

## Building Permits, May 2021 (preliminary)

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In May 2021, the preliminary seasonally adjusted<sup>1</sup> value of building permits (\$20.0 million) in Yukon increased by \$11.8 million, or 143.7%, compared to May 2020 (\$8.2 million). In Canada, the total value of permits increased 22.0% during the same time period.

On a **year-to-date** basis, the preliminary total value of building permits issued in Yukon from January to May 2021 was \$53.9 million. This represents an increase of \$9.0 million, or 20.0%, compared to the same time period in 2020 (\$44.9 million); residential permits were up \$13.9 million, or 63.3%, and non-residential permits were down \$4.9 million, or 21.5%.

### Value of Building Permits<sup>1</sup>, May 2021 (preliminary)

	May 2020	Apr 2021 <sup>r</sup>	May 2021 <sup>p</sup>	Jan-May 2020	Jan-May 2021	Apr '21 to May '21	May '20 to May '21	Jan-May 2020 to Jan-May 2021
	----- \$ millions -----					-----% change <sup>3</sup> -----		
Canada <sup>2</sup>	7,760.7	11,115.3	9,467.2	38,961.1	52,065.3	-14.8	22.0	33.6
Residential	5,114.9	7,712.4	6,479.5	25,020.5	36,495.5	-16.0	26.7	45.9
Non-residential	2,645.8	3,402.9	2,987.7	13,940.7	15,569.8	-12.2	12.9	11.7
<b>Yukon<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>22.7</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>44.9</b>	<b>53.9</b>	<b>-12.2</b>	<b>143.7</b>	<b>20.0</b>
<b>Residential</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>35.9</b>	<b>-51.7</b>	<b>23.6</b>	<b>63.3</b>
<b>Non-residential</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>22.9</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>152.8</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>-21.5</b>

<sup>r</sup> = revised

<sup>p</sup> = preliminary data

<sup>1</sup> Monthly data are seasonally adjusted; annual data are not adjusted for seasonality.

<sup>2</sup> Data may not add up to totals due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup> Percent change is based on unrounded numbers.

#### Note to Readers:

- 1) This release presents seasonally adjusted data (except where noted), which facilitates month-to-month comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations. The Building Permits Survey covers 2,400 municipalities representing 95% of the Canadian population. The communities representing the other 5% of the population are very small and their levels of building activity have little impact on the total for the entire population. Building permits data are used as a leading indicator of activity in the construction industry. The value of planned construction activities presented in this release excludes engineering projects (such as waterworks, sewers or culverts) and land.
- 2) Yukon Bureau of Statistics obtains data on building permits from Community Services and the City of Whitehorse on a monthly basis and publishes aggregated figures (unadjusted) in the Bureau's [Monthly Statistical Review](#).