

**Consumer Price Index (2002=100)  
September 2007**

CPI by Component	Nova Scotia			Canada		
	Sept'07 Index	%Change from Aug'07	% Change from Sept'06	Sept'07 Index	% Change from Aug'07	% Change from Sept'06
<b>All-Items</b>	<b>112.9</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>111.9</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>2.5</b>
Food	114.0	-0.6	2.1	110.9	-0.8	1.9
Shelter	118.1	0.3	1.5	117.8	0.2	3.3
Household Operations & Furnishings	104.3	0.6	0.9	103.7	0.2	1.6
Clothing & Footwear	98.6	1.6	0.0	97.4	2.1	-1.1
Transportation	115.1	1.3	4.3	116.9	0.5	3.6
Health & Personal Care	107.0	0.0	1.7	107.6	0.0	1.5
Recreation, Education & Reading	106.8	-1.1	0.5	103.4	0.5	1.9
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	138.0	0.1	6.1	126.6	0.4	3.8
Products						
<i>Energy</i>	<i>138.1</i>	<i>1.5</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>136.6</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>6.1</i>
<i>All-items excluding Energy</i>	<i>109.9</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>2.0</i>	<i>109.9</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>2.1</i>

**HIGHLIGHTS**

**Halifax Metro's** September 2007 all-items CPI index of 112.6 (2002=100) increased 0.4 per cent from last month and increased 2.4 per cent over September 2006.

**Nova Scotia's** overall monthly price index increased 0.2 per cent in September 2007; it increased 2.1 per cent over September 2006.

*Since last month notable increases:*

- non-alcoholic beverages (+11.0%)
- furniture (+5.0%)
- women's clothing (+4.3%)
- gasoline (+3.2%)
- passenger vehicle parts, maintenance and repair (+1.8%)
- purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles (+1.0%)

*Offsetting declines since last month:*

- fresh vegetables (-9.4%), fresh fruit (-6.7%); sugar and confectionery (-4.3%), bakery products (-2.0%), cereal products (excluding infant food) (-1.5%)
- tuition fees (-6.6%)
- inter-city transportation (-4.4%)

**Canada's** all-items CPI, from August to September 2007, increased 0.2 per cent; Canadians paid 2.5 per cent more for the goods and services contained in the CPI basket than they did a year ago.

*Since last month notable increases:*

- women's clothing (+5.9%)—arrival of new collections in retail outlets increased prices
- tuition for postsecondary education (+3.0%)—largely impacted by 4.1 per cent increase in Ontario
- cost of child care (+2.3%)
- purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles (+1.1%)—decrease in incentives offered by car manufacturers
- mortgage interest costs (+0.8%)
- gasoline (+0.8%)

*Key offsetting declines:*

- fresh vegetables (-8.9%)—15.7 per cent decline in price of potatoes since last month; fresh fruit (-6.4%)
- air transportation (-4.9%)
- natural gas (-2.3%)—14.2 per cent drop in price for natural gas in Alberta since last month

CPI for October 2007 will be released November 20, 2007.