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Perspectives on Labour and Income

December 2011 online edition

The December 2011 online edition of *Perspectives on Labour and Income*, released today, features one item.

"Paid and unpaid work over three generations" examines changes in the participation in and the time spent on paid jobs and unpaid household work for individuals aged 20 to 29 from three generations: late baby boomers, Generation X and Generation Y.

The December 2011 online edition of *Perspectives on Labour and Income*, Vol. 24, no. 1 (75-001-X, free), is now available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

For more information, contact Ted Wannell (613-951-3546; ted.wannell@statcan.gc.ca), Labour Statistics Division.



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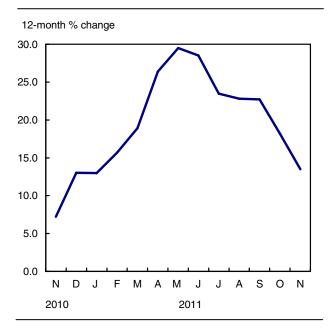
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Consumer Price Index

November 2011

Consumer prices rose 2.9% in the 12 months to November, matching the increase in October. While the 12-month change in gasoline prices continued to ease, the year-over-year increase in food prices remained high.

The 12-month change in the gasoline price index continues to decline



Gasoline prices rose 13.5% in the 12 months to November, after advancing 18.2% in October. The increase in November was the smallest year-over-year gain since the beginning of 2011.

Consumers paid 4.8% more for food in the 12 months to November, the largest increase since July 2009. The November gain follows a 4.3% increase posted in October.

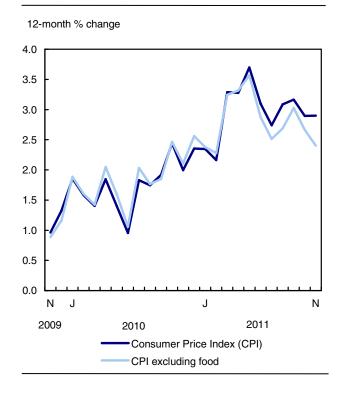
Note to readers

The special aggregate "Energy" includes: electricity; natural gas; fuel oil and other fuels; gasoline; and fuel, parts and supplies for recreational vehicles.

The Bank of Canada's core index excludes eight of the Consumer Price Index's (CPI's) most volatile components (fruit, fruit preparations and nuts; vegetables and vegetable preparations; mortgage interest cost; natural gas; fuel oil and other fuels; gasoline; inter-city transportation; and tobacco products and smokers' supplies) as well as the effects of changes in indirect taxes on the remaining components.

Statistics Canada is moving to one release time, 8:30 a.m., for all data releases in The Daily. This will mean a change in the release time for the CPI, which is currently 7:00 a.m. This change will be implemented with the release of CPI data on April 20, 2012.

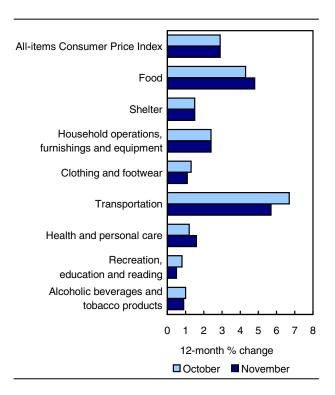
The 12-month change in the CPI and the CPI excluding food



12-month change: Prices up in all major components

On a year-over-year basis, prices increased in all eight major components in November. Transportation and food continued to post the largest increases.

Transportation and food continue to post largest increases



The cost of transportation increased 5.7% in the 12 months to November, following a 6.7% gain in October. In addition to paying more for gasoline, consumers also paid more in passenger vehicle insurance premiums (+4.4%) and for the purchase of passenger vehicles (+1.8%).

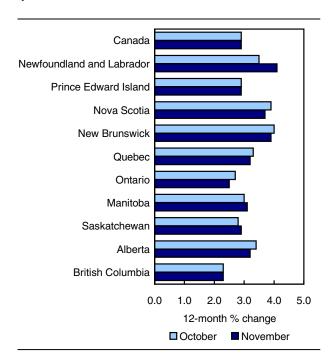
Food prices rose 4.8% during the 12 months to November. Consumers paid 5.7% more for food purchased from stores as prices increased for common staples, including meat (+6.2%), fresh vegetables (+13.2%) and bread (+11.9%). Prices for food purchased from restaurants also went up.

