

Department of Finance Yukon Bureau of Statistics



Building Permits, April 2021 (preliminary)

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In April 2021, the preliminary seasonally adjusted¹ value of building permits (\$22.4 million) in Yukon increased by \$11.9 million, or 112.9%, compared to April 2020 (\$10.5 million). In Canada, the total value of permits increased 76.1% during the same time period.

On a **year-to-date** basis, the preliminary total value of building permits issued in Yukon from January to April 2021 was \$33.6 million. This represents a decrease of \$3.1 million, or 8.6%, compared to the same time period in 2020 (\$36.7 million); residential permits were up \$11.9 million, or 80.3%, and non-residential permits were down \$15.0 million, or 68.4%.

The decrease in the year-to-date value of non-residential building permits in 2021 is due in large part to permits issued in January 2020 for the Community Centre in Old Crow.

Value of Building Permits¹, April 2021 (preliminary)

	Apr 2020	Mar 2021 ^r	Apr 2021 ^p	Jan-Apr 2020	Jan-Apr 2021	Mar '21 to Apr '21	Apr '20 to Apr '21	Jan-Apr 2020 to Jan-Apr 2021
	\$ millions					% change ³		
Canada ²	6,306.6	11,162.4	11,107.2	31,200.5	42,660.2	-0.5	76.1	36.7
Residential	4,145.2	8,270.7	7,712.8	19,905.6	30,084.0	-6.7	86.1	51.1
Non-residential	2,161.4	2,891.7	3,394.3	11,294.9	12,576.1	17.4	57.0	11.3
Yukon ²	10.5	5.0	22.4	36.7	33.6	348.9	112.9	-8.6
Residential	5.8	3.4	18.1	14.8	26.7	433.5	209.1	80.3
Non-residential	4.7	1.6	4.4	21.9	6.9	171.5	-6.7	-68.4

r = revised

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.

p = preliminary data

¹ Monthly data are seasonally adjusted; annual data are not adjusted for seasonality.

² Data may not add up to totals due to rounding.

³ Percent change is based on unrounded numbers.