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Commentary

Employment was little changed for the third consecutive month and the unemployment rate held steady in January at 7.0%. The number of hours worked fell 0.7%, however it is up 1.4% from a year ago, the same growth rate as employment.

Fewer youths working in January

In January, youth employment fell by 21,000, all part-time. Despite this decline, their unemployment rate edged up only slightly to 12.8% due to a decrease in labour force participation. Over the past 12 months, employment gains among youths totaled 1.2%, mostly full-time.

In January, employment was little changed among adults. Compared to a year ago, employment grew by 1.7% for adult men, all in full-time, while for adult women job growth totaled 1.2% with gains in full-time and part-time.

More jobs in retail and wholesale trade

There were 18,000 more people working in retail and wholesale trade in January, bringing gains since August to 46,000 (+1.8%).

Manufacturing employment edged up in January (+14,000) following declines totaling 29,000 over the last seven months of 2004.

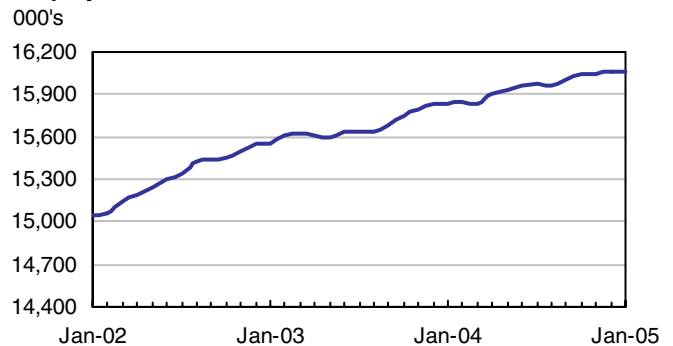
Construction employment rose slightly in January, building on the strong gains observed in 2004. Over the past 13 months, 84,000 jobs have been added in this industry, reflecting low interest rates and strength in building permits and housing starts.

In January, the number of people working in health care and social assistance fell by 14,000. Despite this decline, employment in the health care and social assistance sector has been relatively stable since the start of 2004 following robust gains in the previous two years.

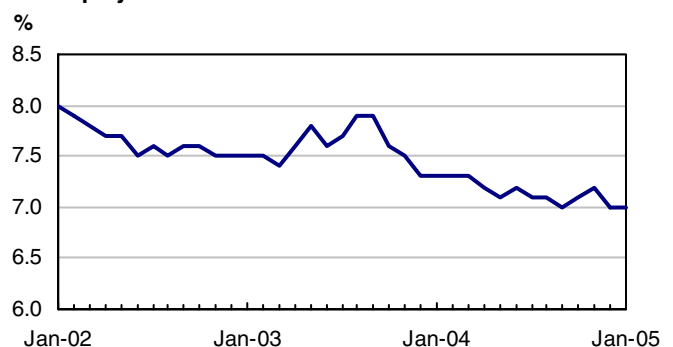
Employment in public administration also fell by 14,000 in January and follows a year of little change, leaving the number of jobs in this sector at about the same level as at the beginning of 2004.

In January, employment declined in information, culture and recreation (-12,000), bringing losses since August to 36,000. This offsets most of the gains observed earlier in 2004.

Employment



Unemployment rate



Employment edged up slightly in accommodation and food services for the second consecutive month leaving it little changed since the start of 2004. However, since the fall, employment has been weak in parts of this sector, notably taverns and bars, possibly due to the ongoing National Hockey League labour dispute.

In January, employment in the private sector rose by 42,000 with gains in both private sector employees and self-employment. In contrast, the number of jobs in the public sector fell by 48,000. Over the past 13 months, the number of private sector employees has increased by 1.5%, while self-employment has grown by a comparable rate of 1.3%. The employment loss in January among public workers cuts their job growth to 0.9% over the same 13 month period.

Provincial employment

Employment increased by 16,000 in Quebec, continuing the pattern of modest job growth observed through most of 2004. The increase in January brings gains over the last 12 months to 71,000 (+2.0%). The largest increases in January were in retail and wholesale trade, accommodation and food services and transportation and warehousing. The unemployment rate edged down to 8.4% in January.

In Ontario, employment fell by 28,000 as a decline of 51,000 full-time jobs was only partly offset by a gain in part-time work. This overall decrease was spread among adults and youths with job losses across several industries. Despite the decline in employment, the unemployment rate edged down slightly to 6.7%, the result of fewer people in the labour force. With the job losses in January, employment growth for the province over the last year is only 0.8%.

In January, the only significant employment change in Atlantic Canada occurred in New Brunswick where the number of people with jobs declined by 3,000, pushing the unemployment rate up to 9.7%. The employment decline in January follows growth of 1.8% in 2004. Losses in January occurred in manufacturing and construction.

In British Columbia, an increase of 17,000 full-time jobs was offset by a similar decline in part-time. This leaves overall gains from a year ago at 1.8% (+37,000). The strong employment growth observed in the construction sector in 2004 continued in January as 9,000 jobs were added.

There was little change in employment in the other provinces in January.

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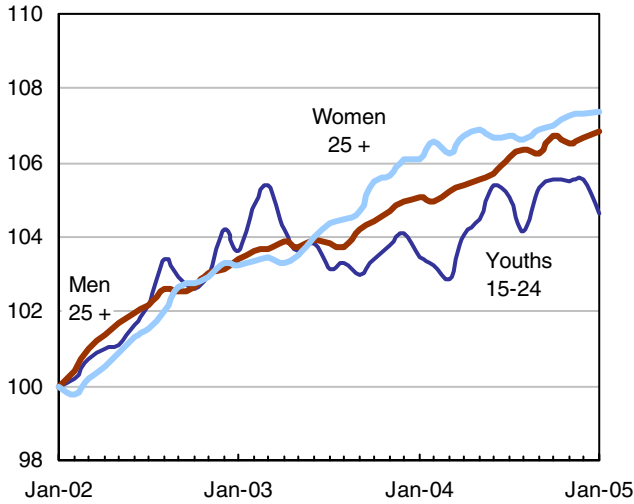
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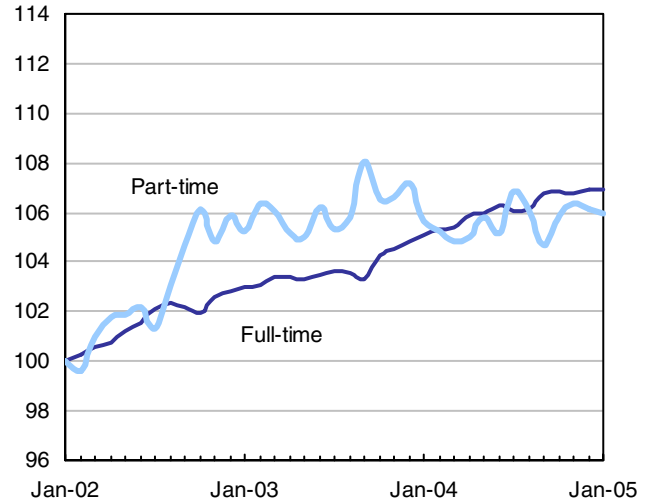
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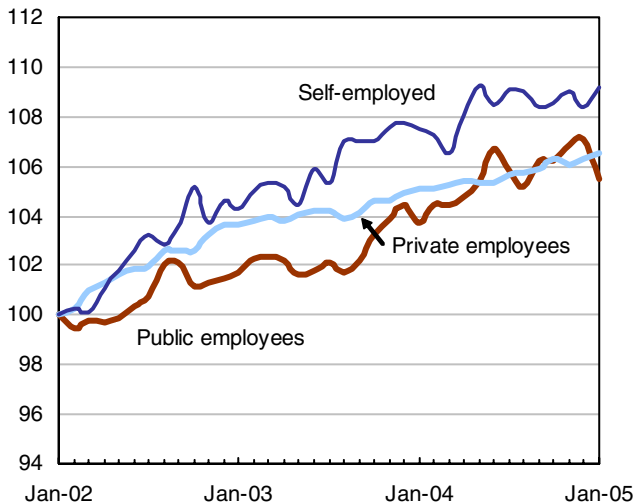
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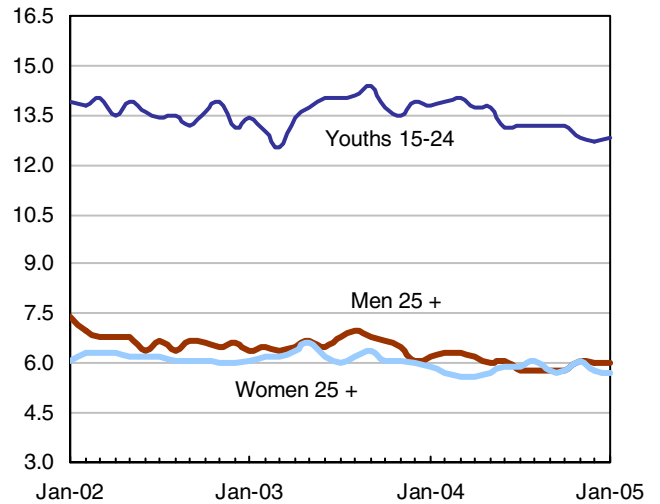
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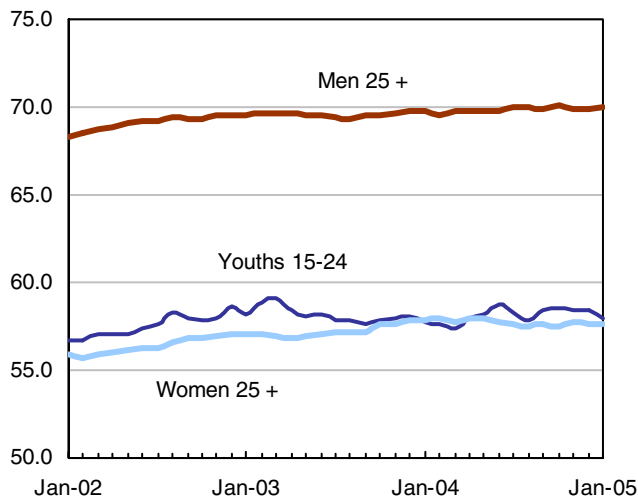
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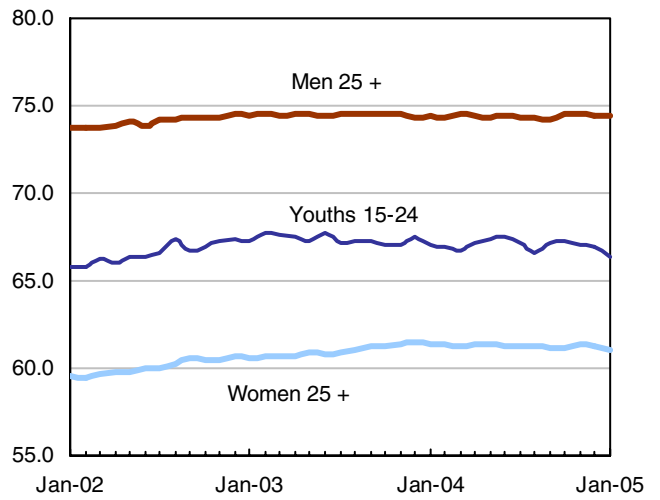
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Employment rate (%)

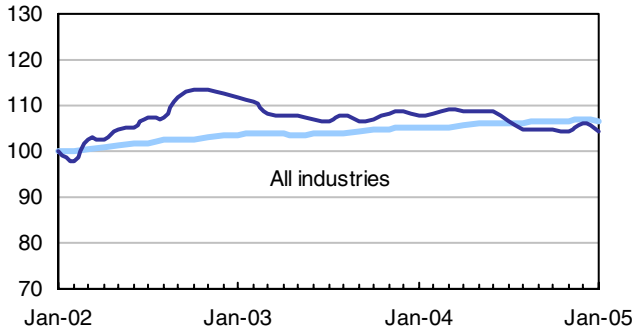


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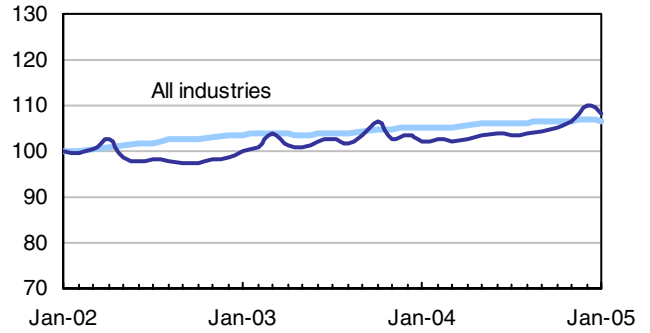


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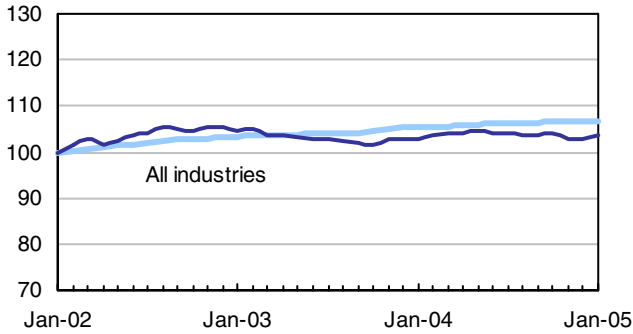
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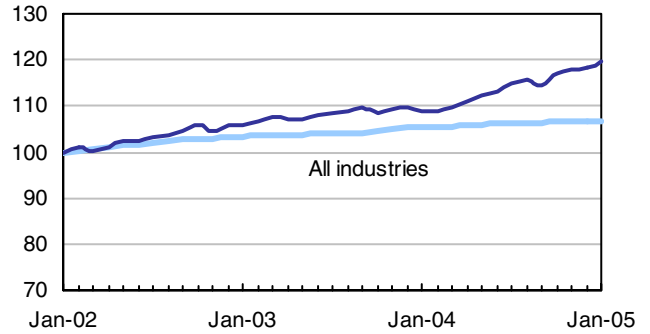
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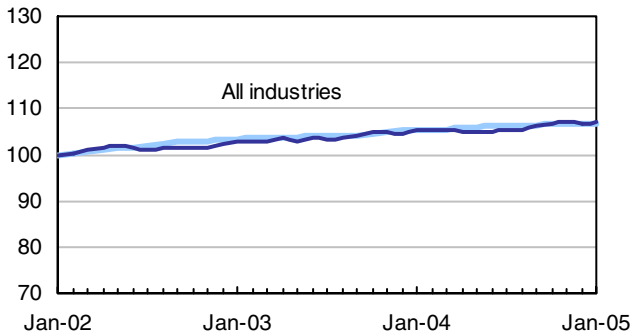
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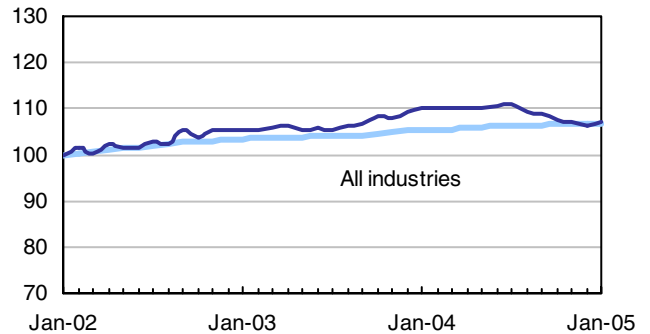
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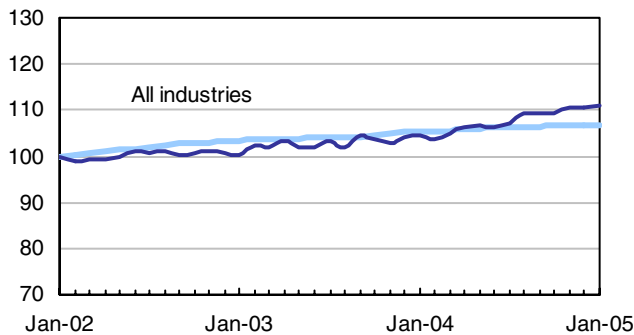
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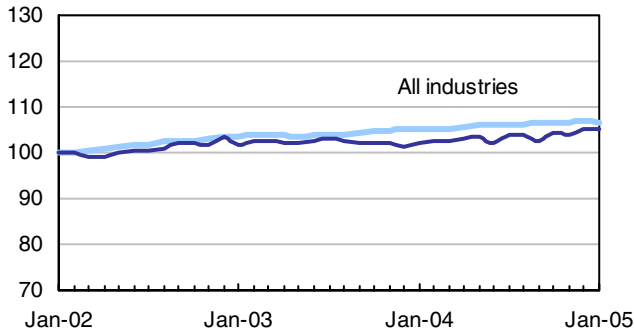


