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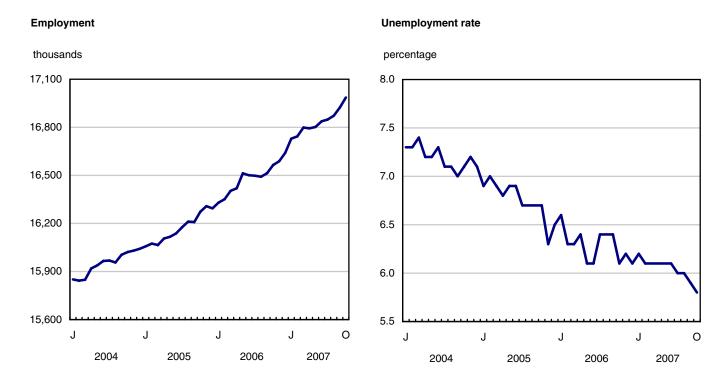
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## **Highlights**

## October 2007

Employment continued to rise in October, jumping an estimated 63,000, split between full and part time. At the same time, the unemployment rate fell to a 33-year low of 5.8%, down 0.1 percentage point from September.

Chart 1 Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted



## Analysis — October 2007

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Employment has increased by 2.1% (+346,000) so far this year, the strongest January to October growth in the past five years. October's employment rate reached an all-time high of 63.7%.

In October, women aged 25 and over posted a record employment rate (59.4%), along with the lowest unemployment rate (4.3%) in over 30 years.

Workers aged 55 and over accounted for the majority of the employment gain in October. With these gains, the proportion of persons aged 55 and over who were employed reached its highest level at 32.2%. Employment for older workers has risen 6.9% since the start of 2007, in contrast to 1.2% for those aged 25 to 54.

For the second consecutive month, more than half the increase in employment occurred in Ontario. In October, employment increased by 32,000 in this province, while the unemployment rate declined to 6.0%.

At the national level, October's employment increase was in the service sector, most notably in health care and social assistance, "other services" and public administration. However, this strength was tempered by losses in business, building and other support services, as well as accommodation and food services.

Spurred by the gains in health care and public administration, employment growth in October was concentrated among public sector employees. With stronger growth in recent months, employment in the public sector has increased by 5.6% so far this year.

Wage pressure continued to build in October, with the year-over-year increase in average hourly wages estimated at 4.1%, still well above the most recent year-over-year Consumer Price Index increase of 2.5%. October marks the third consecutive month with a year-over-year increase in employee wages above 4%.

## Employment growth continues to be driven by service sector

In October, service sector employment grew by 66,000, boosting its growth in the last 12 months to 3.2%. According to the most recent statistics, the gross domestic product of the service sector grew 3.2% in 12 months, compared to 0.8% for the goods-producing sector.

Of all industries, health care and social assistance posted the strongest estimated employment growth in October (+29,000). There was also an increase in "other services" (+24,000), an industry that covers a variety of activities, such as dry cleaning and laundry services; electronic and precision equipment repair and maintenance; as well as grant-making and giving services. As well, public administration added an estimated 20,000 workers in October, all in Ontario.

In contrast to the growth in the service sector, there has been overall weakness in the goods-producing industries where employment has edged down 0.5% since the start of the year. So far in 2007, significant losses in manufacturing have been almost completely offset by robust gains in construction and utilities. In October, utilities was the only industry in the goods-producing sector to show signs of strength.

## Back-to-back gains in Ontario

After slow growth throughout most of the year, employment grew strongly in Ontario for the second consecutive month, up 32,000 in October, mainly in part time. So far in 2007, employment in Ontario has risen by an estimated 1.7%, still below the national average of 2.1%.

October's employment growth in Ontario was mainly in public administration and "other services." The growth in public administration is due, in part, to the provincial election, which coincided with the Labour Force Survey reference week.

Quebec's unemployment rate in October remained at 6.9%, the lowest level in 33 years. So far in 2007, employment has grown 2.2 %, spurred by gains in construction; accommodation and food services and "other services". These gains have pushed the employment rate up, bringing it to a new record high of 61.2% in October.

## Strong labour market across the West

In Manitoba, employment grew 0.6% (+3,600) in october, bringing the increase since the start of 2007 to 2.5%. Still in October, Manitoba's employment rate reached an all-time high of 66.8%. Manitoba also had the second lowest unemployment rate in Canada (4.0%).

Although employment in British Columbia showed little change in October, it has grown 2.4% since the start of the year mainly due to strong growth in trade. In October, the unemployment rate stood at 4.4%, among the lowest in Canada.

Alberta's employment was little changed in October. However, the province continues to have the lowest unemployment rate in the country at 3.4%, as well as Canada's highest employment rate (71.5%).

In Nova Scotia, October's employment increase (+5,300) is mainly attributable to full-time work. first 10 months of 2007, employment has grown mainly in information, culture and recreation; health care and social assistance and in professional, scientific and technical services.

## Older workers lead the way

Employment increased by 32,000 among people 55 and over, with the gains distributed equally between men and women. So far in 2007, employment among this group has grown 6.9%, a much faster pace than that for core-age workers 25 to 54 years of age (+1.2%).

The participation rate in October for Canadians aged 55 and over reached an all-time high of 33.8%. This is due in large part to older women, who in October 2007 had their highest employment and participation rates in at least three decades.

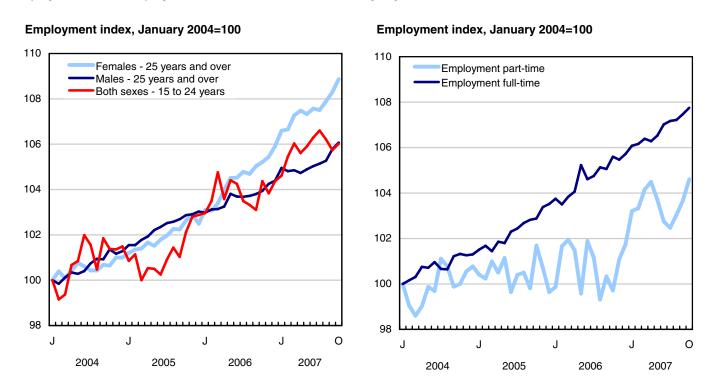
Employment for men and women in the core-age group increased by an estimated 24,000 in October. Since the beginning of the year, 70% of the employment increase for this group can be attributed to women. These gains have brought the unemployment rate for these women down to 4.2% in October, more than one percentage point below that of men (5.4%).

#### Note to readers

The Labour Force Survey estimates are based on a sample, and are therefore subject to sampling variability. Estimates for smaller geographic areas or industries will have more variability. For an explanation of sampling variability of estimates, and how to use standard errors to assess this variability, consult the Data Quality section in this publication.

The 2006 Labour Force Historical Review on CD-ROM (71F0004XCB, \$209) is now available.

Chart 1
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



## Employment index, January 2004=100

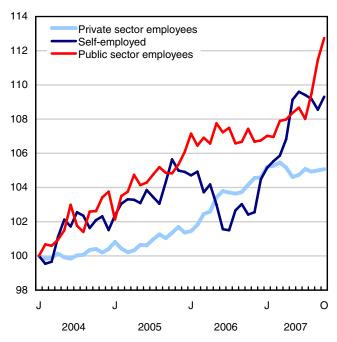
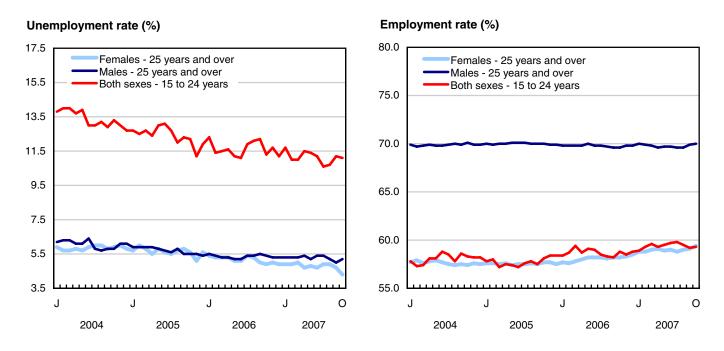


Chart 2 Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



## Participation rate (%)

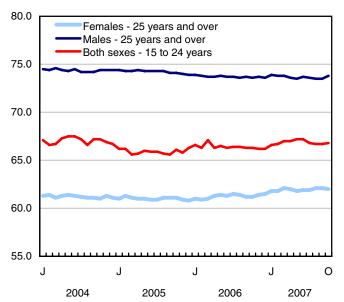


Chart 3 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January, 2004=100

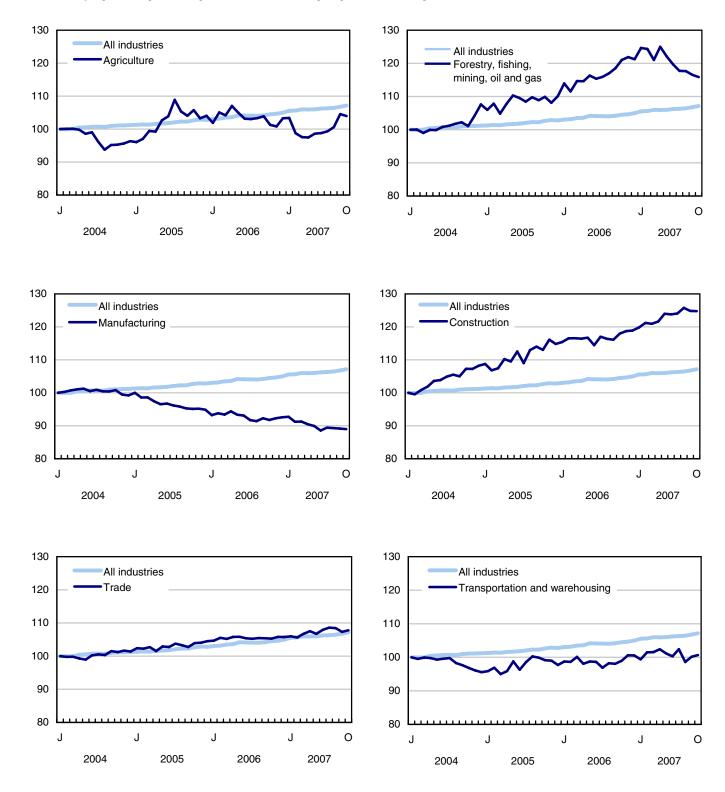


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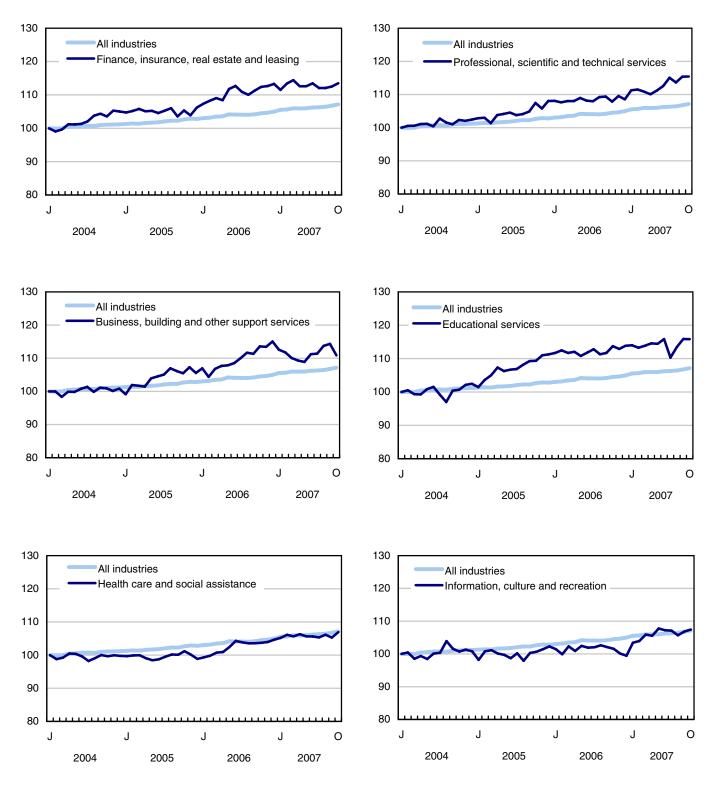
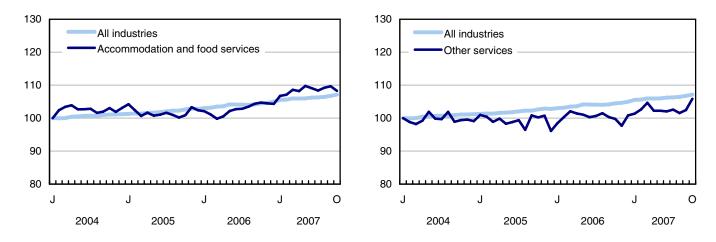


Chart 5
Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January 2004 = 100



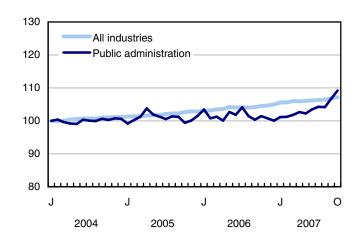


Chart 6 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2004 = 100

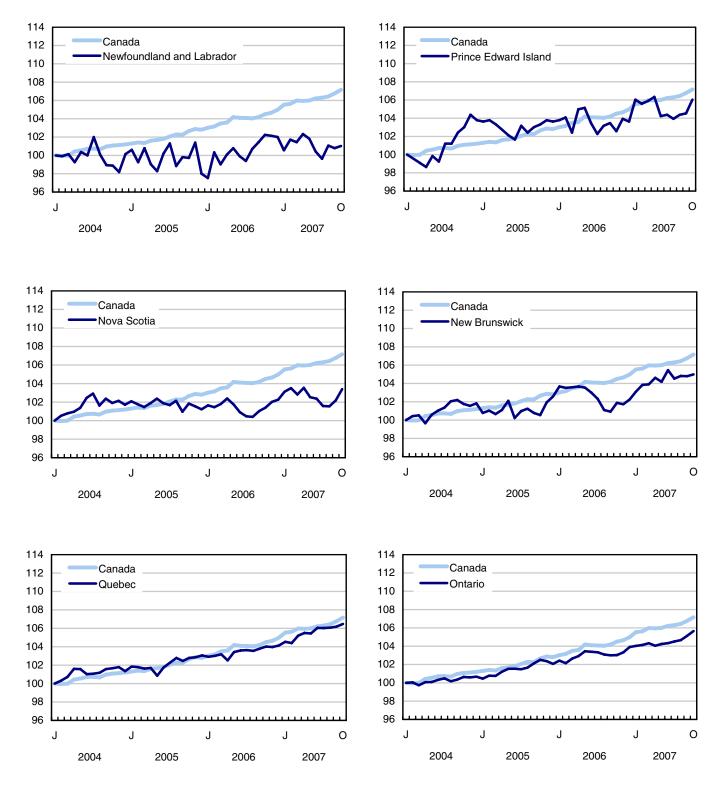
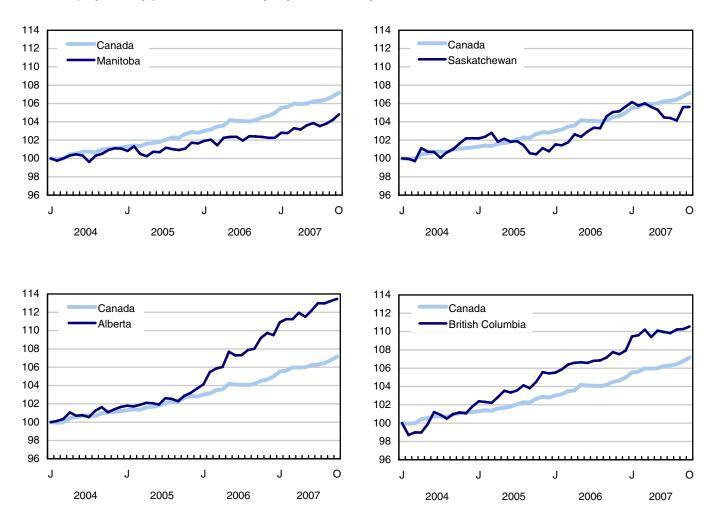


