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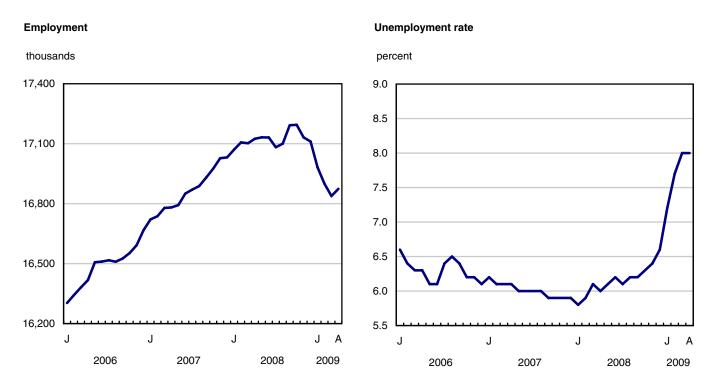
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Highlights

April 2009

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Chart 1 Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted



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The employment gains in April occurred in information, culture and recreation; business, building and other support services; "other services"; and agriculture. Employment was unchanged in manufacturing and construction.

Since last October, the goods-producing sector has declined sharply (-6.3%). By contrast, employment in the services-producing sector, which is traditionally less sensitive to economic slowdowns, has decreased only slightly (-0.5%) over the same period.

All the employment growth observed in April occurred in Quebec (+22,000) and British Columbia (+17,000), while employment declined in Nova Scotia (-4,100) and Newfoundland and Labrador (-2,800). There was little change in the other provinces.

The increase in employment in April was all in full-time work. Overall employment gains for the month were spread between adult men aged 25 and over, and older women aged 55 and over. Since October, employment has declined among men aged 25 to 54 and youths 15 to 24, whereas it has increased among older workers.

In April, the average hourly wage was 4.3% higher than the same month a year earlier.

Employment growth in service industries

In April, employment gains occurred in information, culture and recreation (+17,000); business, building and other support services (+15,000); "other services" (+14,000); and agriculture (+9,000).

Since last October, overall employment has declined 1.9% as there were losses in a number of industries. The contraction during this period was especially strong in construction (-8.5%), manufacturing (-6.5%) and natural resources (-5.9%).

In April, self-employment rose by 37,000, while the number of employees in the public and private sectors was little changed. Since October, self-employment has grown by 1.3%, whereas the number of employees has declined by 2.6% in the private sector and 2.0% in the public sector.

Full-time employment increased by 39,000 in April, while part-time employment was little changed. Full-time employment, however, has decreased by 2.5% since October, while part-time employment has increased slightly (+0.8%).

Quebec and British Columbia post employment gains in April

Quebec's employment increase of 22,000 in April was accompanied by a slight rise in the unemployment rate to 8.4%, the result of more people in the labour force. Since last October, employment in Quebec has declined 0.8%, less than the 1.9% drop at the national level.

In British Columbia, employment rose 17,000 in April. The unemployment rate remained at 7.4%, as there were more people in the labour force. Despite April's gains, employment has declined by 52,000 (-2.2%) since October 2008.

In Nova Scotia, employment declined 4,100 in April and the unemployment rate rose 0.3 percentage points to 9.2%. Since October, employment in the province has fallen by 8,200 (-1.8%).

In April, employment held steady in Ontario and the unemployment rate was unchanged at 8.7%, its highest rate since April 1997. Since last October, employment losses in the province totalled 174,000 (-2.6%), more than half of Canada's overall decline.

Employment in Alberta also remained unchanged in April, leaving the decline in employment since October at 42,000 (-2.1%).

Manitoba and Saskatchewan are the only provinces where employment has been little changed since October. In April, these two provinces posted the lowest unemployment rates in Canada, at 4.6% in Manitoba and 5.0% in Saskatchewan.

More adult men and older women working in April

In April, the increase in employment was spread between adult men aged 25 and over (+25,000) and older women aged 55 and over (+12,000). Since last October, employment has declined for men aged 25 to 54 (-2.9%) and youths aged 15 to 24 (-4.7%), whereas it has increased for older workers (+0.9%).

The unemployment rate for youths declined 0.6 percentage points in April compared to the previous month, the result of a decrease in the participation of youths in the labour force. However, at 14.2%, their unemployment rate continued to be the highest of all age groups.

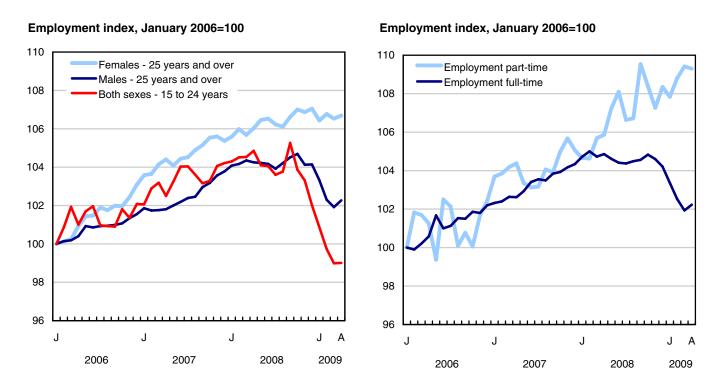
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Chart 1
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



Employment index, January 2006=100

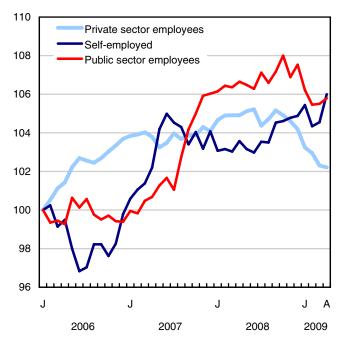
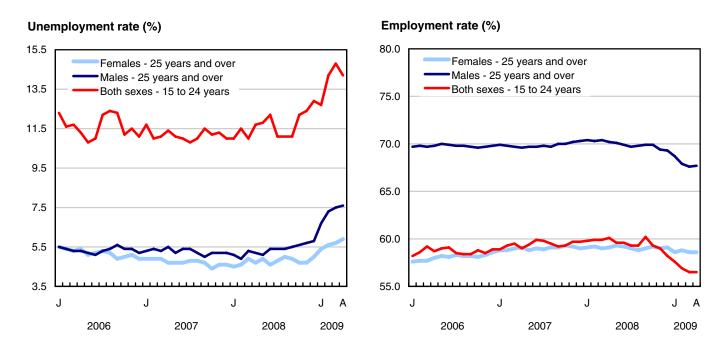


Chart 2 Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



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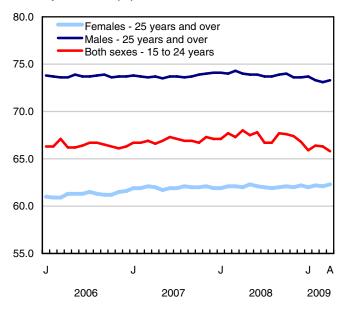


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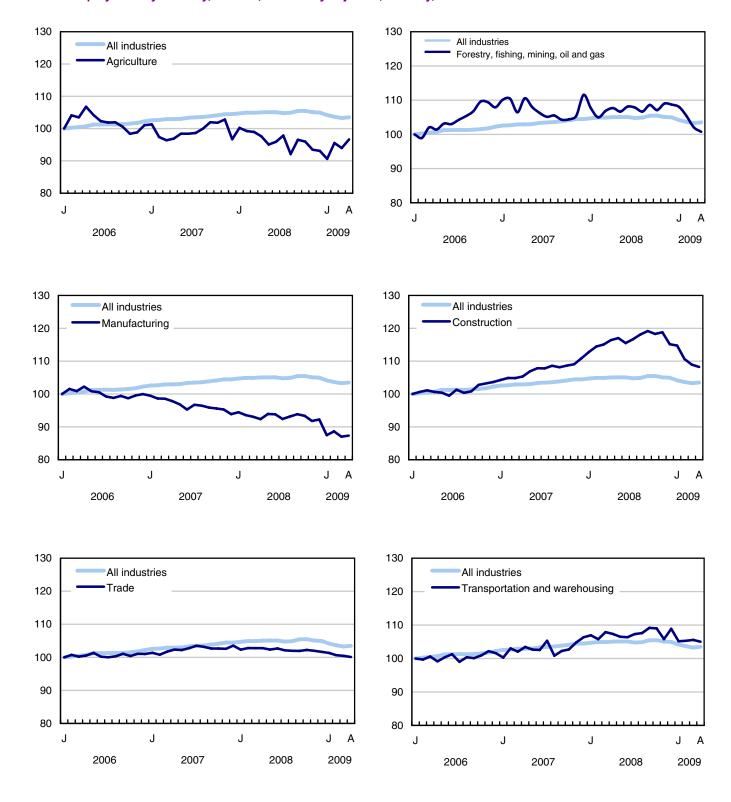


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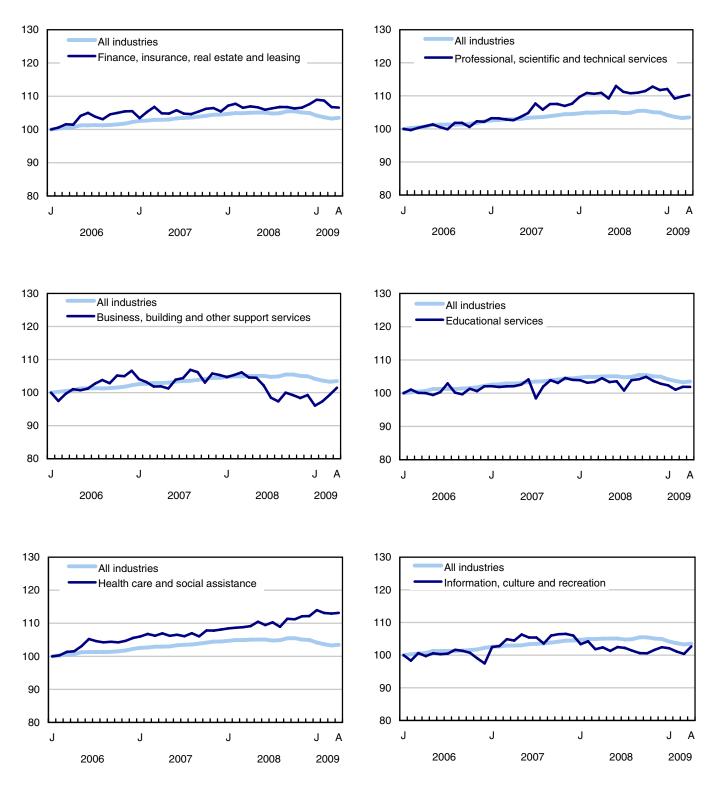
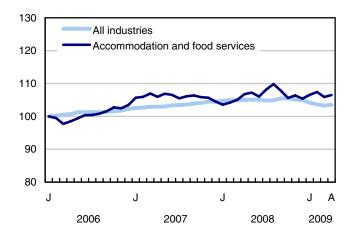
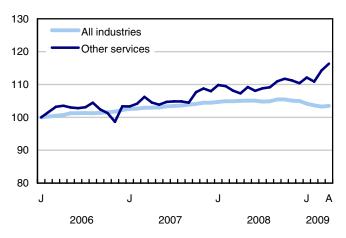


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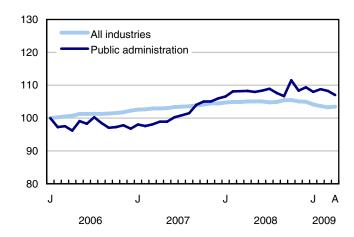


