

# For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index, fourth quarter 2016

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The For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index rose 0.9% in the fourth quarter, following a 0.4% increase in the third quarter.

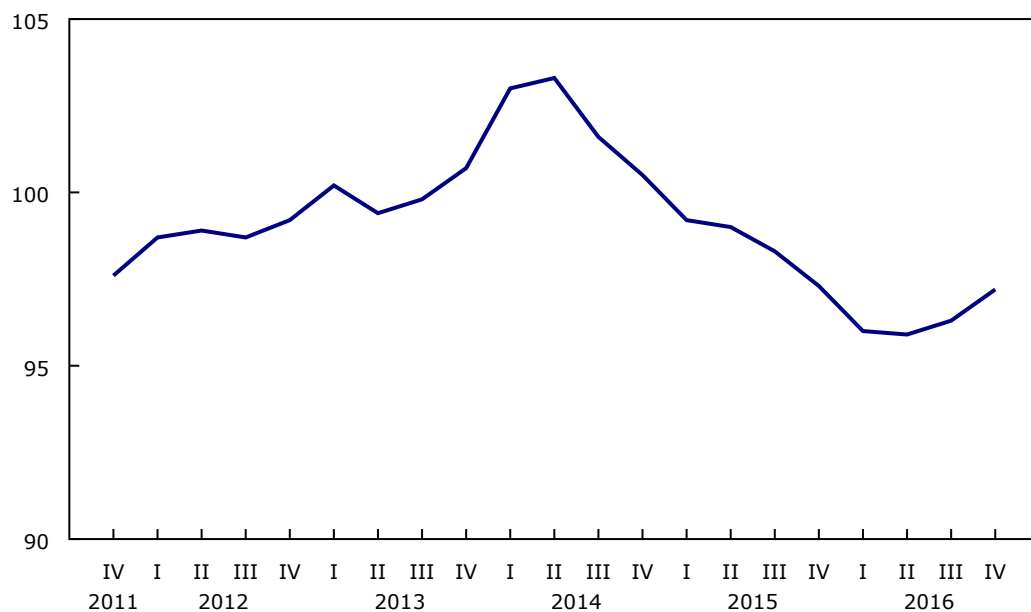
The general freight trucking component rose 1.3%, while the specialized freight trucking component was unchanged.

## Year-over-year change

The index was down 0.1% in the fourth quarter compared with the same quarter of 2015. This was the ninth consecutive year-over-year decrease. The general freight trucking component increased 0.6% while the specialized freight trucking component was down 1.5%.

**Chart 1**  
**For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index**

index (2013=100)



Source(s): CANSIM table [332-0017](#).



**Note to readers**

The For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index measures changes over time in the prices of 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 data 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.

**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), is available. This infographic 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**

	Relative importance <sup>1</sup>	Fourth quarter 2015	Third quarter 2016 <sup>r</sup>	Fourth quarter 2016 <sup>p</sup>	Third quarter to fourth quarter 2016	Fourth quarter 2015 to fourth quarter 2016
	%	(2013=100)			% change	
<b>Truck transportation</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>97.3</b>	<b>96.3</b>	<b>97.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>-0.1</b>
General freight trucking	66.3	98.0	97.3	98.6	1.3	0.6
General freight trucking, local	6.4	98.6	99.7	100.7	1.0	2.1
General freight trucking, long distance	59.9	97.7	96.8	98.1	1.3	0.4
Specialized freight trucking	33.7	95.8	94.4	94.4	0.0	-1.5
Used household and office goods moving	2.6	94.3	100.4	98.0	-2.4	3.9
Specialized freight (except used goods) trucking, local	9.3	95.3	91.3	92.2	1.0	-3.3
Specialized freight (except used goods) trucking, long distance	21.8	96.2	95.0	94.9	-0.1	-1.4

<sup>r</sup> revised

<sup>p</sup> preliminary

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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**Available in CANSIM: tables [332-0016](#) and [332-0017](#).**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number [5136](#).**

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