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Commentary

Employment rose by an estimated 54,000 in November, the third consecutive monthly increase. Since August, employment has grown by 166,000, much stronger than the 52,000 increase over the first eight months of the year. This brings gains over the first eleven months of 2003 to 1.4%. The recent strength in employment has been mostly in full-time jobs. The unemployment rate declined 0.1 percentage points in November to 7.5%.

More youths working in November

Propelled by full-time job gains, employment among youths rose by 22,000 in November, the first notable increase since last February. This pushed their unemployment rate down 0.7 percentage points in November to 13.3%. Employment gains among youths were primarily in retail sales.

Employment among adult women rose by 18,000 in November all in part-time work. Following slow employment growth over the first eight months of 2003 (+0.6%), overall gains since August total 75,000 (+1.2%). Their unemployment rate in November was unchanged at 6.2% as more women entered the labour force.

Employment among adult men edged up 14,000 in November, all in full-time. This brings overall job gains among adult men to 92,000 (+1.3%) since the start of the year, with just under three-quarters of the growth occurring since August (+0.9%). Their unemployment rate edged down 0.1 percentage points in November to 6.5%.

Job growth in manufacturing and retail trade

In November, employment in the manufacturing sector rose by 24,000 and was spread across several industries. Despite this gain, factory employment remains 78,000 (-3.3%) below the level of November 2002 when the downward trend in this sector began. The increase in November 2003 was mainly in Quebec and Ontario.

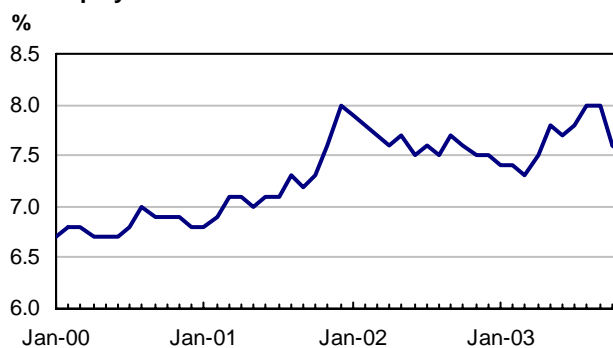
Employment increased by 18,000 in the retail and wholesale trade sector in November, mostly in retail clothing stores. Employment in this sector is up 45,000 so far in 2003 with virtually all of the gain occurring in the last three months.

Following gains in September and October, employment in natural resources declined by 7,000 in November, mainly in mining, oil and gas extraction in Alberta and British Columbia. Despite the decline in November, job gains in the natural resources sector total 23,000 (+8.4%) so far this year, with the increase concentrated in Alberta.

Employment



Unemployment rate



Job gains in both private and public sectors

For a third consecutive month the number of private sector employees increased, with a gain of 29,000 in November. After remaining flat for the first eight months of the year, the number of employees in the private sector is now 66,000 (+0.6%) higher than at the end of 2002.

Public sector employment, which has also strengthened in recent months, increased by 16,000 in November. Since the start of 2003, the number of public sector employees has risen by 88,000 (+3.0%).

Large job gains in Quebec

In Quebec, employment rose by an estimated 54,000 in November, mostly among adult men and youths. This brings gains over the last two months to 80,000 (+2.2%). Recent strength follows little employment change over the first nine months of the year. The largest increase in November was in the manufacturing sector with the job growth spread

across a number of industries. Recent estimates from the Monthly Survey of Manufacturing show Quebec reporting a strong increase in manufacturing shipments. In November, employment also increased in accommodation and food services, information, culture and recreation and education services. The unemployment rate edged down 0.2 percentage points in November to 9.1%.

In New Brunswick, employment rose by 5,000 in November, bringing gains since August to 10,000 (+2.9%). The increase in November was mostly in construction and manufacturing. These recent job gains leave employment at about the same level as at the start of 2003. The unemployment rate in November fell by 0.6 percentage points to 10.2%.

After strong growth in September, employment in Ontario was little changed in both October and November. Although there has been little change in recent months, Ontario has added 84,000 jobs since the start of the year (+1.4%), all full-time. In November, a decline in labour force participation, all among youths, pushed the overall unemployment rate down 0.2 percentage points to 6.8%.

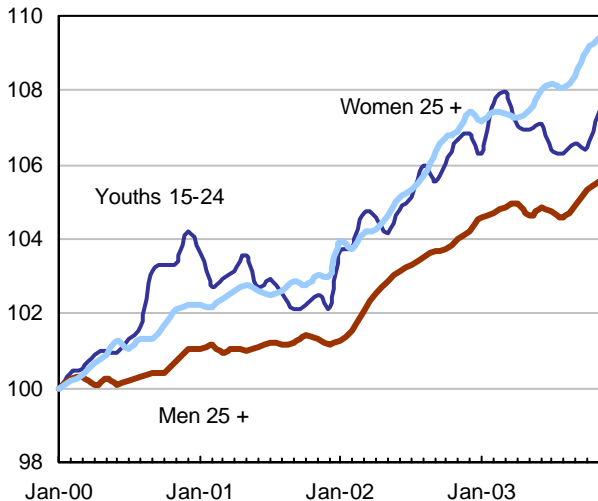
Following strong job gains in October, employment in British Columbia was unchanged in November. This leaves employment in the province 53,000 (+2.7%) above the level of December 2002.

Employment in Newfoundland and Labrador fell by 3,000 in November, the second consecutive decline. This leaves employment in the province at about the same level as at the end of 2002. The declines in November were mainly in trade and accommodation and food services. These were partly offset by gains in manufacturing. The unemployment rate increased in November to 17.4% (+0.9 percentage points).

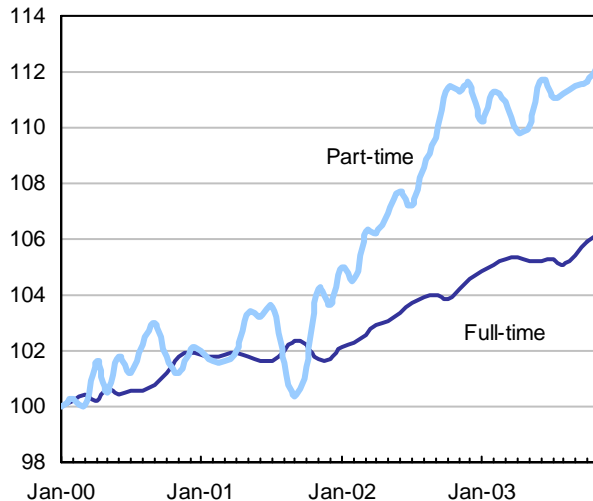
Employment was little changed in the other provinces in November.

Employment and unemployment indicators, seasonally adjusted, Canada

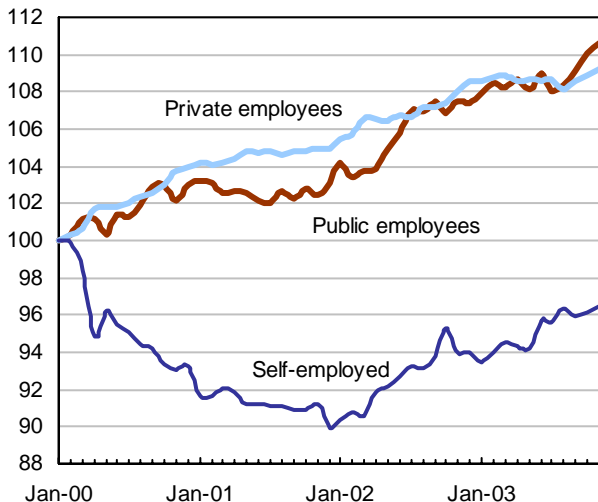
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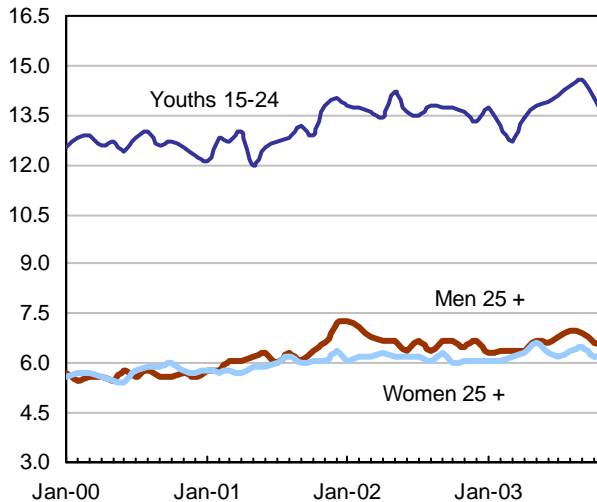
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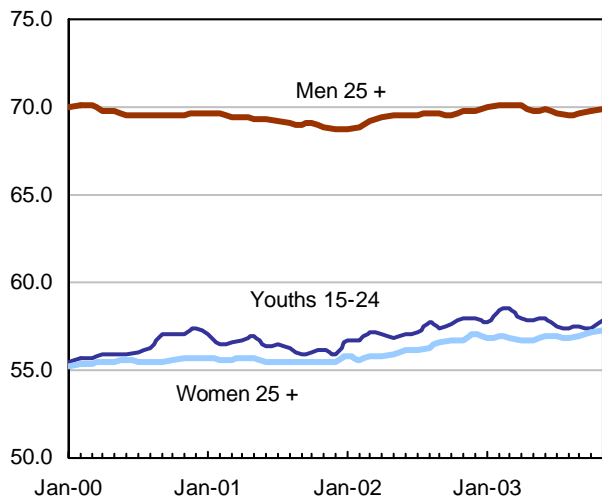
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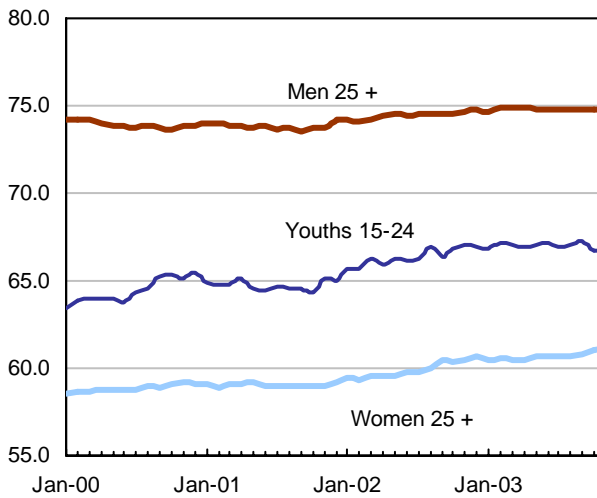
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Employment rate (%)

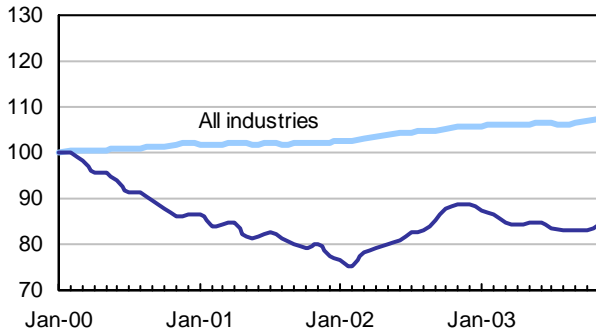


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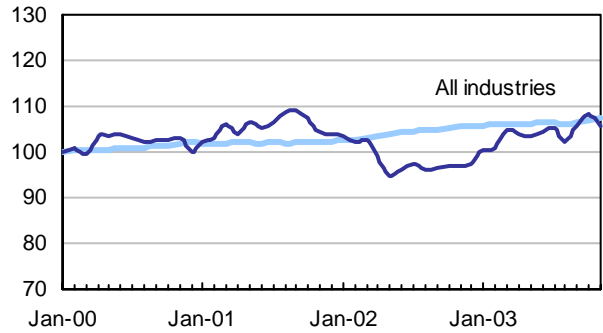


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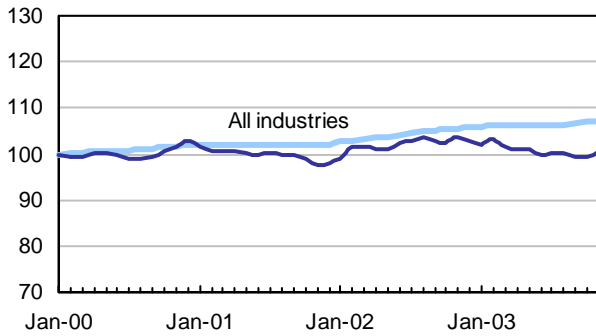
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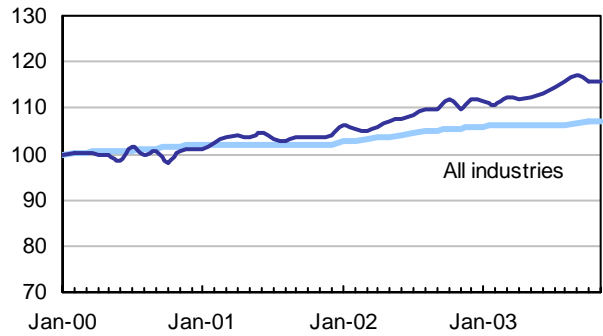
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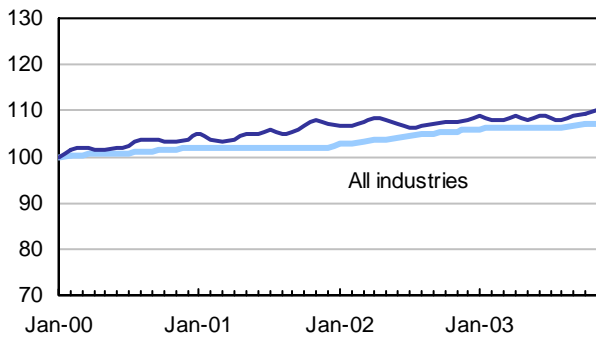
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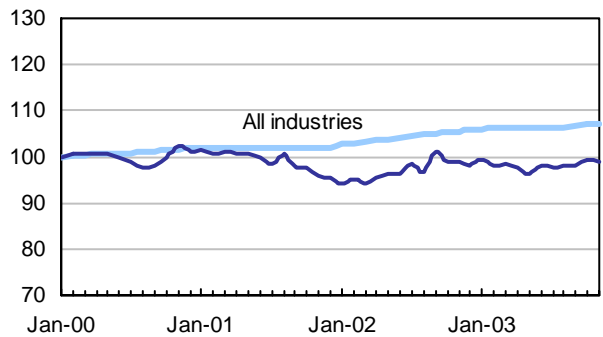
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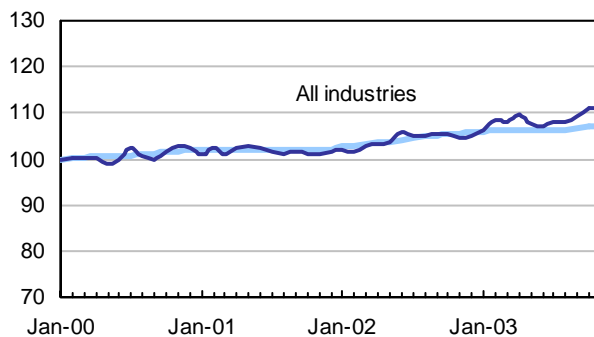
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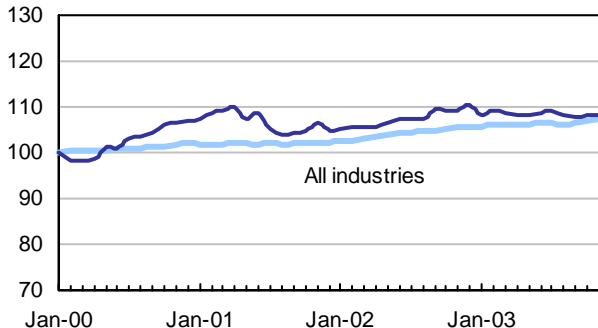


