



## Building Permits, January 2021 (preliminary)

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In January 2021, the preliminary seasonally adjusted<sup>1</sup> value of building permits (\$2.4 million) in Yukon decreased by \$15.6 million, or 86.8%, compared to January 2020 (\$17.9 million). In Canada, the total value of permits increased 6.4% during the same time period.

On an **annual** basis, the **revised** total value of building permits issued in Yukon in 2020 was \$142.7 million. This represents a decrease of \$19.5 million, or 12.0%, compared to 2019 (\$162.2 million); residential permits were up \$11.2 million, or 19.2%, and non-residential permits were down \$30.7 million, or 29.5%.

The decrease in non-residential construction in January 2021 is due in large part to permits for the Community Centre in Old Crow issued in January 2020.

### Value of Building Permits<sup>1</sup>, January 2021 (preliminary)

	Jan 2019	Dec 2020 <sup>r</sup>	Jan 2021 <sup>p</sup>	2019	2020 <sup>r</sup>	Dec '20 to Jan '21	Jan '20 to Jan '21	2019 to 2020
	----- \$ millions -----					-----% change <sup>3</sup> -----		
Canada <sup>2</sup>	9,308.2	9,153.0	9,904.0	102,863.6	100,478.0	8.2	6.4	-2.3
Residential	5,853.0	6,396.5	7,074.7	62,112.6	66,633.7	10.6	20.9	7.3
Non-residential	3,455.1	2,756.4	2,829.3	40,750.9	33,844.2	2.6	-18.1	-16.9
<b>Yukon<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>17.9</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>162.2</b>	<b>142.7</b>	<b>-55.0</b>	<b>-86.8</b>	<b>-12.0</b>
Residential	<b>2.7</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>58.2</b>	<b>69.4</b>	<b>-53.9</b>	<b>-15.6</b>	<b>19.2</b>
Non-residential	<b>15.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>104.0</b>	<b>73.3</b>	<b>-69.4</b>	<b>-99.2</b>	<b>-29.5</b>

<sup>r</sup> = revised

<sup>p</sup> = preliminary data

<sup>1</sup> Monthly data are seasonally adjusted; annual data are not adjusted for seasonality.

<sup>2</sup> Data may not add up to totals due to rounding.

<sup>3</sup> Percent change is based on unrounded numbers.

#### 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](#).