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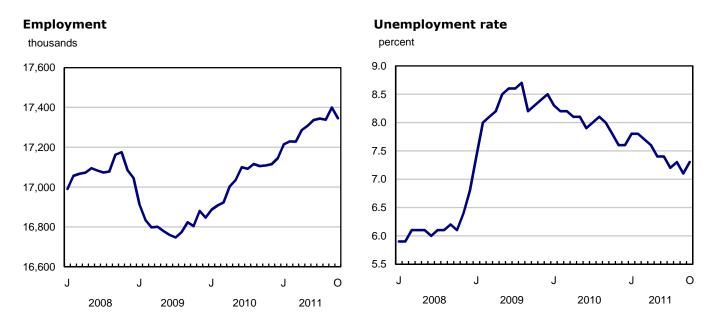
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Highlights

October 2011

Following an increase in September, employment declined by 54,000 in October, all in full time. October's loss pushed the unemployment rate up 0.2 percentage points to 7.3%. Over the last year, total employment has risen by 237,000 (+1.4%).

Chart 1 Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted



Analysis — October 2011

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The number of full-time workers declined by 72,000 in October. Despite this loss, full-time employment has grown 1.6% (+226,000) compared to a year earlier, while part-time employment was little changed. Over the same period, total actual hours worked increased by 1.6%.

The bulk of the decline in October occurred in manufacturing, followed by construction. Natural resources was the only industry to post notable gains for the month.

In October, employment declined among private sector employees. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment grew faster among private sector employees (+1.5%) than among their public sector counterparts (+1.2%) and the self-employed (+1.1%).

Employment fell in Ontario, British Columbia, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, while it increased in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Declines in goods sector

Employment in manufacturing fell for the second consecutive month, down 48,000 in October. Employment in the industry has declined 2.7% compared to October 2010.

There were also employment losses in construction in October (-20,000). Despite this loss, construction employment remains 1.4% above the level of October 2010.

Natural resources was the only industry with employment gains in October (+12,000). Over the past 12 months, natural resources employment has grown by 5.0%.

In the 12 months to October, employment in the goods sector has fallen 0.7%, with growth earlier in the period dampened by declines in recent months.

In contrast, employment in the service sector continued on its long-term upward trend, growing 2.0% since October 2010. Accommodation and food services led the way (+ 8.2%), followed by transportation and warehousing (+3.7%), health care and social assistance (+3.4%), and professional, scientific and technical services (+3.4%).

There were no notable employment changes in the service sector industries in October.

Provincial summary

Ontario's employment declined 39,000 in October, with large losses in full time partially offset by gains in part time. The unemployment rate in the province rose 0.5 percentage points to 8.1%. Over the past 12 months, employment in Ontario has grown by 1.5% (+101,000).

Employment fell by 11,000 in British Columbia. Since October 2010, employment in the province has grown by 0.9%, slower than the national rate of growth (+1.4%).

In October, there were also declines in Nova Scotia, where employment fell 3,900, and in Prince Edward Island, where it decreased by 1,300.

Overall employment in Quebec declined slightly in October and the unemployment rate rose 0.4 percentage points to 7.7%. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in the province was little changed (+0.4%).

Newfoundland and Labrador was the only province to experience notable employment gains in October, up 4,100. Employment in the province grew 0.9% compared with 12 months earlier.

Employment in Alberta edged up in October, and the unemployment rate declined 0.3 percentage points to 5.1%. Compared to October 2010, Alberta has had the fastest rate of employment growth of all provinces, with an increase of 4.3%.

Declines mainly among adult women

In October, employment fell 32,000 among women aged 25 and over. Despite this decline, employment among adult women was up 1.2% from October 2010, with full-time gains tempered by losses in part time.

While youths experienced a slight loss in October, employment growth of 1.9% for this group over the past 12 months has outpaced the national average.

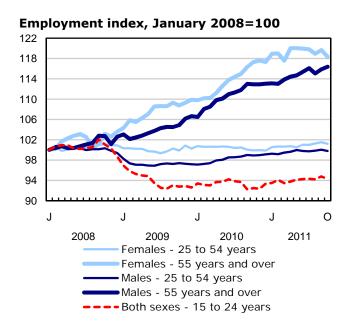
In October, there was little change in employment for men aged 25 and over. Over the past 12 months, employment among adult men grew by 1.4%.

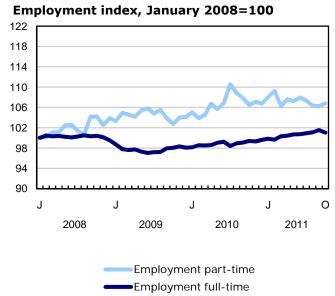
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Chart 1
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted





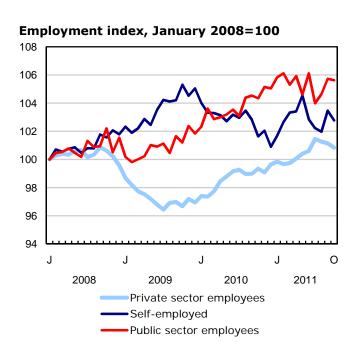
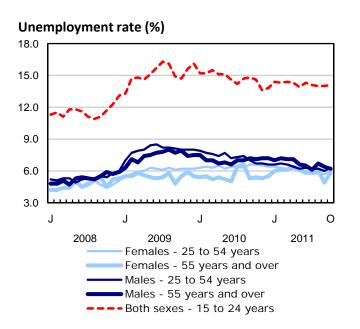
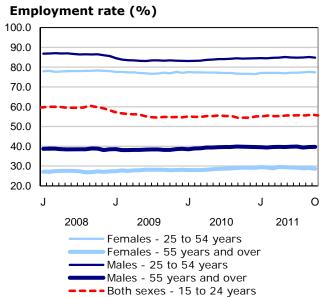


Chart 2 Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted





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Chart 3 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January 2008=100

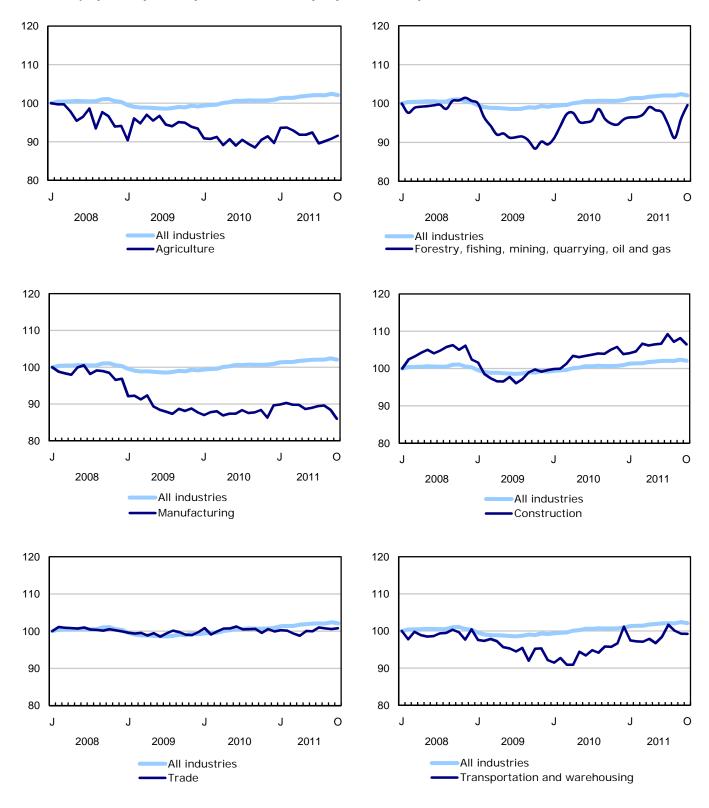


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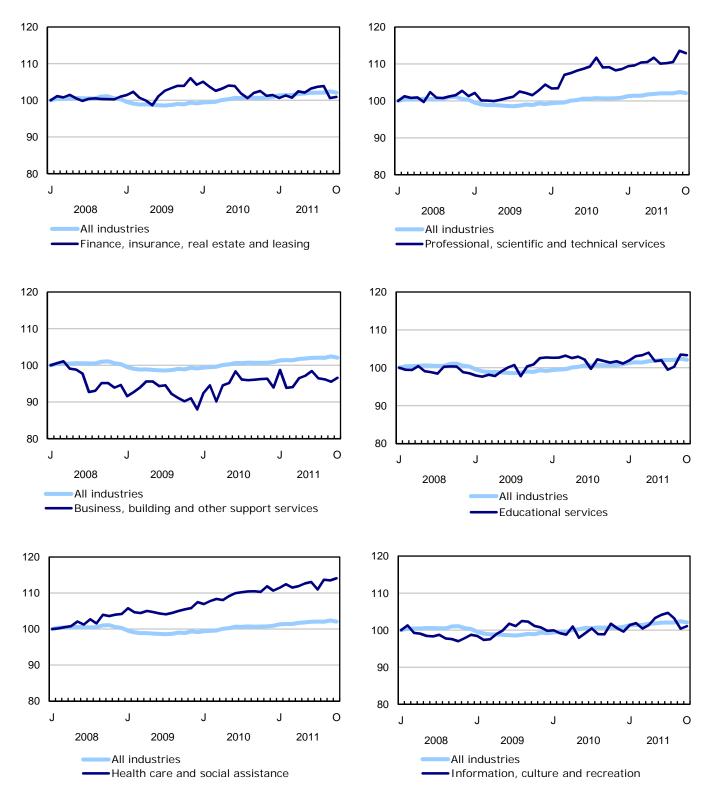


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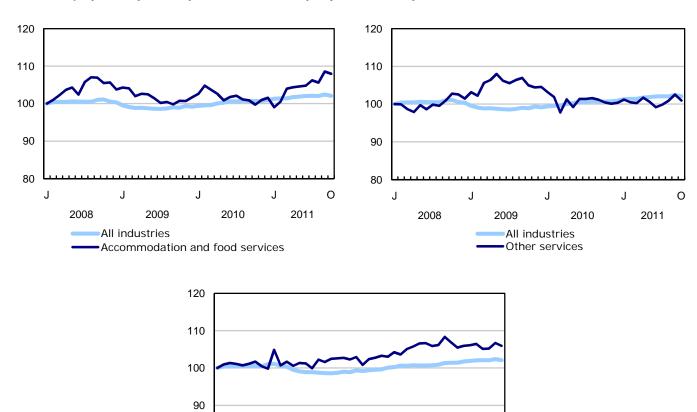
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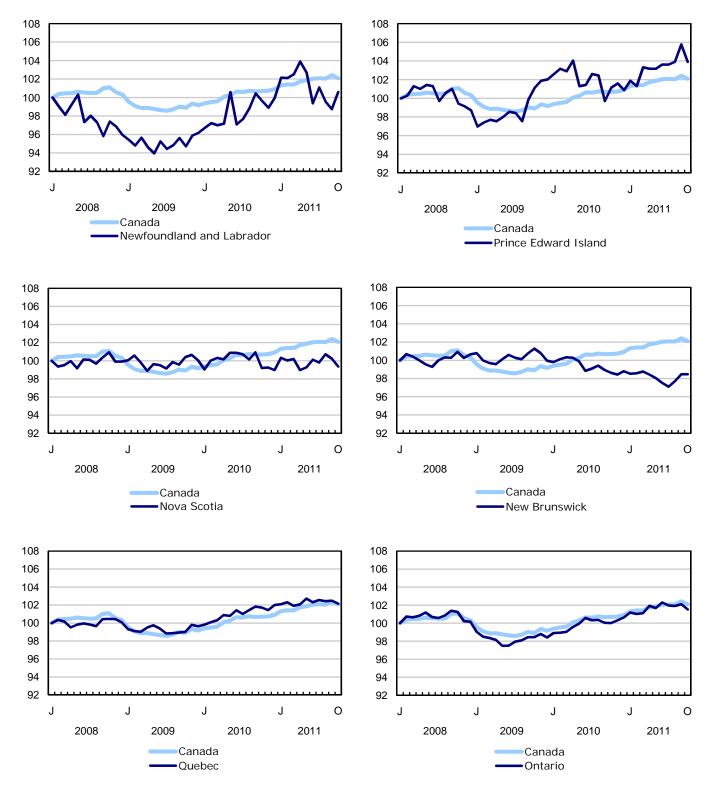
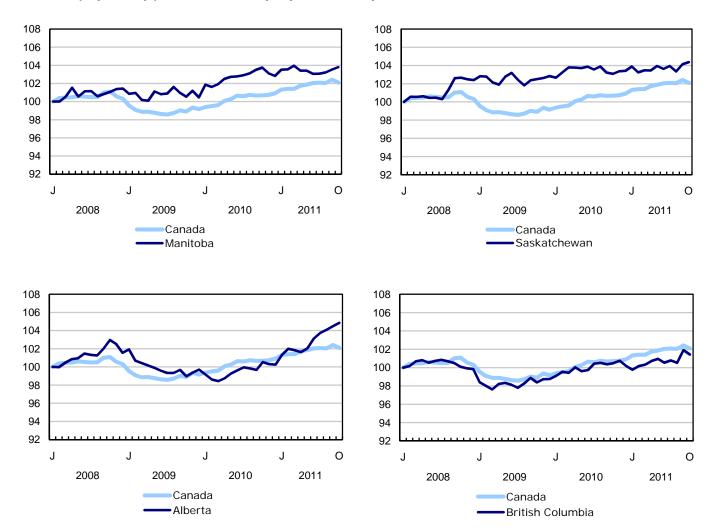


Chart 7 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2008=100



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Table 1 Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	m
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
15 years and over, both sexes Population	28,057.1	28,082.3		25.2	267.5	317.1	0.1	1.0	1.1
Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment	18,733.7 17,399.6 14,106.1 3,293.5 1,334.2	18,719.9 17,345.6 14,034.4 3,311.2 1,374.2	29.3 28.6 37.7 34.8 25.3	-13.8 -54.0 -71.7 17.7 40.0	162.1 200.3 198.6 1.6 -38.3	156.0 236.9 226.4 10.5 -81.0	-0.1 -0.3 -0.5 0.5 3.0	0.9 1.2 1.4 0.0 -2.7	0.8 1.4 1.6 0.3 -5.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	66.8 7.1 62.0 18.9	66.7 7.3 61.8 19.1	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.2	-0.1 0.2 -0.2 0.2	0.0 -0.3 0.2 -0.2	-0.2 -0.5 0.2 -0.2		 	
15 to 24 years, both sexes	4.457.0	4.457.4			0.0	0.4		0.4	0.4
Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	4,457.2 2,901.6 2,494.1 1,292.2 1,201.9 407.5 65.1 14.0 56.0 48.2	4,457.4 2,887.5 2,479.5 1,298.0 1,181.5 408.0 64.8 14.1 55.6 47.7	17.0 15.7 18.5 19.4 14.7 0.4 0.5 0.4 0.7	0.2 -14.1 -14.6 5.8 -20.4 0.5 -0.3 0.1 -0.4	-2.6 36.3 23.0 12.2 10.8 13.3 0.9 0.3 0.5	-3.4 38.4 46.2 29.4 16.8 -7.8 0.9 -0.5 1.1 -0.2	0.0 -0.5 -0.6 0.4 -1.7 0.1 	-0.1 1.3 0.9 0.9 0.9 3.4 	-0.1 1.3 1.9 2.3 1.4 -1.9
25 years and over, men Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	11,546.9 8,391.5 7,879.5 7,282.3 597.2 512.0 72.7 6.1 68.2 7.6	11,559.6 8,398.6 7,872.2 7,248.3 623.9 526.5 72.7 6.3 68.1 7.9	15.3 16.1 21.2 17.3 14.5 0.1 0.2 0.1	12.7 7.1 -7.3 -34.0 26.7 14.5 0.0 0.2 -0.1 0.3	135.0 55.4 91.0 74.1 16.9 -35.5 -0.3 -0.4 0.0 0.1	160.2 66.2 105.8 91.8 14.0 -39.5 -0.4 -0.5 0.0	0.1 0.1 -0.1 -0.5 4.5 2.8	1.2 0.7 1.2 1.0 2.8 -6.3 	1.4 0.8 1.4 1.3 2.3 -7.0
25 years and over, women Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	12,052.9 7,440.6 7,025.9 5,531.5 1,494.4 414.7 61.7 5.6 58.3 21.3	12,065.4 7,433.7 6,994.0 5,488.1 1,505.9 439.7 61.6 5.9 58.0 21.5	16.7 16.2 24.6 22.9 13.4 0.1 0.2 0.1	12.5 -6.9 -31.9 -43.4 11.5 25.0 -0.1 0.3 -0.3	135.1 70.3 86.4 112.4 -26.0 -16.1 -0.1 -0.3 0.1	160.4 51.3 84.9 105.2 -20.3 -33.7 -0.4 -0.5 0.0	0.1 -0.1 -0.5 -0.8 0.8 6.0	1.1 1.0 1.3 2.1 -1.7 -3.5 	1.3 0.7 1.2 2.0 -1.3 -7.1
25 to 54 years, both sexes Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	14,542.4 12,566.4 11,826.5 739.9 86.4 5.9 81.3	14,544.2 12,565.0 11,795.3 769.7 86.4 6.1 81.1	22.0 23.1 18.5 0.2 0.1 0.2	1.8 -1.4 -31.2 29.8 0.0 0.2 -0.2	33.5 76.5 116.9 -40.4 0.3 -0.4 0.6	42.1 62.7 128.1 -65.3 0.2 -0.6	0.0 0.0 -0.3 4.0 	0.2 0.6 1.0 -5.0 	0.3 0.5 1.1 -7.8
25 to 54 years, men Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	7,274.4 6,584.3 6,187.2 397.0 90.5 6.0 85.1	7,275.5 6,587.7 6,172.7 415.0 90.5 6.3 84.8	14.0 15.4 13.2 0.2 0.2 0.2	1.1 3.4 -14.5 18.0 0.0 0.3 -0.3	17.9 23.9 42.3 -18.4 0.1 -0.3 0.3	22.5 30.4 55.2 -24.8 0.1 -0.4 0.5	0.0 0.1 -0.2 4.5 	0.2 0.4 0.7 -4.2 	0.3 0.5 0.9 -5.6