Chart 7
Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2004 = 100



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	September 2007		S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	26,631.8	26,663.2		31.4	305.6	364.3	0.1	1.2	1.4
Labour force	17,976.7	18,029.2	27.1	52.5	313.5	380.5	0.3	1.8	2.2
Employment Employment full-time	16,923.0 13,863.2	16,986.0 13,898.7	27.4 35.2	63.0 35.5	345.6 261.5	421.6 277.2	0.4 0.3	2.1 1.9	2.5 2.0
Employment part-time	3,059.9	3,087.4	32.0	27.5	84.2	144.5	0.3	2.8	4.9
Unemployment	1.053.6	1.043.1	23.1	-10.5	-32.2	-41.2	-1.0	-3.0	-3.8
Participation rate	67.5	67.6	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.5			
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.8	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.5 18.1	63.7 18.2	0.1 0.2	0.2 0.1	0.6 0.1	0.7 0.4			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	4,359.8	4,363.1		3.3	25.1	31.0	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	2,907.0	2,912.9	16.3	5.9	42.5	40.7	0.2	1.5	1.4
Employment	2,582.5	2,589.1	15.7	6.6	40.2	40.2	0.3	1.6	1.6
Employment full-time	1,426.2 1,156.3	1,422.8 1,166.3	17.8 18.2	-3.4 10.0	-4.0 44.2	-35.4 75.6	-0.2 0.9	-0.3 3.9	-2.4 6.9
Employment part-time Unemployment	324.5	323.9	13.7	-0.6	2.4	0.6	-0.2	0.7	0.9
Participation rate	66.7	66.8	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.5	-0.2	0.7	
Unemployment rate	11.2	11.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2		•••	
Employment rate	59.2	59.3	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.5			
Part-time rate	44.8	45.0	0.6	0.3	1.0	2.3			
Men, 25 years and over	40.000.0								
Population Labour force	10,880.2 8,000.8	10,894.1 8,041.1	13.9	13.9 40.3	139.1 121.4	165.4 147.8	0.1 0.5	1.3 1.5	1.5 1.9
Employment	7,603.8	7,624.6	15.9	20.8	121.4	153.6	0.3	1.5	2.1
Employment full-time	7,118.7	7,137.6	19.1	18.9	120.1	143.0	0.3	1.7	2.0
Employment part-time	485.2	487.0	15.1	1.8	0.8	10.6	0.4	0.2	2.2
Unemployment	397.0	416.5	13.3	19.5	0.4	-5.9	4.9	0.1	-1.4
Participation rate	73.5	73.8	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	5.0 69.9	5.2 70.0	0.2 0.1	0.2 0.1	-0.1 0.2	-0.2 0.4			•••
Part-time rate	6.4	6.4	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0			
Women, 25 years and over Population	11,391.9	11,406.0		14.1	141.4	167.9	0.1	1.3	1.5
Labour force	7.068.9	7.075.1	15.3	6.2	149.5	191.9	0.1	2.2	2.8
Employment	6,736.7	6,772.3	15.5	35.6	184.4	227.8	0.5	2.8	3.5
Employment full-time	5,318.3	5,338.3	22.4	20.0	145.4	169.6	0.4	2.8	3.3
Employment part-time	1,418.4	1,434.1	20.8	15.7	39.2	58.3	1.1	2.8	4.2
Unemployment	332.1 62.1	302.8 62.0	12.2 0.1	-29.3 -0.1	-34.9 0.5	-35.9 0.8	-8.8	-10.3	-10.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	4.7	4.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate	59.1	59.4	0.1	0.3	0.9	1.2			
Part-time rate	21.1	21.2	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.2			
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,349.3	14,358.0		8.7	76.9	93.4	0.1	0.5	0.7
Labour force	12,422.6	12,430.5	20.4	7.9	102.0	141.8	0.1	0.8	1.2
Employment Unemployment	11,811.6 611.0	11,835.6 594.9	21.8 16.9	24.0 -16.1	139.8 -37.8	183.2 -41.3	0.2 -2.6	1.2 -6.0	1.6 -6.5
Participation rate	86.6	86.6	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.5	-2.0	-0.0	-0.5
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.8	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4			
Employment rate	82.3	82.4	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.7			

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0087

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007 2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		į	n thous	ands					
Class of worker Employees Self-employed <sup>2</sup>	14,295.9 2,627.1	14,340.5 2,645.5	31.4 20.6	44.6 18.4	228.6 117.0	254.8 166.8	0.3 0.7	1.6 4.6	1.8 6.7
Public/private sector employees Public sector employees Private sector employees	3,332.5 10,963.5	3,370.5 10,970.0	19.3 32.4	38.0 6.5	179.0 49.5	158.9 95.9	1.1 0.1	5.6 0.5	4.9 0.9
Industry	16,923.0	16,986.0	27.4	63.0	345.6	421.6	0.4	2.1	2.5
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	3,999.8 350.0 329.1 141.9 1,143.7 2,035.1	3,996.5 348.1 327.2 146.6 1,143.0 2,031.6	22.4 6.7 6.3 3.7 13.6 17.4	-3.3 -1.9 -1.9 4.7 -0.7 -3.5	-19.2 2.3 -15.2 22.0 53.7 -82.0	13.0 9.0 -14.6 19.5 62.4 -63.3	-0.1 -0.5 -0.6 3.3 -0.1 -0.2	-0.5 0.7 -4.4 17.7 4.9 -3.9	0.3 2.7 -4.3 15.3 5.8 -3.0
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	12,923.3 2,680.8 812.9 1,057.9	12,989.5 2,692.8 816.9 1,067.1	30.3 19.5 11.4 12.5	66.2 12.0 4.0 9.2	364.8 51.0 1.0 1.9	408.6 63.0 13.8 10.1	0.5 0.4 0.5 0.9	2.9 1.9 0.1 0.2	3.2 2.4 1.7 1.0
services Business, building and other support	1,159.8	1,160.3	14.2	0.5	69.4	76.2	0.0	6.4	7.0
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	718.7 1,196.2 1,832.6 784.6 1,083.5 715.5 880.6	696.9 1,195.7 1,861.2 789.0 1,069.6 739.3 900.8	12.4 13.0 14.5 12.1 13.7 10.8 9.6	-21.8 -0.5 28.6 4.4 -13.9 23.8 20.2	-26.3 20.2 39.6 58.6 38.9 35.1 75.4	-16.9 21.8 55.8 43.1 35.1 42.6 64.1	-3.0 0.0 1.6 0.6 -1.3 3.3 2.3	-3.6 1.7 2.2 8.0 3.8 5.0 9.1	-2.4 1.9 3.1 5.8 3.4 6.1 7.7

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

Includes both incorporated and unincorporated working owners, self-employed persons who do not have a business and persons working in a family business without pay.

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

Table 3 Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	September	October	S.E.1		Change from	1	Percent change from			
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
		in thous								
Newfoundland and Labrador Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	423.3 250.4 216.3 187.3 29.0 34.0 59.2 13.6 51.1	423.6 250.7 216.8 187.5 29.3 33.9 59.2 13.5 51.2	2.2 2.3 2.6 1.8 2.2 0.5 0.8 0.5	0.3 0.5 0.2 0.3 -0.1 0.0 -0.1	-2.8 -3.2 -2.1 2.8 -4.9 -1.1 -0.3 -0.3	-3.3 -4.9 -2.6 1.1 -3.7 -2.3 -0.7 -0.7	0.1 0.1 0.2 0.1 1.0 -0.3	-0.7 -1.3 -1.0 1.5 -14.3 -3.1 	-0.8 -1.9 -1.2 0.6 -11.2 -6.4 	
Prince Edward Island Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	113.6 77.4 69.2 57.9 11.3 8.1 68.1 10.5 60.9	113.7 77.0 70.2 57.9 12.3 6.8 67.7 8.8 61.7	0.6 0.6 0.8 0.6 0.6 0.5 0.7	0.1 -0.4 1.0 0.0 1.0 -1.3 -0.4 -1.7	1.0 -1.3 1.6 1.3 0.3 -2.9 -1.8 -3.6 0.8	1.2 0.6 2.3 1.1 1.2 -1.7 -0.2 -2.3 1.3	0.1 -0.5 1.4 0.0 8.8 -16.0	0.9 -1.7 2.3 2.3 2.5 -29.9 	1.1 0.8 3.4 1.9 10.8 -20.0	
Nova Scotia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	764.9 483.6 445.0 360.1 84.9 38.6 63.2 8.0 58.2	765.0 487.5 450.3 364.8 85.5 37.2 63.7 7.6 58.9	2.7 2.9 3.6 3.1 2.5 0.4 0.5 0.4	0.1 3.9 5.3 4.7 0.6 -1.4 0.5 -0.4 0.7	1.5 7.0 4.9 0.8 4.1 2.1 0.8 0.3 0.6	1.8 7.2 8.7 5.9 2.8 -1.5 0.8 -0.5	0.0 0.8 1.2 1.3 0.7 -3.6	0.2 1.5 1.1 0.2 5.0 6.0	0.2 1.5 2.0 1.6 3.4 -3.9	
New Brunswick Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	614.0 395.7 363.1 305.4 57.7 32.6 64.4 8.2 59.1	614.5 393.6 363.8 307.0 56.9 29.8 64.1 7.6 59.2	2.4 2.4 2.8 2.4 2.1 0.4 0.5 0.4	0.5 -2.1 0.7 1.6 -0.8 -2.8 -0.3 -0.6 0.1	3.3 6.5 9.5 9.2 0.4 -3.0 0.8 -0.9	3.5 9.5 10.8 8.8 2.0 -1.3 1.2 -0.5	0.1 -0.5 0.2 0.5 -1.4 -8.6	0.5 1.7 2.7 3.1 0.7 -9.1 	0.6 2.5 3.1 3.0 3.6 -4.2	
Quebec Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	6,325.8 4,148.5 3,864.2 3,131.3 732.9 284.3 65.6 6.9 61.1	6,330.3 4,163.3 3,874.3 3,158.5 715.8 289.0 65.8 6.9 61.2	14.2 14.8 18.9 17.5 13.2 0.2 0.3 0.2	4.5 14.8 10.1 27.2 -17.1 4.7 0.2 0.0 0.1	47.5 67.6 84.9 48.0 36.9 -17.3 0.6 -0.6	57.7 61.3 89.0 41.9 47.1 -27.7 0.4 -0.8 0.9	0.1 0.4 0.3 0.9 -2.3 1.7	0.8 1.7 2.2 1.5 5.4 -5.6 	0.9 1.5 2.4 1.3 7.0 -8.7	

See footnotes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	า	Percent change from			
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
		in thous								
Ontario Population Labour force	10,391.0 7,058.1	10,403.9 7,082.2	 18.5	12.9 24.1	113.0 113.6	133.2 151.9	0.1 0.3	1.1 1.6	1.3 2.2	
Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	6,623.7 5,440.8 1,182.9 434.4 67.9 6.2 63.7	6,656.0 5,447.2 1,208.8 426.1 68.1 6.0 64.0	18.1 22.8 20.7 15.9 0.2 0.2	32.3 6.4 25.9 -8.3 0.2 -0.2 0.3	109.4 92.6 16.9 4.1 0.4 -0.1	164.7 98.6 66.1 -12.9 0.6 -0.3 0.8	0.5 0.1 2.2 -1.9	1.7 1.7 1.4 1.0 	2.5 1.8 5.8 -2.9 	
Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	900.6 624.7 598.7 488.4 110.3 26.0 69.4 4.2 66.5	901.5 627.7 602.3 486.9 115.3 25.4 69.6 4.0 66.8	2.9 2.8 3.8 3.7 2.1 0.3 0.3	0.9 3.0 3.6 -1.5 5.0 -0.6 0.2 -0.2	7.7 15.1 14.7 14.5 0.1 0.4 1.1 -0.1	8.4 14.0 14.2 18.5 -4.3 -0.2 0.9 -0.2	0.1 0.5 0.6 -0.3 4.5 -2.3	0.9 2.5 2.5 3.1 0.1 1.6 	0.9 2.3 2.4 3.9 -3.6 -0.8	
Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	753.6 522.6 502.5 411.6 90.9 20.0 69.3 3.8 66.7	755.1 525.1 502.6 416.3 86.3 22.5 69.5 4.3 66.6	2.4 2.4 3.2 2.9 1.8 0.3 0.3 0.3	1.5 2.5 0.1 4.7 -4.6 2.5 0.2 0.5 -0.1	8.8 1.1 -0.2 8.6 -8.8 1.3 -0.7 0.3 -0.8	9.0 5.0 2.7 9.8 -7.1 2.4 -0.2 0.4 -0.4	0.2 0.5 0.0 1.1 -5.1 12.5	1.2 0.2 0.0 2.1 -9.3 6.1 	1.2 1.0 0.5 2.4 -7.6 11.9	
Alberta Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	2,759.9 2,046.2 1,973.3 1,660.1 313.2 72.9 74.1 3.6 71.5	2,764.1 2,045.9 1,977.1 1,656.6 320.5 68.9 74.0 3.4 71.5	7.7 8.0 11.0 9.9 5.6 0.3 0.3	4.2 -0.3 3.8 -3.5 7.3 -4.0 -0.1 -0.2	72.0 71.5 68.7 41.1 27.6 2.9 0.7 0.1 0.6	90.2 84.7 74.4 42.0 32.5 10.4 0.7 0.4 0.3	0.2 0.0 0.2 -0.2 2.3 -5.5	2.7 3.6 3.6 2.5 9.4 4.4	3.4 4.3 3.9 2.6 11.3 17.8	
British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,585.2 2,369.5 2,266.8 1,820.0 446.8 102.6 66.1 4.3 63.2	3,591.4 2,376.2 2,272.6 1,816.0 456.6 103.6 66.2 4.4 63.3	10.0 10.1 13.5 12.3 7.2 0.3 0.3	6.2 6.7 5.8 -4.0 9.8 1.0 0.1 0.1	53.4 35.5 54.1 42.8 11.3 -18.6 0.0 -0.8 0.6	62.5 51.1 57.4 49.7 7.6 -6.3 0.3 -0.3	0.2 0.3 0.3 -0.2 2.2 1.0	1.5 1.5 2.4 2.4 2.5 -15.2 	1.8 2.2 2.6 2.8 1.7 -5.7	

