



## Payroll employment, earnings and hours, and job vacancies December 2023 (preliminary)

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### Payroll employment

Preliminary **seasonally adjusted** estimates show that in December 2023, Yukon had 24,643 jobs<sup>1</sup>, an increase of 312 jobs, or 1.3%, compared to December 2022 and an increase of 90 jobs, or 0.4%, compared to November 2023.

Compared to December 2022, the largest increase in the number of jobs was in the *Public administration*<sup>2</sup> sector (299 jobs), followed by the *Healthcare and social assistance* sector (189 jobs), and the *Transportation and warehousing* sector (122 jobs).

### Employment for all employees<sup>1</sup>, Monthly, seasonally adjusted (including unclassified businesses)

Geography	Dec '22	Nov '23 <sup>r</sup>	Dec '23 <sup>p</sup>	Nov '23 <sup>r</sup> to Dec '23 <sup>p</sup>	Dec '22 to Dec '23 <sup>p</sup>
	Persons (thousands)			Percentage change	
<b>Canada</b>	<b>17,802,059</b>	<b>17,993,985</b>	<b>18,025,569</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	219,445	220,811	219,079	-0.8%	-0.2%
Prince Edward Island	75,332	77,144	75,630	-2.0%	0.4%
Nova Scotia	442,920	449,098	449,460	0.1%	1.5%
New Brunswick	350,417	355,263	355,216	0.0%	1.4%
Quebec	4,028,039	3,997,224	4,044,662	1.2%	0.4%
Ontario	6,897,184	6,997,651	6,986,742	-0.2%	1.3%
Manitoba	634,528	641,835	638,349	-0.5%	0.6%
Saskatchewan	501,825	506,580	507,714	0.2%	1.2%
Alberta	2,074,048	2,125,673	2,125,513	0.0%	2.5%
British Columbia	2,505,461	2,550,066	2,550,764	0.0%	1.8%
<b>Yukon</b>	<b>24,331</b>	<b>24,553</b>	<b>24,643</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>
Northwest Territories	28,346	27,339	27,160	-0.7%	-4.2%
Nunavut	20,181	20,749	20,636	-0.5%	2.3%

<sup>r</sup> = revised; <sup>p</sup> = preliminary data

<sup>1</sup> The Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours (SEPH) estimates are produced monthly by integrating information from three sources: a census of payroll deduction records provided by the Canada Revenue Agency; the Business Payrolls Survey, and administrative records of federal, provincial and territorial public administration employment provided by these levels of government. These monthly estimates of the job numbers by detailed industry complement information from the Labour Force Survey (LFS), which is a household survey. The LFS includes people who are self-employed, as well as workers who take unpaid leave; SEPH does not cover these groups. Industry coverage for the LFS is comprehensive; SEPH excludes industry estimates for: agriculture; fishing and trapping; religious organizations; private household workers; and military personnel of defense services. The two surveys count multiple job holders differently. In the LFS, people with more than one job are counted only once as "employed"; SEPH counts filled positions on payroll, so each job is counted separately.

<sup>2</sup> Includes federal, provincial/territorial, municipal and First Nation or other Indigenous government level.



## Average weekly earnings

The December 2023 preliminary average weekly earnings figure for Yukon (\$1,399.89) was the third highest in Canada, following Nunavut (\$1,638.89) and the Northwest Territories (\$1,618.89). Yukon's earnings figure increased 4.1% compared to the figure for December 2022, Canada's figure increased by 3.8% over the same time period.

### Average weekly earnings<sup>1</sup> including overtime for all employees, Monthly, seasonally adjusted (excluding unclassified businesses)