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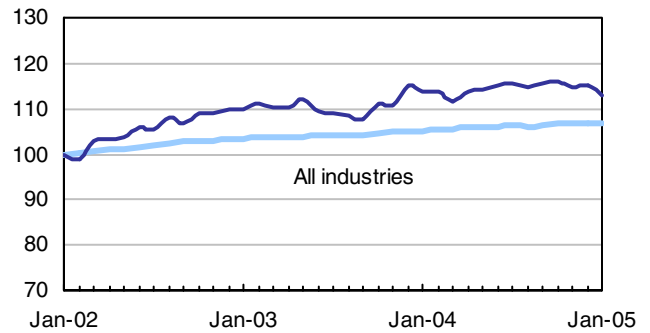


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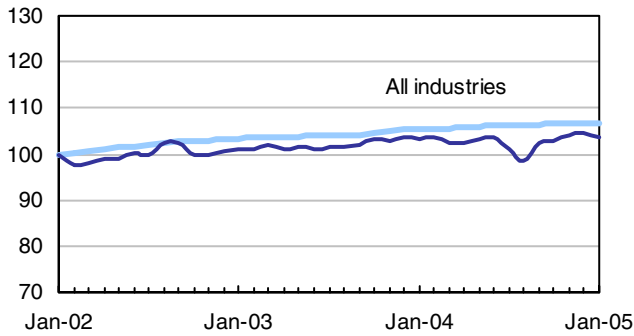
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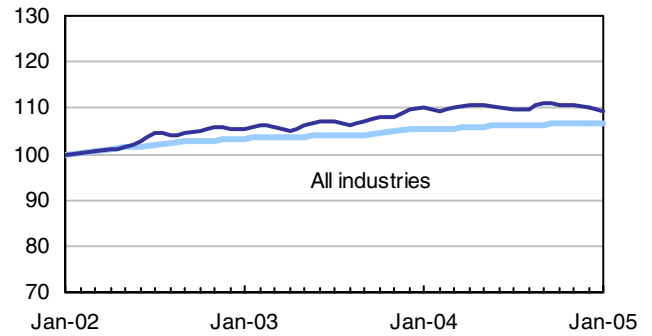
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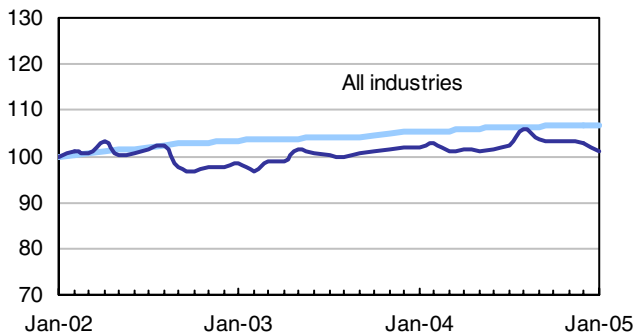
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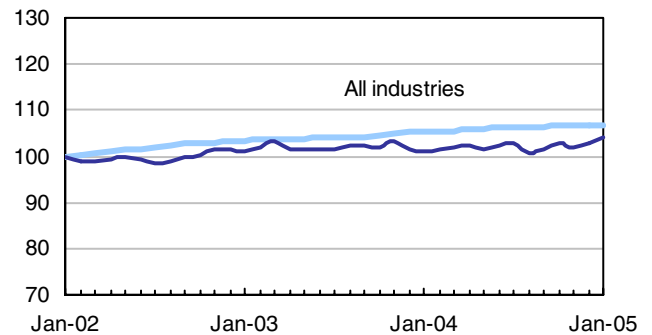
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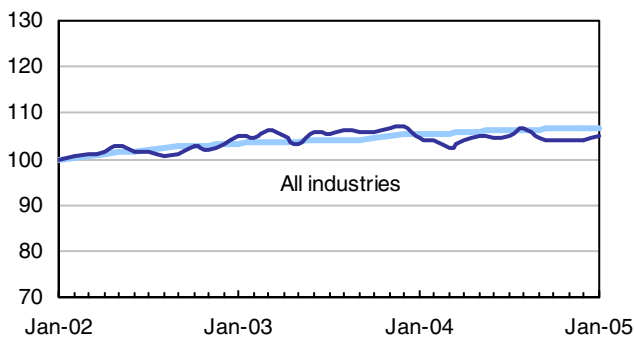
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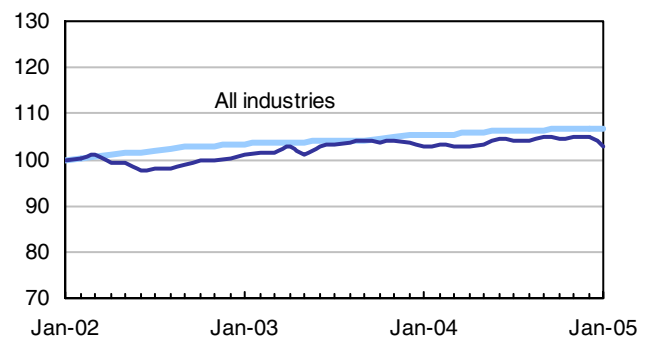
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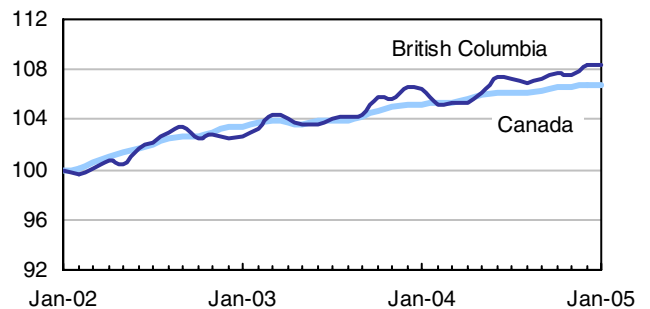
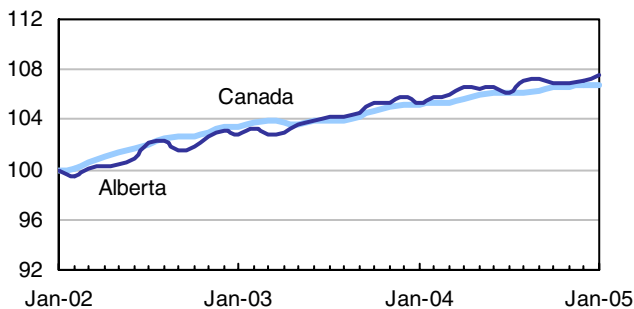
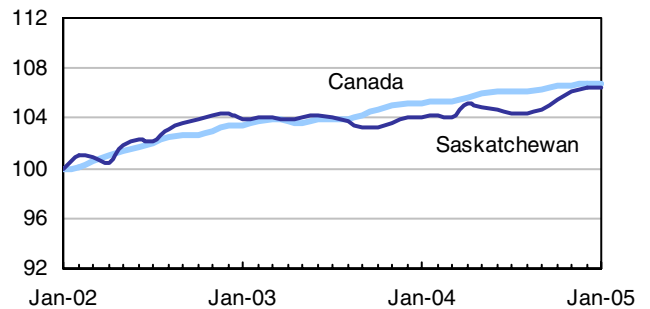
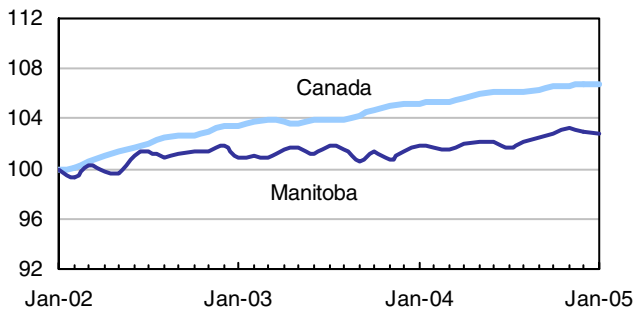
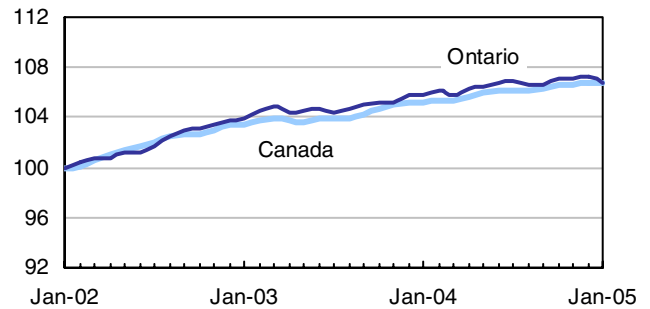
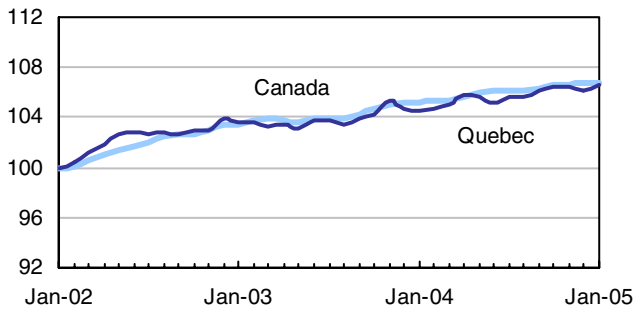
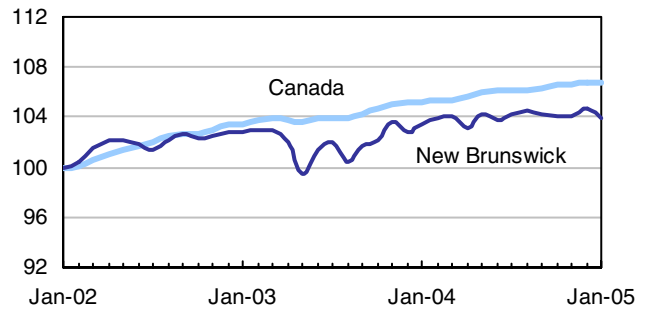
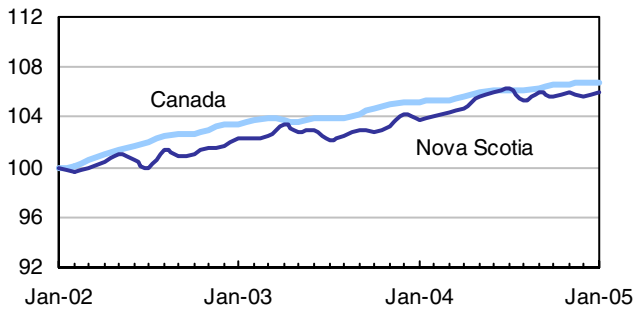
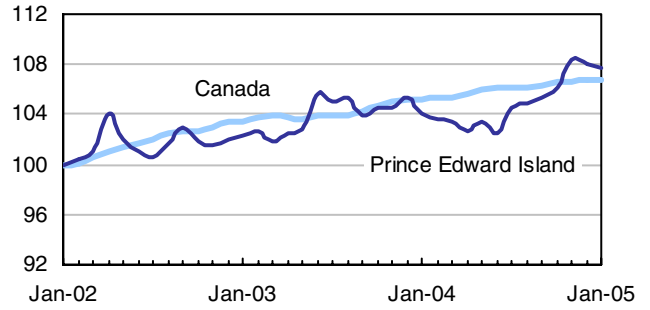
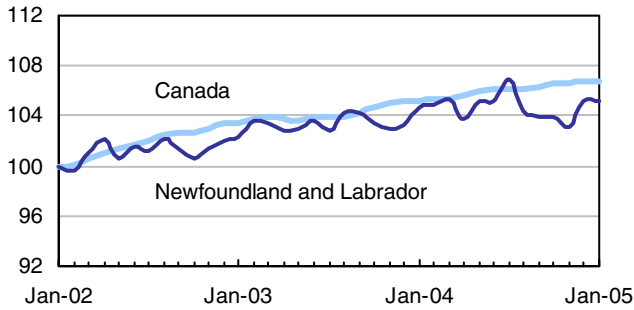
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Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2002 = 100



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 - Labour force characteristics*, monthly data
 - Labour force, employment and unemployment*, annual data

