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Highlights:

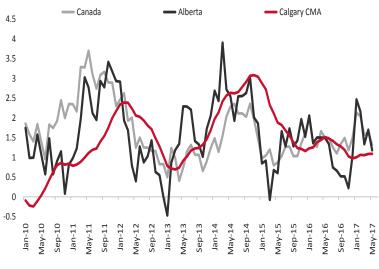
Inflation Rates

- Calgary inflation dipped to 1.09 per cent in May. So far this year Calgary inflation has averaged 1.9 per cent. Prices for owned accommodation continue to rise while prices for monthly rental units continue to wane. Many have invested in condos as rental properties and the current unemployment rate is making filling those units difficult. However, all other indicators in Calgary show normal levels of inflation for this time of year.
- Across Alberta the inflation rate was a more modest 1.2 per cent as gasoline price increases have stalled while food prices are dropping faster outside Calgary than inside Calgary. Canada inflation came in at a comfortable 1.3 per cent as energy, gasoline, transportation and food prices softened.

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Headline Inflation Comparison

(12MMA, Year-over-year change, January 2010 - May 2017, per cent)



Source: Statistics Canada, Corporate Economics

	Relative Importance (%)*	Year-over-year (12 MMA,%)			Month-over-month (12MMA, %)		
		May-17	Apr-17	May-16	May-17	Apr-17	May-16
Calgary: All-items	100.00	1.09	1.09	1.52	(0.07)	0.44	0.30
Calgary: All-items excluding food and energy	76.49	1.11	1.04	1.82	0.22	(0.08)	0.15
Food	15.99	(0.07)	(1.27)	1.85	1.21	(0.57)	(0.00)
Shelter	26.56	1.68	1.86	(0.19)	(0.30)	0.55	(0.12)
Rented accommodation	5.40	(2.19)	(2.42)	(0.47)	0.08	(0.40)	(0.16)
Owned accommodation	16.24	1.42	0.87	1.50	0.43	0.11	(0.11)
Water, fuel and electricity	4.84	9.88	12.47	(7.19)	(2.70)	3.63	(0.41)
Household operations, furnishing and equipment	12.27	0.54	(0.10)	3.49	1.06	0.41	0.42
Clothing and footwear	5.88	0.22	0.28	(0.57)	(0.24)	0.52	(0.18)
Transportation	20.44	1.88	4.21	2.25	(1.10)	1.87	1.15
Gasoline	3.81	5.02	20.30	(3.50)	(6.96)	12.71	6.59
Health and personal care	4.65	1.35	1.28	1.62	0.30	(0.30)	0.23
Recreation, education and reading	11.37	2.83	3.78	(0.15)	(0.28)	(0.69)	0.65
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco products	2.83	2.59	2.32	4.89	0.26	0.12	(0.01)
Alberta: All-items	100.00	1.18	1.70	1.50	(0.15)	0.44	0.37
Alberta: All-items excluding food and energy	76.49	0.90	0.97	1.98	0.15	(0.07)	0.22
Canada: All-items	100.00	1.32	1.64	1.50	0.08	0.38	0.39
Canada: All-items excluding food and energy	74.85	1.37	1.54	2.06	0.24	0.00	0.41

* 2013 CPI basket weights at January 2015 prices, date modified on February 26, 2015

** CPI historical data was adjusted by Statsistics Canada on April 21, 2017; the data for Alberta and Canada is not smoothed.

Figures in parentheses indicate negative.



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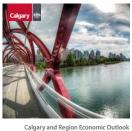
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Sources: Statistics Canada, Bank of Canada, Corporate Economics