

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

September 2011

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.7 percent between August 2011 and September 2011 while the Canada All-items Index advanced 0.2 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.9 percent and 0.7 percent, respectively, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the September All-items Index increased from August 2011 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, purchase and leasing of passenger vehicle, inter-city transportation, and fresh vegetables. Prices also rose for tuition fees, women's clothing and homeowners' replacement cost.

Moderating these increases were price reductions for sugar and confectionery, furniture and home entertainment equipment, parts and services. Prices also fell for non-alcoholic beverages, clothing accessories, watches and jewellery, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles) and food purchased from restaurants.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 3.4 percent between September 2010 and September 2011 while the Canada All-items Index increased 3.2 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 3.7 percent and 3.1 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The September All-items Index increased from September 2010 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, bakery products, homeowners' home and mortgage insurance and homeowners' replacement cost. Prices also rose for food purchased from restaurants, rent and purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for natural gas, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), home entertainment equipment, parts and services and furniture. Prices also decreased for prescribed medicines, footwear and sugar and confectionery.

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

	Index		Percent Change	
	<u>Sept. 2011</u>	<u>Aug. 2011</u>	<u>Aug. 2011</u> to <u>Sept. 2011</u>	<u>Sept. 2010</u> to <u>Sept. 2011</u>
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	123.0	122.1	0.7	3.4
Food	129.5	129.2	0.2	5.3
Shelter	144.5	144.0	0.3	2.3
Household Operations and Furnishings	106.9	106.6	0.3	2.2
Clothing and Footwear	98.1	95.6	2.6	1.3
Transportation	117.9	115.5	2.1	8.2
Health and Personal Care	114.1	113.9	0.2	-0.1
Recreation, Education and Reading	106.8	106.8	0.0	1.2
Tobacco and Alcohol	143.3	143.0	0.2	2.5
All-Items Excluding Energy	120.7	119.9	0.7	2.7
Energy	144.9	142.2	1.9	10.1
CANADA				
All-Items	120.6	120.3	0.2	3.2
Food	128.2	128.9	-0.5	4.3
Shelter	125.7	126.2	-0.4	1.5
Household Operations and Furnishings	111.6	111.2	0.4	2.0
Clothing and Footwear	95.0	90.6	4.9	2.4
Transportation	126.3	125.3	0.8	7.9
Health and Personal Care	117.5	117.5	0.0	1.2
Recreation, Education and Reading	106.9	106.4	0.5	1.2
Tobacco and Alcohol	135.9	136.1	-0.1	1.1
All-Items Excluding Energy	117.8	117.2	0.5	2.3
Energy	156.0	157.9	-1.2	12.5
REGINA				
All-Items	123.6	122.5	0.9	3.7
SASKATOON				
All-Items	123.5	122.7	0.7	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>Aug. 2011</u> to <u>Sept. 2011</u>	<u>Sept. 2010</u> to <u>Sept. 2011</u>
Canada	0.2	3.2
Newfoundland	0.2	3.8
Prince Edward Island	-0.2	3.4
Nova Scotia	0.5	4.2
New Brunswick	0.2	4.2
Quebec	0.2	3.4
Ontario	0.4	3.4
Manitoba	0.7	3.5
Saskatchewan	0.7	3.4
Alberta	-0.2	2.8
British Columbia	0.3	2.4
Whitehorse	0.3	3.4
Yellowknife	0.2	3.6
Iqaluit	0.2	1.2

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Aug. 2011</u> to <u>Sept. 2011</u>	<u>Sept. 2010</u> to <u>Sept. 2011</u>
St. John's	0.2	3.6
Charlottetown-Summerside	-0.1	3.1
Halifax	0.5	3.8
Saint John	0.2	4.1
Quebec City	0.2	3.4
Montreal	0.2	3.1
Ottawa	0.5	3.2
Toronto	0.6	3.3
Thunder Bay	0.6	3.6
Winnipeg	0.7	3.4
Regina	0.9	3.7
Saskatoon	0.7	3.1
Edmonton	-0.2	2.9
Calgary	-0.2	2.5
Vancouver	0.5	2.3
Victoria	0.3	2.3
Whitehorse	0.3	3.4
Yellowknife	0.2	3.6
Iqaluit	0.2	1.2