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0087

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population	423.3	423.6		0.3	-2.8	-3.3	0.1	-0.7	-0.8
Labour force	250.4	250.7	2.2	0.3	-3.2	-4.9	0.1	-1.3	-1.9
Employment Employment full-time	216.3 187.3	216.8 187.5	2.3 2.6	0.5 0.2	-2.1 2.8	-2.6 1.1	0.2 0.1	-1.0 1.5	-1.2 0.6
Unemployment	34.0	33.9	2.2	-0.1	-1.1	-2.3	-0.3	-3.1	-6.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	59.2 13.6	59.2 13.5	0.5 0.8	0.0 -0.1	-0.3 -0.3	-0.7 -0.7		•••	•••
Employment rate	51.1	51.2	0.5	0.1	-0.3 -0.1	-0.7			
Part-time rate	13.4	13.5	8.0	0.1	-2.1	-1.5			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population Labour force	63.1	63.0	 1.1	-0.1	-2.4 -2.1	-2.8	-0.2	-3.7	-4.3
Labour force Employment	34.1 27.3	34.3 27.6	1.1	0.2 0.3	-2.1 -0.8	-1.5 -1.4	0.6 1.1	-5.8 -2.8	-4.2 -4.8
Unemployment	6.7	6.7	1.0	0.0	-1.2	-0.1	0.0	-15.2	-1.5
Participation rate	54.0	54.4	1.6	0.4	-1.3	0.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	19.6 43.3	19.5 43.8	2.7 1.6	-0.1 0.5	-2.2 0.4	0.5 -0.3			
Part-time rate	38.1	34.8	3.5	-3.3	-6.8	-5.6			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	174.2	174.4		0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	113.2 98.3	113.9 98.5	1.2 1.4	0.7 0.2	-1.1 -0.3	-0.7 0.3	0.6 0.2	-1.0 -0.3	-0.6 0.3
Employment Unemployment	14.8	15.4	1.4	0.2	-0.3 -0.8	-1.0	4.1	-0.3 -4.9	-6.1
Participation rate	65.0	65.3	0.7	0.3	-0.5	-0.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	13.1 56.4	13.5 56.5	1.2 0.8	0.4 0.1	-0.6 -0.1	-0.8 0.3			
Part-time rate	4.3	4.8	0.8	0.5	-0.1	0.3			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	186.0	186.2		0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	103.1	102.5	1.2	-0.6	0.0	-2.7	-0.6	0.0	-2.6
Employment Unemployment	90.7 12.5	90.7 11.7	1.2 1.2	0.0 -0.8	-1.0 0.8	-1.5 -1.3	0.0 -6.4	-1.1 7.3	-1.6 -10.0
Participation rate	55.4	55.0	0.6	-0.4	0.0	-1.5			
Unemployment rate	12.1	11.4	1.1	-0.7	0.8	-1.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	48.8 15.9	48.7 16.5	0.7 1.3	-0.1 0.7	-0.5 -2.2	-0.8 -1.6			
Industry	216.3	216.8	2.3	0.5	-2.1	-2.6	0.2	-1.0	-1.2
Goods-producing sector Agriculture	48.9 0.9	49.1 0.9	1.8 0.3	0.2 0.0	-1.3 -0.8	-1.6 -0.8	0.4 0.0	-2.6 -47.1	-3.2 -47.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	14.7	16.2	1.1	1.5	-1.7	-1.4	10.2	-9.5	-8.0
Utilities	1.6	2.2	0.2	0.6	0.8	0.5	37.5	57.1	29.4
Construction Manufacturing	14.6 17.1	13.4 16.4	1.0 1.1	-1.2 -0.7	-0.2 0.6	-0.3 0.5	-8.2 -4.1	-1.5 3.8	-2.2 3.1
Services-producing sector	167.4	167.7	2.0	0.3	-0.8	-1.0	0.2	-0.5	-0.6
Trade	34.5	34.5	1.2	0.0	-3.6	-3.3	0.0	-9.4	-8.7
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	10.0 7.2	9.6 7.3	0.7 0.4	-0.4 0.1	-1.7 0.9	-1.7 1.3	-4.0 1.4	-15.0 14.1	-15.0 21.7
services	8.7	8.1	0.5	-0.6	2.3	1.6	-6.9	39.7	24.6
Business, building and other support services	9.6	9.4	0.7	-0.2	0.1	-0.2	-2.1	1.1	-2.1
Educational services	15.8	15.5	0.8	-0.2	-3.1	-2.2	-1.9	-16.7	-12.4
Health care and social assistance	33.0	33.3	0.9	0.3	3.6	3.6	0.9	12.1	12.1
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	7.3 15.7	7.7 15.9	0.7 0.9	0.4 0.2	-1.4 3.5	-2.1 2.5	5.5 1.3	-15.4 28.2	-21.4 18.7
Other services	8.3	9.2	0.9	0.2	-2.2	-1.9	10.8	-19.3	-17.1
Public administration	17.3	17.4	8.0	0.1	1.1	1.7	0.6	6.7	10.8

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	440.0	440 7		0.4	4.0	4.0	0.4	0.0	4.4
Population Labour force	113.6 77.4	113.7 77.0	0.6	0.1 -0.4	1.0 -1.3	1.2 0.6	0.1 -0.5	0.9 -1.7	1.1 0.8
Employment	69.2	70.2	0.6	1.0	1.6	2.3	1.4	2.3	3.4
Employment full-time	57.9 8.1	57.9 6.8	0.8	0.0 -1.3	1.3	1.1	0.0 -16.0	2.3	1.9
Unemployment Participation rate	68.1	67.7	0.6 0.5	-1.3	-2.9 -1.8	-1.7 -0.2	-10.0	-29.9	-20.0 
Unemployment rate	10.5	8.8	0.7	-1.7	-3.6	-2.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	60.9 16.3	61.7 17.5	0.6 0.9	0.8 1.2	0.8 0.0	1.3 1.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.7	19.6		-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-1.0	-1.5
Labour force Employment	13.7 11.7	14.1 12.4	0.3 0.3	0.4 0.7	-0.2 0.6	0.5 0.7	2.9 6.0	-1.4 5.1	3.7 6.0
Unemployment	2.0	1.7	0.3	-0.3	-0.8	-0.2	-15.0	-32.0	-10.5
Participation rate	69.5	71.9	1.7	2.4	-0.3	3.6			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	14.6 59.4	12.1 63.3	2.1 1.7	-2.5 3.9	-5.4 3.7	-1.9 4.5	•••		
Part-time rate	41.0	45.2	3.0	4.1	3.6	6.7			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population Labour force	44.9 32.1	44.9 31.6	0.3	0.0 -0.5	0.4 -1.5	0.4 -0.6	0.0 -1.6	0.9 -4.5	0.9 -1.9
Employment	28.9	29.2	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	1.0	-4.5 1.7	1.7
Unemployment	3.2	2.4	0.4	-0.8	-1.9	-1.1	-25.0	-44.2	-31.4
Participation rate	71.5 10.0	70.4 7.6	0.8	-1.1 -2.4	-4.0 -5.4	-2.0 -3.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	64.4	65.0	1.1 0.9	0.6	-5.4 0.5	-3.3 0.5			
Part-time rate	6.2	6.2	1.0	-0.1	0.2	0.9			
Women, 25 years and over	49.0	49.1		0.1	0.7	0.9	0.2	1.4	1.0
Population Labour force	31.5	31.3	0.3	-0.2	0.7	0.9	-0.6	1.4	1.9 2.3
Employment	28.6	28.6	0.4	0.0	0.5	1.2	0.0	1.8	4.4
Unemployment Participation rate	2.9	2.7	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-6.9	-6.9	-15.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	64.3 9.2	63.7 8.6	0.7 1.0	-0.6 -0.6	-0.3 -0.8	0.2 -1.9			
Employment rate	58.4	58.2	8.0	-0.2	0.1	1.4			
Part-time rate	16.8	16.8	1.5	0.0	-2.4	-1.5			•••
Industry	69.2	70.2	0.6	1.0	1.6	2.3	1.4	2.3	3.4
Goods-producing sector	17.6	17.9	0.6	0.3	-0.6	-0.7	1.7	-3.2	-3.8
Agriculture	3.4	3.4	0.3	0.0	-0.6	-0.4	0.0	-15.0	-10.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	2.4 0.3	2.7 0.2	0.2 0.0	0.3 -0.1	0.5 0.0	0.2 -0.1	12.5 -33.3	22.7 0.0	8.0 -33.3
Construction	4.8	4.9	0.3	0.1	-0.8	-0.6	2.1	-14.0	-10.9
Manufacturing	6.7	6.7	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	3.1	3.1
Services-producing sector Trade	51.6 9.9	52.3 10.7	0.6 0.3	0.7 0.8	2.2 0.9	3.1 1.0	1.4 8.1	4.4 9.2	6.3 10.3
Transportation and warehousing	2.5	2.5	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	4.2	0.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	2.8	3.0	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.7	7.1	25.0	30.4
services Business, building and other support	2.2	2.3	0.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	4.5	-8.0	-4.2
services	2.8	2.7	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-3.6	3.8	-3.6
Educational services	4.9	5.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.5	2.0	4.2	11.1
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	8.5 2.6	8.2 2.6	0.3 0.2	-0.3 0.0	0.3 0.1	0.4 0.1	-3.5 0.0	3.8 4.0	5.1 4.0
Accommodation and food services	6.1	5.6	0.2	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1	-8.2	-3.4	-1.8
Other services	3.0	3.2	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.5	6.7	23.1	18.5
Public administration	6.4	6.5	0.3	0.1	-0.3	0.3	1.6	-4.4	4.8

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time	764.9 483.6 445.0	765.0 487.5 450.3	2.7 2.9 3.6	0.1 3.9 5.3 4.7	1.5 7.0 4.9 0.8	1.8 7.2 8.7 5.9	0.0 0.8 1.2 1.3	0.2 1.5 1.1 0.2	0.2 1.5 2.0
Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	360.1 38.6 63.2 8.0 58.2 19.1	364.8 37.2 63.7 7.6 58.9 19.0	2.5 0.4 0.5 0.4 0.7	-1.4 0.5 -0.4 0.7 -0.1	0.6 2.1 0.8 0.3 0.6 0.7	-1.5 0.8 -0.5 1.0 0.3	-3.6  	6.0  	1.6 -3.9  
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	122.3 79.6 71.6 8.0 65.1 10.1 58.5 47.8	122.2 82.8 74.2 8.7 67.8 10.5 60.7 46.4	1.6 1.6 1.4 1.3 1.7 1.3 2.4	-0.1 3.2 2.6 0.7 2.7 0.4 2.2 -1.4	-0.6 1.8 3.2 -1.3 1.8 -1.8 2.9 0.4	-0.7 0.9 4.5 -3.5 1.2 -4.4 4.0	-0.1 4.0 3.6 8.8 	-0.5 2.2 4.5 -13.0 	-0.6 1.1 6.5 -28.7 
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	306.7 209.2 192.1 17.1 68.2 8.2 62.6 6.4	306.7 209.9 193.7 16.2 68.4 7.7 63.2 7.1	1.5 1.7 1.5 0.5 0.7 0.5 0.7	0.0 0.7 1.6 -0.9 0.2 -0.5 0.6 0.7	0.9 3.0 2.8 0.2 0.7 0.0 0.8 0.1	1.0 3.4 3.3 0.1 0.9 -0.1 0.9 -0.1	0.0 0.3 0.8 -5.3 	0.3 1.4 1.5 1.2 	0.3 1.6 1.7 0.6 
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	336.0 194.9 181.4 13.5 58.0 6.9 54.0 21.1	336.1 194.7 182.5 12.3 57.9 6.3 54.3 20.4	1.4 1.5 1.2 0.4 0.6 0.4 1.1	0.1 -0.2 1.1 -1.2 -0.1 -0.6 0.3 -0.7	1.2 2.1 -1.1 3.2 0.4 1.6 -0.5 1.2	1.5 2.9 1.0 2.0 0.6 0.9 0.1 -0.2	0.0 -0.1 0.6 -8.9 	0.4 1.1 -0.6 35.2 	0.4 1.5 0.6 19.4 
Industry	445.0	450.3	2.9	5.3	4.9	8.7	1.2	1.1	2.0
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	90.1 5.6 10.1 1.9 28.9 43.6	87.7 5.3 10.4 2.1 28.4 41.5	2.2 0.6 1.0 0.2 1.4 1.4	-2.4 -0.3 0.3 0.2 -0.5	1.4 0.8 -1.3 -0.1 0.5 1.5	2.2 0.6 -1.8 0.0 0.1 3.3	-2.7 -5.4 3.0 10.5 -1.7 -4.8	1.6 17.8 -11.1 -4.5 1.8 3.8	2.6 12.8 -14.8 0.0 0.4 8.6
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	355.0 75.4 17.9 23.4	362.6 76.9 19.1 22.8	2.9 1.9 1.0 0.9	7.6 1.5 1.2 -0.6	3.5 -1.9 1.0 -1.7	6.5 1.3 0.9 -0.7	2.1 2.0 6.7 -2.6	1.0 -2.4 5.5 -6.9	1.8 1.7 4.9 -3.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	17.7	18.2	1.0	0.5	1.4	0.9	2.8	8.3	5.2
Business, building and other support services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	25.1 36.7 60.8 19.9 28.4 20.1 29.5	28.7 35.4 63.5 21.0 28.8 20.1 28.0	1.3 1.4 1.3 1.0 1.4 1.1	3.6 -1.3 2.7 1.1 0.4 0.0 -1.5	-0.3 0.5 2.7 4.7 -2.7 0.1 -0.6	-1.0 0.7 3.7 5.7 -3.8 -0.4 -0.8	14.3 -3.5 4.4 5.5 1.4 0.0 -5.1	-1.0 1.4 4.4 28.8 -8.6 0.5 -2.1	-3.4 2.0 6.2 37.3 -11.7 -2.0 -2.8

