

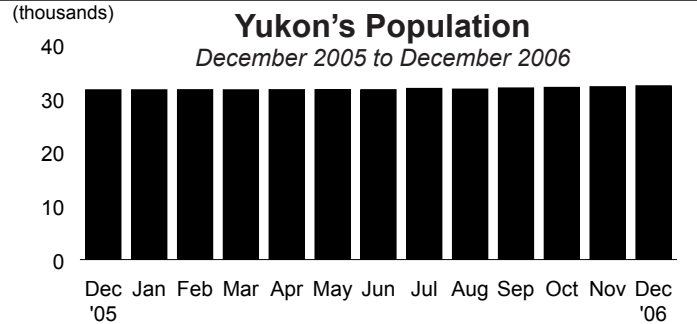
## YUKON MONTHLY STATISTICAL REVIEW February 2007

The most current statistics available on the state of the Yukon's economy

### 1. Population

The Yukon's population as of December 2006 was **32,335**. One year previous to that, in December 2005, the population was **31,587**. The difference is an **increase of 748** individuals, or **2.4%**, in the Yukon's population.

(See page 3 for more detail.)



### 2. Employment

The number of people employed in the Yukon as of February 2007 was **15,000** (seasonally adjusted). This is a decrease of 300 from the February 2006 figure and a decrease of 200 from the January 2007 figure.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the Yukon as of February 2007 was **3.2%**. One year ago, in February 2006, the rate was **4.4%**.

(See page 4 for more detail.)



### 3. Inflation

The annual rate of **inflation** in Whitehorse (figures are not available for the Yukon) was **0.6%** as of January 2007. The annual *average* inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2006 was **1.5%**.

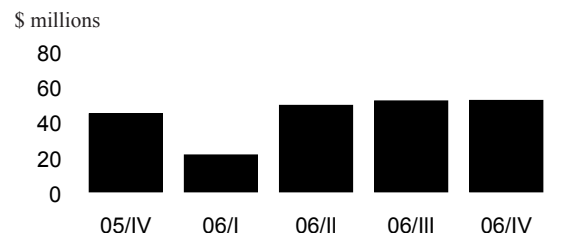
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### 5. Real Estate

The total value of real estate transactions in the Yukon for the fourth quarter of 2006 (October, November, December) was \$52,026,500. This is an **increase of \$7,639,200, or 17.2%**, from the fourth quarter of 2005 (\$44,387,300). (See page 7 for more detail.)

### Yukon's Real Estate Transactions

Fourth Quarter 2005 to Fourth Quarter 2006



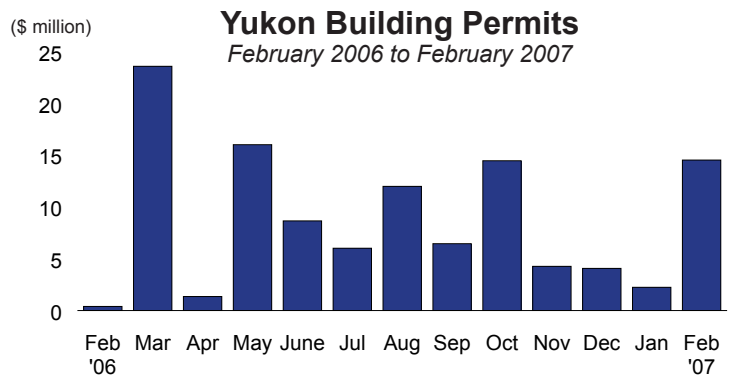
### 4. Rental Units

The median rent (half the rents are higher and half the rents are lower) in Whitehorse as of December 2006 was **\$675**. This is the same as September 2006. The vacancy rate for Whitehorse as of December 2006 was **2.1%**. This is 1.2 percentage points lower than for September 2006.

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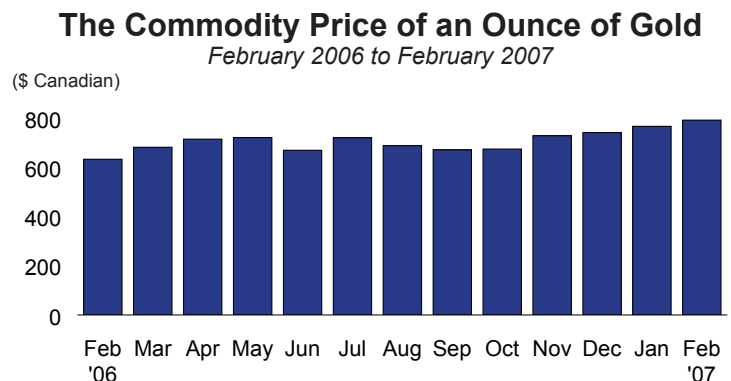
## 6. Construction

The value of building permits issued in the Yukon for February 2007 was **\$14,527,000**. One year ago, in February 2006, the value was **\$393,000**. The large increase in building permits in March 2006 was due in large part to permits issued for the Athletes' Village in Whitehorse. (See page 8 for more detail.)



## 7. Resources

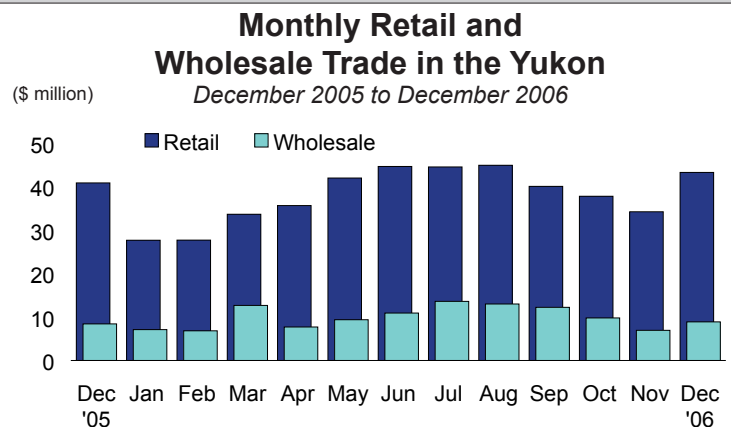
The commodity price in Canadian dollars for a troy ounce of gold was **\$792.09** as of February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007 on the London Exchange. One year ago, the commodity price was **\$633.30**. The difference is a **increase of \$158.79**, or **25.1%**, in the commodity price of a troy ounce of gold. (See page 9 for more detail.)



## 8. Retail & Wholesale Trade

The preliminary value of retail trade in the Yukon for December 2006 was **\$43,230,000**. This figure is an **increase of \$2,413,000**, or **5.9%**, from the value of retail trade one year earlier, in December 2005.

