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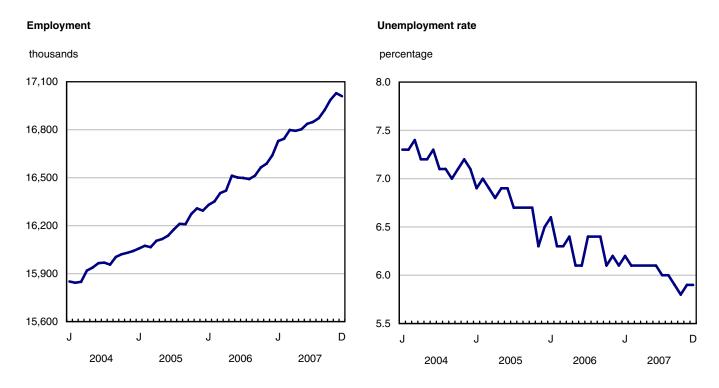
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# **Highlights**

#### December 2007

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Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted



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Full-time employment accounted for three-quarters of Canada's employment growth in 2007. Although older workers represented 30% of the working age population, they accounted for half of the total employment growth.

For the second straight year, Alberta charted the highest employment growth rate of all provinces, although at a slower clip than in 2006. Employment gains were also strong in New Brunswick, British Columbia and Quebec in 2007.

Alberta posted the only significant employment gain in December (+21,000). This, however, was offset by declines in six provinces.

Manufacturing experienced another drop in December (-33,000). Following a decline of 2.4% in 2006, employment in this industry was further reduced by an estimated 6.2% in 2007.

All of the employment losses in December were among employees in the private sector, leaving gains for this group of workers up a tepid 0.4% over the course of the year. Gains for the year were mostly in the public sector and self-employment.

Wages continued to rise in December, increasing to 4.9% year-over-year, exceeding the most recent increase in the Consumer Price Index of 2.5%. At \$23.50, Alberta's average hourly wage stood well above that of other provinces, up 8.8% or close to two dollars from 12 months earlier, and far above that province's Consumer Price Index change of 4.7%.

#### Canada's employment gains surpassed that of the United States

Canada's employment growth of 2.2% in the past twelve months far surpassed that of the United States (+0.2%). Employment gains in the service-producing sector in the United States were hampered by continued losses in manufacturing as well as declines in construction and financial activities in 2007.

The Canadian unemployment rate has historically been higher than that of the United States, even once adjusted to US concepts. From 2001 to 2006, the average gap was approximately 1.0 percentage point. While the Canadian unemployment rate reached record lows in 2007, the US unemployment rate increased, narrowing the gap between the two rates to 0.3 percentage points in December 2007. Meanwhile, employment and participation rates in Canada remained above those in the United States throughout 2007.

#### Goods-producing sector employment hindered by manufacturing

In December, employment was down in the goods-producing sector, as declines in manufacturing and agriculture were only partly offset by increases in natural resources and construction.

In 2007, the goods-producing sector declined by 1.2% (-48,000), despite strength in construction and utilities.

With a surge in the Canadian dollar, soaring costs for energy and other materials and stiff competition from other countries, the manufacturing industry suffered considerable employment losses in 2007. Employment in this industry shrank by an estimated 132,000 (-6.2%), bringing total accumulated losses since November 2002 to 348,000 (-14.9%), approaching the early 1990s manufacturing decline of 364,000 (-17.1%).

Over the year, manufacturing losses mainly stemmed from wood product manufacturing; motor vehicle and parts; fabricated metal and furniture.

Building on the momentum of the previous five years, employment in construction continued to grow in 2007 (+6.8%). Employment growth in utilities (+13.0%) in 2007, a more recent trend, brings employment in this industry to similar levels as those in the early 1990s.

#### Lion's share of growth in the service-producing sector in 2007

In December, there were a number of industry changes in the service-producing sector compared to the previous month, as increases in transportation and warehousing and public administration were offset by declines in accommodation and food services and 'other services'.

Employment in the service-producing sector rose an estimated 3.3% (+417,000) in 2007. Above-average gains occurred in public administration (+9.4%); information, culture and recreation (+8.9%); professional, scientific and technical services (+5.7%); transportation and warehousing (+4.8%) and 'other services' (+4.8%).

#### Public sector and self-employment fuelled employment growth over the year

Despite little change in December, public sector employment rose by 6.5% (+208,000) since December 2006. Growth was particularly strong in public administration; utilities; health and social assistance; and education.

Self-employment rose by an estimated 22,000 in December, bringing growth in 2007 to 4.5% (+114,000). This is in contrast to 2006 when it edged down (-0.4%). All of the self-employment gains were in full-time work in 2007.

In December, employment in the private sector declined by 51,000, offsetting the gains made the previous month. Over the year, private sector employment notched up only 0.4% (+47,000), driven by part-time work.

#### The two westernmost provinces continued to thrive in 2007

Employment in Alberta surged ahead in December (+21,000), bringing this province's employment rate to another record high (71.9%), while the unemployment rate dipped 0.4 percentage points to 3.2%.

Alberta's employment for the year rose by a solid 4.3%, the highest growth rate of all provinces. This was, however, lower than the robust growth seen in 2006 (+5.6%), when employment gains for this province were the highest since the previous oil boom in the mid-to-late seventies. Gains over the year stemmed from full-time employment, primarily in natural resources, construction and a number of service-producing industries.

Although employment was down in British Columbia in December, this province had strong employment growth in 2007 (+3.3%). With a mix of full- and part-time gains, employment was particularly strong over the year in the goods-producing sector (+4.1%): with gains in construction; utilities; natural resources and agriculture, as well as a few service industries: information, culture and recreation; transportation and warehousing; public administration and trade.

With fewer people employed in Manitoba in December, the employment rate declined to 66.3%, following a record high in November of 67.0%. The province's 2007 employment growth rate of 1.9% (+11,000) is the highest since 2002.

In December, employment was also down in Saskatchewan. Following strong growth in 2006 (+4.9%), employment growth in 2007 was only 0.3%. Weakness in agriculture and trade offset gains in other industries. Despite little employment growth in 2007, Saskatchewan's December unemployment rate of 4.0% was the second lowest of all provinces.

#### Quebec's employment situation improved in 2007

Although employment edged down in December, Quebec's employment growth was stronger in 2007 than in 2006. This province's growth rate was above the national average, at 2.4%, the best in five years, as employment rates reached record highs in 2007 (61.4% in November) and the unemployment rate hit a 33-year low (6.9% first reached in June). However, employment gains were mostly in part-time work.

Quebec's employment gains over the year were in construction; utilities; accommodation and food services; and 'other services'. Manufacturing declines were substantial at an estimated 43,000 (-7.5%) in 2007, primarily in the manufacturing of textile and clothing; food; wood and printing products.

Employment in Ontario also edged down in December, as losses in manufacturing; accommodation and food services; and finance, insurance, real estate and leasing were only partially offset by gains in trade and public administration. This brought Ontario's unemployment rate up 0.3 percentage points to 6.5% in December, 0.6 percentage points above the national average.

Ontario's employment growth over the year was a tepid 1.4% mainly due to weakness in the goods-producing sector (-5.6%). Not only were there losses in manufacturing, but also in agriculture; natural resources and construction over the year. Manufacturing employment in this province dropped 6.5% (-64,000) in 2007, primarily in motor vehicles, body and parts; fabricated metal; and wood products manufacturing.

Despite these weaknesses in the goods-producing sector in Ontario during 2007, there were notable gains in the services industries (+3.6%): public administration; education; information, culture and recreation; and professional, scientific and technical services. Overall employment growth was all in full-time work in the province.

#### **Great year for New Brunswick**

Despite a small decline in employment in December, New Brunswick had the second-highest growth rate of all provinces in 2007 (+3.6%), and is the only Atlantic province to record significant growth. This follows two years of little employment change for New Brunswick.

New Brunswick's employment gains over the year were in full-time work and primarily in professional, scientific and technical services; health care and social assistance; public administration and construction.

#### Employment robust for older workers in 2007

Employment increased by an estimated 17,000 for people aged 55 and over in December. Older workers had above-average employment growth in 2007 (+7.7%), with higher gains for older women (+9.4%) than men (+6.4%). Older women were more likely to be participating in the labour market in 2007, as their participation rate increased 1.6 percentage points to 27.9% from one year ago, their highest rate on record.

Youth also experienced healthy employment gains in 2007 (+2.1%), the strongest pace of growth since 2002. In December, 59.6% of those aged 15 to 24 were employed, up 0.8 percentage points from December 2006.

In December, employment fell for women aged 25 to 54 years (-30,000), bringing their employment rate down 0.4 percentage points to 78.1%. Over the year, employment growth was moderate for both men and women in this age group, each up 1.1%.

#### Annual averages

Another indicator of labour market trends is the annual average, which is an average of the 12 months of the year and is usually compared with the 12-month average of the previous year. Annual averages are more stable and better reflect longer trends than December-over-December estimates. Annual average estimates for 2007 are now available on CANSIM (tables 282-0001 to 282-0099). The following analysis on the territories, Aboriginal peoples living off-reserve and immigrants uses annual averages, due to their small population size.

#### Nunavut leading territories in employment gains

The ten largest communities of Nunavut recorded an employment increase of 11.0% (+900) between 2006 and 2007, pushing their annual average unemployment rate down to an estimated 8.9% in 2007 (-1.4 percentage points). This was the only territory with employment growth in 2007.

Employment has been stable in both the Northwest Territories and in Yukon in the last few years, however, Yukon's unemployment rate increased to 5.1% in 2007 from 4.3% in 2006. The unemployment rate for the Northwest Territories has been at 5.4% for the past three years.

#### Aboriginal people living off-reserve continue to find employment, but at a slower pace

Among the Aboriginal off-reserve population in the four western provinces, employment gains in 2007 were slower (+2.2%) compared to those observed in 2006 (+6.6%) and 2005 (+3.7%). Among non-Aboriginal people in western Canada, employment increased by 3.6%. Aboriginal people living off-reserve in Alberta and Saskatchewan had the strongest employment gains of the four provinces in 2007.

The unemployment rate for off-reserve Aboriginal people in 2007 was 9.4%, a substantial decline from 12.2% in 2005.

#### Above average employment growth for recent immigrants

In 2006, the Labour Force Survey began asking questions to identify the immigrant population. Very recent immigrants are those who landed in Canada within the previous five years, recent immigrants are those who landed between five and ten years earlier and established immigrants landed in Canada 10 years ago or more.

Results of the annual data show that the employment rate in 2007 for very recent immigrants was stable at 57.5% compared to 2006, whereas recent immigrants experienced an increase of 1.0 percentage point to 66.3% and established immigrants recorded a 0.4 percentage point increase to 56.5%.

Although unemployment rates for very recent immigrants are high at 11.9%, this is a decline of 0.5 percentage points from 2006 due to a decrease in their labour force participation. The unemployment rate of recent immigrants was lower, at 8.2% in 2007, a decline of 0.5 percentage points from 2006. In 2007, established immigrants had the same unemployment rate as those born in Canada, at 5.7%.

#### Note to readers

The analysis presented in this release describes labour market trends in 2007 by looking at the change in estimates from December 2006 to December 2007. This indicator picks up the more recent labour market trends for the year but can be influenced by unusual spikes or declines in the end points used to calculate the change.

Seasonally adjusted estimates from the Labour Force Survey will be revised using the latest seasonal factors, going back three years (January 2005 onwards). They will be available on CANSIM (tables 282-0087 to 282-0094) February 1st, 2008.

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.

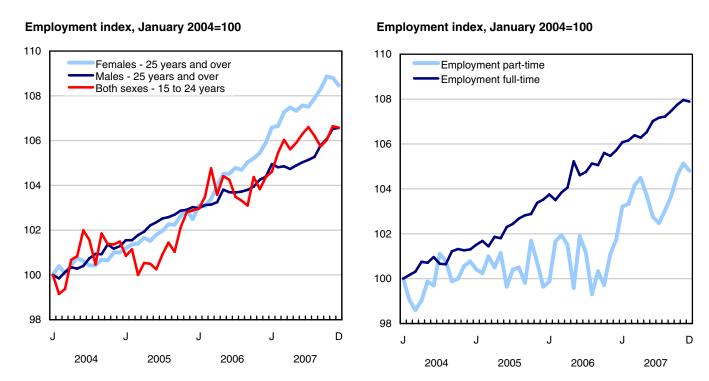
The 2006 Labour Force Historical Review on CD-ROM (71F0004XCB, \$209) is now available.

Text table 1
Annual average employment levels and unemployment rates by province and territory

	Employment		Change in employmen	nt	Unemployme	ent rate
	2006	2007	2006 to 2007		2006	2007
_	thousands		thousands		percent	
Canada	16,484.3	16,866.4	382.1	2.3	6.3	6.0
Newfoundland and Labrador	215.7	217.1	1.4	0.6	14.8	13.6
Prince Edward Island	68.6	69.3	0.7	1.0	11.0	10.3
Nova Scotia	441.8	447.6	5.8	1.3	7.9	8.0
New Brunswick	355.4	362.8	7.4	2.1	8.8	7.5
Quebec	3,765.4	3,851.7	86.3	2.3	8.0	7.2
Ontario	6,492.7	6,593.8	101.1	1.6	6.3	6.4
Manitoba	587.0	596.5	9.5	1.6	4.3	4.4
Saskatchewan	491.6	501.8	10.2	2.1	4.7	4.2
Alberta	1,870.7	1,959.4	88.7	4.7	3.4	3.5
British Columbia	2,195.5	2,266.3	70.8	3.2	4.8	4.2
Yukon Territory	15.5	15.0	-0.5	-3.2	4.3	5.1
Northwest Territories	22.8	22.6	-0.2	-0.9	5.4	5.4
Nunavut - 10 largest communities	8.2	9.1	0.9	11.0	10.3	8.9

Note(s): The Canada total is the sum of the provinces and does not include the territories. Related CANSIM tables 282-0002 and 282-0055.

Chart 1 Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



#### Employment index, January 2004=100

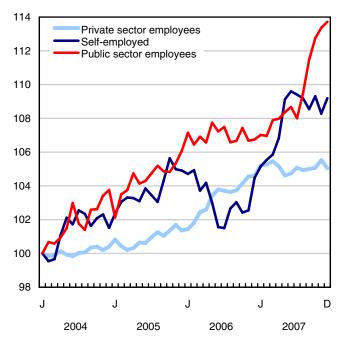
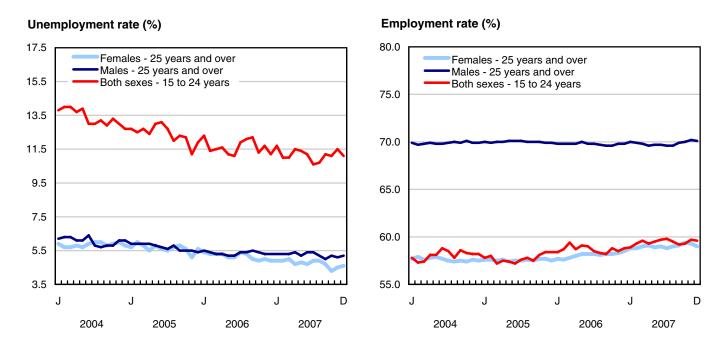
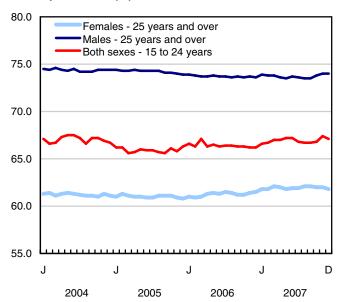


