

YUKON BUREAU OF STATISTICS



Population Report September 2015

Highlights:

- The estimated population of Yukon in September 2015 was 37,526; a decrease of 29, or 0.1%, compared to the figure for September 2014 (37,555).
- Comparing September 2015 to September 2005, Yukon's estimated population increased by 6,192, or 19.8%. The population of the Whitehorse area increased by 5,320, or 22.5%; Dawson City increased by 238, or 13.0%; and Watson Lake decreased by 49, or 3.2%.

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

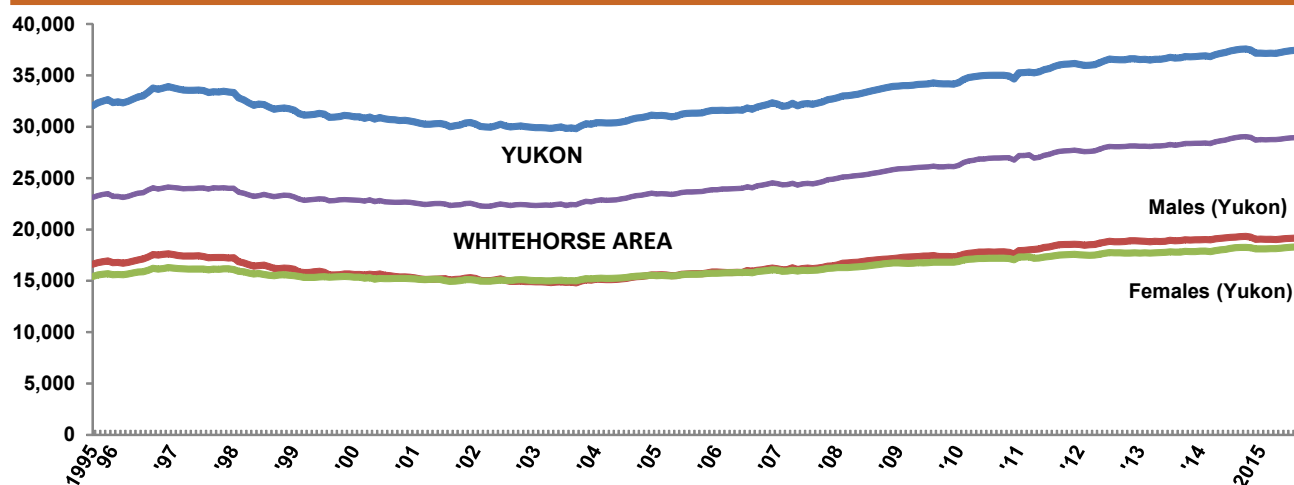
Official population counts prior to June 2010 were based on information in Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan (YHCIP) files and a semi-annual health care update survey that estimated the number of plan members who were no longer Yukon residents. In 2010, the estimation model was revised and the population 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, September 1995 to September 2015



- 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 September 2015 population for Yukon was 37,526, an increase of 183 people compared to the June 2015 figure of 37,343. Compared to the September 2014 figure (37,555), the September 2015 population decreased by 29 people, or 0.1%.

