

Utility Cost Comparison: Cross-Canada View

Annual Costs from April 1, 2015 - March 31, 2016, with the exception of Saskatchewan heating and electricity which have been replaced with proposed rate adjustments that would take effect November 1, 2016 (heating) and January 1, 2017 (electricity).

(values in Dollars)	Telephone	Electricity	Heating	Auto Insurance		Total	Over/(Under) Sask. Community
Major Centers							
Vancouver, BC	\$361.92	\$745.64	\$876.84	\$1,758.27		\$3,742.67	\$66.00
Calgary, AB	361.32	927.68	797.49	2,352.58		4,439.07	762.40
Regina, SK	258.48	1,355.52	899.96	1,162.71		3,676.67	-
Winnipeg, MB	313.80	703.26	954.12	1,121.50		3,092.68	(583.99)
Toronto, ON	368.68	1,316.91	991.43	4,492.70		7,169.72	3,493.05
Montreal, QC	368.68	608.82	1,429.92	1,737.26	*	4,144.68	468.01
Rural Communities							
Merritt, BC	321.12	745.64	876.84	1,434.43		3,378.03	(415.51)
Drumheller, AB	320.64	1,232.24	926.18	2,256.23		4,735.29	941.75
Humboldt, SK	373.08	1,355.52	899.96	1,164.98		3,793.54	-
Portage la Prairie, MB	293.40	703.26	954.12	1,049.97		3,000.75	(792.79)
Parry Sound, ON	368.68	1,338.95	1,117.27	2,364.06		5,188.96	1,395.42
Gatineau (Aylmer), QC	368.68	608.82	1,312.51	1,452.34	*	3,742.35	(51.19)
Northern Communities							
Fort St. John, BC	269.04	745.64	673.08	1,450.83		3,138.59	(652.68)
Grande Prairie, AB	296.04	1,232.24	849.92	2,457.25		4,835.45	1,044.18
Meadow Lake, SK	373.08	1,355.52	899.96	1,162.71		3,791.27	
The Pas, MB	293.40	703.26	1,754.39	1,100.42		3,851.47	60.20
Kapuskasing, ON	390.92	1,296.55	1,065.37	2,487.55		5,240.39	1,449.12
Saguenay (Chicoutimi), QC	368.68	608.82	1,480.99	1,436.01	*	3,894.50	103.23

^{*} Access to comparable Quebec auto insurance rate information was not available for the period July 2015 to December 2015. As these rates are not known, June 2015 rates were carried forward in their place. SGI acquired a new source for Quebec information beginning January 2016.

Note:

Provincial totals are a proportional representation of households in urban, rural, and northern communities, based on the most recent Census data (2011).

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	Provincial	Total	Over/(Under) Saskatchewan			
	British Columbia	\$3,618.15	(\$121.11)			
	Alberta	4,548.13	808.87			
	Saskatchewan	\$3,739.26				
	Manitoba	3,096.11	(643.15)			
	Ontario	6,746.78	3,007.51			
	Quebec	4,018.00	278.73			
	Average	\$4,294.41	555.14			

Atlantic Canada - Major Centers**	(Comparison E	Excluding Auto	Insurance)		Total	Over/(Under) Regina
Saint John, NB	370.34	959.31	1,868.57	N/A	\$3,198.22	\$684.26
Halifax, NS	371.78	1,374.93	2,253.35	N/A	4,000.06	1,486.10
Charlottetown, PE	371.78	1,368.90	2,041.27	N/A	3,781.95	1,267.99
St. John's, NL	370.70	1,057.00	1,806.74	N/A	3.234.44	720.48

^{**} SGI no longer has access to comparable auto insurance rate information for the Atlantic provinces (as of July 2015).

Over/(Under)	Total	Atlantic Canada
Saskatchewan	Iotai	(excluding Auto)
-	\$2,575.42	Saskatchewan
622.80	3,198.22	New Brunswick
1,424.64	4,000.06	Nova Scotia
1,206.53	3,781.95	Prince Edward Island
659.02	3,234.44	Newfoundland