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	244.2	044 <b>=</b>			0.0	0.5		0.5	0.0
Population Labour force	614.0 395.7	614.5 393.6	2.4	0.5 -2.1	3.3 6.5	3.5 9.5	0.1 -0.5	0.5 1.7	0.6 2.5
Employment	363.1	363.8	2.4	0.7	9.5	10.8	0.2	2.7	3.1
Employment full-time Unemployment	305.4 32.6	307.0 29.8	2.8 2.1	1.6 -2.8	9.2 -3.0	8.8 -1.3	0.5 -8.6	3.1 -9.1	3.0 -4.2
Participation rate	64.4	64.1	0.4	-0.3	0.8	1.2	-0.0	-9.1 	-4.2
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.6	0.5	-0.6	-0.9	-0.5			
Employment rate Part-time rate	59.1 15.9	59.2 15.6	0.4 0.6	0.1 -0.3	1.2 -0.3	1.4 0.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population Labour force	94.8	94.8	1.3	0.0 -1.5	-0.4 2.6	-0.6	0.0	-0.4	-0.6
Labour force Employment	65.0 55.2	63.5 54.9	1.3	-0.3	2.0	3.3 2.3	-2.3 -0.5	4.3 3.8	5.5 4.4
Unemployment	9.7	8.6	1.1	-1.1	0.6	1.0	-11.3	7.5	13.2
Participation rate Unemployment rate	68.6	67.0 13.5	1.4	-1.6 -1.4	3.0	3.9 0.9	•••		
Employment rate	14.9 58.2	57.9	1.7 1.4	-0.3	0.4 2.3	2.8			
Part-time rate	41.5	39.9	2.3	-1.6	4.5	4.9			
Men, 25 years and over Population	250.9	251.2		0.3	1.7	1.9	0.1	0.7	0.8
Labour force	171.5	171.6	1.3	0.3	2.0	1.3	0.1	1.2	0.8
Employment	157.4	158.5	1.4	1.1	3.6	3.0	0.7	2.3	1.9
Unemployment Participation rate	14.1 68.4	13.2 68.3	1.4 0.5	-0.9 -0.1	-1.5 0.3	-1.7 -0.1	-6.4	-10.2	-11.4
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.7	0.8	-0.1	-1.0	-1.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	62.7 5.0	63.1 4.9	0.6 0.7	0.4 -0.1	1.0 -1.0	0.7 -0.9			
Women, 25 years and over	000.0	200.4		0.4	4.0	0.4		0.7	0.0
Population Labour force	268.3 159.3	268.4 158.5	1.3	0.1 -0.8	1.9 1.9	2.1 5.0	0.0 -0.5	0.7 1.2	0.8 3.3
Employment	150.4	150.5	1.3	0.1	4.0	5.6	0.1	2.7	3.9
Unemployment	8.8	8.0	1.1	-0.8	-2.1	-0.6	-9.1	-20.8	-7.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	59.4 5.5	59.1 5.0	0.5 0.7	-0.3 -0.5	0.3 -1.4	1.5 -0.6			
Employment rate	56.1	56.1	0.5	0.0	1.1	1.7			
Part-time rate	18.0	18.1	1.1	0.1	-1.4	-1.0			
Industry	363.1	363.8	2.4	0.7	9.5	10.8	0.2	2.7	3.1
Goods-producing sector	81.5	82.0	1.8	0.5	1.9	2.3	0.6	2.4	2.9
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	5.4 10.8	5.7 11.3	0.6 0.8	0.3 0.5	-0.3 1.3	-0.7 2.2	5.6 4.6	-5.0 13.0	-10.9 24.2
Utilities	4.0	3.8	0.3	-0.2	0.7	8.0	-5.0	22.6	26.7
Construction Manufacturing	24.5 36.8	24.3 36.8	1.2 1.3	-0.2 0.0	1.6 -1.5	2.8 -2.8	-0.8 0.0	7.0 -3.9	13.0 -7.1
Services-producing sector	281.6	281.8	2.3	0.2	7.6	8.4	0.1	2.8	3.1
Trade Transportation and warehousing	58.0 19.6	58.6 18.7	1.4 0.8	0.6 -0.9	0.6 -1.5	3.4 -0.9	1.0 -4.6	1.0 -7.4	6.2 -4.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	15.3	16.0	0.8	0.7	-1.7	-1.1	4.6	-9.6	-6.4
services	16.6	16.3	0.8	-0.3	2.4	1.3	-1.8	17.3	8.7
Business, building and other support services	21.0	20.5	1.1	-0.5	0.8	-1.7	-2.4	4.1	-7.7
Educational services	26.9	20.5 25.8	1.1	-0.5 -1.1	-0.2	0.0	-2.4 -4.1	-0.8	0.0
Health care and social assistance	47.2	49.0	1.1	1.8	2.8	4.5	3.8	6.1	10.1
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	13.7 23.8	14.4 21.9	0.7 1.1	0.7 -1.9	3.0 -1.3	2.6 -2.1	5.1 -8.0	26.3 -5.6	22.0 -8.8
Other services	17.5	18.9	0.9	1.4	1.5	1.8	8.0	8.6	10.5
Public administration	21.9	21.7	8.0	-0.2	1.3	0.6	-0.9	6.4	2.8

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	0.005.0			4.5	47.5	F7 7	0.4	0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	6,325.8 4,148.5	6,330.3 4,163.3	14.2	4.5 14.8	47.5 67.6	57.7 61.3	0.1 0.4	0.8 1.7	0.9 1.5
Employment	3,864.2	3,874.3	14.8	10.1	84.9	89.0	0.3	2.2	2.4
Employment full-time Unemployment	3,131.3 284.3	3,158.5 289.0	18.9 13.2	27.2 4.7	48.0 -17.3	41.9 -27.7	0.9 1.7	1.5 -5.6	1.3 -8.7
Participation rate	65.6	65.8	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.4	1.7	-5.0	-0.1
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.9	0.3	0.0	-0.6	-0.8			•••
Employment rate Part-time rate	61.1 19.0	61.2 18.5	0.2 0.4	0.1 -0.5	0.9 0.6	0.9 0.8			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	955.3	955.8		0.5	3.5	4.3	0.1	0.4	0.5
Labour force Employment	632.6 549.9	636.3 553.1	8.4 8.3	3.7 3.2	9.3 3.0	10.3 2.0	0.6 0.6	1.5 0.5	1.6 0.4
Unemployment	82.7	83.2	7.6	0.5	6.3	8.2	0.6	8.2	10.9
Participation rate	66.2	66.6	0.9	0.4	0.8	0.8			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	13.1 57.6	13.1 57.9	1.1 0.9	0.0 0.3	0.8 0.1	1.1 0.0		•••	
Part-time rate	48.9	49.6	1.6	0.8	2.5	4.7			
Men, 25 years and over	0.000.4				00.0	07.0	•	0.0	4.0
Population Labour force	2,623.4 1,852.3	2,625.5 1,866.1	7.9	2.1 13.8	22.3 5.9	27.0 3.9	0.1 0.7	0.9 0.3	1.0 0.2
Employment	1,737.0	1,741.1	8.5	4.1	19.9	19.1	0.2	1.2	1.1
Unemployment	115.4	125.0	8.1	9.6	-14.0	-15.2	8.3	-10.1	-10.8
Participation rate Unemployment rate	70.6 6.2	71.1 6.7	0.3 0.4	0.5 0.5	-0.4 -0.8	-0.6 -0.8		•••	
Employment rate	66.2	66.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0			
Part-time rate	7.1	6.7	0.5	-0.4	0.0	0.0			
Women, 25 years and over Population	2,747.1	2,749.1		2.0	21.8	26.5	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	1,663.5	1,660.8	7.7	-2.7	52.3	47.0	-0.2	3.3	2.9
Employment	1,577.3	1,580.0	8.1	2.7	61.8	67.8	0.2	4.1	4.5
Unemployment Participation rate	86.2 60.6	80.8 60.4	6.8 0.3	-5.4 -0.2	-9.5 1.4	-20.8 1.1	-6.3	-10.5 	-20.5 
Unemployment rate	5.2	4.9	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	-1.4			
Employment rate	57.4	57.5	0.3	0.1	1.8	2.0			
Part-time rate	21.6	20.5	0.7	-1.1	0.5	0.4		•••	•••
Industry	3,864.2	3,874.3	14.8	10.1	84.9	89.0	0.3	2.2	2.4
Goods-producing sector	876.2	880.6	11.9	4.4	0.4	-6.1	0.5	0.0	-0.7
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	70.3 34.2	70.9 34.4	3.5 2.2	0.6 0.2	4.4 -0.2	6.7 -3.4	0.9 0.6	6.6 -0.6	10.4 -9.0
Utilities	36.1	36.6	1.8	0.5	11.1	5.9	1.4	43.5	19.2
Construction Manufacturing	195.9 539.8	201.3 537.2	6.4 9.7	5.4 -2.6	23.1 -38.1	19.6 -35.2	2.8 -0.5	13.0 -6.6	10.8 -6.1
Services-producing sector	2.988.0	2,993.7	16.0	5.7	84.4	95.1	0.2	2.9	3.3
Trade	650.4	640.8	10.4	-9.6	4.5	14.4	-1.5	0.7	2.3
Transportation and warehousing	180.0	183.1	5.7	3.1	9.2	13.0	1.7	5.3	7.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	227.9	236.1	6.1	8.2	5.2	10.9	3.6	2.3	4.8
services Business, building and other support	265.5	259.3	7.5	-6.2	4.9	15.1	-2.3	1.9	6.2
services	139.8	138.9	6.3	-0.9	-11.1	-9.9	-0.6	-7.4	-6.7
Educational services	252.2	254.9	6.8	2.7	-2.1	-10.7	1.1	-0.8	-4.0
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	448.4 168.8	454.1 167.5	7.9 6.4	5.7 -1.3	-0.2 7.2	-3.4 0.4	1.3 -0.8	0.0 4.5	-0.7 0.2
Accommodation and food services	244.8	243.4	7.2	-1.3 -1.4	23.3	25.3	-0.6	10.6	11.6
Other services	186.7	188.4	5.6	1.7	29.1	28.5	0.9	18.3	17.8
Public administration	223.6	227.2	5.3	3.6	14.5	11.5	1.6	6.8	5.3

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from			
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)					
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population	10,391.0	10,403.9		12.9	113.0	133.2	0.1	1.1	1.3	
Labour force Employment	7,058.1 6,623.7	7,082.2 6,656.0	18.5 18.1	24.1 32.3	113.6 109.4	151.9 164.7	0.3 0.5	1.6 1.7	2.2 2.5	
Employment full-time Unemployment	5,440.8 434.4	5,447.2 426.1	22.8 15.9	6.4 -8.3	92.6 4.1	98.6 -12.9	0.1 -1.9	1.7 1.0	1.8 -2.9	
Participation rate Unemployment rate	67.9 6.2	68.1 6.0	0.2	0.2 -0.2	0.4 -0.1	0.6 -0.3				
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.7 17.9	64.0 18.2	0.2 0.3	0.3 0.3	0.4 0.0	0.8 0.6				
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	4 704 0	4 700 4		4.0	42.0	40.0	0.4	0.0	4.0	
Population Labour force	1,724.6 1,113.4	1,726.4 1,116.3	11.2	1.8 2.9	13.9 18.3	16.8 11.5	0.1 0.3	0.8 1.7	1.0 1.0	
Employment Unemployment	971.0 142.4	973.4 142.9	10.5 9.5	2.4 0.5	15.5 2.8	17.6 -6.0	0.2 0.4	1.6 2.0	1.8 -4.0	
Participation rate Unemployment rate	64.6 12.8	64.7 12.8	0.7 0.8	0.1 0.0	0.6 0.0	0.1 -0.7				
Employment rate Part-time rate	56.3 49.1	56.4 49.8	0.6 1.1	0.1 0.8	0.5 0.5	0.5 2.6				
Men, 25 years and over	40.1	43.0	1.1	0.0	0.0	2.0	•••		•••	
Population Labour force	4,213.8 3,134.3	4,219.0 3,143.5	 9.2	5.2 9.2	46.1 41.8	54.2 58.2	0.1 0.3	1.1 1.3	1.3 1.9	
Employment	2,974.9	2,981.6	9.8	6.7	29.1	54.0	0.2	1.0	1.8	
Unemployment Participation rate	159.4 74.4	161.9 74.5	8.8 0.2	2.5 0.1	12.6 0.2	4.1 0.4	1.6	8.4	2.6	
Unemployment rate Employment rate	5.1 70.6	5.2 70.7	0.3 0.2	0.1 0.1	0.4 -0.1	0.1 0.4				
Part-time rate	6.2	6.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.4				
Women, 25 years and over Population	4,452.7	4,458.5		5.8	53.0	62.2	0.1	1.2	1.4	
Labour force	2,810.4	2,822.4	10.4	12.0	53.5	82.2	0.4	1.9	3.0	
Employment Unemployment	2,677.8 132.6	2,701.1 121.3	10.3 8.4	23.3 -11.3	64.8 -11.4	93.2 -11.0	0.9 -8.5	2.5 -8.6	3.6 -8.3	
Participation rate Unemployment rate	63.1 4.7	63.3 4.3	0.2 0.3	0.2 -0.4	0.4 -0.5	1.0 -0.5				
Employment rate	60.1	60.6	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.3				
Part-time rate	19.4	19.8	0.5	0.4	-0.4	0.0				
Industry	6,623.7	6,656.0	18.1	32.3	109.4	164.7	0.5	1.7	2.5	
Goods-producing sector Agriculture	1,539.1 95.3	1,538.3 94.9	14.7 3.8	-0.8 -0.4	-59.7 -9.9	-50.3 -6.3	-0.1 -0.4	-3.7 -9.4	-3.2 -6.2	
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	31.5	31.4	2.3	-0.1	-11.4	-12.6	-0.3	-26.6	-28.6	
Utilities Construction	57.3 413.2	57.2 412.6	2.5 9.0	-0.1 -0.6	4.4 0.7	5.6 6.4	-0.2 -0.1	8.3 0.2	10.9 1.6	
Manufacturing	941.7	942.3	12.2	0.6	-43.4	-43.3	0.1	-4.4	-4.4	
Services-producing sector Trade	5,084.7 1,019.2	5,117.8 1,028.0	20.2 13.0	33.1 8.8	169.2 1.4	215.1 2.3	0.7 0.9	3.4 0.1	4.4 0.2	
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	297.4 471.0	297.0 476.7	7.7 8.9	-0.4 5.7	-8.3 2.0	-4.9 -7.4	-0.1 1.2	-2.7 0.4	-1.6 -1.5	
Professional, scientific and technical										
services Business, building and other support	491.6	496.0	9.6	4.4	46.2	52.7	0.9	10.3	11.9	
services Educational services	309.6 487.8	288.7 491.2	8.7 8.7	-20.9 3.4	-15.0 40.7	-4.3 51.2	-6.8 0.7	-4.9 9.0	-1.5 11.6	
Health care and social assistance	669.3	673.2	9.5	3.9	14.4	24.7	0.6	2.2	3.8	
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	335.5 411.8	342.6 396.8	8.2 8.7	7.1 -15.0	26.2 13.7	29.8 19.5	2.1 -3.6	8.3 3.6	9.5 5.2	
Other services	254.6	269.6	7.2	15.0	2.9	13.0	5.9	1.1	5.1	
Public administration	336.7	358.1	6.3	21.4	45.0	38.6	6.4	14.4	12.1	