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	m
	7,268.0 5,982.1 5,639.2 342.9 82.3 5.7 77.6 9,057.4 3,265.7 3,079.0 186.7 36.1 5.7 34.0 4,272.5 1,807.2 1,692.3 115.0 42.3 6.4 39.6	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
25 to 54 years, women									
Population		7,268.7		0.7	15.6	19.5	0.0	0.2	0.3
Labour force		5,977.3	16.1	-4.8	52.6	32.3	-0.1	0.9	0.5
Employment	5,639.2	5,622.5	16.2	-16.7	74.5	72.8	-0.3	1.3	1.3
Unemployment	342.9	354.7	12.6	11.8	-22.0	-40.6	3.4	-5.8	-10.3
Participation rate	82.3	82.2	0.2	-0.1	0.5	0.2			
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.9	0.2	0.2	-0.5	-0.7			
Employment rate	77.6	77.4	0.2	-0.2	0.9	0.8			
55 years and over, both sexes									
Population	9,057.4	9,080.7		23.3	236.5	278.4	0.3	2.7	3.2
Labour force		3,267.4	17.2	1.7	49.3	54.8	0.1	1.5	1.7
Employment	3,079.0	3,070.9	17.2	-8.1	60.5	62.7	-0.3	2.0	2.1
Unemployment	186.7	196.4	9.4	9.7	-11.3	-7.9	5.2	-5.4	-3.9
Participation rate	36.1	36.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.5			
Unemployment rate	5.7	6.0	0.3	0.3	-0.5	-0.4			
Employment rate	34.0	33.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4			
55 years and over, men									
Population		4,284.0		11.5	117.0	137.6	0.3	2.8	3.3
Labour force		1,810.9	11.4	3.7	31.5	35.8	0.2	1.8	2.0
Employment		1,699.4	11.5	7.1	48.6	50.6	0.4	2.9	3.1
Unemployment		111.5	7.2	-3.5	-17.1	-14.7	-3.0	-13.3	-11.6
Participation rate		42.3	0.3	0.0	-0.4	-0.5			
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.2	0.4	-0.2	-1.0	-0.9			
Employment rate	39.6	39.7	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.1			
55 years and over, women									
Population	4,784.9	4,796.7		11.8	119.5	140.8	0.2	2.6	3.0
Labour force	1,458.5	1,456.5	11.7	-2.0	17.8	19.0	-0.1	1.2	1.3
Employment	1,386.7	1,371.5	11.7	-15.2	11.9	12.1	-1.1	0.9	0.9
Unemployment	71.8	85.0	5.9	13.2	5.9	6.9	18.4	7.5	8.8
Participation rate	30.5	30.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-0.5			
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.8	0.4	0.9	0.3	0.4			
Employment rate	29.0	28.6	0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.6			

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0087.

Table 2 Employment by class of worker and industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perd	ent change fro	m
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
			in thousa	ands					
Class of worker									
Employees Self-employed ²	14,712.9 2,686.7	14,677.0 2,668.6	34.7 24.9	-35.9 -18.1	151.9 48.4	207.7 29.2	-0.2 -0.7	1.0 1.8	1.4 1.1
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees Private sector employees	3,577.7 11,135.2	3,573.9 11,103.2	24.3 36.3	-3.8 -32.0	19.4 132.6	43.2 164.5	-0.1 -0.3	0.5 1.2	1.2 1.5
Industry	17,399.6	17,345.6	28.6	-54.0	200.3	236.9	-0.3	1.2	1.4
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	3,802.2 303.0	3,750.3 305.6	25.3 6.9	-51.9 2.6	-38.5 6.4	-25.8 3.6	-1.4 0.9	-1.0 2.1	-0.7 1.2
gas extraction ³	331.8	343.9	7.0	12.1	12.4	16.4	3.6	3.7	5.0
Utilities	131.0	133.0	4.8	2.0	-14.8	-15.3	1.5	-10.0	-10.3
Construction Manufacturing	1,278.0 1,758.4	1,257.9 1,710.0	16.3 19.0	-20.1 -48.4	30.7 -73.1	17.2 -47.6	-1.6 -2.8	2.5 -4.1	1.4 -2.7
Services-producing sector	13,597.3	13,595.3	33.6	-2.0	238.7	262.7	0.0	1.8	2.0
Trade	2,685.3	2,690.9	22.8	5.6	22.5	33.2	0.2	0.8	1.2
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	848.5 1,074.0	848.1 1,077.5	13.2 15.4	-0.4 3.5	-16.7 -5.4	29.9 -17.3	0.0 0.3	-1.9 -0.5	3.7 -1.6
services Business, building and other support	1,333.7	1,326.1	17.4	-7.6	50.1	43.9	-0.6	3.9	3.4
services	675.7	683.6	13.8	7.9	18.8	2.7	1.2	2.8	0.4
Educational services	1,233.9	1,232.1	15.5	-1.8	26.3	23.2	-0.1	2.2	1.9
Health care and social assistance	2,105.2	2,115.6	17.8	10.4	63.3	69.7	0.5	3.1	3.4
Information, culture and recreation	771.8	777.2	14.6	5.4	11.3	-5.0	0.7	1.5	-0.6
Accommodation and food services	1,128.0	1,121.6	15.9	-6.4	66.6	85.4	-0.6	6.3	8.2
Other services Public administration	765.8 975.6	754.1 968.5	12.8 12.5	-11.7 -7.1	4.3 -2.3	3.8 -6.9	-1.5 -0.7	0.6 -0.2	0.5 -0.7

3. Also referred to as Natural resources.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0088, 282-0089.

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Includes both incorporated and unincorporated working owners, self-employed persons who do not have a business and persons working in a family business without pay.

Table 3 Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Percent change from		
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (ex	xcept rates)				
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population Labour force	428.5 254.6	428.5 257.6	 2.1	0.0 3.0	-0.5 -1.6	-0.1 1.8	0.0 1.2	-0.1 -0.6	0.0 0.7
Employment	220.2	224.3	2.1	4.1	1.4	2.1	1.9	0.6	0.7
Employment full-time	187.6	189.9	2.3	2.3	-1.2	-0.6	1.2	-0.6	-0.3
Employment part-time	32.7	34.4	1.9	1.7	2.6	2.8	5.2	8.2	8.9
Unemployment	34.4	33.2	1.9	-1.2	-3.1	-0.4	-3.5	-8.5	-1.2
Participation rate	59.4	60.1	0.5	0.7	-0.3	0.4			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	13.5 51.4	12.9 52.3	0.7 0.5	-0.6 0.9	-1.1 0.3	-0.2 0.5			
Prince Edward Island									
Population	119.6	119.6		0.0	1.7	2.1	0.0	1.4	1.8
Labour force	82.6	81.0	0.6	-1.6	1.6	0.6	-1.9	2.0	0.7
Employment	73.3	72.0	0.7	-1.3	2.1	1.9	-1.8	3.0	2.7
Employment full-time	61.7	61.0	0.9	-0.7	3.1	3.6	-1.1	5.4	6.3
Employment part-time	11.6	10.9	0.7	-0.7	-1.1	-1.9	-6.0	-9.2	-14.8
Unemployment Participation rate	9.4	9.1 67.7	0.6	-0.3	-0.3	-1.1 0.7	-3.2	-3.2	-10.8
Unemployment rate	69.1 11.4	67.7 11.2	0.5 0.8	-1.4 -0.2	0.4 -0.6	-0.7 -1.5		***	
Employment rate	61.3	60.2	0.6	-1.1	0.9	0.5			
Nova Scotia									
Population	779.1	779.3		0.2	0.4	1.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Labour force	494.9	491.6	2.7	-3.3	-7.8	-5.0	-0.7	-1.6	-1.0
Employment	453.3	449.4	2.8	-3.9	1.8	0.7	-0.9	0.4	0.2
Employment full-time	375.6	367.1	3.6	-8.5	0.3	4.1	-2.3	0.1	1.1
Employment part-time	77.7	82.3	3.2	4.6	1.4	-3.4	5.9	1.7	-4.0
Unemployment	41.6 63.5	42.3 63.1	2.5 0.3	0.7 -0.4	-9.5 -1.0	-5.6 -0.7	1.7	-18.3	-11.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	8.4	8.6	0.5	0.2	-1.0 -1.8	-0.7 -1.0			
Employment rate	58.2	57.7	0.4	-0.5	0.2	0.0			
New Brunswick									
Population	619.8	620.0		0.2	1.8	2.2	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	387.4	389.5	2.2	2.1	-1.5	-2.7	0.5	-0.4	-0.7
Employment	352.9	352.9	2.4	0.0	-1.2	-0.6	0.0	-0.3	-0.2
Employment full-time	294.7	296.7 56.1	2.8 2.3	2.0 -2.1	-2.7	-2.1 1.4	0.7 -3.6	-0.9	-0.7 2.6
Employment part-time Unemployment	58.2 34.5	36.6	2.3 2.1	2.1	1.4 -0.3	-2.2	-3.6 6.1	2.6 -0.8	∠.6 -5.7
Participation rate	62.5	62.8	0.4	0.3	-0.3 -0.4	-2.2 -0.7	0.1	-0.0	-5.7
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.4	0.5	0.5	0.0	-0.5			
Employment rate	56.9	56.9	0.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.3			
Quebec									
Population	6,590.1	6,594.8		4.7	55.5	65.5	0.1	8.0	1.0
Labour force	4,283.0	4,286.9	14.8	3.9	12.9	6.8	0.1	0.3	0.2
Employment	3,972.2	3,958.9	14.7	-13.3	5.2	16.6	-0.3	0.1	0.4
Employment full-time Employment part-time	3,197.8 774.3	3,212.9 745.9	19.9 18.1	15.1 -28.4	7.0 -1.9	34.5 -18.0	0.5 -3.7	0.2 -0.3	1.1 -2.4
Unemployment	310.8	328.0	13.3	17.2	7.7	-9.8	5.5	2.4	-2.9
Participation rate	65.0	65.0	0.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.6			
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.7	0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.2			
Employment rate	60.3	60.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.4			
Ontario									
Population	10,955.8	10,968.0		12.2	113.5	133.3	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	7,312.2	7,311.3	20.5	-0.9	61.8	77.8	0.0	0.9	1.1
Employment Employment full-time	6,757.3 5,498.8	6,718.6 5,423.4	19.7 25.3	-38.7 -75.4	59.0 49.1	100.5 76.9	-0.6 -1.4	0.9 0.9	1.5 1.4
Employment part-time	1,258.6	1,295.2	23.5	36.6	9.9	23.6	2.9	0.8	1.4
Unemployment	554.9	592.7	17.6	37.8	2.8	-22.7	6.8	0.5	-3.7
Participation rate	66.7	66.7	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1			
Unemployment rate	7.6	8.1	0.2	0.5	0.0	-0.4			
Employment rate	61.7	61.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.1	0.2			

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 - continued Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perd	ent change fro	m
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Manitoba									
Population	955.9	956.7		0.8	9.7	12.0	0.1	1.0	1.3
Labour force	661.4	660.5	2.6	-0.9	5.9	1.3	-0.1	0.9	0.2
Employment	624.7	626.3	2.6	1.6	5.8	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.0
Employment full-time	501.9	498.4	3.6	-3.5	-3.2	-6.2	-0.7	-0.6	-1.2
Employment part-time	122.8	127.9	3.4	5.1	9.0	6.6	4.2	7.6	5.4
Unemployment	36.7	34.2	2.1	-2.5	0.1	1.0	-6.8	0.3	3.0
Participation rate	69.2	69.0	0.3	-0.2	-0.1	-0.8			
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.2	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.2			
Employment rate	65.4	65.5	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.8			
Saskatchewan									
Population	802.1	802.9		0.8	7.5	8.8	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	553.0	551.7	2.4	-1.3	-2.8	-2.0	-0.2	-0.5	-0.4
Employment	527.8	528.9	2.4	1.1	4.8	6.5	0.2	0.9	1.2
Employment full-time	436.4	436.1	3.2	-0.3	5.0	4.8	-0.1	1.2	1.1
Employment part-time	91.4	92.8	3.0	1.4	-0.2	1.7	1.5	-0.2	1.9
Unemployment	25.2	22.8	1.9	-2.4	-7.7	-8.5	-9.5	-25.2	-27.2
Participation rate	68.9	68.7	0.3	-0.2	-1.0	-1.0			
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.1	0.3	-0.5	-1.4	-1.6			
Employment rate	65.8	65.9	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.1			
Alberta									
Population	3,018.0	3,022.1		4.1	42.7	48.9	0.1	1.4	1.6
Labour force	2,238.6	2,239.6	9.0	1.0	89.0	74.4	0.0	4.1	3.4
Employment	2,118.2	2,125.7	9.0	7.5	93.5	87.7	0.4	4.6	4.3
Employment full-time	1,769.1	1,768.3	12.0	-0.8	93.0	98.7	0.0	5.6	5.9
Employment part-time	349.1	357.3	10.8	8.2	0.4	-11.1	2.3	0.1	-3.0
Unemployment	120.3	113.9	7.2	-6.4	-4.5	-13.4	-5.3	-3.8	-10.5
Participation rate	74.2	74.1	0.3	-0.1	1.9	1.3			
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.1	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.8			
Employment rate	70.2	70.3	0.3	0.1	2.1	1.8	•••	***	•••
British Columbia						40.0			
Population	3,787.9	3,790.3		2.4	35.0	43.3	0.1	0.9	1.2
Labour force	2,466.0	2,450.3	10.4	-15.7	4.7	3.1	-0.6	0.2	0.1
Employment	2,299.7	2,288.9	10.1	-10.8	28.2	21.4	-0.5	1.2	0.9
Employment full-time	1,782.5	1,780.5	13.8	-2.0	48.1	12.6	-0.1	2.8	0.7
Employment part-time	517.2	508.3	13.2	-8.9	-20.0	8.7	-1.7	-3.8	1.7
Unemployment	166.3	161.4	8.7	-4.9	-23.5	-18.3	-2.9	-12.7	-10.2
Participation rate	65.1	64.6	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	-0.7			
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.6	0.3	-0.1	-1.0	-0.7			
Employment rate	60.7	60.4	0.3	-0.3	0.2	-0.1			

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM Table 282-0087.