Table 1

Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	25,596.8	25,623.3	...	26.5	26.5	355.7	0.1	0.1	1.4
Labour force	17,280.0	17,263.8	28.1	-16.2	-16.2	180.5	-0.1	-0.1	1.1
Employment	16,063.1	16,057.4	28.9	-5.7	-5.7	227.5	0.0	0.0	1.4
Employment full-time	13,098.7	13,096.6	35.0	-2.1	-2.1	218.7	0.0	0.0	1.7
Employment part-time	2,964.4	2,960.8	31.6	-3.6	-3.6	8.8	-0.1	-0.1	0.3
Unemployment	1,216.9	1,206.4	24.2	-10.5	-10.5	-47.0	-0.9	-0.9	-3.7
Participation rate	67.5	67.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.8	62.7	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.5	18.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	4,255.7	4,258.7	...	3.0	3.0	40.3	0.1	0.1	1.0
Labour force	2,845.4	2,827.4	16.9	-18.0	-18.0	2.3	-0.6	-0.6	0.1
Employment	2,484.9	2,464.1	16.5	-20.8	-20.8	28.7	-0.8	-0.8	1.2
Employment full-time	1,370.7	1,368.8	18.0	-1.9	-1.9	23.6	-0.1	-0.1	1.8
Employment part-time	1,114.2	1,095.3	18.4	-18.9	-18.9	5.1	-1.7	-1.7	0.5
Unemployment	360.5	363.3	14.3	2.8	2.8	-26.4	0.8	0.8	-6.8
Participation rate	66.9	66.4	0.4	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.7	12.8	0.5	0.1	0.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	57.9	0.4	-0.5	-0.5	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.8	44.5	0.7	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	10,417.0	10,428.8	...	11.8	11.8	151.6	0.1	0.1	1.5
Labour force	7,752.4	7,761.1	14.6	8.7	8.7	114.3	0.1	0.1	1.5
Employment	7,285.3	7,295.9	16.2	10.6	10.6	122.3	0.1	0.1	1.7
Employment full-time	6,833.4	6,850.3	19.7	16.9	16.9	143.8	0.2	0.2	2.1
Employment part-time	451.9	445.6	14.5	-6.3	-6.3	-21.5	-1.4	-1.4	-4.6
Unemployment	467.2	465.2	13.9	-2.0	-2.0	-8.0	-0.4	-0.4	-1.7
Participation rate	74.4	74.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.9	70.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.2	6.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	10,924.1	10,935.8	...	11.7	11.7	163.7	0.1	0.1	1.5
Labour force	6,682.2	6,675.2	15.9	-7.0	-7.0	63.8	-0.1	-0.1	1.0
Employment	6,292.9	6,297.4	16.1	4.5	4.5	76.5	0.1	0.1	1.2
Employment full-time	4,894.6	4,877.5	22.7	-17.1	-17.1	51.2	-0.3	-0.3	1.1
Employment part-time	1,398.4	1,419.9	20.7	21.5	21.5	25.2	1.5	1.5	1.8
Unemployment	389.3	377.8	12.6	-11.5	-11.5	-12.7	-3.0	-3.0	-3.3
Participation rate	61.2	61.0	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.6	57.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.2	22.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,058.5	14,062.7	...	4.2	4.2	94.2	0.0	0.0	0.7
Labour force	12,163.9	12,177.1	21.2	13.2	13.2	74.4	0.1	0.1	0.6
Employment	11,431.9	11,455.2	22.8	23.3	23.3	95.1	0.2	0.2	0.8
Unemployment	732.0	721.9	18.1	-10.1	-10.1	-20.7	-1.4	-1.4	-2.8
Participation rate	86.5	86.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.3	81.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 2**Employment by class of worker and industry, Canada (in thousands), seasonally adjusted**

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Class of worker									
Employees	13,609.7	13,586.2	30.7	-23.5	-23.5	189.5	-0.2	-0.2	1.4
Self-employed ²	2,453.4	2,471.2	18.7	17.8	17.8	38.0	0.7	0.7	1.6
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,098.7	3,050.8	18.0	-47.9	-47.9	49.9	-1.5	-1.5	1.7
Private sector employees	10,511.0	10,535.5	31.1	24.5	24.5	139.7	0.2	0.2	1.3
Industry	16,063.1	16,057.4	28.9	-5.7	-5.7	227.5	0.0	0.0	1.4
Goods-producing sector	4,023.9	4,037.0	22.7	13.1	13.1	99.7	0.3	0.3	2.5
Agriculture	321.7	317.1	6.3	-4.6	-4.6	-9.8	-1.4	-1.4	-3.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	301.2	297.2	5.5	-4.0	-4.0	17.2	-1.3	-1.3	6.1
Utilities	124.6	122.1	3.8	-2.5	-2.5	-10.6	-2.0	-2.0	-8.0
Construction	995.0	1,005.3	13.2	10.3	10.3	89.6	1.0	1.0	9.8
Manufacturing	2,281.5	2,295.4	18.1	13.9	13.9	13.4	0.6	0.6	0.6
Services-producing sector	12,039.2	12,020.4	30.4	-18.8	-18.8	127.8	-0.2	-0.2	1.1
Trade	2,524.2	2,542.5	18.9	18.3	18.3	47.0	0.7	0.7	1.9
Transportation and warehousing	786.6	792.9	11.0	6.3	6.3	-24.2	0.8	0.8	-3.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	984.4	985.1	12.1	0.7	0.7	56.1	0.1	0.1	6.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,029.8	1,030.1	12.7	0.3	0.3	33.3	0.0	0.0	3.3
Business, building and other support services	632.8	622.4	11.7	-10.4	-10.4	-3.1	-1.6	-1.6	-0.5
Educational services	1,056.7	1,047.8	12.0	-8.9	-8.9	5.4	-0.8	-0.8	0.5
Health care and social assistance	1,736.4	1,722.1	13.8	-14.3	-14.3	-10.1	-0.8	-0.8	-0.6
Information, culture and recreation	733.3	721.0	12.0	-12.3	-12.3	-8.2	-1.7	-1.7	-1.1
Accommodation and food services	1,016.7	1,026.0	13.2	9.3	9.3	27.9	0.9	0.9	2.8
Other services	702.0	708.5	11.1	6.5	6.5	3.0	0.9	0.9	0.4
Public administration	836.2	821.9	9.5	-14.3	-14.3	0.6	-1.7	-1.7	0.1

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

² 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. Related CANSIM tables 282-0088, 282-0089

Table 3
Labour force characteristics by province (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	430.4	430.2	...	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1
Labour force	252.2	252.4	2.4	0.2	0.2	-4.0	0.1	0.1	-1.6
Employment	216.0	216.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.3
Employment full-time	183.2	182.7	2.7	-0.5	-0.5	0.6	-0.3	-0.3	0.3
Employment part-time	32.7	33.3	2.0	0.6	0.6	0.2	1.8	1.8	0.6
Unemployment	36.2	36.3	2.3	0.1	0.1	-4.8	0.3	0.3	-11.7
Participation rate	58.6	58.7	0.6	0.1	0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.4	14.4	0.8	0.0	0.0	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.2	50.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	111.2	111.2	...	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.7
Labour force	76.7	76.5	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	2.0	-0.3	-0.3	2.7
Employment	68.7	68.5	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	2.3	-0.3	-0.3	3.5
Employment full-time	57.5	57.3	0.8	-0.2	-0.2	1.7	-0.3	-0.3	3.1
Employment part-time	11.2	11.2	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	5.7
Unemployment	8.0	8.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.0	-3.6
Participation rate	69.0	68.8	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.4	10.5	0.8	0.1	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	61.6	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	1.6	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	758.8	759.3	...	0.5	0.5	4.0	0.1	0.1	0.5
Labour force	486.6	486.8	3.0	0.2	0.2	7.2	0.0	0.0	1.5
Employment	443.4	444.6	3.2	1.2	1.2	9.2	0.3	0.3	2.1
Employment full-time	358.9	362.9	3.7	4.0	4.0	10.8	1.1	1.1	3.1
Employment part-time	84.5	81.7	3.3	-2.8	-2.8	-1.6	-3.3	-3.3	-1.9
Unemployment	43.2	42.2	2.7	-1.0	-1.0	-2.0	-2.3	-2.3	-4.5
Participation rate	64.1	64.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.7	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.6	0.4	0.2	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	608.6	609.0	...	0.4	0.4	3.0	0.1	0.1	0.5
Labour force	389.4	388.1	2.5	-1.3	-1.3	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	0.2
Employment	352.9	350.3	2.5	-2.6	-2.6	2.0	-0.7	-0.7	0.6
Employment full-time	297.1	297.0	2.8	-0.1	-0.1	3.4	0.0	0.0	1.2
Employment part-time	55.8	53.2	2.3	-2.6	-2.6	-1.6	-4.7	-4.7	-2.9
Unemployment	36.5	37.8	2.3	1.3	1.3	-1.2	3.6	3.6	-3.1
Participation rate	64.0	63.7	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	9.7	0.6	0.3	0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	57.5	0.4	-0.5	-0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,143.8	6,149.1	...	5.3	5.3	69.1	0.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	4,052.5	4,062.5	15.2	10.0	10.0	56.6	0.2	0.2	1.4
Employment	3,703.9	3,719.6	15.5	15.7	15.7	71.2	0.4	0.4	2.0
Employment full-time	3,046.5	3,064.2	19.2	17.7	17.7	88.9	0.6	0.6	3.0
Employment part-time	657.4	655.5	17.1	-1.9	-1.9	-17.6	-0.3	-0.3	-2.6
Unemployment	348.6	342.9	13.6	-5.7	-5.7	-14.6	-1.6	-1.6	-4.1
Participation rate	66.0	66.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	60.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.5	...	...	...

Table 3**Labour force characteristics by province (in thousands), seasonally adjusted - Concluded**

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Ontario									
Population	9,972.0	9,984.1	...	12.1	12.1	167.0	0.1	0.1	1.7
Labour force	6,819.0	6,780.6	18.9	-38.4	-38.4	59.4	-0.6	-0.6	0.9
Employment	6,353.5	6,325.2	19.1	-28.3	-28.3	52.4	-0.4	-0.4	0.8
Employment full-time	5,183.2	5,132.0	22.6	-51.2	-51.2	-4.9	-1.0	-1.0	-0.1
Employment part-time	1,170.3	1,193.2	20.6	22.9	22.9	57.3	2.0	2.0	5.0
Unemployment	465.5	455.4	15.8	-10.1	-10.1	7.0	-2.2	-2.2	1.6
Participation rate	68.4	67.9	0.2	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.7	63.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Manitoba									
Population	885.0	885.6	...	0.6	0.6	7.9	0.1	0.1	0.9
Labour force	611.1	610.9	2.8	-0.2	-0.2	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.9
Employment	580.3	579.7	2.9	-0.6	-0.6	5.9	-0.1	-0.1	1.0
Employment full-time	470.8	471.5	3.8	0.7	0.7	10.9	0.1	0.1	2.4
Employment part-time	109.5	108.3	3.4	-1.2	-1.2	-4.8	-1.1	-1.1	-4.2
Unemployment	30.8	31.1	2.3	0.3	0.3	-0.4	1.0	1.0	-1.3
Participation rate	69.1	69.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.6	65.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	746.9	747.3	...	0.4	0.4	3.0	0.1	0.1	0.4
Labour force	514.0	512.3	2.5	-1.7	-1.7	8.2	-0.3	-0.3	1.6
Employment	486.9	487.4	2.5	0.5	0.5	11.4	0.1	0.1	2.4
Employment full-time	391.4	390.1	3.1	-1.3	-1.3	4.8	-0.3	-0.3	1.2
Employment part-time	95.5	97.2	2.9	1.7	1.7	6.5	1.8	1.8	7.2
Unemployment	27.1	25.0	1.9	-2.1	-2.1	-3.1	-7.7	-7.7	-11.0
Participation rate	68.8	68.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	4.9	0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.2	65.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.2	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	2,526.0	2,529.6	...	3.6	3.6	47.1	0.1	0.1	1.9
Labour force	1,850.3	1,856.8	7.2	6.5	6.5	28.0	0.4	0.4	1.5
Employment	1,768.1	1,774.5	8.1	6.4	6.4	35.6	0.4	0.4	2.0
Employment full-time	1,445.5	1,457.9	10.3	12.4	12.4	31.3	0.9	0.9	2.2
Employment part-time	322.6	316.6	9.2	-6.0	-6.0	4.4	-1.9	-1.9	1.4
Unemployment	82.3	82.3	6.2	0.0	0.0	-7.7	0.0	0.0	-8.6
Participation rate	73.3	73.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.0	70.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,414.1	3,418.1	...	4.0	4.0	53.6	0.1	0.1	1.6
Labour force	2,228.2	2,236.9	10.9	8.7	8.7	16.7	0.4	0.4	0.8
Employment	2,089.5	2,091.7	11.4	2.2	2.2	36.8	0.1	0.1	1.8
Employment full-time	1,663.9	1,680.7	13.8	16.8	16.8	71.0	1.0	1.0	4.4
Employment part-time	425.6	410.9	12.5	-14.7	-14.7	-34.4	-3.5	-3.5	-7.7
Unemployment	138.8	145.3	9.0	6.5	6.5	-19.9	4.7	4.7	-12.0
Participation rate	65.3	65.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	61.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 4

Selected labour force characteristics, Newfoundland and Labrador (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	430.4	430.2	...	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1
Labour force	252.2	252.4	2.4	0.2	0.2	-4.0	0.1	0.1	-1.6
Employment	216.0	216.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.3
Employment full-time	183.2	182.7	2.7	-0.5	-0.5	0.6	-0.3	-0.3	0.3
Unemployment	36.2	36.3	2.3	0.1	0.1	-4.8	0.3	0.3	-11.7
Participation rate	58.6	58.7	0.6	0.1	0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.4	14.4	0.8	0.0	0.0	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.2	50.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.1	15.4	0.9	0.3	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	70.6	70.3	...	-0.3	-0.3	-1.9	-0.4	-0.4	-2.6
Labour force	38.5	38.9	1.4	0.4	0.4	-0.4	1.0	1.0	-1.0
Employment	31.2	31.3	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.3	1.3
Unemployment	7.3	7.6	1.1	0.3	0.3	-0.7	4.1	4.1	-8.4
Participation rate	54.5	55.3	1.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	19.0	19.5	2.6	0.5	0.5	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	44.2	44.5	1.8	0.3	0.3	1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.3	42.5	3.6	1.1	1.1	2.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	174.5	174.5	...	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.6
Labour force	115.3	114.5	1.4	-0.8	-0.8	-0.4	-0.7	-0.7	-0.3
Employment	98.7	98.0	1.5	-0.7	-0.7	2.6	-0.7	-0.7	2.7
Unemployment	16.6	16.5	1.5	-0.1	-0.1	-3.0	-0.6	-0.6	-15.4
Participation rate	66.1	65.6	0.8	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.4	14.4	1.2	0.0	0.0	-2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.6	56.2	0.8	-0.4	-0.4	1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.2	5.7	0.8	0.5	0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	185.3	185.4	...	0.1	0.1	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.7
Labour force	98.4	99.0	1.2	0.6	0.6	-3.2	0.6	0.6	-3.1
Employment	86.0	86.7	1.3	0.7	0.7	-2.2	0.8	0.8	-2.5
Unemployment	12.4	12.3	1.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.9	-0.8	-0.8	-6.8
Participation rate	53.1	53.4	0.7	0.3	0.3	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.6	12.4	1.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	46.4	46.8	0.7	0.4	0.4	-1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.2	16.7	1.4	-0.5	-0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	216.0	216.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.3
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	48.4	48.7	1.8	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	1.6	1.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	77.8
Utilities	15.5	15.0	1.0	-0.5	-0.5	-2.7	-3.2	-3.2	-15.3
Construction	2.5	2.3	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.5	-8.0	-8.0	27.8
Manufacturing	13.5	12.6	0.9	-0.9	-0.9	2.8	-6.7	-6.7	28.6
Services-producing sector	15.3	17.2	1.1	1.9	1.9	-0.9	12.4	12.4	-5.0
Services-producing sector									
Trade	167.5	167.3	2.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.2
Transportation and warehousing	39.1	39.6	1.2	0.5	0.5	2.3	1.3	1.3	6.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	11.2	11.0	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	-1.7	-1.8	-1.8	-13.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	8.6	8.4	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	0.6	-2.3	-2.3	7.7
Business, building and other support services	6.4	5.7	0.6	-0.7	-0.7	-1.1	-10.9	-10.9	-16.2
Educational services	7.5	7.7	0.8	0.2	0.2	1.1	2.7	2.7	16.7
Health care and social assistance	17.0	16.9	0.9	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	-0.6	-0.6	1.8
Information, culture and recreation	30.0	29.5	0.9	-0.5	-0.5	-0.4	-1.7	-1.7	-1.3
Accommodation and food services	9.8	8.7	0.6	-1.1	-1.1	2.3	-11.2	-11.2	35.9
Other services	13.1	14.6	0.9	1.5	1.5	1.0	11.5	11.5	7.4
Public administration	10.4	10.5	0.8	0.1	0.1	-2.1	1.0	1.0	-16.7
	14.5	14.7	0.8	0.2	0.2	-2.0	1.4	1.4	-12.0