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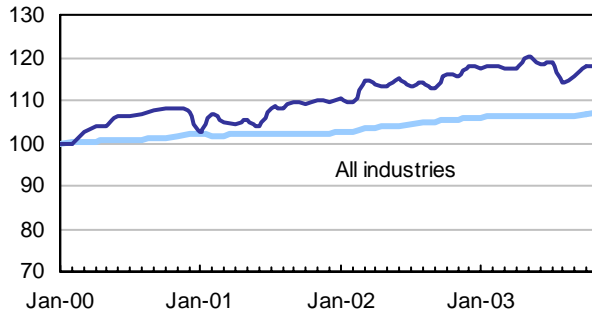


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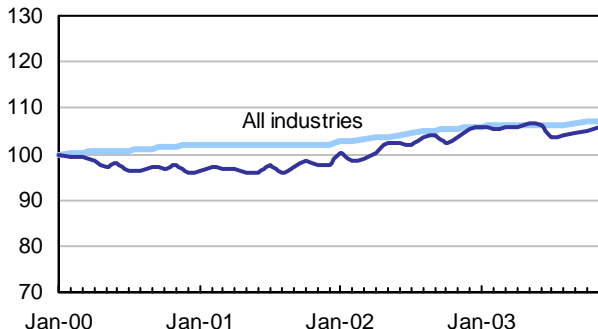
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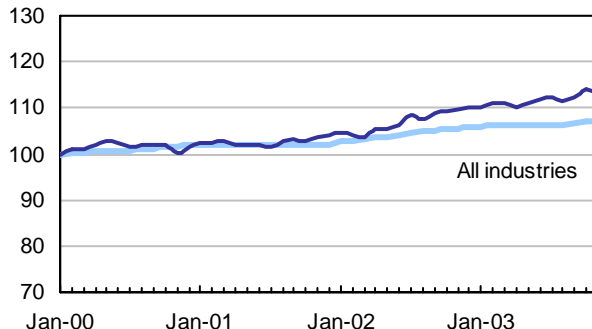
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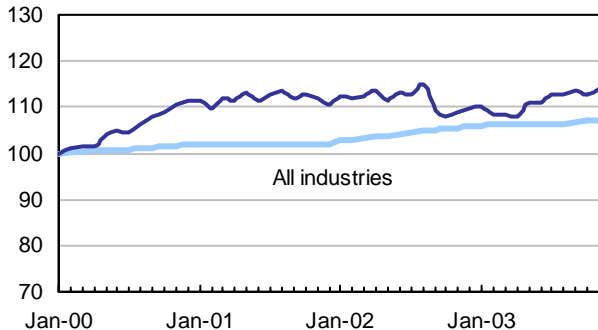
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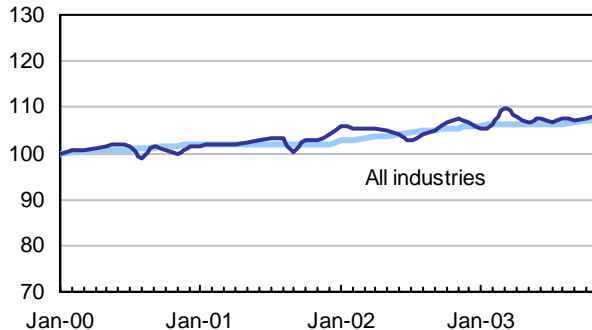
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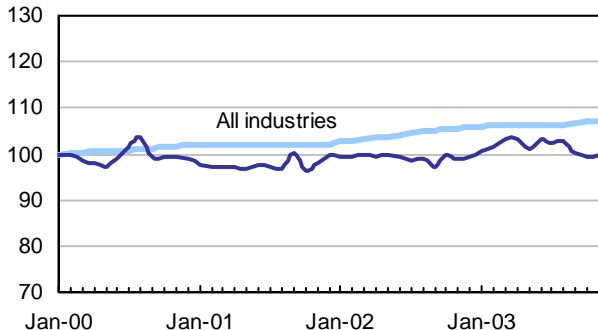
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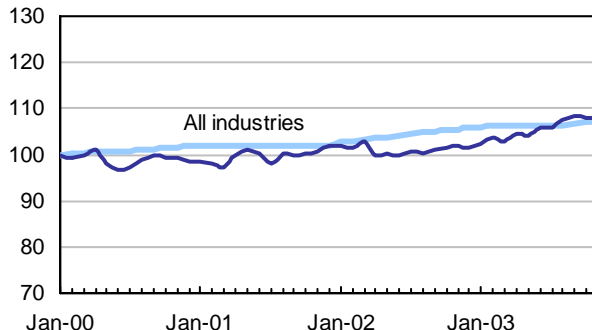
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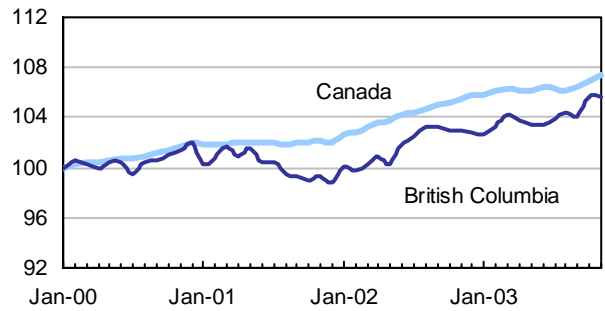
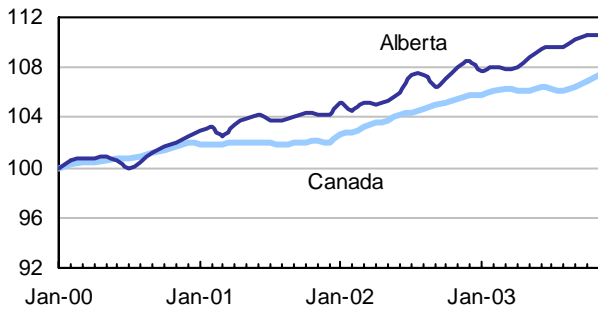
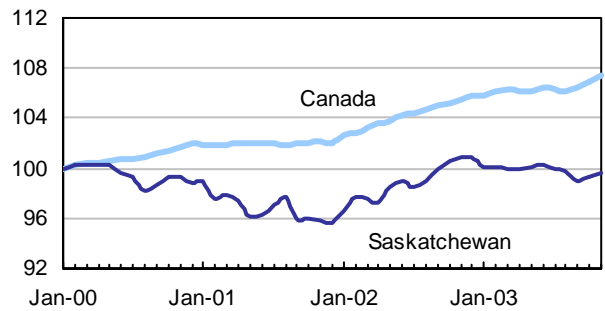
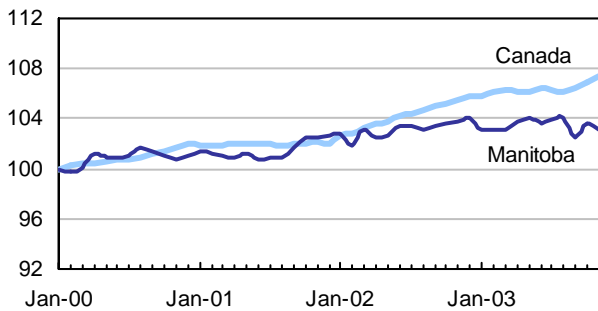
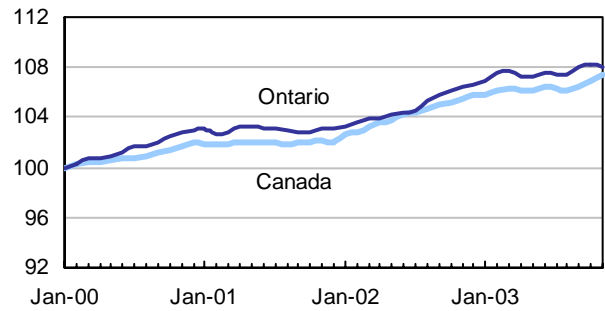
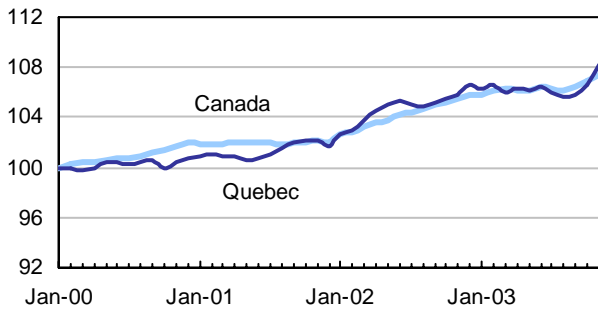
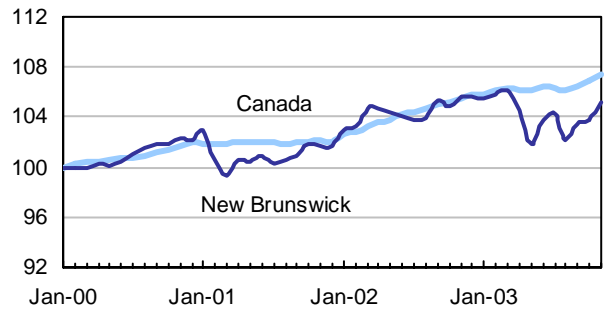
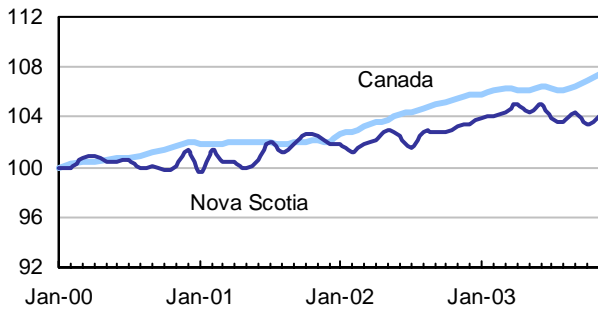
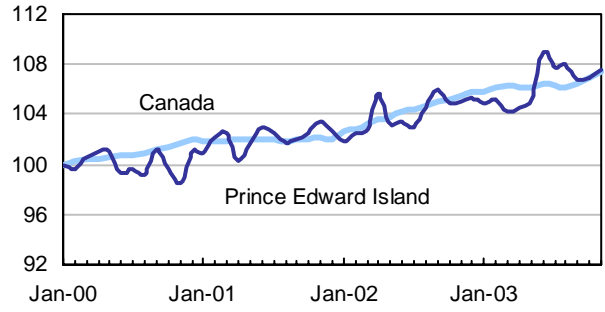
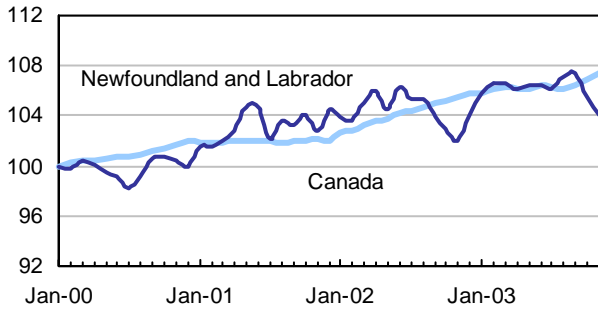
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Table 1

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	25,351.2	25,379.5	...	28.3	292.1	311.2	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force	17,122.8	17,157.0	27.8	34.2	231.7	283.4	0.2	1.4	1.7
Employment	15,813.3	15,867.4	28.6	54.1	217.7	265.0	0.3	1.4	1.7
Employment full-time	12,835.7	12,871.8	34.0	36.1	198.4	237.4	0.3	1.6	1.9
Employment part-time	2,977.6	2,995.6	29.5	18.0	19.3	27.6	0.6	0.6	0.9
Unemployment	1,309.4	1,289.6	23.1	-19.8	14.0	18.3	-1.5	1.1	1.4
Participation rate	67.5	67.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.5	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	62.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.8	18.9	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	4,177.4	4,181.1	...	3.7	35.2	37.0	0.1	0.8	0.9
Labour force	2,786.1	2,788.4	16.3	2.3	15.6	10.4	0.1	0.6	0.4
Employment	2,395.9	2,418.2	15.9	22.3	13.7	17.1	0.9	0.6	0.7
Employment full-time	1,287.1	1,317.7	16.3	30.6	8.8	14.7	2.4	0.7	1.1
Employment part-time	1,108.8	1,100.5	16.9	-8.3	4.9	2.5	-0.7	0.4	0.2
Unemployment	390.3	370.2	13.6	-20.1	1.9	-6.7	-5.1	0.5	-1.8
Participation rate	66.7	66.7	0.4	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.0	13.3	0.5	-0.7	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	57.8	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.3	45.5	0.6	-0.8	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	10,326.6	10,338.5	...	11.9	122.9	131.0	0.1	1.2	1.3
Labour force	7,721.7	7,733.0	14.4	11.3	87.0	112.4	0.1	1.1	1.5
Employment	7,213.1	7,227.4	15.9	14.3	92.1	104.2	0.2	1.3	1.5
Employment full-time	6,740.6	6,755.1	19.2	14.5	84.7	101.4	0.2	1.3	1.5
Employment part-time	472.5	472.3	13.7	-0.2	7.4	2.8	0.0	1.6	0.6
Unemployment	508.6	505.5	13.5	-3.1	-5.2	8.1	-0.6	-1.0	1.6
Participation rate	74.8	74.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.8	69.9	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.6	6.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	10,847.2	10,859.9	...	12.7	134.1	143.2	0.1	1.3	1.3
Labour force	6,614.9	6,635.6	16.1	20.7	129.2	160.6	0.3	2.0	2.5
Employment	6,204.3	6,221.8	16.4	17.5	112.0	143.7	0.3	1.8	2.4
Employment full-time	4,808.0	4,799.0	21.7	-9.0	104.9	121.4	-0.2	2.2	2.6
Employment part-time	1,396.3	1,422.8	19.5	26.5	7.0	22.3	1.9	0.5	1.6
Unemployment	410.6	413.8	12.9	3.2	17.2	16.8	0.8	4.3	4.2
Participation rate	61.0	61.1	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.2	57.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.5	22.9	0.3	0.4	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,126.0	14,133.2	...	7.2	55.6	56.6	0.1	0.4	0.4
Labour force	12,206.2	12,227.9	20.4	21.7	68.6	106.7	0.2	0.6	0.9
Employment	11,410.9	11,430.4	22.2	19.5	52.2	84.0	0.2	0.5	0.7
Unemployment	795.3	797.5	17.7	2.2	16.4	22.6	0.3	2.1	2.9
Participation rate	86.4	86.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	80.8	80.9	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	...	...	...