Table 4-1 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Newfoundland and Labrador

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates))				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	428.5 254.6	428.5 257.6	 2.1	0.0 3.0	-0.5 -1.6	-0.1 1.8	0.0 1.2	-0.1 -0.6	0.0 0.7
Labour force Employment	220.2	224.3	2.1	3.0 4.1	1.4	2.1	1.2	0.6	0.7
Employment full-time	187.6	189.9	2.3	2.3	-1.2	-0.6	1.2	-0.6	-0.3
Unemployment	34.4	33.2	1.9	-1.2	-3.1	-0.4	-3.5	-8.5	-1.2
Participation rate	59.4	60.1	0.5	0.7	-0.3	0.4			
Unemployment rate	13.5	12.9	0.7	-0.6	-1.1	-0.2			
Employment rate	51.4	52.3	0.5	0.9	0.3	0.5			
Part-time rate	14.9	15.3	0.8	0.5	1.1	1.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	60.6	60.5		-0.1	-1.1	-1.3	-0.2	-1.8	-2.1
Labour force	34.9	35.4	1.0	0.5	-0.2	0.6	1.4	-0.6	1.7
Employment Unemployment	26.7 8.1	28.2 7.2	1.0 0.9	1.5 -0.9	-0.7 0.5	-0.8 1.4	5.6 -11.1	-2.4 7.5	-2.8 24.1
Participation rate	57.6	58.5	1.7	0.9	0.7	2.2	-11.1	7.5	
Unemployment rate	23.2	20.3	2.4	-2.9	1.5	3.6			
Employment rate	44.1	46.6	1.7	2.5	-0.3	-0.3			
Part-time rate	39.7	41.8	3.5	2.1	5.2	5.6			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	177.6	177.6		0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.2
Labour force	115.2	116.5	1.2	1.3	0.7	2.2	1.1	0.6	1.9
Employment	99.2	99.7	1.3	0.5	1.6	2.1	0.5	1.6	2.2
Unemployment	15.9	16.9	1.3	1.0	-0.7	0.2	6.3	-4.0	1.2
Participation rate	64.9	65.6	0.7	0.7	0.4	1.1			
Unemployment rate	13.8	14.5	1.1	0.7	-0.7	-0.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	55.9 7.2	56.1 6.5	0.7 0.8	0.2 -0.6	0.8 1.3	1.1 0.9		•••	•••
Fait-time rate	1.2	0.5	0.6	-0.0	1.3	0.9			•••
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	190.4	190.4		0.0	0.5	0.8	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	104.6	105.7	1.1	1.1	-2.1	-1.0	1.1	-1.9	-0.9
Employment Unemployment	94.3 10.3	96.4 9.2	1.1 1.0	2.1 -1.1	0.5 -2.8	0.8 -1.9	2.2 -10.7	0.5 -23.3	0.8 -17.1
Participation rate	54.9	55.5	0.6	0.6	-1.3	-0.8	-10.7	-20.0	-17.1
Unemployment rate	9.8	8.7	0.9	-1.1	-2.4	-1.7			
Employment rate	49.5	50.6	0.6	1.1	0.1	0.2			
Part-time rate	15.8	16.7	1.3	0.9	-0.2	0.4			
Industry	220.2	224.3	2.1	4.1	1.4	2.1	1.9	0.6	0.9
Goods-producing sector	45.9	47.9	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.6	4.4	3.7	5.7
Agriculture	2.1	2.1	0.4	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-8.7	-8.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and									
gas extraction 2	14.1	14.2	0.9	0.1	-2.2	-2.3	0.7	-13.4	-13.9
Utilities	1.9	2.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	10.5	16.7	23.5
Construction	18.2	19.3	1.1	1.1 0.5	2.7	3.6	6.0	16.3	22.9
Manufacturing	9.6	10.1	0.9	0.5	1.0	1.0	5.2	11.0	11.0
Services-producing sector	174.3	176.4	2.1	2.1	-0.3	-0.5	1.2	-0.2	-0.3
Trade	37.7	36.0	1.4	-1.7	-2.2	-3.5	-4.5	-5.8	-8.9
Transportation and warehousing	10.1	10.1	0.7	0.0	-0.6	-0.5	0.0	-5.6	-4.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	8.6	8.6	0.6	0.0	2.5	1.4	0.0	41.0	19.4
services	8.9	10.3	0.5	1.4	2.4	2.5	15.7	30.4	32.1
Business, building and other support	0.9	10.5	0.5	14	2.4	2.0	13.7	30.4	32.1
services	5.6	5.9	0.6	0.3	-0.2	0.3	5.4	-3.3	5.4
Educational services	17.5	18.3	0.9	0.8	0.1	1.5	4.6	0.5	8.9
Health care and social assistance	35.1	34.2	1.2	-0.9	-1.9	-2.7	-2.6	-5.3	-7.3
Information, culture and recreation	7.1	7.9	0.6	0.8	-0.4	-0.4	11.3	-4.8	-4.8
Accommodation and food services	12.1	13.0	0.9	0.9	-0.8	-0.1	7.4	-5.8	-0.8
Other services	11.5	11.6	8.0	0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.9	3.6	-0.9
Public administration	20.3	20.6	0.9	0.3	0.4	1.2	1.5	2.0	6.2

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-2 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Prince Edward Island

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	119.6	119.6		0.0	1.7	2.1	0.0	1.4	1.8
Labour force Employment	82.6 73.3	81.0 72.0	0.6 0.7	-1.6 -1.3	1.6 2.1	0.6 1.9	-1.9 -1.8	2.0 3.0	0.7 2.7
Employment full-time	61.7	61.0	0.7	-0.7	3.1	3.6	-1.1	5.4	6.3
Unemployment	9.4	9.1	0.6	-0.3	-0.3	-1.1	-3.2	-3.2	-10.8
Participation rate	69.1	67.7	0.5	-1.4	0.4	-0.7			
Unemployment rate	11.4	11.2	0.8	-0.2	-0.6	-1.5			
Employment rate Part-time rate	61.3 15.8	60.2 15.1	0.6 1.0	-1.1 -0.7	0.9 -2.0	0.5 -3.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.9	19.9		0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0	1.5	2.1
Labour force	14.6	13.4	0.4	-1.2	0.1	-0.2	-8.2	0.8	-1.5
Employment	12.5	11.7	0.4	-0.8	0.8	0.2	-6.4	7.3	1.7
Unemployment	2.0	1.8	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	-0.4	-10.0	-25.0	-18.2
Participation rate Unemployment rate	73.4 13.7	67.3 13.4	1.8 2.4	-6.1 -0.3	-0.6 -4.6	-2.4 -2.8			
Employment rate	62.8	58.8	1.9	-0.3 -4.0	3.2	-0.2			•••
Part-time rate	40.0	37.6	3.5	-2.4	-0.9	-5.9			
Men, 25 years and over	48.2	48.2		0.0	0.8	0.9	0.0	1.7	1.9
Population Labour force	35.2	34.4	0.3	-0.8	0.8	-0.6	-2.3	0.6	-1.7
Employment	30.7	29.8	0.4	-0.9	-0.2	-0.5	-2.9	-0.7	-1.7
Unemployment	4.5	4.7	0.4	0.2	0.6	-0.1	4.4	14.6	-2.1
Participation rate	73.0	71.4	0.7	-1.6	-0.8	-2.6			
Unemployment rate	12.8	13.7	1.1	0.9	1.7	0.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.7 5.9	61.8 5.7	0.8 1.1	-1.9 -0.2	-1.5 -3.3	-2.3 -3.2			
Women, 25 years and over	0.0	0	***	0.2	0.0	0.2	•••	•••	•••
Population	51.5	51.6		0.1	0.8	0.9	0.2	1.6	1.8
Labour force	32.9	33.1	0.3	0.2	1.2	1.4	0.6	3.8	4.4
Employment	30.0	30.6	0.4	0.6	1.6	2.2	2.0	5.5	7.7
Unemployment	2.9	2.6	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.7	-10.3	-10.3	-21.2
Participation rate	63.9	64.1	0.7	0.2	1.3	1.6			
Unemployment rate	8.8	7.9	1.0	-0.9	-1.2	-2.5			
Employment rate	58.3	59.3	0.8	1.0	2.2	3.3	•••	•••	
Part-time rate	16.0	15.7	1.5	-0.3	-1.9	-2.3			
Industry	73.3	72.0	0.7	-1.3	2.1	1.9	-1.8	3.0	2.7
Goods-producing sector	17.4 3.6	16.7 3.5	0.6 0.3	-0.7 -0.1	-0.2 0.2	0.3 0.2	-4.0 -2.8	-1.2 6.1	1.8 6.1
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	3.0	3.3	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.2	-2.0	0.1	0.1
gas extraction ²	3.3	3.0	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.1	-9.1	0.0	3.4
Utilities	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-25.0	0.0
Construction	4.8	4.7	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-2.1	-2.1	-2.1
Manufacturing	5.3	5.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	-1.9	-3.7	2.0
Services-producing sector	55.9	55.2	0.7	-0.7 -0.4	2.1	1.5	-1.3	4.0	2.8
Trade Transportation and warehousing	10.6 2.5	10.2 2.3	0.4 0.2	-0.4	0.6 0.4	0.6 0.1	-3.8 -8.0	6.2 21.1	6.2 4.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	2.7	2.6	0.2	-0.1	0.6	0.2	-3.7	30.0	8.3
services	3.2	2.7	0.2	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1	-15.6	-6.9	-3.6
Business, building and other support									
services Educational services	2.4	2.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.8	-0.4	-8.3	-26.7	-15.4
Health care and social assistance	6.6 9.1	6.3 9.5	0.3 0.3	-0.3 0.4	0.2 0.9	0.5 1.2	-4.5 4.4	3.3 10.5	8.6 14.5
Information, culture and recreation	2.7	9.5 2.8	0.3	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	3.7	-3.4	-6.7
Accommodation and food services	5.2	5.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0	3.8	1.9	0.0
Other services	3.3	3.0	0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.1	-9.1	3.4	3.4
Public administration	7.8	8.0	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.7	2.6	1.3	-8.0

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-3 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Nova Scotia

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	770.4	=== 0			0.4	4.0		0.4	0.4
Population Labour force	779.1 494.9	779.3 491.6	 2.7	0.2 -3.3	0.4 -7.8	1.0 -5.0	0.0 -0.7	0.1 -1.6	0.1 -1.0
Employment	453.3	449.4	2.8	-3.9	1.8	0.7	-0.9	0.4	0.2
Employment full-time	375.6	367.1	3.6	-8.5	0.3	4.1	-2.3	0.1	1.1
Unemployment	41.6	42.3	2.5	0.7	-9.5	-5.6	1.7	-18.3	-11.7
Participation rate	63.5	63.1	0.3	-0.4	-1.0	-0.7			
Unemployment rate	8.4 58.2	8.6 57.7	0.5 0.4	0.2 -0.5	-1.8 0.2	-1.0 0.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	17.1	18.3	0.4	-0.5 1.2	0.2	-0.8			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	119.6	119.5		-0.1	-1.0	-1.1	-0.1	-0.8	-0.9
Labour force	78.0	74.3	1.6	-3.7	-6.3	-4.8	-4.7	-7.8 - 5	-6.1
Employment Unemployment	65.6 12.4	62.2 12.1	1.6 1.4	-3.4 -0.3	-3.6 -2.7	-4.6 -0.2	-5.2 -2.4	-5.5 -18.2	-6.9 -1.6
Participation rate	65.2	62.2	1.3	-3.0	-4.7	-3.4	-2.4	-10.2	-1.0
Unemployment rate	15.9	16.3	1.7	0.4	-2.1	0.8			
Employment rate	54.8	52.1	1.3	-2.7	-2.5	-3.3			
Part-time rate	42.5	47.6	2.6	5.1	5.0	2.8			
Men, 25 years and over Population	312.1	312.3		0.2	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force	211.8	211.9	1.5	0.2	-0.6	-0.6	0.0	-0.3	-0.3
Employment	194.4	194.7	1.6	0.3	2.9	3.0	0.2	1.5	1.6
Unemployment	17.3	17.2	1.5	-0.1	-3.5	-3.6	-0.6	-16.9	-17.3
Participation rate	67.9	67.9	0.5	0.0	-0.3	-0.3			
Unemployment rate	8.2	8.1	0.7	-0.1	-1.6	-1.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	62.3 6.8	62.3 6.8	0.5 0.8	0.0 0.0	0.8 -1.2	0.8 -1.1			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	347.5	347.6		0.1	1.1	1.4	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	205.1	205.4	1.5	0.3	-0.9	0.4	0.1	-0.4	0.2
Employment	193.3	192.4	1.5	-0.9	2.3	2.2	-0.5	1.2	1.2
Unemployment Participation rate	11.8 59.0	13.0 59.1	1.4 0.4	1.2 0.1	-3.2 -0.4	-1.8 -0.1	10.2	-19.8	-12.2
Unemployment rate	5.8	6.3	0.4	0.1	-1.6	-0.1			
Employment rate	55.6	55.4	0.4	-0.2	0.5	0.5			
Part-time rate	18.9	20.5	1.1	1.6	0.8	-0.8			
Industry	453.3	449.4	2.8	-3.9	1.8	0.8	-0.9	0.4	0.2
Goods-producing sector	81.4	81.6	2.2	0.2	-4.0	-5.7	0.2	-4.7	-6.5
Agriculture	4.9	4.1	0.7	-0.8	-1.4	-1.7	-16.3	-25.5	-29.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	40.0		4.0		4.7	0.0		447	0.0
gas extraction ² Utilities	10.2 3.9	9.9 4.4	1.0 0.3	-0.3 0.5	-1.7 0.5	-0.9 0.4	-2.9 12.8	-14.7 12.8	-8.3 10.0
Construction	30.9	31.1	1.4	0.3	-1.0	-2.4	0.6	-3.1	-7.2
Manufacturing	31.5	32.1	1.4	0.6	-0.4	-1.1	1.9	-1.2	-3.3
Services-producing sector	371.9	367.8	2.9	-4.1	5.8	6.5	-1.1	1.6	1.8
Trade	76.7	77.3	1.9	0.6	1.8	-0.2	0.8	2.4	-0.3
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	22.9 22.6	23.0 23.2	1.0 1.1	0.1 0.6	5.3 -0.6	4.3 -0.3	0.4 2.7	29.9 -2.5	23.0 -1.3
Professional, scientific and technical									
services Business, building and other support	24.7	24.4	1.1	-0.3	2.5	3.2	-1.2	11.4	15.1
services	20.2	19.9	1.2	-0.3	-3.5	-3.7	-1.5	-15.0	-15.7
Educational services	39.2	37.0	1.4	-2.2	3.9	4.7	-5.6	11.8	14.6
Health care and social assistance	68.5	67.0	1.6	-1.5	-1.1	-2.4	-2.2	-1.6	-3.5
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	20.5 27.4	21.0 24.8	1.1 1.4	0.5 -2.6	1.6 -3.9	1.9 -2.2	2.4 -9.5	8.2 -13.6	9.9 -8.1
Other services	27. 4 18.8	24.8 19.5	1.4	-2.6 0.7	-3.9 0.9	-2.2 1.0	-9.5 3.7	-13.6 4.8	-6.1 5.4
Public administration	30.3	30.6	1.2	0.3	-1.1	0.0	1.0	-3.5	0.0

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-4 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — New Brunswick

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	0.40.0								
Population Labour force	619.8 387.4	620.0 389.5	2.2	0.2 2.1	1.8 -1.5	2.2 -2.7	0.0 0.5	0.3 -0.4	0.4 -0.7
Employment	352.9	352.9	2.2	0.0	-1.5 -1.2	-2.7 -0.6	0.0	-0.4	-0.7
Employment full-time	294.7	296.7	2.8	2.0	-2.7	-2.1	0.7	-0.9	-0.7
Unemployment	34.5	36.6	2.1	2.1	-0.3	-2.2	6.1	-0.8	-5.7
Participation rate	62.5	62.8	0.4	0.3	-0.4	-0.7			
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.4	0.5	0.5	0.0	-0.5			
Employment rate Part-time rate	56.9 16.5	56.9 15.9	0.4 0.6	0.0 -0.6	-0.4 0.4	-0.3 0.4			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	91.1	91.1		0.0	-0.6	-0.7	0.0	-0.7	-0.8
Labour force	57.6	58.5	1.3	0.9	2.9	1.1	1.6	5.2	1.9
Employment	48.6 8.9	47.8 10.7	1.2 1.2	-0.8 1.8	1.0 1.9	0.8 0.3	-1.6 20.2	2.1 21.6	1.7 2.9
Unemployment Participation rate	63.2	64.2	1.4	1.0	3.6	1.7		21.0	2.5
Unemployment rate	15.5	18.3	1.9	2.8	2.5	0.2			
Employment rate	53.3	52.5	1.3	-0.8	1.5	1.3			
Part-time rate	42.2	43.5	2.6	1.3	4.2	1.0			
Men, 25 years and over Population	253.7	253.7		0.0	1.1	1.4	0.0	0.4	0.6
Labour force	168.3	168.7	1.3	0.4	-5.6	-5.5	0.2	-3.2	-3.2
Employment	153.4	154.0	1.4	0.6	-3.2	-2.8	0.4	-2.0	-1.8
Unemployment	14.9	14.7	1.3	-0.2	-2.4	-2.7	-1.3	-14.0	-15.5
Participation rate	66.3	66.5	0.5	0.2	-2.5	-2.5	•••		
Unemployment rate	8.9 60.5	8.7 60.7	0.7 0.6	-0.2 0.2	-1.1 -1.5	-1.3 -1.4			
Employment rate Part-time rate	5.3	5.5	0.6	0.2	-0.8	-1.4			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	275.1	275.2		0.1	1.2	1.4	0.0	0.4	0.5
Labour force	161.5	162.2	1.2	0.7	1.2	1.6	0.4	0.7	1.0
Employment Unemployment	150.9 10.7	151.0 11.2	1.3 1.1	0.1 0.5	0.9 0.3	1.3 0.3	0.1 4.7	0.6 2.8	0.9 2.8
Participation rate	58.7	58.9	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.2		2.0	2.0
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.9	0.7	0.3	0.1	0.1			
Employment rate	54.9	54.9	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.2			
Part-time rate	19.6	17.7	1.0	-1.9	0.3	1.4			•••
Industry	352.9	352.9	2.4	0.0	-1.2	-0.6	0.0	-0.3	-0.2
Goods-producing sector	76.4	77.4	1.9	1.0	-6.7	-1.9	1.3	-8.0	-2.4
Agriculture	4.6	4.8	0.6	0.2	-0.4	-1.3	4.3	-7.7	-21.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	9.5	9.1	0.8	-0.4	-2.8	-1.9	-4.2	-23.5	-17.3
Utilities	4.0	4.3	0.4	0.3	0.1	-0.1	7.5	2.4	-2.3
Construction	26.9	27.8	1.3	0.9	-1.5	-0.3	3.3	-5.1	-1.1
Manufacturing	31.5	31.3	1.3	-0.2	-2.2	1.6	-0.6	-6.6	5.4
Services-producing sector	276.4	275.5	2.4	-0.9	5.5	1.4	-0.3	2.0	0.5
Trade Transportation and warehousing	55.6 18.3	56.3 17.4	1.5 0.8	0.7 -0.9	2.6 -0.9	2.1 -0.6	1.3 -4.9	4.8 -4.9	3.9 -3.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	15.9	16.5	0.8	0.6	-0.3	1.5	3.8	-1.8	10.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	15.0	15.2	0.8	0.2	-0.7	-1.3	1.3	-4.4	-7.9
Business, building and other support									
services	18.9	18.0	1.0	-0.9	2.5	1.8	-4.8	16.1	11.1
Educational services Health care and social assistance	26.1	25.7 50.0	1.1	-0.4	-0.3	-0.6	-1.5	-1.2	-2.3
Information, culture and recreation	51.2 12.4	50.9 12.7	1.3 0.9	-0.3 0.3	0.7 2.4	0.4 0.2	-0.6 2.4	1.4 23.3	0.8 1.6
Accommodation and food services	22.3	23.0	1.1	0.7	2.7	2.2	3.1	13.3	10.6
Other services	15.9	14.7	0.9	-1.2	-1.9	-2.6	-7.5	-11.4	-15.0
Public administration	24.8	25.1	1.0	0.3	-1.4	-1.8	1.2	-5.3	-6.7

