

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

December 2014

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index decreased 0.5 percent between November 2014 and December 2014 while the Canada All-items Index declined 0.7 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index both fell 0.5 percent, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the December All-items Index decreased from November 2014 primarily due to lower prices for gasoline, women's clothing, men's clothing and furniture. Prices also fell for dairy products, fuel oil and other fuels and traveller accommodation.

Moderating these decreases were higher prices for purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, food purchased from restaurants, non-alcoholic beverages and non-prescribed medicines. Prices also increased for fresh vegetables, fresh or frozen pork and reading material and other printed matter (excluding textbooks).

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.7 percent between December 2013 and December 2014 while the Canada All-items Index increased 1.5 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.6 percent and 2.0 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The December All-items Index increased from December 2013 primarily due to higher prices for natural gas, passenger vehicle insurance premiums, purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles and fresh or frozen beef. Prices also increased for food purchased from restaurants, electricity and processed meat.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for gasoline, travel tours, home entertainment equipment, parts and services and furniture. Prices also decreased for women's clothing, fuel oil and other fuels and other fresh or frozen poultry meat.

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

	Index		Percent Change	
	<u>Dec. 2014</u>	<u>Nov. 2014</u> (2002 = 100)	<u>Nov. 2014</u> to <u>Dec. 2014</u>	<u>Dec. 2013</u> to <u>Dec. 2014</u>
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	128.3	129.0	-0.5	1.7
Food	140.3	139.7	0.4	4.3
Shelter	156.2	156.2	0.0	3.4
Household Operations and Furnishings	111.4	112.0	-0.5	2.0
Clothing and Footwear	93.4	96.3	-3.0	0.5
Transportation	118.0	120.4	-2.0	-1.8
Health and Personal Care	118.8	118.7	0.1	2.1
Recreation, Education and Reading	108.6	108.7	-0.1	0.9
Tobacco and Alcohol	160.0	159.4	0.4	4.0
All-Items Excluding Energy	127.6	127.7	-0.1	2.4
Energy	133.2	141.0	-5.5	-5.3
CANADA				
All-Items	124.5	125.4	-0.7	1.5
Food	137.4	136.9	0.4	3.7
Shelter	133.0	132.8	0.2	2.4
Household Operations and Furnishings	117.8	118.2	-0.3	2.7
Clothing and Footwear	91.1	94.7	-3.8	1.9
Transportation	124.9	127.7	-2.2	-2.8
Health and Personal Care	119.6	119.9	-0.3	1.3
Recreation, Education and Reading	106.1	106.8	-0.7	0.8
Tobacco and Alcohol	149.1	149.4	-0.2	5.6
All-Items Excluding Energy	122.5	122.9	-0.3	2.2
Energy	148.7	156.5	-5.0	-6.4
REGINA				
All-Items	129.2	129.9	-0.5	1.6
SASKATOON				
All-Items	128.5	129.1	-0.5	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.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Nov. 2014</u> to <u>Dec. 2014</u>	<u>Dec. 2013</u> to <u>Dec. 2014</u>
Canada	-0.7	1.5
Newfoundland	-0.9	0.2
Prince Edward Island	-0.9	-0.4
Nova Scotia	-0.9	0.6
New Brunswick	-0.6	0.5
Quebec	-0.8	1.1
Ontario	-0.7	1.9
Manitoba	-0.7	1.5
Saskatchewan	-0.5	1.7
Alberta	-0.5	1.9
British Columbia	-0.6	0.9
Whitehorse	-0.6	-0.1
Yellowknife	-0.2	1.7
Iqaluit	-0.2	1.5

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Nov. 2014</u> to <u>Dec. 2014</u>	<u>Dec. 2013</u> to <u>Dec. 2014</u>
St. John's	-0.8	0.2
Charlottetown-Summerside	-0.9	-0.2
Halifax	-0.9	0.6
Saint John	-0.6	0.4
Quebec City	-0.8	1.1
Montreal	-0.7	1.4
Ottawa	-0.6	1.5
Toronto	-0.6	2.3
Thunder Bay	-0.7	1.3
Winnipeg	-0.6	1.6
Regina	-0.5	1.6
Saskatoon	-0.5	2.0
Edmonton	-0.6	1.7
Calgary	-0.4	2.2
Vancouver	-0.7	0.9
Victoria	-0.6	1.0
Whitehorse	-0.6	-0.1
Yellowknife	-0.2	1.7
Iqaluit	-0.2	1.5