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 5

Selected labour force characteristics, Prince Edward Island (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	111.2	111.2	...	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.7
Labour force	76.7	76.5	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	2.0	-0.3	-0.3	2.7
Employment	68.7	68.5	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	2.3	-0.3	-0.3	3.5
Employment full-time	57.5	57.3	0.8	-0.2	-0.2	1.7	-0.3	-0.3	3.1
Unemployment	8.0	8.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.0	-3.6
Participation rate	69.0	68.8	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.4	10.5	0.8	0.1	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	61.6	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.3	16.4	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.5	19.5	...	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.5
Labour force	13.5	13.2	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	0.3	-2.2	-2.2	2.3
Employment	11.3	11.0	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	0.1	-2.7	-2.7	0.9
Unemployment	2.2	2.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	4.8
Participation rate	69.2	67.7	2.1	-1.5	-1.5	1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.3	16.7	2.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.9	56.4	2.1	-1.5	-1.5	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.6	42.7	3.5	1.1	1.1	5.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	43.8	43.8	...	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.9
Labour force	32.2	32.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	2.9
Employment	29.2	28.9	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	1.0	-1.0	-1.0	3.6
Unemployment	2.9	3.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.0	13.8	13.8	0.0
Participation rate	73.5	73.5	0.8	0.0	0.0	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	10.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.7	66.0	1.0	-0.7	-0.7	1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.2	5.5	1.0	-0.6	-0.6	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	47.9	47.8	...	-0.1	-0.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.8
Labour force	31.0	31.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.3	0.3	2.6
Employment	28.2	28.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	4.0
Unemployment	2.8	2.6	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-7.1	-7.1	-10.3
Participation rate	64.7	65.1	0.7	0.4	0.4	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	8.4	1.2	-0.6	-0.6	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.9	59.6	0.9	0.7	0.7	1.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.0	17.2	1.6	0.2	0.2	-1.8	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	68.7	68.5	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	2.3	-0.3	-0.3	3.5
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	17.6	17.4	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-1.1	-1.1	-0.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	3.4	3.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.6	-5.9	-5.9	-15.8
Utilities	3.0	3.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	15.4
Construction	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-20.0
Manufacturing	4.0	4.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.1	2.5	2.5	-2.4
Services-producing sector									
Trade	6.7	6.6	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	-1.5	-1.5	1.5
Transportation and warehousing	51.1	51.1	0.7	0.0	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	4.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	10.0	10.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	-0.1	4.0	4.0	-1.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.2	2.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	4.5	4.5	4.5
Business, building and other support services	2.2	2.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	-4.5	-4.5	5.0
Educational services	2.6	2.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	-7.7	-7.7	9.1
Health care and social assistance	2.4	2.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-8.3	-8.3	-8.3
Information, culture and recreation	5.0	5.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.9	4.0	4.0	20.9
Accommodation and food services	8.1	7.8	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-3.7	-3.7	-2.5
Other services	2.7	2.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	12.5
Public administration	5.3	5.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.8	1.9	1.9	17.4
	2.9	2.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-3.4	-3.4	-9.7
	7.7	7.7	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	11.6

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 6

Selected labour force characteristics, Nova Scotia (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	758.8	759.3	...	0.5	0.5	4.0	0.1	0.1	0.5
Labour force	486.6	486.8	3.0	0.2	0.2	7.2	0.0	0.0	1.5
Employment	443.4	444.6	3.2	1.2	1.2	9.2	0.3	0.3	2.1
Employment full-time	358.9	362.9	3.7	4.0	4.0	10.8	1.1	1.1	3.1
Unemployment	43.2	42.2	2.7	-1.0	-1.0	-2.0	-2.3	-2.3	-4.5
Participation rate	64.1	64.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.7	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.6	0.4	0.2	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.1	18.4	0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	123.0	123.1	...	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.5
Labour force	84.5	83.2	1.7	-1.3	-1.3	1.7	-1.5	-1.5	2.1
Employment	71.2	68.2	1.7	-3.0	-3.0	-1.2	-4.2	-4.2	-1.7
Unemployment	13.3	15.0	1.6	1.7	1.7	3.0	12.8	12.8	25.0
Participation rate	68.7	67.6	1.4	-1.1	-1.1	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.7	18.0	1.8	2.3	2.3	3.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.9	55.4	1.4	-2.5	-2.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	43.0	39.7	2.5	-3.2	-3.2	-5.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	304.2	304.3	...	0.1	0.1	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.4
Labour force	212.6	211.9	1.6	-0.7	-0.7	2.6	-0.3	-0.3	1.2
Employment	196.3	196.7	1.8	0.4	0.4	5.5	0.2	0.2	2.9
Unemployment	16.3	15.1	1.6	-1.2	-1.2	-3.0	-7.4	-7.4	-16.6
Participation rate	69.9	69.6	0.5	-0.3	-0.3	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.1	0.8	-0.6	-0.6	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	64.6	0.6	0.1	0.1	1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.7	6.7	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	331.7	331.9	...	0.2	0.2	2.2	0.1	0.1	0.7
Labour force	189.5	191.8	1.6	2.3	2.3	3.0	1.2	1.2	1.6
Employment	175.9	179.7	1.7	3.8	3.8	4.9	2.2	2.2	2.8
Unemployment	13.6	12.1	1.4	-1.5	-1.5	-2.0	-11.0	-11.0	-14.2
Participation rate	57.1	57.8	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	6.3	0.7	-0.9	-0.9	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.0	54.1	0.5	1.1	1.1	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.2	23.0	1.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	443.4	444.6	3.2	1.2	1.2	9.2	0.3	0.3	2.1
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	93.7	93.2	2.2	-0.5	-0.5	0.1	-0.5	-0.5	0.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	5.0	5.2	0.6	0.2	0.2	-1.2	4.0	4.0	-18.8
Utilities	13.9	13.6	1.0	-0.3	-0.3	0.7	-2.2	-2.2	5.4
Construction	2.5	2.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.1	4.0	4.0	-3.7
Manufacturing	29.6	29.9	1.3	0.3	0.3	2.6	1.0	1.0	9.5
Services-producing sector	42.7	41.9	1.4	-0.8	-0.8	-1.9	-1.9	-1.9	-4.3
Services-producing sector									
Trade	349.7	351.4	3.0	1.7	1.7	9.2	0.5	0.5	2.7
Transportation and warehousing	74.6	76.6	1.8	2.0	2.0	5.7	2.7	2.7	8.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	21.6	22.3	1.1	0.7	0.7	1.4	3.2	3.2	6.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	22.5	22.8	1.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	1.3	1.3	0.4
Business, building and other support services	20.4	19.7	1.1	-0.7	-0.7	2.4	-3.4	-3.4	13.9
Educational services	22.7	22.6	1.3	-0.1	-0.1	-3.0	-0.4	-0.4	-11.7
Health care and social assistance	38.1	37.2	1.3	-0.9	-0.9	2.7	-2.4	-2.4	7.8
Information, culture and recreation	52.7	53.7	1.3	1.0	1.0	-2.3	1.9	1.9	-4.1
Accommodation and food services	16.9	17.9	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.8	5.9	5.9	4.7
Other services	32.1	32.1	1.5	0.0	0.0	4.3	0.0	0.0	15.5
Public administration	21.7	20.6	1.1	-1.1	-1.1	0.4	-5.1	-5.1	2.0
Public administration	26.3	25.8	1.0	-0.5	-0.5	-3.4	-1.9	-1.9	-11.6

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 7

Selected labour force characteristics, New Brunswick (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	608.6	609.0	...	0.4	0.4	3.0	0.1	0.1	0.5
Labour force	389.4	388.1	2.5	-1.3	-1.3	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	0.2
Employment	352.9	350.3	2.5	-2.6	-2.6	2.0	-0.7	-0.7	0.6
Employment full-time	297.1	297.0	2.8	-0.1	-0.1	3.4	0.0	0.0	1.2
Unemployment	36.5	37.8	2.3	1.3	1.3	-1.2	3.6	3.6	-3.1
Participation rate	64.0	63.7	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	9.7	0.6	0.3	0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	57.5	0.4	-0.5	-0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.8	15.2	0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	97.1	97.0	...	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7
Labour force	63.7	61.7	1.4	-2.0	-2.0	-3.2	-3.1	-3.1	-4.9
Employment	54.8	53.6	1.4	-1.2	-1.2	-0.5	-2.2	-2.2	-0.9
Unemployment	8.9	8.1	1.2	-0.8	-0.8	-2.7	-9.0	-9.0	-25.0
Participation rate	65.6	63.6	1.4	-2.0	-2.0	-2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.0	13.1	1.8	-0.9	-0.9	-3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	55.3	1.4	-1.1	-1.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.8	36.0	2.3	-3.8	-3.8	-3.9	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	247.1	247.3	...	0.2	0.2	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.7
Labour force	171.6	171.4	1.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.0
Employment	154.9	152.3	1.5	-2.6	-2.6	-1.2	-1.7	-1.7	-0.8
Unemployment	16.8	19.1	1.5	2.3	2.3	1.2	13.7	13.7	6.7
Participation rate	69.4	69.3	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	11.1	0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.7	61.6	0.6	-1.1	-1.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.1	4.1	0.7	0.0	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	264.5	264.7	...	0.2	0.2	2.0	0.1	0.1	0.8
Labour force	154.1	155.0	1.3	0.9	0.9	3.9	0.6	0.6	2.6
Employment	143.2	144.4	1.4	1.2	1.2	3.7	0.8	0.8	2.6
Unemployment	10.8	10.6	1.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	-1.9	-1.9	1.9
Participation rate	58.3	58.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.8	0.8	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	54.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.3	19.2	1.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	352.8	350.3	2.5	-2.5	-2.5	2.0	-0.7	-0.7	0.6
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	81.8	76.5	1.8	-5.3	-5.3	-6.6	-6.5	-6.5	-7.9
Agriculture	5.5	5.0	0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-0.8	-9.1	-9.1	-13.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	12.3	11.6	0.8	-0.7	-0.7	0.1	-5.7	-5.7	0.9
Utilities	3.6	3.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	-5.6	-5.6	6.2
Construction	19.1	17.6	1.1	-1.5	-1.5	-0.9	-7.9	-7.9	-4.9
Manufacturing	41.3	38.9	1.3	-2.4	-2.4	-5.2	-5.8	-5.8	-11.8
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	271.0	273.7	2.4	2.7	2.7	8.5	1.0	1.0	3.2
Trade	55.3	57.2	1.4	1.9	1.9	3.8	3.4	3.4	7.1
Transportation and warehousing	21.4	21.5	0.9	0.1	0.1	2.3	0.5	0.5	12.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	13.3	13.6	0.7	0.3	0.3	-1.5	2.3	2.3	-9.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	16.3	15.8	0.8	-0.5	-0.5	1.0	-3.1	-3.1	6.8
Business, building and other support services	21.3	21.3	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.9
Educational services	26.4	26.3	0.9	-0.1	-0.1	2.6	-0.4	-0.4	11.0
Health care and social assistance	47.1	47.5	1.1	0.4	0.4	-0.1	0.8	0.8	-0.2
Information, culture and recreation	11.7	11.9	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.7	1.7	1.7	6.2
Accommodation and food services	21.6	22.5	1.1	0.9	0.9	-2.1	4.2	4.2	-8.5
Other services	17.5	17.6	0.9	0.1	0.1	1.6	0.6	0.6	10.0
Public administration	19.0	18.7	0.8	-0.3	-0.3	0.2	-1.6	-1.6	1.1

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Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 8

Selected labour force characteristics, Quebec (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	6,143.8	6,149.1	...	5.3	5.3	69.1	0.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	4,052.5	4,062.5	15.2	10.0	10.0	56.6	0.2	0.2	1.4
Employment	3,703.9	3,719.6	15.5	15.7	15.7	71.2	0.4	0.4	2.0
Employment full-time	3,046.5	3,064.2	19.2	17.7	17.7	88.9	0.6	0.6	3.0
Unemployment	348.6	342.9	13.6	-5.7	-5.7	-14.6	-1.6	-1.6	-4.1
Participation rate	66.0	66.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	60.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.7	17.6	0.5	-0.1	-0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	951.0	950.7	...	-0.3	-0.3	-3.7	0.0	0.0	-0.4
Labour force	643.3	644.4	8.7	1.1	1.1	6.4	0.2	0.2	1.0
Employment	555.2	560.6	8.7	5.4	5.4	18.1	1.0	1.0	3.3
Unemployment	88.1	83.8	7.6	-4.3	-4.3	-11.6	-4.9	-4.9	-12.2
Participation rate	67.6	67.8	0.9	0.2	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.7	13.0	1.1	-0.7	-0.7	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	59.0	0.9	0.6	0.6	2.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.7	45.3	1.6	-0.4	-0.4	1.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,532.1	2,535.0	...	2.9	2.9	37.3	0.1	0.1	1.5
Labour force	1,841.2	1,850.8	8.1	9.6	9.6	38.2	0.5	0.5	2.1
Employment	1,687.4	1,695.2	8.8	7.8	7.8	27.8	0.5	0.5	1.7
Unemployment	153.8	155.6	8.1	1.8	1.8	10.4	1.2	1.2	7.2
Participation rate	72.7	73.0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	66.9	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.4	6.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-1.5	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,660.7	2,663.3	...	2.6	2.6	35.4	0.1	0.1	1.3
Labour force	1,568.0	1,567.3	8.6	-0.7	-0.7	12.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
Employment	1,461.3	1,463.9	8.8	2.6	2.6	25.5	0.2	0.2	1.8
Unemployment	106.7	103.5	7.3	-3.2	-3.2	-13.4	-3.0	-3.0	-11.5
Participation rate	58.9	58.8	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.6	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.9	55.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.3	20.4	0.7	0.1	0.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	3,703.9	3,719.6	15.5	15.7	15.7	71.2	0.4	0.4	2.0
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	918.2	922.8	12.1	4.6	4.6	18.8	0.5	0.5	2.1
Agriculture	45.0	47.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	-4.8	6.2	6.2	-9.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	38.1	36.5	2.2	-1.6	-1.6	-0.4	-4.2	-4.2	-1.1
Utilities	30.5	33.5	2.2	3.0	3.0	1.2	9.8	9.8	3.7
Construction	169.3	170.1	6.3	0.8	0.8	2.4	0.5	0.5	1.4
Manufacturing	635.3	634.9	10.4	-0.4	-0.4	20.4	-0.1	-0.1	3.3
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	2,785.7	2,796.8	16.4	11.1	11.1	52.5	0.4	0.4	1.9
Trade	622.2	633.5	10.7	11.3	11.3	28.6	1.8	1.8	4.7
Transportation and warehousing	161.8	170.6	5.8	8.8	8.8	-13.3	5.4	5.4	-7.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	211.0	210.0	6.3	-1.0	-1.0	22.9	-0.5	-0.5	12.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	225.0	225.9	6.8	0.9	0.9	11.5	0.4	0.4	5.4
Business, building and other support services	122.3	114.9	5.7	-7.4	-7.4	1.2	-6.1	-6.1	1.1
Educational services	242.3	240.5	6.5	-1.8	-1.8	-6.4	-0.7	-0.7	-2.6
Health care and social assistance	439.0	433.5	8.2	-5.5	-5.5	-12.0	-1.3	-1.3	-2.7
Information, culture and recreation	173.1	168.7	6.6	-4.4	-4.4	6.7	-2.5	-2.5	4.1
Accommodation and food services	207.7	217.1	6.9	9.4	9.4	12.5	4.5	4.5	6.1
Other services	161.9	168.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	-1.2	3.8	3.8	-0.7
Public administration	219.3	213.9	5.6	-5.4	-5.4	1.8	-2.5	-2.5	0.8