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

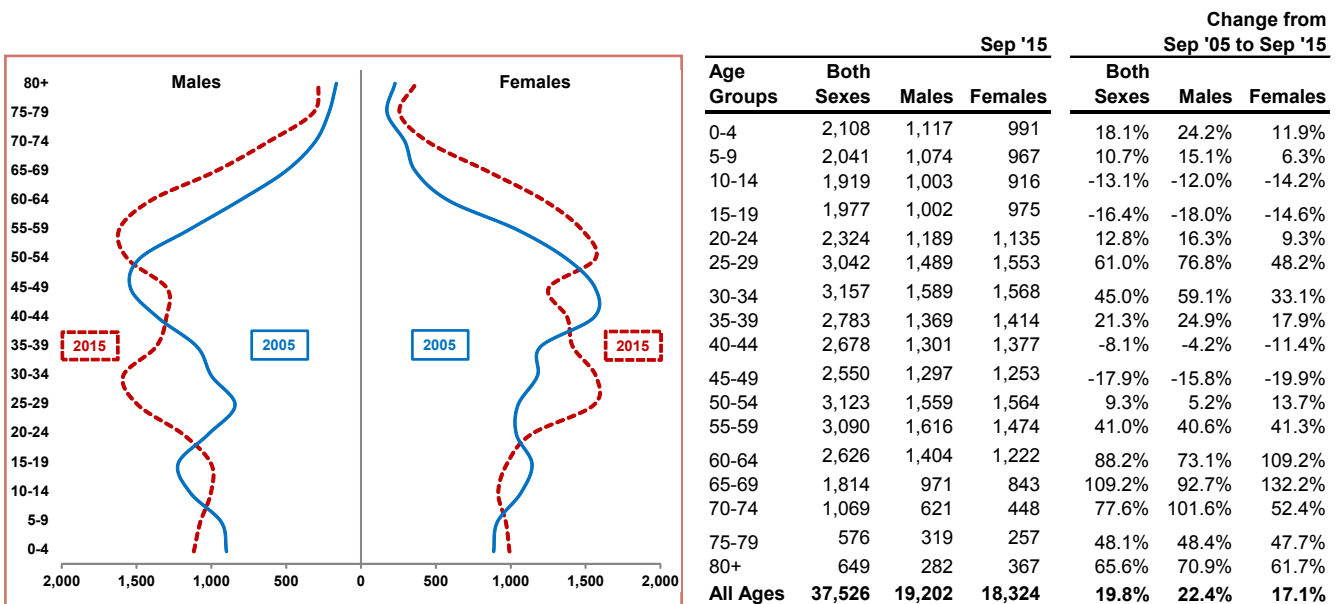
Monthly Population

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Jan	31,084	31,585	32,212	32,831	33,969	34,286	35,251	36,067	36,558	36,878	37,176
Feb	31,113	31,612	31,994	32,992	34,013	34,610	35,278	35,969	36,567	36,905	37,157
Mar	31,074	31,594	32,044	33,034	34,016	34,789	35,338	35,992	36,511	36,828	37,178
Apr	30,960	31,603	32,278	33,111	34,055	34,862	35,256	36,055	36,568	37,028	37,149
May	31,036	31,630	32,049	33,181	34,132	34,950	35,344	36,240	36,569	37,154	37,237
Jun ¹	31,222	31,608	32,212	33,294	34,157	34,984	35,563	36,422	36,634	37,251	37,343
Jul	31,296	31,832	32,253	33,421	34,175	35,022	35,673	36,593	36,770	37,379	37,414
Aug	31,324	31,704	32,196	33,537	34,264	35,011	35,868	36,543	36,692	37,484	37,458
Sep	31,334	31,931	32,299	33,627	34,192	35,012	36,028	36,529	36,719	37,555	37,526
Oct	31,361	32,039	32,423	33,738	34,188	35,023	36,087	36,534	36,843	37,581	
Nov	31,485	32,165	32,639	33,839	34,170	34,949	36,106	36,619	36,817	37,487	
Dec	31,587	32,335	32,714	33,928	34,157	34,667	36,157	36,608	36,842	37,161	

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

- During the third quarter of 2015, Yukon's population increased by 112 from July (37,414) to September (37,526).
- Comparing the months of July through September of 2015 to their respective 2014 months, population increased 0.1% in July, decreased 0.1% in August and decreased 0.1% in September.

Population by Age Group and Sex, Yukon, September 2005 and September 2015



Comparing September 2015 to September 2005, growth occurred as follows (15 year age groupings):

- 0 to 14 years = 232 people, or 4.0%;
- 15 to 29 years = 1,029 people, or 16.3%;
- 30 to 44 years = 1,233 people, or 16.7%;
- 45 to 59 years = 609 people, 7.5%;
- 60 to 75 years = 2,645 people, or 92.4%;
- 75 years and over = 444 people, or 56.9%.

Population by Community¹ and Age Group, September 2015

	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	9	7	2	5	7	14	12	7	5	7	10	7	12	7	2	2	4	119
Burwash Landing	3	7	5	4	4	5	6	13	10	8	7	14	5	6	5	4	2	108
Carcross	36	23	24	27	36	30	49	28	39	28	45	43	36	34	19	9	9	515
Carmacks	39	41	44	37	38	39	34	42	39	35	40	46	35	26	12	7	9	563
Dawson City	92	107	98	78	112	186	199	175	144	136	176	186	174	96	60	32	22	2,073
Destruction Bay	2	2	0	0	6	2	1	6	3	4	4	9	2	4	5	1	0	51
Faro	11	29	14	15	17	13	27	31	17	14	38	50	41	25	15	17	10	384
Haines Junction	50	43	50	41	43	55	47	61	60	72	86	85	78	52	36	18	22	899
Mayo	29	16	17	26	25	39	41	30	26	30	43	50	35	26	18	11	13	475
Old Crow	16	13	15	15	20	23	27	11	15	15	27	18	16	15	7	2	7	262
Pelly Crossing	29	25	15	20	31	38	34	19	29	20	40	20	20	14	14	4	11	383
Ross River	26	13	25	32	27	25	34	30	32	34	36	29	31	13	8	5	4	404
Tagish	2	6	4	14	8	11	11	16	6	15	34	39	35	32	17	9	7	266
Teslin	19	21	23	19	30	25	25	35	43	47	40	44	44	30	19	9	14	487
Watson Lake	66	76	74	67	94	117	88	82	87	111	146	136	115	85	70	30	34	1,478
Whitehorse Area ²	1,679	1,612	1,509	1,577	1,825	2,416	2,520	2,194	2,122	1,970	2,341	2,302	1,935	1,344	762	414	481	29,003
Other ³	0	0	0	0	1	4	2	3	1	4	10	12	12	5	0	2	0	56
Yukon	2,108	2,041	1,919	1,977	2,324	3,042	3,157	2,783	2,678	2,550	3,123	3,090	2,626	1,814	1,069	576	649	37,526