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**

	October 2003	November 2003	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	13,380.3	13,425.1	29.0	44.8	153.9	203.0	0.3	1.2	1.5
Self-employed ²	2,433.0	2,442.3	16.8	9.3	63.8	62.0	0.4	2.7	2.6
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,025.7	3,041.8	16.4	16.1	88.4	86.0	0.5	3.0	2.9
Private sector employees	10,354.6	10,383.3	29.1	28.7	65.5	117.0	0.3	0.6	1.1
Industry	15,813.3	15,867.4	28.6	54.1	217.7	265.0	0.3	1.4	1.7
Goods-producing sector	3,977.6	3,999.9	21.0	22.3	-10.1	-19.0	0.6	-0.3	-0.5
Agriculture	333.1	338.0	6.3	4.9	-17.2	-17.4	1.5	-4.8	-4.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	300.0	292.9	5.1	-7.1	22.6	23.9	-2.4	8.4	8.9
Utilities	133.4	133.8	3.6	0.4	2.7	2.2	0.3	2.1	1.7
Construction	945.7	946.1	11.8	0.4	34.8	50.0	0.0	3.8	5.6
Manufacturing	2,265.3	2,289.0	17.0	23.7	-53.2	-77.9	1.0	-2.3	-3.3
Services-producing sector	11,835.7	11,867.5	29.0	31.8	227.9	284.1	0.3	2.0	2.5
Trade	2,474.1	2,491.9	17.2	17.8	45.4	62.1	0.7	1.9	2.6
Transportation and warehousing	775.2	769.3	10.0	-5.9	3.5	-1.6	-0.8	0.5	-0.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	953.4	950.7	10.5	-2.7	47.1	50.0	-0.3	5.2	5.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,001.8	999.8	12.2	-2.0	-21.0	-9.9	-0.2	-2.1	-1.0
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	612.7	612.2	10.8	-0.5	-0.1	12.6	-0.1	0.0	2.1
Educational services	1,045.5	1,052.7	11.1	7.2	2.5	18.7	0.7	0.2	1.8
Health care and social assistance	1,710.6	1,703.6	12.0	-7.0	48.8	57.4	-0.4	2.9	3.5
Information, culture and recreation	712.3	721.9	10.7	9.6	28.4	33.2	1.3	4.1	4.8
Accommodation and food services	1,026.0	1,031.9	12.4	5.9	15.7	5.8	0.6	1.5	0.6
Other services	693.8	697.9	10.4	4.1	2.8	4.8	0.6	0.4	0.7
Public administration	830.4	835.6	8.7	5.2	54.6	51.0	0.6	7.0	6.5

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	439.1	439.3	...	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1
Labour force	259.1	258.7	2.6	-0.4	-3.4	2.0	-0.2	-1.3	0.8
Employment	216.4	213.6	2.5	-2.8	0.1	4.5	-1.3	0.0	2.2
Employment full-time	185.2	183.3	2.6	-1.9	2.4	5.2	-1.0	1.3	2.9
Employment part-time	31.2	30.3	1.9	-0.9	-2.3	-0.7	-2.9	-7.1	-2.3
Unemployment	42.7	45.1	2.3	2.4	-3.5	-2.5	5.6	-7.2	-5.3
Participation rate	59.0	58.9	0.6	-0.1	-0.8	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.5	17.4	0.8	0.9	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.3	48.6	0.6	-0.7	0.0	1.0	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	113.5	113.7	...	0.2	1.2	1.3	0.2	1.1	1.2
Labour force	77.2	78.1	0.7	0.9	1.9	1.7	1.2	2.5	2.2
Employment	69.0	69.4	0.7	0.4	1.5	1.7	0.6	2.2	2.5
Employment full-time	57.0	56.6	0.8	-0.4	0.1	0.2	-0.7	0.2	0.4
Employment part-time	11.9	12.9	0.7	1.0	1.5	1.6	8.4	13.2	14.2
Unemployment	8.2	8.7	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.0	6.1	4.8	0.0
Participation rate	68.0	68.7	0.6	0.7	1.0	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.6	11.1	0.8	0.5	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	61.0	0.7	0.2	0.6	0.8	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	761.4	761.7	...	0.3	4.0	4.2	0.0	0.5	0.6
Labour force	477.8	484.1	2.9	6.3	7.2	7.4	1.3	1.5	1.6
Employment	432.5	435.4	3.2	2.9	3.1	3.9	0.7	0.7	0.9
Employment full-time	352.6	349.5	3.6	-3.1	2.1	1.9	-0.9	0.6	0.5
Employment part-time	79.8	85.9	3.2	6.1	1.0	2.0	7.6	1.2	2.4
Unemployment	45.3	48.7	2.7	3.4	4.1	3.6	7.5	9.2	8.0
Participation rate	62.8	63.6	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.5	10.1	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.8	57.2	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	610.4	610.5	...	0.1	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	385.3	388.2	2.5	2.9	-2.0	-1.6	0.8	-0.5	-0.4
Employment	343.7	348.4	2.6	4.7	-1.6	-1.3	1.4	-0.5	-0.4
Employment full-time	290.8	294.6	2.9	3.8	-1.2	2.0	1.3	-0.4	0.7
Employment part-time	52.9	53.8	2.2	0.9	-0.4	-3.3	1.7	-0.7	-5.8
Unemployment	41.5	39.7	2.2	-1.8	-0.5	-0.4	-4.3	-1.2	-1.0
Participation rate	63.1	63.6	0.4	0.5	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	10.2	0.6	-0.6	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	57.1	0.4	0.8	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,101.2	6,106.8	...	5.6	51.7	55.1	0.1	0.9	0.9
Labour force	4,029.3	4,079.0	15.6	49.7	87.3	108.2	1.2	2.2	2.7
Employment	3,654.1	3,708.3	15.8	54.2	54.2	80.4	1.5	1.5	2.2
Employment full-time	2,960.5	3,005.1	18.5	44.6	19.9	46.2	1.5	0.7	1.6
Employment part-time	693.6	703.2	15.9	9.6	34.3	34.2	1.4	5.1	5.1
Unemployment	375.2	370.6	13.4	-4.6	33.0	27.7	-1.2	9.8	8.1
Participation rate	66.0	66.8	0.3	0.8	0.9	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	9.1	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	60.7	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.8	...	...	...

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

	October 2003	November 2003	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Ontario									
Population	9,833.6	9,846.5	...	12.9	142.8	151.7	0.1	1.5	1.6
Labour force	6,726.8	6,705.9	17.8	-20.9	72.8	104.5	-0.3	1.1	1.6
Employment	6,257.0	6,250.4	18.5	-6.6	84.4	94.2	-0.1	1.4	1.5
Employment full-time	5,139.9	5,123.1	22.0	-16.8	83.3	93.2	-0.3	1.7	1.9
Employment part-time	1,117.0	1,127.3	19.0	10.3	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.1	0.1
Unemployment	469.9	455.5	14.5	-14.4	-11.6	10.3	-3.1	-2.5	2.3
Participation rate	68.4	68.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.6	63.5	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Manitoba									
Population	870.4	871.1	...	0.7	6.1	6.3	0.1	0.7	0.7
Labour force	601.4	599.5	2.8	-1.9	-2.0	-2.7	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4
Employment	569.2	567.4	2.9	-1.8	-4.7	-2.8	-0.3	-0.8	-0.5
Employment full-time	457.7	457.7	3.6	0.0	-4.6	-1.7	0.0	-1.0	-0.4
Employment part-time	111.6	109.7	3.3	-1.9	-0.2	-1.1	-1.7	-0.2	-1.0
Unemployment	32.1	32.1	2.2	0.0	2.8	0.2	0.0	9.6	0.6
Participation rate	69.1	68.8	0.3	-0.3	-0.7	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.4	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.1	0.3	-0.3	-1.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	755.8	756.1	...	0.3	-1.5	-1.8	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	513.4	514.9	2.6	1.5	-6.0	-7.6	0.3	-1.2	-1.5
Employment	484.4	485.6	2.7	1.2	-6.1	-6.3	0.2	-1.2	-1.3
Employment full-time	386.1	387.8	3.2	1.7	-2.3	-3.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.9
Employment part-time	98.3	97.8	3.0	-0.5	-3.8	-2.7	-0.5	-3.7	-2.7
Unemployment	29.0	29.3	1.9	0.3	0.1	-1.4	1.0	0.3	-4.6
Participation rate	67.9	68.1	0.3	0.2	-0.7	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.7	0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.1	64.2	0.4	0.1	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	2,487.1	2,490.8	...	3.7	45.7	49.8	0.1	1.9	2.0
Labour force	1,830.9	1,831.9	7.5	1.0	36.1	37.9	0.1	2.0	2.1
Employment	1,738.9	1,740.9	8.0	2.0	33.4	40.0	0.1	2.0	2.4
Employment full-time	1,419.5	1,419.7	10.0	0.2	19.7	29.5	0.0	1.4	2.1
Employment part-time	319.3	321.2	8.6	1.9	13.8	10.5	0.6	4.5	3.4
Unemployment	92.0	91.0	5.8	-1.0	2.6	-2.1	-1.1	2.9	-2.3
Participation rate	73.6	73.5	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.9	69.9	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,378.7	3,383.0	...	4.3	39.9	42.2	0.1	1.2	1.3
Labour force	2,221.6	2,216.8	10.8	-4.8	39.9	33.7	-0.2	1.8	1.5
Employment	2,048.1	2,047.9	10.9	-0.2	53.3	50.7	0.0	2.7	2.5
Employment full-time	1,586.3	1,594.4	13.2	8.1	79.7	64.8	0.5	5.3	4.2
Employment part-time	461.8	453.4	11.9	-8.4	-26.5	-14.3	-1.8	-5.5	-3.1
Unemployment	173.4	168.9	8.9	-4.5	-13.4	-17.0	-2.6	-7.4	-9.1
Participation rate	65.8	65.5	0.3	-0.3	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	7.6	0.4	-0.2	-0.8	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.5	0.3	-0.1	0.8	0.7	...	...	...

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	439.1	439.3	...	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1
Labour force	259.1	258.7	2.6	-0.4	-3.4	2.0	-0.2	-1.3	0.8
Employment	216.4	213.6	2.5	-2.8	0.1	4.5	-1.3	0.0	2.2
Employment full-time	185.2	183.3	2.6	-1.9	2.4	5.2	-1.0	1.3	2.9
Unemployment	42.7	45.1	2.3	2.4	-3.5	-2.5	5.6	-7.2	-5.3
Participation rate	59.0	58.9	0.6	-0.1	-0.8	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.5	17.4	0.8	0.9	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.3	48.6	0.6	-0.7	0.0	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	14.4	14.2	0.9	-0.2	-1.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	72.7	72.6	...	-0.1	-1.8	-1.9	-0.1	-2.4	-2.6
Labour force	38.4	38.5	1.3	0.1	-3.6	-2.6	0.3	-8.6	-6.3
Employment	29.0	28.3	1.3	-0.7	-3.2	-3.7	-2.4	-10.2	-11.6
Unemployment	9.3	10.1	1.1	0.8	-0.5	1.0	8.6	-4.7	11.0
Participation rate	52.8	53.0	1.8	0.2	-3.6	-2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	24.2	26.2	2.5	2.0	1.0	4.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	39.9	39.0	1.7	-0.9	-3.3	-4.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	37.9	35.3	3.5	-2.6	-9.4	-3.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	178.7	178.9	...	0.2	1.0	1.1	0.1	0.6	0.6
Labour force	117.1	116.7	1.5	-0.4	-2.2	0.3	-0.3	-1.9	0.3
Employment	97.8	96.1	1.5	-1.7	-0.3	3.6	-1.7	-0.3	3.9
Unemployment	19.4	20.6	1.5	1.2	-1.9	-3.4	6.2	-8.4	-14.2
Participation rate	65.5	65.2	0.8	-0.3	-1.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.6	17.7	1.2	1.1	-1.2	-2.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.7	53.7	0.8	-1.0	-0.5	1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.3	5.7	0.9	0.4	2.3	1.6	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	187.7	187.8	...	0.1	1.0	1.2	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	103.6	103.5	1.3	-0.1	2.4	4.3	-0.1	2.4	4.3
Employment	89.6	89.2	1.3	-0.4	3.7	4.5	-0.4	4.3	5.3
Unemployment	14.0	14.3	1.2	0.3	-1.3	-0.3	2.1	-8.3	-2.1
Participation rate	55.2	55.1	0.7	-0.1	1.0	1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.5	13.8	1.1	0.3	-1.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	47.7	47.5	0.7	-0.2	1.7	2.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.7	16.6	1.4	-0.1	-1.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	216.4	213.6	2.5	-2.8	0.1	4.5	-1.3	0.0	2.2
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	43.9	46.2	1.7	2.3	2.8	4.5	5.2	6.5	10.8
Agriculture	0.7	0.8	0.4	0.1	-1.2	-0.9	14.3	-60.0	-52.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	16.9	17.3	0.9	0.4	4.7	3.3	2.4	37.3	23.6
Utilities	3.0	3.0	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.2	0.0	20.0	7.1
Construction	10.1	9.5	0.9	-0.6	-2.3	-0.1	-5.9	-19.5	-1.0
Manufacturing	13.2	15.6	1.1	2.4	1.1	2.0	18.2	7.6	14.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	172.5	167.4	2.1	-5.1	-2.7	-0.1	-3.0	-1.6	-0.1
Trade	35.9	33.5	1.2	-2.4	-5.1	-4.6	-6.7	-13.2	-12.1
Transportation and warehousing	12.9	12.6	0.7	-0.3	0.4	1.8	-2.3	3.3	16.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	8.0	8.5	0.5	0.5	1.4	1.4	6.2	19.7	19.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	7.0	6.9	0.6	-0.1	-0.8	-1.3	-1.4	-10.4	-15.9
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	8.0	7.8	0.7	-0.2	0.1	-1.5	-2.5	1.3	-16.1
Educational services	16.0	16.3	0.8	0.3	-1.2	-0.7	1.9	-6.9	-4.1
Health care and social assistance	32.9	32.3	1.0	-0.6	-0.5	0.2	-1.8	-1.5	0.6
Information, culture and recreation	7.6	7.0	0.6	-0.6	1.1	1.4	-7.9	18.6	25.0
Accommodation and food services	14.7	13.3	0.9	-1.4	-0.2	0.0	-9.5	-1.5	0.0
Other services	12.5	13.1	0.8	0.6	1.8	2.6	4.8	15.9	24.8
Public administration	17.0	16.2	0.7	-0.8	0.3	0.8	-4.7	1.9	5.2