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 Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-5 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Quebec

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	6,590.1 4,283.0	6,594.8 4,286.9	14.8	4.7 3.9	55.5 12.9	65.5 6.8	0.1 0.1	0.8 0.3	1.0 0.2
Employment	3,972.2	3,958.9	14.7	-13.3	5.2	16.6	-0.3	0.3	0.2
Employment full-time	3,197.8	3,212.9	19.9	15.1	7.0	34.5	0.5	0.2	1.1
Unemployment	310.8	328.0	13.3	17.2	7.7	-9.8	5.5	2.4	-2.9
Participation rate	65.0	65.0	0.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.6			
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.7	0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.2		•••	
Employment rate Part-time rate	60.3 19.5	60.0 18.8	0.2 0.4	-0.3 -0.7	-0.5 -0.1	-0.4 -0.5			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years				-					
Population	981.1	981.3		0.2	1.3	1.2	0.0	0.1	0.1
Labour force	647.0	643.8	8.3	-3.2	-29.9	-28.0	-0.5	-4.4	-4.2
Employment	564.9	556.0	8.0	-8.9	-31.1	-29.6	-1.6	-5.3	-5.1
Unemployment	82.2	87.9	7.5	5.7	1.3	1.7	6.9	1.5	2.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	65.9 12.7	65.6 13.7	0.9 1.1	-0.3 1.0	-3.1 0.8	-2.9 0.9			•••
Employment rate	57.6	56.7	0.8	-0.9	-3.2	-3.0			
Part-time rate	55.5	52.4	1.6	-3.1	3.1	2.8			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,757.1	2,759.6		2.5	28.5	33.9	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force Employment	1,934.2 1,800.4	1,940.8 1,801.5	8.1 8.4	6.6 1.1	27.9 22.1	29.4 29.8	0.3 0.1	1.5 1.2	1.5 1.7
Unemployment	1,800.4	139.2	7.9	5.4	5.8	-0.5	4.0	4.3	-0.4
Participation rate	70.2	70.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2			
Jnemployment rate	6.9	7.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	-0.1			
Employment rate	65.3	65.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.3			
Part-time rate	7.8	7.9	0.5	0.1	-0.5	-0.5			
Women, 25 years and over	2,851.8	2,854.0		2.2	25.9	30.6	0.1	0.9	1.1
Population Labour force	1,701.7	1,702.3	8.2	0.6	25.9 14.8	5.4	0.1	0.9	0.3
Employment	1,606.9	1,601.4	8.4	-5.5	14.2	16.3	-0.3	0.9	1.0
Unemployment	94.8	100.9	7.0	6.1	0.6	-11.0	6.4	0.6	-9.8
Participation rate	59.7	59.6	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.5			
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.9	0.4	0.3	0.0	-0.7			
Employment rate	56.3	56.1	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.0			
Part-time rate	19.9	19.5	0.7	-0.4	0.0	-0.9			
Industry	3,972.2	3,958.9	14.7	-13.3	5.2	16.6	-0.3	0.1	0.4
Goods-producing sector	846.5	840.5	13.1	-6.0	-14.7	-15.1	-0.7	-1.7	-1.8
Agriculture	51.9	61.1	3.2	9.2	1.2	4.2	17.7	2.0	7.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	41.9	39.1	2.4	-2.8	10.1	12.2	-6.7	34.8	45.4
Utilities	31.1	30.9	2.3	-0.2	-2.4	-3.3	-0.7	-7.2	-9.6
Construction	239.6	240.5	7.7	0.9	0.1	11.0	0.4	0.0	4.8
Manufacturing	482.0	469.0	10.5	-13.0	-23.7	-39.0	-2.7	-4.8	-7.7
Services-producing sector	3,125.6	3,118.3	17.1	-7.3	19.8	31.5	-0.2	0.6	1.0
Frade	664.5	652.6	12.2	-11.9	27.0	18.8	-1.8	4.3	3.0
Fransportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	178.8 224.3	181.3 221.5	6.5 7.1	2.5 -2.8	-5.1 -12.3	12.4 -13.5	1.4 -1.2	-2.7 -5.3	7.3 -5.7
Professional, scientific and technical	040.4	205.4	0.5		0.0	0.0	0.5	0.4	0.0
services Business, building and other support	313.1	305.4	8.5	-7.7	-0.3	-8.9	-2.5	-0.1	-2.8
services	143.5	142.1	6.9	-1.4	0.3	-2.1	-1.0	0.2	-1.5
Educational services	287.8	284.7	7.8	-3.1	20.7	23.0	-1.1	7.8	8.8
Health care and social assistance	504.0	503.2	9.6	-0.8	-6.8	-7.1	-0.2	-1.3	-1.4
nformation, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	159.7 250.2	163.2 254.5	7.4 8.4	3.5 4.3	-4.9 7.0	-14.5 12.1	2.2 1.7	-2.9 2.8	-8.2 5.0
Other services	164.7	254.5 176.7	6.4	4.3 12.0	6.5	16.9	7.3	3.8	10.6
Public administration	235.1	233.1	6.5	-2.0	-12.5	-5.6	-0.9	-5.1	-2.3

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

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 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-6 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Ontario

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	40.055.0	40.000.0		40.0	440.5	400.0	0.4	4.0	4.0
Population Labour force	10,955.8 7,312.2	10,968.0 7,311.3	20.5	12.2 -0.9	113.5 61.8	133.3 77.8	0.1 0.0	1.0 0.9	1.2 1.1
Employment	6,757.3	6,718.6	19.7	-38.7	59.0	100.5	-0.6	0.9	1.5
Employment full-time	5,498.8	5,423.4	25.3	-75.4	49.1	76.9	-1.4	0.9	1.4
Unemployment	554.9	592.7	17.6	37.8	2.8	-22.7	6.8	0.5	-3.7
Participation rate	66.7 7.6	66.7 8.1	0.2 0.2	0.0 0.5	-0.1 0.0	-0.1 -0.4			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	61.7	61.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.1	0.2			•••
Part-time rate	18.6	19.3	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,784.3	1,785.0		0.7	4.0	4.4	0.0	0.2	0.2
Labour force	1,109.3 932.4	1,115.7 931.2	12.0 10.8	6.4 -1.2	39.4 31.1	54.6 57.3	0.6 -0.1	3.7 3.5	5.1 6.6
Employment Unemployment	932.4 176.9	184.5	10.8	7.6	8.2	-2.7	4.3	3.5 4.7	-1.4
Participation rate	62.2	62.5	0.7	0.3	2.1	2.9		4.7	-1.4
Unemployment rate	15.9	16.5	0.9	0.6	0.1	-1.1			
Employment rate	52.3	52.2	0.6	-0.1	1.7	3.1			
Part-time rate	50.2	50.2	1.3	-0.1	-1.5	-1.1			
Men, 25 years and over Population	4,447.8	4,453.6		5.8	53.7	63.2	0.1	1.2	1.4
Labour force	3.249.9	3,250.6	10.3	0.7	5.1	15.4	0.0	0.2	0.5
Employment	3,053.5	3,043.7	10.8	-9.8	19.4	27.1	-0.3	0.6	0.9
Unemployment	196.3	206.9	9.7	10.6	-14.3	-11.7	5.4	-6.5	-5.4
Participation rate	73.1	73.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.8	-0.7			
Unemployment rate	6.0 68.7	6.4 68.3	0.3 0.2	0.4 -0.4	-0.4 -0.4	-0.4 -0.4		***	•••
Employment rate Part-time rate	7.5	8.1	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.4			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,723.8	4,729.5		5.7	55.9	65.8	0.1	1.2	1.4
Labour force	2,953.0	2,945.0	11.6	-8.0	17.4	7.8	-0.3	0.6	0.3
Employment	2,771.4 181.7	2,743.6 201.3	11.0 9.3	-27.8 19.6	8.4 8.9	16.0 -8.3	-1.0 10.8	0.3 4.6	0.6 -4.0
Unemployment Participation rate	62.5	62.3	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.7		4.0	-4.0
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.8	0.3	0.6	0.2	-0.3			
Employment rate	58.7	58.0	0.2	-0.7	-0.5	-0.5			
Part-time rate	20.2	21.2	0.6	1.0	-0.4	-0.5			
Industry	6,757.3	6,718.6	19.7	-38.7	59.0	100.5	-0.6	0.9	1.5
Goods-producing sector	1,421.1	1,404.0	17.0	-17.1	-4.6	-4.0	-1.2	-0.3	-0.3
Agriculture	91.6	91.9	4.0	0.3	8.6	7.8	0.3	10.3	9.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	33.5	35.6	2.5	2.1	-1.6	-5.4	6.3	-4.3	-13.2
Utilities	52.4	53.6	3.2	1.2	-2.9	-6.2	2.3	-4.5 -5.1	-10.4
Construction	448.7	444.2	10.6	-4.5	19.3	-6.9	-1.0	4.5	-1.5
Manufacturing	795.0	778.8	13.4	-16.2	-28.0	6.8	-2.0	-3.5	0.9
Services-producing sector	5,336.2	5,314.6	23.1	-21.6	63.6	104.5	-0.4	1.2	2.0
Trade Transportation and warehousing	982.8 315.4	977.6 313.3	15.2 9.2	-5.2 -2.1	-36.4 -10.9	-4.0 0.6	-0.5 -0.7	-3.6 -3.4	-0.4 0.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	487.2	492.8	11.5	5.6	-10.9	-6.2	1.1	-2.2	-1.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	560.5	564.9	12.5	4.4	30.5	33.6	0.8	5.7	6.3
Business, building and other support services	286.5	297.3	9.9	10.8	8.7	7.7	3.8	3.0	2.7
Educational services	286.5 478.7	297.3 477.8	10.6	-0.9	6.7 -1.8	-4.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.9
Health care and social assistance	787.1	781.6	11.8	-5.5	48.2	60.9	-0.2	6.6	8.5
Information, culture and recreation	339.8	336.4	10.6	-3.4	-1.3	-5.6	-1.0	-0.4	-1.6
Accommodation and food services	415.0	412.4	10.4	-2.6	28.3	34.3	-0.6	7.4	9.1
Other services	285.2	267.6	8.8	-17.6	-0.3	-13.1	-6.2	-0.1	-4.7
Public administration	398.1	392.8	8.7	-5.3	9.5	0.3	-1.3	2.5	0.1

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Table 4-7 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Manitoba

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	housands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	955.9 661.4	956.7 660.5	2.6	0.8 -0.9	9.7 5.9	12.0 1.3	0.1 -0.1	1.0 0.9	1.3 0.2
Employment	624.7	626.3	2.6	1.6	5.8	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.0
Employment full-time	501.9	498.4	3.6	-3.5	-3.2	-6.2	-0.7	-0.6	-1.2
Unemployment Participation rate	36.7 69.2	34.2 69.0	2.1 0.3	-2.5 -0.2	0.1 -0.1	1.0 -0.8	-6.8	0.3	3.0
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.2	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.2			
Employment rate	65.4	65.5	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.8			
Part-time rate	19.7	20.4	0.5	0.8	1.3	1.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	164.9	164.9		0.0	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.4
Population Labour force	116.0	115.7	1.6	-0.3	3.1	4.6	-0.3	2.8	4.1
Employment	101.7	102.1	1.5	0.4	1.7	1.1	0.4	1.7	1.1
Unemployment	14.3	13.6	1.4	-0.7	1.4	3.5	-4.9	11.5	34.7
Participation rate	70.3 12.3	70.2 11.8	1.0 1.1	-0.1 -0.5	1.7 1.0	2.5 2.7			***
Unemployment rate Employment rate	61.7	61.9	0.9	0.2	0.8	0.4			
Part-time rate	42.8	44.5	1.8	1.7	0.1	-0.6			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population Labour force	387.6 292.8	388.0 291.3	1.3	0.4 -1.5	4.6 -0.4	5.6 -4.4	0.1 -0.5	1.2 -0.1	1.5 -1.5
Employment	280.5	282.4	1.5	1.9	3.0	-0.1	0.7	1.1	0.0
Unemployment	12.3	9.0	1.2	-3.3	-3.2	-4.3	-26.8	-26.2	-32.3
Participation rate	75.5	75.1	0.3	-0.4	-1.0	-2.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	4.2 72.4	3.1 72.8	0.4 0.4	-1.1 0.4	-1.1 -0.1	-1.4 -1.1		•••	
Part-time rate	7.4	8.1	0.4	0.7	1.0	0.9			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	403.5	403.8		0.3	4.7	5.7	0.1	1.2	1.4
Labour force Employment	252.6 242.4	253.4 241.9	1.5 1.5	0.8 -0.5	3.0 1.2	1.0 -0.6	0.3 -0.2	1.2 0.5	0.4 -0.2
Unemployment	10.2	11.6	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.7	13.7	19.6	-0.2 17.2
Participation rate	62.6	62.8	0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.6			
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.6	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.7			
Employment rate	60.1	59.9	0.4	-0.2	-0.4	-1.0			•••
Part-time rate	24.1	24.7	0.9	0.5	2.0	1.8		•••	
Industry	624.7	626.3	2.6	1.6	5.8	0.3	0.3	0.9	0.0
Goods-producing sector	143.9	141.0	2.4	-2.9	-10.5	-5.8	-2.0	-6.9	-4.0
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	23.5	22.0	1.1	-1.5	-3.2	-3.4	-6.4	-12.7	-13.4
gas extraction ²	7.3	7.3	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Utilities	8.7	8.3	0.6	-0.4	-0.7	-0.3	-4.6	-7.8	-3.5
Construction	43.5	44.6	1.6	1.1	2.7	3.2	2.5	6.4	7.7
Manufacturing	60.9	58.8	1.6	-2.1	-9.4	-5.4	-3.4	-13.8	-8.4
Services-producing sector	480.8	485.2	3.1	4.4	16.2	6.0	0.9	3.5	1.3
Trade Transportation and warehousing	92.7 35.1	94.1 35.3	2.0 1.3	1.4 0.2	0.4 0.6	-0.1 0.8	1.5 0.6	0.4 1.7	-0.1 2.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	39.0	37.0	1.2	-2.0	2.7	2.6	-5.1	7.9	7.6
Professional, scientific and technical									
services	26.8	27.0	1.2	0.2	-0.2	-1.8	0.7	-0.7	-6.2
Business, building and other support services	17.3	18.2	1.2	0.9	1.9	-0.2	5.2	11.7	-1.1
Educational services	46.0	47.0	1.5	1.0	-2.3	-6.1	2.2	-4.7	-11.5
Health care and social assistance	95.4	97.4	1.9	2.0	2.3	4.1	2.1	2.4	4.4
Information, culture and recreation	23.9	24.6	1.2	0.7	1.5	2.4	2.9	6.5	10.8
Accommodation and food services Other services	42.3 25.8	41.7 25.9	1.6 1.2	-0.6 0.1	4.9 2.8	0.7 2.1	-1.4 0.4	13.3	1.7
Public administration	25.8 36.5	25.9 37.0	1.2	0.1	2.8 1.5	1.6	0.4 1.4	12.1 4.2	8.8 4.5
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^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-8 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Saskatchewan

