

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

May 2015

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.5 percent between April 2015 and May 2015 while the Canada All-items Index advanced 0.6 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index rose 0.4 percent and 0.5 percent, respectively, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the May All-items Index increased from April 2015 primarily due to higher prices for gasoline, purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, travellers accommodation and purchase and operation of recreational vehicles. Prices also increased for fresh vegetables, fresh fruit and processed meat.

Moderating these increases were lower prices for women's clothing, inter-city transportation, footwear and homeowners' replacement cost. Prices also fell for fresh or frozen pork, children's clothing and telephone services.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.5 percent between May 2014 and May 2015 while the Canada All-items Index increased 0.9 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 1.3 percent and 1.8 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The May All-items Index increased from May 2014 primarily due to higher prices for purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, natural gas, passenger vehicle insurance premiums and food purchased from restaurants. Prices also increased for homeowners' home and mortgage insurance, rent, and purchase and operation of recreational vehicles.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for gasoline, fuel oil and other fuels, homeowners' replacement cost and footwear. Prices also declined for fresh or frozen pork, home entertainment equipment, parts and services and household cleaning 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**

| | Index (2002 = 100) | | Percent Change | |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| | <u>May-2015</u> | <u>Apr-2015</u> | <u>Apr-2015</u> to <u>May-2015</u> | <u>May-2014</u> to <u>May-2015</u> |
| SASKATCHEWAN | | | | |
| All-Items | 131.1 | 130.5 | 0.5 | 1.5 |
| Food | 144.0 | 141.8 | 1.6 | 3.7 |
| Shelter | 158.1 | 158.2 | -0.1 | 3.0 |
| Household Operations and Furnishings | 112.1 | 112.8 | -0.6 | 2.0 |
| Clothing and Footwear | 100.3 | 101.4 | -1.1 | 0.8 |
| Transportation | 121.0 | 119.9 | 0.9 | -2.9 |
| Health and Personal Care | 119.9 | 119.9 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| Recreation, Education and Reading | 111.8 | 110.4 | 1.3 | 2.4 |
| Tobacco and Alcohol | 161.1 | 161.0 | 0.1 | 1.6 |
| All-Items Excluding Energy | 130.4 | 130.0 | 0.3 | 2.7 |
| Energy | 136.4 | 134.0 | 1.8 | -9.8 |
| CANADA | | | | |
| All-Items | 126.9 | 126.2 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| Food | 140.8 | 139.4 | 1.0 | 3.8 |
| Shelter | 133.2 | 133.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| Household Operations and Furnishings | 119.7 | 119.7 | 0.0 | 3.4 |
| Clothing and Footwear | 95.0 | 96.2 | -1.2 | 0.5 |
| Transportation | 128.0 | 126.6 | 1.1 | -3.5 |
| Health and Personal Care | 120.7 | 120.1 | 0.5 | 1.3 |
| Recreation, Education and Reading | 109.9 | 107.7 | 2.0 | 1.9 |
| Tobacco and Alcohol | 151.9 | 151.4 | 0.3 | 3.9 |
| All-Items Excluding Energy | 124.8 | 124.3 | 0.4 | 2.2 |
| Energy | 152.4 | 148.1 | 2.9 | -11.8 |
| REGINA | | | | |
| All-Items | 131.9 | 131.4 | 0.4 | 1.3 |
| SASKATOON | | | | |
| All-Items | 131.3 | 130.7 | 0.5 | 1.8 |

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.

**ALL-ITEMS
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES**

| | Percent Change | |
|----------------------|--|--|
| | <u>Apr-2015</u> to <u>May-2015</u> | <u>May-2014</u> to <u>May-2015</u> |
| Canada | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| Newfoundland | 1.0 | 0.3 |
| Prince Edward Island | 0.6 | -0.7 |
| Nova Scotia | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| New Brunswick | 1.0 | 0.6 |
| Quebec | 0.5 | 1.2 |
| Ontario | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| Manitoba | 0.2 | 0.5 |
| Saskatchewan | 0.5 | 1.5 |
| Alberta | 0.4 | 0.6 |
| British Columbia | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Whitehorse | 0.7 | -0.6 |
| Yellowknife | 0.6 | 1.5 |
| Iqaluit | 0.3 | 1.9 |

**ALL-ITEMS
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

| | Percent Change | |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| | <u>Apr-2015</u> to <u>May-2015</u> | <u>May-2014</u> to <u>May-2015</u> |
| St. John's | 1.0 | 0.3 |
| Charlottetown-Summerside | 0.5 | -0.5 |
| Halifax | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Saint John | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| Quebec City | 0.4 | 1.1 |
| Montreal | 0.4 | 1.5 |
| Ottawa | 0.7 | 0.8 |
| Toronto | 0.6 | 1.2 |
| Thunder Bay | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Winnipeg | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| Regina | 0.4 | 1.3 |
| Saskatoon | 0.5 | 1.8 |
| Edmonton | 0.4 | 0.9 |
| Calgary | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Vancouver | 0.9 | 1.0 |
| Victoria | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Whitehorse | 0.7 | -0.6 |
| Yellowknife | 0.6 | 1.5 |
| Iqaluit | 0.3 | 1.9 |