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- r revised
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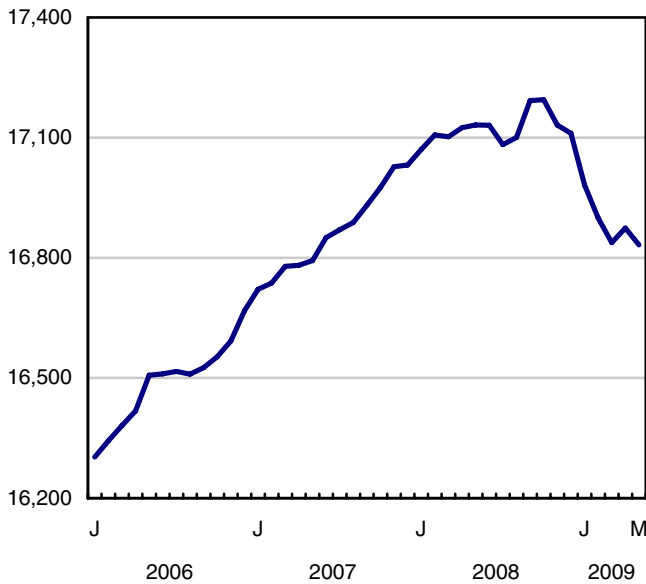
May 2009

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Chart 1
Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted

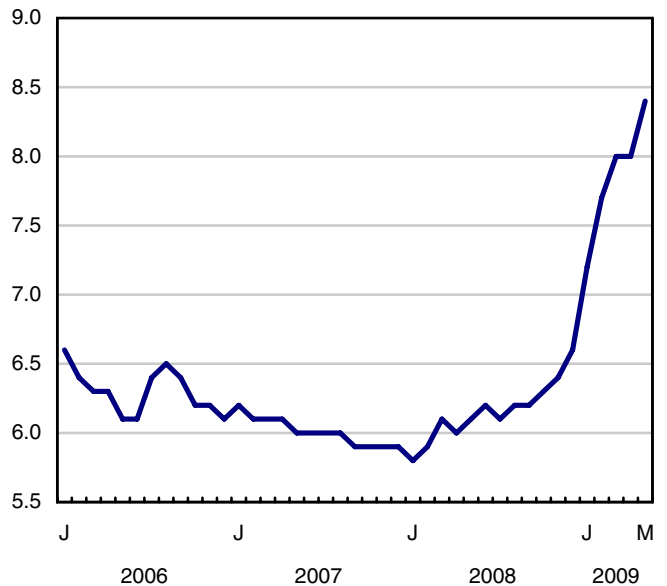
Employment

thousands



Unemployment rate

percent



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In May, while there were pronounced losses in Ontario, employment increased in Manitoba, Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan and was little changed in all other provinces.

In addition to manufacturing losses in May, transportation and warehousing also declined. Public administration was the only industry with a notable employment increase.

Employment declines in May affected mostly men and women aged 25 to 54 while there were employment increases among women aged 55 and over.

There were large declines in full-time employment (-59,000) in May, bringing total full-time losses since October to 406,000 (-2.9%). Over the same period, part-time employment has continued to trend up, increasing by 44,000 (+1.4%).

The average hourly wage for employees was 3.4% higher in May compared with the same month a year earlier, the lowest year-over-year increase in two years.

Continued employment losses in Ontario

Ontario was the only province to experience a substantial employment decline in May, down 60,000, bringing total losses since last October to 234,000 or 3.5%. While Ontario accounts for 39% of the total working-age population, it has experienced 64% of overall employment losses since the start of the labour market downturn.

Ontario's unemployment rate in May rose by 0.7 percentage points from the previous month to 9.4%, the highest in fifteen years.

In May, both manufacturing and construction employment continued their downward trend in Ontario. Since October, the number of workers in manufacturing has fallen by 14.0%, while it decreased by 9.3% in construction.

Employment in Quebec was unchanged in May. An increase in labour force participation pushed the unemployment rate up to 8.7%. Since last October, employment is down by 0.7% in Quebec.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan added employment in May with gains of 3,900 and 3,100 respectively. Both provinces had an unemployment rate of 4.9%, the lowest in the country, and are the only two provinces with an increase in employment since last October.

Following declines in the two previous months, employment increased by 3,600 in Nova Scotia in May.

Sharp decline in manufacturing employment

Manufacturing employment continued on its downward trend with a decline of 58,000 in May, mostly in Ontario. This brings losses since October to 186,000 or 9.4%, with the largest decline in transportation equipment manufacturing. Ontario has experienced the brunt of overall manufacturing losses over this period.

In May 2009, there were 778,000 factory workers in Ontario, the lowest level since comparable data became available in 1976. Manufacturing employment in Ontario reached a peak in November 2002 with 1,115,000 workers.

In May, there was also a decline in transportation and warehousing, down 16,000, bringing total losses in that industry to 48,000 (-5.5%) since October. Public administration was the only industry with notable gains in May, up 19,000.

Self-employment fell by 32,000 in May, offsetting the gain observed the month before. The number of private sector employees continued to decline, down 36,000 in May, while public sector employment was up 27,000, largely driven by the gains in public administration.

Since October, the number of private sector employees has fallen by 2.9% and public sector employment has declined by 1.3%. Over the same period, the number of self-employed has shown little change.

Fewer people aged 25 to 54 working

Employment fell by 50,000 in May for persons aged 25 to 54, with losses of 28,000 among men and 22,000 among women. Since the start of the labour market downturn, however, it is men in this age group who have experienced most of the losses, down 3.4%, while employment among core-age women has fallen by 1.1% over the same period.

Employment for women aged 55 and over increased in May, up 16,000. Since last October, employment among older women has risen by 3.1%, while employment for older men has shown little change.

Although employment edged down slightly among youths aged 15 to 24 in May, losses for this group have been substantial during the current labour market downturn, with losses since last October totalling 134,000 or 5.1%. In May, the unemployment rate for youths climbed to 14.9%, the highest rate since 1999.

A difficult start to the summer for students aged 20 to 24

From May to August, the Labour Force Survey collects labour market information about young people aged 15 to 24 who were attending school full-time in March and who intend to return to school in the fall. The May survey results provide the first indicators of the summer job market, especially for students aged 20 to 24, as students aged 15 to 19 were not yet out of school for the summer. The data for June, July and August will provide future insight into the summer job market. The published estimates are not seasonally adjusted; therefore comparisons can only be made from one year to another.

The summer job market started in May for students aged 20 to 24. The number of employed students fell by 59,000 compared with a year earlier, all in full time. At the same time, their participation in the labour force fell substantially from 75.2% to 68.6%. May's unemployment rate was 18.3% for this group of students, compared with 15.4% in May of last year.

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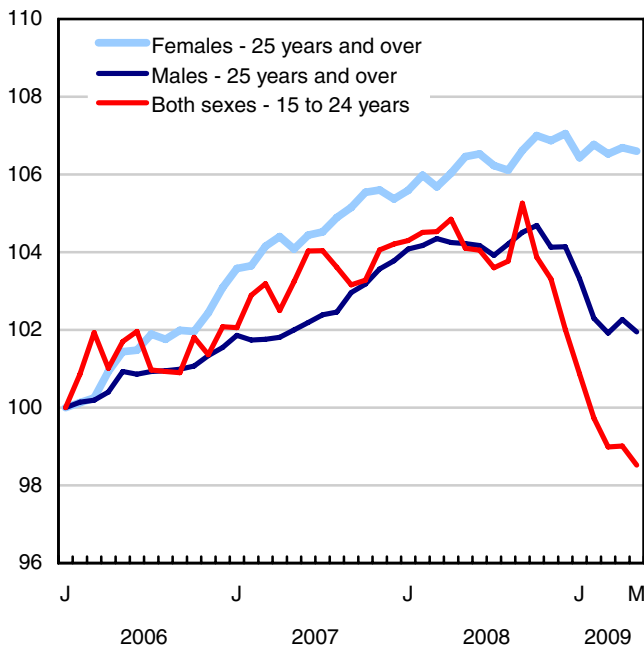
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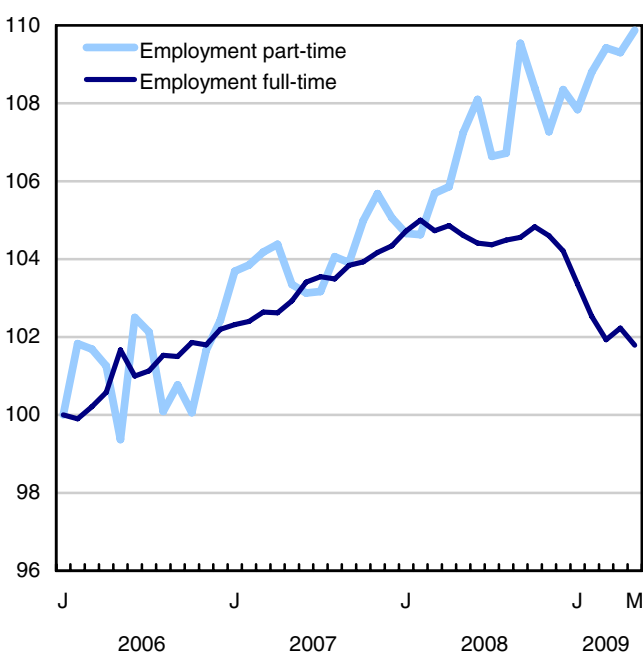
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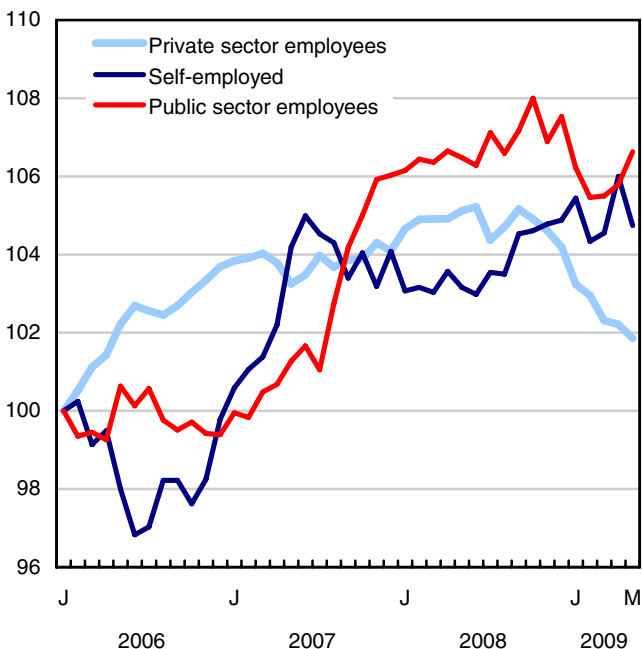
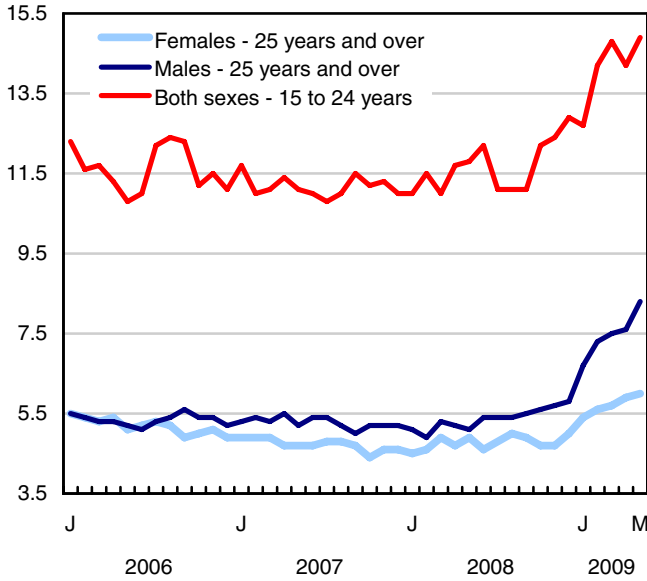
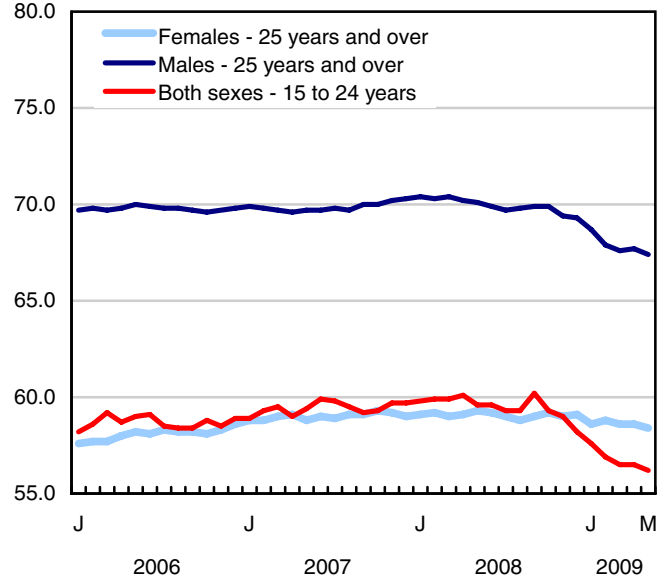


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Unemployment rate (%)



Employment rate (%)



Participation rate (%)

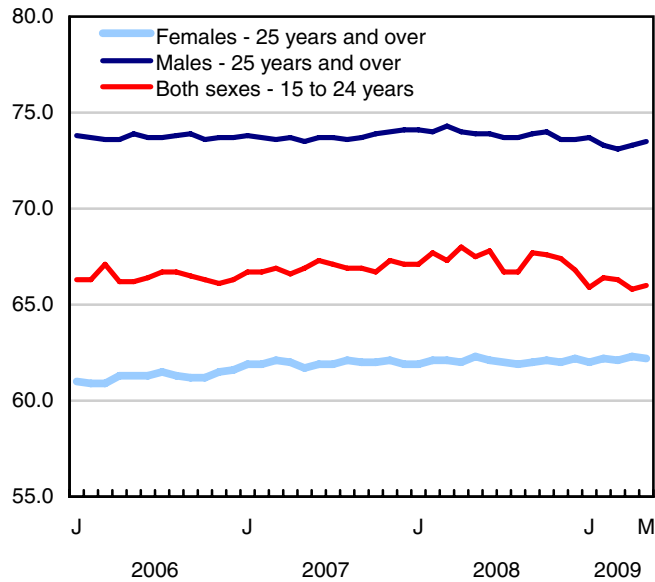


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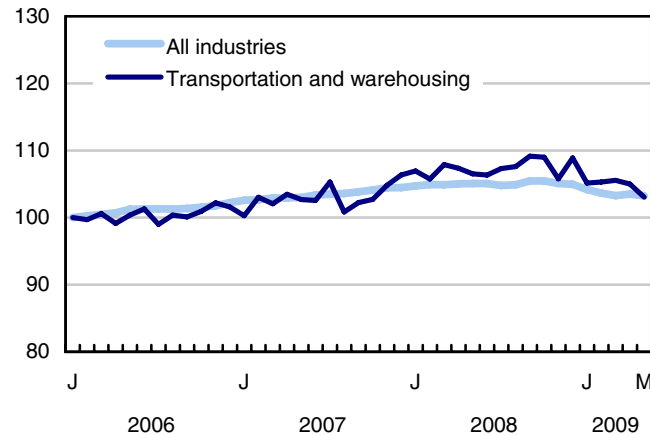
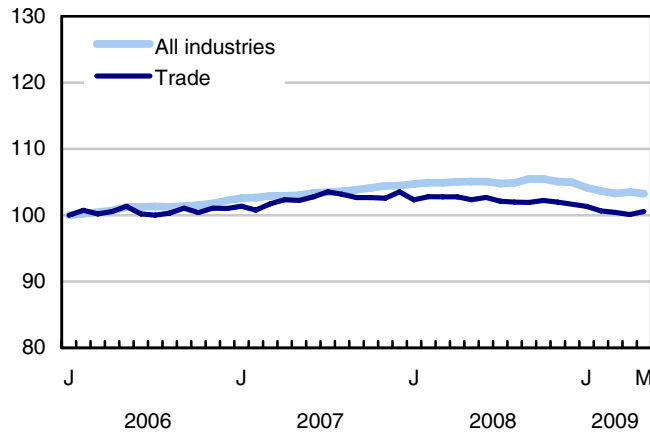
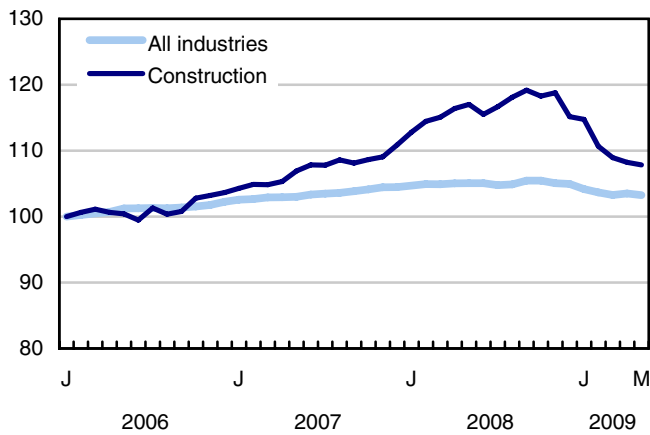
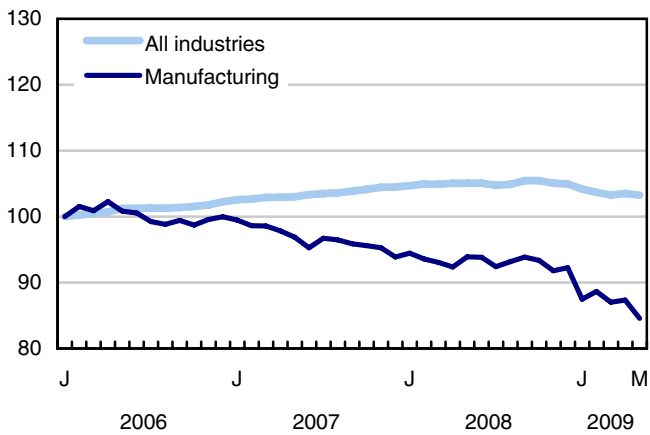
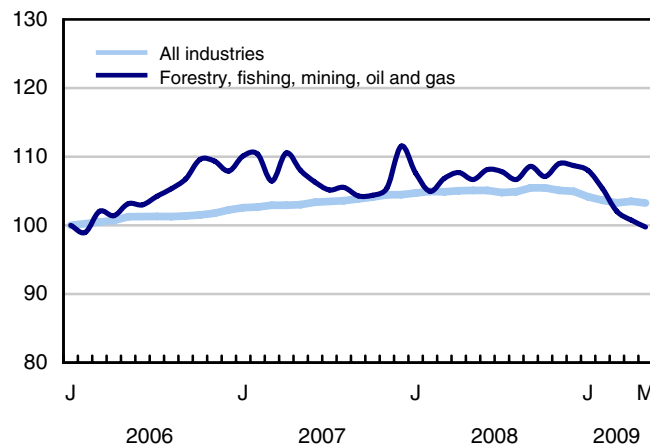
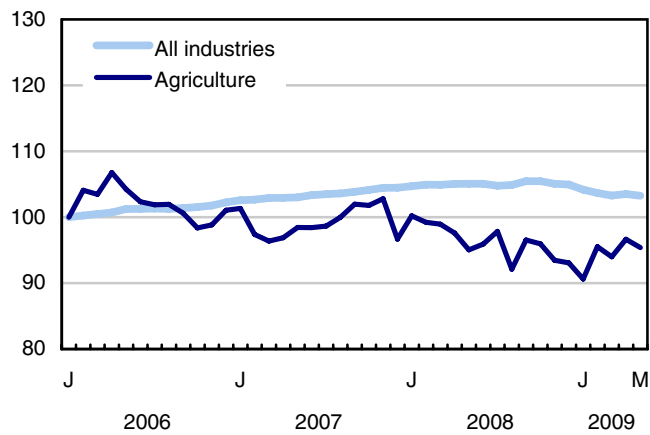


