

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

August 2009

1 Consumer Price Index (CPI), All Items, 2002 = 100

Month	CPI	Annual Rate of Inflation
Whitehorse		
Aug '09	114.2	-1.0% (Aug '08 to Aug '09)
July '09	114.4	-0.8% (July '08 to July '09)
Aug '08	115.4	4.4% (Aug '07 to Aug '08)
Canada		
Aug '09	114.7	-0.8% (Aug '08 to Aug '09)
July '09	114.7	-0.9% (July '08 to July '09)
Aug '08	115.6	3.5% (Aug '07 to Aug '08)

On a **monthly** basis, in Whitehorse (figures for the Yukon are not available) overall prices **decreased 0.2%** from July to August 2009.

Major **monthly decreases** were seen in the following CPI commodities:

- gasoline
- other food preparations
- purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles

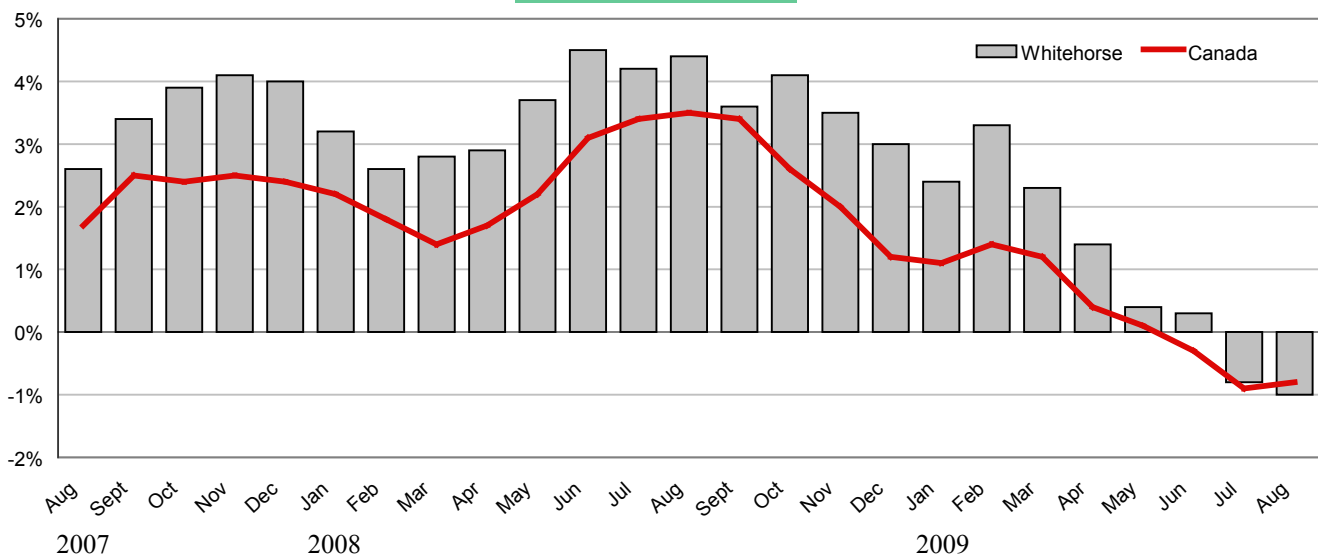
Some of the major **increases** partially offsetting **monthly** decreases were:

- women's clothing
- traveller accommodation
- fresh fruit

Comparing the month of August 2009 with August 2008, the **annual** rate of *deflation* in Whitehorse (1.0%) was 0.2 percentage points higher than the **annual** rate of *deflation* in Canada (0.8%). This is the highest rate of *deflation* for Whitehorse since February 2004 (-1.1%).

Annual decreases for Whitehorse in August were again in gasoline, fuel oil and other fuels, and electricity. Offsetting some of these **annual** decreases were increases in rent, homeowners' replacement cost and mortgage interest cost.

