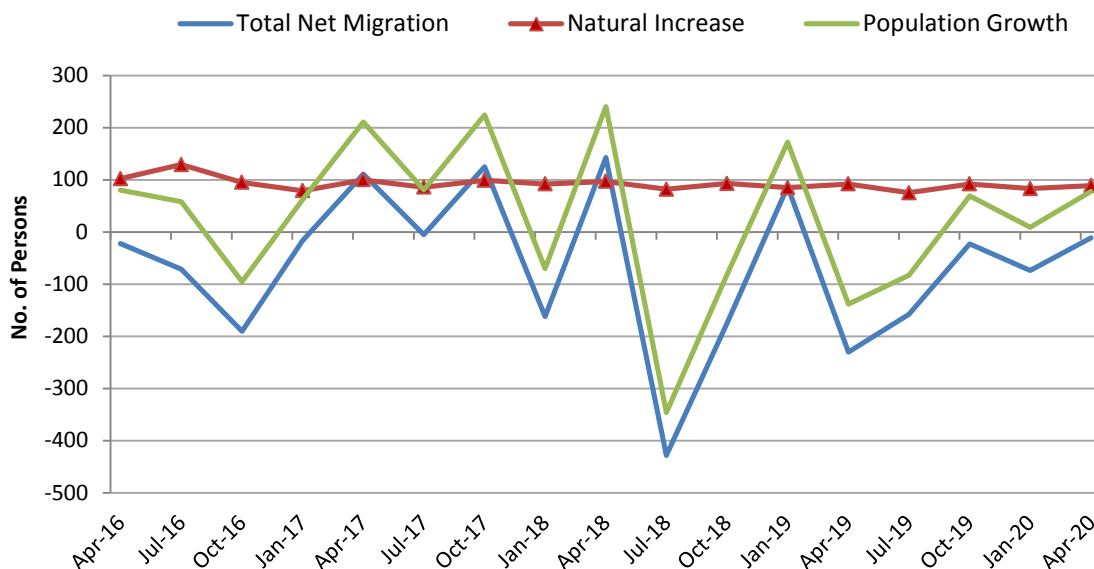


Northwest Territories Population April 2020

On April 1, 2020 Statistics Canada estimated that 44,982 people were living in the Northwest Territories. Between April 1, 2019 and April 1, 2020, the population in the Northwest Territories increased by 73 persons. The components of natural increase during this period consisted of 594 births and 255 deaths, resulting in a net increase of 339 persons. Interprovincial migration accounted for 1,996 persons moving into the Northwest Territories from other provinces and territories, while 2,389 persons moved away, representing a net loss of 393 persons. Internationally, there was a net in-migration of 127 persons.

Since natural increase is positive and generally stable over time, population changes in the Northwest Territories are mainly driven by total net migration which includes international migration. As such, population growth follows the same trend as total net migration, but is shifted upwards due to the positive influence of natural increase (births and deaths) (Figure 1).

Figure 1 Components of Population Change
April 1, 2016 to April 1, 2020



At the national level, Canada's population increased by 1.5% between April 1, 2019 and April 1, 2020. Nunavut experienced the largest increase of 2.1% followed by Prince Edward Island (+2.0%), Ontario (+1.8%), Alberta (+1.8%) and Yukon (+1.7%), exceeding Canada's growth. Newfoundland and Labrador was the only jurisdiction that saw their population decline (-0.5%).

**Table 1 Population Estimates and Annual Rate of Growth, by Province and Territory
April 1, 2017 to April 1, 2020**

	2020 1-Apr	(%) Change	2019 1-Apr	(%) Change	2018 1-Apr	(%) Change	2017 1-Apr	(%) Change
Canada	37,971,020	1.5	37,408,205	1.4	36,889,543	1.4	36,396,785	1.2
Northwest Territories	44,982	0.2	44,909	-0.9	45,302	1.1	44,827	0.5
Nunavut	39,486	2.1	38,666	2.3	37,810	1.2	37,349	1.6
Yukon	41,293	1.7	40,601	1.0	40,200	2.5	39,222	3.1
British Columbia	5,120,184	1.5	5,046,780	1.4	4,974,692	1.5	4,900,774	1.4
Alberta	4,428,247	1.8	4,350,901	1.6	4,283,873	1.3	4,230,184	1.2
Saskatchewan	1,181,987	0.9	1,171,027	1.0	1,159,482	1.1	1,146,700	1.4
Manitoba	1,379,121	1.1	1,364,400	1.3	1,347,466	1.4	1,328,664	1.6
Ontario	14,745,040	1.8	14,484,242	1.7	14,241,379	1.7	14,008,134	1.4
Quebec	8,552,362	1.2	8,447,609	1.1	8,356,250	1.0	8,270,823	0.8
New Brunswick	780,890	0.9	773,887	0.6	769,012	0.5	764,905	0.3
Nova Scotia	978,274	1.2	966,709	1.19	955,376	0.82	947,632	0.8
Prince Edward Island	158,717	2.0	155,656	2.3	152,208	2.2	148,921	2.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	520,437	-0.5	522,818	-0.7	526,493	-0.4	528,650	-0.1

The detailed components of population change for the Northwest Territories since 2011 are presented in Table 2.

These population estimates are based on the 2016 Census, adjusted for census net undercoverage. Data may be revised over the coming years, and it is possible that trends will change as a result of future revisions.

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, 2011 to April 1, 2020

		Beginning Population	Ending Population	Births	Deaths	--- Interprovincial Migration ---			Net International	Error of Closure
						In	Out	Net		
2020	Jan-Mar	44,904	44,982	163	74	629	680	-51	40	-
2019	Jan-Dec	45,047	44,904	595	253	1,772	2,393	-621	136	-
	Oct-Dec	44,895	44,904	146	63	270	383	-113	39	-
	Jul-Sep	44,826	44,895	152	60	445	499	-54	31	-
	Apr-Jun	44,909	44,826	133	58	652	827	-175	17	-
	Jan-Mar	45,047	44,909	164	72	405	684	-279	49	-
2018	Jan-Dec	45,062	45,047	604	247	2,016	2,501	-485	113	-
	Oct-Dec	44,875	45,047	146	61	408	361	47	40	-
	Jul-Sep	44,956	44,875	152	59	455	646	-191	17	-
	Apr-Jun	45,302	44,956	138	56	567	993	-426	-2	-
	Jan-Mar	45,062	45,302	168	71	586	501	85	58	-
2017	Jan-Dec	44,616	45,062	616	239	2,043	2,189	-146	215	-
	Oct-Dec	45,132	45,062	151	59	162	326	-164	2	-
	Jul-Sep	44,908	45,132	156	57	517	441	76	49	-
	Apr-Jun	44,827	44,908	140	54	656	754	-98	93	-
	Jan-Mar	44,616	44,827	169	69	708	668	40	71	-
2016	Jan-Dec	44,507	44,616	642	237	1,791	2,291	-500	200	-4
2015	Jan-Dec	44,140	44,507	683	208	2,047	2,322	-275	155	-12
2014	Jan-Dec	43,800	44,140	665	213	2,259	2,452	-193	70	-11
2013	Jan-Dec	43,737	43,800	669	199	1,871	2,474	-603	184	-12
2012	Jan-Dec	43,648	43,737	688	200	1,864	2,394	-530	119	-12
2011	Jan-Dec	43,263	43,648	690	188	2,169	2,274	-105	31	43

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 2016, 2011 and 2006 census-based population estimates.

Source: Statistics Canada, Demography Division.