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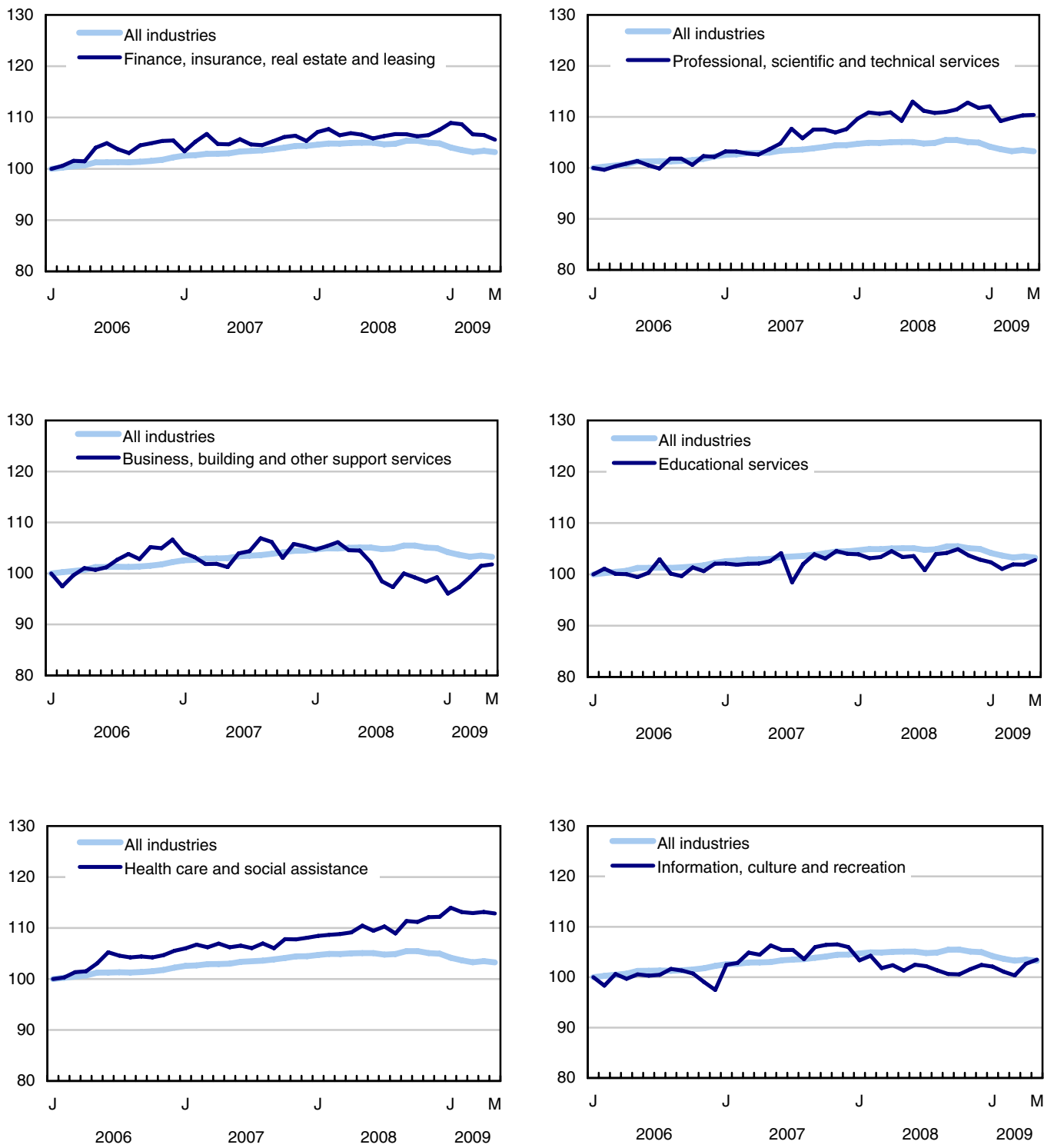


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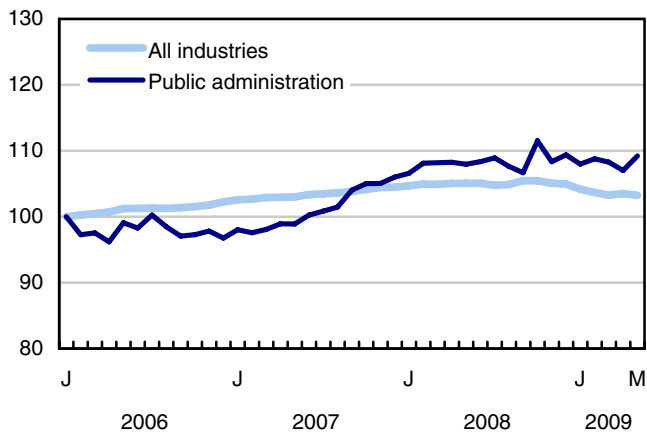
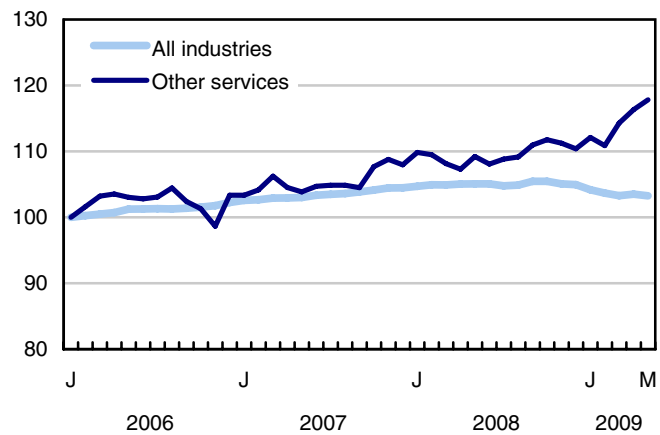
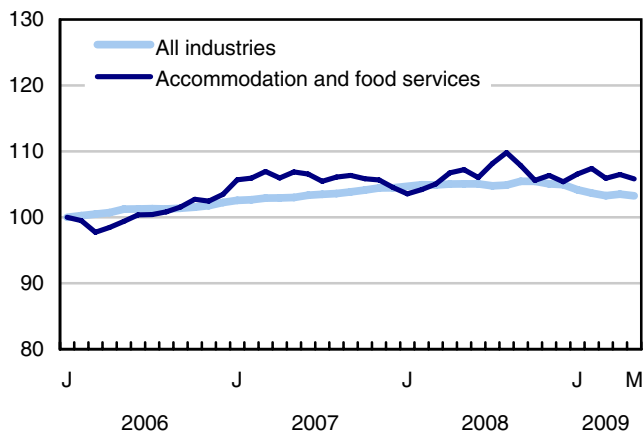


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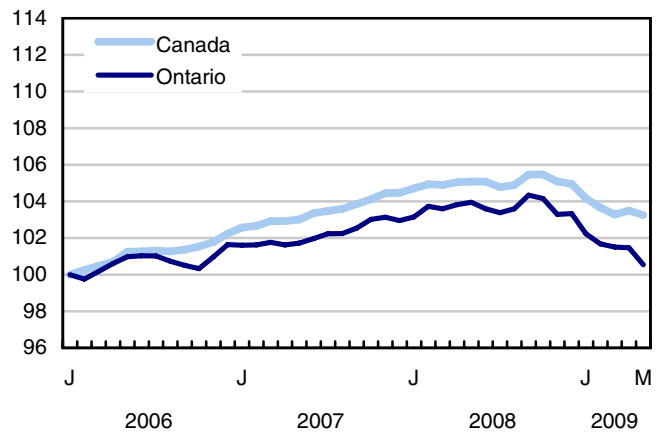
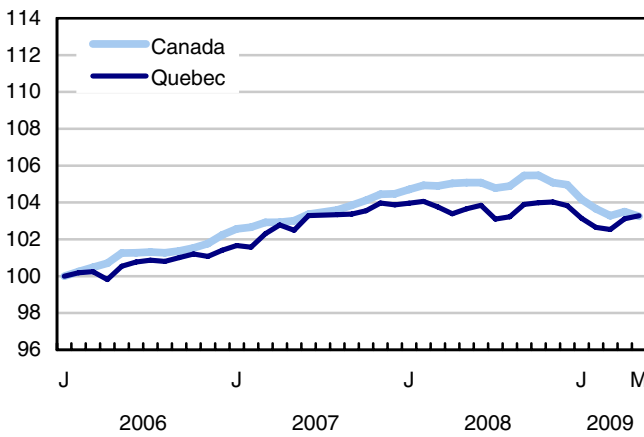
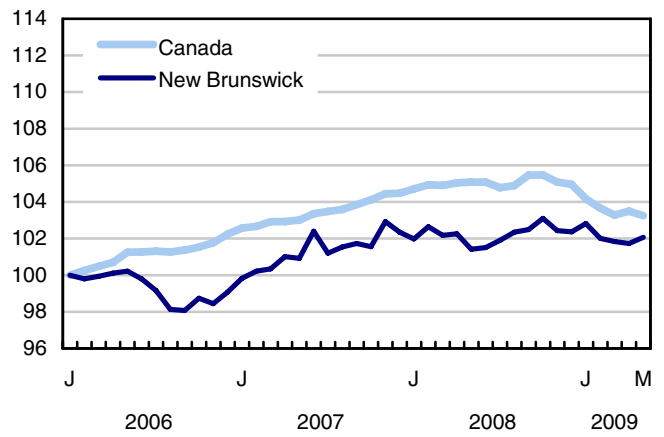
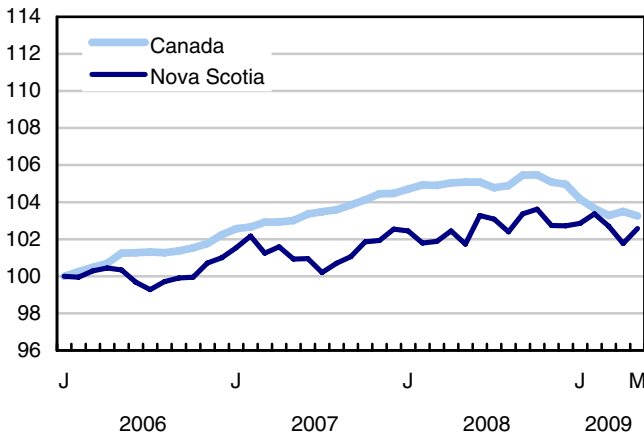
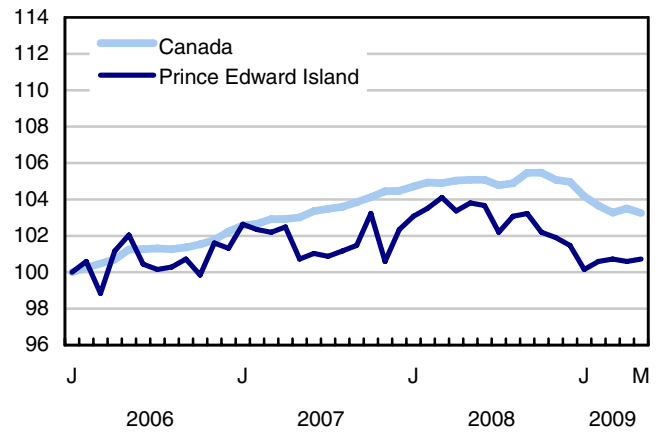
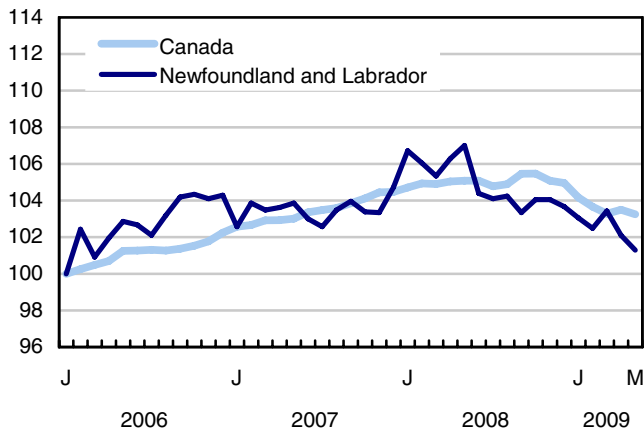
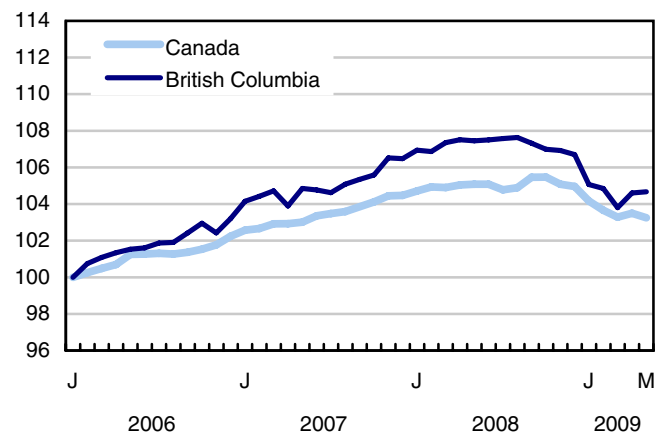
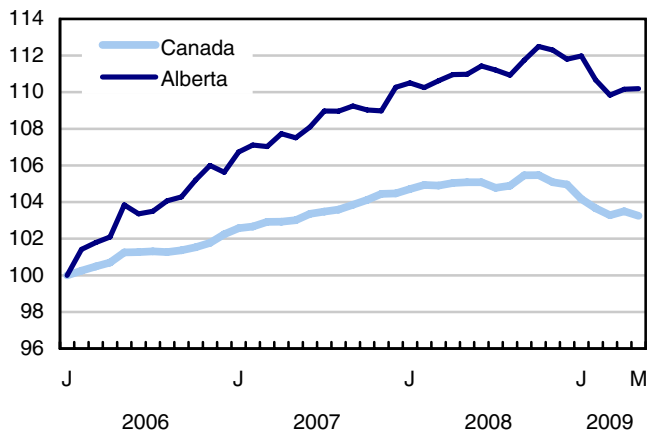
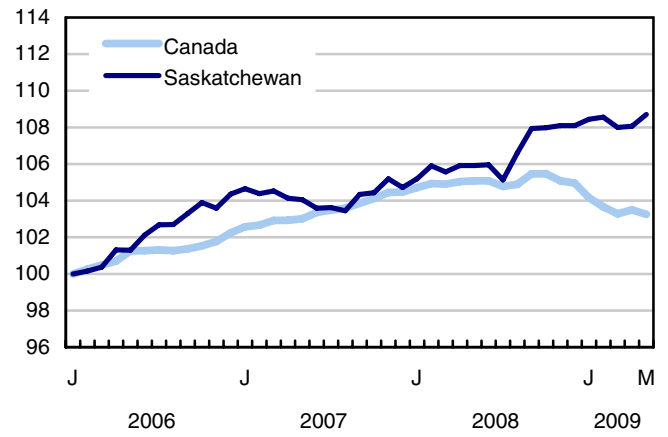
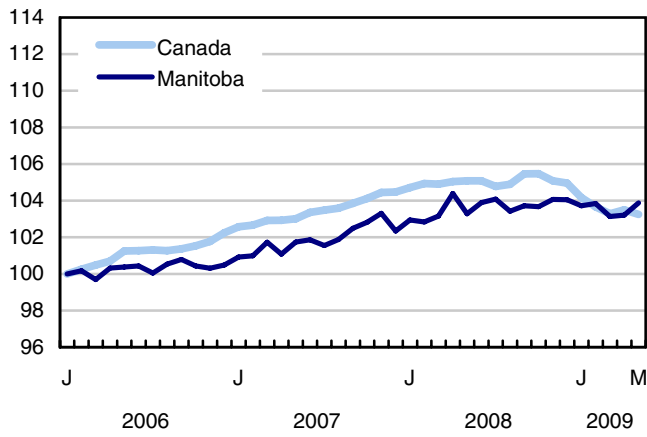


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Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2006=100



