Yukon Bureau of Statistics

Population Report
First Quarter, 2024

Highlights:

- The estimated population of Yukon on March 31, 2024 was 46,259; an increase of 1,576, or 3.5%, compared to the figure for March 31, 2023 (44,683).
- Comparing March 31, 2024 to March 31, 2014, Yukon's population increased by 9,552, or 26.0%. The population of the Whitehorse area increased by 8,423, or 29.7%; Dawson City increased by 391, or 19.7%; Watson Lake increased by 27, or 1.8%; and Haines Junction increased by 185, or 21.2%.

Notes on methodological changes:

Official population estimates prior to June 2010 were based on information in Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan (YHCIP) files and a semi-annual health care update survey that estimated the number of plan members who were no longer Yukon residents. In 2010, the estimation model was revised and the population counts for June 2010 through December 2014 were derived by tracking changes in YHCIP files and other administrative data files. In 2015, the model was further revised to make the approach more comprehensive and to improve accuracy based on information in all available and applicable administrative data files of the Yukon government.

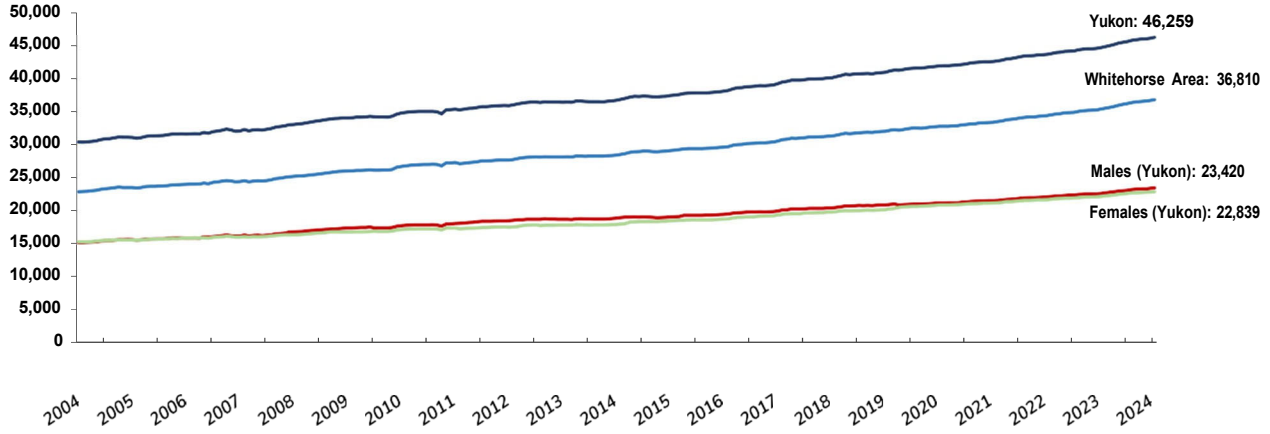
In 2020, the model was updated by prioritizing residential addresses over mailing addresses in the assignment of communities. This update allowed for separate reporting of population estimates for Johnson's Crossing and Mendenhall, and changes in the organization of Whitehorse subdivisions. The changes were applied to all population estimates from June 2019 onwards.

Every five years population estimates are calibrated to estimates based on census counts adjusted for net undercoverage. The most recent calibration was done in April 2024. In addition, changes in community and subdivision populations from one time period to another are not only due to natural population change and migrations, but may also be due to the reassignment of residential addresses as additional administrative data became available.

All monthly estimates are as of the last day of the month. The June estimates represent annual figures.

Given that the number of non-binary individuals in Yukon's administrative files is very small, non-binary individuals are distributed between males and females to protect confidentiality.

Monthly Population, March 31, 2004 to March 31, 2024



- From 2004 through 2014, Yukon's population increased almost steadily in most quarters of every year, except in 2014. Positive growth rates—often very high—have been recorded in each quarter, from 2015 onwards. The March 31, 2024 population was 46,259, a new record high[1] for Yukon.
- On March 31, 2024, Yukon's population (46,259), increased by 279 people, or 0.6%, from the figure for December 31, 2023 (45,980), and increased by 1,576 people, or 3.5%, from March 31, 2023 (44,683).

[1] Accurate population counts during the Gold Rush are not available. However, the population figure in the first Census for Yukon (1901) was 27,219.