

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

June 2008

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.7 percent between May 2008 and June 2008 while the Canada All-items Index also advanced 0.7 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.7 percent and 0.6 percent, respectively, during the same period

In Saskatchewan, the June All-items Index increased from May 2008 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, inter-city transportation and mortgage interest cost. Prices also rose for fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, sugar and confectionery and dairy products.

Moderating these increases were price decreases for furniture, cigarettes and the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles. Prices also fell for men's clothing, women's clothing, preserved fruit and fruit preparations and personal care supplies and equipment.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 3.4 percent between June 2007 and June 2008 while the Canada All-items Index increased 3.1 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 3.5 percent and 4.2 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The June All-items Index increased from June 2007 primarily due to higher costs for gasoline, housing replacement cost, mortgage interest cost, homeowners' home and mortgage insurance and other owned accommodation expenses. Prices also rose for rent and food purchased from restaurants.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, passenger vehicle insurance premiums and natural gas. Prices also fell for the purchase and operation of recreational vehicles, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), fresh fruit and personal care supplies and equipment.

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**ALL-ITEMS
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA**

	Index		Percent Change	
	<u>June 2008</u>	<u>May 2008</u>	<u>May 2008</u> to <u>June 2008</u>	<u>June 2007</u> to <u>June 2008</u>
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	117.0	116.2	0.7	3.4
Food	115.0	112.8	2.0	2.8
Shelter	135.0	134.4	0.4	9.8
Household Operations and Furnishings	101.6	102.1	-0.5	0.7
Clothing and Footwear	93.9	95.0	-1.2	-0.1
Transportation	121.5	119.1	2.0	1.9
Health and Personal Care	105.7	106.0	-0.3	-0.7
Recreation, Education and Reading	104.5	104.1	0.4	0.5
Tobacco and Alcohol	128.8	130.5	-1.3	2.7
All-Items Excluding Energy	113.4	112.9	0.4	2.6
Energy	151.4	147.0	3.0	10.3
CANADA				
All-Items	115.4	114.6	0.7	3.1
Food	115.8	114.6	1.0	2.8
Shelter	122.3	121.6	0.6	4.7
Household Operations and Furnishings	104.3	104.3	0.0	1.3
Clothing and Footwear	92.5	93.0	-0.5	-0.6
Transportation	125.8	123.6	1.8	5.5
Health and Personal Care	108.7	108.6	0.1	0.7
Recreation, Education and Reading	102.9	102.9	0.0	0.4
Tobacco and Alcohol	127.7	127.4	0.2	1.6
All-Items Excluding Energy	111.3	111.0	0.3	1.6
Energy	165.3	158.4	4.4	18.0
REGINA				
All-Items	116.2	115.4	0.7	3.5
SASKATOON				
All-Items	118.3	117.6	0.6	4.2

Note: These indices measure the percent change in consumer prices within each geographic area. The indices do not compare price levels between Saskatchewan, Canada, Regina or Saskatoon.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>May 2008</u> to <u>June 2008</u>	<u>June 2007</u> to <u>June 2008</u>
Canada	0.7	3.1
Newfoundland	0.8	3.1
Prince Edward Island	0.5	4.7
Nova Scotia	0.6	4.2
New Brunswick	0.5	2.1
Quebec	0.4	3.1
Ontario	0.5	2.8
Manitoba	0.8	2.4
Saskatchewan	0.7	3.4
Alberta	1.5	4.4
British Columbia	0.7	3.0
Whitehorse	0.9	4.5
Yellowknife	0.8	4.5
Iqaluit	0.6	2.3

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>May 2008</u> to <u>June 2008</u>	<u>June 2007</u> to <u>June 2008</u>
St. John's	0.7	3.1
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.4	4.7
Halifax	0.6	3.9
Saint John	0.4	2.1
Quebec City	0.4	3.0
Montreal	0.4	3.0
Ottawa	0.5	2.6
Toronto	0.4	2.8
Thunder Bay	0.5	2.7
Winnipeg	0.7	2.6
Regina	0.7	3.5
Saskatoon	0.6	4.2
Edmonton	1.5	4.3
Calgary	1.3	4.5
Vancouver	0.6	3.1
Victoria	0.6	2.8
Whitehorse	0.9	4.5
Yellowknife	0.8	4.5
Iqaluit	0.6	2.3