Chart 2
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



#### Participation rate (%)





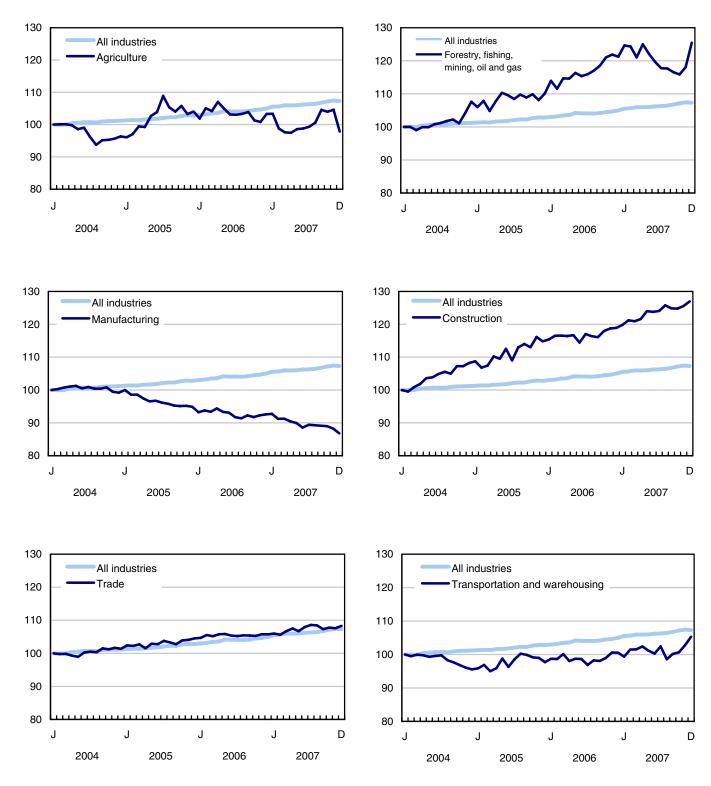


Chart 4 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January 2004 = 100

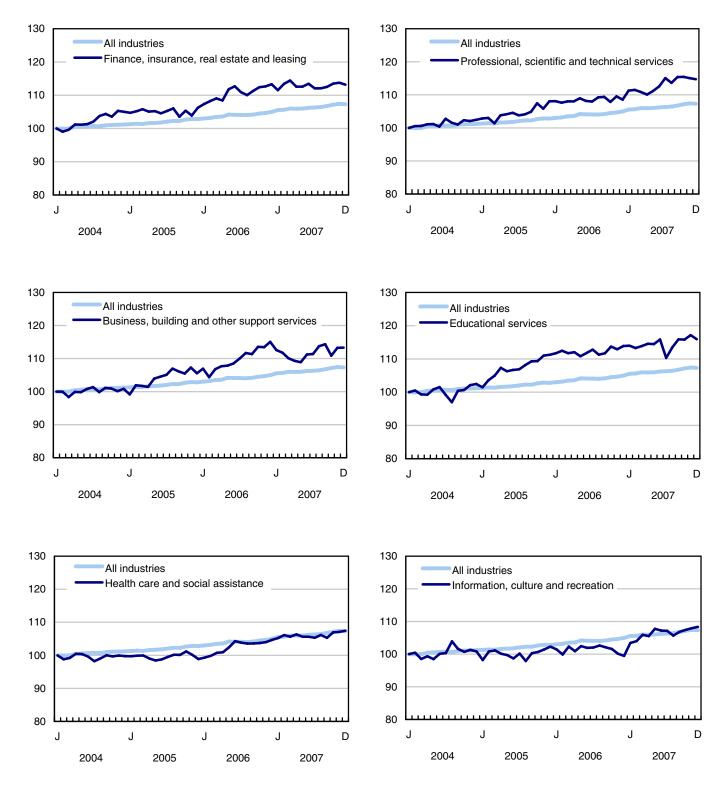
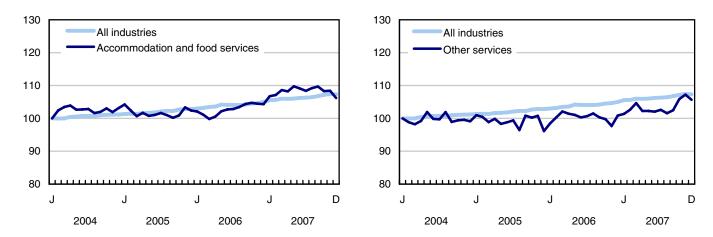


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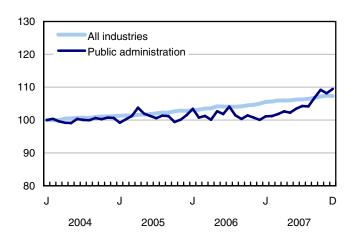


Chart 6 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2004 = 100

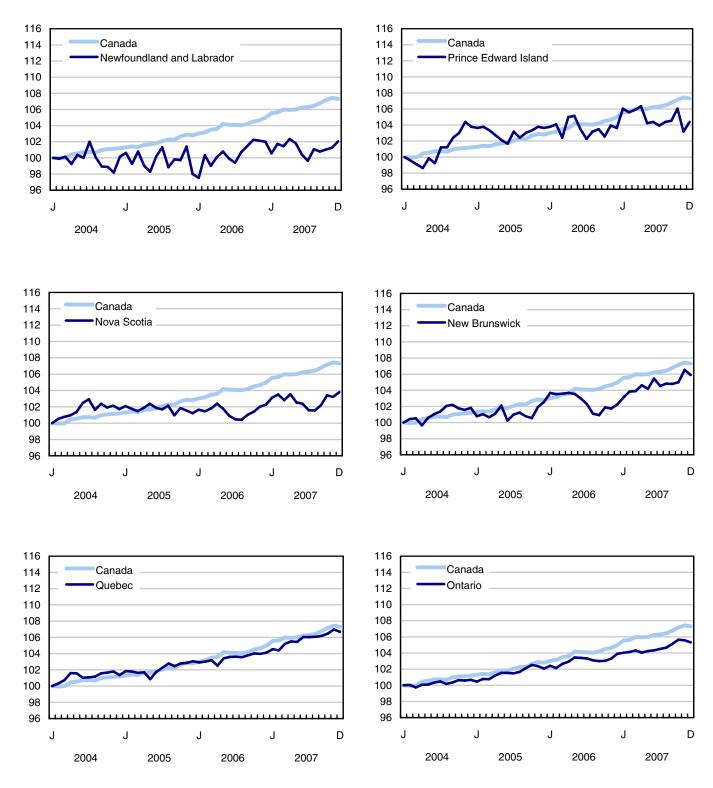
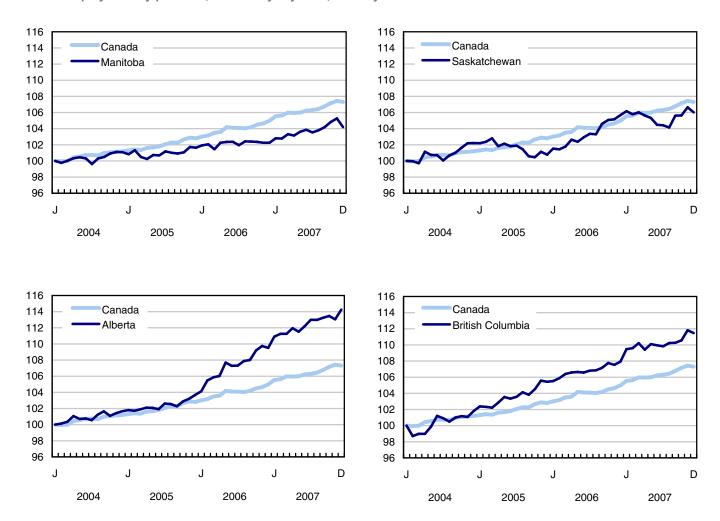


Chart 7 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2004 = 100



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#### Selected summary tables from Statistics Canada

- Labour force characteristics
- Employment by industry
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- Days lost per worker due to illness or disability, by sex, by provinces
- Economic indicators, by province and territory (monthly and quarterly)
- Labour force and participation rates by sex and age group
- Labour force, employed and unemployed, numbers and rates, by provinces
- Employment by industry and sex
- Full-time and part-time employment by sex and age group
- Labour force characteristics by age and sex
- Distribution of employed people, by industry, by province
- Labour force characteristics, population 15 years and older, by census metropolitan area
- Labour force characteristics, population 15 years and older, by economic region, by province
- Days lost per worker by cause, by provinces
- Days lost per worker by industry and sex
- People employed, by educational attainment

- · Reasons for part-time work by sex and age group
- Self-employment, historical summary
- Employment by age, sex, type of work, class of worker and provinces (monthly)
- Employment by major industry groups, seasonally adjusted, by provinces (monthly)
- Actual hours worked per week by industry, seasonally adjusted (monthly)
- Average hourly wages of employees by selected characteristics and profession, unadjusted data, by provinces (monthly)
- Labour force characteristics, seasonally adjusted, by province (monthly)
- Labour force characteristics, unadjusted, by province (monthly)
- Labour force characteristics, seasonally adjusted, by census metropolitan area (3 month moving average)
- Labour force characteristics, unadjusted, by census metropolitan area (3 month moving average)
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# **Statistical tables**

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

	November	December	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change fro		from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	xcept ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	00.000.5				224.0	201.0	• •		
Population	26,693.5	26,719.5	27.1	26.0	361.9	361.9	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force Employment	18,096.8 17,028.6	18,082.3 17,009.9	27.1 27.4	-14.5 -18.7	366.6 369.5	366.6 369.5	-0.1 -0.1	2.1 2.2	2.1 2.2
Employment full-time	13,925.8	13,916.5	35.2	-10.7	279.3	279.3	-0.1	2.0	2.2
Employment part-time	3,102.8	3,093.4	32.0	-9.4	90.2	90.2	-0.3	3.0	3.0
Unemployment	1,068.2	1,072.4	23.1	4.2	-2.9	-2.9	0.4	-0.3	-0.3
Participation rate	67.8	67.7	0.1	-0.1	0.5	0.5			
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.9	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.2			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.8 18.2	63.7 18.2	0.1 0.2	-0.1 0.0	0.6 0.1	0.6 0.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	4,365.6	4,366.8	40.0	1.2	28.8	28.8	0.0	0.7	0.7
Labour force Employment	2,941.4 2,604.3	2,928.9 2,602.9	16.3 15.7	-12.5 -1.4	58.5 54.0	58.5 54.0	-0.4 -0.1	2.0 2.1	2.0 2.1
Employment full-time	1,422.1	1,418.2	17.8	-3.9	-8.6	-8.6	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6
Employment part-time	1,182.2	1,184.7	18.2	2.5	62.6	62.6	0.2	5.6	5.6
Unemployment	337.1	326.0	13.7	-11.1	4.5	4.5	-3.3	1.4	1.4
Participation rate	67.4	67.1	0.4	-0.3	0.9	0.9			
Unemployment rate	11.5	11.1	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	59.7 45.4	59.6 45.5	0.4 0.6	-0.1 0.1	0.8 1.5	0.8 1.5			
	45.4	45.5	0.0	0.1	1.5	1.5	•••	•••	
Men, 25 years and over Population	10,908.2	10,920.7		12.5	165.7	165.7	0.1	1.5	1.5
Labour force	8,069.6	8,083.6	13.9	14.0	163.9	163.7	0.1	2.1	2.1
Employment	7.656.3	7,660.2	15.0	3.9	156.5	156.5	0.1	2.1	2.1
Employment full-time	7,155.0	7,165.9	19.1	10.9	148.4	148.4	0.2	2.1	2.1
Employment part-time	501.2	494.2	15.1	-7.0	8.0	8.0	-1.4	1.6	1.6
Unemployment	413.4	423.4	13.3	10.0	7.3	7.3	2.4	1.8	1.8
Participation rate Unemployment rate	74.0 5.1	74.0 5.2	0.1 0.2	0.0 0.1	0.4 -0.1	0.4 -0.1			•••
Employment rate	70.2	70.1	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.3			
Part-time rate	6.5	6.5	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	11,419.6	11,432.0		12.4	167.4	167.4	0.1	1.5	1.5
Labour force	7,085.8	7,069.8	15.3	-16.0	144.2	144.2	-0.2	2.1	2.1
Employment	6,768.1	6,746.8	15.5	-21.3	158.9	158.9	-0.3	2.4	2.4
Employment full-time Employment part-time	5,348.7 1,419.4	5,332.3 1,414.5	22.4 20.8	-16.4 -4.9	139.4 19.6	139.4 19.6	-0.3 -0.3	2.7 1.4	2.7 1.4
Unemployment	317.7	323.0	12.2	5.3	-14.7	-14.7	1.7	-4.4	-4.4
Participation rate	62.0	61.8	0.1	-0.2	0.3	0.3			
Unemployment rate	4.5	4.6	0.2	0.1	-0.3	-0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	59.3 21.0	59.0 21.0	0.1 0.3	-0.3 0.0	0.5 -0.2	0.5 -0.2			
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,365.7	14,371.7		6.0	90.6	90.6	0.0	0.6	0.6
Labour force	12,471.2	12,449.3	20.4	-21.9	120.8	120.8	-0.2	1.0	1.0
Employment	11,861.2	11,827.1	21.8	-34.1	131.3	131.3	-0.3	1.1	1.1
Unemployment	610.0	622.1	16.9	12.1	-10.6	-10.6	2.0	-1.7	-1.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	86.8 4.9	86.6 5.0	0.1 0.1	-0.2 0.1	0.3 -0.1	0.3 -0.1			
Employment rate	82.6	82.3	0.1	-0.3	0.4	0.4			
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<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 2 Employment by class of worker and industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	November	December			Change from	1	Percent change from			
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
		i	n thous	ands						
Class of worker Employees Self-employed <sup>2</sup>	14,408.1 2,620.5	14,367.5 2,642.4	31.4 20.6	-40.6 21.9	255.6 113.9	255.6 113.9	-0.3 0.8	1.8 4.5	1.8 4.5	
Public/private sector employees Public sector employees Private sector employees	3,389.2 11,018.9	3,399.9 10,967.6	19.3 32.4	10.7 -51.3	208.4 47.1	208.4 47.1	0.3 -0.5	6.5 0.4	6.5 0.4	
Industry	17,028.6	17,009.9	27.4	-18.7	369.5	369.5	-0.1	2.2	2.2	
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	3,991.9 350.2 333.5 142.5 1,150.4 2,015.2	3,968.0 327.6 354.3 140.8 1,163.3 1,982.0	22.4 6.7 6.3 3.7 13.6 17.4	-23.9 -22.6 20.8 -1.7 12.9 -33.2	-47.7 -18.2 11.9 16.2 74.0 -131.6	-47.7 -18.2 11.9 16.2 74.0 -131.6	-0.6 -6.5 6.2 -1.2 1.1 -1.6	-1.2 -5.3 3.5 13.0 6.8 -6.2	-1.2 -5.3 3.5 13.0 6.8 -6.2	
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	13,036.7 2,687.2 834.0 1,069.6	13,041.9 2,705.8 854.7 1,064.0	30.3 19.5 11.4 12.5	5.2 18.6 20.7 -5.6	417.2 64.0 38.8 -1.2	417.2 64.0 38.8 -1.2	0.0 0.7 2.5 -0.5	3.3 2.4 4.8 -0.1	3.3 2.4 4.8 -0.1	
services 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	1,156.2 711.9 1,209.3 1,863.8 792.8 1,071.0 748.8 892.2	1,153.0 712.2 1,196.6 1,870.1 795.7 1,049.1 737.8 903.0	14.2 12.4 13.0 14.5 12.1 13.7 10.8 9.6	-3.2 0.3 -12.7 6.3 2.9 -21.9 -11.0 10.8	62.1 -11.0 21.1 48.5 65.3 18.4 33.6 77.6	62.1 -11.0 21.1 48.5 65.3 18.4 33.6 77.6	-0.3 0.0 -1.1 0.3 0.4 -2.0 -1.5 1.2	5.7 -1.5 1.8 2.7 8.9 1.8 4.8 9.4	5.7 -1.5 1.8 2.7 8.9 1.8 4.8 9.4	

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

	November	December	S.E.1		Change from			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)					
Newfoundland and Labrador Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	424.1 250.2 217.3 185.8 31.4 33.0 59.0 13.2 51.2	424.5 250.1 219.0 188.9 30.2 31.1 58.9 12.4 51.6	2.2 2.3 2.6 1.8 2.2 0.5 0.8 0.5	0.4 -0.1 1.7 3.1 -1.2 -1.9 -0.1 -0.8 0.4	-1.9 -3.8 0.1 4.2 -4.0 -3.9 -0.6 -1.4 0.3	-1.9 -3.8 0.1 4.2 -4.0 -3.9 -0.6 -1.4 0.3	0.1 0.0 0.8 1.7 -3.8 -5.8	-0.4 -1.5 0.0 2.3 -11.7 -11.1	-0.4 -1.5 0.0 2.3 -11.7 -11.1	
Prince Edward Island Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	113.7 76.9 68.3 56.7 11.6 8.6 67.6 11.2 60.1	113.8 77.3 69.1 57.8 11.2 8.2 67.9 10.6 60.7	0.6 0.6 0.8 0.6 0.6 0.5 0.7	0.1 0.4 0.8 1.1 -0.4 -0.4 0.3 -0.6	1.1 -1.0 0.5 1.2 -0.8 -1.5 -1.6 -1.8 -0.2	1.1 -1.0 0.5 1.2 -0.8 -1.5 -1.6 -1.8 -0.2	0.1 0.5 1.2 1.9 -3.4 -4.7	1.0 -1.3 0.7 2.1 -6.7 -15.5 	1.0 -1.3 0.7 2.1 -6.7 -15.5	
Nova Scotia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	765.4 488.8 449.5 364.7 84.8 39.3 63.9 8.0 58.7	765.8 489.9 452.0 367.0 85.0 37.9 64.0 7.7 59.0	2.7 2.9 3.6 3.1 2.5 0.4 0.5 0.4	0.4 1.1 2.5 2.3 0.2 -1.4 0.1 -0.3 0.3	2.3 9.4 6.6 3.0 3.6 2.8 1.1 0.4 0.7	2.3 9.4 6.6 3.0 3.6 2.8 1.1 0.4 0.7	0.1 0.2 0.6 0.6 0.2 -3.6	0.3 2.0 1.5 0.8 4.4 8.0 	0.3 2.0 1.5 0.8 4.4 8.0	
New Brunswick Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	615.0 397.7 369.1 309.3 59.8 28.6 64.7 7.2 60.0	615.3 398.0 366.9 311.3 55.6 31.1 64.7 7.8 59.6	2.4 2.4 2.8 2.4 2.1 0.4 0.5 0.4	0.3 0.3 -2.2 2.0 -4.2 2.5 0.0 0.6 -0.4	4.1 10.9 12.6 13.5 -0.9 -1.7 1.4 -0.7	4.1 10.9 12.6 13.5 -0.9 -1.7 1.4 -0.7	0.0 0.1 -0.6 0.6 -7.0 8.7	0.7 2.8 3.6 4.5 -1.6 -5.2 	0.7 2.8 3.6 4.5 -1.6 -5.2	
Quebec Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	6,335.6 4,186.1 3,892.9 3,150.6 742.3 293.2 66.1 7.0 61.4	6,340.2 4,172.3 3,882.2 3,147.3 734.9 290.1 65.8 7.0 61.2	14.2 14.8 18.9 17.5 13.2 0.2 0.3 0.2	4.6 -13.8 -10.7 -3.3 -7.4 -3.1 -0.3 0.0 -0.2	57.4 76.6 92.8 36.8 56.0 -16.2 0.6 -0.5 0.9	57.4 76.6 92.8 36.8 56.0 -16.2 0.6 -0.5 0.9	0.1 -0.3 -0.3 -0.1 -1.0 -1.1	0.9 1.9 2.4 1.2 8.2 -5.3 	0.9 1.9 2.4 1.2 8.2 -5.3	