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

	April 2009	May 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)									
15 years and over, both sexes									
Population	27,217.6	27,250.0	...	32.4	151.3	379.4	0.1	0.6	1.4
Labour force	18,338.6	18,380.6	27.1	42.0	59.4	133.6	0.2	0.3	0.7
Employment	16,874.0	16,832.2	27.8	-41.8	-278.8	-299.4	-0.2	-1.6	-1.7
Employment full-time	13,656.8	13,598.1	36.2	-58.7	-323.6	-376.5	-0.4	-2.3	-2.7
Employment part-time	3,217.1	3,234.1	33.1	17.0	44.8	77.1	0.5	1.4	2.4
Unemployment	1,464.6	1,548.4	22.9	83.8	338.3	433.0	5.7	28.0	38.8
Participation rate	67.4	67.5	0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.4	0.1	0.4	1.8	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.8	0.1	-0.2	-1.3	-2.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.1	19.2	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.8	...	...	...
15 to 24 years, both sexes									
Population	4,390.1	4,392.2	...	2.1	7.8	19.3	0.0	0.2	0.4
Labour force	2,888.9	2,899.4	16.2	10.5	-31.1	-54.3	0.4	-1.1	-1.8
Employment	2,479.0	2,466.7	15.8	-12.3	-87.2	-139.7	-0.5	-3.4	-5.4
Employment full-time	1,335.2	1,302.0	18.2	-33.2	-88.9	-141.8	-2.5	-6.4	-9.8
Employment part-time	1,143.9	1,164.7	18.9	20.8	1.7	2.1	1.8	0.1	0.2
Unemployment	409.8	432.8	13.6	23.0	56.1	85.5	5.6	14.9	24.6
Participation rate	65.8	66.0	0.4	0.2	-0.8	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.2	14.9	0.4	0.7	2.0	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	56.2	0.4	-0.3	-2.0	-3.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.1	47.2	0.6	1.1	1.7	2.6	...	...	...
25 years and over, men									
Population	11,159.8	11,174.9	...	15.1	72.2	181.4	0.1	0.7	1.7
Labour force	8,184.9	8,215.8	13.6	30.9	43.1	92.5	0.4	0.5	1.1
Employment	7,560.6	7,536.9	15.2	-23.7	-162.4	-168.3	-0.3	-2.1	-2.2
Employment full-time	6,980.7	6,949.2	19.7	-31.5	-209.7	-231.3	-0.5	-2.9	-3.2
Employment part-time	579.9	587.7	15.5	7.8	47.3	63.0	1.3	8.8	12.0
Unemployment	624.3	678.8	13.2	54.5	205.4	260.7	8.7	43.4	62.4
Participation rate	73.3	73.5	0.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	8.3	0.2	0.7	2.5	3.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.7	67.4	0.1	-0.3	-1.9	-2.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.7	7.8	0.2	0.1	0.8	1.0	...	...	...
25 years and over, women									
Population	11,667.7	11,682.9	...	15.2	71.3	178.7	0.1	0.6	1.6
Labour force	7,264.9	7,265.4	15.7	0.5	47.5	95.4	0.0	0.7	1.3
Employment	6,834.4	6,828.6	15.8	-5.8	-29.2	8.6	-0.1	-0.4	0.1
Employment full-time	5,341.0	5,346.9	23.5	5.9	-25.0	-3.3	0.1	-0.5	-0.1
Employment part-time	1,493.4	1,481.7	21.7	-11.7	-4.2	11.9	-0.8	-0.3	0.8
Unemployment	430.4	436.8	12.3	6.4	76.8	86.9	1.5	21.3	24.8
Participation rate	62.3	62.2	0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.0	0.2	0.1	1.0	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	58.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.7	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.9	21.7	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, both sexes									
Population	14,491.8	14,501.1	...	9.3	34.6	91.7	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	12,542.3	12,552.6	20.1	10.3	9.7	50.5	0.1	0.1	0.4
Employment	11,679.2	11,629.6	21.8	-49.6	-238.9	-248.5	-0.4	-2.0	-2.1
Unemployment	863.1	923.0	16.9	59.9	248.6	299.0	6.9	36.9	47.9
Participation rate	86.5	86.6	0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.4	0.1	0.5	2.0	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	80.6	80.2	0.2	-0.4	-1.8	-2.2	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

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

	April 2009	May 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)									
25 to 54 years, men									
Population	7,241.4	7,246.2	...	4.8	18.9	49.0	0.1	0.3	0.7
Labour force	6,569.9	6,591.2	12.7	21.3	-0.1	6.6	0.3	0.0	0.1
Employment	6,060.2	6,032.7	14.7	-27.5	-175.1	-216.6	-0.5	-2.8	-3.5
Unemployment	509.6	558.4	12.2	48.8	174.9	223.1	9.6	45.6	66.5
Participation rate	90.7	91.0	0.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	8.5	0.2	0.7	2.7	3.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	83.7	83.3	0.2	-0.4	-2.6	-3.5	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, women									
Population	7,250.4	7,254.9	...	4.5	15.8	42.7	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	5,972.4	5,961.4	15.0	-11.0	9.9	43.9	-0.2	0.2	0.7
Employment	5,618.9	5,596.9	15.5	-22.0	-63.8	-31.9	-0.4	-1.1	-0.6
Unemployment	353.4	364.5	11.5	11.1	73.6	75.9	3.1	25.3	26.3
Participation rate	82.4	82.2	0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.1	0.2	0.2	1.2	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.5	77.1	0.2	-0.4	-1.1	-0.9	...	...	...
55 years and over, both sexes									
Population	8,335.8	8,356.7	...	20.9	108.9	268.3	0.3	1.3	3.3
Labour force	2,907.5	2,928.6	15.8	21.1	80.9	137.4	0.7	2.8	4.9
Employment	2,715.8	2,735.9	15.8	20.1	47.2	88.8	0.7	1.8	3.4
Unemployment	191.7	192.7	8.0	1.0	33.7	48.6	0.5	21.2	33.7
Participation rate	34.9	35.0	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.6	0.3	0.0	1.0	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	32.6	32.7	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
55 years and over, men									
Population	3,918.4	3,928.7	...	10.3	53.4	132.4	0.3	1.4	3.5
Labour force	1,615.0	1,624.6	10.4	9.6	43.2	85.9	0.6	2.7	5.6
Employment	1,500.3	1,504.2	10.5	3.9	12.7	48.3	0.3	0.9	3.3
Unemployment	114.7	120.4	5.8	5.7	30.5	37.6	5.0	33.9	45.4
Participation rate	41.2	41.4	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	7.4	0.4	0.3	1.7	2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	38.3	38.3	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
55 years and over, women									
Population	4,417.3	4,428.0	...	10.7	55.5	135.9	0.2	1.3	3.2
Labour force	1,292.5	1,304.0	10.9	11.5	37.7	51.5	0.9	3.0	4.1
Employment	1,215.5	1,231.7	10.9	16.2	34.5	40.5	1.3	2.9	3.4
Unemployment	77.0	72.3	5.4	-4.7	3.1	11.0	-6.1	4.5	17.9
Participation rate	29.3	29.4	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.5	0.4	-0.5	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	27.5	27.8	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.0	...	...	...

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

	April 2009	May 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									
Class of worker									
Employees	14,187.2	14,177.4	32.9	-9.8	-275.2	-339.6	-0.1	-1.9	-2.3
Self-employed ²	2,686.8	2,654.8	22.2	-32.0	-3.6	40.2	-1.2	-0.1	1.5
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,391.1	3,417.8	21.5	26.7	-28.9	4.7	0.8	-0.8	0.1
Private sector employees	10,796.1	10,759.6	33.6	-36.5	-246.3	-344.2	-0.3	-2.2	-3.1
Industry	16,874.0	16,832.2	27.8	-41.8	-278.8	-299.4	-0.2	-1.6	-1.7
Goods-producing sector	3,783.5	3,717.5	23.6	-66.0	-259.6	-316.6	-1.7	-6.5	-7.8
Agriculture	328.3	324.0	7.3	-4.3	7.8	1.1	-1.3	2.5	0.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	318.8	315.6	6.9	-3.2	-28.3	-21.9	-1.0	-8.2	-6.5
Utilities	145.4	149.4	4.6	4.0	0.4	-1.3	2.8	0.3	-0.9
Construction	1,144.2	1,140.1	14.8	-4.1	-77.4	-97.0	-0.4	-6.4	-7.8
Manufacturing	1,846.8	1,788.4	17.7	-58.4	-162.1	-197.5	-3.2	-8.3	-9.9
Services-producing sector	13,090.5	13,114.7	31.2	24.2	-19.2	17.2	0.2	-0.1	0.1
Trade	2,621.5	2,633.3	20.8	11.8	-28.4	-46.6	0.5	-1.1	-1.7
Transportation and warehousing	838.8	823.1	12.5	-15.7	-46.6	-27.7	-1.9	-5.4	-3.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,073.4	1,064.2	14.0	-9.2	-19.5	-10.0	-0.9	-1.8	-0.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,191.3	1,192.4	15.0	1.1	-14.7	12.6	0.1	-1.2	1.1
Business, building and other support services	685.0	687.1	12.7	2.1	17.0	-18.3	0.3	2.5	-2.6
Educational services	1,173.5	1,183.9	14.2	10.4	-0.6	-6.4	0.9	-0.1	-0.5
Health care and social assistance	1,956.2	1,951.1	15.7	-5.1	11.6	41.4	-0.3	0.6	2.2
Information, culture and recreation	764.4	770.6	12.5	6.2	8.0	16.4	0.8	1.0	2.2
Accommodation and food services	1,074.4	1,067.8	15.2	-6.6	4.4	-14.0	-0.6	0.4	-1.3
Other services	797.6	807.7	11.6	10.1	50.8	58.9	1.3	6.7	7.9
Public administration	914.5	933.5	11.2	19.0	-1.2	10.9	2.1	-0.1	1.2

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

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

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

Table 3
Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	April 2009	May 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)									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	428.1	428.2	...	0.1	0.6	2.5	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	251.0	250.2	2.2	-0.8	-1.8	-6.9	-0.3	-0.7	-2.7
Employment	214.2	212.5	2.2	-1.7	-5.0	-12.0	-0.8	-2.3	-5.3
Employment full-time	184.2	182.9	2.5	-1.3	-2.7	-9.1	-0.7	-1.5	-4.7
Employment part-time	30.0	29.6	1.9	-0.4	-2.2	-2.8	-1.3	-6.9	-8.6
Unemployment	36.8	37.7	2.1	0.9	3.2	5.0	2.4	9.3	15.3
Participation rate	58.6	58.4	0.5	-0.2	-0.5	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.7	15.1	0.8	0.4	1.4	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.0	49.6	0.5	-0.4	-1.3	-3.1	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	115.5	115.8	...	0.3	0.5	1.7	0.3	0.4	1.5
Labour force	78.2	79.1	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.7	1.2	0.8	0.9
Employment	68.6	68.7	0.7	0.1	-0.5	-2.1	0.1	-0.7	-3.0
Employment full-time	57.7	57.9	0.8	0.2	0.1	-1.1	0.3	0.2	-1.9
Employment part-time	10.8	10.8	0.7	0.0	-0.6	-1.1	0.0	-5.3	-9.2
Unemployment	9.7	10.4	0.6	0.7	1.2	2.9	7.2	13.0	38.7
Participation rate	67.7	68.3	0.5	0.6	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.4	13.1	0.8	0.7	1.4	3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	59.3	0.6	-0.1	-0.7	-2.8	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	771.9	772.1	...	0.2	1.5	4.1	0.0	0.2	0.5
Labour force	495.0	497.0	2.8	2.0	3.0	7.5	0.4	0.6	1.5
Employment	449.3	452.9	2.9	3.6	-0.6	3.7	0.8	-0.1	0.8
Employment full-time	367.5	373.5	3.6	6.0	1.9	8.0	1.6	0.5	2.2
Employment part-time	81.8	79.4	3.1	-2.4	-2.6	-4.2	-2.9	-3.2	-5.0
Unemployment	45.7	44.1	2.6	-1.6	3.6	3.7	-3.5	8.9	9.2
Participation rate	64.1	64.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	8.9	0.5	-0.3	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	58.7	0.4	0.5	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	620.9	621.1	...	0.2	1.4	3.5	0.0	0.2	0.6
Labour force	399.9	400.6	2.4	0.7	-0.4	2.8	0.2	-0.1	0.7
Employment	364.3	365.5	2.5	1.2	-1.1	2.3	0.3	-0.3	0.6
Employment full-time	306.5	307.5	3.0	1.0	-3.3	2.2	0.3	-1.1	0.7
Employment part-time	57.8	58.0	2.4	0.2	2.2	0.2	0.3	3.9	0.3
Unemployment	35.6	35.1	2.2	-0.5	0.7	0.4	-1.4	2.0	1.2
Participation rate	64.4	64.5	0.4	0.1	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.8	0.5	-0.1	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	58.8	0.4	0.1	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,421.1	6,426.5	...	5.4	26.4	62.8	0.1	0.4	1.0
Labour force	4,210.8	4,229.6	14.2	18.8	38.0	39.6	0.4	0.9	0.9
Employment	3,857.9	3,863.6	14.7	5.7	-20.7	-14.2	0.1	-0.5	-0.4
Employment full-time	3,131.1	3,130.1	19.0	-1.0	-4.7	-27.8	0.0	-0.1	-0.9
Employment part-time	726.8	733.5	17.4	6.7	-16.0	13.7	0.9	-2.1	1.9
Unemployment	352.9	366.0	12.7	13.1	58.8	53.7	3.7	19.1	17.2
Participation rate	65.6	65.8	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.7	0.3	0.3	1.4	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	60.1	0.2	0.0	-0.6	-0.8	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	April 2009	May 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)									
Ontario									
Population	10,625.4	10,636.8	...	11.4	56.0	149.6	0.1	0.5	1.4
Labour force	7,166.3	7,156.1	18.4	-10.2	-25.9	-3.9	-0.1	-0.4	-0.1
Employment	6,545.1	6,485.4	18.8	-59.7	-179.8	-219.8	-0.9	-2.7	-3.3
Employment full-time	5,283.2	5,233.1	23.8	-50.1	-188.0	-219.3	-0.9	-3.5	-4.0
Employment part-time	1,261.9	1,252.3	22.1	-9.6	8.2	-0.6	-0.8	0.7	0.0
Unemployment	621.2	670.7	15.9	49.5	153.9	215.9	8.0	29.8	47.5
Participation rate	67.4	67.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	9.4	0.2	0.7	2.2	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.0	0.2	-0.6	-2.0	-2.9	...	...	...
Manitoba									
Population	919.3	920.7	...	1.4	5.9	12.5	0.2	0.6	1.4
Labour force	633.3	639.1	2.7	5.8	2.6	8.1	0.9	0.4	1.3
Employment	604.2	608.1	2.8	3.9	-1.0	3.5	0.6	-0.2	0.6
Employment full-time	497.4	495.5	3.9	-1.9	2.4	3.0	-0.4	0.5	0.6
Employment part-time	106.8	112.6	3.6	5.8	-3.4	0.6	5.4	-2.9	0.5
Unemployment	29.1	31.0	2.2	1.9	3.6	4.6	6.5	13.1	17.4
Participation rate	68.9	69.4	0.3	0.5	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.9	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	66.0	0.3	0.3	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	777.1	778.0	...	0.9	4.0	12.8	0.1	0.5	1.7
Labour force	547.4	550.2	2.3	2.8	7.2	18.7	0.5	1.3	3.5
Employment	520.1	523.2	2.4	3.1	2.9	13.4	0.6	0.6	2.6
Employment full-time	421.2	425.2	3.2	4.0	-1.2	8.6	0.9	-0.3	2.1
Employment part-time	99.0	98.0	2.9	-1.0	4.1	4.8	-1.0	4.4	5.2
Unemployment	27.3	27.1	1.8	-0.2	4.4	5.4	-0.7	19.4	24.9
Participation rate	70.4	70.7	0.3	0.3	0.5	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.9	0.3	-0.1	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.9	67.2	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	2,847.9	2,855.2	...	7.3	31.5	66.7	0.3	1.1	2.4
Labour force	2,119.5	2,135.3	8.0	15.8	25.1	52.0	0.7	1.2	2.5
Employment	1,992.9	1,993.5	8.4	0.6	-29.0	-14.2	0.0	-1.4	-0.7
Employment full-time	1,635.6	1,643.3	11.3	7.7	-37.5	-37.9	0.5	-2.2	-2.3
Employment part-time	357.3	350.2	9.8	-7.1	8.5	23.7	-2.0	2.5	7.3
Unemployment	126.6	141.8	5.8	15.2	54.0	66.2	12.0	61.5	87.6
Participation rate	74.4	74.8	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.6	0.3	0.6	2.4	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.0	69.8	0.3	-0.2	-1.8	-2.2	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,690.4	3,695.7	...	5.3	23.5	63.3	0.1	0.6	1.7
Labour force	2,437.1	2,443.2	9.8	6.1	10.7	14.9	0.3	0.4	0.6
Employment	2,257.4	2,258.8	9.9	1.4	-43.9	-60.1	0.1	-1.9	-2.6
Employment full-time	1,772.2	1,749.5	14.0	-22.7	-90.1	-103.1	-1.3	-4.9	-5.6
Employment part-time	485.1	509.3	12.8	24.2	46.1	43.0	5.0	10.0	9.2
Unemployment	179.8	184.5	7.2	4.7	54.8	75.1	2.6	42.3	68.6
Participation rate	66.0	66.1	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	7.6	0.3	0.2	2.3	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	61.1	0.3	-0.1	-1.6	-2.7	...	...	...

