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Canadian Income Survey: Territorial Estimates, 2021

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In 2021, families and unattached individuals living in Yukon had a median after-tax income of \$77,800, a decrease of \$7,300, or 8.6%, compared to the 2020 figure (\$85,100). Yukon's median after-tax income in 2021 (\$77,800) was the lowest of the three territories following the Northwest Territories (\$96,600) and Nunavut (\$84,400), and higher than any of the Canadian provinces.

For families and unattached individuals in Yukon in 2021, median government transfer decreased by 46.1%, from \$12,800 in 2020 to \$6,900 in 2021. During the same period, Yukon's median market income increased by \$4,100, or 5.5%, from \$74,200 in 2020 to \$78,300 in 2021. This increase in market income and decrease in government transfers was largely attributable to the impact of the shutdown and relief programs stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic on the 2020 figures.

Median Income Statistics for Families and Persons not in an Economic Family, by Territory, (2021 constant dollars), 2020 and 2021

	Yukon		Northwest Territories		Nunavut	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
Market income	\$74,200	\$78,300	\$102,100	\$102,600	\$83,100	\$75,500
Government transfers	\$12,800	\$6,900 ^E	\$12,300	\$4,900 ^E	\$15,300 ^E	\$11,600 ^E
Total income	\$93,900	\$89,200	\$117,200	\$107,000	\$107,400	\$94,000
Income tax	\$9,100	\$9,400	\$16,000	\$13,100	\$11,600	\$8,900
After-tax income	\$85,100	\$77,800	\$98,700	\$96,600	\$95,300	\$84,400

After-tax Median Income for Selected Family Types, by Territory, (2021 constant dollars) 2020 and 2021

	Yukon		Northwest Territories		Nunavut	
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021
Economic families	\$103,900	\$107,900	\$122,100	\$119,500	\$116,700	\$103,000
Senior families	\$94,500	\$77,800 ^E	\$95,000 ^E	F	F	F
Non-senior families	\$105,200	\$116,100	\$133,400	\$124,200	\$124,800	\$107,600
Couples	\$96,300	\$107,900	\$119,600	\$134,300	\$141,300 ^E	F
Couples with children	\$122,600	\$127,000	\$144,600	\$163,000	\$131,200	\$137,100
Lone-parent families	F	F	F	F	F	F
Persons not in economic families	\$45,400	\$53,000	\$56,700	\$62,300	F	F

E = use with caution

F = too unreliable to publish

Note to readers:

- In 2020, in response to the economic shutdowns and restrictions put in place to limit the spread of COVID 19, the Government of Canada introduced various income support programs to assist Canadians affected by the pandemic. It is therefore important to consider the 2020 Canadian Income Survey territorial estimates in light of the events during the first year of the pandemic. The Canada Emergency Response Benefit and the Canada Recovery Benefit were the COVID-19 relief programs that provided the largest aggregate amounts in 2020.
- Because sample sizes in the three territories are relatively small, territorial estimates tend to have a high sampling variability.
 For this reason, users are recommended to use caution when comparing year-over-year territorial estimates. Very few estimates at the territorial level have been found to present statistically significant differences between different years.