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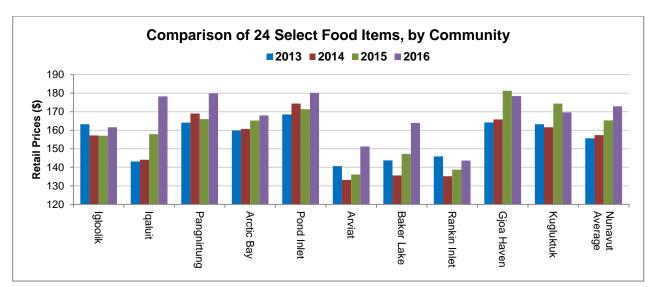
Topic:2016 Nunavut Food Price Survey

Comparison of 24 Select Food Items, by Community Released by the Nunavut Bureau of Statistics – July 21, 2016

Background: In March 2016, the Nunavut Bureau of Statistics (NBS) conducted Food Price Survey in all **25** communities of Nunavut. Prices of **141** items, including **19** non-food items, were collected by Government Liaison Officers.

This release focuses on changes in the prices of **24** select items over time, among the **10 communities that were first surveyed in 2013**. NBS will shortly release detailed tables providing the average price of each item surveyed in all Nunavut communities.

In 2016, among these 10 communities, Nunavummiut in Pond Inlet (**\$180.17**) could expect to pay the highest price for the **24** select grocery items, followed by Pangnirtung (**\$179.86**). Although prices have occasionally decreased over this four year period, they generally tend to increase. For instance, from 2015 to 2016, Kugluktuk and Gjoa Haven are the only communities among these 10 to experience decreases (-2.7% and -1.5%). Overall, the cost of the 24 select items in Nunavut **increased by 4.6%** (or **\$155.66** to **\$172.90**) from March 2013 to March 2016.



Details:

Notes:

- The 24 Select Food Items Basket includes: 2% Milk (2L), Margarine (454g), Eggs (12 Large), Potatoes (2.27kg), Carrots (1kg), Bananas (1kg), Apples (1kg), Canned Baked Beans (398ml), Soda Crackers (450g), Canned Cream of Mushroom (284ml), Ground Beef (1kg), Pork Chops (1kg), Wieners (450-500g), Canned Pink Salmon (213g), White Bread (570g), Frozen Pizza (One Unit), Frozen Corn (750g), Baby Food in Jars (128ml), Macaroni and Cheese Dinner (200-225g), Spaghetti Noodles (500g), Quick Oatmeal (900g-1kg), Instant Rice (700g), Frozen French Fries (650g-1kg), White Flour (2.5kg).
- 2. Nunavut price is the average price of each selected item for all reporting Nunavut communities.
- 3. Prices were collected in March of each year.
- 4. For the complete tables showing food prices for all 25 Nunavut communities, see the releases "2015-2014 Nunavut Food Price Survey, Comparison of 24 Select Food Items Basket" and "2016-2015 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.