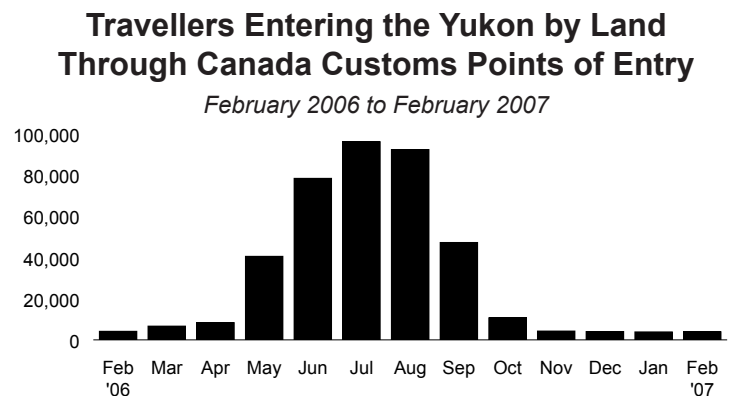
Comparing the preliminary value for December 2006 with the value for December 2005, wholesale sales have **increased by \$486,000**, or **5.8%**, from **\$8,403,000** to **\$8,889,000**. (See page 10 for more detail.)



## 9. Travellers

The number of travellers entering the Yukon by land at Canada Customs points of entry in February 2007 was **3,947**. This is a **decrease of 228** travellers, or **5.5%**, from the February 2006 figure of **4,175**.

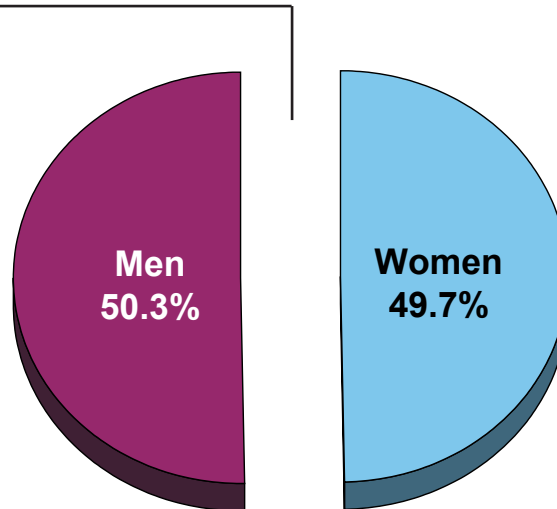
The number of travellers from January to December 2006 was **396,377** compared with 386,093 for the same time period in 2005. This represents an **increase of 10,284 people**, or **2.7%**. (See page 11 for more detail.)



# 1. Population

## 1.1 Yukon population by age & sex

	Total	Male	Female
0-4	1,858	938	920
5-9	1,837	911	926
10-14	2,122	1,098	1,024
15-19	2,403	1,253	1,150
20-24	2,246	1,104	1,142
25-29	2,114	1,026	1,088
30-34	2,167	992	1,175
35-39	2,400	1,157	1,243
40-44	2,800	1,318	1,482
45-49	3,173	1,572	1,601
50-54	2,876	1,447	1,429
55-59	2,369	1,252	1,117
60-64	1,575	897	678
65-69	942	565	377
70-74	614	310	304
75+	839	412	427
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,335</b>	<b>16,252</b>	<b>16,083</b>



Source: Yukon Health & Social Services and Bureau of Statistics.

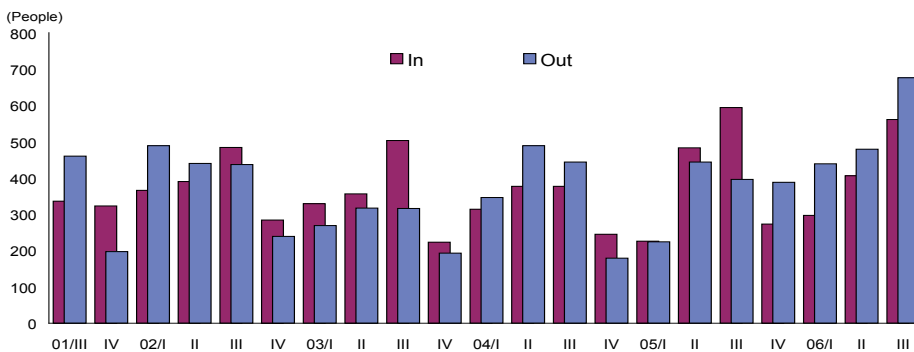
## 1.2 Yukon population by community

	Dec 2006	June 2006	Dec 2005
Beaver Creek	104	108	111
Burwash Landing	90	85	85
Carcross	437	430	446
Carmacks	405	410	408
Dawson City	1,859	1,781	1,827
Destruction Bay	58	56	56
Faro	398	386	391
Haines Junction	812	805	824
Marsh Lake*	387	367	364
Mayo	424	401	400
Old Crow	281	279	267
Pelly Crossing	303	294	291
Ross River	352	348	354
Tagish	212	198	194
Teslin	417	411	408
Watson Lake	1,551	1,515	1,544
Whitehorse	24,151	23,638	23,511
Other*	94	96	106
<b>Yukon</b>	<b>32,335</b>	<b>31,608</b>	<b>31,587</b>

Source: Yukon Health and Social Services, Bureau of Statistics.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## 1.4 Yukon migration estimates\*



Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## 1.3 Yukon births & deaths

	Births	Deaths
<b>2006</b>		
December (p)	24	19
November (p)	39	14
October (r)	32	16
September	29	16
August (r)	28	11
July	28	22
June	40	13
May	27	10
April	25	20
March	35	13
February	26	10
January	32	12
<b>2005</b>		
December	24	17

1.1 The December 2006 population of the Yukon was 32,335. Of the 32,335 people residing in the Yukon, 49.7% were females and 50.3% were males. Persons under the age of 15 accounted for 18.0% of the population, while 7.4% of the population was aged 65 or over.

1.2 In December of 2006, 74.7% of the Yukon's population lived in the City of Whitehorse. Between December 2005 and December 2006, the community with the largest decrease in population was Beaver Creek, where the population decreased by 7 people, or 6.3%. Twelve Yukon communities showed increases in population from December 2005 to December 2006.

1.3 In December 2006, preliminary estimates show the same number of births (24) and two more deaths (19) compared to December 2005.

1.4 Migration statistics for the Yukon show that for the third quarter of 2006 the number of in-migrants was 561, compared to out-migrants of 676. For the third quarter of 2006, the Yukon experienced a net loss of 115 people.

## 2. Employment\*

- **2.1** Comparing February 2007 with February 2006, the following changes can be seen in the Yukon:

- The labour force decreased by 500, or 3.1%, to 15,500.
- The number of employed Yukoners decreased by 300, or 2.0%, to 15,000.
- The number of unemployed Yukoners decreased by 200, or 28.6%, to 500.
- The unemployment rate decreased by 1.2 percentage points, to 3.2%.

- **2.2** In the month of February 2007, the Yukon's rate of unemployment (3.2%), was 2.9 percentage points **below** the rate for Canada (6.1%). In February 2006, Yukon's unemployment rate (4.4%) was 2.0 percentage points **lower** than the rate for Canada (6.4%).

