



Payroll employment, earnings and hours

March 2020 (preliminary) Released by Statistics Canada — May 28, 2020

Preliminary seasonally adjusted estimates show that in March 2020, Yukon had 21,535 jobs¹, a decrease of 740 jobs, or 3.3%, compared to March 2019 and also a decrease of 1,034 jobs, or 4.6%, compared to February 2020.

The preliminary average weekly earnings figure for Yukon (\$1,218.79) was the third-highest in Canada, after the Northwest Territories (\$1,507.13) and Nunavut (\$1,471.09). Yukon's earnings figure was up 4.2% compared to the figure for March 2019, Canada's figure was up 3.7%.

Number of Employees¹, Yukon & Canada, March 2020 (preliminary, seasonally adjusted estimates) (*including* unclassified businesses)

				Feb '20	Mar '19	
	Mar	Feb	Mar	to	to	
	2019	2020 ^r	2020 ^p	Mar '20	Mar '20	
	'000s			% cha	% change ³	
Canada Yukon	16,886.8 22.3	17,040.8 22.6	16,126.3 21.5	-5.4 -4.6	-4.5 -3.3	

Average Weekly Earnings² for all Employees, Yukon & Canada, March 2020 (preliminary, seasonally adjusted estimates, including overtime) (*excluding* unclassified businesses)

	Mar 2019	Feb 2020 ^r	Mar 2020 ^p	FebMar	to	Mar '19 to Mar '20
	\$			% change		
Canada Yukon	1,015.34 1,169.47	1,046.31 1,201.59	1,053.00 1,218.79		0.6 1.4	3.7 4.2

r = revised; p = preliminary data

¹ The Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours (SEPH) is produced by a combination of a census of payroll deductions, provided by the Canada Revenue Agency, and the Business Payrolls Survey which provide a monthly portrait of the number of jobs by detailed industry. It complements information from the Labour Force Survey (LFS), which is a household survey. The LFS includes people who are self-employed, as well as workers who take unpaid leave; SEPH does not cover these groups. Industry coverage for the LFS is comprehensive; SEPH excludes industry estimates for: agriculture; fishing and trapping; religious organizations; private household workers; and military personnel of defense services. The two surveys count multiple job holders differently. In the LFS, people with more than one job are counted only once as "employed"; SEPH counts filled positions on payroll, so each job is counted separately.

² Earnings data are based on gross taxable payroll before source deductions.

³ Percent change based on unrounded numbers.

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