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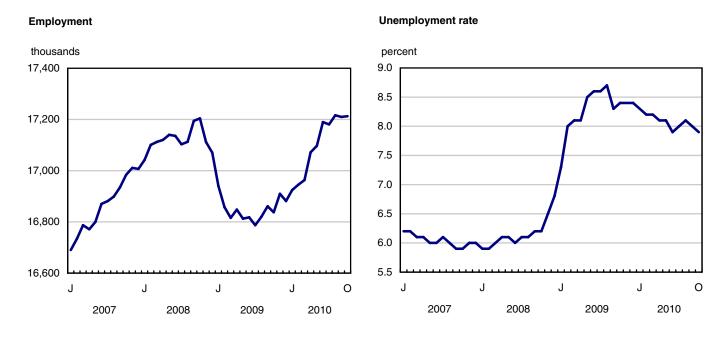
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Highlights

October 2010

In October, employment remained virtually unchanged for the second consecutive month, as full-time gains offset part-time losses. The unemployment rate edged down to 7.9% and has been around 8% for the past seven months.

Chart 1 Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted



Analysis — October 2010

In October, employment remained virtually unchanged for the second consecutive month, as full-time gains offset part-time losses. The unemployment rate edged down to 7.9% and has been around 8% for the past seven months.

Since October 2009, total employment has risen by 375,000 (+2.2%), mostly the result of strength over the first half of 2010, when employment growth averaged 51,000 per month. In the last four months, however, monthly gains averaged 5,700.

The number of private sector employees increased in October, while self-employment declined. Public sector employment was unchanged.

Full-time employment rose by 47,000 in October, while part-time fell by 44,000. Over the past three months, losses in part time have been offset by full-time gains.

Employment increased among people aged 55 and over, nearly all among women. At the same time, there was an offsetting decline in employment for those aged 25 to 54.

Alberta posted employment gains in October, while Nova Scotia registered a notable loss. There was little change in other provinces.

Losses in retail and wholesale trade were offset by gains in information, culture and recreation; construction; and agriculture. The construction industry continued its upward trend that started in July 2009.

Average hourly wages for employees increased by 2.1% in October compared with 12 months earlier.

Additional hiring in the private sector

The number of private sector employees increased by 38,000 in October, while self-employment declined by 24,000. At the same time, public sector employment was virtually unchanged.

Over the past year, 337,000 employees have been added to the private sector and 134,000 to the public sector. The number of self-employed has fallen by 96,000 over the same period.

Full-time employment continues to gain

The number of people working full-time continued to rise in October, up 47,000, bringing gains to 164,000 over the past three months. At the same time, the total number of hours worked has edged up.

Part-time employment fell by 44,000 in October, with losses totalling 132,000 over the past three months.

Construction up

In October, employment in the goods-producing sector rose by 36,000, led by a gain of 21,000 in construction. Since October of last year, employment in construction has risen by 6.0% (+72,000), one of the fastest growth rates of all major industries.

Within the goods sector, employment also increased in agriculture in October, up 9,000, while it edged up in manufacturing.

The number of workers in the service sector declined by 33,000 in October, with losses concentrated in retail and wholesale trade (-29,000). The only service industry with a notable increase was information, culture and recreation, up 22,000.

More women aged 55 and over employed

In October, employment among women aged 55 and over increased by 16,000, while there was little change for men in this age group. At the same time, the number of 25 to 54 year-old workers dipped by 16,000. Youth employment was little changed in October, following a notable decline the previous month.

Between October 2009 and October 2010, the fastest rate of employment growth was among workers aged 55 and over, up 7.7% for men and 7.4% for women.

Over this year-long period, there were also employment gains for men aged 25 to 54, up 117,000 or 1.9%. Among women in this age group, employment grew much slower (+27,000 or +0.5%).

Employment gains in Alberta

Employment in Alberta rose by 17,000 in October, following two months of little change. This increase brings total gains over the past 12 months to 46,000 or 2.3%, slightly above the national growth rate of 2.2%.

Employment also increased in Prince Edward Island in October, up 1,200. Despite this increase, employment in the province remained similar to the level of 12 months earlier.

In Quebec, employment was little changed in October. The unemployment rate rose by 0.3 percentage points to 8.0%, as more people were looking for work.

While employment in Ontario was also little changed in October, the unemployment rate edged down 0.2 percentage points to 8.6%, the result of fewer men aged 25 and over participating in the labour market.

In Nova Scotia, employment fell by 8,600 in October, following an increase the month before. This decline pushed the unemployment rate in the province up 0.8 percentage points to 9.8%.

Employment in Newfoundland and Labrador declined by 2,300 in October. A decrease in the number of people in the labour force pushed the unemployment rate down to 13.0%, its lowest level since June 2008.

Canada's labour market downturn two years later

Employment in Canada reached a high in the fall of 2008, then declined steeply over a period of nine months. Since the summer of 2009, employment has increased, particularly in the first half of 2010.

Although employment has returned to its pre-recession level of October 2008, the unemployment rate remains around 8%, well above its pre-recession level of 6.2%. Over this two-year period, the working-age population (15 years and over) grew by 2.9%, and the labour force – those working or looking for work – rose by 1.9%.

Across the provinces, Newfoundland and Labrador (+3.1%), Manitoba (+2.9%), Prince Edward Island (+2.3%), Quebec (+1.5%), Saskatchewan (+0.9%) and British Columbia (+0.6%) added employment compared with October 2008, while New Brunswick (-1.8%), Nova Scotia (-1.7%), Alberta (-1.1%) and Ontario (-0.9%) experienced losses.

These provincial differences are partly driven by industrial composition. Over the two years, employment in the manufacturing sector dropped 10.8%, with significant declines in Ontario and Alberta. Transportation and warehousing went down by 5.4%, with notable losses in Ontario, Quebec, Alberta and New Brunswick. Natural resources remained 2.6% below its October 2008 level, with Quebec, British Columbia and Nova Scotia most affected.

Gains in construction were widespread across the country, as employment in that sector has now returned to its pre-recession level. British Columbia was the only exception, as construction employment dropped 13.6% below its October 2008 level.

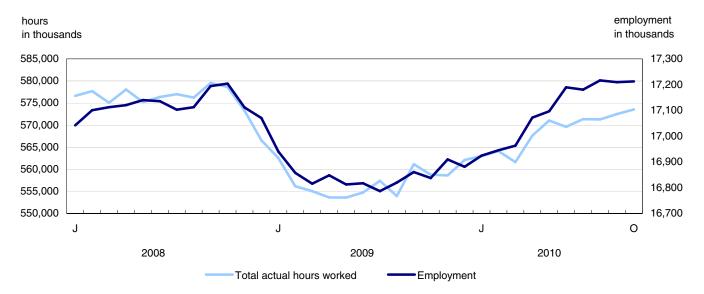
Compared with October 2008, employment increased notably in health care and social assistance (+6.7%), as well as in professional, scientific and technical services (+6.7%). All provinces shared in the gains observed in health care and social assistance, but growth was particularly strong in Alberta, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and Labrador. Increases in professional, scientific and technical services occurred mostly in Quebec, Ontario, British Columbia and Manitoba.

Employment fell steeply during the downturn for youths (15 to 24) and men aged 25 to 54. In October 2010, employment among youths remained 7.8% below its October 2008 level, while the number of workers aged 25 to 54 was just below its pre-recession level (-1.0% for men and -0.7% for women). Workers aged 55 and over, however, experienced employment growth between October 2008 and October 2010, up 13.5% for women and 10.0% for men.

During the downturn, full-time employment saw large declines, while part-time increased. Although overall employment has returned to its pre-recession level, full-time employment remains 102,000 or 0.7% below its peak, while there are 110,000 (+3.5%) more workers employed part time.

Total hours worked in the labour market fell steeply during the downturn (-3.7%) and have since picked up, increasing by 2.9%. However, unlike total employment, the number of hours worked in October 2010 is still 0.9% below the October 2008 level.

Chart 1
Growth in hours worked lags employment growth



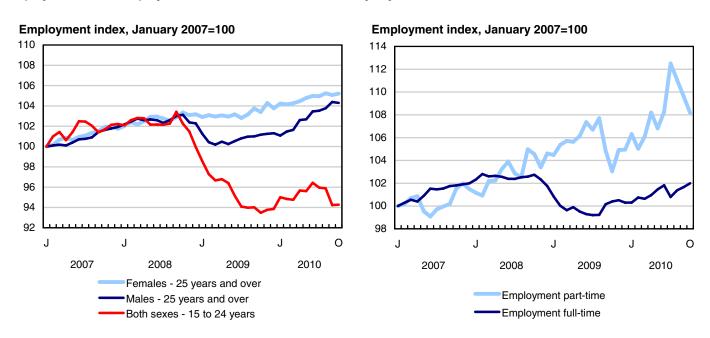
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Unless otherwise stated, this release presents seasonally adjusted data, which facilitates comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations.

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Chart 2 Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



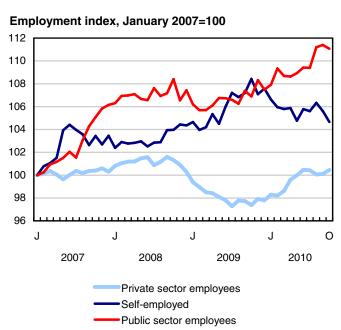


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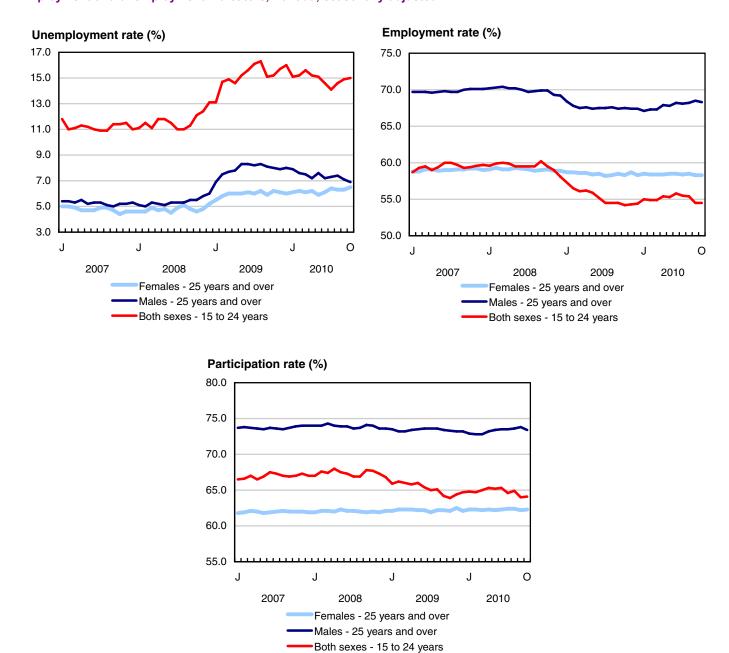


Chart 4 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January, 2007=100

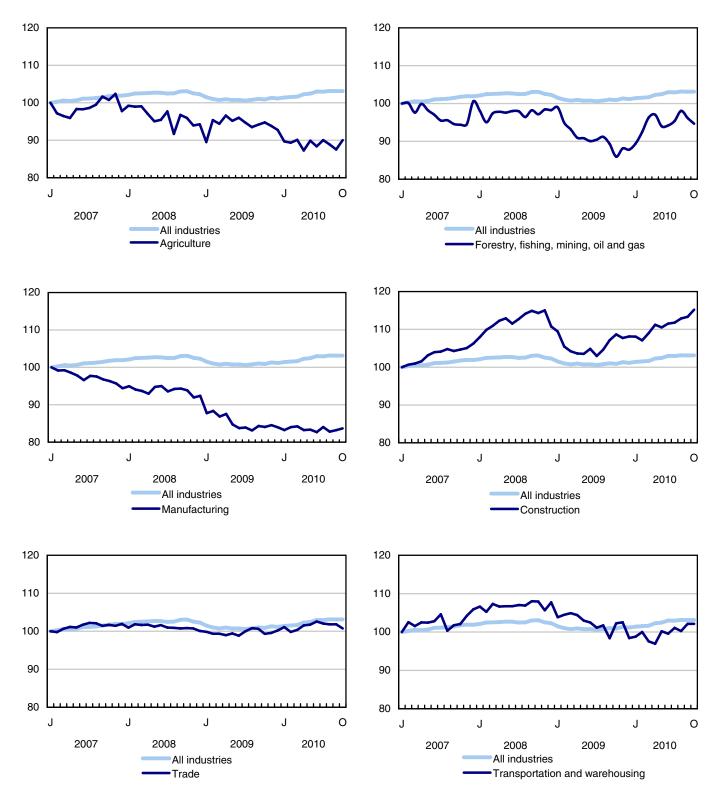


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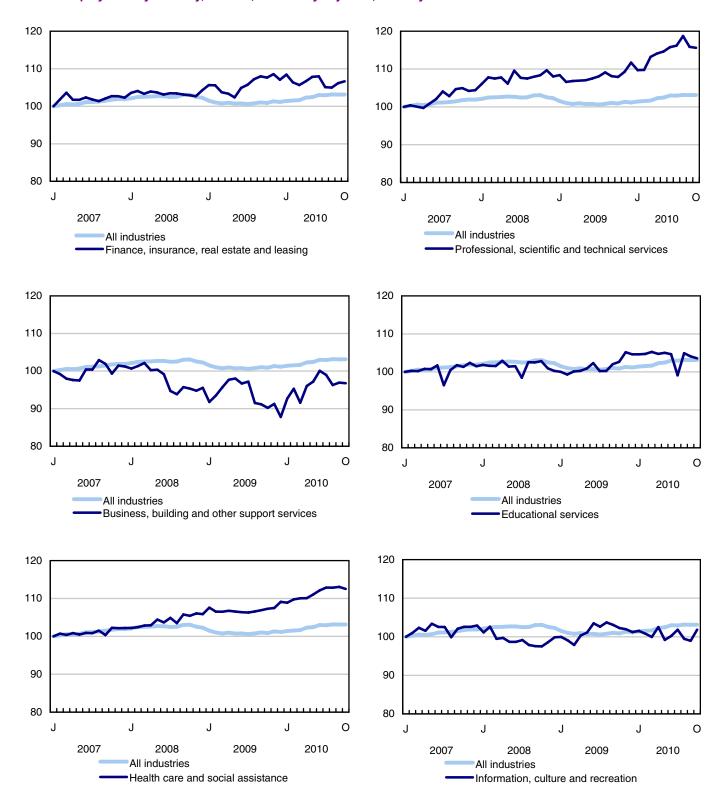


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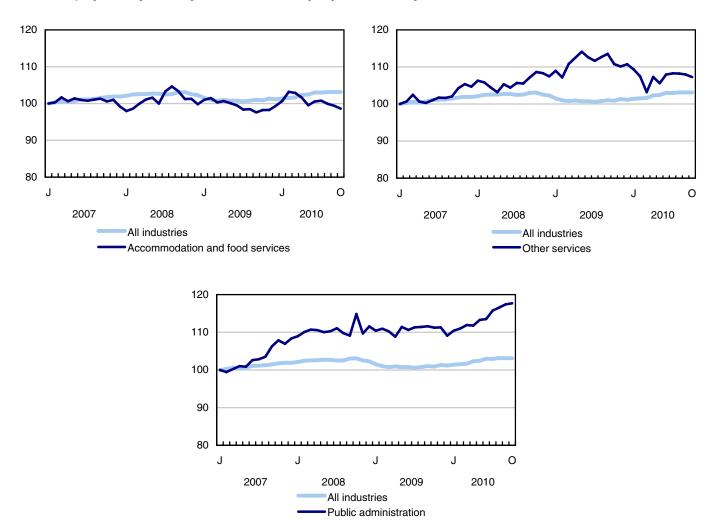