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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

	November	December	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	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Ontario Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	10,416.5 7,094.0 6,651.1 5,445.2 1,205.9 442.9 68.1 6.2 63.9	10,426.4 7,095.6 6,635.3 5,451.6 1,183.7 460.3 68.1 6.5 63.6	18.5 18.1 22.8 20.7 15.9 0.2 0.2 0.2	9.9 1.6 -15.8 6.4 -22.2 17.4 0.0 0.3 -0.3	135.5 127.0 88.7 97.0 -8.2 38.3 0.4 0.4	135.5 127.0 88.7 97.0 -8.2 38.3 0.4 0.4 0.0	0.1 0.0 -0.2 0.1 -1.8 3.9	1.3 1.8 1.4 1.8 -0.7 9.1 	1.3 1.8 1.4 1.8 -0.7 9.1 
Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	902.4 631.1 604.8 489.1 115.6 26.3 69.9 4.2 67.0	903.2 624.8 598.7 487.7 110.9 26.2 69.2 4.2 66.3	2.9 2.8 3.8 3.7 2.1 0.3 0.3	0.8 -6.3 -6.1 -1.4 -4.7 -0.1 -0.7 0.0	9.4 12.2 11.1 15.3 -4.3 1.2 0.7 0.1 0.6	9.4 12.2 11.1 15.3 -4.3 1.2 0.7 0.1 0.6	0.1 -1.0 -1.0 -0.3 -4.1 -0.4	1.1 2.0 1.9 3.2 -3.7 4.8 	1.1 2.0 1.9 3.2 -3.7 4.8 
Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	756.7 528.8 507.4 413.7 93.7 21.4 69.9 4.0 67.1	758.0 525.5 504.4 412.8 91.6 21.1 69.3 4.0 66.5	2.4 2.4 3.2 2.9 1.8 0.3 0.3 0.3	1.3 -3.3 -3.0 -0.9 -2.1 -0.3 -0.6 0.0 -0.6	11.7 1.5 1.6 5.1 -3.5 -0.1 -0.9 0.0	11.7 1.5 1.6 5.1 -3.5 -0.1 -0.9 0.0	0.2 -0.6 -0.6 -0.2 -2.2 -1.4	1.6 0.3 0.3 1.3 -3.7 -0.5 	1.6 0.3 0.3 1.3 -3.7 -0.5
Alberta Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	2,766.5 2,044.6 1,970.0 1,660.8 309.2 74.6 73.9 3.6 71.2	2,769.5 2,057.1 1,990.9 1,675.9 315.1 66.2 74.3 3.2 71.9	7.7 8.0 11.0 9.9 5.6 0.3 0.3 0.3	3.0 12.5 20.9 15.1 5.9 -8.4 0.4 -0.4	77.4 82.7 82.5 60.4 22.2 0.2 1.0 -0.1 1.0	77.4 82.7 82.5 60.4 22.2 0.2 1.0 -0.1	0.1 0.6 1.1 0.9 1.9 -11.3	2.9 4.2 4.3 3.7 7.6 0.3 	2.9 4.2 4.3 3.7 7.6 0.3 
British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,597.6 2,398.6 2,298.4 1,849.5 448.9 100.2 66.7 4.2 63.9	3,602.7 2,391.7 2,291.4 1,815.8 475.7 100.2 66.4 4.2 63.6	10.0 10.1 13.5 12.3 7.2 0.3 0.3	5.1 -6.9 -7.0 -33.7 26.8 0.0 -0.3 0.0	64.7 51.0 72.9 42.6 30.4 -22.0 0.2 -1.0 0.9	64.7 51.0 72.9 42.6 30.4 -22.0 0.2 -1.0 0.9	0.1 -0.3 -0.3 -1.8 6.0 0.0	1.8 2.2 3.3 2.4 6.8 -18.0 	1.8 2.2 3.3 2.4 6.8 -18.0

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0087

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

	November 2007	December	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	sands (e	except ra	ites)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	404.4	40.4.5			4.0	4.0	0.4	0.4	0.4
Population Labour force	424.1 250.2	424.5 250.1	2.2	0.4 -0.1	-1.9 -3.8	-1.9 -3.8	0.1 0.0	-0.4 -1.5	-0.4 -1.5
Employment	217.3	219.0	2.3	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.0
Employment full-time Unemployment	185.8 33.0	188.9 31.1	2.6 2.2	3.1 -1.9	4.2 -3.9	4.2 -3.9	1.7 -5.8	2.3 -11.1	2.3 -11.1
Participation rate	59.0	58.9	0.5	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6	-5.0	-11.1	-11.1
Unemployment rate	13.2	12.4	8.0	-0.8	-1.4	-1.4			
Employment rate Part-time rate	51.2 14.5	51.6 13.8	0.5 0.8	0.4 -0.7	0.3 -1.8	0.3 -1.8			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	63.0	62.9		-0.1	-2.5	-2.5	-0.2	-3.8	-3.8
Labour force Employment	34.7 27.3	33.5 27.3	1.1 1.1	-1.2 0.0	-2.9 -1.1	-2.9 -1.1	-3.5 0.0	-8.0 -3.9	-8.0 -3.9
Unemployment	7.4	6.2	1.0	-1.2	-1.7	-1.7	-16.2	-21.5	-21.5
Participation rate	55.1	53.3	1.6	-1.8	-2.4	-2.4			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	21.3 43.3	18.5 43.4	2.7 1.6	-2.8 0.1	-3.2 0.0	-3.2 0.0		•••	
Part-time rate	43.2	39.6	3.5	-3.7	-2.0	-2.0			
Men, 25 years and over	474.0	4=4.0			0.4	0.4		0.4	0.4
Population Labour force	174.6 112.6	174.8 114.2	1.2	0.2 1.6	0.1 -0.8	0.1 -0.8	0.1 1.4	0.1 -0.7	0.1 -0.7
Employment	101.3	101.6	1.4	0.3	2.8	2.8	0.3	2.8	2.8
Unemployment	11.3	12.5	1.4	1.2	-3.7	-3.7	10.6	-22.8	-22.8
Participation rate Unemployment rate	64.5 10.0	65.3 10.9	0.7 1.2	0.8 0.9	-0.5 -3.2	-0.5 -3.2			
Employment rate	58.0	58.1	8.0	0.1	1.5	1.5			
Part-time rate	5.0	4.3	8.0	-0.7	-0.8	-0.8		•••	•••
Women, 25 years and over Population	186.5	186.7		0.2	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force	102.9	102.4	1.2	-0.5	-0.1	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	-0.1
Employment	88.7	90.1	1.2	1.4	-1.6	-1.6	1.6	-1.7	-1.7
Unemployment Participation rate	14.2 55.2	12.3 54.8	1.2 0.6	-1.9 -0.4	1.4 -0.2	1.4 -0.2	-13.4	12.8	12.8
Unemployment rate	13.8	12.0	1.1	-0. <del>4</del> -1.8	1.4	1.4			
Employment rate	47.6	48.3	0.7	0.7	-0.9	-0.9			
Part-time rate	16.5	16.6	1.3	0.2	-2.1	-2.1	•••	•••	•••
Industry	217.3	219.0	2.3	1.7	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.0
Goods-producing sector	48.7	49.7	1.8	1.0	-0.7	-0.7	2.1	-1.4	-1.4
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	1.2 17.7	1.4 17.0	0.3 1.1	0.2 -0.7	-0.3 -0.9	-0.3 -0.9	16.7 -4.0	-17.6 -5.0	-17.6 -5.0
Utilities	1.4	1.9	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	35.7	35.7	35.7
Construction	14.0	14.2	1.0	0.2	0.6	0.6	1.4	4.4	4.4
Manufacturing	14.3	15.2	1.1	0.9	-0.6	-0.6	6.3	-3.8	-3.8
Services-producing sector Trade	168.6 37.2	169.4 36.5	2.0 1.2	0.8 -0.7	0.9 -1.6	0.9 -1.6	0.5 -1.9	0.5 -4.2	0.5 -4.2
Transportation and warehousing	10.5	10.1	0.7	-0.4	-1.2	-1.2	-3.8	-10.6	-10.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	7.4	8.3	0.4	0.9	1.9	1.9	12.2	29.7	29.7
services Business, building and other support	8.9	7.9	0.5	-1.0	2.1	2.1	-11.2	36.2	36.2
services	9.2	9.0	0.7	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-2.2	-3.2	-3.2
Educational services	15.3	15.3	8.0	0.0	-3.3	-3.3	0.0	-17.7	-17.7
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	32.3 8.5	32.4 9.3	0.9 0.7	0.1 0.8	2.7 0.2	2.7 0.2	0.3 9.4	9.1 2.2	9.1 2.2
Accommodation and food services	14.8	15.2	0.9	0.4	2.8	2.8	2.7	22.6	22.6
Other services	8.6	9.0	0.7	0.4	-2.4	-2.4	4.7	-21.1	-21.1
Public administration	15.9	16.2	8.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	1.9	-0.6	-0.6

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

Both saxes, 15 years and over   Population   113.7   113.8   0.1   1.1   1.1   0.1   1.0   1.1   1.1   1.1   0.1   1.2		November	December	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
Both sexes, 15 years and over		2007	2007				months			twelve months ago
Population			in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Labour force		112 7	442.0		0.1	1 1	1 1	0.1	1.0	1.0
Employment full-time										-1.3
Unemployment   8.6   8.2   0.6   0.4   1.5   1.5   4.7   1.5   1.5   1.5   Unemployment rate   11.2   10.6   0.7   0.6   0.6   1.8   1.8										0.7
Participation rate										2.1 -15.5
Employment rate	Participation rate					-1.6	-1.6			
Part-time rate										
Population										
Labour force         13.7         14.0         0.3         0.3         -0.3         -0.3         2.2         -2.1         2.2         2.1         -2         1.8         -1.7         -1           Unemployment         1.3         2.4         0.3         0.1         -0.1         -0.1         4.3         4.0         4           Participation rate         69.9         71.4         1.7         1.5         -0.8		40.0	40.0			0.0			4.0	4.0
Employment										-1.0 -2.1
Participation rate		11.4	11.6	0.3	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	1.8	-1.7	-1.7
Unemployment rate										-4.0
Employment rate										
Men, 25 years and over	Employment rate									
Population		44.7	40.5	3.0	-4.2	-1.0	-1.0		•••	•••
Labour force		45.0	45.1		0.1	0.6	0.6	0.2	1.3	1.3
Unemployment 3.4 3.0 0.4 -0.4 -1.3 -1.3 -1.8 -30.2 -30. 2 -30. 2 -30. 2 -30. 2 -30. 2 -30. 2 -30. 30. 30. 3 -30. 3	Labour force	32.0	32.1	0.3	0.1	-1.0	-1.0	0.3	-3.0	-3.0
Participation rate   71.1   71.2   0.8   0.1   -3.2   -3.2										1.4
Unemployment rate										-30.2
Part-time rate   6.0   5.8   1.0   -0.1   -0.1   -0.1   -0.1	Unemployment rate	10.6	9.3	1.1	-1.3	-3.7	-3.7			
Population										
Population	Women, 25 years and over									
Employment         28.4         28.4         0.4         0.0         0.3         0.3         0.0         1.1         1           Participation rate         63.7         63.5         0.7         -0.2         -0.5         -0.5         -0.5             Unemployment rate         9.3         9.0         1.0         -0.3         -0.4         -0.4              Employment rate         57.8         57.8         0.8         0.0         -0.3         -0.4         -0.4              Employment rate         57.8         57.8         0.8         0.0         -0.3         -0.4         -0.4              Part-time rate         16.5         16.9         1.5         0.4         -0.4         -0.4              Industry         68.3         69.1         0.6         0.8         0.5         0.5         1.2         0.7         0           Goods-producing sector         16.7         17.1         0.6         0.8         0.5         0.5         1.2         0.7         0           Goods-producing sector	Population									1.4
Unemployment   2.9   2.8   0.3   -0.1   -0.1   -0.1   -3.4   -3.4   -3.4   -3.4   -3.4   Participation rate   63.7   63.5   0.7   -0.2   -0.5   -0.5										0.6 1.1
Unemployment rate		2.9	2.8		-0.1	-0.1				-3.4
Employment rate Part-time rate 16.5 16.9 1.5 0.8 0.0 -0.3 -0.3										
Part-time rate   16.5   16.9   1.5   0.4   -2.3   -2.3										
Goods-producing sector  16.7 17.1 0.6 0.4 -1.4 -1.4 2.4 -7.6 -7.6 Agriculture  3.1 3.2 0.3 0.1 -0.8 -0.8 3.2 -20.0 -20.0 Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas  2.4 2.4 0.2 0.0 0.2 0.2 0.0 9.1 9.1 9.1 9.1 9.1 9.1 9.1 9.1 9.1 9.1										•••
Agriculture 3.1 3.2 0.3 0.1 -0.8 -0.8 3.2 -20.0 -20. Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas 2.4 2.4 0.2 0.0 0.2 0.2 0.0 9.1 9 Utilities 0.4 0.3 0.0 -0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1 -25.0 50.0 50.0 Solutilities 0.4 4.6 0.3 0.0 -1.1 -1.1 0.0 -19.3 -19. Manufacturing 6.2 6.6 0.3 0.4 0.1 0.1 0.1 6.5 1.5 1. Services-producing sector 51.6 52.0 0.6 0.4 1.9 1.9 0.8 3.8 3. Trade 10.4 10.7 0.3 0.3 0.9 0.9 2.9 9.2 9. Transportation and warehousing 2.3 2.4 0.2 0.1 0.0 0.0 4.3 0.0 0.0 Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing 2.8 2.9 0.1 0.1 0.5 0.5 3.6 20.8 20. Professional, scientific and technical services 2.3 2.3 0.2 0.0 -0.2 -0.2 0.0 -8.0 -8. Business, building and other support services 2.6 2.8 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 7.7 7.7 7. Educational services 4.6 4.7 0.3 0.1 -0.1 -0.1 2.2 -2.1 -2. Health care and social assistance 8.3 8.2 0.3 -0.1 0.3 0.3 0.3 -1.2 3.8 3. Information, culture and recreation 2.6 2.6 0.2 0.0 0.1 -0.4 -0.4 -1.8 -6.9 -6.	Industry	68.3	69.1	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.5	1.2	0.7	0.7
Agriculture 3.1 3.2 0.3 0.1 -0.8 -0.8 3.2 -20.0 -20. Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas 2.4 2.4 0.2 0.0 0.2 0.2 0.0 9.1 9 Utilities 0.4 0.3 0.0 -0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1 -25.0 50.0 50.0 Construction 4.6 4.6 0.3 0.0 -1.1 -1.1 0.0 -19.3 -19. Manufacturing 6.2 6.6 0.3 0.4 0.1 0.1 0.1 6.5 1.5 1. Services-producing sector 51.6 52.0 0.6 0.4 1.9 1.9 0.8 3.8 3.8 Trade 10.4 10.7 0.3 0.3 0.9 0.9 2.9 9.2 9 9.2 9 1.2 Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing 2.8 2.9 0.1 0.1 0.5 0.5 3.6 20.8 20.9 Professional, scientific and technical services 2.3 2.3 0.2 0.0 -0.2 -0.2 0.0 -8.0 -8.0 Business, building and other support services 2.6 2.8 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 7.7 7.7 7.8 Educational services 4.6 4.7 0.3 0.1 -0.1 -0.1 2.2 -2.1 -2. Health care and social assistance 8.3 8.2 0.3 -0.1 0.3 0.3 0.3 -1.2 3.8 3.1 Information, culture and recreation 2.6 2.6 0.2 0.0 0.1 -0.4 -0.4 -1.8 -6.9 -6.										-7.6
Utilities         0.4         0.3         0.0         -0.1         0.1         -25.0         50.0         50.0           Construction         4.6         4.6         0.3         0.0         -1.1         -1.1         -0.1         0.0         -19.3         -19.3           Manufacturing         6.2         6.6         0.3         0.4         0.1         0.1         6.5         1.5         1           Services-producing sector         51.6         52.0         0.6         0.4         1.9         1.9         0.8         3.8         3.           Trade         10.4         10.7         0.3         0.3         0.9         0.9         2.9         9.2         9.           Transportation and warehousing         2.3         2.4         0.2         0.1         0.0         0.0         4.3         0.0         0.           Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing         2.8         2.9         0.1         0.1         0.5         0.5         3.6         20.8         20.           Professional, scientific and technical services         2.3         2.3         0.2         0.0         -0.2         -0.2         0.0         -8.0         -8.           Business, buildi	Agriculture					-0.8				-20.0
Construction 4.6 4.6 0.3 0.0 -1.1 -1.1 0.0 -19.3 -19.0 Manufacturing 6.2 6.6 0.3 0.4 0.1 0.1 0.1 6.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 Manufacturing 6.2 6.6 0.3 0.4 0.1 0.1 0.1 6.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 Manufacturing 6.2 6.6 0.3 0.4 0.1 0.1 0.1 6.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 Manufacturing 6.2 6.6 0.3 0.4 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.5 0.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 1.5 Manufacturing 6.2 0.6 0.4 1.9 1.9 0.8 3.8 3.8 3.0 0.9 0.9 0.9 0.9 0.9 0.9 0.9 0.9 0.9 0										9.1 50.0
Services-producing sector   51.6   52.0   0.6   0.4   1.9   1.9   0.8   3.8	Construction	4.6	4.6	0.3	0.0	-1.1	-1.1	0.0	-19.3	-19.3
Trade 10.4 10.7 0.3 0.3 0.9 0.9 2.9 9.2 9.1   Transportation and warehousing 2.3 2.4 0.2 0.1 0.0 0.0 4.3 0.0 0.5   Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical services 2.3 2.3 0.2 0.0 -0.2 -0.2 0.0 -8.0 -8.0   Business, building and other support services 2.6 2.8 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 7.7 7.7 7.8   Educational services 4.6 4.7 0.3 0.1 -0.1 -0.1 -0.1 2.2 -2.1 -2.1   Health care and social assistance 8.3 8.2 0.3 -0.1 0.3 0.3 -1.2 3.8 3.4   Accommodation and food services 5.5 5.4 0.3 -0.1 -0.4 -0.4 -1.8 -6.9 -6.	Manufacturing	6.2	6.6	0.3	0.4		0.1	6.5	1.5	1.5
Transportation and warehousing 2.3 2.4 0.2 0.1 0.0 0.0 4.3 0.0 0.7 Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing 2.8 2.9 0.1 0.1 0.5 0.5 3.6 20.8 20.8 Professional, scientific and technical services 2.3 2.3 0.2 0.0 -0.2 -0.2 0.0 -8.0 -8.0 Business, building and other support services 2.6 2.8 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 7.7 7.7 7.7 Educational services 4.6 4.7 0.3 0.1 -0.1 -0.1 -0.1 2.2 -2.1 -2.1 Health care and social assistance 8.3 8.2 0.3 -0.1 0.3 0.3 -1.2 3.8 3.1 Information, culture and recreation 2.6 2.6 0.2 0.0 0.1 0.1 0.0 4.0 4.0 4.0 Accommodation and food services 5.5 5.4 0.3 -0.1 -0.4 -0.4 -1.8 -6.9 -6.0										3.8 9.2
Professional, scientific and technical services  2.3  2.3  2.3  0.2  0.0  -0.2  -0.2  0.0  -8.0  -8.0  -8.0  Business, building and other support services  2.6  2.8  0.2  0.2  0.2  0.2  0.2  7.7  7.7  7.7	Transportation and warehousing	2.3	2.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	4.3	0.0	0.0
Business, building and other support services 2.6 2.8 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.2 7.7 7.7 7.7 7.7 5.2 Educational services 4.6 4.7 0.3 0.1 -0.1 -0.1 -0.1 2.2 -2.1 -2.2 Health care and social assistance 8.3 8.2 0.3 -0.1 0.3 0.3 -1.2 3.8 3.1 Information, culture and recreation 2.6 2.6 0.2 0.0 0.1 0.1 0.0 4.0 4.0 Accommodation and food services 5.5 5.4 0.3 -0.1 -0.4 -0.4 -1.8 -6.9 -6.0 -6.0 -6.0 -6.0 -6.0 -6.0 -6.0 -6.0	Professional, scientific and technical									20.8
Educational services 4.6 4.7 0.3 0.1 -0.1 -0.1 2.2 -2.1 -2. Health care and social assistance 8.3 8.2 0.3 -0.1 0.3 0.3 -1.2 3.8 3. Information, culture and recreation 2.6 2.6 0.2 0.0 0.1 0.1 0.0 4.0 4. Accommodation and food services 5.5 5.4 0.3 -0.1 -0.4 -0.4 -1.8 -6.9 -6.9								0.0		-8.0
Health care and social assistance       8.3       8.2       0.3       -0.1       0.3       0.3       -1.2       3.8       3.         Information, culture and recreation       2.6       2.6       0.2       0.0       0.1       0.1       0.0       4.0       4.0       4.0         Accommodation and food services       5.5       5.4       0.3       -0.1       -0.4       -0.4       -1.8       -6.9       -6.9										7.7
Information, culture and recreation 2.6 <b>2.6</b> 0.2 <b>0.0</b> 0.1 0.1 <b>0.0</b> 4.0 4. Accommodation and food services 5.5 <b>5.4</b> 0.3 <b>-0.1</b> -0.4 <b>-0.4 -1.8</b> -6.9 -6.9										-2.1 3.8
	Information, culture and recreation	2.6	2.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	4.0	4.0
										-6.9
										15.4 2.9

