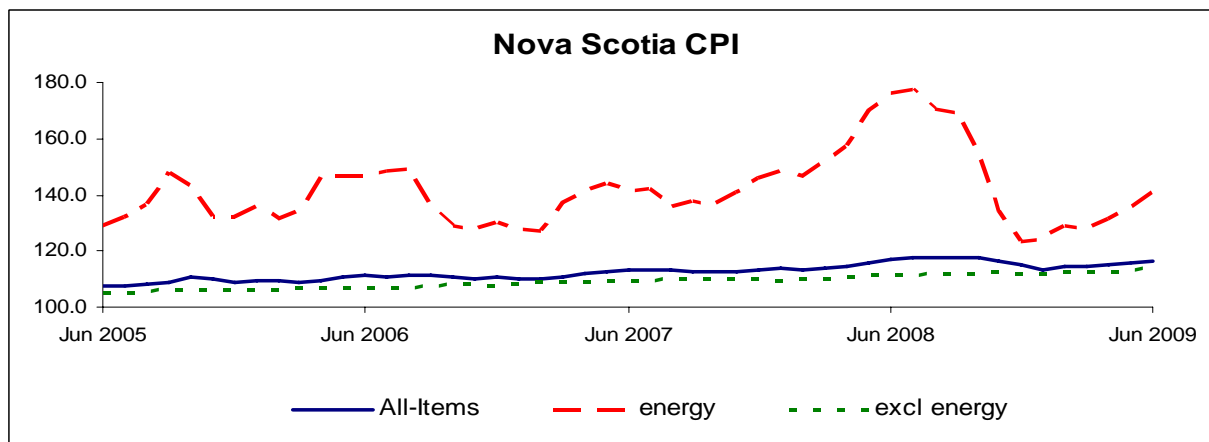


**Consumer Price Index (2002=100)
June 2009**

CPI by Component	Nova Scotia			Canada		
	June'09 Index	% Change from May'09	% Change from June'08	June'09 Index	% Change from May'09	% Change from June'08
All-Items	116.5	0.6	-1.1	115.1	0.3	-0.3
Food	126.7	0.2	6.9	122.2	0.2	5.5
Shelter	123.8	-0.1	-3.0	121.3	-0.1	-0.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	109.5	-0.1	3.4	107.3	-0.3	2.9
Clothing & Footwear	86.1	-4.0	-11.1	91.3	-2.8	-1.3
Transportation	112.9	3.3	-8.4	116.1	2.3	-7.7
Health & Personal Care	110.8	-0.1	1.7	112.8	0.6	3.8
Recreation, Education & Reading	106.8	0.8	-0.4	103.8	0.0	0.9
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco						
Products	147.4	3.9	5.1	131.6	0.3	3.1
<i>Energy</i>	<i>140.9</i>	<i>4.1</i>	<i>-19.9</i>	<i>133.9</i>	<i>3.5</i>	<i>-19.0</i>
<i>All-items excluding Energy</i>	<i>113.6</i>	<i>0.2</i>	<i>2.0</i>	<i>113.6</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>2.1</i>

Nova Scotia's overall monthly price index increased 0.6 per cent in June 2009 from May 2009; and decreased 1.1 per cent over June 2008. The main contributors to the monthly NS CPI movement: *Gasoline (+8.8%); Traveler accommodation (+7.6%); Cigarettes (+6.3%); Women's Clothing (-6.3%); Men's Clothing (-5.9%); and Fresh or Frozen Beef (-5.3%)*. The main contributors to the annual NS CPI movement: *Non-alcoholic beverages (+21.7%); Fresh Vegetables (+19.5%); Household Chemical Products(+12.2%); Fuel oil and other fuels (-38.6%); and Gasoline (-24.0%); and Women's clothing (-20.8%)*.

Halifax's overall monthly price index increased 0.6 per cent to 116.0 from May 2009; it decreased 0.8 per cent over June 2008.



Changes in the **consumer price index** (CPI) on either a monthly, year-over-year or annual basis are often used as a measure for the rate of inflation (increases in prices). The CPI measures price change by comparing, through time, the cost of a fixed basket (approximately 600) of commodities. Since the basket contains commodities of unchanging or equivalent quantity and quality, the index reflects only pure price movements. Negative changes in CPI indicate deflation, or price decreases.

CPI for July 2009 will be released *August 19, 2009*.

Source: Statistics Canada, *The Daily*, CPI release day, Catalogue No. 11-001-X; *The Consumer Price Index*, Catalogue 62-001-X; CANSIM Tables 326-0020 and 326-0021