- **2.3** Comparing preliminary figures for December 2006 with the figures for December 2005, the following changes in government employment in the Yukon have occurred:

- Total government employment increased by 217, or 4.2%.
- Federal government employment increased by 23, or 4.3%.
- Territorial general government employment increased by 161, or 4.1%.
- Municipal employment increased by 35, or 8.0%.

### ■ 2.1 Yukon labour force statistics (Seasonally adjusted)

	Labour Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
<b>2007</b>				
<b>February</b>	15,500	15,000	500	3.2%
<b>January</b>	15,800	15,200	600	3.8%
<b>2006</b>				
<b>December</b>	15,700	15,300	400	2.5%
<b>November (r)</b>	15,900	15,300	600	3.8%
<b>October (r)</b>	15,900	15,200	700	4.4%
<b>September (r)</b>	16,300	15,400	900	5.5%
<b>August (r)</b>	16,300	15,500	900	5.5%
<b>July</b>	16,500	15,600	900	5.5%
<b>June (r)</b>	16,500	15,700	900	5.5%
<b>May</b>	16,500	15,700	800	4.8%
<b>April (r)</b>	16,400	15,600	700	4.3%
<b>March (r)</b>	16,300	15,500	800	4.3%
<b>February (r)</b>	16,000	15,300	700	4.4%

Source: Statistics Canada.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

### ■ 2.2 Canadian unemployment rates (Seasonally adjusted)

	Yukon	Canada	Nfld. & Lbdr.	PEI	NS	NB	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	BC
	(%)											
<b>2007</b>												
<b>February</b>	3.2	6.1	14.3	10.1	7.4	6.9	7.8	6.3	4.3	4.0	3.5	4.0
<b>January</b>	3.8	6.2	15.4	10.7	7.8	8.1	7.7	6.4	4.6	4.1	3.3	4.3
<b>2006</b>												
<b>December</b>	2.5	6.1	13.8	12.4	7.3	8.5	7.5	6.1	4.1	4.0	3.3	5.2
<b>November (r)</b>	3.8	6.3	13.7	11.2	7.4	8.5	8.0	6.4	4.6	3.9	3.1	4.9
<b>October (r)</b>	4.4	6.2	14.2	11.1	8.2	8.1	7.7	6.4	4.2	3.9	3.0	4.6
<b>September (r)</b>	5.5	6.4	14.1	10.8	7.7	8.9	8.0	6.6	4.4	4.3	3.5	4.8
<b>August (r)</b>	5.5	6.5	15.1	10.9	8.4	9.1	7.9	6.4	4.5	5.4	4.2	4.8
<b>July</b>	5.5	6.4	14.6	11.2	8.3	8.9	8.1	6.5	4.7	4.7	3.6	4.7
<b>June (r)</b>	5.5	6.1	14.8	10.5	8.2	8.0	8.0	5.9	3.6	4.9	3.5	4.3
<b>May</b>	4.8	6.1	14.8	10.1	8.0	8.6	7.9	5.9	4.2	4.9	3.4	4.7
<b>April (r)</b>	4.3	6.4	15.9	10.5	8.1	9.1	8.3	6.2	4.7	4.8	3.5	4.5
<b>March (r)</b>	4.3	6.3	15.7	12.0	7.8	9.2	8.5	6.1	4.2	5.3	3.4	4.4
<b>February</b>	4.4	6.4	15.1	10.9	8.4	9.4	8.2	6.2	4.4	5.3	3.1	4.8

Source: Statistics Canada.

### ■ 2.3 Government employment in the Yukon\*

	Total	Federal General	Territorial General	Territorial Health & Social Services	Municipal
<b>2006</b>					
<b>December (p)</b>	5,428	562	4,075	321	470
<b>November (p)</b>	5,441	556	4,106	323	456
<b>October (p)</b>	5,493	562	4,154	322	455
<b>September (r)</b>	5,535	601	4,150	322	462
<b>August</b>	5,099	630	3,588	341	540
<b>July</b>	5,276	626	3,779	341	530
<b>June</b>	5,639	634	4,188	340	477
<b>May</b>	5,510	613	4,104	326	467
<b>April</b>	5,246	556	3,976	318	396
<b>March</b>	5,264	544	4,018	316	386
<b>February</b>	5,174	542	3,916	325	391
<b>January</b>	5,085	535	3,846	325	379
<b>2005</b>					
<b>December</b>	5,211	539	3,914	322	435

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## 2.4 Average weekly earnings, including overtime

	Yukon Average	Goods- producing	Const.	Service- producing	Trade	Public Admin.	Transp. & Ware- housing	Accomm. & Food Services
(\$)								
<b>2006</b>								
December (p)	861.95	1,103.79	988.14	832.25	558.97	975.79	901.31	544.95
November (r)	868.24	1,112.38	1,012.52	832.57	568.23	977.28	923.13	538.99
October	872.36	1,119.63	1,029.14	833.11	585.12	976.95	927.08	520.54
September	848.34	1,118.53	1,001.26	808.82	577.13	965.89	939.65	502.68
August	840.99	1,116.08	1,029.05	800.47	592.09	967.16	939.79	497.21
July	844.89	1,114.47	1,000.96	805.12	590.18	985.05	921.53	499.07
June	842.85	1,099.02	968.21	807.22	582.46	982.31	970.31	495.55
May	861.71	1,115.48	987.54	829.79	609.57	979.41	925.98	505.03
April	858.48	1,110.88	962.84	830.12	617.25	974.26	913.98	488.47
March	867.06	1,055.29	932.00	843.01	618.19	1,028.35	866.03	481.54
February	852.17	1,060.31	944.87	827.52	592.73	1,004.11	870.06	495.93
January	865.54	1,073.68	949.83	840.60	587.88	1,045.85	878.33	488.93
<b>2005</b>								
December	839.71	1,065.23	927.37	813.81	582.55	983.26	871.93	497.83

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

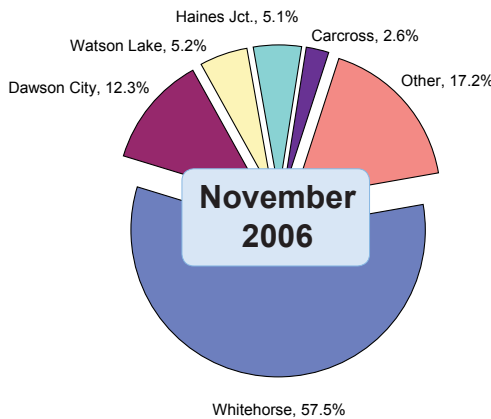
## 2.5 Community Employment Insurance claims

	November 2006	October 2006	Oct. to Nov. % change
Beaver Creek	13	13	0.0%
Burwash Landing	x	x	x
Carcross	51	53	-3.8%
Carmacks	33	36	-8.3%
Dawson City	237	233	1.7%
Faro	56	59	-5.1%
Haines Junction	99	99	0.0%
Mayo	55	54	1.9%
Old Crow	x	x	x
Pelly Crossing	33	34	-2.9%
Ross River	27	26	3.8%
Tagish	25	25	0.0%
Teslin	41	45	-8.9%
Watson Lake	100	98	2.0%
Whitehorse	1,108	1,095	1.2%
Yukon*	1,926	1,923	0.2%

