

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

August 2013

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index decreased 0.2 percent between July 2013 and August 2013 while the Canada All-items Index did not change. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index both fell 0.2 percent, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the August All-items Index decreased from July 2013 primarily due to lower prices for gasoline, purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, children's clothing (including infants) and personal care supplies and equipment. Prices also fell for clothing accessories, watches and jewellery, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles) and fresh or frozen pork.

Moderating these decreases were higher prices for men's clothing, traveller accommodation, food purchased from restaurants and fresh fruit. Prices also rose for processed meat, rent and women's clothing.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.2 percent between August 2012 and August 2013 while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.1 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.4 percent and 0.9 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The August All-items Index increased from August 2012 primarily due to higher prices for food purchased from restaurants, cigarettes, electricity and rent. Prices also rose for inter-city transportation, fresh vegetables and other household services.

These decreases were partially offset by lower prices for gasoline, homeowners' home and mortgage insurance, home entertainment equipment, parts and services and recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles). Prices also fell for mortgage interest cost, travel tours and seeds, plants and cut flowers.

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

	Index		Percent Change	
	<u>August 2013</u>	<u>July 2013</u>	<u>July 2013</u> to <u>August 2013</u>	<u>August 2012</u> to <u>August 2013</u>
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	125.7	125.9	-0.2	1.2
Food	135.4	134.6	0.6	2.4
Shelter	149.4	149.4	0.0	1.8
Household Operations and Furnishings	108.9	108.9	0.0	1.1
Clothing and Footwear	95.0	94.7	0.3	0.5
Transportation	118.7	120.0	-1.1	0.1
Health and Personal Care	116.6	116.8	-0.2	0.2
Recreation, Education and Reading	108.1	108.0	0.1	0.5
Tobacco and Alcohol	153.3	153.1	0.1	6.7
All-Items Excluding Energy	123.9	123.8	0.1	1.5
Energy	143.9	146.6	-1.8	0.1
CANADA				
All-Items	123.1	123.1	0.0	1.1
Food	133.0	132.7	0.2	1.0
Shelter	128.8	128.8	0.0	1.1
Household Operations and Furnishings	114.1	114.5	-0.3	1.2
Clothing and Footwear	91.6	90.4	1.3	2.3
Transportation	129.2	129.8	-0.5	1.3
Health and Personal Care	118.1	118.0	0.1	-1.4
Recreation, Education and Reading	107.9	107.7	0.2	0.3
Tobacco and Alcohol	140.4	140.5	-0.1	1.9
All-Items Excluding Energy	120.0	119.9	0.1	1.0
Energy	163.0	164.2	-0.7	2.4
REGINA				
All-Items	126.7	126.9	-0.2	1.4
SASKATOON				
All-Items	125.7	125.9	-0.2	0.9

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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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>July 2013</u> to <u>August 2013</u>	<u>August 2012</u> to <u>August 2013</u>
Canada	0.0	1.1
Newfoundland	-0.1	1.6
Prince Edward Island	0.4	2.4
Nova Scotia	0.2	1.3
New Brunswick	0.3	0.9
Quebec	0.1	0.8
Ontario	0.0	1.3
Manitoba	-0.1	2.7
Saskatchewan	-0.2	1.2
Alberta	-0.2	1.4
British Columbia	0.1	-0.1
Whitehorse	0.1	2.1
Yellowknife	0.1	1.9
Iqaluit	0.0	1.4

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>July 2013</u> to <u>August 2013</u>	<u>August 2012</u> to <u>August 2013</u>
St. John's	0.0	1.6
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.3	2.3
Halifax	0.1	1.1
Saint John	0.2	0.7
Quebec City	0.0	0.8
Montreal	0.0	0.8
Ottawa	-0.1	1.2
Toronto	0.1	1.6
Thunder Bay	0.0	1.3
Winnipeg	0.0	2.7
Regina	-0.2	1.4
Saskatoon	-0.2	0.9
Edmonton	-0.1	1.2
Calgary	-0.2	1.7
Vancouver	0.2	0.1
Victoria	0.1	-0.3
Whitehorse	0.1	2.1
Yellowknife	0.1	1.9
Iqaluit	0.0	1.4