<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 tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	November	December	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	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	765.4	765.8		0.4	2.3	2.2	0.1	0.3	0.3
Population Labour force	488.8	489.9	2.7	1.1	9.4	2.3 9.4	0.1	2.0	2.0
Employment full time	449.5 364.7	452.0 367.0	2.9 3.6	2.5 2.3	6.6 3.0	6.6 3.0	0.6 0.6	1.5 0.8	1.5 0.8
Employment full-time Unemployment	39.3	37.9	2.5	-1.4	2.8	2.8	-3.6	8.0	8.0
Participation rate	63.9	64.0	0.4	0.1	1.1	1.1			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.0 58.7	7.7 59.0	0.5 0.4	-0.3 0.3	0.4 0.7	0.4 0.7			
Part-time rate	18.9	18.8	0.7	-0.1	0.5	0.5			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	100.1	400.0			0.0		•	0.7	
Population Labour force	122.1 82.5	122.0 83.3	1.6	-0.1 0.8	-0.8 2.3	-0.8 2.3	-0.1 1.0	-0.7 2.8	-0.7 2.8
Employment	71.6	70.8	1.6	-0.8	-0.2	-0.2	-1.1	-0.3	-0.3
Unemployment Participation rate	10.9 67.6	12.5 68.3	1.4 1.3	1.6 0.7	2.5 2.3	2.5 2.3	14.7	25.0	25.0
Unemployment rate	13.2	15.0	1.7	1.8	2.7	2.7			
Employment rate	58.6	58.0	1.3	-0.6	0.2	0.2			
Part-time rate	46.8	45.6	2.4	-1.2	-0.3	-0.3		•••	•••
Men, 25 years and over Population	307.0	307.2		0.2	1.4	1.4	0.1	0.5	0.5
Labour force	210.5	210.3	1.5	-0.2	3.4	3.4	-0.1	1.6	1.6
Employment Unemployment	193.9 16.6	195.8 14.5	1.7 1.5	1.9 -2.1	4.9 -1.5	4.9 -1.5	1.0 -12.7	2.6 -9.4	2.6 -9.4
Participation rate	68.6	68.5	0.5	-0.1	0.8	0.8	-12.7	-5.4	-5.4
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.9 63.2	6.9 63.7	0.7 0.5	-1.0 0.5	-0.8 1.3	-0.8 1.3			
Part-time rate	6.5	7.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population Labour force	336.4 195.7	336.7 196.3	 1.4	0.3 0.6	1.8 3.7	1.8 3.7	0.1 0.3	0.5 1.9	0.5 1.9
Employment	184.0	185.4	1.5	1.4	1.8	1.8	0.3	1.0	1.0
Unemployment	11.8	10.9	1.2	-0.9	1.8	1.8	-7.6	19.8	19.8
Participation rate Unemployment rate	58.2 6.0	58.3 5.6	0.4 0.6	0.1 -0.4	0.8 0.9	0.8 0.9			
Employment rate	54.7	55.1	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3			
Part-time rate	21.0	21.0	1.1	0.0	1.8	1.8			
Industry	449.5	452.0	2.9	2.5	6.6	6.6	0.6	1.5	1.5
Goods-producing sector	89.2	91.9	2.2	2.7	5.6	5.6	3.0	6.5	6.5
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	5.2 11.8	5.7 13.7	0.6 1.0	0.5 1.9	1.2 2.0	1.2 2.0	9.6 16.1	26.7 17.1	26.7 17.1
Utilities	2.1	2.6	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.4	23.8	18.2	18.2
Construction Manufacturing	27.5 42.5	28.0 42.0	1.4 1.4	0.5 -0.5	0.1 2.0	0.1 2.0	1.8 -1.2	0.4 5.0	0.4 5.0
Services-producing sector	360.2	360.1	2.9	-0.1	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.3	0.3
Trade Transportation and warehousing	73.1	74.8	1.9	1.7	-4.0 1.3	-4.0 1.3	2.3	-5.1	-5.1
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	19.9 21.9	19.4 21.5	1.0 0.9	-0.5 -0.4	1.3 -3.0	1.3 -3.0	-2.5 -1.8	7.2 -12.2	7.2 -12.2
services Business, building and other support	18.9	18.8	1.0	-0.1	2.0	2.0	-0.5	11.9	11.9
services	29.7	31.0	1.3	1.3	2.0	2.0	4.4	6.9	6.9
Educational services	35.3	34.4	1.4	-0.9	-0.5	-0.5	-2.5	-1.4	-1.4
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	62.4 21.7	61.4 21.2	1.3 1.0	-1.0 -0.5	0.6 4.9	0.6 4.9	-1.6 -2.3	1.0 30.1	1.0 30.1
Accommodation and food services	29.1	28.9	1.4	-0.2	-2.6	-2.6	-0.7	-8.3	-8.3
Other services Public administration	19.0 29.1	19.1 29.6	1.1 1.1	0.1 0.5	-0.9 1.0	-0.9 1.0	0.5 1.7	-4.5 3.5	-4.5 3.5
i dono administration	23.1	23.0	1.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.7	5.5	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 4-4 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — New Brunswick

	November	December	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	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time	615.0 397.7 369.1 309.3	615.3 398.0 366.9 311.3 31.1	2.4 2.4 2.8	0.3 0.3 -2.2 2.0 2.5	4.1 10.9 12.6 13.5 -1.7	4.1 10.9 12.6 13.5	0.0 0.1 -0.6 0.6 8.7	0.7 2.8 3.6 4.5	0.7 2.8 3.6 4.5
Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	28.6 64.7 7.2 60.0 16.2	51.1 64.7 7.8 59.6 15.2	2.1 0.4 0.5 0.4 0.6	0.0 0.6 -0.4 -1.0	1.4 -0.7 1.6 -0.8	-1.7 1.4 -0.7 1.6 -0.8	•  	-5.2  	-5.2  
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years  Population    Labour force         Employment         Unemployment  Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	94.8 63.1 57.2 6.0 66.6 9.5 60.3 43.7	94.8 62.9 55.5 7.4 66.4 11.8 58.5	1.3 1.4 1.1 1.4 1.7 1.4 2.3	0.0 -0.2 -1.7 1.4 -0.2 2.3 -1.8 -3.7	-0.4 2.0 2.6 -0.6 2.4 -1.3 2.9 4.7	-0.4 2.0 2.6 -0.6 2.4 -1.3 2.9 4.7	0.0 -0.3 -3.0 23.3 	-0.4 3.3 4.9 -7.5 	-0.4 3.3 4.9 -7.5 
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	251.4 175.8 162.0 13.8 69.9 7.8 64.4 5.4	251.6 176.1 161.3 14.8 70.0 8.4 64.1 4.8	1.3 1.4 1.4 0.5 0.8 0.6 0.7	0.2 0.3 -0.7 1.0 0.1 0.6 -0.3 -0.5	2.1 6.5 6.4 0.1 2.0 -0.3 2.0 -1.0	2.1 6.5 6.4 0.1 2.0 -0.3 2.0 -1.0	0.1 0.2 -0.4 7.2 	0.8 3.8 4.1 0.7 	0.8 3.8 4.1 0.7 
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	268.7 158.8 149.9 8.9 59.1 5.6 55.8 17.4	268.9 159.0 150.2 8.9 59.1 5.6 55.9	1.3 1.3 1.1 0.5 0.7 0.5 1.1	0.2 0.2 0.3 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.1 -0.4	2.4 2.4 3.7 -1.2 0.3 -0.8 0.9 -2.5	2.4 2.4 3.7 -1.2 0.3 -0.8 0.9 -2.5	0.1 0.1 0.2 0.0 	0.9 1.5 2.5 -11.9 	0.9 1.5 2.5 -11.9 
Industry	369.1	366.9	2.4	-2.2	12.6	12.6	-0.6	3.6	3.6
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	82.9 5.9 11.6 3.8 24.8 36.8	83.8 6.1 11.6 4.0 25.4 36.7	1.8 0.6 0.8 0.3 1.2 1.3	0.9 0.2 0.0 0.2 0.6 -0.1	3.7 0.1 1.6 0.9 2.7 -1.6	3.7 0.1 1.6 0.9 2.7 -1.6	1.1 3.4 0.0 5.3 2.4 -0.3	4.6 1.7 16.0 29.0 11.9 -4.2	4.6 1.7 16.0 29.0 11.9 -4.2
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	286.2 58.5 19.5 16.4	283.1 56.9 20.0 17.1	2.3 1.4 0.8 0.8	-3.1 -1.6 0.5 0.7	8.9 -1.1 -0.2 -0.6	8.9 -1.1 -0.2 -0.6	-1.1 -2.7 2.6 4.3	3.2 -1.9 -1.0 -3.4	3.2 -1.9 -1.0 -3.4
Professional, scientific and technical services Business, building and other support	18.4	18.1	0.8	-0.3	4.2	4.2	-1.6	30.2	30.2
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	19.2 26.7 48.7 14.3 23.4 18.3 22.9	19.4 25.7 49.8 12.0 23.2 17.6 23.3	1.1 1.0 1.1 0.7 1.1 0.9 0.8	0.2 -1.0 1.1 -2.3 -0.2 -0.7 0.4	-0.3 -0.3 3.6 0.6 0.0 0.2 2.9	-0.3 -0.3 3.6 0.6 0.0 0.2 2.9	1.0 -3.7 2.3 -16.1 -0.9 -3.8 1.7	-1.5 -1.2 7.8 5.3 0.0 1.1 14.2	-1.5 -1.2 7.8 5.3 0.0 1.1 14.2

