

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

November 2009

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.3 percent between October 2009 and November 2009 while the Canada All-items Index advanced 0.5 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index both rose 0.3 percent during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the November All-items Index increased from October 2009 primarily due to higher prices for the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, gasoline and passenger vehicle insurance premiums. Prices also rose for fresh vegetables, non-alcoholic beverages, dairy products and sugar and confectionery.

Moderating these increases were lower prices for natural gas, inter-city transportation, traveller accommodations and homeowners' home and mortgage insurance. Prices also decreased for women's clothing, men's clothing and fresh or frozen chicken.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 0.8 percent between November 2008 and November 2009 while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.0 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.2 percent and 0.7 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The November All-items Index increased from November 2008 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, electricity, food purchased from restaurants and prescribed medicines. Prices also rose for rent, homeowners' maintenance and repairs and passenger vehicle insurance premiums.

These increases were partially offset by price decreases for natural gas, property taxes (including special charges) and homeowners' home and mortgage insurance. Prices also fell for the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, fresh fruit, fresh vegetables and home entertainment equipment – parts and services.

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

	Index		Percent Change	
	<u>Nov. 2009</u>	<u>Oct. 2009</u>	<u>Oct. 2009</u> to <u>Nov. 2009</u>	<u>Nov. 2008</u> to <u>Nov. 2009</u>
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	117.6	117.2	0.3	0.8
Food	122.6	121.8	0.7	1.9
Shelter	137.9	139.0	-0.8	-1.2
Household Operations and Furnishings	103.8	103.9	-0.1	1.9
Clothing and Footwear	96.6	98.5	-1.9	3.3
Transportation	108.8	105.5	3.1	-0.8
Health and Personal Care	113.7	113.7	0.0	4.9
Recreation, Education and Reading	105.3	105.5	-0.2	1.7
Tobacco and Alcohol	133.5	133.4	0.1	2.9
All-Items Excluding Energy	116.4	116.0	0.3	1.0
Energy	128.6	128.3	0.2	-1.3
CANADA				
All-Items	115.2	114.6	0.5	1.0
Food	121.5	120.1	1.2	1.7
Shelter	121.3	121.2	0.1	-1.7
Household Operations and Furnishings	108.5	107.9	0.6	2.8
Clothing and Footwear	95.1	95.0	0.1	1.1
Transportation	115.4	113.4	1.8	1.9
Health and Personal Care	113.6	112.9	0.6	3.2
Recreation, Education and Reading	103.7	104.5	-0.8	1.8
Tobacco and Alcohol	131.3	131.4	-0.1	2.2
All-Items Excluding Energy	113.9	113.4	0.4	1.0
Energy	132.4	128.8	2.8	1.3
REGINA				
All-Items	117.8	117.4	0.3	1.2
SASKATOON				
All-Items	118.6	118.3	0.3	0.7

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>Oct. 2009</u> to <u>Nov. 2009</u>	<u>Nov. 2008</u> to <u>Nov. 2009</u>
Canada	0.5	1.0
Newfoundland	0.9	1.1
Prince Edward Island	1.2	1.9
Nova Scotia	0.9	1.7
New Brunswick	1.0	2.2
Quebec	0.6	1.7
Ontario	0.6	1.0
Manitoba	0.3	0.8
Saskatchewan	0.3	0.8
Alberta	0.8	0.8
British Columbia	0.3	0.1
Whitehorse	0.4	-0.6
Yellowknife	0.3	0.5
Iqaluit	-0.4	-0.6

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Oct. 2009</u> to <u>Nov. 2009</u>	<u>Nov. 2008</u> to <u>Nov. 2009</u>
St. John's	0.7	1.2
Charlottetown-Summerside	1.2	1.9
Halifax	1.0	1.7
Saint John	0.9	2.4
Quebec City	0.7	2.0
Montreal	0.6	1.8
Ottawa	0.4	1.1
Toronto	0.4	0.8
Thunder Bay	0.6	0.1
Winnipeg	0.3	0.8
Regina	0.3	1.2
Saskatoon	0.3	0.7
Edmonton	0.7	1.1
Calgary	0.7	0.6
Vancouver	0.4	0.2
Victoria	0.2	0.0
Whitehorse	0.4	-0.6
Yellowknife	0.3	0.5
Iqaluit	-0.4	-0.6