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Northwest Territories Population – July 2015

On July 1, 2015 Statistics Canada estimated that 44,088 people were living in the Northwest Territories, an increase of 0.2% from the previous year. At the national level, Canada's population increased by 0.9% between July 1, 2014 and July 1, 2015. With the exception of New Brunswick and Newfoundland and Labrador, all other provinces and territories experienced positive growth.

**Table 1 Population Estimates and Annual Rate of Growth, by Province and Territory
July 1, 2012 to July 1, 2015**

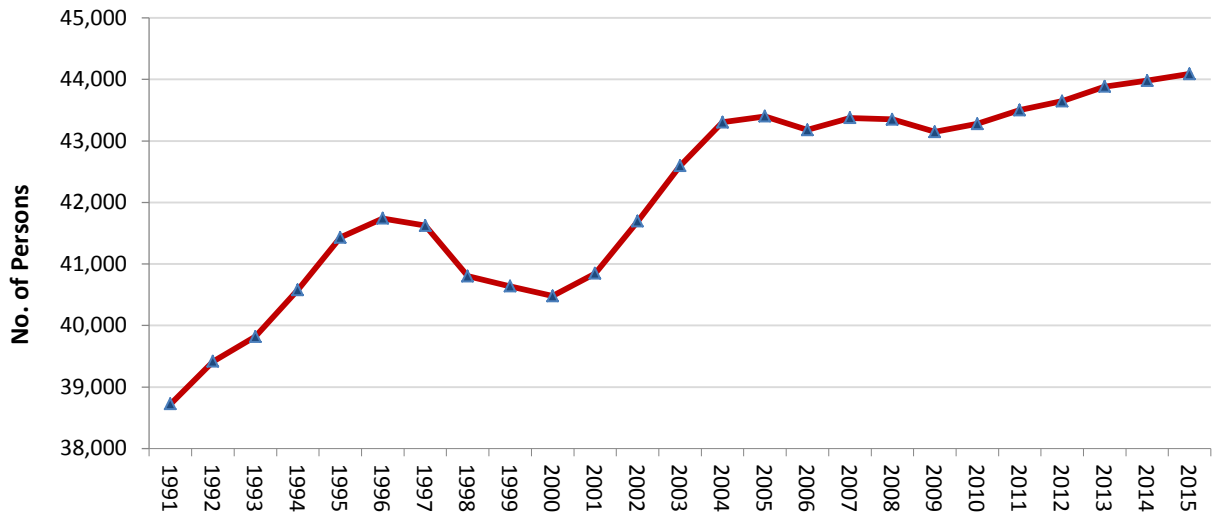
	2015 July 1	% Change	2014 July 1	% Change	2013 July 1	% Change	2012 July 1	% Change
Canada	35,851,774	0.9	35,543,658	1.1	35,155,499	1.2	34,751,476	1.2
Northwest Territories	44,088	0.2	43,980	0.2	43,884	0.5	43,648	0.3
Nunavut	36,919	2.3	36,083	1.8	35,435	2.0	34,729	1.6
Yukon	37,428	1.2	36,990	1.5	36,429	0.7	36,189	2.2
British Columbia	4,683,139	1.0	4,638,415	1.2	4,582,607	0.9	4,542,578	1.0
Alberta	4,196,457	1.8	4,120,897	2.8	4,007,748	3.1	3,888,552	2.6
Saskatchewan	1,133,637	1.0	1,122,283	1.5	1,106,122	1.7	1,087,223	2.0
Manitoba	1,293,378	1.0	1,280,242	1.2	1,265,342	1.2	1,250,406	1.4
Ontario	13,792,052	0.8	13,677,687	0.9	13,551,004	1.1	13,409,558	1.1
Quebec	8,263,600	0.6	8,214,885	0.7	8,154,761	0.9	8,084,768	1.0
New Brunswick	753,871	-0.1	754,578	-0.2	755,718	-0.1	756,836	0.2
Nova Scotia	943,002	0.1	942,387	-0.1	942,991	-0.2	944,835	0.0
Prince Edward Island	146,447	0.2	146,162	0.5	145,441	0.1	145,259	0.8
Newfoundland & Labrador	527,756	-0.2	529,069	0.2	528,017	0.2	526,895	0.4