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	113.5	113.7	...	0.2	1.2	1.3	0.2	1.1	1.2
Labour force	77.2	78.1	0.7	0.9	1.9	1.7	1.2	2.5	2.2
Employment	69.0	69.4	0.7	0.4	1.5	1.7	0.6	2.2	2.5
Employment full-time	57.0	56.6	0.8	-0.4	0.1	0.2	-0.7	0.2	0.4
Unemployment	8.2	8.7	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.0	6.1	4.8	0.0
Participation rate	68.0	68.7	0.6	0.7	1.0	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.6	11.1	0.8	0.5	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	61.0	0.7	0.2	0.6	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.2	18.6	0.9	1.3	1.8	1.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	20.2	20.2	...	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.5	0.5
Labour force	13.9	14.2	0.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	2.2	-0.7	-0.7
Employment	12.0	11.9	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	-0.8	-4.0	-2.5
Unemployment	1.9	2.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	21.1	21.1	9.5
Participation rate	68.8	70.3	1.9	1.5	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.7	16.2	2.3	2.5	2.9	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	58.9	2.0	-0.5	-2.8	-1.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.2	43.7	3.2	-0.5	5.8	2.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	45.1	45.1	...	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.1	1.1
Labour force	33.0	33.0	0.4	0.0	1.2	0.9	0.0	3.8	2.8
Employment	29.7	29.3	0.4	-0.4	1.1	0.8	-1.3	3.9	2.8
Unemployment	3.3	3.7	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	12.1	2.8	2.8
Participation rate	73.2	73.2	0.8	0.0	1.9	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	11.2	1.1	1.2	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.9	65.0	0.9	-0.9	1.8	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.7	4.8	1.0	0.1	-1.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	48.3	48.4	...	0.1	0.6	0.6	0.2	1.3	1.3
Labour force	30.3	30.9	0.4	0.6	0.9	0.9	2.0	3.0	3.0
Employment	27.3	28.2	0.4	0.9	0.9	1.1	3.3	3.3	4.1
Unemployment	3.0	2.7	0.4	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-10.0	-3.6	-10.0
Participation rate	62.7	63.8	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.9	8.7	1.2	-1.2	-0.6	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	58.3	0.9	1.8	1.2	1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.4	22.7	1.5	3.3	4.4	5.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	69.0	69.4	0.7	0.4	1.5	1.7	0.6	2.2	2.5
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	18.2	17.8	0.5	-0.4	0.5	0.2	-2.2	2.9	1.1
Agriculture	4.0	3.8	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.3	-5.0	15.2	8.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	2.8	2.7	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.0	-3.6	8.0	0.0
Utilities	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	33.3	0.0
Construction	4.4	4.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	-2.3	-10.4	-6.5
Manufacturing	6.6	6.6	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	3.1	1.5
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	50.8	51.6	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.5	1.6	2.0	3.0
Trade	10.8	10.9	0.4	0.1	1.4	0.9	0.9	14.7	9.0
Transportation and warehousing	2.5	2.5	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-3.8	0.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.1	2.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1	4.8	15.8	4.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.3	2.6	0.2	0.3	-0.5	-0.2	13.0	-16.1	-7.1
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	2.4	2.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.6	-0.7	-8.3	-21.4	-24.1
Educational services	4.8	5.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	4.2	2.0	6.4
Health care and social assistance	7.8	8.0	0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.2	2.6	-1.2	2.6
Information, culture and recreation	3.0	2.7	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.0	-10.0	-3.6	0.0
Accommodation and food services	4.8	5.1	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	6.2	0.0	2.0
Other services	3.5	3.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	2.9	2.9	2.9
Public administration	6.8	6.9	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.8	1.5	9.5	13.1

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 6

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	761.4	761.7	...	0.3	4.0	4.2	0.0	0.5	0.6
Labour force	477.8	484.1	2.9	6.3	7.2	7.4	1.3	1.5	1.6
Employment	432.5	435.4	3.2	2.9	3.1	3.9	0.7	0.7	0.9
Employment full-time	352.6	349.5	3.6	-3.1	2.1	1.9	-0.9	0.6	0.5
Unemployment	45.3	48.7	2.7	3.4	4.1	3.6	7.5	9.2	8.0
Participation rate	62.8	63.6	0.4	0.8	0.7	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.5	10.1	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.8	57.2	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.5	19.7	0.7	1.3	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	123.8	123.8	...	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.2
Labour force	79.2	84.9	1.8	5.7	4.4	4.7	7.2	5.5	5.9
Employment	65.1	70.6	1.8	5.5	3.9	5.1	8.4	5.8	7.8
Unemployment	14.1	14.4	1.6	0.3	0.6	-0.4	2.1	4.3	-2.7
Participation rate	64.0	68.6	1.5	4.6	3.4	3.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.8	17.0	1.8	-0.8	-0.1	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.6	57.0	1.5	4.4	3.0	4.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.2	47.3	2.4	2.1	2.0	3.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	304.5	304.6	...	0.1	2.0	2.1	0.0	0.7	0.7
Labour force	212.3	211.7	1.7	-0.6	2.5	1.6	-0.3	1.2	0.8
Employment	193.4	191.3	1.8	-2.1	0.1	-1.0	-1.1	0.1	-0.5
Unemployment	18.9	20.4	1.6	1.5	2.4	2.6	7.9	13.3	14.6
Participation rate	69.7	69.5	0.6	-0.2	0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.6	0.8	0.7	1.0	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	62.8	0.6	-0.7	-0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.5	6.8	0.8	0.3	0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	333.1	333.3	...	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.1	0.5	0.5
Labour force	186.3	187.5	1.5	1.2	0.3	1.2	0.6	0.2	0.6
Employment	174.0	173.6	1.6	-0.4	-0.8	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1
Unemployment	12.3	13.9	1.5	1.6	1.1	1.4	13.0	8.6	11.2
Participation rate	55.9	56.3	0.5	0.4	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	7.4	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.2	52.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.8	22.7	1.2	0.9	-1.3	-1.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	432.5	435.4	3.2	2.9	3.1	3.9	0.7	0.7	0.9
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	97.4	95.1	2.2	-2.3	0.2	0.3	-2.4	0.2	0.3
Agriculture	6.7	6.3	0.6	-0.4	0.1	-1.0	-6.0	1.6	-13.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	13.5	13.2	0.9	-0.3	-2.1	-0.3	-2.2	-13.7	-2.2
Utilities	2.7	2.3	0.4	-0.4	-0.6	-1.1	-14.8	-20.7	-32.4
Construction	26.4	27.0	1.3	0.6	2.0	2.8	2.3	8.0	11.6
Manufacturing	48.2	46.4	1.5	-1.8	0.8	0.1	-3.7	1.8	0.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	335.0	340.3	3.0	5.3	2.8	3.6	1.6	0.8	1.1
Trade	72.6	72.9	1.7	0.3	-2.5	-2.3	0.4	-3.3	-3.1
Transportation and warehousing	20.2	20.7	1.0	0.5	1.4	1.2	2.5	7.3	6.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	17.9	19.7	0.9	1.8	-2.3	-2.2	10.1	-10.5	-10.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	19.2	19.5	0.9	0.3	-1.3	-1.0	1.6	-6.2	-4.9
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	23.1	23.8	1.1	0.7	2.1	1.3	3.0	9.7	5.8
Educational services	31.7	33.6	1.3	1.9	-0.9	0.1	6.0	-2.6	0.3
Health care and social assistance	54.7	53.6	1.3	-1.1	1.9	2.3	-2.0	3.7	4.5
Information, culture and recreation	19.5	19.2	1.0	-0.3	2.1	2.4	-1.5	12.3	14.3
Accommodation and food services	29.8	29.4	1.3	-0.4	1.1	0.4	-1.3	3.9	1.4
Other services	18.8	18.5	1.1	-0.3	-3.9	-2.7	-1.6	-17.4	-12.7
Public administration	27.6	29.3	1.0	1.7	5.4	4.1	6.2	22.6	16.3

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	610.4	610.5	...	0.1	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	385.3	388.2	2.5	2.9	-2.0	-1.6	0.8	-0.5	-0.4
Employment	343.7	348.4	2.6	4.7	-1.6	-1.3	1.4	-0.5	-0.4
Employment full-time	290.8	294.6	2.9	3.8	-1.2	2.0	1.3	-0.4	0.7
Unemployment	41.5	39.7	2.2	-1.8	-0.5	-0.4	-4.3	-1.2	-1.0
Participation rate	63.1	63.6	0.4	0.5	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	10.2	0.6	-0.6	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	57.1	0.4	0.8	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.4	15.4	0.6	0.1	0.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	97.4	97.3	...	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6
Labour force	63.1	65.8	1.3	2.7	0.8	1.6	4.3	1.2	2.5
Employment	51.8	54.8	1.3	3.0	-0.6	0.1	5.8	-1.1	0.2
Unemployment	11.3	11.0	1.1	-0.3	1.5	1.4	-2.7	15.8	14.6
Participation rate	64.8	67.6	1.4	2.8	1.1	2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.9	16.7	1.6	-1.2	2.1	1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.2	56.3	1.3	3.1	-0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	40.7	39.2	2.2	-1.5	6.6	4.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	248.0	248.0	...	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0	0.4	0.4
Labour force	173.3	172.0	1.5	-1.3	-1.2	-1.7	-0.8	-0.7	-1.0
Employment	152.9	154.1	1.6	1.2	-0.2	0.6	0.8	-0.1	0.4
Unemployment	20.4	17.9	1.4	-2.5	-1.0	-2.3	-12.3	-5.3	-11.4
Participation rate	69.9	69.4	0.6	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.8	10.4	0.8	-1.4	-0.5	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	62.1	0.7	0.4	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.3	4.8	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	265.1	265.2	...	0.1	1.6	1.7	0.0	0.6	0.6
Labour force	148.9	150.3	1.3	1.4	-1.7	-1.6	0.9	-1.1	-1.1
Employment	139.1	139.5	1.3	0.4	-0.7	-2.0	0.3	-0.5	-1.4
Unemployment	9.9	10.9	1.1	1.0	-0.9	0.5	10.1	-7.6	4.8
Participation rate	56.2	56.7	0.5	0.5	-1.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	7.3	0.7	0.7	-0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.5	52.6	0.5	0.1	-0.6	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.1	17.8	1.1	-0.3	-3.0	-4.1	...	...	...
Industry									
	343.7	348.4	2.6	4.7	-1.6	-1.3	1.4	-0.5	-0.4
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	83.3	86.4	1.8	3.1	6.8	6.2	3.7	8.5	7.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	4.9	4.9	0.5	0.0	-1.6	-1.8	0.0	-24.6	-26.9
Utilities	12.5	12.4	0.8	-0.1	1.3	1.3	-0.8	11.7	11.7
Construction	3.9	3.6	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-7.7	-10.0	-7.7
Manufacturing	18.4	20.1	1.0	1.7	0.5	0.4	9.2	2.6	2.0
Services-producing sector									
	260.5	262.0	2.3	1.5	-8.4	-7.4	0.6	-3.1	-2.7
Trade	43.6	45.3	1.2	1.7	6.8	6.4	3.9	17.7	16.5
Transportation and warehousing	55.2	56.4	1.3	1.2	2.5	1.5	2.2	4.6	2.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	18.2	18.8	0.8	0.6	-0.9	-0.5	3.3	-4.6	-2.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	14.4	14.8	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.1	2.8	2.8	0.7
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	14.1	14.7	0.7	0.6	-1.0	-0.6	4.3	-6.4	-3.9
Educational services	21.4	20.8	1.0	-0.6	-2.5	-1.7	-2.8	-10.7	-7.6
Health care and social assistance	22.9	22.6	0.8	-0.3	1.3	1.2	-1.3	6.1	5.6
Information, culture and recreation	46.2	45.2	1.0	-1.0	1.5	1.5	-2.2	3.4	3.4
Accommodation and food services	10.8	9.8	0.7	-1.0	-3.1	-2.8	-9.3	-24.0	-22.2
Other services	21.7	22.8	1.0	1.1	-3.0	-3.3	5.1	-11.6	-12.6
Public administration	16.2	17.4	0.8	1.2	-0.5	-1.1	7.4	-2.8	-5.9
	19.4	18.7	0.7	-0.7	-3.0	-1.5	-3.6	-13.8	-7.4

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 8

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	6,101.2	6,106.8	...	5.6	51.7	55.1	0.1	0.9	0.9
Labour force	4,029.3	4,079.0	15.6	49.7	87.3	108.2	1.2	2.2	2.7
Employment	3,654.1	3,708.3	15.8	54.2	54.2	80.4	1.5	1.5	2.2
Employment full-time	2,960.5	3,005.1	18.5	44.6	19.9	46.2	1.5	0.7	1.6
Unemployment	375.2	370.6	13.4	-4.6	33.0	27.7	-1.2	9.8	8.1
Participation rate	66.0	66.8	0.3	0.8	0.9	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	9.1	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	60.7	0.3	0.8	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	19.0	0.4	0.0	0.7	0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	950.5	950.4	...	-0.1	-4.0	-4.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.5
Labour force	634.4	650.4	8.7	16.0	11.8	11.3	2.5	1.8	1.8
Employment	538.6	557.5	8.6	18.9	1.5	4.7	3.5	0.3	0.9
Unemployment	95.8	92.9	7.3	-2.9	10.3	6.7	-3.0	12.5	7.8
Participation rate	66.7	68.4	0.9	1.7	1.5	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.1	14.3	1.1	-0.8	1.4	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.7	58.7	0.9	2.0	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.5	44.7	1.5	-0.8	0.5	-1.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,511.5	2,514.5	...	3.0	27.8	29.7	0.1	1.1	1.2
Labour force	1,836.2	1,858.3	8.4	22.1	24.6	34.3	1.2	1.3	1.9
Employment	1,673.8	1,702.2	9.2	28.4	11.7	23.4	1.7	0.7	1.4
Unemployment	162.4	156.1	8.0	-6.3	13.0	10.8	-3.9	9.1	7.4
Participation rate	73.1	73.9	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.4	0.4	-0.4	0.6	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	67.7	0.4	1.1	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.0	7.1	0.5	0.1	0.6	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,639.2	2,642.0	...	2.8	28.0	30.0	0.1	1.1	1.1
Labour force	1,558.6	1,570.3	8.9	11.7	50.9	62.6	0.8	3.4	4.2
Employment	1,441.7	1,448.7	9.0	7.0	41.2	52.4	0.5	2.9	3.8
Unemployment	117.0	121.6	7.6	4.6	9.7	10.3	3.9	8.7	9.3
Participation rate	59.1	59.4	0.3	0.3	1.3	1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.7	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.6	54.8	0.3	0.2	1.0	1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.0	23.0	0.7	0.1	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Industry	3,654.1	3,708.3	15.8	54.2	54.2	80.4	1.5	1.5	2.2
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	932.3	945.3	11.5	13.0	-17.5	-16.4	1.4	-1.8	-1.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	61.4	57.7	2.7	-3.7	-9.4	-4.5	-6.0	-14.0	-7.2
Utilities	38.0	37.8	2.5	-0.2	-0.6	-1.1	-0.5	-1.6	-2.8
Construction	27.9	29.1	1.7	1.2	-2.1	-2.4	4.3	-6.7	-7.6
Manufacturing	172.1	174.3	5.9	2.2	13.6	12.2	1.3	8.5	7.5
Services-producing sector	632.8	646.5	9.7	13.7	-18.8	-20.6	2.2	-2.8	-3.1
Trade	2,721.8	2,763.1	15.9	41.3	71.8	96.9	1.5	2.7	3.6
Transportation and warehousing	616.6	614.5	10.1	-2.1	14.5	15.2	-0.3	2.4	2.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	166.3	165.6	5.2	-0.7	8.8	9.5	-0.4	5.6	6.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	188.6	190.0	5.6	1.4	6.9	7.4	0.7	3.8	4.1
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	212.7	213.6	6.4	0.9	-10.5	-1.6	0.4	-4.7	-0.7
Educational services	110.3	111.7	5.6	1.4	-11.3	-7.6	1.3	-9.2	-6.4
Health care and social assistance	244.1	252.4	6.1	8.3	5.3	7.0	3.4	2.1	2.9
Information, culture and recreation	449.1	445.3	7.2	-3.8	26.9	28.9	-0.8	6.4	6.9
Accommodation and food services	151.0	162.0	5.9	11.0	8.3	16.0	7.3	5.4	11.0
Other services	210.5	222.4	6.6	11.9	8.0	10.8	5.7	3.7	5.1
Public administration	160.6	168.5	5.7	7.9	1.3	2.2	4.9	0.8	1.3
	212.1	217.1	5.1	5.0	13.6	9.0	2.4	6.7	4.3