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	housands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	802.1	802.9		0.8	7.5	8.8	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force Employment	553.0 527.8	551.7 528.9	2.4 2.4	-1.3 1.1	-2.8 4.8	-2.0 6.5	-0.2 0.2	-0.5 0.9	-0.4 1.2
Employment full-time	436.4	436.1	3.2	-0.3	5.0	4.8	-0.1	1.2	1.1
Unemployment	25.2	22.8	1.9	-2.4	-7.7	-8.5	-9.5	-25.2	-27.2
Participation rate	68.9	68.7	0.3	-0.2	-1.0	-1.0			
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.1	0.3	-0.5	-1.4	-1.6		•••	
Employment rate Part-time rate	65.8 17.3	65.9 17.5	0.3 0.5	0.1 0.2	0.0 -0.2	0.1 0.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	136.6	136.5		-0.1	-1.2	-1.4	-0.1	-0.9	-1.0
Labour force	92.8	93.4	1.5	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.8	0.4
Employment Unemployment	83.6 9.2	85.8 7.6	1.5 1.1	2.2 -1.6	2.7 -1.9	2.5 -2.1	2.6 -17.4	3.2 -20.0	3.0 -21.6
Participation rate	67.9	68.4	1.1	0.5	1.1	1.0	-17.4	-20.0	-21.0
Unemployment rate	9.9	8.1	1.2	-1.8	-2.1	-2.3			
Employment rate	61.2	62.9	1.1	1.7	2.6	2.5			
Part-time rate	36.8	38.3	1.9	1.5	2.0	2.0			
Men, 25 years and over	207.0	207.0		0.5	4.7			4.5	4.7
Population Labour force	327.3 249.4	327.8 247.3	1.2	0.5 -2.1	4.7 -1.7	5.5 -1.1	0.2 -0.8	1.5 -0.7	1.7 -0.4
Employment	249.4	247.3 240.4	1.2	-0.3	3.5	-1.1 4.6	-0.6 -0.1	-0.7 1.5	2.0
Unemployment	8.7	6.9	1.1	-1.8	-5.3	-5.7	-20.7	-43.4	-45.2
Participation rate	76.2	75.4	0.4	-0.8	-1.7	-1.7			
Unemployment rate	3.5	2.8	0.4	-0.7	-2.1	-2.3			
Employment rate	73.5	73.3	0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.1			
Part-time rate	6.2	6.4	0.6	0.1	0.1	-0.3	•••	***	•••
Women, 25 years and over Population	338.2	338.6		0.4	4.0	4.7	0.1	1.2	1.4
Labour force	210.8	211.0	 1.4	0.4	-1.8	4.7 -1.4	0.1	-0.8	-0.7
Employment	203.5	202.7	1.4	-0.8	-1.4	-0.6	-0.4	-0.7	-0.3
Unemployment	7.3	8.3	1.0	1.0	-0.5	-0.7	13.7	-5.7	-7.8
Participation rate	62.3	62.3	0.4	0.0	-1.3	-1.3			
Unemployment rate	3.5	3.9	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.3	•••		•••
Employment rate	60.2	59.9	0.4	-0.3	-1.1	-1.0			
Part-time rate	22.4	22.0	1.0	-0.4	-1.5	-0.1			
Industry	527.8	528.9	2.4	1.1	4.8	6.5	0.2	0.9	1.2
Goods-producing sector	135.6	134.7 38.5	2.3	-0.9	-3.0	-9.0	-0.7	-2.2	-6.3
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	39.7	36.3	1.4	-1.2	-0.3	-4.2	-3.0	-0.8	-9.8
gas extraction ²	25.3	25.3	1.1	0.0	1.5	0.7	0.0	6.3	2.8
Utilities	5.2	5.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.6	-0.1	-1.9	-10.5	-1.9
Construction	39.6	39.5	1.4	-0.1	0.5	1.0	-0.3	1.3	2.6
Manufacturing	25.8	26.4	1.1	0.6	-4.0	-6.2	2.3	-13.2	-19.0
Services-producing sector	392.2	394.2	2.8	2.0	7.8	15.5	0.5	2.0	4.1
Transportation and warehousing	81.9	86.4	1.8	4.5	4.6	4.6	5.5	5.6	5.6
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	26.8 31.3	26.6 31.2	1.1 1.1	-0.2 -0.1	-0.4 1.1	0.5 1.2	-0.7 -0.3	-1.5 3.7	1.9 4.0
Professional, scientific and technical	31.3	31.2	1.1	-0.1	1.1	1.2	-0.5	3.7	4.0
services Business, building and other support	26.0	27.5	1.0	1.5	6.1	6.8	5.8	28.5	32.9
services	11.7	12.0	0.8	0.3	1.5	1.9	2.6	14.3	18.8
Educational services	37.9	37.5	1.3	-0.4	-1.5	-1.0	-1.1	-3.8	-2.6
Health care and social assistance	68.1	69.2	1.6	1.1	1.8	2.2	1.6	2.7	3.3
Information, culture and recreation	19.1	18.2	1.0	-0.9	-2.8	-1.7	-4.7	-13.3	-8.5
Accommodation and food services	31.6	30.3	1.3	-1.3	-1.9	0.5	-4.1	-5.9	1.7
Other services Public administration	26.3 31.5	25.5 29.8	1.1 1.0	-0.8 -1.7	-1.7 0.9	-1.4 2.0	-3.0 -5.4	-6.2 3.1	-5.2 7.2
I ubile autilitioliation	31.3	29.0	1.0	-1.7	0.9	2.0	-5.4	3.1	1.2

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-9 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Alberta

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	0.040.0	2 200 4		4.4	40.7	40.0	0.4	4.4	4.0
Population Labour force	3,018.0 2,238.6	3,022.1 2,239.6	9.0	4.1 1.0	42.7 89.0	48.9 74.4	0.1 0.0	1.4 4.1	1.6 3.4
Employment	2,118.2	2,125.7	9.0	7.5	93.5	87.7	0.4	4.6	4.3
Employment full-time	1,769.1	1,768.3	12.0	-0.8	93.0	98.7	0.0	5.6	5.9
Unemployment	120.3	113.9	7.2	-6.4	-4.5	-13.4	-5.3	-3.8	-10.5
Participation rate	74.2	74.1	0.3	-0.1	1.9	1.3			
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.1 70.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.8			
Employment rate Part-time rate	70.2 16.5	70.3 16.8	0.3 0.5	0.1 0.3	2.1 -0.8	1.8 -1.3			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	508.1	507.8		-0.3	-3.6	-4.8	-0.1	-0.7	-0.9
Labour force	365.7	361.7	5.2	-4.0	15.1	12.2	-1.1	4.4	3.5
Employment Unemployment	326.8 39.0	326.9 34.8	4.9 4.2	0.1 -4.2	13.3 1.8	15.1 -2.9	0.0 -10.8	4.2 5.5	4.8 -7.7
Participation rate	72.0	71.2	1.0	-4.2	3.4	3.0	-10.6	5.5	-1.1
Unemployment rate	10.7	9.6	1.1	-1.1	0.1	-1.2			
Employment rate	64.3	64.4	1.0	0.1	3.1	3.6			
Part-time rate	36.7	35.6	1.8	-1.1	-2.3	-2.2			
Men, 25 years and over Population	1,276.1	1,278.2		2.1	23.4	27.2	0.2	1.9	2.2
Labour force	1,036.1	1,040.7	4.6	4.6	30.1	31.3	0.4	3.0	3.1
Employment	989.7	998.3	5.1	8.6	36.8	41.3	0.9	3.8	4.3
Unemployment	46.4	42.4	4.3	-4.0	-6.7	-10.0	-8.6	-13.6	-19.1
Participation rate	81.2	81.4	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.7			
Unemployment rate	4.5	4.1	0.4	-0.4	-0.8	-1.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	77.6 5.4	78.1 5.8	0.4 0.5	0.5 0.4	1.5 -0.4	1.6 -0.7			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,233.8	1,236.1		2.3	22.8	26.5	0.2	1.9	2.2
Labour force	836.7	837.2	5.5	0.5	43.8	30.8	0.1	5.5	3.8
Employment	801.8 35.0	800.5 36.7	5.2 3.8	-1.3 1.7	43.4 0.4	31.3 -0.5	-0.2 4.9	5.7	4.1 -1.3
Unemployment Participation rate	67.8	67.7	0.4	-0.1	2.3	1.0		1.1	
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.4	0.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.2			
Employment rate	65.0	64.8	0.4	-0.2	2.4	1.2			
Part-time rate	22.0	22.9	0.9	0.9	-0.8	-1.6			
Industry	2,118.3	2,125.7	9.0	7.4	93.5	87.7	0.3	4.6	4.3
Goods-producing sector	574.9	582.1	9.0	7.2	25.7	25.9	1.3	4.6	4.7
Agriculture	51.9	57.1	3.2	5.2	13.5	12.0	10.0	31.0	26.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	454.0	450.0	4.0		0.0	0.0		4.4	- -
gas extraction ² Utilities	151.0 12.1	159.8 12.9	4.9 1.8	8.8 0.8	6.8 -6.2	8.6 -5.1	5.8 6.6	4.4 -32.5	5.7 -28.3
Construction	211.7	207.8	6.6	-3.9	-7.6	-10.1	-1.8	-3.5	-4.6
Manufacturing	148.3	144.5	5.2	-3.8	19.2	20.5	-2.6	15.3	16.5
Services-producing sector	1,543.4	1,543.6	11.0	0.2	67.8	61.9	0.0	4.6	4.2
Trade Transportation and warehousing	323.4 116.4	335.0 114.4	7.5 4.1	11.6	21.9	23.6 15.7	3.6 -1.7	7.0 6.4	7.6 15.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	116.4 106.2	103.1	4.1	-2.0 -3.1	6.9 4.3	15.7 -3.2	-1.7 -2.9	6.4 4.4	15.9 -3.0
services	167.6	159.6	5.3	-8.0	0.9	10.1	-4.8	0.6	6.8
Business, building and other support	72.0	75.0	4 4	2.2	17	7 1	2.0	2.2	0.6
services Educational services	72.8 124.1	75.0 126.2	4.1 5.0	2.2 2.1	1.7 4.8	-7.1 -2.2	3.0 1.7	2.3 4.0	-8.6 -1.7
Health care and social assistance	226.9	231.7	5.6	4.8	11.7	5.1	2.1	5.3	2.3
Information, culture and recreation	79.4	80.6	4.0	1.2	9.3	9.6	1.5	13.0	13.5
Accommodation and food services	131.3	128.9	5.3	-2.4	10.1	7.6	-1.8	8.5	6.3
Other services	106.4	103.5	4.3	-2.9	-1.2	5.0	-2.7	-1.1	5.1
Public administration	88.7	85.5	3.8	-3.2	-2.6	-2.3	-3.6	-3.0	-2.6

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-10 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — British Columbia

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates))				
Both sexes, 15 years and over						40.0			
Population Labour force	3,787.9 2,466.0	3,790.3 2,450.3	10.4	2.4 -15.7	35.0 4.7	43.3 3.1	0.1 -0.6	0.9 0.2	1.2 0.1
Employment	2,299.7	2,288.9	10.4	-10.8	28.2	21.4	-0.5	1.2	0.1
Employment full-time	1,782.5	1,780.5	13.8	-2.0	48.1	12.6	-0.1	2.8	0.7
Unemployment	166.3	161.4	8.7	-4.9	-23.5	-18.3	-2.9	-12.7	-10.2
Participation rate	65.1	64.6	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	-0.7			
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.6	0.3	-0.1	-1.0	-0.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	60.7 22.5	60.4 22.2	0.3 0.6	-0.3 -0.3	0.2 -1.2	-0.1 0.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	591.2	591.0		-0.2	-1.0	-0.7	0.0	-0.2	-0.1
Labour force	385.8	375.5	6.0	-10.3	11.3	-2.2	-2.7	3.1	-0.6
Employment	331.2	327.6	5.5	-3.6	7.7	4.2	-1.1	2.4	1.3
Unemployment	54.5	47.9	5.0	-6.6	3.5	-6.3	-12.1	7.9	-11.6
Participation rate	65.3	63.5	1.0	-1.8	2.0	-0.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	14.1 56.0	12.8 55.4	1.2 0.9	-1.3 -0.6	0.6 1.4	-1.6 0.7		•••	
Part-time rate	48.8	49.4	2.0	0.6	-1.0	-2.2			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,559.4	1,560.6		1.2	17.5	21.5	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	1,098.7	1,096.2	5.5	-2.5	-0.6	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	0.0
Employment	1,036.8	1,027.7	5.9	-9.1	5.2	1.2	-0.9	0.5	0.1
Unemployment Participation rate	61.9 70.5	68.5 70.2	5.1	6.6 -0.3	-5.7 -0.9	-1.2	10.7	-7.7	-1.7
Unemployment rate	70.5 5.6	70.2 6.2	0.4 0.4	-0.3 0.6	-0.9 -0.6	-1.0 -0.2		•••	
Employment rate	66.5	65.9	0.4	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2			
Part-time rate	10.4	10.6	0.6	0.2	0.7	1.3			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,637.3	1,638.7		1.4	18.5	22.6	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	981.5	978.6	6.0	-2.9	-6.0	5.3	-0.3	-0.6	0.5
Employment Unemployment	931.6 49.9	933.6 45.0	5.8 4.7	2.0 -4.9	15.3 -21.3	16.0 -10.7	0.2 -9.8	1.7 -32.1	1.7 -19.2
Participation rate	59.9	59.7	0.4	-0.2	-21.3 -1.1	-0.5	-3.0	-32.1	-19.2
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.6	0.5	-0.5	-2.1	-1.1			
Employment rate	56.9	57.0	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.2			
Part-time rate	26.6	25.5	0.9	-1.1	-3.5	-0.4			
Industry	2,299.7	2,288.9	10.1	-10.8	28.2	21.4	-0.5	1.2	0.9
Goods-producing sector	458.7	439.6	8.8	-19.1	-5.4	-3.1	-4.2	-1.2	-0.7
Agriculture	29.2	23.9	2.6	-5.3	-8.4	-8.1	-18.2	-26.0	-25.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	38.1	38.6	2.8	0.5	1.0	3.0	1.3	2.7	0.4
gas extraction ² Utilities	9.0	10.5	1.6	1.5	1.0 -3.4	-1.6	16.7	2.7 -24.5	8.4 -13.2
Construction	214.9	207.7	6.4	-7.2	25.4	20.9	-3.4	13.9	11.2
Manufacturing	167.6	159.0	5.8	-8.6	-20.0	-17.2	-5.1	-11.2	-9.8
Services-producing sector	1,841.0	1,849.3	11.8	8.3	33.6	24.5	0.5	1.9	1.3
Trade	357.9	360.8	8.0	2.9	-4.7	-6.2	0.8	-1.3	-1.7
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	127.4 134.6	124.5 137.7	5.1 5.2	-2.9 3.1	-5.1 2.2	-3.5 -5.7	-2.3 2.3	-3.9 1.6	-2.7 -4.0
Professional, scientific and technical									
services Business, building and other support	187.1	185.2	6.4	-1.9	10.1	1.5	-1.0	5.8	0.8
services	100.5	98.4 173.1	4.8	-2.1	5.4	7.4	-2.1	5.8	8.1
Educational services Health care and social assistance	169.3 260.4	173.1 269.7	5.8 6.7	3.8 9.3	2.4 12.1	2.5 5.2	2.2 3.6	1.4 4.7	1.5 2.0
Information, culture and recreation	109.7	110.4	4.8	9.3 0.7	4.9	5.2	0.6	4.6	5.0
Accommodation and food services	187.7	181.1	6.2	-6.6	18.2	26.3	-3.5	11.2	17.0
Other services	104.9	101.2	4.7	-3.7	-6.0	-5.0	-3.5	-5.6	-4.7
Public administration	101.4	107.2	4.2	5.8	-5.9	-3.3	5.7	-5.2	-3.0

