



## Building Permits, August 2020 (preliminary)

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In August 2020, the preliminary seasonally adjusted value of building permits (\$6.9 million) in Yukon decreased by \$8.9 million, or 56.2%, compared to August 2019 (\$15.8 million). In Canada, the total value of permits decreased 11.2% during the same time period.

On a **year-to-date** basis (January through August 2020), the preliminary total value of building permits issued in Yukon was \$110.6 million. This represents a decrease of \$1.4 million, or 1.2%, compared to the same time period in 2019 (\$112.0 million); the value of residential permits increased by \$4.2 million and non-residential permits decreased by \$5.6 million.

### Value of Building Permits (seasonally adjusted), August 2020 (preliminary)

	Aug 2019	Jul 2020 <sup>r</sup>	Aug 2020 <sup>p</sup>	Jan-Aug 2019	Jan-Aug 2020	Jul '20 to Aug '20	Aug '19 to Aug '20	Jan-Aug 2019 to Jan-Aug 2020
	----- \$ millions -----					-----% change <sup>2</sup> -----		
Canada <sup>1</sup>	9,094.9	7,938.8	8,073.3	68,827.1	62,908.8	1.7	-11.2	-8.6
Residential	5,791.2	5,211.5	5,581.3	42,045.4	41,004.3	7.1	-3.6	-2.5
Non-residential	3,303.7	2,727.3	2,492.0	26,781.8	21,904.5	-8.6	-24.6	-18.2
<b>Yukon<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>48.1</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>112.0</b>	<b>110.6</b>	<b>-85.6</b>	<b>-56.2</b>	<b>-1.2</b>
Residential	<b>10.9</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>42.5</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>-45.5</b>	<b>-46.4</b>	<b>9.9</b>
Non-residential	<b>5.0</b>	<b>37.5</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>69.5</b>	<b>63.9</b>	<b>-97.0</b>	<b>-77.4</b>	<b>-8.1</b>

<sup>r</sup> = revised

<sup>p</sup> = preliminary data

<sup>1</sup> Data may not add up to totals due to rounding.

<sup>2</sup> Percent change is based on unrounded numbers.

#### Note to Readers:

- 1) This release presents seasonally adjusted data, 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](#).