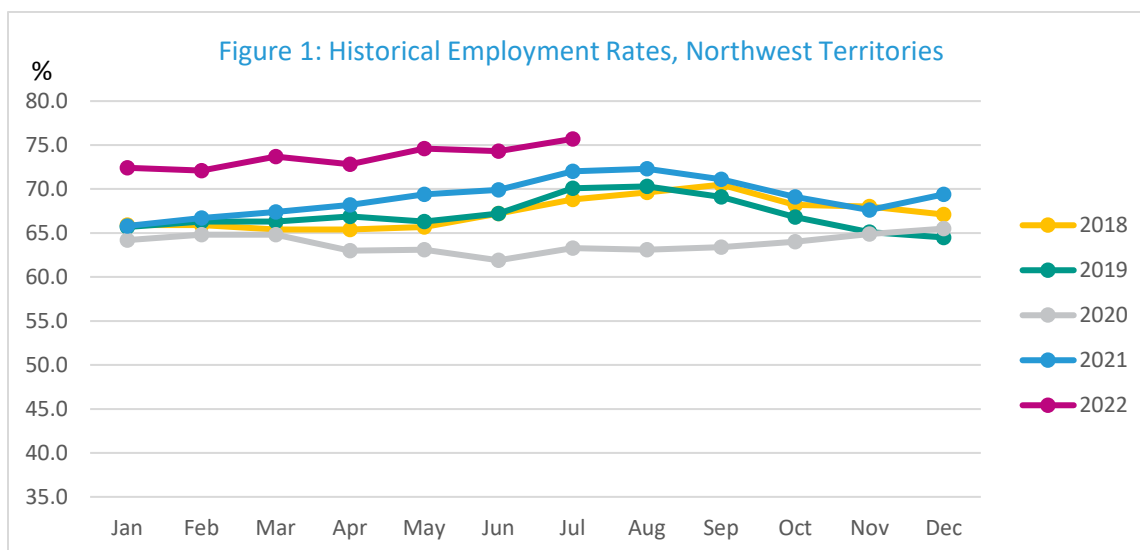


Labour Force Activity¹ July 2022

At 75.7%, the Northwest Territories' (NWT) July employment rate was the highest among provinces and territories in Canada (seasonally unadjusted). In the NWT, the employment rate increased 1.4 percentage points from last month, maintaining the higher employment rates observed in 2022 (Figure 1).



Year over year, the number of employed persons in the NWT increased by 1,500 while the employment rate increased by 3.7 percentage points. Employment rates increased among all key demographic characteristics. The largest increases were observed among males, where the employment rate rose by 6.5 percentage points to 76.6% in July 2022. Among those living outside of Yellowknife, the employment rate increased 5.6 percentage points to 71.9%.

Employment by employment type, class of worker, and industry

Year-over-year, all the employment gains were in the services-producing industries. Notable employment gains were recorded in educational services (1,100), information, culture, & recreation (600), professional, scientific, and technical services (400), transportation and warehousing (400). Partially offsetting these gains were employment declines in trade (retail and wholesale) and finance, insurance, and real estate.

¹ LFS estimates in this report are based on seasonally unadjusted, three-months moving-average time series data.



National highlights

The employment rate was 62.6% for Canada, a slight increase from the previous month and 4.7 percentage points higher than in July 2021. In comparison to 12 months ago, employment rates rose in all Canadian jurisdictions, increasing the most in the Nunavut, Alberta, and Ontario.

Figure 2: Employment Rates, Canada, Provinces & Territories, July 2022

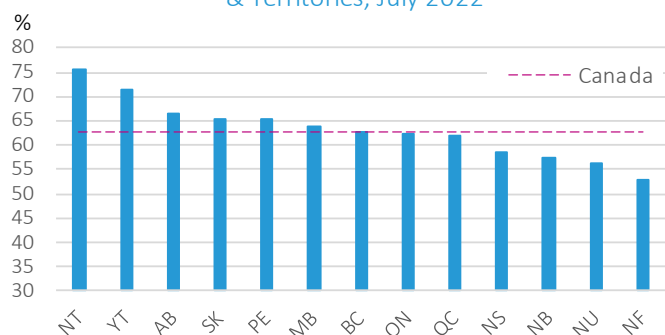


Table 1: Historical Labour Force Activity, Northwest Territories

	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
Jul-22	25,900	1,100	4.1	75.7
Jun-22	25,400	1,200	4.5	74.3
May-22	25,500	1,500	5.6	74.6
Apr-22	24,900	1,400	5.3	72.8
Mar-22	25,200	1,400	5.3	73.7
Feb-22	24,600	1,500	5.7	72.1
Jan-22	24,700	1,400	5.4	72.4
Dec-21	23,600	1,300	5.2	69.4
Nov-21	23,000	800	3.4	67.6
Oct-21	23,500	1,100	4.5	69.1
Sep-21	24,100	1,100	4.3	71.1
Aug-21	24,500	1,200	4.7	72.3

Year	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
2022	25,900	1,100	4.1	75.7
2021	24,400	1,100	4.3	72.0
2020	21,400	2,300	9.7	63.3
2019	23,700	1,700	6.7	70.1
2018	23,200	1,700	6.8	68.8
2017	22,900	1,500	6.1	68.2
2016	24,100	2,200	8.4	71.7
2015	23,700	2,200	8.5	71.4
2014	23,300	2,200	8.6	70.8
2013	24,500	1,900	7.2	74.7
2012	23,800	2,300	8.8	73.0

Month	Employment Rate (%)
Aug-21	72.3
Sep-21	71.1
Oct-21	69.1
Nov-21	67.6
Dec-21	69.4
Jan-22	72.4
Feb-22	72.1
Mar-22	73.7
Apr-22	72.8
May-22	74.6
Jun-22	74.3
Jul-22	75.7

Year	Employment Rate (%)
2012	73.0
2013	74.7
2014	70.8
2015	71.4
2016	71.7
2017	68.2
2018	68.8
2019	70.1
2020	63.3
2021	72.0
2022	75.7
10 Year Avg.	70.9

For additional information and detailed tables on the labour force survey results, visit the NWT Bureau of Statistics website at <https://www.statsnwt.ca/labour-income/labour-force-activity/> or call (867) 767-9169.

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