For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index, third quarter 2019

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The For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index declined 0.4% in the third quarter, following a 1.5% increase in the second quarter.

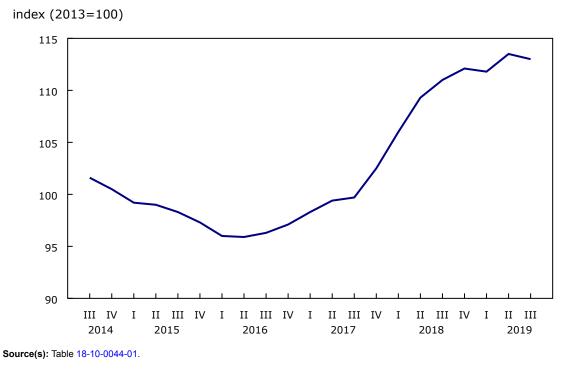
The general freight trucking component was unchanged, while the specialized freight trucking component decreased 1.4%.

Year-over-year change

The index rose 1.8% in the third quarter compared with the same quarter in 2018. General freight trucking rose 3.0%, while specialized freight trucking was down 0.8%.

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Chart 1 For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index





Note to readers

The For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index measures changes over time in prices for the for-hire motor carrier freight services provided by general and specialized freight trucking companies.

Data are available at the Canada level only.

With each release, data for the previous quarter may have been revised. The series are also subject to an annual revision with the release of second quarter data of the following reference year. The index is not seasonally adjusted.

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Statistics Canada has launched the Producer Price Indexes Portal as part of a suite of portals for the prices and price indexes. This webpage provides Canadians with a single point of access to a wide variety of statistics and measures related to producer prices. The portal offers an array of information on topics such as manufacturing, construction, professional services, distributive trades and financial services. The portal will be updated regularly, as new information becomes available.

The video "Producer Price Indexes" is available on the Statistics Canada Training Institute webpage. It provides an introduction to Statistics Canada's Producer Price Indexes—what they are, how they are produced, and what they are used for.

A Historical Timeline of Canadian Producer Price Statistics

The publication "A Historical Timeline of Canadian Producer Price Statistics," 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?" and "What do Canadian producer price indexes measure?"

Infographic: Producer Price Indexes at a Glance

The infographic "Producer Price Indexes at a Glance," part of the series 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 For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index – Not seasonally adjusted

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	Relative importance ¹	Third quarter 2018	Second quarter 2019 ^r	Third quarter 2019 ^p	Second quarter to third quarter 2019	Third quarter 2018 to third quarter 2019
	%	(2013=100)		% change		
Truck transportation	100.0	111.0	113.5	113.0	-0.4	1.8
General freight trucking	66.3	114.1	117.5	117.5	0.0	3.0
General freight trucking, local	6.4	113.0	112.6	114.0	1.2	0.9
General freight trucking, long distance	59.9	113.9	117.8	117.6	-0.2	3.2
Specialized freight trucking	33.7	105.0	105.7	104.2	-1.4	-0.8
Used household and office goods moving Specialized freight (except used goods)	2.6	109.9	108.7	110.9	2.0	0.9
trucking, local Specialized freight (except used goods)	9.3	96.0	96.0	95.3	-0.7	-0.7
trucking, long distance	21.8	108.2	109.5	107.3	-2.0	-0.8

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1. The relative importance is calculated by dividing the weight of each four-digit code of the North American Industry Classification System by the sum of weights. The weight corresponds to the aggregate revenue of establishments at the time of sample selection.

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