Geography	Dec '22	Nov '23 <sup>r</sup>	Dec '23 <sup>p</sup>	Nov '23 <sup>r</sup> to Dec '23 <sup>p</sup>	Dec '22 to Dec '23 <sup>p</sup>
	Current dollars			Percentage change	
<b>Canada</b>	<b>1,167.79</b>	<b>1,225.52</b>	<b>1,211.79</b>	<b>-1.1%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	1,173.25	1,210.98	1,229.55	1.5%	4.8%
Prince Edward Island	981.20	1,025.65	1,022.91	-0.3%	4.3%
Nova Scotia	1,032.26	1,093.72	1,084.13	-0.9%	5.0%
New Brunswick	1,076.48	1,117.02	1,116.94	0.0%	3.8%
Quebec	1,124.06	1,188.91	1,167.10	-1.8%	3.8%
Ontario	1,187.31	1,240.48	1,238.15	-0.2%	4.3%
Manitoba	1,081.27	1,141.00	1,115.59	-2.2%	3.2%
Saskatchewan	1,137.89	1,168.26	1,170.89	0.2%	2.9%
Alberta	1,267.09	1,300.20	1,291.41	-0.7%	1.9%
British Columbia	1,153.31	1,233.55	1,230.39	-0.3%	6.7%
<b>Yukon</b>	<b>1,344.12</b>	<b>1,401.17</b>	<b>1,399.89</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
Northwest Territories	1,668.17	1,568.53	1,618.89	3.2%	-3.0%
Nunavut	1,591.20	1,629.80	1,638.89	0.6%	3.0%

<sup>r</sup> = revised; <sup>p</sup> = preliminary data

<sup>1</sup> Earnings data are based on gross taxable payroll before source deductions.



## Job vacancies

Preliminary **unadjusted** estimates show that in December 2023, there were 18,845 payroll employees, a decrease of 3.6% from November 2023 (19,540). In December 2023, there were 575 job vacancies in Yukon, translating into a job vacancy rate of 3.0%.

The number of job vacancies in December 2023 decreased by 255 compared to November 2023 (830), and the job vacancy rate in December 2023 decreased by 1.1 percentage points compared to November 2023 (4.1%).

### Job vacancies<sup>1</sup> and job vacancy rate, Monthly, unadjusted for seasonality

Geography	Job vacancies <sup>2</sup>		Payroll employees <sup>3</sup>		Job vacancy rate <sup>4</sup>	
	Nov '23 <sup>r</sup>	Dec '23 <sup>P</sup>	Nov '23 <sup>r</sup>	Dec '23 <sup>P</sup>	Nov '23 <sup>r</sup>	Dec '23 <sup>P</sup>
	Number				Percentage	
<b>Canada</b>	<b>637,030</b>	<b>540,010</b>	<b>17,371,760</b>	<b>17,242,930</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3.0</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	4,820	4,770	204,555	194,370	2.3	2.4
Prince Edward Island	1,735	2,230	72,590	68,995	2.3	3.1
Nova Scotia	14,410	13,755	482,405	437,575	2.9	3.0
New Brunswick	10,650	9,320	306,000	326,545	3.4	2.8
Quebec	145,355	119,735	3,896,345	3,841,605	3.6	3.0
Ontario	239,070	196,535	6,728,480	6,720,595	3.4	2.8
Manitoba	21,440	21,530	612,385	609,720	3.4	3.4
Saskatchewan	17,860	19,420	508,610	489,780	3.4	3.8
Alberta	82,600	63,565	2,071,360	2,067,740	3.8	3.0
British Columbia	96,680	87,490	2,431,950	2,429,595	3.8	3.5
<b>Yukon</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>19,540</b>	<b>18,845</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>3.0</b>
Northwest Territories	F	590	21,290	21,545	F	2.7
Nunavut	F	495	16,250	16,020	F	3.0

<sup>r</sup> = revised; <sup>P</sup> = preliminary data; F = too unreliable to publish

<sup>1</sup> Estimates are preliminary before the associated quarterly data are released.

<sup>2</sup> A job is vacant if it meets the following conditions: it is vacant on the reference date (first day of the month) or will become vacant during the month; there are tasks to be carried out during the month for the job in question; and the employer is actively seeking a worker outside the organization to fill the job. The jobs could be full-time, part-time, permanent, temporary, casual, or seasonal. Jobs reserved for subcontractors, external consultants, or other workers who are not considered employees, are excluded.

<sup>3</sup> Job Vacancy and Wage Survey (JVWS) employment estimates may differ from Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours employment estimates because of calibration grouping and differences in scope and reference period. Additionally, JVWS data are not seasonally adjusted.

<sup>4</sup> The job vacancy rate is the number of job vacancies expressed as a percentage of labour demand; that is, all occupied and vacant jobs.