## StatsUpdate

## 2017 Nunavut Food Price Survey

2016-2017 Price Difference of 24 Select Items, by Community
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Background: In March 2017, the Nunavut Bureau of Statistics (NBS) conducted a food price survey in all 25 communities of Nunavut. Prices of 141 items, including 19 non-food items, were collected by Government Liaison Officers.

The chart shows the percentage difference in the cost of 24 select food items between March 2016 and March 2017 across Nunavut. A price decrease was observed in about half of the communities over this time period. These decreases can be explained in part by the fluctuations associated with the small number of communities and items, as well as by the consecutive year to year increases previously recorded. As a result, the cost for these 24 select food items in Nunavut decreased by an average of $1.1 \%$. The largest increase was in Chesterfield Inlet (9.1\%) and the highest decrease was in Grise Fiord (-14.6\%).

## Details:



## Notes:

1. The 24 Select Food Items Basket includes: $2 \%$ Milk (2L), Apples (1kg), Baby Food in Jars (128ml), Bananas (1kg), Canned Baked Beans (398ml), Canned Cream of Mushroom (284ml), Canned Pink Salmon (213g), Carrots (1kg), Eggs (12 Large), Frozen Corn (750g), Frozen French Fries ( $650 \mathrm{~g}-1 \mathrm{~kg}$ ), Frozen Pizza (One Unit, $>799 \mathrm{~g}$ ), Ground Beef ( 1 kg ), Instant Rice $(700 \mathrm{~g})$, Macaroni and Cheese Dinner $(200-225 \mathrm{~g})$, Margarine ( 454 g ), Pork Chops ( 1 kg ), Potatoes $(2.27 \mathrm{~kg})$, Quick Oatmeal ( $900 \mathrm{~g}-1 \mathrm{~kg}$ ), Soda Crackers ( 450 g ), Spaghetti Noodles ( 500 g ), White Bread ( 570 g ), White Flour ( 2.5 kg ), Wieners (450-500g).
2. Nunavut price is the average price of each selected item for all reporting Nunavut communities.
3. Prices were collected in March of 2016 and 2017.
4. For the complete tables showing food prices for all 25 Nunavut communities, see the release - "2017-2016 Nunavut Food Price Survey, Comparison of 24 Select Food Items Basket" by visiting the Nunavut Bureau of Statistics Website at: http://www.stats.gov.nu.ca/en/home.aspx.
