

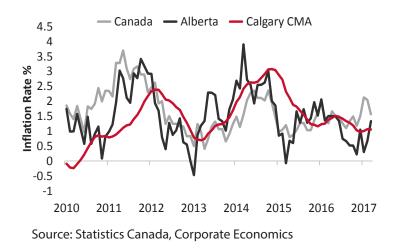
Highlights:

- Inflation in Calgary was 1.06 per cent in March (12-month moving average). We were expecting lower inflation in Calgary this month but retail gasoline prices increased more than expected. Also, it appears that the recent carbon levy is being passed on to consumers in the form of price increases in other goods and services like personal care and recreation activities. Further, prices for food items had been dropping recently in Calgary but that downward trend appears to have all but stopped now.
- Headline inflation in Alberta in March was 1.3 per cent (12-month moving average) down from 2.2 per cent last month and only slightly lower than last year's 1.5 per cent.
- Canada-wide March inflation (12-month moving average) came in at 1.6 per cent with food price declines across the country offsetting rising housing prices in Ontario.

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Headline Inflation Comparison

(12MMA, Year-over-year change, January 2010 - March 2017, per cent)



Year-over-year (12 MMA,%) Month-over-month (12MMA, %) Relative nportance (%)* Feb-17** Feb-17** Mar-16 Mar-16 Mar-17 Mar-17 Calgary: All-items 100.00 1.06 1.06 1.39 0.07 (0.15) 0.82 Calgary: All-items excluding food and energy 76.49 1.27 1.73 1.99 0.22 0.52 0.68 (0.71) (1.55) 0.43 0.57 (0.43) Food 15.99 2.74 Shelter (0.12)0.12 (0.91)(1.20)26.56 0.31 (0.67)(2.33)(2.33) (0.16) Rented accommodation 5.40 0.23 (0.24)(0.23) (0.05) Owned accommodation 16.24 0.87 0.82 1.33 (0.05) (0.11)Water, fuel and electricity 4.84 (1.42)(1.08) (4.01)(4.13)(5.48) (3.80) Household operations, furnishing and equipment 12.27 (0.42) (0.16) 2.63 (0.00)(0.01)0.25 0.20 1.89 Clothing and footwear 5.88 (1.73) 3.01 1.60 4.75 Transportation 20.44 3.72 7.52 1.18 (0.60) (1.54) 3.04 37.59 Gasoline 3.81 13.47 (10.01)(0.69)(9.76) 20.42 0.83 (0.30) Health and personal care 4.65 1.44 2.25 0.60 (0.00)Recreation, education and reading 11.37 4.43 4.76 1.39 0.70 2.21 1.02 Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products 2.83 2.31 1.98 8.40 0.25 0.51 (0.08) Alberta: All-items 100.00 1.33 2.17 0.07 (0.22)0.90 1.50 Alberta: All-items excluding food and energy 76.49 1.28 1.81 0.22 0.45 0.76 2.07 Canada: All-items 100.00 1.56 2.05 1.27 0.15 0.15 0.63 Canada: All-items excluding food and energy 74.85 1.71 2.04 1.74 0.32 0.40 0.65 Sources: Statistics Canada, Corporate Economics, April 2017 * 2013 CPI basket weights at January 2015 prices, date modified February 26, 2015 ** CPI historical data was adjusted by Statsistics Canada on April 21, 2017

Inflation Rates

Figures in parentheses indicate negative.



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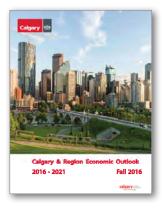
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