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Topic:

2018 Nunavut Food Price Survey (NFPS)

Comparison of 24 Select Food Items, by Community
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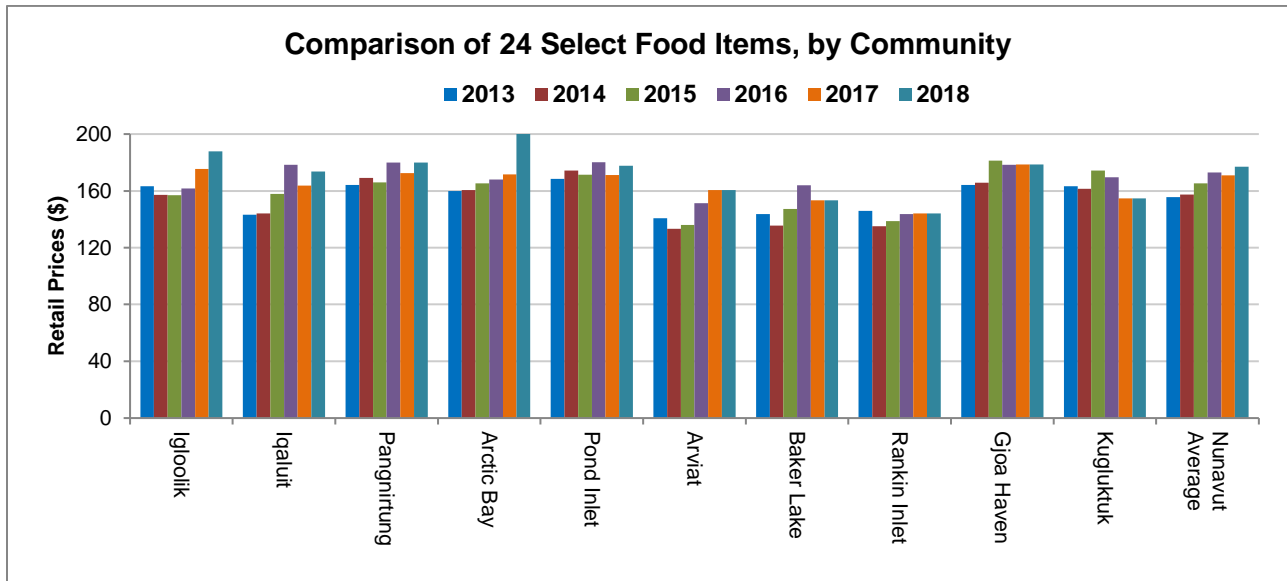
Background:

In March 2018, 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.

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

The figure shows that in 2018, **among these 10 communities**, Nunavummiut in Gjoa Haven could expect to pay the **highest** price at **\$178.64** for the 24 select grocery items, while the lowest cost was in Rankin Inlet at **144.13\$**. Since 2013, the cost of these items in Nunavut has tended to continue to increase in all communities. The **increase** from March 2013 to March 2018 was **9.9%** in Nunavut (**\$155.66 to \$170.01**). However, unlike what was observed in the past, there were several **price decreases** from 2017 to 2018. The most notable were a decrease in Kugluktuk (**-8.8%**) and an average drop in Nunavut of **-1.2%**.

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 (650g-1kg), Frozen Pizza (One Unit, >799g), Ground Beef (1kg), Instant Rice (700g), Macaroni and Cheese Dinner (200-225g), Margarine (454g), Pork Chops (1kg), Potatoes (2.27kg), Quick Oatmeal (900g-1kg), Soda Crackers (450g), Spaghetti Noodles (500g), White Bread (570g), White Flour (2.5kg), Wieners (450-500g).
2. Nunavut price is the average price of each selected item for all reporting Nunavut communities.
3. Prices in the Nunavut Food Price Survey were collected in March of 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018.
4. For the complete tables showing food prices for all 25 Nunavut communities, see the releases – “2018-2017 Nunavut Food Price Survey, Comparison of 24 Select Food Items Basket” and the same tables from last NFPS cycles, by visiting the Nunavut Bureau of Statistics Website at: <http://www.stats.gov.nu.ca/en/home.aspx>.