Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index, second quarter 2018

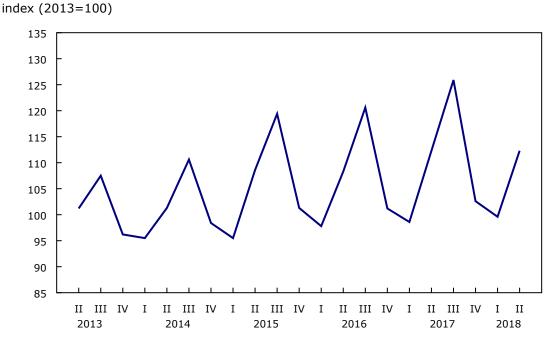
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The Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index (TASPI) rose 12.8% in the second quarter. The index has increased in the second quarter of every year since its inception, as accommodation prices generally rise in the spring and summer months due to higher seasonal demand.

Higher prices for both leisure (+15.6%) and business (+9.8%) clients were responsible for the increase.

Prices for traveller accommodation services were up in nine provinces, as well as in Yukon and Nunavut. Higher prices in British Columbia (+20.4%) and Ontario (+14.4%) contributed the most to the increase, while falling accommodation prices in Manitoba (-1.8%) somewhat moderated the rise.

Chart 1 Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index



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The price index for leisure clients rises in eight provinces and two territories

Prices for leisure clients rose 15.6% at the Canada level, largely due to increasing prices in British Columbia (+24.8%) and Ontario (+19.8%). Price declines in Manitoba (-1.1%) and Saskatchewan (-1.0%) moderated the increase.

Business clients pay higher prices except in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories

Prices paid by business clients increased 9.8% at the Canada level. The rise was driven by higher prices in British Columbia (+14.6%) and Ontario (+9.0%), and was partially offset by lower prices in Manitoba (-2.6%) and the Northwest Territories (-2.0%).





Year-over-year change

The TASPI was unchanged in the second quarter compared with the same quarter in 2017. Increasing prices for business clients (+1.0%) were offset by falling leisure prices (-0.9%).

Higher prices were reported in four provinces and the three territories, and were led by British Columbia (+4.0%) and Ontario (+1.3%). These gains were offset by lower prices in six provinces, driven by Quebec (-4.7%) and Alberta (-2.8%).

Note to readers

The Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index (TASPI) measures the monthly and quarterly price movements of short-term accommodation services. This index reflects changes in room rates (excluding all taxes) and covers hotel and motel lodging services.

Separate index aggregations are available for Canada, the economic regions, provinces and territories, by major client group.

The contribution of a given sub-aggregate to the composite price change depends on both the price change exhibited by the sub-aggregate and on its importance in the basket, as measured by the weight.

The index is not subject to revision and is not seasonally adjusted.

A Historical Timeline of Canadian Producer Price Statistics

"A Historical Timeline of Canadian Producer Price Statistics," which is part of the Prices Analytical Series (62F0014M), was created to showcase the key milestones in the history of Canadian producer price statistics. This historical timeline contains answers to questions such as: Who collected Canada's first statistics? What do Canadian producer price indexes measure?

Infographic: Producer Price Indexes at a Glance

The infographic "Producer Price Indexes at a Glance," which is part of Statistics Canada — Infographics (11-627-M) demonstrates how producer price indexes for goods and services are calculated and why they are important for the Canadian economy.

Table 1
Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index – Not seasonally adjusted

	Relative importance ¹	Second quarter 2017	First quarter 2018	Second quarter 2018	First quarter to second quarter 2018	Second quarter 2017 to second quarter 2018
	%	(2013=100)			% change	
Canada, total	100.00	112.3	99.6	112.3	12.8	0.0
Leisure clients	51.14	116.6	99.9	115.5	15.6	-0.9
Business clients	48.86	108.3	99.6	109.4	9.8	1.0
Atlantic region	6.31	111.5	97.6	112.5	15.3	0.9
Newfoundland and Labrador	1.66	104.7	88.5	97.9	10.6	-6.5
Prince Edward Island	0.60	107.6	86.6	108.5	25.3	0.8
Nova Scotia	2.38	111.7	97.5	119.0	22.1	6.5
New Brunswick	1.67	115.2	108.2	115.2	6.5	0.0
Quebec	13.71	113.1	96.4	107.8	11.8	-4.7
Ontario	28.47	114.0	101.0	115.5	14.4	1.3
Prairie region	28.75	98.0	90.6	94.8	4.6	-3.3
Manitoba	5.29	99.0	95.3	93.6	-1.8	-5.5
Saskatchewan	4.29	85.8	82.7	83.4	0.8	-2.8
Alberta	19.16	101.2	91.8	98.4	7.2	-2.8
British Columbia	21.65	131.4	113.5	136.6	20.4	4.0
Territories	1.11	104.5	108.6	112.3	3.4	7.5
Yukon	0.47	108.3	106.8	115.4	8.1	6.6
Northwest Territories	0.43	98.3	107.1	104.9	-2.1	6.7
Nunavut	0.21	109.0	116.7	121.0	3.7	11.0

The relative importance is calculated by dividing the weight of each component by the total weight. The weights correspond to the accommodation revenue shares derived from the 2013 Annual Survey of Service Industries: Accommodation Services (2418).
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