



Employment Insurance, May 2021 (*preliminary*)

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In May 2021, the preliminary number of EI beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular income support benefits¹ in Yukon was 1,550; of which 870 were men and 680 were women. Compared to May 2020, the total number of beneficiaries increased by 920, or 146.0%; compared to the April 2021 preliminary figure, the total number of beneficiaries decreased by 70, or 4.3%.

Nationally, the preliminary number of EI beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) in May 2021 increased 193.7% compared to May 2020 and increased 5.2% compared to the April 2021 preliminary figure.

Number of beneficiaries receiving regular income-support benefits¹, by sex and age group (*seasonally adjusted*) May 2021 (*preliminary*)

	May '20	Apr '21 ^P	May '21 ^P	Apr '21 to May '21	May '20 to May '21	Apr '21 to May '21	May '20 to May '21
	number ²			change in number ²		% change	
Canada							
Both Sexes	574,880	1,605,620	1,688,470	82,850	1,113,590	5.2	193.7
15 to 24 years	52,790	257,650	284,910	27,260	232,120	10.6	439.7
25 to 54 years	365,060	937,180	969,190	32,010	604,130	3.4	165.5
55 years and over	157,030	410,780	434,370	23,590	277,340	5.7	176.6
Men	347,050	768,630	763,780	-4,850	416,730	-0.6	120.1
Women	227,830	836,990	924,680	87,690	696,850	10.5	305.9
Yukon							
Both Sexes	630	1,620	1,550	-70	920	-4.3	146.0
15 to 24 years	50	180	170	-10	120	-5.6	240.0
25 to 54 years	410	970	930	-40	520	-4.1	126.8
55 years and over	170	470	440	-30	270	-6.4	158.8
Men	380	940	870	-70	490	-7.4	128.9
Women	260	680	680	0	420	0.0	161.5

^P = preliminary

¹ Includes people who receive regular income benefits whether or not they participate in one of three employment benefit programs, namely Skills Development Program, Job Creation Partnerships Program and Self-employment Program.

² The numbers may not add up to totals due to rounding.

Notes to Readers:

- No methodological changes were made to the Employment Insurance Statistics (EIS) program over the COVID-19 period. EIS reflect the Employment Insurance (EI) program for the Labour Force Survey (LFS) reference week in each month.
- Temporary changes to the EI program that provided all new regular EI beneficiaries with a one-time credit of 300 insurable hours were introduced on September 27, 2020. In addition, the unemployment rate used to calculate their eligibility and entitlement weeks was 13.1%, unless their region's unemployment rate was higher.
- Data for the October 2020 reference period and onward consist of individuals who obtained EI benefits, and exclude beneficiaries of the Canada Recovery Benefits (Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB), Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit (CRCB), and Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB).
- The number of beneficiaries is a measure of all people who received regular EI benefits from May 9 to 15. This period coincides with the reference week of the LFS.