

Education



Highlights

The following statistics are from the 2001 Census of Canada which occurred on **May 15, 2001**.



High School

The percentage of people in the Yukon 15 years and over having a level of education less than a high school graduation certificate declined from 27.5% in 1996 to 24.5% in 2001.

University Degrees

The proportion of people in the Yukon 15 years and over who have at least a Bachelor's degree has increased to 15.8% in 2001 from 14.5% in 1996.

Field of Study

The most common major field of study by people 15 years and over in the Yukon who have University degrees or certificates is educational, recreational and counselling services (22.4%); for those with Trades or other non-university certificates, applied science technologies and trades (39.7%).

Note: For definitions of terms used in this publication, see page 4.

Population 15 Years and Over by Highest Level of Education

| | 2001 | | | | 1996 | | | | 1991 | | | |
|--|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| | Yukon | % of pop. | Canada | % of pop. | Yukon | % of pop. | Canada | % of pop. | Yukon | % of pop. | Canada | % of pop. |
| Total population 15 years and over | 22,485 | | 23,901,360 | | 23,270 | | 22,628,920 | | 20,850 | | 21,304,740 | |
| Less than high school graduation certificate | 5,545 | 24.5 | 7,476,900 | 31.3 | 6,410 | 27.5 | 7,868,005 | 34.8 | 5,740 | 27.5 | 8,130,250 | 38.2 |
| High school graduation certificate and/or some postsecondary | 5,290 | 23.5 | 5,958,065 | 24.9 | 5,225 | 22.4 | 5,680,815 | 25.1 | 5,340 | 25.6 | 5,476,975 | 25.7 |
| Trades certificate or diploma | 3,500 | 15.6 | 2,598,925 | 10.9 | 3,560 | 15.3 | 2,371,940 | 10.5 | 3,785 | 18.2 | 2,342,105 | 11.0 |
| College certificate or diploma | 3,960 | 17.6 | 3,578,400 | 15.0 | 4,190 | 18.0 | 3,181,905 | 14.1 | 2,930 | 14.0 | 2,494,460 | 11.7 |
| University certificate or diploma below bachelor level | 615 | 2.7 | 601,430 | 2.5 | 505 | 2.2 | 525,565 | 2.3 | 455 | 2.2 | 441,205 | 2.1 |
| University with bachelor's degree or higher | 3,565 | 15.8 | 3,687,645 | 15.4 | 3,370 | 14.5 | 3,000,695 | 13.3 | 2,615 | 12.5 | 2,419,750 | 11.4 |

Population 20 Years and Over with University Certificates or Degrees, by Major Field of Study and Sex, Yukon, 1991, 1996 & 2001 Censuses

| | Census Year | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| | 2001 | | 1996 | | 1991 | |
| | (no) | (%) | (no) | (%) | (no) | (%) |
| Total population 20 years and over with university certificate or degree | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 4,180 | | 3,870 | | 3,065 | |
| Male | 1,875 | 44.9 | 1,785 | 46.1 | 1,545 | 50.4 |
| Female | 2,300 | 55.0 | 2,080 | 53.7 | 1,520 | 49.6 |
| Major Field of Study | | | | | | |
| Educational, recreational and counselling services | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 935 | 22.4 | 1,015 | 26.2 | 735 | 24.0 |
| Male | 305 | 32.6 | 315 | 31.0 | 260 | 35.4 |
| Female | 630 | 67.4 | 700 | 69.0 | 475 | 64.6 |
| Fine and applied arts | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 120 | 2.9 | 80 | 2.1 | 55 | 1.8 |
| Male | 45 | 37.5 | 15 | 18.8 | 10 | 18.2 |
| Female | 70 | 58.3 | 65 | 81.2 | 45 | 81.8 |
| Humanities and related fields | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 475 | 11.4 | 310 | 8.0 | 355 | 11.6 |
| Male | 175 | 36.8 | 130 | 41.9 | 165 | 46.5 |
| Female | 300 | 63.2 | 185 | 59.7 | 195 | 54.9 |
| Social sciences and related fields | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 920 | 22.0 | 920 | 23.8 | 735 | 24.0 |
| Male | 490 | 53.3 | 455 | 49.4 | 375 | 51.0 |
| Female | 435 | 47.3 | 460 | 50.0 | 360 | 49.0 |
| Commerce, management and business administration | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 475 | 11.4 | 450 | 11.6 | 315 | 10.3 |
| Male | 275 | 57.9 | 265 | 58.9 | 230 | 73.0 |
| Female | 205 | 43.2 | 190 | 42.2 | 85 | 27.0 |
| Agricultural, biological, nutritional, and food sciences | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 275 | 6.6 | 230 | 5.9 | 170 | 5.5 |
| Male | 130 | 47.3 | 135 | 58.7 | 75 | 44.1 |
| Female | 140 | 50.9 | 95 | 41.3 | 95 | 55.9 |
| Engineering and applied sciences | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 285 | 6.8 | 320 | 8.3 | 270 | 8.8 |
| Male | 240 | 84.2 | 265 | 82.8 | 255 | 94.4 |
| Female | 45 | 15.8 | 50 | 15.6 | 20 | 7.4 |
| Applied science technologies and trades | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 10 | 0.2 | 10 | 0.2 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Male | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Female | 10 | 100.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Health professions and related technologies | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 430 | 10.3 | 330 | 8.5 | 255 | 8.3 |
| Male | 70 | 16.3 | 75 | 22.7 | 50 | 19.6 |
| Female | 355 | 82.6 | 255 | 77.3 | 205 | 80.4 |
| Mathematics, computer and physical sciences | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 250 | 6.0 | 180 | 4.6 | 165 | 5.4 |
| Male | 140 | 56.0 | 125 | 69.4 | 135 | 81.8 |
| Female | 110 | 44.0 | 55 | 30.6 | 35 | 21.2 |
| No specialization | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 10 | 0.2 | 20 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Male | 10 | 100.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Female | 0 | 0.0 | 20 | 100.0 | 0 | 0.0 |

