

Employment Insurance, February 2022 (preliminary)

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In February 2022, the preliminary number of EI beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular income support benefits¹ in Yukon was 740; of which 450 were men and 300 were women. Compared to February 2021, the total number of beneficiaries decreased by 740, or 50.0%; compared to the January 2022 preliminary figure, the total number of beneficiaries decreased by 60 or 7.5%.

Nationally, the preliminary number of EI beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) in February 2022 decreased 64.4% compared to February 2021 and decreased 10.8% compared to the January 2022 preliminary figure.

Number of beneficiaries receiving regular income-support benefits¹, by sex and age group (seasonally adjusted) February 2022 (preliminary)

| | Feb '21 | Jan '22 ^P | Feb '22 ^P | Jan '22 to Feb '22 | Feb '21 to Feb '22 | Jan '22 to Feb '22 | Feb '21 to Feb '22 |
|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | number ² | | | change in number ² | | % change | |
| Canada | | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 1,586,930 | 633,060 | 564,690 | -68,370 | -1,022,240 | -10.8 | -64.4 |
| 15 to 24 years | 259,100 | 84,850 | 72,140 | -12,710 | -186,960 | -15.0 | -72.2 |
| 25 to 54 years | 930,650 | 371,870 | 330,210 | -41,660 | -600,440 | -11.2 | -64.5 |
| 55 years and over | 397,180 | 176,330 | 162,340 | -13,990 | -234,840 | -7.9 | -59.1 |
| Men | 827,250 | 357,810 | 322,480 | -35,330 | -504,770 | -9.9 | -61.0 |
| Women | 759,680 | 275,250 | 242,210 | -33,040 | -517,470 | -12.0 | -68.1 |
| Yukon | | | | | | | |
| Both Sexes | 1,480 | 800 | 740 | -60 | -740 | -7.5 | -50.0 |
| 15 to 24 years | 170 | 70 | 80 | 10 | -90 | 14.3 | -52.9 |
| 25 to 54 years | 960 | 530 | 470 | -60 | -490 | -11.3 | -51.0 |
| 55 years and over | 350 | 200 | 200 | 0 | -150 | 0.0 | -42.9 |
| Men | 900 | 490 | 450 | -40 | -450 | -8.2 | -50.0 |
| Women | 590 | 320 | 300 | -20 | -290 | -6.3 | -49.2 |

^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 February 13 to 19. This period coincides with the reference week of the LFS.