

YUKON BUREAU OF STATISTICS



Population Report Fourth Quarter 2016

Highlights:

- The estimated population of Yukon on December 31, 2016 was 38,293; an increase of 727, or 1.9%, compared to the figure for December 31, 2015 (37,566).
- Comparing December 31, 2016 to December 31, 2006, Yukon's population increased by 5,958, or 18.4%. The population of the Whitehorse area increased by 5,079, or 20.7%; Dawson City increased by 351, or 18.9%; and Watson Lake decreased by 80, or 5.2%.

Notes on methodological changes: Prior to 2012, the Yukon Bureau of Statistics produced population figures twice a year. Effective 2012, figures are produced quarterly.

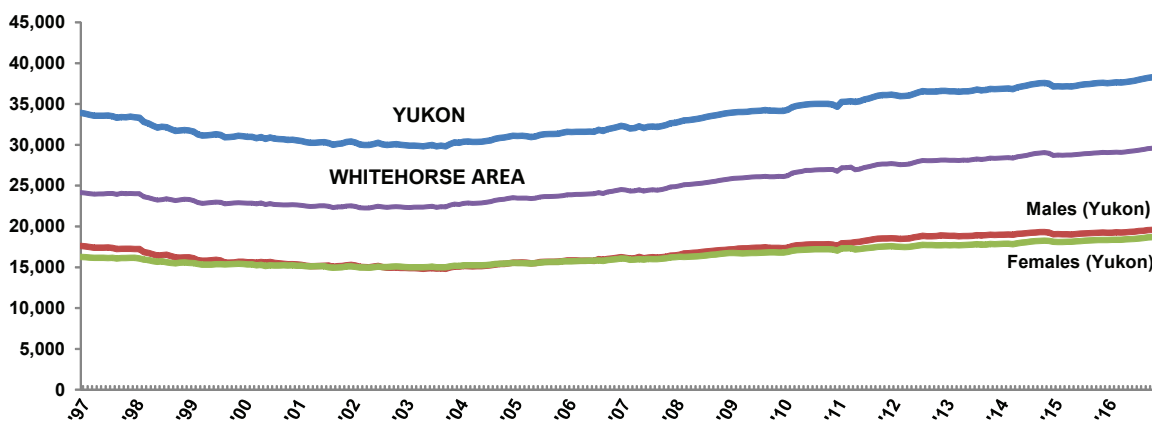
Official population counts prior to June 2010 were based on information in Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan (YHCIP) files and a semi-annual health care update survey that estimated the number of plan members who were no longer Yukon residents. In 2010, the estimation model was revised and the population counts for June 2010 through December 2014, were derived by tracking changes in YHCIP files and other administrative data files. In 2015, the model was further revised to make the approach more comprehensive and to improve accuracy based on information in all available and applicable administrative data files of the Yukon government. In addition, the total population count of April 2011 was calibrated to a census-based estimate adjusted for net undercoverage.

The new model assigns residents of unorganized areas to their nearest communities. Estimates for Whitehorse now include population in surrounding areas *as well as in Marsh Lake* to remain comparable with the geographical area defined by Statistics Canada as the Whitehorse Census Agglomeration.

All monthly estimates are as of the last day of the month. The June estimates represent annual figures.

Due to the change in methodology in 2015, figures presented in this publication for the period from April 2011 to December 2014 are not strictly comparable to figures prior to the period.

Monthly Population, December 31, 1996 to December 31, 2016



- Yukon's population declined steadily from 1997 to 2001, and then fluctuated around 30,000 from 2001 to 2003.
- From 2004 through 2014, the population increased almost steadily with successive record highs¹ in most quarters. However, during the last quarter of 2014, the population decreased by almost 400. The population then remained almost unchanged up to mid-2015 before regaining an upward trend. The December 31, 2016 population at 38,293 is the new record high for Yukon.
- On December 31, 2016, Yukon's population (38,293), increased by 93 people, or 0.2%, from September 30, 2016 (38,200), and an increase of 727 people, or 1.9%, from December 31, 2015 (37,566).