Chart 6 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2006=100

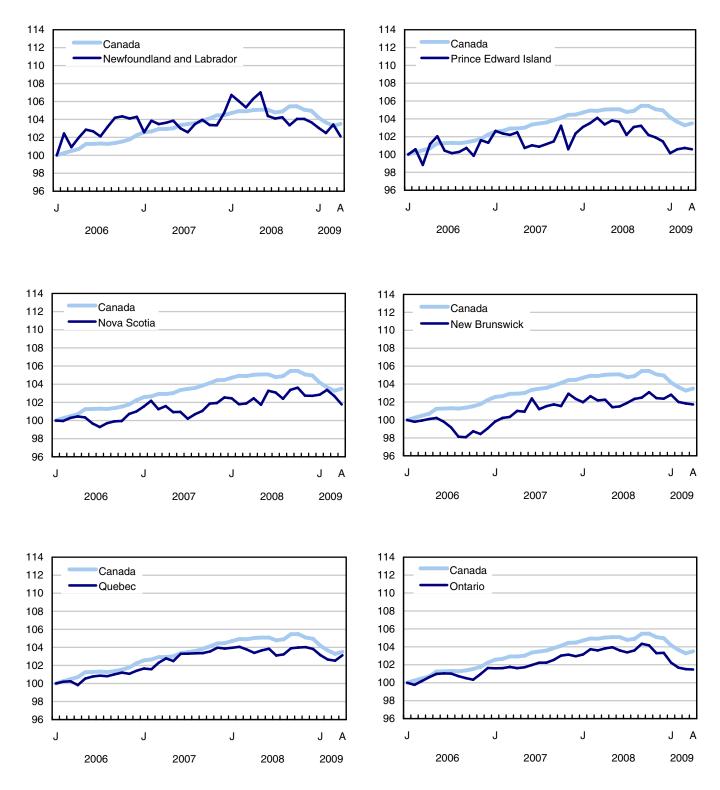


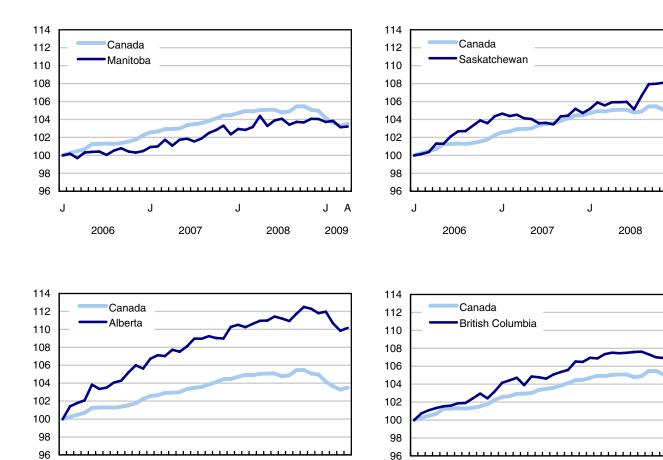
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Table 1 Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
15 years and over, both sexes									
Population	27,187.6	27,217.6		30.0	118.9	378.4	0.1	0.4	1.4
Labour force	18,294.7	18,338.6	27.1	43.9	17.4 -237.0	111.3	0.2	0.1	0.6
Employment Employment full-time	16,838.1 13.617.4	16,874.0 13.656.8	27.8 36.2	35.9 39.4	-237.0 -264.9	-250.9 -351.9	0.2 0.3	-1.4 -1.9	-1.5 -2.5
Employment part-time	3,220.7	3,217.1	33.1	-3.6	27.8	101.0	-0.1	0.9	3.2
Unemployment	1,456.6	1,464.6	22.9	8.0	254.5	362.2	0.5	21.0	32.9
Participation rate	67.3	67.4	0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.5			
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.0	0.1	0.0	1.4	2.0		•••	
Employment rate Part-time rate	61.9 19.1	62.0 19.1	0.1 0.2	0.1 -0.1	-1.1 0.4	-1.8 0.9			
15 to 24 years, both sexes									
Population	4,388.8	4,390.1	40.0	1.3	5.7	18.8	0.0	0.1	0.4
Labour force	2,909.0 2,478.3	2,888.9 2,479.0	16.2 15.8	-20.1 0.7	-41.6 -74.9	-84.6 -146.2	-0.7 0.0	-1.4 -2.9	-2.8 -5.6
Employment Employment full-time	2,476.3 1,337.1	1,335.2	18.2	-1.9	-74.9 -55.7	-140.2	-0.1	-2.9 -4.0	-3.6 -8.5
Employment part-time	1,141.2	1.143.9	18.9	2.7	-19.1	-21.7	0.2	-1.6	-1.9
Unemployment	430.6	409.8	13.6	-20.8	33.1	61.5	-4.8	8.8	17.7
Participation rate	66.3	65.8	0.4	-0.5	-1.0	-2.2			
Unemployment rate	14.8	14.2	0.4	-0.6	1.3	2.5		•••	
Employment rate	56.5 46.0	56.5 46.1	0.4 0.6	0.0 0.1	-1.7 0.6	-3.6	•••	•••	
Part-time rate	40.0	40.1	0.6	0.1	0.0	1.7	•••	•••	
25 years and over, men	44.445.4	44.450.0		44.7	F7.4	404.0		0.5	4 7
Population Labour force	11,145.1 8,146.1	11,159.8 8,184.9	13.6	14.7 38.8	57.1 12.2	181.2 57.8	0.1 0.5	0.5 0.1	1.7 0.7
Employment	7,535.4	7,560.6	15.0	25.2	-138.7	-146.9	0.3	-1.8	-1.9
Employment full-time	6,957.4	6,980.7	19.7	23.3	-178.2	-222.6	0.3	-2.5	-3.1
Employment part-time	577.9	579.9	15.5	2.0	39.5	75.7	0.3	7.3	15.0
Unemployment	610.7	624.3	13.2	13.6	150.9	204.8	2.2	31.9	48.8
Participation rate	73.1	73.3	0.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.7			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.5 67.6	7.6 67.7	0.2 0.1	0.1 0.1	1.8 -1.6	2.4 -2.5	•••		
Part-time rate	7.7	7.7	0.1	0.0	0.7	1.1			
		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	0.2	0.0	0.7		•••	•••	•••
25 years and over, women	11 652 6	11,667.7		14.1	56.1	178.4	0.1	0.5	1.6
Population Labour force	11,653.6 7,239.6	7,264.9	 15.7	25.3	47.0	138.2	0.1	0.5	1.0
Employment	6,824.4	6,834.4	15.8	10.0	-23.4	42.2	0.1	-0.3	0.6
Employment full-time	5,322.9	5,341.0	23.5	18.1	-30.9	-4.9	0.3	-0.6	-0.1
Employment part-time	1,501.5	1,493.4	21.7	-8.1	7.5	47.1	-0.5	0.5	3.3
Unemployment	415.2	430.4	12.3	15.2	70.4	95.9	3.7	19.6	28.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	62.1 5.7	62.3 5.9	0.1 0.2	0.2 0.2	0.1 0.9	0.3 1.2	•••		•••
Employment rate	58.6	58.6	0.1	0.0	-0.5	-0.5			
Part-time rate	22.0	21.9	0.3	-0.2	0.2	0.6			
25 to 54 years, both sexes									
Population	14,483.1	14,491.8		8.7	25.3	91.9	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	12,511.6	12,542.3	20.1	30.7	-0.6	53.6	0.2	0.0	0.4
Employment	11,668.2	11,679.2	21.8	11.0	-189.3	-187.3	0.1	-1.6	-1.6
Unemployment	843.4	863.1	16.9	19.7	188.7	240.9	2.3	28.0	38.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	86.4 6.7	86.5 6.9	0.1 0.1	0.1 0.2	-0.2 1.5	-0.2 1.9		•••	
Employment rate	80.6	80.6	0.1	0.2	-1.4	-1.8			
Lingio, montrato	33.0	55.6	0.2	0.0	1.7	1.0			•••

See footnotes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	า	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
25 to 54 years, men Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	7,236.6 6,553.5 6,047.4 506.1 90.6 7.7 83.6	7,241.4 6,569.9 6,060.2 509.6 90.7 7.8 83.7	12.7 14.7 12.2 0.2 0.2 0.2	4.8 16.4 12.8 3.5 0.1 0.1	14.1 -21.4 -147.6 126.1 -0.5 2.0 -2.2	49.1 -28.6 -191.1 162.4 -1.0 2.5 -3.2	0.1 0.3 0.2 0.7 	0.2 -0.3 -2.4 32.9 	0.7 -0.4 -3.1 46.8
25 to 54 years, women Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	7,246.5 5,958.1 5,620.8 337.3 82.2 5.7 77.6	7,250.4 5,972.4 5,618.9 353.4 82.4 5.9 77.5	15.0 15.5 11.5 0.2 0.2	3.9 14.3 -1.9 16.1 0.2 0.2 -0.1	11.3 20.9 -41.8 62.5 0.2 1.0 -0.7	42.8 82.2 3.7 78.4 0.7 1.2 -0.4	0.1 0.2 0.0 4.8 	0.2 0.4 -0.7 21.5 	0.6 1.4 0.1 28.5
55 years and over, both sexes Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	8,315.6 2,874.1 2,691.6 182.6 34.6 6.4 32.4	8,335.8 2,907.5 2,715.8 191.7 34.9 6.6 32.6	15.8 15.8 8.0 0.2 0.3 0.2	20.2 33.4 24.2 9.1 0.3 0.2 0.2	88.0 59.8 27.1 32.7 0.4 1.0 0.0	267.9 142.4 82.6 59.8 0.6 1.8 0.0	0.2 1.2 0.9 5.0 	1.1 2.1 1.0 20.6 	3.3 5.1 3.1 45.3
55 years and over, men Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,908.5 1,592.6 1,488.0 104.7 40.7 6.6 38.1	3,918.4 1,615.0 1,500.3 114.7 41.2 7.1 38.3	10.4 10.5 5.8 0.3 0.4 0.3	9.9 22.4 12.3 10.0 0.5 0.5	43.1 33.6 8.8 24.8 0.4 1.4 -0.2	132.2 86.4 44.1 42.4 0.8 2.4 -0.2	0.3 1.4 0.8 9.6 	1.1 2.1 0.6 27.6 	3.5 5.7 3.0 58.6
55 years and over, women Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,407.1 1,281.5 1,203.6 77.9 29.1 6.1 27.3	4,417.3 1,292.5 1,215.5 77.0 29.3 6.0 27.5	10.9 10.9 5.4 0.3 0.4 0.3	10.2 11.0 11.9 -0.9 0.2 -0.1	44.8 26.2 18.3 7.8 0.3 0.5	135.6 56.0 38.6 17.4 0.4 1.2 0.0	0.2 0.9 1.0 -1.2 	1.0 2.1 1.5 11.3 	3.2 4.5 3.3 29.2

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

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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		į	n thous	ands					
Class of worker Employees Self-employed ²	14,188.3 2,649.8	14,187.2 2,686.8	32.9 22.2	-1.1 37.0	-265.4 28.4	-312.6 61.8	0.0 1.4	-1.8 1.1	-2.2 2.4
Public/private sector employees Public sector employees Private sector employees	3,381.8 10,806.5	3,391.1 10,796.1	21.5 33.6	9.3 -10.4	-55.6 -209.8	-27.5 -285.1	0.3 -0.1	-1.6 -1.9	-0.8 -2.6
Industry	16,838.1	16,874.0	27.8	35.9	-237.0	-250.9	0.2	-1.4	-1.5
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	3,782.7 319.3 322.9 148.7 1,151.7 1,840.1	3,783.5 328.3 318.8 145.4 1,144.2 1,846.8	23.6 7.3 6.9 4.6 14.8 17.7	0.8 9.0 -4.1 -3.3 -7.5 6.7	-193.6 12.1 -25.1 -3.6 -73.3 -103.7	-221.5 -3.2 -21.9 -3.6 -86.5 -106.3	0.0 2.8 -1.3 -2.2 -0.7 0.4	-4.9 3.8 -7.3 -2.4 -6.0 -5.3	-5.5 -1.0 -6.4 -2.4 -7.0 -5.4
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical services Business, building and other support	13,055.4 2,629.9 843.1 1,074.9 1,186.0	13,090.5 2,621.5 838.8 1,073.4 1,191.3	31.2 20.8 12.5 14.0 15.0	35.1 -8.4 -4.3 -1.5 5.3	-43.4 -40.2 -30.9 -10.3	-29.3 -69.6 -18.6 -3.7 -6.6	0.3 -0.3 -0.5 -0.1	-0.3 -1.5 -3.6 -1.0	-0.2 -2.6 -2.2 -0.3
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	670.4 1,173.8 1,952.4 747.3 1,068.6 783.6 925.4	685.0 1,173.5 1,956.2 764.4 1,074.4 797.6 914.5	12.7 14.2 15.7 12.5 15.2 11.6 11.2	14.6 -0.3 3.8 17.1 5.8 14.0 -10.9	14.9 -11.0 16.7 1.8 11.0 40.7 -20.2	-20.9 -30.2 69.6 2.1 -2.7 62.0 -10.7	2.2 0.0 0.2 2.3 0.5 1.8 -1.2	2.2 -0.9 0.9 0.2 1.0 5.4 -2.2	-3.0 -2.5 3.7 0.3 -0.3 8.4 -1.2

^{1.} 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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		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	428.0	428.1		0.1	0.5	2.5	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	254.3	251.0	2.2	-3.3	-1.0	-5.9	-1.3	-0.4	-2.3
Employment Employment full-time	217.0 185.2	214.2 184.2	2.2 2.5	-2.8 -1.0	-3.3 -1.4	-8.8 -4.5	-1.3 -0.5	-1.5 -0.8	-3.9 -2.4
Employment part-time	31.8	30.0	1.9	-1.8	-1. 4 -1.8	-4.3	-0.3 -5.7	-0.8 -5.7	-2. 4 -12.5
Unemployment	37.3	36.8	2.1	-0.5	2.3	3.0	-1.3	6.7	8.9
Participation rate	59.4 14.7	58.6 14.7	0.5 0.8	-0.8 0.0	-0.3 1.0	-1.8 1.5			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	50.7	50.0	0.6	-0.7	-0.9	-2.4			
Prince Edward Island									
Population	115.4	115.5 78.2		0.1 0.6	0.2	1.5	0.1	0.2	1.3
Labour force Employment	77.6 68.7	7 6.2 68.6	0.6 0.7	-0.1	-0.3 -0.6	-1.1 -1.9	0.8 -0.1	-0.4 -0.9	-1.4 -2.7
Employment full-time	58.4	57.7	0.8	-0.7	-0.1	-1.9	-1.2	-0.2	-3.2
Employment part-time	10.3	10.8	0.7	0.5	-0.6	-0.1	4.9	-5.3	-0.9
Unemployment	8.9 67.2	9.7 67.7	0.6 0.5	0.8 0.5	0.5 -0.4	0.8 -1.9	9.0	5.4	9.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	11.5	12.4	0.8	0.5	-0.4 0.7	1.2			
Employment rate	59.5	59.4	0.6	-0.1	-0.6	-2.4			
Nova Scotia	774.0	774.0		0.0	4.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Population Labour force	771.6 497.7	771.9 495.0	2.8	0.3 -2.7	1.3 1.0	4.2 5.1	0.0 -0.5	0.2 0.2	0.5 1.0
Employment	453.4	449.3	2.9	-4.1	-4.2	-3.0	-0.9	-0.9	-0.7
Employment full-time	370.4	367.5	3.6	-2.9	-4.1	-2.3	-0.8	-1.1	-0.6
Employment part-time	82.9 44.3	81.8 45.7	3.1 2.6	-1.1 1.4	-0.2 5.2	-0.6 8.0	-1.3 3.2	-0.2 12.8	-0.7
Unemployment Participation rate	64.5	45.7 64.1	0.4	-0.4	0.0	0.3	3.2	12.0	21.2
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.2	0.5	0.3	1.0	1.5			
Employment rate	58.8	58.2	0.4	-0.6	-0.7	-0.7			
New Brunswick	620.5	620.9		0.4	1.2	3.9	0.1	0.2	0.6
Population Labour force	403.1	399.9	2.4	-3.2	-1.1	0.0	-0.8	-0.3	0.0
Employment	364.7	364.3	2.5	-0.4	-2.3	-1.9	-0.1	-0.6	-0.5
Employment full-time	306.0	306.5	3.0	0.5	-4.3	-1.7	0.2	-1.4	-0.6
Employment part-time Unemployment	58.7 38.4	57.8 35.6	2.4 2.2	-0.9 -2.8	2.0 1.2	-0.2 1.9	-1.5 -7.3	3.6 3.5	-0.3 5.6
Participation rate	65.0	64.4	0.4	-2.6	-0.3	-0.4	-1.3	3.5	5.0
Unemployment rate	9.5	8.9	0.5	-0.6	0.3	0.5			
Employment rate	58.8	58.7	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.7			
Quebec Population	6,416.1	6,421.1		5.0	21.0	62.2	0.1	0.3	1.0
Labour force	4,181.7	4,210.8	14.2	29.1	19.2	29.4	0.1	0.5	0.7
Employment	3,835.5	3,857.9	14.7	22.4	-26.4	-9.8	0.6	-0.7	-0.3
Employment full-time	3,110.2	3,131.1	19.0	20.9	-3.7	-22.4	0.7	-0.1	-0.7
Employment part-time Unemployment	725.2 346.3	726.8 352.9	17.4 12.7	1.6 6.6	-22.7 45.7	12.5 39.3	0.2 1.9	-3.0 14.9	1.7 12.5
Participation rate	346.3 65.2	352.9 65.6	0.2	0.6	45.7 0.1	-0.2	1.9	14.9	12.5
Unemployment rate	8.3	8.4	0.3	0.1	1.1	0.9			
Employment rate	59.8	60.1	0.2	0.3	-0.6	-0.7			

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	ites)				
Ontario Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	10,614.3 7,168.4 6,548.1 5,277.1 1,271.0 620.4 67.5 8.7 61.7	10,625.4 7,166.3 6,545.1 5,283.2 1,261.9 621.2 67.4 8.7 61.6	18.4 18.8 23.8 22.1 15.9 0.2 0.2	11.1 -2.1 -3.0 6.1 -9.1 0.8 -0.1 0.0	44.6 -15.7 -120.1 -137.9 17.8 104.4 -0.5 1.5	151.0 18.0 -151.7 -184.5 32.8 169.7 -0.8 2.4 -2.3	0.1 0.0 0.0 0.1 -0.7 0.1	0.4 -0.2 -1.8 -2.5 1.4 20.2 	1.4 0.3 -2.3 -3.4 2.7 37.6
Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	918.0 636.0 603.7 495.4 108.3 32.3 69.3 5.1 65.8	919.3 633.3 604.2 497.4 106.8 29.1 68.9 4.6 65.7	2.7 2.8 3.9 3.6 2.2 0.3 0.3	1.3 -2.7 0.5 2.0 -1.5 -3.2 -0.4 -0.5	4.5 -3.2 -4.9 4.3 -9.2 1.7 -0.7 0.3 -0.9	12.0 -2.2 -6.9 6.5 -13.4 4.7 -1.1 0.8 -1.7	0.1 -0.4 0.1 0.4 -1.4 -9.9	0.5 -0.5 -0.8 0.9 -7.9 6.2	1.3 -0.3 -1.1 1.3 -11.1 19.3
Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	776.3 545.4 519.8 421.4 98.5 25.6 70.3 4.7 67.0	777.1 547.4 520.1 421.2 99.0 27.3 70.4 5.0 66.9	2.3 2.4 3.2 2.9 1.8 0.3 0.3 0.3	0.8 2.0 0.3 -0.2 0.5 1.7 0.1 0.3 -0.1	3.1 4.4 -0.2 -5.2 5.1 4.6 0.2 0.8 -0.3	13.4 14.7 10.3 1.5 8.9 4.4 0.6 0.7	0.1 0.4 0.1 0.0 0.5 6.6	0.4 0.8 0.0 -1.2 5.4 20.3 	1.8 2.8 2.0 0.4 9.9 19.2
Alberta Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	2,841.7 2,110.1 1,987.2 1,632.9 354.3 123.0 74.3 5.8 69.9	2,847.9 2,119.5 1,992.9 1,635.6 357.3 126.6 74.4 6.0 70.0	8.0 8.4 11.3 9.8 5.8 0.3 0.3	6.2 9.4 5.7 2.7 3.0 3.6 0.1 0.2	24.2 9.3 -29.6 -45.2 15.6 38.8 -0.3 1.8 -1.6	64.1 43.1 -14.4 -56.5 42.2 57.5 -0.2 2.7 -2.1	0.2 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.8 2.9	0.9 0.4 -1.5 -2.7 4.6 44.2 	2.3 2.1 -0.7 -3.3 13.4 83.2
British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,685.8 2,420.2 2,240.1 1,760.0 480.1 180.1 65.7 7.4 60.8	3,690.4 2,437.1 2,257.4 1,772.2 485.1 179.8 66.0 7.4 61.2	9.8 9.9 14.0 12.8 7.2 0.3 0.3	4.6 16.9 17.3 12.2 5.0 -0.3 0.3 0.0	18.2 4.6 -45.3 -67.4 21.9 50.1 -0.2 2.1 -1.5	63.5 10.1 -62.8 -85.8 22.9 73.0 -0.9 3.0 -2.8	0.1 0.7 0.8 0.7 1.0 -0.2	0.5 0.2 -2.0 -3.7 4.7 38.6 	1.8 0.4 -2.7 -4.6 5.0 68.4