Source: Human Resources Development Canada.

x = suppressed for confidentiality \*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

Community EI claims as a percentage of all Yukon claims



## 2.6 Employment insurance beneficiaries, by type of benefit, unadjusted

	Total Beneficiaries*	Regular Beneficiaries	Sickness	Maternity	Parental	Training
<b>2006</b>						
December	1,310	990	50	60	140	70
November	1,060	750	50	60	130	60
October (r)	890	600	50	60	130	40
September	770	480	50	60	140	40
August	790	530	50	70	130	0
July	760	520	40	70	120	0
June	800	540	40	70	120	20
May	960	720	40	70	120	20
April	1,340	1,020	40	60	120	90
March	1,440	1,130	40	70	110	90
February	1,500	1,170	50	60	110	110
January	1,610	1,270	50	60	110	100
<b>2005</b>						
December	1,430	1,120	60	60	120	70

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

\* Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

2.4 Comparing preliminary figures for December 2006 with those of December 2005, the following changes in average weekly earnings can be seen:

- Average weekly wages for the Yukon increased \$22.24, or 2.6%.
- Goods-producing industry wages increased \$38.56, or 3.6%.
- Construction industry wages increased \$60.77, or 6.6%.
- Service-producing industry wages increased \$18.44, or 2.3%.
- Trade industry wages decreased \$23.58, or 4.0%.
- Public administration wages decreased \$7.47, or 0.8%.
- Transportation and warehousing wages increased \$29.38 or 3.4%.
- Accommodation and food services wages increased \$47.12, or 9.5%.

2.5 Employment Insurance claims in the Yukon increased 0.2% from October to November 2006. In Whitehorse, EI claims increased by 1.2%.

2.6 Looking at the different types of employment insurance benefits and comparing December 2006 with December 2005, the following changes are apparent:

- Total beneficiaries decreased 120, or 8.4%.
- Regular beneficiaries decreased 130, or 11.6%.
- Sickness beneficiaries decreased 10, or 16.7%.
- Maternity beneficiaries remained the same at 60.
- Parental beneficiaries increased 20, or 16.7%.
- Training beneficiaries remained the same at 70.

## 3. Consumer Prices

- 3.1** The Consumer Price Index measures changes in prices, or what is usually referred to as inflation. Table 3.1 shows that as of January 2007 the annual rate of **inflation** in Whitehorse was 0.6% (This is 0.6 percentage points lower than the national rate). A year ago, in January 2006, the rate of inflation in Whitehorse was 3.1%.

*(The annual average inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2006 was 1.5%.)*

### ■ 3.1 Consumer price index\* (1992 = 100)

All-Items	Whitehorse		Canada	
	Index	Change from last year	Index	Change from last year
<b>2007</b>				
<b>January</b>	125.9	0.6%	130.3	1.2%
<b>2006</b>				
<b>December</b>	125.1	0.0%	130.2	1.6%
<b>November</b>	125.1	-0.7%	130.0	1.4%
<b>October</b>	125.0	-0.5%	129.7	0.9%
<b>September</b>	126.1	0.4%	130.0	0.7%
<b>August</b>	126.7	1.8%	130.7	2.1%
<b>July</b>	126.5	1.9%	130.5	2.4%
<b>June</b>	126.9	2.4%	130.4	2.5%
<b>May</b>	126.5	2.5%	130.6	2.8%
<b>April</b>	125.8	2.4%	130.0	2.4%
<b>March</b>	124.5	1.9%	129.3	2.2%
<b>February</b>	124.6	2.6%	128.6	2.2%
<b>January</b>	125.1	3.1%	128.8	2.8%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. \*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- 3.2** According to the Consumer Price Index, overall **food** prices in Whitehorse in January 2007 increased 0.7% when compared with the previous month. Comparing January 2007 to January 2006, overall **food** prices increased 0.4%. During this same time period, for selected food items purchased from stores, bakery and other cereal products had the largest increase, at 3.3%.

### ■ 3.2 Food price index, Whitehorse (1992 = 100)

	Jan. 2007	Dec. 2006	% change Dec. '06 to Jan. '07	Jan. 2006	% change Jan. '06 to Jan. '07
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>125.9</b>	<b>125.1</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>125.1</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
<b>Food</b>	<b>126.7</b>	<b>125.8</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>126.2</b>	<b>0.4%</b>
Food purchased from stores	119.3	118.0	1.1%	119.5	-0.2%
Meat	126.2	127.5	-1.0%	130.7	-3.4%
Dairy products	130.3	126.6	2.9%	128.8	1.2%
Bakery and other cereal products	121.6	123.4	-1.5%	117.7	3.3%
Fresh fruit	126.3	138.8	-9.0%	125.6	0.6%
Fresh vegetables	115.4	112.5	2.6%	122.1	-5.5%
Food purchased from restaurants	145.8	146.1	-0.2%	143.6	1.5%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

- 3.3** The Community Spatial Price Index compares prices in Whitehorse to prices in other Yukon communities. Of all communities surveyed, October 2006 prices in Teslin were the closest to October 2005 prices in Whitehorse, with Teslin's prices being 8.8% higher than those in Whitehorse. The highest prices of the communities surveyed were found in Mayo (26.5% higher than Whitehorse).

### ■ 3.3 Community spatial price index, October 2006 (Whitehorse = 100)

	Carmacks	Dawson City	Faro	Haines Junction	Mayo	Teslin	Watson Lake
<b>Total Survey Items</b>	<b>121.6</b>	<b>123.6</b>	<b>116.7</b>	<b>119.2</b>	<b>126.5</b>	<b>108.8</b>	<b>117.8</b>
Meat	99.7	100.7	107.2	98.9	106.0	68.6	98.0
Dairy/Eggs	146.8	124.3	104.8	133.9	136.2	111.3	103.3
Fruit/Veg.	131.7	142.9	121.2	143.7	137.4	132.1	133.6
Bread/Cereal	145.3	106.5	115.9	123.6	117.7	113.3	123.6
Other Foods	135.7	136.3	140.0	134.7	159.4	121.9	120.1
Household Operations	119.0	125.5	119.5	108.3	117.2	105.3	117.5
Health & Personal Care	..	149.1	..	168.7	..	..	151.9
Gasoline	110.5	121.4	111.1	109.0	119.2	101.2	112.6
Cigarettes	110.5	..	106.9	111.2	..	..	..

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics; ".." = insufficient data for reliable estimates.