¹ Accurate population counts during the Gold Rush are not available. However, the first Census population figure for Yukon was 27,219 in 1901.

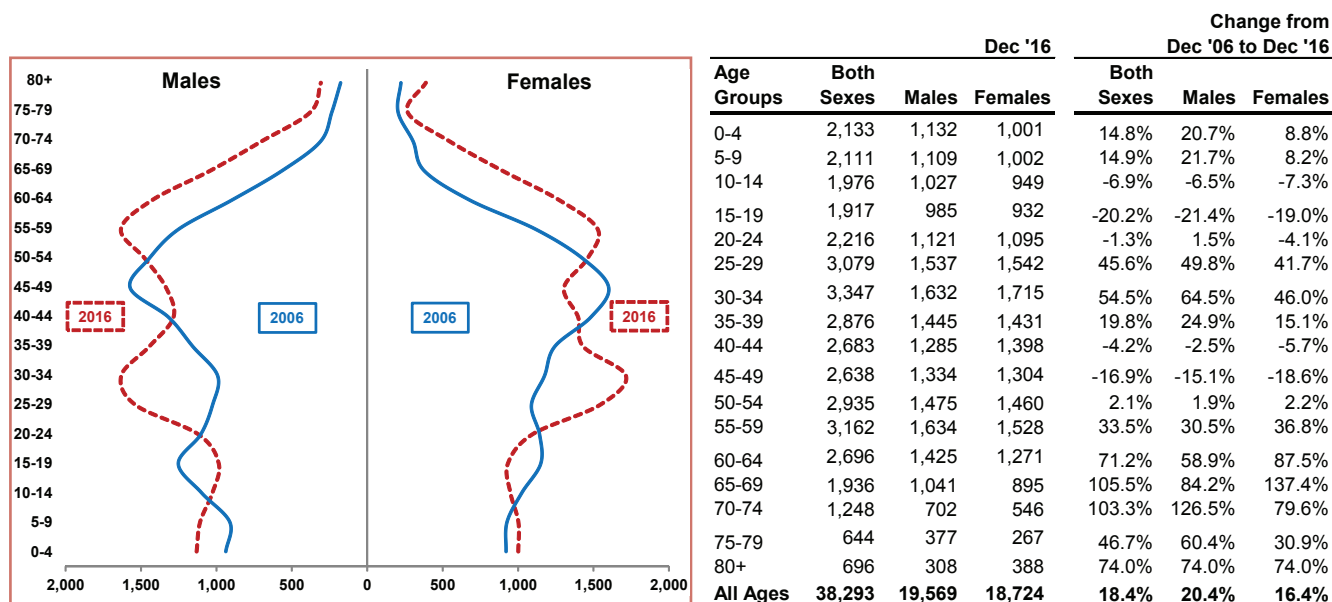
Monthly Population, Yukon, January 31, 2006 to December 31, 2016

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Jan	31,585	32,212	32,831	33,969	34,286	35,251	36,067	36,558	36,878	37,176	37,597
Feb	31,612	31,994	32,992	34,013	34,610	35,278	35,969	36,567	36,905	37,157	37,656
Mar	31,594	32,044	33,034	34,016	34,789	35,338	35,992	36,511	36,828	37,178	37,642
Apr	31,603	32,278	33,111	34,055	34,862	35,256	36,055	36,568	37,028	37,149	37,690
May	31,630	32,049	33,181	34,132	34,950	35,344	36,240	36,569	37,154	37,237	37,771
Jun ¹	31,608	32,212	33,294	34,157	34,984	35,563	36,422	36,634	37,251	37,343	37,858
Jul	31,832	32,253	33,421	34,175	35,022	35,673	36,593	36,770	37,379	37,414	37,977
Aug	31,704	32,196	33,537	34,264	35,011	35,868	36,543	36,692	37,484	37,458	38,084
Sep	31,931	32,299	33,627	34,192	35,012	36,028	36,529	36,719	37,555	37,526	38,200
Oct	32,039	32,423	33,738	34,188	35,023	36,087	36,534	36,843	37,581	37,570	38,288
Nov	32,165	32,639	33,839	34,170	34,949	36,106	36,619	36,817	37,487	37,611	38,255
Dec	32,335	32,714	33,928	34,157	34,667	36,157	36,608	36,842	37,161	37,566	38,293

¹ June figures are referred to as 'annual' throughout this publication.

