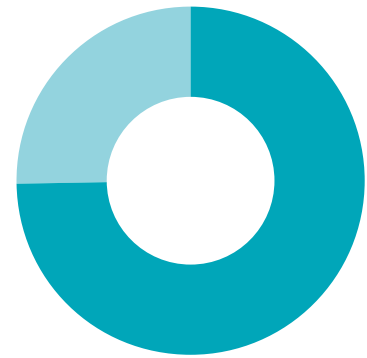


The Yukon's total **BUDGET**

\$1.94 billion

Capital budget
\$484 million

Operations and
maintenance budget
\$1.454 billion



A place to call home

In 2023–24, the Yukon continues to demonstrate its robust position nationally with population and economic growth among the strongest in the country.

Budget 2023–24 shows how we are providing relief for recent high inflation, strengthening our healthcare system by implementing the *Putting People First* report and building up the Yukon's resiliency to climate change through commitments made in the *Our Clean Future* strategy.

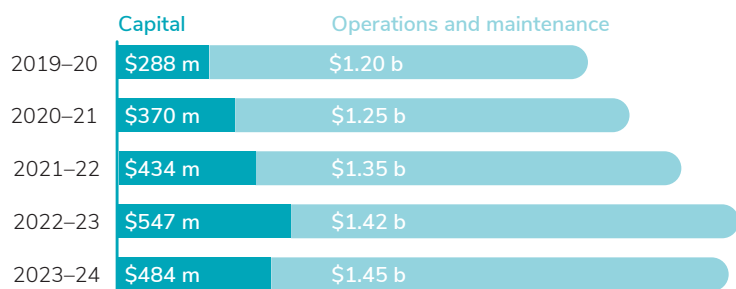
We are also making investments to improve Yukoners' mental health and address the substance use health emergency. By building relationships between the Government of Yukon and other governments, we will help improve Yukoners' lives and create a more equitable future where all residents benefit from our thriving economy.



Responsible spending

We have placed an emphasis on sustainable spending that looks at how the government can best allocate its funds while still meeting our obligations and working towards commitments made to Yukoners.

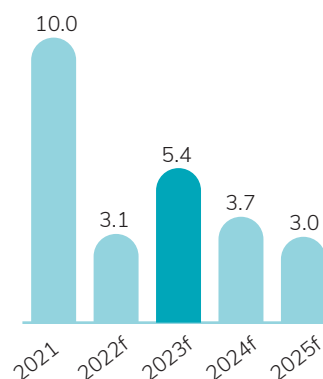
Spending 2019–20 to 2023–24



The Yukon's economy

The Yukon is experiencing Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth and a strong labour market. We continue to have the lowest unemployment rate in Canada.

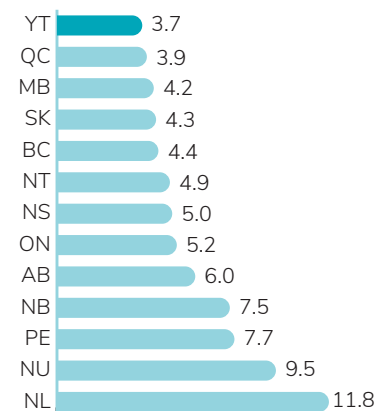
Real GDP growth (per cent)



f = forecast

Source: Statistics Canada, Department of Finance

Unemployment rate (per cent)



Source: Statistics Canada (seasonally adjusted data), January 2023

Making life more affordable



The government is taking steps to make life more affordable and improve access to land and housing.



\$1.5 million

for the Yukon Child Benefit for modest and low-income families

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\$1.5 million

for an increase in social assistance

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Addressing inflation



\$5.3 million

to extend the Inflation Relief Rebate on utility bills

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\$808,000

for additional quarterly payments to Yukon seniors who receive the Income Supplement

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\$500,000

for the food in schools program

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\$300,000

to help timber harvesting businesses boost fuelwood supply

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Housing



\$25.9 million

for land development

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\$22.4 million

for housing projects in Dawson City, Watson Lake and Teslin

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\$8.7 million

in funding to build affordable housing and support development of community housing

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\$8.2 million

in loans to assist with land/housing development and home ownership

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\$3.9 million

in subsidies and supports for renters across the territory

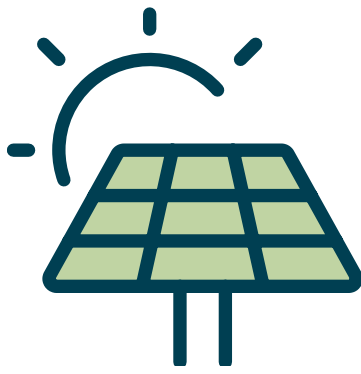
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\$1.6 million

for seniors' supportive housing at Normandy Living

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Building our clean, green future

Our *Clean Future* is our guide to addressing climate change in the Yukon. This strategy sets our climate goals to 2030 and outlines how we will reduce the Yukon's greenhouse gas emissions, build a green economy and increase the resilience of our communities.

