer Price Index

May 2016

### OVERVIEW

Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in May rose 1.0% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.5% for Canada, 1.6% for Edmonton, 0.6% for Whitehorse and 2.2% for Iqaluit.

#### ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)

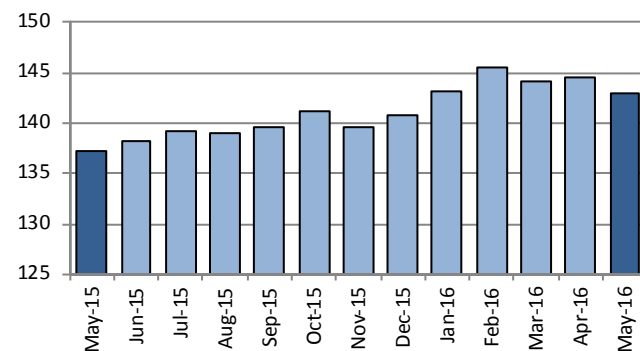
	16-May	16-Apr	15-May	% Change from		12-Month Average		
				16-Apr	15-May	15-Jun	14-Jun	%
				16-May	15-May	16-May	15-May	Change
Yellowknife	131.9	131.9	130.6	-	1.0	131.3	129.0	1.8
Canada	128.8	128.3	126.9	0.4	1.5	127.4	125.7	1.4
Edmonton	135.4	135.0	133.3	0.3	1.6	134.3	132.1	1.7
Whitehorse	125.2	124.4	124.4	0.6	0.6	124.7	123.9	0.6
Iqaluit	123.1	122.8	120.4	0.2	2.2	121.6	118.9	2.3

Compared to May 2015, prices varied by major components with half decreasing and half increasing over the one year period. Recreation, reading & education saw the largest decrease, falling by 1.6%, while food increased by 4.2%.

Over the last 12 months, there has been an upward trend in Yellowknife food prices. Since peaking in February, the food index has declined in two of the last three months, most recently decreasing by 1.1% between April and May 2016.

Prices also declined for other categories but not to the same extent as food. These decreases were entirely offset by price increases for transportation, recreation, and household operations & furnishings, leaving the overall price index for Yellowknife unchanged between April and May 2016.

**CPI - Food  
Yellowknife, May 2015 to May 2016**



Next release of CPI: July 22, 2016.

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, MAY 2016**  
**SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)**

	16-May	16-Apr	15-May	% Change from	
				16-Apr	15-May
All Items	131.9	131.9	130.6	-	1.0
Food	143.0	144.6	137.3	-1.1	4.2
Food from Stores	142.6	144.8	136.7	-1.5	4.3
Food from Restaurants	142.5	142.0	138.2	0.4	3.1
Shelter	149.1	149.1	149.7	-	-0.4
Water, Fuel & Electricity	177.1	177.1	187.4	-	-5.5
Household Operations & Furnishings	116.0	115.1	114.3	0.8	1.5
Household Operations	123.7	123.3	121.4	0.3	1.9
Household Furnishings	99.6	97.9	99.1	1.7	0.5
Clothing & Footwear	102.5	103.3	102.6	-0.8	-0.1
Clothing	95.8	98.2	96.2	-2.4	-0.4
Footwear	95.2	93.5	96.7	1.8	-1.6
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	144.9	142.8	141.7	1.5	2.3
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	111.4	111.4	110.1	-	1.2
Transportation	127.2	126.2	124.8	0.8	1.9
Private Transportation	126.9	125.9	125.4	0.8	1.2
Public Transportation	131.9	130.7	126.0	0.9	4.7
Health & Personal Care	122.1	123.1	117.5	-0.8	3.9
Health Care	118.6	118.7	117.8	-0.1	0.7
Personal Care	125.7	127.3	118.6	-1.3	6.0
Recreation, Education & Reading	103.3	103.2	105.0	0.1	-1.6
Recreation	98.8	98.7	101.2	0.1	-2.4
Education & Reading	129.9	129.9	126.6	-	2.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	166.0	166.2	166.3	-0.1	-0.2
Alcoholic Beverages	144.7	144.9	149.6	-0.1	-3.3
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	193.6	193.6	184.8	-	4.8
<b>SPECIAL AGGREGATES:</b>					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	129.9	129.6	129.3	0.2	0.5
Energy	128.8	128.9	126.5	-0.1	1.8
Shelter	124.5	124.5	122.5	-	1.6
Alcoholic Beverages	131.6	131.6	130.2	-	1.1
Tobacco Products	130.8	130.8	129.5	-	1.0
Housing (1986 Definition)	138.8	138.5	139.6	0.2	-0.6
<b>ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:</b>					
Energy	160.8	158.7	173.4	1.3	-7.3
Electricity	188.0	188.0	189.4	-	-0.7
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	177.4	177.4	212.7	-	-16.6
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	128.5	124.0	139.5	3.6	-7.9
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Notes:

1. Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM Table 326-0020
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.