Yukon Bureau of Statistics

Highlights:

- Yukon's retail sales totalled \$1,161.8 million in 2023, an increase of \$76.6 million, or 7.1%, compared to the 2022 figure of \$1,085.2 million. Compared to 2014, the value of Yukon's retail sales has grown by \$498.8 million, or 75.2%.
- Comparing 2023 to 2022, Gasoline stations and fuel vendors sales increased by \$40.9 million, or 18.4%, and Motor vehicle and parts dealers' sales increased by \$13.9 million, or 8.0%.

Retail Sales

The annual value of Yukon's retail sales increased each year since Yukon data became available in 1991, with the exception of three years: 2004 (-2.0%), 2009 (-1.4%) and 2013 (-2.5%).



In Yukon, the annual value (sum of monthly values) of retail sales increased 7.1% from \$1,085.2 million in 2022 to \$1,161.8 million in 2023. Comparatively, at the national level, Canada's annual value of retail sales increased 1.9% from \$777.5 billion in 2022 to \$792.4 billion in 2023. Retail sales show a marked seasonal pattern in Yukon with high peaks in June through August and then a smaller peak in December.

Yukon Retail Sales

2023

Following the onset of COVID-19 restrictions in March 2020, Yukon's retail sales decreased compared to the previous year. In April 2020 — the first full month with COVID-19 restrictions — retail sales dropped sharply by \$12.9 million, or 17.4%, compared to April 2019. Retail sales also declined in May, June, July and August of 2020 compared to the corresponding month of 2019. Yukon's retail sales started bouncing back in September 2020 and have continued to grow in all months compared to the corresponding month of the previous year since that time. In 2023, the maximum year-over-year growth was recorded in August 2023 at 15.5%.

On a per capita basis, Yukon's retail sales grew by 4.2% compared to 2022, and 44.3% compared to 2014.

About Retail Trade

Retail trade figures are estimates of the sum of retail sales in an area. This publication includes unadjusted data from the monthly Retail Trade Survey. Starting in January 2023 reference period, monthly retail trade estimates are now based on the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 2022 classification structure. This new classification structure has broadened the scope of the retail trade data.

With the reclassification of industry categories to NAICS 2022, online-only retailers are now classified in the same industrial groupings as their non-digital counterparts. This means that some industries have been reclassified to reflect both physical and online-only retailers, creating a change in how some industry groups are measured and a shift in some of the time series. In other cases, industries with the same definition will have different categorization numbers due to the overall changes to the classification. Seasonally adjusted and unadjusted estimates were revised back to 2017.

Related Links

- Yukon Economic Statistics
- Yukon Annual Statistical Review

- Yukon Monthly Statistical Review
 - includes the most recent monthly retail figures.

Monthly Sales, Yukon, January to December 2023

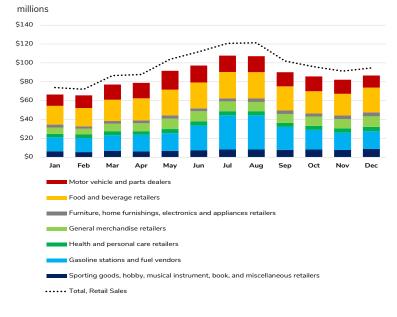
| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|---|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| | (\$000) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Retail sales | 73,867 | 71,993 | 86,600 | 87,675 | 103,811 | 111,839 | 120,722 | 121,389 | 102,002 | 95,979 | 91,335 | 94,605 |
| Motor vehicle and parts dealers | 11,977 | 13,372 | 16,088 | 16,412 | 19,986 | 17,989 | 17,347 | 16,935 | 14,969 | 15,733 | 14,832 | 12,810 |
| Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers | x | × | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |
| Food and beverage retailers | 19,952 | 19,475 | 22,647 | 23,411 | 27,198 | 27,425 | 27,965 | 27,931 | 25,532 | 23,514 | 22,998 | 26,300 |
| Furniture, home furnishings, electronics and appliances retailers | 3,105 | 2,578 | 2,874 | 3,042 | 3,527 | 3,059 | 3,227 | 3,667 | 3,720 | 3,367 | 3,858 | 4,181 |
| General merchandise retailers | 6,645 | 6,103 | 7,859 | 8,397 | 11,062 | 10,693 | 10,490 | 9,811 | 9,561 | 9,812 | 9,866 | 11,212 |
| Health and personal care retailers | 3,732 | 3,782 | 4,221 | 3,909 | 4,375 | 4,396 | 4,279 | 4,410 | 4,166 | 4,293 | 4,556 | 4,670 |
| Gasoline stations and fuel vendors | 14,765 | 14,864 | 16,628 | 17,483 | 18,793 | 26,288 | 36,302 | 36,220 | 24,297 | 20,854 | 18,360 | 18,764 |
| Clothing, clothing accessories, shoes, jewelry, luggage and leather goods retailers | × | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | × | × | x | x |
| Sporting goods, hobby, musical instrument, book, and miscellaneous retailers | 6,283 | 5,422 | 6,754 | 6,199 | 6,661 | 7,392 | 8,150 | 8,168 | 7,839 | 8,088 | 7,642 | 8,713 |