## 4.1 Median rent, all units\*

	Whitehorse							Watson Lake	Dawson City
	Whitehorse Total	Down-town	Granger	Hillcrest (\$)	Porter Creek	Riverdale	Takhini		
<b>2006</b>									
December	675	675	675	750	650	700	560	595	625
September	675	660	638	720	650	700	560	595	625
June	675	665	638	720	650	700	560	595	625
March	675	650	638	720	650	695	560	595	N/A
<b>2005</b>									
December	675	650	663	700	665	695	560	600	N/A

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

## 4.2 Vacancy rate, all units\*

	Whitehorse							Watson Lake	Dawson City
	Whitehorse Total	Down-town	Granger	Hillcrest (%)	Porter Creek	Riverdale	Takhini		
<b>2006</b>									
December	2.1	1.7	0.0	1.1	4.3	3.1	0.0	25.7	25.0
September	3.3	3.9	0.0	2.3	0.0	3.4	2.0	34.3	37.5
June	2.0	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.0	28.6	12.5
March	2.9	2.3	5.0	3.4	0.0	2.8	7.8	25.7	N/A
<b>2005</b>									
December	3.8	3.4	0.0	6.8	4.3	3.1	7.8	29.0	N/A

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

## 5.1 Value of real estate transactions

	Yukon	Whitehorse (\$000)	Other
<b>2006</b>			
4th Quarter	52,026.5	45,369.5	6,656.9
3rd Quarter	51,769.2	42,444.8	9,324.3
2nd Quarter	49,191.0	41,378.1	7,812.9
1st Quarter	20,994.5	17,635.4	3,359.1
<b>2005</b>			
4th Quarter	44,387.3	39,178.4	5,208.9

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

## 5.2 Number & value of real estate transactions in Whitehorse

	Total	Single Houses	Family Lots	Mobile Homes	Condos	Duplexes	Multiple Residential	Commercial/Industrial
<b>Value of Real Estate Transactions (\$000)</b>								
<b>2006</b>								
4th Quarter	45,369.5	21,813.9	816.6	1,952.9	4,056.6	2,247.4	2,700.0	11,782.1
3rd Quarter	42,444.8	29,080.4	631.8	3,813.8	2,998.0	3,242.9	668.8	2,009.2
2nd Quarter	41,378.1	22,914.4	648.1	2,792.6	2,922.2	1,879.4	..	8,681.9
1st Quarter	17,635.4	10,914.8	460.4	778.0	2,601.5	661.4	..	1,724.9
<b>2005</b>								
4th Quarter	39,178.4	18,986.4	1,086.9	2,510.0	4,865.5	3,027.2	..	7,859.2
<b>Number of Real Estate Transactions (no.)</b>								
<b>2006</b>								
4th Quarter	164	87	12	14	22	12	3	14
3rd Quarter	197	114	11	25	19	18	3	7
2nd Quarter	169	97	12	19	17	11	..	11
1st Quarter	92	50	8	6	16	4	..	5
<b>2005</b>								
4th Quarter	184	84	17	18	30	19	..	14

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

# 4. Rental Units

4.1 Comparing December 2006 to December 2005, median rents in Whitehorse have changed in the following ways:

- The overall median rent in Whitehorse remained the same at \$675.
- Downtown, the median rent increased \$25, or 3.8%.
- In Granger, the median rent increased \$12, or 1.8%.
- In Hillcrest, the median rent increased \$50, or 7.1%.
- In Porter Creek, the median rent decreased \$15, or 2.3%.
- In Riverdale, the median rent increased \$5, or 0.7%.
- In Watson Lake, the median rent decreased \$5, or 0.8%.

4.2 The overall Whitehorse vacancy rate in December 2006 decreased 1.7 percentage points from December 2005 and decreased 1.2 percentage points from September 2006.

# 5. Real Estate\*

5.1 Comparing fourth-quarter 2006 figures with fourth-quarter 2005 figures, real estate transactions have:

- increased \$7.6 million, or 17.2%, in the Yukon;
- increased \$6.2 million, or 15.8%, in Whitehorse;
- increased \$1.4 million, or 27.8%, in the areas outside of Whitehorse.

5.2 The average selling price for a single house in Whitehorse increased by \$24,700, or 10.9%, from the fourth quarter of 2005 (\$226,000) to the fourth quarter of 2006 (\$250,700)

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

# 6. Construction

■ **6.1** For the Yukon, the total value of building permits issued in February 2007 (\$14,527,000) was \$14,134,000 or 3,596.4%, above the February 2006 figure of \$393,000. The large increase is in part due to construction activity at the Sherwood Copper Mine in the Pelly/Stewart Crossing area.

*Note: In addition to new dwelling units, residential permits issued include renovations, garages and additions. "Total permits" does not include plumbin or stove permits issued.*

■ **6.2** Comparing total residential permits issued in February 2007 with February 2006, the following changes have occurred in the Yukon:

- The number of permits issued for new dwelling units has increased from 2 to 5.
- Other residential permits issued \*(renovations, garages and additions) increased from 30 to 47.

■ **6.3** For Whitehorse, the total value of building permits issued in February 2007(\$614,000) was \$331,000 or 117.0% above the February 2006 figure of \$283,000.

*Note: Commercial permits for February 2007 include upgrades for ventilation & controls in the CBC building at 3103 Third Avenue. One residential permit was issued for a living suite in a new house.*

*"Total permits" does not include plumbing or wood stove permits issued.*

## ■ 6.1 Yukon building permits, number and value\*

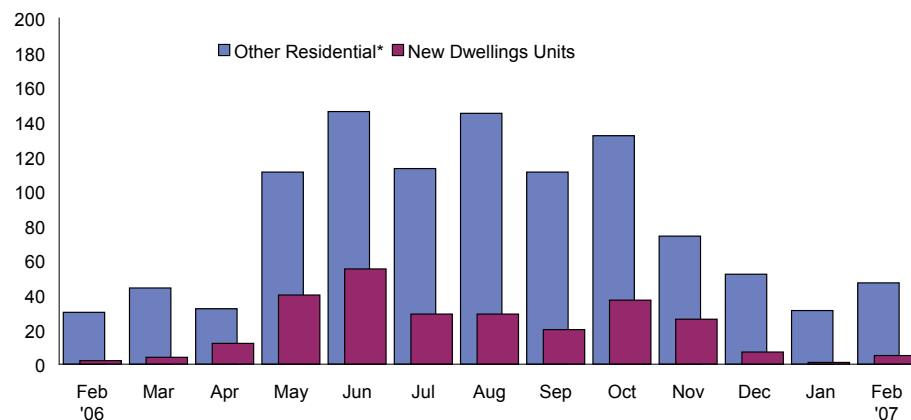
	Total		Residential		Industrial		Government/ Institutional		Commercial	
	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)
<b>2007</b>										
<b>February</b>	66	14,527	52	1,062	2	11,715	9	1,397	3	353
<b>January</b>	41	2,248	32	474	-	-	6	1,574	3	200
<b>2006</b>										
<b>December</b>	74	4,067	59	2,369	3	29	9	1,656	3	13
<b>November</b>	122	4,262	100	3,525	3	176	9	426	10	135
<b>October</b>	189	14,459	169	6,674	5	242	8	1,366	7	6,177
<b>September</b>	168	6,458	131	3,435	2	44	7	1,062	28	1,918
<b>August</b>	215	11,989	174	3,916	4	263	8	494	29	7,317
<b>July</b>	174	6,012	142	5,230	9	426	13	269	10	87
<b>June</b>	229	8,659	201	5,731	3	142	13	138	12	2,648
<b>May</b>	167	16,012	151	4,800	4	622	4	5,331	8	5,259
<b>April</b>	56	1,351	43	945	2	62	3	13	7	331
<b>March</b>	62	23,586	48	734	2	161	4	22,527	8	164
<b>February</b>	41	393	32	299	0	0	2	55	7	39

Source: YTG Community Services.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## ■ 6.2 Yukon residential building permits

No. of permits



Source: YTG Community Services.

