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Northwest Territories Population – April 2008

On April 1, 2008 Statistics Canada estimated the population of the Northwest Territories to be 42,514 persons, an increase of 0.5% from one year ago. By comparison, Canada's population grew by 1.1% over the same period. Please note, these estimates are still based on the 2001 census and do not reflect 2006 census information.

In total, between April 1, 2007 and April 1, 2008, the population of the Northwest Territories increased by 200 persons. This growth resulted from a natural increase of 526 persons, offset by a decrease of 326 persons through migration. The detailed components of natural increase during the past 12 months consisted of 698 births and 172 deaths. Interprovincial migration resulted in 2,765 persons moving to the Northwest Territories from other provinces and territories, while 3,125 persons moved away. Internationally, there was a net in-migration of 34 persons from other countries.

Between January 1, 2008 and March 1, 2008, the overall population in the Northwest Territories decreased by 80 persons. Natural increase accounted for growth of 114 persons and in total, 194 persons migrated from the Northwest Territories.

Population estimates for Canada, the provinces and territories are presented in Table 1 below. The components of population change for the Northwest Territories since 2000 are presented in Table 2.

**Table 1 Population Estimates and Annual Rate of Growth, by Province and Territory
April 1, 2005 to April 1, 2008**

	2008 April 1	Percent Incr.	2007 April 1	Percent Incr.	2006 April 1	Percent Incr.	2005 April 1	Percent Incr.
Canada	33,223,840	1.1	32,870,726	1.0	32,543,059	1.0	32,205,936	1.0
Northwest Territories	42,514	0.5	42,314	0.0	42,308	-1.2	42,834	0.2
Nunavut	31,152	1.2	30,777	1.7	30,252	1.3	29,873	1.7
Yukon	31,530	2.3	30,820	-1.0	31,133	0.5	30,977	0.3
British Columbia	4,428,356	1.5	4,363,539	1.4	4,303,025	1.4	4,242,942	1.3
Alberta	3,512,368	1.8	3,449,527	3.0	3,347,675	2.8	3,256,864	1.9
Saskatchewan	1,010,146	1.8	992,238	0.5	986,864	-0.5	991,825	-0.3
Manitoba	1,196,291	1.1	1,183,305	0.6	1,176,418	0.2	1,173,835	0.5
Ontario	12,891,787	1.0	12,765,731	0.9	12,657,891	1.2	12,513,318	1.2
Quebec	7,744,530	0.8	7,684,983	0.7	7,634,259	0.7	7,582,310	0.7
New Brunswick	751,527	0.4	748,846	-0.1	749,928	-0.3	751,839	0.0
Nova Scotia	935,962	0.3	933,560	-0.1	934,680	-0.2	936,372	-0.1
Prince Edward Island	139,407	0.8	138,359	0.3	137,956	0.0	137,939	0.1
Newfoundland & Labrador	508,270	0.3	506,727	-0.8	510,670	-0.8	515,008	-0.5

Note to T-stat users: Statistics Canada population estimates are available on T-stat matrix TM 01 0001.

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Table 2 Components of Population Change, by Time Period
Northwest Territories - January 1, 2000 to April 1, 2008

		Beginning Population	Ending Population	Births	Deaths	--- Interprovincial Migration ---			Net International	Error of Closure
						In	Out	Net		
2008	Jan-Mar	42,594	42,514	169	55	598	808	-210	16	-
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2007	Jan-Dec	42,328	42,594	689	168	2,774	3,052	-278	23	-
	Oct-Dec	42,425	42,594	162	38	585	492	93	-48	-
	Jul-Sep	42,637	42,425	180	41	745	1,082	-337	-14	-
	Apr-Jun	42,314	42,637	187	38	837	743	94	80	-
	Jan-Mar	42,328	42,314	160	51	607	735	-128	5	-
2006	Jan-Dec	42,565	42,328	686	161	2,500	3,309	-809	47	-
	Oct-Dec	42,483	42,328	157	36	452	699	-247	-29	-
	Jul-Sep	42,401	42,483	174	38	912	977	-65	11	-
	Apr-Jun	42,308	42,401	191	37	621	729	-108	47	-
	Jan-Mar	42,565	42,308	164	50	515	904	-389	18	-
2005	Jan-Dec	42,851	42,565	712	157	2,080	2,976	-896	55	-
	Oct-Dec	42,802	42,565	163	35	201	566	-365	0	-
	Jul-Sep	42,724	42,802	181	37	559	651	-92	26	-
	Apr-Jun	42,834	42,724	199	36	770	1,044	-274	1	-
	Jan-Mar	42,851	42,834	169	49	550	715	-165	28	-
2004	Jan-Dec	42,727	42,851	698	153	2,263	2,745	-482	61	-
	Oct-Dec	42,832	42,851	166	34	418	518	-100	-13	-
	Jul-Sep	42,822	42,832	171	36	574	703	-129	4	-
	Apr-Jun	42,745	42,822	163	35	664	748	-84	33	-
	Jan-Mar	42,727	42,745	198	48	607	776	-169	37	-
2003	Jan-Dec	41,802	42,727	701	202	2,439	2,181	258	168	-
2002	Jan-Dec	41,107	41,802	635	169	2,724	2,511	213	16	-
2001	Jan-Dec	40,646	41,107	613	163	2,405	2,444	-39	90	-40
2000	Jan-Dec	40,641	40,646	673	157	2,324	2,838	-514	99	-96

Note: *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 2001, 1996 and 1991 census based population estimates.

Source: Statistics Canada, Demography Division.