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

Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 9

Selected labour force characteristics, Ontario (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	9,972.0	9,984.1	...	12.1	12.1	167.0	0.1	0.1	1.7
Labour force	6,819.0	6,780.6	18.9	-38.4	-38.4	59.4	-0.6	-0.6	0.9
Employment	6,353.5	6,325.2	19.1	-28.3	-28.3	52.4	-0.4	-0.4	0.8
Employment full-time	5,183.2	5,132.0	22.6	-51.2	-51.2	-4.9	-1.0	-1.0	-0.1
Unemployment	465.5	455.4	15.8	-10.1	-10.1	7.0	-2.2	-2.2	1.6
Participation rate	68.4	67.9	0.2	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.7	63.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.4	18.9	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,663.0	1,665.4	...	2.4	2.4	29.5	0.1	0.1	1.8
Labour force	1,092.5	1,083.7	11.6	-8.8	-8.8	-6.3	-0.8	-0.8	-0.6
Employment	938.7	928.5	10.8	-10.2	-10.2	-6.4	-1.1	-1.1	-0.7
Unemployment	153.8	155.2	9.7	1.4	1.4	0.1	0.9	0.9	0.1
Participation rate	65.7	65.1	0.7	-0.6	-0.6	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.1	14.3	0.8	0.2	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	55.8	0.7	-0.6	-0.6	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.6	49.4	1.1	0.7	0.7	1.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,044.3	4,049.3	...	5.0	5.0	64.8	0.1	0.1	1.6
Labour force	3,051.1	3,039.1	9.5	-12.0	-12.0	37.0	-0.4	-0.4	1.2
Employment	2,895.1	2,886.6	10.7	-8.5	-8.5	37.2	-0.3	-0.3	1.3
Unemployment	156.0	152.4	8.8	-3.6	-3.6	-0.3	-2.3	-2.3	-0.2
Participation rate	75.4	75.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.6	71.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.8	6.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,264.7	4,269.4	...	4.7	4.7	72.8	0.1	0.1	1.7
Labour force	2,675.4	2,657.8	10.6	-17.6	-17.6	28.7	-0.7	-0.7	1.1
Employment	2,519.7	2,510.0	10.5	-9.7	-9.7	21.5	-0.4	-0.4	0.9
Unemployment	155.7	147.8	8.1	-7.9	-7.9	7.2	-5.1	-5.1	5.1
Participation rate	62.7	62.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.1	58.8	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.7	22.3	0.5	0.7	0.7	1.3	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	6,353.5	6,325.2	19.1	-28.3	-28.3	52.4	-0.4	-0.4	0.8
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	1,647.8	1,645.8	15.3	-2.0	-2.0	14.7	-0.1	-0.1	0.9
Agriculture	80.6	75.6	3.5	-5.0	-5.0	-5.3	-6.2	-6.2	-6.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	34.4	33.3	2.0	-1.1	-1.1	1.0	-3.2	-3.2	3.1
Utilities	52.8	50.6	2.5	-2.2	-2.2	-7.5	-4.2	-4.2	-12.9
Construction	382.0	381.2	8.8	-0.8	-0.8	25.5	-0.2	-0.2	7.2
Manufacturing	1,098.0	1,105.0	12.7	7.0	7.0	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.1
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	4,705.7	4,679.4	20.5	-26.3	-26.3	37.7	-0.6	-0.6	0.8
Trade	977.6	968.0	12.4	-9.6	-9.6	8.6	-1.0	-1.0	0.9
Transportation and warehousing	300.0	295.4	7.4	-4.6	-4.6	-6.8	-1.5	-1.5	-2.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	442.1	445.9	8.6	3.8	3.8	23.9	0.9	0.9	5.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	440.8	443.5	8.6	2.7	2.7	10.3	0.6	0.6	2.4
Business, building and other support services	274.7	271.6	8.3	-3.1	-3.1	-6.0	-1.1	-1.1	-2.2
Educational services	399.5	391.9	7.8	-7.6	-7.6	5.7	-1.9	-1.9	1.5
Health care and social assistance	638.9	630.7	8.6	-8.2	-8.2	0.9	-1.3	-1.3	0.1
Information, culture and recreation	296.1	285.1	8.0	-11.0	-11.0	-17.2	-3.7	-3.7	-5.7
Accommodation and food services	358.9	369.1	8.5	10.2	10.2	2.4	2.8	2.8	0.7
Other services	257.9	260.8	7.2	2.9	2.9	4.7	1.1	1.1	1.8
Public administration	319.1	317.4	6.2	-1.7	-1.7	11.3	-0.5	-0.5	3.7

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 10

Selected labour force characteristics, Manitoba (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	885.0	885.6	...	0.6	0.6	7.9	0.1	0.1	0.9
Labour force	611.1	610.9	2.8	-0.2	-0.2	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.9
Employment	580.3	579.7	2.9	-0.6	-0.6	5.9	-0.1	-0.1	1.0
Employment full-time	470.8	471.5	3.8	0.7	0.7	10.9	0.1	0.1	2.4
Unemployment	30.8	31.1	2.3	0.3	0.3	-0.4	1.0	1.0	-1.3
Participation rate	69.1	69.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.6	65.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.9	18.7	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	154.8	154.9	...	0.1	0.1	1.8	0.1	0.1	1.2
Labour force	108.2	109.4	1.7	1.2	1.2	-2.9	1.1	1.1	-2.6
Employment	96.9	96.8	1.7	-0.1	-0.1	-4.5	-0.1	-0.1	-4.4
Unemployment	11.3	12.7	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.7	12.4	12.4	15.5
Participation rate	69.9	70.6	1.1	0.7	0.7	-2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.4	11.6	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	62.5	1.1	-0.1	-0.1	-3.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.5	41.6	1.9	-0.9	-0.9	-2.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	355.7	355.9	...	0.2	0.2	2.9	0.1	0.1	0.8
Labour force	270.2	269.1	1.4	-1.1	-1.1	4.9	-0.4	-0.4	1.9
Employment	259.4	258.1	1.6	-1.3	-1.3	5.7	-0.5	-0.5	2.3
Unemployment	10.8	11.0	1.3	0.2	0.2	-0.8	1.9	1.9	-6.8
Participation rate	76.0	75.6	0.4	-0.4	-0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.1	0.5	0.1	0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.9	72.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.4	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	6.2	0.6	0.1	0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	374.6	374.8	...	0.2	0.2	3.2	0.1	0.1	0.9
Labour force	232.8	232.3	1.6	-0.5	-0.5	3.5	-0.2	-0.2	1.5
Employment	224.0	224.9	1.6	0.9	0.9	4.9	0.4	0.4	2.2
Unemployment	8.7	7.4	1.2	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-14.9	-14.9	-14.9
Participation rate	62.1	62.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.7	3.2	0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	60.0	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.4	23.0	1.0	-0.4	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	580.3	579.7	2.9	-0.6	-0.6	5.9	-0.1	-0.1	1.0
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	139.5	142.3	2.3	2.8	2.8	2.3	2.0	2.0	1.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	32.3	32.0	1.3	-0.3	-0.3	2.6	-0.9	-0.9	8.8
Utilities	5.9	5.8	0.5	-0.1	-0.1	0.5	-1.7	-1.7	9.4
Construction	6.5	6.2	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-1.2	-4.6	-4.6	-16.2
Manufacturing	28.4	28.8	1.3	0.4	0.4	1.3	1.4	1.4	4.7
Services-producing sector	66.4	69.5	1.6	3.1	3.1	-0.8	4.7	4.7	-1.1
Trade	440.8	437.4	3.1	-3.4	-3.4	3.6	-0.8	-0.8	0.8
Transportation and warehousing	85.4	84.9	1.8	-0.5	-0.5	-0.7	-0.6	-0.6	-0.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	34.0	33.7	1.2	-0.3	-0.3	-1.3	-0.9	-0.9	-3.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	32.5	30.5	1.1	-2.0	-2.0	0.3	-6.2	-6.2	1.0
Business, building and other support services	26.9	26.1	1.0	-0.8	-0.8	2.5	-3.0	-3.0	10.6
Educational services	20.9	20.7	1.2	-0.2	-0.2	1.6	-1.0	-1.0	8.4
Health care and social assistance	43.1	42.2	1.4	-0.9	-0.9	-0.3	-2.1	-2.1	-0.7
Information, culture and recreation	78.9	79.8	1.5	0.9	0.9	1.6	1.1	1.1	2.0
Accommodation and food services	24.0	25.1	1.2	1.1	1.1	3.0	4.6	4.6	13.6
Other services	32.8	32.7	1.4	-0.1	-0.1	-4.8	-0.3	-0.3	-12.8
Public administration	25.0	24.7	1.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.7	-1.2	-1.2	2.9
Public administration	37.4	37.0	1.1	-0.4	-0.4	1.1	-1.1	-1.1	3.1

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 11

Selected labour force characteristics, Saskatchewan (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	746.9	747.3	...	0.4	0.4	3.0	0.1	0.1	0.4
Labour force	514.0	512.3	2.5	-1.7	-1.7	8.2	-0.3	-0.3	1.6
Employment	486.9	487.4	2.5	0.5	0.5	11.4	0.1	0.1	2.4
Employment full-time	391.4	390.1	3.1	-1.3	-1.3	4.8	-0.3	-0.3	1.2
Unemployment	27.1	25.0	1.9	-2.1	-2.1	-3.1	-7.7	-7.7	-11.0
Participation rate	68.8	68.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	4.9	0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.2	65.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.6	19.9	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	139.1	139.1	...	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1
Labour force	97.0	95.7	1.6	-1.3	-1.3	2.5	-1.3	-1.3	2.7
Employment	87.9	88.7	1.5	0.8	0.8	6.6	0.9	0.9	8.0
Unemployment	9.1	7.0	1.2	-2.1	-2.1	-4.1	-23.1	-23.1	-36.9
Participation rate	69.7	68.8	1.1	-0.9	-0.9	1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	7.3	1.3	-2.1	-2.1	-4.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	63.8	1.1	0.6	0.6	4.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.5	39.5	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	296.5	296.6	...	0.1	0.1	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.4
Labour force	224.2	224.3	1.3	0.1	0.1	2.4	0.0	0.0	1.1
Employment	213.0	212.4	1.4	-0.6	-0.6	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.1
Unemployment	11.2	11.9	1.1	0.7	0.7	2.3	6.2	6.2	24.0
Participation rate	75.6	75.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.8	71.6	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.2	6.4	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	311.4	311.6	...	0.2	0.2	1.6	0.1	0.1	0.5
Labour force	192.8	192.3	1.4	-0.5	-0.5	3.2	-0.3	-0.3	1.7
Employment	186.0	186.3	1.4	0.3	0.3	4.6	0.2	0.2	2.5
Unemployment	6.7	6.1	0.9	-0.6	-0.6	-1.3	-9.0	-9.0	-17.6
Participation rate	61.9	61.7	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.5	3.2	0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	59.8	0.4	0.1	0.1	1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	25.5	26.1	1.0	0.7	0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	486.9	487.4	2.5	0.5	0.5	11.4	0.1	0.1	2.4
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	126.6	123.8	2.0	-2.8	-2.8	3.8	-2.2	-2.2	3.2
Agriculture	47.0	46.5	1.4	-0.5	-0.5	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-2.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	19.0	18.5	0.8	-0.5	-0.5	0.2	-2.6	-2.6	1.1
Utilities	5.0	4.4	0.3	-0.6	-0.6	0.4	-12.0	-12.0	10.0
Construction	26.3	25.1	1.0	-1.2	-1.2	2.6	-4.6	-4.6	11.6
Manufacturing	29.4	29.2	1.0	-0.2	-0.2	1.6	-0.7	-0.7	5.8
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	360.3	363.5	2.5	3.2	3.2	7.5	0.9	0.9	2.1
Trade	75.2	80.7	1.5	5.5	5.5	4.0	7.3	7.3	5.2
Transportation and warehousing	23.3	24.1	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.5	3.4	3.4	6.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	26.4	25.4	0.9	-1.0	-1.0	-1.3	-3.8	-3.8	-4.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	18.1	17.8	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	0.4	-1.7	-1.7	2.3
Business, building and other support services	13.1	12.9	0.8	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5
Educational services	40.3	39.9	1.1	-0.4	-0.4	0.6	-1.0	-1.0	1.5
Health care and social assistance	60.1	58.9	1.1	-1.2	-1.2	1.8	-2.0	-2.0	3.2
Information, culture and recreation	19.4	19.8	0.8	0.4	0.4	-2.7	2.1	2.1	-12.0
Accommodation and food services	35.0	34.4	1.2	-0.6	-0.6	2.2	-1.7	-1.7	6.8
Other services	23.1	23.6	1.0	0.5	0.5	1.3	2.2	2.2	5.8
Public administration	26.2	26.1	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.4	-0.4	0.4