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate	900.6 624.7 598.7 488.4 26.0 69.4	901.5 627.7 602.3 486.9 25.4 69.6	2.9 2.8 3.8 2.1 0.3	0.9 3.0 3.6 -1.5 -0.6 0.2	7.7 15.1 14.7 14.5 0.4 1.1	8.4 14.0 14.2 18.5 -0.2 0.9	0.1 0.5 0.6 -0.3 -2.3	0.9 2.5 2.5 3.1 1.6	0.9 2.3 2.4 3.9 -0.8
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	4.2 66.5 18.4	4.0 66.8 19.1	0.3 0.3 0.6	-0.2 0.3 0.7	-0.1 1.1 -0.5	-0.2 1.0 -1.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	157.0 114.6 103.9 10.8 73.0 9.4 66.2 42.7	157.2 115.7 104.7 11.0 73.6 9.5 66.6 44.9	1.8 1.7 1.4 1.1 1.2 1.1	0.2 1.1 0.8 0.2 0.6 0.1 0.4 2.2	1.4 6.1 3.3 2.8 3.3 2.0 1.5 2.9	1.4 4.1 3.1 1.0 2.0 0.5 1.4 -0.9	0.1 1.0 0.8 1.9 	0.9 5.6 3.3 34.1  	0.9 3.7 3.1 10.0 
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	363.6 273.5 266.6 6.9 75.2 2.5 73.3 6.2	364.0 275.9 268.5 7.4 75.8 2.7 73.8 6.7	1.4 1.4 1.2 0.4 0.4 0.4	0.4 2.4 1.9 0.5 0.6 0.2 0.5	3.6 5.6 6.9 -1.2 0.8 -0.5 1.2	4.0 6.7 8.0 -1.3 1.0 -0.5 1.4 0.4	0.1 0.9 0.7 7.2 	1.0 2.1 2.6 -14.0 	1.1 2.5 3.1 -14.9 
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	380.0 236.6 228.2 8.4 62.3 3.6 60.1 21.6	380.4 236.1 229.1 7.0 62.1 3.0 60.2 22.0	1.7 1.6 1.1 0.4 0.5 0.4 1.0	0.4 -0.5 0.9 -1.4 -0.2 -0.6 0.1 0.4	2.8 3.3 4.5 -1.2 0.4 -0.5 0.7 -2.8	3.1 3.2 3.1 0.1 0.4 0.0 0.3 -3.2	0.1 -0.2 0.4 -16.7 	0.7 1.4 2.0 -14.6 	0.8 1.4 1.4 1.4 
Industry	598.7	602.3	2.8	3.6	14.7	14.2	0.6	2.5	2.4
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	145.4 28.8 5.9 5.8 35.0 69.9	144.4 27.1 6.1 5.4 35.2 70.7	2.4 1.2 0.6 0.4 1.4 1.7	-1.0 -1.7 0.2 -0.4 0.2 0.8	3.1 -2.4 -0.6 0.4 4.7 1.1	7.6 -2.2 -1.3 0.4 7.1 3.7	-0.7 -5.9 3.4 -6.9 0.6 1.1	2.2 -8.1 -9.0 8.0 15.4 1.6	5.6 -7.5 -17.6 8.0 25.3 5.5
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	453.3 87.3 35.0 36.0	457.9 87.7 34.6 37.3	3.2 2.1 1.2 1.2	4.6 0.4 -0.4 1.3	11.6 -5.1 -0.5 4.9	6.7 -7.0 -1.1 3.1	1.0 0.5 -1.1 3.6	2.6 -5.5 -1.4 15.1	1.5 -7.4 -3.1 9.1
Professional, scientific and technical services Business, building and other support	26.3	27.3	1.1	1.0	6.2	4.9	3.8	29.4	21.9
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	18.0 46.6 79.7 24.3 37.3 24.3 38.6	19.2 45.9 78.8 24.6 40.2 24.5 37.7	1.1 1.5 1.8 1.1 1.5 1.2 1.3	1.2 -0.7 -0.9 0.3 2.9 0.2 -0.9	0.7 -1.6 -3.3 2.2 5.2 -0.4 3.2	1.0 -0.6 -3.5 0.3 6.0 0.1 3.2	6.7 -1.5 -1.1 1.2 7.8 0.8 -2.3	3.8 -3.4 -4.0 9.8 14.9 -1.6 9.3	5.5 -1.3 -4.3 1.2 17.5 0.4 9.3

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	750.0			4 =	0.0			4.0	4.0
Population Labour force	753.6 522.6	755.1 525.1	2.4	1.5 2.5	8.8 1.1	9.0 5.0	0.2 0.5	1.2 0.2	1.2 1.0
Employment	502.5	502.6	2.4	0.1	-0.2	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.5
Employment full-time	411.6	416.3	3.2	4.7	8.6	9.8	1.1	2.1	2.4
Unemployment Participation rate	20.0 69.3	22.5 69.5	1.8 0.3	2.5 0.2	1.3 -0.7	2.4 -0.2	12.5	6.1	11.9
Unemployment rate	3.8	4.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.4			
Employment rate Part-time rate	66.7 18.1	66.6 17.2	0.3 0.6	-0.1 -0.9	-0.8 -1.7	-0.4 -1.5			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	138.0	138.3		0.3	1.0	0.8	0.2	0.7	0.6
Labour force	95.6 89.3	98.1 89.8	1.5 1.5	2.5 0.5	-4.2 -4.4	-1.6 -2.7	2.6 0.6	-4.1 -4.7	-1.6 -2.9
Employment Unemployment	6.2	8.3	1.3	2.1	0.2	-2.7 1.1	33.9	2.5	15.3
Participation rate	69.3	70.9	1.1	1.6	-3.6	-1.6			
Unemployment rate	6.5 64.7	8.5	1.1	2.0 0.2	0.6	1.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	38.2	64.9 36.2	1.1 1.7	-2.0	-3.7 -1.2	-2.4 -2.4			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	300.9	301.5		0.6	4.3	4.6	0.2	1.4	1.5
Labour force Employment	230.9 223.0	231.5 223.4	1.1 1.3	0.6 0.4	3.8 2.9	5.7 5.1	0.3 0.2	1.7 1.3	2.5 2.3
Unemployment	8.0	8.2	1.0	0.2	0.9	0.7	2.5	12.3	9.3
Participation rate	76.7	76.8	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.7			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	3.5 74.1	3.5 74.1	0.4 0.4	0.0 0.0	0.3 -0.1	0.2 0.6			
Part-time rate	6.6	6.0	0.6	-0.5	-0.9	-0.6			
Women, 25 years and over	0447	045.0		• •	0.5	0.0		4.4	4.0
Population Labour force	314.7 196.1	315.3 195.5	1.3	0.6 -0.6	3.5 1.6	3.6 1.0	0.2 -0.3	1.1 0.8	1.2 0.5
Employment	190.3	189.4	1.3	-0.9	1.3	0.3	-0.5	0.7	0.2
Unemployment	5.8	6.0	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.6	3.4	3.4	11.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate	62.3 3.0	62.0 3.1	0.4 0.5	-0.3 0.1	-0.2 0.1	-0.4 0.3			
Employment rate	60.5	60.1	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	-0.6			
Part-time rate	22.1	21.3	1.0	-0.8	-2.3	-1.6			
Industry	502.5	502.6	2.4	0.1	-0.2	2.7	0.0	0.0	0.5
Goods-producing sector	135.4	134.7	2.2	-0.7	1.3	0.9	-0.5	1.0	0.7
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	44.3 21.1	42.4 22.7	1.5 1.0	-1.9 1.6	-5.1 0.2	-4.5	-4.3 7.6	-10.7 0.9	-9.6 0.4
Utilities	4.4	4.9	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.1 0.3	11.4	22.5	6.5
Construction	34.9	33.9	1.3	-1.0	3.2	3.0	-2.9	10.4	9.7
Manufacturing	30.7	30.8	1.1	0.1	2.2	2.0	0.3	7.7	6.9
Services-producing sector Trade	367.1 81.8	368.0 82.1	2.7 1.8	0.9 0.3	-1.4 -3.8	1.9 1.0	0.2 0.4	-0.4 -4.4	0.5 1.2
Transportation and warehousing	24.4	23.7	1.0	-0.7	-1.5	-2.6	-2.9	-6.0	-9.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	27.3	27.7	0.9	0.4	0.6	1.2	1.5	2.2	4.5
services Business, building and other support	21.6	21.7	0.9	0.1	1.8	1.8	0.5	9.0	9.0
services	11.8	11.8	0.8	0.0	0.0	-0.8	0.0	0.0	-6.3
Educational services Health care and social assistance	39.6 50.5	40.9 60.1	1.3 1.4	1.3 0.6	2.1 -1.0	1.8 1.3	3.3 1.0	5.4 -1.6	4.6 2.2
Information, culture and recreation	59.5 20.3	19.6	0.9	-0.7	-1.0	-0.6	-3.4	-1.6 -3.9	-3.0
Accommodation and food services	31.4	31.0	1.2	-0.4	0.2	-1.2	-1.3	0.6	-3.7
Other services Public administration	21.7	21.6	1.1	-0.1 0.1	-0.1 1.2	-0.4 0.5	-0.5 0.4	-0.5 4.5	-1.8 1.8
i ubile autilitioliation	27.8	27.9	0.9	U. I	1.2	0.5	0.4	4.3	1.8

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	2,759.9 2,046.2 1,973.3 1,660.1 72.9 74.1 3.6 71.5	2,764.1 2,045.9 1,977.1 1,656.6 68.9 74.0 3.4 71.5	7.7 8.0 11.0 5.6 0.3 0.3	4.2 -0.3 3.8 -3.5 -4.0 -0.1 -0.2 0.0	72.0 71.5 68.7 41.1 2.9 0.7 0.1	90.2 84.7 74.4 42.0 10.4 0.7 0.4 0.3	0.2 0.0 0.2 -0.2 -5.5	2.7 3.6 3.6 2.5 4.4 	3.4 4.3 3.9 2.6 17.8 
Part-time rate	15.9	16.2	0.5	0.3	0.9	1.1			•••
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years  Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	505.6 358.7 335.0 23.7 70.9 6.6 66.3 32.1	505.7 359.6 336.0 23.6 71.1 6.6 66.4 32.3	4.9 5.0 3.8 1.0 1.0 1.0	0.1 0.9 1.0 -0.1 0.2 0.0 0.1	6.2 3.3 2.3 1.0 -0.2 0.3 -0.4 0.3	9.0 3.5 1.1 2.4 -0.6 0.6 -1.0 -0.2	0.0 0.3 0.3 -0.4 	1.2 0.9 0.7 4.4 	1.8 1.0 0.3 11.3 
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	1,131.9 928.5 902.7 25.8 82.0 2.8 79.8 5.3	1,134.0 928.6 900.7 27.9 81.9 3.0 79.4 5.0	3.5 4.0 3.0 0.3 0.3 0.4 0.5	2.1 0.1 -2.0 2.1 -0.1 0.2 -0.4 -0.3	34.2 36.2 30.3 5.9 0.8 0.5 0.3	42.3 41.4 29.7 11.8 0.6 1.2 -0.4 0.7	0.2 0.0 -0.2 8.1 	3.1 4.1 3.5 26.8  	3.9 4.7 3.4 73.3 
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	1,122.3 759.0 735.6 23.4 67.6 3.1 65.5 21.4	1,124.3 757.7 740.3 17.4 67.4 2.3 65.8 22.5	4.6 4.7 3.0 0.4 0.4 0.9	2.0 -1.3 4.7 -6.0 -0.2 -0.8 0.3 1.1	31.5 32.0 35.9 -4.0 1.0 -0.6 1.3	38.9 39.7 43.6 -3.8 1.2 -0.7 1.6 2.2	0.2 -0.2 0.6 -25.6 	2.9 4.4 5.1 -18.7 	3.6 5.5 6.3 -17.9 
Industry	1,973.3	1,977.1	8.0	3.8	68.7	74.4	0.2	3.6	3.9
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	565.5 58.9 153.9 19.9 192.1 140.7	564.3 58.6 145.6 21.3 195.6 143.1	7.5 2.5 4.1 1.4 5.0 4.5	-1.2 -0.3 -8.3 1.4 3.5 2.4	21.0 10.7 2.2 0.3 13.9 -6.3	28.5 11.2 1.8 3.2 11.4 0.8	-0.2 -0.5 -5.4 7.0 1.8 1.7	3.9 22.3 1.5 1.4 7.6 -4.2	5.3 23.6 1.3 17.7 6.2 0.6
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,407.7 294.5 107.3 100.8	1,412.8 301.3 107.8 98.6	9.5 6.2 3.6 3.5	5.1 6.8 0.5 -2.2	47.7 30.0 1.7 -5.8	45.9 22.4 2.6 1.5	0.4 2.3 0.5 -2.2	3.5 11.1 1.6 -5.6	3.4 8.0 2.5 1.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	140.3	145.7	4.5	5.4	3.1	3.4	3.8	2.2	2.4
Business, building and other support services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	75.8 123.7 193.7 78.7 113.1 97.5 82.3	76.5 123.0 193.0 75.5 114.0 93.2 84.3	3.5 3.9 4.4 3.6 4.5 3.5 3.0	0.7 -0.7 -0.7 -3.2 0.9 -4.3 2.0	6.2 -15.9 12.1 8.8 -4.2 4.2 7.6	8.1 -18.4 23.7 4.1 -6.2 0.3 4.4	0.9 -0.6 -0.4 -4.1 0.8 -4.4 2.4	8.8 -11.4 6.7 13.2 -3.6 4.7 9.9	11.8 -13.0 14.0 5.7 -5.2 0.3 5.5

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
Both sexes, 15 years and over	0.505.0	0.504.4			50.4	00.5		4.5	4.0
Population Labour force	3,585.2 2,369.5	3,591.4 2,376.2	10.0	6.2 6.7	53.4 35.5	62.5 51.1	0.2 0.3	1.5 1.5	1.8 2.2
Employment	2,266.8	2,272.6	10.1	5.8	54.1	57.4	0.3	2.4	2.6
Employment full-time	1,820.0 102.6	1,816.0 103.6	13.5 7.2	-4.0 1.0	42.8	49.7	-0.2	2.4	2.8
Unemployment Participation rate	66.1	66.2	0.3	0.1	-18.6 0.0	-6.3 0.3	1.0	-15.2 	-5.7 
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.4	0.3	0.1	-0.8	-0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.2 19.7	63.3 20.1	0.3 0.5	0.1 0.4	0.6 0.0	0.5 -0.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	579.4	580.1		0.7	2.7	3.0	0.1	0.5	0.5
Labour force Employment	399.8 367.6	392.2 363.0	5.7 5.7	-7.6 -4.6	7.6 15.4	9.8 13.0	-1.9 -1.3	2.0 4.4	2.6 3.7
Unemployment	32.2	29.3	4.2	-2.9	-7.7	-3.1	-1.3 -9.0	-20.8	-9.6
Participation rate	69.0	67.6	1.0	-1.4	1.0	1.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.1 63.4	7.5 62.6	1.0 1.0	-0.6 -0.8	-2.1 2.4	-1.0 2.0	•••	•••	
Part-time rate	41.5	40.4	1.8	-1.1	2.3	2.2			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population Labour force	1,470.0 1,055.3	1,472.8 1.068.4	 5.0	2.8 13.1	25.7 25.4	30.3 28.5	0.2 1.2	1.8 2.4	2.1 2.7
Employment	1,033.3	1,000.4	5.4	6.4	25.0	30.6	0.6	2.5	3.1
Unemployment	32.3	38.9	4.1	6.6	0.3	-2.3	20.4	0.8	-5.6
Participation rate	71.8 3.1	72.5 3.6	0.3 0.4	0.7 0.5	0.4 -0.1	0.4 -0.4			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	69.6	69.9	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.7			
Part-time rate	6.9	7.4	0.6	0.5	-1.6	-1.6	•••		•••
Women, 25 years and over	4 525 0	1,538.5		2.7	25.0	20.2	0.0	17	1.0
Population Labour force	1,535.8 914.4	1,538.5 915.6	6.0	2.7 1.2	25.0 2.5	29.2 12.9	0.2 0.1	1.7 0.3	1.9 1.4
Employment	876.3	880.2	5.8	3.9	13.7	13.7	0.4	1.6	1.6
Unemployment	38.1	35.4	4.1	-2.7	-11.2	-0.9	-7.1	-24.0	-2.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	59.5 4.2	59.5 3.9	0.4 0.4	0.0 -0.3	-0.8 -1.2	-0.3 -0.1			
Employment rate	57.1	57.2	0.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.2			
Part-time rate	25.5	26.5	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.5			
Industry	2,266.8	2,272.6	10.1	5.8	54.1	57.4	0.3	2.4	2.6
Goods-producing sector	502.7	499.6	8.0	-3.1	16.3	30.8	-0.6	3.4	6.6
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	37.9 45.0	40.7 46.8	2.6 2.8	2.8 1.8	4.7 -1.4	6.9 -0.2	7.4 4.0	13.1 -2.9	20.4 -0.4
Utilities	10.6	12.7	1.0	2.1	3.4	2.7	19.8	36.6	27.0
Construction Manufacturing	199.6 209.6	194.6 204.7	5.5 5.4	-5.0 -4.9	8.1 1.5	13.0 8.3	-2.5 -2.3	4.3 0.7	7.2 4.2
· ·							0.5	2.2	
Services-producing sector Trade	1,764.2 366.3	1,772.9 373.6	11.2 7.1	8.7 7.3	37.6 33.2	26.5 28.9	2.0	9.8	1.5 8.4
Transportation and warehousing	120.8	122.3	4.5	1.5	5.1	8.3	1.2	4.4	7.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	143.8	142.6	4.6	-1.2	-5.1	-0.8	-0.8	-3.5	-0.6
services Business, building and other support	162.7	161.8	5.3	-0.9	-2.7	-8.7	-0.6	-1.6	-5.1
services	103.2	100.1	4.5	-3.1	-8.4	-8.9	-3.0	-7.7	-8.2
Educational services	159.3	157.9	5.0	-1.4	-4.4	-2.1	-0.9	-2.7	-1.3
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	236.5 113.5	243.7 112.2	5.4 4.6	7.2 -1.3	4.5 6.6	4.8 2.8	3.0 -1.1	1.9 6.2	2.0 2.6
Accommodation and food services	113.5 172.8	112.2 171.6	4.6 5.6	-1.3 -1.2	0.8	2.8 -4.7	-1.1 -0.7	0.2	2.6 -2.7
Other services	88.5	90.3	4.0	1.8	1.3	0.4	2.0	1.5	0.4
Public administration	96.9	96.6	3.3	-0.3	6.6	6.1	-0.3	7.3	6.7