## ■ 6.3 Whitehorse building permits, number and value\*

	Total		Residential		Multi-Residential		Industrial		Government/ Institutional		Commercial	
	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)	(no.)	(\$000)
<b>2007</b>												
<b>February</b>	33	614	24	174	1	4	1	6	4	77	3	353
<b>January</b>	18	232	14	69	-	-	-	-	2	3	2	160
<b>2006</b>												
<b>December</b>	57	2,516	38	424	7	1,768	3	29	6	282	3	13
<b>November</b>	78	2,983	65	2,553	-	-	3	176	2	165	8	89
<b>October</b>	109	11,071	94	3,859	4	656	4	142	3	347	4	6,068
<b>September</b>	109	4,395	90	2,409	2	129	2	44	2	832	13	982
<b>August</b>	115	8,725	101	1,900	1	10	2	23	1	60	10	6,733
<b>July</b>	112	4,186	93	3,653	-	-	9	426	3	24	7	84
<b>June</b>	153	6,111	135	3,548	5	1	2	142	4	25	7	2,396
<b>May</b>	90	9,055	81	3,188	-	-	3	612	1	6	5	5,249
<b>April</b>	31	852	26	529	-	-	1	12	-	-	4	311
<b>March</b>	34	23,116	25	258	2	28	1	161	2	22,520	4	149
<b>February</b>	26	283	22	208	-	-	-	-	2	55	2	20

Source: City of Whitehorse. \*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

# 7. Resources

## 7.1 London metal commodity prices\*

	--- Gold ---		--- Silver ---		--- Lead ---		--- Zinc ---		--- Copper ---	
	Can. \$	U.S. \$	Can. \$	U.S. \$	Can. \$	U.S. \$	Can. \$	U.S. \$	Can. \$	U.S. \$
	----- (\$/troy oz) -----				----- (\$/kg) -----					
<b>2007</b>										
February	792.09	677.00	16.74	14.31	2.2347	1.9100	4.0599	3.4700	6.9966	5.9800
January	767.07	650.50	15.75	13.36	2.0394	1.7295	4.0564	3.4400	6.6637	5.6510
<b>2006</b>										
December	740.78	635.70	15.03	12.90	2.0684	1.7750	5.0469	4.3310	7.3297	6.2900
November	728.73	638.40	15.62	13.68	1.9114	1.6745	5.0112	4.3900	7.9174	6.9360
October	674.63	600.90	13.56	12.08	1.8586	1.6555	4.8158	4.2895	8.3192	7.4100
September	671.13	601.75	12.88	11.55	1.5893	1.4250	3.7474	3.3600	8.4774	7.6010
August	688.03	621.75	13.94	12.60	1.3517	1.2215	3.6850	3.3300	8.4622	7.6470
July	720.38	637.00	12.94	11.44	1.2564	1.1110	3.8224	3.3800	8.8781	7.8505
June	669.45	600.40	11.93	10.70	1.0648	0.9550	3.6349	3.2600	8.3636	7.5010
May	721.23	654.00	14.48	13.13	1.1596	1.0515	4.3119	3.9100	8.9768	8.1400
April	715.03	638.25	14.07	12.56	1.3332	1.1900	3.6174	3.2290	8.0998	7.2300
March	681.59	584.00	13.72	11.76	1.4122	1.2100	3.1401	2.6905	6.4511	5.5275
February	633.30	556.50	11.04	9.70	1.3571	1.1925	2.6208	2.3030	5.5068	4.8390

Source: London Bullion Market Association and London Metal Exchange.

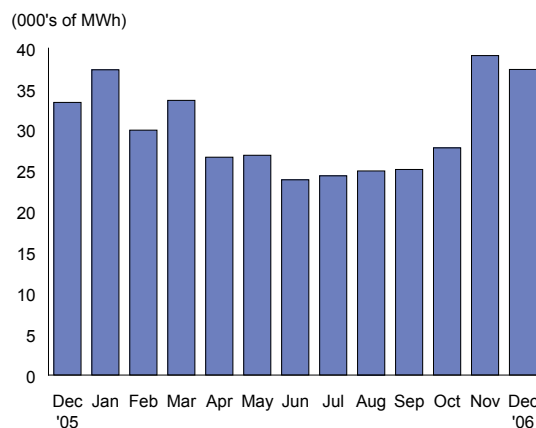
\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## 7.2 Electricity generated, Yukon

	Total	Hydro	Internal
			Combustion
	----- (MWh) -----		
<b>2006</b>			
December	37,416	34,816	2,600
November	39,133	36,876	2,257
October	27,802	25,788	2,014
September	26,891	25,257	1,634
August	24,982	23,408	1,574
July	24,386	22,794	1,592
June	23,899	22,283	1,616
May	26,904	24,952	1,952
April	26,662	25,056	1,606
March	33,618	31,678	1,940
February	29,976	27,909	2,067
January	37,362	34,370	2,992
<b>2005</b>			
December	33,367	31,265	2,102

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

## 7.3 Electricity generated, Yukon



7.1 From February 2006 to February 2007, the metal commodity prices (in Canadian funds) have changed as follows:

- Gold increased \$158.79 per troy ounce, or 25.1%.
- Silver increased \$5.70 per troy ounce, or 51.7%.
- Lead increased 88 cents per kilogram, or 64.7%.
- Zinc increased \$1.44 per kilogram, or 54.9%.
- Copper increased \$1.49 per kilogram, or 27.1%.

7.2 & 7.3 Comparing December 2006 with December 2005, electricity generated in the Yukon has increased from 33,367 MWh to 37,416 MWh. This represents an increase of 4,049 MWh, or 12.1%.

7.4 Comparing figures for petroleum sales (m<sup>3</sup>) in November 2006 with sales figures for November 2005, the following changes have occurred:

- Total petroleum product sales increased 12.2%.
- Aviation gasoline sales decreased 36.4%. (Aviation turbo fuel sales increased 0.9%).
- Motor gasoline sales decreased 18.9%.
- Diesel fuel oil sales increased 23.8%.
- Light fuel oil sales decreased 1.6%.