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 12

Selected labour force characteristics, Alberta (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	2,526.0	2,529.6	...	3.6	3.6	47.1	0.1	0.1	1.9
Labour force	1,850.3	1,856.8	7.2	6.5	6.5	28.0	0.4	0.4	1.5
Employment	1,768.1	1,774.5	8.1	6.4	6.4	35.6	0.4	0.4	2.0
Employment full-time	1,445.5	1,457.9	10.3	12.4	12.4	31.3	0.9	0.9	2.2
Unemployment	82.3	82.3	6.2	0.0	0.0	-7.7	0.0	0.0	-8.6
Participation rate	73.3	73.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.0	70.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	17.8	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	472.6	472.9	...	0.3	0.3	6.6	0.1	0.1	1.4
Labour force	345.6	342.6	4.6	-3.0	-3.0	9.7	-0.9	-0.9	2.9
Employment	319.2	314.7	5.1	-4.5	-4.5	12.7	-1.4	-1.4	4.2
Unemployment	26.3	27.9	3.9	1.6	1.6	-3.1	6.1	6.1	-10.0
Participation rate	73.1	72.4	1.0	-0.7	-0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	8.1	1.1	0.5	0.5	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.5	66.5	1.1	-1.0	-1.0	1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.5	37.0	1.7	-1.5	-1.5	0.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,028.6	1,030.1	...	1.5	1.5	19.7	0.1	0.1	1.9
Labour force	826.4	835.3	3.9	8.9	8.9	11.3	1.1	1.1	1.4
Employment	799.1	806.9	4.5	7.8	7.8	13.6	1.0	1.0	1.7
Unemployment	27.3	28.4	3.4	1.1	1.1	-2.3	4.0	4.0	-7.5
Participation rate	80.3	81.1	0.4	0.8	0.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.3	3.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.7	78.3	0.4	0.6	0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.6	5.5	0.5	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,024.8	1,026.6	...	1.8	1.8	20.8	0.2	0.2	2.1
Labour force	678.3	679.0	4.2	0.7	0.7	7.1	0.1	0.1	1.1
Employment	649.7	652.9	4.3	3.2	3.2	9.3	0.5	0.5	1.4
Unemployment	28.7	26.0	3.2	-2.7	-2.7	-2.3	-9.4	-9.4	-8.1
Participation rate	66.2	66.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	3.8	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	63.6	0.4	0.2	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.8	23.8	0.9	0.0	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	1,768.1	1,774.5	8.1	6.4	6.4	35.6	0.4	0.4	2.0
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	498.9	505.9	6.8	7.0	7.0	24.8	1.4	1.4	5.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	63.0	60.0	2.7	-3.0	-3.0	-5.4	-4.8	-4.8	-8.3
Utilities	119.8	123.0	3.3	3.2	3.2	16.7	2.7	2.7	15.7
Construction	13.3	10.6	1.0	-2.7	-2.7	-2.8	-20.3	-20.3	-20.9
Manufacturing	167.6	168.1	4.7	0.5	0.5	17.1	0.3	0.3	11.3
Services-producing sector									
Trade	135.2	144.1	4.0	8.9	8.9	-0.8	6.6	6.6	-0.6
Transportation and warehousing	1,269.2	1,268.6	8.4	-0.6	-0.6	10.9	0.0	0.0	0.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	272.9	276.3	5.2	3.4	3.4	16.3	1.2	1.2	6.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	97.4	98.3	3.2	0.9	0.9	-1.9	0.9	0.9	-1.9
Business, building and other support services	92.1	94.8	3.0	2.7	2.7	7.0	2.9	2.9	8.0
Educational services	118.5	114.5	3.6	-4.0	-4.0	-8.1	-3.4	-3.4	-6.6
Health care and social assistance	63.5	63.9	3.2	0.4	0.4	-1.9	0.6	0.6	-2.9
Information, culture and recreation	112.9	115.0	3.3	2.1	2.1	5.1	1.9	1.9	4.6
Accommodation and food services	163.5	162.9	3.9	-0.6	-0.6	1.7	-0.4	-0.4	1.1
Other services	68.1	70.4	3.1	2.3	2.3	-3.7	3.4	3.4	-5.0
Public administration	127.0	124.1	4.0	-2.9	-2.9	4.6	-2.3	-2.3	3.8
Other services	84.0	82.3	3.1	-1.7	-1.7	-1.0	-2.0	-2.0	-1.2
Public administration	69.4	66.1	2.3	-3.3	-3.3	-7.2	-4.8	-4.8	-9.8

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 13

Selected labour force characteristics, British Columbia (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	3,414.1	3,418.1	...	4.0	4.0	53.6	0.1	0.1	1.6
Labour force	2,228.2	2,236.9	10.9	8.7	8.7	16.7	0.4	0.4	0.8
Employment	2,089.5	2,091.7	11.4	2.2	2.2	36.8	0.1	0.1	1.8
Employment full-time	1,663.9	1,680.7	13.8	16.8	16.8	71.0	1.0	1.0	4.4
Unemployment	138.8	145.3	9.0	6.5	6.5	-19.9	4.7	4.7	-12.0
Participation rate	65.3	65.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	61.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.4	19.6	0.6	-0.7	-0.7	-2.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	565.1	565.7	...	0.6	0.6	8.0	0.1	0.1	1.4
Labour force	358.6	354.7	6.3	-3.9	-3.9	-5.5	-1.1	-1.1	-1.5
Employment	318.5	310.8	6.4	-7.7	-7.7	3.6	-2.4	-2.4	1.2
Unemployment	40.1	43.9	5.3	3.8	3.8	-9.0	9.5	9.5	-17.0
Participation rate	63.5	62.7	1.1	-0.8	-0.8	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	12.4	1.4	1.2	1.2	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	54.9	1.1	-1.5	-1.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.6	40.9	2.0	-1.7	-1.7	-6.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,390.5	1,392.2	...	1.7	1.7	21.5	0.1	0.1	1.6
Labour force	1,007.7	1,012.6	5.7	4.9	4.9	17.4	0.5	0.5	1.7
Employment	952.2	960.7	6.2	8.5	8.5	29.9	0.9	0.9	3.2
Unemployment	55.5	51.9	5.3	-3.6	-3.6	-12.5	-6.5	-6.5	-19.4
Participation rate	72.5	72.7	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.1	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.5	69.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.0	7.0	0.6	-1.0	-1.0	-1.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,458.6	1,460.2	...	1.6	1.6	24.1	0.1	0.1	1.7
Labour force	861.9	869.7	6.2	7.8	7.8	4.8	0.9	0.9	0.6
Employment	818.8	820.2	6.5	1.4	1.4	3.3	0.2	0.2	0.4
Unemployment	43.2	49.5	4.7	6.3	6.3	1.6	14.6	14.6	3.3
Participation rate	59.1	59.6	0.4	0.5	0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.7	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.1	56.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	26.1	26.4	1.0	0.3	0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	2,089.5	2,091.7	11.4	2.2	2.2	36.8	0.1	0.1	1.8
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	448.1	460.4	8.2	12.3	12.3	35.2	2.7	2.7	8.3
Agriculture	38.8	40.6	2.7	1.8	1.8	5.0	4.6	4.6	14.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	36.9	36.8	2.5	-0.1	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-1.3
Utilities	7.5	8.0	1.1	0.5	0.5	-1.2	6.7	6.7	-13.0
Construction	156.8	166.2	5.3	9.4	9.4	34.4	6.0	6.0	26.1
Manufacturing	208.2	208.8	5.6	0.6	0.6	-2.5	0.3	0.3	-1.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	1,641.3	1,631.2	11.3	-10.1	-10.1	1.4	-0.6	-0.6	0.1
Trade	311.9	318.8	7.1	6.9	6.9	-20.8	2.2	2.2	-6.1
Transportation and warehousing	113.0	115.0	4.0	2.0	2.0	-4.7	1.8	1.8	-3.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	136.1	131.0	4.4	-5.1	-5.1	2.8	-3.7	-3.7	2.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	154.3	154.8	4.8	0.5	0.5	14.0	0.3	0.3	9.9
Business, building and other support services	83.8	85.7	4.3	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.6
Educational services	133.2	134.1	4.8	0.9	0.9	-4.6	0.7	0.7	-3.3
Health care and social assistance	222.7	215.6	5.0	-7.1	-7.1	0.0	-3.2	-3.2	0.0
Information, culture and recreation	112.8	109.5	4.6	-3.3	-3.3	0.4	-2.9	-2.9	0.4
Accommodation and food services	182.7	178.4	5.4	-4.3	-4.3	14.8	-2.4	-2.4	9.0
Other services	94.1	93.4	4.1	-0.7	-0.7	-1.8	-0.7	-0.7	-1.9
Public administration	96.7	95.0	3.3	-1.7	-1.7	-0.9	-1.8	-1.8	-0.9

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Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	150.5	150.6	...	0.1	0.1	1.9	0.1	0.1	1.3
Labour force	99.8	100.1	0.9	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.3	-0.2
Employment	91.4	91.8	0.9	0.4	0.4	2.1	0.4	0.4	2.3
Unemployment	8.4	8.3	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-2.3	-1.2	-1.2	-21.7
Participation rate	66.3	66.5	0.6	0.2	0.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.3	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.7	61.0	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	309.2	309.6	...	0.4	0.4	4.4	0.1	0.1	1.4
Labour force	218.3	219.1	1.3	0.8	0.8	6.4	0.4	0.4	3.0
Employment	205.1	205.7	1.3	0.6	0.6	5.7	0.3	0.3	2.8
Unemployment	13.2	13.4	0.7	0.2	0.2	0.7	1.5	1.5	5.5
Participation rate	70.6	70.8	0.4	0.2	0.2	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	66.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.9	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	102.4	102.4	...	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.4
Labour force	66.9	67.1	0.7	0.2	0.2	1.4	0.3	0.3	2.1
Employment	61.9	62.3	0.7	0.4	0.4	2.2	0.6	0.6	3.7
Unemployment	5.0	4.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.8	-4.0	-4.0	-14.3
Participation rate	65.3	65.5	0.7	0.2	0.2	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.2	0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.8	0.7	0.4	0.4	1.9	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	126.5	126.5	...	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.2
Labour force	79.2	77.8	0.8	-1.4	-1.4	-1.5	-1.8	-1.8	-1.9
Employment	70.6	69.7	0.8	-0.9	-0.9	-0.3	-1.3	-1.3	-0.4
Unemployment	8.6	8.1	0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-1.2	-5.8	-5.8	-12.9
Participation rate	62.6	61.5	0.6	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.9	10.4	0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	55.1	0.6	-0.7	-0.7	-0.1	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	589.5	590.0	...	0.5	0.5	7.1	0.1	0.1	1.2
Labour force	390.4	394.6	3.1	4.2	4.2	18.1	1.1	1.1	4.8
Employment	368.7	371.4	3.1	2.7	2.7	19.0	0.7	0.7	5.4
Unemployment	21.7	23.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	-0.9	6.9	6.9	-3.7
Participation rate	66.2	66.9	0.5	0.7	0.7	2.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.9	0.4	0.3	0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	62.9	0.5	0.4	0.4	2.4	...	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	117.7	117.7	...	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	1.0
Labour force	72.2	74.0	0.8	1.8	1.8	2.5	2.5	2.5	3.5
Employment	65.2	66.6	0.8	1.4	1.4	2.2	2.1	2.1	3.4
Unemployment	7.0	7.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	5.7	5.7	4.2
Participation rate	61.3	62.9	0.7	1.6	1.6	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.7	10.0	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.4	56.6	0.7	1.2	1.2	1.3	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	133.3	133.5	...	0.2	0.2	2.6	0.2	0.2	2.0
Labour force	89.0	90.7	0.8	1.7	1.7	4.4	1.9	1.9	5.1
Employment	83.0	84.2	0.8	1.2	1.2	4.6	1.4	1.4	5.8
Unemployment	6.0	6.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	-0.2	8.3	8.3	-3.0
Participation rate	66.8	67.9	0.6	1.1	1.1	2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	7.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.3	63.1	0.6	0.8	0.8	2.3	...	...	...

Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Continued

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,945.8	2,948.9	...	3.1	3.1	38.2	0.1	0.1	1.3
Labour force	1,990.3	1,993.0	7.5	2.7	2.7	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.0
Employment	1,807.2	1,812.8	7.7	5.6	5.6	-0.9	0.3	0.3	0.0
Unemployment	183.1	180.2	4.9	-2.9	-2.9	1.6	-1.6	-1.6	0.9
Participation rate	67.6	67.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	9.0	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	61.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	924.0	925.1	...	1.1	1.1	14.5	0.1	0.1	1.6
Labour force	665.5	666.1	3.5	0.6	0.6	21.4	0.1	0.1	3.3
Employment	622.4	623.1	3.6	0.7	0.7	24.1	0.1	0.1	4.0
Unemployment	43.1	43.0	1.8	-0.1	-0.1	-2.7	-0.2	-0.2	-5.9
Participation rate	72.0	72.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.5	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	67.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	1.6	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	226.9	227.4	...	0.5	0.5	6.2	0.2	0.2	2.8
Labour force	162.4	162.3	1.3	-0.1	-0.1	6.9	-0.1	-0.1	4.4
Employment	151.0	150.9	1.4	-0.1	-0.1	5.3	-0.1	-0.1	3.6
Unemployment	11.3	11.4	0.7	0.1	0.1	1.6	0.9	0.9	16.3
Participation rate	71.6	71.4	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.5	66.4	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	697.1	697.6	...	0.5	0.5	8.2	0.1	0.1	1.2
Labour force	503.1	503.8	3.2	0.7	0.7	14.5	0.1	0.1	3.0
Employment	471.4	472.1	3.4	0.7	0.7	18.6	0.1	0.1	4.1
Unemployment	31.7	31.7	1.7	0.0	0.0	-4.2	0.0	0.0	-11.7
Participation rate	72.2	72.2	0.5	0.0	0.0	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.6	67.7	0.5	0.1	0.1	1.9	...	...	...
Kingston, Ontario									
Population	124.4	124.5	...	0.1	0.1	1.9	0.1	0.1	1.5
Labour force	78.4	78.3	0.9	-0.1	-0.1	2.0	-0.1	-0.1	2.6
Employment	73.8	73.1	0.9	-0.7	-0.7	0.6	-0.9	-0.9	0.8
Unemployment	4.6	5.2	0.4	0.6	0.6	1.4	13.0	13.0	36.8
Participation rate	63.0	62.9	0.7	-0.1	-0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.6	0.5	0.7	0.7	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.3	58.7	0.7	-0.6	-0.6	-0.4	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,214.1	4,220.8	...	6.7	6.7	88.3	0.2	0.2	2.1
Labour force	2,927.9	2,920.4	8.5	-7.5	-7.5	50.1	-0.3	-0.3	1.7
Employment	2,704.2	2,701.2	9.0	-3.0	-3.0	43.4	-0.1	-0.1	1.6
Unemployment	223.7	219.2	5.6	-4.5	-4.5	6.7	-2.0	-2.0	3.2
Participation rate	69.5	69.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.2	64.0	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	575.3	575.9	...	0.6	0.6	7.5	0.1	0.1	1.3
Labour force	396.4	390.3	2.8	-6.1	-6.1	-1.8	-1.5	-1.5	-0.5
Employment	371.1	365.2	2.9	-5.9	-5.9	-3.7	-1.6	-1.6	-1.0
Unemployment	25.3	25.1	1.5	-0.2	-0.2	1.9	-0.8	-0.8	8.2
Participation rate	68.9	67.8	0.5	-1.1	-1.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	63.4	0.5	-1.1	-1.1	-1.5	...	...	...

Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Continued

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Kitchener, Ontario									
Population	360.4	360.9	...	0.5	0.5	6.3	0.1	0.1	1.8
Labour force	250.5	253.0	1.9	2.5	2.5	5.1	1.0	1.0	2.1
Employment	240.4	242.9	2.0	2.5	2.5	7.3	1.0	1.0	3.1
Unemployment	10.1	10.0	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	-2.2	-1.0	-1.0	-18.0
Participation rate	69.5	70.1	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.7	67.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.9	...	...	...
London, Ontario									
Population	372.8	373.1	...	0.3	0.3	4.5	0.1	0.1	1.2
Labour force	259.5	260.3	2.0	0.8	0.8	2.3	0.3	0.3	0.9
Employment	242.0	243.7	2.1	1.7	1.7	2.2	0.7	0.7	0.9
Unemployment	17.5	16.7	0.9	-0.8	-0.8	0.2	-4.6	-4.6	1.2
Participation rate	69.6	69.8	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.4	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.9	65.3	0.6	0.4	0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	257.8	258.3	...	0.5	0.5	7.2	0.2	0.2	2.9
Labour force	179.8	182.2	1.3	2.4	2.4	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.0
Employment	169.6	170.9	1.3	1.3	1.3	-2.2	0.8	0.8	-1.3
Unemployment	10.2	11.3	0.5	1.1	1.1	2.2	10.8	10.8	24.2
Participation rate	69.7	70.5	0.5	0.8	0.8	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	6.2	0.3	0.5	0.5	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	66.2	0.5	0.4	0.4	-2.7	...	...	...
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	323.4	323.5	...	0.1	0.1	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.7
Labour force	208.2	210.5	1.8	2.3	2.3	7.4	1.1	1.1	3.6
Employment	194.4	196.9	1.9	2.5	2.5	7.9	1.3	1.3	4.2
Unemployment	13.8	13.6	0.9	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-1.4	-1.4	-3.5
Participation rate	64.4	65.1	0.6	0.7	0.7	1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.5	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	60.9	0.6	0.8	0.8	2.1	...	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	130.7	130.7	...	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2
Labour force	85.8	87.0	0.7	1.2	1.2	3.8	1.4	1.4	4.6
Employment	79.5	80.1	0.7	0.6	0.6	4.9	0.8	0.8	6.5
Unemployment	6.3	6.8	0.4	0.5	0.5	-1.1	7.9	7.9	-13.9
Participation rate	65.6	66.6	0.5	1.0	1.0	2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.8	0.5	0.5	0.5	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	61.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	3.7	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	101.2	101.1	...	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2
Labour force	68.0	68.4	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.6	1.2
Employment	62.3	62.6	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0
Unemployment	5.7	5.8	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.7	1.8	1.8	13.7
Participation rate	67.2	67.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.5	0.5	0.1	0.1	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.9	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	267.6	267.9	...	0.3	0.3	4.0	0.1	0.1	1.5
Labour force	180.3	179.2	1.6	-1.1	-1.1	2.6	-0.6	-0.6	1.5
Employment	162.8	161.5	1.6	-1.3	-1.3	-1.6	-0.8	-0.8	-1.0
Unemployment	17.4	17.7	0.8	0.3	0.3	4.2	1.7	1.7	31.1
Participation rate	67.4	66.9	0.6	-0.5	-0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.7	9.9	0.5	0.2	0.2	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	60.3	0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-1.5	...	...	...

Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Continued

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	566.0	566.3	...	0.3	0.3	6.2	0.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	401.2	399.7	1.3	-1.5	-1.5	9.7	-0.4	-0.4	2.5
Employment	379.9	379.6	1.4	-0.3	-0.3	10.9	-0.1	-0.1	3.0
Unemployment	21.3	20.1	0.8	-1.2	-1.2	-1.1	-5.6	-5.6	-5.2
Participation rate	70.9	70.6	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.1	67.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	1.2	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	158.4	158.5	...	0.1	0.1	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.8
Labour force	114.1	114.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	-0.4	0.5	0.5	-0.3
Employment	108.2	108.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4
Unemployment	5.9	5.8	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.8	-1.7	-1.7	-12.1
Participation rate	72.0	72.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.3	68.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	187.7	187.9	...	0.2	0.2	2.7	0.1	0.1	1.5
Labour force	133.8	134.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	6.3	0.7	0.7	4.9
Employment	126.4	127.6	0.9	1.2	1.2	7.5	0.9	0.9	6.2
Unemployment	7.4	7.2	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-1.2	-2.7	-2.7	-14.3
Participation rate	71.3	71.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	2.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.3	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.3	67.9	0.5	0.6	0.6	3.1	...	...	...
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	841.2	842.6	...	1.4	1.4	18.0	0.2	0.2	2.2
Labour force	626.2	624.1	3.0	-2.1	-2.1	-2.1	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3
Employment	596.2	593.6	3.0	-2.6	-2.6	0.2	-0.4	-0.4	0.0
Unemployment	30.0	30.5	1.7	0.5	0.5	-2.3	1.7	1.7	-7.0
Participation rate	74.4	74.1	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.9	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.9	70.4	0.4	-0.5	-0.5	-1.6	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	807.9	809.0	...	1.1	1.1	14.2	0.1	0.1	1.8
Labour force	593.5	592.7	2.6	-0.8	-0.8	17.2	-0.1	-0.1	3.0
Employment	562.2	562.3	2.7	0.1	0.1	14.8	0.0	0.0	2.7
Unemployment	31.2	30.4	1.4	-0.8	-0.8	2.4	-2.6	-2.6	8.6
Participation rate	73.5	73.3	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.6	69.5	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Abbotsford, British Columbia									
Population	127.5	127.9	...	0.4	0.4	3.7	0.3	0.3	3.0
Labour force	85.4	85.1	0.8	-0.3	-0.3	1.8	-0.4	-0.4	2.2
Employment	79.2	79.2	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	1.1
Unemployment	6.2	5.9	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	0.9	-4.8	-4.8	18.0
Participation rate	67.0	66.5	0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	6.9	0.4	-0.4	-0.4	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.1	61.9	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,795.7	1,798.2	...	2.5	2.5	30.5	0.1	0.1	1.7
Labour force	1,204.9	1,209.9	4.9	5.0	5.0	12.6	0.4	0.4	1.1
Employment	1,128.9	1,134.0	5.1	5.1	5.1	13.3	0.5	0.5	1.2
Unemployment	76.0	75.9	3.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	-0.1	-0.9
Participation rate	67.1	67.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	63.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...

Table 14**Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Concluded**

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	268.5	268.6	...	0.1	0.1	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.7
Labour force	169.0	169.8	1.7	0.8	0.8	-0.5	0.5	0.5	-0.3
Employment	159.8	161.0	1.8	1.2	1.2	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.2
Unemployment	9.2	8.8	0.7	-0.4	-0.4	-0.8	-4.3	-4.3	-8.3
Participation rate	62.9	63.2	0.7	0.3	0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.2	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	59.9	0.7	0.4	0.4	-0.4	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0090

Table 15**Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, monthly**

	December 2004	January 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,948.6	2,952.2	...	3.6	3.6	38.2	0.1	0.1	1.3
Labour force	1,982.2	1,998.2	16.0	16.0	16.0	23.2	0.8	0.8	1.2
Employment	1,800.7	1,824.6	16.3	23.9	23.9	22.6	1.3	1.3	1.3
Unemployment	181.6	173.6	11.9	-8.0	-8.0	0.6	-4.4	-4.4	0.3
Participation rate	67.2	67.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	8.7	0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	61.8	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.0	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,220.3	4,227.8	...	7.5	7.5	88.2	0.2	0.2	2.1
Labour force	2,925.1	2,904.1	19.2	-21.0	-21.0	30.0	-0.7	-0.7	1.0
Employment	2,692.6	2,698.4	19.4	5.8	5.8	31.8	0.2	0.2	1.2
Unemployment	232.5	205.7	13.6	-26.8	-26.8	-1.7	-11.5	-11.5	-0.8
Participation rate	69.3	68.7	0.5	-0.6	-0.6	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.1	0.5	-0.8	-0.8	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.8	63.8	0.5	0.0	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,798.3	1,800.7	...	2.4	2.4	30.9	0.1	0.1	1.7
Labour force	1,210.1	1,219.3	10.7	9.2	9.2	13.8	0.8	0.8	1.1
Employment	1,139.5	1,140.0	11.1	0.5	0.5	16.6	0.0	0.0	1.5
Unemployment	70.7	79.2	7.4	8.5	8.5	-2.9	12.0	12.0	-3.5
Participation rate	67.3	67.7	0.6	0.4	0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	6.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	63.3	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0091

Table 16

Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ and for Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in January 2004 and January 2005

	January	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Canada²	2004	25,243.5	16,907.8	15,668.6	1,239.2	67.0	7.3	62.1
	2005	25,597.4	17,104.5	15,906.9	1,197.6	66.8	7.0	62.1
Newfoundland and Labrador	2004	429.8	247.3	204.2	43.0	57.5	17.4	47.5
	2005	430.3	243.5	205.5	38.0	56.6	15.6	47.8
010 Avalon Peninsula	2004	207.6	125.9	109.4	16.6	60.6	13.2	52.7
	2005	209.5	126.5	112.2	14.3	60.4	11.3	53.6
020 South Coast-Burin Peninsula	2004	34.8	19.3	14.6	4.7	55.5	24.4	42.0
	2005	34.1	17.9	14.0	3.9	52.5	21.8	41.1
030 West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador	2004	90.4	53.0	42.4	10.6	58.6	20.0	46.9
	2005	90.1	49.8	39.7	10.1	55.3	20.3	44.1
040 Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay	2004	97.0	49.0	37.8	11.2	50.5	22.9	39.0
	2005	96.6	49.2	39.6	9.7	50.9	19.7	41.0
Prince Edward Island	2004	110.3	72.2	62.9	9.4	65.5	13.0	57.0
	2005	111.2	74.1	65.0	9.0	66.6	12.1	58.5
Nova Scotia	2004	755.0	473.2	429.2	44.0	62.7	9.3	56.8
	2005	758.8	480.5	437.9	42.6	63.3	8.9	57.7
210 Cape Breton	2004	117.7	58.6	48.1	10.5	49.8	17.9	40.9
	2005	116.9	56.8	48.0	8.8	48.6	15.5	41.1
220 North Shore	2004	130.4	78.6	70.3	8.4	60.3	10.7	53.9
	2005	130.3	79.5	70.9	8.6	61.0	10.8	54.4
230 Annapolis Valley	2004	98.6	61.6	56.8	4.8	62.5	7.8	57.6
	2005	99.0	63.4	58.3	5.1	64.0	8.0	58.9
240 Southern	2004	103.1	63.2	55.7	7.5	61.3	11.9	54.0
	2005	103.1	63.3	56.8	6.4	61.4	10.1	55.1
250 Halifax	2004	305.2	211.2	198.3	12.9	69.2	6.1	65.0
	2005	309.6	217.5	203.9	13.6	70.3	6.3	65.9
New Brunswick	2004	605.8	376.9	339.7	37.2	62.2	9.9	56.1
	2005	608.7	379.9	342.8	37.1	62.4	9.8	56.3
310 Campbellton-Miramichi	2004	138.5	74.2	61.9	12.3	53.6	16.6	44.7
	2005	137.4	74.6	62.7	12.0	54.3	16.1	45.6
320 Moncton-Richibucto	2004	157.3	106.4	98.4	8.0	67.6	7.5	62.6
	2005	159.4	104.2	96.1	8.1	65.4	7.8	60.3
330 Saint John-St. Stephen	2004	139.7	87.4	80.2	7.2	62.6	8.2	57.4
	2005	140.3	87.8	80.8	7.0	62.6	8.0	57.6
340 Fredericton-Oromocto	2004	101.7	67.4	61.4	5.9	66.3	8.8	60.4
	2005	102.9	70.8	64.6	6.1	68.8	8.6	62.8
350 Edmundston-Woodstock	2004	68.6	41.6	37.8	3.8	60.6	9.1	55.1
	2005	68.6	42.5	38.6	4.0	62.0	9.4	56.3
Quebec	2004	6,075.1	3,973.7	3,603.8	369.9	65.4	9.3	59.3
	2005	6,144.0	4,017.6	3,659.9	357.7	65.4	8.9	59.6
410 Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	2004	79.5	41.1	32.8	8.3	51.7	20.2	41.3
	2005	79.7	38.4	29.8	8.6	48.2	22.4	37.4
415 Bas-Saint-Laurent	2004	165.8	99.2	86.1	13.1	59.8	13.2	51.9
	2005	166.1	98.0	89.8	8.2	59.0	8.4	54.1
420 Québec	2004	546.0	340.7	317.2	23.6	62.4	6.9	58.1
	2005	552.1	355.6	332.5	23.1	64.4	6.5	60.2

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ and for Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in January 2004 and January 2005 - Continued**

	January	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Quebec - Continued								
425 Chaudière-Appalaches	2004	319.1	217.1	201.8	15.4	68.0	7.1	63.2
	2005	322.0	219.5	203.1	16.4	68.2	7.5	63.1
430 Estrie	2004	240.3	156.9	142.3	14.6	65.3	9.3	59.2
	2005	243.5	157.0	145.2	11.8	64.5	7.5	59.6
433 Centre-du-Québec	2004	179.6	123.1	111.2	11.9	68.5	9.7	61.9
	2005	181.1	127.2	117.7	9.5	70.2	7.5	65.0
435 Montérégie	2004	1,071.1	763.1	705.8	57.2	71.2	7.5	65.9
	2005	1,086.9	722.8	672.1	50.7	66.5	7.0	61.8
440 Montréal	2004	1,551.1	995.0	890.0	104.9	64.1	10.5	57.4
	2005	1,562.7	1,021.2	903.3	117.9	65.3	11.5	57.8
445 Laval	2004	292.7	189.8	171.3	18.5	64.8	9.7	58.5
	2005	297.5	197.2	182.2	15.1	66.3	7.7	61.2
450 Lanaudière	2004	324.2	214.3	193.6	20.7	66.1	9.7	59.7
	2005	330.7	224.0	206.4	17.6	67.7	7.9	62.4
455 Laurentides	2004	391.8	268.2	249.4	18.8	68.5	7.0	63.7
	2005	402.0	280.2	261.4	18.8	69.7	6.7	65.0
460 Outaouais	2004	269.5	175.3	160.7	14.6	65.0	8.3	59.6
	2005	275.7	186.2	172.3	13.9	67.5	7.5	62.5
465 Abitibi-Témiscamingue	2004	114.6	71.4	63.4	8.0	62.3	11.2	55.3
	2005	114.4	72.6	63.4	9.2	63.5	12.7	55.4
470 Mauricie	2004	213.2	125.5	110.7	14.7	58.9	11.7	51.9
	2005	214.2	126.5	110.8	15.7	59.1	12.4	51.7
475 Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean	2004	225.2	132.9	116.7	16.1	59.0	12.1	51.8
	2005	224.4	131.5	116.2	15.3	58.6	11.6	51.8
480 and 490 Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec	2004	91.5	60.2	50.7	9.5	65.8	15.8	55.4
	2005	90.9	59.6	53.6	6.0	65.6	10.1	59.0
Ontario								
	2004	9,805.7	6,657.8	6,229.5	428.3	67.9	6.4	63.5
	2005	9,972.3	6,742.5	6,309.0	433.5	67.6	6.4	63.3
510 Ottawa	2004	951.7	656.1	611.7	44.4	68.9	6.8	64.3
	2005	964.0	667.0	625.2	41.7	69.2	6.3	64.9
515 Kingston-Pembroke	2004	351.4	212.0	196.7	15.3	60.3	7.2	56.0
	2005	355.5	220.9	207.5	13.4	62.1	6.1	58.4
520 Muskoka-Kawarthas	2004	293.1	203.0	196.2	6.7	69.3	3.3	66.9
	2005	297.6	170.4	161.0	9.4	57.3	5.5	54.1
530 Toronto	2004	4,353.5	3,011.8	2,807.3	204.5	69.2	6.8	64.5
	2005	4,452.9	3,052.2	2,839.4	212.8	68.5	7.0	63.8
540 Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie	2004	898.7	628.1	599.5	28.6	69.9	4.6	66.7
	2005	919.3	653.2	623.4	29.8	71.1	4.6	67.8
550 Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula	2004	1,087.4	715.8	673.4	42.4	65.8	5.9	61.9
	2005	1,100.9	731.5	687.9	43.6	66.4	6.0	62.5
560 London	2004	492.4	344.0	323.5	20.6	69.9	6.0	65.7
	2005	498.1	349.5	330.4	19.2	70.2	5.5	66.3
570 Windsor-Sarnia	2004	512.3	329.4	304.5	24.9	64.3	7.6	59.4
	2005	517.8	338.8	311.2	27.6	65.4	8.1	60.1