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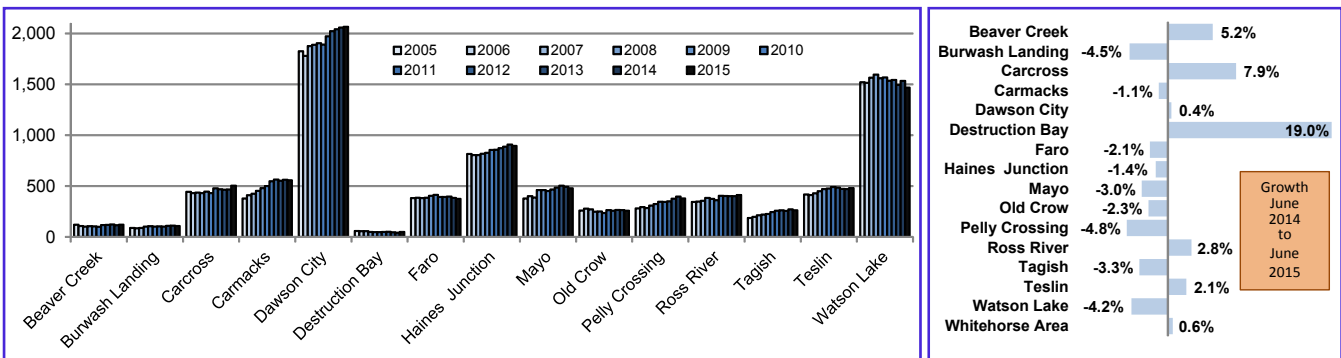
Annual (June) Population by Community¹, 2005 to 2015

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Growth	
												Jun '14 to Jun '15	% Change
Beaver Creek	120	108	101	106	104	99	117	119	122	115	121	6	5.2%
Burwash Landing	89	85	88	101	106	101	104	102	110	112	107	-5	-4.5%
Carcross	444	430	437	431	446	430	477	469	465	467	504	37	7.9%
Carmacks	378	410	426	453	480	500	547	564	553	563	557	-6	-1.1%
Dawson City	1,826	1,781	1,876	1,889	1,904	1,891	1,973	2,023	2,041	2,059	2,067	8	0.4%
Destruction Bay	59	56	56	49	48	48	50	51	46	42	50	8	19.0%
Faro	381	386	382	385	404	413	394	394	397	383	375	-8	-2.1%
Haines Junction	817	805	804	818	828	856	857	873	888	908	895	-13	-1.4%
Mayo	378	401	388	460	461	452	467	486	504	492	477	-15	-3.0%
Old Crow	259	279	271	248	250	235	263	257	265	264	258	-6	-2.3%
Pelly Crossing	281	294	284	308	324	346	344	350	377	397	378	-19	-4.8%
Ross River	345	348	355	383	375	361	404	403	400	400	411	11	2.8%
Tagish	187	198	212	220	225	245	258	261	256	271	262	-9	-3.3%
Teslin	417	411	428	449	470	475	491	485	472	470	480	10	2.1%
Watson Lake	1,522	1,515	1,567	1,596	1,561	1,569	1,537	1,543	1,495	1,534	1,469	-65	-4.2%
Whitehorse Area ²	23,608	24,005	24,446	25,300	26,078	26,872	27,212	27,976	28,179	28,713	28,872	159	0.6%
Other ³	111	96	91	98	93	91	68	66	64	61	60	-1	-1.6%
Yukon	31,222	31,608	32,212	33,294	34,157	34,984	35,563	36,422	36,634	37,251	37,343	92	0.2%

