

StatsUpdate

Topic: Homicides
2017
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Background: In 2017, police services reported **6** homicides in Nunavut, **5 more** than the previous year. Northwest Territories had **2** homicides in 2017, while Yukon police services reported **8** homicides.

Details:

Homicides by Province and Territory				
	2017		2016	
	Homicides			
	Number	Rate ¹	Number	Rate ¹
Nunavut	6	15.8	1	2.7
Canada	660	1.8	612	1.7
Newfoundland and Labrador	4	0.8	7	1.3
Prince Edward Island	0	...	0	...
Nova Scotia	21	2.2	13	1.4
New Brunswick	10	1.3	11	1.5
Quebec	93	1.1	67	0.8
Ontario	196	1.4	206	1.5
Manitoba	47	3.5	42	3.2
Saskatchewan	37	3.2	54	4.7
Alberta	118	2.8	116	2.7
British Columbia	118	2.5	88	1.9
Yukon	8	20.8	4	10.5
Northwest Territories	2	4.5	3	6.7

Notes:

1. Rates are calculated per 100,000 population using revised July 1 population estimates from Statistics Canada.
2. The homicide rate in Nunavut tends to be higher than the provinces, although the actual number of homicides is consistently low. The small population of Nunavut along with minor changes to the number of homicides has considerable effect on the homicide rate.
3. There may be a small number of homicides included in a given year's total that occurred in previous years. Homicides are counted according to the year in which they are reported to Statistics Canada.

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