Table 16

Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ and for Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in January 2004 and January 2005 - Continued

	January	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Ontario - Continued								
580 Stratford-Bruce Peninsula	2004	239.8	163.8	152.3	11.5	68.3	7.0	63.5
	2005	242.1	165.4	157.8	7.6	68.3	4.6	65.2
590 Northeast	2004	449.5	273.2	252.4	20.8	60.8	7.6	56.2
	2005	448.8	273.4	253.2	20.2	60.9	7.4	56.4
595 Northwest	2004	176.0	120.7	112.1	8.6	68.6	7.1	63.7
	2005	175.3	120.2	111.9	8.3	68.6	6.9	63.8
Manitoba								
610 Southeast	2004	70.6	51.0	48.5	2.6	72.2	5.1	68.7
	2005	72.0	50.2	47.6	2.6	69.7	5.2	66.1
620 South Central	2004	41.2	25.6	24.7	0.9	62.1	3.5	60.0
	2005	41.7	30.6	29.7	0.9	73.4	2.9	71.2
630 Southwest	2004	81.5	53.1	50.3	2.8	65.2	5.3	61.7
	2005	81.1	51.1	48.5	2.7	63.0	5.3	59.8
640 North Central	2004	34.7	23.2	22.6	0.7	66.9	3.0	65.1
	2005	35.0	21.3	20.0	1.2	60.9	5.6	57.1
650 Winnipeg	2004	519.6	360.2	340.8	19.4	69.3	5.4	65.6
	2005	525.5	367.2	349.4	17.7	69.9	4.8	66.5
660 Interlake	2004	66.1	43.2	40.8	2.4	65.4	5.6	61.7
	2005	67.0	44.3	41.2	3.1	66.1	7.0	61.5
670 and 680 Parklands and North	2004	63.3	41.1	38.3	2.8	64.9	6.8	60.5
	2005	62.7	41.7	39.1	2.6	66.5	6.2	62.4
Saskatchewan								
710 Regina-Moose Mountain	2004	744.1	496.9	468.9	28.0	66.8	5.6	63.0
	2005	747.0	506.5	480.1	26.4	67.8	5.2	64.3
720 Swift Current-Moose Jaw	2004	82.4	52.7	49.6	3.2	64.0	6.1	60.2
	2005	82.2	51.8	49.4	2.4	63.0	4.6	60.1
730 Saskatoon-Biggar	2004	229.3	157.0	147.2	9.8	68.5	6.2	64.2
	2005	231.8	163.9	156.0	8.0	70.7	4.9	67.3
740 Yorkton-Melville	2004	67.3	39.2	37.5	1.7	58.2	4.3	55.7
	2005	66.8	41.6	39.5	2.2	62.3	5.3	59.1
750 and 760 Prince Albert and Northern	2004	149.1	94.4	89.3	5.1	63.3	5.4	59.9
	2005	149.3	94.4	88.1	6.4	63.2	6.8	59.0
Alberta								
810 Lethbridge-Medicine Hat	2004	2,479.4	1,816.9	1,730.4	86.5	73.3	4.8	69.8
	2005	2,526.0	1,841.6	1,759.1	82.4	72.9	4.5	69.6
820 Camrose-Drumheller	2004	144.2	104.5	101.1	3.4	72.5	3.3	70.1
	2005	145.4	102.9	98.9	4.0	70.8	3.9	68.0
830 Calgary	2004	885.6	668.5	634.5	34.0	75.5	5.1	71.6
	2005	906.9	669.4	637.4	31.9	73.8	4.8	70.3
840 Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House	2004	63.2	46.0	44.3	1.7	72.8	3.7	70.1
	2005	63.1	47.7	46.3	x	75.6	x	73.4

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ and for Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in January 2004 and January 2005 - Concluded**

	January	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Alberta - Continued								
850 Red Deer	2004	125.6	95.4	91.0	4.4	76.0	4.6	72.5
	2005	128.6	92.6	89.2	3.4	72.0	3.7	69.4
860 Edmonton	2004	824.8	590.5	561.5	29.0	71.6	4.9	68.1
	2005	840.3	608.0	577.3	30.7	72.4	5.0	68.7
870 Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River	2004	167.6	120.1	113.3	6.8	71.7	5.7	67.6
	2005	169.7	122.0	117.9	4.1	71.9	3.4	69.5
880 Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake	2004	78.5	60.9	58.5	2.5	77.6	4.1	74.5
	2005	80.7	59.9	58.0	1.9	74.2	3.2	71.9
British Columbia								
910 Vancouver Island and Coast	2004	3,361.3	2,195.3	2,033.9	161.4	65.3	7.4	60.5
	2005	3,414.1	2,211.9	2,072.0	139.9	64.8	6.3	60.7
920 Lower Mainland-Southwest	2004	584.4	353.4	320.2	33.2	60.5	9.4	54.8
	2005	591.2	358.0	332.8	25.2	60.6	7.0	56.3
930 Thompson-Okanagan	2004	2,012.0	1,346.3	1,262.4	83.9	66.9	6.2	62.7
	2005	2,048.9	1,353.2	1,271.3	81.9	66.0	6.1	62.0
940 Kootenay	2004	391.3	245.4	226.8	18.6	62.7	7.6	58.0
	2005	397.0	245.9	232.0	13.9	61.9	5.7	58.4
950 Cariboo	2004	123.6	72.1	63.3	8.7	58.3	12.1	51.2
	2005	125.0	79.0	72.8	6.2	63.2	7.8	58.2
960 and 970 North Coast and Nechako	2004	130.4	90.5	81.8	8.7	69.4	9.6	62.7
	2005	132.0	90.5	84.3	6.2	68.6	6.9	63.9
980 Northeast	2004	71.5	50.3	43.6	6.7	70.3	13.3	61.0
	2005	71.4	50.7	45.8	4.9	71.0	9.7	64.1
Yukon Territory³								
	2004	21.0	15.1	13.8	1.3	71.9	8.6	65.7
	2005	21.6	16.4	15.4	1.0	75.9	6.1	71.3
Northwest Territories⁴								
	2004	30.3	22.5	20.9	1.6	74.3	7.1	69.0
	2005	31.0	24.0	22.2	1.8	77.4	7.5	71.6

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.

³ Since 1992, the Labour Force Survey has been administered in the Yukon, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

⁴ Since 2001, the Labour Force Survey 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.

Related CANSIM table 282-0054

Table 17

Average usual hours and wages of employees by selected characteristics, Canada (in thousands), unadjusted

	Employees				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
			\$	\$			\$			\$
January 2005										
15 years and over	13,252.1	35.1	694.47	19.02	10,688.5	39.5	803.75	2,563.6	17.2	238.81
15 to 24 years	2,183.0	26.7	308.13	10.71	1,080.7	38.9	484.63	1,102.3	14.8	135.08
25 years and over	11,069.1	36.8	770.66	20.66	9,607.8	39.5	839.65	1,461.3	18.9	317.06
Men	6,671.3	37.9	812.77	20.88	5,935.0	40.7	887.94	736.3	16.0	206.83
Women	6,580.8	32.3	574.54	17.14	4,753.5	37.9	698.65	1,827.3	17.7	251.70
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,290.8	35.6	784.99	21.80	3,632.2	38.5	861.32	658.6	19.2	364.00
No union coverage	8,961.2	34.9	651.12	17.69	7,056.3	39.9	774.12	1,905.0	16.5	195.53
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,783.6	36.1	727.14	19.54	9,924.9	39.5	815.24	1,858.7	18.1	256.75
Temporary	1,468.5	27.1	432.29	14.88	763.6	38.6	654.53	704.9	14.8	191.52
Occupation										
Management	909.3	40.6	1,228.05	30.33	892.4	41.0	1,240.67	16.9	22.0	560.91
Business, finance and administrative	2,588.4	35.0	651.20	18.22	2,182.0	38.2	722.79	406.4	17.9	266.80
Natural and applied sciences	960.5	38.5	1,028.16	26.70	932.1	39.2	1,047.73	28.4	17.7	385.74
Health	812.9	32.6	719.92	21.87	582.4	37.6	838.56	230.5	19.9	420.10
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,111.8	33.8	831.81	24.54	868.5	38.4	949.98	243.3	17.5	409.97
Art, culture, recreation and sport	314.7	29.8	609.81	19.13	210.7	38.4	816.14	103.9	12.4	191.54
Sales and service	3,448.8	30.1	415.61	12.79	2,109.2	38.5	573.95	1,339.6	16.7	166.32
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,844.0	40.0	767.36	19.05	1,714.2	41.7	807.16	129.8	17.4	241.57
Occupations unique to primary industry	208.3	42.6	766.74	17.43	181.7	46.6	854.08	26.7	15.2	171.53
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,053.3	39.3	667.66	16.81	1,015.2	40.2	684.71	38.2	16.5	214.17
January 2004										
15 years and over	13,065.8	35.0	673.97	18.50	10,519.5	39.4	781.72	2,546.4	17.0	228.83
15 to 24 years	2,163.8	26.6	301.59	10.50	1,070.6	38.6	472.39	1,093.2	14.9	134.31
25 years and over	10,902.0	36.7	747.88	20.09	9,448.9	39.4	816.77	1,453.2	18.6	299.94
Men	6,589.3	37.7	782.93	20.21	5,814.2	40.6	859.90	775.0	16.1	205.48
Women	6,476.6	32.3	563.12	16.77	4,705.3	37.8	685.12	1,771.3	17.4	239.05
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,276.9	35.6	770.12	21.37	3,635.7	38.6	845.62	641.2	18.6	342.00
No union coverage	8,788.9	34.7	627.18	17.11	6,883.7	39.8	747.98	1,905.2	16.5	190.74
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,619.8	36.0	705.24	18.97	9,789.9	39.4	791.68	1,829.9	17.9	242.81
Temporary	1,446.0	26.8	422.71	14.74	729.6	38.6	648.18	716.5	14.8	193.13
Occupation										
Management	925.7	40.3	1,158.32	28.90	901.3	40.9	1,178.77	24.4	19.3	402.49
Business, finance and administrative	2,608.5	35.2	633.29	17.62	2,228.4	38.2	699.30	380.1	17.4	246.26
Natural and applied sciences	874.2	38.3	1,011.60	26.39	838.9	39.2	1,037.85	35.3	17.5	387.52
Health	789.3	32.9	732.38	21.94	578.5	37.6	848.90	210.8	19.9	412.59
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,100.5	33.4	812.65	24.09	853.2	38.0	933.86	247.3	17.4	394.38
Art, culture, recreation and sport	295.1	29.5	581.27	18.24	192.2	38.3	792.36	102.9	13.1	186.97
Sales and service	3,373.7	29.7	398.62	12.38	2,016.0	38.6	557.83	1,357.7	16.6	162.21
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,853.4	39.7	742.51	18.54	1,728.0	41.3	778.95	125.3	17.6	240.05
Occupations unique to primary industry	175.7	42.1	733.98	16.91	155.6	45.7	808.44	20.1	13.9	158.09
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,070.0	39.3	657.75	16.53	1,027.4	40.2	676.83	42.5	17.4	196.81

Related CANSIM tables 282-0023, 282-0069, 282-0073

Table 18**Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program¹, seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average**

Region	Effective from February 6, 2005 to March 12, 2005	Region	Effective from February 6, 2005 to March 12, 2005
	Unemployment rate		Unemployment rate
	%		%
Newfoundland and Labrador		Ontario - Continued	
01. St. John's	8.3	30. London	6.7
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	19.6	31. Niagara	6.7
Prince Edward Island		32. Windsor	9.9
03. Prince Edward Island	10.5	33. Kitchener	4.3
Nova Scotia		34. Huron	7.0
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	15.9	35. South Central Ontario	3.8
05. Western Nova Scotia	9.8	36. Sudbury	7.9
06. Halifax	6.1	37. Thunder Bay	8.8
New Brunswick		38. Northern Ontario	11.6
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	7.3	Manitoba	
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	11.2	39. Winnipeg	5.1
09. Restigouche-Albert	15.3	40. Southern Manitoba	6.3
Quebec		41. Northern Manitoba	28.1
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	19.2	Saskatchewan	
11. Québec	5.7	42. Regina	5.0
12. Trois-Rivières	10.0	43. Saskatoon	5.6
13. South Central Quebec	7.0	44. Southern Saskatchewan	6.7
14. Sherbrooke	7.2	45. Northern Saskatchewan	14.8
15. Montérégie	7.4	Alberta	
16. Montréal	9.0	46. Calgary	5.1
17. Central Quebec	9.2	47. Edmonton	5.1
18. Northwestern Quebec	14.3	48. Northern Alberta	8.8
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³	11.6	49. Southern Alberta	5.3
20. Hull	7.0	British Columbia	
21. Chicoutimi-Jonquière	10.5	50. Southern Interior British Columbia	7.1
Ontario		51. Abbotsford	7.3
22. Ottawa	6.1	52. Vancouver	6.3
23. Eastern Ontario	7.5	53. Victoria	5.9
24. Kingston	7.1	54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	8.2
25. Central Ontario	5.7	55. Northern British Columbia	11.2
26. Oshawa	6.2	Territories	
27. Toronto	7.5	56. Yukon ⁴	25.0
28. Hamilton	6.3	57. Northwest Territories ⁴	25.0
29. St. Catharines	6.3	58. Nunavut ⁴	25.0

¹ The boundaries of these regions are determined by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of employment insurance regions, see the HRSDC website: <http://www14.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/ei-ae/canadaei.htm>.

² 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.

³ 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/2000/000913b_e.shtml.

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 53,000 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:

- a) did any work at all
- b) 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 greater than 29 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 2001 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 error

Estimates in this publication are based on the Labour Force Survey, a monthly survey of approximately 53,000 households across Canada. Because they are based on a sample survey, the estimates are subject to sampling error. Changes in the level of any estimates between two months can be the result of a true change or sampling variability. In most tables in this publication an indicator of the sampling error is provided. Two thirds of the time, a change greater than the sampling error indicates a real change. 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.

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

- *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-GIE)*
- *Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (71-526-XPB)*