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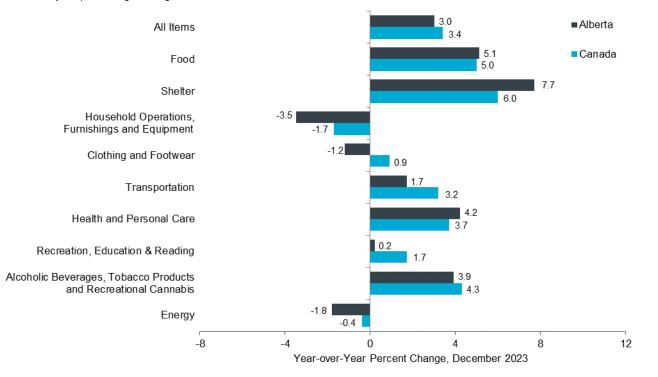
## Consumer Price Index, Canada and Alberta

- The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is an indicator of the changes in consumer prices experienced by the target population.
- The CPI measures price change by comparing, over time, the cost of a fixed basket of goods and services.
- Since the basket contains goods and services of unchanging or equivalent quantity and quality, the index reflects only pure price movements. Therefore, the CPI can be used as a measure of the rate of inflation.
- CPI data are released on a monthly basis for the provinces, Whitehorse, Yellowknife and major urban centres. The CPI for any given month is always released one month later. For example, the CPI for January is released in February of the same year.

For more information about CPI, please see: Guide to the CPI

## **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**

Year-over-year percentage change



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