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

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

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

_	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	428.0 254.3 217.0 185.2 37.3 59.4 14.7 50.7 14.7	428.1 251.0 214.2 184.2 36.8 58.6 14.7 50.0 14.0	2.2 2.2 2.5 2.1 0.5 0.8 0.5 0.8	0.1 -3.3 -2.8 -1.0 -0.5 -0.8 0.0 -0.7 -0.6	0.5 -1.0 -3.3 -1.4 2.3 -0.3 1.0 -0.9 -0.6	2.5 -5.9 -8.8 -4.5 3.0 -1.8 1.5 -2.4 -1.4	0.0 -1.3 -1.3 -0.5 -1.3 	0.1 -0.4 -1.5 -0.8 6.7 	0.6 -2.3 -3.9 -2.4 8.9
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	61.5 36.4 27.4 9.0 59.2 24.7 44.6 41.6	61.4 35.1 27.8 7.4 57.2 21.1 45.3 43.5	1.1 1.1 1.0 1.8 2.6 1.8 3.7	-0.1 -1.3 0.4 -1.6 -2.0 -3.6 0.7 1.9	-0.5 0.8 1.1 -0.2 1.8 -1.1 2.2 -5.9	-1.4 -0.6 -0.9 0.4 0.4 1.5 -0.4 -1.1	-0.2 -3.6 1.5 -17.8 	-0.8 2.3 4.1 -2.6 	-2.2 -1.7 -3.1 5.7
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	176.8 113.3 96.1 17.1 64.1 15.1 54.4 4.5	176.9 111.5 94.8 16.7 63.0 15.0 53.6 4.0	1.2 1.3 1.3 0.7 1.1 0.8 0.8	0.1 -1.8 -1.3 -0.4 -1.1 -0.1 -0.8 -0.5	0.5 -2.6 -3.2 0.6 -1.7 0.9 -2.0 -1.0	1.7 -5.3 -6.6 1.3 -3.7 1.8 -4.3 0.1	0.1 -1.6 -1.4 -2.3 	0.3 -2.3 -3.3 3.7 	1.0 -4.5 -6.5 8.4
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	189.7 104.6 93.4 11.2 55.1 10.7 49.2 17.2	189.8 104.4 91.7 12.7 55.0 12.2 48.3 15.4	1.2 1.1 1.1 0.6 1.0 0.6 1.3	0.1 -0.2 -1.7 1.5 -0.1 1.5 -0.9 -1.9	0.5 0.9 -1.1 1.9 0.3 1.8 -0.7	2.2 0.0 -1.2 1.2 -0.7 1.2 -1.2 -3.5	0.1 -0.2 -1.8 13.4 	0.3 0.9 -1.2 17.6 	1.2 0.0 -1.3 10.4
Industry	217.0	214.2	2.2	-2.8	-3.3	-8.8	-1.3	-1.5	-3.9
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	45.3 1.3 14.5 1.8 14.5 13.2	45.4 1.0 13.8 2.0 14.8 13.8	1.7 0.3 1.0 0.2 1.1 1.1	0.1 -0.3 -0.7 0.2 0.3 0.6	-3.0 0.5 -2.5 0.2 -2.5 1.2	-5.7 0.0 -2.2 0.5 -2.5 -1.6	0.2 -23.1 -4.8 11.1 2.1 4.5	-6.2 100.0 -15.3 11.1 -14.5 9.5	-11.2 0.0 -13.8 33.3 -14.5 -10.4
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	171.7 34.4 12.8 7.1	168.8 35.3 11.9 6.3	2.1 1.3 0.8 0.5	-2.9 0.9 -0.9 -0.8	-0.2 0.9 1.0 -0.7	-3.2 0.9 0.7 -1.2	-1.7 2.6 -7.0 -11.3	-0.1 2.6 9.2 -10.0	-1.9 2.6 6.2 -16.0
Professional, scientific and technical services Business, building and other support	8.1	8.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	-0.7	6.2	6.2	-7.5
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	7.9 17.1 34.0 9.6 12.8 10.8 17.2	6.9 16.2 33.0 10.3 11.8 11.1	0.7 0.9 1.0 0.7 0.9 0.8 0.9	-1.0 -0.9 -1.0 0.7 -1.0 0.3 0.4	-0.9 -1.3 -0.2 2.6 0.0 -2.4 0.4	-1.7 -0.7 0.7 1.9 -1.8 -0.1 -1.0	-12.7 -5.3 -2.9 7.3 -7.8 2.8 2.3	-11.5 -7.4 -0.6 33.8 0.0 -17.8 2.3	-19.8 -4.1 2.2 22.6 -13.2 -0.9 -5.4

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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time	115.4 77.6 68.7 58.4	115.5 78.2 68.6 57.7	0.6 0.7 0.8	0.1 0.6 -0.1 -0.7	0.2 -0.3 -0.6 -0.1	1.5 -1.1 -1.9 -1.9	0.1 0.8 -0.1 -1.2	0.2 -0.4 -0.9 -0.2	1.3 -1.4 -2.7 -3.2
Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	8.9 67.2 11.5 59.5 15.0	9.7 67.7 12.4 59.4 15.7	0.6 0.5 0.8 0.6 0.9	0.8 0.5 0.9 -0.1 0.8	0.5 -0.4 0.7 -0.6 -0.7	0.8 -1.9 1.2 -2.4 0.3	9.0 	5.4 	9.0
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	19.7 13.3 11.1 2.2 67.5 16.5 56.3 35.1	19.8 13.5 10.8 2.7 68.2 20.0 54.5 38.0	0.4 0.4 0.4 2.0 2.4 1.9 3.3	0.1 0.2 -0.3 0.5 0.7 3.5 -1.8 2.8	0.0 -0.5 -0.6 0.1 -2.5 1.4 -3.1 -5.9	0.2 -0.8 -1.0 0.2 -4.8 2.5 -5.7 -1.9	0.5 1.5 -2.7 22.7 	0.0 -3.6 -5.3 3.8 	1.0 -5.6 -8.5 8.0
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	46.0 32.4 28.8 3.6 70.4 11.1 62.6 5.2	46.1 32.9 28.8 4.1 71.4 12.5 62.5 6.6	0.3 0.4 0.4 0.8 1.1 0.9 1.0	0.1 0.5 0.0 0.5 1.0 1.4 -0.1	0.1 0.2 -0.5 0.7 0.3 2.1 -1.2	0.9 0.0 -0.5 0.5 -1.4 1.6 -2.3 0.1	0.2 1.5 0.0 13.9 	0.2 0.6 -1.7 20.6 	2.0 0.0 -1.7 13.9
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	49.6 31.8 28.8 3.0 64.1 9.4 58.1 16.7	49.7 31.9 29.0 2.9 64.2 9.1 58.4 16.6	0.3 0.4 0.3 0.6 0.9 0.8 1.5	0.1 0.1 0.2 -0.1 0.1 -0.3 0.3 -0.1	0.1 0.2 0.5 -0.3 0.3 -1.0 0.9	0.6 -0.2 -0.3 0.1 -1.2 0.4 -1.3 1.9	0.2 0.3 0.7 -3.3 	0.2 0.6 1.8 -9.4 	1.2 -0.6 -1.0 3.6
Industry	68.7	68.6	0.7	-0.1	-0.6	-1.9	-0.1	-0.9	-2.7
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	18.4 3.5 3.1 0.3 5.6 5.8	17.8 3.5 3.1 0.3 5.4 5.6	0.6 0.3 0.3 0.1 0.3 0.4	-0.6 0.0 0.0 0.0 -0.2 -0.2	0.3 0.4 -0.3 0.0 0.5 -0.2	0.3 0.4 0.4 0.0 0.3 -0.7	-3.3 0.0 0.0 0.0 -3.6 -3.4	1.7 12.9 -8.8 0.0 10.2 -3.4	1.7 12.9 14.8 0.0 5.9 -11.1
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	50.3 8.9 2.4 2.3	50.8 9.0 2.4 2.5	0.7 0.4 0.2 0.2	0.5 0.1 0.0 0.2	-0.9 -0.3 -0.5 0.1	-2.1 -1.7 -0.6 0.0	1.0 1.1 0.0 8.7	-1.7 -3.2 -17.2 4.2	-4.0 -15.9 -20.0 0.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.0	2.0	0.2	0.0	-0.7	-0.9	0.0	-25.9	-31.0
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	2.8 4.9 7.7 2.9 5.5 3.3 7.6	2.7 5.1 7.6 2.6 5.5 3.2 8.1	0.2 0.3 0.3 0.2 0.3 0.3	-0.1 0.2 -0.1 -0.3 0.0 -0.1	0.4 0.4 -1.1 0.0 -0.2 0.5 0.4	0.3 0.2 -0.7 0.3 0.0 0.3 0.6	-3.6 4.1 -1.3 -10.3 0.0 -3.0 6.6	17.4 8.5 -12.6 0.0 -3.5 18.5 5.2	12.5 4.1 -8.4 13.0 0.0 10.3 8.0

^{1.} 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

	March	April	S.E.1		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
<u>-</u>		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	771.6 497.7 453.4 370.4 44.3	771.9 495.0 449.3 367.5 45.7	2.8 2.9 3.6 2.6	0.3 -2.7 -4.1 -2.9 1.4	1.3 1.0 -4.2 -4.1 5.2	4.2 5.1 -3.0 -2.3 8.0	0.0 -0.5 -0.9 -0.8 3.2	0.2 0.2 -0.9 -1.1 12.8	0.5 1.0 -0.7 -0.6 21.2
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	64.5 8.9 58.8 18.3	64.1 9.2 58.2 18.2	0.4 0.5 0.4 0.7	-0.4 0.3 -0.6 -0.1	0.0 1.0 -0.7 0.1	0.3 1.5 -0.7 0.0		 	
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	120.6 81.6 67.2 14.3 67.7 17.5 55.7 43.0	120.5 81.2 67.1 14.1 67.4 17.4 55.7 42.8	1.8 1.7 1.5 1.4 1.7 1.4 2.5	-0.1 -0.4 -0.1 -0.2 -0.3 -0.1 0.0 -0.2	-0.2 -0.2 -2.0 1.7 0.0 2.2 -1.5	-1.2 -0.4 -3.4 3.0 0.3 3.8 -2.2 -1.8	-0.1 -0.5 -0.1 -1.4	-0.2 -0.2 -2.9 13.7 	-1.0 -0.5 -4.8 27.0
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	310.3 214.2 195.5 18.7 69.0 8.7 63.0 7.6	310.5 211.4 192.0 19.4 68.1 9.2 61.8 7.9	1.5 1.6 1.6 0.5 0.7 0.5 0.7	0.2 -2.8 -3.5 0.7 -0.9 0.5 -1.2 0.3	0.7 -0.9 -3.1 2.1 -0.4 1.1 -1.2	2.5 1.4 -3.0 4.4 -0.1 2.1 -1.5	0.1 -1.3 -1.8 3.7 	0.2 -0.4 -1.6 12.1 	0.8 0.7 -1.5 29.3
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	340.8 201.9 190.6 11.3 59.2 5.6 55.9 20.6	340.9 202.4 190.2 12.2 59.4 6.0 55.8 20.0	1.5 1.5 1.3 0.4 0.7 0.5 1.1	0.1 0.5 -0.4 0.9 0.2 0.4 -0.1 -0.6	0.8 2.1 0.8 1.3 0.5 0.6 0.1	3.0 4.1 3.5 0.6 0.7 0.2 0.5 -0.6	0.0 0.2 -0.2 8.0	0.2 1.0 0.4 11.9 	0.9 2.1 1.9 5.2
Industry	453.3	449.3	2.9	-4.0	-4.2	-3.0	-0.9	-0.9	-0.7
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	88.5 6.7 11.8 2.3 30.4 37.4	87.0 6.6 11.3 2.6 30.0 36.4	2.3 0.7 1.0 0.3 1.4 1.5	-1.5 -0.1 -0.5 0.3 -0.4 -1.0	-5.9 -1.0 -0.9 -0.1 -1.8 -2.3	-6.9 -0.3 -1.8 -0.6 -1.8 -2.6	-1.7 -1.5 -4.2 13.0 -1.3 -2.7	-6.4 -13.2 -7.4 -3.7 -5.7 -5.9	-7.3 -4.3 -13.7 -18.8 -5.7 -6.7
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	364.8 74.3 19.6 22.4	362.3 75.3 21.4 21.6	3.0 2.0 1.0 1.0	-2.5 1.0 1.8 -0.8	1.6 -4.1 1.9 0.0	3.9 -5.5 3.9 -0.6	-0.7 1.3 9.2 -3.6	0.4 -5.2 9.7 0.0	1.1 -6.8 22.3 -2.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	24.6	23.0	1.1	-1.6	-1.2	4.4	-6.5	-5.0	23.7
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	25.4 36.7 60.3 19.6 31.5 18.0 32.4	24.1 36.5 59.4 18.4 31.7 18.4 32.5	1.4 1.4 1.6 1.1 1.5 1.1	-1.3 -0.2 -0.9 -1.2 0.2 0.4 0.1	-0.8 1.5 0.1 -0.1 1.8 0.0 2.5	-3.9 2.9 -0.3 -1.7 2.9 -0.9 2.7	-5.1 -0.5 -1.5 -6.1 0.6 2.2 0.3	-3.2 4.3 0.2 -0.5 6.0 0.0 8.3	-13.9 8.6 -0.5 -8.5 10.1 -4.7 9.1

