

1. **The 12 expensive days of Christmas**
2. **Useless bit of info**
3. **RRSP limit for 2010**

1. **Commodity prices affecting everyone**

This year the 12 days of Christmas cost almost 10% more than last year. Gold rings are up 30%, turtledoves 78% and French hens 233%. The good news is laying geese are as plentiful as ever and as there was no increase in the minimum wage (US market) maids a milking are still a deal. I don't know about your house but with 2 university students I believe the 10% number is probably closer to reality than the 2% Consumer Price Index the government keeps telling me about!

2. **A bit of trivia**

Laugh if you want but who knew reindeer and caribou are the same? Frankly never thought of it but heard this startling bit of news on CBC this past week. Actually was the best bit of news all day!

3. **RRSP limit increases by \$1000 for 2010**

The RRSP limit for 2010 is 18% of earned income or \$22,000.

Merry Christmas

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