

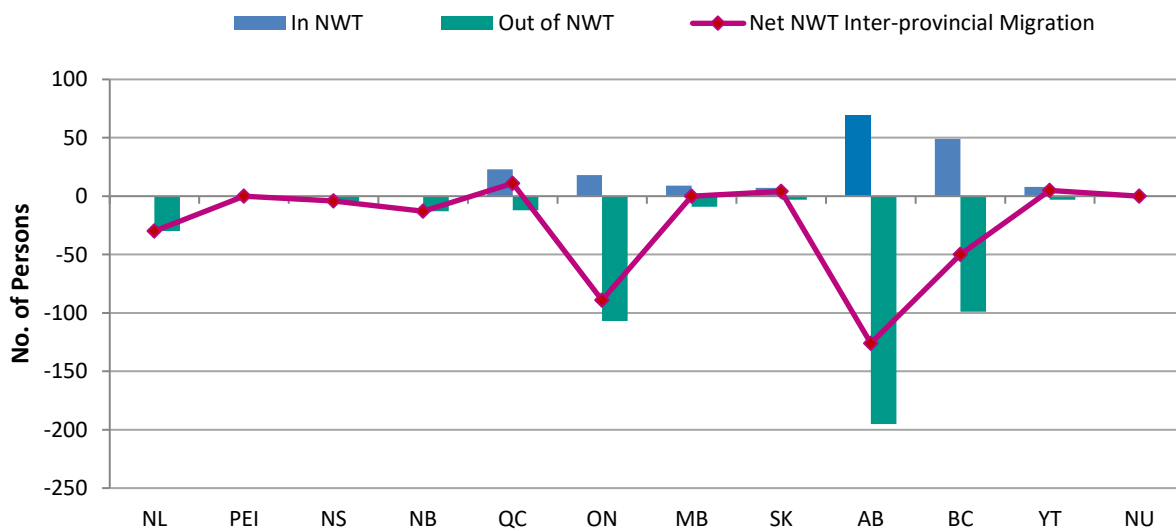


Northwest Territories Population January 2023

On January 1, 2023, Statistics Canada estimated that 45,493 people were living in the Northwest Territories. Between January 1, 2022 and January 1, 2023, the population in the Northwest Territories decreased by 217 persons. The components of natural increase during this period consisted of 546 births and 268 deaths, resulting in a net increase of 278 persons; there was a net loss of 900 interprovincial migrants and a net gain of 405 international migrants.

Historically, Alberta has accounted for the largest number of interprovincial migrants both entering and exiting NWT. In the fourth quarter of 2022, 69 persons moved from Alberta, while 195 persons left for Alberta, resulting in the net loss of 126 persons. The second province that the NWT lost interprovincial migrants to was Ontario with 18 persons moving from Ontario and 107 people leaving for Ontario resulting in a net loss of 89 persons. (Figure 1).

Figure 1 Interprovincial Migration by Province and Territory, Fourth Quarter, 2022



At the national level, Canada's population increased by 2.7% between January 1, 2022 and January 1, 2023. Higher growth rates were prevalent throughout all the provinces and territories except for the NWT. Prince Edward Island experienced the largest percentage increase followed by Alberta, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, and British Columbia all exceeding Canada's growth.

Table 1 Population Estimates and Annual Rate of Growth, by Province and Territory
January 1, 2020 to January 1, 2023

	2023 01-Jan	(%) Change	2022 01-Jan	(%) Change	2021 01-Jan	(%) Change	2020 01-Jan	(%) Change
Canada	39,566,248	2.7	38,516,138	1.2	38,043,450	0.4	37,909,001	1.6
Northwest Territories	45,493	-0.5	45,710	0.8	45,355	0.2	45,270	0.2
Nunavut	40,692	1.7	40,003	1.5	39,405	1.8	38,720	1.0
Yukon	44,238	2.3	43,241	2.0	42,401	1.7	41,699	2.1
British Columbia	5,399,118	2.8	5,251,578	1.8	5,157,293	0.4	5,138,710	1.8
Alberta	4,647,178	3.7	4,482,385	1.2	4,429,077	0.6	4,401,362	1.6
Saskatchewan	1,214,618	2.5	1,185,311	0.5	1,179,119	0.0	1,179,135	0.9
Manitoba	1,431,792	2.4	1,398,303	1.0	1,384,025	0.5	1,377,248	1.1
Ontario	15,386,407	3.0	14,940,912	1.4	14,740,102	0.4	14,686,092	1.8
Quebec	8,787,554	1.7	8,637,650	0.7	8,579,010	0.2	8,559,876	1.3
New Brunswick	825,474	3.3	799,245	1.9	784,472	0.5	780,677	1.0
Nova Scotia	1,037,782	3.5	1,002,441	2.1	981,793	0.4	977,498	1.4
Prince Edward Island	173,954	4.3	166,858	3.2	161,662	1.4	159,369	2.7
Newfoundland & Labrador	531,948	1.8	522,501	0.5	519,736	-0.7	523,345	-0.3

The detailed components of population change for the Northwest Territories since 2017 are presented in Table 2.

These population estimates are based on the 2016 Census, adjusted for census net undercoverage. The population estimates based on 2021 Census will become available in the fall of 2023.

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 – July 1, 2017 to January 1, 2023**

	Beginning Population	Ending Population	Births	Deaths	Interprovincial Migration			Net International	Error of Closure
					In	Out	Net		
Quarterly									
Q4 2022	45,602	45,493	119	59	190	496	-306	137	-
Q3 2022	45,605	45,602	153	70	384	588	-204	118	-
Q2 2022	45,698	45,605	129	66	789	1,033	-244	88	-
Q1 2022	45,710	45,698	145	73	493	639	-146	62	-
Q4 2021	45,607	45,710	119	68	284	283	1	51	-
Q3 2021	45,597	45,607	153	69	469	597	-128	54	-
Q2 2021	45,660	45,597	131	53	561	762	-201	60	-
Q1 2021	45,355	45,660	145	72	663	478	185	47	-
Q4 2020	45,275	45,355	136	69	234	253	-19	32	-
Q3 2020	45,346	45,275	163	77	203	344	-141	-16	-
Q2 2020	45,351	45,346	144	78	536	583	-47	-24	-
Q1 2020	45,270	45,351	127	58	627	663	-36	48	-
Annual (July - June)									
2021-2022	45,597	45,605	546	276	1,862	2,379	-517	255	-
2020-2021	45,346	45,597	575	271	1,445	1,621	-176	123	-
2019-2020	45,070	45,346	573	253	1,814	1,983	-169	125	-
2018-2019	44,981	45,070	599	225	1,578	2,047	-469	184	-
2017-2018	44,891	44,981	622	237	1,592	2,021	-429	134	-

Note: 1. 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.

2. The sum of the quarterly estimates for the in- and out- interprovincial migrants is not equal to the annual estimates.

Source: Statistics Canada, Demography Division.