Shelter costs rose 1.5% in the 12 months to November, matching the increase posted in October. The cost of fuel oil increased 24.4% in November after gaining 22.1% in October. Consumers also paid more for homeowners' replacement costs and electricity. Conversely, mortgage interest cost decreased 1.1% after falling 1.3% the month before.

Provinces: Gasoline and food purchased from stores still major factors in every province

Consumer prices rose in every province in November as gasoline and food purchased from stores continued to post large increases. The largest gain was recorded in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Newfoundland and Labrador posts largest price increase



Prices in Newfoundland and Labrador rose 4.1% in the 12 months to November after increasing 3.5% the month before. Consumers paid 13.6% more for gasoline. The price of fuel oil advanced 24.9% following a 21.9% rise in October.

In Ontario, prices went up 2.5% in the 12 months to November, after advancing 2.7% the previous month. Of all the provinces, Ontario posted the smallest year-over-year increase for gasoline (+11.6%) and the largest 12-month gain for food purchased from stores (+6.7%). Ontario consumers also paid more in passenger vehicle insurance premiums and for homeowners' replacement costs.

Prices in Quebec rose 3.2% on a year-over-year basis in November, following a 3.3% increase the month before. Gasoline prices went up 14.7%, following a 19.9% rise in October. Consumers also paid more for food purchased from restaurants, meat and fuel oil.

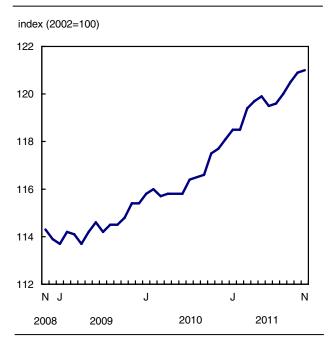
In Alberta, prices advanced 3.2% in the 12 months to November, after gaining 3.4% in October. In addition to gasoline, Alberta consumers paid more for electricity. Prices for passenger vehicle insurance premiums rose while homeowners' home and mortgage insurance increased 8.1%.

Prices in British Columbia went up 2.3% in the 12 months to November, matching the increase the month before. Gasoline prices increased 12.8% while homeowners' home and mortgage insurance rose 12.7%. Consumers also paid more for food purchased from restaurants.

Seasonally adjusted monthly Consumer Price Index increases

On a seasonally adjusted monthly basis, consumer prices increased 0.1% from October to November, after rising 0.3% from September to October. The transportation index went up 0.5% in November after advancing 1.3% the month before.

Seasonally adjusted monthly Consumer Price Index increases



The index for household operations, furnishings and equipment rose 0.3% while the food index increased 0.2%. The shelter index fell 0.2% in November following a 0.6% rise in October. The clothing and footwear index fell 0.8%.

Bank of Canada's core index

The Bank of Canada's core index, which excludes eight of the Consumer Price Index's most volatile components as well as the effects of changes in indirect taxes on the remaining components, rose 2.1% in the 12 months to November. This matched the rise posted in October. Increases were recorded for passenger vehicle insurance premiums, meat and bakery products.

The seasonally adjusted monthly core index increased 0.1% in November, after rising 0.2% in October.

For a more detailed analysis, consult the publication *The Consumer Price Index*.

Available on CANSIM: tables 326-0009, 326-0012, 326-0015 and 326-0020 to 326-0022.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2301.

More information about the concepts and use of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) are also available online in *Your Guide to the Consumer Price Index* (62-557-X, free) from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

The November 2011 issue of *The Consumer Price Index*, Vol. 90, no. 11 (62-001-X, free), is now available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*. A more detailed analysis of the CPI is available in this publication.

The Consumer Price Index for December will be released on January 20, 2012.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Statistics Canada's National Contact Centre (toll-free 1-800-263-1136; 613-951-8116; infostats@statcan.gc.ca), Communications Division.

