Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

August 2018

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index decreased 0.3 percent between July 2018 and August 2018 while the Canada All-items Index declined 0.1 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index fell 0.4 percent and 0.3 percent, respectively, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the August All-items Index decreased from July 2018 primarily due to lower prices for: telephone services; gasoline; travel tours; inter-city transportation; and internet access services.

Moderating these decreases were higher prices for: homeowners' home and mortgage insurance; fresh or frozen beef; clothing accessories, watches and jewellery; dairy products; and men's clothing.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 2.2 percent between August 2017 and August 2018 while the Canada All-items Index increased 2.8 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 2.1 percent and 2.0 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The August All-items Index increased from August 2017 primarily due to higher prices for: gasoline; inter-city transportation; purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles; mortgage interest cost; and property taxes and other special charges.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for: telephone services; traveller accommodation; furniture; homeowners' replacement cost; and footwear.

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ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA

				Percent Change	
	Aug-2018	Index <u>Jul-2018</u>	Aug-2017	Jul-2018 to	Aug-2017 to
		(2002 = 100)		Aug-2018	<u>Aug-2018</u>
SASKATCHEWAN					
All-Items	137.6	138.0	134.7	-0.3	2.2
Food	147.1	147.4	148.6	-0.2	-1.0
Shelter	167.9	167.4	163.6	0.3	2.6
Household Operations,					
Furnishings and Equipment	112.8	114.0	113.3	-1.1	-0.4
Clothing and Footwear	98.7	97.7	101.0	1.0	-2.3
Transportation	134.4	135.2	124.9	-0.6	7.6
Health and Personal Care	125.4	125.5	124.2	-0.1	1.0
Recreation, Education					
and Reading	113.8	115.0	113.8	-1.0	0.0
Tobacco and Alcohol	182.6	182.9	176.0	-0.2	3.8
All-Items Excluding Energy	135.8	136.1	134.4	-0.2	1.0
Energy	156.4	158.1	136.0	-1.1	15.0
CANADA					
All-Items	134.2	134.3	130.5	-0.1	2.8
Food	145.9	146.1	143.6	-0.1	1.6
Shelter	141.2	141.0	138.0	0.1	2.3
Household Operations,					
Furnishings and Equipment	122.9	123.1	121.9	-0.2	0.8
Clothing and Footwear	93.7	93.0	93.2	0.8	0.5
Transportation	141.3	142.0	131.8	-0.5	7.2
Health and Personal Care	105.3	105.1	105.3	0.2	0.0
Recreation, Education					
and Reading	52.7	52.8	53.0	-0.2	-0.6
Tobacco and Alcohol	144.5	143.0	140.1	1.0	3.1
All-Items Excluding Energy	131.6	131.6	128.8	0.0	2.2
Energy	167.2	168.8	150.4	-0.9	11.2
REGINA					
All-Items	138.5	139.0	135.6	-0.4	2.1
SASKATOON					
All-Items	138.1	138.5	135.4	-0.3	2.0

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.

Source: Statistics Canada, Consumer Price Index Survey

Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX PERCENT CHANGE CANADA AND PROVINCES

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	Jul-2018 to	Aug-2017 to
	<u>Aug-2018</u>	Aug-2018
Canada	-0.1	2.8
Newfoundland	-0.1	2.5
Prince Edward Island	-0.3	3.0
Nova Scotia	0.1	2.7
New Brunswick	-0.1	2.6
Quebec	-0.2	2.2
Ontario	-0.1	3.1
Manitoba	-0.1	2.9
Saskatchewan	-0.3	2.2
Alberta	-0.1	3.1
British Columbia	-0.1	2.9
Whitehorse	-0.2	3.9
Yellowknife	-0.3	3.3
Iqaluit	-0.4	4.4

Source: Statistics Canada, *Consumer Price Index Survey* Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX PERCENT CHANGE CANADIAN CITIES

Percent Change

	Jul-2018 to	Aug-2017 to
	<u>Aug-2018</u>	<u>Aug-2018</u>
St. John's	-0.1	2.4
Charlottetown-Summerside	-0.3	3.1
Halifax	0.2	2.7
Saint John	0.0	2.6
Quebec City	-0.1	1.8
Montreal	-0.1	2.0
Ottawa	-0.1	3.2
Toronto	-0.1	3.1
Thunder Bay	0.0	2.7
Winnipeg	-0.1	2.8
Regina	-0.4	2.1
Saskatoon	-0.3	2.0
Edmonton	-0.1	3.4
Calgary	-0.1	3.0
Vancouver	-0.1	2.8
Victoria	0.0	2.5
Whitehorse	-0.2	3.9
Yellowknife	-0.3	3.3
Iqaluit	-0.4	4.4

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