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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	222.5				4.0		•	0.0	
Population Labour force	620.5 403.1	620.9 399.9	2.4	0.4 -3.2	1.2 -1.1	3.9 0.0	0.1 -0.8	0.2 -0.3	0.6 0.0
Employment	364.7	364.3	2.5	-0.4	-2.3	-1.9	-0.1	-0.6	-0.5
Employment full-time	306.0	306.5	3.0	0.5	-4.3	-1.7	0.2	-1.4	-0.6
Unemployment Participation rate	38.4 65.0	35.6 64.4	2.2 0.4	-2.8 -0.6	1.2 -0.3	1.9 -0.4	-7.3	3.5	5.6
Unemployment rate	9.5	8.9	0.4	-0.6	0.3	0.5			
Employment rate	58.8	58.7	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.7			
Part-time rate	16.1	15.9	0.6	-0.2	0.6	0.0	•••		•••
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	94.2	04.4		0.4	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	94.2 64.1	94.1 61.4	1.3	-0.1 -2.7	-0.2 -4.4	-0.8 -1.6	-0.1 -4.2	-0.2 -6.7	-0.8 -2.5
Employment	55.3	53.1	1.3	-2.2	-3.4	-0.1	-4.0	-6.0	-0.2
Unemployment	8.8	8.4	1.2	-0.4	-1.0	-1.4	-4.5	-10.6	-14.3
Participation rate	68.0	65.2	1.4	-2.8	-4.6	-1.2	•••		•••
Unemployment rate Employment rate	13.7 58.7	13.7 56.4	1.8 1.4	0.0 -2.3	-0.6 -3.5	-1.9 0.3			
Part-time rate	39.4	38.2	2.5	-1.2	-0.2	-3.9			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	254.0	254.2		0.2	0.6	2.0	0.1	0.2	0.8
Labour force	175.9	175.1	1.4	-0.8	1.6	0.0	-0.5	0.9	0.0
Employment Unemployment	159.1 16.8	159.4 15.7	1.5 1.4	0.3 -1.1	1.1 0.6	-0.4 0.4	0.2 -6.5	0.7 4.0	-0.3 2.6
Participation rate	69.3	68.9	0.6	-0.4	0.5	-0.5	-0.0	4.0	2.0
Unemployment rate	9.6	9.0	0.8	-0.6	0.3	0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	62.6 5.8	62.7 6.2	0.6 0.6	0.1 0.4	0.3 0.9	-0.7 1.0			
	5.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.9	1.0	•••		•••
Women, 25 years and over Population	272.3	272.5		0.2	0.7	2.6	0.1	0.3	1.0
Labour force	163.1	163.4	1.2	0.3	1.7	1.6	0.2	1.1	1.0
Employment	150.3	151.9	1.3	1.6	0.1	-1.3	1.1	0.1	-0.8
Unemployment	12.8	11.5	1.0	-1.3	1.7	2.9	-10.2	17.3	33.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	59.9 7.8	60.0 7.0	0.4 0.6	0.1 -0.8	0.5 0.9	0.1 1.7		•••	
Employment rate	55.2	55.7	0.5	0.5	-0.1	-1.1			
Part-time rate	18.4	18.2	1.0	-0.2	1.2	0.4			
Industry	364.7	364.3	2.5	-0.4	-2.3	-1.9	-0.1	-0.6	-0.5
Goods-producing sector	81.2	81.7	2.1	0.5	2.6	0.3	0.6	3.3	0.4
Agriculture	7.9	8.0	0.6	0.1	0.5	2.5	1.3	6.7	45.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	10.8	10.5	0.9	-0.3	1.0	-1.5	-2.8	10.5	-12.5
Utilities	4.3	3.8	0.5	-0.5	-1.0	-1.2	-11.6	-20.8	-24.0
Construction Manufacturing	25.6 32.6	26.6 32.9	1.2 1.4	1.0 0.3	2.7 -0.6	2.2 -1.6	3.9 0.9	11.3 -1.8	9.0 -4.6
Services-producing sector	283.5	282.6	2.4	-0.9	-4.9	-2.3	-0.3	-1.7	-0.8
Trade	56.8	54.6	1.5	-2.2	-2.3	-4.5	-3.9	-4.0	-7.6
Transportation and warehousing	18.4 14.6	18.5	0.9 0.9	0.1	-1.7	-0.6	0.5	-8.4	-3.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	14.6	15.7	0.9	1.1	0.0	-0.4	7.5	0.0	-2.5
services	17.4	17.9	0.9	0.5	0.5	1.3	2.9	2.9	7.8
Business, building and other support			0.0	2.3	3.0		5	0	0
services	20.3	21.7	1.1	1.4	0.7	2.9	6.9	3.3	15.4
Educational services	27.6	28.2	1.1	0.6	-1.3	1.0	2.2	-4.4	3.7
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	52.0 10.8	50.1 10.4	1.3 0.8	-1.9 -0.4	0.1 -0.6	0.3 -3.1	-3.7 -3.7	0.2 -5.5	0.6 -23.0
Accommodation and food services	23.2	22.8	1.2	-0.4 -0.4	0.0	-3.1 -1.6	-3. <i>1</i> -1.7	-5.5 0.0	-23.0 -6.6
Other services	13.9	14.2	0.9	0.3	-0.9	-1.9	2.2	-6.0	-11.8
Public administration	28.6	28.6	1.0	0.0	0.7	4.4	0.0	2.5	18.2

^{1.} 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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	า	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		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	6,416.1	6,421.1		5.0	21.0	62.2	0.1	0.3	1.0
Population Labour force	4,181.7	4,210.8	14.2	29.1	19.2	29.4	0.1	0.5	0.7
Employment	3,835.5	3,857.9	14.7	22.4	-26.4	-9.8	0.6	-0.7	-0.3
Employment full-time Unemployment	3,110.2 346.3	3,131.1 352.9	19.0 12.7	20.9 6.6	-3.7 45.7	-22.4 39.3	0.7 1.9	-0.1 14.9	-0.7 12.5
Participation rate	65.2	65.6	0.2	0.4	0.1	-0.2		14.5	
Unemployment rate	8.3	8.4	0.3	0.1	1.1	0.9			
Employment rate Part-time rate	59.8 18.9	60.1 18.8	0.2 0.4	0.3 -0.1	-0.6 -0.5	-0.7 0.4			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population Labour force	962.1 633.3	962.1 642.9	8.0	0.0 9.6	1.1 -0.6	3.4 -8.5	0.0 1.5	0.1 -0.1	0.4 -1.3
Employment	542.4	552.1	7.9	9.7	-6.9	-10.0	1.8	-1.2	-1.8
Unemployment	90.9	90.7	7.0	-0.2	6.2	1.4	-0.2	7.3	1.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	65.8 14.4	66.8 14.1	0.8 1.0	1.0 -0.3	-0.2 1.0	-1.1 0.4		•••	
Employment rate	56.4	57.4	0.8	1.0	-0.8	-1.2			
Part-time rate	52.2	51.3	1.5	-0.8	-1.0	3.8			
Men, 25 years and over	2,665.6	2,668.2		2.6	10.4	29.9	0.1	0.4	1.1
Population Labour force	1,864.2	1,877.5	7.7	13.3	11.2	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.0
Employment	1,710.9	1,724.7	8.7	13.8	-3.7	-17.9	0.8	-0.2	-1.0
Unemployment	153.4 69.9	152.9 70.4	7.8 0.3	-0.5 0.5	15.0 0.2	18.1 -0.8	-0.3	10.9	13.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	8.2	70.4 8.1	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.9			
Employment rate Part-time rate	64.2 7.0	64.6 7.1	0.3 0.5	0.4 0.1	-0.4 -0.3	-1.5 -0.1			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population Labour force	2,788.4 1,684.2	2,790.8 1,690.4	8.0	2.4 6.2	9.6 8.6	28.8 37.8	0.1 0.4	0.3 0.5	1.0 2.3
Employment	1,582.2	1,581.1	8.2	-1.1	-15.9	18.1	-0.1	-1.0	1.2
Unemployment	102.0	109.4	6.7	7.4	24.6	19.8	7.3	29.0	22.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate	60.4 6.1	60.6 6.5	0.3 0.4	0.2 0.4	0.1 1.5	0.8 1.1		•••	
Employment rate	56.7	56.7	0.4	0.0	-0.7	0.1			
Part-time rate	20.4	20.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3		•••	•••
Industry	3,835.5	3,857.9	14.7	22.4	-26.4	-9.8	0.6	-0.7	-0.3
Goods-producing sector	868.1	858.2	11.9	-9.9	-15.2	-27.6	-1.1	-1.7	-3.1
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	58.7 29.4	56.5 28.2	3.6 2.4	-2.2 -1.2	4.4 -3.7	-10.8 -4.3	-3.7 -4.1	8.4 -11.6	-16.0 -13.2
Utilities	34.3	33.1	2.2	-1.2	2.2	0.2	-3.5	7.1	0.6
Construction	212.1	200.6	7.0	-11.5	-7.9	-15.2	-5.4	-3.8	-7.0
Manufacturing	533.6	539.8	9.5	6.2	-10.2	2.5	1.2	-1.9	0.5
Services-producing sector Trade	2,967.3 624.2	2,999.7 624.3	16.2 10.7	32.4 0.1	-11.3 18.4	17.7 -3.4	1.1 0.0	-0.4 3.0	0.6 -0.5
Transportation and warehousing	168.9	176.3	6.2	7.4	-4.8	-20.5	4.4	-2.7	-10.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	220.5	217.3	7.0	-3.2	-5.8	-14.9	-1.5	-2.6	-6.4
services	272.0	280.1	7.8	8.1	20.5	13.3	3.0	7.9	5.0
Business, building and other support	150.0	454.0	F 0	0.4	4.0	24.4	0.2	2.0	46.0
services Educational services	150.9 245.2	151.3 256.5	5.9 7.1	0.4 11.3	4.3 11.2	21.1 -5.5	0.3 4.6	2.9 4.6	16.2 -2.1
Health care and social assistance	491.8	498.4	8.4	6.6	-0.4	41.0	1.3	-0.1	9.0
Information, culture and recreation	165.6	166.9	6.5	1.3	-12.7	-3.7	0.8	-7.1	-2.2
Accommodation and food services Other services	226.6 182.0	229.5 182.3	8.0 6.1	2.9 0.3	-13.5 10.9	-9.8 10.6	1.3 0.2	-5.6 6.4	-4.1 6.2
Public administration	219.6	216.7	5.8	-2.9	-39.5	-10.7	-1.3	-15.4	-4.7

^{1.} 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

	March 2009	April 2009	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
	in thousands (except rates)								
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	10,614.3 7,168.4 6,548.1 5,277.1 620.4	10,625.4 7,166.3 6,545.1 5,283.2 621.2	18.4 18.8 23.8 15.9	11.1 -2.1 -3.0 6.1 0.8	44.6 -15.7 -120.1 -137.9 104.4	151.0 18.0 -151.7 -184.5 169.7	0.1 0.0 0.0 0.1 0.1	0.4 -0.2 -1.8 -2.5 20.2	1.4 0.3 -2.3 -3.4 37.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	67.5 8.7 61.7 19.4	67.4 8.7 61.6 19.3	0.2 0.2 0.2 0.3	-0.1 0.0 -0.1 -0.1	-0.5 1.5 -1.4 0.6	-0.8 2.4 -2.3 0.9		 	
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	1,741.9 1,114.2 922.2 192.0 64.0 17.2 52.9 48.9	1,742.7 1,091.6 911.8 179.9 62.6 16.5 52.3 48.7	11.3 10.9 9.8 0.7 0.8 0.6 1.1	0.8 -22.6 -10.4 -12.1 -1.4 -0.7 -0.6 -0.2	3.6 -30.7 -38.0 7.4 -1.9 1.1 -2.3 1.3	12.2 -43.8 -70.0 26.3 -3.0 3.0 -4.4 0.0	0.0 -2.0 -1.1 -6.3 	0.2 -2.7 -4.0 4.3 	0.7 -3.9 -7.1 17.1
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	4,310.4 3,183.5 2,926.7 256.8 73.9 8.1 67.9 8.3	4,315.2 3,195.6 2,930.1 265.5 74.1 8.3 67.9 8.3	8.9 10.1 8.9 0.2 0.3 0.2 0.3	4.8 12.1 3.4 8.7 0.2 0.2 0.0	19.5 2.2 -74.8 77.0 -0.2 2.4 -2.1 1.0	65.3 31.7 -75.4 107.1 -0.3 3.3 -2.8 1.7	0.1 0.4 0.1 3.4 	0.5 0.1 -2.5 40.8 	1.5 1.0 -2.5 67.6
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	4,562.1 2,870.7 2,699.1 171.6 62.9 6.0 59.2 21.4	4,567.5 2,879.0 2,703.3 175.7 63.0 6.1 59.2 21.3	10.7 10.6 8.5 0.2 0.3 0.2 0.5	5.4 8.3 4.2 4.1 0.1 0.1 0.0 -0.1	21.5 12.7 -7.2 19.9 -0.1 0.7 -0.4 0.0	73.5 30.0 -6.1 36.1 -0.4 1.2 -1.1 0.8	0.1 0.3 0.2 2.4 	0.5 0.4 -0.3 12.8 	1.6 1.1 -0.2 25.9
Industry	6,548.1	6,545.1	18.8	-3.0	-120.1	-151.7	0.0	-1.8	-2.3
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	1,425.9 86.5 35.3 62.1 416.8 825.3	1,417.1 88.3 34.8 58.5 410.8 824.7	15.4 3.9 2.4 3.2 9.2 12.3	-8.8 1.8 -0.5 -3.6 -6.0 -0.6	-76.8 0.9 0.5 -5.4 -26.2 -46.5	-110.5 7.6 -4.2 -5.7 -32.8 -75.5	-0.6 2.1 -1.4 -5.8 -1.4 -0.1	-5.1 1.0 1.5 -8.5 -6.0 -5.3	-7.2 9.4 -10.8 -8.9 -7.4 -8.4
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	5,122.2 1,017.4 333.4 477.5	5,128.0 996.3 326.0 492.0	20.9 13.9 8.3 9.9	5.8 -21.1 -7.4 14.5	-43.3 -30.8 -21.0 -2.8	-41.2 -25.0 10.5 27.4	0.1 -2.1 -2.2 3.0	-0.8 -3.0 -6.1 -0.6	-0.8 -2.4 3.3 5.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	486.8	486.1	10.2	-0.7	-20.4	-11.2	-0.1	-4.0	-2.3
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	268.6 465.0 708.7 302.7 392.9 305.5 363.6	275.2 457.9 697.5 315.1 404.3 319.8 357.6	8.9 9.5 10.2 8.5 9.9 7.5 7.6	6.6 -7.1 -11.2 12.4 11.4 14.3 -6.0	-1.0 -11.5 -2.6 1.8 15.5 24.0 5.2	-47.0 -35.0 -9.8 -0.7 10.7 47.9 -9.3	2.5 -1.5 -1.6 4.1 2.9 4.7 -1.7	-0.4 -2.4 -0.4 0.6 4.0 8.1	-14.6 -7.1 -1.4 -0.2 2.7 17.6 -2.5

