

# StatsUpdate

**Topic:** Payroll Employment, Earnings and Hours  
January 2017 (preliminary)  
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**Background:** In January 2017, preliminary estimates from the Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours indicate there were **14,700** employees in Nunavut, an **increase** of **600** employees from January 2016.

Average weekly earnings for all employees in Nunavut were **\$1,302.33**, an **increase** of **4.9%** from the same period last year.

## Details:

Number of Employees <sup>1</sup>				
	January 2017 <sup>2</sup>	January 2016	January 2016 to January 2017	
	Number of Employees		Change	% Change
<b>Nunavut</b>	<b>14,700</b>	<b>14,100</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>4.3</b>
Canada	15,779,600	15,541,600	238,000	1.5
Yukon	20,000	19,500	500	2.6
Northwest Territories	25,400	25,900	-500.0	-1.9

Average Weekly Earnings for All Employees (Including Overtime) <sup>1</sup>				
	January 2017 <sup>2</sup>	January 2016	January 2016 to January 2017	
	\$		Change in \$	% Change
<b>Nunavut</b>	<b>1,302.33</b>	<b>1,241.31</b>	<b>61.02</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Canada	962.83	946.20	16.63	1.8
Yukon	1,110.49	1,078.24	32.25	3.0
Northwest Territories	1,392.74	1,403.61	-10.87	-0.8

### Notes:

1. Source: Statistics Canada, Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours, CANSIM table 281-0023 and 281-0026.
2. <sup>1</sup>Unadjusted for seasonal variation.
3. <sup>2</sup>Preliminary estimates.

### Note to Readers:

Readers should be aware that the percentage change for Nunavut can vary significantly due to the relatively small number of employees. Taken over longer periods of time, the resulting changes would likely be more reflective of the actual changes in either employment or earnings.

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