x = data suppressed

In 2023, monthly retail sales in Yukon averaged \$96.8 million. The third quarter (July to September) had the highest average (\$114.7 million) and accounted for 29.6% of the total retail sales.

- Food and beverage retailers (\$294.3 million) accounted for 25.3% of Yukon's total retail sales and averaged \$24.5 million of sales per month. Total monthly food and beverage sales ranged from a low of \$19.5 million in February to a high of \$28.0 million in August.
- Gasoline stations and fuel vendors (\$263.6 million) accounted for 22.7% of Yukon's total retail sales and averaged \$22.0 million per month. Total monthly Gasoline and fuel sales ranged from a low of \$14.8 million in January to a high of \$36.3 million in July.
- Motor vehicle and parts dealers' (\$188.5 million) accounted for 16.2% of Yukon's total retail sales, averaging \$15.7 million per month and ranging from a low of \$12.0 million in January to a high of \$20.0 million in May.
- General merchandise retailers (\$111.5 million) which include Department stores, Supercentres and other general merchandise retailers, accounted for 9.6% of Yukon's total retail sales. Retail sales in this category averaged \$9.3 million per month and ranged from a low of \$6.1 million in February to a high of \$11.2 million in December.

Monthly Retail Sales, by Industry, Yukon, January to December 2023



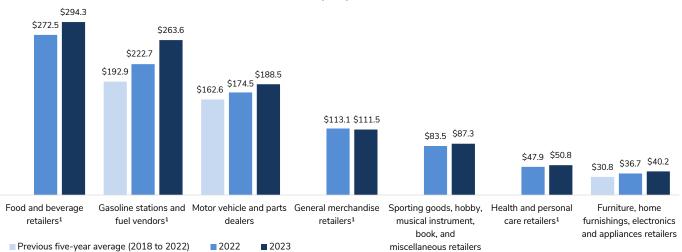
Note: Total, Retail Sales includes retail sales from Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers and Clothing, clothing accessories, shoes, jewelry, luggage and leather goods retailers, which were suppressed in 2023.

Annual Sales and Growth, Yukon, 2019 to 2023

For 2023, annual data were available for seven retail subsectors in Yukon. The seven subsectors accounted for 89.2% of total Yukon retail sales. The table below displays annual data, where available, for the years from 2019 to 2023, and the corresponding year-over-year growth rates, where available.

| | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
|---|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | (\$000) | | |
| Retail sales | 915,606 | 937,915 | 1,011,174 | 1,085,214 | 1,161,817 |
| Motor vehicle and parts dealers | 155,356 | 162,183 | 167,026 | 174,526 | 188,450 |
| Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers | x | x | x | x | x |
| Food and beverage retailers | x | x | x | 272,496 | 294,348 |
| Furniture, home furnishings, electronics and appliances retailers | 28,919 | 29,754 | 35,578 | 36,728 | 40,205 |
| General merchandise retailers | x | x | x | 113,134 | 111,511 |
| Health and personal care retailers | х | x | x | 47,938 | 50,789 |
| Gasoline stations and fuel vendors | 195,605 | 165,635 | 187,736 | 222,722 | 263,618 |
| Clothing, clothing accessories, shoes, jewelry, luggage and leather goods retailers | x | x | x | x | x |
| Sporting goods, hobby, musical instrument, book, and miscellaneous retailers | x | x | x | 83,458 | 87,311 |
| Retail sales growth rate | 3.7% | 2.4% | 7.8% | 7.3% | 7.1% |
| Motor vehicle and parts dealers | 1.0% | 4.4% | 3.0% | 4.5% | 8.0% |
| Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers | | | | | |
| Food and beverage retailers | | | | | 8.0% |
| Furniture, home furnishings, electronics and appliances retailers | 25.1% | 2.9% | 19.6% | 3.2% | 9.5% |
| General merchandise retailers | | | | | -1.4% |
| Health and personal care retailers | | | | | 5.9% |
| Gasoline stations and fuel vendors | 1.5% | -15.3% | 13.3% | 18.6% | 18.4% |
| Clothing, clothing accessories, shoes, jewelry, luggage and leather goods retailers | | | | | |
| Sporting goods, hobby, musical instrument, book, and miscellaneous retailers | | | | | 4.6% |