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 5-1
Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	161.1	161.3		0.2	1.1	1.5	0.1	0.7	0.9
Labour force Employment	111.9 104.4	112.7 104.6	0.8 0.8	0.8 0.2	3.4 3.0	2.7 3.3	0.7 0.2	3.1 3.0	2.5 3.3
Unemployment	7.5	8.0	0.4	0.5	0.2	-0.8	6.7	2.6	-9.1
Participation rate	69.5	69.9	0.5	0.4	1.7	1.1			
Unemployment rate	6.7	7.1	0.4	0.4	0.0	-0.9			
Employment rate	64.8	64.8	0.5	0.0	1.4	1.4		•••	
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	339.7	340.1		0.4	3.8	4.7	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	240.3	240.0	1.1	-0.3	6.1	5.3	-0.1	2.6	2.3
Employment	225.3	225.7	1.2	0.4	7.9	6.9	0.2	3.6	3.2
Unemployment	15.0	14.3	0.6	-0.7	-1.7	-1.6	-4.7	-10.6	-10.1
Participation rate	70.7	70.6	0.3	-0.1	1.0	0.6	•••		•••
Unemployment rate Employment rate	6.2 66.3	6.0 66.4	0.3 0.3	-0.2 0.1	-0.8 1.6	-0.8 1.2	•••		
Employment rate	00.3	00.4	0.3	0.1	1.0	1.2	•••		
Moncton, New Brunswick									
Population	115.3	115.4		0.1	1.4	1.7	0.1	1.2	1.5
Labour force Employment	76.2 70.8	77.5 72.2	0.6 0.7	1.3 1.4	1.1 1.9	1.2 1.5	1.7 2.0	1.4 2.7	1.6 2.1
Unemployment	70.8 5.4	5.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.9	-0.2	-1.9	-14.5	-3.6
Participation rate	66.1	67.2	0.6	1.1	0.2	0.1			
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.8	0.5	-0.3	-1.3	-0.4			
Employment rate	61.4	62.6	0.6	1.2	0.9	0.4			
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	106.2	106.3		0.1	0.6	0.7	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	71.4	70.6	0.7	-0.8	1.8	1.5	-1.1	2.6	2.2
Employment	67.4	66.4	0.8	-1.0	2.0	2.7	-1.5	3.1	4.2
Unemployment	4.1	4.2	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-1.1	2.4	-4.5	-20.8
Participation rate	67.2	66.4	0.7	-0.8	1.3	1.0			
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.9	0.5	0.2	-0.5	-1.8			
Employment rate	63.5	62.5	0.7	-1.0	1.6	2.2		•••	•••
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	126.6	126.6		0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Labour force	71.3	70.8	0.9	-0.5	-2.9	-4.0	-0.7	-3.9	-5.3
Employment	66.7	66.2	0.9	-0.5	-1.8	-2.2	-0.7	-2.6	-3.2
Unemployment	4.7 56.3	4.6 55.9	0.4 0.7	-0.1 -0.4	-1.2 -2.4	-1.7 -3.2	-2.1	-20.7	-27.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	6.6	6.5	0.7	-0.4 -0.1	-2.4 -1.4	-3.2 -1.9			
Employment rate	52.7	52.3	0.7	-0.4	-1.5	-1.8			
Québec, Quebec Population	637.4	638.1		0.7	6.3	7.5	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	451.1	451.8	3.3	0.7	6.4	7.5 8.5	0.1	1.4	1.2
Employment	431.1	431.0	3.4	-0.1	7.2	8.0	0.2	1.7	1.9
Unemployment	20.0	20.8	1.6	0.8	-0.8	0.4	4.0	-3.7	2.0
Participation rate	70.8	70.8	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.5			
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.6	0.4	0.2	-0.2	0.0			
Employment rate	67.6	67.5	0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.4			
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	165.3	165.4		0.1	1.6	2.0	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	105.2	104.7	0.9	-0.5	0.7	2.0	-0.5	0.7	1.9
Employment	97.6	97.4	0.9	-0.2	1.2	2.6	-0.2	1.2	2.7
Unemployment	7.5	7.3	0.5	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	-2.7	-5.2	-7.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	63.6	63.3	0.5	-0.3 -0.1	-0.2	0.4		•••	•••
Employment rate	7.1 59.0	7.0 58.9	0.4 0.5	-0.1 -0.1	-0.4 0.2	-0.7 0.9			•••
Employment rate	33.0	30.3	0.5	-0.1	0.2	0.5		•••	

Table 5-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

-	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perd	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	404.0	405.0		0.4	4.0	4.0	0.4	0.0	4.0
Population Labour force	124.9 75.1	125.0 76.0	0.8	0.1 0.9	1.0 2.3	1.2 2.1	0.1 1.2	0.8 3.1	1.0 2.8
Employment	68.7	69.3	0.8	0.6	1.8	2.0	0.9	2.7	3.0
Unemployment	6.5	6.7	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.1	3.1	8.1	1.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	60.1 8.7	60.8 8.8	0.6 0.5	0.7 0.1	1.4 0.4	1.1 -0.1			
Employment rate	55.0	55.4	0.6	0.4	1.0	1.0			
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,227.7	3,230.4		2.7	32.5	39.2	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force Employment	2,130.5 1,960.3	2,124.0 1,951.3	7.7 7.9	-6.5 -9.0	8.8 15.2	-12.9 -1.5	-0.3 -0.5	0.4 0.8	-0.6 -0.1
Unemployment	170.2	172.7	4.8	2.5	-6.4	-11.4	1.5	-3.6	-6.2
Participation rate	66.0	65.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-1.2			
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.1	0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.5			
Employment rate	60.7	60.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.8			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec Population	1,036.5	1,038.0		1.5	15.0	18.0	0.1	1.5	1.8
Labour force	732.4	734.1	3.6	1.7	2.2	-2.3	0.1	0.3	-0.3
Employment	693.4	690.5	3.7	-2.9	6.6	4.6	-0.4	1.0	0.7
Unemployment	38.9	43.6	2.0	4.7	-4.5	-7.0	12.1	-9.4	-13.8
Participation rate Unemployment rate	70.7 5.3	70.7 5.9	0.4 0.3	0.0 0.6	-0.8 -0.7	-1.5 -1.0			•••
Employment rate	66.9	66.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.7	-0.7			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part,									
Ontario/Quebec									
Population	259.0	259.4		0.4	4.3 7.4	5.2	0.2	1.7	2.0
Labour force Employment	184.3 172.7	184.6 172.0	1.3 1.4	0.3 -0.7	7.4 5.9	5.4 5.3	0.2 -0.4	4.2 3.6	3.0 3.2
Unemployment	11.6	12.6	0.7	1.0	1.5	0.2	8.6	13.5	1.6
Participation rate	71.2	71.2	0.5	0.0	1.7	0.7			
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.8	0.4	0.5	0.5	-0.1			
Employment rate	66.7	66.3	0.5	-0.4	1.2	0.7	•••		
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	777.5	778.6		1.1	10.7	12.8	0.1	1.4	1.7
Labour force	548.1	549.5	3.3	1.4	-5.2	-7.8	0.3	-0.9	-1.4
Employment	520.7	518.5	3.4	-2.2	0.7	-0.7	-0.4	0.1	-0.1
Unemployment Participation rate	27.4 70.5	31.0 70.6	1.9 0.4	3.6 0.1	-5.9 -1.6	-7.1 -2.2	13.1	-16.0 	-18.6
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.6	0.3	0.6	-1.1	-1.2			
Employment rate	67.0	66.6	0.4	-0.4	-0.8	-1.2			
Kingston, Ontario									
Population	132.6	132.6		0.0	1.4	1.5	0.0	1.1	1.1
Labour force Employment	85.2 80.1	84.9 80.0	0.8 0.9	-0.3 -0.1	3.5 4.1	3.8 4.2	-0.4 -0.1	4.3 5.4	4.7 5.5
Unemployment	5.2	4.9	0.3	-0.3	-0.6	-0.4	-5.8	-10.9	-7.5
Participation rate	64.3	64.0	0.6	-0.3	2.0	2.1			
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.8	0.4	-0.3	-1.0	-0.7			
Employment rate	60.4	60.3	0.7	-0.1	2.4	2.5			•••
Peterborough, Ontario Population	102.5	102.5		0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	60.5	60.6	1.2	0.0	-0.7	-1.1	0.0	-1.1	-1.8
Employment	53.8	54.5	1.2	0.7	-1.6	-2.0	1.3	-2.9	-3.5
Unemployment	6.6	6.1	0.5	-0.5	0.9	0.9	-7.6	17.3	17.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate	59.0 10.9	59.1 10.1	1.2 0.8	0.1 -0.8	-0.9 1.6	-1.3 1.7	•••		
Employment rate	52.5	53.2	1.1	0.7	-1.7	-2.1			
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Table 5-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perd	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Oshawa, Ontario Population Labour force	304.9 212.9	305.4 212.9	 1.5	0.5 0.0	4.8 1.9	5.8 0.1	0.2 0.0	1.6 0.9	1.9 0.0
Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	197.4 15.4 69.8 7.2	197.7 15.3 69.7 7.2	1.6 0.9 0.5 0.4	0.3 -0.1 -0.1 0.0	6.5 -4.5 -0.5 -2.2	6.4 -6.2 -1.3 -2.9	0.2 -0.6	3.4 -22.7 	3.3 -28.8
Employment rate	64.7	64.7	0.4	0.0	1.1	0.8			
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment	4,796.4 3,222.2 2,967.1 255.1	4,804.6 3,229.0 2,962.2 266.8	 10.0 10.3 6.6	8.2 6.8 -4.9 11.7	74.4 1.2 2.8 -1.6	87.8 -16.0 12.6 -28.6	0.2 0.2 -0.2 4.6	1.6 0.0 0.1 -0.6	1.9 -0.5 0.4 -9.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	67.2 7.9 61.9	67.2 8.3 61.7	0.2 0.2 0.2	0.0 0.4 -0.2	-1.0 0.0 -0.9	-1.6 -0.8 -0.8			
Hamilton, Ontario Population Labour force	619.2 401.2	619.8 403.2	 3.2	0.6 2.0	5.3 -0.3	6.5 -2.1	0.1 0.5	0.9 -0.1	1.1 -0.5
Employment Unemployment Participation rate	374.3 26.9 64.8	376.4 26.8 65.1	3.3 1.5 0.5	2.1 -0.1 0.3	0.8 -1.1 -0.6	1.4 -3.5 -1.0	0.6 -0.4 	0.2 -3.9 	0.4 -11.6
Unemployment rate Employment rate	6.7 60.4	6.6 60.7	0.4 0.5	-0.1 0.3	-0.3 -0.4	-0.9 -0.4			
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario	338.8	338.9		0.1	0.6	0.8	0.0	0.2	0.2
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment	216.4 198.5 17.9	215.7 198.2 17.6	1.7 1.7 0.9	-0.7 -0.3 -0.3	3.7 6.3 -2.4	6.0 8.6 -2.5	-0.3 -0.2 -1.7	1.7 3.3 -12.0	2.9 4.5 -12.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	63.9 8.3 58.6	63.6 8.2 58.5	0.5 0.4 0.5	-0.3 -0.1 -0.1	0.9 -1.2 1.8	1.6 -1.4 2.4	 	 	
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario Population Labour force	409.0 295.4	409.5 291.0	 1.9	0.5 -4.4	4.7 8.7	5.6 8.3	0.1 -1.5	1.2 3.1	1.4 2.9
Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	275.6 19.8 72.2 6.7	271.1 19.9 71.1 6.8	2.1 1.1 0.5 0.4	-4.5 0.1 -1.1 0.1	9.6 -0.8 1.4 -0.5	8.8 -0.5 1.1 -0.4	-1.6 0.5 	3.7 -3.9 	3.4 -2.5
Employment rate	67.4	66.2	0.5	-1.2	1.6	1.3		•••	***
Brantford, Ontario Population Labour force	107.9 76.7	108.0 75.0	 0.8	0.1 -1.7	0.6 0.1	0.7 1.3	0.1 -2.2	0.6 0.1	0.7 1.8
Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	69.7 7.0 71.1 9.1	68.4 6.6 69.4 8.8	0.8 0.4 0.7 0.6	-1.3 -0.4 -1.7 -0.3	0.0 0.1 -0.3 0.1	0.3 0.9 0.7 1.1	-1.9 -5.7	0.0 1.5 	0.4 15.8
Employment rate	64.6	63.3	0.7	-1.3	-0.4	-0.2			
Guelph, Ontario Population Labour force Employment	113.6 83.8 80.2	113.7 84.5 81.0	 0.8 0.9	0.1 0.7 0.8	1.2 7.5 9.8	1.4 4.1 6.0	0.1 0.8 1.0	1.1 9.7 13.8	1.2 5.1 8.0
Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	3.6 73.8 4.3	3.5 74.3 4.1	0.4 0.7 0.5	-0.1 0.5 -0.2	-2.3 5.9 -3.4	-1.9 2.7 -2.6	-2.8 	-39.7 	-35.2
Employment rate	70.6	71.2	8.0	0.6	7.9	4.4			

Table 5-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
London, Ontario	440.7	440.4			0.4		0.4	0.0	4.0
Population Labour force	412.7 269.6	413.1 269.6	2.0	0.4 0.0	3.4 6.9	4.1 7.5	0.1 0.0	0.8 2.6	1.0 2.9
Employment	245.4	244.8	2.1	-0.6	4.4	5.5	-0.2	1.8	2.3
Unemployment	24.2	24.7	1.1	0.5	2.5	1.8	2.1	11.3	7.9
Participation rate Unemployment rate	65.3 9.0	65.3 9.2	0.5 0.4	0.0 0.2	1.2 0.7	1.2 0.5	•••		•••
Employment rate	59.5	59.3	0.5	-0.2	0.6	0.8			
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	267.2	267.2 163.5	1.1	0.0 1.2	-0.9 -0.5	-1.1 -1.9	0.0 0.7	-0.3 -0.3	-0.4 -1.1
Labour force Employment	162.3 146.7	146.4	1.4 1.4	-0.3	0.1	-0.6	-0.2	0.1	-0.4
Unemployment	15.6	17.1	0.8	1.5	-0.7	-1.2	9.6	-3.9	-6.6
Participation rate	60.7	61.2	0.5	0.5	0.0	-0.4			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	9.6 54.9	10.5 54.8	0.5 0.5	0.9 -0.1	-0.4 0.2	-0.6 0.0			
Barrie, Ontario									
Population	161.5	161.7		0.2	2.0	2.4	0.1	1.3	1.5
Labour force	118.6 105.9	118.7 104.9	1.7 1.7	0.1 -1.0	6.9 2.5	2.5 1.0	0.1 -0.9	6.2 2.4	2.2
Employment Unemployment	12.7	13.9	0.7	1.2	2.5 4.5	1.0	9.4	47.9	1.0 13.9
Participation rate	73.4	73.4	1.1	0.0	3.4	0.5			
Unemployment rate	10.7	11.7	0.6	1.0	3.3	1.2			
Employment rate	65.6	64.9	1.0	-0.7	0.8	-0.3			•••
Greater Sudbury, Ontario Population	139.4	139.4		0.0	0.4	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	90.3	90.4	0.7	0.1	0.7	-1.7	0.1	0.8	-1.8
Employment	84.7	85.2	0.8	0.5	3.0	1.8	0.6	3.6	2.2
Unemployment Participation rate	5.7 64.8	5.2 64.8	0.4 0.5	-0.5 0.0	-2.3 0.3	-3.6 -1.5	-8.8	-30.7	-40.9
Unemployment rate	6.3	5.8	0.3	-0.5	-2.6	-3.8			
Employment rate	60.8	61.1	0.6	0.3	2.0	1.1	•••		
Thunder Bay, Ontario	402.4	402.4		0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	102.4 63.1	102.4 64.0	0.6	0.0 0.9	-0.2 -1.4	-0.3 -0.2	0.0 1.4	-0.2 -2.1	-0.3 -0.3
Employment	59.3	59.6	0.7	0.3	-1.3	-0.2	0.5	-2.1	-0.3
Unemployment	3.8	4.4	0.3	0.6	0.0	0.0	15.8	0.0	0.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	61.6 6.0	62.5 6.9	0.6 0.5	0.9 0.9	-1.2 0.2	0.0 0.0			•••
Employment rate	57.9	58.2	0.6	0.3	-1.2	0.0			
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	625.5	626.2		0.7	8.2	9.9	0.1	1.3	1.6
Labour force Employment	430.7 405.0	432.5 407.2	1.3 1.3	1.8 2.2	-0.2 -2.3	-4.8 -5.5	0.4 0.5	0.0 -0.6	-1.1 -1.3
Unemployment	25.8	25.2	0.8	-0.6	2.0	0.6	-2.3	8.6	2.4
Participation rate	68.9	69.1	0.2	0.2	-0.9	-1.9			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	6.0 64.7	5.8 65.0	0.2 0.2	-0.2 0.3	0.4 -1.3	0.2 -2.0			
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	177.1	177.3		0.2	2.3	2.7	0.1	1.3	1.5
Labour force	131.1 125.3	130.3 125.4	0.8 0.8	-0.8 0.1	3.2 4.2	2.6 4.0	-0.6 0.1	2.5 3.5	2.0 3.3
Employment Unemployment	125.3 5.8	4.9	0.8	-0.9	4.2 -1.0	4.0 -1.4	-15.5	-16.9	-22.2
Participation rate	74.0	73.5	0.4	-0.5	0.9	0.4			
Unemployment rate	4.4	3.8	0.3	-0.6	-0.8	-1.1			
Employment rate	70.8	70.7	0.5	-0.1	1.4	1.2		•••	

