

Appendix 1 – Municipal Price Index

2020 Niagara Municipal Price Index

Expenditure Category	Category Increase	Levy Department Weighting	Agencies, Boards, and Commissions Weighting	Water and Wastewater Weighting	Waste Management Weighting
Compensation	3.3%	47.5%	72.1%	29.6%	7.3%
Professional & Contractual Services	2.0%	8.2%	2.1%	13.4%	81.4%
Telecommunications	2.4%	0.3%	0.5%	0.7%	0.1%
Materials & Commodities	2.1%	2.1%	1.0%	5.2%	1.2%
Asset Maintenance & Rental	2.1%	1.3%	4.5%	7.7%	1.7%
Fuel, Oil, & Natural Gas	1.8%	0.6%	1.3%	0.8%	0.5%
Electricity & Water	1.9%	1.0%	1.7%	13.7%	1.3%
Equipment, Vehicle, & Technology	2.0%	1.3%	0.2%	8.4%	1.8%
Housing, Childcare, & Other Benefits	2.0%	32.9%	14.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Rebates & Grants	2.1%	4.5%	2.5%	20.4%	0.7%
Other	2.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.1%	4.2%
Total		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Municipal Price Index		2.7%	3.0%	2.4%	2.1%
Core Consumer Price Index Target*		2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Difference (percentage points)		0.7%	1.0%	0.4%	0.1%

*in use in the current guidance policy

Municipal Price Index Inflation Factor Sources

Expenditure Category	Inflation Factor	Geographical Area	Source/ Publisher
Compensation	Average Weekly Wages, Public Administration	Canada	Conference Board of Canada (CBOC)
Professional & Contractual Services	Consumption Deflator, Services, Insurance, financial and legal services	Canada	CBOC
Telecommunications	Consumption Deflator, Services, Communication, Recreation and culture services	Canada	CBOC
Materials & Commodities	Consumer Price Index	St. Catharines-Niagara	CBOC
Asset Maintenance & Rental	Consumer Price Index	St. Catharines-Niagara	CBOC
Fuel, Oil, & Natural Gas	Consumption Expenditures, Non-durable goods, Motor fuels and lubricants	Canada	CBOC
Electricity & Water	Electricity Power Price Index	Canada	CBOC
Equipment, Vehicle, & Technology	Consumption Deflator, Durable Goods, Vehicles and parts	Canada	CBOC
Housing, Childcare & Other Benefits	Consumption Expenditures, Services, Education, health and other personal services	Canada	CBOC
Rebates & Grants	Consumer Price Index	St. Catharines-Niagara	CBOC
Other	Consumer Price Index	St. Catharines-Niagara	CBOC