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

	April 2009	May 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	428.1	428.2	...	0.1	0.6	2.5	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	251.0	250.2	2.2	-0.8	-1.8	-6.9	-0.3	-0.7	-2.7
Employment	214.2	212.5	2.2	-1.7	-5.0	-12.0	-0.8	-2.3	-5.3
Employment full-time	184.2	182.9	2.5	-1.3	-2.7	-9.1	-0.7	-1.5	-4.7
Unemployment	36.8	37.7	2.1	0.9	3.2	5.0	2.4	9.3	15.3
Participation rate	58.6	58.4	0.5	-0.2	-0.5	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.7	15.1	0.8	0.4	1.4	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.0	49.6	0.5	-0.4	-1.3	-3.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	14.0	13.9	0.8	-0.1	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	61.4	61.2	...	-0.2	-0.7	-1.4	-0.3	-1.1	-2.2
Labour force	35.1	33.9	1.1	-1.2	-0.4	-1.2	-3.4	-1.2	-3.4
Employment	27.8	26.6	1.1	-1.2	-0.1	-1.5	-4.3	-0.4	-5.3
Unemployment	7.4	7.3	1.0	-0.1	-0.3	0.2	-1.4	-3.9	2.8
Participation rate	57.2	55.4	1.8	-1.8	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	21.1	21.5	2.6	0.4	-0.7	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	45.3	43.5	1.8	-1.8	0.4	-1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	43.5	41.7	3.7	-1.8	-7.7	-0.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	176.9	177.0	...	0.1	0.6	1.7	0.1	0.3	1.0
Labour force	111.5	112.3	1.2	0.8	-1.8	-4.4	0.7	-1.6	-3.8
Employment	94.8	94.1	1.3	-0.7	-3.9	-10.5	-0.7	-4.0	-10.0
Unemployment	16.7	18.2	1.3	1.5	2.1	6.1	9.0	13.0	50.4
Participation rate	63.0	63.4	0.7	0.4	-1.3	-3.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.0	16.2	1.1	1.2	2.1	5.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.6	53.2	0.8	-0.4	-2.4	-6.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.0	4.3	0.8	0.2	-0.7	-0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	189.8	190.0	...	0.2	0.7	2.2	0.1	0.4	1.2
Labour force	104.4	104.1	1.2	-0.3	0.6	-1.2	-0.3	0.6	-1.1
Employment	91.7	91.9	1.1	0.2	-0.9	0.1	0.2	-1.0	0.1
Unemployment	12.7	12.2	1.1	-0.5	1.4	-1.3	-3.9	13.0	-9.6
Participation rate	55.0	54.8	0.6	-0.2	0.1	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.2	11.7	1.0	-0.5	1.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	48.3	48.4	0.6	0.1	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.4	15.8	1.3	0.4	0.9	-0.8	...	...	...
Industry									
	214.2	212.5	2.2	-1.7	-5.0	-12.0	-0.8	-2.3	-5.3
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	1.0	1.0	0.3	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	13.8	13.8	1.0	0.0	-2.5	-1.7	0.0	-15.3	-11.0
Utilities	2.0	2.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.0	11.1	25.0
Construction	14.8	16.0	1.1	1.2	-1.3	-1.6	8.1	-7.5	-9.1
Manufacturing	13.8	12.5	1.1	-1.3	-0.1	-3.2	-9.4	-0.8	-20.4
Services-producing sector									
	168.8	167.2	2.1	-1.6	-1.8	-5.9	-0.9	-1.1	-3.4
Trade	35.3	34.0	1.3	-1.3	-0.4	-3.8	-3.7	-1.2	-10.1
Transportation and warehousing	11.9	11.6	0.8	-0.3	0.7	0.6	-2.5	6.4	5.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	6.3	7.5	0.5	1.2	0.5	-0.8	19.0	7.1	-9.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	8.6	8.2	0.6	-0.4	0.1	-0.5	-4.7	1.2	-5.7
Business, building and other support services	6.9	7.6	0.7	0.7	-0.2	-0.3	10.1	-2.6	-3.8
Educational services	16.2	16.0	0.9	-0.2	-1.5	-0.4	-1.2	-8.6	-2.4
Health care and social assistance	33.0	33.8	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.6	2.4	1.8	5.0
Information, culture and recreation	10.3	9.3	0.7	-1.0	1.6	1.3	-9.7	20.8	16.2
Accommodation and food services	11.8	12.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	-0.2	7.6	7.6	-1.6
Other services	11.1	10.0	0.8	-1.1	-3.5	-1.1	-9.9	-25.9	-9.9
Public administration	17.6	16.6	0.9	-1.0	-0.6	-2.3	-5.7	-3.5	-12.2

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

	April 2009	May 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	115.5	115.8	...	0.3	0.5	1.7	0.3	0.4	1.5
Labour force	78.2	79.1	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.7	1.2	0.8	0.9
Employment	68.6	68.7	0.7	0.1	-0.5	-2.1	0.1	-0.7	-3.0
Employment full-time	57.7	57.9	0.8	0.2	0.1	-1.1	0.3	0.2	-1.9
Unemployment	9.7	10.4	0.6	0.7	1.2	2.9	7.2	13.0	38.7
Participation rate	67.7	68.3	0.5	0.6	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.4	13.1	0.8	0.7	1.4	3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	59.3	0.6	-0.1	-0.7	-2.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.7	15.7	0.9	0.0	-0.8	-1.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.8	19.8	...	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.5
Labour force	13.5	13.9	0.4	0.4	-0.1	0.3	3.0	-0.7	2.2
Employment	10.8	11.2	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.6	3.7	-1.8	-5.1
Unemployment	2.7	2.7	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.9	0.0	3.8	50.0
Participation rate	68.2	70.2	2.0	2.0	-0.5	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	20.0	19.4	2.4	-0.6	0.8	6.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.5	56.6	1.9	2.1	-1.0	-3.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.0	39.3	3.3	1.3	-4.6	2.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	46.1	46.2	...	0.1	0.2	0.9	0.2	0.4	2.0
Labour force	32.9	33.6	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.9	2.1	2.8	2.8
Employment	28.8	29.0	0.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.6	0.7	-1.0	-2.0
Unemployment	4.1	4.6	0.4	0.5	1.2	1.5	12.2	35.3	48.4
Participation rate	71.4	72.7	0.8	1.3	1.6	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.5	13.7	1.1	1.2	3.3	4.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	62.8	0.9	0.3	-0.9	-2.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.6	7.2	1.0	0.6	1.8	0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	49.7	49.8	...	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.2	0.4	1.4
Labour force	31.9	31.7	0.3	-0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.6	0.0	-0.9
Employment	29.0	28.5	0.4	-0.5	0.0	-0.9	-1.7	0.0	-3.1
Unemployment	2.9	3.1	0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.5	6.9	-3.1	19.2
Participation rate	64.2	63.7	0.6	-0.5	-0.2	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.1	9.8	0.9	0.7	-0.3	1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	57.2	0.8	-1.2	-0.3	-2.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.6	15.1	1.5	-1.5	-1.8	-4.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	68.6	68.7	0.7	0.1	-0.5	-2.1	0.1	-0.7	-3.0
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	17.8	16.5	0.6	-1.3	-1.0	-0.3	-7.3	-5.7	-1.8
Agriculture	3.5	3.5	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.7	0.0	12.9	25.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	3.1	2.3	0.3	-0.8	-1.1	-0.6	-25.8	-32.4	-20.7
Utilities	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Construction	5.4	4.5	0.3	-0.9	-0.4	-0.5	-16.7	-8.2	-10.0
Manufacturing	5.6	5.9	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.1	5.4	1.7	1.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	50.8	52.2	0.7	1.4	0.5	-1.8	2.8	1.0	-3.3
Trade	9.0	9.7	0.4	0.7	0.4	-0.8	7.8	4.3	-7.6
Transportation and warehousing	2.4	2.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.8	-0.8	-12.5	-27.6	-27.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.5	2.4	0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	-4.0	0.0	-14.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.0	1.9	0.2	-0.1	-0.8	-0.8	-5.0	-29.6	-29.6
Business, building and other support services	2.7	2.8	0.2	0.1	0.5	-0.2	3.7	21.7	-6.7
Educational services	5.1	5.0	0.3	-0.1	0.3	-0.4	-2.0	6.4	-7.4
Health care and social assistance	7.6	8.0	0.3	0.4	-0.7	-0.2	5.3	-8.0	-2.4
Information, culture and recreation	2.6	2.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-3.8	-3.8	-3.8
Accommodation and food services	5.5	6.4	0.3	0.9	0.7	1.3	16.4	12.3	25.5
Other services	3.2	3.1	0.3	-0.1	0.4	0.0	-3.1	14.8	0.0
Public administration	8.1	8.4	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.6	3.7	9.1	7.7

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

	April 2009	May 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	771.9	772.1	...	0.2	1.5	4.1	0.0	0.2	0.5
Labour force	495.0	497.0	2.8	2.0	3.0	7.5	0.4	0.6	1.5
Employment	449.3	452.9	2.9	3.6	-0.6	3.7	0.8	-0.1	0.8
Employment full-time	367.5	373.5	3.6	6.0	1.9	8.0	1.6	0.5	2.2
Unemployment	45.7	44.1	2.6	-1.6	3.6	3.7	-3.5	8.9	9.2
Participation rate	64.1	64.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	8.9	0.5	-0.3	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	58.7	0.4	0.5	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	17.5	0.7	-0.7	-0.6	-1.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	120.5	120.3	...	-0.2	-0.4	-1.3	-0.2	-0.3	-1.1
Labour force	81.2	80.6	1.8	-0.6	-0.8	-2.1	-0.7	-1.0	-2.5
Employment	67.1	67.4	1.7	0.3	-1.7	-4.7	0.4	-2.5	-6.5
Unemployment	14.1	13.1	1.5	-1.0	0.7	2.5	-7.1	5.6	23.6
Participation rate	67.4	67.0	1.4	-0.4	-0.4	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.4	16.3	1.7	-1.1	1.1	3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.7	56.0	1.4	0.3	-1.2	-3.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.8	44.7	2.5	1.9	2.0	-1.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	310.5	310.6	...	0.1	0.8	2.4	0.0	0.3	0.8
Labour force	211.4	215.4	1.5	4.0	3.1	5.8	1.9	1.5	2.8
Employment	192.0	196.2	1.6	4.2	1.1	3.2	2.2	0.6	1.7
Unemployment	19.4	19.2	1.6	-0.2	1.9	2.6	-1.0	11.0	15.7
Participation rate	68.1	69.3	0.5	1.2	0.8	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	8.9	0.7	-0.3	0.8	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	63.2	0.5	1.4	0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.9	7.4	0.7	-0.5	0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	340.9	341.1	...	0.2	1.0	2.9	0.1	0.3	0.9
Labour force	202.4	201.0	1.5	-1.4	0.7	3.8	-0.7	0.3	1.9
Employment	190.2	189.2	1.5	-1.0	-0.2	5.2	-0.5	-0.1	2.8
Unemployment	12.2	11.8	1.3	-0.4	0.9	-1.4	-3.3	8.3	-10.6
Participation rate	59.4	58.9	0.4	-0.5	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.9	0.7	-0.1	0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	55.5	0.5	-0.3	-0.2	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.0	18.4	1.1	-1.6	-2.0	-2.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Goods-producing sector	449.3	452.9	2.9	3.6	-0.6	3.7	0.8	-0.1	0.8
Agriculture	6.6	5.9	0.7	-0.7	-1.7	-0.4	-10.6	-22.4	-6.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	11.3	13.3	1.0	2.0	1.1	1.2	17.7	9.0	9.9
Utilities	2.6	2.8	0.3	0.2	0.1	-0.7	7.7	3.7	-20.0
Construction	30.0	29.6	1.4	-0.4	-2.2	-4.7	-1.3	-6.9	-13.7
Manufacturing	36.4	32.6	1.5	-3.8	-6.1	-5.7	-10.4	-15.8	-14.9
Services-producing sector	362.3	368.7	3.0	6.4	8.0	14.0	1.8	2.2	3.9
Trade	75.3	74.7	2.0	-0.6	-4.7	-3.1	-0.8	-5.9	-4.0
Transportation and warehousing	21.4	21.5	1.0	0.1	2.0	3.6	0.5	10.3	20.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	21.6	22.5	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.1	4.2	4.2	0.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	23.0	21.9	1.1	-1.1	-2.3	3.4	-4.8	-9.5	18.4
Business, building and other support services	24.1	25.5	1.4	1.4	0.6	-2.0	5.8	2.4	-7.3
Educational services	36.5	37.5	1.4	1.0	2.5	5.6	2.7	7.1	17.6
Health care and social assistance	59.4	60.3	1.6	0.9	1.0	-0.6	1.5	1.7	-1.0
Information, culture and recreation	18.4	20.1	1.1	1.7	1.6	-0.1	9.2	8.6	-0.5
Accommodation and food services	31.7	32.0	1.5	0.3	2.1	3.8	0.9	7.0	13.5
Other services	18.4	19.3	1.1	0.9	0.9	-0.2	4.9	4.9	-1.0
Public administration	32.5	33.4	1.1	0.9	3.4	3.4	2.8	11.3	11.3

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

	April 2009	May 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	620.9	621.1	...	0.2	1.4	3.5	0.0	0.2	0.6
Labour force	399.9	400.6	2.4	0.7	-0.4	2.8	0.2	-0.1	0.7
Employment	364.3	365.5	2.5	1.2	-1.1	2.3	0.3	-0.3	0.6
Employment full-time	306.5	307.5	3.0	1.0	-3.3	2.2	0.3	-1.1	0.7
Unemployment	35.6	35.1	2.2	-0.5	0.7	0.4	-1.4	2.0	1.2
Participation rate	64.4	64.5	0.4	0.1	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.8	0.5	-0.1	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	58.8	0.4	0.1	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.9	15.9	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	94.1	94.0	...	-0.1	-0.3	-0.9	-0.1	-0.3	-0.9
Labour force	61.4	61.8	1.3	0.4	-4.0	-1.8	0.7	-6.1	-2.8
Employment	53.1	53.4	1.3	0.3	-3.1	-1.9	0.6	-5.5	-3.4
Unemployment	8.4	8.3	1.2	-0.1	-1.1	0.0	-1.2	-11.7	0.0
Participation rate	65.2	65.7	1.4	0.5	-4.1	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.7	13.4	1.8	-0.3	-0.9	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	56.8	1.4	0.4	-3.1	-1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.2	40.4	2.5	2.2	2.0	-3.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	254.2	254.4	...	0.2	0.8	1.9	0.1	0.3	0.8
Labour force	175.1	176.2	1.4	1.1	2.7	3.7	0.6	1.6	2.1
Employment	159.4	159.6	1.5	0.2	1.3	3.8	0.1	0.8	2.4
Unemployment	15.7	16.6	1.4	0.9	1.5	-0.1	5.7	9.9	-0.6
Participation rate	68.9	69.3	0.6	0.4	0.9	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	9.4	0.8	0.4	0.7	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.7	62.7	0.6	0.0	0.3	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.2	6.0	0.6	-0.2	0.7	1.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	272.5	272.7	...	0.2	0.9	2.5	0.1	0.3	0.9
Labour force	163.4	162.7	1.2	-0.7	1.0	1.0	-0.4	0.6	0.6
Employment	151.9	152.5	1.3	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3
Unemployment	11.5	10.2	1.0	-1.3	0.4	0.5	-11.3	4.1	5.2
Participation rate	60.0	59.7	0.4	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.3	0.6	-0.7	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.7	55.9	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	17.6	1.0	-0.6	0.6	0.4	...	...	...
Industry									
	364.3	365.5	2.5	1.2	-1.1	2.3	0.3	-0.3	0.6
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	8.0	7.1	0.6	-0.9	-0.4	1.8	-11.2	-5.3	34.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	10.5	10.4	0.9	-0.1	0.9	-1.8	-1.0	9.5	-14.8
Utilities	3.8	4.1	0.5	0.3	-0.7	-1.0	7.9	-14.6	-19.6
Construction	26.6	26.2	1.2	-0.4	2.3	3.1	-1.5	9.6	13.4
Manufacturing	32.9	34.8	1.4	1.9	1.3	-0.1	5.8	3.9	-0.3
Services-producing sector									
	282.6	282.9	2.4	0.3	-4.6	0.4	0.1	-1.6	0.1
Trade	54.6	54.7	1.5	0.1	-2.2	-2.8	0.2	-3.9	-4.9
Transportation and warehousing	18.5	18.8	0.9	0.3	-1.4	-0.6	1.6	-6.9	-3.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	15.7	16.0	0.9	0.3	0.3	0.4	1.9	1.9	2.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	17.9	17.9	0.9	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.0	2.9	4.1
Business, building and other support services	21.7	20.2	1.1	-1.5	-0.8	0.8	-6.9	-3.8	4.1
Educational services	28.2	28.5	1.1	0.3	-1.0	4.4	1.1	-3.4	18.3
Health care and social assistance	50.1	50.2	1.3	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.4	1.2
Information, culture and recreation	10.4	11.2	0.8	0.8	0.2	-2.5	7.7	1.8	-18.2
Accommodation and food services	22.8	20.6	1.2	-2.2	-2.2	-4.9	-9.6	-9.6	-19.2
Other services	14.2	17.2	0.9	3.0	2.1	1.5	21.1	13.9	9.6
Public administration	28.6	27.6	1.0	-1.0	-0.3	2.8	-3.5	-1.1	11.3

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

	April 2009	May 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	6,421.1	6,426.5	...	5.4	26.4	62.8	0.1	0.4	1.0
Labour force	4,210.8	4,229.6	14.2	18.8	38.0	39.6	0.4	0.9	0.9
Employment	3,857.9	3,863.6	14.7	5.7	-20.7	-14.2	0.1	-0.5	-0.4
Employment full-time	3,131.1	3,130.1	19.0	-1.0	-4.7	-27.8	0.0	-0.1	-0.9
Unemployment	352.9	366.0	12.7	13.1	58.8	53.7	3.7	19.1	17.2
Participation rate	65.6	65.8	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.7	0.3	0.3	1.4	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	60.1	0.2	0.0	-0.6	-0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.8	19.0	0.4	0.1	-0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	962.1	962.4	...	0.3	1.4	3.4	0.0	0.1	0.4
Labour force	642.9	655.9	8.0	13.0	12.4	3.0	2.0	1.9	0.5
Employment	552.1	551.4	7.9	-0.7	-7.6	-15.1	-0.1	-1.4	-2.7
Unemployment	90.7	104.4	7.0	13.7	19.9	18.0	15.1	23.6	20.8
Participation rate	66.8	68.2	0.8	1.4	1.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.1	15.9	1.0	1.8	2.8	2.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	57.3	0.8	-0.1	-0.9	-1.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	51.3	50.8	1.5	-0.6	-1.6	2.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,668.2	2,670.8	...	2.6	13.0	30.2	0.1	0.5	1.1
Labour force	1,877.5	1,887.1	7.7	9.6	20.8	11.8	0.5	1.1	0.6
Employment	1,724.7	1,724.3	8.7	-0.4	-4.1	-20.1	0.0	-0.2	-1.2
Unemployment	152.9	162.8	7.8	9.9	24.9	31.9	6.5	18.1	24.4
Participation rate	70.4	70.7	0.3	0.3	0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	8.6	0.4	0.5	1.2	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	64.6	0.3	0.0	-0.4	-1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.1	7.6	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.7	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,790.8	2,793.3	...	2.5	12.1	29.1	0.1	0.4	1.1
Labour force	1,690.4	1,686.7	8.0	-3.7	4.9	24.9	-0.2	0.3	1.5
Employment	1,581.1	1,587.9	8.2	6.8	-9.1	21.0	0.4	-0.6	1.3
Unemployment	109.4	98.8	6.7	-10.6	14.0	3.9	-9.7	16.5	4.1
Participation rate	60.6	60.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	5.9	0.4	-0.6	0.9	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.7	56.8	0.3	0.1	-0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.3	20.3	0.7	0.0	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Industry									
	3,857.9	3,863.6	14.7	5.7	-20.7	-14.2	0.1	-0.5	-0.4
Goods-producing sector									
	858.2	870.2	11.9	12.0	-3.2	-21.7	1.4	-0.4	-2.4
Agriculture	56.5	59.4	3.6	2.9	7.3	-2.7	5.1	14.0	-4.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	28.2	29.9	2.4	1.7	-2.0	-3.9	6.0	-6.3	-11.5
Utilities	33.1	37.8	2.2	4.7	6.9	3.1	14.2	22.3	8.9
Construction	200.6	202.6	7.0	2.0	-5.9	-11.6	1.0	-2.8	-5.4
Manufacturing	539.8	540.5	9.5	0.7	-9.5	-6.7	0.1	-1.7	-1.2
Services-producing sector									
	2,999.7	2,993.4	16.2	-6.3	-17.6	7.5	-0.2	-0.6	0.3
Trade	624.3	624.5	10.7	0.2	18.6	-1.0	0.0	3.1	-0.2
Transportation and warehousing	176.3	173.2	6.2	-3.1	-7.9	-17.8	-1.8	-4.4	-9.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	217.3	214.1	7.0	-3.2	-9.0	-16.7	-1.5	-4.0	-7.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	280.1	274.8	7.8	-5.3	15.2	7.0	-1.9	5.9	2.6
Business, building and other support services	151.3	149.2	5.9	-2.1	2.2	10.8	-1.4	1.5	7.8
Educational services	256.5	261.8	7.1	5.3	16.5	-2.5	2.1	6.7	-0.9
Health care and social assistance	498.4	489.8	8.4	-8.6	-9.0	24.5	-1.7	-1.8	5.3
Information, culture and recreation	166.9	172.4	6.5	5.5	-7.2	9.0	3.3	-4.0	5.5
Accommodation and food services	229.5	225.3	8.0	-4.2	-17.7	-14.9	-1.8	-7.3	-6.2
Other services	182.3	190.7	6.1	8.4	19.3	12.8	4.6	11.3	7.2
Public administration	216.7	217.7	5.8	1.0	-38.5	-3.6	0.5	-15.0	-1.6

