

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

May 2011

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.8 percent between April 2011 and May 2011 while the Canada All-items Index advanced 0.7 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index both rose 0.9 percent during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the May All-items Index increased from April 2011 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, fresh fruit, travel accommodation and telephone service. Prices also rose for men's clothing, passenger vehicle insurance premiums and purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles.

Moderating these increases were price reductions for fuel oil, sugar and confectionary and fresh or frozen chicken. Prices also fell for women's clothing, fresh vegetables and homeowners' maintenance and repairs.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 3.4 percent between May 2010 and May 2011 while the Canada All-items Index increased 3.7 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 3.4 percent and 3.1 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The May All-items Index increased from May 2010 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, homeowners' and mortgage insurance, and electricity. Prices also rose for food purchased in restaurants, homeowners' replacement cost and rent.

These increases were partially offset by price decreases for women's clothing, natural gas, prescribed medicines and recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles). Prices also fell for furniture, men's clothing and clothing accessories watches and jewellery.

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

	Index		Percent Change	
	<u>May 2011</u>	<u>Apr. 2011</u>	<u>Apr. 2011</u> to <u>May 2011</u>	<u>May 2010</u> to <u>May 2011</u>
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	122.6	121.6	0.8	3.4
Food	127.5	127.3	0.2	4.8
Shelter	143.4	143.4	0.0	2.7
Household Operations and Furnishings	105.7	104.3	1.3	1.1
Clothing and Footwear	93.4	92.2	1.3	-3.3
Transportation	120.6	118.1	2.1	8.1
Health and Personal Care	114.6	114.2	0.4	0.6
Recreation, Education and Reading	106.6	105.4	1.1	1.8
Tobacco and Alcohol	141.3	140.7	0.4	0.6
All-Items Excluding Energy	119.8	119.0	0.7	2.2
Energy	149.7	145.5	2.9	13.2
CANADA				
All-Items	120.6	119.8	0.7	3.7
Food	127.7	126.9	0.6	3.9
Shelter	125.2	125.2	0.0	1.8
Household Operations and Furnishings	110.4	109.8	0.5	1.7
Clothing and Footwear	93.7	93.1	0.6	1.1
Transportation	128.9	127.2	1.3	9.1
Health and Personal Care	117.2	117.3	-0.1	2.3
Recreation, Education and Reading	106.1	105.1	1.0	2.4
Tobacco and Alcohol	135.7	135.0	0.5	2.7
All-Items Excluding Energy	117.3	116.7	0.5	2.4
Energy	160.2	159.2	0.6	16.6
REGINA				
All-Items	123.0	121.9	0.9	3.4
SASKATOON				
All-Items	123.3	122.2	0.9	3.1

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>Apr. 2011</u> to <u>May 2011</u>	<u>May 2010</u> to <u>May 2011</u>
Canada	0.7	3.7
Newfoundland	0.0	3.7
Prince Edward Island	0.5	3.9
Nova Scotia	0.2	4.6
New Brunswick	0.4	4.1
Quebec	0.3	3.5
Ontario	0.8	4.0
Manitoba	1.0	3.9
Saskatchewan	0.8	3.4
Alberta	0.1	2.8
British Columbia	0.7	3.1
Whitehorse	0.9	3.6
Yellowknife	0.6	3.2
Iqaluit	0.3	1.2

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Apr. 2011</u> to <u>May 2011</u>	<u>May 2010</u> to <u>May 2011</u>
St. John's	0.2	3.6
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.5	3.7
Halifax	0.2	4.3
Saint John	0.4	4.1
Quebec City	0.3	3.5
Montreal	0.3	3.2
Ottawa	0.8	4.0
Toronto	0.8	3.9
Thunder Bay	0.9	4.3
Winnipeg	1.0	3.7
Regina	0.9	3.4
Saskatoon	0.9	3.1
Edmonton	0.2	3.0
Calgary	0.2	2.4
Vancouver	0.7	3.0
Victoria	0.7	3.0
Whitehorse	0.9	3.6
Yellowknife	0.6	3.2
Iqaluit	0.3	1.2