Chart 7 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2007=100

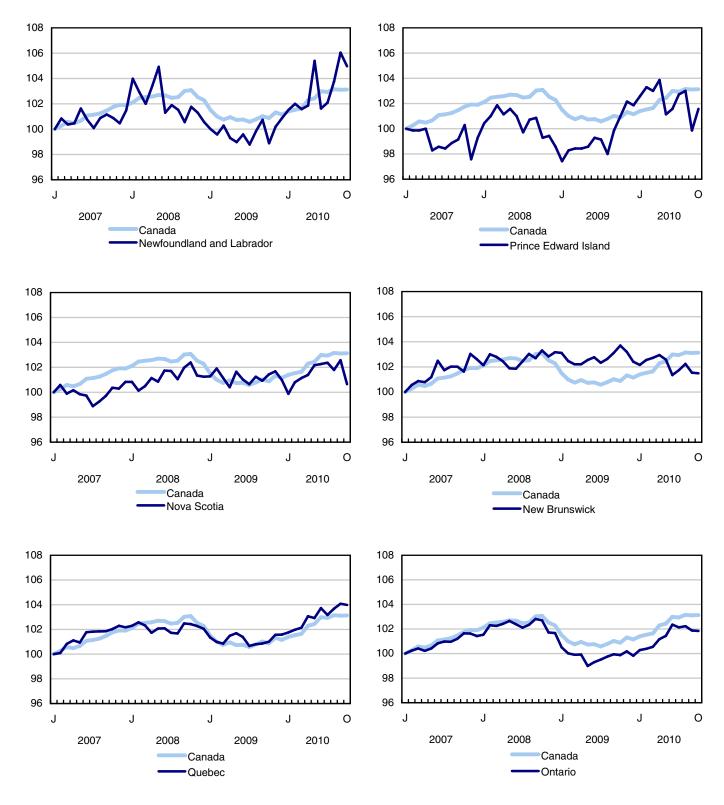
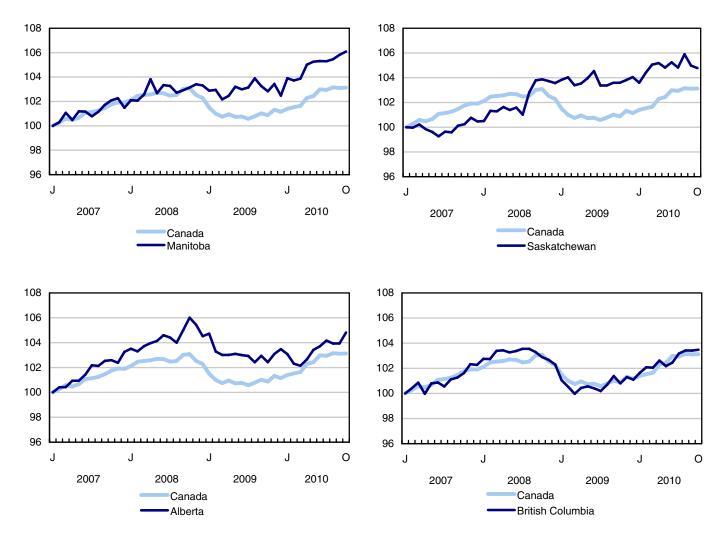


Chart 8 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2007=100



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282-0099	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), employment by urban and rural areas based on 2001 census boundaries, class of worker and North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), annual
282-0100	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by territories, sex and age group, 3-month moving average, seasonally adjusted and unadjusted, monthly
282-0101	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by immigrant status, age group, Canada, regions, provinces and Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver census metropolitan areas, 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality, monthly
282-0102	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by immigrant status, age group, Canada, regions, provinces and Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver census metropolitan areas, annual
282-0103	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by immigrant status, sex and detailed age group, Canada, 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality, monthly
282-0104	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by immigrant status, sex and detailed age group, Canada, annual
282-0105	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by immigrant status, educational attainment, sex and age group, Canada, 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality, monthly
282-0106	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by immigrant status, educational attainment, sex and age group, Canada, annual

282-0107	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by immigrant status, country of birth, sex and age group, Canada, regions and provinces, 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality, monthly
282-0108	Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by immigrant status, country of birth, sex and age group, Canada, regions and provinces, annual

Selected surveys from Statistics Canada

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Selected summary tables from Statistics Canada

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

- Actual hours worked per week by industry, seasonally adjusted (monthly)
- · Average hourly wages of employees by selected characteristics and profession, unadjusted data, by province (monthly)
- Labour force characteristics, seasonally adjusted, by province (monthly)
- Labour force characteristics, unadjusted, by province (monthly)
- Labour force characteristics, seasonally adjusted, by census metropolitan area (3 month moving average)
- Labour force characteristics, unadjusted, by census metropolitan area (3 month moving average)
- Labour force characteristics, unadjusted, by economic region (3 month moving average)
- Labour force characteristics by immigrant status of population aged 25 to 54, by province
- Labour force characteristics by immigrant status of population aged 25 to 54, by educational attainment
- Labour force characteristics by immigrant status, by detailed age group
- Labour force characteristics by immigrant status of population aged 25 to 54, by country of birth

Statistical tables

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	C	Change from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	except rate	es)				
15 years and over, both sexes									
Population Labour force	27,809.6 18,702.7	27,840.4 18,698.4	 28.1	30.8 -4.3	349.7 261.2	407.3 319.1	0.1 0.0	1.3 1.4	1.5 1.7
Employment	17,209.7	17,212.7	27.9	3.0	331.3	375.2	0.0	2.0	2.2
Employment full-time	13,862.6	13,909.8	36.8	47.2	232.6	218.6	0.3	1.7	1.6
Employment part-time	3,347.1	3,302.9	33.7	-44.2	98.6	156.5	-1.3	3.1	5.0
Unemployment Participation rate	1,493.0 67.3	1,485.7 67.2	24.9 0.1	-7.3 -0.1	-70.1 0.1	-56.0 0.2	-0.5	-4.5	-3.6
Unemployment rate	8.0	7.9	0.1	-0.1 -0.1	-0.5	-0.5			
Employment rate	61.9	61.8	0.1	-0.1	0.4	0.4			
Part-time rate	19.4	19.2	0.2	-0.3	0.2	0.5			
15 to 24 years, both sexes Population	4,409.3	4,409.8		0.5	9.5	10.7	0.0	0.2	0.2
Labour force	2,821.0	2,827.4	16.5	6.4	-20.4	17.0	0.2	-0.7	0.6
Employment	2,401.6	2,402.7	15.1	1.1	10.7	20.3	0.0	0.4	0.9
Employment full-time Employment part-time	1,250.1 1,151.6	1,251.1 1,151.5	17.7 18.3	1.0 -0.1	-21.2 31.9	-44.6 64.8	0.1 0.0	-1.7 2.8	-3.4 6.0
Unemployment	419.4	424.7	14.3	5.3	-31.2	-3.3	1.3	-6.8	-0.8
Participation rate	64.0	64.1	0.4	0.1	-0.6	0.2			
Unemployment rate	14.9	15.0	0.5	0.1	-1.0	-0.2			
Employment rate Part-time rate	54.5 48.0	54.5 47.9	0.3 0.7	0.0 0.0	0.1 1.1	0.3 2.3			
	40.0	41.3	0.7	0.0	1.1	2.5		•••	
25 years and over, men Population	11.447.7	11,462.5		14.8	168.7	196.6	0.1	1.5	1.7
Labour force	8,443.1	8,411.5	14.8	-31.6	143.5	150.6	-0.4	1.7	1.8
Employment	7,841.1	7,834.5	16.2	-6.6	224.9	235.2	-0.1	3.0	3.1
Employment full-time Employment part-time	7,213.3 627.8	7,220.3 614.3	20.8 16.6	7.0 -13.5	209.9 15.1	191.1 44.2	0.1 -2.2	3.0 2.5	2.7 7.8
Unemployment	602.1	576.9	15.0	-25.2	-81.4	-84.7	-4.2	-12.4	-12.8
Participation rate	73.8	73.4	0.1	-0.4	0.2	0.1			
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.9	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	-1.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	68.5 8.0	68.3 7.8	0.1 0.2	-0.2 -0.2	0.9 0.0	0.8 0.3			
	0.0	7.0	0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.0			•••
25 years and over, women Population	11,952.7	11,968.0		15.3	171.4	199.9	0.1	1.5	1.7
Labour force	7,438.5	7,459.5	15.9	21.0	138.1	151.5	0.3	1.9	2.1
Employment	6,967.0	6,975.5	15.8	8.5	95.7	119.7	0.1	1.4	1.7
Employment full-time Employment part-time	5,399.2 1,567.7	5,438.4 1,537.1	23.6 22.1	39.2 -30.6	44.0 51.7	72.2 47.6	0.7 -2.0	0.8 3.5	1.3 3.2
Unemployment	471.6	484.1	12.9	12.5	42.5	31.9	2.7	9.6	7.1
Participation rate	62.2	62.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2			
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	58.3 22.5	58.3 22.0	0.1 0.3	0.0 -0.5	0.0 0.4	0.0 0.3			
25 to 54 years, both sexes	14 650 0	14 666 0		7.0	102.0	115 6	0.4	0.7	0.0
Population Labour force	14,658.9 12,694.7	14,666.8 12.659.1	21.3	7.9 -35.6	102.0 90.6	115.6 91.8	0.1 -0.3	0.7 0.7	0.8 0.7
Employment	11,820.4	11,804.3	22.9	-16.1	132.3	143.6	-0.3 -0.1	1.1	1.2
Unemployment	874.3	854.8	18.6	-19.5	-41.8	-51.8	-2.2		-5.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	86.6 6.9	86.3 6.8	0.1 0.1	-0.3 -0.1	0.0 -0.3	-0.1 -0.4		•••	•••
Employment rate	80.6	80.5	0.1	-0.1 -0.1	-0.3 0.4	-0.4 0.4			
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See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	С	hange from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	xcept rate	s)				
25 to 54 years, men Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	7,329.2 6,668.7 6,195.0 473.7 91.0 7.1 84.5	7,333.0 6,635.7 6,186.0 449.7 90.5 6.8 84.4	13.7 15.6 13.8 0.2 0.2 0.2	3.8 -33.0 -9.0 -24.0 -0.5 -0.3 -0.1	51.4 43.6 124.7 -81.1 0.0 -1.3 1.2	58.3 37.0 117.2 -80.2 -0.2 -1.2 1.0	0.1 -0.5 -0.1 -5.1 	2.1 -15.3 	0.8 0.6 1.9 -15.1
25 to 54 years, women Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	7,329.7 6,026.0 5,625.4 400.6 82.2 6.6 76.7	7,333.8 6,023.4 5,618.3 405.1 82.1 6.7 76.6	15.5 15.8 12.0 0.2 0.2 0.2	4.1 -2.6 -7.1 4.5 -0.1 0.1	50.6 47.0 7.6 39.4 0.0 0.6 -0.4	57.3 54.9 26.5 28.4 0.1 0.4 -0.2	0.1 0.0 -0.1 1.1 		0.8 0.9 0.5 7.5
55 years and over, both sexes Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	8,741.4 3,187.0 2,987.7 199.3 36.5 6.3 34.2	8,763.8 3,211.9 3,005.7 206.2 36.6 6.4 34.3	16.5 16.5 9.1 0.2 0.3 0.2	22.4 24.9 18.0 6.9 0.1 0.1	238.2 191.1 188.2 2.9 1.2 -0.3 1.3	281.0 210.3 211.3 -1.0 1.2 -0.5 1.4	0.3 0.8 0.6 3.5 		3.3 7.0 7.6 -0.5
55 years and over, men Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,118.5 1,774.4 1,646.1 128.3 43.1 7.2 40.0	4,129.5 1,775.8 1,648.6 127.2 43.0 7.2 39.9	11.1 11.2 7.0 0.3 0.4 0.3	11.0 1.4 2.5 -1.1 -0.1 0.0 -0.1	117.3 99.9 100.2 -0.3 1.2 -0.4 1.3	138.3 113.6 118.1 -4.5 1.4 -0.7	0.3 0.1 0.2 -0.9 	-0.2 	3.5 6.8 7.7 -3.4
55 years and over, women Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,623.0 1,412.6 1,341.6 71.0 30.6 5.0 29.0	4,634.2 1,436.1 1,357.2 79.0 31.0 5.5 29.3	11.1 11.1 5.6 0.2 0.4 0.2	11.2 23.5 15.6 8.0 0.4 0.5 0.3	120.8 91.2 88.1 3.1 1.2 -0.1	142.6 96.7 93.3 3.5 1.2 -0.1	0.2 1.7 1.2 11.3 	6.8 6.9 4.1	3.2 7.2 7.4 4.6

^{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

	2,690.3 3,562.2 10,957.2 17,209.7 3,772.6 297.6 334.9 150.3 1,243.3 1,746.6 13,437.0 2,697.0 819.1 1,103.4 1,288.0 680.3 1,222.3	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
			in thous	ands					
Class of worker Employees Self-employed ²		14,546.4 2,666.2	33.4 24.1	27.0 -24.1	405.3 -74.1	470.8 -95.7	0.2 -0.9	2.9 -2.7	3.3 -3.5
Public/private sector employees Public sector employees Private sector employees		3,551.5 10,995.0	22.7 35.0	-10.7 37.8	114.4 291.0	133.6 337.3	-0.3 0.3	3.3 2.7	3.9 3.2
Industry	17,209.7	17,212.7	27.9	3.0	331.3	375.2	0.0	2.0	2.2
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	297.6 334.9 150.3 1,243.3	3,808.4 306.1 329.6 151.9 1,264.1 1,756.5	24.5 6.8 6.7 4.7 15.4 18.1	35.8 8.5 -5.3 1.6 20.8 9.9	91.8 -9.2 23.9 5.4 77.7 -6.1	80.9 -16.1 30.4 2.5 71.9 -8.0	0.9 2.9 -1.6 1.1 1.7 0.6	2.5 -2.9 7.8 3.7 6.5 -0.3	2.2 -5.0 10.2 1.7 6.0 -0.5
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and	2,697.0	13,404.3 2,668.1 819.1	32.2 22.1 12.5	-32.7 -28.9 0.0	239.5 14.1 29.7	294.3 37.4 -1.0	-0.2 -1.1 0.0	1.8 0.5 3.8	2.2 1.4 -0.1
leasing Professional, scientific and technical services Business, building and other support	,	1,108.4 1,285.1	15.0 16.1	5.0 -2.9	-4.3 43.2	-10.3 85.5	0.5 -0.2	-0.4 3.5	-0.9 7.1
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration		679.2 1,216.3 2,056.2 780.0 1,046.9 759.7 985.3	13.1 15.1 16.9 13.4 15.6 12.8 11.9	-1.1 -6.0 -9.8 22.1 -8.6 -5.0 2.4	63.1 -12.4 62.2 4.7 -8.2 -24.6 71.9	46.1 10.9 95.7 -3.3 3.8 -24.9 54.3	-0.2 -0.5 -0.5 2.9 -0.8 -0.7	10.2 -1.0 3.1 0.6 -0.8 -3.1 7.9	7.3 0.9 4.9 -0.4 0.4 -3.2 5.8

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Includes both incorporated and unincorporated working owners, self-employed persons who do not have a business and persons working in a family business without pay.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0088, 282-0089.

