

Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

December 2018

MONTHLY CHANGE

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index decreased 0.4 percent between November 2018 and December 2018 while the Canada All-items Index declined 0.1 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Indexes both fell by 0.4 percent during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the December All-items Index decreased from November 2018 primarily due to lower prices for: gasoline; women's clothing; men's clothing; purchase and operation of recreational vehicles; and traveller accommodation.

Moderating these decreases were increases in the price of: inter-city transportation; fresh vegetables; purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles; food purchased from restaurants; and non-electric kitchen utensils, tableware and cookware.

ANNUAL CHANGE

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 1.1 percent between December 2017 and December 2018 while the Canada All-items Index increased 2.0 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Indexes climbed 0.9 percent and 1.1 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The December All-items Index increased from December 2017 primarily due to higher prices for: inter-city transportation; mortgage interest cost; homeowners' home and mortgage insurance; food purchased from restaurants; and video and audio subscription services.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for: recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles); gasoline; purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles; furniture; and natural gas.

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

	<u>Dec-2018</u>	<u>Index</u>		<u>Percent Change</u>	
		<u>Nov-2018</u> (2002 = 100)	<u>Dec-2017</u>	<u>Nov-2018</u> to <u>Dec-2018</u>	<u>Dec-2017</u> to <u>Dec-2018</u>
SASKATCHEWAN					
All-Items	137.4	137.9	135.9	-0.4	1.1
Food	149.5	148.1	146.3	0.9	2.2
Shelter	168.4	168.5	165.1	-0.1	2.0
Household Operations, Furnishings and Equipment	114.6	114.4	114.6	0.2	0.0
Clothing and Footwear	97.5	102.3	98.2	-4.7	-0.7
Transportation	131.6	132.1	130.4	-0.4	0.9
Health and Personal Care	124.5	124.1	123.8	0.3	0.6
Recreation, Education and Reading	112.8	114.5	113.0	-1.5	-0.2
Tobacco and Alcohol	184.3	184.1	176.7	0.1	4.3
All-Items Excluding Energy	137.0	136.8	135.1	0.1	1.4
Energy	139.8	148.2	142.6	-5.7	-2.0
CANADA					
All-Items	133.4	133.5	130.8	-0.1	2.0
Food	147.5	146.1	143.4	1.0	2.9
Shelter	142.3	142.3	139.2	0.0	2.2
Household Operations, Furnishings and Equipment	123.4	123.8	120.9	-0.3	2.1
Clothing and Footwear	92.6	95.9	92.4	-3.4	0.2
Transportation	138.0	137.1	135.7	0.7	1.7
Health and Personal Care	125.6	125.1	124.4	0.4	1.0
Recreation, Education and Reading	112.9	114.3	111.2	-1.2	1.5
Tobacco and Alcohol	169.3	169.9	162.2	-0.4	4.4
All-Items Excluding Energy	131.9	131.6	128.7	0.2	2.5
Energy	150.1	155.8	155.8	-3.7	-3.7
REGINA					
All-Items	138.1	138.7	136.9	-0.4	0.9
SASKATOON					
All-Items	138.0	138.5	136.5	-0.4	1.1

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, PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES**

	<u>Nov-2018</u> to <u>Dec-2018</u>	Percent Change	<u>Dec-2017</u> to <u>Dec-2018</u>
Canada	-0.1		2.0
Newfoundland	-0.7		0.5
Prince Edward Island	-0.6		1.3
Nova Scotia	-0.5		1.6
New Brunswick	-0.6		0.9
Quebec	0.0		1.1
Ontario	-0.1		2.3
Manitoba	0.0		2.1
Saskatchewan	-0.4		1.1
Alberta	-0.1		2.1
British Columbia	0.1		3.0
Whitehorse, Yukon	0.4		2.0
Yellowknife, N. W. Territories	0.1		2.0
Iqaluit, Nunavut	1.1		3.5

Note: CPI coverage for the territories is limited to the three main urban centres of Whitehorse, Yellowknife and Iqaluit.

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PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES**

	Percent Change	
	<u>Nov-2018 to Dec-2018</u>	<u>Dec-2017 to Dec-2018</u>
St. John's	-0.6	0.5
Charlottetown-Summerside	-0.5	1.4
Halifax	-0.6	1.5
Saint John	-0.6	0.9
Quebec City	0.0	0.9
Montreal	0.2	1.4
Ottawa	0.0	2.5
Toronto	0.1	2.6
Thunder Bay	-0.2	2.1
Winnipeg	-0.1	2.0
Regina	-0.4	0.9
Saskatoon	-0.4	1.1
Edmonton	-0.1	2.1
Calgary	-0.1	2.0
Vancouver	0.2	3.1
Victoria	0.0	3.2
Whitehorse	0.4	2.0
Yellowknife	0.1	2.0
Iqaluit	1.1	3.5