<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

	November	December	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	rom
	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	6,335.6 4,186.1	6,340.2 4,172.3	14.2	4.6 -13.8	57.4 76.6	57.4 76.6	0.1 -0.3	0.9 1.9	0.9 1.9
Employment	3,892.9	3,882.2	14.8	-10.7	92.8	92.8	-0.3	2.4	2.4
Employment full-time	3,150.6 293.2	3,147.3 290.1	18.9 13.2	-3.3	36.8	36.8 -16.2	-0.1	1.2	1.2
Unemployment Participation rate	293.2 66.1	290.1 65.8	0.2	-3.1 -0.3	-16.2 0.6	0.6	-1.1	-5.3 	-5.3 
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.0	0.3	0.0	-0.5	-0.5			
Employment rate Part-time rate	61.4 19.1	61.2 18.9	0.2 0.4	-0.2 -0.1	0.9 1.0	0.9 1.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	956.5	956.9		0.4	4.6	4.6	0.0	0.5	0.5
Labour force Employment	642.0 559.1	641.1 564.8	8.4 8.3	-0.9 5.7	14.1 14.7	14.1 14.7	-0.1 1.0	2.2 2.7	2.2 2.7
Unemployment	82.9	76.3	7.6	-6.6	-0.6	-0.6	-8.0	-0.8	-0.8
Participation rate	67.1	67.0	0.9	-0.1	1.2	1.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	12.9 58.5	11.9 59.0	1.1 0.9	-1.0 0.5	-0.4 1.2	-0.4 1.2			
Part-time rate	49.8	48.0	1.6	-1.8	0.9	0.9			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population Labour force	2,627.7 1,876.4	2,629.8 1,879.3	7.9	2.1 2.9	26.6 19.1	26.6 19.1	0.1 0.2	1.0 1.0	1.0 1.0
Employment	1,747.1	1,747.6	8.5	0.5	26.4	26.4	0.2	1.5	1.5
Unemployment	129.2	131.7	8.1	2.5	-7.3	-7.3	1.9	-5.3	-5.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate	71.4 6.9	71.5 7.0	0.3 0.4	0.1 0.1	0.0 -0.5	0.0 -0.5			•••
Employment rate	66.5	66.5	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.4			
Part-time rate	7.4	7.2	0.5	-0.2	0.4	0.4			
Women, 25 years and over Population	2,751.4	2,753.5		2.1	26.2	26.2	0.1	1.0	1.0
Labour force	1,667.7	1,651.9	7.7	-15.8	43.4	43.4	-0.9	2.7	2.7
Employment	1,586.6	1,569.8	8.1	-16.8	51.6	51.6	-1.1	3.4	3.4
Unemployment Participation rate	81.1 60.6	82.1 60.0	6.8 0.3	1.0 -0.6	-8.2 1.0	-8.2 1.0	1.2	-9.1	-9.1
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.0	0.3	0.1	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate	57.7	57.0	0.3	-0.7	1.3	1.3			
Part-time rate	21.1	21.5	0.7	0.4	1.5	1.5			
Industry	3,892.9	3,882.2	14.8	-10.7	92.8	92.8	-0.3	2.4	2.4
Goods-producing sector	872.0	879.2	11.9	7.2	-1.0	-1.0	0.8	-0.1	-0.1
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	76.5 33.3	70.9 35.0	3.5 2.2	-5.6 1.7	4.4 0.4	4.4 0.4	-7.3 5.1	6.6 1.2	6.6 1.2
Utilities	34.2	31.7	1.8	-2.5	6.2	6.2	-7.3	24.3	24.3
Construction Manufacturing	202.6 525.5	209.5 532.0	6.4 9.7	6.9 6.5	31.3 -43.3	31.3 -43.3	3.4 1.2	17.6 -7.5	17.6 -7.5
Services-producing sector	3,020.8	3,003.0	16.0	-17.8	93.7	93.7	-0.6	3.2	3.2
Trade	647.9	641.1	10.4	-6.8	4.8	4.8	-1.0	0.8	0.8
Transportation and warehousing	188.8	188.5	5.7	-0.3	14.6	14.6	-0.2	8.4	8.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	231.9	233.4	6.1	1.5	2.5	2.5	0.6	1.1	1.1
services Business, building and other support	261.5	266.8	7.5	5.3	12.4	12.4	2.0	4.9	4.9
services	137.9	134.8	6.3	-3.1	-15.2	-15.2	-2.2	-10.1	-10.1
Educational services	265.4	262.6	6.8	-2.8	5.6	5.6	-1.1	2.2	2.2
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	460.3 163.1	460.8 164.2	7.9 6.4	0.5 1.1	6.5 3.9	6.5 3.9	0.1 0.7	1.4 2.4	1.4 2.4
Accommodation and food services	247.6	245.9	7.2	-1.7	25.8	25.8	-0.7	11.7	11.7
Other services	190.4	182.5	5.6	-7.9	23.2	23.2	-4.1	14.6	14.6
Public administration	226.1	222.4	5.3	-3.7	9.7	9.7	-1.6	4.6	4.6

<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

	November	December	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	40 440 5	10.400.4			405.5	105.5	•	4.0	4.0
Population Labour force	10,416.5 7,094.0	10,426.4 7,095.6	18.5	9.9 1.6	135.5 127.0	135.5 127.0	0.1 0.0	1.3 1.8	1.3 1.8
Employment	6,651.1	6,635.3	18.1	-15.8	88.7	88.7	-0.2	1.4	1.4
Employment full-time	5,445.2	5,451.6	22.8	6.4	97.0	97.0	0.1	1.8	1.8
Unemployment Participation rate	442.9 68.1	460.3 68.1	15.9 0.2	17.4 0.0	38.3 0.4	38.3 0.4	3.9	9.1	9.1
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.5	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.9 18.1	63.6 17.8	0.2 0.3	-0.3 -0.3	0.0 -0.4	0.0 -0.4			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,727.6	1,728.2		0.6	15.7	15.7	0.0	0.9	0.9
Labour force Employment	1,125.4 973.6	1,118.9 968.7	11.2 10.5	-6.5 -4.9	20.9 10.8	20.9 10.8	-0.6 -0.5	1.9 1.1	1.9 1.1
Unemployment	151.8	150.2	9.5	- <del>1</del> .9	10.5	10.3	-0.5 -1.1	7.2	7.2
Participation rate	65.1	64.7	0.7	-0.4	0.6	0.6			
Unemployment rate	13.5	13.4	8.0	-0.1	0.6	0.6			
Employment rate Part-time rate	56.4 49.8	56.1 50.1	0.6 1.1	-0.3 0.4	0.2 0.2	0.2 0.2			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,224.4	4,228.7	9.2	4.3 1.3	55.8 49.4	55.8 49.4	0.1 0.0	1.3	1.3 1.6
Labour force Employment	3,149.8 2,987.5	3,151.1 2,980.5	9.2	-7.0	28.0	28.0	-0.2	1.6 0.9	0.9
Unemployment	162.3	170.6	8.8	8.3	21.3	21.3	5.1	14.3	14.3
Participation rate	74.6	74.5	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.2			
Unemployment rate	5.2 70.7	5.4 70.5	0.3 0.2	0.2 -0.2	0.6 -0.3	0.6 -0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	6.7	6.1	0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0			
Women, 25 years and over	4 464 E	4 460 E		5.0	64.0	64.0	0.1	1.5	1 5
Population Labour force	4,464.5 2,818.8	4,469.5 2,825.5	10.4	5.0 6.7	64.0 56.6	64.0 56.6	0.1	1.5 2.0	1.5 2.0
Employment	2,690.0	2,686.0	10.3	-4.0	49.7	49.7	-0.1	1.9	1.9
Unemployment	128.8	139.5	8.4	10.7	6.8	6.8	8.3	5.1	5.1
Participation rate	63.1 4.6	63.2	0.2	0.1 0.3	0.3	0.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	60.3	4.9 60.1	0.3 0.2	-0.2	0.1 0.3	0.1 0.3			
Part-time rate	19.4	19.2	0.5	-0.3	-1.1	-1.1		•••	
Industry	6,651.1	6,635.3	18.1	-15.8	88.7	88.7	-0.2	1.4	1.4
Goods-producing sector	1,531.5	1,509.3	14.7	-22.2	-88.7	-88.7	-1.4	-5.6	-5.6
Agriculture	90.8	88.1	3.8	-2.7 3.4	-16.7	-16.7	-3.0	-15.9 -19.2	-15.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	31.2 57.9	34.6 59.7	2.3 2.5	3. <del>4</del> 1.8	-8.2 6.9	-8.2 6.9	10.9 3.1	13.1	-19.2 13.1
Construction	405.4	405.5	9.0	0.1	-6.4	-6.4	0.0	-1.6	-1.6
Manufacturing	946.1	921.4	12.2	-24.7	-64.3	-64.3	-2.6	-6.5	-6.5
Services-producing sector Trade	5,119.6 1,025.0	5,125.9 1,041.1	20.2 13.0	6.3 16.1	177.3 14.5	177.3 14.5	0.1 1.6	3.6 1.4	3.6 1.4
Transportation and warehousing	300.8	307.0	7.7	6.2	1.7	1.7	2.1	0.6	0.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	483.3	470.8	8.9	-12.5	-3.9	-3.9	-2.6	-0.8	-0.8
services	475.1	480.5	9.6	5.4	30.7	30.7	1.1	6.8	6.8
Business, building and other support									
services	302.0	303.3	8.7	1.3	-0.4	-0.4	0.4	-0.1	-0.1
Educational services Health care and social assistance	498.3 676.5	494.9 683.0	8.7 9.5	-3.4 6.5	44.4 24.2	44.4 24.2	-0.7 1.0	9.9 3.7	9.9 3.7
Information, culture and recreation	340.0	339.3	8.2	-0.7	22.9	22.9	-0.2	7.2	7.2
Accommodation and food services	392.0	378.8	8.7	-13.2	-4.3	-4.3	-3.4	-1.1	-1.1
Other services	285.2	277.5	7.2	-7.7	10.8	10.8	-2.7	4.0	4.0
Public administration	341.5	349.5	6.3	8.0	36.4	36.4	2.3	11.6	11.6

<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

	November	December	S.E.1		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	902.4	903.2		0.8	9.4	9.4	0.1	1.1	1.1
Labour force Employment Employment full-time	631.1 604.8 489.1	624.8 598.7 487.7	2.9 2.8 3.8	-6.3 -6.1 -1.4	12.2 11.1 15.3	12.2 11.1 15.3	-1.0 -1.0 -0.3	2.0 1.9 3.2	2.0 1.9 3.2
Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	26.3 69.9 4.2	26.2 69.2 4.2	2.1 0.3 0.3	-0.1 -0.7 0.0	1.2 0.7 0.1	1.2 0.7 0.1	-0.4 	4.8 	4.8 
Employment rate Part-time rate	67.0 19.1	66.3 18.5	0.3 0.6	-0.7 -0.6	0.6 -1.1	0.6 -1.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	157.3	157.5		0.2	1.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	1.1
Labour force Employment	117.2 107.9	113.7 103.1	1.8 1.7	-3.5 -4.8	4.1 1.7	4.1 1.7	-3.0 -4.4	3.7 1.7	3.7 1.7
Unemployment	9.2	10.6 72.2	1.4 1.1	1.4 -2.3	2.4 1.9	2.4 1.9	15.2	29.3	29.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate	74.5 7.8	9.3	1.2	1.5	1.8	1.8			
Employment rate Part-time rate	68.6 43.4	65.5 42.6	1.1 1.9	-3.1 -0.8	0.4 0.6	0.4 0.6			
Men, 25 years and over Population	364.3	364.6		0.3	4.2	4.2	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force	276.4	275.2	1.4	-1.2	4.9	4.9	-0.4	1.8	1.8
Employment Unemployment	268.7 7.7	267.6 7.6	1.4 1.2	-1.1 -0.1	6.0 -1.0	6.0 -1.0	-0.4 -1.3	2.3 -11.6	2.3 -11.6
Participation rate	75.9 2.8	75.5 2.8	0.4 0.4	-0.4 0.0	0.5 -0.4	0.5 -0.4			
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	73.8 5.9	73.4 5.2	0.4 0.4 0.6	-0.4 -0.7	0.8 -1.2	0.8 -1.2			
Women, 25 years and over Population	380.8	381.1		0.3	3.5	3.5	0.1	0.9	0.9
Labour force	237.5 228.1	235.8 227.9	1.7 1.6	-1.7 -0.2	3.0 3.3	3.0 3.3	-0.7 -0.1	1.3 1.5	1.3 1.5
Employment Unemployment	9.3	7.9	1.0	-0.2 -1.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.1 -15.1	-3.7	-3.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	62.4 3.9	61.9 3.4	0.4 0.5	-0.5 -0.5	0.2 -0.1	0.2 -0.1			
Employment rate	59.9	59.8	0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.3			
Part-time rate	23.2	23.3	1.0	0.2	-1.5	-1.5		•••	
Industry	604.8	598.7	2.8	-6.1	11.1	11.1	-1.0	1.9	1.9
Goods-producing sector Agriculture	147.9 28.3	147.0 26.5	2.4 1.2	-0.9 -1.8	5.7 -3.0	5.7 -3.0	-0.6 -6.4	4.0 -10.2	4.0 -10.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	6.4	6.7	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	4.7	0.0	0.0
Utilities Construction	5.3 36.1	5.1 36.2	0.4 1.4	-0.2 0.1	0.1 5.7	0.1 5.7	-3.8 0.3	2.0 18.7	2.0 18.7
Manufacturing	71.9	72.5	1.7	0.6	2.9	2.9	8.0	4.2	4.2
Services-producing sector Trade	456.9 85.4	451.6 87.7	3.2 2.1	-5.3 2.3	5.3 -5.1	5.3 -5.1	-1.2 2.7	1.2 -5.5	1.2 -5.5
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	34.8 38.3	34.4 38.9	1.2 1.2	-0.4 0.6	-0.7 6.5	-0.7 6.5	-1.1 1.6	-2.0 20.1	-2.0 20.1
services Business, building and other support	28.8	25.9	1.1	-2.9	4.8	4.8	-10.1	22.7	22.7
services	18.7	19.2	1.1	0.5	0.7	0.7	2.7	3.8	3.8
Educational services Health care and social assistance	46.5 75.2	45.4 75.5	1.5 1.8	-1.1 0.3	-2.1 -6.6	-2.1 -6.6	-2.4 0.4	-4.4 -8.0	-4.4 -8.0
Information, culture and recreation	25.6	24.4	1.1	-1.2	2.0	2.0	-4.7	8.9	8.9
Accommodation and food services Other services	38.5 27.5	38.6 25.5	1.5 1.2	0.1 -2.0	3.6 0.6	3.6 0.6	0.3 -7.3	10.3 2.4	10.3 2.4
Public administration	37.6	36.2	1.3	-1.4	1.7	1.7	-3.7	4.9	4.9

<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 tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	November	December	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	756.7	758.0		1.3	11.7	11.7	0.2	1.6	1.6
Population Labour force	528.8	525.5	2.4	-3.3	1.7	11.7	-0.6	0.3	0.3
Employment	507.4	504.4	2.4	-3.0	1.6	1.6	-0.6	0.3	0.3
Employment full-time	413.7 21.4	412.8 21.1	3.2 1.8	-0.9 -0.3	5.1 -0.1	5.1 -0.1	-0.2 -1.4	1.3 -0.5	1.3 -0.5
Unemployment Participation rate	69.9	69.3	0.3	-0.3 -0.6	-0.1 -0.9	-0.1	-1.4	-0.5	-0.5
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	67.1 18.5	66.5 18.2	0.3 0.6	-0.6 -0.3	-0.9 -0.8	-0.9 -0.8			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	138.5	138.6 98.6	1.5	0.1 -1.0	1.3	1.3	0.1 -1.0	0.9	0.9
Labour force Employment	99.6 91.4	90.9	1.5	-1.0 -0.5	-3.7 -3.3	-3.7 -3.3	-1.0 -0.5	-3.6 -3.5	-3.6 -3.5
Unemployment	8.2	7.7	1.2	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-6.1	-4.9	-4.9
Participation rate	71.9	71.1	1.1	-0.8	-3.4	-3.4	•••		
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.2 66.0	7.8 65.6	1.1 1.1	-0.4 -0.4	-0.1 -3.0	-0.1 -3.0			
Part-time rate	38.0	39.3	1.7	1.3	1.9	1.9			
Men, 25 years and over Population	302.2	302.8		0.6	5.6	5.6	0.2	1.9	1.9
Labour force	232.1	231.2	1.1	-0.9	3.5	3.5	-0.4	1.5	1.5
Employment	225.2	223.9	1.3	-1.3	3.4	3.4	-0.6	1.5	1.5
Unemployment	7.0 76.8	7.3 76.4	1.0 0.4	0.3 -0.4	0.0 -0.2	0.0 -0.2	4.3	0.0	0.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	3.0	3.2	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	74.5 6.2	73.9 6.3	0.4 0.6	-0.6 0.1	-0.3 -0.7	-0.3 -0.7			
Women, 25 years and over	216.0	246.6		0.6	4.0	4.0	0.2	1.5	1 5
Population Labour force	316.0 197.1	316.6 195.7	1.3	0.6 -1.4	4.8 1.8	4.8 1.8	-0.7	1.5 0.9	1.5 0.9
Employment	190.9	189.6	1.3	-1.3	1.5	1.5	-0.7	8.0	8.0
Unemployment Participation rate	6.2 62.4	6.1	0.9 0.4	-0.1 -0.6	0.3 -0.4	0.3 -0.4	-1.6	5.2	5.2
Unemployment rate	3.1	61.8 3.1	0.4	-0.6 0.0	-0. <del>4</del> 0.1	-0.4 0.1			
Employment rate	60.4	59.9	0.4	-0.5	-0.4	-0.4			
Part-time rate	23.7	22.1	1.0	-1.6	-1.5	-1.5			
Industry	507.4	504.4	2.4	-3.0	1.6	1.6	-0.6	0.3	0.3
Goods-producing sector	137.2	132.2	2.2	-5.0	-1.2	-1.2	-3.6	-0.9	-0.9
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	43.5 22.9	41.2 22.5	1.5 1.0	-2.3 -0.4	-6.3 0.0	-6.3 0.0	-5.3 -1.7	-13.3 0.0	-13.3 0.0
Utilities	5.0	5.1	0.4	0.1	1.1	1.1	2.0	27.5	27.5
Construction Manufacturing	33.7 32.1	32.4 30.9	1.3 1.1	-1.3 -1.2	1.7 2.3	1.7 2.3	-3.9 -3.7	5.5 8.0	5.5 8.0
Services-producing sector	370.2	372.2	2.7	2.0	2.8	2.8	0.5	0.8	0.8
Trade	80.7	83.4	1.8	2.7	-2.5	-2.5	3.3	-2.9	-2.9
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	23.8 28.2	24.9 27.5	1.0 0.9	1.1 -0.7	-0.3 0.4	-0.3 0.4	4.6 -2.5	-1.2 1.5	-1.2 1.5
services Business, building and other support	21.7	21.3	0.9	-0.4	1.4	1.4	-1.8	7.0	7.0
services	12.5	11.3	0.8	-1.2	-0.5	-0.5	-9.6	-4.2	-4.2
Educational services Health care and social assistance	39.7 61.9	39.3 61.9	1.3 1.4	-0.4 0.0	0.5 0.8	0.5 0.8	-1.0 0.0	1.3 1.3	1.3 1.3
Information, culture and recreation	20.7	21.1	0.9	0.4	0.8	0.8	1.9	3.4	3.4
Accommodation and food services	31.6	30.9	1.2	-0.7	0.1	0.1	-2.2	0.3	0.3
Other services Public administration	21.4 27.9	21.9 28.7	1.1 0.9	0.5 0.8	0.2 2.0	0.2 2.0	2.3 2.9	0.9 7.5	0.9 7.5
i dono administration	21.9	20.7	0.9	0.0	2.0	2.0	2.3	7.5	7.5