Table 3 Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	September	October	S.E. ¹	С	hange from		Perce	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	xcept rate	s)				
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	432.0	432.0		0.0	1.5	2.1	0.0	0.3	0.5
Labour force Employment	263.8 228.3	259.8 226.0	2.1 2.2	-4.0 -2.3	3.8 8.8	3.4 13.1	-1.5 -1.0	1.5 4.1	1.3 6.2
Employment full-time	195.2	194.2	2.6	-1.0	7.3	12.9	-0.5	3.9	7.1
Employment part-time	33.1	31.8	1.8	-1.3	1.5	0.2	-3.9	5.0	0.6
Unemployment	35.5 61.1	33.8 60.1	2.0 0.5	-1.7 -1.0	-5.0 0.6	-9.8 0.5	-4.8	-12.9	-22.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	13.5	13.0	0.5	-1.0 -0.5	-2.2	-4.0			
Employment rate	52.8	52.3	0.5	-0.5	1.8	2.8			
Prince Edward Island	447.0	440.0			4.0	4.0		4.5	4 =
Population Labour force	117.9 80.8	118.2 81.5	0.6	0.3 0.7	1.8 1.7	1.8 1.8	0.3 0.9	1.5 2.1	1.5 2.3
Employment	69.8	71.0	0.0	1.2	-0.2	0.4	1.7	-0.3	0.6
Employment full-time	57.0	58.1	0.8	1.1	-0.1	0.9	1.9	-0.2	1.6
Employment part-time	12.7	12.9	0.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	1.6	-0.8	-3.7
Unemployment	11.0 68.5	10.5 69.0	0.6 0.5	-0.5 0.5	1.9	1.4 0.5	-4.5	22.1	15.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	13.6	12.9	0.5	-0.5	0.4 2.1	0.5 1.5			
Employment rate	59.2	60.1	0.6	0.9	-1.1	-0.6			
Nova Scotia									
Population	777.2	777.4		0.2	2.9	3.7	0.0	0.4	0.5
Labour force Employment	504.5 459.1	499.4 450.5	2.7 2.8	-5.1 -8.6	-0.5 -1.5	-0.3 -3.5	-1.0 -1.9	-0.1 -0.3	-0.1 -0.8
Employment full-time	368.8	365.2	3.6	-3.6	-3.6	-8.5	-1.0	-1.0	-2.3
Employment part-time	90.3	85.3	3.2	-5.0	2.0	5.0	-5.5	2.4	6.2
Unemployment	45.5	48.9	2.6	3.4	1.1	3.2	7.5	2.3	7.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	64.9 9.0	64.2 9.8	0.4 0.5	-0.7 0.8	-0.3 0.2	-0.4 0.7	•••	•••	
Employment rate	59.1	57.9	0.3	-1.2	-0.5	-0.8			
New Brunswick									
Population	625.5	625.9		0.4	3.1	3.6	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force Employment	401.7 362.3	401.6 362.1	2.2 2.4	-0.1 -0.2	0.4 -3.3	-2.1 -7.9	0.0 -0.1	0.1 -0.9	-0.5 -2.1
Employment full-time	305.5	306.7	2.8	1.2	-2.8	-5.8	0.4	-0.9	-1.9
Employment part-time	56.9	55.5	2.4	-1.4	-0.4	-2.0	-2.5	-0.7	-3.5
Unemployment	39.4	39.5	2.1	0.1	3.7	5.8	0.3	10.3	17.2
Participation rate Unemployment rate	64.2 9.8	64.2 9.8	0.4 0.5	0.0 0.0	-0.2 0.9	-0.7 1.5	•••	•••	
Employment rate	57.9	57.9	0.3	0.0	-0.8	-1.6			
Quebec									
Population	6,533.4	6,540.3		6.9	68.6	81.6	0.1	1.1	1.3
Labour force Employment	4,283.8 3,953.4	4,293.7 3.949.6	14.1 14.3	9.9 -3.8	81.5 91.2	110.6 113.5	0.2 -0.1	1.9 2.4	2.6 3.0
Employment full-time	3,953.4 3,191.8	3,949.6 3.189.8	14.3 18.6	-3.6 -2.0	91.2 51.9	46.3	-0.1 -0.1	2.4 1.7	3.0 1.5
Employment part-time	761.6	759.8	16.8	-1.8	39.3	67.2	-0.2	5.5	9.7
Unemployment	330.4	344.1	12.9	13.7	-9.7	-2.9	4.1	-2.7	-0.8
Participation rate	65.6	65.6	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.8			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.7 60.5	8.0 60.4	0.3 0.2	0.3 -0.1	-0.4 0.8	-0.3 1.0			
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See notes at the end of the table.

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	C	change from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	except rate	es)				
Ontario Population Labour force	10,853.6 7,307.3	10,866.8 7,287.3	 19.4	13.2 -20.0	139.2 97.1	159.2 107.2	0.1 -0.3	1.3 1.4	1.5 1.5
Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	6,662.0 5,356.4 1,305.5 645.3 67.3 8.8	6,659.2 5,385.8 1,273.4 628.1 67.1 8.6	18.9 24.6 22.8 17.2 0.2 0.2	-2.8 29.4 -32.1 -17.2 -0.2 -0.2	131.8 84.4 47.5 -34.7 0.1 -0.6	127.9 89.5 38.5 -20.7 0.0 -0.4	0.0 0.5 -2.5 -2.7	2.0 1.6 3.9 -5.2	2.0 1.7 3.1 -3.2
Employment rate	61.4	61.3	0.2	-0.1	0.5	0.3			
Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	939.8 659.0 623.7 502.4 121.2 35.4 70.1 5.4 66.4	940.9 659.6 625.3 504.6 120.7 34.3 70.1 5.2 66.5	2.6 2.8 3.7 3.5 2.1 0.3 0.3	1.1 0.6 1.6 2.2 -0.5 -1.1 0.0 -0.2	12.3 18.7 21.3 19.9 1.5 -2.7 1.1 -0.6 1.5	14.0 16.7 19.2 15.1 4.1 -2.5 0.7 -0.5 1.1	0.1 0.1 0.3 0.4 -0.4 -3.1	1.3 2.9 3.5 4.1 1.3 -7.3 	1.5 2.6 3.2 3.1 3.5 -6.8
Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	794.1 557.8 526.8 426.1 100.7 30.9 70.2 5.5 66.3	794.8 557.7 525.8 435.6 90.1 32.0 70.2 5.7 66.2	2.4 2.5 3.3 3.0 1.9 0.3 0.3	0.7 -0.1 -1.0 9.5 -10.6 1.1 0.0 0.2 -0.1	10.5 9.2 3.7 10.0 -6.4 5.7 0.3 0.9 -0.4	11.8 9.8 6.0 10.5 -4.6 3.9 0.2 0.6 -0.2	0.1 0.0 -0.2 2.2 -10.5 3.6	1.3 1.7 0.7 2.3 -6.6 21.7	1.5 1.8 1.2 2.5 -4.9 13.9
Alberta Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	2,939.7 2,135.8 2,004.2 1,652.2 352.0 131.6 72.7 6.2 68.2	2,943.4 2,150.8 2,021.2 1,655.2 366.0 129.5 73.1 6.0 68.7	8.6 8.8 11.8 10.5 7.5 0.3 0.3	3.7 15.0 17.0 3.0 14.0 -2.1 0.4 -0.2 0.5	48.1 14.9 25.9 23.4 2.5 -11.1 -0.7 -0.6 -0.2	56.3 23.3 46.1 26.7 19.5 -22.9 -0.6 -1.2 0.3	0.1 0.7 0.8 0.2 4.0 -1.6	1.7 0.7 1.3 1.4 0.7 -7.9	2.0 1.1 2.3 1.6 5.6 -15.0
British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,796.4 2,508.2 2,320.3 1,807.1 513.1 187.9 66.1 7.5 61.1	3,800.7 2,507.0 2,321.8 1,814.5 507.3 185.1 66.0 7.4 61.1	10.5 10.3 14.5 13.4 8.8 0.3 0.3	4.3 -1.2 1.5 7.4 -5.8 -2.8 -0.1 -0.1	61.8 34.3 53.3 42.1 11.2 -19.1 -0.1 -0.9 0.4	73.2 48.6 60.1 31.0 29.1 -11.6 0.0 -0.6 0.4	0.1 0.0 0.1 0.4 -1.1 -1.5	1.7 1.4 2.3 2.4 2.3 -9.4 	2.0 2.0 2.7 1.7 6.1 -5.9

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

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

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	400.0					0.4			
Population Labour force	432.0 263.8	432.0 259.8	2.1	0.0 -4.0	1.5 3.8	2.1 3.4	0.0 -1.5	0.3 1.5	0.5 1.3
Employment	228.3	226.0	2.2	-2.3	8.8	13.1	-1.0	4.1	6.2
Employment full-time	195.2	194.2	2.6	-1.0	7.3	12.9	-0.5	3.9	7.1
Unemployment	35.5	33.8	2.0	-1.7	-5.0	-9.8	-4.8	-12.9	-22.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	61.1 13.5	60.1 13.0	0.5 0.7	-1.0 -0.5	0.6 -2.2	0.5 -4.0			•••
Employment rate	52.8	52.3	0.5	-0.5	1.8	2.8			
Part-time rate	14.5	14.1	0.8	-0.4	0.1	-0.8			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	60.3	60.2		-0.1	-0.6	-0.7	-0.2	-1.0	-1.1
Labour force Employment	36.5 29.1	33.8 28.1	1.0 1.0	-2.7 -1.0	0.3 1.9	-0.1 2.1	-7.4 -3.4	0.9 7.3	-0.3 8.1
Unemployment	7.5	5.7	0.9	-1.0 -1.8	-1.6	-2.2	-3.4 -24.0	7.3 -21.9	-27.8
Participation rate	60.5	56.1	1.7	-4.4	1.0	0.4	-24.0	21.5	27.0
Unemployment rate	20.5	16.9	2.4	-3.6	-4.9	-6.4			
Employment rate	48.3	46.7	1.6	-1.6	3.6	4.0			
Part-time rate	41.9	37.4	3.5	-4.6	-1.9	-6.5			•••
Men, 25 years and over	179.0	179.0		0.0	0.9	1.2	0.0	0.5	0.7
Population Labour force	179.0	116.6	1.2	-0.7	0.9	0.4	-0.6	0.5	0.7
Employment	100.0	99.8	1.4	-0.2	3.0	3.5	-0.2	3.1	3.6
Unemployment	17.3	16.8	1.3	-0.5	-2.6	-3.1	-2.9	-13.4	-15.6
Participation rate	65.5	65.1	0.7	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3			
Unemployment rate	14.7	14.4	1.1	-0.3	-2.3	-2.7		•••	
Employment rate Part-time rate	55.9 5.5	55.8 5.5	0.8 0.8	-0.1 0.0	1.4 1.2	1.6 0.8			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	192.7	192.7		0.0	1.2	1.5	0.0	0.6	0.8
Labour force	110.0	109.5	1.1	-0.5	3.2	3.2	-0.5	3.0	3.0
Employment	99.2	98.1	1.1	-1.1	3.9	7.5	-1.1	4.1	8.3
Unemployment	10.8	11.3	1.1	0.5	-0.9	-4.4	4.6	-7.4	-28.0
Participation rate	57.1	56.8 40.2	0.6	-0.3	1.3	1.2		•••	
Unemployment rate Employment rate	9.8 51.5	10.3 50.9	1.0 0.6	0.5 -0.6	-1.2 1.7	-4.5 3.5			•••
Part-time rate	15.5	16.2	1.3	0.7	-0.6	-1.0			
Industry	228.2	226.0	2.2	-2.2	8.8	13.1	-1.0	4.1	6.2
Goods-producing sector	45.2	45.8	1.7	0.6	0.2	0.0	1.3	0.4	0.0
Agriculture	2.4	2.2	0.3	-0.2	1.5	1.5	-8.3	214.3	214.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	15.7	16.6	1.0	0.9	1.9	2.2	5.7	12.9	15.3
Utilities	1.7	1.7	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.4	0.0	-15.0	-19.0
Construction Manufacturing	16.1 9.3	16.1 9.2	1.1 1.0	0.0 -0.1	-0.2 -2.7	-1.8 -1.6	0.0 -1.1	-1.2 -22.7	-10.1 -14.8
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Services-producing sector Trade	183.0 41.9	180.2 40.5	2.0 1.3	-2.8 -1.4	8.7 5.7	13.1 4.8	-1.5 -3.3	5.1 16.4	7.8 13.4
Transportation and warehousing	12.0	11.0	0.7	-1.0	-1.5	-1.3	-8.3	-12.0	-10.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical		7.2	0.6	-0.2	0.1	-0.2	-2.7	1.4	-2.7
services Business, building and other support	7.5	7.8	0.6	0.3	-0.4	0.2	4.0	-4.9	2.6
services	5.6	5.6	0.7	0.0	0.6	-0.2	0.0	12.0	-3.4
Educational services	16.9	17.2	0.8	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	1.8	-2.8	-2.8
Health care and social assistance	38.7	37.8 8.7	1.1	-0.9 -0.9	2.1 0.7	4.1	-2.3	5.9	12.2
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	9.6 13.1	8.7 12.8	0.7 0.9	-0.9 -0.3	0.7 -1.4	0.8 0.2	-9.4 -2.3	8.8 -9.9	10.1 1.6
Other services	11.4	12.4	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.8	-2.3 8.8	13.8	29.2
Public administration	18.9	19.2	0.8	0.3	1.7	2.4	1.6	9.7	14.3

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	447.0								
Population Labour force	117.9 80.8	118.2 81.5	0.6	0.3 0.7	1.8 1.7	1.8 1.8	0.3 0.9	1.5 2.1	1.5 2.3
Employment	69.8	71.0	0.7	1.2	-0.2	0.4	1.7	-0.3	0.6
Employment full-time	57.0	58.1	0.8	1.1	-0.1	0.9	1.9	-0.2	1.6
Unemployment	11.0	10.5	0.6	-0.5	1.9	1.4	-4.5	22.1	15.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	68.5 13.6	69.0 12.9	0.5 0.8	0.5 -0.7	0.4 2.1	0.5 1.5	•••		•••
Employment rate	59.2	60.1	0.6	0.9	-1.1	-0.6			
Part-time rate	18.2	18.2	0.9	0.0	-0.1	-0.8			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.8	19.8		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	13.5 11.1	13.8 11.6	0.4 0.4	0.3 0.5	0.1 0.2	0.0 0.2	2.2 4.5	0.7 1.8	0.0 1.8
Employment Unemployment	2.4	2.2	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-8.3	-4.3	-8.3
Participation rate	68.2	69.7	1.9	1.5	0.5	0.0	-0.0	4.0	
Unemployment rate	17.8	15.9	2.2	-1.9	-0.9	-1.5			
Employment rate	56.1	58.6	1.9	2.5	1.0	1.0			
Part-time rate	45.9	43.1	3.0	-2.8	3.6	5.4			
Men, 25 years and over	47.1	47.2		0.1	0.8	0.8	0.2	1.7	17
Population Labour force	34.9	47.2 35.3	0.3	0.1	1.0	1.4	1.1	2.9	1.7 4.1
Employment	30.4	30.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	1.7
Unemployment	4.4	4.9	0.4	0.5	1.1	0.9	11.4	28.9	22.5
Participation rate	74.1	74.8	0.7	0.7	0.9	1.7			
Unemployment rate	12.6	13.9	1.1	1.3	2.8	2.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	64.5 8.6	64.4 8.9	0.8 1.0	-0.1 0.3	-1.1 1.6	0.0 0.2			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	51.0	51.2		0.2	0.9	1.0	0.4	1.8	2.0
Labour force	32.5	32.4	0.3	-0.1	0.6	0.4	-0.3	1.9	1.2
Employment	28.3	29.0	0.4	0.7	-0.4	-0.4	2.5	-1.4	-1.4
Unemployment	4.2	3.4	0.3	-0.8	1.0	0.8	-19.0	41.7	30.8
Participation rate	63.7	63.3	0.7	-0.4	0.1	-0.4		•••	
Unemployment rate Employment rate	12.9 55.5	10.5 56.6	1.0 0.8	-2.4 1.1	3.0 -1.8	2.4 -2.0			•••
Part-time rate	18.0	17.9	1.5	-0.1	-3.5	-3.8			
Industry	69.8	71.0	0.7	1.2	-0.2	0.4	1.7	-0.3	0.6
•				0.7					
Goods-producing sector Agriculture	15.8 2.9	16.5 3.5	0.6 0.3	0.7	-1.6 -0.5	-1.0 -0.6	4.4 20.7	-8.8 -12.5	-5.7 -14.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	2.9	2.9	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.7	0.0	16.0	31.8
Utilities	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-40.0	0.0
Construction	4.5	4.7	0.4	0.2	-1.2	-0.9	4.4	-20.3	-16.1
Manufacturing	5.2	5.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-1.9	-1.9	-3.8
Services-producing sector	54.0	54.5	0.7	0.5	1.5	1.3	0.9	2.8	2.4
Trade Transportation and warehousing	9.6	9.6	0.4	0.0	-1.6 0.2	-1.7 0.1	0.0 10.5	-14.3 10.5	-15.0 5.0
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	1.9 2.6	2.1 2.4	0.2 0.2	0.2 -0.2	0.2 -0.2	0.1 -0.2	10.5 -7.7	-7.7	5.0 -7.7
services Business, building and other support	2.8	2.8	0.2	0.0	0.7	0.6	0.0	33.3	27.3
services	2.8	2.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-7.1	-10.3	-3.7
Educational services	5.9	5.9	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	5.4	1.7
Health care and social assistance	9.3	8.7	0.3	-0.6	0.3	0.4	-6.5	3.6	4.8
Information, culture and recreation	3.0 5.1	3.1 5.5	0.2 0.4	0.1 0.4	0.7	0.9	3.3	29.2 10.0	40.9
Accommodation and food services Other services	5.1 3.1	5.5 3.0	0.4	-0.4 -0.1	0.5 -0.3	0.2 -0.1	7.8 -3.2	-9.1	3.8 -3.2
Public administration	7.9	8.8	0.3	0.9	1.2	1.1	11.4	15.8	14.3