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	9,833.6	9,846.5	...	12.9	142.8	151.7	0.1	1.5	1.6
Labour force	6,726.8	6,705.9	17.8	-20.9	72.8	104.5	-0.3	1.1	1.6
Employment	6,257.0	6,250.4	18.5	-6.6	84.4	94.2	-0.1	1.4	1.5
Employment full-time	5,139.9	5,123.1	22.0	-16.8	83.3	93.2	-0.3	1.7	1.9
Unemployment	469.9	455.5	14.5	-14.4	-11.6	10.3	-3.1	-2.5	2.3
Participation rate	68.4	68.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.6	63.5	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.9	18.0	0.3	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,607.0	1,609.5	...	2.5	26.7	28.1	0.2	1.7	1.8
Labour force	1,071.0	1,050.4	10.8	-20.6	-8.0	-8.0	-1.9	-0.8	-0.8
Employment	910.9	902.7	10.4	-8.2	-7.0	-11.1	-0.9	-0.8	-1.2
Unemployment	160.1	147.6	9.1	-12.5	-1.2	3.0	-7.8	-0.8	2.1
Participation rate	66.6	65.3	0.7	-1.3	-1.6	-1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.9	14.1	0.8	-0.8	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.7	56.1	0.7	-0.6	-1.4	-1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.3	47.3	1.0	-1.0	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	3,997.0	4,001.9	...	4.9	55.0	58.5	0.1	1.4	1.5
Labour force	3,029.5	3,027.7	9.0	-1.8	36.6	53.6	-0.1	1.2	1.8
Employment	2,870.5	2,869.1	10.1	-1.4	53.5	52.8	0.0	1.9	1.9
Unemployment	159.0	158.5	8.3	-0.5	-16.9	0.7	-0.3	-9.6	0.4
Participation rate	75.8	75.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.2	0.3	0.0	-0.7	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.8	71.7	0.3	-0.1	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.8	6.0	0.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,229.6	4,235.1	...	5.5	61.2	65.1	0.1	1.5	1.6
Labour force	2,626.4	2,627.9	10.6	1.5	44.3	59.0	0.1	1.7	2.3
Employment	2,475.6	2,478.5	10.9	2.9	37.8	52.4	0.1	1.5	2.2
Unemployment	150.8	149.3	8.2	-1.5	6.4	6.5	-1.0	4.5	4.6
Participation rate	62.1	62.1	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.7	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.5	58.5	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.6	21.3	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	6,257.0	6,250.4	18.5	-6.6	84.4	94.2	-0.1	1.4	1.5
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	1,636.1	1,651.7	14.3	15.6	-4.5	-25.5	1.0	-0.3	-1.5
Agriculture	83.9	87.4	3.6	3.5	5.5	4.5	4.2	6.7	5.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	30.3	30.0	1.7	-0.3	-2.2	-0.3	-1.0	-6.8	-1.0
Utilities	57.7	58.2	2.5	0.5	7.8	7.6	0.9	15.5	15.0
Construction	394.4	396.3	7.9	1.9	22.9	30.2	0.5	6.1	8.2
Manufacturing	1,069.8	1,079.8	12.4	10.0	-38.4	-67.6	0.9	-3.4	-5.9
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	4,620.9	4,598.8	19.3	-22.1	89.0	119.8	-0.5	2.0	2.7
Trade	928.7	934.8	11.1	6.1	-1.9	13.8	0.7	-0.2	1.5
Transportation and warehousing	290.6	286.9	6.7	-3.7	9.5	-4.2	-1.3	3.4	-1.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	441.0	432.0	7.4	-9.0	22.8	27.5	-2.0	5.6	6.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	429.7	427.1	8.5	-2.6	-17.7	-16.7	-0.6	-4.0	-3.8
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	272.3	274.1	7.6	1.8	15.8	21.2	0.7	6.1	8.4
Educational services	403.4	389.7	7.2	-13.7	-7.2	0.0	-3.4	-1.8	0.0
Health care and social assistance	621.6	619.3	7.5	-2.3	34.2	40.1	-0.4	5.8	6.9
Information, culture and recreation	296.1	298.7	7.0	2.6	19.3	20.3	0.9	6.9	7.3
Accommodation and food services	375.3	370.1	8.1	-5.2	-8.6	-6.0	-1.4	-2.3	-1.6
Other services	252.9	250.6	6.8	-2.3	1.5	1.4	-0.9	0.6	0.6
Public administration	309.2	315.4	5.7	6.2	21.1	22.1	2.0	7.2	7.5

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	870.4	871.1	...	0.7	6.1	6.3	0.1	0.7	0.7
Labour force	601.4	599.5	2.8	-1.9	-2.0	-2.7	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4
Employment	569.2	567.4	2.9	-1.8	-4.7	-2.8	-0.3	-0.8	-0.5
Employment full-time	457.7	457.7	3.6	0.0	-4.6	-1.7	0.0	-1.0	-0.4
Unemployment	32.1	32.1	2.2	0.0	2.8	0.2	0.0	9.6	0.6
Participation rate	69.1	68.8	0.3	-0.3	-0.7	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.4	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.1	0.3	-0.3	-1.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.6	19.3	0.6	-0.3	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	150.5	150.8	...	0.3	1.6	1.6	0.2	1.1	1.1
Labour force	110.8	108.0	1.7	-2.8	-0.8	-2.1	-2.5	-0.7	-1.9
Employment	98.0	95.8	1.7	-2.2	-2.9	-2.9	-2.2	-2.9	-2.9
Unemployment	12.8	12.2	1.3	-0.6	2.1	0.9	-4.7	20.8	8.0
Participation rate	73.6	71.6	1.1	-2.0	-1.3	-2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.6	11.3	1.2	-0.3	2.0	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	63.5	1.2	-1.6	-2.7	-2.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.9	44.1	1.8	-0.8	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	351.5	351.7	...	0.2	2.4	2.5	0.1	0.7	0.7
Labour force	265.6	265.1	1.5	-0.5	-1.8	-1.9	-0.2	-0.7	-0.7
Employment	254.6	254.0	1.5	-0.6	-2.5	-0.7	-0.2	-1.0	-0.3
Unemployment	11.0	11.0	1.2	0.0	0.6	-1.3	0.0	5.8	-10.6
Participation rate	75.6	75.4	0.4	-0.2	-1.0	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.1	0.5	0.0	0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.4	72.2	0.4	-0.2	-1.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.2	6.4	0.6	0.2	1.4	0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	368.4	368.6	...	0.2	2.2	2.2	0.1	0.6	0.6
Labour force	225.0	226.4	1.6	1.4	0.6	1.2	0.6	0.3	0.5
Employment	216.6	217.6	1.6	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.3	0.4
Unemployment	8.4	8.8	1.1	0.4	0.0	0.5	4.8	0.0	6.0
Participation rate	61.1	61.4	0.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.7	3.9	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.8	59.0	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.8	23.5	1.0	-0.3	-1.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	569.2	567.4	2.9	-1.8	-4.7	-2.8	-0.3	-0.8	-0.5
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	138.2	139.7	2.1	1.5	1.6	3.3	1.1	1.2	2.4
Agriculture	29.8	31.0	1.1	1.2	-1.2	-1.0	4.0	-3.7	-3.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	5.7	5.8	0.5	0.1	0.1	-0.1	1.8	1.8	-1.7
Utilities	6.5	6.2	0.4	-0.3	0.0	0.1	-4.6	0.0	1.6
Construction	26.5	26.7	1.1	0.2	0.6	2.3	0.8	2.3	9.4
Manufacturing	69.6	70.2	1.5	0.6	2.2	2.2	0.9	3.2	3.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	431.1	427.6	3.0	-3.5	-6.4	-6.3	-0.8	-1.5	-1.5
Trade	84.5	86.7	1.8	2.2	2.6	3.2	2.6	3.1	3.8
Transportation and warehousing	34.5	32.4	1.1	-2.1	-2.5	-1.8	-6.1	-7.2	-5.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	29.9	29.7	0.9	-0.2	2.2	0.5	-0.7	8.0	1.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	25.0	24.4	1.0	-0.6	1.1	0.6	-2.4	4.7	2.5
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	16.6	17.8	1.0	1.2	-3.0	-2.3	7.2	-14.4	-11.4
Educational services	43.3	42.4	1.2	-0.9	-0.7	0.1	-2.1	-1.6	0.2
Health care and social assistance	72.7	73.8	1.3	1.1	-3.8	-2.8	1.5	-4.9	-3.7
Information, culture and recreation	23.5	23.4	1.1	-0.1	1.1	0.2	-0.4	4.9	0.9
Accommodation and food services	39.0	38.9	1.4	-0.1	-0.5	-1.1	-0.3	-1.3	-2.8
Other services	28.4	25.8	1.1	-2.6	-3.2	-2.8	-9.2	-11.0	-9.8
Public administration	33.8	32.3	1.0	-1.5	0.4	-0.2	-4.4	1.3	-0.6

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 11

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	755.8	756.1	...	0.3	-1.5	-1.8	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	513.4	514.9	2.6	1.5	-6.0	-7.6	0.3	-1.2	-1.5
Employment	484.4	485.6	2.7	1.2	-6.1	-6.3	0.2	-1.2	-1.3
Employment full-time	386.1	387.8	3.2	1.7	-2.3	-3.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.9
Unemployment	29.0	29.3	1.9	0.3	0.1	-1.4	1.0	0.3	-4.6
Participation rate	67.9	68.1	0.3	0.2	-0.7	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.7	0.4	0.1	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.1	64.2	0.4	0.1	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.3	20.1	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	138.2	138.2	...	0.0	-1.4	-1.6	0.0	-1.0	-1.1
Labour force	90.0	91.3	1.6	1.3	-4.6	-6.8	1.4	-4.8	-6.9
Employment	80.6	80.1	1.6	-0.5	-6.6	-6.6	-0.6	-7.6	-7.6
Unemployment	9.4	11.1	1.3	1.7	1.9	-0.3	18.1	20.7	-2.6
Participation rate	65.1	66.1	1.1	1.0	-2.6	-4.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.4	12.2	1.3	1.8	2.6	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	58.0	1.2	-0.3	-4.1	-4.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.6	40.9	1.7	-1.6	-2.3	-2.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	301.1	301.2	...	0.1	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	226.7	228.2	1.3	1.5	-1.7	-1.9	0.7	-0.7	-0.8
Employment	215.5	217.0	1.4	1.5	-0.7	-1.4	0.7	-0.3	-0.6
Unemployment	11.2	11.2	1.1	0.0	-1.0	-0.5	0.0	-8.2	-4.3
Participation rate	75.3	75.8	0.4	0.5	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	0.5	0.0	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.6	72.0	0.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.9	7.4	0.6	0.5	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	316.6	316.7	...	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1
Labour force	196.8	195.5	1.4	-1.3	0.5	1.2	-0.7	0.3	0.6
Employment	188.3	188.5	1.5	0.2	1.3	1.7	0.1	0.7	0.9
Unemployment	8.4	7.0	0.9	-1.4	-0.8	-0.5	-16.7	-10.3	-6.7
Participation rate	62.2	61.7	0.5	-0.5	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	3.6	0.4	-0.7	-0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	59.5	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	26.1	25.9	1.0	-0.2	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	484.4	485.6	2.7	1.2	-6.1	-6.3	0.2	-1.2	-1.3
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	121.1	123.1	2.1	2.0	-4.4	-4.9	1.7	-3.5	-3.8
Agriculture	45.9	47.3	1.4	1.4	-5.4	-5.4	3.1	-10.2	-10.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	18.3	19.1	0.8	0.8	2.7	2.3	4.4	16.5	13.7
Utilities	5.2	4.5	0.3	-0.7	0.0	0.4	-13.5	0.0	9.8
Construction	23.0	22.6	1.1	-0.4	-2.4	-3.2	-1.7	-9.6	-12.4
Manufacturing	28.7	29.6	1.0	0.9	0.8	1.0	3.1	2.8	3.5
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	363.3	362.5	2.6	-0.8	-1.7	-1.4	-0.2	-0.5	-0.4
Trade	79.2	79.7	1.5	0.5	-0.8	0.6	0.6	-1.0	0.8
Transportation and warehousing	22.7	22.2	0.9	-0.5	-1.5	-2.1	-2.2	-6.3	-8.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	27.1	26.8	0.8	-0.3	0.4	-0.7	-1.1	1.5	-2.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	17.4	18.2	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7	4.6	4.0	4.0
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	11.5	11.3	0.8	-0.2	-0.5	-1.0	-1.7	-4.2	-8.1
Educational services	39.8	40.2	1.2	0.4	-0.3	0.3	1.0	-0.7	0.8
Health care and social assistance	58.5	58.4	1.1	-0.1	0.2	0.9	-0.2	0.3	1.6
Information, culture and recreation	20.5	21.8	0.9	1.3	1.6	1.8	6.3	7.9	9.0
Accommodation and food services	34.1	34.4	1.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.9	0.9	-0.3	-2.5
Other services	25.0	22.1	0.9	-2.9	-2.4	-2.1	-11.6	-9.8	-8.7
Public administration	27.7	27.6	0.9	-0.1	1.2	1.3	-0.4	4.5	4.9

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Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 12

