Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

February 2015

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.9 percent between January 2015 and February 2015, while the Canada All-items Index increased 0.9 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index both rose 0.9 percent.

In Saskatchewan, the February 2015 Allitems Index increased from January 2015 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, travel tours, women's clothing and men's clothing. Prices also rose for internet access service, homeowners' home and mortgage insurance and fresh fruit.

Moderating these increases were lower prices for purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, non-alcoholic beverages, dairy products and furniture. Prices also fell for children's clothing, fresh or frozen chicken and sugar and confectionary.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.2 percent between February 2014 and February 2015, while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.0 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.1 percent and 1.5 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The February 2015 All-items Index increased from February 2014 primarily due to higher prices for natural gas, passenger vehicle insurance premiums, travel tours and fresh or frozen beef. Prices also increased for water, rent and food purchased from restaurants.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for gasoline, purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, fuel oil and other fuels and children's clothing. Prices also decreased for home entertainment equipment, parts and services, travel accommodation and bakery products.

For more details, contact the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics at (306) 787-6327 or visit www.stats.gov.sk.ca

ALL-ITEMS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA

			Percent Change	
	Inc	dex	Jan-2015	Feb-2014
	<u>Feb-2015</u> (2002	<u>Jan-2015</u> = 100)	to <u>Feb-2015</u>	to <u>Feb-2015</u>
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	129.3	128.2	0.9	1.2
Food	141.2	141.5	-0.2	3.4
Shelter	157.7	157.4	0.2	3.1
Household Operations				
and Furnishings	111.9	111.5	0.4	2.5
Clothing and Footwear	98.3	95.9	2.5	1.1
Transportation	116.9	115.2	1.5	-4.3
Health and Personal Care	118.7	119.0	-0.3	1.5
Recreation, Education				
and Reading	111.8	108.1	3.4	2.8
Tobacco and Alcohol	160.9	160.4	0.3	3.1
All-Items Excluding Energy	128.9	128.1	0.6	2.2
Energy	131.7	125.7	4.8	-8.5
CANADA				
All-Items	125.4	124.3	0.9	1.0
Food	125.4 139.5	124.3 139.1	0.9 0.3	3.9
Shelter	133.1	133.1	0.0	1.8
Household Operations and Furnishings	118.9	118.0	0.8	3.1
	93.3	91.1	2.4	2.5
Clothing and Footwear Transportation	93.3 124.3	91.1 122.4	2.4 1.6	-5.0
Health and Personal Care	124.3 120.1	122.4 120.0	0.1	-5.0 1.4
	120.1	120.0	0.1	1.4
Recreation, Education and Reading	107.9	105.6	2.2	1.4
Tobacco and Alcohol	150.3	149.9	0.3	5.2
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All-Items Excluding Energy	123.7	122.9	0.7	2.2
Energy	145.1	139.5	4.0	-10.8
REGINA				
All-Items	130.1	128.9	0.9	1.1
SASKATOON				
All-Items	129.6	128.5	0.9	1.5

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

		Percent Change
	<u>Jan-2015</u> to	Feb-2014 to
	<u>Feb-2015</u>	<u>Feb-2015</u>
Canada	0.9	1.0
Newfoundland	1.0	-0.1
Prince Edward Island	1.2	-1.5
Nova Scotia	0.9	-0.3
New Brunswick	0.9	-0.2
Quebec	1.1	1.1
Ontario	0.7	1.3
Manitoba	0.7	0.7
Saskatchewan	0.9	1.2
Alberta	0.8	0.9
British Columbia	0.8	0.8
Whitehorse	0.2	-1.5
Yellowknife	0.2	0.4
Iqaluit	0.6	1.5

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

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	<u>Jan-2015</u> to	Feb-2014 to
	Feb-2015	Feb-2015
St. John's	0.9	-0.2
Charlottetown-Summerside	1.1	-1.2
Halifax	0.9	-0.1
Saint John	0.9	-0.2
Quebec City	1.0	1.0
Montreal	1.0	1.5
Ottawa	0.7	1.0
Toronto	0.7	1.8
Thunder Bay	0.7	0.9
Winnipeg	0.6	0.9
Regina	0.9	1.1
Saskatoon	0.9	1.5
Edmonton	0.8	0.9
Calgary	0.7	1.1
Vancouver	0.8	0.9
Victoria	0.6	0.8
Whitehorse	0.2	-1.5
Yellowknife	0.2	0.4
Iqaluit	0.6	1.5

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