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

	2010	2010	_					Percent change from	
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (ex	ccept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	777.0	4			0.0	0.7		0.4	0.5
Population Labour force	777.2 504.5	777.4 499.4	2.7	0.2 -5.1	2.9 -0.5	3.7 -0.3	0.0 -1.0	0.4 -0.1	0.5 -0.1
Employment	459.1	450.5	2.8	-8.6	-1.5	-3.5	-1.9	-0.3	-0.8
Employment full-time	368.8 45.5	365.2 48.9	3.6 2.6	-3.6 3.4	-3.6 1.1	-8.5 3.2	-1.0 7.5	-1.0 2.3	-2.3 7.0
Unemployment Participation rate	64.9	64.2	0.4	-0.7	-0.3	-0.4	7.5	2.3	7.0
Unemployment rate	9.0	9.8	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	59.1 19.7	57.9 18.9	0.4 0.7	-1.2 -0.7	-0.5 0.5	-0.8 1.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years			· · ·	•	0.0				
Population	119.0	118.8		-0.2	-1.0	-1.0	-0.2	-0.8	-0.8
Labour force	79.3	78.1	1.6	-1.2	-3.9	-2.0	-1.5	-4.8	-2.5
Employment	66.9 12.4	65.7 12.4	1.6 1.5	-1.2 0.0	-2.6 -1.2	-2.6 0.6	-1.8 0.0	-3.8 -8.8	-3.8 5.1
Unemployment Participation rate	66.6	65.7	1.3	-0.9	-1.2 -2.7	-1.2	0.0	-0.0	J. I
Unemployment rate	15.6	15.9	1.7	0.3	-0.7	1.2			
Employment rate	56.2	55.3	1.3	-0.9	-1.7	-1.7			
Part-time rate	44.2	44.6	2.4	0.4	-1.4	1.4	***	***	***
Men, 25 years and over Population	313.8	314.0		0.2	1.9	2.4	0.1	0.6	0.8
Labour force	217.4	215.1	1.5	-2.3	1.1	1.2	-1.1	0.5	0.6
Employment	197.8	193.6 21.5	1.7	-4.2	-1.2	-0.7	-2.1	-0.6	-0.4
Unemployment Participation rate	19.5 69.3	21.5 68.5	1.6 0.5	2.0 -0.8	2.3 -0.1	1.9 -0.1	10.3	12.0	9.7
Unemployment rate	9.0	10.0	0.7	1.0	1.0	0.8			
Employment rate	63.0	61.7	0.6	-1.3	-0.7	-0.7			
Part-time rate	8.8	7.8	0.7	-1.0	1.3	1.7			
Women, 25 years and over Population	344.4	344.6		0.2	1.9	2.3	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	207.8	206.2	1.5	-1.6	2.3	0.6	-0.8	1.1	0.7
Employment	194.3	191.1	1.5	-3.2	2.2	-0.3	-1.6	1.2	-0.2
Unemployment	13.5	15.0	1.3	1.5	0.0	0.8	11.1	0.0	5.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	60.3 6.5	59.8 7.3	0.4 0.6	-0.5 0.8	0.3 -0.1	-0.3 0.4			
Employment rate	56.4	55.5	0.4	-0.9	0.4	-0.4			
Part-time rate	22.2	21.4	1.1	-0.8	0.7	1.1			
Industry	459.1	450.5	2.8	-8.6	-1.5	-3.5	-1.9	-0.3	-0.8
Goods-producing sector	89.1	89.1	2.2	0.0	3.6	1.8	0.0	4.2	2.1
Agriculture	6.6	6.1	0.7	-0.5	0.8	-1.2	-7.6	15.1	-16.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	12.2 4.1	10.9 4.0	1.1 0.4	-1.3 -0.1	-1.2 0.1	-1.7 0.4	-10.7 -2.4	-9.9 2.6	-13.5 11.1
Construction	32.1	34.7	1.5	2.6	2.6	4.2	8.1	8.1	13.8
Manufacturing	34.0	33.4	1.3	-0.6	1.3	0.2	-1.8	4.0	0.6
Services-producing sector	370.0	361.4	2.9	-8.6	-5.1	-5.4	-2.3	-1.4	-1.5
Transportation and warehousing	76.3 18.4	78.1 18.4	2.1 1.1	1.8 0.0	2.5 -0.8	2.7 -2.3	2.4 0.0	3.3 -4.2	3.6 -11.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	24.8	23.3	1.1	-1.5	-0.6	-1.4	-6.0	-2.5	-5.7
services Business, building and other support	24.4	22.0	1.1	-2.4	-1.1	0.3	-9.8	-4.8	1.4
services	25.9	24.1	1.2	-1.8	1.5	2.1	-6.9	6.6	9.5
Educational services	32.5	31.7	1.4	-0.8	-5.5	-7.1	-2.5	-14.8	-18.3
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	69.4 19.8	69.1 19.1	1.7 1.2	-0.3 -0.7	1.5 1.3	2.7 0.1	-0.4 -3.5	2.2 7.3	4.1 0.5
Accommodation and food services	26.7	26.9	1.3	0.2	-1.5	-1.2	-3.5 0.7	-5.3	-4.3
Other services	19.7	18.3	1.1	-1.4	-2.2	0.7	-7.1	-10.7	4.0
Public administration	32.0	30.4	1.2	-1.6	-0.2	-1.9	-5.0	-0.7	-5.9

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (ex	cept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	005.5	COE 0		0.4	2.4	2.0	0.4	0.5	0.0
Population Labour force	625.5 401.7	625.9 401.6	2.2	0.4 -0.1	3.1 0.4	3.6 -2.1	0.1 0.0	0.5 0.1	0.6 -0.5
Employment	362.3	362.1	2.4	-0.2	-3.3	-7.9	-0.1	-0.9	-2.1
Employment full-time	305.5	306.7	2.8	1.2	-2.8	-5.8	0.4	-0.9	-1.9
Unemployment Participation rate	39.4 64.2	39.5 64.2	2.1 0.4	0.1 0.0	3.7 -0.2	5.8 -0.7	0.3	10.3	17.2
Unemployment rate	9.8	9.8	0.5	0.0	0.9	1.5			
Employment rate	57.9	57.9	0.4	0.0	-0.8	-1.6			
Part-time rate	15.7	15.3	0.6	-0.4	0.0	-0.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	00.4								
Population	92.1 57.4	92.1 57.9	1.3	0.0 0.5	-0.9 -2.7	-1.1 -3.4	0.0 0.9	-1.0 -4.5	-1.2 -5.5
Labour force Employment	48.3	47.8	1.3	-0.5	-2.7 -2.4	-5.4 -5.0	-1.0	-4.8	-9.5
Unemployment	9.1	10.1	1.2	1.0	-0.3	1.6	11.0	-2.9	18.8
Participation rate	62.3	62.9	1.4	0.6	-2.3	-2.9			
Unemployment rate	15.9	17.4	1.8	1.5	0.2	3.5			
Employment rate Part-time rate	52.4 39.1	51.9 42.3	1.4 2.4	-0.5 3.1	-2.1 0.8	-4.8 3.8		•••	
	39.1	42.3	2.4	3.1	0.0	3.0			
Men, 25 years and over	257.6	257.8		0.2	2.2	2.5	0.1	0.9	1.0
Population Labour force	181.2	179.9	1.3	-1.3	2.0	1.2	-0.7	1.1	0.7
Employment	162.5	161.8	1.4	-0.7	-0.8	-1.6	-0.4	-0.5	-1.0
Unemployment	18.7	18.1	1.3	-0.6	2.8	2.7	-3.2	18.3	17.5
Participation rate	70.3	69.8	0.5	-0.5	0.2	-0.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	10.3 63.1	10.1 62.8	0.7 0.5	-0.2 -0.3	1.5 -0.8	1.5 -1.2		•••	
Part-time rate	6.3	6.3	0.7	0.0	1.0	0.0			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	275.8	276.0		0.2	1.8	2.2	0.1	0.7	0.8
Labour force	163.1	163.8	1.2	0.7	1.1	0.2	0.4	0.7	0.1
Employment	151.5	152.6	1.3	1.1	0.0	-1.2	0.7	0.0	-0.8
Unemployment Participation rate	11.6 59.1	11.3 59.3	1.1 0.4	-0.3 0.2	1.2 0.0	1.5 -0.5	-2.6	11.9	15.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate	7.1	6.9	0.4	-0.2	0.7	0.9			
Employment rate	54.9	55.3	0.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.9			
Part-time rate	18.3	16.4	1.0	-1.8	-1.0	-1.0			
Industry	362.3	362.1	2.4	-0.2	-3.3	-7.9	-0.1	-0.9	-2.1
Goods-producing sector	80.3	81.8	2.0	1.5	-0.1	-3.2	1.9	-0.1	-3.8
Agriculture	5.5	6.3	0.6	0.8	-0.5	-0.5	14.5	-7.4	-7.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	11.2	11.6	0.8	0.4	0.9	0.5	3.6	8.4	4.5
Utilities	4.5	4.5	0.4	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.0	-4.3	2.3
Construction Manufacturing	29.0 30.0	29.1 30.2	1.3 1.2	0.1 0.2	3.1 -3.5	-0.6 -2.7	0.3 0.7	11.9 -10.4	-2.0 -8.2
3									
Services-producing sector Trade	282.1 56.9	280.4 55.3	2.5 1.6	-1.7 -1.6	-3.1 0.3	-4.6 0.4	-0.6 -2.8	-1.1 0.5	-1.6 0.7
Transportation and warehousing	18.9	18.8	0.8	-0.1	-1.4	0.4	-0.5	-6.9	0.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical		15.1	0.8	-0.6	-0.9	-3.3	-3.8	-5.6	-17.9
services	16.3	16.8	0.9	0.5	1.2	0.4	3.1	7.7	2.4
Business, building and other support			0.0	3.3					
services	18.3	16.7	1.1	-1.6	-2.5	-1.6	-8.7	-13.0	-8.7
Educational services	25.7	27.0 51.6	1.1	1.3	-0.6	-0.9	5.1	-2.2	-3.2
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	50.2 13.1	51.6 12.7	1.4 0.9	1.4 -0.4	2.5 0.5	2.7 1.0	2.8 -3.1	5.1 4.1	5.5 8.5
Accommodation and food services	22.3	21.8	1.2	-0.4 -0.5	-3.1	-4.0	-3.1 -2.2	-12.4	-15.5
Other services	17.2	17.2	0.9	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.6	2.4
Public administration	27.5	27.5	1.1	0.0	0.8	0.3	0.0	3.0	1.1

^{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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (ex	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population	6,533.4	6,540.3	44.4	6.9	68.6	81.6	0.1	1.1	1.3
Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	4,283.8 3,953.4 3,191.8 330.4	4,293.7 3,949.6 3,189.8 344.1	14.1 14.3 18.6 12.9	9.9 -3.8 -2.0 13.7	81.5 91.2 51.9 -9.7	110.6 113.5 46.3 -2.9	0.2 -0.1 -0.1 4.1	1.9 2.4 1.7 -2.7	2.6 3.0 1.5 -0.8
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	65.6 7.7 60.5	65.6 8.0 60.4	0.2 0.3 0.2	0.0 0.3 -0.1	0.5 -0.4 0.8	0.8 -0.3 1.0			
Part-time rate	19.3	19.2	0.4	0.0	0.6	1.2			•••
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	967.7	968.1		0.4	3.7	4.5	0.0	0.4	0.5
Labour force Employment Unemployment	659.5 572.9 86.6	662.2 575.8 86.3	8.0 7.6 7.3	2.7 2.9 -0.3	20.8 39.8 -19.1	42.5 41.4 1.0	0.4 0.5 -0.3	3.2 7.4 -18.1	6.9 7.7 1.2
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	68.2 13.1 59.2 48.0	68.4 13.0 59.5 49.4	0.8 1.1 0.8 1.5	0.2 -0.1 0.3 1.4	1.9 -3.4 3.9 0.0	4.1 -0.8 4.0 1.9		 	
Men, 25 years and over					0.0			•••	
Population Labour force Employment	2,723.8 1,925.9 1,787.4	2,727.2 1,920.3 1,778.0	8.1 8.6	3.4 -5.6 -9.4	34.0 32.0 42.3	40.3 32.6 52.8	0.1 -0.3 -0.5	1.3 1.7 2.4	1.5 1.7 3.1
Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	138.5 70.7 7.2 65.6	142.3 70.4 7.4 65.2	8.2 0.3 0.4 0.3	3.8 -0.3 0.2 -0.4	-10.3 0.3 -0.7 0.8	-20.2 0.1 -1.2 1.0	2.7 	-6.7 	-12.4
Part-time rate	8.6	8.4	0.5	-0.2	0.2	0.8			
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force	2,841.8 1,698.4	2,845.1 1,711.3	 7.8	3.3 12.9	31.0 28.8	36.8 35.6	0.1 0.8	1.1 1.7	1.3 2.1
Employment Unemployment Participation rate	1,593.1 105.3 59.8	1,595.8 115.5 60.1	7.8 6.4 0.3	2.7 10.2 0.3	9.1 19.6 0.3	19.4 16.3 0.4	0.2 9.7	0.6 20.4	1.2 16.4
Unemployment rate Employment rate	6.2 56.1	6.7 56.1	0.4 0.3	0.5 0.0	1.0 -0.3	0.8 0.0			
Part-time rate	20.9	20.4	0.7	-0.5	0.7	0.9			•••
Industry	3,953.4	3,949.6	14.3	-3.8	91.2	113.5	-0.1	2.4	3.0
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	859.9 54.4 29.8	858.8 56.0 27.8	11.9 3.1 2.0	-1.1 1.6 -2.0	-9.9 0.7 -3.3	-12.1 -2.4 2.4	-0.1 2.9 -6.7	-1.1 1.3 -10.6	-1.4 -4.1 9.4
Utilities Construction Manufacturing	33.0 237.1 505.7	34.9 231.4 508.8	2.2 7.1 9.6	1.9 -5.7 3.1	1.6 11.9 -20.7	1.6 16.0 -29.6	5.8 -2.4 0.6	4.8 5.4 -3.9	4.8 7.4 -5.5
Services-producing sector Trade	3,093.4 637.8	3,090.8 639.4	16.0 10.9	-2.6 1.6	101.1 -0.1	125.6 15.4	-0.1 0.3	3.4 0.0	4.2 2.5
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	176.8 225.8	167.6 232.6	5.5 6.7	-9.2 6.8	4.4 0.9	-2.0 3.9	-5.2 3.0	2.7 0.4	-1.2 1.7
services Business, building and other support	296.8	310.9	7.8	14.1	21.2	31.0	4.8	7.3	11.1
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	153.9 259.0 516.8 168.9	146.5 263.8 511.6 175.3	6.2 7.4 9.0 6.5	-7.4 4.8 -5.2 6.4	17.6 -4.1 31.2 -1.8	17.4 -3.0 42.4 1.7	-4.8 1.9 -1.0 3.8	13.7 -1.5 6.5 -1.0	13.5 -1.1 9.0 1.0
Accommodation and food services Other services	248.4 167.0	241.4 160.0	7.9 5.9	-7.0 -7.0	16.9 -0.5	7.6 -5.0	-2.8 -4.2	7.5 -0.3	3.3 -3.0
Public administration	242.1	241.8	6.1	-0.3	15.5	16.1	-0.1	6.8	7.1

