

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

September 2010

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.1 percent between August 2010 and September 2010 while the Canada All-items Index advanced 0.2 percent. The Regina All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.1 percent and the Saskatoon All-Items Index was unchanged during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the September All-items Index increased from August 2010 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, women's clothing and cablevision and satellite services (including pay television). Prices also rose for tuition, other lessons – courses and education services and childcare and domestic services.

Moderating these increases were lower prices for prescribed medicines, furniture, men's clothing and household appliances. Prices also fell for fresh fruit, food purchased from restaurants and dairy products.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.2 percent between September 2009 and September 2010 while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.9 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.4 percent and 1.1 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The September All-items Index increased from September 2009 primarily due to increased prices for the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, rent, electricity and housing replacement cost. Prices also rose for cigarettes, food purchased from restaurants and water.

These increases were partially offset by price decreases for prescribed medicines, homeowners' home and mortgage insurance, property taxes (including special charges) and natural gas. Prices also fell for home entertainment equipment – parts and services, women's clothing and inter-city transportation.

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

	Index		Percent Change	
	<u>Sept. 2010</u>	<u>Aug. 2010</u>	<u>Aug. 2010</u> to <u>Sept. 2010</u>	<u>Sept. 2009</u> to <u>Sept. 2010</u>
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	118.9	118.8	0.1	1.2
Food	123.0	124.2	-1.0	1.6
Shelter	141.3	141.2	0.1	1.0
Household Operations and Furnishings	104.6	104.8	-0.2	0.4
Clothing and Footwear	96.8	96.0	0.8	-0.6
Transportation	109.0	108.2	0.7	2.5
Health and Personal Care	114.2	115.0	-0.7	-0.5
Recreation, Education and Reading	105.5	104.8	0.7	0.2
Tobacco and Alcohol	139.8	139.8	0.0	5.4
All-Items Excluding Energy	117.5	117.5	0.0	1.3
Energy	131.6	130.7	0.7	0.4
CANADA				
All-Items	116.9	116.7	0.2	1.9
Food	122.9	123.5	-0.5	2.1
Shelter	123.9	124.0	-0.1	2.5
Household Operations and Furnishings	109.4	109.0	0.4	1.4
Clothing and Footwear	92.8	90.1	3.0	-2.2
Transportation	117.1	117.1	0.0	3.1
Health and Personal Care	116.1	116.4	-0.3	2.1
Recreation, Education and Reading	105.6	105.0	0.6	0.7
Tobacco and Alcohol	134.4	134.4	0.0	2.4
All-Items Excluding Energy	115.1	114.9	0.2	1.5
Energy	138.7	139.2	-0.4	5.6
REGINA				
All-Items	119.2	119.1	0.1	1.4
SASKATOON				
All-Items	119.8	119.8	0.0	1.1

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. 2010</u> to <u>Sept. 2010</u>	<u>Sept. 2009</u> to <u>Sept. 2010</u>
Canada	0.2	1.9
Newfoundland	0.0	2.3
Prince Edward Island	-0.1	0.8
Nova Scotia	0.1	1.8
New Brunswick	0.0	1.6
Quebec	0.2	1.0
Ontario	0.1	2.9
Manitoba	0.3	0.5
Saskatchewan	0.1	1.2
Alberta	-0.1	0.9
British Columbia	0.0	1.6
Whitehorse	0.0	1.2
Yellowknife	0.1	1.5
Iqaluit	0.1	-0.9

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Aug. 2010</u> to <u>Sept. 2010</u>	<u>Sept. 2009</u> to <u>Sept. 2010</u>
St. John's	0.0	2.3
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.0	0.9
Halifax	0.2	1.7
Saint John	0.0	1.7
Quebec City	0.2	1.1
Montreal	0.3	0.9
Ottawa	0.2	3.0
Toronto	0.2	3.2
Thunder Bay	0.1	2.7
Winnipeg	0.3	0.5
Regina	0.1	1.4
Saskatoon	0.0	1.1
Edmonton	-0.1	0.9
Calgary	-0.1	0.8
Vancouver	-0.1	1.9
Victoria	0.0	1.2
Whitehorse	0.0	1.2
Yellowknife	0.1	1.5
Iqaluit	0.1	-0.9