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Consumer Price Index – September 2012

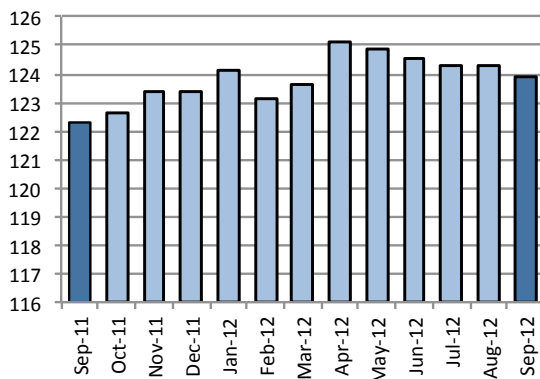
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 1.3% from September 2011. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.2% for Canada, 1.3% for Edmonton and 2.0% for Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

	12-Sep	12-Aug	11-Sep	% Change from		—12-Month Average—		
				12-Aug	11-Sep	11-Oct 12-Sep	10-Oct 11-Sep	% Change
Yellowknife	123.9	124.3	122.3	-0.3	1.3	123.9	120.5	2.8
Whitehorse	121.4	121.5	119.0	-0.1	2.0	120.3	117.2	2.6
Canada	122.0	121.8	120.6	0.2	1.2	121.4	119.1	2.0
Edmonton	128.1	127.9	126.4	0.2	1.3	127.3	125.0	1.8

Between September 2011 and September 2012, consumer prices increased for most major components in Yellowknife. The most notable price increases were for alcoholic beverage & tobacco products (3.0%) and shelter (2.6%). The annual increase in shelter is in part a result of higher electricity prices, which have risen 8.7% since September 2011. Overall transportation prices have not increased as much as other components due to its two sub-components offsetting one another. Over the last 12 months, private transportation (passenger vehicles) has increased by 2.4% while public transportation (airlines) has decreased by 4.0%.

**CPI - Yellowknife
September 2011 to September 2012**



Comparing September 2012 with August 2012, overall prices in Yellowknife decreased by 0.3%. Prices fell for most major components over the last month; the only exceptions were price increases for clothing & footwear and transportation. This is the fifth month in a row where overall prices have either declined or remained the same. The last time this occurred was in 2003 when prices fell for six consecutive months.

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, November 23, 2012.

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

	12-Sep	12-Aug	11-Sep	% Change from	
				12-Aug	11-Sep
All Items	123.9	124.3	122.3	-0.3	1.3
Food	123.7	124.5	123.5	-0.6	0.2
Food from Stores	122.0	123.2	122.1	-1.0	-0.1
Food from Restaurants	128.0	128.0	127.1	-	0.7
Shelter	144.2	144.8	140.5	-0.4	2.6
Electricity	167.7	167.7	154.3	-	8.7
Water	126.9	126.9	121.4	-	4.5
Fuel Oil and Other Fuels	252.4	260.5	246.6	-3.1	2.4
Household Operations & Furnishings	110.9	111.5	111.0	-0.5	-0.1
Household Operations	118.5	118.7	119.0	-0.2	-0.4
Household Furnishings	94.6	95.7	94.0	-1.1	0.6
Clothing & Footwear	99.6	97.2	99.2	2.5	0.4
Clothing	93.5	90.5	92.3	3.3	1.3
Footwear	94.5	95.2	97.8	-0.7	-3.4
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	135.3	131.0	133.9	3.3	1.0
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	108.9	108.8	109.9	0.1	-0.9
Transportation	115.8	115.6	114.8	0.2	0.9
Private Transportation	115.2	115.2	112.5	-	2.4
Public Transportation	121.1	119.8	126.1	1.1	-4.0
Health & Personal Care	116.4	117.6	116.7	-1.0	-0.3
Health Care	116.9	116.9	116.6	-	0.3
Personal Care	117.0	119.1	117.7	-1.8	-0.6
Recreation, Education & Reading	101.8	103.1	100.6	-1.3	1.2
Recreation	98.9	100.6	97.8	-1.7	1.1
Education & Reading	119.2	118.2	117.4	0.8	1.5
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	155.2	155.4	150.7	-0.1	3.0
Alcoholic Beverages	141.7	142.1	136.6	-0.3	3.7
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	168.2	168.2	165.6	-	1.6
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	123.8	124.1	122.0	-0.2	1.5
Energy	118.9	119.1	117.6	-0.2	1.1
Shelter	115.5	115.8	114.8	-0.3	0.6
Alcoholic Beverages	123.5	123.9	122.0	-0.3	1.2
Tobacco Products	122.9	123.3	121.4	-0.3	1.2
Housing (1986 Definition)	134.2	135.0	131.5	-0.6	2.1

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