

Department of Finance Yukon Bureau of Statistics



Consumer Price Index, August 2020

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Comparing August 2020 to August 2019, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) decreased 0.9% in Whitehorse (data are not available for Yukon). Whitehorse's year-over-year CPI change for the month of August was 1.0 percentage point lower than that for Canada (0.1%).

The year-over-year decrease in Whitehorse CPI for the month of August 2020 was mainly attributable to price decreases in: inter-city transportation; gasoline; and fuel oil and other fuels. Some of these decreases were offset by price increases in: electricity; rent; and purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles.

On a monthly basis, the CPI in Whitehorse decreased 0.4% in August 2020 compared to July 2020; nationally, the CPI decreased 0.1%.

Note: The CPI is based on prices of goods and services in a basket that was developed from purchasing patterns of households before the COVID-19 pandemic. The pandemic has led to changes in purchasing patterns that have implications for the basket weights used to measure the CPI. The current CPI does not reflect these changes.

Consumer Price Index, All-items August 2020 (unadjusted), 2002 = 100

				Jul '20	Aug '19	
	Aug	Jul	Aug	to	to	
_	2019	2020	2020	Aug '20	Aug '20	
				% change		
Canada	136.8	137.2	137.0	-0.1	0.1	
Newfoundland and Labrador	139.9	139.6	139.1	-0.4	-0.6	
Prince Edward Island	138.8	138.2	138.3	0.1	-0.4	
Nova Scotia	138.4	137.8	137.5	-0.2	-0.7	
New Brunswick	137.4	137.1	136.6	-0.4	-0.6	
Quebec	132.4	133.0	132.9	-0.1	0.4	
Ontario	138.5	138.8	138.6	-0.1	0.1	
Manitoba	137.3	137.9	137.2	-0.5	-0.1	
Saskatchewan	140.2	141.4	140.8	-0.4	0.4	
Alberta	143.4	144.9	144.2	-0.5	0.6	
British Columbia	132.2	132.6	132.4	-0.2	0.2	
Whitehorse	134.8	134.2	133.6	-0.4	-0.9	
Yellowknife	139.3	139.1	137.5	-1.2	-1.3	
Iqaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	133.6	131.3	130.5	-0.6	-2.3	

Note: Statistics Canada collects information on consumer prices and household spending patterns (Survey of Household Spending) to calculate the Consumer Price Index. The data collection covers urban and rural areas of provinces, and the capital cities of the territories.

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