Inflation Rate



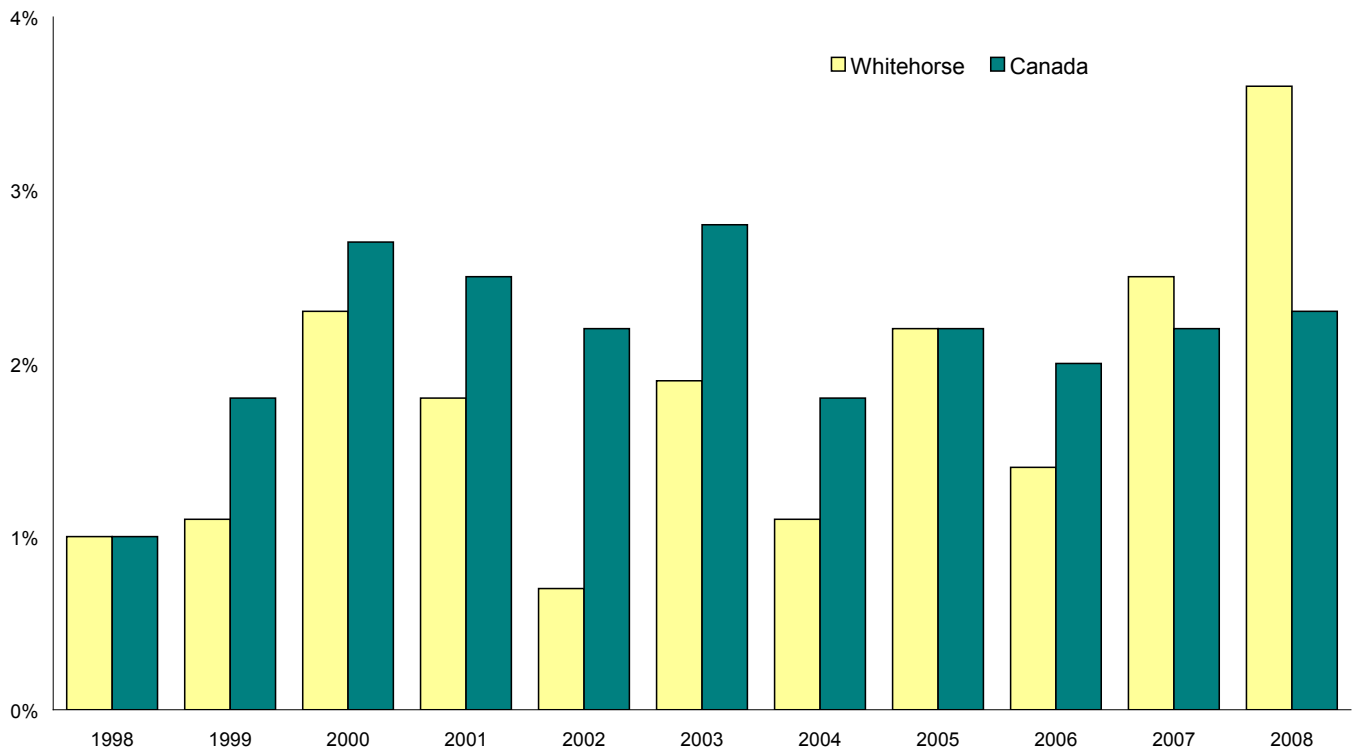
2 Consumer Price Index History - Annual Averages

Whitehorse (2002 = 100)

Canada (2002 = 100)

Year	All-Items Index	% Change From Previous Year	Year	All-Items Index	% Change From Previous Year
2008	113.4	3.6	2008	114.1	2.3
2007	109.5	2.5	2007	111.5	2.2
2006	106.8	1.4	2006	109.1	2.0
2005	105.3	2.2	2005	107.0	2.2
2004	103.0	1.1	2004	104.7	1.8
2003	101.9	1.9	2003	102.8	2.8
2002	100.0	0.7	2002	100.0	2.2
2001	99.3	1.8	2001	97.8	2.5
2000	97.5	2.3	2000	95.4	2.7
1999	95.3	1.1	1999	92.9	1.8
1998	94.3	1.0	1998	91.3	1.0

