

## Homicide Statistics, 2019

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In 2019, Yukon had 1 homicide compared to 3 in 2018. Yukon's 2019 homicide rate of 2.45 victims per 100,000 population was the fifth-highest in Canada following Nunavut (18.05); Manitoba (5.26); Saskatchewan (4.68); and the Northwest Territories (4.46).

Historically, the territories have had higher and more variable annual homicide rates due to smaller numbers of reported homicides and smaller population bases compared to the provinces. Over the past five years, Yukon had a total of 17 homicides, the Northwest Territories had 19 and Nunavut had 24.

### Homicides by Province and Territory, 2018 and 2019

	2018 <sup>r</sup>		2019		2018 to 2019	
	Number of victims	Rate <sup>1</sup>	Number of victims	Rate <sup>1</sup>	difference in number	% change in rate
<b>Canada</b>	<b>658</b>	<b>1.78</b>	<b>678</b>	<b>1.80</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1.6</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	2	0.38	5	0.96	3	152.0
Prince Edward Island	0	0.00	2	1.27	2	100.0
Nova Scotia	11	1.15	6	0.62	-5	-46.1
New Brunswick	13	1.69	15	1.93	2	14.5
Quebec	83	0.99	77	0.91	-6	-8.3
Ontario	272	1.90	246	1.69	-26	-11.1
Manitoba	55	4.06	72	5.26	17	29.4
Saskatchewan	34	2.92	55	4.68	21	60.2
Alberta	81	1.88	100	2.29	19	21.5
British Columbia	90	1.80	90	1.77	0	-1.4
<b>Yukon</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7.39</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2.45</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-66.9</b>
Northwest Territories	6	13.35	2	4.46	-4	-66.6
Nunavut	8	20.98	7	18.05	-1	-14.0

<sup>r</sup> = revised

<sup>1</sup> Rates are calculated per 100,000 population based on July 1 population estimates of Statistics Canada.

Notes: Homicide includes *Criminal Code* offences of murder, manslaughter and infanticide.

The term 'homicide' is used to refer to each single victim of homicide. For instance, a single incident can have more than one victim and each victim would be counted as a homicide.

The total count of a given year's number of homicides could include incidents that occurred in previous years. Homicides are allotted to the year in which they become known to or are deemed homicides by police, according to the report date submitted to Statistics Canada.