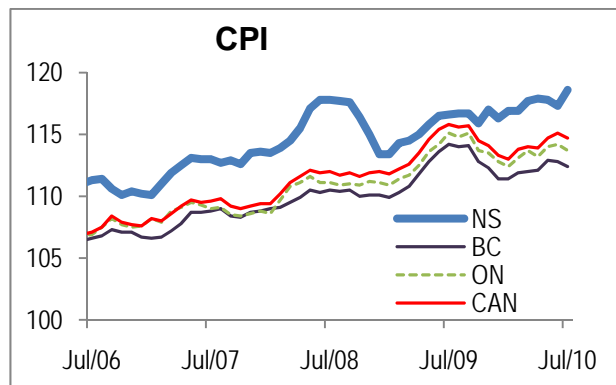
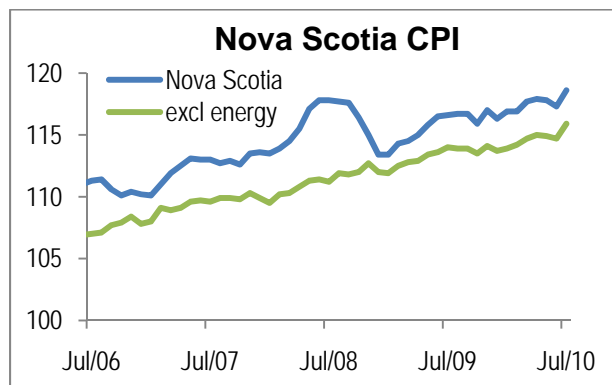


## Consumer Price Index (2002=100) July 2010

CPI by Component	Nova Scotia			Canada		
	Jul'10 Index	%Change from Jun'10	% Change from Jul'09	Jul'10 Index	% Change from Jun'10	% Change from Jul'09
<b>All-Items</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>116.8</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.8</b>
Food	129.1	1.3	1.6	123.7	0.6	1.1
Shelter	125.7	0.6	1.5	124.3	0.8	2.9
Household Operations & Furnishings	111.4	1.3	1.6	109.2	0.6	2.0
Clothing & Footwear	85.6	-0.1	0.7	88.8	-1.0	-2.7
Transportation	113.5	1.2	2.2	117.4	0.1	2.7
Health & Personal Care	113.3	0.5	1.4	115.6	0.8	2.8
Recreation, Education & Reading	110.4	2.5	2.1	105.1	0.9	0.8
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	157.5	1.7	2.2	134.5	1.7	2.3
<i>Energy</i>	<i>141.4</i>	<i>1.9</i>	<i>2.4</i>	<i>139.8</i>	<i>3.0</i>	<i>7.9</i>
<i>All-items excluding Energy</i>	<i>115.9</i>	<i>1.0</i>	<i>1.7</i>	<i>115.0</i>	<i>0.3</i>	<i>1.3</i>

**Nova Scotia's** consumer price index (CPI) increased 1.1 percent in July from June 2010. **Halifax's** CPI increased 1.1 percent from June 2010.

**Nova Scotia's** CPI increased 1.7 percent over July 2009. The **Halifax** CPI increased 1.6 percent over July 2009. In July, consumer prices were affected by changes in consumption taxes in Nova Scotia, Ontario, and British Columbia.



Main contributors to monthly (July 2010 vs. June 2010) NS CPI movement:

- *Non-alcoholic beverages (+14.9%)*
- *Traveller accommodation (+7.7%)*
- *Children's clothing (-8.3%)*
- *Fresh vegetables (-7.2%)*

Main contributors to annual (July 2010 vs. July 2009) NS CPI movement:

- *Fuel oil and other fuels (+15.3%)*
- *Cablevision and satellite (+10.5%)*
- *Electricity (-7.0%)*
- *Footwear (-7.9%)*

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 changes for the cost of a fixed basket of commodities.

CPI for August 2010 will be released *September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010*.

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