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	2,487.1	2,490.8	...	3.7	45.7	49.8	0.1	1.9	2.0
Labour force	1,830.9	1,831.9	7.5	1.0	36.1	37.9	0.1	2.0	2.1
Employment	1,738.9	1,740.9	8.0	2.0	33.4	40.0	0.1	2.0	2.4
Employment full-time	1,419.5	1,419.7	10.0	0.2	19.7	29.5	0.0	1.4	2.1
Unemployment	92.0	91.0	5.8	-1.0	2.6	-2.1	-1.1	2.9	-2.3
Participation rate	73.6	73.5	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.9	69.9	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.4	18.5	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	465.7	466.3	...	0.6	7.1	8.0	0.1	1.5	1.7
Labour force	332.9	335.4	4.9	2.5	14.8	10.0	0.8	4.6	3.1
Employment	305.4	311.5	5.0	6.1	20.4	20.0	2.0	7.0	6.9
Unemployment	27.5	23.9	3.8	-3.6	-5.6	-10.0	-13.1	-19.0	-29.5
Participation rate	71.5	71.9	1.1	0.4	2.1	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	7.1	1.1	-1.2	-2.1	-3.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.6	66.8	1.1	1.2	3.4	3.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.0	40.1	1.6	-1.0	3.0	1.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,011.2	1,012.8	...	1.6	19.4	21.0	0.2	2.0	2.1
Labour force	832.2	827.2	3.5	-5.0	12.5	17.6	-0.6	1.5	2.2
Employment	793.5	787.8	4.1	-5.7	7.5	11.0	-0.7	1.0	1.4
Unemployment	38.7	39.4	3.3	0.7	5.0	6.5	1.8	14.5	19.8
Participation rate	82.3	81.7	0.4	-0.6	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.8	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	78.5	77.8	0.4	-0.7	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	5.8	0.5	-0.3	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,010.1	1,011.7	...	1.6	19.2	20.7	0.2	1.9	2.1
Labour force	665.8	669.3	4.2	3.5	8.8	10.3	0.5	1.3	1.6
Employment	639.9	641.6	4.4	1.7	5.5	9.0	0.3	0.9	1.4
Unemployment	25.8	27.7	3.0	1.9	3.2	1.3	7.4	13.1	4.9
Participation rate	65.9	66.2	0.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.9	4.1	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	63.4	0.4	0.0	-0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.8	23.5	0.9	0.8	-1.3	-1.5	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	1,738.9	1,740.9	8.0	2.0	33.4	40.0	0.1	2.0	2.4
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	484.3	484.9	6.0	0.6	15.9	12.9	0.1	3.4	2.7
Agriculture	63.1	65.2	2.8	2.1	-3.1	-6.1	3.3	-4.5	-8.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	112.8	109.1	2.6	-3.7	15.1	14.5	-3.3	16.1	15.3
Utilities	12.7	13.1	1.0	0.4	-2.9	-3.5	3.1	-18.1	-21.1
Construction	146.3	145.4	4.1	-0.9	4.6	6.7	-0.6	3.3	4.8
Manufacturing	149.5	152.2	3.7	2.7	2.2	1.3	1.8	1.5	0.9
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	1,254.5	1,256.0	8.1	1.5	17.6	27.2	0.1	1.4	2.2
Trade	268.0	277.2	4.8	9.2	29.9	33.2	3.4	12.1	13.6
Transportation and warehousing	92.6	92.5	3.1	-0.1	-8.6	-6.9	-0.1	-8.5	-6.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	94.4	93.9	2.6	-0.5	11.0	13.4	-0.5	13.3	16.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	123.6	122.9	3.5	-0.7	0.3	1.7	-0.6	0.2	1.4
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	63.6	57.2	3.0	-6.4	-13.0	-7.9	-10.1	-18.5	-12.1
Educational services	107.5	108.3	2.9	0.8	1.7	0.7	0.7	1.6	0.7
Health care and social assistance	154.8	156.4	3.2	1.6	-5.2	-7.9	1.0	-3.2	-4.8
Information, culture and recreation	72.7	70.8	2.9	-1.9	-5.8	-6.8	-2.6	-7.6	-8.8
Accommodation and food services	122.9	124.0	3.7	1.1	5.0	4.2	0.9	4.2	3.5
Other services	78.0	77.4	2.8	-0.6	0.8	4.4	-0.8	1.0	6.0
Public administration	76.5	75.3	2.3	-1.2	1.4	-1.1	-1.6	1.9	-1.4

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 13

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	3,378.7	3,383.0	...	4.3	39.9	42.2	0.1	1.2	1.3
Labour force	2,221.6	2,216.8	10.8	-4.8	39.9	33.7	-0.2	1.8	1.5
Employment	2,048.1	2,047.9	10.9	-0.2	53.3	50.7	0.0	2.7	2.5
Employment full-time	1,586.3	1,594.4	13.2	8.1	79.7	64.8	0.5	5.3	4.2
Unemployment	173.4	168.9	8.9	-4.5	-13.4	-17.0	-2.6	-7.4	-9.1
Participation rate	65.8	65.5	0.3	-0.3	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	7.6	0.4	-0.2	-0.8	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.5	0.3	-0.1	0.8	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.5	22.1	0.6	-0.4	-1.9	-1.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	551.5	552.1	...	0.6	7.3	7.7	0.1	1.3	1.4
Labour force	352.5	349.4	6.1	-3.1	0.8	2.3	-0.9	0.2	0.7
Employment	304.4	304.8	5.6	0.4	8.6	11.6	0.1	2.9	4.0
Unemployment	48.1	44.6	5.0	-3.5	-7.8	-9.4	-7.3	-14.9	-17.4
Participation rate	63.9	63.3	1.1	-0.6	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.6	12.8	1.4	-0.8	-2.2	-2.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.2	55.2	1.0	0.0	0.8	1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	50.5	50.5	1.9	0.0	-3.4	-1.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,378.1	1,379.8	...	1.7	14.2	15.1	0.1	1.0	1.1
Labour force	995.9	993.2	5.7	-2.7	16.6	9.8	-0.3	1.7	1.0
Employment	931.5	926.5	6.0	-5.0	22.1	14.9	-0.5	2.4	1.6
Unemployment	64.3	66.7	5.3	2.4	-5.5	-5.1	3.7	-7.6	-7.1
Participation rate	72.3	72.0	0.4	-0.3	0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.7	0.5	0.2	-0.7	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.6	67.1	0.4	-0.5	0.9	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.9	8.0	0.6	-0.8	-0.9	-2.0	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,449.2	1,451.1	...	1.9	18.3	19.5	0.1	1.3	1.4
Labour force	873.2	874.2	6.2	1.0	22.5	21.6	0.1	2.6	2.5
Employment	812.2	816.5	6.3	4.3	22.5	24.0	0.5	2.8	3.0
Unemployment	61.0	57.6	4.9	-3.4	-0.2	-2.5	-5.6	-0.3	-4.2
Participation rate	60.3	60.2	0.4	-0.1	0.8	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.6	0.6	-0.4	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	56.3	0.4	0.3	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	27.8	27.6	1.0	-0.2	-2.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	2,048.1	2,047.9	10.9	-0.2	53.3	50.7	0.0	2.7	2.5
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	423.4	414.5	7.0	-8.9	-2.0	0.7	-2.1	-0.5	0.2
Agriculture	32.0	32.7	2.4	0.7	-3.2	-0.4	2.2	-8.9	-1.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	48.0	44.6	2.6	-3.4	2.6	3.8	-7.1	6.2	9.3
Utilities	13.5	13.5	1.1	0.0	0.5	1.2	0.0	3.8	9.8
Construction	121.4	121.7	4.3	0.3	-2.2	-2.4	0.2	-1.8	-1.9
Manufacturing	208.6	202.0	4.7	-6.6	0.4	-1.5	-3.2	0.2	-0.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	1,624.7	1,633.4	10.7	8.7	55.3	49.9	0.5	3.5	3.2
Trade	318.0	321.9	6.1	3.9	-3.0	0.3	1.2	-0.9	0.1
Transportation and warehousing	114.4	114.6	3.9	0.2	-0.8	2.9	0.2	-0.7	2.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	130.6	132.8	3.8	2.2	3.9	5.0	1.7	3.0	3.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	149.6	149.4	4.4	-0.2	13.9	12.2	-0.1	10.3	8.9
Management of companies and administrative and other support services	84.6	85.0	3.6	0.4	10.1	11.3	0.5	13.5	15.3
Educational services	142.5	143.1	4.2	0.6	4.9	7.0	0.4	3.5	5.1
Health care and social assistance	209.5	212.6	4.4	3.1	-7.0	-8.3	1.5	-3.2	-3.8
Information, culture and recreation	107.8	105.6	4.2	-2.2	2.9	-0.5	-2.0	2.8	-0.5
Accommodation and food services	172.5	170.6	4.9	-1.9	8.7	3.5	-1.1	5.4	2.1
Other services	95.2	98.1	4.0	2.9	6.2	1.8	3.0	6.7	1.9
Public administration	99.9	99.7	2.9	-0.2	15.5	14.9	-0.2	18.4	17.6

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Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 14

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

	October 2003	November 2003	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	144.2	144.4	...	0.2	1.4	1.5	0.1	1.0	1.0
Labour force	97.7	97.3	0.8	-0.4	-0.9	0.0	-0.4	-0.9	0.0
Employment	88.6	87.9	0.9	-0.7	-0.5	0.0	-0.8	-0.6	0.0
Unemployment	9.0	9.5	0.5	0.5	-0.3	0.0	5.6	-3.1	0.0
Participation rate	67.8	67.4	0.6	-0.4	-1.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	9.8	0.5	0.6	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	60.9	0.6	-0.5	-0.9	-0.6	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	289.3	289.7	...	0.4	3.9	4.1	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force	203.4	202.8	1.3	-0.6	5.9	4.2	-0.3	3.0	2.1
Employment	188.8	189.9	1.3	1.1	7.6	6.2	0.6	4.2	3.4
Unemployment	14.6	12.8	0.8	-1.8	-1.8	-2.1	-12.3	-12.3	-14.1
Participation rate	70.3	70.0	0.4	-0.3	1.1	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	6.3	0.4	-0.9	-1.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.3	65.6	0.5	0.3	1.8	1.3	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	101.0	101.0	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	63.6	64.0	0.6	0.4	-4.2	-4.4	0.6	-6.2	-6.4
Employment	57.5	57.9	0.7	0.4	-5.4	-5.8	0.7	-8.5	-9.1
Unemployment	6.1	6.1	0.3	0.0	1.2	1.4	0.0	24.5	29.8
Participation rate	63.0	63.4	0.6	0.4	-4.1	-4.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	9.5	0.5	-0.1	2.3	2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.9	57.3	0.7	0.4	-5.4	-5.8	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	130.6	130.6	...	0.0	-0.9	-1.0	0.0	-0.7	-0.8
Labour force	80.0	78.6	0.8	-1.4	0.3	1.2	-1.8	0.4	1.6
Employment	70.7	69.4	0.8	-1.3	-0.7	-0.2	-1.8	-1.0	-0.3
Unemployment	9.3	9.2	0.5	-0.1	1.0	1.4	-1.1	12.2	17.9
Participation rate	61.3	60.2	0.6	-1.1	0.7	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.6	11.7	0.6	0.1	1.2	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	53.1	0.6	-1.0	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	577.5	578.0	...	0.5	4.4	4.7	0.1	0.8	0.8
Labour force	384.8	381.0	2.8	-3.8	1.4	-0.6	-1.0	0.4	-0.2
Employment	358.1	354.0	3.0	-4.1	-2.9	-5.7	-1.1	-0.8	-1.6
Unemployment	26.7	27.0	1.5	0.3	4.3	5.1	1.1	18.9	23.3
Participation rate	66.6	65.9	0.5	-0.7	-0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.1	0.4	0.2	1.1	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.2	0.5	-0.8	-1.0	-1.5	...	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	117.6	117.7	...	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.4
Labour force	73.5	73.8	0.7	0.3	2.1	2.1	0.4	2.9	2.9
Employment	64.9	65.7	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.5	1.2	0.9	0.8
Unemployment	8.5	8.1	0.4	-0.4	1.5	1.6	-4.7	22.7	24.6
Participation rate	62.5	62.7	0.6	0.2	1.6	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.6	11.0	0.6	-0.6	1.8	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.2	55.8	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	128.6	128.8	...	0.2	1.4	1.5	0.2	1.1	1.2
Labour force	86.1	85.8	0.8	-0.3	2.4	2.3	-0.3	2.9	2.8
Employment	79.3	79.1	0.8	-0.2	2.1	2.3	-0.3	2.7	3.0
Unemployment	6.8	6.6	0.4	-0.2	0.2	-0.1	-2.9	3.1	-1.5
Participation rate	67.0	66.6	0.6	-0.4	1.1	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.7	0.4	-0.2	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.4	0.6	-0.3	1.0	1.1	...	...	...

Table 14

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

	October 2003	November 2003	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,912.8	2,917.1	...	4.3	37.9	41.0	0.1	1.3	1.4
Labour force	1,990.8	2,008.5	7.2	17.7	44.6	59.2	0.9	2.3	3.0
Employment	1,791.5	1,820.4	7.5	28.9	16.7	30.1	1.6	0.9	1.7
Unemployment	199.3	188.0	4.7	-11.3	27.8	29.0	-5.7	17.4	18.2
Participation rate	68.3	68.9	0.3	0.6	0.7	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	9.4	0.2	-0.6	1.2	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	62.4	0.3	0.9	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	917.4	919.3	...	1.9	17.6	19.0	0.2	2.0	2.1
Labour force	659.9	659.3	3.2	-0.6	23.3	25.7	-0.1	3.7	4.1
Employment	615.1	613.2	3.4	-1.9	26.3	28.1	-0.3	4.5	4.8
Unemployment	44.8	46.1	1.8	1.3	-3.1	-2.4	2.9	-6.3	-4.9
Participation rate	71.9	71.7	0.4	-0.2	1.2	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	7.0	0.3	0.2	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.0	66.7	0.4	-0.3	1.6	1.7	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,171.1	4,180.3	...	9.2	91.4	98.8	0.2	2.2	2.4
Labour force	2,904.3	2,899.8	8.3	-4.5	37.6	40.6	-0.2	1.3	1.4
Employment	2,673.4	2,679.6	8.7	6.2	21.3	33.2	0.2	0.8	1.3
Unemployment	230.9	220.2	5.2	-10.7	16.3	7.4	-4.6	8.0	3.5
Participation rate	69.6	69.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.6	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	7.6	0.2	-0.4	0.5	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.1	64.1	0.2	0.0	-0.9	-0.7	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	566.4	567.1	...	0.7	5.6	6.0	0.1	1.0	1.1
Labour force	394.6	393.1	2.7	-1.5	12.1	14.2	-0.4	3.2	3.7
Employment	367.0	367.3	2.8	0.3	9.1	10.7	0.1	2.5	3.0
Unemployment	27.6	25.7	1.3	-1.9	2.9	3.4	-6.9	12.7	15.2
Participation rate	69.7	69.3	0.5	-0.4	1.4	1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.5	0.3	-0.5	0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.8	64.8	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.2	...	...	...
Kitchener, Ontario									
Population	357.7	358.4	...	0.7	5.8	6.2	0.2	1.6	1.8
Labour force	252.7	253.3	1.6	0.6	6.0	8.2	0.2	2.4	3.3
Employment	236.4	239.3	1.6	2.9	4.7	7.5	1.2	2.0	3.2
Unemployment	16.3	14.0	0.8	-2.3	1.2	0.7	-14.1	9.4	5.3
Participation rate	70.6	70.7	0.4	0.1	0.6	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	5.5	0.3	-1.0	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.1	66.8	0.5	0.7	0.3	1.0	...	...	...
London, Ontario									
Population	348.2	348.5	...	0.3	2.2	2.3	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	238.5	240.1	1.8	1.6	8.0	5.1	0.7	3.4	2.2
Employment	220.3	222.4	1.8	2.1	5.1	2.1	1.0	2.3	1.0
Unemployment	18.2	17.7	0.9	-0.5	2.9	3.0	-2.7	19.6	20.4
Participation rate	68.5	68.9	0.5	0.4	1.9	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.4	0.4	-0.2	1.0	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.3	63.8	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.2	...	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	248.9	249.4	...	0.5	4.7	5.1	0.2	1.9	2.1
Labour force	182.3	180.9	1.1	-1.4	8.1	9.1	-0.8	4.7	5.3
Employment	173.3	172.0	1.1	-1.3	9.8	10.6	-0.8	6.0	6.6
Unemployment	9.0	8.9	0.5	-0.1	-1.7	-1.6	-1.1	-16.0	-15.2
Participation rate	73.2	72.5	0.5	-0.7	1.9	2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	0.3	0.0	-1.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.6	69.0	0.5	-0.6	2.7	2.9	...	...	...