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

	November	December	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	2,766.5 2.044.6	2,769.5 2,057.1	7.7	3.0 12.5	77.4 82.7	77.4 82.7	0.1 0.6	2.9 4.2	2.9 4.2
Employment	1,970.0	1,990.9	8.0	20.9	82.5	82.5	1.1	4.3	4.3
Employment full-time	1,660.8	1,675.9	11.0	15.1	60.4	60.4	0.9	3.7	3.7
Unemployment Participation rate	74.6 73.9	66.2 74.3	5.6 0.3	-8.4 0.4	0.2 1.0	0.2 1.0	-11.3	0.3	0.3
Unemployment rate	3.6	3.2	0.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	71.2 15.7	71.9 15.8	0.3 0.5	0.7 0.1	1.0 0.5	1.0 0.5			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	505.6	505.3		-0.3	5.8	5.8	-0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force Employment	360.0 334.4	365.1 343.9	4.9 5.0	5.1 9.5	8.8 10.2	8.8 10.2	1.4 2.8	2.5 3.1	2.5 3.1
Unemployment	25.6	21.2	3.8	-4.4	-1.4	-1.4	-17.2	-6.2	-6.2
Participation rate	71.2	72.3	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.1 66.1	5.8 68.1	1.0 1.0	-1.3 2.0	-0.5 1.3	-0.5 1.3	•••	•••	
Part-time rate	31.4	32.4	1.7	1.0	0.4	0.4			
Men, 25 years and over	4.405.0	4 400 0		0.4	00.0	00.0		0.5	0.5
Population Labour force	1,135.9 932.5	1,138.0 938.5	3.5	2.1 6.0	38.2 46.1	38.2 46.1	0.2 0.6	3.5 5.2	3.5 5.2
Employment	906.3	915.3	4.0	9.0	44.9	44.9	1.0	5.2	5.2
Unemployment	26.2	23.2	3.0	-3.0	1.2	1.2	-11.5	5.5	5.5
Participation rate	82.1 2.8	82.5	0.3	0.4 -0.3	1.4	1.4			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	2.0 79.8	2.5 80.4	0.3 0.4	-0.3 0.6	0.0 1.3	0.0 1.3			
Part-time rate	4.9	5.2	0.5	0.3	0.9	0.9			
Women, 25 years and over	1 105 1	4 406 0		4.4	22.4	22.4	0.4	2.4	2.4
Population Labour force	1,125.1 752.1	1,126.2 753.6	4.6	1.1 1.5	33.4 27.9	33.4 27.9	0.1 0.2	3.1 3.8	3.1 3.8
Employment	729.3	731.7	4.7	2.4	27.3	27.3	0.3	3.9	3.9
Unemployment	22.8	21.8	3.0	-1.0	0.4	0.4	-4.4	1.9	1.9
Participation rate	66.8 3.0	66.9 2.9	0.4 0.4	0.1 -0.1	0.5 0.0	0.5 0.0	•••		•••
Unemployment rate Employment rate	64.8	65.0	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.0			
Part-time rate	21.9	21.3	0.9	-0.6	0.2	0.2	•••		
Industry	1,970.0	1,990.9	8.0	20.9	82.5	82.5	1.1	4.3	4.3
Goods-producing sector	562.0	557.3	7.5	-4.7	14.0	14.0	-0.8	2.6	2.6
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	57.3 149.3	51.9 155.8	2.5 4.1	-5.4 6.5	4.0 12.4	4.0 12.4	-9.4 4.4	8.4 8.6	8.4 8.6
Utilities	19.9	17.2	1.4	-2.7	-3.8	-3.8	-13.6	-18.1	-18.1
Construction	197.6	198.2	5.0	0.6	16.5	16.5	0.3	9.1	9.1
Manufacturing	137.8	134.2	4.5	-3.6	-15.2	-15.2	-2.6	-10.2	-10.2
Services-producing sector Trade	1,408.0 296.3	1,433.6 309.6	9.5 6.2	25.6 13.3	68.5 38.3	68.5 38.3	1.8 4.5	5.0 14.1	5.0 14.1
Transportation and warehousing	104.8	110.1	3.6	5.3	4.0	4.0	5.1	3.8	3.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	97.4	103.8	3.5	6.4	-0.6	-0.6	6.6	-0.6	-0.6
Professional, scientific and technical	150.1	145.6	4.5	-4.5	3.0	3.0	-3.0	2.1	2.1
services Business, building and other support	150.1	145.0	4.3	-4.0	3.0	3.0	-3.0	۷.۱	۷.۱
services	75.7	76.2	3.5	0.5	5.9	5.9	0.7	8.4	8.4
Educational services	118.3	121.7	3.9	3.4	-17.2	-17.2	2.9	-12.4	-12.4
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	193.7 75.7	196.0 79.4	4.4 3.6	2.3 3.7	15.1 12.7	15.1 12.7	1.2 4.9	8.3 19.0	8.3 19.0
Accommodation and food services	113.0	79.4 112.0	4.5	-1.0	-6.2	-6.2	-0.9	-5.2	-5.2
Other services	94.9	90.5	3.5	-4.4	1.5	1.5	-4.6	1.7	1.7
Public administration	88.0	88.9	3.0	0.9	12.2	12.2	1.0	15.9	15.9

<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 tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	November	December	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 Unemployment	3,597.6 2,398.6 2,298.4 1,849.5 100.2	3,602.7 2,391.7 2,291.4 1,815.8 100.2	10.0 10.1 13.5 7.2	5.1 -6.9 -7.0 -33.7 0.0	64.7 51.0 72.9 42.6 -22.0	64.7 51.0 72.9 42.6 -22.0	0.1 -0.3 -0.3 -1.8 0.0	1.8 2.2 3.3 2.4 -18.0	1.8 2.2 3.3 2.4 -18.0	
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	66.7 4.2 63.9 19.5	66.4 4.2 63.6 20.8	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.5	-0.3 0.0 -0.3 1.2	0.2 -1.0 0.9 0.7	0.2 -1.0 0.9 0.7			··· ··· ···	
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years  Population    Labour force     Employment    Unemployment  Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	580.7 403.2 370.3 32.8 69.4 8.1 63.8 42.6	581.0 397.8 366.3 31.5 68.5 7.9 63.0 45.5	5.7 5.7 4.2 1.0 1.0 1.0	0.3 -5.4 -4.0 -1.3 -0.9 -0.2 -0.8 2.9	3.6 13.2 18.7 -5.5 1.9 -1.7 2.8 7.3	3.6 13.2 18.7 -5.5 1.9 -1.7 2.8 7.3	0.1 -1.3 -1.1 -4.0 	0.6 3.4 5.4 -14.9 	0.6 3.4 5.4 -14.9 	
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	1,475.7 1,071.5 1,035.7 35.7 72.6 3.3 70.2 6.9	1,478.1 1,075.5 1,037.5 38.0 72.8 3.5 70.2 8.0	5.0 5.4 4.1 0.3 0.4 0.4 0.6	2.4 4.0 1.8 2.3 0.2 0.2 0.0	31.0 32.5 33.1 -0.6 0.7 -0.2 0.8 -1.0	31.0 32.5 33.1 -0.6 0.7 -0.2 0.8 -1.0	0.2 0.4 0.2 6.4 	2.1 3.1 3.3 -1.6 	2.1 3.1 3.3 -1.6 	
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	1,541.2 924.0 892.3 31.7 60.0 3.4 57.9 24.6	1,543.6 918.4 887.7 30.7 59.5 3.3 57.5 25.5	6.0 5.8 4.1 0.4 0.4 0.4 0.9	2.4 -5.6 -4.6 -1.0 -0.5 -0.1 -0.4 0.8	30.1 5.3 21.2 -15.9 -0.8 -1.8 0.2 -0.2	30.1 5.3 21.2 -15.9 -0.8 -1.8 0.2 -0.2	0.2 -0.6 -0.5 -3.2	2.0 0.6 2.4 -34.1 	2.0 0.6 2.4 -34.1 	
Industry	2,298.4	2,291.4	10.1	-7.0	72.9	72.9	-0.3	3.3	3.3	
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	509.2 39.9 46.8 12.5 207.0 203.0	503.0 39.6 50.5 13.2 209.7 190.0	8.0 2.6 2.8 1.0 5.5 5.4	-6.2 -0.3 3.7 0.7 2.7 -13.0	19.7 3.6 2.3 3.9 23.2 -13.2	19.7 3.6 2.3 3.9 23.2 -13.2	-1.2 -0.8 7.9 5.6 1.3 -6.4	4.1 10.0 4.8 41.9 12.4 -6.5	4.1 10.0 4.8 41.9 12.4 -6.5	
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,789.2 370.5 128.2 142.7	1,788.4 365.3 135.9 141.9	11.2 7.1 4.5 4.6	-0.8 -5.2 7.7 -0.8	53.1 24.9 18.7 -5.8	53.1 24.9 18.7 -5.8	0.0 -1.4 6.0 -0.6	3.1 7.3 16.0 -3.9	3.1 7.3 16.0 -3.9	
Professional, scientific and technical services	163.2	160.1	5.3	-3.1	-4.4	-4.4	-1.9	-2.7	-2.7	
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	103.8 159.6 241.9 120.6 172.0 88.8 97.8	106.0 159.2 235.9 123.6 169.0 88.1 103.4	4.5 5.0 5.4 4.6 5.6 4.0 3.3	2.2 -0.4 -6.0 3.0 -3.0 -0.7 5.6	-2.5 -3.1 -3.3 18.0 -1.8 -0.9 13.4	-2.5 -3.1 -3.3 18.0 -1.8 -0.9	2.1 -0.3 -2.5 2.5 -1.7 -0.8 5.7	-2.3 -1.9 -1.4 17.0 -1.1 -1.0	-2.3 -1.9 -1.4 17.0 -1.1 -1.0 14.9	

<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 tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	November	December	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	ı	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)				
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	152.1	152.4		0.3	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.4
Labour force	103.2	102.5	0.7	-0.7	0.2	0.2	-0.7	0.2	0.2
Employment	96.2	95.5	0.7	-0.7	0.9	0.9	-0.7	1.0	1.0
Unemployment	6.9	7.0	0.4	0.1	-0.7	-0.7	1.4	-9.1	-9.1
Participation rate	67.9	67.3	0.5	-0.6 0.1	-0.1	-0.1			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	6.7 63.2	6.8 62.7	0.4 0.5	-0.5	-0.7 0.4	-0.7 0.4			
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	314.1	314.3		0.2	2.3	2.3	0.1	0.7	0.7
Labour force	221.9	221.2	1.1	-0.7	3.8	3.8	-0.3	1.7	1.7
Employment	210.5	211.3	1.1	0.8	3.7	3.7	0.4	1.8	1.8
Unemployment	11.4	9.9	0.6	-1.5	0.0	0.0	-13.2	0.0	0.0
Participation rate	70.6	70.4	0.4	-0.2	0.7	0.7			
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.5	0.3	-0.6	-0.1	-0.1			
Employment rate	67.0	67.2	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.7			
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	104.1	104.1		0.0	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.7	0.7
Labour force	72.2	71.4	0.7	-0.8	5.9	5.9	-1.1	9.0	9.0
Employment	68.3	67.8	0.7	-0.5	6.0	6.0	-0.7	9.7	9.7
Unemployment	3.8	3.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-7.9	-5.4	-5.4
Participation rate	69.4	68.6	0.6	-0.8	5.3	5.3		•••	•••
Unemployment rate Employment rate	5.3 65.6	4.9 65.1	0.5 0.6	-0.4 -0.5	-0.7 5.3	-0.7 5.3			
• •	00.0	00.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	•••		•••
Saguenay, Quebec Population	125.4	125.3		-0.1	-0.7	-0.7	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6
Labour force	76.4	76.1	0.7	-0.1	1.7	1.7	-0.1	2.3	2.3
Employment	70.3	70.1	0.7	-0.2	2.2	2.2	-0.3	3.2	3.2
Unemployment	6.1	6.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6	-1.6	-9.1	-9.1
Participation rate	60.9	60.7	0.6	-0.2	1.7	1.7			
Unemployment rate	8.0	7.9	0.5	-0.1	-1.0	-1.0			
Employment rate	56.1	55.9	0.6	-0.2	2.0	2.0			
Québec, Quebec									
Population	606.7	607.0		0.3	4.8	4.8	0.0	8.0	0.8
Labour force	415.3	415.4	3.3	0.1	19.9	19.9	0.0	5.0	5.0
Employment	392.6	392.6	3.4	0.0	20.7	20.7	0.0	5.6	5.6
Unemployment	22.8	22.7	1.4	-0.1	-0.9	-0.9	-0.4	-3.8	-3.8
Participation rate	68.5	68.4	0.5	-0.1	2.7	2.7			
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.5	0.4	0.0	-0.5	-0.5			
Employment rate	64.7	64.7	0.6	0.0	2.9	2.9	•••		•••
Trois-Rivières, Quebec	400.0	400.0			4.0	4.0		0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	120.8	120.9	0.7	0.1	1.0	1.0	0.1	0.8	0.8
Labour force	77.7	77.6	0.7	-0.1	5.0	5.0	-0.1	6.9	6.9
Employment	72.5	72.1	0.7	-0.4 0.2	4.5	4.5 0.5	-0.6	6.7	6.7
Unemployment Participation rate	5.2 64.3	5.4 64.2	0.3 0.6	-0.2	0.5 3.6	3.6	3.8	10.2	10.2
Unemployment rate	6.7	7.0	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.3		•••	
Employment rate	60.0	59.6	0.4	-0.4	3.2	3.2			
Employment rate	00.0	55.5	0.0	· · · · ·	5.2	5.2	•••	•••	•••

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

	November	December	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	137.2 91.3	137.4 91.7	0.8	0.2 0.4	1.6 2.8	1.6 2.8	0.1 0.4	1.2 3.1	1.2 3.1
Employment	85.5	85.8	0.8	0.3	3.6	3.6	0.4	4.4	4.4
Unemployment Participation rate	5.8 66.5	5.9 66.7	0.3	0.1 0.2	-0.8 1.2	-0.8 1.2	1.7	-11.9	-11.9 
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.4	0.4	0.0	-1.1	-1.1			
Employment rate	62.3	62.4	0.6	0.1	1.9	1.9			
Montréal, Quebec Population	3,044.7	3,047.2		2.5	29.0	29.0	0.1	1.0	1.0
Labour force	2,057.9	2,058.1	7.1	0.2	17.5	17.5	0.0	0.9	0.9
Employment	1,916.1	1,915.5	7.5	-0.6	30.1	30.1	0.0	1.6	1.6
Unemployment Participation rate	141.8 67.6	142.6 67.5	4.6 0.2	0.8 -0.1	-12.6 -0.1	-12.6 -0.1	0.6	-8.1 	-8.1 
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.9	0.2	0.0	-0.7	-0.7			
Employment rate	62.9	62.9	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.4			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec Population	954.2	955.1		0.9	8.2	8.2	0.1	0.9	0.9
Labour force	699.8	698.0	3.3	-1.8	32.1	32.1	-0.3	4.8	4.8
Employment	667.1	666.8	3.4	-0.3 -1.6	38.6	38.6	0.0 -4.9	6.1	6.1
Unemployment Participation rate	32.7 73.3	31.1 73.1	1.6 0.3	-0.2	-6.6 2.8	-6.6 2.8	-4.9	-17.5 	-17.5 
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.5	0.2	-0.2	-1.2	-1.2		•••	
Employment rate	69.9	69.8	0.4	-0.1	3.5	3.5			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	241.4	241.8		0.4	4.6	4.6	0.2	1.9	1.9
Labour force	173.7	175.3	1.2	1.6	3.0	3.0	0.9	1.7	1.7
Employment Unemployment	165.1 8.6	167.5 7.8	1.2 0.6	2.4 -0.8	6.0 -3.0	6.0 -3.0	1.5 -9.3	3.7 -27.8	3.7 -27.8
Participation rate	72.0	72.5	0.5	0.5	-0.1	-0.1	-5.5	-27.0	-21.0
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.4	0.3	-0.6	-1.9	-1.9		•••	
Employment rate	68.4	69.3	0.5	0.9	1.2	1.2	•••		
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	712.8	713.3		0.5	3.7	3.7	0.1	0.5	0.5
Labour force	526.0 502.0	522.7 499.3	3.0 3.1	-3.3 -2.7	29.0 32.6	29.0 32.6	-0.6 -0.5	5.9 7.0	5.9 7.0
Employment Unemployment	24.0	23.3	1.5	-2.7 -0.7	-3.7	-3.7	-0.5 -2.9	-13.7	-13.7
Participation rate	73.8	73.3	0.4	-0.5	3.7	3.7			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	4.6 70.4	4.5 70.0	0.3 0.4	-0.1 -0.4	-1.0 4.2	-1.0 4.2	•••	•••	
Kingston, Ontario	70.4	70.0	0.4	·V. <del>-1</del>	٦.٢	7.2	•••		
Population	125.9	125.9		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	80.8	80.9	0.7	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Employment Unemployment	76.6 4.1	76.8 4.1	0.8 0.3	0.2 0.0	0.0 -0.1	0.0 -0.1	0.3 0.0	0.0 -2.4	0.0 -2.4
Participation rate	64.2	64.3	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0		-2.4	-2.4 
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.1	0.4	0.0	-0.1	-0.1		•••	
Employment rate	60.8	61.0	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.0	•••		