^{1.} 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

	March 2009	April 2009	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_	in thousands (except rates)								
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population	918.0	919.3		1.3	4.5	12.0	0.1	0.5	1.3
Labour force	636.0	633.3	2.7	-2.7	-3.2	-2.2	-0.4	-0.5	-0.3
Employment	603.7	604.2	2.8	0.5	-4.9	-6.9	0.1	-0.8	-1.1
Employment full-time	495.4 32.3	497.4 29.1	3.9 2.2	2.0 -3.2	4.3 1.7	6.5 4.7	0.4 -9.9	0.9 6.2	1.3 19.3
Unemployment Participation rate	69.3	68.9	0.3	-3.2 -0.4	-0.7	-1.1	-9.9	0.2	19.5
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.6	0.3	-0.5	0.3	0.8			
Employment rate Part-time rate	65.8 17.9	65.7 17.7	0.3 0.6	-0.1 -0.3	-0.9 -1.4	-1.7 -2.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	159.6	159.7	4	0.1	0.7	1.6	0.1	0.4	1.0
Labour force Employment	115.0 103.6	112.9 103.4	1.7 1.7	-2.1 -0.2	-1.8 -1.3	-3.3 -2.0	-1.8 -0.2	-1.6 -1.2	-2.8 -1.9
Unemployment	11.4	9.5	1.4	-1.9	-0.5	-1.2	-16.7	-5.0	-11.2
Participation rate	72.1	70.7	1.1	-1.4	-1.4	-2.8		•••	
Unemployment rate Employment rate	9.9 64.9	8.4 64.7	1.2 1.1	-1.5 -0.2	-0.3 -1.1	-0.8 -2.0		•••	
Part-time rate	40.9	40.6	1.9	-0.3	-3.3	-4.1			
Men, 25 years and over	270.0	274.4		0.6	2.0	F 2	0.2	0.5	1.4
Population Labour force	370.8 279.5	371.4 279.8	1.4	0.6 0.3	2.0 -0.4	5.2 1.4	0.2 0.1	0.5 -0.1	1.4 0.5
Employment	269.2	269.4	1.5	0.2	-1.0	-2.7	0.1	-0.4	-1.0
Unemployment	10.3	10.4	1.2	0.1	0.6	4.1	1.0	6.1	65.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate	75.4 3.7	75.3 3.7	0.4 0.4	-0.1 0.0	-0.6 0.2	-0.7 1.4			
Employment rate	72.6	72.5	0.4	-0.1	-0.7	-1.8			
Part-time rate	6.4	6.1	0.6	-0.3	-1.0	-0.3			
Women, 25 years and over Population	387.6	388.2		0.6	1.8	5.3	0.2	0.5	1.4
Labour force	241.5	240.6	1.6	-0.9	-1.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.1
Employment	230.8	231.4	1.6	0.6	-2.7	-2.1	0.3	-1.2	-0.9
Unemployment Participation rate	10.7 62.3	9.3 62.0	1.1 0.4	-1.4 -0.3	1.7 -0.6	1.9 -0.9	-13.1	22.4	25.7
Unemployment rate	4.4	3.9	0.5	-0.5	0.8	0.8			
Employment rate	59.5	59.6	0.4	0.1	-1.0	-1.4			
Part-time rate	21.1	20.9	1.0	-0.2	-0.9	-2.9		•••	•••
Industry	603.7	604.2	2.8	0.5	-4.9	-6.9	0.1	-0.8	-1.1
Goods-producing sector	142.2	142.1	2.5	-0.1	-4.1	-5.7	-0.1	-2.8	-3.9
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	25.7 6.0	26.0 7.1	1.3 0.5	0.3 1.1	-3.4 1.2	-2.8 0.7	1.2 18.3	-11.6 20.3	-9.7 10.9
Utilities	7.7	7.5	0.5	-0.2	0.6	1.1	-2.6	8.7	17.2
Construction Manufacturing	38.7 64.0	37.6 64.0	1.5 1.8	-1.1 0.0	-0.6 -1.8	1.8 -6.4	-2.8 0.0	-1.6 -2.7	5.0 -9.1
Services-producing sector	461.5	462.1	3.3	0.6	-0.8	-1.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.3
Trade	89.7	88.3	2.0	-1.4	-1.0	-5.4	-1.6	-1.1	-5.8
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	38.9 35.4	39.0 35.1	1.4 1.4	0.1 -0.3	1.9 0.3	3.8 -3.8	0.3 -0.8	5.1 0.9	10.8 -9.8
Professional, scientific and technical	00.4	00.1	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
services Business, building and other support	25.9	25.3	1.2	-0.6	1.1	-2.2	-2.3	4.5	-8.0
services	17.6	19.9	1.2	2.3	2.4	1.9	13.1	13.7	10.6
Educational services Health care and social assistance	47.9 82.0	47.0 83.7	1.5	-0.9 1.7	-0.9 -3.5	1.3 3.1	-1.9 2.1	-1.9 -4.0	2.8 3.8
Information, culture and recreation	62.0 22.8	23.6	1.9 1.2	0.8	-3.5 1.0	-0.2	3.5	-4.0 4.4	-0.8
Accommodation and food services	34.6	34.7	1.6	0.1	-2.3	-2.3	0.3	-6.2	-6.2
Other services Public administration	29.1 37.8	29.0 36.6	1.4 1.2	-0.1 -1.2	0.1 0.2	1.2 1.6	-0.3 -3.2	0.3 0.5	4.3 4.6
i dono administration	31.0	30.0	1.2	-1.2	0.2	1.0	-3.2	0.5	4.0

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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	rcent change from	
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population	776.3	777.1		0.8	3.1	13.4	0.1	0.4	1.8
Labour force Employment	545.4 519.8	547.4 520.1	2.3 2.4	2.0 0.3	4.4 -0.2	14.7 10.3	0.1 0.4 0.1	0.4 0.8 0.0	2.8 2.0
Employment full-time Unemployment	421.4 25.6	421.2 27.3	3.2 1.8	-0.2 1.7	-5.2 4.6	1.5 4.4	0.0 6.6	-1.2 20.3	0.4 19.2
Participation rate	70.3	70.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.6		20.0	
Unemployment rate Employment rate	4.7 67.0	5.0 66.9	0.3 0.3	0.3 -0.1	0.8 -0.3	0.7 0.1			
Part-time rate	18.9	19.0	0.6	0.1	1.0	1.4			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	139.6	139.5		-0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.2
Labour force	101.3	102.4	1.5	1.1	1.0	0.5	1.1	1.0	0.5
Employment Unemployment	90.7 10.7	91.4 11.0	1.5 1.2	0.7 0.3	-2.1 3.1	-2.0 2.5	0.8 2.8	-2.2 39.2	-2.1 29.4
Participation rate	72.6	73.4	1.1	0.8	0.8	0.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	10.6 65.0	10.7 65.5	1.1 1.1	0.1 0.5	2.9 -1.4	2.4 -1.6			
Part-time rate	37.0	37.7	1.7	0.7	0.6	2.4			•••
Men, 25 years and over Population	311.2	311.6		0.4	1.7	6.4	0.1	0.5	2.1
Labour force	237.4	236.5	1.2	-0.9	1.2	3.7	-0.4	0.5	1.6
Employment	228.6	227.6	1.2	-1.0	0.0	2.0	-0.4	0.0	0.9
Unemployment Participation rate	8.8 76.3	8.9 75.9	0.9 0.4	0.1 -0.4	1.2 0.0	1.7 -0.4	1.1	15.6	23.6
Unemployment rate	3.7	3.8	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	73.5 7.2	73.0 7.3	0.4 0.6	-0.5 0.1	-0.4 0.5	-0.9 0.6			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population Labour force	325.5 206.8	326.0 208.5	1.3	0.5 1.7	1.6 2.3	6.7 10.5	0.2 0.8	0.5 1.1	2.1 5.3
Employment	200.6	201.1	1.4	0.5	1.9	10.3	0.2	1.0	5.4
Unemployment Participation rate	6.2 63.5	7.4 64.0	0.9 0.4	1.2 0.5	0.4 0.4	0.3 2.0	19.4	5.7	4.2
Unemployment rate	3.0	3.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	-0.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	61.6 24.1	61.7 23.8	0.4 1.0	0.1 -0.4	0.3 1.8	1.9 1.8			
Industry	519.8	520.1	2.4	0.3	-0.2	10.3	0.1	0.0	2.0
Goods-producing sector	137.8	142.0	2.3	4.2	-0.2	3.1	3.0	-0.4	2.2
Agriculture	41.5	45.9	1.5	4.4	6.7	5.0	10.6	17.1	12.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	23.0 4.9	24.2 4.5	1.1 0.4	1.2 -0.4	-1.0 -1.7	-0.7 -0.8	5.2 -8.2	-4.0 -27.4	-2.8 -15.1
Construction	36.9	36.7	1.3	-0.2	-3.9	1.1	-0.5	-27. 4 -9.6	3.1
Manufacturing	31.5	30.7	1.2	-0.8	-0.6	-1.6	-2.5	-1.9	-5.0
Services-producing sector Trade	382.1 81.8	378.1 80.7	2.8 1.8	-4.0 -1.1	0.4 -2.6	7.3 -1.5	-1.0 -1.3	0.1 -3.1	2.0 -1.8
Transportation and warehousing	24.1	23.0	1.0	-1.1	-0.3	-2.3	-4.6	-1.3	-9.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	30.1	30.7	1.0	0.6	1.8	2.3	2.0	6.2	8.1
services Business, building and other support	20.6	20.9	0.9	0.3	0.4	0.2	1.5	2.0	1.0
services Educational services	11.6 39.0	11.4 38.9	0.8 1.3	-0.2 -0.1	-1.3 0.3	0.2 2.6	-1.7 -0.3	-10.2 0.8	1.8 7.2
Health care and social assistance	65.2	36.9 64.6	1.3	-0.1 -0.6	1.6	3.0	-0.3 -0.9	2.5	4.9
Information, culture and recreation	21.7	20.1	1.0	-1.6	-0.7	-1.0	-7.4	-3.4	-4.7
Accommodation and food services Other services	33.1 23.9	31.5 25.1	1.4 1.0	-1.6 1.2	-0.9 1.0	-0.6 2.8	-4.8 5.0	-2.8 4.1	-1.9 12.6
Public administration	31.0	31.3	1.0	0.3	1.2	1.7	1.0	4.0	5.7

^{1.} 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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	0.044.7	0.047.0			24.0	04.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	2,841.7 2,110.1	2,847.9 2.119.5	8.0	6.2 9.4	24.2 9.3	64.1 43.1	0.2 0.4	0.9 0.4	2.3 2.1
Employment	1,987.2	1,992.9	8.4	5.7	-29.6	-14.4	0.3	-1.5	-0.7
Employment full-time Unemployment	1,632.9 123.0	1,635.6 126.6	11.3 5.8	2.7 3.6	-45.2 38.8	-56.5 57.5	0.2 2.9	-2.7 44.2	-3.3 83.2
Participation rate	74.3	74.4	0.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.2	2.5	44.2	
Unemployment rate	5.8	6.0	0.3	0.2	1.8	2.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	69.9 17.8	70.0 17.9	0.3 0.5	0.1 0.1	-1.6 1.0	-2.1 2.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population Labour force	505.5 368.1	506.0 368.3	4.9	0.5 0.2	1.0 1.0	2.6 -3.6	0.1 0.1	0.2 0.3	0.5 -1.0
Employment	328.5	328.1	5.0	-0.4	-6.2	-19.9	-0.1	-1.9	-1.0 -5.7
Unemployment	39.7	40.2	3.7	0.5	7.3	16.3	1.3	22.2	68.2
Participation rate Unemployment rate	72.8 10.8	72.8 10.9	1.0 1.0	0.0 0.1	0.1 1.9	-1.1 4.5	•••		
Employment rate	65.0	64.8	1.0	-0.2	-1.4	-4.3			
Part-time rate	36.7	35.6	1.5	-1.2	0.2	3.7			
Men, 25 years and over	1,182.1	1,185.3		3.2	12.8	36.6	0.3	1.1	3.2
Population Labour force	963.0	965.8	3.8	2.8	-3.2	16.7	0.3	-0.3	1.8
Employment	910.1	913.2	4.2	3.1	-27.5	-13.6	0.3	-2.9	-1.5
Unemployment Participation rate	52.9 81.5	52.5 81.5	3.1 0.3	-0.4 0.0	24.2 -1.1	30.1 -1.1	-0.8	85.5	134.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	5.5	5.4	0.3	-0.1	2.5	3.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	77.0 6.4	77.0 7.0	0.4 0.5	0.0 0.5	-3.2 1.7	-3.7 1.7			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,154.1	1,156.7		2.6	10.6	25.0	0.2	0.9	2.2
Labour force Employment	779.0 748.6	785.3 751.5	4.9 5.1	6.3 2.9	11.4 4.1	30.0 19.0	0.8 0.4	1.5 0.5	4.0 2.6
Unemployment	30.3	33.8	3.3	3.5	7.3	11.0	11.6	27.5	48.2
Participation rate	67.5	67.9	0.4	0.4	0.4	1.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	3.9 64.9	4.3 65.0	0.4 0.4	0.4 0.1	0.9 -0.2	1.3 0.3			
Part-time rate	23.4	23.6	0.9	0.2	0.3	2.4			
Industry	1,987.2	1,992.9	8.4	5.7	-29.6	-14.4	0.3	-1.5	-0.7
Goods-producing sector	536.2	533.1	8.7	-3.1	-58.7	-29.5	-0.6	-9.9	-5.2
Agriculture	58.0 143.5	58.7 144.4	3.2 4.7	0.7 0.9	-3.7 -10.7	-2.0 -1.1	1.2 0.6	-5.9 -6.9	-3.3 -0.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	143.3	19.9	1.7	1.6	1.0	2.8	8.7	-0.9 5.3	16.4
Construction	183.8	187.5	5.9	3.7	-17.0	-16.2	2.0	-8.3	-8.0
Manufacturing	132.5	122.6	5.2	-9.9	-28.2	-13.0	-7.5	-18.7	-9.6
Services-producing sector Trade	1,451.0 297.2	1,459.8 303.2	10.3 7.0	8.8 6.0	29.1 -11.7	15.1 -24.4	0.6 2.0	2.0 -3.7	1.0 -7.4
Transportation and warehousing	107.0	105.4	4.1	-1.6	2.6	3.8	-1.5	2.5	3.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	117.9	114.3	4.0	-3.6	2.3	-2.8	-3.1	2.1	-2.4
services Business, building and other support	149.5	151.3	5.0	1.8	-8.6	-9.4	1.2	-5.4	-5.8
services	62.3	68.7	4.0	6.4	5.4	3.9	10.3	8.5	6.0
Educational services	134.5	129.5	4.5	-5.0	-9.1	5.6	-3.7	-6.6	4.5
Health care and social assistance	192.4 78.7	192.2 78.3	4.8	-0.2 -0.4	6.8 1.7	1.3	-0.1 -0.5	3.7 2.2	0.7 19.5
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	76.7 122.2	76.3 128.3	3.6 4.6	-0. 4 6.1	1.7	12.8 10.6	-0.5 5.0	17.5	9.0
Other services	101.7	98.9	3.8	-2.8	11.4	9.3	-2.8	13.0	10.4
Public administration	87.7	89.5	3.5	1.8	9.0	4.3	2.1	11.2	5.0