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

	April 2009	May 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	10,625.4	10,636.8	...	11.4	56.0	149.6	0.1	0.5	1.4
Labour force	7,166.3	7,156.1	18.4	-10.2	-25.9	-3.9	-0.1	-0.4	-0.1
Employment	6,545.1	6,485.4	18.8	-59.7	-179.8	-219.8	-0.9	-2.7	-3.3
Employment full-time	5,283.2	5,233.1	23.8	-50.1	-188.0	-219.3	-0.9	-3.5	-4.0
Unemployment	621.2	670.7	15.9	49.5	153.9	215.9	8.0	29.8	47.5
Participation rate	67.4	67.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	9.4	0.2	0.7	2.2	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.0	0.2	-0.6	-2.0	-2.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.3	19.3	0.3	0.0	0.6	0.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,742.7	1,743.6	...	0.9	4.5	12.2	0.1	0.3	0.7
Labour force	1,091.6	1,087.4	11.3	-4.2	-34.9	-35.4	-0.4	-3.1	-3.2
Employment	911.8	901.4	10.9	-10.4	-48.4	-69.1	-1.1	-5.1	-7.1
Unemployment	179.9	185.9	9.8	6.0	13.4	33.6	3.3	7.8	22.1
Participation rate	62.6	62.4	0.7	-0.2	-2.1	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.5	17.1	0.8	0.6	1.7	3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.3	51.7	0.6	-0.6	-2.9	-4.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.7	50.8	1.1	2.0	3.3	1.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,315.2	4,320.2	...	5.0	24.5	64.9	0.1	0.6	1.5
Labour force	3,195.6	3,190.7	8.9	-4.9	-2.7	21.8	-0.2	-0.1	0.7
Employment	2,930.1	2,896.1	10.1	-34.0	-108.8	-112.7	-1.2	-3.6	-3.7
Unemployment	265.5	294.6	8.9	29.1	106.1	134.5	11.0	56.3	84.0
Participation rate	74.1	73.9	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	9.2	0.3	0.9	3.3	4.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.9	67.0	0.2	-0.9	-3.0	-3.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.3	8.1	0.3	-0.1	0.9	1.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,567.5	4,573.0	...	5.5	27.0	72.5	0.1	0.6	1.6
Labour force	2,879.0	2,878.0	10.7	-1.0	11.7	9.7	0.0	0.4	0.3
Employment	2,703.3	2,687.9	10.6	-15.4	-22.6	-38.0	-0.6	-0.8	-1.4
Unemployment	175.7	190.2	8.5	14.5	34.4	47.9	8.3	22.1	33.7
Participation rate	63.0	62.9	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.6	0.3	0.5	1.2	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	58.8	0.2	-0.4	-0.8	-1.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.3	20.8	0.5	-0.5	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Industry									
	6,545.1	6,485.4	18.8	-59.7	-179.8	-219.8	-0.9	-2.7	-3.3
Goods-producing sector									
	1,417.1	1,348.5	15.4	-68.6	-145.4	-195.0	-4.8	-9.7	-12.6
Agriculture	88.3	83.1	3.9	-5.2	-4.3	-0.9	-5.9	-4.9	-1.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	34.8	35.6	2.4	0.8	1.3	-2.2	2.3	3.8	-5.8
Utilities	58.5	56.4	3.2	-2.1	-7.5	-7.4	-3.6	-11.7	-11.6
Construction	410.8	395.8	9.2	-15.0	-41.2	-47.1	-3.7	-9.4	-10.6
Manufacturing	824.7	777.7	12.3	-47.0	-93.5	-137.3	-5.7	-10.7	-15.0
Services-producing sector									
	5,128.0	5,136.9	20.9	8.9	-34.4	-24.8	0.2	-0.7	-0.5
Trade	996.3	989.8	13.9	-6.5	-37.3	-34.0	-0.7	-3.6	-3.3
Transportation and warehousing	326.0	316.1	8.3	-9.9	-30.9	-5.5	-3.0	-8.9	-1.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	492.0	495.8	9.9	3.8	1.0	30.3	0.8	0.2	6.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	486.1	507.0	10.2	20.9	0.5	17.0	4.3	0.1	3.5
Business, building and other support services	275.2	276.2	8.9	1.0	0.0	-39.6	0.4	0.0	-12.5
Educational services	457.9	458.3	9.5	0.4	-11.1	-21.5	0.1	-2.4	-4.5
Health care and social assistance	697.5	700.7	10.2	3.2	0.6	-4.8	0.5	0.1	-0.7
Information, culture and recreation	315.1	312.7	8.5	-2.4	-0.6	2.3	-0.8	-0.2	0.7
Accommodation and food services	404.3	402.4	9.9	-1.9	13.6	1.9	-0.5	3.5	0.5
Other services	319.8	317.1	7.5	-2.7	21.3	38.3	-0.8	7.2	13.7
Public administration	357.6	360.8	7.6	3.2	8.4	-9.2	0.9	2.4	-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

	April 2009	May 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	919.3	920.7	...	1.4	5.9	12.5	0.2	0.6	1.4
Labour force	633.3	639.1	2.7	5.8	2.6	8.1	0.9	0.4	1.3
Employment	604.2	608.1	2.8	3.9	-1.0	3.5	0.6	-0.2	0.6
Employment full-time	497.4	495.5	3.9	-1.9	2.4	3.0	-0.4	0.5	0.6
Unemployment	29.1	31.0	2.2	1.9	3.6	4.6	6.5	13.1	17.4
Participation rate	68.9	69.4	0.3	0.5	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.9	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	66.0	0.3	0.3	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.7	18.5	0.6	0.8	-0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	159.7	160.0	...	0.3	1.0	1.8	0.2	0.6	1.1
Labour force	112.9	113.7	1.7	0.8	-1.0	0.2	0.7	-0.9	0.2
Employment	103.4	103.2	1.7	-0.2	-1.5	1.0	-0.2	-1.4	1.0
Unemployment	9.5	10.5	1.4	1.0	0.5	-0.7	10.5	5.0	-6.2
Participation rate	70.7	71.1	1.1	0.4	-1.0	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	9.2	1.2	0.8	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.7	64.5	1.1	-0.2	-1.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	40.6	40.6	1.9	0.0	-3.3	0.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	371.4	372.0	...	0.6	2.6	5.4	0.2	0.7	1.5
Labour force	279.8	282.6	1.4	2.8	2.4	3.5	1.0	0.9	1.3
Employment	269.4	271.5	1.5	2.1	1.1	0.0	0.8	0.4	0.0
Unemployment	10.4	11.0	1.2	0.6	1.2	3.4	5.8	12.2	44.7
Participation rate	75.3	76.0	0.4	0.7	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.7	3.9	0.4	0.2	0.4	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.5	73.0	0.4	0.5	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	6.8	0.6	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	388.2	388.8	...	0.6	2.4	5.5	0.2	0.6	1.4
Labour force	240.6	242.9	1.6	2.3	1.2	4.5	1.0	0.5	1.9
Employment	231.4	233.4	1.6	2.0	-0.7	2.6	0.9	-0.3	1.1
Unemployment	9.3	9.4	1.1	0.1	1.8	1.8	1.1	23.7	23.7
Participation rate	62.0	62.5	0.4	0.5	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.9	3.9	0.5	0.0	0.8	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	60.0	0.4	0.4	-0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.9	22.5	1.0	1.6	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	604.2	608.1	2.8	3.9	-1.0	3.5	0.6	-0.2	0.6
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	142.1	138.8	2.5	-3.3	-7.4	-8.8	-2.3	-5.1	-6.0
Agriculture	26.0	25.6	1.3	-0.4	-3.8	-3.4	-1.5	-12.9	-11.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	7.1	7.0	0.5	-0.1	1.1	1.2	-1.4	18.6	20.7
Utilities	7.5	7.6	0.5	0.1	0.7	0.7	1.3	10.1	10.1
Construction	37.6	38.1	1.5	0.5	-0.1	1.7	1.3	-0.3	4.7
Manufacturing	64.0	60.6	1.8	-3.4	-5.2	-8.9	-5.3	-7.9	-12.8
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	462.1	469.3	3.3	7.2	6.4	12.4	1.6	1.4	2.7
Trade	88.3	87.7	2.0	-0.6	-1.6	-6.4	-0.7	-1.8	-6.8
Transportation and warehousing	39.0	39.6	1.4	0.6	2.5	4.9	1.5	6.7	14.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	35.1	34.7	1.4	-0.4	-0.1	-3.0	-1.1	-0.3	-8.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	25.3	26.6	1.2	1.3	2.4	-1.2	5.1	9.9	-4.3
Business, building and other support services	19.9	22.4	1.2	2.5	4.9	4.5	12.6	28.0	25.1
Educational services	47.0	46.7	1.5	-0.3	-1.2	0.5	-0.6	-2.5	1.1
Health care and social assistance	83.7	85.8	1.9	2.1	-1.4	6.1	2.5	-1.6	7.7
Information, culture and recreation	23.6	25.8	1.2	2.2	3.2	3.4	9.3	14.2	15.2
Accommodation and food services	34.7	34.1	1.6	-0.6	-2.9	0.0	-1.7	-7.8	0.0
Other services	29.0	28.9	1.4	-0.1	0.0	1.6	-0.3	0.0	5.9
Public administration	36.6	37.1	1.2	0.5	0.7	2.2	1.4	1.9	6.3

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

	April 2009	May 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	777.1	778.0	...	0.9	4.0	12.8	0.1	0.5	1.7
Labour force	547.4	550.2	2.3	2.8	7.2	18.7	0.5	1.3	3.5
Employment	520.1	523.2	2.4	3.1	2.9	13.4	0.6	0.6	2.6
Employment full-time	421.2	425.2	3.2	4.0	-1.2	8.6	0.9	-0.3	2.1
Unemployment	27.3	27.1	1.8	-0.2	4.4	5.4	-0.7	19.4	24.9
Participation rate	70.4	70.7	0.3	0.3	0.5	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.9	0.3	-0.1	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.9	67.2	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	18.7	0.6	-0.3	0.7	0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	139.5	139.4	...	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.0
Labour force	102.4	101.5	1.5	-0.9	0.1	0.8	-0.9	0.1	0.8
Employment	91.4	91.0	1.5	-0.4	-2.5	-1.5	-0.4	-2.7	-1.6
Unemployment	11.0	10.4	1.2	-0.6	2.5	2.3	-5.5	31.6	28.4
Participation rate	73.4	72.8	1.1	-0.6	0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.7	10.2	1.1	-0.5	2.4	2.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.5	65.3	1.1	-0.2	-1.6	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	37.7	39.2	1.7	1.5	2.1	5.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	311.6	312.1	...	0.5	2.2	6.3	0.2	0.7	2.1
Labour force	236.5	238.7	1.2	2.2	3.4	7.0	0.9	1.4	3.0
Employment	227.6	229.0	1.2	1.4	1.4	3.9	0.6	0.6	1.7
Unemployment	8.9	9.8	0.9	0.9	2.1	3.2	10.1	27.3	48.5
Participation rate	75.9	76.5	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.8	4.1	0.4	0.3	0.8	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	73.0	73.4	0.4	0.4	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.3	6.9	0.6	-0.4	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	326.0	326.5	...	0.5	2.1	6.5	0.2	0.6	2.0
Labour force	208.5	210.0	1.3	1.5	3.8	10.9	0.7	1.8	5.5
Employment	201.1	203.2	1.4	2.1	4.0	11.0	1.0	2.0	5.7
Unemployment	7.4	6.9	0.9	-0.5	-0.1	0.0	-6.8	-1.4	0.0
Participation rate	64.0	64.3	0.4	0.3	0.7	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.5	3.3	0.5	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	62.2	0.4	0.5	0.8	2.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.8	22.9	1.0	-0.9	0.9	-1.5	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	520.1	523.2	2.4	3.1	2.9	13.4	0.6	0.6	2.6
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	142.0	138.0	2.3	-4.0	-4.6	0.3	-2.8	-3.2	0.2
Agriculture	45.9	42.3	1.5	-3.6	3.1	1.2	-7.8	7.9	2.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	24.2	22.5	1.1	-1.7	-2.7	-2.6	-7.0	-10.7	-10.4
Utilities	4.5	4.7	0.4	0.2	-1.5	-1.4	4.4	-24.2	-23.0
Construction	36.7	39.2	1.3	2.5	-1.4	4.7	6.8	-3.4	13.6
Manufacturing	30.7	29.2	1.2	-1.5	-2.1	-1.6	-4.9	-6.7	-5.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	378.1	385.2	2.8	7.1	7.5	13.0	1.9	2.0	3.5
Trade	80.7	81.1	1.8	0.4	-2.2	-2.3	0.5	-2.6	-2.8
Transportation and warehousing	23.0	23.6	1.0	0.6	0.3	-1.1	2.6	1.3	-4.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	30.7	30.1	1.0	-0.6	1.2	1.5	-2.0	4.2	5.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	20.9	22.9	0.9	2.0	2.4	2.9	9.6	11.7	14.5
Business, building and other support services	11.4	11.6	0.8	0.2	-1.1	0.6	1.8	-8.7	5.5
Educational services	38.9	40.3	1.3	1.4	1.7	4.3	3.6	4.4	11.9
Health care and social assistance	64.6	64.8	1.3	0.2	1.8	0.1	0.3	2.9	0.2
Information, culture and recreation	20.1	21.2	1.0	1.1	0.4	0.4	5.5	1.9	1.9
Accommodation and food services	31.5	32.8	1.4	1.3	0.4	1.1	4.1	1.2	3.5
Other services	25.1	24.3	1.0	-0.8	0.2	1.5	-3.2	0.8	6.6
Public administration	31.3	32.5	1.0	1.2	2.4	4.0	3.8	8.0	14.0

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

	April 2009	May 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	2,847.9	2,855.2	...	7.3	31.5	66.7	0.3	1.1	2.4
Labour force	2,119.5	2,135.3	8.0	15.8	25.1	52.0	0.7	1.2	2.5
Employment	1,992.9	1,993.5	8.4	0.6	-29.0	-14.2	0.0	-1.4	-0.7
Employment full-time	1,635.6	1,643.3	11.3	7.7	-37.5	-37.9	0.5	-2.2	-2.3
Unemployment	126.6	141.8	5.8	15.2	54.0	66.2	12.0	61.5	87.6
Participation rate	74.4	74.8	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.6	0.3	0.6	2.4	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.0	69.8	0.3	-0.2	-1.8	-2.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.9	17.6	0.5	-0.4	0.7	1.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	506.0	506.9	...	0.9	1.9	3.4	0.2	0.4	0.7
Labour force	368.3	368.9	4.9	0.6	1.6	0.9	0.2	0.4	0.2
Employment	328.1	323.5	5.0	-4.6	-10.8	-18.4	-1.4	-3.2	-5.4
Unemployment	40.2	45.4	3.7	5.2	12.5	19.3	12.9	38.0	73.9
Participation rate	72.8	72.8	1.0	0.0	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.9	12.3	1.0	1.4	3.3	5.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.8	63.8	1.0	-1.0	-2.4	-4.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	35.6	37.5	1.5	1.9	2.1	5.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,185.3	1,188.8	...	3.5	16.3	37.1	0.3	1.4	3.2
Labour force	965.8	981.0	3.8	15.2	12.0	28.0	1.6	1.2	2.9
Employment	913.2	921.0	4.2	7.8	-19.7	-7.1	0.9	-2.1	-0.8
Unemployment	52.5	60.0	3.1	7.5	31.7	35.0	14.3	112.0	140.0
Participation rate	81.5	82.5	0.3	1.0	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	6.1	0.3	0.7	3.2	3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.0	77.5	0.4	0.5	-2.7	-3.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.0	6.7	0.5	-0.2	1.5	1.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,156.7	1,159.4	...	2.7	13.3	26.1	0.2	1.2	2.3
Labour force	785.3	785.4	4.9	0.1	11.5	23.1	0.0	1.5	3.0
Employment	751.5	749.0	5.1	-2.5	1.6	11.3	-0.3	0.2	1.5
Unemployment	33.8	36.4	3.3	2.6	9.9	11.9	7.7	37.4	48.6
Participation rate	67.9	67.7	0.4	-0.2	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.6	0.4	0.3	1.2	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.0	64.6	0.4	-0.4	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.6	22.3	0.9	-1.3	-1.0	0.0	...	...	...
Industry									
	1,992.9	1,993.5	8.4	0.6	-29.0	-14.2	0.0	-1.4	-0.7
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	58.7	59.8	3.2	1.1	-2.6	-0.5	1.9	-4.2	-0.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	144.4	141.6	4.7	-2.8	-13.5	-4.9	-1.9	-8.7	-3.3
Utilities	19.9	20.9	1.7	1.0	2.0	5.0	5.0	10.6	31.4
Construction	187.5	188.1	5.9	0.6	-16.4	-16.2	0.3	-8.0	-7.9
Manufacturing	122.6	124.9	5.2	2.3	-25.9	-12.7	1.9	-17.2	-9.2
Services-producing sector									
	1,459.8	1,458.1	10.3	-1.7	27.4	14.9	-0.1	1.9	1.0
Trade	303.2	303.0	7.0	-0.2	-11.9	-11.4	-0.1	-3.8	-3.6
Transportation and warehousing	105.4	103.8	4.1	-1.6	1.0	3.6	-1.5	1.0	3.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	114.3	109.6	4.0	-4.7	-2.4	-5.5	-4.1	-2.1	-4.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	151.3	148.3	5.0	-3.0	-11.6	-14.8	-2.0	-7.3	-9.1
Business, building and other support services	68.7	70.6	4.0	1.9	7.3	7.9	2.8	11.5	12.6
Educational services	129.5	133.4	4.5	3.9	-5.2	8.8	3.0	-3.8	7.1
Health care and social assistance	192.2	196.6	4.8	4.4	11.2	-0.5	2.3	6.0	-0.3
Information, culture and recreation	78.3	79.1	3.6	0.8	2.5	8.5	1.0	3.3	12.0
Accommodation and food services	128.3	125.5	4.6	-2.8	16.3	6.2	-2.2	14.9	5.2
Other services	98.9	97.4	3.8	-1.5	9.9	1.2	-1.5	11.3	1.2
Public administration	89.5	90.8	3.5	1.3	10.3	11.1	1.5	12.8	13.9

