

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

March 2018

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index increased 0.1 percent between February 2018 and March 2018 while the Canada All-items Index advanced 0.3 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index both rose 0.1 percent during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the March All-items Index increased from February 2018 primarily due to higher prices for: gasoline; electricity; fresh or frozen chicken; men's clothing; and household appliances.

Moderating these increases were lower prices for: purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles; telephone services; furniture; fresh vegetables; and non-electric kitchen utensils, tableware and cookware.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 2.9 percent between March 2017 and March 2018 while the Canada All-items Index increased 2.3 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 3.1 percent and 3.0 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The March All-items Index increased from March 2017 primarily due to higher prices for: gasoline; food purchased from restaurants; purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles; passenger vehicle insurance premiums; and inter-city transportation.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for: telephone services; furniture; homeowners' replacement cost; travel tours; and fresh or frozen beef.

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

	<u>Mar-2018</u>	Index		Percent Change	
		<u>Feb-2018</u> (2002 = 100)	<u>Mar-2017</u>	<u>Feb-2018</u> to <u>Mar-2018</u>	<u>Mar-2017</u> to <u>Mar-2018</u>
SASKATCHEWAN					
All-Items	136.8	136.7	133.0	0.1	2.9
Food	146.5	146.0	143.4	0.3	2.2
Shelter	166.4	165.7	162.6	0.4	2.3
Household Operations, Furnishings and Equipment	111.8	113.6	111.1	-1.6	0.6
Clothing and Footwear	103.0	101.2	100.8	1.8	2.2
Transportation	131.4	131.5	124.1	-0.1	5.9
Health and Personal Care	124.5	124.6	121.8	-0.1	2.2
Recreation, Education and Reading	115.9	115.4	113.6	0.4	2.0
Tobacco and Alcohol	179.8	178.1	170.0	1.0	5.8
All-Items Excluding Energy	135.7	136.0	132.6	-0.2	2.3
Energy	147.1	142.5	134.3	3.2	9.5
CANADA					
All-Items	132.9	132.5	129.9	0.3	2.3
Food	144.2	144.7	141.8	-0.3	1.7
Shelter	140.0	140.0	137.7	0.0	1.7
Household Operations, Furnishings and Equipment	122.9	123.4	121.4	-0.4	1.2
Clothing and Footwear	95.0	93.3	95.1	1.8	-0.1
Transportation	138.0	137.7	131.1	0.2	5.3
Health and Personal Care	126.3	125.6	123.5	0.6	2.3
Recreation, Education and Reading	116.4	114.1	114.9	2.0	1.3
Tobacco and Alcohol	166.0	164.1	159.7	1.2	3.9
All-Items Excluding Energy	130.6	130.3	128.2	0.2	1.9
Energy	161.0	159.1	149.8	1.2	7.5
REGINA					
All-Items	137.8	137.7	133.7	0.1	3.1
SASKATOON					
All-Items	137.5	137.4	133.5	0.1	3.0

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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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Feb-2018</u> to <u>Mar-2018</u>	<u>Mar-2017</u> to <u>Mar-2018</u>
Canada	0.3	2.3
Newfoundland	0.1	1.6
Prince Edward Island	0.1	2.4
Nova Scotia	0.4	2.4
New Brunswick	0.2	2.5
Quebec	0.2	1.6
Ontario	0.4	2.4
Manitoba	0.3	2.4
Saskatchewan	0.1	2.9
Alberta	0.1	2.3
British Columbia	0.3	2.6
Whitehorse	0.4	2.0
Yellowknife	-0.1	1.8
Iqaluit	0.6	2.9

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Feb-2018</u> to <u>Mar-2018</u>	<u>Mar-2017</u> to <u>Mar-2018</u>
St. John's	0.1	1.4
Charlottetown-Summerside	0.1	2.4
Halifax	0.5	2.4
Saint John	0.2	2.5
Quebec City	0.2	1.3
Montreal	0.2	1.7
Ottawa	0.5	2.5
Toronto	0.5	2.8
Thunder Bay	0.6	1.9
Winnipeg	0.3	2.2
Regina	0.1	3.1
Saskatoon	0.1	3.0
Edmonton	0.1	2.4
Calgary	0.1	2.3
Vancouver	0.4	3.2
Victoria	0.3	1.9
Whitehorse	0.4	2.0
Yellowknife	-0.1	1.8
Iqaluit	0.6	2.9