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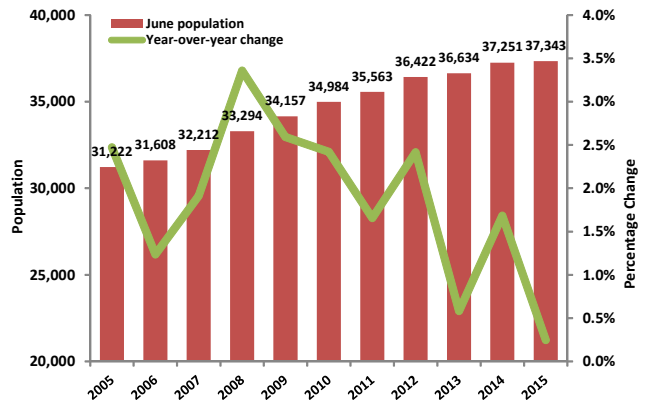
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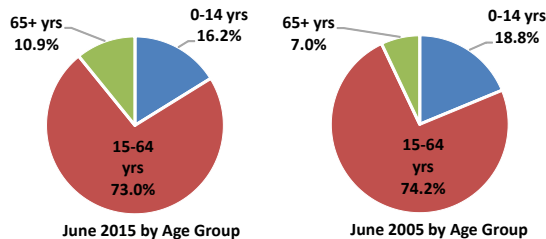


Annual (June) Population and Growth, Yukon, 2005 to 2015

Yukon's annual (June) population increased by 6,121 from June 2005 (31,222) to June 2015 (37,343). This represents a compound annual growth rate of 1.8%. However, this growth has not occurred evenly from year to year. It ranged from a high of 3.4% from 2007 to 2008 to a low of 0.2% from 2014 to 2015.

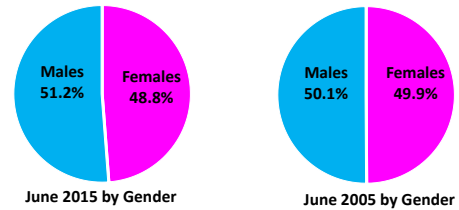


Yukon's population has grown and aged since 2005 – particularly as the baby-boom (current age 50-69) and echo-boom populations (current age 23-43) have aged.

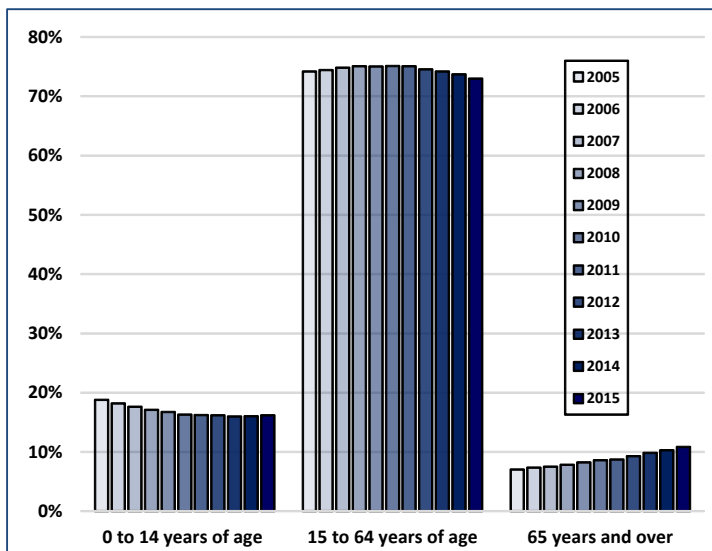


- In June 2015, 16.2% of Yukon's population was under 15 years of age, 73.0% was between 15 and 64 years, and 10.9% was 65 years of age or older.
- In June 2005, 18.8% of Yukon's population was under 15 years of age, 74.2% was between 15 and 64 years, and 7.0% was 65 years and over.

- In June 2015, Yukon's population consisted of 19,121 males (51.2%) and 18,222 females (48.8%).
- In June 2005, the gender gap was almost non-existent: there were 15,639 males (50.1%) and 15,583 females (49.9%).



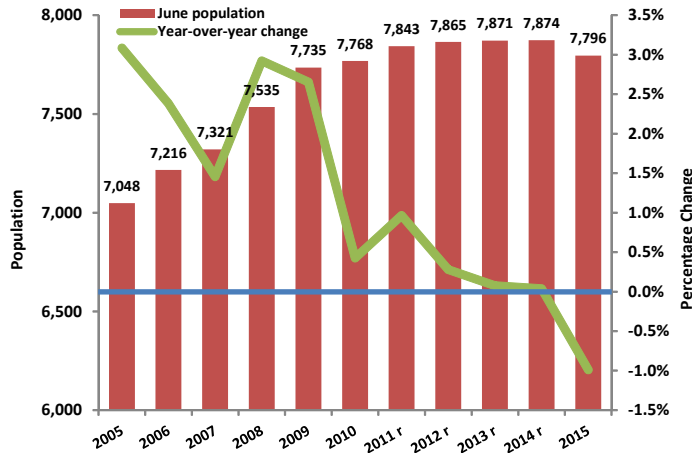
Annual (June) Population by Broad Age Groups, Yukon, 2005 to 2015



From 2005 to 2015, broad age groups, as a percentage of Yukon's annual (June) population, showed:

- the 0-14 age group steadily decreased each year (with the exception of 2015) from an 18.8% share in 2005 to a 16.2% share in 2015; a decrease of 2.6 percentage points.
- in contrast, the 65+ age group has steadily increased from 7.0% of the total population in 2005 to 10.9% in 2015; an increase of 3.9 percentage points.