## 7.4 Petroleum product domestic sales, Yukon

	Total*	Aviation	Motor	Aviation	Stove Oil	Diesel	Light	Lube Oils
		Gasoline*	Gasoline	Turbo Fuel	Kerosene	Fuel Oil	Fuel Oil	& Greases
	----- (cubic metres) -----							
<b>2006</b>								
November	10,238	14	1,725	747	2,355	4,334	1,029	33
October	12,706	55	2,226	872	1,845	6,865	784	58
September	13,023	128	2,450	1,097	1,564	7,188	561	35
August	10,686	190	3,201	1,480	310	5,223	247	34
July	11,319	243	3,595	1,415	208	5,682	130	45
June	10,204	261	2,858	1,307	256	5,270	219	32
May	8,965	135	2,589	1,045	567	4,041	559	28
April	9,407	34	2,114	725	1,166	4,465	872	31
March	12,735	29	2,187	1,255	2,357	5,228	1,665	14
February	9,919	18	2,464	654	2,273	2,955	1,539	15
January	9,713	10	2,185	553	2,382	3,012	1,557	14
<b>2005</b>								
December	8,829	6	1,683	816	2,184	2,798	1,322	20
November	9,125	22	2,128	740	1,665	3,502	1,046	19

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. \*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

# 8. Trade

■ **8.1** The preliminary value of retail trade for December 2006 was \$43,230,000. In December 2005, the value was \$40,817,000. Comparing December 2006 with December 2005, retail sales have increased by \$2,413,000, or 5.9%.

\*See note 8.1 on page 12 concerning changes to retail trade reporting.

■ **8.2** Comparing preliminary figures for December 2006 with December 2005 figures, wholesale sales increased by \$486,000, or 5.8%.

■ **8.4** Comparing figures for February 2006 with February 2005, interest rates have changed as follows:

- The bank rate has increased 0.75 percentage points to 4.50%.
- The prime business rate has increased 0.75 percentage points to 6.00%.
- The conventional mortgage rate (5-year) has increased 0.20 percentage points to 6.65%.

■ **8.5 & 8.6** Total preliminary restaurant, caterer and tavern receipts for December 2006 were \$2,192,500. This was down 261,900, or 10.7%, compared to the December 2005 figure of \$2,454,400.

On an annual basis, in 2006 total receipts totalled \$30,612,300. This was down \$1,160,900, or 3.7%, compared with the 2005 annual figure of \$31,773,200.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12 regarding changes to the survey.

## ■ 8.1 Retail sales, Yukon\*

	Total Sales (\$000)	Month-to-Month Change (%)
<b>2006</b>		
December (p)	43,230	26.4
November (r)	34,188	-9.5
October	37,777	-5.6
September	40,024	-10.8
August	44,890	0.9
July	44,505	-0.2
June	44,601	6.3
May	41,957	17.8
April	35,615	5.9
March	33,621	21.5
February	27,680	0.2
January	27,637	-32.3
<b>2005</b>		
December	40,817	17.5

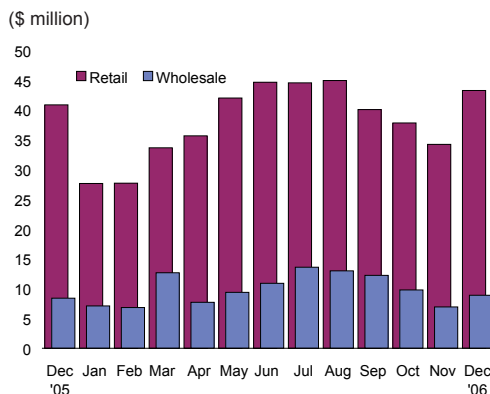
Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

## ■ 8.2 Wholesale sales, Yukon

	Total Sales (\$000)	Month-to-Month Change (%)
<b>2006</b>		
December (p)	8,889	26.1%
November (r)	7,047	-27.9%
October	9,775	-20.1%
September	12,230	-5.7%
August	12,973	-4.5%
July	13,586	24.7%
June	10,894	16.3%
May	9,366	21.5%
April	7,707	-39.1%
March	12,655	85.5%
February	6,822	-4.0%
January	7,103	-15.5%
<b>2005</b>		
December	8,403	-28.8%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

## ■ 8.3 Retail & wholesale, Yukon



## ■ 8.5 Restaurant, caterer and tavern receipts\*, Yukon

	Total Restaurant Receipts (\$000)	% change from same month last year
<b>2006</b>		
December (p)	2,192.5	-10.7%
November (r)	1,991.2	-7.8%
October	2,405.8	-2.9%
September	2,518.0	-3.1%
August	3,384.6	5.6%
July	3,442.0	-6.7%
June	3,141.4	-4.1%
May	2,687.7	-7.1%
April	2,297.6	-8.5%
March	2,471.1	0.3%
February	2,055.9	0.2%
January	2,024.5	1.5%
<b>2005</b>		
December	2,454.4	8.9%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

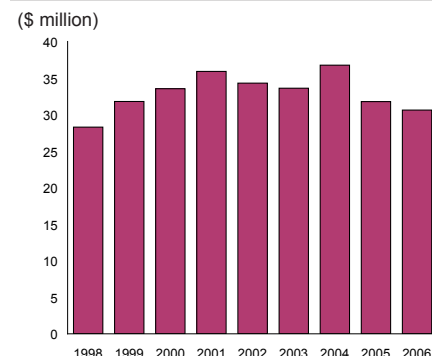
## ■ 8.4 Selected interest rates

	Bank Rate*	Prime Business	5-year Mortgage
	(%)		
<b>2007</b>			
February	4.50	6.00	6.65
January	4.50	6.00	6.65
<b>2006</b>			
December	4.50	6.00	6.45
November	4.50	6.00	6.55
October	4.50	6.00	6.80
September	4.50	6.00	6.70
August	4.50	6.00	6.85
July	4.50	6.00	6.95
June	4.50	6.00	6.95
May	4.50	6.00	6.75
April	4.25	5.75	6.75
March	4.00	5.50	6.45
February	3.75	5.25	6.45

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

## ■ 8.6 Total restaurant, caterer and tavern receipts, Yukon\*



# 9. Transportation

## 9.1 Travellers entering Yukon by land through Canada Customs\*

	Total	Yukon Residents	Other Canadians	US Residents	Other Foreign Travellers
<b>2007</b>					
February	3,947	729	234	2,930	54
January	3,875	978	203	2,651	43
<b>2006</b>	<b>396,377</b>	<b>35,608</b>	<b>28,006</b>	<b>305,756</b>	<b>27,007</b>
December	4,036	758	163	3,086	29
November	4,927	957	163	3,766	41
October	10,725	2,612	530	7,437	146
September	47,338	3,351	2,726	36,949	4,312
August	92,509	5,088	6,643	73,744	7,034
July	94,418	6,348	8,508	73,699	5,863
June	78,528	5,467	6,326	60,962	5,773
May	40,610	5,158	2,083	29,843	3,526
April	8,383	2,504	404	5,356	119
March	6,660	1,521	195	4,862	82
February	4,175	919	199	3,002	55

Source: Bureau of Statistics.