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Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

	April 2009	May 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	3,690.4	3,695.7	...	5.3	23.5	63.3	0.1	0.6	1.7
Labour force	2,437.1	2,443.2	9.8	6.1	10.7	14.9	0.3	0.4	0.6
Employment	2,257.4	2,258.8	9.9	1.4	-43.9	-60.1	0.1	-1.9	-2.6
Employment full-time	1,772.2	1,749.5	14.0	-22.7	-90.1	-103.1	-1.3	-4.9	-5.6
Unemployment	179.8	184.5	7.2	4.7	54.8	75.1	2.6	42.3	68.6
Participation rate	66.0	66.1	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	7.6	0.3	0.2	2.3	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	61.1	0.3	-0.1	-1.6	-2.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.5	22.5	0.5	1.1	2.4	2.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	584.4	584.6	...	0.2	0.7	2.0	0.0	0.1	0.3
Labour force	379.5	382.1	5.7	2.6	-3.7	-18.7	0.7	-1.0	-4.7
Employment	333.4	337.5	5.7	4.1	-11.4	-28.0	1.2	-3.3	-7.7
Unemployment	46.1	44.7	4.4	-1.4	7.8	9.4	-3.0	21.1	26.6
Participation rate	64.9	65.4	1.0	0.5	-0.7	-3.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.1	11.7	1.1	-0.4	2.1	2.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	57.7	1.0	0.7	-2.1	-5.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	47.3	47.6	1.8	0.2	4.3	5.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,520.3	1,522.8	...	2.5	11.3	30.6	0.2	0.7	2.1
Labour force	1,098.7	1,098.2	4.8	-0.5	2.2	14.6	0.0	0.2	1.3
Employment	1,020.6	1,016.2	5.2	-4.4	-30.6	-28.0	-0.4	-2.9	-2.7
Unemployment	78.1	82.0	3.9	3.9	32.8	42.6	5.0	66.7	108.1
Participation rate	72.3	72.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	7.5	0.4	0.4	3.0	3.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.1	66.7	0.3	-0.4	-2.6	-3.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.6	9.4	0.6	0.8	1.5	1.5	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,585.7	1,588.3	...	2.6	11.5	30.7	0.2	0.7	2.0
Labour force	958.9	962.9	5.9	4.0	12.2	19.0	0.4	1.3	2.0
Employment	903.3	905.1	5.8	1.8	-1.9	-4.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.5
Unemployment	55.5	57.8	4.2	2.3	14.2	23.1	4.1	32.6	66.6
Participation rate	60.5	60.6	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	6.0	0.4	0.2	1.4	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	57.0	0.4	0.0	-0.5	-1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	26.5	28.0	0.9	1.5	2.6	2.6	...	...	...
Industry									
	2,257.4	2,258.8	9.9	1.4	-43.9	-60.1	0.1	-1.9	-2.6
Goods-producing sector									
	458.7	447.6	8.8	-11.1	-46.6	-50.0	-2.4	-9.4	-10.0
Agriculture	33.4	34.5	2.8	1.1	3.9	4.7	3.3	12.7	15.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	40.8	38.7	3.1	-2.1	-10.8	-7.1	-5.1	-21.8	-15.5
Utilities	13.3	13.0	1.6	-0.3	0.4	0.2	-2.3	3.2	1.6
Construction	195.2	195.7	6.4	0.5	-17.8	-25.4	0.3	-8.3	-11.5
Manufacturing	175.9	165.6	5.9	-10.3	-22.4	-22.5	-5.9	-11.9	-12.0
Services-producing sector									
	1,798.7	1,811.2	11.5	12.5	2.6	-10.1	0.7	0.1	-0.6
Trade	360.5	371.9	7.8	11.4	13.9	21.0	3.2	3.9	6.0
Transportation and warehousing	116.8	114.8	5.1	-2.0	-11.4	-12.3	-1.7	-9.0	-9.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	132.0	131.3	5.2	-0.7	-17.7	-19.5	-0.5	-11.9	-12.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	173.8	172.4	5.6	-1.4	2.4	-3.1	-0.8	1.4	-1.8
Business, building and other support services	100.1	101.7	4.8	1.6	2.9	-0.7	1.6	2.9	-0.7
Educational services	162.4	159.9	5.6	-2.5	-1.8	-5.1	-1.5	-1.1	-3.1
Health care and social assistance	266.2	255.8	6.2	-10.4	6.0	16.3	-3.9	2.4	6.8
Information, culture and recreation	118.3	115.3	4.8	-3.0	1.2	-6.6	-2.5	1.1	-5.4
Accommodation and food services	175.6	175.7	6.0	0.1	-7.3	-8.6	0.1	-4.0	-4.7
Other services	95.1	103.4	4.5	8.3	7.5	5.9	8.7	7.8	6.1
Public administration	98.0	108.9	4.0	10.9	6.7	2.4	11.1	6.6	2.3

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

	April 2009	May 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)									
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	156.6	156.8	...	0.2	1.1	3.0	0.1	0.7	2.0
Labour force	108.4	107.9	0.7	-0.5	-1.5	2.9	-0.5	-1.4	2.8
Employment	100.2	99.8	0.8	-0.4	-1.7	3.6	-0.4	-1.7	3.7
Unemployment	8.2	8.1	0.4	-0.1	0.2	-0.6	-1.2	2.5	-6.9
Participation rate	69.2	68.8	0.5	-0.4	-1.5	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.5	0.4	-0.1	0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	63.6	0.5	-0.4	-1.6	1.1	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	320.1	320.4	...	0.3	1.7	4.3	0.1	0.5	1.4
Labour force	229.3	229.8	1.1	0.5	4.5	11.1	0.2	2.0	5.1
Employment	215.7	216.4	1.2	0.7	3.2	8.8	0.3	1.5	4.2
Unemployment	13.6	13.4	0.6	-0.2	1.4	2.3	-1.5	11.7	20.7
Participation rate	71.6	71.7	0.3	0.1	1.0	2.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.8	0.3	-0.1	0.5	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	67.5	0.4	0.1	0.6	1.8	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	105.3	105.3	...	0.0	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.7
Labour force	71.6	71.5	0.7	-0.1	1.9	2.5	-0.1	2.7	3.6
Employment	67.3	67.3	0.6	0.0	2.3	2.6	0.0	3.5	4.0
Unemployment	4.4	4.2	0.4	-0.2	-0.4	-0.1	-4.5	-8.7	-2.3
Participation rate	68.0	67.9	0.7	-0.1	1.6	1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.9	0.5	-0.2	-0.7	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.9	63.9	0.6	0.0	2.0	2.0	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	124.8	124.8	...	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Labour force	74.1	74.4	0.7	0.3	-2.2	-0.7	0.4	-2.9	-0.9
Employment	67.5	67.4	0.7	-0.1	-3.4	-0.8	-0.1	-4.8	-1.2
Unemployment	6.6	7.0	0.4	0.4	1.1	0.1	6.1	18.6	1.4
Participation rate	59.4	59.6	0.6	0.2	-1.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.4	0.5	0.5	1.7	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	54.0	0.6	-0.1	-2.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	615.1	615.6	...	0.5	2.5	6.3	0.1	0.4	1.0
Labour force	419.5	415.0	3.5	-4.5	2.0	5.5	-1.1	0.5	1.3
Employment	401.3	396.8	3.4	-4.5	0.1	8.0	-1.1	0.0	2.1
Unemployment	18.3	18.2	1.5	-0.1	1.9	-2.5	-0.5	11.7	-12.1
Participation rate	68.2	67.4	0.6	-0.8	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.4	0.4	0.0	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.2	64.5	0.6	-0.7	-0.2	0.7	...	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	122.3	122.4	...	0.1	0.5	1.1	0.1	0.4	0.9
Labour force	73.0	72.6	0.7	-0.4	-1.0	-5.4	-0.5	-1.4	-6.9
Employment	66.5	66.2	0.7	-0.3	-2.6	-4.4	-0.5	-3.8	-6.2
Unemployment	6.5	6.4	0.4	-0.1	1.6	-1.0	-1.5	33.3	-13.5
Participation rate	59.7	59.3	0.6	-0.4	-1.1	-5.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.8	0.5	-0.1	2.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.4	54.1	0.6	-0.3	-2.3	-4.1	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	April 2009	May 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)									
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	139.7	139.8	...	0.1	0.7	1.7	0.1	0.5	1.2
Labour force	88.5	88.9	0.7	0.4	-0.1	1.5	0.5	-0.1	1.7
Employment	81.8	81.1	0.8	-0.7	-1.9	-0.9	-0.9	-2.3	-1.1
Unemployment	6.7	7.8	0.3	1.1	1.8	2.5	16.4	30.0	47.2
Participation rate	63.4	63.6	0.5	0.2	-0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	8.8	0.4	1.2	2.1	2.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	58.0	0.5	-0.6	-1.7	-1.4	...	...	...
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,091.2	3,094.0	...	2.8	14.5	34.4	0.1	0.5	1.1
Labour force	2,052.5	2,072.6	7.2	20.1	12.9	20.7	1.0	0.6	1.0
Employment	1,869.7	1,877.5	7.5	7.8	-27.1	-19.9	0.4	-1.4	-1.0
Unemployment	182.8	195.1	4.5	12.3	40.0	40.5	6.7	25.8	26.2
Participation rate	66.4	67.0	0.2	0.6	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.4	0.2	0.5	1.9	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.7	0.2	0.2	-1.1	-1.3	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	972.4	973.5	...	1.1	5.3	13.4	0.1	0.5	1.4
Labour force	690.9	690.4	3.6	-0.5	-17.9	-10.8	-0.1	-2.5	-1.5
Employment	653.1	649.3	3.8	-3.8	-27.0	-16.4	-0.6	-4.0	-2.5
Unemployment	37.7	41.0	1.5	3.3	9.0	5.6	8.8	28.1	15.8
Participation rate	71.1	70.9	0.4	-0.2	-2.3	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.9	0.2	0.4	1.4	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.2	66.7	0.4	-0.5	-3.2	-2.6	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	246.9	247.2	...	0.3	1.6	3.8	0.1	0.7	1.6
Labour force	173.7	174.8	1.2	1.1	-1.8	-8.4	0.6	-1.0	-4.6
Employment	163.9	165.4	1.3	1.5	-3.4	-8.0	0.9	-2.0	-4.6
Unemployment	9.8	9.4	0.5	-0.4	1.6	-0.3	-4.1	20.5	-3.1
Participation rate	70.4	70.7	0.5	0.3	-1.2	-4.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.4	0.3	-0.2	1.0	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	66.9	0.5	0.5	-1.8	-4.3	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	725.6	726.3	...	0.7	3.7	9.6	0.1	0.5	1.3
Labour force	517.2	515.5	3.4	-1.7	-16.2	-2.5	-0.3	-3.0	-0.5
Employment	489.2	483.9	3.5	-5.3	-23.6	-8.4	-1.1	-4.7	-1.7
Unemployment	28.0	31.6	1.5	3.6	7.4	5.9	12.9	30.6	23.0
Participation rate	71.3	71.0	0.5	-0.3	-2.6	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	6.1	0.3	0.7	1.5	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	66.6	0.5	-0.8	-3.6	-2.1	...	...	...
Kingston, Ontario									
Population	126.3	126.3	...	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.3
Labour force	81.9	81.6	0.8	-0.3	-2.5	-2.5	-0.4	-3.0	-3.0
Employment	77.2	76.2	0.7	-1.0	-4.2	-3.0	-1.3	-5.2	-3.8
Unemployment	4.7	5.3	0.3	0.6	1.6	0.4	12.8	43.2	8.2
Participation rate	64.8	64.6	0.6	-0.2	-2.0	-2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	6.5	0.4	0.8	2.1	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	60.3	0.6	-0.8	-3.4	-2.6	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	April 2009	May 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)									
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,625.8	4,633.7	...	7.9	41.5	107.5	0.2	0.9	2.4
Labour force	3,192.0	3,190.2	8.9	-1.8	35.1	41.3	-0.1	1.1	1.3
Employment	2,907.2	2,898.6	9.3	-8.6	-27.3	-42.6	-0.3	-0.9	-1.4
Unemployment	284.8	291.6	5.5	6.8	62.4	83.9	2.4	27.2	40.4
Participation rate	69.0	68.8	0.2	-0.2	0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.1	0.2	0.2	1.8	2.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.8	62.6	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	-2.4	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	600.3	600.6	...	0.3	1.4	4.7	0.0	0.2	0.8
Labour force	408.2	410.2	3.0	2.0	14.1	8.3	0.5	3.6	2.1
Employment	375.9	379.8	3.1	3.9	11.5	2.2	1.0	3.1	0.6
Unemployment	32.4	30.4	1.4	-2.0	2.6	6.2	-6.2	9.4	25.6
Participation rate	68.0	68.3	0.5	0.3	2.2	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.4	0.4	-0.5	0.4	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	63.2	0.5	0.6	1.7	-0.2	...	...	...
Kitchener, Ontario									
Population	386.5	386.9	...	0.4	1.9	5.3	0.1	0.5	1.4
Labour force	279.9	277.9	1.9	-2.0	-1.6	9.6	-0.7	-0.6	3.6
Employment	251.5	250.3	1.9	-1.2	-7.3	-3.1	-0.5	-2.8	-1.2
Unemployment	28.3	27.6	0.9	-0.7	5.6	12.7	-2.5	25.5	85.2
Participation rate	72.4	71.8	0.5	-0.6	-0.8	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.1	9.9	0.3	-0.2	2.0	4.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	64.7	0.5	-0.4	-2.2	-1.7	...	...	...
London, Ontario									
Population	388.2	388.5	...	0.3	1.5	4.4	0.1	0.4	1.1
Labour force	262.2	263.4	1.9	1.2	-0.4	0.4	0.5	-0.2	0.2
Employment	237.3	236.5	2.0	-0.8	-8.0	-7.7	-0.3	-3.3	-3.2
Unemployment	24.9	26.9	0.9	2.0	7.6	8.1	8.0	39.4	43.1
Participation rate	67.5	67.8	0.5	0.3	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.5	10.2	0.3	0.7	2.9	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	60.9	0.5	-0.2	-2.3	-2.7	...	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	292.2	292.6	...	0.4	2.1	5.6	0.1	0.7	2.0
Labour force	193.3	193.4	1.4	0.1	-8.9	-5.0	0.1	-4.4	-2.5
Employment	178.4	178.2	1.4	-0.2	-8.4	-4.6	-0.1	-4.5	-2.5
Unemployment	14.9	15.2	0.8	0.3	-0.6	-0.4	2.0	-3.8	-2.6
Participation rate	66.2	66.1	0.5	-0.1	-3.5	-3.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.9	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	60.9	0.5	-0.2	-3.3	-2.8	...	...	...
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	329.8	329.8	...	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.3
Labour force	207.1	203.7	1.8	-3.4	-9.8	-10.3	-1.6	-4.6	-4.8
Employment	185.5	182.2	1.7	-3.3	-12.5	-16.3	-1.8	-6.4	-8.2
Unemployment	21.7	21.5	0.7	-0.2	2.7	6.1	-0.9	14.4	39.6
Participation rate	62.8	61.8	0.5	-1.0	-2.9	-3.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	10.6	0.3	0.1	1.8	3.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	55.2	0.5	-1.0	-3.8	-5.2	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	April 2009	May 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)									
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	134.2	134.2	...	0.0	0.2	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	87.2	87.7	0.8	0.5	0.1	3.2	0.6	0.1	3.8
Employment	79.7	80.3	0.8	0.6	-2.4	0.6	0.8	-2.9	0.8
Unemployment	7.5	7.4	0.3	-0.1	2.5	2.6	-1.3	51.0	54.2
Participation rate	65.0	65.4	0.6	0.4	0.0	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.4	0.4	-0.2	2.8	2.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	59.8	0.6	0.4	-1.9	0.1	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	103.4	103.4	...	0.0	-0.3	-0.5	0.0	-0.3	-0.5
Labour force	64.5	65.1	0.6	0.6	-0.3	-2.9	0.9	-0.5	-4.3
Employment	58.8	59.4	0.6	0.6	-1.7	-4.3	1.0	-2.8	-6.8
Unemployment	5.6	5.7	0.3	0.1	1.4	1.5	1.8	32.6	35.7
Participation rate	62.4	63.0	0.6	0.6	-0.1	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.8	0.4	0.1	2.2	2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.9	57.4	0.6	0.5	-1.5	-3.9	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	273.1	273.1	...	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.3
Labour force	176.9	177.8	1.5	0.9	1.9	3.8	0.5	1.1	2.2
Employment	152.8	153.2	1.5	0.4	-4.8	-6.1	0.3	-3.0	-3.8
Unemployment	24.1	24.6	0.8	0.5	6.8	9.9	2.1	38.2	67.3
Participation rate	64.8	65.1	0.6	0.3	0.7	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.6	13.8	0.4	0.2	3.7	5.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	56.1	0.6	0.1	-1.8	-2.4	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	590.0	590.9	...	0.9	3.8	8.7	0.2	0.6	1.5
Labour force	416.2	414.6	1.3	-1.6	0.8	-0.8	-0.4	0.2	-0.2
Employment	395.7	394.6	1.3	-1.1	-0.3	-3.5	-0.3	-0.1	-0.9
Unemployment	20.4	20.1	0.7	-0.3	1.3	2.8	-1.5	6.9	16.2
Participation rate	70.5	70.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.8	0.2	-0.1	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.1	66.8	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-1.6	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	170.5	170.8	...	0.3	1.4	4.2	0.2	0.8	2.5
Labour force	122.4	122.1	0.7	-0.3	0.4	4.6	-0.2	0.3	3.9
Employment	117.1	117.5	0.8	0.4	0.2	4.9	0.3	0.2	4.4
Unemployment	5.3	4.6	0.3	-0.7	0.2	-0.3	-13.2	4.5	-6.1
Participation rate	71.8	71.5	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	3.8	0.3	-0.5	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.7	68.8	0.5	0.1	-0.4	1.2	...	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	201.3	201.7	...	0.4	2.2	6.1	0.2	1.1	3.1
Labour force	148.5	148.6	0.8	0.1	2.2	5.7	0.1	1.5	4.0
Employment	141.1	141.2	0.8	0.1	0.8	3.9	0.1	0.6	2.8
Unemployment	7.4	7.4	0.4	0.0	1.5	1.7	0.0	25.4	29.8
Participation rate	73.8	73.7	0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.6
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.0	0.3	0.0	1.0	1.0
Employment rate	70.1	70.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2