^{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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	ousands (ex	ccept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	40.050.0				400.0	450.0			
Population Labour force	10,853.6 7,307.3	10,866.8 7,287.3	 19.4	13.2 -20.0	139.2 97.1	159.2 107.2	0.1 -0.3	1.3 1.4	1.5 1.5
Employment	6,662.0	6,659.2	18.9	-2.8	131.8	127.9	0.0	2.0	2.0
Employment full-time	5,356.4	5,385.8	24.6	29.4	84.4	89.5	0.5	1.6	1.7
Unemployment	645.3	628.1	17.2	-17.2	-34.7	-20.7	-2.7	-5.2	-3.2
Participation rate	67.3	67.1	0.2	-0.2	0.1	0.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.8 61.4	8.6 61.3	0.2 0.2	-0.2 -0.1	-0.6 0.5	-0.4 0.3			
Part-time rate	19.6	19.1	0.2	-0.5	0.3	0.3			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,757.4	1,758.3		0.9	9.5	10.5	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	1,051.2	1,055.2	11.7	4.0	-26.9	-9.1	0.4	-2.5	-0.9
Employment	863.5	861.3	10.3	-2.2	-20.8	-17.0	-0.3	-2.4	-1.9
Unemployment	187.7	193.9	10.0	6.2	-6.1	7.9	3.3	-3.0	4.2
Participation rate	59.8	60.0	0.7	0.2 0.5	-1.9 0.1	-0.9		•••	
Jnemployment rate Employment rate	17.9 49.1	18.4 49.0	0.8 0.6	-0.1	-0.1 -1.4	0.9 -1.3			
Part-time rate	53.1	51.5	1.2	-1.6	1.1	-0.3			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,415.9	4,421.7		5.8	60.3	69.0	0.1	1.4	1.6
Labour force	3,288.8	3,264.6	9.8	-24.2	62.3	55.6	-0.7	1.9	1.7
Employment	3,039.7	3,044.4	10.8	4.7	119.7	108.9	0.2	4.1	3.7
Unemployment	249.1	220.3	10.0	-28.8	-57.3	-53.2	-11.6	-20.6	-19.5
Participation rate	74.5	73.8	0.2	-0.7	0.4	0.1			
Jnemployment rate	7.6	6.7	0.3 0.2	-0.9 0.1	-2.0	-1.8			
Employment rate Part-time rate	68.8 7.9	68.9 7.7	0.2	-0.3	1.8 -0.3	1.5 0.2			
Nomen, 25 years and over									
Population	4,680.3	4,686.8		6.5	69.3	79.7	0.1	1.5	1.7
Labour force	2,967.3	2,967.5	11.0	0.2	61.7	60.8	0.0	2.1	2.1
Employment	2,758.7	2,753.5	10.8	-5.2	32.9	36.0	-0.2	1.2	1.3
Unemployment	208.6	214.0	9.1	5.4	28.8	24.8	2.6	15.6	13.1
Participation rate	63.4	63.3	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.2			
Inemployment rate	7.0	7.2	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	58.9 21.9	58.8 21.6	0.2 0.5	-0.1 -0.3	-0.1 1.5	-0.2 1.0		•••	
art time rate	21.0	21.0	0.0	-0.0	1.0	1.0			
ndustry	6,662.0	6,659.2	18.9	-2.8	131.8	127.9	0.0	2.0	2.0
Goods-producing sector	1,404.2	1,421.6	16.5	17.4	44.1	41.5	1.2	3.2	3.0
Agriculture	79.9	85.8	3.7	5.9	2.2	3.5	7.4	2.6	4.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	41.6	41.5	2.6	-0.1	2.5	5.2	-0.2	6.4	14.3
Jtilities Construction	61.4 436.8	62.5 453.9	3.2 9.8	1.1 17.1	7.0 39.9	4.3 32.0	1.8 3.9	12.6 9.6	7.4 7.6
Manufacturing	784.5	777.9	13.1	-6.6	-7.5	-3.6	-0.8	-1.0	-0.5
Services-producing sector	5,257.8	5.237.7	22.2	-20.1	87.8	86.5	-0.4	1.7	1.7
Frade	1,008.1	990.8	15.2	-17.3	5.9	3.0	-1.7	0.6	0.3
Fransportation and warehousing	307.8	313.8	8.7	6.0	12.7	1.2	1.9	4.2	0.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	508.6	504.7	11.2	-3.9	-11.5	-13.8	-0.8	-2.2	-2.7
services	548.3	532.5	11.6	-15.8	7.2	13.2	-2.9	1.4	2.5
Business, building and other support	000 4	200.0	0.4		00.0	00 F	4.0	44.0	7.0
services	286.4	290.2	9.4	3.8	29.3	20.5	1.3	11.2	7.6
Educational services Health care and social assistance	500.5 721.4	478.2 722.6	10.4 11.1	-22.3 1.2	-1.3 -3.2	17.1 8.4	-4.5 0.2	-0.3 -0.4	3.7 1.2
nformation, culture and recreation	322.5	338.7	9.5	16.2	-3.2 16.7	10.1	5.0	-0. 4 5.2	3.1
Accommodation and food services	382.2	384.6	10.2	2.4	-3.0	7.3	0.6	-0.8	1.9
Other services	286.9	286.8	9.1	-0.1	-14.6	-21.7	0.0	-4.8	-7.0
Public administration	385.1	394.9	8.1	9.8	49.5	41.4	2.5	14.3	11.7

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	m
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (ex	cept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	939.8 659.0 623.7 502.4 35.4	940.9 659.6 625.3 504.6 34.3	2.6 2.8 3.7 2.1	1.1 0.6 1.6 2.2 -1.1	12.3 18.7 21.3 19.9 -2.7	14.0 16.7 19.2 15.1 -2.5	0.1 0.1 0.3 0.4 -3.1	1.3 2.9 3.5 4.1 -7.3	1.5 2.6 3.2 3.1 -6.8
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	70.1 5.4 66.4 19.4	70.1 5.2 66.5 19.3	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.5	0.0 -0.2 0.1 -0.1	1.1 -0.6 1.5 -0.4	0.7 -0.5 1.1 0.1		 	
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	161.5 111.9 100.2 11.7 69.3 10.5 62.0 44.0	161.6 109.3 99.2 10.1 67.6 9.2 61.4 45.1	1.6 1.6 1.4 1.0 1.2 1.0	0.1 -2.6 -1.0 -1.6 -1.7 -1.3 -0.6 1.0	1.0 0.3 1.8 -1.5 -0.3 -1.4 0.8 4.4	1.1 -1.2 0.8 -2.0 -1.2 -1.8 0.1 4.4	0.1 -2.3 -1.0 -13.7 	0.6 0.3 1.8 -12.9 	0.7 -1.1 0.8 -16.5
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate Part-time rate	380.8 293.6 279.3 14.3 77.1 4.9 73.3 7.8	381.3 296.0 282.1 13.9 77.6 4.7 74.0 7.2	1.3 1.5 1.2 0.3 0.4 0.4 0.6	0.5 2.4 2.8 -0.4 0.5 -0.2 0.7 -0.7	5.7 10.8 12.4 -1.6 1.7 -0.7 2.2 -1.6	6.5 9.4 8.2 1.2 1.1 0.3 0.9 -0.2	0.1 0.8 1.0 -2.8 	1.5 3.8 4.6 -10.3 	1.7 3.3 3.0 9.4
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	397.5 253.5 244.1 9.4 63.8 3.7 61.4 22.7	398.0 254.3 244.0 10.3 63.9 4.1 61.3 22.8	1.5 1.5 1.1 0.4 0.4 0.4 0.9	0.5 0.8 -0.1 0.9 0.1 0.4 -0.1	5.6 7.6 7.2 0.4 1.0 0.1 1.0	6.3 8.6 10.2 -1.7 1.2 -0.8 1.6 -1.3	0.1 0.3 0.0 9.6 	1.4 3.1 3.0 4.0 	1.6 3.5 4.4 -14.2
Industry	623.7	625.3	2.8	1.6	21.3	19.2	0.3	3.5	3.2
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	144.0 26.0 7.2 8.0 40.7 62.1	146.1 26.0 7.2 8.4 41.4 63.0	2.3 1.3 0.6 0.6 1.4 1.5	2.1 0.0 0.0 0.4 0.7 0.9	13.5 0.6 1.5 0.1 5.9 5.2	7.6 -0.6 1.3 0.2 5.0 1.7	1.5 0.0 0.0 5.0 1.7 1.4	10.2 2.4 26.3 1.2 16.6 9.0	5.5 -2.3 22.0 2.4 13.7 2.8
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	479.7 95.5 34.5 34.1	479.2 95.7 34.3 34.6	3.1 2.0 1.3 1.2	-0.5 0.2 -0.2 0.5	7.8 5.3 -3.6 -0.7	11.6 7.1 -4.7 -1.7	-0.1 0.2 -0.6 1.5	1.7 5.9 -9.5 -2.0	2.5 8.0 -12.1 -4.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	28.4	28.8	1.2	0.4	3.6	5.1	1.4	14.3	21.5
Business, building and other support services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	19.0 52.8 93.7 21.0 39.3 26.1 35.2	18.7 52.9 92.6 21.5 40.6 23.8 35.7	1.2 1.5 1.8 1.2 1.5 1.2	-0.3 0.1 -1.1 0.5 1.3 -2.3 0.5	-0.1 1.4 8.0 -1.3 3.6 -5.4 -3.0	-0.8 0.2 10.2 -1.9 2.9 -5.3 0.4	-1.6 0.2 -1.2 2.4 3.3 -8.8 1.4	-0.5 2.7 9.5 -5.7 9.7 -18.5 -7.8	-4.1 0.4 12.4 -8.1 7.7 -18.2 1.1

^{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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	cept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	7044	7040			40.5	44.0		4.0	4.5
Population Labour force	794.1 557.8	794.8 557.7	2.4	0.7 -0.1	10.5 9.2	11.8 9.8	0.1 0.0	1.3 1.7	1.5 1.8
Employment	526.8	525.8	2.5	-1.0	3.7	6.0	-0.2	0.7	1.2
Employment full-time	426.1	435.6	3.3	9.5	10.0	10.5	2.2	2.3	2.5
Unemployment Participation rate	30.9 70.2	32.0 70.2	1.9 0.3	1.1 0.0	5.7 0.3	3.9 0.2	3.6	21.7	13.9
Unemployment rate	70.2 5.5	70.2 5.7	0.3	0.0	0.9	0.2			
Employment rate	66.3	66.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2			
Part-time rate	19.1	17.1	0.6	-2.0	-1.3	-1.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	137.6	137.4		-0.2	-1.1	-1.4	-0.1	-0.8	-1.0
Labour force	91.4 82.4	92.5 82.8	1.4 1.4	1.1 0.4	-2.6 -4.3	-4.2 -4.1	1.2 0.5	-2.7 -4.9	-4.3 -4.7
Employment Unemployment	9.1	9.8	1.4	0.4	-4.3 1.8	0.0	7.7	22.5	0.0
Participation rate	66.4	67.3	1.0	0.9	-1.4	-2.4			
Unemployment rate	10.0	10.6	1.1	0.6	2.2	0.5			
Employment rate	59.9	60.3	1.0	0.4	-2.6	-2.3			
Part-time rate	37.7	36.6	1.8	-1.1	-0.7	-0.8		•••	
Men, 25 years and over	000.0	200 =			0.0	7.0		0.0	0.5
Population Labour force	322.2 249.6	322.7 250.3	1.2	0.5 0.7	6.8 8.5	7.8 9.1	0.2 0.3	2.2 3.5	2.5 3.8
Employment	236.8	237.4	1.3	0.7	7.5	7.3	0.3	3.3	3.2
Unemployment	12.8	12.9	1.1	0.1	1.0	1.8	0.8	8.4	16.2
Participation rate	77.5	77.6	0.4	0.1	1.1	1.0			
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.2	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.6			
Employment rate Part-time rate	73.5 7.1	73.6 6.7	0.4 0.6	0.1 -0.5	0.8 -0.3	0.5 -0.3			
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Women, 25 years and over Population	334.3	334.8		0.5	5.0	5.6	0.1	1.5	1.7
Labour force	216.7	214.9	1.4	-1.8	3.3	5.0	-0.8	1.6	2.4
Employment	207.7	205.6	1.4	-2.1	0.5	2.8	-1.0	0.2	1.4
Unemployment	9.1	9.3	0.9	0.2	2.8	2.1	2.2	43.1	29.2
Participation rate Unemployment rate	64.8 4.2	64.2 4.3	0.4 0.4	-0.6 0.1	0.0 1.2	0.4 0.9			
Employment rate	62.1	61.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.8	-0.2			
Part-time rate	25.4	21.4	1.0	-4.0	-2.1	-1.4			
Industry	526.8	525.8	2.5	-1.0	3.7	6.0	-0.2	0.7	1.2
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Goods-producing sector Agriculture	142.1 40.2	144.7 42.8	2.3 1.5	2.6 2.6	3.3 -2.7	3.3 -3.4	1.8 6.5	2.3 -5.9	2.3 -7.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	26.1	24.7	1.2	-1.4	-2.3	-0.7	-5.4	-8.5	-2.8
Utilities	5.2	5.4	0.4	0.2	0.7	0.9	3.8	14.9	20.0
Construction	38.8	38.7	1.4	-0.1	1.2	0.7	-0.3	3.2	1.8
Manufacturing	31.7	33.1	1.1	1.4	6.3	5.7	4.4	23.5	20.8
Services-producing sector	384.8	381.1	2.8	-3.7	0.4	2.7	-1.0	0.1	0.7
Trade	80.1	82.0	1.8	1.9	2.5	3.2	2.4	3.1	4.1
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	25.6 32.0	26.3 30.8	1.1 1.1	0.7 -1.2	0.9 -0.4	0.5 2.5	2.7 -3.8	3.5 -1.3	1.9 8.8
Professional, scientific and technical	32.0	30.0	1.1	-1.2	-0.4	2.5	-5.0	-1.5	0.0
services	20.9	20.9	1.0	0.0	-2.6	-0.4	0.0	-11.1	-1.9
Business, building and other support	10.5						• •		
services	10.3	10.3	0.9	0.0	-2.5 2.5	-2.0 1.0	0.0	-19.5	-16.3
Educational services Health care and social assistance	39.6 70.2	38.2 67.9	1.4 1.5	-1.4 -2.3	-2.5 1.5	-1.0 -0.5	-3.5 -3.3	-6.1 2.3	-2.6 -0.7
Information, culture and recreation	18.9	20.0	0.9	1.1	1.2	-0.4	5.8	6.4	-2.0
Accommodation and food services	30.6	30.0	1.3	-0.6	1.1	0.5	-2.0	3.8	1.7
Other services	27.2	27.0	1.1	-0.2	3.6	3.0	-0.7	15.4	12.5
Public administration	29.3	27.6	1.0	-1.7	-2.6	-2.7	-5.8	-8.6	-8.9

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

	September	October	S.E.1	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	ousands (ex	ccept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	2,939.7 2,135.8	2,943.4 2,150.8	8.6	3.7 15.0	48.1 14.9	56.3 23.3	0.1 0.7	1.7 0.7	2.0 1.1
Employment	2,004.2	2,021.2	8.8	17.0	25.9	46.1	0.8	1.3	2.3
Employment full-time	1,652.2	1,655.2	11.8	3.0	23.4	26.7	0.2	1.4	1.6
Unemployment	131.6	129.5	7.5	-2.1	-11.1	-22.9	-1.6	-7.9	-15.0
Participation rate	72.7	73.1	0.3	0.4	-0.7	-0.6			
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.0	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	-1.2			
Employment rate Part-time rate	68.2 17.6	68.7 18.1	0.3 0.5	0.5 0.5	-0.2 -0.1	0.3 0.6			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years			0.0	0.0	0	0.0			
Population	504.8	504.6		-0.2	-3.0	-3.6	0.0	-0.6	-0.7
Labour force	340.8	345.1	5.1	4.3	-11.8	-9.0	1.3	-3.3	-2.5
Employment	302.7	307.0	4.8	4.3	-5.0	-0.7	1.4	-1.6	-0.2
Unemployment	38.1	38.2	4.4	0.1	-6.7	-8.2	0.3	-14.9	-17.7
Participation rate	67.5	68.4	1.0	0.9	-1.9	-1.3			
Unemployment rate	11.2	11.1	1.2	-0.1	-1.5	-2.0			
Employment rate	60.0	60.8	0.9	0.8	-0.7	0.3			
Part-time rate	37.7	37.8	1.7	0.1	0.2	2.8			
Men, 25 years and over	1,236.1	1.238.1		2.0	26.3	30.8	0.2	2.2	2.6
Population Labour force	1,004.3	1,236.1	4.4	-2.7	26.3 17.9	30.6 18.5	-0.3	2.2 1.8	2.0 1.9
Employment	951.4	948.5	5.1	-2.7	22.4	28.2	-0.3	2.4	3.1
Unemployment	52.9	53.1	4.5	0.2	-4.5	-9.7	0.4	-7.8	-15.4
Participation rate	81.2	80.9	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5		-7.0	-10.4
Jnemployment rate	5.3	5.3	0.4	0.0	-0.6	-1.1			
Employment rate	77.0	76.6	0.4	-0.4	0.2	0.4			
Part-time rate	6.5	6.6	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.4			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,198.8	1,200.8		2.0	24.9	29.2	0.2	2.1	2.5
Labour force	790.6	804.1	4.9	13.5	8.8	13.9	1.7	1.1	1.8
Employment	750.0	765.8	4.9	15.8	8.5	18.7	2.1	1.1	2.5
Unemployment	40.6	38.2	3.6	-2.4	0.2	-5.0	-5.9	0.5	-11.6
Participation rate	65.9	67.0	0.4	1.1	-0.6	-0.4			
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.8	0.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	62.6 23.5	63.8 24.4	0.4 0.9	1.2 1.0	-0.6 -0.2	0.0 0.1			
Industry	2,004.2	2,021.2	8.8	17.0	25.9	46.1	8.0	1.3	2.3
Goods-producing sector	542.7	551.5	9.0	8.8	38.3	34.6	1.6	7.5	6.7
Agriculture	46.5	46.5	3.2	0.0	-7.1	-5.8	0.0	-13.2	-11.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	146.2	150.4	4.6	4.2	24.8	21.3	2.9	19.7	16.5
Utilities	19.5	17.4	1.9	-2.1	-1.6	-4.5	-10.8	-8.4	-20.5
Construction Manufacturing	207.2 123.4	215.3 121.9	6.1 4.7	8.1 -1.5	16.3 5.9	20.1 3.5	3.9 -1.2	8.2 5.1	10.3 3.0
Services-producing sector	1,461.5	1,469.8	10.5	8.3	-12.4	11.6	0.6	-0.8	0.8
Trade	313.7	307.3	7.4	-6.4	2.9	9.1	-2.0	1.0	3.1
Transportation and warehousing	106.2	97.2	4.6	-9.0	-3.4	-6.9	-8.5	-3.4	-6.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	105.7	108.6	4.3	2.9	4.0	2.9	2.7	3.8	2.7
Professional, scientific and technical				,				0.0	
services	147.5	147.1	4.9	-0.4	1.5	1.4	-0.3	1.0	1.0
Business, building and other support						,			
services	71.5	80.3	4.1	8.8	15.0	15.9	12.3	23.0	24.7
Educational services	129.6	129.1	5.0	-0.5	-10.6	-8.6	-0.4	-7.6	-6.2
Health care and social assistance	214.7	224.7	5.4	10.0	15.9	18.0	4.7	7.6	8.7
nformation, culture and recreation	73.0	71.5	3.9	-1.5	-10.7	-11.7	-2.1	-13.0	-14.1
Accommodation and food services	119.3	120.3	5.4	1.0	-13.0	2.0	0.8	-9.8	1.7
Other services	93.4	97.9	4.4	4.5	-9.6	-5.7	4.8	-8.9	-5.5
Public administration	86.9	85.8	3.7	-1.1	-4.5	-4.7	-1.3	-5.0	-5.2

