



Building Permits, July 2020 (preliminary)

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In July 2020, the preliminary seasonally adjusted value of building permits (\$48.2 million) in Yukon increased by \$35.5 million, or 277.5%, compared to July 2019 (\$12.8 million). In Canada, the total value of permits decreased 9.6% during the same time period.

On a **year-to-date** basis, the preliminary total value of building permits issued in Yukon from January to July 2020 was \$103.9 million. This represents an increase of \$7.7 million, or 8.0%, compared to the same time period in 2019 (\$96.2 million); the value of residential permits increased by \$9.5 million and non-residential permits decreased by \$1.7 million.

In July 2020, the large increase in non-residential construction is mostly due to the construction permit issued for the supportive housing building on Range Road in Whitehorse.

Value of Building Permits (seasonally adjusted), July 2020 (preliminary)

	Jul 2019	Jun 2020 ^r	Jul 2020 ^p	Jan-Jul 2019	Jan-Jul 2020	Jun '20 to Jul '20	Jul '19 to Jul '20	Jan-Jul 2019 to Jan-Jul 2020
	\$ millions					% change ²		
Canada ¹	8,596.3	8,019.0	7,775.2	59,732.2	54,625.9	-3.0	-9.6	-8.5
Residential	5,130.5	5,388.5	5,057.0	36,254.1	35,228.3	-6.2	-1.4	-2.8
Non-residential	3,465.9	2,630.5	2,718.2	23,478.1	19,397.6	3.3	-21.6	-17.4
Yukon ¹	12.8	11.3	48.2	96.2	103.9	328.5	277.5	8.0
Residential	6.7	8.8	10.8	31.6	41.1	21.9	61.9	29.9
Non-residential	6.1	2.4	37.5	64.6	62.8		512.2	-2.7

^r = revised

^p = preliminary data

¹ Data may not add up to totals due to rounding.

² 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 <u>Monthly Statistical Review</u>.