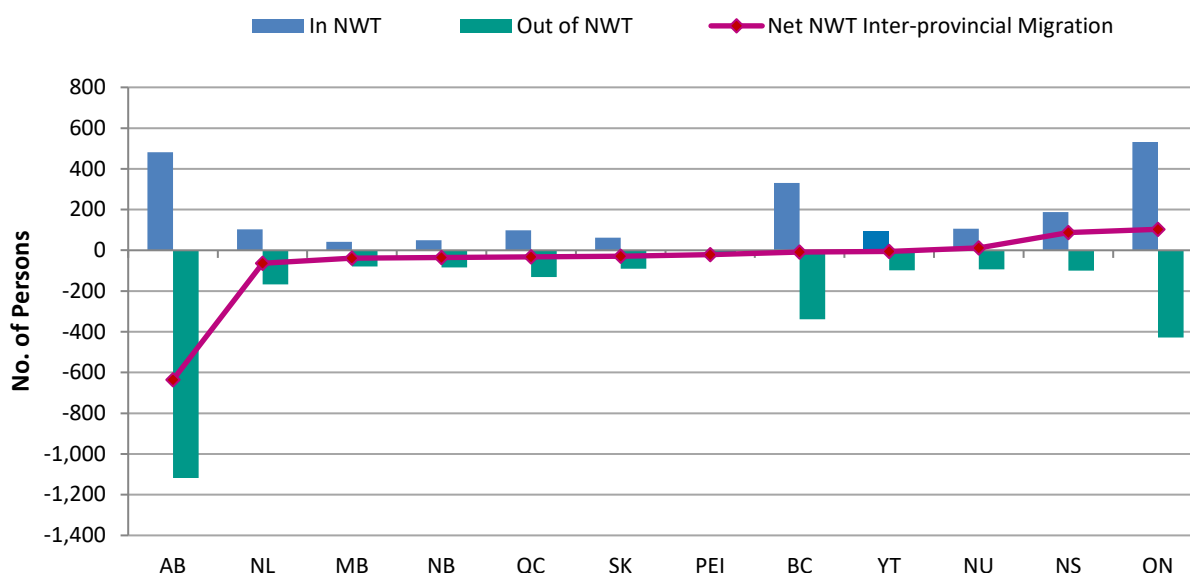


Northwest Territories Population October 2023

On October 1, 2023 Statistics Canada estimated that 44,760 people were living in the Northwest Territories. Between October 1, 2022 and October 1, 2023, the population in the Northwest Territories increased by 96 persons. The components of natural increase during this one-year period consisted of 502 births and 312 deaths, resulting in a net increase of 190 persons. There was a net loss of 669 interprovincial migrants and a net gain of 575 international migrants.

Historically, Alberta has accounted for the largest number of net inter-provincial migrants for the NWT. Between October 1, 2022 and October 1, 2023, 482 persons moved to the NWT from Alberta, while 1,118 persons moved from the territory to Alberta, resulting in the highest net loss of 636 persons among other provinces and territories. Ontario, on the other hand, made the largest contribution of new migrants to the Northwest Territories with a net gain of 103 persons (Figure 1).

Figure 1 Inter-provincial Migration by Province and Territory, Northwest Territories, October 1, 2022 to October 1, 2023



At the national level, Canada's population increased by 3.2% between October 1, 2022 and October 1, 2023, the highest population growth rate observed for a 12-month period since the availability of comparable data (1971/1972). Alberta experienced the largest population increase followed by Prince Edward Island, Ontario, and British Columbia, all exceeding the national growth. In contrast, the NWT's growth rate was the lowest among other provinces and territories.

