

OCTOBER 2023 MONTH IN REVIEW

Yukon

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Labour Relations

Sep 21: Yukon avoided a potential government shutdown by issuing a special warrant authorizing up to \$15.3 million in additional government spending while the Assembly decides on supplemental funding to authorize for the current fiscal year at its upcoming fall session.

Discrimination

Oct 12: That's the last day for stakeholders to complete an [online survey](#) on the progress Yukon is making in implementing the 5-year LGBTQ2S+ Inclusion Act Plan that it launched in 2021. The next round of progress report consultations is scheduled for 2025.

Action Point: Implement a legally sound [sexual orientation and transgender discrimination policy](#) at your workplace

New Laws

Aug 31: Yukon and the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency launched a new program offering commercial harvesters and retailers up to \$15,000 in funding for purchases, repairs and upgrades to harvest equipment, vehicles, trailers, PPE and other equipment. Deadline [to apply](#): March 31, 2024.

Privacy

Sep 14: The government had to shut down from noon to 4 pm as a result of a

cyberattack targeting the Yukon.ca website. While the threat continued, the government was effective in responding to the attack and was able to restore 90% of the disrupted services by the morning of Sept. 15.

Action Point: Find out about the 12 things you should do to [prevent data breaches](#) at your workplace

Workers Comp

Sep 1: The Yukon WSCB published the [workers comp assessment rates of 2024](#). Rate Groups getting an increase include: Resources and Transportation (High), Construction (High), Services (Low) and Government. All other Rate Groups will have either the same or lower premium rates next year. Maximum annual earnings will increase from \$98,093 to \$102,017.