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	ousands (ex	cept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	. =				0.4.0				
Population Labour force	3,796.4 2,508.2	3,800.7 2,507.0	10.5	4.3 -1.2	61.8 34.3	73.2 48.6	0.1 0.0	1.7 1.4	2.0 2.0
Employment	2,320.3	2,321.8	10.3	1.5	53.3	60.1	0.0	2.3	2.7
Employment full-time	1,807.1	1,814.5	14.5	7.4	42.1	31.0	0.4	2.4	1.7
Unemployment	187.9	185.1	8.8	-2.8	-19.1	-11.6	-1.5	-9.4	-5.9
Participation rate	66.1	66.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.0			
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.9	-0.6			
Employment rate Part-time rate	61.1 22.1	61.1 21.8	0.3 0.6	0.0 -0.3	0.4 0.0	0.4 0.7			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	589.1	589.0		-0.1	1.9	2.5	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	379.4	379.5	6.0	0.1	5.9	3.6	0.0	1.6	1.0
Employment	324.6	323.3	5.4	-1.3	2.1	5.0	-0.4	0.7	1.6
Unemployment	54.8	56.2	4.9	1.4	3.8	-1.4	2.6	7.3	-2.4
Participation rate	64.4	64.4	1.0	0.0	0.8	0.3			
Jnemployment rate	14.4	14.8	1.2	0.4	8.0	-0.5			
Employment rate	55.1	54.9	0.9	-0.2	0.2	0.6			
Part-time rate	50.2	51.7	2.0	1.5	3.9	10.1			
Men, 25 years and over Population	1,571.5	1.573.7		2.2	30.1	35.5	0.1	1.9	2.3
Labour force	1,130.2	1,131.8	5.4	1.6	7.5	21.4	0.1	0.7	1.9
Employment	1,055.6	1,058.5	5.8	2.9	19.6	28.1	0.1	1.9	2.7
Unemployment	74.6	73.3	5.2	-1.3	-12.1	-6.8	-1.7	-14.2	-8.5
Participation rate	71.9	71.9	0.4	0.0	-0.9	-0.3			
Inemployment rate	6.6	6.5	0.5	-0.1	-1.1	-0.7			
Employment rate	67.2	67.3	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.3			
Part-time rate	9.1	9.3	0.6	0.2	0.0	0.0			
Nomen, 25 years and over									
Population	1,635.9	1,638.1		2.2	29.9	35.3	0.1	1.9	2.2
Labour force	998.6	995.7	6.2	-2.9	21.0	23.6	-0.3	2.2	2.4
Employment	940.1	940.0	6.1	-0.1	31.6	27.0	0.0	3.5	3.0
Unemployment	58.5	55.7	4.7	-2.8	-10.7	-3.4	-4.8	-16.1	-5.8
Participation rate	61.0	60.8	0.4	-0.2	0.2	0.1			
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.6	0.5	-0.3	-1.2	-0.5			•••
Employment rate Part-time rate	57.5 27.0	57.4 25.7	0.4 0.9	-0.1 -1.3	0.9 -1.4	0.4 -1.7			
ndustry	2,320.3	2,321.8	10.3	1.5	53.3	60.1	0.1	2.3	2.7
Goods-producing sector	455.4	458.8	9.0	3.4	23.3	9.8	0.7	5.4	2.2
Agriculture	32.2	31.8	2.7	-0.4	-1.9	-7.3	-1.2	-5.6	-18.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	42.6	38.1	2.7	-4.5	0.6	-1.3	-10.6	1.6	-3.3
Jtilities	11.9	12.9	1.6	1.0	-1.5	-0.3	8.4	-10.4	-2.3
Construction Manufacturing	200.3 168.5	195.2 180.8	6.6 5.6	-5.1 12.3	1.4 24.7	-2.6 21.2	-2.5 7.3	0.7 15.8	-1.3 13.3
Services-producing sector	1,864.9	1,863.0	11.9	-1.9	30.0	50.3	-0.1	1.6	2.8
Frade	371.8	367.1	8.2	-4.7	-6.5	-10.5	-1.3	-1.7	-2.8
Fransportation and warehousing	125.6	132.8	4.8	7.2	20.0	17.9	5.7	17.7	15.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	144.3	147.6	5.4	3.3	-1.2	0.5	2.3	-0.8	0.3
services	191.7	192.8	5.8	1.1	16.3	32.5	0.6	9.2	20.3
Business, building and other support	00.4			0.0			4.0		
services	92.4	91.5	4.7 5.7	-0.9	3.2	1.2	-1.0	3.6	1.3
Educational services	159.4	171.8 270.0	5.7 6.4	12.4	6.9	8.8 9.1	7.8 5.3	4.2	5.4
lealth care and social assistance nformation, culture and recreation	285.2 107.6	270.0 106.1	5.4 5.1	-15.2 -1.5	6.6 -9.6	9.1 -4.3	-5.3 -1.4	2.5 -8.3	3.5 -3.9
Accommodation and food services	163.6	159.2	6.2	-1.5 -4.4	-9.6 -11.4	- 4 .3 -11.4	-1.4 -2.7	-6.3 -6.7	-3.9 -6.7
Other services	103.6	110.3	4.7	-4.4 2.7	0.8	3.8	-2.7 2.5	-0.7 0.7	-6.7 3.6
Public administration	115.8	113.8	4.7	-2.0	5.0	2.7	-1.7	4.6	2.4
abile duminionation	110.0	1 10.0	7.7	-2.0	5.0	2.1	-1./	7.∪	4.4

^{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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	except rate	es)				
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	161.1	161.4		0.3	2.5	3.1	0.2	1.6	2.0
Labour force	110.8	111.6	0.8	0.8	2.3	3.6	0.7	2.1	3.3
Employment Unemployment	101.7 9.0	102.7 8.9	0.8 0.4	1.0 -0.1	3.2 -0.9	4.2 -0.6	1.0 -1.1	3.2 -9.2	4.3 -6.3
Participation rate	68.8	69.1	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.9	-1.1	-9.2	-0.5
Unemployment rate	8.1	8.0	0.4	-0.1	-1.0	-0.8			
Employment rate	63.1	63.6	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.4			
Halifax, Nova Scotia	200.0	200.2		0.0	2.5	4.0	0.4	4.4	4.0
Population Labour force	326.0 230.7	326.3 230.1	 1.1	0.3 -0.6	3.5 -0.5	4.2 0.5	0.1 -0.3	1.1 -0.2	1.3 0.2
Employment	216.2	214.6	1.2	-0.6 -1.6	-0.7	0.6	-0.3		0.2
Unemployment	14.5	15.4	0.7	0.9	0.1	-0.1	6.2		-0.6
Participation rate	70.8	70.5	0.4	-0.3	-0.9	-0.8			
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.7	0.3	0.4	0.1	-0.1			
Employment rate	66.3	65.8	0.4	-0.5	-0.9	-0.6	•••	•••	
Saint John, New Brunswick Population	106.4	106.4		0.0	0.6	0.8	0.0	0.6	0.8
Labour force	70.2	70.4	0.8	0.0	-1.2	-0.4	0.0	-1.7	-0.6
Employment	64.2	64.9	0.8	0.7	-1.9	-2.1	1.1	-2.8	-3.1
Unemployment	6.0	5.5	0.4	-0.5	0.7	1.7	-8.3	14.6	44.7
Participation rate	66.0	66.2	0.8	0.2	-1.5	-0.8			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.5 60.3	7.8 61.0	0.5 0.7	-0.7 0.7	1.1 -2.1	2.4 -2.4			
• •	00.3	61.0	0.7	0.7	-2.1	-2.4			
Saguenay, Quebec Population	124.7	124.7		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	75.2	74.1	0.8	-1.1	-2.3	-2.5	-1.5		-3.3
Employment	68.8	67.8	0.7	-1.0	-3.0	-3.0	-1.5	-4.2	-4.2
Unemployment	6.4	6.3	0.4	-0.1	0.7	0.5	-1.6	12.5	8.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	60.3 8.5	59.4 8.5	0.6 0.5	-0.9 0.0	-1.9 1.2	-2.0 0.9			
Employment rate	55.2	54.4	0.6	-0.8	-2.4	-2.4			
Québec, Quebec									
Population	625.6	626.4		0.8	6.5	7.8	0.1	1.0	1.3
Labour force	433.9	439.4	3.3	5.5	26.7	33.7	1.3	6.5	8.3
Employment	413.4	419.1	3.3	5.7	26.7	35.6	1.4	6.8	9.3
Unemployment	20.5	20.3 70.1	1.4	-0.2	0.0	-1.8	-1.0		-8.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate	69.4 4.7	70.1 4.6	0.5 0.3	0.7 -0.1	3.5 -0.3	4.5 -0.8			
Employment rate	66.1	66.9	0.5	0.8	3.6	4.9			
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	124.2	124.3		0.1	1.1	1.4	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	74.3	74.1	0.8	-0.2	-1.4	-2.2	-0.3	-1.9	-2.9
Employment	67.2	67.4 6.7	0.8	0.2 -0.4	-0.8	-1.8 -0.4	0.3		-2.6
Unemployment Participation rate	7.1 59.8	6.7 59.6	0.4 0.6	-0.4 -0.2	-0.5 -1.7	-0.4 -2.5	-5.6 	-6.9 	-5.6
Unemployment rate	9.6	9.0	0.5	-0.6	-0.5	-0.3			
Employment rate	54.1	54.2	0.6	0.1	-1.2	-2.1			

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	except rate	es)				
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate	142.6 92.1 84.8 7.3 64.6	142.8 92.6 85.6 7.0 64.8	0.8 0.8 0.3 0.6	0.2 0.5 0.8 -0.3 0.2	1.8 2.2 0.2 2.0 0.7	2.2 2.1 0.6 1.4 0.4	0.1 0.5 0.9 -4.1	1.3 2.4 0.2 40.0	1.6 2.3 0.7 25.0
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.9 59.5	7.6 59.9	0.4 0.6	-0.3 0.4	2.1 -0.7	1.4 -0.6			
Montréal, Quebec	00.0	00.0	0.0	0	0.7	0.0	•••	•••	
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,150.8 2,119.5 1,939.1 180.4 67.3 8.5 61.5	3,154.7 2,116.2 1,934.7 181.4 67.1 8.6 61.3	7.0 7.2 4.8 0.2 0.2 0.2	3.9 -3.3 -4.4 1.0 -0.2 0.1 -0.2	36.5 33.0 41.0 -8.1 0.3 -0.5	43.9 44.8 54.5 -9.8 0.5 -0.6 0.9	0.1 -0.2 -0.2 -0.6	1.2 1.6 2.2 -4.3 	1.4 2.2 2.9 -5.1
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec	000.0	000.0		4.0	40.4	44.4	0.4	4.0	4.5
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	992.3 725.8 673.9 52.0 73.1 7.2	993.6 721.8 671.9 49.9 72.6 6.9	3.5 3.6 1.6 0.4 0.2	1.3 -4.0 -2.0 -2.1 -0.5 -0.3	12.1 17.1 9.2 7.9 0.8 0.9	14.4 13.6 2.9 10.7 0.3 1.4	0.1 -0.6 -0.3 -4.0	1.2 2.4 1.4 18.8 	1.5 1.9 0.4 27.3
Employment rate	67.9	67.6	0.4	-0.3	0.1	-0.7			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	253.0 182.1 169.4 12.7 72.0 7.0 67.0	253.4 179.1 166.6 12.6 70.7 7.0 65.7	1.4 1.4 0.6 0.6 0.3 0.6	0.4 -3.0 -2.8 -0.1 -1.3 0.0 -1.3	3.8 -4.6 -6.2 1.7 -2.9 1.1 -3.5	4.5 -2.9 -4.6 1.7 -2.4 1.0 -3.1	0.2 -1.6 -1.7 -0.8	1.5 -2.5 -3.6 15.6 	1.8 -1.6 -2.7 15.6
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part,									
Ontario/Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	739.3 543.8 504.5 39.3 73.6 7.2 68.2	740.2 542.7 505.4 37.3 73.3 6.9 68.3	3.3 3.3 1.5 0.4 0.3 0.5	0.9 -1.1 0.9 -2.0 -0.3 -0.3	8.3 21.7 15.6 6.2 2.1 0.9 1.4	9.9 16.5 7.5 9.0 1.2 1.5 0.1	0.1 -0.2 0.2 -5.1	1.1 4.2 3.2 19.9 	1.4 3.1 1.5 31.8
Kingston, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	126.4 79.3 74.9 4.4 62.7 5.5 59.3	126.3 78.8 73.6 5.2 62.4 6.6 58.3	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	-0.1 -0.5 -1.3 0.8 -0.3 1.1 -1.0	-0.1 -6.5 -6.5 0.1 -5.1 0.6 -5.1	-0.2 -5.5 -5.3 -0.1 -4.2 0.3 -4.1	-0.1 -0.6 -1.7 18.2		-0.2 -6.5 -6.7 -1.9