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	November	December	S.E.1		Change fron	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)				
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	4,477.6 3,077.1 2,873.2 203.9 68.7 6.6	4,484.9 3,093.1 2,885.7 207.3 69.0 6.7	9.1 9.3 5.5 0.2 0.2	7.3 16.0 12.5 3.4 0.3 0.1	79.4 69.6 63.2 6.3 0.4 0.1	79.4 69.6 63.2 6.3 0.4 0.1	0.2 0.5 0.4 1.7	1.8 2.3 2.2 3.1 	1.8 2.3 2.2 3.1 
Employment rate	64.2	64.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2			
Hamilton, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	593.8 396.9 373.2 23.7 66.8 6.0 62.8	594.2 396.9 373.5 23.4 66.8 5.9 62.9	2.8 2.8 1.3 0.5 0.3	0.4 0.0 0.3 -0.3 0.0 -0.1	4.1 7.8 8.1 -0.4 0.9 -0.2 1.0	4.1 7.8 8.1 -0.4 0.9 -0.2 1.0	0.1 0.0 0.1 -1.3 	0.7 2.0 2.2 -1.7 	0.7 2.0 2.2 -1.7 
Kitchener, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	378.9 266.9 252.7 14.2 70.4 5.3 66.7	379.4 269.9 255.5 14.4 71.1 5.3 67.3	2.0 2.2 0.9 0.5 0.3 0.6	0.5 3.0 2.8 0.2 0.7 0.0	5.8 -2.1 -1.8 -0.3 -1.7 -0.1 -1.6	5.8 -2.1 -1.8 -0.3 -1.7 -0.1 -1.6	0.1 1.1 1.1 1.4 	1.6 -0.8 -0.7 -2.0 	1.6 -0.8 -0.7 -2.0 
London, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	382.3 266.0 249.9 16.1 69.6 6.1 65.4	382.5 264.5 247.2 17.3 69.2 6.5 64.6	1.8 1.8 0.9 0.5 0.3	0.2 -1.5 -2.7 1.2 -0.4 0.4 -0.8	2.9 -3.1 -3.8 0.7 -1.3 0.3 -1.5	2.9 -3.1 -3.8 0.7 -1.3 0.3 -1.5	0.1 -0.6 -1.1 7.5	0.8 -1.2 -1.5 4.2 	0.8 -1.2 -1.5 4.2 
Oshawa, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	284.0 195.1 184.0 11.1 68.7 5.7 64.8	284.6 196.0 184.3 11.7 68.9 6.0 64.8	1.4 1.5 0.7 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.6 0.9 0.3 0.6 0.2 0.3	7.1 5.9 6.9 -1.0 0.4 -0.7	7.1 5.9 6.9 -1.0 0.4 -0.7 0.9	0.2 0.5 0.2 5.4	2.6 3.1 3.9 -7.9 	2.6 3.1 3.9 -7.9 
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	328.5 212.2 197.3 14.9 64.6 7.0 60.1	328.6 211.8 197.8 13.9 64.5 6.6 60.2	1.7 1.7 0.7 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.1 -0.4 0.5 -1.0 -0.1 -0.4	1.0 10.9 9.7 1.2 3.2 0.3 2.8	1.0 10.9 9.7 1.2 3.2 0.3 2.8	0.0 -0.2 0.3 -6.7	0.3 5.4 5.2 9.4 	0.3 5.4 5.2 9.4 

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

-	November	December	S.E.1		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)				
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario									
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	133.0 85.6 81.2 4.4 64.4 5.1 61.1	133.1 84.9 80.8 4.0 63.8 4.7 60.7	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.1 -0.7 -0.4 -0.4 -0.6 -0.4 -0.4	0.4 0.6 1.7 -1.2 0.3 -1.5 1.1	0.4 0.6 1.7 -1.2 0.3 -1.5	0.1 -0.8 -0.5 -9.1	0.3 0.7 2.1 -23.1 	0.3 0.7 2.1 -23.1 
Thunder Bay, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment	104.1 68.8 63.9 4.8	104.1 69.0 64.3 4.8	0.6 0.6 0.3	0.0 0.2 0.4 0.0	-0.2 3.7 3.5 0.4	-0.2 3.7 3.5 0.4	0.0 0.3 0.6 0.0	-0.2 5.7 5.8 9.1	-0.2 5.7 5.8 9.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	66.1 7.0 61.4	66.3 7.0 61.8	0.6 0.4 0.6	0.2 0.0 0.4	3.7 0.3 3.5	3.7 0.3 3.5			 
Windsor, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	272.2 176.9 160.8 16.0 65.0 9.0 59.1	272.3 177.2 161.9 15.3 65.1 8.6 59.5	1.5 1.5 0.8 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.1 0.3 1.1 -0.7 0.1 -0.4 0.4	1.1 -2.6 -1.7 -0.9 -1.2 -0.4 -0.8	1.1 -2.6 -1.7 -0.9 -1.2 -0.4 -0.8	0.0 0.2 0.7 -4.4	0.4 -1.4 -1.0 -5.6 	0.4 -1.4 -1.0 -5.6 
Winnipeg, Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	578.3 411.7 393.0 18.7 71.2 4.5 68.0	578.9 413.0 393.7 19.3 71.3 4.7 68.0	1.4 1.4 0.8 0.2 0.2	0.6 1.3 0.7 0.6 0.1 0.2 0.0	6.3 11.3 11.1 0.2 1.1 -0.1 1.2	6.3 11.3 11.1 0.2 1.1 -0.1 1.2	0.1 0.3 0.2 3.2	1.1 2.8 2.9 1.0 	1.1 2.8 2.9 1.0 
Regina, Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	164.2 114.8 109.0 5.7 69.9 5.0 66.4	164.6 115.1 110.0 5.1 69.9 4.4 66.8	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.4 0.3 0.4	0.4 0.3 1.0 -0.6 0.0 -0.6 0.4	3.3 -2.3 -2.2 -0.1 -2.9 0.0 -2.8	3.3 -2.3 -2.2 -0.1 -2.9 0.0 -2.8	0.2 0.3 0.9 -10.5	2.0 -2.0 -2.0 -1.9 	2.0 -2.0 -2.0 -1.9 
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	192.3 143.1 137.7 5.4 74.4 3.8 71.6	192.8 143.4 138.0 5.4 74.4 3.8 71.6	0.8 0.9 0.4 0.4 0.3 0.5	0.5 0.3 0.3 0.0 0.0 0.0	4.0 5.2 4.4 0.9 1.2 0.5 0.8	4.0 5.2 4.4 0.9 1.2 0.5 0.8	0.3 0.2 0.2 0.0 	2.1 3.8 3.3 20.0 	2.1 3.8 3.3 20.0 

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	November	December	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)				
Calgary, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	932.9 705.3 684.0 21.3 75.6 3.0 73.3	934.5 705.1 684.5 20.6 75.5 2.9 73.2	3.2 3.3 1.4 0.4 0.2 0.4	1.6 -0.2 0.5 -0.7 -0.1 -0.1	32.1 12.2 9.6 2.6 -1.3 0.3 -1.6	32.1 12.2 9.6 2.6 -1.3 0.3 -1.6	0.2 0.0 0.1 -3.3	3.6 1.8 1.4 14.4 	3.6 1.8 1.4 14.4 
Edmonton, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	873.2 629.3 602.5 26.9 72.1 4.3 69.0	874.0 636.3 611.7 24.6 72.8 3.9 70.0	3.1 3.2 1.4 0.4 0.2 0.4	0.8 7.0 9.2 -2.3 0.7 -0.4 1.0	23.6 39.4 37.0 2.4 2.6 0.2 2.4	23.6 39.4 37.0 2.4 2.6 0.2 2.4	0.1 1.1 1.5 -8.6 	2.8 6.6 6.4 10.8 	2.8 6.6 6.4 10.8 
Abbotsford, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	132.1 87.2 83.6 3.6 66.0 4.1 63.3	132.3 88.1 84.7 3.4 66.6 3.9 64.0	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.2 0.9 1.1 -0.2 0.6 -0.2	2.7 -0.1 0.4 -0.5 -1.5 -0.5	2.7 -0.1 0.4 -0.5 -1.5 -0.5	0.2 1.0 1.3 -5.6	2.1 -0.1 0.5 -12.8 	2.1 -0.1 0.5 -12.8 
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,910.5 1,283.2 1,228.9 54.3 67.2 4.2 64.3	1,914.1 1,292.3 1,237.7 54.6 67.5 4.2 64.7	4.8 4.8 2.2 0.3 0.2 0.3	3.6 9.1 8.8 0.3 0.3 0.0	38.9 33.5 37.5 -4.0 0.4 -0.5	38.9 33.5 37.5 -4.0 0.4 -0.5	0.2 0.7 0.7 0.6 	2.1 2.7 3.1 -6.8 	2.1 2.7 3.1 -6.8 
Victoria, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	284.2 194.2 188.8 5.4 68.3 2.8 66.4	284.5 193.6 188.1 5.6 68.0 2.9 66.1	1.4 1.5 0.5 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.3 -0.6 -0.7 0.2 -0.3 0.1 -0.3	4.0 8.2 9.3 -1.0 1.9 -0.7 2.4	4.0 8.2 9.3 -1.0 1.9 -0.7 2.4	0.1 -0.3 -0.4 3.7 	1.4 4.4 5.2 -15.2 	1.4 4.4 5.2 -15.2 

<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

	November	December	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	xcept ra	tes)				
Montréal, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,047.3 2,065.3 1,928.9 136.5 67.8 6.6 63.3	3,049.7 2,063.3 1,915.4 147.9 67.7 7.2 62.8	14.7 15.2 11.2 0.5 0.5 0.5	2.4 -2.0 -13.5 11.4 -0.1 0.6 -0.5	28.7 36.0 35.6 0.5 0.6 -0.1	28.7 36.0 35.6 0.5 0.6 -0.1 0.6	0.1 -0.1 -0.7 8.4 	1.0 1.8 1.9 0.3 	1.0 1.8 1.9 0.3 
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,485.4 3,089.5 2,877.2 212.3 68.9 6.9 64.1	4,491.8 3,100.8 2,890.3 210.6 69.0 6.8 64.3	19.6 19.2 13.8 0.4 0.4 0.4	6.4 11.3 13.1 -1.7 0.1 -0.1	80.1 51.6 33.7 18.0 -0.1 0.5 -0.5	80.1 51.6 33.7 18.0 -0.1 0.5 -0.5	0.1 0.4 0.5 -0.8	1.8 1.7 1.2 9.3 	1.8 1.7 1.2 9.3 
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,914.3 1,308.6 1,256.7 52.0 68.4 4.0 65.6	1,917.5 1,293.0 1,238.7 54.4 67.4 4.2 64.6	10.1 10.1 10.1 5.7 0.5 0.4 0.5	3.2 -15.6 -18.0 2.4 -1.0 0.2 -1.0	39.8 35.7 46.6 -10.7 0.4 -1.0 1.1	39.8 35.7 46.6 -10.7 0.4 -1.0	0.2 -1.2 -1.4 4.6	2.1 2.8 3.9 -16.4 	2.1 2.8 3.9 -16.4 

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 December 2006 and December 2007

-	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
	•	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
<b>Canada</b> <sup>2</sup> 2006 2007	26,328.8 26,692.1	17,602.5 17,983.3	16,591.1 16,997.2	1,011.4 986.1	66.9 67.4	5.7 5.5	63.0 63.7
Newfoundland and Labrador 2006 2007	426.6 424.1	249.9 246.8	216.5 216.0	33.4 30.8	58.6 58.2	13.4 12.5	50.8 50.9
Avalon Peninsula [1010] 2006 2007	210.0 210.1	130.8 129.5	117.8 117.5	13.0 11.9	62.3 61.6	9.9 9.2	56.1 55.9
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020] 2006 2007	33.4 32.7	17.7 15.8	14.1 13.1	3.6 2.7	53.0 48.3	20.3 17.1	42.2 40.1
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030] 2006 2007	88.1 87.6	53.5 51.8	44.8 44.1	8.7 7.7	60.7 59.1	16.3 14.9	50.9 50.3
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040] 2006 2007	95.1 93.7	47.9 49.7	39.7 41.3	8.1 8.4	50.4 53.0	16.9 16.9	41.7 44.1
Prince Edward Island 2006 2007	112.6 113.7	76.2 76.0	67.5 68.2	8.7 7.8	67.7 66.8	11.4 10.3	59.9 60.0
Nova Scotia 2006 2007	763.3 765.4	477.8 485.6	444.3 451.2	33.6 34.4	62.6 63.4	7.0 7.1	58.2 58.9
Cape Breton [1210] 2006 2007	116.8 116.0	63.5 62.6	56.1 54.7	7.4 8.0	54.4 54.0	11.7 12.8	48.0 47.2
North Shore [1220] 2006 2007	131.0 131.0	78.5 79.0	70.8 71.2	7.7 7.8	59.9 60.3	9.8 9.9	54.0 54.4
Annapolis Valley [1230] 2006 2007	99.9 100.5	59.5 62.7	56.2 57.8	3.3 4.9	59.6 62.4	5.5 7.8	56.3 57.5
Southern [1240] 2006 2007	103.6 103.6	60.3 61.3	53.8 56.1	6.4 5.2	58.2 59.2	10.6 8.5	51.9 54.2
Halifax <i>[1250]</i> 2006 2007	312.0 314.3	216.1 220.0	207.3 211.5	8.8 8.5	69.3 70.0	4.1 3.9	66.4 67.3
New Brunswick 2006 2007	611.1 614.9	381.1 392.1	351.8 364.3	29.4 27.7	62.4 63.8	7.7 7.1	57.6 59.2
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310] 2006 2007	136.1 135.8	77.5 76.7	67.5 67.5	10.1 9.1	56.9 56.5	13.0 11.9	49.6 49.7
Moncton-Richibucto [1320] 2006 2007	161.8 164.0	103.4 107.5	95.4 100.9	8.0 6.6	63.9 65.5	7.7 6.1	59.0 61.5
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330] 2006 2007	141.4 142.3	86.5 96.1	81.8 91.3	4.7 4.8	61.2 67.5	5.4 5.0	57.9 64.2

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

	Population	Population Labour f		e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] 2006 2007	103.7 104.6	69.0 69.9	64.8 66.2	4.2 3.7	66.5 66.8	6.1 5.3	62.5 63.3
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] 2006 2007	68.1 68.2	44.7 42.0	42.2 38.4	2.5 3.5	65.6 61.6	5.6 8.3	62.0 56.3
<b>Quebec</b> 2006 2007	6,277.7 6,335.4	4,084.9 4,157.6	3,779.6 3,876.2	305.3 281.4	65.1 65.6	7.5 6.8	60.2 61.2
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] 2006 2007	80.8 80.9	38.6 40.1	31.3 33.2	7.3 6.8	47.8 49.6	18.9 17.0	38.7 41.0
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415] 2006 2007	167.3 167.5	100.7 95.9	92.5 88.4	8.2 7.5	60.2 57.3	8.1 7.8	55.3 52.8
Capitale-Nationale [2420] 2006 2007	561.9 565.3	352.3 372.7	330.7 355.7	21.6 17.0	62.7 65.9	6.1 4.6	58.9 62.9
Chaudière-Appalaches <i>[2425]</i> 2006 2007	326.1 328.4	220.9 217.8	209.4 204.9	11.5 12.9	67.7 66.3	5.2 5.9	64.2 62.4
Estrie [2430] 2006 2007	247.3 249.6	159.0 159.9	144.9 150.5	14.0 9.4	64.3 64.1	8.8 5.9	58.6 60.3
Centre-du-Québec [2433] 2006 2007	184.4 185.7	125.8 123.5	118.1 116.9	7.6 6.6	68.2 66.5	6.0 5.3	64.0 63.0
Montérégie <i>[2435]</i> 2006 2007	1,115.1 1,130.7	750.6 742.3	697.1 694.3	53.5 48.0	67.3 65.6	7.1 6.5	62.5 61.4
Montréal [2440] 2006 2007	1,588.9 1,592.5	1,049.5 1,048.2	959.1 959.3	90.4 88.9	66.1 65.8	8.6 8.5	60.4 60.2
Laval <i>[2445]</i> 2006 2007	306.2 310.9	202.5 220.1	188.3 207.7	14.2 12.4	66.1 70.8	7.0 5.6	61.5 66.8
Lanaudière <i>[2450]</i> 2006 2007	347.0 356.8	237.4 244.1	226.6 225.2	10.8 18.9	68.4 68.4	4.5 7.7	65.3 63.1
Laurentides [2455] 2006 2007	419.4 429.1	264.4 299.0	245.8 285.6	18.6 13.4	63.0 69.7	7.0 4.5	58.6 66.6
Outaouais <i>[2460]</i> 2006 2007	286.9 292.0	199.6 204.8	186.7 195.3	12.9 9.5	69.6 70.1	6.5 4.6	65.1 66.9
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465] 2006 2007	115.5 115.6	75.9 72.1	69.1 67.0	6.9 5.1	65.7 62.4	9.1 7.1	59.8 58.0
Mauricie [2470] 2006 2007	216.9 217.7	120.8 125.9	112.2 116.2	8.6 9.7	55.7 57.8	7.1 7.7	51.7 53.4

