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Yukoners now have expanded access to travel benefits as part of the Northern Residents Deduction

Starting this tax year, more Yukoners will be eligible for the travel component of the Northern Residents Deduction. Previously, the travel component of the Northern Residents Deduction could only be claimed by those with employer-provided travel benefits. Now, regardless of whether an individual has employer-provided benefits, Yukoners can claim up to \$1,200 in eligible travel expenses for the 2021 tax year.

“This reform puts hard earned money back into the pockets of Yukoners. I am thrilled to see this change in place for Yukoners filing their 2021 taxes.”

- MP Brendan Hanley

Quick Facts

How many trips can Yukoners take?

Eligible individuals can claim a maximum of two trips for non-medical personal travel in a year, and claim any number of trips for medical purposes in a year.

Where can Yukoners travel?

Trips include both in- and out-of-territory travel.

What kind of expenses can be included in Yukoners' travel claim?

Travel expenses include air, train, or bus fares, vehicle expenses, meals, hotel, or motel accommodations, camping fees, and other incidental expenses such as taxis and road and ferry tolls.

What are the residency requirements?

Individuals must live in prescribed northern areas of Canada for at least six consecutive months beginning or ending in the 2021 taxation year to be eligible. That period can begin or end in the current tax year.

For further questions, please contact taliam.hodgkinson.901@parl.gc.ca.

For full eligibility and more information on how expanded access to travel benefits will affect Yukoners, visit [Line 25500 - Northern residents deductions - Canada.ca](https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue/details/2021/03/line-25500-northern-residents-deductions.html).