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	CI	nange from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month I	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
	_	in the	ousands (e	except rates	s)				
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,783.3 3,301.6 2,996.4 305.2 69.0 9.2 62.6	4,793.2 3,308.7 3,003.2 305.6 69.0 9.2 62.7	9.6 9.9 6.4 0.2 0.2 0.2	9.9 7.1 6.8 0.4 0.0 0.0	95.1 103.9 98.3 5.7 0.8 -0.2 0.9	112.5 121.3 114.7 6.7 0.9 -0.2 1.0	0.2 0.2 0.2 0.1	2.0 3.2 3.4 1.9 	2.4 3.8 4.0 2.2
Hamilton, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	607.4 405.3 374.0 31.4 66.7 7.7 61.6	607.9 403.5 372.8 30.7 66.4 7.6 61.3	3.4 3.4 1.6 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.5 -1.8 -1.2 -0.7 -0.3 -0.1	4.3 -6.3 -2.1 -4.3 -1.5 -0.9 -0.8	5.1 -3.5 -0.1 -3.4 -1.1 -0.8 -0.6	0.1 -0.4 -0.3 -2.2	0.7 -1.5 -0.6 -12.3 	0.8 -0.9 0.0 -10.0
Kitchener, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	394.4 284.4 264.0 20.5 72.1 7.2 66.9	395.0 278.2 257.2 21.0 70.4 7.5 65.1	2.0 2.1 1.1 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.6 -6.2 -6.8 0.5 -1.7 0.3 -1.8	4.8 5.1 9.6 -4.5 0.4 -1.8 1.6	5.7 1.7 4.8 -3.2 -0.6 -1.3 0.3	0.2 -2.2 -2.6 2.4	1.2 1.9 3.9 -17.6 	1.5 0.6 1.9 -13.2
London, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	394.6 256.7 234.9 21.8 65.1 8.5 59.5	395.1 255.5 232.8 22.7 64.7 8.9 58.9	1.9 1.9 1.1 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.5 -1.2 -2.1 0.9 -0.4 0.4 -0.6	3.9 -8.1 -7.5 -0.5 -2.7 0.1 -2.5	4.6 -3.1 1.1 -4.2 -1.5 -1.5 -0.4	0.1 -0.5 -0.9 4.1 	1.0 -3.1 -3.1 -2.2 	1.2 -1.2 0.5 -15.6
Oshawa, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	300.6 215.0 192.3 22.7 71.5 10.6 64.0	301.1 215.3 193.0 22.2 71.5 10.3 64.1	1.5 1.5 0.9 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.5 0.3 0.7 -0.5 0.0 -0.3 0.1	5.1 17.1 14.5 2.5 4.5 0.4 3.8	6.0 14.4 10.5 3.8 3.4 1.1 2.3	0.2 0.1 0.4 -2.2	1.7 8.6 8.1 12.7 	2.0 7.2 5.8 20.7
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	331.3 207.2 187.1 20.1 62.5 9.7 56.5	331.5 206.9 187.0 19.8 62.4 9.6 56.4	1.6 1.6 0.9 0.5 0.4	0.2 -0.3 -0.1 -0.3 -0.1 -0.1	1.0 -1.0 1.8 -3.0 -0.5 -1.4 0.4	1.2 0.6 1.8 -1.3 -0.1 -0.6 0.3	0.1 -0.1 -0.1 -1.5	0.3 -0.5 1.0 -13.2 	0.4 0.3 1.0 -6.2

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	CI	hange from		Perce	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month I	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	except rates	s)				
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario									
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	135.5 90.6 81.5 9.1 66.9 10.0 60.1	135.6 90.2 81.5 8.7 66.5 9.6 60.1	0.8 0.8 0.4 0.6 0.5 0.6	0.1 -0.4 0.0 -0.4 -0.4 -0.4	0.8 5.2 5.3 -0.1 3.4 -0.8 3.6	1.0 4.5 4.5 0.0 2.8 -0.6 2.9	0.1 -0.4 0.0 -4.4 	0.6 6.1 7.0 -1.1 	0.7 5.3 5.8 0.0
Thunder Bay, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	102.8 63.6 59.1 4.4 61.9 6.9 57.5	102.8 64.2 59.9 4.4 62.5 6.9 58.3	0.6 0.7 0.3 0.6 0.5 0.6	0.0 0.6 0.8 0.0 0.6 0.0	-0.3 -1.6 -0.6 -0.9 -1.3 -1.2	-0.4 -1.6 -0.1 -1.4 -1.3 -1.9	0.0 0.9 1.4 0.0	-0.3 -2.4 -1.0 -17.0 	-0.4 -2.4 -0.2 -24.1
Windsor, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	274.2 171.4 152.8 18.6 62.5 10.9 55.7	274.3 169.9 151.3 18.6 61.9 10.9 55.2	1.5 1.5 1.0 0.6 0.5 0.5	0.1 -1.5 -1.5 0.0 -0.6 0.0 -0.5	0.7 -0.5 2.5 -3.0 -0.4 -1.8 0.8	0.8 -1.3 2.7 -4.1 -0.7 -2.4 0.9	0.0 -0.9 -1.0 0.0	0.3 -0.3 1.7 -13.9 	0.3 -0.8 1.8 -18.1
Winnipeg, Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	604.3 431.3 405.9 25.4 71.4 5.9 67.2	605.0 431.3 406.6 24.7 71.3 5.7 67.2	1.3 1.3 0.8 0.2 0.2 0.2	0.7 0.0 0.7 -0.7 -0.1 -0.2 0.0	8.3 12.7 11.5 1.3 1.1 0.1 1.0	9.6 9.3 9.8 -0.6 0.4 -0.3 0.6	0.1 0.0 0.2 -2.8	1.4 3.0 2.9 5.6 	1.6 2.2 2.5 -2.4
Regina, Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	176.0 129.3 123.1 6.2 73.5 4.8 69.9	176.3 129.6 123.3 6.3 73.5 4.9 69.9	0.7 0.8 0.3 0.4 0.3 0.4	0.3 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.0 0.1 0.0	3.3 9.2 8.8 0.4 3.9 0.0 3.7	3.9 8.4 8.3 0.1 3.2 -0.2 3.2	0.2 0.2 0.2 1.6	1.9 7.6 7.7 6.8 	2.3 6.9 7.2 1.6
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	209.7 148.5 140.4 8.2 70.8 5.5 67.0	210.2 148.3 140.2 8.1 70.6 5.5 66.7	0.9 0.9 0.5 0.4 0.3 0.5	0.5 -0.2 -0.2 -0.1 -0.2 0.0 -0.3	5.2 -2.7 -3.7 1.0 -3.1 0.8 -3.5	6.1 -2.5 -4.1 1.6 -3.3 1.2 -4.0	0.2 -0.1 -0.1 -1.2	2.5 -1.8 -2.6 14.1 	3.0 -1.7 -2.8 24.6

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	xcept rate	es)				
Calgary, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	998.5 747.0 697.9 49.1 74.8 6.6 69.9	1,000.1 743.3 694.2 49.1 74.3 6.6 69.4	3.3 3.4 2.0 0.3 0.3 0.3	1.6 -3.7 -3.7 0.0 -0.5 0.0 -0.5	-2.7	21.6 -10.1 -8.3 -1.7 -2.7 -0.1 -2.4	0.2 -0.5 -0.5 0.0	-1.7 -1.1 -10.1 	2.2 -1.3 -1.2 -3.3
Edmonton, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	926.8 660.3 615.6 44.8 71.2 6.8 66.4	928.4 661.0 619.0 42.0 71.2 6.4 66.7	3.2 3.4 1.9 0.3 0.3 0.4	1.6 0.7 3.4 -2.8 0.0 -0.4 0.3	-8.3 -1.6	18.2 -0.3 9.4 -9.7 -1.5 -1.4 -0.3	0.2 0.1 0.6 -6.2	-0.6 0.7 -16.5 	2.0 0.0 1.5 -18.8
Abbotsford, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	138.2 95.1 87.9 7.2 68.8 7.6 63.6	138.4 95.7 87.3 8.4 69.1 8.8 63.1	0.8 0.9 0.4 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.2 0.6 -0.6 1.2 0.3 1.2 -0.5	-0.4 -1.8 1.4 -1.3	2.2 0.4 -0.5 0.9 -0.9 0.9 -1.4	0.1 0.6 -0.7 16.7 	-2.0 20.0 	1.6 0.4 -0.6 12.0
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	2,044.1 1,368.4 1,268.1 100.3 66.9 7.3 62.0	2,047.9 1,373.8 1,273.2 100.7 67.1 7.3 62.2	5.1 5.1 3.0 0.3 0.2 0.3	3.8 5.4 5.1 0.4 0.2 0.0 0.2	-0.4	51.3 36.5 34.8 1.8 0.1 -0.1	0.2 0.4 0.4 0.4	2.4 2.9 -2.6	2.6 2.7 2.8 1.8
Victoria, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	291.3 188.1 178.5 9.6 64.6 5.1 61.3	291.5 188.3 178.4 9.9 64.6 5.3 61.2	1.5 1.5 0.7 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.2 0.2 -0.1 0.3 0.0 0.2 -0.1	-9.4 -4.5 -4.9 -3.7	2.5 -5.4 -3.2 -2.2 -2.4 -0.9 -1.6	0.1 0.1 -0.1 3.1 		0.9 -2.8 -1.8 -18.2

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0090.

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

	September	October	S.E. ¹	Ch	ange from		Perc	ent change f	rom
	2010	2010	_	last month D	last ecember	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in the	ousands (e	xcept rates)				
Montréal, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,154.5 2,108.1 1,933.1 174.9 66.8 8.3 61.3	3,158.2 2,115.6 1,929.0 186.6 67.0 8.8 61.1	 14.7 14.7 11.1 0.5 0.5 0.5	3.7 7.5 -4.1 11.7 0.2 0.5 -0.2	36.5 14.0 25.4 -11.4 -0.3 -0.6 0.1	43.6 49.6 47.4 2.2 0.7 -0.1 0.7	0.1 0.4 -0.2 6.7 	1.2 0.7 1.3 -5.8 	1.4 2.4 2.5 1.2
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,793.2 3,295.1 2,985.9 309.2 68.7 9.4 62.3	4,802.3 3,295.0 3,004.2 290.8 68.6 8.8 62.6	20.5 20.2 15.2 0.4 0.5 0.4	9.1 -0.1 18.3 -18.4 -0.1 -0.6 0.3	96.6 87.4 99.3 -11.9 0.4 -0.6 0.9	111.9 109.0 107.7 1.3 0.7 -0.3 0.8	0.2 0.0 0.6 -6.0	2.1 2.7 3.4 -3.9 	2.4 3.4 3.7 0.4
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	2,048.0 1,373.4 1,270.8 102.5 67.1 7.5 62.1	2,051.1 1,375.6 1,276.5 99.1 67.1 7.2 62.2	10.7 10.5 7.5 0.5 0.5 0.5	3.1 2.2 5.7 -3.4 0.0 -0.3 0.1	42.5 32.2 35.3 -3.1 0.2 -0.4 0.4	50.4 38.0 44.1 -6.1 0.2 -0.7 0.6	0.2 0.2 0.4 -3.3	2.1 2.4 2.8 -3.0 	2.5 2.8 3.6 -5.8

^{1.} Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries. 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 October 2009 and October 2010

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Canada ² 2009 2010	27,397.7 27,809.8	18,459.0 18,790.7	16,963.7 17,326.7	1,495.2 1,464.0	67.4 67.6	8.1 7.8	61.9 62.3
Newfoundland and Labrador 2009 2010	429.6 431.9	259.3 265.0	222.8 233.5	36.5 31.5	60.4 61.4	14.1 11.9	51.9 54.1
Avalon Peninsula <i>[1010]</i> 2009 2010	216.1 219.2	139.6 144.3	123.7 130.9	15.9 13.4	64.6 65.8	11.4 9.3	57.2 59.7
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020] 2009 2010	31.9 31.3	15.8 18.2	12.8 15.0	2.9 3.2	49.5 58.1	18.4 17.6	40.1 47.9
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]							
2009 2010	88.2 88.3	52.4 51.2	44.3 44.1	8.1 7.2	59.4 58.0	15.5 14.1	50.2 49.9
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040] 2009 2010	93.4 93.1	51.5 51.2	42.0 43.5	9.5 7.7	55.1 55.0	18.4 15.0	45.0 46.7
Prince Edward Island 2009 2010	116.4 118.0	80.6 82.3	72.8 73.7	7.8 8.6	69.2 69.7	9.7 10.4	62.5 62.5
Nova Scotia 2009 2010	773.3 777.1	501.9 506.2	458.2 460.5	43.7 45.8	64.9 65.1	8.7 9.0	59.3 59.3
Cape Breton [1210] 2009 2010	114.8 114.1	64.6 66.9	55.8 56.8	8.8 10.1	56.3 58.6	13.6 15.1	48.6 49.8
North Shore [1220] 2009 2010	131.4 131.4	82.1 79.7	73.5 72.5	8.6 7.2	62.5 60.7	10.5 9.0	55.9 55.2
Annapolis Valley [1230] 2009 2010	101.8 102.3	62.4 63.5	57.1 57.5	5.3 6.0	61.3 62.1	8.5 9.4	56.1 56.2
Southern [1240] 2009 2010	103.2 103.0	62.6 65.4	57.4 58.5	5.2 6.9	60.7 63.5	8.3 10.6	55.6 56.8
Halifax [1250] 2009 2010	322.1 326.3	230.2 230.7	214.5 215.1	15.7 15.6	71.5 70.7	6.8 6.8	66.6 65.9
New Brunswick 2009 2010	622.1 625.5	407.1 406.9	375.9 371.4	31.2 35.6	65.4 65.1	7.7 8.7	60.4 59.4
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310] 2009 2010	135.0 134.5	75.5 75.4	65.7 65.1	9.8 10.4	55.9 56.1	13.0 13.8	48.7 48.4
Moncton-Richibucto [1320] 2009 2010	168.4 170.7	117.0 114.1	109.1 105.7	7.9 8.4	69.5 66.8		64.8 61.9
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330] 2009 2010	143.9 144.7	95.5 96.3	90.3 89.0	5.2 7.2	66.4 66.6	5.4 7.5	62.8 61.5

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2009 and October 2010

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] 2009 2010	106.6 107.6	73.7 75.3	69.5 70.2	4.2 5.1	69.1 70.0	5.7 6.8	65.2 65.2
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] 2009 2010	68.2 68.1	45.3 45.8	41.2 41.3	4.1 4.5	66.4 67.3	9.1 9.8	60.4 60.6
Quebec 2009 2010	6,451.6 6,533.7	4,210.1 4,304.3	3,873.5 3,980.9	336.5 323.4	65.3 65.9	8.0 7.5	60.0 60.9
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] 2009 2010	80.8 80.9	44.1 45.3	38.4 39.8	5.7 5.5	54.6 56.0	12.9 12.1	47.5 49.2
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415] 2009 2010	167.7 168.2	98.2 102.8	91.0 92.8	7.2 9.9	58.6 61.1	7.3 9.6	54.3 55.2
Capitale-Nationale [2420] 2009 2010	574.0 580.1	367.3 393.1	347.6 375.2	19.6 17.9	64.0 67.8	5.3 4.6	60.6 64.7
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425] 2009 2010	332.6 335.6	225.2 228.5	212.3 219.2	12.8 9.3	67.7 68.1	5.7 4.1	63.8 65.3
Estrie [2430] 2009 2010	254.1 257.1	169.5 164.8	159.5 152.9	10.0 11.9	66.7 64.1	5.9 7.2	62.8 59.5
Centre-du-Québec [2433] 2009 2010	188.3 190.2	121.1 119.4	114.5 112.5	6.7 6.9	64.3 62.8	5.5 5.8	60.8 59.1
Montérégie <i>[2435]</i> 2009 2010	1,165.8 1,188.9	774.4 807.6	719.2 746.8	55.2 60.8	66.4 67.9	7.1 7.5	61.7 62.8
Montréal [2440] 2009 2010	1,597.1 1,605.2	1,039.5 1,058.9	926.3 958.3	113.2 100.6	65.1 66.0	10.9 9.5	58.0 59.7
Laval <i>[2445]</i> 2009 2010	320.1 325.9	220.0 213.1	206.1 196.3	13.9 16.9	68.7 65.4	6.3 7.9	64.4 60.2
Lanaudière <i>[2450]</i> 2009 2010	376.2 388.0	259.5 255.5	235.2 239.3	24.3 16.2	69.0 65.9	9.4 6.3	62.5 61.7
Laurentides [2455] 2009 2010	447.4 458.6	304.0 312.7	280.8 290.7	23.2 22.0	67.9 68.2	7.6 7.0	62.8 63.4
Outaouais <i>[2460]</i> 2009 2010	300.3 305.5	209.7 208.2	198.4 194.0	11.3 14.2	69.8 68.2	5.4 6.8	66.1 63.5
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465] 2009 2010	116.5 117.3	69.4 77.1	62.9 70.4	6.5 6.7	59.6 65.7	9.4 8.7	54.0 60.0
Mauricie [2470] 2009 2010	219.2 220.6	124.6 131.7	113.0 119.3	11.6 12.4	56.8 59.7	9.3 9.4	51.6 54.1

