

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

April 2014

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.2 percent between March 2014 and April 2014 while the Canada All-items Index advanced 0.3 percent. The Regina All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.2 percent while the Saskatoon All-items Index was unchanged from the previous month.

In Saskatchewan, the April All-items Index increased from March 2014 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, travel tours, water and postal and other communication services. Prices also increased for seeds, plants and cut flowers, fresh or frozen pork and recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles).

Moderating these increases were lower prices for women's clothing, men's clothing, household appliances and furniture. Prices also fell for non-alcoholic beverages, fresh vegetables and fresh fruit.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 2.8 percent between April 2013 and April 2014 while the Canada All-items Index increased 2.0 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 2.7 percent and 2.6 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The April All-items Index increased from April 2013 primarily due to increased prices for gasoline, the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, the purchase and operation of recreational vehicles and passenger vehicle insurance premiums. Prices also advanced for electricity, food purchased from restaurants and cigarettes.

These increases were partially offset by decreased prices for non-alcoholic beverages, traveller accommodations, telephone services and prescribed medicines. Prices also declined for clothing accessories, watches and jewellery, household appliances and preserved fruit and fruit preparations.

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

	Index		Percent Change	
	<u>Apr. 2014</u>	<u>Mar. 2014</u>	<u>Mar. 2014</u> to <u>Apr. 2014</u>	<u>Apr. 2013</u> to <u>Apr. 2014</u>
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	128.9	128.7	0.2	2.8
Food	136.7	137.4	-0.5	2.2
Shelter	153.6	153.2	0.3	3.2
Household Operations and Furnishings	110.5	110.3	0.2	1.7
Clothing and Footwear	99.0	100.7	-1.7	0.6
Transportation	124.4	124.0	0.3	4.1
Health and Personal Care	117.9	116.9	0.9	1.2
Recreation, Education and Reading	108.5	108.0	0.5	2.5
Tobacco and Alcohol	159.0	158.2	0.5	5.9
All-Items Excluding Energy	126.7	126.7	0.0	2.3
Energy	150.2	149.5	0.5	7.0
CANADA				
All-Items	125.2	124.8	0.3	2.0
Food	134.6	134.4	0.1	1.9
Shelter	132.4	131.4	0.8	3.3
Household Operations and Furnishings	115.5	115.7	-0.2	1.0
Clothing and Footwear	95.0	94.0	1.1	0.3
Transportation	132.2	131.7	0.4	2.8
Health and Personal Care	118.9	118.1	0.7	0.3
Recreation, Education and Reading	106.2	106.5	-0.3	1.0
Tobacco and Alcohol	145.1	145.3	-0.1	3.6
All-Items Excluding Energy	121.6	121.5	0.1	1.4
Energy	171.2	167.2	2.4	8.4
REGINA				
All-Items	129.9	129.7	0.2	2.7
SASKATOON				
All-Items	128.6	128.6	0.0	2.6

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>Mar. 2014</u> to <u>Apr. 2014</u>	<u>Apr. 2013</u> to <u>Apr. 2014</u>
Canada	0.3	2.0
Newfoundland	0.3	2.3
Prince Edward Island	-0.3	1.5
Nova Scotia	0.2	1.8
New Brunswick	-0.1	1.8
Quebec	0.4	1.3
Ontario	0.6	2.4
Manitoba	0.2	2.3
Saskatchewan	0.2	2.8
Alberta	-0.7	2.7
British Columbia	0.3	1.5
Whitehorse	0.1	2.3
Yellowknife	-0.2	1.3
Iqaluit	0.3	1.0

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Mar. 2014</u> to <u>Apr. 2014</u>	<u>Apr. 2013</u> to <u>Apr. 2014</u>
St. John's	0.3	2.4
Charlottetown-Summerside	-0.3	1.4
Halifax	0.1	1.8
Saint John	-0.2	1.8
Quebec City	0.5	1.3
Montreal	0.5	1.5
Ottawa	0.5	2.0
Toronto	0.7	2.7
Thunder Bay	0.6	2.5
Winnipeg	0.2	2.2
Regina	0.2	2.7
Saskatoon	0.0	2.6
Edmonton	-0.5	2.2
Calgary	-0.9	3.2
Vancouver	0.3	1.9
Victoria	0.3	1.3
Whitehorse	0.1	2.3
Yellowknife	-0.2	1.3
Iqaluit	0.3	1.0