Annual (June) First Nations Population and Growth, 2005 to 2015



The self-reported First Nations population increased by 748, from 7,048 in June 2005 to 7,796 in June 2015. This represents a compound annual growth rate of 1.0%. The annual growth rate ranged from a low of -1.0% between 2014 and 2015 to a high of 3.1% between 2004 and 2005.

Annual (June) First Nations¹ Population by Community, 2015

	Age Group																	Total	% First Nations
	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	2	1	1	2	6	3	4	2	1	5	2	2	6	3	0	1	0	41	33.9%
Burwash Landing	4	5	5	4	3	1	3	11	7	4	6	9	5	3	2	4	2	78	72.9%
Carcross	22	12	19	17	23	17	34	15	16	18	26	14	15	13	3	6	4	274	54.4%
Carmacks	23	26	34	33	37	26	23	27	23	19	31	20	22	4	4	5	6	363	65.2%
Dawson City	14	26	34	24	40	34	41	20	23	19	43	27	20	14	9	7	3	398	19.3%
Destruction Bay	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	1	0	8	16.0%
Faro	3	4	3	3	5	3	3	0	2	2	3	2	1	1	0	1	0	36	9.6%
Haines Junction	10	20	25	20	24	27	19	20	24	22	24	19	17	15	18	9	8	321	35.9%
Mayo	16	11	17	15	19	27	19	16	17	24	24	24	10	9	6	8	9	271	56.8%
Old Crow	12	12	12	16	21	19	18	11	13	11	22	13	18	12	7	3	6	226	87.6%
Pelly Crossing	24	23	15	20	30	31	25	19	26	18	28	20	11	15	11	3	9	328	86.8%
Ross River	22	11	21	27	27	17	28	21	25	30	30	15	18	14	8	3	4	321	78.1%
Tagish	1	3	1	5	2	4	5	3	3	1	6	5	5	1	0	3	4	52	19.8%
Teslin	7	17	18	16	24	19	12	22	20	30	27	20	18	8	9	4	5	276	57.5%
Watson Lake	31	45	45	48	65	42	36	31	42	55	51	39	23	25	14	4	9	605	41.2%
Whitehorse Area	182	316	379	439	454	406	334	256	247	241	303	222	138	90	67	45	62	4,181	14.5%
Other ¹	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	1	1	6	3	0	1	0	0	0	17	28.3%
Yukon	373	532	629	689	782	681	604	474	491	500	633	456	327	228	159	107	131	7,796	20.9%

