

Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index, fourth quarter 2019

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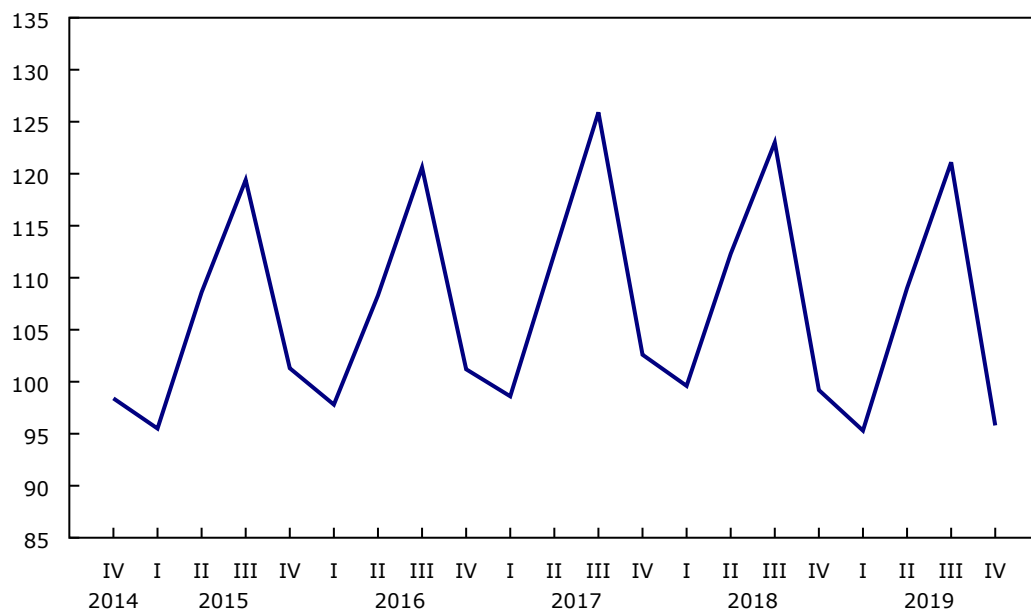
The Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index (TASPI) fell 20.9% in the fourth quarter. The TASPI has decreased in the fourth quarter every year since its inception, as lower seasonal demand typically drives down accommodation prices in the fall and winter.

Both leisure (-22.2%) and business (-19.5%) clients paid lower prices in the fourth quarter.

Lower prices in British Columbia and Ontario contributed the most to the decreases for both business and leisure.

Chart 1
Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index

index (2013=100)



Source(s): Table 18-10-0250-01.

Year-over-year change

The TASPI declined 3.4% in the fourth quarter of 2019 compared with the same quarter in 2018. Lower prices for both leisure (-2.4%) and business (-4.5%) clients contributed to the year-over-year decrease.

Eight provinces and two territories reported lower prices, led by Ontario (-5.7%) and Alberta (-6.0%). These declines were partially offset by higher prices in British Columbia (+2.7%), Prince Edward Island (+5.6%) and Nunavut (+9.5%).



Note to readers

The fourth quarter of 2019 reference period marks the final release of the Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index as the program has been discontinued. Alternative data: Consumer Price Index, table 18-10-0004-01, Traveller accommodation, v41691191.

The Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index 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, and the 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 its importance in the basket, as measured by weight.

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

Products

Statistics Canada has launched the [Producer Price Indexes Portal](#) as a 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 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 made and what they are used for.

Table 1
Traveller Accommodation Services Price Index – Not seasonally adjusted

	Relative importance ¹	Fourth quarter 2018	Third quarter 2019	Fourth quarter 2019	Third quarter to fourth quarter 2019	Fourth quarter 2018 to fourth quarter 2019
	%	(2013=100)			% change	
Canada, total	100.00	99.2	121.1	95.8	-20.9	-3.4
Leisure clients	51.14	99.0	124.2	96.6	-22.2	-2.4
Business clients	48.86	99.7	118.3	95.2	-19.5	-4.5
Atlantic region	6.31	96.7	119.1	91.0	-23.6	-5.9
Newfoundland and Labrador	1.66	78.4	92.6	74.1	-20.0	-5.5
Prince Edward Island	0.60	94.9	138.2	100.2	-27.5	5.6
Nova Scotia	2.38	99.6	127.0	92.7	-27.0	-6.9
New Brunswick	1.67	108.5	122.5	99.0	-19.2	-8.8
Quebec	13.71	102.9	123.0	98.7	-19.8	-4.1
Ontario	28.47	104.0	121.4	98.1	-19.2	-5.7
Prairie region	28.75	88.2	96.1	83.5	-13.1	-5.3
Manitoba	5.29	91.5	86.4	86.0	-0.5	-6.0
Saskatchewan	4.29	79.5	78.3	78.3	0.0	-1.5
Alberta	19.16	90.0	103.4	84.6	-18.2	-6.0
British Columbia	21.65	106.7	156.9	109.6	-30.1	2.7
Territories	1.11	109.1	116.5	108.9	-6.5	-0.2
Yukon	0.47	104.9	119.3	101.0	-15.3	-3.7
Northwest Territories	0.43	106.6	103.9	105.2	1.3	-1.3
Nunavut	0.21	125.3	137.6	137.2	-0.3	9.5

1. 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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Available tables: [18-10-0249-01](#) and [18-10-0250-01](#).

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