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Topic

Population and dwelling counts

2001 and 2006 Censuses

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Background

Nunavut's population according to the 2006 Census was **29,474**, an increase of **10.2%** from 2001 Census; during this period Canada's population increased by **5.4%**. According to the 2006 Census there were **9,041** private dwellings in Nunavut.

Detail

Population and dwelling counts, for Canada, provinces and territories, 2006 and 2001 Censuses.

	Population			Private Dwellings 2006		Land area in square kilometers, 2006	Population density per square kilometer, 2006
	2006	2001	% Change	Total	Occupied by usual residents		
Nunavut	29,474	26,745	10.2	9,041	7,855	1,932,254.97	0.0
Canada	31,612,897	30,007,094	5.4	13,576,855	12,435,520	9,017,698.92	3.5
Newfoundland and Labrador	505,469	512,930	-1.5	235,958	197,245	370,494.89	1.4
Prince Edward Island	135,851	135,294	0.4	62,753	53,084	5,683.91	23.9
Nova Scotia	913,462	908,007	0.6	425,681	376,829	52,917.46	17.3
New Brunswick	729,997	729,498	0.1	331,619	295,871	71,355.12	10.2
Quebec	7,546,131	7,237,479	4.3	3,452,300	3,188,713	1,356,366.78	5.6
Ontario	12,160,282	11,410,046	6.6	4,972,869	4,554,251	907,573.82	13.4
Manitoba	1,148,401	1,119,583	2.6	491,724	448,766	552,369.96	2.1
Saskatchewan	968,157	978,933	-1.1	438,621	387,160	588,276.09	1.6
Alberta	3,290,350	2,974,807	10.6	1,335,745	1,256,192	640,044.57	5.1
British Columbia	4,113,487	3,907,738	5.3	1,788,474	1,642,715	924,815.43	4.4
Yukon Territory	30,372	28,674	5.9	15,296	12,615	474,711.02	0.1
Northwest Territories	41,464	37,360	11.0 ^E	16,774	14,224	1,140,834.90	0.0

^E: Care should be exercised in comparing the Northwest Territories 2006 Census population counts with counts from the 2001 Census. In 2001, the net undercount for the Northwest Territories was estimated at 8.11%, substantially higher than the national level of 2.99%, and almost double its 1996 level. The increase in the population between 2001 and 2006 is likely overstated due to improvements in coverage of the Northwest Territories in 2006.

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Community population counts

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Background

Most communities in Nunavut saw an increase in their population counts from the 2001 Census to the 2006 Census. Repulse Bay, Igloolik and Iqaluit showed the strongest population growth during that period.

With a population of 6,184 according to the 2006 Census, Iqaluit remains the most populous community in the territory, accounting for about 21% of Nunavut's total population. Rankin Inlet and Arviat were the second and third largest communities in terms of population, with more than 2,000 residents.

The population decrease from 2001 to 2006 Censuses were observed in the smaller communities of Grise Fiord, Qikiqtarjuaq, Kimmirut and Chesterfield Inlet.

Detail

Population counts for Nunavut communities, 2006 and 2001 Censuses.

	Population		
	2006	2001	% Change
Arctic Bay	690	646	6.8
Arviat	2,060	1,899	8.5
Baker Lake	1,728	1,507	14.7
Cambridge Bay	1,477	1,309	12.8
Cape Dorset	1,236	1,148	7.7
Chesterfield Inlet	332	345	-3.8
Clyde River	820	785	4.5
Coral Harbour	769	712	8.0
Gjoa Haven	1,064	960	10.8
Grise Fiord	141	163	-13.5
Hall Beach	654	609	7.4
Igloolik	1,538	1,286	19.6
Iqaluit	6,184	5,236	18.1
Kimmirut	411	433	-5.1
Kugaaruk	688	605	13.7
Kugluktuk	1,302	1,212	7.4
Pangnirtung	1,325	1,276	3.8
Pond Inlet	1,315	1,220	7.8
Qikiqtarjuaq	473	519	-8.9
Rankin Inlet	2,358	2,177	8.3
Repulse Bay	748	612	22.2
Resolute	229	215	6.5
Sanikiluaq	744	684	8.8
Taloyoak	809	720	12.4
Whale Cove	353	305	15.7
Other areas ¹	26	162	-84.0

¹: Other areas include Bathurst Inlet, Umingmaktok, Nanisivik; and Baffin, Keewatin and Kitikmeot Unorganized areas (e.g., outpost camps).