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

	2023 01-Oct	(%) Change	2022 01-Oct	(%) Change	2021 01-Oct	(%) Change	2020 01-Oct	(%) Change
Canada	40,528,396	3.2	39,276,140	2.1	38,451,454	1.1	38,027,406	0.5
Northwest Territories	44,760	0.2	44,664	0.1	44,621	0.5	44,395	-0.3
Nunavut	40,817	1.0	40,431	0.5	40,232	1.6	39,581	1.8
Yukon	45,148	2.3	44,113	2.3	43,119	2.4	42,109	1.6
British Columbia	5,581,127	3.3	5,403,528	2.6	5,267,184	1.8	5,173,896	0.5
Alberta	4,756,408	4.3	4,561,350	2.5	4,450,442	0.9	4,412,013	0.8
Saskatchewan	1,218,976	2.6	1,187,607	1.6	1,168,901	0.3	1,165,963	-0.1
Manitoba	1,465,440	2.9	1,423,596	1.9	1,396,460	1.1	1,381,809	0.6
Ontario	15,801,768	3.4	15,283,961	2.3	14,942,272	1.3	14,757,582	0.6
Quebec	8,948,540	2.5	8,730,868	1.5	8,603,553	0.6	8,551,865	0.4
New Brunswick	842,725	3.1	817,766	2.8	795,755	1.5	783,814	0.4
Nova Scotia	1,066,416	3.0	1,035,666	2.9	1,006,805	1.8	989,154	0.7
Prince Edward Island	175,853	4.0	169,146	3.3	163,775	2.9	159,179	1.4
Newfoundland & Labrador	540,418	1.3	533,444	1.0	528,335	0.4	526,046	-0.5

The detailed components of population change for the Northwest Territories since 2018 are presented in Table 2.

These population estimates are based on the 2021 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, 2018 to October 1, 2023

		Beginning Population	Ending Population	Births	Deaths	Interprovincial Migration			Net International	Error of Closure
						In	Out	Net		
2023	Jul-Sep	44,972	44,760	111	77	244	653	-409	163	-
	Apr-Jun	44,678	44,972	118	68	759	688	71	173	-
	Jan-Mar	44,515	44,678	155	86	885	921	-36	130	-
2022	Oct-Dec	44,664	44,515	118	81	194	489	-295	109	-
	Jul-Sep	44,685	44,664	111	77	379	551	-172	117	-
	Apr-Jun	44,828	44,685	117	68	696	971	-275	83	-
	Jan-Mar	44,791	44,828	156	84	505	616	-111	76	-
2021	Oct-Dec	44,621	44,791	121	79	308	259	49	79	-
	Jul-Sep	44,579	44,621	153	75	463	565	-102	66	-
	Apr-Jun	44,679	44,579	131	66	566	775	-209	69	-25
	Jan-Mar	44,432	44,679	145	83	664	480	184	58	-57
2020	Oct-Dec	44,395	44,432	136	69	242	256	-14	41	-57
	Jul-Sep	44,504	44,395	163	77	207	344	-137	-	-58
	Apr-Jun	44,565	44,504	143	78	542	590	-48	-21	-57
	Jan-Mar	44,533	44,565	127	58	630	665	-35	55	-57
2019	Oct-Dec	44,512	44,533	160	54	282	361	-79	52	-58
	Jul-Sep	44,442	44,512	137	63	474	481	-7	61	-58
	Apr-Jun	44,560	44,442	140	60	557	757	-200	59	-57
	Jan-Mar	44,675	44,560	146	49	392	616	-224	68	-56
2018	Oct-Dec	44,487	44,675	156	58	425	337	88	60	-58
	Jul-Sep	44,536	44,487	155	59	436	569	-133	45	-57
	Apr-Jun	44,934	44,536	153	68	562	992	-430	5	-58
	Jan-Mar	44,730	44,934	161	54	591	507	84	69	-56

Note: 1. Net International represents the net total of all Immigrants, Emigrants, Returning Canadians, Non-Permanent Residents and Individuals Temporarily Abroad
2. Error of Closure represents the difference in population change as measured by the individual components of growth and that observed using 2021, 2016, 2011 and 2006 census-based population estimates.

Source: Statistics Canada, Demography Division.