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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)			1 0.5 7 0.2 8 -2.0 7 3.7 2 38.6 0 0.1 5 -1.6 1 -4.4 24.9 2 0.6 1 -4.4 24.9 1 0.6 0.25 0 -2.5 0 58.7 1 0.6 3 0.9 4 -0.4 2 27.3 8 -2.0 5 -1.6 1 -4.4 7 24.9 	
Both sexes, 15 years and over					40.0				
Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	3,685.8 2,420.2 2,240.1 1,760.0 180.1	3,690.4 2,437.1 2,257.4 1,772.2 179.8	9.8 9.9 14.0 7.2	4.6 16.9 17.3 12.2 -0.3	18.2 4.6 -45.3 -67.4 50.1	63.5 10.1 -62.8 -85.8 73.0	0.1 0.7 0.8 0.7 -0.2	0.2 -2.0 -3.7	1.8 0.4 -2.7 -4.6 68.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	65.7 7.4 60.8 21.4	66.0 7.4 61.2 21.5	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.5	0.3 0.0 0.4 0.1	-0.2 2.1 -1.5 1.4	-0.9 3.0 -2.8 1.6	 		
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	584.2	584.4		0.2	0.5	2.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate	381.5 329.9 51.6 65.3	379.5 333.4 46.1 64.9	5.7 5.7 4.4 1.0	-2.0 3.5 -5.5 -0.4	-6.3 -15.5 9.2 -1.2	-22.6 -36.8 14.2 -4.1	-0.5 1.1 -10.7	-1.6 -4.4 24.9	-5.6 -9.9 44.5
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	13.5 56.5 43.8	12.1 57.0 47.3	1.1 1.0 1.8	-1.4 0.5 3.5	2.5 -2.8 4.1	4.2 -6.6 4.7			
Men, 25 years and over Population	1,518.0	1,520.3	.**	2.3	8.8	30.8	0.2		2.1
Labour force Employment Unemployment	1,082.7 1,010.4 72.3	1,098.7 1,020.6 78.1	4.8 5.2 3.9	16.0 10.2 5.8	2.7 -26.2 28.9	8.0 -28.8 36.9	1.5 1.0 8.0	-2.5	0.7 -2.7 89.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	71.3 6.7 66.6 9.2	72.3 7.1 67.1 8.6	0.3 0.4 0.3 0.6	1.0 0.4 0.5 -0.6	-0.2 2.6 -2.2 0.8	-0.9 3.3 -3.4 1.5			
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force	1,583.5 956.0	1,585.7 958.9	 5.9	2.2 2.9	8.9 8.2	30.7 24.7	0.1 0.3		2.0 2.6
Employment Unemployment Participation rate	899.8 56.2 60.4	903.3 55.5 60.5	5.8 4.2 0.4	3.5 -0.7 0.1	-3.7 11.9 0.2	2.7 21.9 0.4	0.4 -1.2	27.3	0.3 65.2
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	5.9 56.8 27.0	5.8 57.0 26.5	0.4 0.4 0.9	-0.1 0.2 -0.5	1.2 -0.5 1.1	2.2 -0.9 0.9			
Industry	2,240.1	2,257.4	9.9	17.3	-45.3	-62.8	0.8	-2.0	-2.7
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	439.0 30.3 44.5 12.7	458.7 33.4 40.8 13.3	8.8 2.8 3.1 1.6	19.7 3.1 -3.7 0.6	-35.5 2.8 -8.7 0.7	-39.3 -1.7 -7.8 0.1	4.5 10.2 -8.3 4.7	9.2 -17.6	-7.9 -4.8 -16.0 0.8
Construction Manufacturing	187.8 163.6	195.2 175.9	6.4 5.9	7.4 12.3	-18.3 -12.1	-23.7 -6.3	3.9 7.5	-8.6	-10.8 -3.5
Services-producing sector Trade	1,801.1 347.9	1,798.7 360.5	11.5 7.8	-2.4 12.6	-9.9 2.5	-23.5 -0.3	-0.1 3.6		-1.3 -0.1
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	121.7 139.7	116.8 132.0	5.1 5.2	-4.9 -7.7	-9.4 -17.0	-16.2 -10.2	-4.0 -5.5	-11.4	-12.2 -7.2
services Business, building and other support	176.5	173.8	5.6	-2.7	3.8	-4.1	-1.5		-2.3
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	101.7 158.1 259.8 115.1 183.6	100.1 162.4 266.2 118.3 175.6	4.8 5.6 6.2 4.8 6.0	-1.6 4.3 6.4 3.2 -8.0	1.3 0.7 16.4 4.2 -7.4	-1.7 -0.3 33.1 -1.2 -8.0	-1.6 2.7 2.5 2.8 -4.4	1.3 0.4 6.6 3.7 -4.0	-1.7 -0.2 14.2 -1.0 -4.4
Other services Public administration	95.9 100.9	95.1 98.0	4.5 4.0	-0.8 -2.9	-0.8 -4.2	-6.5 -8.1	-0.8 -2.9	-0.8 -4.1	-6.4 -7.6

^{1.} 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

	March	April	S.E.1		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		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 Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	156.4 108.9 100.8 8.1 69.6 7.4 64.5	156.6 108.4 100.2 8.2 69.2 7.6 64.0	0.7 0.8 0.4 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.2 -0.5 -0.6 0.1 -0.4 0.2 -0.5	0.9 -1.0 -1.3 0.3 -1.1 0.4 -1.2	3.1 3.9 4.7 -0.8 1.1 -1.0 1.8	0.1 -0.5 -0.6 1.2	0.6 -0.9 -1.3 3.8 	2.0 3.7 4.9 -8.9
Halifax, Nova Scotia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	319.8 229.6 215.9 13.7 71.8 6.0 67.5	320.1 229.3 215.7 13.6 71.6 5.9 67.4	1.1 1.2 0.6 0.3 0.3	0.3 -0.3 -0.2 -0.1 -0.2 -0.1	1.4 4.0 2.5 1.6 0.9 0.6 0.5	4.4 10.2 7.4 2.8 2.2 1.0 1.4	0.1 -0.1 -0.1 -0.7 	0.4 1.8 1.2 13.3 	1.4 4.7 3.6 25.9
Saint John, New Brunswick Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	105.2 71.3 66.8 4.5 67.8 6.3 63.5	105.3 71.6 67.3 4.4 68.0 6.1 63.9	0.7 0.6 0.4 0.7 0.5 0.6	0.1 0.3 0.5 -0.1 0.2 -0.2	0.3 2.0 2.3 -0.2 1.7 -0.5 2.0	0.8 2.3 2.3 0.2 1.7 0.0 1.7	0.1 0.4 0.7 -2.2	0.3 2.9 3.5 -4.3 	0.8 3.3 3.5 4.8
Saguenay, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	124.8 75.0 68.0 7.0 60.1 9.3 54.5	124.8 74.1 67.5 6.6 59.4 8.9 54.1	0.7 0.7 0.4 0.6 0.5 0.6	0.0 -0.9 -0.5 -0.4 -0.7 -0.4 -0.4	-0.1 -2.5 -3.3 0.7 -1.9 1.2 -2.6	-0.3 -1.0 -0.5 -0.5 -0.6 -0.6	0.0 -1.2 -0.7 -5.7	-0.1 -3.3 -4.7 11.9 	-0.2 -1.3 -0.7 -7.0
Québec, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	614.6 418.5 401.6 16.9 68.1 4.0 65.3	615.1 419.5 401.3 18.3 68.2 4.4 65.2	3.5 3.4 1.5 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.5 1.0 -0.3 1.4 0.1 0.4 -0.1	2.0 6.5 4.6 2.0 0.8 0.5	6.3 12.4 13.4 -0.9 1.3 -0.3 1.5	0.1 0.2 -0.1 8.3	0.3 1.6 1.2 12.3 	1.0 3.0 3.5 -4.7
Trois-Rivières, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	122.2 72.4 65.9 6.5 59.2 9.0 53.9	122.3 73.0 66.5 6.5 59.7 8.9 54.4	0.7 0.7 0.4 0.6 0.5 0.6	0.1 0.6 0.6 0.0 0.5 -0.1	0.4 -0.6 -2.3 1.7 -0.7 2.4 -2.0	1.1 -5.4 -4.6 -0.8 -5.0 -0.4 -4.3	0.1 0.8 0.9 0.0 	0.3 -0.8 -3.3 35.4 	0.9 -6.9 -6.5 -11.0

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

Population		March	April S. 2009	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
Sherbrooke, Quebec		2009	2009				months			months
Population			in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Labour force										
Employment S2.1 81.8 0.8 -0.3 -0.2 -1.2 -1.0 -0.4 -1.4 -1.2										
Participation rate	Employment	82.1	81.8	8.0	-0.3	-1.2	-1.0	-0.4	-1.4	-1.2
Unemployment rate										
Montréal, Quebec Composition Compositi	Unemployment rate	6.6	7.6	0.4	1.0	0.9	1.7			
Population	. ,	58.9	58.6	0.5	-0.3	-1.1	-1.4		•••	•••
Labour force		3 088 2	3 091 2		3.0	11 7	34.3	0.1	0.4	1 1
Unemployment 176,7 182,8 4.5 6.1 27,7 28,4 3.5 17.9 18.4				7.2		-7.2			-0.3	-0.2
Participation rafe 86 2 66.4 0.2 0.2 0.5 -0.9										
Unemployment rate 8.6 8.9 0.2 0.3 1.4 1.4										
Notawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec Sepulation Sepulati	Unemployment rate		8.9	0.2		1.4				
Population		60.5	60.5	0.2	0.0	-1.3	-1.7	•••	•••	•••
Labour force		971 4	972 4		10	4 2	13.4	0.1	0.4	1 4
Unemployment participation rate 35.9 37.7 1.5 1.8 5.7 3.1 5.0 17.8 9.0 Participation rate 71.3 71.1 1.04 -0.2 -2.1 -1.8 <										
Participation rate 171.3 71.1 0.4 0.2 2.2 -2.1 -1.8										
Unemployment rate										
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec Population 246.5 246.9 0.4 1.3 3.8 0.2 0.5 1.6 Labour force 175.4 173.7 1.2 -1.7 -2.9 -7.6 -1.0 -1.6 4.2 Employment 164.8 163.9 1.3 -0.9 4.9 -8.2 -0.5 -2.9 4.8 Unemployment rate 10.5 9.8 0.5 -0.7 2.0 0.7 -6.7 25.6 7.7 Participation rate 6.0 5.6 0.3 -0.4 1.2 0.6 Unemployment rate 66.9 66.4 0.5 -0.5 -2.3 -4.4 Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario part, Ontario Quebec Population 724.8 725.6 0.8 3.0 9.7 0.1 0.4 1.4 Labour force 517.6 517.2 3.4 -0.4										
Population	Employment rate	67.6	67.2	0.4	-0.4	-2.7	-2.1			
Population	• •									
Labour force 175.4 173.7 1.2 -1.7 -2.9 -7.6 -1.0 -1.6 -4.2 Employment 164.8 163.9 1.3 -0.9 4.9 8.2 -0.5 -2.9 -4.8 Unemployment 10.5 9.8 0.5 -0.7 2.0 0.7 -6.7 25.6 7.7 Participation rate 6.0 5.6 0.3 -0.4 1.2 0.6		246.5	246.9		0.4	1.3	3.8	0.2	0.5	1.6
Unemployment 10.5 9.8 0.5 -0.7 2.0 0.7 -6.7 25.6 7.7 Participation rate 71.2 70.4 0.5 -0.8 -1.5 -4.2	Labour force	175.4	173.7	1.2	-1.7	-2.9	-7.6	-1.0	-1.6	-4.2
Participation raté 71.2 70.4 0.5 -0.8 -1.5 -4.2										
Unemployment rate 6.0 5.6 0.3 -0.4 1.2 0.6										
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Unemployment 25.4 28.0 1.5 2.6 3.8 2.6 10.2 15.7 10.2 Participation rate 71.4 71.3 0.5 -0.1 -2.3 -1.1 Unemployment rate 4.9 5.4 0.3 0.5 0.8 0.5 Employment rate 67.9 67.4 0.5 -0.5 -2.8 -1.4 Kingston, Ontario 83.0 81.9 0.1 0.1 0.4 0.1 0.1 0.3 Labour force 83.0 81.9 0.8 -1.1 -2.2 -2.4 -1.3 -2.6 -2.8 Employment 78.4 77.2 0.7 -1.2 -3.2 -2.6 -1.5 -4.0 -3.3 Unemployment 4.6 4.7 0.3 0.1 1.0 0.2 2.2 27.0 4.4 Participation rate 65.8				3.4						
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Unemployment rate 5.5 5.7 0.4 0.2 1.3 0.4										
Employment rate 62.1 61.1 0.6 -1.0 -2.6 -2.3	Unemployment rate									
	Employment rate	62.1	61.1	0.6	-1.0	-2.6	-2.3	•••	•••	

Table 5-1 – continued

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

-	March	April	S.E.1		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	ites)				
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,617.5 3,187.2 2,906.0 281.2 69.0 8.8 62.9	4,625.8 3,192.0 2,907.2 284.8 69.0 8.9 62.8	8.9 9.3 5.5 0.2 0.2	8.3 4.8 1.2 3.6 0.0 0.1 -0.1	33.6 36.9 -18.7 55.6 0.3 1.6 -0.9	108.4 58.0 -24.5 82.5 -0.4 2.4 -2.1	0.2 0.2 0.0 1.3	0.7 1.2 -0.6 24.3 	2.4 1.9 -0.8 40.8
Hamilton, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	599.9 407.2 371.1 36.0 67.9 8.8 61.9	600.3 408.2 375.9 32.4 68.0 7.9 62.6	3.0 3.1 1.4 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.4 1.0 4.8 -3.6 0.1 -0.9 0.7	1.1 12.1 7.6 4.6 1.9 0.9 1.1	4.8 5.9 -1.3 7.3 0.4 1.7 -0.7	0.1 0.2 1.3 -10.0	0.2 3.1 2.1 16.5 	0.8 1.5 -0.3 29.1
Kitchener, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	386.1 279.5 252.7 26.8 72.4 9.6 65.4	386.5 279.9 251.5 28.3 72.4 10.1 65.1	1.9 1.9 0.9 0.5 0.3	0.4 0.4 -1.2 1.5 0.0 0.5 -0.3	1.5 0.4 -6.1 6.3 -0.2 2.2 -1.8	5.4 13.1 -2.5 15.5 2.4 5.3 -1.5	0.1 0.1 -0.5 5.6 	0.4 0.1 -2.4 28.6 	1.4 4.9 -1.0 121.1
London, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	387.9 263.7 240.3 23.4 68.0 8.9 61.9	388.2 262.2 237.3 24.9 67.5 9.5 61.1	1.9 2.0 0.9 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.3 -1.5 -3.0 1.5 -0.5 0.6 -0.8	1.2 -1.6 -7.2 5.6 -0.7 2.2 -2.1	4.5 -0.5 -7.0 6.5 -1.0 2.5 -2.6	0.1 -0.6 -1.2 6.4 	0.3 -0.6 -2.9 29.0 	1.2 -0.2 -2.9 35.3
Oshawa, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	291.8 195.2 179.1 16.2 66.9 8.3 61.4	292.2 193.3 178.4 14.9 66.2 7.7 61.1	1.4 1.4 0.8 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.4 -1.9 -0.7 -1.3 -0.7 -0.6 -0.3	1.7 -9.0 -8.2 -0.9 -3.4 -0.1 -3.1	5.7 -3.8 -3.6 -0.2 -2.6 0.0 -2.4	0.1 -1.0 -0.4 -8.0	0.6 -4.4 -4.4 -5.7 	2.0 -1.9 -2.0 -1.3
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	329.8 210.8 190.5 20.3 63.9 9.6 57.8	329.8 207.1 185.5 21.7 62.8 10.5 56.2	1.8 1.7 0.7 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.0 -3.7 -5.0 1.4 -1.1 0.9 -1.6	0.0 -6.4 -9.2 2.9 -1.9 1.7 -2.8	1.0 -7.7 -14.7 7.1 -2.5 3.7 -4.7	0.0 -1.8 -2.6 6.9	0.0 -3.0 -4.7 15.4 	0.3 -3.6 -7.3 48.6