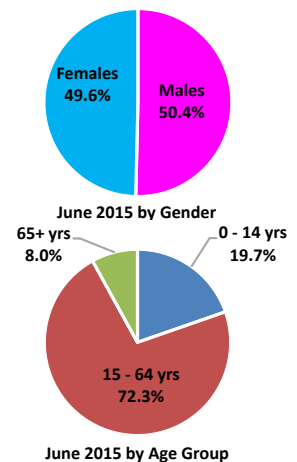
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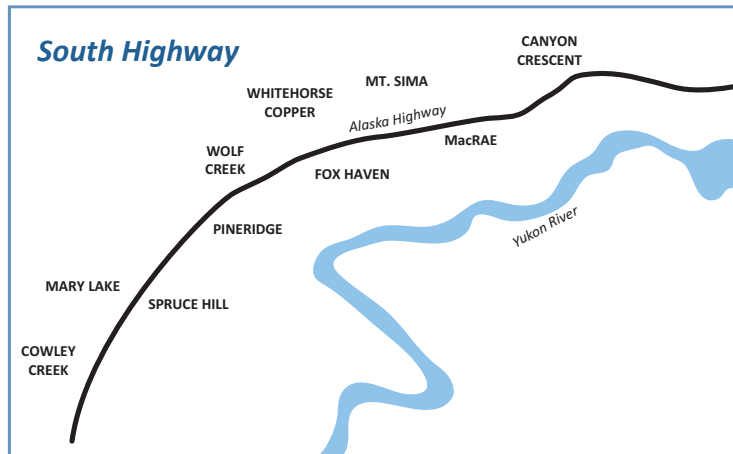
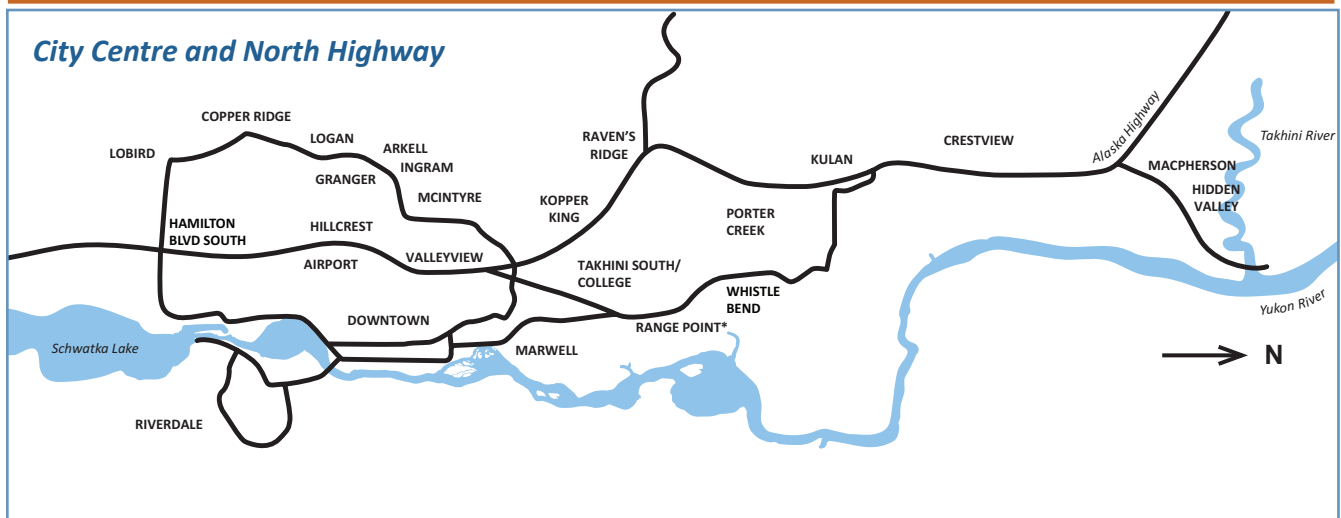
In June 2015, the First Nations population (self-reported) in Yukon was estimated at 7,796. Of this total:

- 3,926 (50.4%) were male; 3,869 were female (49.6%)
- 19.7% were under 15 years of age, 72.3% were between 15 and 64 years, and 8.0% were 65 years of age or older.
- 4,181 (53.6%) resided in Whitehorse area, while 3,615 (46.4%) resided in rural communities.

First Nations population (7,796) represented 20.9% of the June 2015 Yukon population (37,343). The median age for First Nations was 31 years; for non-First Nations, it was 40.



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	Sep '14	Jun '15	Sep '15	Subdivision	Sep '14	Jun '15	Sep '15
Copper Ridge	3,424	3,438	3,391	Range Point*	1,150	1,155	1,139
Cowley Creek	264	245	242	Takhini South/College	1,318	1,328	1,349
Crestview	781	804	812	Valleyview	178	171	172
Downtown (including Marwell)	3,112	3,027	3,049	Whse Copper/MacRae/ Mt. Sima/Canyon Cres.	437	452	456
Granger	1,052	1,005	1,021	Whistle Bend	83	208	251
Hidden Valley/MacPherson	426	410	413	Wolf Creek	408	413	413
Hillcrest/Airport	683	634	622	Undefined Neighbourhood Within City Limits	517	510	522
Ingram/Arnell	870	929	955	Post Office Box ¹	713	660	664
Kopper King/Raven's Ridge	278	266	258	Inconsistent Information ²	136	141	155
Lobird/Hamilton Blvd South	244	235	234	Whitehorse-Municipal Boundaries	26,251	26,077	26,159
Logan	392	385	384	Marsh Lake	685	669	676
McIntyre	572	539	523	Outside City Limits-North ³	1,103	1,129	1,144
Mary Lake/Spruce Hill	468	458	460	Outside City Limits-South ⁴	613	630	652
Pine Ridge/Fox Haven	325	328	339	Outside City Limits-West ⁵	358	367	372
Porter Creek/Kulan	3,699	3,665	3,663	Whitehorse Area Total	29,010	28,872	29,003
Riverdale	4,721	4,671	4,672				

* 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.