- During the fourth quarter of 2016, Yukon's population increased by 93 people from 38,200 on September 30, 2016 to 38,293 on December 31, 2016.
- Comparing the months of October through December of 2016 to their respective 2015 months, population increased: 1.9% in October; 1.7% in November; and 1.9% in December.

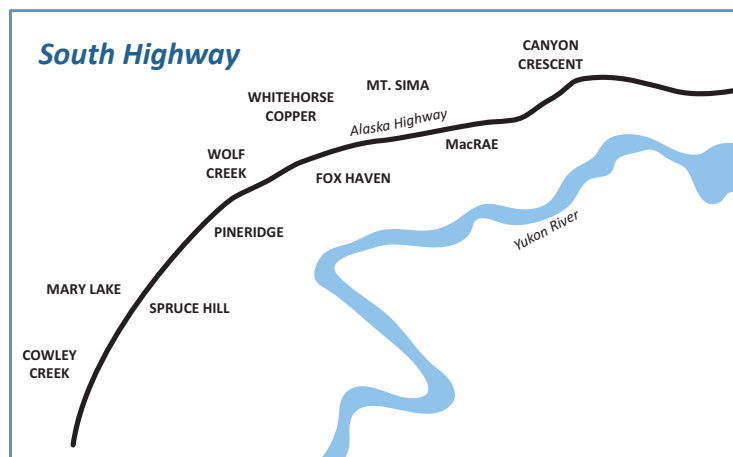
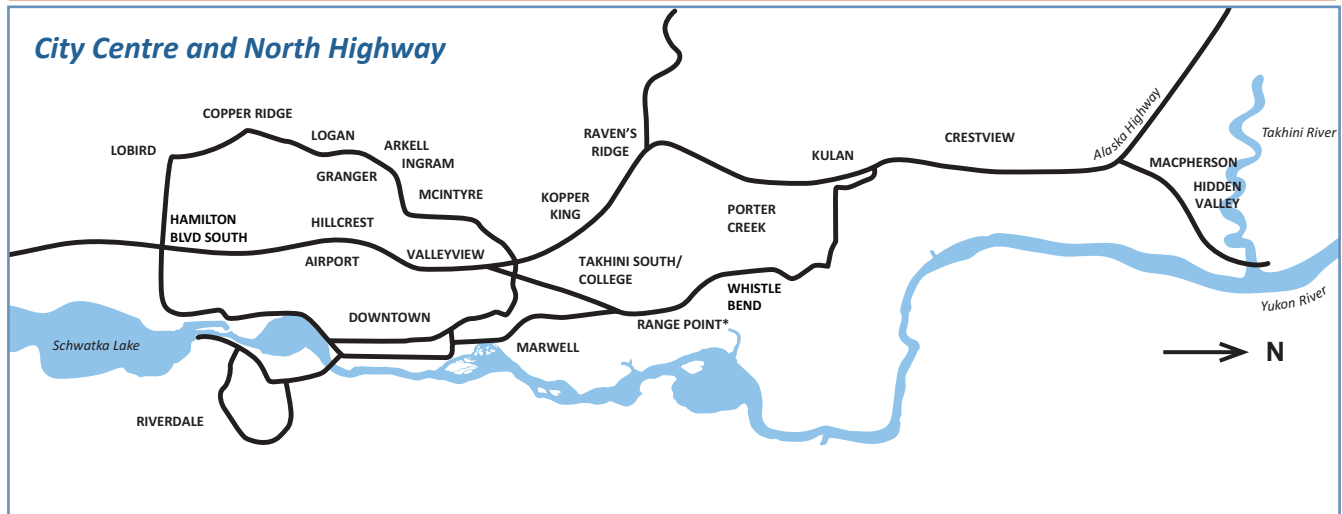
Population by Age Group and Sex, Yukon, December 31, 2006 and December 31, 2016