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

	March				Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2009	2009		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	134.1 87.7 80.8 6.9	134.2 87.2 79.7 7.5	0.8 0.8 0.3	0.1 -0.5 -1.1 0.6	0.2 -0.4 -3.0 2.6	0.9 2.2 -0.2 2.4	0.1 -0.6 -1.4 8.7	0.1 -0.5 -3.6 53.1	0.7 2.6 -0.3 47.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	65.4 7.9 60.3	65.0 8.6 59.4	0.6 0.4 0.6	-0.4 0.7 -0.9	-0.4 3.0 -2.3	1.2 2.6 -0.5			
Thunder Bay, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	103.5 64.5 59.3 5.1 62.3 7.9 57.3	103.4 64.5 58.8 5.6 62.4 8.7 56.9	0.6 0.6 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	-0.1 0.0 -0.5 0.5 0.1 0.8 -0.4	-0.3 -0.9 -2.3 1.3 -0.7 2.1 -2.0	-0.5 -3.2 -5.4 2.1 -2.8 3.5 -4.9	-0.1 0.0 -0.8 9.8 	-0.3 -1.4 -3.8 30.2 	-0.5 -4.7 -8.4 60.0
Windsor, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	273.1 175.7 151.6 24.0 64.3 13.7 55.5	273.1 176.9 152.8 24.1 64.8 13.6 56.0	1.5 1.5 0.8 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.0 1.2 1.2 0.1 0.5 -0.1	0.0 1.0 -5.2 6.3 0.4 3.5 -1.9	0.7 0.7 -8.6 9.3 0.1 5.2 -3.3	0.0 0.7 0.8 0.4 	0.0 0.6 -3.3 35.4 	0.3 0.4 -5.3 62.8
Winnipeg, Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	589.2 416.9 396.5 20.4 70.8 4.9 67.3	590.0 416.2 395.7 20.4 70.5 4.9 67.1	1.3 1.3 0.7 0.2 0.2 0.2	0.8 -0.7 -0.8 0.0 -0.3 0.0 -0.2	2.9 2.4 0.8 1.6 0.0 0.4 -0.2	8.5 0.8 -2.4 3.1 -0.9 0.7 -1.4	0.1 -0.2 -0.2 -0.0 	0.5 0.6 0.2 8.5 	1.5 0.2 -0.6 17.9
Regina, Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	170.3 121.9 117.2 4.8 71.6 3.9 68.8	170.5 122.4 117.1 5.3 71.8 4.3 68.7	0.7 0.8 0.3 0.4 0.3 0.5	0.2 0.5 -0.1 0.5 0.2 0.4 -0.1	1.1 0.7 -0.2 0.9 0.0 0.7 -0.5	4.3 4.9 4.6 0.3 1.1 0.0 1.0	0.1 0.4 -0.1 10.4 	0.6 0.6 -0.2 20.5 	2.6 4.2 4.1 6.0
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	200.8 148.7 141.5 7.2 74.1 4.8 70.5	201.3 148.5 141.1 7.4 73.8 5.0 70.1	0.8 0.8 0.4 0.4 0.3	0.5 -0.2 -0.4 0.2 -0.3 0.2 -0.4	1.8 2.1 0.7 1.5 0.4 1.0 -0.3	6.3 5.5 3.1 2.4 0.5 1.5 -0.7	0.2 -0.1 -0.3 2.8 	0.9 1.4 0.5 25.4 	3.2 3.8 2.2 48.0

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	March	April	S.E. ¹		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	xcept ra	tes)				
Calgary, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	961.6 745.7 704.7 41.0 77.5 5.5 73.3	963.8 743.5 696.7 46.9 77.1 6.3 72.3	3.2 3.2 1.5 0.3 0.2 0.3	2.2 -2.2 -8.0 5.9 -0.4 0.8 -1.0	9.0 -0.9 -18.7 17.9 -0.9 2.4 -2.6	24.0 27.4 2.9 24.6 0.9 3.2 -1.5	0.2 -0.3 -1.1 14.4 	0.9 -0.1 -2.6 61.7 	2.6 3.8 0.4 110.3
Edmonton, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	895.7 653.0 621.3 31.7 72.9 4.9 69.4	897.5 656.5 621.4 35.2 73.1 5.4 69.2	3.3 3.4 1.3 0.4 0.2 0.4	1.8 3.5 0.1 3.5 0.2 0.5 -0.2	7.5 3.5 -8.0 11.5 -0.3 1.8 -1.5	19.6 11.3 1.5 9.9 -0.4 1.5 -1.4	0.2 0.5 0.0 11.0	0.8 0.5 -1.3 48.5 	2.2 1.8 0.2 39.1
Abbotsford, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	135.0 91.9 85.6 6.3 68.1 6.9 63.4	135.1 90.8 84.4 6.4 67.2 7.0 62.5	0.7 0.8 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.1 -1.1 -1.2 0.1 -0.9 0.1 -0.9	0.5 -2.7 -4.0 1.3 -2.3 1.5	2.1 -0.6 -2.3 1.8 -1.5 2.0 -2.7	0.1 -1.2 -1.4 1.6	0.4 -2.9 -4.5 25.5 	1.6 -0.7 -2.7 39.1
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,969.3 1,300.2 1,220.3 79.8 66.0 6.1 62.0	1,972.5 1,312.4 1,226.8 85.6 66.5 6.5 62.2	4.8 4.9 2.3 0.2 0.2 0.3	3.2 12.2 6.5 5.8 0.5 0.4 0.2	12.7 13.4 -10.3 23.7 0.2 1.7 -0.9	43.4 15.1 -18.8 33.9 -0.7 2.5 -2.4	0.2 0.9 0.5 7.3	0.6 1.0 -0.8 38.3 	2.2 1.2 -1.5 65.6
Victoria, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	287.7 193.8 183.4 10.4 67.4 5.4 63.7	287.8 193.0 181.4 11.6 67.1 6.0 63.0	1.4 1.4 0.5 0.5 0.2 0.5	0.1 -0.8 -2.0 1.2 -0.3 0.6 -0.7	0.4 -4.1 -8.3 4.3 -1.5 2.3 -3.0	2.3 -4.3 -9.7 5.4 -2.0 2.9 -3.9	0.0 -0.4 -1.1 11.5 	0.1 -2.1 -4.4 58.9 	0.8 -2.2 -5.1 87.1

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM Table 282-0090.

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

	March	April	S.E.1		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2009	2009		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	3,091.1 2,058.9 1,868.1 190.8 66.6 9.3 60.4	3,094.0 2,067.0 1,876.6 190.4 66.8 9.2 60.7	15.0 15.2 10.8 0.5 0.5 0.5	2.9 8.1 8.5 -0.4 0.2 -0.1 0.3	11.9 11.7 -23.6 35.4 0.1 1.7 -1.0	34.3 20.2 -13.4 33.7 -0.1 1.5 -1.1	0.1 0.4 0.5 -0.2	0.4 0.6 -1.2 22.8 	1.1 1.0 -0.7 21.5
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,625.6 3,199.8 2,913.8 286.0 69.2 8.9 63.0	4,633.7 3,194.3 2,912.9 281.4 68.9 8.8 62.9	19.2 19.8 13.5 0.4 0.4 0.4	8.1 -5.5 -0.9 -4.6 -0.3 -0.1	33.8 24.6 -19.6 44.2 0.0 1.3 -0.9	106.9 59.2 -20.8 80.1 -0.4 2.4 -1.9	0.2 -0.2 0.0 -1.6	0.7 0.8 -0.7 18.6 	2.4 1.9 -0.7 39.8
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,972.4 1,310.1 1,216.3 93.8 66.4 7.2 61.7	1,975.6 1,324.7 1,236.1 88.6 67.1 6.7 62.6	9.9 9.9 5.8 0.5 0.4 0.5	3.2 14.6 19.8 -5.2 0.7 -0.5	13.0 28.2 6.8 21.4 1.0 1.5 0.0	42.3 24.6 -7.3 31.9 -0.1 2.3 -1.7	0.2 1.1 1.6 -5.5	0.7 2.2 0.6 31.8 	2.2 1.9 -0.6 56.3

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM Table 282-0091.

Table 6-1 Labour force characteristics by province and economic region ¹, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in April 2008 and April 2009

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Canada ² 2008 2009	26,805.8 27,188.8	17,986.6 18,140.2	16,857.0 16,587.4	1,129.6 1,552.8	67.1 66.7	6.3 8.6	62.9 61.0
Newfoundland and Labrador 2008 2009	425.4 428.0	246.2 246.0	209.4 202.8	36.8 43.2	57.9 57.5	14.9 17.6	49.2 47.4
Avalon Peninsula <i>[1010]</i> 2008 2009	211.3 214.4	133.2 133.2	117.9 117.6	15.3 15.6	63.0 62.1	11.5 11.7	55.8 54.9
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020] 2008 2009	32.6 32.1	16.6 16.3	12.9 11.9	3.7 4.5	50.9 50.8	22.3 27.6	39.6 37.1
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030] 2008 2009	87.8 88.0	47.2 48.2	38.8 37.1	8.4 11.1	53.8 54.8	17.8 23.0	44.2 42.2
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040] 2008 2009	93.7 93.5	49.2 48.3	39.8 36.2	9.4 12.1	52.5 51.7	19.1 25.1	42.5 38.7
Prince Edward Island 2008 2009	113.9 115.4	76.3 76.3	66.3 64.4	10.1 11.9	67.0 66.1	13.2 15.6	58.2 55.8
Nova Scotia 2008 2009	767.1 771.7	479.8 491.1	438.4 441.1	41.4 50.0	62.5 63.6	8.6 10.2	57.2 57.2
Cape Breton <i>[1210]</i> 2008 2009	115.8 115.2	64.6 61.8	54.8 51.2	9.8 10.7	55.8 53.6	15.2 17.3	47.3 44.4
North Shore <i>[1220]</i> 2008 2009	131.2 131.4	76.2 76.0	68.4 66.1	7.8 9.9	58.1 57.8	10.2 13.0	52.1 50.3
Annapolis Valley <i>[1230]</i> 2008 2009	100.8 101.5	60.9 63.7	54.8 57.2	6.0 6.5	60.4 62.8	9.9 10.2	54.4 56.4
Southern <i>[1240]</i> 2008 2009	103.6 103.4	61.5 62.4	54.8 53.4	6.7 9.0	59.4 60.3	10.9 14.4	52.9 51.6
Halifax <i>[1250]</i> 2008 2009	315.7 320.1	216.6 227.2	205.5 213.2	11.1 14.0	68.6 71.0	5.1 6.2	65.1 66.6
New Brunswick 2008 2009	616.5 620.6	390.1 392.3	353.5 351.6	36.7 40.7	63.3 63.2	9.4 10.4	57.3 56.7
Campbellton-Miramichi <i>[1310]</i> 2008 2009	135.8 135.3	78.4 72.1	66.4 58.7	12.0 13.4	57.7 53.3	15.3 18.6	48.9 43.4
Moncton-Richibucto <i>[1320]</i> 2008 2009	164.9 167.3	107.2 111.3	98.2 102.2	9.0 9.1	65.0 66.5	8.4 8.2	59.6 61.1
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330] 2008 2009	142.7 143.6	93.8 96.2	87.1 89.7	6.7 6.6	65.7 67.0	7.1 6.9	61.0 62.5

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in April 2008 and April 2009

	Population		Labour force	е	Participation	Unemployment	
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] 2008 2009	104.9 106.2	70.1 69.4	65.4 63.0	4.7 6.4	66.8 65.3	6.7 9.2	62.3 59.3
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] 2008 2009	68.2 68.2	40.6 43.3	36.3 38.2	4.3 5.2	59.5 63.5	10.6 12.0	53.2 56.0
Quebec 2008 2009	6,353.8 6,416.1	4,136.5 4,155.0	3,809.6 3,766.4	326.9 388.6	65.1 64.8	7.9 9.4	60.0 58.7
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] 2008 2009	80.8 80.8	39.6 37.9	31.6 30.3	8.0 7.5	49.0 46.9	20.2 19.8	39.1 37.5
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415] 2008 2009	167.5 167.5	99.6 102.1	89.1 90.8	10.5 11.3	59.5 61.0	10.5 11.1	53.2 54.2
Capitale-Nationale [2420] 2008 2009	566.6 571.3	371.9 381.3	353.3 360.1	18.6 21.2	65.6 66.7	5.0 5.6	62.4 63.0
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425] 2008 2009	329.0 331.3	214.7 216.1	202.2 199.1	12.5 17.0	65.3 65.2	5.8 7.9	61.5 60.1
Estrie [2430] 2008 2009	250.4 252.7	159.4 163.6	149.3 148.3	10.0 15.3	63.7 64.7	6.3 9.4	59.6 58.7
Centre-du-Québec [2433] 2008 2009	186.1 187.5	123.6 128.3	113.3 116.3	10.3 12.0	66.4 68.4	8.3 9.4	60.9 62.0
Montérégie <i>[2435]</i> 2008 2009	1,137.0 1,155.9	742.2 781.1	693.0 716.6	49.2 64.5	65.3 67.6	6.6 8.3	60.9 62.0
Montréal [2440] 2008 2009	1,591.8 1,594.1	1,048.3 1,020.9	949.2 904.7	99.1 116.2	65.9 64.0	9.5 11.4	59.6 56.8
Laval <i>[2445]</i> 2008 2009	312.5 317.4	216.0 204.2	200.5 185.4	15.5 18.9	69.1 64.3	7.2 9.3	64.2 58.4
Lanaudière <i>[2450]</i> 2008 2009	360.3 370.8	233.6 244.2	213.9 224.9	19.7 19.4	64.8 65.9	8.4 7.9	59.4 60.7
Laurentides [2455] 2008 2009	432.4 442.3	294.1 287.6	270.5 262.6	23.6 25.0	68.0 65.0	8.0 8.7	62.6 59.4
Outaouais <i>[2460]</i> 2008 2009	293.5 297.9	207.6 200.1	194.0 184.6	13.6 15.4	70.7 67.2	6.6 7.7	66.1 62.0
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465] 2008 2009	115.7 116.2	70.2 74.8	64.8 67.1	5.5 7.7	60.7 64.4	7.8 10.3	56.0 57.7
Mauricie [2470] 2008 2009	217.9 218.7	127.0 127.5	116.1 114.0	10.8 13.5	58.3 58.3	8.5 10.6	53.3 52.1

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in April 2008 and April 2009

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	
	-	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands	_			
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean <i>[2475]</i> 2008 2009	223.3 223.0	134.6 132.8	121.0 116.7	13.6 16.2	60.3 59.6	10.1 12.2	54.2 52.3
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490] 2008 2009	89.1 88.8	54.2 52.3	47.8 44.8	6.4 7.5	60.8 58.9	11.8 14.3	53.6 50.5
Ontario 2008 2009	10,460.9 10,614.8	7,055.4 7,096.8	6,603.8 6,451.8	451.6 645.0	67.4 66.9	6.4 9.1	63.1 60.8
Ottawa <i>[3510]</i> 2008 2009	990.6 1,001.3	697.3 691.6	664.4 648.0	32.9 43.6	70.4 69.1	4.7 6.3	67.1 64.7
Kingston-Pembroke <i>[3515]</i> 2008 2009	359.6 360.9	224.9 229.9	211.1 209.5	13.9 20.4	62.5 63.7	6.2 8.9	58.7 58.0
Muskoka-Kawarthas <i>[3520]</i> 2008 2009	310.6 312.4	189.2 186.1	171.9 169.3	17.3 16.8	60.9 59.6	9.1 9.0	55.3 54.2
Toronto <i>[3530]</i> 2008 2009	4,764.9 4,875.0	3,277.1 3,326.6	3,066.4 3,032.3	210.6 294.3	68.8 68.2	6.4 8.8	64.4 62.2
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie <i>[3540]</i> 2008 2009	979.4 994.2	680.1 701.7	644.7 629.4	35.4 72.3	69.4 70.6	5.2 10.3	65.8 63.3
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula <i>[3550]</i> 2008 2009	1,139.3 1,148.7	753.2 752.6	699.6 680.9	53.5 71.7	66.1 65.5	7.1 9.5	61.4 59.3
London <i>[3560]</i> 2008 2009	514.0 519.3	349.5 345.3	325.7 310.8	23.9 34.5	68.0 66.5	6.8 10.0	63.4 59.8
Windsor-Sarnia <i>[3570]</i> 2008 2009	525.7 526.9	338.9 333.4	311.4 292.6	27.4 40.8	64.5 63.3	8.1 12.2	59.2 55.5
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula <i>[3580]</i> 2008 2009	247.8 248.5	158.1 154.0	150.0 140.5	8.1 13.5	63.8 62.0	5.1 8.8	60.5 56.5
Northeast <i>[3590]</i> 2008 2009	454.0 454.6	276.9 265.7	257.8 241.9	19.2 23.8	61.0 58.4	6.9 9.0	56.8 53.2
Northwest [3595] 2008 2009	175.0 173.1	110.2 109.8	100.7 96.7	9.4 13.1	63.0 63.4	8.5 11.9	57.5 55.9
Manitoba 2008 2009	906.1 918.0	625.9 629.7	598.0 596.7	27.9 33.0	69.1 68.6	4.5 5.2	66.0 65.0
Southeast <i>[4610]</i> 2008 2009	77.9 80.2	51.3 52.8	49.1 49.8	2.2 3.1	65.9 65.8	4.3 5.9	63.0 62.1
South Central [4620] 2008 2009	43.7 44.7	29.9 29.3	28.9 27.8	0.9 1.5	68.4 65.5	3.0 5.1	66.1 62.2