Table 5-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	2011								
		2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	004.4	004.5		0.4	4.4	F 4		0.0	0.4
Population Labour force	221.1 151.4	221.5 152.1	1.0	0.4 0.7	4.4 0.9	5.1 0.4	0.2 0.5	2.0 0.6	2.4 0.3
Employment	142.7	143.9	1.0	1.2	1.1	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.3
Unemployment	8.7	8.2	0.5	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1	-5.7	-2.4	-1.2
Participation rate	68.5	68.7	0.5	0.2	-0.9	-1.4			
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1			
Employment rate	64.5	65.0	0.5	0.5	-0.8	-1.3			•••
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	1,036.7	1,038.3	:	1.6	17.4	20.1	0.2	1.7	2.0
Labour force	775.7	772.6	3.4	-3.1	24.4	20.0	-0.4	3.3	2.7
Employment Unemployment	730.0 45.7	729.0 43.6	3.7 2.1	-1.0 -2.1	25.7 -1.3	25.7 -5.7	-0.1 -4.6	3.7 -2.9	3.7 -11.6
Participation rate	74.8	74.4	0.3	-0.4	1.1	0.5	-4.0	-2.5	-11.0
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.6	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-1.0			
Employment rate	70.4	70.2	0.4	-0.2	1.3	1.1			
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	967.4	969.0		1.6	14.5	16.5	0.2	1.5	1.7
Labour force	719.4	721.2	3.4	1.8	36.1	42.2	0.3	5.3	6.2
Employment	681.2 38.2	682.1 39.1	3.6 1.8	0.9 0.9	36.5 -0.4	44.9 -2.7	0.1 2.4	5.7 -1.0	7.0 -6.5
Unemployment Participation rate	74.4	74.4	0.4	0.9	-0.4 2.6	3.1	2.4	-1.0	
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.4	0.3	0.0	-0.4	-0.8			
Employment rate	70.4	70.4	0.4	0.0	2.8	3.5			
Kelowna, British Columbia									
Population	149.9	150.0		0.1	1.8	2.3	0.1	1.2	1.6
Labour force	102.6	102.1	1.3	-0.5	-2.4	-2.2	-0.5	-2.3	-2.1
Employment	95.1	9 <u>4.5</u>	1.3	-0.6	-2.2	-1.0	-0.6	-2.3	-1.0
Unemployment Participation rate	7.5	7.7	0.8	0.2	-0.1	-1.1	2.7	-1.3	-12.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	68.4 7.3	68.1 7.5	0.9 0.7	-0.3 0.2	-2.4 0.0	-2.5 -0.9			
Employment rate	63.4	63.0	0.9	-0.4	-2.2	-1.7			
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia									
Population	144.6	144.7		0.1	1.8	2.2	0.1	1.3	1.5
Labour force	96.0	95.8	0.8	-0.2	-0.1	-1.8	-0.2	-0.1	-1.8
Employment	88.3	88.2	0.8	-0.1	2.0	-0.6	-0.1	2.3	-0.7
Unemployment	7.7	7.6	0.4	-0.1	-2.1	-1.2	-1.3	-21.6	-13.6
Participation rate	66.4	66.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.9	-2.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.0 61.1	7.9 61.0	0.4 0.6	-0.1 -0.1	-2.2 0.7	-1.1 -1.3			
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Vancouver, British Columbia Population	2,030.7	2,033.2		2.5	27.2	32.7	0.1	1.4	1.6
Labour force	1,360.8	1,365.5	5.0	4.7	38.0	33.0	0.3	2.9	2.5
Employment	1,264.3	1,272.1	5.1	7.8	40.9	37.2	0.6	3.3	3.0
Unemployment	96.5	93.4	3.0	-3.1	-2.9	-4.3	-3.2	-3.0	-4.4
Participation rate	67.0	67.2	0.3	0.2	1.0	0.6			
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.8	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.5		•••	•••
Employment rate	62.3	62.6	0.3	0.3	1.2	0.9			
Victoria, British Columbia	000.0	201.1			4.0	0.5		0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	300.9	301.1		0.2	1.9	2.5	0.1	0.6	0.8
Labour force Employment	195.7 183.4	192.1 180.4	1.5 1.5	-3.6 -3.0	-1.1 -1.5	1.1 -0.4	-1.8 -1.6	-0.6 -0.8	0.6 -0.2
Unemployment	12.3	11.7	0.6	-3.0 -0.6	0.4	1.5	-1.0 -4.9	3.5	14.7
Participation rate	65.0	63.8	0.5	-1.2	-0.8	-0.2			
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.1	0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.8			
Employment rate	61.0	59.9	0.5	-1.1	-0.9	-0.6			

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Estimates from this table are based on 2006 census population counts. Related CANSIM Table 282-0116.

Table 5-2 Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — Monthly

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,230.4	3,232.9		2.5	31.8	38.0	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	2,117.6	2,115.1	15.7	-2.5	3.5	-24.6	-0.1	0.2	-1.1
Employment	1,959.3	1,936.0	15.6	-23.3	-8.1	-14.6	-1.2	-0.4	-0.7
Unemployment	158.3	179.1	11.5	20.8	11.6	-10.0	13.1	6.9	-5.3
Participation rate	65.6	65.4	0.5	-0.2	-0.6	-1.6			
Unemployment rate	7.5	8.5	0.5	1.0	0.6	-0.3			
Employment rate	60.7	59.9	0.5	-0.8	-0.8	-1.2			
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,804.6	4,812.6		8.0	76.1	88.9	0.2	1.6	1.9
Labour force	3,235.2	3,232.8	21.6	-2.4	-11.3	2.9	-0.1	-0.3	0.1
Employment	2,980.0	2,942.0	21.2	-38.0	-39.0	-8.5	-1.3	-1.3	-0.3
Unemployment	255.2	290.8	15.5	35.6	27.7	11.4	13.9	10.5	4.1
Participation rate	67.3	67.2	0.5	-0.1	-1.3	-1.2			
Unemployment rate	7.9	9.0	0.5	1.1	0.9	0.3			
Employment rate	62.0	61.1	0.4	-0.9	-1.8	-1.4			
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2.033.3	2.035.4		2.1	26.6	32.1	0.1	1.3	1.6
Labour force	1,380.6	1,361.1	10.7	-19.5	31.3	26.7	-1.4	2.4	2.0
Employment	1,293.6	1,273.0	10.5	-20.6	44.6	35.3	-1.6	3.6	2.9
Unemployment	87.0	88.1	7.2	1.1	-13.3	-8.7	1.3	-13.1	-9.0
Participation rate	67.9	66.9	0.5	-1.0	0.7	0.3			
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.5	0.2	-1.1	-0.8			
Employment rate	63.6	62.5	0.5	-1.1	1.3	0.7			

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Estimates from this table are based on 2006 census population counts. Related CANSIM Table 282-0117.

Table 6-1 Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2010 and October 2011

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Canada ² 2010 2011	27,737.8 28,057.4	18,683.7 18,814.9	17,227.6 17,480.4	1,456.1 1,334.4	67.4 67.1	7.8 7.1	62.1 62.3
Newfoundland and Labrador 2010 2011	428.3 428.5	261.2 260.9	229.5 228.9	31.7 32.0	61.0 60.9	12.1 12.3	53.6 53.4
Avalon Peninsula <i>[1010]</i> 2010 2011	219.1 220.9	143.1 145.0	129.5 130.8	13.7 14.2	65.3 65.6	9.6 9.8	59.1 59.2
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020] 2010 2011	30.9 30.4	17.9 16.6	14.7 13.2	3.2 3.4	57.9 54.6	17.9 20.5	47.6 43.4
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]							
2010 2011	87.2 86.7	50.4 50.9	43.2 44.1	7.2 6.8	57.8 58.7	14.3 13.4	49.5 50.9
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040] 2010 2011	91.1 90.5	49.7 48.3	42.1 40.8	7.6 7.5	54.6 53.4	15.3 15.5	46.2 45.1
Prince Edward Island 2010 2011	117.3 119.7	81.4 83.3	73.0 75.6	8.4 7.8	69.4 69.6	10.3 9.4	62.2 63.2
Nova Scotia 2010 2011	777.9 779.2	503.8 498.7	458.6 458.4	45.2 40.3	64.8 64.0	9.0 8.1	59.0 58.8
Cape Breton [1210] 2010 2011	113.1 111.8	65.9 63.6	55.9 53.8	10.0 9.8	58.3 56.9	15.2 15.4	49.4 48.1
North Shore [1220] 2010 2011	130.2 129.7	78.4 77.0	71.4 70.0	7.0 7.0	60.2 59.4	8.9 9.1	54.8 54.0
Annapolis Valley [1230] 2010 2011	100.0 99.6	61.8 60.0	55.9 55.3	5.8 4.7	61.8 60.2	9.4 7.8	55.9 55.5
Southern [1240] 2010 2011	99.1 98.0	62.6 58.3	55.9 53.4	6.6 4.9	63.2 59.5	10.5 8.4	56.4 54.5
Halifax [1250] 2010 2011	335.4 340.1	235.2 239.9	219.4 225.9	15.8 14.0	70.1 70.5	6.7 5.8	65.4 66.4
New Brunswick 2010 2011	617.4 619.8	397.6 393.2	362.8 360.6	34.8 32.6	64.4 63.4	8.8 8.3	58.8 58.2
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310] 2010 2011	130.4 128.9	72.1 73.9	62.1 64.6	9.9 9.3	55.3 57.3	13.7 12.6	47.6 50.1
Moncton-Richibucto [1320] 2010 2011	170.2 172.3	112.6 113.5	104.3 105.1	8.3 8.4	66.2 65.9	7.4 7.4	61.3 61.0
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330] 2010 2011	143.6 144.4	94.5 94.8	87.3 88.4		65.8 65.7	7.6 6.6	60.8 61.2

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2010 and October 2011

	Population		Labour force		Participation	Participation Unemployment	Employment
	_	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] 2010 2011	107.9 109.4	74.9 71.1	69.8 65.5	5.1 5.6	69.4 65.0	6.8 7.9	64.7 59.9
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] 2010 2011	65.4 64.9	43.5 39.9	39.2 37.0	4.3 3.0	66.5 61.5	9.9 7.5	59.9 57.0
Quebec 2010 2011	6,523.1 6,590.2	4,299.0 4,310.5	3,974.8 4,003.0	324.2 307.5	65.9 65.4	7.5 7.1	60.9 60.7
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] 2010 2011	78.7 78.6	44.0 42.9	38.6 38.0	5.4 4.9	55.9 54.6	12.3 11.4	49.0 48.3
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415] 2010 2011	167.0 166.7	102.2 97.4	92.3 90.6	9.9 6.8	61.2 58.4	9.7 7.0	55.3 54.3
Capitale-Nationale [2420] 2010 2011	583.0 589.8	395.0 406.8	376.9 389.1	18.1 17.6	67.8 69.0	4.6 4.3	64.6 66.0
Chaudière-Appalaches <i>[2425]</i> 2010 2011	332.3 333.8	226.4 238.8	217.1 230.1	9.2 8.7	68.1 71.5	4.1 3.6	65.3 68.9
Estrie <i>[2430]</i> 2010 2011	256.5 258.8	164.7 166.8	152.7 156.8	12.0 9.9	64.2 64.5	7.3 5.9	59.5 60.6
Centre-du-Québec [2433] 2010 2011	189.4 190.9	118.9 117.9	112.0 109.2	6.9 8.7	62.8 61.8	5.8 7.4	59.1 57.2
Montérégie <i>[2435]</i> 2010 2011	1,177.1 1,192.5	800.8 793.3	740.4 740.4	60.5 52.8	68.0 66.5	7.6 6.7	62.9 62.1
Montréal <i>[2440]</i> 2010 2011	1,614.1 1,624.8	1,065.3 1,039.1	963.9 937.5	101.4 101.6	66.0 64.0	9.5 9.8	59.7 57.7
Laval <i>[2445]</i> 2010 2011	328.2 334.3	214.7 214.2	197.8 201.0	16.9 13.2	65.4 64.1	7.9 6.2	60.3 60.1
Lanaudière <i>[2450]</i> 2010 2011	385.0 392.6	253.7 280.6	237.6 263.6	16.1 17.0	65.9 71.5	6.3 6.1	61.7 67.1
Laurentides [2455] 2010 2011	455.9 464.8	311.1 313.4	289.2 289.3	21.9 24.0	68.2 67.4	7.0 7.7	63.4 62.2
Outaouais <i>[2460]</i> 2010 2011	301.8 307.1	205.0 213.5	190.8 197.7		67.9 69.5	6.9 7.4	63.2 64.4
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465] 2010 2011	117.2 117.7	77.0 78.8	70.2 73.2	6.7 5.6	65.7 66.9	8.7 7.1	59.9 62.2
Mauricie <i>[2470]</i> 2010 2011	220.7 221.7	131.8 125.9	119.5 116.1	12.4 9.9	59.7 56.8	9.4 7.9	54.1 52.4

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2010 and October 2011

	Population		Labour force		Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
_		in thous	sands				
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475] 2010 2011	225.4 225.3	128.7 125.9	119.4 118.4	9.3 7.5	57.1 55.9	7.2 6.0	53.0 52.6
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490] 2010 2011	90.8 90.6	59.8 55.3	56.5 52.1	3.4 3.2	65.9 61.0	5.7 5.8	62.2 57.5
Ontario 2010 2011	10,823.6 10,955.9	7,293.3 7,335.6	6,667.0 6,773.1	626.3 562.5	67.4 67.0	8.6 7.7	61.6 61.8
Ottawa <i>[3510]</i> 2010 2011	1,037.9 1,051.0	728.1 727.9	676.2 682.1	51.9 45.8	70.2 69.3	7.1 6.3	65.2 64.9
Kingston-Pembroke [3515] 2010 2011	369.0 370.9	219.6 238.0	203.0 221.7	16.5 16.4	59.5 64.2	7.5 6.9	55.0 59.8
Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520] 2010 2011	317.7 319.0	189.1 193.8	171.8 179.7	17.3 14.2	59.5 60.8	9.1 7.3	54.1 56.3
Toronto [3530] 2010 2011	4,970.6 5,063.1	3,437.3 3,413.5	3,114.7 3,126.7	322.6 286.8	69.2 67.4	9.4 8.4	62.7 61.8
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540] 2010 2011	1,025.3 1,040.1	725.6 744.6	670.2 693.6	55.4 51.0	70.8 71.6	7.6 6.8	65.4 66.7
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550] 2010 2011	1,162.4 1,170.9	763.0 769.3	702.8 715.4	60.2 53.9	65.6 65.7	7.9 7.0	60.5 61.1
London <i>[3560]</i> 2010 2011	536.8 541.3	353.2 357.6	322.6 326.4	30.5 31.1	65.8 66.1	8.6 8.7	60.1 60.3
Windsor-Sarnia <i>[3570]</i> 2010 2011	521.4 519.2	331.0 323.3	297.5 296.2	33.5 27.1	63.5 62.3	10.1 8.4	57.1 57.0
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580] 2010 2011	245.9 245.7	158.5 168.6	151.7 160.9	6.8 7.7	64.5 68.6	4.3 4.6	61.7 65.5
Northeast [3590] 2010 2011	462.4 461.4	282.3 288.0	258.1 265.7	24.3 22.3	61.1 62.4	8.6 7.7	55.8 57.6
Northwest [3595] 2010 2011	174.3 173.3	105.6 110.9	98.4 104.7	7.2 6.2	60.6 64.0	6.8 5.6	56.5 60.4
Manitoba 2010 2011	943.7 956.0	663.4 665.3	627.5 628.5	36.0 36.8	70.3 69.6	5.4 5.5	66.5 65.7
Southeast [4610] 2010 2011	81.3 83.1	58.1 57.6	55.2 55.5	2.9 2.1	71.5 69.3	5.0 3.6	67.9 66.8
South Central [4620] 2010 2011	46.4 47.6	32.7 33.6	31.6 32.7	1.1 1.0	70.5 70.6	3.4 3.0	68.1 68.7

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2010 and October 2011

	Population		Labour force			Participation Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
-		in thous	sands				
Southwest [4630] 2010 2011	83.5 83.8	55.7 59.9	53.4 57.2	2.3 2.7	66.7 71.5	4.1 4.5	64.0 68.3
North Central <i>[4640]</i> 2010 2011	36.2 36.7	24.4 23.3	23.4 21.7	1.1 1.6	67.4 63.5	4.5 6.9	64.6 59.1
Winnipeg [4650] 2010 2011	563.9 572.4	399.5 397.5	375.2 372.7	24.3 24.8	70.8 69.4	6.1 6.2	66.5 65.1
Interlake <i>[4660]</i> 2010 2011	72.1 72.7	50.2 52.8	48.0 50.4	2.2 2.3	69.6 72.6	4.4 4.4	66.6 69.3
Parklands and North [4670, 4680] 2010 2011	60.4 59.8	42.9 40.7	40.8 38.3	2.1 2.4	71.0 68.1	4.9 5.9	67.5 64.0
Saskatchewan 2010 2011	793.4 802.1	555.8 553.6	526.8 529.5	29.0 24.1	70.1 69.0	5.2 4.4	66.4 66.0
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710] 2010 2011	235.3 238.3	173.4 177.1	165.3 170.8	8.1 6.3	73.7 74.3	4.7 3.6	70.3 71.7
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720] 2010 2011	81.2 81.1	53.8 51.5	51.4 49.6		66.3 63.5	4.5 3.7	63.3 61.2
Saskatoon-Biggar <i>[4730]</i> 2010 2011	260.8 266.1	182.0 181.8	173.2 172.8		69.8 68.3	4.8 5.0	66.4 64.9
Yorkton-Melville [4740] 2010 2011	63.2 62.9	42.7 42.3	40.6 40.7	2.1 1.6	67.6 67.2	4.9 3.8	64.2 64.7
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] 2010 2011	153.0 153.7	104.0 100.7	96.3 95.5		68.0 65.5	7.4 5.3	62.9 62.1
Alberta 2010 2011	2,970.4 3,018.2	2,164.2 2,245.1	2,028.8 2,123.1	135.5 122.0	72.9 74.4	6.3 5.4	68.3 70.3
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810] 2010 2011	217.6 219.7	149.0 152.6	140.9 144.6	8.1 8.0	68.5 69.5	5.4 5.2	64.8 65.8
Camrose-Drumheller [4820] 2010 2011	155.7 156.3	111.9 111.6	106.1 106.5	5.8 5.1	71.9 71.4	5.2 4.6	68.1 68.1
Calgary <i>[4830]</i> 2010 2011	1,094.2 1,116.0	815.7 838.7	759.8 791.6	55.9 47.1	74.5 75.2	6.9 5.6	69.4 70.9
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840] 2010 2011	71.7 71.9	57.0 53.5	53.5 52.0		79.5 74.4	6.1 3.0	74.6 72.3

Table 6-1 - continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, ³ month moving average ending in October 2010 and October 2011

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands	_			
Red Deer [4850] 2010 2011	152.7 154.8	109.7 116.4	103.4 110.3		71.8 75.2	5.7 5.2	67.7 71.3
Edmonton [4860] 2010 2011	988.0 1,004.9	701.3 744.2	658.2 702.3		71.0 74.1	6.1 5.6	66.6 69.9
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870] 2010 2011	189.9 191.0	139.5 144.2	131.6 136.6		73.5 75.5	5.7 5.3	69.3 71.5
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake <i>[4880]</i> 2010 2011	100.6 103.6	80.1 83.9	75.3 79.2		79.6 81.0	6.1 5.6	74.9 76.4
British Columbia 2010 2011	3,742.6 3,787.8	2,464.0 2,468.7	2,278.8 2,299.8	185.1 168.9	65.8 65.2	7.5 6.8	60.9 60.7
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910] 2010 2011	651.2 656.6	407.3 382.3	382.2 356.1	25.2 26.2	62.5 58.2	6.2 6.9	58.7 54.2
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920] 2010 2011	2,283.2 2,320.5	1,523.1 1,559.1	1,408.3 1,454.3		66.7 67.2	7.5 6.7	61.7 62.7
Thompson-Okanagan <i>[5930]</i> 2010 2011	435.0 438.1	285.4 271.4	261.0 251.9		65.6 61.9	8.6 7.2	60.0 57.5
Kootenay [5940] 2010 2011	126.8 127.3	73.4 79.0	66.5 73.2		57.9 62.1	9.4 7.2	52.4 57.5
Cariboo [5950] 2010 2011	127.8 127.3	89.1 90.7	82.3 83.7		69.7 71.2	7.6 7.8	64.4 65.8
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970] 2010 2011	67.0 66.6	46.1 48.8	42.0 44.8		68.8 73.3	8.9 8.2	62.7 67.3
Northeast [5980] 2010 2011	51.6 51.4	39.6 37.3	36.6 35.8		76.7 72.6	7.6 4.3	70.9 69.6

^{1.} For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).