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Table 5-1 – continued

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

	April 2009	May 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)									
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	963.8	966.2	...	2.4	11.4	24.7	0.2	1.2	2.6
Labour force	743.5	741.9	3.2	-1.6	-2.5	22.1	-0.2	-0.3	3.1
Employment	696.7	692.8	3.2	-3.9	-22.6	-4.3	-0.6	-3.2	-0.6
Unemployment	46.9	49.1	1.5	2.2	20.1	26.5	4.7	69.3	117.3
Participation rate	77.1	76.8	0.3	-0.3	-1.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.6	0.2	0.3	2.7	3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.3	71.7	0.3	-0.6	-3.2	-2.3	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	897.5	899.6	...	2.1	9.6	20.3	0.2	1.1	2.3
Labour force	656.5	660.7	3.3	4.2	7.7	17.8	0.6	1.2	2.8
Employment	621.4	620.8	3.4	-0.6	-8.6	2.7	-0.1	-1.4	0.4
Unemployment	35.2	39.8	1.3	4.6	16.1	15.0	13.1	67.9	60.5
Participation rate	73.1	73.4	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	6.0	0.2	0.6	2.4	2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.2	69.0	0.4	-0.2	-1.7	-1.3	...	...	...
Abbotsford, British Columbia									
Population	135.1	135.2	...	0.1	0.6	2.0	0.1	0.4	1.5
Labour force	90.8	89.8	0.7	-1.0	-3.7	-2.7	-1.1	-4.0	-2.9
Employment	84.4	83.1	0.8	-1.3	-5.3	-5.2	-1.5	-6.0	-5.9
Unemployment	6.4	6.7	0.3	0.3	1.6	2.5	4.7	31.4	59.5
Participation rate	67.2	66.4	0.6	-0.8	-3.1	-3.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.5	0.4	0.5	2.0	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	61.5	0.6	-1.0	-4.2	-4.8	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,972.5	1,975.7	...	3.2	15.9	42.6	0.2	0.8	2.2
Labour force	1,312.4	1,321.3	4.8	8.9	22.3	24.9	0.7	1.7	1.9
Employment	1,226.8	1,231.0	4.9	4.2	-6.1	-12.0	0.3	-0.5	-1.0
Unemployment	85.6	90.3	2.3	4.7	28.4	36.9	5.5	45.9	69.1
Participation rate	66.5	66.9	0.2	0.4	0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.8	0.2	0.3	2.0	2.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	62.3	0.3	0.1	-0.8	-2.0	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	287.8	287.9	...	0.1	0.5	2.2	0.0	0.2	0.8
Labour force	193.0	192.0	1.4	-1.0	-5.1	-6.7	-0.5	-2.6	-3.4
Employment	181.4	179.9	1.4	-1.5	-9.8	-12.7	-0.8	-5.2	-6.6
Unemployment	11.6	12.2	0.5	0.6	4.9	6.2	5.2	67.1	103.3
Participation rate	67.1	66.7	0.5	-0.4	-1.9	-2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.4	0.2	0.4	2.7	3.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.0	62.5	0.5	-0.5	-3.5	-4.9	...	...	...

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

	April 2009	May 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)									
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,094.0	3,097.0	...	3.0	14.9	34.8	0.1	0.5	1.1
Labour force	2,067.0	2,091.9	15.0	24.9	36.6	39.0	1.2	1.8	1.9
Employment	1,876.6	1,887.9	15.2	11.3	-12.3	-10.4	0.6	-0.6	-0.5
Unemployment	190.4	204.0	10.8	13.6	49.0	49.5	7.1	31.6	32.0
Participation rate	66.8	67.5	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	9.8	0.5	0.6	2.3	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.7	61.0	0.5	0.3	-0.7	-1.0	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,633.7	4,641.8	...	8.1	41.9	106.6	0.2	0.9	2.4
Labour force	3,194.3	3,176.5	19.2	-17.8	6.8	7.8	-0.6	0.2	0.2
Employment	2,912.9	2,869.0	19.8	-43.9	-63.5	-86.2	-1.5	-2.2	-2.9
Unemployment	281.4	307.5	13.5	26.1	70.3	94.0	9.3	29.6	44.0
Participation rate	68.9	68.4	0.4	-0.5	-0.5	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	9.7	0.4	0.9	2.2	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	61.8	0.4	-1.1	-2.0	-3.4	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,975.6	1,979.1	...	3.5	16.5	42.1	0.2	0.8	2.2
Labour force	1,324.7	1,329.2	9.9	4.5	32.7	38.1	0.3	2.5	3.0
Employment	1,236.1	1,240.6	9.9	4.5	11.3	0.8	0.4	0.9	0.1
Unemployment	88.6	88.6	5.8	0.0	21.4	37.2	0.0	31.8	72.4
Participation rate	67.1	67.2	0.5	0.1	1.1	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.7	0.4	0.0	1.5	2.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	62.7	0.5	0.1	0.1	-1.3	...	...	...

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 May 2008 and May 2009

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Canada ²							
2008	26,837.7	18,161.8	17,016.8	1,144.9	67.7	6.3	63.4
2009	27,218.4	18,301.1	16,712.1	1,589.1	67.2	8.7	61.4
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2008	425.6	253.2	216.4	36.8	59.5	14.5	50.8
2009	428.1	250.3	208.0	42.3	58.5	16.9	48.6
<i>Avalon Peninsula [1010]</i>							
2008	211.5	135.9	120.8	15.1	64.3	11.1	57.1
2009	214.6	134.4	119.2	15.2	62.6	11.3	55.5
<i>South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]</i>							
2008	32.5	17.3	13.3	4.0	53.2	23.1	40.9
2009	32.0	16.1	12.0	4.1	50.3	25.5	37.5
<i>West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]</i>							
2008	87.8	48.3	40.2	8.1	55.0	16.8	45.8
2009	88.0	49.3	38.3	11.0	56.0	22.3	43.5
<i>Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]</i>							
2008	93.7	51.6	42.0	9.6	55.1	18.6	44.8
2009	93.4	50.5	38.5	12.0	54.1	23.8	41.2
Prince Edward Island							
2008	114.0	78.5	69.1	9.4	68.9	12.0	60.6
2009	115.6	78.1	66.9	11.1	67.6	14.2	57.9
Nova Scotia							
2008	767.6	488.9	446.9	41.9	63.7	8.6	58.2
2009	771.9	497.0	447.6	49.4	64.4	9.9	58.0
<i>Cape Breton [1210]</i>							
2008	115.8	66.0	56.0	10.0	57.0	15.2	48.4
2009	115.2	62.6	51.8	10.8	54.3	17.3	45.0
<i>North Shore [1220]</i>							
2008	131.2	78.7	71.0	7.6	60.0	9.7	54.1
2009	131.4	77.6	67.6	10.0	59.1	12.9	51.4
<i>Annapolis Valley [1230]</i>							
2008	100.9	62.2	56.6	5.6	61.6	9.0	56.1
2009	101.6	63.2	57.6	5.7	62.2	9.0	56.7
<i>Southern [1240]</i>							
2008	103.6	63.6	56.9	6.6	61.4	10.4	54.9
2009	103.4	63.8	55.3	8.4	61.7	13.2	53.5
<i>Halifax [1250]</i>							
2008	316.1	218.5	206.5	12.0	69.1	5.5	65.3
2009	320.4	229.8	215.3	14.5	71.7	6.3	67.2
New Brunswick							
2008	617.0	396.4	358.4	38.0	64.2	9.6	58.1
2009	620.8	398.8	357.9	40.9	64.2	10.3	57.7
<i>Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]</i>							
2008	135.8	80.8	68.1	12.8	59.5	15.8	50.1
2009	135.3	74.7	62.1	12.6	55.2	16.9	45.9
<i>Moncton-Richibucto [1320]</i>							
2008	165.2	108.2	99.3	8.9	65.5	8.2	60.1
2009	167.5	113.1	103.5	9.6	67.5	8.5	61.8
<i>Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]</i>							
2008	142.8	94.3	87.2	7.1	66.0	7.5	61.1
2009	143.6	97.0	90.2	6.8	67.5	7.0	62.8

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

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

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]							
2008	105.0	71.3	66.7	4.7	67.9	6.6	63.5
2009	106.2	70.7	63.9	6.8	66.6	9.6	60.2
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2008	68.2	41.7	37.2	4.5	61.1	10.8	54.5
2009	68.2	43.4	38.2	5.2	63.6	12.0	56.0
Quebec							
2008	6,358.7	4,161.3	3,839.4	321.8	65.4	7.7	60.4
2009	6,421.2	4,198.1	3,812.2	385.9	65.4	9.2	59.4
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2008	80.8	42.8	34.3	8.4	53.0	19.6	42.5
2009	80.8	39.7	32.2	7.6	49.1	19.1	39.9
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2008	167.5	101.9	91.4	10.5	60.8	10.3	54.6
2009	167.6	102.7	92.3	10.4	61.3	10.1	55.1
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2008	566.9	380.0	360.1	19.9	67.0	5.2	63.5
2009	571.7	382.1	362.5	19.5	66.8	5.1	63.4
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2008	329.2	216.3	205.1	11.1	65.7	5.1	62.3
2009	331.5	220.4	206.2	14.2	66.5	6.4	62.2
Estrie [2430]							
2008	250.6	160.2	150.1	10.1	63.9	6.3	59.9
2009	252.9	164.8	149.8	15.0	65.2	9.1	59.2
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2008	186.2	123.1	112.9	10.2	66.1	8.3	60.6
2009	187.6	129.1	117.6	11.5	68.8	8.9	62.7
Montérégie [2435]							
2008	1,138.7	752.8	700.5	52.3	66.1	6.9	61.5
2009	1,157.3	789.0	724.0	65.0	68.2	8.2	62.6
Montréal [2440]							
2008	1,591.8	1,042.6	950.0	92.6	65.5	8.9	59.7
2009	1,594.5	1,029.5	904.0	125.5	64.6	12.2	56.7
Laval [2445]							
2008	312.9	215.5	201.3	14.2	68.9	6.6	64.3
2009	317.8	205.9	187.7	18.2	64.8	8.8	59.1
Lanaudière [2450]							
2008	361.2	228.3	209.7	18.6	63.2	8.1	58.1
2009	371.6	251.6	231.5	20.2	67.7	8.0	62.3
Laurentides [2455]							
2008	433.2	296.6	274.0	22.6	68.5	7.6	63.3
2009	443.0	289.8	268.4	21.3	65.4	7.3	60.6
Outaouais [2460]							
2008	293.8	211.8	197.5	14.4	72.1	6.8	67.2
2009	298.2	202.4	188.3	14.1	67.9	7.0	63.1
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2008	115.7	70.6	65.1	5.6	61.0	7.9	56.3
2009	116.2	74.7	66.9	7.8	64.3	10.4	57.6
Mauricie [2470]							
2008	217.9	128.7	117.3	11.4	59.1	8.9	53.8
2009	218.8	129.4	115.9	13.5	59.1	10.4	53.0

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

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

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2008	223.2	134.7	121.7	13.0	60.3	9.7	54.5
2009	223.0	134.4	118.4	16.0	60.3	11.9	53.1
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2008	89.0	55.3	48.4	6.9	62.1	12.5	54.4
2009	88.7	52.7	46.5	6.2	59.4	11.8	52.4
Ontario							
2008	10,473.8	7,131.7	6,663.4	468.3	68.1	6.6	63.6
2009	10,625.5	7,149.5	6,477.8	671.8	67.3	9.4	61.0
Ottawa [3510]							
2008	991.5	702.2	666.1	36.1	70.8	5.1	67.2
2009	1,002.0	692.8	643.7	49.1	69.1	7.1	64.2
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2008	359.7	227.0	213.6	13.4	63.1	5.9	59.4
2009	360.9	231.5	210.4	21.1	64.1	9.1	58.3
Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520]							
2008	310.8	193.0	177.6	15.4	62.1	8.0	57.1
2009	312.5	189.4	172.0	17.4	60.6	9.2	55.0
Toronto [3530]							
2008	4,773.9	3,320.2	3,096.7	223.5	69.5	6.7	64.9
2009	4,883.0	3,353.8	3,043.4	310.5	68.7	9.3	62.3
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2008	980.7	684.5	646.4	38.1	69.8	5.6	65.9
2009	995.3	701.2	629.1	72.1	70.5	10.3	63.2
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2008	1,140.1	761.1	708.2	52.9	66.8	7.0	62.1
2009	1,149.3	761.3	691.7	69.6	66.2	9.1	60.2
London [3560]							
2008	514.4	351.8	327.0	24.8	68.4	7.0	63.6
2009	519.7	350.3	312.9	37.5	67.4	10.7	60.2
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2008	525.8	340.0	311.8	28.2	64.7	8.3	59.3
2009	526.9	334.3	293.0	41.3	63.4	12.4	55.6
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2008	247.8	161.9	153.8	8.1	65.3	5.0	62.1
2009	248.5	155.6	141.6	14.0	62.6	9.0	57.0
Northeast [3590]							
2008	454.1	279.0	261.2	17.8	61.4	6.4	57.5
2009	454.5	269.7	243.9	25.8	59.3	9.6	53.7
Northwest [3595]							
2008	174.9	111.0	101.0	10.0	63.5	9.0	57.7
2009	172.9	109.6	96.1	13.5	63.4	12.3	55.6
Manitoba							
2008	907.1	631.4	604.5	26.8	69.6	4.2	66.6
2009	919.3	634.0	602.3	31.7	69.0	5.0	65.5
Southeast [4610]							
2008	78.1	51.9	50.2	1.7	66.5	3.3	64.3
2009	80.4	52.7	50.1	2.7	65.5	5.1	62.3
South Central [4620]							
2008	43.8	30.4	29.3	1.0	69.4	3.3	66.9
2009	44.8	29.9	28.6	1.3	66.7	4.3	63.8

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

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

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Southwest [4630]							
2008	82.5	56.4	53.9	2.5	68.4	4.4	65.3
2009	82.9	59.5	57.1	2.4	71.8	4.0	68.9
North Central [4640]							
2008	35.8	24.5	23.5	1.0	68.4	4.1	65.6
2009	36.1	24.1	23.2	0.9	66.8	3.7	64.3
Winnipeg [4650]							
2008	537.5	381.6	364.8	16.8	71.0	4.4	67.9
2009	544.7	380.5	360.9	19.6	69.9	5.2	66.3
Interlake [4660]							
2008	70.5	46.3	44.1	2.1	65.7	4.5	62.6
2009	71.6	48.4	46.3	2.0	67.6	4.1	64.7
Parklands and North [4670, 4680]							
2008	58.9	40.3	38.7	1.6	68.4	4.0	65.7
2009	58.7	39.0	36.2	2.8	66.4	7.2	61.7
Saskatchewan							
2008	763.7	529.5	506.9	22.6	69.3	4.3	66.4
2009	777.1	546.3	518.0	28.3	70.3	5.2	66.7
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]							
2008	225.2	159.8	153.8	6.0	71.0	3.8	68.3
2009	230.0	163.1	156.0	7.1	70.9	4.4	67.8
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]							
2008	83.4	55.4	52.8	2.5	66.4	4.5	63.3
2009	84.1	56.8	54.3	2.5	67.5	4.4	64.6
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]							
2008	238.4	171.9	165.6	6.3	72.1	3.7	69.5
2009	244.6	178.3	169.4	9.0	72.9	5.0	69.3
Yorkton-Melville [4740]							
2008	64.4	39.8	38.2	1.6	61.8	4.0	59.3
2009	64.7	41.2	39.3	2.0	63.7	4.9	60.7
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]							
2008	152.2	102.5	96.4	6.1	67.3	6.0	63.3
2009	153.9	106.8	99.0	7.7	69.4	7.2	64.3
Alberta							
2008	2,783.8	2,069.4	1,998.4	71.0	74.3	3.4	71.8
2009	2,848.3	2,116.6	1,978.4	138.2	74.3	6.5	69.5
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]							
2008	208.5	148.5	143.5	5.0	71.2	3.4	68.8
2009	211.4	145.3	137.8	7.5	68.7	5.2	65.2
Camrose-Drumheller [4820]							
2008	155.4	114.3	111.3	2.9	73.6	2.5	71.6
2009	156.0	112.2	105.9	6.3	71.9	5.6	67.9
Calgary [4830]							
2008	1,015.2	771.7	748.8	22.9	76.0	3.0	73.8
2009	1,043.5	796.2	744.0	52.2	76.3	6.6	71.3
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840]							
2008	68.3	54.2	52.4	1.8	79.4	3.3	76.7
2009	69.3	55.7	52.3	3.4	80.4	6.1	75.5
Red Deer [4850]							
2008	145.3	105.0	100.7	4.3	72.3	4.1	69.3
2009	149.7	113.4	105.3	8.1	75.8	7.1	70.3

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

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

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Edmonton [4860]							
2008	913.2	664.2	639.0	25.2	72.7	3.8	70.0
2009	934.5	679.7	635.6	44.1	72.7	6.5	68.0
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]							
2008	185.6	138.3	131.7	6.6	74.5	4.8	71.0
2009	189.6	142.9	130.9	11.9	75.4	8.3	69.0
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2008	92.4	73.3	71.0	2.3	79.3	3.1	76.8
2009	94.3	71.3	66.6	4.7	75.6	6.6	70.6
British Columbia							
2008	3,626.4	2,421.6	2,313.3	108.3	66.8	4.5	63.8
2009	3,690.6	2,432.4	2,243.1	189.3	65.9	7.8	60.8
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2008	630.7	408.9	391.4	17.5	64.8	4.3	62.1
2009	638.0	410.9	382.5	28.4	64.4	6.9	60.0
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2008	2,200.1	1,481.6	1,421.3	60.2	67.3	4.1	64.6
2009	2,247.7	1,500.0	1,392.2	107.8	66.7	7.2	61.9
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2008	429.3	281.5	265.6	15.9	65.6	5.6	61.9
2009	436.3	277.2	249.8	27.4	63.5	9.9	57.3
Kootenay [5940]							
2008	122.7	73.7	72.1	1.6	60.1	2.2	58.8
2009	123.2	78.6	71.5	7.1	63.8	9.0	58.0
Cariboo [5950]							
2008	126.0	89.7	82.7	7.1	71.2	7.9	65.6
2009	127.1	84.3	73.4	10.9	66.3	12.9	57.7
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2008	65.7	48.6	44.4	4.2	74.0	8.6	67.6
2009	65.2	44.5	39.8	4.7	68.3	10.6	61.0
Northeast [5980]							
2008	52.0	37.7	35.8	1.9	72.5	5.0	68.8
2009	53.1	36.8	33.7	3.1	69.3	8.4	63.5

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
May 2008 and May 2009

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
		in thousands			percent		
Yukon ¹							
2008	23.6	17.6	16.9	0.7	74.6	4.0	71.6
2009	24.1	18.0	16.5	1.4	74.7	7.8	68.5
Northwest Territories ²							
2008	31.2	23.0	21.5	1.6	73.7	7.0	68.9
2009	31.4	22.3	20.7	1.6	71.0	7.2	65.9
Nunavut ³							
2008	18.6	11.2	10.0	1.2	60.5	10.9	53.9
2009	18.5	11.2	9.7	1.4	60.5	12.9	52.7

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.