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in April 2008 and April 2009

	Population Labour forc		e	Participation	Unemployment			
	-	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate	
		in th	nousands					
Southwest [4630] 2008 2009	82.5 82.9	55.8 59.1	53.4 56.5	2.4 2.7	67.6 71.3	4.3 4.6	64.7 68.2	
North Central [4640] 2008 2009	35.8 36.1	24.1 23.9	22.8 23.1	1.3 0.8	67.3 66.2	5.4 3.3	63.7 64.0	
Winnipeg [4650] 2008 2009	536.9 544.0	378.7 379.0	361.7 359.0	17.0 20.0	70.5 69.7	4.5 5.3	67.4 66.0	
Interlake <i>[4660]</i> 2008 2009	70.4 71.5	46.2 47.1	43.9 44.9	2.3 2.2	65.6 65.9	5.0 4.7	62.4 62.8	
Parklands and North [4670, 4680] 2008 2009	58.9 58.7	39.9 38.5	38.2 35.8	1.7 2.7	67.7 65.6	4.3 7.0	64.9 61.0	
Saskatchewan 2008 2009	762.2 776.3	524.0 541.2	501.0 512.7	23.0 28.5	68.7 69.7	4.4 5.3	65.7 66.0	
Regina-Moose Mountain <i>[4710]</i> 2008 2009	224.7 229.7	159.0 163.0	152.7 155.5	6.3 7.5	70.8 71.0	4.0 4.6	68.0 67.7	
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720] 2008 2009	83.4 84.0	54.4 55.4	51.8 53.1	2.6 2.3	65.2 66.0	4.8 4.2	62.1 63.2	
Saskatoon-Biggar <i>[4730]</i> 2008 2009	237.8 244.2	169.5 176.3	163.6 167.5	5.9 8.8	71.3 72.2	3.5 5.0	68.8 68.6	
Yorkton-Melville <i>[4740]</i> 2008 2009	64.4 64.7	40.2 40.7	38.4 38.6	1.8 2.2	62.4 62.9	4.5 5.4	59.6 59.7	
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] 2008 2009	151.9 153.8	100.9 105.8	94.4 98.0	6.5 7.7	66.4 68.8	6.4 7.3	62.1 63.7	
Alberta 2008 2009	2,779.6 2,841.9	2,051.9 2,099.9	1,982.1 1,970.8	69.8 129.1	73.8 73.9	3.4 6.1	71.3 69.3	
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810] 2008 2009	208.3 211.0	146.8 143.6	140.3 136.0	6.5 7.6	70.5 68.1	4.4 5.3	67.4 64.5	
Camrose-Drumheller [4820] 2008 2009	155.4 155.8	113.8 111.8	110.7 106.5	3.1 5.3	73.2 71.8	2.7 4.7	71.2 68.4	
Calgary <i>[4830]</i> 2008 2009	1,013.3 1,040.9	761.5 790.2	739.7 740.1	21.8 50.2	75.2 75.9	2.9 6.4	73.0 71.1	
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House <i>[4840]</i> 2008 2009	68.2 69.2	53.7 55.1	52.1 52.0	1.6 3.1	78.7 79.6	3.0 5.6	76.4 75.1	
Red Deer <i>[4850]</i> 2008 2009	145.0 149.3	104.2 114.2	100.1 105.6	4.1 8.6	71.9 76.5	3.9 7.5	69.0 70.7	

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in April 2008 and April 2009

	Population		Labour ford	е	Participation	Unemployment		
	-	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate	
		in th	nousands					
Edmonton [4860] 2008 2009	911.7 932.4	662.5 671.6	637.7 632.8	24.8 38.8	72.7 72.0	3.7 5.8	69.9 67.9	
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870] 2008 2009	185.3 189.2	136.3 142.6	130.4 131.9	5.9 10.7	73.6 75.4	4.3 7.5	70.4 69.7	
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake <i>[4880]</i> 2008 2009	92.3 94.1	73.1 70.7	71.1 66.0	2.0 4.8	79.2 75.1	2.7 6.8	77.0 70.1	
British Columbia 2008 2009	3,620.3 3,686.0	2,400.5 2,411.8	2,295.0 2,229.0	105.5 182.8	66.3 65.4	4.4 7.6	63.4 60.5	
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910] 2008 2009	630.0 637.6	405.4 409.4	386.9 381.0	18.5 28.4	64.3 64.2	4.6 6.9	61.4 59.8	
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920] 2008 2009	2,195.7 2,244.1	1,470.1 1,485.4	1,412.8 1,382.4	57.3 103.1	67.0 66.2	3.9 6.9	64.3 61.6	
Thompson-Okanagan <i>[5930]</i> 2008 2009	428.6 435.8	276.3 273.4	260.7 246.8	15.5 26.6	64.5 62.7	5.6 9.7	60.8 56.6	
Kootenay [5940] 2008 2009	122.6 123.1	73.4 78.7	71.6 71.1	1.8 7.6	59.9 63.9	2.5 9.7	58.4 57.8	
Cariboo <i>[5950]</i> 2008 2009	125.8 127.1	89.8 83.2	82.9 73.2	6.9 10.0	71.4 65.5	7.7 12.0	65.9 57.6	
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970] 2008 2009	65.7 65.3	48.1 43.6	44.3 38.9	3.8 4.6	73.2 66.8	7.9 10.6	67.4 59.6	
Northeast <i>[5980]</i> 2008 2009	51.9 53.0	37.3 38.2	35.8 35.6	1.6 2.5	71.9 72.1	4.3 6.5	69.0 67.2	

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

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

Table 6-2 Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in April 2008 and April 2009

	Population	Labour force			Participation	Unemployment	Employment
			Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in t	thousands			percent	
Yukon 1 2008 2009	23.6 24.1	17.5 17.7	16.7 16.3	0.8 1.4	74.2 73.4	4.6 7.9	70.8 67.6
Northwest Territories ² 2008 2009	31.1 31.4	23.2 22.3	21.8 21.2	1.4 1.1	74.6 71.0	6.0 4.9	70.1 67.5
Nunavut ³ 2008 2009	18.6 18.5	11.8 11.1	10.5 9.7	1.2 1.4	63.2 59.8	10.5 12.4	56.6 52.4

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

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

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

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

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

	Employees			Full-time			Part-time			
	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Average hourly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages
	thousands	_	dolla	rs	thousands	_	dollars	thousands		dollars
April 2009		<u>-</u>				<u>-</u>				
15 years and over	13,960.2	34.9	800.33	22.04	11,257.6	39.2	926.43	2,702.6	17.0	275.07
15 to 24 years	2,242.9	26.3	366.22	12.82	1,091.9	38.7	586.91	1,151.0	14.5	156.88
25 years and over	11,717.3	36.6	883.42	23.81	10,165.7	39.3	962.89	1,551.6	18.8	362.76
Men Women	6,885.6 7,074.6	37.4 32.5	921.17 682.71	23.91 20.22	6,035.7 5,221.9	40.4 37.9	1,017.15 821.57	849.9 1,852.7	16.0 17.5	239.63 291.33
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Union coverage Union coverage	4,453.4	35.5	906.07	25.17	3,772.8	38.5	996.14	680.6	18.9	406.78
No union coverage	9,506.9	34.6	750.80	20.57	7,484.8	39.6	891.29	2,022.0	16.4	230.74
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,423.3	35.8	834.49	22.57	10,417.1	39.2	938.87	2,006.2	17.9	292.50
Temporary	1,536.9	27.8	524.22	17.76	840.5	39.0	772.23	696.4	14.4	224.88
Occupation Management	1 004 4	20 E	1 200 40	22.60	006.5	40.0	1 264 24	24.0	40.4	418.89
Management	1,021.1	39.5 35.2	1,329.42	33.68 21.02	986.5 2.390.1	40.3 38.2	1,361.31 835.88	34.6 419.9	18.1 17.8	418.89 301.01
Business, finance and administrative Natural and applied sciences	2,810.0 1,010.6	35.2 38.4	755.96 1,189.93	30.99	970.2	39.2	1,218.07	40.3	17.6	513.02
Health	901.5	33.6	870.81	25.84	687.9	37.8	980.80	213.6	20.1	516.56
Social science, education, government service	901.5	33.0	070.01	25.04	007.9	37.0	900.00	213.0	20.1	310.30
and religion	1,393.3	33.7	954.72	27.95	1,101.8	38.0	1,089.61	291.5	17.4	444.97
Art, culture, recreation and sport	301.9	30.3	709.99	21.78	204.7	38.4	935.22	97.2	13.1	235.81
Sales and service	3,624.3	29.9	477.61	14.75	2,223.8	38.5	659.10	1,400.5	16.4	189.41
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,927.0	39.6	881.77	22.00	1,792.2	41.3	926.46	134.7	17.5	287.23
Occupations unique to primary industry	237.8	41.2	784.77	18.43	204.7	45.4	881.24	33.1	14.8	189.02
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	732.8	38.6	739.92	18.93	695.7	39.8	766.99	37.1	17.0	232.60
mandiactaring and attitues	702.0	00.0	700.02	10.55	000.1	00.0	700.00	07.1	17.0	202.00
April 2008										
15 years and over	14,295.6	35.3	773.54	21.14	11,643.0	39.4	890.50	2,652.6	17.1	260.13
15 to 24 years	2,391.1	27.1	357.15	12.19	1,213.0	38.9	555.79	1,178.2	14.9	152.63
25 years and over	11,904.4	36.9	857.18	22.94	10,430.0	39.5	929.43	1,474.4	18.8	346.04
Men Women	7,144.5 7,151.1	37.9 32.6	898.59 648.60	23.08 19.20	6,350.1 5,292.9	40.7 37.9	982.20 780.50	794.4 1,858.1	16.3 17.4	230.31 272.88
	7,131.1	32.0	040.00	19.20	5,292.9	37.9	760.50	1,000.1	17.4	212.00
Union coverage Union coverage	4.499.3	35.9	882.65	24.33	3,879.5	38.6	961.31	619.8	18.8	390.22
No union coverage	9,796.3	35.0	723.43	19.67	7,763.5	39.8	855.12	2,032.8	16.5	220.47
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,719.8	36.1	805.24	21.64	10,751.9	39.4	902.18	1,968.0	17.9	275.60
Temporary	1,575.8	28.7	517.65	17.10	891.2	39.4	749.63	684.6	14.7	215.67
Occupation										
Management	1,029.6	39.9	1,272.31	32.05	990.6	40.6	1,303.03	39.1	19.8	493.13
Business, finance and administrative	2,826.0	35.1	723.86	20.13	2,384.7	38.3	804.51	441.3	17.8	288.08
Natural and applied sciences	1,062.6	38.6	1,143.62	29.59	1,027.0	39.3	1,167.60	35.7	19.1	453.15
Health Social science, education, government service	885.9	33.3	811.23	24.26	667.2	37.9	931.06	218.7	19.3	445.62
and religion	1,363.8	33.6	923.77	27.21	1,083.4	37.9	1,052.47	280.4	17.1	426.42
Art, culture, recreation and sport	317.1	31.5	734.71	21.86	228.7	38.7	937.62	88.4	12.8	209.57
Sales and service	3,637.8	30.3	460.82	14.10	2,266.0	38.5	629.78	1,371.8	16.6	181.73
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,068.6	40.3	861.47	21.17	1,956.7	41.6	896.00	111.9	17.7	257.94
Occupations unique to primary industry	236.4	42.8	806.98	18.56	211.8	46.1	878.59	24.6	15.0	190.27
Occupations unique to processing,						40.2	746.77	40.8	17.3	223.06
manufacturing and utilities	867.7	39.1	722.16	18.27	826.9					

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

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

Region	Effective from	
-	May 10, 2009 to	
	June 6, 2009	
	0011C 0, 2003	
_	percent	
	<u> </u>	
Newfoundland and Labrador		
01. St.John's	7.5	
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	20.7	
Belove Edward Island		
Prince Edward Island	10.0	
03. Prince Edward Island	12.2	
Nova Scotia		
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	15.5	
05. Western Nova Scotia	10.6	
06. Halifax	6.0	
New Brunswick		
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	6.2	
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	11.5	
09. Restigouche-Albert	15.2	
Quebec		
	47 4	
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	17.4	
11. Québec	4.4	
12. Trois-Rivières	8.0	
13. South Central Quebec	7.0	
14. Sherbrooke	7.5	
15. Montérégie	9.0	
16. Montréal	9.0	
17. Central Quebec	9.4	
18. Northwestern Quebec	12.5	
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord 3	12.4	
20. Gatineau	5.7	
21. Saguenay	8.9	
ouguouj	0.0	
Ontario		
22. Ottawa	5.6	
23. Eastern Ontario	8.3	
24. Kingston	5.9	
25. Central Ontario	10.0	
26. Oshawa	7.8	
27. Toronto	8.9	
28. Hamilton	7.9	
29. St. Catharines	10.5	
30. London	9.6	
31. Niagara	10.6	
32. Windsor	13.4	
33. Kitchener	10.1	
34. Huron	10.2	
35. South Central Ontario	8.0	
36. Sudbury	8.4	
37. Thunder Bay	8.9	
38. Northern Ontario	12.4	
Manitaba		
Manitoba	4.0	
39. Winnipeg	4.9	
40. Southern Manitoba	5.8	
41. Northern Manitoba	26.6	
Saakatahawan		
Saskatchewan	4.2	
42. Regina	4.3	
43. Saskatoon	5.0	
44. Southern Saskatchewan	6.7	
45. Northern Saskatchewan	16.1	

Table 8 - continued

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

Region	Effective from May 10, 2009 to June 6, 2009	
	percent	
Alberta 46. Calgary 47. Edmonton 48. Northern Alberta 49. Southern Alberta	6.4 5.5 10.2 7.1	
British Columbia 50. Southern Interior British Columbia 51. Abbotsford 52. Vancouver 53. Victoria 54. Southern Coastal British Columbia 55. Northern British Columbia	10.0 7.0 6.7 6.7 8.2 12.8	
Territories 56. Yukon ⁴ 57. Northwest Territories ⁴ 58. Nunavut ⁴	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://srv129.services.gc.ca/eiregions/en/geocont.aspx.
 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.

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

Data quality

About the Labour Force Survey

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

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

Definitions and explanations

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

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week:

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

A person is considered to be full-time if his/her usual hours at the main job are 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