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Consumer Price Index and major components, Canada - Not seasonally adjusted

	Relative	November	October	November	October	November	
	importance1	2010	2011	2011	to	2010	
	•				November	to	
					2011	November	
						2011	
	%	(2002=100)			% change		
All-items Consumer Price Index (CPI)	100.00²	117.5	120.8	120.9	0.1	2.9	
Food	15.99	123.3	128.0	129.2	0.9	4.8	
Shelter	27.49	124.4	126.5	126.3	-0.2	1.5	
Household operations, furnishings and equipment	11.55	109.5	111.9	112.1	0.2	2.4	
Clothing and footwear	5.31	92.1	96.1	93.1	-3.1	1.1	
Transportation	20.60	120.7	126.5	127.6	0.9	5.7	
Health and personal care	4.95	116.1	117.4	117.9	0.4	1.6	
Recreation, education and reading	11.20	104.3	106.0	104.8	-1.1	0.5	
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products	2.91	134.6	135.8	135.8	0.0	0.9	
Special aggregates							
Core CPI ³	82.15	116.3	118.7	118.8	0.1	2.1	
All-items CPI excluding energy	89.92	115.6	117.9	118.2	0.3	2.2	
Energy	10.08	141.3	156.9	154.1	-1.8	9.1	
Gasoline	5.80	154.4	179.4	175.2	-2.3	13.5	
All-items CPI excluding food and energy	73.93	113.9	115.6	115.7	0.1	1.6	
Goods	47.80	110.1	113.9	113.8	-0.1	3.4	
Services	52.20	125.0	127.7	127.8	0.1	2.2	

^{1. 2009} CPI basket weights at April 2011 prices, Canada, effective May 2011. Detailed weights are available under the Documentation section of survey 2301 (www.statcan.gc.ca/imdb-bmdi/index-eng.htm).

Consumer Price Index by province, and for Whitehorse, Yellowknife and Iqaluit - Not seasonally adjusted

	Relative	November	October	November	October	November
	importance1	2010	2011	2011	to	2010
	·				November	to
					2011	November
						2011
	%	(2002=100)			% change	
Canada	100.00 ²	117.5	120.8	120.9	0.1	2.9
Newfoundland and Labrador	1.29	118.1	122.1	122.9	0.7	4.1
Prince Edward Island	0.35	120.5	123.9	124.0	0.1	2.9
Nova Scotia	2.56	119.6	123.9	124.0	0.1	3.7
New Brunswick	2.06	116.7	120.8	121.3	0.4	3.9
Quebec	21.21	115.6	119.0	119.3	0.3	3.2
Ontario	39.85	118.0	121.0	121.0	0.0	2.5
Manitoba	3.16	116.0	119.3	119.6	0.3	3.1
Saskatchewan	2.90	119.9	123.0	123.4	0.3	2.9
Alberta	11.97	122.7	127.2	126.6	-0.5	3.2
British Columbia	14.47	114.9	117.4	117.5	0.1	2.3
Whitehorse	0.08	115.7	119.1	119.4	0.3	3.2
Yellowknife	0.07	119.1	122.6	123.4	0.7	3.6
Igaluit (Dec. 2002=100)	0.02	112.0	114.3	114.5	0.2	2.2

²⁰⁰⁹ Consumer Price Index basket weights at April 2011 prices, effective May 2011. Detailed weights are available under the Documentation section of survey 2301 (www.statcan.gc.ca/imdb-bmdi/index-eng.htm).

Figures may not add to 100% as a result of rounding.

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^{2.} Figures may not add to 100% as a result of rounding.

Consumer Price Index and major components - Seasonally adjusted¹

	Relative	September	October	November	September	October
	importance ²	2011	2011	2011	to	to
					October	November
					2011	2011
	%	(2002=100)		% change		
All-items Consumer Price Index (CPI)	100.00³	120.5	120.9	121.0	0.3	0.1
Food	15.99	129.0	129.3	129.6	0.2	0.2
Shelter	27.49	125.7	126.5	126.3	0.6	-0.2
Household operations, furnishings and equipment	11.55	111.5	111.8	112.1	0.3	0.3
Clothing and footwear	5.31	92.7	92.6	91.9	-0.1	-0.8
Transportation	20.60	126.3	127.9	128.6	1.3	0.5
Health and personal care	4.95	117.3	117.5	117.7	0.2	0.2
Recreation, education and reading	11.20	105.4	105.1	105.0	-0.3	-0.1
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products	2.91	135.9	135.8	135.8	-0.1	0.0
Special aggregates						
Core CPI ⁴	82.15	118.3	118.5	118.6	0.2	0.1
All-items CPI excluding food and energy	73.93	115.2	115.3	115.4	0.1	0.1

^{1.} Each month, the previous month's seasonally adjusted index is subject to revision. On an annual basis, the seasonally adjusted values for the last three years are revised with the January data release. Since these revisions can lead to changes in both the levels and movements of the indexes, users employing the CPI for indexation purposes are advised to use the unadjusted indexes.