Table 14

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

	October 2003	November 2003	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	326.1	326.2	...	0.1	0.8	0.9	0.0	0.2	0.3
Labour force	211.9	210.6	1.6	-1.3	0.7	-0.3	-0.6	0.3	-0.1
Employment	197.0	195.7	1.7	-1.3	1.7	-0.5	-0.7	0.9	-0.3
Unemployment	14.9	14.9	0.8	0.0	-0.9	0.2	0.0	-5.7	1.4
Participation rate	65.0	64.6	0.5	-0.4	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.1	0.4	0.1	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.0	0.5	-0.4	0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	126.8	126.7	...	-0.1	-0.8	-0.9	-0.1	-0.6	-0.7
Labour force	78.6	78.5	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	-0.8	-0.1	-0.1	-1.0
Employment	71.7	70.9	0.8	-0.8	-1.4	-2.3	-1.1	-1.9	-3.1
Unemployment	6.9	7.6	0.4	0.7	1.3	1.5	10.1	20.6	24.6
Participation rate	62.0	62.0	0.6	0.0	0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	9.7	0.4	0.9	1.7	2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	56.0	0.6	-0.5	-0.7	-1.4	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	100.5	100.4	...	-0.1	-0.7	-0.7	-0.1	-0.7	-0.7
Labour force	67.7	67.2	0.6	-0.5	0.5	1.2	-0.7	0.7	1.8
Employment	63.7	63.1	0.6	-0.6	0.6	1.3	-0.9	1.0	2.1
Unemployment	3.9	4.1	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	5.1	-2.4	-2.4
Participation rate	67.4	66.9	0.6	-0.5	0.9	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	6.1	0.3	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	62.8	0.5	-0.6	1.0	1.7	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	261.5	262.0	...	0.5	4.5	4.8	0.2	1.7	1.9
Labour force	173.6	172.6	1.4	-1.0	-2.5	-1.0	-0.6	-1.4	-0.6
Employment	161.8	160.6	1.4	-1.2	-1.6	-1.0	-0.7	-1.0	-0.6
Unemployment	11.9	12.0	0.8	0.1	-0.9	0.0	0.8	-7.0	0.0
Participation rate	66.4	65.9	0.5	-0.5	-2.1	-1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.0	0.5	0.1	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.9	61.3	0.6	-0.6	-1.7	-1.5	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	542.5	543.0	...	0.5	4.0	4.1	0.1	0.7	0.8
Labour force	379.8	378.1	1.3	-1.7	-8.5	-8.0	-0.4	-2.2	-2.1
Employment	359.1	357.0	1.3	-2.1	-9.0	-8.8	-0.6	-2.5	-2.4
Unemployment	20.7	21.2	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.9	2.4	3.4	4.4
Participation rate	70.0	69.6	0.2	-0.4	-2.1	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.6	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.2	65.7	0.2	-0.5	-2.2	-2.2	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	156.0	156.1	...	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	113.0	113.5	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.4
Employment	106.8	107.3	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Unemployment	6.2	6.2	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	3.3	0.0
Participation rate	72.4	72.7	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.5	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.5	68.7	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	183.1	183.2	...	0.1	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.4
Labour force	127.9	128.2	0.8	0.3	-2.3	-2.6	0.2	-1.8	-2.0
Employment	120.2	120.1	0.8	-0.1	-2.2	-2.3	-0.1	-1.8	-1.9
Unemployment	7.6	8.0	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.4	5.3	-2.4	-4.8
Participation rate	69.9	70.0	0.4	0.1	-1.5	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.2	0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.6	65.6	0.4	0.0	-1.4	-1.5	...	...	...

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

	October 2003	November 2003	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	841.5	843.3	...	1.8	20.0	21.8	0.2	2.4	2.7
Labour force	632.2	631.5	3.0	-0.7	13.6	11.1	-0.1	2.2	1.8
Employment	599.4	597.0	3.3	-2.4	13.4	16.1	-0.4	2.3	2.8
Unemployment	32.8	34.5	1.7	1.7	0.2	-5.0	5.2	0.6	-12.7
Participation rate	75.1	74.9	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.5	0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.2	70.8	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	786.1	787.2	...	1.1	12.4	13.5	0.1	1.6	1.7
Labour force	569.2	572.4	2.7	3.2	15.2	20.0	0.6	2.7	3.6
Employment	541.2	545.7	2.8	4.5	15.5	20.2	0.8	2.9	3.8
Unemployment	27.9	26.7	1.3	-1.2	-0.3	-0.2	-4.3	-1.1	-0.7
Participation rate	72.4	72.7	0.4	0.3	0.8	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.7	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.8	69.3	0.4	0.5	0.9	1.4	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,784.4	1,787.6	...	3.2	30.5	32.7	0.2	1.7	1.9
Labour force	1,216.4	1,213.2	4.7	-3.2	19.6	19.3	-0.3	1.6	1.6
Employment	1,120.8	1,124.1	4.8	3.3	26.9	24.9	0.3	2.5	2.3
Unemployment	95.7	89.1	3.0	-6.6	-7.2	-5.6	-6.9	-7.5	-5.9
Participation rate	68.2	67.9	0.3	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.3	0.2	-0.6	-0.8	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.8	62.9	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	261.3	261.4	...	0.1	1.8	1.8	0.0	0.7	0.7
Labour force	166.5	167.2	1.6	0.7	5.7	4.9	0.4	3.5	3.0
Employment	155.8	157.2	1.7	1.4	6.7	6.0	0.9	4.5	4.0
Unemployment	10.7	10.0	0.7	-0.7	-1.0	-1.2	-6.5	-9.1	-10.7
Participation rate	63.7	64.0	0.6	0.3	1.8	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.0	0.4	-0.4	-0.8	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	60.1	0.6	0.5	2.1	1.9	...	...	...

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

	October 2003	November 2003	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,917.1	2,921.1	...	4.0	39.0	41.9	0.1	1.4	1.5
Labour force	1,994.8	2,040.5	15.6	45.7	58.1	65.3	2.3	2.9	3.3
Employment	1,812.3	1,856.7	15.8	44.4	41.7	52.0	2.4	2.3	2.9
Unemployment	182.5	183.9	11.6	1.4	16.5	13.4	0.8	9.9	7.9
Participation rate	68.4	69.9	0.5	1.5	1.1	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.1	9.0	0.6	-0.1	0.6	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.1	63.6	0.5	1.5	0.6	0.9	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,180.3	4,188.9	...	8.6	93.0	99.7	0.2	2.3	2.4
Labour force	2,902.4	2,886.2	17.7	-16.2	17.8	34.8	-0.6	0.6	1.2
Employment	2,691.2	2,673.0	18.3	-18.2	4.8	15.1	-0.7	0.2	0.6
Unemployment	211.1	213.2	12.2	2.1	13.0	19.7	1.0	6.5	10.2
Participation rate	69.4	68.9	0.4	-0.5	-1.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.4	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	63.8	0.5	-0.6	-1.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,787.6	1,790.8	...	3.2	31.5	33.7	0.2	1.8	1.9
Labour force	1,222.6	1,199.0	10.4	-23.6	6.3	2.9	-1.9	0.5	0.2
Employment	1,136.2	1,123.7	10.2	-12.5	27.4	22.7	-1.1	2.5	2.1
Unemployment	86.4	75.3	7.2	-11.1	-21.1	-19.9	-12.8	-21.9	-20.9
Participation rate	68.4	67.0	0.6	-1.4	-0.8	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.3	0.6	-0.8	-1.8	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.6	62.7	0.6	-0.9	0.4	0.0	...	...	...

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 (1996 boundaries, in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in November 2002 and November 2003**

	November	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Canada	2002	25,046.7	16,781.3	15,602.4	1,178.9	67.0	7.0	62.3
	2003	25,350.6	17,069.0	15,853.1	1,215.9	67.3	7.1	62.5
Newfoundland and Labrador	2002	438.8	256.1	215.2	41.0	58.4	16.0	49.0
	2003	439.0	258.9	219.5	39.4	59.0	15.2	50.0
010 Avalon Peninsula	2002	207.5	126.4	109.9	16.5	60.9	13.1	53.0
	2003	209.2	128.0	111.4	16.6	61.2	13.0	53.3
020 South Coast-Burin Peninsula	2002	37.2	21.2	17.4	3.8	57.0	17.9	46.8
	2003	36.5	20.1	16.0	4.1	55.1	20.4	43.8
030 West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador	2002	94.0	54.5	45.0	9.5	58.0	17.4	47.9
	2003	93.8	57.6	49.5	8.2	61.4	14.2	52.8
040 Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay	2002	100.1	54.0	42.9	11.2	53.9	20.7	42.9
	2003	99.6	53.2	42.6	10.6	53.4	19.9	42.8
Prince Edward Island	2002	112.3	76.3	68.6	7.7	67.9	10.1	61.1
	2003	113.6	77.1	69.9	7.2	67.9	9.3	61.5
Nova Scotia	2002	757.3	474.6	433.6	41.0	62.7	8.6	57.3
	2003	761.4	480.2	437.4	42.9	63.1	8.9	57.4
210 Cape Breton	2002	120.5	63.9	55.5	8.4	53.0	13.1	46.1
	2003	119.5	60.6	49.9	10.6	50.7	17.5	41.8
220 North Shore	2002	133.3	78.7	71.4	7.3	59.0	9.3	53.6
	2003	133.4	82.0	73.9	8.1	61.5	9.9	55.4
230 Annapolis Valley	2002	101.6	64.6	61.0	3.6	63.6	5.6	60.0
	2003	102.2	63.8	59.3	4.5	62.4	7.1	58.0
240 Southern	2002	104.3	63.6	56.5	7.0	61.0	11.0	54.2
	2003	104.5	64.8	57.5	7.4	62.0	11.4	55.0
250 Halifax	2002	297.6	204.0	189.2	14.8	68.5	7.3	63.6
	2003	301.8	209.1	196.8	12.3	69.3	5.9	65.2
New Brunswick	2002	608.6	388.5	354.2	34.2	63.8	8.8	58.2
	2003	610.4	385.0	351.1	33.9	63.1	8.8	57.5
310 Campbellton-Miramichi	2002	145.7	80.7	69.4	11.3	55.4	14.0	47.6
	2003	144.8	80.4	67.7	12.8	55.5	15.9	46.8
320 Moncton-Richibucto	2002	153.5	104.6	96.1	8.4	68.1	8.0	62.6
	2003	155.2	106.3	100.4	5.9	68.5	5.6	64.7
330 Saint John-St. Stephen	2002	139.8	92.5	86.2	6.3	66.2	6.8	61.7
	2003	140.2	89.4	82.5	7.0	63.8	7.8	58.8
340 Fredericton-Oromocto	2002	99.6	66.6	62.0	4.6	66.9	6.9	62.2
	2003	100.4	64.9	59.9	4.9	64.6	7.6	59.7
350 Edmundston-Woodstock	2002	70.0	44.1	40.5	3.6	63.0	8.2	57.9
	2003	69.9	44.0	40.7	3.3	62.9	7.5	58.2
Quebec	2002	6,048.0	3,931.1	3,626.3	304.8	65.0	7.8	60.0
	2003	6,101.1	4,018.4	3,674.0	344.4	65.9	8.6	60.2
410 Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	2002	82.3	44.9	36.3	8.6	54.6	19.2	44.1
	2003	81.8	44.3	37.5	6.9	54.2	15.6	45.8
415 Bas-Saint-Laurent	2002	167.8	87.3	79.8	7.5	52.0	8.6	47.6
	2003	167.1	101.2	91.1	10.1	60.6	10.0	54.5
420 Québec	2002	536.5	339.7	321.3	18.4	63.3	5.4	59.9
	2003	541.0	346.2	323.8	22.4	64.0	6.5	59.9

Table 16

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	November	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Quebec - Continued								
425 Chaudière-Appalaches	2002	319.8	218.5	206.1	12.4	68.3	5.7	64.4
	2003	320.5	219.2	207.2	12.0	68.4	5.5	64.6
430 Estrie	2002	238.5	158.4	146.7	11.7	66.4	7.4	61.5
	2003	240.3	159.4	147.6	11.8	66.3	7.4	61.4
433 Centre-du-Québec	2002	180.3	110.2	102.8	7.4	61.1	6.7	57.0
	2003	180.8	116.6	107.3	9.3	64.5	8.0	59.3
435 Montérégie	2002	1,077.9	757.8	708.0	49.8	70.3	6.6	65.7
	2003	1,088.6	772.6	719.1	53.5	71.0	6.9	66.1
440 Montréal	2002	1,510.1	949.7	864.2	85.4	62.9	9.0	57.2
	2003	1,528.1	997.7	889.8	107.9	65.3	10.8	58.2
445 Laval	2002	291.8	194.6	181.8	12.8	66.7	6.6	62.3
	2003	295.6	191.1	174.2	17.0	64.6	8.9	58.9
450 Lanaudière	2002	325.5	229.2	212.6	16.6	70.4	7.2	65.3
	2003	330.2	219.9	201.8	18.2	66.6	8.3	61.1
455 Laurentides	2002	388.4	264.3	246.0	18.3	68.0	6.9	63.3
	2003	396.2	271.1	253.0	18.0	68.4	6.6	63.9
460 Outaouais	2002	262.5	173.6	160.1	13.5	66.1	7.8	61.0
	2003	267.8	182.1	168.7	13.4	68.0	7.4	63.0
465 Abitibi-Témiscamingue	2002	120.8	73.8	65.9	7.8	61.1	10.6	54.6
	2003	119.7	75.4	69.1	6.3	63.0	8.4	57.7
470 Mauricie	2002	215.9	129.8	117.4	12.5	60.1	9.6	54.4
	2003	215.5	129.7	114.8	14.9	60.2	11.5	53.3
475 Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean	2002	233.2	134.5	120.4	14.1	57.7	10.5	51.6
	2003	231.9	138.3	123.0	15.3	59.6	11.1	53.0
480 and 490 Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec	2002	96.7	64.7	56.7	8.0	66.9	12.4	58.6
	2003	95.9	53.4	46.0	7.5	55.7	14.0	48.0
Ontario								
	2002	9,683.6	6,583.8	6,151.6	432.2	68.0	6.6	63.5
	2003	9,833.1	6,700.6	6,262.2	438.4	68.1	6.5	63.7
510 Ottawa	2002	938.6	649.3	603.0	46.3	69.2	7.1	64.2
	2003	953.9	663.6	618.2	45.5	69.6	6.9	64.8
515 Kingston-Pembroke	2002	338.4	208.6	193.8	14.7	61.6	7.0	57.3
	2003	338.6	201.3	187.3	14.1	59.5	7.0	55.3
520 Muskoka-Kawartha	2002	297.9	171.9	162.9	8.9	57.7	5.2	54.7
	2003	300.6	198.5	191.5	7.0	66.0	3.5	63.7
530 Toronto	2002	4,277.2	2,993.0	2,780.5	212.5	70.0	7.1	65.0
	2003	4,379.8	3,041.8	2,825.1	216.7	69.5	7.1	64.5
540 Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie	2002	882.8	619.4	586.3	33.2	70.2	5.4	66.4
	2003	900.6	636.1	602.5	33.6	70.6	5.3	66.9
550 Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula	2002	1,079.0	716.4	673.2	43.2	66.4	6.0	62.4
	2003	1,087.7	728.5	684.4	44.0	67.0	6.0	62.9
560 London	2002	485.0	329.9	310.3	19.6	68.0	5.9	64.0
	2003	488.0	339.4	318.6	20.8	69.5	6.1	65.3
570 Windsor-Sarnia	2002	511.5	340.2	319.7	20.5	66.5	6.0	62.5
	2003	516.3	333.7	311.6	22.1	64.6	6.6	60.4