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	September	October	S.E.1		Change from	า	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	151.8 103.3 96.6 6.7 68.1 6.5 63.6	151.9 103.4 96.7 6.7 68.1 6.5 63.7	0.7 0.7 0.4 0.5 0.4	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.1 1.1 2.1 -1.0 0.7 -1.0	0.3 -0.4 1.1 -1.5 -0.4 -1.4 0.6	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.0 	0.1 1.1 2.2 -13.0 	0.2 -0.4 1.2 -18.3 
Halifax, Nova Scotia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	313.6 222.1 208.2 13.8 70.8 6.2 66.4	313.8 222.4 210.1 12.3 70.9 5.5 67.0	1.1 1.1 0.6 0.4 0.3 0.4	0.2 0.3 1.9 -1.5 0.1 -0.7 0.6	1.8 5.0 2.5 2.4 1.2 0.9 0.5	2.0 6.7 5.4 1.3 1.7 0.4 1.3	0.1 0.1 0.9 -10.9	0.6 2.3 1.2 24.2 	0.6 3.1 2.6 11.8 
Saint John, New Brunswick Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	103.9 71.1 67.7 3.4 68.4 4.8 65.2	104.0 71.8 68.1 3.7 69.0 5.2 65.5	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.6 0.5 0.6	0.1 0.7 0.4 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.3	0.6 6.3 6.3 0.0 5.7 -0.4 5.7	0.6 6.7 7.0 -0.3 6.0 -0.9 6.4	0.1 1.0 0.6 8.8 	0.6 9.6 10.2 0.0 	0.6 10.3 11.5 -7.5 
Saguenay, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	125.5 76.9 70.4 6.5 61.3 8.5 56.1	125.4 76.1 69.7 6.4 60.7 8.4 55.6	0.7 0.7 0.4 0.6 0.5 0.6	-0.1 -0.8 -0.7 -0.1 -0.6 -0.1	-0.6 1.7 1.8 -0.2 1.7 -0.5	-0.7 1.2 1.4 -0.2 1.3 -0.4 1.4	-0.1 -1.0 -1.0 -1.5 	-0.5 2.3 2.7 -3.0 	-0.6 1.6 2.0 -3.0 
Québec, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	605.9 412.2 392.7 19.5 68.0 4.7 64.8	606.3 414.6 393.7 21.0 68.4 5.1 64.9	3.3 3.4 1.4 0.5 0.4 0.6	0.4 2.4 1.0 1.5 0.4 0.4	4.1 19.1 21.8 -2.6 2.7 -0.9 3.1	5.2 17.5 19.8 -2.1 2.3 -0.7 2.7	0.1 0.6 0.3 7.7 	0.7 4.8 5.9 -11.0 	0.9 4.4 5.3 -9.1 
Trois-Rivières, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	120.7 76.9 70.7 6.3 63.7 8.2 58.6	120.7 78.0 72.2 5.7 64.6 7.3 59.8	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.0 1.1 1.5 -0.6 0.9 -0.9 1.2	0.8 5.4 4.6 0.8 4.0 0.6 3.4	1.0 5.6 5.6 -0.1 4.1 -0.7 4.2	0.0 1.4 2.1 -9.5	0.7 7.4 6.8 16.3 	0.8 7.7 8.4 -1.7 

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	September	September October S.I	S.E.1		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population Labour force	137.0 88.7	137.1 89.9	0.8	0.1 1.2	1.3 1.0	1.6 1.9	0.1 1.4	1.0 1.1	1.2 2.2
Employment	83.3	84.5	8.0	1.2	2.3	3.5	1.4	2.8	4.3
Unemployment	5.4 64.7	5.3 65.6	0.3 0.6	-0.1 0.9	-1.4 0.1	-1.7 0.7	-1.9	-20.9	-24.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate	6.1	5.9	0.6	-0.2	-1.6	-2.1			
Employment rate	60.8	61.6	0.6	0.8	1.1	1.8	•••		•••
Montréal, Quebec									
Population Labour force	3,039.8 2,061.5	3,042.1 2,056.6	 7.1	2.3 -4.9	23.9 16.0	30.1 18.7	0.1 -0.2	0.8 0.8	1.0 0.9
Employment	1,915.9	1,909.5	7.5	-6.4	24.1	32.7	-0.3	1.3	1.7
Unemployment	145.6	147.1	4.6	1.5	-8.1	-14.0	1.0	-5.2	-8.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	67.8 7.1	67.6 7.2	0.2 0.2	-0.2 0.1	0.0 -0.4	-0.1 -0.7			
Employment rate	63.0	62.8	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.5			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population Labour force	952.4 695.0	953.2 697.3	3.3	0.8 2.3	6.3 31.4	7.8 25.3	0.1 0.3	0.7 4.7	0.8 3.8
Employment	658.6	662.4	3.4	3.8	34.2	25.3	0.5	4.7 5.4	3.6
Unemployment	36.5	34.9	1.6	-1.6	-2.8	0.2	-4.4	-7.4	0.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	73.0 5.3	73.2 5.0	0.3 0.2	0.2 -0.3	2.9 -0.7	2.1 -0.2	•••		
Employment rate	69.2	69.5	0.4	0.3	3.2	2.1			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part,									
Ontario/Quebec									
Population Labour force	240.6 170.4	241.0 172.2	 1.2	0.4 1.8	3.8 -0.1	4.4 3.4	0.2 1.1	1.6 -0.1	1.9 2.0
Employment	160.8	163.0	1.2	2.2	1.5	2.7	1.4	0.9	1.7
Unemployment	9.7	9.1	0.6	-0.6	-1.7	0.6	-6.2	-15.7	7.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate	70.8 5.7	71.5 5.3	0.5 0.3	0.7 -0.4	-1.1 -1.0	0.2 0.3			
Employment rate	66.8	67.6	0.5	0.8	-0.5	-0.2			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	711.7	712.2		0.5	2.6	3.4	0.1	0.4	0.5
Labour force	524.6	525.2	3.0	0.6	31.5	22.0	0.1	6.4	4.4
Employment Unemployment	497.8 26.8	499.4 25.8	3.1 1.5	1.6 -1.0	32.7 -1.2	22.4 -0.4	0.3 -3.7	7.0 -4.4	4.7 -1.5
Participation rate	73.7	73.7	0.4	0.0	4.1	2.7			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	5.1 69.9	4.9 70.1	0.3 0.4	-0.2 0.2	-0.6 4.3	-0.3 2.8		•••	
• •	00.9	70.1	0.4	0.2	7.0	2.0			
Kingston, Ontario Population	126.0	126.0		0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Labour force	82.7	81.6	0.7	-1.1	0.6	0.4	-1.3	0.7	0.5
Employment	77.5 5.2	76.8 4.9	0.8 0.3	-0.7 -0.3	0.0 0.7	0.2 0.3	-0.9	0.0 16.7	0.3 6.5
Unemployment Participation rate	5.2 65.6	4.9 64.8	0.3	-0.3 -0.8	0.7	0.3	-5.8 	16.7	0.5
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.0	0.4	-0.3	0.8	0.3			
Employment rate	61.5	61.0	0.6	-0.5	0.0	0.2	•••		

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

	September	September October S.E 2007 2007	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	า	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,462.1 3,068.1 2,856.1 212.0 68.8 6.9 64.0	4,469.7 3,073.9 2,870.3 203.6 68.8 6.6 64.2	9.1 9.3 5.5 0.2 0.2	7.6 5.8 14.2 -8.4 0.0 -0.3 0.2	64.2 50.4 47.8 2.6 0.2 0.0	77.5 70.6 67.9 2.7 0.4 -0.1	0.2 0.2 0.5 -4.0	1.5 1.7 1.7 1.3 	1.8 2.4 2.4 1.3
Hamilton, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	592.8 401.0 379.1 21.9 67.6 5.5 64.0	593.3 399.4 376.9 22.5 67.3 5.6 63.5	2.8 2.8 1.3 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.5 -1.6 -2.2 0.6 -0.3 0.1 -0.5	3.2 10.3 11.5 -1.3 1.4 -0.5	4.1 6.7 9.5 -2.9 0.7 -0.9 1.1	0.1 -0.4 -0.6 2.7	0.5 2.6 3.1 -5.5	0.7 1.7 2.6 -11.4 
Kitchener, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	377.8 262.7 248.3 14.5 69.5 5.5 65.7	378.3 264.1 249.4 14.6 69.8 5.5 65.9	2.0 2.2 0.9 0.5 0.3 0.6	0.5 1.4 1.1 0.1 0.3 0.0 0.2	4.7 -7.9 -7.9 -0.1 -3.0 0.1 -3.0	5.7 -2.1 -2.8 0.6 -1.6 0.2 -1.8	0.1 0.5 0.4 0.7	1.3 -2.9 -3.1 -0.7 	1.5 -0.8 -1.1 4.3 
London, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	381.6 266.2 250.0 16.2 69.8 6.1 65.5	381.9 266.9 250.9 16.0 69.9 6.0 65.7	1.8 1.8 0.9 0.5 0.3	0.3 0.7 0.9 -0.2 0.1 -0.1	2.3 -0.7 -0.1 -0.6 -0.6 -0.2 -0.4	2.9 2.8 4.5 -1.7 0.2 -0.7 0.7	0.1 0.3 0.4 -1.2	0.6 -0.3 0.0 -3.6 	0.8 1.1 1.8 -9.6 
Oshawa, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	282.9 194.1 181.4 12.8 68.6 6.6 64.1	283.5 194.7 182.1 12.6 68.7 6.5 64.2	1.4 1.5 0.7 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.6 0.6 0.7 -0.2 0.1 -0.1	6.0 4.6 4.7 -0.1 0.2 -0.2 0.3	7.2 3.7 4.1 -0.4 -0.3 -0.2	0.2 0.3 0.4 -1.6	2.2 2.4 2.6 -0.8 	2.6 1.9 2.3 -3.1 
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	328.3 207.0 190.2 16.8 63.1 8.1 57.9	328.4 210.4 193.7 16.7 64.1 7.9 59.0	1.7 1.7 1.7 0.7 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.1 3.4 3.5 -0.1 1.0 -0.2 1.1	0.8 9.5 5.6 4.0 2.8 1.6 1.6	1.0 3.7 0.5 3.2 1.0 1.4 0.0	0.0 1.6 1.8 -0.6	0.2 4.7 3.0 31.5 	0.3 1.8 0.3 23.7 

Table 5-1 – continued

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

-	September	October	S.E.¹		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario									
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	132.9 87.9 82.2 5.6 66.1 6.4 61.9	133.0 87.1 82.1 4.9 65.5 5.6 61.7	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.1 -0.8 -0.1 -0.7 -0.6 -0.8 -0.2	0.3 2.8 3.0 -0.3 2.0 -0.6 2.1	0.4 2.0 3.6 -1.7 1.3 -2.2 2.5	0.1 -0.9 -0.1 -12.5 	0.2 3.3 3.8 -5.8 	0.3 2.4 4.6 -25.8 
Thunder Bay, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	104.1 68.1 63.6 4.5 65.4 6.6 61.1	104.1 68.5 63.7 4.8 65.8 7.0 61.2	0.6 0.6 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.0 0.4 0.1 0.3 0.4 0.4	-0.2 3.2 2.9 0.4 3.2 0.3 2.9	-0.2 2.1 2.5 -0.5 2.1 -1.0 2.5	0.0 0.6 0.2 6.7	-0.2 4.9 4.8 9.1 	-0.2 3.2 4.1 -9.4 
Windsor, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	271.9 173.2 156.2 17.1 63.7 9.9 57.4	272.0 175.3 158.5 16.8 64.4 9.6 58.3	1.5 1.5 0.8 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.1 2.1 2.3 -0.3 0.7 -0.3 0.9	0.8 -4.5 -5.1 0.6 -1.9 0.6 -2.0	1.1 -8.4 -8.9 0.5 -3.4 0.7 -3.5	0.0 1.2 1.5 -1.8 	0.3 -2.5 -3.1 3.7 	0.4 -4.6 -5.3 3.1 
Winnipeg, Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	577.2 407.7 390.9 16.7 70.6 4.1 67.7	577.7 409.0 391.2 17.8 70.8 4.4 67.7	1.4 1.4 0.8 0.2 0.2 0.2	0.5 1.3 0.3 1.1 0.2 0.3 0.0	5.1 7.3 8.6 -1.3 0.6 -0.4 0.9	5.5 6.4 6.4 0.0 0.4 0.0	0.1 0.3 0.1 6.6 	0.9 1.8 2.2 -6.8 	1.0 1.6 1.7 0.0 
Regina, Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	163.5 113.8 107.0 6.8 69.6 6.0 65.4	163.8 114.0 108.1 5.9 69.6 5.2 66.0	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.4 0.3 0.4	0.3 0.2 1.1 -0.9 0.0 -0.8 0.6	2.5 -3.4 -4.1 0.7 -3.2 0.8 -3.6	2.6 -3.8 -4.0 0.2 -3.5 0.4 -3.5	0.2 0.2 1.0 -13.2	1.5 -2.9 -3.7 13.5 	1.6 -3.2 -3.6 3.5 
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	191.4 141.2 135.2 6.0 73.8 4.2 70.6	191.8 142.1 136.3 5.8 74.1 4.1 71.1	0.8 0.9 0.4 0.4 0.3 0.5	0.4 0.9 1.1 -0.2 0.3 -0.1	3.0 3.9 2.7 1.3 0.9 0.8 0.3	3.3 7.8 7.0 0.8 2.9 0.4 2.5	0.2 0.6 0.8 -3.3	1.6 2.8 2.0 28.9 	1.8 5.8 5.4 16.0 