^{2.} Estimates for Canada are a sum of the provincial totals and exclude estimates from Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut. **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0054.

Table 6-2 Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2010 and October 2011

	Population	Labour force			Participation Unemployment	Employment	
		Labour Employment to force		Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	ands			percent	
Yukon 1 2010 2011	26.1 26.7	19.3 20.2	18.4 19.2	1.0 1.0	73.9 75.7	5.2 5.0	70.5 71.9
Northwest Territories ² 2010 2011	32.3 32.1	23.3 24.8	22.0 23.1	1.3 1.7	72.1 77.3	5.6 6.9	68.1 72.0
Nunavut ³ 2010 2011	21.2 21.0	13.7 13.7	11.8 11.7	1.8 2.1	64.6 65.6	13.4 15.0	55.9 55.7

Since 1992, the Labour force survey (LFS) has been conducted in the Yukon, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in the national totals. In 1995, the LFS in the Yukon underwent a sample redesign. One result of the redesign was that the covered population increased from 85% to 92%, which is reflected by the sharp increase in the three month moving averages estimates of January, February and March of 1995 for all the level estimates. Users are therefore warned to be cautious when comparing estimates before January 1995 to estimates for January 1995 and forward.

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0100.

Since 2001, the Labour force survey (LFS) has been administered in the Northwest Territories, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

^{3.} Since 2004, the Labour force survey (LFS) has been administered in Nunavut, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are 3-month moving averages and are not included in national totals. From January 2004 to December 2007, estimates represent about 70% of all Nunavut residents aged 15 and over. Starting in January 2008, coverage was extended to 92%, so that by March 2008, the 3-month moving average is completely based on the extended coverage. Because of the large difference in coverage, users are recommended not to compare estimates prior to January 2008 with data afterwards. The January and February 2008 3-month moving average estimates are based on a mix of both coverages, since the extended coverage was introduced in January 2008. Estimates from January 2004 to December 2007 are based on the 10 largest communities in Nunavut: Iqaluit, Rankin Inlet, Cambridge Bay, Kugluktuk, Baker Lake, Arviat, Pond Inlet, Cape Dorset, Pangnirtung, Igloolik. Estimates from March 2008 to present cover the above communities as well as: Taloyoak, Gjoa Haven, Kugaaruk, Coral Harbour, Repulse Bay, Qikiqtarjuaq, Arctic Bay, Hall Beach, Clyde River.

Table 7 Average usual hours and wages of employees by selected characteristics, Canada, unadjusted for seasonality

		Emplo	yees			Full-time		Part-time		
	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Average hourly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages
	thousands		current (dollars	thousands		current dollars	thousands		current dollars
October 2011										
15 years and over	14,712.5	35.3	842.19	23.06	11,968.4	39.5	969.38	2,744.1	17.0	287.48 173.26
15 to 24 years 25 years and over	2,306.5 12,406.0	26.9 36.8	398.74 924.64	13.75 24.79	1,144.8 10,823.6	39.1 39.5	627.54 1,005.53	1,161.7 1,582.5	14.8 18.6	371.33
Men	7,439.4	37.9	958.07	24.64	6,578.0	40.7	1,050.01	861.5	16.4	256.04
Women	7,273.1	32.6	723.67	21.44	5,390.4	37.9	870.98	1,882.7	17.3	301.87
Union coverage	. ====									
Union coverage No union coverage	4,562.2 10,150.3	35.8 35.1	968.10 785.60	26.71 21.42	3,891.2 8,077.2	38.7 39.8	1,061.59 924.95	671.1 2,073.1	18.8 16.4	425.99 242.65
	10,100.0	55.1	700.00	21.72	0,011.2	00.0	324.30	2,070.1	10.4	242.00
Job permanency Permanent	12,719.9	36.2	882.68	23.71	10,787.2	39.4	986.02	1,932.7	18.0	305.89
Temporary	1,992.6	29.5	583.72	18.90	1,181.2	39.7	817.35	811.4	14.6	243.64
Occupation										
Management	963.7	39.8	1,380.49	34.92	930.1	40.6	1,412.65	33.6	17.6	489.52
Business, finance and administrative Natural and applied sciences	2,771.3 1,108.2	35.2 38.5	779.80 1,246.14	21.75 32.32	2,359.3 1,064.5	38.2 39.3	859.95 1,276.03	412.0 43.7	17.8 17.5	320.84 518.66
Health	1,018.4	33.5	898.78	26.62	781.9	37.8	1,016.88	236.4	17.5	508.23
Social science, education, government	,						,			
service and religion	1,435.9	33.9	1,025.02	29.95	1,159.3	38.0	1,164.32	276.7	16.3	441.36
Art, culture, recreation and sport Sales and service	360.7 3,720.7	30.6 30.2	765.60 506.77	23.16 15.64	250.9 2,297.7	38.6 38.6	1,007.80 691.91	109.8 1,423.0	12.2 16.8	211.99 207.84
Trades, transport and equipment	3,720.7	30.2	300.77	13.04	2,231.1	30.0	091.91	1,423.0	10.0	207.04
operators	2,240.6	40.3	929.38	22.79	2,095.7	41.9	973.92	144.9	17.9	284.95
Occupations unique to primary industry Occupations unique to processing,	308.8	41.9	887.46	20.54	276.7	45.2	966.07	32.2	13.6	211.27
manufacturing and utilities	784.1	39.4	781.76	19.71	752.3	40.3	803.98	31.9	16.5	256.93
O-4-h 2040										
October 2010 15 years and over	14,523.3	35.1	830.02	22.80	11,800.7	39.3	955.62	2,722.6	17.0	285.60
15 to 24 years	2,261.7	26.6	381.52	13.34	1,118.1	38.7	600.55	1,143.6	14.7	167.38
25 years and over	12,261.5	36.7	912.75	24.55	10,682.6	39.3	992.79	1,578.9	18.6	371.23
Men Women	7,285.0 7,238.3	37.8 32.4	950.83 708.43	24.51 21.08	6,455.6 5,345.1	40.5 37.8	1,040.17 853.51	829.4 1,893.2	16.5 17.2	255.43 298.82
	1,230.3	32.4	700.43	21.00	3,343.1	37.0	033.31	1,095.2	17.2	290.02
Union coverage Union coverage	4,615.2	35.7	956.00	26.45	3,953.9	38.5	1,044.49	661.3	18.7	426.90
No union coverage	9,908.1	34.8	771.34	21.10	7,846.8	39.7	910.84	2,061.3	16.4	240.27
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,654.2	35.9	866.72	23.40	10,689.6	39.2	970.31	1,964.6	17.8	303.08
Temporary	1,869.1	29.5	581.52	18.78	1,111.1	39.5	814.29	758.0	14.8	240.32
Occupation	200 5	00.0	4 440 00	05.70	007.0	40.0	4 400 4=	00.5	10 =	F 40 0=
Management Business, finance and administrative	993.5 2,750.1	39.6 34.9	1,412.29 763.42	35.70 21.40	967.0 2.322.0	40.2 38.1	1,436.15 849.22	26.5 428.2	18.7 17.3	540.97 298.09
Natural and applied sciences	1,088.3	38.3	1,207.24	31.47	1,043.1	39.1	1,238.71	45.2	19.5	481.51
Health	942.0	33.1	885.76	26.71	706.3	37.5	1,002.79	235.6	20.0	534.94
Social science, education, government	4 405 7	00.0	000.05	00.04	4 404 0	07.0	4 404 70	004 7	40.0	450.40
service and religion Art, culture, recreation and sport	1,465.7 336.8	33.8 31.3	993.05 784.73	29.04 23.64	1,184.0 241.5	37.9 38.3	1,121.73 998.18	281.7 95.3	16.8 13.6	452.19 243.92
Sales and service	3,717.8	30.1	502.16	15.48	2,301.4	38.4	687.41	1,416.4	16.5	201.15
Trades, transport and equipment										
operators	2,133.8	40.2	918.32	22.61	2,008.1	41.6	958.02	125.7	17.7	283.76
Occupations unique to primary industry Occupations unique to processing,	311.0	41.6	858.29	19.88	273.2	45.2	948.61	37.8	15.3	205.39
manufacturing and utilities	784.2	39.2	753.10	19.06	754.0	40.0	771.56	30.2	19.1	292.25
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Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0023, 282-0069, 282-0073.

Table 8 Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program, ¹ seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

Region	Effective from	
	November 6, 2011 to December 3, 2011	
	percent	
Newfoundland and Labrador		
01. St.John's	7.0	
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	19.0	
Prince Edward Island 03. Prince Edward Island	11.5	
Nova Scotia		
04. Eastern Nova Scotia 05. Western Nova Scotia	16.3 9.6	
06. Halifax	5.9	
New Brunswick		
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	6.7	
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	10.0	
09. Restigouche-Albert	15.4	
Quebec		
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine 11. Québec	14.0 4.7	
12. Trois-Rivières	4.7 8.8	
13. South Central Quebec	5.0	
14. Sherbrooke 15. Montérégie	6.6 7.7	
16. Montréal	8.2	
17. Central Quebec	8.0	
 Northwestern Quebec Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord³ 	9.5 9.2	
20. Gatineau	6.9	
21. Saguenay	6.4	
Ontario		
22. Ottawa	5.6	
23. Eastern Ontario 24. Kingston	8.7 5.9	
25. Central Ontario	9.0	
26. Oshawa	7.1	
27. Toronto 28. Hamilton	8.3 6.6	
29. St. Catharines	8.1	
30. London	9.2	
31. Niagara 32. Windsor	10.6 11.0	
33. Kitchener	6.8	
34. Huron	6.8	
35. South Central Ontario 36. Sudbury	5.4 5.4	
37. Thunder Bay	7.3	
38. Northern Ontario	12.2	
Manitoba		
39. Winnipeg40. Southern Manitoba	5.8 6.3	
41. Northern Manitoba	28.5	
Saskatchewan		
42. Regina	4.0	
43. Saskatoon 44. Southern Saskatchewan	5.6 6.5	
45. Northern Saskatchewan	16.9	
Alberta		
46. Calgary	5.7	
47. Edmonton	5.6	
48. Northern Alberta 49. Southern Alberta	9.0 6.3	
	3.0	

Table 8 - continued

Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program, ¹ seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

Region	Effective from November 6, 2011 to December 3, 2011	
	percent	
British Columbia		
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	8.7	
51. Abbotsford	8.0	
52. Vancouver	6.9	
53. Victoria	6.9	
 Southern Coastal British Columbia 	8.8	
55. Northern British Columbia	11.5	
Territories		
56. Yukon ⁴	25.0	
57. Northwest Territories 4	25.0	
58. Nunavut ⁴	25.0	

The boundaries of these regions are determined by Human Resources and Social Development Canada (HRSDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of
employment insurance regions, see the HRSDC website: http://srv129.services.gc.ca/eiregions/en/geocont.aspx.

Note(s): All geographic regions are based on the 1996 Census boundaries.

This unemployment rate has been determined using a transition formula prescribed in the EI Regulations. For further information, see: http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/cs/comm/news/2000/000913a_e.shtml.

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^{4.} This rate is provided by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

Data quality

About the Labour Force Survey

The statistics contained in this report are based on information obtained through a sample survey of 56,000 representative households across the country. The Labour Force Survey, started in November 1945, was taken at quarterly intervals until November 1952. It has been carried out monthly since then. The information generated by the survey has expanded considerably over the years with a major redesign of the survey content in 1976 and again in 1997, and provides a rich and detailed picture of the Canadian labour market.

The sample used in the Labour Force Survey has been designed to represent all persons in the population 15 years of age and over residing in the provinces of Canada, with the exception of the following: persons living on Indian reserves, full-time members of the armed forces and people living in institutions (for example, inmates of penal institutions and patients in hospitals or nursing homes who have resided in the institution for more than six months). Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Definitions and explanations

The **labour force** is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week:

- did any work at all (a)
- had a job but were not at work

A person is considered to be full-time if his/her usual hours at the main job are 30 or more hours per week. When the number of hours worked at the main job is usually less than 30 hours per week then he/she is considered to be part-time.

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week:

- (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with reference week), and were available for work:
- (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but were on temporary layoff and were available for work:
- (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Persons in the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were neither employed nor unemployed are classified as not in the labour force.

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the labour force in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

The employment rate (formerly the employment/population ratio) represents the number of persons employed expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number employed in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

The part-time rate represents the number of persons employed part-time expressed as a percentage of the employed. The part-time rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number employed part-time in that group expressed as a percentage of the employed for that group.

All geographic regions are based on the 2006 Census boundaries.

Seasonal adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. The seasonally adjusted series contains irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

The seasonally adjusted series are revised each year to take into account current data and to generate new forecast factors for the next twelve months. The data are therefore subject to slight revisions in future issues of this publication.

Sampling variability of estimates

Estimates in this publication are based on the Labour Force Survey, a monthly survey of approximately 56,000 households across Canada. Because the entire population is not surveyed, the estimates are subject to sampling error. While the published estimate is the best available indicator of the real value, changes in the level of any estimates between two months can be the result of a true change or sampling variability. The sampling error can be estimated by calculating the standard error for the published estimate or statistic. These standard errors have been included in the publication tables, in order to assist users in interpreting the data.

Interpretation based on standard error

Two thirds of the time (68%), a change greater than the sampling error indicates a real change. The larger the change compared to the standard error, the better the chance that we are observing a real change, as opposed to a change due to sampling variability. At the 95% level, in order to ensure that change is real, the change in the estimate must be greater than twice the sampling error.

Movements in estimates that are smaller than the sampling error are less likely to reflect a real change and more likely to be due to sampling variability. While the above is true for monthly movements, one can have more confidence in a series of consecutive movements in the same direction, even though some of the monthly movements may be smaller than the sampling error.

Interpretation based on confidence intervals

Confidence intervals provide another way of looking at the variability inherent in estimates of sample surveys. To illustrate how to calculate the confidence interval, let us say that one month the published estimate for total employment rose by 16,000 to reach 16,500,000. The associated standard error for the movement estimate is 27,200. The standard error used to interpret the movement estimate indicates that:

- There are approximately two chances in three (68%) that the real value of the movement between the two months falls within the range -11,200 to +43,200 (16,000 + or – one standard error).
- There are approximately nine chances in ten (90%) that the real value of the movement between the two months falls within the range -27,520 to +59,520 (16,000 + or -1.6 times the standard error).
- There are approximately nineteen chances in twenty (95%) that the real value of the movement between the two months falls within the range -38,400 to +70,400 (16,000 + or – two standard errors).

For more detailed explanations on sampling variability of estimates, and in particular for information on how to assess the variability of level estimates, consult the Data quality section of the Guide to the Labour Force Survey, (71-543-G) on page 27.

Documentation

For more detailed information about the Labour Force Survey, see the following documents:

- Overview of the Labour Force Survey
- Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)
- Data quality statement
- Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (71-526-X)
- · LFS geographical maps