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (1996 boundaries, in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in - Cont'd
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	November	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Ontario - Continued								
580 Stratford-Bruce Peninsula	2002	236.2	154.8	148.7	6.1	65.5	3.9	63.0
	2003	236.8	159.1	151.4	7.8	67.2	4.9	63.9
590 Northeast	2002	456.6	277.3	257.3	20.0	60.7	7.2	56.4
	2003	452.2	272.8	252.5	20.4	60.3	7.5	55.8
595 Northwest	2002	180.3	123.1	115.9	7.2	68.3	5.8	64.3
	2003	178.5	125.6	119.2	6.5	70.4	5.2	66.8
Manitoba								
	2002	865.0	599.0	570.9	28.0	69.2	4.7	66.0
	2003	870.3	598.5	568.1	30.4	68.8	5.1	65.3
610 Southeast	2002	69.8	48.3	46.2	2.0	69.2	4.1	66.2
	2003	71.0	52.7	50.4	2.4	74.2	4.6	71.0
620 South Central	2002	40.6	26.2	25.4	0.8	64.5	3.1	62.6
	2003	41.2	26.9	26.0	0.8	65.3	3.0	63.1
630 Southwest	2002	82.2	51.1	49.4	1.6	62.2	3.1	60.1
	2003	82.2	53.2	50.6	2.7	64.7	5.1	61.6
640 North Central	2002	34.8	24.9	24.3	0.6	71.6	2.4	69.8
	2003	34.8	24.1	23.3	0.8	69.3	3.3	67.0
650 Winnipeg	2002	501.7	359.1	341.2	17.8	71.6	5.0	68.0
	2003	505.1	351.7	333.0	18.8	69.6	5.3	65.9
660 Interlake	2002	67.9	46.3	44.0	2.3	68.2	5.0	64.8
	2003	69.0	45.9	43.5	2.5	66.5	5.4	63.0
670 and 680 Parklands and North	2002	67.9	43.2	40.3	2.9	63.6	6.7	59.4
	2003	67.1	43.9	41.4	2.5	65.4	5.7	61.7
Saskatchewan								
	2002	758.2	517.6	491.6	26.0	68.3	5.0	64.8
	2003	756.0	511.6	486.2	25.4	67.7	5.0	64.3
710 Regina-Moose Mountain	2002	216.8	154.5	147.5	7.0	71.3	4.5	68.0
	2003	216.1	153.7	146.7	7.0	71.1	4.6	67.9
720 Swift Current-Moose Jaw	2002	84.3	54.6	52.7	1.8	64.8	3.3	62.5
	2003	83.3	55.8	52.9	2.9	67.0	5.2	63.5
730 Saskatoon-Biggar	2002	227.4	160.5	151.8	8.7	70.6	5.4	66.8
	2003	228.0	158.7	149.9	8.8	69.6	5.5	65.7
740 Yorkton-Melville	2002	69.7	43.4	41.4	2.0	62.3	4.6	59.4
	2003	68.8	40.6	38.9	1.7	59.0	4.2	56.5
750 and 760 Prince Albert and Northern	2002	160.0	104.7	98.1	6.5	65.4	6.2	61.3
	2003	159.7	102.8	97.8	5.0	64.4	4.9	61.2
Alberta								
	2002	2,436.7	1,778.9	1,686.7	92.3	73.0	5.2	69.2
	2003	2,487.1	1,822.2	1,739.2	83.0	73.3	4.6	69.9
810 Lethbridge-Medicine Hat	2002	191.1	128.9	123.4	5.4	67.5	4.2	64.6
	2003	194.6	133.7	129.1	4.6	68.7	3.4	66.3
820 Camrose-Drumheller	2002	142.9	101.9	98.6	3.3	71.3	3.2	69.0
	2003	144.5	103.9	100.7	3.3	71.9	3.2	69.7
830 Calgary	2002	874.5	657.1	617.7	39.4	75.1	6.0	70.6
	2003	898.2	670.9	636.8	34.2	74.7	5.1	70.9
840 Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House	2002	64.4	49.1	46.0	3.1	76.2	6.3	71.4
	2003	64.6	46.2	44.4	1.8	71.5	3.9	68.7

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (1996 boundaries, in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in - Concluded November 2002 and November 2003**

	November	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Alberta - Continued								
850 Red Deer	2002	121.5	90.8	86.1	4.7	74.7	5.2	70.9
	2003	124.6	92.6	88.5	4.1	74.3	4.4	71.0
860 Edmonton	2002	797.0	565.9	538.9	27.1	71.0	4.8	67.6
	2003	810.9	588.8	563.0	25.8	72.6	4.4	69.4
870 Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River	2002	169.0	124.4	117.4	7.0	73.6	5.6	69.5
	2003	171.2	123.5	116.4	7.1	72.1	5.7	68.0
880 Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake	2002	76.4	60.9	58.6	2.2	79.7	3.6	76.7
	2003	78.4	62.6	60.3	2.3	79.8	3.7	76.9
British Columbia								
	2002	3,338.4	2,175.4	2,003.7	171.7	65.2	7.9	60.0
	2003	3,378.7	2,216.4	2,045.5	170.9	65.6	7.7	60.5
910 Vancouver Island and Coast	2002	569.9	335.8	310.6	25.3	58.9	7.5	54.5
	2003	573.9	337.6	309.0	28.6	58.8	8.5	53.8
920 Lower Mainland-Southwest	2002	1,994.5	1,353.1	1,250.4	102.7	67.8	7.6	62.7
	2003	2,030.1	1,375.5	1,275.4	100.1	67.8	7.3	62.8
930 Thompson-Okanagan	2002	392.0	232.5	215.0	17.5	59.3	7.5	54.8
	2003	395.2	248.9	229.6	19.3	63.0	7.8	58.1
940 Kootenay	2002	125.2	74.3	66.6	7.7	59.3	10.4	53.2
	2003	125.3	75.8	69.0	6.8	60.5	9.0	55.1
950 Cariboo	2002	135.0	91.9	82.1	9.8	68.1	10.7	60.8
	2003	133.8	91.6	82.9	8.7	68.5	9.5	62.0
960 and 970 North Coast and Nechako	2002	74.0	51.2	45.8	5.5	69.2	10.7	61.9
	2003	72.8	50.2	44.9	5.3	69.0	10.6	61.7
980 Northeast	2002	47.7	36.5	33.2	3.3	76.5	9.0	69.6
	2003	47.5	36.8	34.6	2.2	77.5	6.0	72.8

¹ For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).
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
			\$	\$			\$			\$
November 2003										
15 years and over	13,419.1	35.2	667.89	18.27	10,849.3	39.4	772.49	2,569.8	17.0	226.28
15 to 24 years	2,229.1	26.8	299.99	10.44	1,117.4	38.7	465.30	1,111.7	14.9	133.83
25 years and over	11,189.9	36.8	741.18	19.83	9,731.9	39.5	807.76	1,458.1	18.7	296.78
Men	6,837.7	37.9	777.90	19.98	6,064.0	40.7	850.84	773.7	16.1	206.17
Women	6,581.4	32.3	553.60	16.49	4,785.3	37.8	673.20	1,796.1	17.4	234.95
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,401.3	35.9	772.63	21.28	3,764.1	38.7	843.48	637.3	19.0	354.18
No union coverage	9,017.7	34.8	616.77	16.80	7,085.2	39.8	734.78	1,932.5	16.4	184.11
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,864.6	36.1	698.17	18.76	10,000.9	39.5	783.52	1,863.7	17.9	240.22
Temporary	1,554.4	28.1	436.74	14.50	848.3	39.3	642.51	706.1	14.7	189.51
Occupation										
Management	915.3	40.5	1,153.78	28.62	897.8	40.9	1,168.21	17.6	18.7	415.53
Business, finance and administrative	2,648.2	34.8	624.77	17.51	2,223.5	38.2	699.10	424.7	17.0	235.65
Natural and applied sciences	898.4	38.5	996.56	25.87	870.0	39.2	1,016.05	28.4	17.6	399.50
Health	763.7	32.8	716.77	21.69	560.4	37.5	826.01	203.3	19.7	415.65
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,018.3	34.3	855.69	24.84	810.1	38.6	966.05	208.2	17.3	426.20
Art, culture, recreation and sport	282.9	30.0	587.20	18.10	185.2	38.7	792.29	97.8	13.4	198.68
Sales and service	3,573.2	30.1	403.15	12.42	2,196.2	38.4	552.73	1,377.0	16.8	164.57
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,892.4	39.9	743.01	18.43	1,756.8	41.6	783.35	135.6	17.7	220.41
Occupations unique to primary industry	231.7	42.1	677.60	15.76	206.4	45.4	741.20	25.3	14.8	158.77
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,194.9	39.1	642.79	16.27	1,142.9	40.1	663.62	52.0	16.7	185.04
November 2002										
15 years and over	13,208.7	35.3	653.97	17.84	10,683.7	39.6	756.39	2,525.0	17.0	220.59
15 to 24 years	2,224.8	27.0	293.62	10.15	1,117.0	39.1	456.22	1,107.8	14.8	129.65
25 years and over	10,983.9	37.0	726.96	19.39	9,566.7	39.7	791.44	1,417.3	18.7	291.66
Men	6,779.5	38.1	763.05	19.54	6,024.5	40.8	834.69	755.0	16.0	191.34
Women	6,429.2	32.4	538.94	16.04	4,659.1	38.0	655.15	1,770.0	17.4	233.06
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,285.3	35.9	750.55	20.67	3,669.3	38.8	818.23	616.0	18.9	347.40
No union coverage	8,923.5	35.0	607.59	16.47	7,014.4	40.0	724.05	1,909.1	16.4	179.67
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,626.7	36.2	684.77	18.34	9,827.8	39.6	766.27	1,798.8	18.1	239.48
Temporary	1,582.1	28.2	427.60	14.10	855.8	40.0	642.98	726.2	14.3	173.78
Occupation										
Management	866.3	40.4	1,124.99	27.92	841.2	41.1	1,147.88	25.1	18.1	359.14
Business, finance and administrative	2,492.1	35.2	619.51	17.23	2,111.3	38.4	687.77	380.8	17.5	241.04
Natural and applied sciences	926.0	38.7	982.92	25.39	894.2	39.4	1,003.24	31.8	18.7	411.19
Health	760.0	32.9	699.93	21.14	550.9	37.7	810.55	209.2	20.2	408.59
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,019.4	34.2	841.28	24.53	814.8	38.6	948.42	204.6	16.9	414.62
Art, culture, recreation and sport	278.4	31.3	609.55	18.15	190.4	39.3	792.49	88.0	13.9	213.77
Sales and service	3,537.7	30.1	391.34	12.04	2,162.8	38.6	541.37	1,374.9	16.6	155.32
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,858.9	40.2	723.67	17.86	1,745.7	41.7	756.59	113.2	17.2	216.02
Occupations unique to primary industry	232.7	41.1	635.64	14.97	197.1	45.8	725.56	35.6	14.7	137.34
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,237.2	39.0	624.46	15.81	1,175.4	40.2	647.88	61.9	16.2	179.45

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 December 7, 2003 to January 10, 2004	Region	Effective from December 7, 2003 to January 10, 2004
	Unemployment rate		Unemployment rate
	%		%
Newfoundland and Labrador		Ontario - Continued	
01. St. John's	9.7	30. London	7.3
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	20.7	31. Niagara	6.6
Prince Edward Island		32. Windsor	7.0
03. Prince Edward Island	10.7	33. Kitchener	5.6
Nova Scotia		34. Huron	8.1
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	18.4	35. South Central Ontario	4.8
05. Western Nova Scotia	10.4	36. Sudbury	9.8
06. Halifax	6.5	37. Thunder Bay	6.5
New Brunswick		38. Northern Ontario	12.3
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	7.6	Manitoba	
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	11.6	39. Winnipeg	5.7
09. Restigouche-Albert	17.6	40. Southern Manitoba	6.1
Quebec		41. Northern Manitoba	27.6
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	20.7	Saskatchewan	
11. Québec	7.1	42. Regina	5.5
12. Trois-Rivières	11.0	43. Saskatoon	6.3
13. South Central Quebec	4.3	44. Southern Saskatchewan	7.6
14. Sherbrooke	7.7	45. Northern Saskatchewan	13.6
15. Montérégie	7.8	Alberta	
16. Montréal	9.4	46. Calgary	5.5
17. Central Quebec	10.9	47. Edmonton	4.9
18. Northwestern Quebec	16.6	48. Northern Alberta	10.7
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³	13.4	49. Southern Alberta	6.3
20. Hull	5.7	British Columbia	
21. Chicoutimi-Jonquière	11.7	50. Southern Interior British Columbia	10.1
Ontario		51. Abbotsford	6.7
22. Ottawa	7.3	52. Vancouver	7.4
23. Eastern Ontario	6.9	53. Victoria	6.5
24. Kingston	5.7	54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	12.2
25. Central Ontario	6.2	55. Northern British Columbia	13.9
26. Oshawa	4.9	Territories	
27. Toronto	7.6	56. Yukon ⁴	25.0
28. Hamilton	6.5	57. Northwest Territories ⁴	25.0
29. St. Catharines	7.1	58. Nunavut ⁴	25.0

¹ The boundaries of these regions are determined by Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of employment insurance regions, see the HRDC website: http://www.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/ae-ei/reg-econ/5.1_e.shtml.

² This unemployment rate has been determined using a transition formula prescribed in the EI Regulations. For further information, see: <http://www.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/common/news/insur/00-62.shtml>.

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⁴ This rate is provided by Human Resources 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.

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)*