\*Note: Please see table footnotes on page 12.

9.1 Comparing February 2007 with February 2006, the following changes occurred:

- The total number of travellers decreased by 228, or 5.5%.
- Yukon resident travellers decreased by 190, or 20.7%.
- Other Canadian travellers increased by 35, or 17.6%.
- U.S. travellers decreased by 72, or 2.4%.
- Other foreign travellers decreased by 1, or 1.8%.

The number of visitors entering the Yukon by land from January to December 2006 was 396,377 compared with 386,093 for the same time period in 2005. This represents an increase of 10,284 people, or 2.7%.

## 9.2 Aircraft movements, Yukon communities

	Beaver Creek	Burwash Landing	Dawson City	Faro	Mayo	Old Crow	Teslin	Watson Lake	Whitehorse
	(no.)								
<b>2006</b>									
October	..	43	289	106	246	54	..	321	1,580
September	..	42	642	352	723	222	..	764	1,870
August	..	..	766	139	789	85	..	775	2,926
July	..	302	1,224	76	1,080	158	..	967	3,063
June	..	107	1,078	30	710	..	..	872	3,514
May	41	52	390	20	332	73	46	490	3,938
April	..	54	199	4	124	56	..	219	3,329
March	..	2	357	2	82	103	..	133	2,094
February	5	7	280	14	27	53	41	151	1,532
January	..	4	87	10	13	..	..	108	1,144
<b>2005</b>									
December	2	4	..	12	..	121	..	..	1,210
November	5	39	155	16	..	48	..	92	924
October	24	52	222	73	..	83	..	377	1,400

Source: Statistics Canada, Aviation Statistics Centre.

9.2 Comparing October 2006 with October 2005, the number of aircraft movements in Yukon communities has changed as follows:

- The number of aircraft flying in and out of Whitehorse increased by 180, or 12.9%.
- In Watson Lake, travel by aircraft decreased by 56 flights, or 14.9%.
- In Dawson City, travel by aircraft increased by 67 flights, or 30.2%.
- In Faro, travel by aircraft increased by 33 flights, or 45.2%.
- In Old Crow, travel by aircraft decreased by 29 flights, or 34.9%.
- In Burwash Landing, travel by aircraft decreased by 9 flights, or 17.3%.

# Footnotes

## 1. Population

1.2 'Other' includes communities such as Champagne, Elsa, Johnson's Crossing, Keno City, Stewart Crossing & Swift River. Increases in Marsh Lake population figures are attributable in part to the changing of postal addresses from Whitehorse to Marsh Lake.

1.4 Migration estimates are based on both international migrants into and out of the Yukon as well as interprovincial movement according to the Child Tax Benefit files (Canada Revenue Agency).

## 2. Employment

2.1 All Yukon figures from the Labour Force Survey are three-month moving averages based on 83% coverage.

2.1 Yukon figures are rounded to the nearest hundred; because of this, figures may not sum to totals.

2.3 Territorial general government employment includes employees of all Yukon Government departments, as well as employees of the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health & Safety Board, etc.

2.3 Territorial Health & Social Services includes employees at Whitehorse General Hospital, Alexander MacDonald Lodge, Children's Receiving Home and Assessment, Detoxification Centre, group homes, Norman D. Macaulay Lodge, Northern Network of Services, Copper Ridge Place and the Thomson Centre. Yukon Liquor Corp. and Yukon Development Corp./Yukon Energy Corp. are considered to be business enterprises and therefore employment figures are not included.

2.4 Yukon figures are for all employees, including overtime. Unclassified employees are excluded. As of June 2001, NAICS (North American Industrial Classification System) is used in lieu of the previous SIC (Standard Industrial Classification). Other NAICS categories are available by contacting YBS.

2.5 Yukon total includes some communities not listed. Claimants whose applications are pending are included.

2.6 The number of beneficiaries receiving total income benefits includes other types of benefits than those displayed, but excludes employment insurance claimants receiving employment and support measures benefits.

## 3. Consumer Prices

3.1 The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures price changes over time but should not be used to compare costs between provinces and cities.

## 4. Rental Units

4.1 & 4.2 The Yukon Rental Survey covers all buildings with four or more units. Rentals with less than four units (such as houses, suites and duplexes) are excluded from the survey. Please note that June 2006 marks the first month that Dawson City has been included in the survey.

## 5. Real Estate

5.1 & 5.2 Rounded data may not sum to totals.

## 6. Construction

6.1 Rounded data may not sum to totals. Permits issued in the communities are totalled on a calendar month.

6.3 Special permits or permits for demolitions may have dollar values of zero. Whitehorse permits are reported for a thirty-day period from the sixteenth of one month to the fifteenth of the following month for which the totals are reported.

## 7. Resources

7.1 Canadian prices are based on the conversion of US prices using the 'noon' exchange rate at month-end by Bank of Canada. Prices of gold and silver are a.m. fix prices at month-end. Prices of lead, zinc and copper are London Metal Exchange "cash seller & settlement" prices at month-end.

7.4 'Total' includes other types of refined petroleum product sales. Domestic sales are by reporting companies, are exclusive of exports and sales to other reporting companies, and are adjusted for exports and imports by non-reporting companies.

7.4 'Aviation gasoline' includes all gasoline-type fuels for piston-type aircraft engines.

## 8. Trade

8.1 October 2005 marked the implementation of measures to reduce response burden in the Monthly Retail Trade Survey. Data previously collected via questionnaire for a number of simple retail establishments in the survey sample are now replaced with modelled estimates based on Goods and Services Tax (GST) returns. The model takes into account the sales to revenue relationship, as well as the time lag between the reference month for the survey and the reference period of the GST estimates. This change has had minimal impact on retail estimates.

8.4 Bank rate figures are from the last Wednesday of the month.

8.5 & 8.6 The Monthly Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns Survey (MRCTS) has undergone several important methodological changes commencing with the April 2004 reference month. As a result of these changes, total food services sales for Canada and the provinces and territories have been revised back to January 1998.

Users must be aware that historical comparisons of estimates produced by the MRCTS prior to May 2004 reference month should be made only with revised historical data. Please note that kind of business (KOB) details and the number of locations have been suppressed for both the historical and the new series until revisions to the historical data can be processed.

## 9. Transportation

9.1 Not included in this table are travellers entering the Yukon from another province or territory, persons entering the Yukon by air and persons entering the Yukon by water.

## Symbols & Abbreviations

-	nil or zero	I	January 1 to March 31
(--)	too small to be expressed	II	April 1 to June 30
(p)	preliminary figures	III	July 1 to September 30
(r)	revised figures	IV	October 1 to December 31
m <sup>3</sup>	cubic metre	(x)	suppressed for confidentiality
(MWh)	megawatt-hour	..	not available

*Note:* In some tabulations, rounded data may not sum to totals.

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