Comparing December 31, 2016 to December 31, 2006, growth occurred as follows (15-year age groupings):

- 0 to 14 years = 403 people, or 6.9%;
- 15 to 29 years = 449 people, or 6.6%;
- 30 to 44 years = 1,539 people, or 20.9%;
- 45 to 59 years = 317 people, 3.8%;
- 60 to 74 years = 2,749 people, or 87.8%
- 75 years and over = 501 people, or 59.7%.

Population by Subdivision in Whitehorse Area



Note: Residents of Whitehorse area are assigned to subdivisions based on their addresses in various administrative files. Some addresses in these files appear inconsistent or incomplete. Efforts have been made to resolve any apparent inconsistency or incompleteness of information by validating the information against multiple sources.

Changes in subdivision populations from one time period to another are not only due to natural population change and migrations, but may also be due to reassignments of previously inaccurate addresses on file.

Subdivision	Dec '15	Sep '16	Dec '16	Subdivision	Dec '15	Sep '16	Dec '16
Copper Ridge	3,406	3,461	3,461	Range Point*	1,145	1,148	1,143
Cowley Creek	246	256	251	Takhini South/College	1,352	1,355	1,341
Crestview	819	810	805	Valleyview	171	166	160
Downtown (including Marwell)	2,999	3,065	3,055	Whse Copper/MacRae/ Mt. Sima/Canyon Cres.	449	454	455
Granger	1,011	1,025	1,038	Whistle Bend	313	454	490
Hidden Valley/MacPherson	407	424	432	Wolf Creek	422	414	406
Hillcrest/Airport	626	649	646	<i>Undefined Neighbourhood Within City Limits</i>	525	549	545
Ingram/Arkell	938	959	964	<i>Post Office Box</i> ¹	653	668	668
Kopper King/Raven's Ridge	260	254	262	<i>Inconsistent Information</i> ²	161	197	200
Lobird/Hamilton Blvd South	233	231	221	Whitehorse-Municipal Boundaries	26,211	26,608	26,733
Logan	384	400	397	Marsh Lake	674	680	671
McIntyre	519	496	500	Outside City Limits-North ³	1,139	1,165	1,149
Mary Lake/Spruce Hill	457	454	448	Outside City Limits-South ⁴	658	674	667
Pine Ridge/Fox Haven	340	345	345	Outside City Limits-West ⁵	375	402	397
Porter Creek/Kulan	3,667	3,651	3,697	Whitehorse Area Total	29,057	29,529	29,617
Riverdale	4,708	4,723	4,803				

* Range Point replaces previous subdivision name of 'Takhini North'

¹ Post Office Box refers to cases where the mailing address is only identified as a Whitehorse post office box and information on address is not available in administrative sources. Post Office Box includes General Delivery and Bag Services.

² Inconsistent Information includes residents who identified their city of residence as Whitehorse but their addresses recorded in administrative files show inconsistencies. Therefore, there is a possibility that some of these residents may in fact reside outside the Whitehorse area.

³ Outside City Limits-North includes those residents living from Takhini River Bridge up to and including Fox Lake.

⁴ Outside City Limits-South includes those residents living from Carcross Cut-off up to and including Annie Lake Road.

⁵ Outside City Limits-West includes those residents living from the Mayo Road Cut-off up to and including Mendenhall.