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

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		dollars		thousands		dollars	thousands		dollars
May 2009										
15 years and over	14,288.0	35.1	795.49	21.87	11,619.5	39.2	913.56	2,668.6	17.3	281.41
15 to 24 years	2,422.4	27.7	379.96	12.74	1,296.2	38.6	567.80	1,126.1	15.1	163.74
25 years and over	11,865.6	36.6	880.33	23.73	10,323.2	39.2	956.98	1,542.4	18.9	367.32
Men	7,102.5	37.5	910.22	23.61	6,278.1	40.3	997.49	824.4	16.3	245.64
Women	7,185.5	32.7	682.09	20.14	5,341.3	37.8	814.91	1,844.2	17.7	297.40
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,478.0	35.5	900.05	25.02	3,796.0	38.4	986.77	682.0	19.4	417.35
No union coverage	9,810.0	34.9	747.77	20.43	7,823.5	39.5	878.04	1,986.6	16.6	234.74
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,474.6	35.8	832.73	22.55	10,502.9	39.1	932.96	1,971.7	18.1	298.84
Temporary	1,813.4	30.1	539.37	17.17	1,116.6	39.5	731.14	696.8	15.1	232.08
Occupation										
Management	1,006.7	39.6	1,344.96	33.98	976.8	40.3	1,370.60	29.8	19.1	505.54
Business, finance and administrative	2,814.9	35.2	751.65	20.92	2,390.7	38.2	829.99	424.1	18.0	310.05
Natural and applied sciences	1,026.8	38.3	1,155.09	30.11	987.4	39.0	1,180.50	39.4	20.1	517.87
Health	923.5	33.3	851.40	25.48	693.4	37.7	968.85	230.1	19.9	497.46
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,388.6	34.1	974.48	28.31	1,127.4	37.8	1,088.99	261.2	18.0	480.30
Art, culture, recreation and sport	326.3	31.4	712.05	21.44	233.6	38.5	900.33	92.7	13.3	237.68
Sales and service	3,751.3	30.3	486.42	14.89	2,367.2	38.3	657.56	1,384.2	16.6	193.74
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,997.5	39.7	871.47	21.76	1,867.0	41.2	912.00	130.6	17.8	291.93
Occupations unique to primary industry	311.7	41.8	754.11	17.79	274.4	45.6	834.08	37.3	14.1	166.54
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	740.7	38.6	726.22	18.57	701.6	39.8	753.14	39.1	18.6	243.13
May 2008										
15 years and over	14,662.1	35.6	777.54	21.16	12,080.7	39.4	886.66	2,581.4	17.4	266.84
15 to 24 years	2,569.8	28.9	382.81	12.36	1,460.2	38.9	551.47	1,109.6	15.7	160.85
25 years and over	12,092.3	37.0	861.42	23.03	10,620.5	39.5	932.75	1,471.8	18.7	346.74
Men	7,391.8	38.2	900.70	23.05	6,634.0	40.7	976.04	757.8	16.9	241.12
Women	7,270.3	32.9	652.32	19.23	5,446.7	37.9	777.80	1,823.6	17.6	277.53
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,560.1	36.0	884.47	24.32	3,949.7	38.6	959.19	610.5	19.0	401.01
No union coverage	10,101.9	35.4	729.26	19.73	8,131.0	39.8	851.43	1,970.9	16.9	225.28
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,814.6	36.3	815.46	21.85	10,943.0	39.4	906.74	1,871.6	18.2	281.74
Temporary	1,847.5	30.5	514.51	16.37	1,137.7	39.8	693.57	709.8	15.5	227.53
Occupation										
Management	1,069.2	39.6	1,289.80	32.61	1,031.5	40.3	1,320.52	37.7	19.1	449.71
Business, finance and administrative	2,847.0	35.4	729.35	20.18	2,439.6	38.3	802.93	407.4	18.0	288.76
Natural and applied sciences	1,098.7	38.6	1,130.19	29.35	1,061.0	39.2	1,148.78	37.7	20.8	607.52
Health	902.0	33.5	818.75	24.40	686.6	37.9	932.18	215.4	19.4	457.30
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,349.7	34.2	951.45	27.65	1,098.1	38.1	1,066.17	251.6	17.3	450.77
Art, culture, recreation and sport	313.8	31.6	712.31	21.43	224.4	38.9	907.15	89.3	13.3	222.65
Sales and service	3,693.6	30.7	467.38	14.17	2,354.8	38.5	626.22	1,338.8	17.1	188.02
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,163.5	40.3	851.44	20.91	2,043.2	41.7	886.77	120.4	17.5	251.56
Occupations unique to primary industry	325.3	41.9	747.92	17.37	283.6	45.6	829.92	41.7	16.8	190.59
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	899.1	39.1	717.30	18.18	857.9	40.1	740.72	41.2	18.1	230.22

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 June 7, 2009 to July 11, 2009
	percent
Newfoundland and Labrador	
01. St. John's	7.5
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	20.7
Prince Edward Island	
03. Prince Edward Island	12.5
Nova Scotia	
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	16.6
05. Western Nova Scotia	10.6
06. Halifax	5.9
New Brunswick	
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	6.6
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	11.5
09. Restigouche-Albert	14.3
Quebec	
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	17.0
11. Québec	4.5
12. Trois-Rivières	8.1
13. South Central Quebec	7.1
14. Sherbrooke	8.8
15. Montérégie	9.1
16. Montréal	9.5
17. Central Quebec	9.4
18. Northwestern Quebec	12.2
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³	11.8
20. Gatineau	5.4
21. Saguenay	9.4
Ontario	
22. Ottawa	6.2
23. Eastern Ontario	8.4
24. Kingston	6.2
25. Central Ontario	10.5
26. Oshawa	7.9
27. Toronto	9.1
28. Hamilton	7.4
29. St. Catharines	10.6
30. London	10.2
31. Niagara	11.2
32. Windsor	13.7
33. Kitchener	10.0
34. Huron	10.1
35. South Central Ontario	8.3
36. Sudbury	8.3
37. Thunder Bay	8.9
38. Northern Ontario	13.6
Manitoba	
39. Winnipeg	4.9
40. Southern Manitoba	5.8
41. Northern Manitoba	26.5
Saskatchewan	
42. Regina	3.8
43. Saskatoon	5.0
44. Southern Saskatchewan	7.3
45. Northern Saskatchewan	16.5

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 8 – continued

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

Region	Effective from June 7, 2009 to July 11, 2009
	percent
Alberta	
46. Calgary	6.7
47. Edmonton	6.2
48. Northern Alberta	10.4
49. Southern Alberta	7.2
British Columbia	
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	10.8
51. Abbotsford	7.4
52. Vancouver	7.0
53. Victoria	7.0
54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	8.1
55. Northern British Columbia	13.7
Territories	
56. Yukon 4	25.0
57. Northwest Territories 4	25.0
58. Nunavut 4	25.0

1. 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>.

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

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

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

Table 9-1
Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by detailed age groups

	May 2007	May 2008	May 2009	S.E. ¹	Change from		Percent change from	
					last year	two years ago	last year	two years ago
in thousands								
Students 15 to 24 years²								
Population	2,257.6	2,292.3	2,300.5	28.5	8.2	42.9	0.4	1.9
Labour force	1,256.2	1,302.8	1,255.2	30.3	-47.6	-1.0	-3.7	-0.1
Employment	1,065.0	1,080.3	989.9	29.3	-90.4	-75.1	-8.4	-7.1
Full-time employment	286.8	290.4	214.0	21.2	-76.4	-72.8	-26.3	-25.4
Part-time employment	778.2	789.9	775.8	23.2	-14.1	-2.4	-1.8	-0.3
Unemployment	191.2	222.5	265.4	13.1	42.9	74.2	19.3	38.8
Participation rate	55.6	56.8	54.6	1.0	-2.2	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.2	17.1	21.1	0.9	4.0	5.9	...	...
Employment rate	47.2	47.1	43.0	1.0	-4.1	-4.2	...	...
Part-time rate	73.1	73.1	78.4	1.3	5.3	5.3	...	...
Students 15 to 16 years²								
Population	818.1	805.1	800.8	5.0	-4.3	-17.3	-0.5	-2.1
Labour force	312.7	304.1	286.2	12.7	-17.9	-26.5	-5.9	-8.5
Employment	245.2	233.8	204.0	12.0	-29.8	-41.2	-12.7	-16.8
Full-time employment	4.3	5.2	4.3	5.2	-0.9	0.0	-17.3	0.0
Part-time employment	240.9	228.6	199.7	11.2	-28.9	-41.2	-12.6	-17.1
Unemployment	67.6	70.2	82.3	7.5	12.1	14.7	17.2	21.7
Participation rate	38.2	37.8	35.7	1.5	-2.1	-2.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	21.6	23.1	28.8	1.9	5.7	7.2	...	...
Employment rate	30.0	29.0	25.5	1.5	-3.5	-4.5	...	...
Part-time rate	98.2	97.8	97.9	1.6	0.1	-0.4	...	...
Students 17 to 19 years²								
Population	821.8	836.1	865.0	15.7	28.9	43.2	3.5	5.3
Labour force	504.5	509.0	533.5	17.2	24.5	29.0	4.8	5.7
Employment	434.5	432.1	430.0	17.0	-2.1	-4.5	-0.5	-1.0
Full-time employment	84.8	85.1	69.8	11.9	-15.3	-15.0	-18.0	-17.7
Part-time employment	349.7	346.9	360.2	14.6	13.3	10.5	3.8	3.0
Unemployment	70.0	77.0	103.5	8.3	26.5	33.5	34.4	47.9
Participation rate	61.4	60.9	61.7	1.6	0.8	0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.9	15.1	19.4	1.4	4.3	5.5	...	...
Employment rate	52.9	51.7	49.7	1.7	-2.0	-3.2	...	...
Part-time rate	80.5	80.3	83.8	1.9	3.5	3.3	...	...
Students 20 to 24 years²								
Population	617.7	651.1	634.7	22.7	-16.4	17.0	-2.5	2.8
Labour force	438.9	489.7	435.6	20.4	-54.1	-3.3	-11.0	-0.8
Employment	385.4	414.4	355.9	19.8	-58.5	-29.5	-14.1	-7.7
Full-time employment	197.8	200.0	139.9	15.8	-60.1	-57.9	-30.0	-29.3
Part-time employment	187.6	214.4	216.0	13.5	1.6	28.4	0.7	15.1
Unemployment	53.6	75.3	79.7	6.5	4.4	26.1	5.8	48.7
Participation rate	71.1	75.2	68.6	1.8	-6.6	-2.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.2	15.4	18.3	1.3	2.9	6.1	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	63.6	56.1	1.9	-7.5	-6.3	...	...
Part-time rate	48.7	51.7	60.7	2.4	9.0	12.0	...	...
Other persons aged 15 to 24³								
Population	2,091.4	2,080.6	2,091.7	28.5	11.1	0.3	0.5	0.0
Labour force	1,774.6	1,761.3	1,767.4	28.2	6.1	-7.2	0.3	-0.4
Employment	1,580.0	1,571.4	1,507.5	27.5	-63.9	-72.5	-4.1	-4.6
Full-time employment	1,227.7	1,210.2	1,123.9	25.9	-86.3	-103.8	-7.1	-8.5
Part-time employment	352.3	361.2	383.6	16.0	22.4	31.3	6.2	8.9
Unemployment	194.5	190.0	259.9	12.4	69.9	65.4	36.8	33.6
Participation rate	84.9	84.7	84.5	0.7	-0.2	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.0	10.8	14.7	0.7	3.9	3.7	...	...
Employment rate	75.5	75.5	72.1	0.9	-3.5	-3.5	...	...
Part-time rate	22.3	23.0	25.4	0.9	2.5	3.1	...	...

1. Average standard error of change over the year (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

2. Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall.

3. Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Table 282-0006.

Table 9-2
Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by province

	Population		Labour force				Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
	Labour force	Employment	Full-time employment	Part-time employment	Unemployment				
in thousands									
Students¹									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
May 2008	34.9	16.8	12.2	4.4	7.8	4.6	48.1	27.4	35.0
May 2009	31.8	13.0	9.8	2.3	7.6	3.1	40.9	23.8	30.8
Prince Edward Island									
May 2008	9.1	6.0	4.9	1.9	3.0	1.1	65.9	18.3	53.8
May 2009	10.1	6.0	4.4	1.3	3.1	1.5	59.4	25.0	43.6
Nova Scotia									
May 2008	63.0	38.3	31.8	9.9	21.8	6.5	60.8	17.0	50.5
May 2009	56.4	31.8	25.3	6.4	18.9	6.5	56.4	20.4	44.9
New Brunswick									
May 2008	47.1	29.1	24.0	6.2	17.8	5.0	61.8	17.2	51.0
May 2009	47.2	26.8	20.4	5.8	14.7	6.4	56.8	23.9	43.2
Quebec									
May 2008	543.2	294.7	251.8	52.9	198.9	42.9	54.3	14.6	46.4
May 2009	522.7	291.8	228.4	30.4	198.0	63.4	55.8	21.7	43.7
Ontario									
May 2008	979.5	564.0	451.6	122.7	328.9	112.4	57.6	19.9	46.1
May 2009	1,003.5	537.8	402.4	88.1	314.3	135.4	53.6	25.2	40.1
Manitoba									
May 2008	74.1	48.0	41.7	11.8	29.8	6.4	64.8	13.3	56.3
May 2009	70.7	40.8	35.7	9.5	26.2	5.1	57.7	12.5	50.5
Saskatchewan									
May 2008	59.7	36.4	32.5	11.9	20.6	3.9	61.0	10.7	54.4
May 2009	58.2	35.5	31.0	8.2	22.8	4.5	61.0	12.7	53.3
Alberta									
May 2008	205.5	121.2	103.0	36.6	66.4	18.2	59.0	15.0	50.1
May 2009	221.2	129.6	111.0	31.7	79.3	18.6	58.6	14.4	50.2
British Columbia									
May 2008	276.1	148.3	126.9	32.0	94.9	21.4	53.7	14.4	46.0
May 2009	278.7	142.2	121.3	30.3	91.0	20.9	51.0	14.7	43.5
Other persons aged 15-24²									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
May 2008	27.8	19.8	15.6	11.6	4.0	4.3	71.2	21.7	56.1
May 2009	29.4	21.6	16.1	12.6	3.6	5.5	73.5	25.5	54.8
Prince Edward Island									
May 2008	10.5	8.6	7.4	6.2	1.2	1.2	81.9	14.0	70.5
May 2009	9.7	8.7	7.2	5.9	1.3	x	89.7	x	74.2
Nova Scotia									
May 2008	58.6	48.9	41.5	30.5	10.9	7.4	83.4	15.1	70.8
May 2009	63.9	53.2	42.8	31.8	11.0	10.4	83.3	19.5	67.0
New Brunswick									
May 2008	47.8	38.4	32.4	25.0	7.4	6.0	80.3	15.6	67.8
May 2009	46.8	37.9	33.5	25.3	8.2	x	81.0	x	71.6
Quebec									
May 2008	415.7	356.4	310.0	236.7	73.4	46.3	85.7	13.0	74.6
May 2009	439.7	370.7	318.1	237.4	80.7	52.5	84.3	14.2	72.3
Ontario									
May 2008	751.9	633.4	552.9	407.1	145.8	80.5	84.2	12.7	73.5
May 2009	740.1	628.8	523.7	383.4	140.4	105.1	85.0	16.7	70.8
Manitoba									
May 2008	84.1	70.0	64.8	51.7	13.0	5.2	83.2	7.4	77.1
May 2009	89.3	76.6	70.6	54.2	16.4	6.0	85.8	7.8	79.1
Saskatchewan									
May 2008	79.6	69.1	63.7	53.4	10.4	x	86.8	x	80.0
May 2009	81.2	70.8	62.9	49.7	13.3	7.7	87.2	10.9	77.5

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 9-2 – continued

Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by province

	Population	Labour force				Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Full-time employment	Part-time employment				
in thousands									
Alberta									
May 2008	298.0	256.2	243.1	203.5	39.5	13.1	86.0	5.1	81.6
May 2009	285.6	247.8	212.2	174.2	38.0	35.6	86.8	14.4	74.3
British Columbia									
May 2008	306.5	260.6	240.1	184.5	55.5	20.6	85.0	7.9	78.3
May 2009	305.9	251.4	220.2	149.4	70.9	31.2	82.2	12.4	72.0

1. Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall.

2. Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Table 282-0006.

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*