

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

CPI by Component	Nova Scotia			Canada		
	Oct'07 Index	%Change from Sept'07	% Change from Oct'06	Oct'07 Index	% Change from Sept'07	% Change from Oct'06
All-Items	112.6	-0.3	2.3	111.6	-0.3	2.4
Food	113.6	-0.4	1.9	110.7	-0.2	1.4
Shelter	119.1	0.8	3.3	118.7	0.8	4.0
Household Operations & Furnishings	104.5	0.2	0.9	103.4	-0.3	1.2
Clothing & Footwear	98.6	0.0	-1.1	97.1	-0.3	-0.6
Transportation	113.2	-1.7	3.8	115.2	-1.5	3.1
Health & Personal Care	107.1	0.1	2.0	107.5	-0.1	1.3
Recreation, Education & Reading	105.6	-1.1	0.0	102.7	-0.7	1.8
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	138.2	0.1	6.0	126.3	-0.2	3.4
Products						
<i>Energy</i>	136.3	-1.3	5.7	134.5	-1.5	8.6
<i>All-items excluding Energy</i>	109.8	-0.1	1.8	109.8	-0.1	1.9

HIGHLIGHTS

Halifax Metro's October 2007 all-items CPI index of 112.3 (2002=100) decreased 0.3 per cent from last month and increased 2.4 per cent over October 2006.

Nova Scotia's overall monthly price index declined 0.3 per cent in October 2007; it increased 2.3 per cent over October 2006.

Since last month notable declines:

- traveller accommodation (-14.4%)
- non-alcoholic beverages (-6.0%), fresh vegetables (-5.7%)
- gasoline (-3.1%)
- women's clothing (-2.9%)
- inter-city transportation (-2.6%); purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles (-1.6%)

Increases of note since last month:

- property taxes (including special charges (+5.0%))
- footwear (+3.7%)
- recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles) (+3.2%)
- household appliances (+2.6%)
- bakery products (+1.8%)
- fuel oil and other fuels (+1.2%)

Canada's all-items CPI, from September to October 2007, decreased 0.3 per cent; Canadians paid 2.4 per cent more for the goods and services contained in the CPI basket than they did a year ago.

Since last month notable decreases:

- traveller accommodation (-8.8%)—high season has ended
- gasoline (-3.3%)—changes in the variation in gasoline prices
- women's clothing (-2.3%)—lower prices due to specials at several retailers

Increases of note since last month:

- property taxes (+3.8%)—calculated annually and thus its impact is noted at this time
- natural gas (+3.3%)
- mortgage interest cost (+0.8%)—rise in new housing prices had greater impact than the renewal of mortgage loans at higher interest rates in October

CPI for November 2007 will be released December 18, 2007.