Population by Community¹ and Age Group, December 31, 2016

	Age Group																	All Ages
	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80+	
Beaver Creek	6	8	4	1	9	9	9	9	4	5	10	11	11	8	2	2	2	110
Burwash Landing	3	7	6	5	3	6	5	14	10	9	11	12	8	4	5	2	3	113
Carcross	25	30	23	23	27	35	37	32	34	33	44	45	38	34	24	10	9	503
Carmacks	38	40	40	34	35	38	34	41	39	33	36	46	42	23	14	6	9	548
Dawson City	108	97	96	86	103	201	221	170	167	139	182	195	184	109	79	38	35	2,210
Destruction Bay	2	1	2	0	5	2	2	6	0	7	3	11	1	5	2	4	0	53
Faro	19	27	18	11	18	12	29	28	19	14	29	51	50	26	19	16	9	395
Haines Junction	51	43	52	40	45	54	51	59	69	57	77	91	76	58	36	20	23	902
Mayo	30	28	18	22	23	31	49	39	27	24	37	53	48	27	19	10	13	498
Old Crow	17	14	13	12	20	21	27	10	13	13	20	19	20	15	9	3	5	251
Pelly Crossing	25	29	18	22	22	38	38	23	20	33	33	29	21	11	16	5	10	393
Ross River	24	17	18	32	30	24	32	27	22	44	35	32	33	13	13	5	5	406
Tagish	3	6	4	9	12	9	9	15	10	8	37	40	43	23	24	10	6	268
Teslin	24	24	27	21	29	34	23	33	33	49	37	45	40	32	24	7	19	501
Watson Lake	70	80	69	70	86	114	93	77	83	101	152	135	118	79	75	38	31	1,471
Whitehorse Area ²	1,688	1,660	1,568	1,529	1,749	2,447	2,687	2,290	2,132	2,066	2,186	2,333	1,951	1,461	887	466	517	29,617
Other ³	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	3	1	3	6	14	12	8	0	2	0	54
Yukon	2,133	2,111	1,976	1,917	2,216	3,079	3,347	2,876	2,683	2,638	2,935	3,162	2,696	1,936	1,248	644	696	38,293

¹ Population of unorganized areas are assigned to the nearest community.

² Whitehorse Area includes City of Whitehorse and surrounding area as well as the community of Marsh Lake.

³ Other includes communities such as Braeburn, Alaska Highway, Champagne, Jake's Corner, Keno, McCabe Creek, Stewart Crossing, Swift River, Rancheria and Elsa.

International Migration To and From Yukon, October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

	Immigrants	Net Non-permanent Residents	Emigrants	Net Temporary Emigrants	Returning Emigrants	Net International Migration
Oct 1 '16 to Dec 31 '16	51	4	3	4	-36	12

Source: Statistics Canada. Table 051-0037, CANSIM. (accessed: 2017-04-12)

Origin and Destination of Interprovincial Migrants, October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

Origin	Destination												
	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	YT	NWT	NU
NFLD	n/a	23	166	69	77	431	50	0	251	30	4	0	8
PEI	22	n/a	58	43	13	164	0	7	72	64	0	0	0
NS	68	61	n/a	363	77	869	42	23	444	267	0	0	51
NB	49	45	269	n/a	340	663	26	44	346	238	0	0	0
QC	11	25	142	183	n/a	3,763	87	41	466	553	0	23	10
ON	305	182	597	384	1,780	n/a	560	323	2,653	2,470	72	29	38
MB	9	14	69	28	37	904	n/a	355	662	597	44	13	0
SK	18	4	61	15	108	831	268	n/a	1,716	739	14	3	0
AB	285	56	582	339	628	3,436	539	1,440	n/a	4,921	18	108	6
BC	59	16	234	101	371	2,197	290	396	3,008	n/a	87	28	17
YT	7	0	11	0	0	16	7	26	42	133	n/a	6	0
NWT	5	0	23	7	5	41	5	7	120	84	22	n/a	5
NU	39	3	13	0	14	61	11	0	5	0	0	17	n/a
In	877	429	2,225	1,532	3,450	13,376	1,885	2,662	9,785	10,096	261	227	135
Out	1,109	443	2,265	2,020	5,304	9,393	2,732	3,777	12,358	6,804	248	324	163
Net	-232	-14	-40	-488	-1,854	3,983	-847	-1,115	-2,573	3,292	13	-97	-28

n/a = not applicable

Source: Statistics Canada. Table 051-0045, CANSIM. (accessed: 2017-04-12)

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