3 The Annual Average Rate of Inflation in Whitehorse vs. Canada



4 Consumer Price Index — (All Items, 2002 = 100)

Index for Whitehorse 2007/'08				Index for Canada 2007/'08			
Month	2007	2008	% Change	Month	2007	2008	% Change
Jan	107.0	110.4	3.2	Jan	109.4	111.8	2.2
Feb	107.3	110.1	2.6	Feb	110.2	112.2	1.8
Mar	108.0	111.0	2.8	Mar	111.1	112.6	1.4
Apr	108.7	111.8	2.9	Apr	111.6	113.5	1.7
May	109.5	113.6	3.7	May	112.1	114.6	2.2
Jun	109.7	114.6	4.5	Jun	111.9	115.4	3.1
Jul	110.7	115.3	4.2	Jul	112.0	115.8	3.4
Aug	110.5	115.4	4.4	Aug	111.7	115.6	3.5
Sep	110.8	114.8	3.6	Sep	111.9	115.7	3.4
Oct	110.4	114.9	4.1	Oct	111.6	114.5	2.6
Nov	110.7	114.6	3.5	Nov	111.9	114.1	2.0
Dec	110.6	113.9	3.0	Dec	112.0	113.3	1.2
Year Average	109.5	113.4	3.6	Year Average	111.5	114.1	2.3

Index for Whitehorse 2008/'09				Index for Canada 2008/'09			
Month	2008	2009	% Change	Month	2008	2009	% Change
Jan	110.4	113.0	2.4	Jan	111.8	113.0	1.1
Feb	110.1	113.7	3.3	Feb	112.2	113.8	1.4
Mar	111.0	113.6	2.3	Mar	112.6	114.0	1.2
Apr	111.8	113.4	1.4	Apr	113.5	113.9	0.4
May	113.6	114.0	0.4	May	114.6	114.7	0.1
Jun	114.6	114.9	0.3	Jun	115.4	115.1	-0.3
Jul	115.3	114.4	-0.8	Jul	115.8	114.7	-0.9
Aug	115.4	114.2	-1.0	Aug	115.6	114.7	-0.8
Sep	114.8			Sep	115.7		
Oct	114.9			Oct	114.5		
Nov	114.6			Nov	114.1		
Dec	113.9			Dec	113.3		
Year Average	113.4	-	-	Year Average	114.1	-	-

5 Consumer Price Index for Whitehorse — August 2009

	Index		% Change		
	August 2009	July 2009	August 2008	July '09 to Aug. '09	Aug. '08 to Aug. '09
All-Items	114.2	114.4	115.4	-0.2	-1.0
Food	117.2	117.8	113.8	-0.5	3.0
Shelter	127.1	127.2	129.4	-0.1	-1.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	104.9	105.1	102.2	-0.2	2.6
Clothing & Footwear	100.7	98.7	101.1	2.0	-0.4
Transportation	114.0	114.7	123.0	-0.6	-7.3
Health & Personal Care	111.9	113.5	107.7	-1.4	3.9
Recreation, Education & Reading	97.3	97.0	97.3	0.3	0.0
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	133.7	133.6	131.8	0.1	1.4
Special Aggregates					
Energy	126.1	127.4	167.4	-1.0	-24.7
All-Items excluding Energy	112.8	112.9	110.4	-0.1	2.2

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is produced on a monthly basis by Statistics Canada. The data used to determine the CPI are collected by survey and the results are released in Statistics Canada's publication, *The Consumer Price Index*, catalogue no. 62-001. The Index is used to determine price change (inflation or deflation) in a given city or province over time. In order to calculate the inflation/deflation rate in an area, an index for two time periods is required. The percentage change in this index from one point in time to the next is known as the 'rate of inflation' (or 'rate of deflation' if there is a decrease).

The current official time base of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is 2002 = 100.