**Population 20 Years and Over with Trades
or Other Non -University Certificates, by Major Field
and Sex, Yukon, 1991, 1996 & 2001 Censuses**

| | Census Year | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| | 2001 | | 1996 | | 1991 | |
| | (no) | (%) | (no) | (%) | (no) | (%) |
| Total population 20 years and over with trades or non-university certificates | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 7,375 | | 7,675 | | 6,650 | |
| Male | 3,845 | 52.1 | 4,220 | 55.0 | 3,885 | 58.4 |
| Female | 3,525 | 47.8 | 3,455 | 45.0 | 2,765 | 41.6 |
| Major Field of Study | | | | | | |
| Educational, recreational and counselling services | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 460 | 6.2 | 365 | 4.8 | 250 | 3.8 |
| Male | 115 | 25.0 | 75 | 20.5 | 40 | 16.0 |
| Female | 345 | 75.0 | 290 | 79.4 | 210 | 84.0 |
| Fine and applied arts | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 425 | 5.8 | 380 | 5.0 | 325 | 4.9 |
| Male | 100 | 23.5 | 140 | 36.8 | 90 | 27.7 |
| Female | 320 | 75.3 | 240 | 63.2 | 235 | 72.3 |
| Humanities and related fields | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 165 | 2.2 | 195 | 2.5 | 150 | 0.2 |
| Male | 90 | 54.5 | 90 | 46.2 | 100 | 66.7 |
| Female | 75 | 45.4 | 105 | 53.8 | 50 | 33.3 |
| Social sciences and related fields | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 460 | 6.2 | 500 | 6.5 | 340 | 5.1 |
| Male | 175 | 38.0 | 215 | 43.0 | 125 | 36.8 |
| Female | 290 | 63.0 | 285 | 57.0 | 215 | 63.2 |
| Commerce, management and business administration | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 1,525 | 20.7 | 1,755 | 22.9 | 1,410 | 21.2 |
| Male | 290 | 19.0 | 390 | 22.2 | 280 | 19.8 |
| Female | 1,240 | 81.3 | 1,365 | 77.8 | 1,130 | 80.1 |
| Agricultural, biological, nutritional, and food sciences | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 410 | 5.6 | 355 | 4.6 | 355 | 5.3 |
| Male | 225 | 54.9 | 210 | 59.2 | 180 | 50.7 |
| Female | 180 | 43.9 | 145 | 40.8 | 175 | 49.3 |
| Engineering and applied sciences | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 105 | 1.4 | 60 | 0.8 | 35 | 0.5 |
| Male | 75 | 71.4 | 55 | 91.7 | 30 | 85.7 |
| Female | 35 | 33.3 | 10 | 16.7 | 10 | 28.6 |
| Applied science technologies and trades | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 2,925 | 39.7 | 3,195 | 41.6 | 3,145 | 47.3 |
| Male | 2,555 | 87.4 | 2,855 | 89.4 | 2,860 | 90.9 |
| Female | 370 | 12.6 | 335 | 10.5 | 280 | 8.9 |
| Health professions and related technologies | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 820 | 11.1 | 790 | 10.3 | 590 | 8.9 |
| Male | 180 | 22.0 | 160 | 20.2 | 135 | 22.9 |
| Female | 640 | 78.0 | 625 | 79.1 | 455 | 77.1 |
| Mathematics, computer and physical sciences | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 65 | 0.8 | 65 | 0.9 | 40 | 0.6 |
| Male | 40 | 61.5 | 25 | 38.5 | 35 | 87.5 |
| Female | 15 | 23.1 | 40 | 61.5 | 10 | 2.0 |
| No specialization | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 15 | 0.2 | 20 | 0.3 | 10 | 0.0 |
| Male | 0 | 0.0 | 10 | 50.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Female | 15 | 100.0 | 10 | 50.0 | 10 | 100.0 |

School Attendance by Population 15 Years and Over, Yukon, 1991, 1996 & 2001 Censuses

| | 2001 | 1996 | 1991 |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Population 15 years and over | | | |
| Total - School attendance | 22,485 | 23,270 | 20,855 |
| Not attending school | 18,230 | 19,160 | 16,690 |
| Attending school full time | 2,620 | 2,795 | 2,560 |
| Attending school part time | 1,635 | 1,315 | 1,600 |
| | 2001 | 1996 | 1991 |
| As a percentage of population | | | |
| Not attending school | 81.1 | 82.3 | 80.0 |
| Attending school full time | 11.6 | 12.0 | 12.2 |
| Attending school part time | 7.3 | 5.6 | 7.7 |

School Attendance by Population 15 to 24 Years, Yukon, 1991, 1996 & 2001 Censuses

| | 2001 | 1996 | 1991 |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Population 15 to 24 years | 3,915 | 4,110 | 3,905 |
| Not attending school | 1,620 | 1,780 | 1,725 |
| Attending school full time | 2,030 | 2,065 | 1,935 |
| Attending school part time | 275 | 265 | 250 |
| | 2001 | 1996 | 1991 |
| As a percentage of population | | | |
| Not attending school | 41.4 | 43.3 | 44.2 |
| Attending school full time | 51.8 | 50.2 | 49.6 |
| Attending school part time | 7.0 | 6.4 | 6.4 |

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