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

	September	October	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	Percent change from	
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	xcept ra	tes)				
Calgary, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	929.0 708.9 686.9 22.0 76.3 3.1 73.9	931.1 708.2 686.6 21.6 76.1 3.0 73.7	3.2 3.3 1.4 0.4 0.2 0.4	2.1 -0.7 -0.3 -0.4 -0.2 -0.1	28.7 15.3 11.7 3.6 -0.7 0.4 -1.1	36.2 19.5 19.4 0.1 -0.9 -0.1 -0.9	0.2 -0.1 0.0 -1.8	3.2 2.2 1.7 20.0 	4.0 2.8 2.9 0.5 
Edmonton, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	870.6 623.5 598.0 25.6 71.6 4.1 68.7	872.1 625.8 599.1 26.7 71.8 4.3 68.7	3.1 3.2 1.4 0.4 0.2 0.4	1.5 2.3 1.1 1.1 0.2 0.2 0.0	21.7 28.9 24.4 4.5 1.6 0.6 1.1	28.0 35.4 32.6 2.9 1.9 0.3 1.6	0.2 0.4 0.2 4.3	2.6 4.8 4.2 20.3 	3.3 6.0 5.8 12.2 
Abbotsford, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	131.7 88.6 84.7 3.9 67.3 4.4 64.3	131.9 88.0 83.9 4.1 66.7 4.7 63.6	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.5 0.3	0.2 -0.6 -0.8 0.2 -0.6 0.3 -0.7	2.3 -0.2 -0.4 0.2 -1.4 0.3 -1.4	2.9 1.7 1.2 0.4 -0.2 0.4 -0.5	0.2 -0.7 -0.9 5.1	1.8 -0.2 -0.5 5.1 	2.2 2.0 1.5 10.8 
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,902.8 1,267.8 1,220.4 47.3 66.6 3.7 64.1	1,906.6 1,269.2 1,217.7 51.5 66.6 4.1 63.9	4.8 4.8 2.2 0.3 0.2	3.8 1.4 -2.7 4.2 0.0 0.4 -0.2	31.4 10.4 17.5 -7.1 -0.5 -0.6 -0.1	36.9 12.2 13.2 -1.1 -0.6 -0.1 -0.5	0.2 0.1 -0.2 8.9	1.7 0.8 1.5 -12.1 	2.0 1.0 1.1 -2.1 
Victoria, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	283.5 190.7 183.4 7.3 67.3 3.8 64.7	283.8 192.5 186.3 6.2 67.8 3.2 65.6	1.4 1.5 0.5 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.3 1.8 2.9 -1.1 0.5 -0.6 0.9	3.3 7.1 7.5 -0.4 1.7 -0.4 1.9	4.2 10.2 11.2 -1.0 2.6 -0.7 3.0	0.1 0.9 1.6 -15.1 	1.2 3.8 4.2 -6.1 	1.5 5.6 6.4 -13.9 

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0090

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

	September	October	S.E.1		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	xcept ra	tes)				
Montréal, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,042.1 2,062.6 1,917.2 145.5 67.8 7.1 63.0	3,044.6 2,045.6 1,902.1 143.5 67.2 7.0 62.5	14.7 15.2 11.2 0.5 0.5 0.5	2.5 -17.0 -15.1 -2.0 -0.6 -0.1 -0.5	23.6 18.3 22.3 -3.9 0.1 -0.3 0.3	29.2 -1.8 12.5 -14.3 -0.7 -0.7	0.1 -0.8 -0.8 -1.4 	0.8 0.9 1.2 -2.6 	1.0 -0.1 0.7 -9.1
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,469.8 3,053.0 2,852.8 200.2 68.3 6.6 63.8	4,477.6 3,088.9 2,889.7 199.2 69.0 6.4 64.5	19.6 19.2 13.8 0.4 0.4 0.4	7.8 35.9 36.9 -1.0 0.7 -0.2 0.7	65.9 39.7 33.1 6.6 -0.1 0.1 -0.3	78.5 77.1 79.5 -2.5 0.5 -0.3 0.6	0.2 1.2 1.3 -0.5	1.5 1.3 1.2 3.4 	1.8 2.6 2.8 -1.2 
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,906.7 1,265.6 1,212.3 53.4 66.4 4.2 63.6	1,910.4 1,275.3 1,217.8 57.5 66.8 4.5 63.7	10.1 10.1 5.7 0.5 0.4 0.5	3.7 9.7 5.5 4.1 0.4 0.3 0.1	32.7 18.0 25.7 -7.6 -0.2 -0.7 0.2	37.9 10.6 4.9 5.7 -0.7 0.4 -1.1	0.2 0.8 0.5 7.7	1.7 1.4 2.2 -11.7 	2.0 0.8 0.4 11.0 

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0091

Table 6-1 Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2006 and October 2007

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
	•	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	ousands				
<b>Canada</b> <sup>2</sup> 2006 2007	26,265.6 26,631.6	17,746.9 18,095.4	16,660.4 17,063.5	1,086.5 1,031.8	67.6 67.9	6.1 5.7	63.4 64.1
Newfoundland and Labrador 2006 2007	427.1 423.4	258.8 256.2	225.7 225.0	33.1 31.1	60.6 60.5	12.8 12.1	52.8 53.1
Avalon Peninsula [1010] 2006 2007	210.0 209.6	135.3 133.7	120.9 121.8	14.4 11.9	64.4 63.8	10.6 8.9	57.6 58.1
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020] 2006 2007	33.5 32.7	18.7 16.1	15.1 13.1	3.6 3.0	55.8 49.2	19.3 18.6	45.1 40.1
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030] 2006 2007	88.3 87.4	55.2 53.6	47.7 46.3	7.6 7.3	62.5 61.3	13.8 13.6	54.0 53.0
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040] 2006 2007	95.3 93.7	49.6 52.7	42.0 43.8	7.6 8.9	52.0 56.2	15.3 16.9	44.1 46.7
Prince Edward Island 2006 2007	112.5 113.6	78.2 78.9	71.6 72.8	6.6 6.1	69.5 69.5	8.4 7.7	63.6 64.1
<b>Nova Scotia</b> 2006 2007	763.1 764.8	483.0 489.7	447.4 452.9	35.6 36.8	63.3 64.0	7.4 7.5	58.6 59.2
Cape Breton [1210] 2006 2007	116.8 116.1	64.6 61.2	56.5 54.1	8.1 7.1	55.3 52.7	12.5 11.6	48.4 46.6
North Shore [1220] 2006 2007	131.0 131.0	80.4 80.4	73.2 72.7	7.2 7.7	61.4 61.4	9.0 9.6	55.9 55.5
Annapolis Valley [1230] 2006 2007	99.8 100.4	60.6 63.2	56.2 58.1	4.4 5.1	60.7 62.9	7.3 8.1	56.3 57.9
Southern [1240] 2006 2007	103.7 103.5	61.5 61.4	55.7 56.1	5.8 5.3	59.3 59.3	9.4 8.6	53.7 54.2
Halifax <i>[1250]</i> 2006 2007	311.8 313.8	216.0 223.4	205.8 211.9	10.2 11.5	69.3 71.2	4.7 5.1	66.0 67.5
New Brunswick 2006 2007	611.2 614.0	390.2 400.6	359.8 371.3	30.3 29.3	63.8 65.2	7.8 7.3	58.9 60.5
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310] 2006 2007	136.3 135.8	79.8 79.4	70.5 70.5	9.3 8.9	58.5 58.5	11.7 11.2	51.7 51.9
Moncton-Richibucto [1320] 2006 2007	161.7 163.6	106.2 109.9	98.7 103.7	7.5 6.2	65.7 67.2	7.1 5.6	61.0 63.4
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330] 2006 2007	141.4 142.2	88.3 95.8	82.8 89.9	5.4 5.9	62.4 67.4	6.1 6.2	58.6 63.2

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2006 and October 2007

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] 2006 2007	103.7 104.3	71.0 72.8	66.1 67.5	4.9 5.3	68.5 69.8	6.9 7.3	63.7 64.7
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] 2006 2007	68.1 68.1	44.9 42.8	41.7 39.7	3.2 3.0	65.9 62.8	7.1 7.0	61.2 58.3
<b>Quebec</b> 2006 2007	6,266.5 6,325.9	4,124.1 4,185.7	3,819.6 3,910.5	304.5 275.2	65.8 66.2	7.4 6.6	61.0 61.8
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] 2006 2007	80.8 80.9	42.6 42.4	36.2 36.7	6.4 5.7	52.7 52.4	15.0 13.4	44.8 45.4
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415] 2006 2007	167.2 167.4	103.7 99.8	96.3 93.3	7.4 6.4	62.0 59.6	7.1 6.4	57.6 55.7
Capitale-Nationale <i>[2420]</i> 2006 2007	561.0 564.8	360.9 378.4	341.3 362.3	19.6 16.1	64.3 67.0	5.4 4.3	60.8 64.1
Chaudière-Appalaches <i>[2425]</i> 2006 2007	325.6 328.0	219.4 220.2	208.3 210.3	11.2 9.9	67.4 67.1	5.1 4.5	64.0 64.1
Estrie [2430] 2006 2007	246.9 249.2	157.8 159.5	144.1 150.6	13.7 9.0	63.9 64.0	8.7 5.6	58.4 60.4
Centre-du-Québec [2433] 2006 2007	184.2 185.5	125.3 119.8	118.4 113.7	7.0 6.1	68.0 64.6	5.6 5.1	64.3 61.3
Montérégie <i>[2435]</i> 2006 2007	1,112.9 1,128.2	757.7 761.5	701.9 714.1	55.8 47.4	68.1 67.5	7.4 6.2	63.1 63.3
Montréal [2440] 2006 2007	1,586.4 1,592.2	1,057.4 1,055.8	959.5 968.6	97.9 87.1	66.7 66.3	9.3 8.2	60.5 60.8
Laval <i>[2445]</i> 2006 2007	305.5 310.1	207.7 218.7	195.0 210.2	12.7 8.6	68.0 70.5	6.1 3.9	63.8 67.8
Lanaudière <i>[2450]</i> 2006 2007	345.7 355.1	230.8 236.8	220.2 216.9	10.6 19.9	66.8 66.7	4.6 8.4	63.7 61.1
Laurentides [2455] 2006 2007	417.9 427.5	267.2 301.1	250.0 283.2	17.2 17.9	63.9 70.4	6.4 5.9	59.8 66.2
Outaouais <i>[2460]</i> 2006 2007	286.2 291.1	198.2 202.3	188.3 190.8	9.9 11.5	69.3 69.5	5.0 5.7	65.8 65.5
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465] 2006 2007	115.5 115.6	75.0 72.9	68.8 66.9	6.2 6.0	64.9 63.1	8.3 8.2	59.6 57.9
Mauricie [2470] 2006 2007	216.7 217.5	127.6 126.0	116.5 115.8	11.1 10.2	58.9 57.9	8.7 8.1	53.8 53.2

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2006 and October 2007

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment rate	
	_	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate		rate
		in th	nousands				
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean <i>[2475]</i> 2006 2007	224.4 223.6	135.8 137.8	121.5 127.9	14.3 9.8	60.5 61.6	10.5 7.1	54.1 57.2
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec <i>[2480, 2490]</i> 2006 2007	89.6 89.3	56.9 52.7	53.4 49.1	3.5 3.6	63.5 59.0	6.2 6.8	59.6 55.0
<b>Ontario</b> 2006 2007	10,259.7 10,391.1	6,974.3 7,095.9	6,525.4 6,661.4	448.9 434.5	68.0 68.3	6.4 6.1	63.6 64.1
Ottawa <i>[3510]</i> 2006 2007	979.9 986.1	671.0 704.9	632.4 666.1	38.6 38.8	68.5 71.5	5.8 5.5	64.5 67.5
Kingston-Pembroke <i>[3515]</i> 2006 2007	358.1 359.4	215.5 235.3	202.0 224.3	13.5 11.0	60.2 65.5	6.3 4.7	56.4 62.4
Muskoka-Kawarthas <i>[3520]</i> 2006 2007	306.8 309.6	196.3 191.8	185.1 182.0	11.1 9.8	64.0 62.0	5.7 5.1	60.3 58.8
Toronto <i>[3530]</i> 2006 2007	4,628.2 4,715.9	3,167.5 3,248.0	2,948.3 3,030.2	219.2 217.8	68.4 68.9	6.9 6.7	63.7 64.3
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie <i>[3540]</i> 2006 2007	953.8 971.5	698.8 697.4	663.4 660.5	35.3 36.9	73.3 71.8	5.1 5.3	69.6 68.0
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula <i>[3550]</i> 2006 2007	1,125.0 1,134.8	746.0 761.4	699.7 715.7	46.3 45.7	66.3 67.1	6.2 6.0	62.2 63.1
London <i>[3560]</i> 2006 2007	507.2 511.6	356.2 359.9	334.9 338.5	21.3 21.3	70.2 70.3	6.0 5.9	66.0 66.2
Windsor-Sarnia <i>[3570]</i> 2006 2007	523.3 525.1	358.4 344.9	331.7 321.3	26.7 23.6	68.5 65.7	7.4 6.8	63.4 61.2
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula <i>[3580]</i> 2006 2007	246.8 247.5	172.0 163.0	163.9 157.0	8.1 6.0	69.7 65.9	4.7 3.7	66.4 63.4
Northeast <i>[3590]</i> 2006 2007	453.5 453.8	278.7 277.0	257.4 261.7	21.3 15.3	61.5 61.0	7.6 5.5	56.8 57.7
Northwest <i>[3595]</i> 2006 2007	177.1 175.9	113.9 112.4	106.5 103.9	7.4 8.5	64.3 63.9	6.5 7.6	60.1 59.1
<b>Manitoba</b> 2006 2007	893.0 900.7	618.6 628.2	591.8 602.3	26.9 25.8	69.3 69.7	4.3 4.1	66.3 66.9
Southeast <i>[4610]</i> 2006 2007	75.0 76.9	53.6 53.9	51.7 52.5	2.0 1.4	71.5 70.1	3.7 2.6	68.9 68.3
South Central <i>[4620]</i> 2006 2007	42.5 43.2	28.2 29.7	27.1 29.0	1.0 0.7	66.4 68.7	3.5 2.4	63.8 67.1

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region¹, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2006 and October 2007

