

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1992=100) - REVISED January 2006 Release

	Nova Scotia			<u>Canada</u>		
CPI by Component	Jan'06 Index	% Change from Dec'05	% Change from Jan'05	Jan'06 Index	% Change from Dec'05	% Change from Jan'05
All Items	130.9	0.0	3.1	128.8	0.5	2.8
Food	131.4	0.4	2.7	130.4	0.9	2.8
Shelter	133.4	0.2	4.2	127.2	1.2	3.9
Household Operations & Furnishings	113.4	-0.2	0.4	116.4	0.2	1.0
Clothing & Footwear	104.4	-6.3	-4.6	99.0	-1.4	-1.0
Transportation	153.0	1.3	7.0	154.2	1.4	5.4
Health & Personal Care	118.0	0.3	0.6	121.3	-0.2	1.9
Recreation, Education & Reading	130.8	-0.7	1.3	125.2	-1.1	-0.2
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	157.7	-0.3	2.7	148.3	0.5	2.2
Energy	172.4	-0.5	15.8	171.9	5.9	15.3

HIGHLIGHTS

Cities

Halifax Metro's January 2006 all-items CPI index of 129.3 (1992=100) rose 0% from last month and increased 2.8% over January 2005.

Nova Scotia

- Nova Scotia's overall monthly price index increased 0% in January; it increased 3.1% over January 2005.
- Notable increases from the previous month were recorded for: Fresh vegetables (18.2%)
 Gasoline (21.7%)
- Since last month offsetting price declines of particular note included:

Footwear (8.4%) Automotive insurance (5.3%)

Canada

- From December 2005 to January 2006, all-items CPI increased 0.5% in Canada; Canadians paid 2.8% more for the goods and services contained in the CPI basket than they did a year ago.
- Since last month lower prices contributing to the month-over-month increase included:

Gasoline Prices ranging from 2.6% in BC to 7.9% in Ontario Fresh vegetables due to adverse weather conditions in growing areas

• Offsetting price increases of note included:

Travel Tours down 4.9% in Alberta to 15.7% in Ontario Men's clothing caused by discount sales in Ontario