^{2. 2009} CPI basket weights at April 2011 prices, Canada, effective May 2011. Detailed weights are available under the Documentation section of survey 2301 (www.statcan.gc.ca/imdb-bmdi/index-eng.htm).

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Fiscal Arrangements Certificates: Federal Equalization Program

2012/2013

Fiscal Certificates prepared for the administration of the *Federal-provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act and Regulations* are now available. The Fiscal Certificates cover the four fiscal years of data from 2008/2009 to 2011/2012. The Fiscal Certificates are available free of charge in electronic format upon request.

Data on residential property value assessment, residential and non-residential property tax revenues, and population estimates, by census subdivision, for reference years 2007 to 2009, are also available free of charge in electronic format upon request.

For more information, to order data or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (613-951-0767; pssd-info-dssp@statcan.gc.ca), Public Sector Statistics Division.

Canada's population estimates

Third quarter 2011 (preliminary)

Demographic estimates by province and territory for the third quarter are now available.

Note: Estimates released today are based on 2006 Census counts adjusted for net census undercoverage and incompletely enumerated Indian reserves to which is added the estimated demographic growth for the period from May 16, 2006, to September 30, 2011.

These estimates are not to be confused with the 2011 Census population counts to be released on February 8, 2012.

Available on CANSIM: tables 051-0005, 051-0006, 051-0017, 051-0020, 051-0037, 051-0045 and 053-0001.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 3231, 3233 and 3601.

The July to September 2011 issue of *Quarterly Demographic Estimates*, Vol. 25, no. 3 (91-002-X, free), is now available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

For more information, contact Statistics Canada's National Contact Centre (toll-free 1-800-263-1136; 613-951-8116; infostats@statcan.gc.ca), Communications Division.

To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-866-767-5611; 613-951-2320; fax: 613-951-2307; demography@statcan.gc.ca), Demography Division.

Stocks of frozen eggs and poultry meats and edible dried egg products

December 1, 2011 (preliminary)

Data on stocks of frozen eggs and poultry meats and edible dried egg products in storage as of December 1 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: tables 003-0023 and 003-0024.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3425.

For more information, call Client Services (toll-free 1-800-465-1991). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Emily Makosky (613-951-2442; emily.makosky@statcan.gc.ca), Agriculture Division.

Cereals and oilseeds review

October 2011

Data from the October issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* are now available. October's issue contains the "Feed Grain Purchases" supplement; "Concepts, methods and sources"; and an overview of November's market conditions.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 3401, 3403, 3404, 3443, 3464, 3476 and 5046.

The October 2011 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review*, Vol. 34, no. 10 (22-007-X, free), is now available. From the *Key resource* module of our website, choose *Publications*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-800-465-1991; agriculture@statcan.gc.ca), Agriculture Division.

Total income of farm families 2009

Data on total income of farm families for 2009 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: tables 002-0024 to 002-0033.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3447.

The Canadian Farm Financial Database (21F0001X, free) is now available from the Key resource module of our website under Publications.

Data tables are also available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Summary tables*.

The publication *Statistics on Income of Farm Families*, 2009 (21-207-X, free), will be released at a later date.

For custom data requests, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-800-465-1991; agriculture@statcan.gc.ca), Agriculture Division.

Births

2009

Data on births in Canada are now available for 2009.

Available on CANSIM: tables 102-4501 to 102-4516.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 3231 and 3234.

The publication *Births*, 2009 (84F0210X, free), will be available in January 2012.

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Canadian Farm Financial Database, Catalogue number 21F0001X (Database, free)

Cereals and Oilseeds Review, October 2011, Vol. 34, no. 10

Catalogue number 22-007-X (PDF, free; HTML, free)

Steel, Tubular Products and Steel Wire, October 2011, Vol. 7, no. 10 Catalogue number 41-019-X (PDF, free; HTML, free)

The Consumer Price Index, November 2011, Vol. 90, no. 11

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Perspectives on Labour and Income, Spring 2012, Vol. 24, no. 1

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