Between July 1, 2014 and July 1, 2015, the population in the Northwest Territories increased by 108 persons. The components of natural increase during this period consisted of 687 births and 205 deaths, resulting in a net increase of 482 persons. Inter-provincial migration accounted for 2,174 persons moving into the Northwest Territories from other provinces and territories, while 2,626 persons moved away, representing a net loss of 452 persons. Internationally, there was a net in-migration of 78 persons.

In terms of quarterly growth, the NWT population fell by 62 persons between April 1, 2015 and July 1, 2015. The population decrease was a result of a loss of 207 persons through migration offset by a gain of 109 persons through natural increase.

In the NWT, population was relatively flat between 2004 to 2009 and increased slightly in subsequent years (Figure 1).

Figure 1 NWT Quarterly Population Estimates, July 1, 1991 to July 1, 2015



The detailed components of population change for the Northwest Territories since 2010 are presented in Table 2.

For more information about these estimates or for community level population estimates and projections, please visit the NWT Bureau of Statistics website at <http://www.statsnwt.ca> or call (867) 873-7147.

**Table 2 Components of Population Change, by Time Period
Northwest Territories - January 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015**

		Beginning Population	Ending Population	Births	Deaths	---- Interprovincial Migration ----			Net International	Error of Closure
						In	Out	Net		
2015	Apr-Jun	44,150	44,088	157	48	667	874	-207	36	
	Jan-Mar	44,169	44,150	179	46	657	821	-164	12	-
2014	Jan-Dec	43,860	44,169	692	201	2,351	2,610	-259	77	-
	Oct-Dec	44,142	44,169	156	52	326	402	-76	-1	-
	Jul-Sep	43,980	44,142	195	59	524	529	-5	31	-
	Apr-Jun	43,892	43,980	159	46	835	873	-38	13	-
	Jan-Mar	43,860	43,892	182	44	666	806	-140	34	-
2013	Jan-Dec	43,774	43,860	697	196	1,871	2,474	-603	188	-
	Oct-Dec	43,817	43,860	157	51	286	369	-83	20	-
	Jul-Sep	43,884	43,817	197	57	312	539	-227	20	-
	Apr-Jun	43,933	43,884	160	45	613	865	-252	88	-
	Jan-Mar	43,774	43,933	183	43	660	701	-41	60	-
2012	Jan-Dec	43,647	43,774	695	190	1,864	2,394	-530	152	-
	Oct-Dec	43,710	43,774	157	50	261	345	-84	41	-
	Jul-Sep	43,648	43,710	197	55	457	562	-105	25	-
	Apr-Jun	43,696	43,648	159	43	608	820	-212	48	-
	Jan-Mar	43,647	43,696	182	42	538	667	-129	38	-
2011	Jan-Dec	43,258	43,647	690	188	2,169	2,274	-105	40	48
	Oct-Dec	43,606	43,647	156	48	362	441	-79	12	-
	Jul-Sep	43,501	43,606	195	54	475	551	-76	40	-
	Apr-Jun	43,263	43,501	157	44	783	617	166	-27	14
	Jan-Mar	43,258	43,263	182	42	549	665	-116	15	34
2010	Jan-Dec	42,962	43,258	700	184	1,890	2,060	-170	85	135

Note: *Net International* represents the net total of all Immigrants, Emigrants, Returning Canadians, Non-Permanent Residents and Individuals Temporarily Abroad.
Error of Closure represents the difference in population change as measured by the individual components of growth and that observed using 2011 and 2006 census-based population estimates.

Source: Statistics Canada, Demography Division.