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2009 and October 2010

	Population		Labour force		Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
_		in thous	sands				
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475] 2009 2010	223.0 223.2	132.2 127.4	120.9 118.3	11.3 9.1	59.3 57.1	8.5 7.1	54.2 53.0
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490] 2009 2010	88.7 88.6	51.2 58.5	47.4 55.2	3.9 3.3	57.7 66.0	7.6 5.6	53.4 62.3
Ontario 2009 2010	10,693.4 10,853.5	7,210.1 7,340.7	6,571.1 6,709.0	639.0 631.6	67.4 67.6	8.9 8.6	61.5 61.8
Ottawa [3510] 2009 2010	1,006.6 1,017.7	712.5 716.8	672.0 665.6	40.5 51.2	70.8 70.4	5.7 7.1	66.8 65.4
Kingston-Pembroke <i>[3515]</i> 2009 2010	361.7 362.3	230.8 216.3	212.6 199.9	18.2 16.4	63.8 59.7	7.9 7.6	58.8 55.2
Muskoka-Kawarthas <i>[3520]</i> 2009 2010	313.3 315.2	186.3 188.4	172.1 170.9	14.2 17.5	59.5 59.8	7.6 9.3	54.9 54.2
Toronto [3530] 2009 2010	4,930.7 5,044.8	3,357.4 3,498.4	3,037.9 3,169.6	319.4 328.8	68.1 69.3	9.5 9.4	61.6 62.8
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540] 2009 2010	1,001.7 1,017.4	713.4 722.4	653.3 667.6	60.1 54.8	71.2 71.0	8.4 7.6	65.2 65.6
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550] 2009 2010	1,153.6 1,163.6	774.5 767.1	707.2 706.7	67.3 60.4	67.1 65.9	8.7 7.9	61.3 60.7
London <i>[3560]</i> 2009 2010	522.1 527.6	352.2 349.5	317.1 319.3	35.1 30.2	67.5 66.2	10.0 8.6	60.7 60.5
Windsor-Sarnia <i>[3570]</i> 2009 2010	527.6 528.9	334.9 336.7	298.5 302.5	36.4 34.2	63.5 63.7	10.9 10.2	56.6 57.2
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580] 2009 2010	249.0 249.8	165.8 161.4	153.3 154.4	12.5 7.0	66.6 64.6	7.5 4.3	61.6 61.8
Northeast [3590] 2009 2010	455.0 455.8	273.0 279.6	246.9 255.5	26.1 24.1	60.0 61.3	9.6 8.6	54.3 56.1
Northwest [3595] 2009 2010	172.2 170.5	109.3 104.0	100.1 96.9	9.2 7.1	63.5 61.0	8.4 6.8	58.1 56.8
Manitoba 2009 2010	926.0 939.9	647.6 662.6	611.9 626.7	35.7 35.9	69.9 70.5	5.5 5.4	66.1 66.7
Southeast [4610] 2009 2010	81.5 84.1	57.3 60.1	53.7 57.0	3.6 3.0	70.3 71.5	6.3 5.0	65.9 67.8
South Central [4620] 2009 2010	45.3 46.5	33.2 32.8	31.9 31.7	1.3 1.1	73.3 70.5	3.9 3.4	70.4 68.2

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2009 and October 2010

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
-		in thous	sands				
Southwest [4630] 2009 2010	83.2 83.6	56.9 56.0	54.6 53.7	2.3 2.3	68.4 67.0	4.0 4.1	65.6 64.2
North Central [4640] 2009 2010	36.3 36.8	23.8 24.9	22.4 23.8	1.4 1.1	65.6 67.7	5.9 4.4	61.7 64.7
Winnipeg <i>[4650]</i> 2009 2010	548.6 556.6	387.4 395.7	363.8 371.6	23.6 24.1	70.6 71.1	6.1 6.1	66.3 66.8
Interlake <i>[4660]</i> 2009 2010	72.1 73.4	49.5 51.2	47.4 49.0	2.1 2.2	68.7 69.8	4.2 4.3	65.7 66.8
Parklands and North [4670, 4680] 2009 2010	58.9 58.9	39.5 42.0	38.0 39.9	1.5 2.0	67.1 71.3	3.8 4.8	64.5 67.7
Saskatchewan 2009 2010	782.0 794.1	547.8 559.1	521.3 529.7	26.5 29.4	70.1 70.4	4.8 5.3	66.7 66.7
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710] 2009 2010	231.7 236.1	163.3 175.0	155.2 166.8	8.2 8.1	70.5 74.1	5.0 4.6	67.0 70.6
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720] 2009 2010	84.2 84.6	55.3 56.3	53.5 53.8	1.8 2.5	65.7 66.5	3.3 4.4	63.5 63.6
Saskatoon-Biggar <i>[4730]</i> 2009 2010	247.0 253.0	182.4 177.6	174.2 169.1	8.2 8.5	73.8 70.2	4.5 4.8	70.5 66.8
Yorkton-Melville [4740] 2009 2010	64.7 64.7	43.0 43.9	41.1 41.7	1.9 2.2	66.5 67.9	4.4 5.0	63.5 64.5
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] 2009 2010	154.4 155.7	103.7 106.3	97.3 98.3	6.4 8.0	67.2 68.3	6.2 7.5	63.0 63.1
Alberta 2009 2010	2,881.8 2,939.7	2,133.7 2,146.1	1,982.7 2,011.8	151.0 134.4	74.0 73.0	7.1 6.3	68.8 68.4
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810] 2009 2010	213.0 215.3	146.1 149.1	136.5 140.9	9.6 8.2	68.6 69.3	6.6 5.5	64.1 65.4
Camrose-Drumheller [4820] 2009 2010	156.8 157.9	110.7 113.6	103.8 107.7	6.9 5.9	70.6 71.9	6.2 5.2	66.2 68.2
Calgary [4830] 2009 2010	1,057.5 1,082.7	806.8 808.5	752.0 753.2	54.7 55.3	76.3 74.7	6.8 6.8	71.1 69.6
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840] 2009 2010	70.0 70.8	55.2 56.4	52.9 52.9	2.3 3.5	78.9 79.7	4.2 6.2	75.6 74.7
Red Deer [4850] 2009 2010	151.8 155.9	111.1 111.5	103.2 105.2	7.8 6.3	73.2 71.5	7.0 5.7	68.0 67.5

Table 6-1 - continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2009 and October 2010

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Edmonton [4860] 2009 2010	945.6 964.7	686.5 686.1	633.2 643.7	53.3 42.3	72.6 71.1	7.8 6.2	67.0 66.7
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870] 2009 2010	191.7 195.3	143.0 143.8	129.9 135.6	13.0 8.1	74.6 73.6	9.1 5.6	67.8 69.4
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake <i>[4880]</i> 2009 2010	95.4 97.1	74.4 77.1	71.1 72.5	3.3 4.7	78.0 79.4	4.4 6.1	74.5 74.7
British Columbia 2009 2010	3,721.5 3,796.3	2,460.9 2,517.5	2,273.5 2,329.6	187.4 187.9	66.1 66.3	7.6 7.5	61.1 61.4
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910] 2009 2010	641.5 649.4	405.2 410.4	374.8 385.2	30.4 25.2	63.2 63.2	7.5 6.1	58.4 59.3
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920] 2009 2010	2,270.8 2,327.5	1,520.9 1,560.7	1,408.4 1,443.9	112.5 116.8	67.0 67.1	7.4 7.5	62.0 62.0
Thompson-Okanagan [5930] 2009 2010	439.4 446.9	284.7 296.6	263.9 271.4	20.9 25.2	64.8 66.4	7.3 8.5	60.1 60.7
Kootenay [5940] 2009 2010	123.4 124.0	76.4 72.6	70.3 65.9	6.1 6.8	61.9 58.5	8.0 9.4	57.0 53.1
Cariboo <i>[5950]</i> 2009 2010	127.7 129.0	86.1 90.0	76.2 83.1	9.9 6.8	67.4 69.8	11.5 7.6	59.7 64.4
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970] 2009 2010	65.1 64.7	47.1 45.0	42.4 41.2	4.7 3.9	72.4 69.6	10.0 8.7	65.1 63.7
Northeast [5980] 2009 2010	53.6 54.7	40.4 42.2	37.5 39.0	2.9 3.2	75.4 77.1	7.2 7.6	70.0 71.3

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

Note(s): All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM table 282-0054.

Table 6-2 Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2009 and October 2010

	Population		Labour force		Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	ands			percent	
Yukon 1 2009 2010	24.3 24.9	17.7 18.3	16.7 17.4	1.0 0.9	72.8 73.5	5.6 4.9	68.7 69.9
Northwest Territories ² 2009 2010	31.5 31.9	22.3 23.0	20.5 21.7	1.7 1.3	70.8 72.1	7.6 5.7	65.1 68.0
Nunavut ³ 2009 2010	18.6 19.4	11.3 12.4	9.8 10.7	1.5 1.7	60.7 63.8	12.9 13.7	52.8 55.1

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.

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

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

^{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.

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

		Emplo	yees			Full-time			Part-time	
	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Average hourly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages
	thousands		current	dollars	thousands		current dollars	thousands		current dollars
October 2010										
15 years and over	14,609.7	35.1	830.61	22.81	11,886.7	39.3	955.35	2,723.0	17.0	286.07
15 to 24 years	2,236.2 12,373.5	26.5 36.7	380.65 911.93	13.32 24.52	1,102.8 10,783.9	38.7 39.3	600.09 991.68	1,133.4 1,589.6	14.7 18.6	167.12 370.88
25 years and over Men	7,318.8	37.8	951.50	24.52	6,492.0	40.5	1,040.10	826.8	16.5	255.82
Women	7,291.0	32.4	709.25	21.09	5,394.7	37.8	853.36	1,896.2	17.3	299.26
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,644.2	35.7	956.50	26.46	3,982.7	38.5	1,044.29	661.5	18.7	428.03
No union coverage	9,965.5	34.9	771.94	21.10	7,904.1	39.7	910.54	2,061.5	16.5	240.52
Job permanency	40.704.4	05.0	000.07	00.40	40 707 4	00.0	000.00	4.007.0	47.0	000.44
Permanent	12,734.1	35.9	866.97	23.40	10,767.1	39.2	969.92	1,967.0	17.9	303.44
Temporary	1,875.7	29.6	583.77	18.81	1,119.7	39.5	815.30	756.0	14.8	240.88
Occupation Management	1,001.1	39.7	1,409.95	35.64	974.9	40.2	1,433.37	26.1	18.8	536.95
Business, finance and administrative	2,770.6	34.9	764.17	21.41	2,342.1	38.1	849.37	428.5	17.4	298.54
Natural and applied sciences	1,093.4	38.3	1,207.49	31.47	1,048.2	39.1	1,238.71	45.2	19.5	482.97
Health	948.1	33.2	886.23	26.71	712.0	37.5	1,002.75	236.1	20.0	534.87
Social science, education, government	4 474 0	00.0	000.00	00.04	4 404 4	07.0	4 400 04	000.0	40.0	450.00
service and religion Art, culture, recreation and sport	1,474.3 337.6	33.8 31.3	992.26 785.71	29.01 23.62	1,191.4 242.8	37.9 38.3	1,120.34 997.04	282.9 94.8	16.8 13.6	452.83 244.47
Sales and service	3,733.8	30.1	503.47	15.50	2,318.4	38.4	687.84	1,415.5	16.5	201.49
Trades, transport and equipment					,					
operators	2,151.4	40.2	919.01	22.63	2,025.6	41.6	958.40	125.8	17.7	284.82
Occupations unique to primary industry Occupations unique to processing,	313.8	41.6	857.85	19.87	275.6	45.2	947.96	38.1	15.3	206.63
manufacturing and utilities	785.7	39.2	752.88	19.05	755.8	40.0	771.17	29.9	19.0	290.87
October 2009 15 years and over	14,138.9	35.2	815.58	22.35	11,530.7	39.3	936.35	2,608.2	17.1	281.66
15 to 24 years	2,224.3	27.0	376.55	13.04	1,137.2	38.6	577.32	1,087.2	14.9	166.54
25 years and over	11,914.6	36.7	897.54	24.09	10,393.5	39.3	975.63	1,521.0	18.7	363.94
Men	7,060.5	37.8	935.68	24.14	6,279.5	40.5	1,020.47	781.0	16.4	253.91
Women	7,078.4	32.6	695.77	20.56	5,251.2	37.8	835.74	1,827.2	17.5	293.52
Union coverage	4 474 0	05.0	040.00	05.47	0.707.5	00.0	4 040 45	070.0	40.0	400.00
Union coverage No union coverage	4,471.3 9,667.6	35.6 35.0	919.69 767.42	25.47 20.90	3,797.5 7,733.2	38.6 39.6	1,010.15 900.10	673.8 1,934.4	18.8 16.5	409.88 237.00
· ·	9,007.0	33.0	101.42	20.30	1,100.2	33.0	300.10	1,334.4	10.5	237.00
Job permanency Permanent	12,318.9	36.0	852.79	22.95	10,446.2	39.3	952.05	1,872.8	18.1	299.10
Temporary	1,820.0	29.4	563.69	18.25	1,084.6	39.3	785.05	735.4	14.6	237.23
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Occupation Management	1,048.8	39.6	1,353.18	34.15	1,017.7	40.2	1,380.18	31.1	19.3	468.77
Business, finance and administrative	2,707.5	35.1	758.22	21.14	2,297.3	38.1	838.90	410.2	18.0	306.36
Natural and applied sciences	1,035.9	38.6	1,203.71	31.18	999.4	39.3	1,229.85	36.5	18.3	487.51
Health	931.0	33.6	903.58	26.60	701.0	37.9	1,030.21	230.0	20.5	517.72
Social science, education, government	1,416.4	22.0	074 14	20 42	1 140 6	20 0	1 104 27	275.0	16.6	42E 2E
service and religion Art, culture, recreation and sport	341.2	33.8 30.2	974.11 736.76	28.42 22.78	1,140.6 228.8	38.0 38.4	1,104.37 976.51	275.8 112.4	16.6 13.5	435.35 248.97
Sales and service	3,555.2	30.4	492.06	15.05	2,255.3	38.4	663.32	1,299.9	16.6	194.93
Trades, transport and equipment	-,		. = . = .		,		· · · · · · ·	,		
operators	2,084.8	39.9	871.56	21.60	1,945.7	41.5	913.95	139.1	17.5	278.73
Occupations unique to primary industry	258.8	41.7	795.88	18.56	227.3	45.5	881.16	31.5	14.3	180.97
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	759.2	38.7	747.55	19.13	717.6	39.9	774.78	41.6	18.6	278.16
mandacturing and dilliles	100.2	50.7	171.00	13.13	7 17.0	55.5	117.10	71.0	10.0	210.10

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 November 7, 2010 to December 4, 2010	
	percent	
Newfoundland and Labrador 01. St.John's 02. Newfoundland and Labrador	7.8 17.9	
Prince Edward Island 03. Prince Edward Island	12.9	
Nova Scotia 04. Eastern Nova Scotia 05. Western Nova Scotia 06. Halifax	16.1 10.8 6.6	
New Brunswick 07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John 08. Madawaska-Charlotte ² 09. Restigouche-Albert	7.7 11.9 14.5	
Quebec 10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine 11. Québec 12. Trois-Rivières 13. South Central Quebec 14. Sherbrooke 15. Montérégie 16. Montréal 17. Central Quebec 18. Northwestern Quebec 19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³ 20. Gatineau 21. Saguenay	15.9 4.7 9.1 5.4 7.7 7.3 8.7 8.5 11.5 11.0 6.9 8.4	
Ontario 22. Ottawa 23. Eastern Ontario 24. Kingston 25. Central Ontario 26. Oshawa 27. Toronto 28. Hamilton 29. St. Catharines 30. London 31. Niagara 32. Windsor 33. Kitchener 34. Huron 35. South Central Ontario 36. Sudbury 37. Thunder Bay 38. Northern Ontario	6.7 8.8 6.6 9.0 10.1 9.3 7.6 9.6 8.8 10.4 11.5 7.2 10.5 7.6 9.9 7.0	
Manitoba 39. Winnipeg 40. Southern Manitoba 41. Northern Manitoba	5.6 5.8 29.7	
Saskatchewan 42. Regina 43. Saskatoon 44. Southern Saskatchewan 45. Northern Saskatchewan	5.0 5.5 6.9 17.9	

Table 8 - continued

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

Region	Effective from November 7, 2010 to December 4, 2010	
	percent	
Alberta		
46. Calgary	6.7	
47. Edmonton	6.2	
48. Northern Alberta	9.6	
49. Southern Alberta	7.0	
British Columbia		
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	10.8	
51. Abbotsford	8.7	
52. Vancouver	7.4	
53. Victoria	6.1	
54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	8.2	
55. Northern British Columbia	11.4	
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

Note(s): All geographic regions are based on the 1996 Census boundaries.

employment insurance regions, see the HRSDC website: http://srv129.services.gc.ca/eiregions/en/geocont.aspx.

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

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

Data quality

About the Labour Force Survey

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

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

Definitions and explanations

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

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week:

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

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

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week:

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

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

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

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

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

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

All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries.

Seasonal adjustment

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

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

Sampling variability of estimates

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

Interpretation based on standard error

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

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

Interpretation based on confidence intervals

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

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

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

Documentation

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

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