

Employment Insurance, April 2026 (preliminary)

June 18, 2026

In April 2026, the preliminary number of EI beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular income support benefits¹ in Yukon was 620; of which, 390 were men and 230 were women. The total number of beneficiaries in April 2026 (620) increased by 70, or 12.7%, compared to the April 2025 figure (550) and increased by 20, or 3.3%, compared to the March 2026 preliminary figure (600).

Nationally, the preliminary number of EI beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) in April 2026 increased by 3.5% compared to April 2025 and decreased by 0.5% from the March 2026 preliminary figure.

Number of beneficiaries receiving regular income-support benefits^{1,2} by sex and age group, Canada and Yukon (seasonally adjusted)

	Apr '25	Mar '26 ^P	Apr '26 ^P	Mar '26 ^P	Apr '25	Mar '26 ^P	Apr '25
				to	to	to	to
	----- number ² -----			--- change in number ² ---		----- % change -----	
	Apr '25	Mar '26 ^P	Apr '26 ^P	Apr '26 ^P	Apr '26 ^P	Apr '26 ^P	Apr '26 ^P
Canada							
All ages	526,280	547,440	544,440	-3,000	18,160	-0.5%	3.5%
15 to 24 years	49,270	48,000	47,170	-830	-2,100	-1.7%	-4.3%
25 to 54 years	338,420	351,730	348,780	-2,950	10,360	-0.8%	3.1%
55 years and over	138,590	147,720	148,490	770	9,900	0.5%	7.1%
Men	329,040	337,300	336,590	-710	7,550	-0.2%	2.3%
Women	197,240	210,140	207,860	-2,280	10,620	-1.1%	5.4%
Yukon							
All ages	550	600	620	20	70	3.3%	12.7%
15 to 24 years	60	70	80	10	20	14.3%	33.3%
25 to 54 years	350	390	390	0	40	0.0%	11.4%
55 years and over	140	140	150	10	10	7.1%	7.1%
Men	370	390	390	0	20	0.0%	5.4%
Women	180	210	230	20	50	9.5%	27.8%

^P = preliminary

¹ Includes people who receive regular income benefits whether or not they participate in one of three employment benefit programs, namely Skills Development Program, Job Creation Partnerships Program and Self-employment Program.

² Numbers may not sum to totals due to rounding.

Source: Statistics Canada. Table: 14-10-0011-01. Released on June 18, 2026.

Number of beneficiaries receiving regular income-support benefits^{1,2}, Canada, provinces and territories (seasonally adjusted)

	Apr '25	Mar '26 ^p	Apr '26 ^p	Mar '26 ^p to Apr '26 ^p	Apr '25 to Apr '26 ^p	Mar '26 ^p to Apr '26 ^p	Apr '25 to Apr '26 ^p
	----- number ² -----			--- change in number ² ---		----- % change -----	
Canada	526,280	547,440	544,440	-3,000	18,160	-0.5%	3.5%
Newfoundland and Labrador	27,430	27,180	27,540	360	110	1.3%	0.4%
Prince Edward Island	7,120	7,630	7,600	-30	480	-0.4%	6.7%
Nova Scotia	22,720	21,660	20,770	-890	-1,950	-4.1%	-8.6%
New Brunswick	24,960	24,980	25,220	240	260	1.0%	1.0%
Quebec	120,150	119,920	120,410	490	260	0.4%	0.2%
Ontario	177,340	187,020	185,010	-2,010	7,670	-1.1%	4.3%
Manitoba	17,080	16,990	17,220	230	140	1.4%	0.8%
Saskatchewan	14,390	14,190	14,170	-20	-220	-0.1%	-1.5%
Alberta	59,500	64,710	65,020	310	5,520	0.5%	9.3%
British Columbia	53,890	60,510	58,650	-1,860	4,760	-3.1%	8.8%
Yukon	550	600	620	20	70	3.3%	12.7%
Northwest Territories	590	590	610	20	20	3.4%	3.4%
Nunavut	370	350	340	-10	-30	-2.9%	-8.1%
Unclassified	200	1,130	1,250	120	1,050	10.6%	525.0%

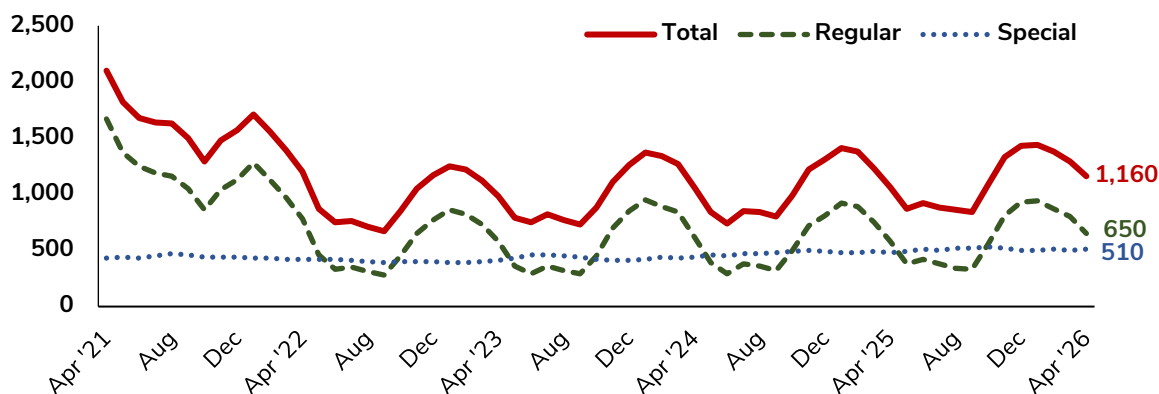
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Source: Statistics Canada. Table: 14-10-0011-01. Released on June 18, 2026.

Employment Insurance beneficiaries by type of benefit³, Yukon, April 2021 to April 2026 (not seasonality adjusted)



³ Total benefit recipients include people receiving regular, work-sharing, fishing, and special benefits. Regular benefit recipients include people receiving regular income support benefits, whether or not they are participating in one of three employment benefit programs, namely Skills Development Program, Job Creation Partnerships Program, and Self-employment Program. Special benefit recipients include people receiving sickness, maternity, parental, and compassionate care benefits.

Source: Statistics Canada. Table: 14-10-0009-01. Released on June 18, 2026.

Note to readers:

- In 2025, in response to the impact of US tariffs, the Government of Canada (GC) introduced temporary special measures to the Employment Insurance (EI) Work-Sharing Program with effect from March 7, 2025 to March 6, 2026. On March 11, 2026, Work-Sharing supports were extended to March 31, 2027.
- In addition, GC announced additional temporary measures that include: (a) increasing regional unemployment rates used to determine hours needed to qualify for EI benefits for claims between April 6, 2025 and October 11, 2025; (b) eliminating the one-week waiting period for all new EI claims that start between March 30, 2025 and October 10, 2026; (c) exempting earnings received from separation (e.g., severance or vacation pay) for claims starting between March 30, 2025 and October 10, 2026; and (d) increasing the number of weeks of regular benefits for long-tenured workers, up to a maximum of 65 weeks, for claims that start between June 15, 2025 and October 10, 2026.
- The number of regular EI beneficiaries for the current month and the previous month are subject to revision.
- The number of beneficiaries is a measure of all people who received regular EI benefits during the reference week of the Labour Force Survey (LFS). The reference week for the LFS is usually the week containing the 15th day of the month.
- Figures are rounded to the nearest 10.