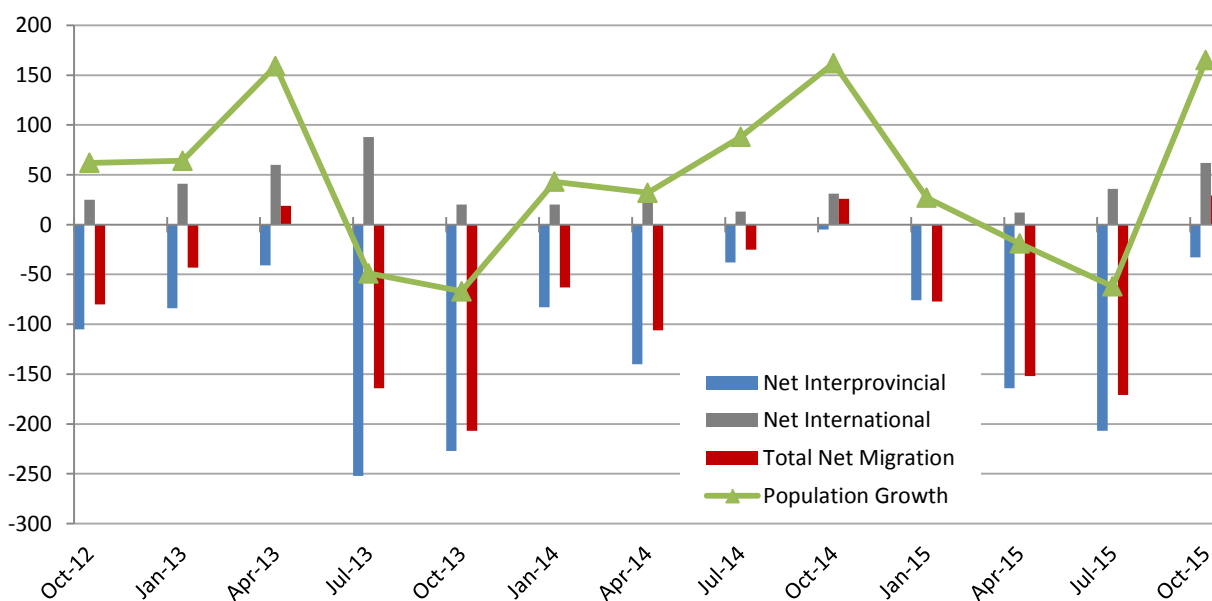


Northwest Territories Population – October 2015

On October 1, 2015 Statistics Canada estimated that 44,253 people were living in the Northwest Territories, an increase of 0.3% from the previous year.

In the NWT, population growth fluctuates based on migration patterns; historically, net inter-provincial migration has been negative, offset by natural increase and positive net international migration. Net international migration in the third quarter of 2015 was the highest since July 2013 (Figure 1).

Figure 1 NWT Quarterly Population Estimates, October 1, 2012 to October 1, 2015



Between October 1, 2014 and October 1, 2015, the population in the Northwest Territories increased by 111 persons. The components of natural increase during this period consisted of 688 births and 206 deaths, resulting in a net increase of 482 persons. Inter-provincial migration accounted for 2,283 persons moving into the Northwest Territories from other provinces and territories, while 2,763 persons moved away, representing a net loss of 480 persons. Internationally, there was a net in-migration of 109 persons.

In terms of quarterly growth, the NWT population grew by 165 persons between July 1, 2015 and October 1, 2015. The population increase was a result of a gain of 136 persons through natural increase and 29 persons through migration.

At the national level, Canada's population increased by 0.9% between October 1, 2014 and October 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
October 1, 2012 to October 1, 2015**

	2015 Oct 1	% Change	2014 Oct 1	% Change	2013 Oct 1	% Change	2012 Oct 1	% Change
Canada	35,985,751	0.9	35,681,588	1.1	35,293,166	1.2	34,882,488	1.2
Northwest Territories	44,253	0.3	44,142	0.7	43,817	0.2	43,710	0.2
Nunavut	37,026	2.1	36,278	1.9	35,618	2.1	34,881	1.5
Yukon	37,288	0.4	37,125	2.2	36,327	-0.2	36,398	2.1
British Columbia	4,703,939	0.9	4,664,222	1.3	4,605,729	1.0	4,560,754	0.9
Alberta	4,216,875	1.7	4,147,040	2.6	4,040,578	3.1	3,918,141	2.8
Saskatchewan	1,138,879	1.1	1,126,567	1.4	1,111,005	1.6	1,093,454	2.0
Manitoba	1,298,591	1.1	1,284,599	1.2	1,269,160	1.2	1,254,702	1.3
Ontario	13,850,090	0.9	13,730,137	0.9	13,603,613	1.1	13,457,367	1.1
Quebec	8,284,656	0.6	8,237,304	0.8	8,174,083	0.8	8,107,935	1.0
New Brunswick	754,164	-0.1	755,066	-0.1	755,630	-0.2	756,915	0.1
Nova Scotia	945,121	0.1	943,714	0.1	943,061	-0.2	945,024	-0.1
Prince Edward Island	146,679	0.1	146,491	0.6	145,572	0.1	145,449	0.6
Newfoundland & Labrador	528,190	-0.1	528,903	0.0	528,973	0.2	527,758	0.3

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) 767-9169.

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

		Beginning Population	Ending Population	Births	Deaths	--- Interprovincial Migration ---			Net International	Error of Closure
						In	Out	Net		
2015	Jul-Sep	44,088	44,253	196	60	633	666	-33	62	-
	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
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.