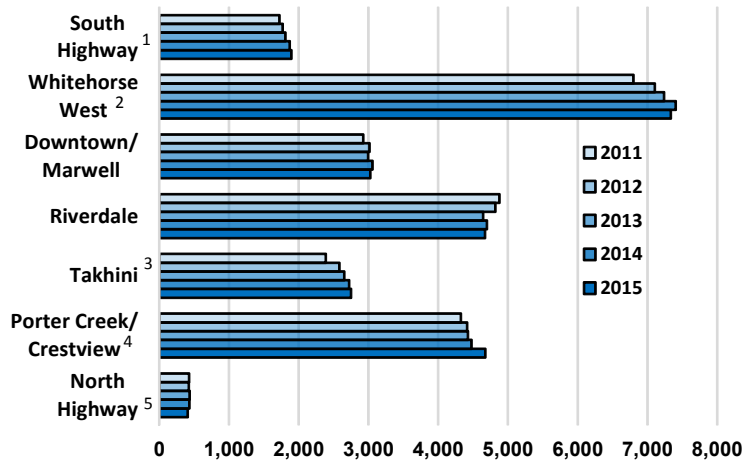
² Inconsistent Information includes residents who identified their city of residence as Whitehorse but their addresses recorded in administrative files show inconsistencies. Therefore, there is a possibility that some of these residents may in fact reside outside the Whitehorse area.

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.

Annual (June) Population by Aggregated Whitehorse Subdivisions, 2011 to 2015 (within municipal boundaries)



¹ South Highway includes Whitehorse Copper, MacRae, Mt. Sima, Canyon Crescent, Pine Ridge, Fox Haven, Wolf Creek, Mary Lake, Spruce Hill and Cowley Creek.

² Whitehorse West includes Copper Ridge, Granger, Ingram, Arkell, McIntyre, Logan, Lobird, Hamilton Boulevard South, Hillcrest, Airport and Valleyview.

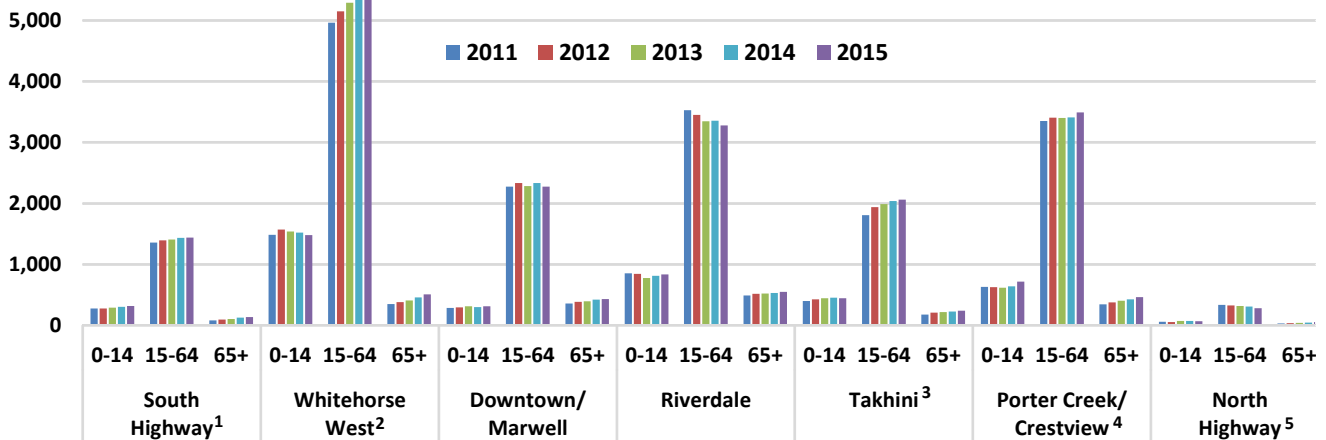
³ Takhini includes Takhini North and South, Yukon College, Kopper King and Raven's Ridge.

⁴ Porter Creek/Crestview includes Porter Creek, Kulan, Crestview and Whistle Bend.

⁵ North Highway includes Hidden Valley and MacPherson.

Comparing June 2015 to June 2011, the aggregated subdivision area of Whitehorse West² collectively experienced the largest increase in number of residents (535 or 7.9%), followed by the Takhini³ aggregate area (361 residents; or 15.1% increase). The population of Riverdale, however, decreased by 206 residents, or 4.2%, over the same time period.

Annual (June) Population by Aggregated Whitehorse Subdivisions, by Broad Age Group, 2011 to 2015 (within municipal boundaries)



Population Change in Aggregated Whitehorse Subdivisions by Broad Age Group, June 2011 to June 2015

Aggregated Subdivision	Total	0-14 yrs	15-64 yrs	65 yrs and over
South Highway	173	41	79	53
Whitehorse West	535	-6	383	158
Downtown/Marwell	102	28	1	73
Riverdale	-206	-16	-249	59
Takhini	361	46	254	61
Porter Creek/Crestview	351	90	142	119
North Highway	-19	12	-53	22

The following tables are based on Statistics Canada data.

