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Consumer Price Index – October 2012

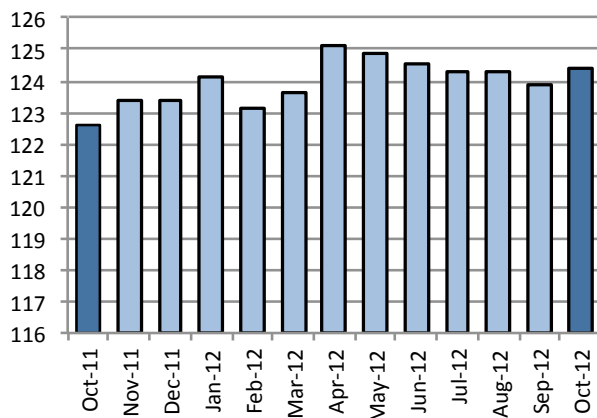
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 1.5% from October 2011. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.2% for Canada, 0.7% for Edmonton and 2.1% for Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

	12-Oct	12-Sep	11-Oct	% Change from		—12-Month Average—		
				12-Sep	11-Oct	11-Nov 12-Oct	10-Nov 11-Oct	% Change
Yellowknife	124.4	123.9	122.6	0.4	1.5	124.1	120.9	2.7
Whitehorse	121.6	121.4	119.1	0.2	2.1	120.5	117.5	2.5
Canada	122.2	122.0	120.8	0.2	1.2	121.5	119.4	1.8
Edmonton	128.5	128.1	127.6	0.3	0.7	127.3	125.3	1.6

Between October 2011 and October 2012, consumer prices increased for most major components in Yellowknife with the exception of household operations & furnishings. The most notable price increases were for alcoholic beverage & tobacco products (3.0%), shelter (2.2%) and transportation (2.2%). The annual increase in shelter is in part a result of higher electricity prices, which have risen 8.7% since October 2011. The increase in transportation is a result of higher prices for private transportation (purchasing or leasing passenger vehicles).

CPI - Yellowknife October 2011 to October 2012



Comparing October 2012 with September 2012, overall prices in Yellowknife increased by 0.4%. This is the first monthly increase since April. Prices rose for most major components over the last month. Most notably, prices increased for clothing & footwear, transportation and food.

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 centers are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.

Next release of CPI: Friday, December 21, 2012.

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Consumer Price Index, October 2012
Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

	12-Oct	12-Sep	11-Oct	% Change from	
				12-Sep	11-Oct
All Items	124.4	123.9	122.6	0.4	1.5
Food	125.0	123.7	123.4	1.1	1.3
Food from Stores	122.9	122.0	121.8	0.7	0.9
Food from Restaurants	130.4	128.0	127.3	1.9	2.4
Shelter	144.1	144.2	141.0	-0.1	2.2
Water, Fuel & Electricity	185.1	185.0	178.4	0.1	3.8
Electricity	167.7	167.7	154.3	-	8.7
Household Operations & Furnishings	110.9	110.9	112.1	-	-1.1
Household Operations	118.2	118.5	119.2	-0.3	-0.8
Household Furnishings	95.0	94.6	96.3	0.4	-1.3
Clothing & Footwear	101.7	99.6	100.5	2.1	1.2
Clothing	95.6	93.5	94.5	2.2	1.2
Footwear	96.3	94.5	96.2	1.9	0.1
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	138.3	135.3	133.7	2.2	3.4
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	108.9	108.9	109.9	-	-0.9
Transportation	117.3	115.8	114.8	1.3	2.2
Private Transportation	116.7	115.2	113.9	1.3	2.5
Public Transportation	122.4	121.1	121.2	1.1	1.0
Health & Personal Care	117.1	116.4	115.4	0.6	1.5
Health Care	117.0	116.9	117.3	0.1	-0.3
Personal Care	118.2	117.0	114.9	1.0	2.9
Recreation, Education & Reading	100.3	101.8	99.8	-1.5	0.5
Recreation	97.2	98.9	96.9	-1.7	0.3
Education & Reading	119.2	119.2	117.3	-	1.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	156.1	155.2	151.6	0.6	3.0
Alcoholic Beverages	141.7	141.7	137.3	-	3.2
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	171.0	168.2	166.8	1.7	2.5
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	124.2	123.8	122.3	0.3	1.6
Energy	119.4	118.9	117.7	0.4	1.4
Shelter	116.2	115.5	114.9	0.6	1.1
Alcoholic Beverages	123.9	123.5	122.2	0.3	1.4
Tobacco Products	123.4	122.9	121.6	0.4	1.5
Housing (1986 Definition)	133.6	134.2	131.7	-0.4	1.4

Note: Additional indexes are available from T-stat and Statistics Canada Catalogue 62-001.
Source: Statistics Canada