Nearly

\$60 million

for climate change initiatives in 2023–24, including:



\$10.2 million

for energy rebates in buildings and the transportation sector

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\$9 million

to fund energy retrofits and renewable energy projects

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\$8.3 million

for government building retrofits to reduce energy loss

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\$2.2 million

for energy retrofits in First Nations-owned housing

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\$300,000

for flood mapping and forecasting

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\$163,000

to design a user-pay program to shift the cost of recycling from consumers to producers

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\$105,000

for hazard identification and risk assessments with First Nations governments and municipal governments

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\$100,000

for a climate vulnerability study of our road transportation network

Main estimates page 10-7

Strengthening our health and social system

We are building a people-centred approach to improving our health and social programs, including acting on the *Putting People First* report.



\$4.4 million

for the 1Health virtual care platform

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\$825,000

to improve the delivery of restorative justice programs

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\$4.1 million

to recruit and retain healthcare staff

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\$615,000

to supervised housing services for people involved in the justice system

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\$3.6 million

for a Yukon-wide dental program

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\$580,000

in additional funding for legal aid

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\$3.2 million

to address post-public health emergency requirements

Main estimates pages 13-6, 13-9 and 13-11



\$326,000

to improve services for victims of sexualized assault

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\$460,000

for community nursing and nurse practitioner funding

Main estimates page 13-9

Supporting the mental health of Yukoners

We are providing programs to improve Yukoners' access to mental health supports.



\$10 to 15 million

to create a Mental Wellness Unit at the Whitehorse General Hospital

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\$1 million

for additional mental health supports for youth

Main estimates pages 5-13 and 8-6



Education and childcare

We are preparing youth across the territory for the future.



\$27.3 million

for new schools + upgrades at existing schools and Yukon University

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\$3.5 million

for early learning and childcare programming

Main estimates pages 8-10



\$1 million

for recruitment and retention of rural education professionals

Main estimates page 8-6



Moving forward on reconciliation

We are working with First Nations governments to forge stronger relationships and use the lessons of the past to create a better future.



\$1.4 million

to support land use planning

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\$525,000

to establish a committee to investigate burial grounds at residential school sites

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\$1 million

for the Community Safety Officer Program in First Nations communities

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\$175,000

to the Council of Yukon First Nations for the training and production of Gladue reports

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\$700,000

for First Nations governments to support community safety planning

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\$150,000

for micro-grants of up to \$5,000 for Indigenous artists and cultural carriers

Main estimates page 17-14

Growing a strong, resilient economy

We are investing in programs to ensure the Yukon continues to have strong economic growth by building and maintaining the critical infrastructure that helps our economy thrive.

Building up the Yukon



\$61.4 million

for infrastructure projects and development funding in Yukon communities

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\$52.4 million

to repair, inspect and replace bridges, including Nisutlin Bay, Lapie River and Big Creek bridges

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\$27.8 million

for improvements to the Alaska and North Klondike highways and general road safety improvements

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\$26 million

for improvements to the airports in Whitehorse and Watson Lake

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\$24.4 million

for the Dempster Fibre project to create internet redundancy

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\$13.6 million

for the Carmacks Bypass project

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\$2.3 million

to improve parks and campgrounds

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Stimulating growth



\$2 million

for the Economic Development Fund to support Yukon businesses

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\$1.7 million

for working groups to develop new mineral and public lands legislation

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\$1.5 million

for Sustainable Canadian Agriculture Partnership funding to strengthen the Yukon's agriculture sector

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\$1.5 million

for the film and sound recording industries

Main estimates page 7-10



\$1 million

for sustainable community tourism projects

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\$750,000

to extend the paid sick leave program

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\$150,000

in funding for Yukon creative and cultural practitioners

Main estimates page 17-13

Addressing the substance use health emergency



We are working with governments, communities, organizations and other partners to reduce opioid-related deaths and other harmful outcomes from substance use.



\$660,000

for additional mental wellness and substance use services

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\$250,000

to address the substance use crisis among youth

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\$279,000

to ensure a safe supply of opioids

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\$217,000

to the RCMP for substance use emergency response

Main estimates page 15-11

Community highlights

Old Crow

10 unit mixed-use housing • Health and Wellness Centre replacement • New public works facility • Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation Elders complex

Dawson City

Old Territorial Administration Building retrofit • Reservoir replacement • Water and wastewater upgrades

Pelly Crossing

Early Childhood Development Centre • Road upgrades • Water distribution project

Beaver Creek

White River Community Centre

Carmacks

Carmacks Bypass • Environment office • Public works, firehall and EMS building • Water treatment plant upgrades

Burwash Landing

Duplex • Kêts'ádań Kù School • Water plant

Haines Junction

Infrastructure upgrades

Carcross

6 unit mixed-use housing

Whitehorse

Airport runway improvements • Biathlon facility • City Hall energy upgrade • Gymnastics and climbing facility • Mental Health Unit • Morgue and coroner's office • Mount McIntyre Recreation Centre energy upgrades • Mount Sima upgrades • Public transit services and transit hub • Selkirk Elementary parking lot • Whistle Bend residential development • Whistle Bend Elementary School • Whitehorse Public Library upgrades

Mayo

Arena upgrades • Community housing project • GeoExchange heating upgrades • Water infrastructure project

Keno

Firehall water service

Faro

Water, sewer and road work

Ross River

Ross River School structural upgrades • Ross River Health Centre re-roofing

Teslin

Firehall • Municipal centre and Teslin Tlingit Council public building green energy retrofits • Teslin Tlingit Council community hub

Watson Lake

Administrative building retrofit • Aerodrome runway improvements