International Migration To and From Yukon, July 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015

	Immigrants	Net Non-permanent Residents	Emigrants	Net Temporary Emigrants	Returning Emigrants	Net International Migration
Jul 1 '15 to Sep 30 '15	97	17	15	6	0	93

Source: Statistics Canada. Table 051-0037, CANSIM. (accessed: 2015-10-19)

Origin and Destination of Interprovincial Migrants, July 1, 2015 to September 30, 2015

Origin	Destination												
	NFLD	PEI	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	YT	NWT	NU
NFLD	n/a	20	354	111	96	707	6	56	502	143	0	5	0
PEI	5	n/a	111	99	57	378	10	0	150	198	0	0	0
NS	290	93	n/a	632	229	1,747	164	162	1,211	526	7	25	14
NB	85	85	744	n/a	793	1,186	130	25	932	305	11	5	0
QC	90	15	133	432	n/a	6,442	93	216	2,136	1,090	0	64	24
ON	661	144	1,449	1,118	4,150	n/a	1,158	1,133	6,279	5,621	24	219	89
MB	45	9	81	34	125	1,888	n/a	543	1,489	1,325	0	19	16
SK	4	8	82	28	146	1,223	524	n/a	2,396	1,166	9	11	10
AB	704	244	916	614	932	5,265	898	2,121	n/a	7,986	85	187	39
BC	70	5	519	110	500	4,105	621	680	5,670	n/a	164	48	14
YT	6	0	11	0	36	95	6	0	156	281	n/a	38	0
NWT	12	31	45	3	16	65	18	32	277	137	10	n/a	20
NU	0	0	62	13	17	151	9	0	27	43	9	12	n/a
In	1,972	654	4,507	3,194	7,097	23,252	3,637	4,968	21,225	18,821	319	633	226
Out	2,000	1,008	5,100	4,301	10,735	22,045	5,574	5,607	19,991	12,506	629	666	343
Net	-28	-354	-593	-1,107	-3,638	1,207	-1,937	-639	1,234	6,315	-310	-33	-117

Source: Statistics Canada. Table 051-0045, CANSIM. (accessed: 2015-10-19)

Population and Dependency Ratio, Canada, Provinces and Territories, 2005 and 2015

	Population ¹			% Youth ²			% Seniors ³			Dependency Ratio ⁴		
	2005		Change '05-'15	2005		Change '05-'15	2005		Change '05-'15	2005		Change '05-'15
	2005	2015		2005	2015		2005	2015		2005	2015	
CAN	32,242,364	35,851,774	11.2%	24.4	21.9	-2.5	13.0	16.1	3.1	59.9	61.3	1.4
NFLD	514,315	527,756	2.6%	22.4	19.6	-2.9	13.2	18.4	5.2	55.4	61.3	5.9
PEI	138,064	146,447	6.1%	25.1	22.0	-3.0	14.2	18.6	4.3	64.7	68.3	3.6
NS	937,899	943,002	0.5%	23.0	19.7	-3.3	14.3	18.9	4.6	59.4	62.8	3.4
NB	748,044	753,871	0.8%	22.9	20.0	-2.9	14.1	19.0	4.9	58.5	63.9	5.4
QC	7,581,192	8,263,600	9.0%	22.9	20.7	-2.1	13.6	17.6	4.0	57.4	62.1	4.7
ON	12,527,990	13,792,052	10.1%	25.0	22.0	-2.9	12.9	16.0	3.2	60.9	61.5	0.6
MB	1,178,296	1,293,378	9.8%	26.9	25.3	-1.6	13.5	14.8	1.3	67.9	67.0	-0.9
SK	993,523	1,133,637	14.1%	27.3	25.3	-2.0	14.8	14.6	-0.2	72.9	66.5	-6.4
AB	3,321,638	4,196,457	26.3%	26.5	24.2	-2.3	10.3	11.6	1.3	58.4	55.8	-2.6
BC	4,195,764	4,683,139	11.6%	23.2	20.5	-2.7	13.9	17.5	3.6	58.8	61.2	2.4
YT	31,899	37,428	17.3%	26.1	22.8	-3.3	6.9	10.9	4.0	49.2	50.9	1.7
NWT	43,401	44,088	1.6%	32.1	27.8	-4.3	4.5	6.8	2.4	57.7	53.0	-4.7
NU	30,339	36,919	21.7%	44.1	39.6	-4.4	2.6	3.7	1.1	87.6	76.4	-11.2

¹ July 1st population. 2005 population estimates are final intercensal; 2015 population estimates are preliminary postcensal. Population estimates are calculated using natural growth, international migration and interprovincial migration.

² Population aged between 0 to 19 years old.

³ Population aged 65 years and over.

⁴ The ratio of the combined population aged between 0 to 19 years old and the population aged of 65 years and over to the population aged between 20 to 64 years old. This ratio is presented as the number of dependents for every 100 people in the working age population.

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