

Department of Finance Yukon Bureau of Statistics



Immigration, Census 2021

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According to the 2021 Census, 84.1% of Yukon's population were non-immigrants¹; 13.6% were immigrants²; and 2.3% were non-permanent residents³. Nationally, 74.4% of Canada's population were non-immigrants; 23.0% were immigrants; and 2.5% were non-permanent residents. Ontario had the highest percentage of immigrant population at 30.0%, while Newfoundland and Labrador had the lowest percentage at 2.8%.

The majority of Yukon's immigrants, who landed between 1980 and 2021, were admitted under the economic immigration programs (see table on page 2). Of the 4,280 immigrants who landed during this time period, 2,955 or 69.0%, were in the economic category. Of these 2,955 immigrants, 1,540 were in the Yukon Nominee Program; 1,175 in worker programs; and 240 were in business programs.

Immigrant status, Canada, provinces and territories

	Total population	Non-immigrants ¹		Immigrants ²		Non-permanent residents ³	
	#	#	%	#	%	#	%
Canada	36,328,480	27,042,125	74.4%	8,361,505	23.0%	924,850	2.5%
Newfoundland and Labrador	502,095	482,610	96.1%	14,250	2.8%	5,235	1.0%
Prince Edward Island	150,485	133,285	88.6%	11,765	7.8%	5,435	3.6%
Nova Scotia	955,855	861,945	90.2%	71,570	7.5%	22,340	2.3%
New Brunswick	759,195	704,215	92.8%	44,120	5.8%	10,855	1.4%
Quebec	8,308,480	6,892,110	83.0%	1,210,595	14.6%	205,770	2.5%
Ontario	14,031,755	9,437,315	67.3%	4,206,590	30.0%	387,845	2.8%
Manitoba	1,307,190	1,015,280	77.7%	257,615	19.7%	34,285	2.6%
Saskarchewan	1,103,200	949,750	86.1%	137,620	12.5%	15,830	1.4%
Alberta	4,177,720	3,141,915	75.2%	970,975	23.2%	64,830	1.6%
British Columbia	4,915,940	3,319,225	67.5%	1,425,710	29.0%	171,000	3.5%
Yukon	39,585	33,275	84.1%	5,380	13.6%	925	2.3%
Northwest Territories	40,380	35,820	88.7%	4,145	10.3%	410	1.0%
Nunavut	36,600	35,360	96.6%	1,165	3.2%	75	0.2%

¹ 'Non-immigrants' includes persons who are Canadian citizens by birth.

² 'Immigrants' includes persons who are, or have been, landed immigrants and permanent residents. Such persons have been granted the right to live in Canada permanently by immigration authorities. Immigrants who have obtained citizenship by naturalization are included in this category. In the 2021 Census of Population, 'Immigrants' includes immigrants who were admitted to Canada on or prior to May 11, 2021.

³ 'Non-permanent residents' includes persons from another country with a usual place of residence in Canada and who have a work or study permit or who have claimed refugee status (asylum claimants). Family members living with work or study permit holders are also included, unless these family members are already Canadian citizens, landed immigrants or permanent residents.



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Immigrant population (admitted between 1980 and 2021) by admission category, Yukon,

Census 2021

	Total immigrant population	1980 to 1990	1991 to 2000	2001 to 2010	2011 to 2015	2016 to 2021
Total - Admission category and applicant type	4,280	390	680	1,055	1,030	1,125
Economic immigrants	2,955	195	405	685	820	850
Worker programs	1,175	155	275	270	165	315
Business programs	240	35	130	75	0	0
Provincial and territorial nominees	1,540	0	0	345	655	535
Immigrants sponsored by family	1,155	130	235	330	215	235
Refugees	140	60	30	15	0	30
Other immigrants	30	0	0	20	0	0

Note: 'Other immigrants' includes immigrants who were granted permanent resident status under a program that does not fall under the economic immigrants, the immigrants sponsored by family or the refugee categories.

There were 5,380 immigrants in Yukon in 2021. The highest proportion of Yukon's immigrant population (1,405 people, or 26.1% of the total immigrant population) was born in the Philippines. This was followed by 530 people (9.9% of the total immigrant population) born in the United States, and 525 people (9.8% of the total immigrant population) born in the United Kingdom.

Immigrant population by top ten places of birth, period of immigration,

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	Total	Period of immigration						
Place of Birth	immigrant population	Before 1980	1980 to 1990	1991 to 2000	2001 to 2010	2011 to 2015	2016 to 2021	
Total immigrant population	5,380	1,100	385	680	1,060	1,035	1,125	
Philippines	1,405	15	0	85	425	650	230	
United States of America	530	245	45	105	75	25	40	
United Kingdom	525	370	55	15	30	0	55	
Germany	475	130	25	110	95	30	80	
India	360	20	0	30	35	10	260	
China	225	10	10	30	80	70	30	
France	175	15	10	20	60	25	40	
Switzerland	125	10	40	30	20	15	15	
Netherlands	100	55	10	0	20	0	15	
Australia	70	10	0	0	20	10	25	

There were 930 non-permanent residents in Yukon in 2021. The highest proportion of Yukon's non-permanent resident population was born in India (355 persons, or 38.2% of non-permanent residents), followed by Philippines (160 persons, or 17.2% of non-permanent residents), and China (60 persons, or 6.5% of non-permanent residents).