For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index, second quarter 2018

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The For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index was up 3.2% in the second quarter, following a 3.4% increase in the first quarter. This was the eighth consecutive quarterly gain.

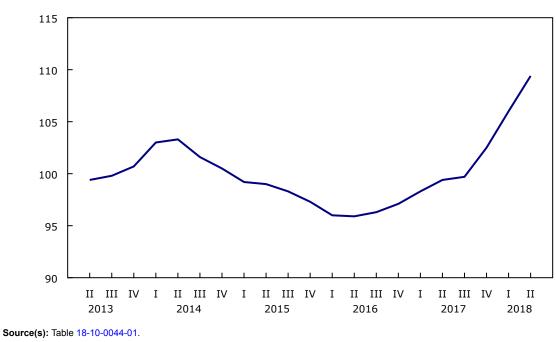
Both the general freight (+3.5%) and the specialized freight (+2.8%) trucking components increased.

Year-over-year change

The index rose 10.1% in the second quarter compared with the same quarter of 2017. Both the general freight (+11.0%) and the specialized freight (+8.0%) trucking components rose.

Chart 1 For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index

index (2013=100)







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.

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 For-hire Motor Carrier Freight Services Price Index – Not seasonally adjusted

| | Relative importance ¹ | Second quarter 2017 ^r | First quarter 2018 ^r | Second quarter 2018 ^p | First quarter to second quarter 2018 | Second quarter 2017 to second quarter 2018 |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| | % | (2013=100) | | | % change | |
| Truck transportation | 100.0 | 99.4 | 106.0 | 109.4 | 3.2 | 10.1 |
| General freight trucking | 66.3 | 101.3 | 108.6 | 112.4 | 3.5 | 11.0 |
| General freight trucking, local | 6.4 | 102.2 | 108.5 | 111.5 | 2.8 | 9.1 |
| General freight trucking, long distance | 59.9 | 100.9 | 108.4 | 112.2 | 3.5 | 11.2 |
| Specialized freight trucking | 33.7 | 95.9 | 100.8 | 103.6 | 2.8 | 8.0 |
| Used household and office goods moving Specialized freight (except used goods) | 2.6 | 101.0 | 102.4 | 105.2 | 2.7 | 4.2 |
| trucking, local Specialized freight (except used goods) | 9.3 | 93.1 | 94.6 | 95.4 | 0.8 | 2.5 |
| trucking, long distance | 21.8 | 96.5 | 103.2 | 106.9 | 3.6 | 10.8 |

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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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Available tables: 18-10-0043-01 and 18-10-0044-01.

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