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation		
	-	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate		rate
		in th	nousands				
Southwest [4630] 2006 2007	81.8 82.3	52.3 52.7	50.5 50.9	1.9 1.9	63.9 64.0	3.6 3.6	61.7 61.8
North Central [4640] 2006 2007	35.5 35.7	22.8 23.7	22.3 22.9	x 0.8	64.2 66.4	x 3.4	62.8 64.1
Winnipeg [4650] 2006 2007	529.5 533.8	373.6 379.1	355.4 361.3	18.2 17.8	70.6 71.0	4.9 4.7	67.1 67.7
Interlake <i>[4660]</i> 2006 2007	68.8 69.9	46.5 47.5	45.4 46.0	1.1 1.5	67.6 68.0	2.4 3.2	66.0 65.8
Parklands and North [4670, 4680] 2006 2007	59.9 59.1	41.6 41.5	39.3 39.8	2.3 1.7	69.4 70.2	5.5 4.1	65.6 67.3
Saskatchewan 2006 2007	746.1 753.6	523.5 526.7	500.8 504.5	22.7 22.3	70.2 69.9	4.3 4.2	67.1 66.9
Regina-Moose Mountain <i>[4710]</i> 2006 2007	219.1 221.9	158.0 155.3	151.4 148.3	6.7 7.0	72.1 70.0	4.2 4.5	69.1 66.8
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720] 2006 2007	82.4 82.8	58.0 56.7	55.4 54.6	2.7 2.0	70.4 68.5	4.7 3.5	67.2 65.9
Saskatoon-Biggar <i>[4730]</i> 2006 2007	231.0 234.4	164.5 172.4	158.3 166.2	6.2 6.2	71.2 73.5	3.8 3.6	68.5 70.9
Yorkton-Melville <i>[4740]</i> 2006 2007	64.4 64.1	42.2 44.1	40.6 42.3	1.7 1.9	65.5 68.8	4.0 4.3	63.0 66.0
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] 2006 2007	149.1 150.4	100.6 98.2	95.2 93.1	5.4 5.1	67.5 65.3	5.4 5.2	63.8 61.9
<b>Alberta</b> 2006 2007	2,662.4 2,759.5	1,967.5 2,051.8	1,898.0 1,980.3	69.4 71.6	73.9 74.4	3.5 3.5	71.3 71.8
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810] 2006 2007	201.8 207.8	143.3 142.0	138.9 136.4	4.4 5.6	71.0 68.3	3.1 3.9	68.8 65.6
Camrose-Drumheller <i>[4820]</i> 2006 2007	151.7 155.4	112.2 115.7	108.5 113.0	3.8 2.8	74.0 74.5	3.4 2.4	71.5 72.7
Calgary <i>[4830]</i> 2006 2007	962.6 1,003.2	742.2 764.8	717.7 740.7	24.6 24.0	77.1 76.2	3.3 3.1	74.6 73.8
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840] 2006 2007	66.4 68.1	51.6 53.9	50.0 52.8	1.6 x	77.7 79.1	3.1 x	75.3 77.5
Red Deer <i>[4850]</i> 2006 2007	137.3 143.4	102.4 109.9	99.2 106.7	3.2 3.1	74.6 76.6	3.1 2.8	72.3 74.4

Table 6-1 - continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2006 and October 2007

	Population		Labour force	е	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
	-	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands	_			
Edmonton [4860]	070.0	047.0	500.5	00.0	70.5	0.0	07.7
2006 2007	876.2 905.6	617.3 653.7	593.5 626.7	23.8 27.0	70.5 72.2	3.9 4.1	67.7 69.2
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870] 2006	178.5	133.6	128.7	4.9	74.8	3.7	72.1
2007	184.3	138.7	133.9	4.8	75.3	3.5	72.7
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2006 2007	88.0 91.7	64.9 73.3	61.6 70.1	3.3 3.2	73.8 79.9	5.1 4.4	70.0 76.4
British Columbia	0.504.0			400.0	00.4		
2006 2007	3,524.0 3,585.0	2,328.8 2,381.6	2,220.5 2,282.5	108.3 99.1	66.1 66.4	4.7 4.2	63.0 63.7
/ancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2006 2007	614.5 625.0	390.5 402.0	370.2 386.5	20.2 15.5	63.5 64.3	5.2 3.9	60.2 61.8
ower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2006 2007	2,128.1 2,170.6	1,423.5 1,451.6	1,362.1 1,390.9	61.4 60.7	66.9 66.9	4.3 4.2	64.0 64.1
hompson-Okanagan <i>[5930]</i>							
2006 2007	416.0 424.7	271.3 270.4	258.5 260.4	12.8 9.9	65.2 63.7	4.7 3.7	62.1 61.3
	424.7	270.4	200.4	9.9	63.7	3.7	01.3
Cootenay [5940] 1006	122.1	74.4	70.3	4.1	60.9	5.5	57.6
007	122.2	84.3	79.5	4.9	69.0	5.8	65.1
Cariboo [5950]	405.5	o= o					
2006 2007	125.5 125.2	87.0 90.9	82.4 86.6	4.6 4.3	69.3 72.6	5.3 4.7	65.7 69.2
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2006	67.1	45.7	42.4	3.3	68.1	7.2	63.2
2007	65.9	45.5	42.3	3.3	69.0	7.3	64.2
lortheast <i>[5980]</i> :006	50.8	36.4	34.6	1.9	71.7	5.2	68.1
2007	51.4	36.9	36.3	1.9 X	71.7	5.2 X	70.6

<sup>1.</sup> For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).

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

Table 6-2 Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2006 and October 2007

	Population		Labour forc	е	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
	•	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in t	housands				
Yukon Territory <sup>1</sup> 2006 2007	21.5 21.3	16.0 16.1	15.4 15.3	0.6 0.8	74.4 75.6	3.8 5.0	71.6 71.8
Northwest Territories <sup>2</sup> 2006 2007	30.9 30.8	23.7 24.1	22.6 22.7	1.1 1.3	76.7 78.2	4.6 5.4	73.1 73.7
Nunavut - 10 largest communities <sup>3</sup> 2006 2007	13.9 14.2	9.7 10.0	8.5 9.2	1.2 0.8	69.7 69.9	12.0 8.0	61.3 64.3

<sup>1.</sup> Since 1992, the Labour force survey has been administered in the Yukon Territory, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0054.

<sup>2.</sup> Since 2001, the Labour force survey has been administered in the Northwest Territories, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

<sup>3.</sup> Since 2004, the Labour force survey has been administered in Nunavut, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals. The 10 largest communities are Iqaluit, Cambridge Bay, Baker Lake, Arviat, Rankin Inlet, Kugluktuk, Pond Inlet, Cape Dorset, Pangnirtung, Igloolik.

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

	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
	thousands	_	dolla	rs	thousands	_	dollars	thousands		dollars
October 2007	-	_				_	_			
15 years and over	14,410.6	35.5	763.91	20.74	11,775.2	39.6	877.16	2,635.5	17.2	257.90
15 to 24 years	2,443.6	27.5	356.43	12.07	1,251.7	39.3	551.69	1,191.9	15.0	151.38
25 years and over Men	11,967.0 7,287.9	37.2 38.2	847.11	22.51 22.49	10,523.5	39.7 40.9	915.87	1,443.6 804.5	18.9 16.3	345.85 226.94
Women	7,267.9	30.2 32.8	880.88 644.22	18.95	6,483.3 5,291.9	38.1	962.03 773.18	1,830.9	17.5	271.50
Union coverage	,				,			,		
Union coverage	4,567.2	35.9	863.33	23.76	3,901.7	38.8	945.02	665.5	18.9	384.38
No union coverage	9,843.5	35.4	717.77	19.34	7,873.5	40.1	843.53	1,970.0	16.6	215.17
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,562.1	36.5	802.68	21.40	10,730.3	39.6	891.83	1,831.8	18.2	280.44
Temporary	1,848.6	28.9	500.44	16.28	1,044.9	39.8	726.50	803.7	14.7	206.53
Occupation	1.005.6	40.4	1 204 24	20.40	1 004 0	40.7	1 200 22	20.7	10.0	407.05
Management Business, finance and administrative	1,035.6 2,809.8	40.1 35.1	1,284.31 705.06	32.18 19.65	1,004.9 2.366.5	40.7 38.3	1,308.33 783.59	30.7 443.3	19.8 17.7	497.85 285.89
Natural and applied sciences	1,058.7	38.5	1.109.92	28.81	1.020.1	39.3	1.136.12	38.5	17.7	416.60
Health	861.5	33.6	833.01	24.65	657.0	37.8	941.66	204.5	20.1	483.84
Social science, education, government service										
and religion	1,304.7	34.2	919.70	26.67	1,047.0	38.4	1,042.93	257.8	16.9	419.15
Art, culture, recreation and sport	352.5	30.3	694.81	21.21	236.1	38.9	925.53	116.4	13.0	226.80
Sales and service	3,668.2	30.8	464.21	13.98	2,320.2	38.9	628.89	1,348.0	16.9	180.77
Trades, transport and equipment operators Occupations unique to primary industry	2,125.4 301.1	40.5 41.5	842.60 776.03	20.59 17.88	2,000.6 265.4	41.9 45.2	879.59 859.30	124.8 35.7	17.9 13.6	249.66 157.19
Occupations unique to primary industry Occupations unique to processing,	301.1	41.5	110.03	17.00	200.4	40.2	009.30	33.7	13.0	137.19
manufacturing and utilities	893.2	39.4	708.02	17.84	857.5	40.3	728.44	35.7	16.5	217.86
October 2006										
15 years and over	14,145.3	35.6	733.76	19.92	11,611.8	39.6	839.30	2,533.5	17.3	250.08
15 to 24 years	2,406.4	28.1	348.29	11.56	1,294.4	39.2	521.21	1,112.0	15.1	147.00
25 years and over	11,739.0	37.1	812.78	21.64	10,317.4	39.6	879.20	1,421.5	19.0	330.71
Men	7,200.6	38.3	844.73	21.54	6,455.2	40.8	917.27	745.3	16.4	216.44
Women	6,944.8	32.8	618.71	18.24	5,156.6	38.0	741.68	1,788.2	17.7	264.10
Union coverage	4 470 0	05.0	000.40	00.00	0.000.0	00.7	040.00	205.0	40.0	070.04
Union coverage No union coverage	4,472.0 9,673.3	35.9 35.4	836.40 686.32	23.02 18.49	3,836.2 7,775.7	38.7 40.0	913.23 802.82	635.9 1,897.6	18.9 16.7	372.91 208.92
·	9,073.3	33.4	000.32	10.43	1,113.1	40.0	002.02	1,097.0	10.7	200.92
Job permanency	12,366.9	26.5	769.65	20.53	10 506 1	39.6	853.91	1 700 0	18.2	260.76
Permanent Temporary	1,778.5	36.5 29.4	484.25	15.71	10,586.1 1,025.8	39.0	688.52	1,780.8 752.7	15.0	268.76 205.87
Occupation	,				,					
Management	1,015.7	40.2	1,260.54	31.33	984.3	40.9	1,287.30	31.4	19.1	422.31
Business, finance and administrative	2,753.3	35.2	686.42	19.05	2,339.1	38.3	760.13	414.2	17.8	270.10
Natural and applied sciences	1,002.7	38.7	1,085.01	27.98	967.7	39.4	1,109.52	35.0	19.1	407.43
Health	854.0	33.0	771.57	23.31	625.5	37.7	886.23	228.5	20.1	457.68
Social science, education, government service	4 077 0	22.7	074.00	05.77	1.010.0	20.0	004.00	200	16.0	404.04
and religion Art, culture, recreation and sport	1,277.3 295.1	33.7 31.0	871.09 710.40	25.77 21.24	1,010.6 207.6	38.2 38.7	994.89 926.60	266.6 87.6	16.8 12.7	401.84 198.02
Sales and service	3,603.1	30.9	441.64	13.32	2,326.2	38.6	588.20	1,276.9	17.0	174.66
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,053.8	40.6	809.92	19.79	1,940.8	41.9	843.06	113.1	17.8	241.16
Occupations unique to primary industry	309.6	43.1	723.52	16.40	276.2	46.7	791.82	33.4	14.0	159.10
Occupations unique to processing,	980.8	39.1	674.24	17.05	933.9	40.2	697.87	46.8	17.2	203.06
manufacturing and utilities										

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0023, 282-0069, 282-0073

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

Region	Effective from November 4, 2007 to December 8, 2007	
	Percent	
Newfoundland and Labrador 01. St.John's 02. Newfoundland and Labrador	6.4 19.0	
<b>Prince Edward Island</b> 03. Prince Edward Island	10.1	
Nova Scotia 04. Eastern Nova Scotia 05. Western Nova Scotia 06. Halifax	13.5 9.8 5.5	
New Brunswick 07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John 08. Madawaska-Charlotte <sup>2</sup> 09. Restigouche-Albert	5.5 10.3 13.9	
Quebec  10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine  11. Québec  12. Trois-Rivières  13. South Central Quebec  14. Sherbrooke  15. Montérégie  16. Montréal  17. Central Quebec  18. Northwestern Quebec  19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord <sup>3</sup> 20. Gatineau  21. Saguenay	16.7 5.2 7.5 5.1 6.0 7.6 7.3 7.3 11.6 10.9 5.3 8.4	
Ontario 22. Ottawa 23. Eastern Ontario 24. Kingston 25. Central Ontario 26. Oshawa 27. Toronto 28. Hamilton 29. St. Catharines 30. London 31. Niagara 32. Windsor 33. Kitchener 34. Huron 35. South Central Ontario 36. Sudbury 37. Thunder Bay 38. Northern Ontario  Manitoba	5.0 7.2 6.2 5.1 6.5 6.6 5.7 7.9 5.9 7.3 9.2 5.5 5.7 5.0 5.4 7.0 9.9	
39. Winnipeg 40. Southern Manitoba 41. Northern Manitoba  Saskatchewan 42. Regina 43. Saskatoon 44. Southern Saskatchewan 45. Northern Saskatchewan	4.5 4.7 25.4 5.1 4.1 6.1 14.6	

Table 8 – continued

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

Region	Effective from November 4, 2007 to December 8, 2007	
	Percent	
Alberta		
46. Calgary	3.1	
47. Edmonton	4.4	
48. Northern Alberta 49. Southern Alberta	7.3 4.3	
49. Southern Alberta	4.3	
British Columbia		
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	6.0	
51. Abbotsford	4.7	
52. Vancouver	4.2	
53. Victoria 54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	3.8	
55. Northern British Columbia	5.4 8.4	
55. Notthern British Columbia	0.4	
Territories		
56. Yukon Territory <sup>4</sup>	25.0	
57. Northwest Territories <sup>4</sup>	25.0	
58. Nunavut <sup>4</sup>	25.0	

The boundaries of these regions are determined by Human Resources and Social Development Canada (HRSDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of employment insurance regions, see the HRSDC website: http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/asp/gateway.asp?hr=en/ei/region/economic\_region\_information.shtml&hs=eza.

This unemployment rate has been determined using a transition formula prescribed in the EI Regulations. For further information, see:

http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/cs/comm/news/2000/000913a\_e.shtml.

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

<sup>4.</sup> This rate is provided by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

# **Data quality**

## **About the Labour Force Survey**

The statistics contained in this report are based on information obtained through a sample survey of 53,000 representative households across the country. The Labour Force Survey, started in November 1945, was taken at quarterly intervals until November 1952. It has been carried out monthly since then. The information generated by the survey has expanded considerably over the years with a major redesign of the survey content in 1976 and again in 1997, and provides a rich and detailed picture of the Canadian labour market.

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

#### **Definitions and explanations**

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

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week:

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

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

**Unemployed** persons are those who, during the reference week:

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

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

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

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

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

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

All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries.

## Seasonal adjustment

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

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

## Sampling variability of estimates

Estimates in this publication are based on the Labour Force Survey, a monthly survey of approximately 53,000 households across Canada. Because the entire population is not surveyed, the estimates are subject to sampling error. While the published estimate is the best available indicator of the real value, changes in the level of any estimates between two months can be the result of a true change or sampling variability. The sampling error can be estimated by calculating the standard error for the published estimate or statistic. These standard errors have been included in the publication tables, in order to assist users in interpreting the data.

#### Interpretation based on standard error

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

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

#### Interpretation based on confidence intervals

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

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

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

#### **Documentation**

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

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