x = data suppressed ... = not applicable



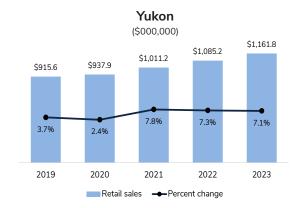
Annual Retail Sales, by Industry, Yukon, 2022 and 2023

(\$000)

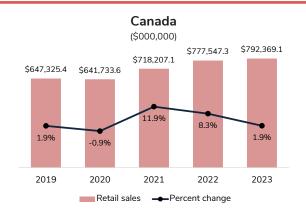
¹ Five-year average (2018 to 2022) is not available for this category due to suppression of data in prior years.

Note: Data for Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers and Clothing, clothing accessories, shoes, jewelry, luggage and leather goods retailers were suppressed in 2022 and 2023.

Annual Retail Sales and Percentage Change, Yukon and Canada, 2019 to 2023



- Following a 3.7% increase in 2019, Yukon's yearover-year growth in retail sales declined to 2.4% in 2020. In 2021, Yukon's year-over-year growth in retail sales increased to 7.8% before decreasing slightly to 7.3% in 2022.
- The 2023 growth rate of Yukon's retail sales (7.1%) was 5.2 percentage points higher than the national rate of 1.9%.



- In the past 5 years, Yukon's growth rates of retail sales ranged from a high of 7.8% in 2021 to a low of 2.4% in 2020, while Canada's growth rates ranged from a high of 11.9% in 2021 to a low of -0.9% in 2020.
- Between 2019 and 2023, Yukon's year-over-year retail sales growth rates averaged 5.7%, while Canada's rates averaged 4.6%.

| | | Northwest | |
|---|-----------|-------------|---------|
| | Yukon | Territories | Nunavut |
| | | (\$000) | |
| Total Retail trade | 1,161,817 | 925,205 | 619,540 |
| Motor vehicle and parts dealers | 188,450 | х | х |
| Building material and garden equipment and supplies dealers | х | х | х |
| Food and beverage retailers | 294,348 | 363,357 | 501,721 |
| Furniture, home furnishings, electronics and appliances retailers | 40,205 | х | х |
| General merchandise retailers | 111,511 | х | х |
| Health and personal care retailers | 50,789 | х | х |
| Gasoline stations and fuel vendors | 263,618 | 107,928 | 18,147 |
| Clothing, clothing accessories, shoes, jewelry, luggage and leather goods retailers | x | x | х |
| Sporting goods, hobby, musical instrument, book, and miscellaneous retailers | 87,311 | x | х |

Annual Sales, Territories, 2023

x = data suppressed ... = not available

Source: Statistics Canada, data table 20-10-0056-01 (monthly data).

Notes:

Retail trade data are regularly revised as data become available: monthly revisions occur for the month immediately prior to the reference month; annual revisions are made once a year, with the initial release of the February data, for all months in the previous years.

Industry classifications in this publication follow the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Canada 2022 Version 1.0. For more information, including industry definitions, see Statistics Canada's industry classifications at https://www.statcan.gc.ca/en/concepts/industry.

April 2024

Government of Yukon | Department of Finance, Yukon Bureau of Statistics PO Box 2703 (B-4), Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6 | Yukon.ca/bureau-of-statistics T 867-667-5640 | F 867-393-6203 | E ybsinfo@yukon.ca

