

# StatsUpdate

**Topic:** Provincial and Territorial Real Gross Domestic Product by Industry  
2018 (preliminary)  
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**Background:** In Nunavut, GDP increased **10.0%** in 2018 following similar growth in 2017. Construction (**+47.5%**) and mining, quarrying and oil and gas extraction (**+14.9%**) contributed the most to the growth.

In construction, engineering construction grew **55.8%** as work on the development of the Meliadine and Amaruq gold mines continued. Non-residential construction rose **52.9%** partly due to the building of Nunavut Arctic College, the naval re-fueling station at Nanisivik and a few new schools.

Iron ore mining (**+29.8%**) was the main contributor to the expansion of the mining, quarrying and oil and gas extraction sector. Iron ore-carrying vessels made a record 71 trips during the summer and fall shipping seasons. Gold and silver ore mining increased **3.5%**.

Services-producing industries increased **1.5%**. Public sector services grew **2.9%** with growth in all components. Transportation and warehousing was up **4.7%** as higher construction and mining activity contributed to higher output in air transportation—to move workers in and out of work sites—and to higher output in truck transportation. Retail trade was up **0.8%**. Wholesale trade fell **15.9%**, attributable to a **23.8%** drop in the wholesaling of machinery, equipment and supplies following two consecutive years of strong growth.

**Details:**

| Real Gross Domestic Product by Industry, Millions of Chained (2012) Dollars |             |             |            |             |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | 2014        | 2015        | 2016       | 2017        | 2018        |
|   | %change     |             |            |             |             |
| <b>Nunavut</b>  | <b>-1.2</b> | <b>-0.4</b> | <b>3.5</b> | <b>10.3</b> | <b>10.0</b> |
| <b>Canada</b>   | <b>2.9</b>  | <b>0.8</b>  | <b>1.1</b> | <b>3.2</b>  | <b>2.0</b>  |
| Newfoundland and Labrador   | -1.1        | -1.1        | 1.7        | 0.9         | -2.7        |
| Prince Edward Island  | 0.4         | 1.4         | 1.7        | 3.4         | 2.6         |
| Nova Scotia   | 1.1         | 0.8         | 1.5        | 1.5         | 1.2         |
| New Brunswick   | 0.1         | 0.8         | 1.4        | 2.0         | 0.1         |
| Quebec  | 1.6         | 1.0         | 1.5        | 2.9         | 2.5         |
| Ontario   | 2.5         | 2.7         | 2.4        | 2.8         | 2.2         |
| Manitoba  | 1.9         | 1.4         | 1.7        | 3.1         | 1.3         |
| Saskatchewan  | 1.9         | -0.8        | -0.3       | 2.3         | 1.6         |
| Alberta   | 5.9         | -3.5        | -4.1       | 4.6         | 2.3         |
| British Columbia  | 3.5         | 2.3         | 3.3        | 4.0         | 2.4         |
| Yukon   | 0.7         | -7.6        | 7.0        | 2.9         | 2.8         |
| Northwest Territories   | 4.7         | 1.0         | 1.3        | 3.9         | 1.9         |

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