



Payroll employment, earnings and hours, and job vacancies May 2021 (preliminary)

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Payroll employment

Preliminary seasonally adjusted estimates show that in May 2021, Yukon had 22,320 jobs¹, an increase of 3,354 jobs, or 17.7%, compared to May 2020 and a decrease of 687 jobs, or 3.0%, compared to April 2021.

Based on the preliminary estimates, compared to May 2020, the largest increase in the number of jobs was in the *Accommodation and food services* sector (558 jobs, or 62.6%) followed by the *Trade* sector* (406 jobs, or 15.3%).

Employment for all employees¹, Monthly, seasonally adjusted (including unclassified businesses)

Geography	May '20	Apr '21 ^r	May '21 ^P	Apr '21 to May '21	May '20 to May '21
	Persons			Percentage change	
Canada	13,716.3	16,307.8	16,050.3	-1.6%	17.0%
Newfoundland and Labrador	177.0	210.1	215.0	2.4%	21.5%
Prince Edward Island	57.6	70.3	73.0	3.8%	26.6%
Nova Scotia	349.5	419.6	408.2	-2.7%	16.8%
New Brunswick	278.1	331.2	328.2	-0.9%	18.0%
Quebec	3,090.4	3,703.2	3,683.3	-0.5%	19.2%
Ontario	5,273.1	6,275.0	6,101.0	-2.8%	15.7%
Manitoba	510.9	599.5	591.9	-1.3%	15.8%
Saskatchewan	406.7	472.4	468.7	-0.8%	15.2%
Alberta	1,611.9	1,891.1	1,861.0	-1.6%	15.5%
British Columbia	1,902.7	2,266.3	2,252.3	-0.6%	18.4%
Yukon	19.0	23.0	22.3	-3.0%	17.7%
Northwest Territories	22.2	26.4	25.7	-2.7%	15.6%
Nunavut	17.2	19.8	19.7	-0.9%	14.5%

^r = revised; ^P = preliminary data

* Includes retail and wholesale trade sectors

¹ 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.



Average Weekly Earnings

The May 2021 preliminary average weekly earnings figure for Yukon (\$1,273.01) was the third-highest in Canada, following the Northwest Territories (\$1,517.47) and Nunavut (\$1,491.26). Yukon's earnings figure increased 0.2% compared to the figure for May 2020, Canada's figure was down 0.1%.

Average Weekly Earnings¹ including overtime for all employees, Monthly, seasonally adjusted (*excluding unclassified businesses*)

Geography	May '20	Apr '21 ^r	May '21 ^P	Apr '21 to May '21	May '20 to May '21
	Current dollars			Percentage change	
Canada	1,139.14	1,127.73	1,138.23	0.9%	-0.1%
Newfoundland and Labrador	1,141.84	1,085.41	1,078.63	-0.6%	-5.5%
Prince Edward Island	996.01	934.86	934.41	0.0%	-6.2%
Nova Scotia	1,014.88	955.25	991.52	3.8%	-2.3%
New Brunswick	1,010.44	1,011.59	996.42	-1.5%	-1.4%
Quebec	1,076.90	1,068.60	1,075.08	0.6%	-0.2%
Ontario	1,170.84	1,166.85	1,183.09	1.4%	1.0%
Manitoba	1,039.36	1,020.51	1,037.78	1.7%	-0.2%
Saskatchewan	1,149.91	1,109.68	1,113.13	0.3%	-3.2%
Alberta	1,251.27	1,223.31	1,234.51	0.9%	-1.3%
British Columbia	1,127.73	1,111.16	1,124.55	1.2%	-0.3%
Yukon	1,270.29	1,254.09	1,273.01	1.5%	0.2%
Northwest Territories	1,576.39	1,479.41	1,517.47	2.6%	-3.7%
Nunavut	1,469.87	1,413.98	1,491.26	5.5%	1.5%

^r = revised; ^P = preliminary data

¹ Earnings data are based on gross taxable payroll before source deductions.



Job vacancies

Preliminary **unadjusted** estimates show that in May 2021, there were 880 job vacancies in Yukon translating into a job vacancy rate of 4.9%.

Job vacancies¹ and job vacancy rate, Monthly, unadjusted for seasonality

Geography	Job vacancies ²		Payroll employees ³		Job vacancy rate ⁴	
	Apr '21 ^r	May '21 ^P	Apr '21 ^r	May '21 ^P	Apr '21 ^r	May '21 ^P
	Number				Percentage	
Canada	682,835	671,140	15,142,645	15,403,445	4.3	4.2
Newfoundland and Labrador	5,310	5,175	172,075	177,570	3.0	2.8
Prince Edward Island	2,925	3,000	59,280	60,210	4.7	4.7
Nova Scotia	13,565	13,570	383,615	423,050	3.4	3.1
New Brunswick	11,980	14,765	293,070	288,990	3.9	4.9
Quebec	195,120	188,010	3,416,270	3,487,275	5.4	5.1
Ontario	250,745	227,865	5,844,245	5,928,885	4.1	3.7
Manitoba	19,470	21,850	567,060	559,455	3.3	3.8
Saskatchewan	16,305	13,975	438,115	447,310	3.6	3.0
Alberta	61,040	68,200	1,780,060	1,826,460	3.3	3.6
British Columbia	103,615	112,270	2,137,895	2,152,555	4.6	5.0
Yukon	1,225	880	16,705	16,925	6.8	4.9
Northwest Territories	1,075	F	20,055	20,195	5.1	F
Nunavut	475	745	14,200	14,560	3.2	4.9

F = too unreliable to be published

^r = revised; ^P = preliminary data

¹ Estimates are preliminary before the associated quarterly data are released.

² 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.

³ 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.

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