

Inflation 101: Statistics & Sources June 2022

Data on Changes in Consumer Prices:

Calculated from Statistics Canada Table 18-10-0004-01, https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=1810000401.

Year-over-year change in overall CPI and specific product categories to April 2022, and average year-over-year change in overall CPI for last six months of 2019.

Data on Average Wage Increases:

Calculated from Statistics Canada Table 14-10-0063-01, https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=1410006301.

Year-over-year change in average hourly wage for all industries to April 2022, and average year-over-year change for last six months of 2019.

Calculation of Change in Real Wage:

Change in real wage (in 2002 dollar terms) equals the change in the ratio of nominal wage deflated by the CPI.

April 2021: \$30.07/1.403 = \$21.43

April 2022: \$31.06/1.498 = \$20.73

Change = -3.3%.

Data on Profits and Profit Share of GDP:

Calculated from Statistics Canada Tables and 36-10-0103-01 36-10-0117-01, https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=3610010301 and https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=3610011701.

Ratio equals "corporation profits after taxes" divided by "gross domestic product at market prices."

After-tax corporate profits (seasonally adjusted at annual rate), first quarter of 2022: \$506.3 billion.