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

	Population	Population Labour force		e	Participation	Unemployment	
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475] 2006 2007	224.4 223.5	133.4 138.3	118.8 127.8	14.5 10.5	59.4 61.9	10.9 7.6	52.9 57.2
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490] 2006 2007	89.6 89.2	53.6 53.0	49.0 48.2	4.7 4.9	59.8 59.4	8.8 9.2	54.7 54.0
Ontario 2006 2007	10,281.0 10,415.6	6,916.7 7,054.7	6,522.6 6,654.7	394.1 400.0	67.3 67.7	5.7 5.7	63.4 63.9
Ottawa [3510] 2006 2007	981.0 987.6	659.4 699.9	623.4 670.5	35.9 29.4	67.2 70.9	5.4 4.2	63.5 67.9
Kingston-Pembroke <i>[3515]</i> 2006 2007	358.2 359.6	213.1 231.0	201.6 218.5	11.5 12.4	59.5 64.2	5.4 5.4	56.3 60.8
Muskoka-Kawarthas <i>[3520]</i> 2006 2007	307.3 310.1	194.4 186.3	184.3 174.1	10.1 12.2	63.3 60.1	5.2 6.5	60.0 56.1
Toronto [3530] 2006 2007	4,642.3 4,731.8	3,159.6 3,245.5	2,968.5 3,047.2	191.1 198.3	68.1 68.6	6.0 6.1	63.9 64.4
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540] 2006 2007	956.5 974.5	693.5 698.6	664.6 666.7	28.9 31.9	72.5 71.7	4.2 4.6	69.5 68.4
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550] 2006 2007	1,126.8 1,136.7	730.1 751.4	687.5 708.7	42.5 42.7	64.8 66.1	5.8 5.7	61.0 62.3
London <i>[3560]</i> 2006 2007	507.9 512.5	357.7 356.2	338.7 334.0	19.0 22.2	70.4 69.5	5.3 6.2	66.7 65.2
Windsor-Sarnia <i>[3570]</i> 2006 2007	523.6 525.6	350.2 342.6	325.7 321.3	24.5 21.3	66.9 65.2	7.0 6.2	62.2 61.1
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580] 2006 2007	247.0 247.6	163.9 162.0	159.0 156.4	4.9 5.6	66.4 65.4	3.0 3.5	64.4 63.2
Northeast [3590] 2006 2007	453.5 454.0	279.0 271.6	260.4 255.0	18.5 16.6	61.5 59.8	6.6 6.1	57.4 56.2
Northwest [3595] 2006 2007	176.9 175.7	115.9 109.7	108.9 102.3	7.0 7.4	65.5 62.4	6.0 6.7	61.6 58.2
<b>Manitoba</b> 2006 2007	893.4 902.4	612.0 625.4	587.3 601.3	24.6 24.1	68.5 69.3	4.0 3.9	65.7 66.6
Southeast [4610] 2006 2007	75.2 77.2	50.7 52.9	48.5 50.9	2.2 2.0	67.4 68.5	4.3 3.8	64.5 65.9
South Central [4620] 2006 2007	42.6 43.3	27.7 29.5	27.2 29.0	0.6 0.5	65.0 68.1	2.2 1.7	63.8 67.0

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

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Southwest [4630] 2006 2007	81.8 82.4	54.7 52.7	52.9 51.3	1.8 1.4	66.9 64.0	3.3 2.7	64.7 62.3
North Central [4640] 2006 2007	35.5 35.7	22.0 23.5	21.6 22.5	0.5 1.0	62.0 65.8	2.3 4.3	60.8 63.0
Winnipeg [4650] 2006 2007	529.7 534.7	370.0 378.9	353.6 362.3	16.4 16.6	69.9 70.9	4.4 4.4	66.8 67.8
Interlake <i>[4660]</i> 2006 2007	68.9 70.1	45.4 48.1	43.9 46.6	1.5 1.5	65.9 68.6	3.3 3.1	63.7 66.5
Parklands and North [4670, 4680] 2006 2007	59.7 59.0	41.4 39.8	39.6 38.8	1.7 1.1	69.3 67.5	4.1 2.8	66.3 65.8
Saskatchewan 2006 2007	746.2 756.6	517.5 522.7	499.0 503.2	18.5 19.5	69.4 69.1	3.6 3.7	66.9 66.5
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710] 2006 2007	219.2 222.8	157.4 156.5	151.3 150.8	6.1 5.7	71.8 70.2	3.9 3.6	69.0 67.7
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720] 2006 2007	82.4 83.0	55.9 56.3	54.4 54.3	1.5 2.0	67.8 67.8	2.7 3.6	66.0 65.4
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730] 2006 2007	231.2 235.5	165.7 170.8	160.8 165.6	4.9 5.2	71.7 72.5	3.0 3.0	69.6 70.3
Yorkton-Melville [4740] 2006 2007	64.3 64.2	41.0 42.8	39.7 41.4	1.3 1.4	63.8 66.7	3.2 3.3	61.7 64.5
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] 2006 2007	149.1 151.0	97.5 96.2	92.8 91.1	4.7 5.1	65.4 63.7	4.8 5.3	62.2 60.3
<b>Alberta</b> 2006 2007	2,683.3 2,766.7	1,964.5 2,040.4	1,903.6 1,972.3	60.8 68.1	73.2 73.7	3.1 3.3	70.9 71.3
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810] 2006 2007	203.2 208.0	142.0 140.3	137.4 134.3	4.6 6.0	69.9 67.5	3.2 4.3	67.6 64.6
Camrose-Drumheller [4820] 2006 2007	152.6 155.4	108.7 114.2	105.5 111.5	3.2 2.7	71.2 73.5	2.9 2.4	69.1 71.8
Calgary [4830] 2006 2007	970.8 1,007.0	743.8 756.4	724.5 734.0	19.3 22.5	76.6 75.1	2.6 3.0	74.6 72.9
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840] 2006 2007	66.8 68.1	53.0 52.9	51.3 51.8	1.7 x	79.3 77.7	3.2 x	76.8 76.1
Red Deer [4850] 2006 2007	138.5 144.0	101.2 109.8	98.2 106.3	3.0 3.5	73.1 76.3	3.0 3.2	70.9 73.8

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

	Population	Population Labour force				Unemployment	
	_	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Edmonton [4860] 2006 2007	882.7 907.6	617.2 657.5	595.4 633.7	21.7 23.8	69.9 72.4	3.5 3.6	67.5 69.8
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870] 2006 2007	179.8 184.6	132.2 136.3	127.6 130.2	4.6 6.1	73.5 73.8	3.5 4.5	71.0 70.5
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake <i>[4880]</i> 2006 2007	88.8 91.9	66.4 73.0	63.8 70.5	2.6 2.5	74.8 79.4	3.9 3.4	71.8 76.7
British Columbia 2006 2007	3,533.5 3,597.2	2,321.8 2,382.0	2,218.9 2,289.7	102.9 92.3	65.7 66.2	4.4 3.9	62.8 63.7
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910] 2006 2007	616.3 627.0	390.8 394.1	371.8 380.6	19.0 13.5	63.4 62.9	4.9 3.4	60.3 60.7
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920] 2006 2007	2,134.6 2,179.0	1,416.3 1,463.1	1,358.3 1,409.7	58.0 53.4	66.3 67.1	4.1 3.6	63.6 64.7
Thompson-Okanagan <i>[5930]</i> 2006 2007	417.5 426.0	268.8 268.6	257.4 257.2	11.4 11.4	64.4 63.1	4.2 4.2	61.7 60.4
Kootenay [5940] 2006 2007	122.1 122.4	77.1 79.1	71.5 74.5	5.6 4.7	63.1 64.6	7.3 5.9	58.6 60.9
Cariboo <i>[5950]</i> 2006 2007	125.2 125.4	87.1 93.9	82.3 89.2	4.8 4.7	69.6 74.9	5.5 5.0	65.7 71.1
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970] 2006 2007	66.9 65.9	45.3 45.3	42.5 41.2	2.8 4.1	67.7 68.7	6.2 9.1	63.5 62.5
Northeast [5980] 2006 2007	50.9 51.6	36.4 37.8	35.1 37.2	x x	71.5 73.3	x x	69.0 72.1

<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 December 2006 and December 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 21.4	15.4 16.2	15.0 15.3	0.4 0.9	71.6 75.7	2.6 5.6	69.8 71.5
Northwest Territories <sup>2</sup> 2006 2007	30.9 30.8	23.7 23.2	22.3 21.8	1.4 1.4	76.7 75.3	5.9 6.0	72.2 70.8
Nunavut - 10 largest communities <sup>3</sup> 2006 2007	13.9 14.2	9.7 10.1	8.6 9.3	1.0 0.8	69.5 71.4	10.6 8.2	62.1 65.5

<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.

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

		Emplo	yees			Full-time			Part-time		
	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Average hourly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	
	thousands	_	dolla	rs	thousands	_	dollars	thousands		dollars	
December 2007		-		_		-	_				
15 years and over	14,291.8	35.2	766.72	20.93	11,594.6	39.5	885.72	2,697.3	17.1	255.17	
15 to 24 years	2,457.4	26.8	347.47	12.01	1,209.3	39.0	548.67	1,248.1	15.0	152.53	
25 years and over	11,834.5	37.0 37.8	853.77	22.78	10,385.3	39.5 40.7	924.96	1,449.2	18.8 16.2	343.58 222.35	
Men Women	7,158.9 7,133.0	37.6 32.6	888.74 644.25	22.85 19.00	6,315.2 5,279.4	38.0	977.77 775.60	843.7 1,853.5	17.5	270.11	
Union coverage											
Union coverage	4.547.1	35.8	868.48	23.94	3,882.3	38.7	953.09	664.7	18.6	374.31	
No union coverage	9,744.8	35.0	719.23	19.53	7,712.2	39.9	851.80	2,032.5	16.5	216.21	
Job permanency											
Permanent	12,660.7	36.2	801.32	21.49	10,721.8	39.5	896.54	1,938.9	18.0	274.78	
Temporary	1,631.1	28.0	498.15	16.59	872.8	39.7	752.84	758.3	14.6	205.04	
Occupation	4 004 0						4 000 00				
Management	1,021.8 2,804.4	39.8 35.1	1,302.41 715.04	32.81 19.96	992.3 2,372.2	40.4 38.3	1,326.29 792.79	29.5 432.2	19.4 17.6	499.25 288.30	
Business, finance and administrative Natural and applied sciences	1,060.7	38.6	1,137.59	29.37	1,018.0	39.5	1,168.83	432.2	17.5	393.33	
Health	872.7	33.8	820.69	24.15	669.3	37.9	925.07	203.4	20.2	477.20	
Social science, education, government service	0,2.,	00.0	020.00	21.10	000.0	01.0	020.07	200.1	20.2	111.20	
and religion	1,321.7	34.1	930.16	27.08	1,058.9	38.4	1,059.79	262.7	16.8	407.72	
Art, culture, recreation and sport	315.4	30.7	715.97	21.47	218.3	38.7	938.65	97.1	12.8	215.42	
Sales and service	3,730.1	30.1	452.10	13.92	2,298.5	38.5	622.22	1,431.6	16.7	178.96	
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,059.7	40.1	843.42	20.77	1,927.4	41.7	882.98	132.3	17.7	267.07	
Occupations unique to primary industry	245.8	42.9	873.59	19.69	214.6	46.8	969.60	31.2	15.7	213.74	
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	859.5	39.3	704.28	17.82	825.0	40.1	723.04	34.5	18.5	256.06	
-											
December 2006 15 years and over	14,046.7	35.3	731.18	19.96	11,430.7	39.5	841.40	2,616.0	17.0	249.55	
15 to 24 years	2.406.4	27.3	342.68	11.61	1,225.8	39.5 39.2	530.49	1.180.7	17.0	147.70	
25 years and over	11,640.3	37.0	811.49	21.68	10,204.9	39.5	878.75	1,180.7	18.7	333.34	
Men	7,059.9	38.0	845.63	21.68	6,269.1	40.8	925.18	790.9	16.1	215.01	
Women	6,986.8	32.6	615.53	18.21	5,161.6	38.0	739.65	1,825.2	17.5	264.53	
Union coverage											
Union coverage	4,432.7	35.8	834.93	23.00	3,786.2	38.7	912.86	646.4	19.0	378.45	
No union coverage	9,614.1	35.1	683.34	18.55	7,644.5	39.9	806.01	1,969.6	16.4	207.25	
Job permanency	40.004.0	00.0	704.05	00.40	10 510 1	00.5	050.07	4 004 0	47.0	000.40	
Permanent	12,384.0	36.3	764.85	20.49	10,519.1	39.5	853.27	1,864.8	17.9	266.12	
Temporary	1,662.8	28.3	480.37	15.97	911.6	39.4	704.46	751.2	14.8	208.43	
Occupation Management	972.8	40.0	1,239.52	31.13	943.0	40.6	1 265 77	29.8	18.4	409.30	
Management Business, finance and administrative	2.716.1	35.2	683.46	18.97	2,303.4	38.3	1,265.77 757.90	412.7	17.9	267.95	
Natural and applied sciences	1,027.3	38.7	1,095.83	28.28	990.9	39.5	1,121.09	36.4	18.5	408.81	
Health	860.4	33.0	787.91	23.87	636.8	37.6	902.11	223.5	19.7	462.56	
Social science, education, government service											
and religion	1,273.6	33.7	879.10	25.82	999.9	38.2	1,003.13	273.8	17.3	426.09	
Art, culture, recreation and sport	301.3	30.7	674.82	20.58	206.3	38.8	883.44	95.0	13.0	221.96	
Sales and service	3,663.2 2,011.1	30.5 40.2	438.00 807.26	13.33 19.87	2,312.5 1,887.2	38.6 41.8	593.64 845.26	1,350.7 123.8	16.6 16.7	171.54 228.03	
Trades, transport and equipment operators Occupations unique to primary industry	254.4	40.2 42.9	759.62	17.20	225.5	46.8	835.20	28.9	13.1	170.08	
Occupations unique to primary industry	254.4	74.3	100.02	17.20	220.0	+0.0	000.20	20.9	10.1	170.00	
manufacturing and utilities	966.5	39.2	683.57	17.24	925.2	40.2	704.20	41.4	17.5	222.20	
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Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0023, 282-0069, 282-0073

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

Region	Effective from January 13, 2008 to February 9, 2008	
	Percent	
Newfoundland and Labrador 01. St.John's 02. Newfoundland and Labrador	6.8 17.8	
<b>Prince Edward Island</b> 03. Prince Edward Island	10.3	
Nova Scotia 04. Eastern Nova Scotia 05. Western Nova Scotia 06. Halifax	13.5 9.5 4.5	
New Brunswick 07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John 08. Madawaska-Charlotte <sup>2</sup> 09. Restigouche-Albert	5.3 10.0 13.1	
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	16.8 5.5 7.6 5.8 6.4 8.6 7.0 7.2 10.2 11.1 4.5 7.8	
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	4.7 6.2 5.9 6.6 6.0 6.7 5.9 6.6 6.4 8.0 8.2 5.3 6.2 4.5 5.3 6.9	
Manitoba 39. Winnipeg 40. Southern Manitoba 41. Northern Manitoba  Saskatchewan 42. Regina	4.7 4.5 25.0	
43. Saskatoon 44. Southern Saskatchewan 45. Northern Saskatchewan	3.9 5.9 15.0	

Table 8 – continued

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

Region	Effective from January 13, 2008 to February 9, 2008	
	Percent	
Alberta 46. Calgary 47. Edmonton 48. Northern Alberta 49. Southern Alberta	3.0 4.0 7.5 4.6	
British Columbia 50. Southern Interior British Columbia 51. Abbotsford 52. Vancouver 53. Victoria 54. Southern Coastal British Columbia 55. Northern British Columbia	6.4 3.9 4.3 3.5 4.9 9.1	
<b>Territories</b> 56. Yukon Territory <sup>4</sup> 57. Northwest Territories <sup>4</sup> 58. Nunavut <sup>4</sup>	25.0 25.0 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