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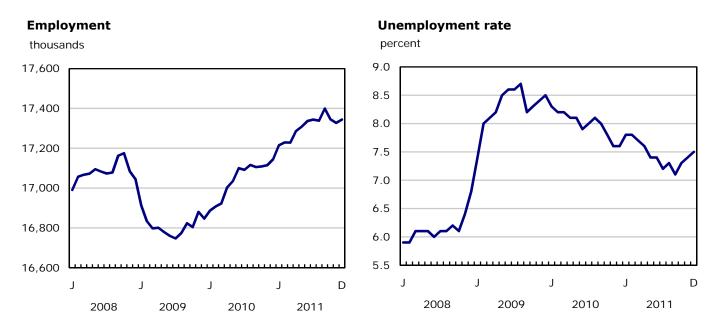
Highlights

December 2011

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Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted



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The employment growth of 1.2% from December 2010 to December 2011 followed an increase of 1.8% over the previous twelve months.

In December, an increase of 43,000 in part-time work was partially offset by a decline of 26,000 in full-time employment. Compared with 12 months earlier, the number of part-time workers has changed little, while full-time employment has grown by 1.5% (+208,000). Over the same period, the total number of hours worked increased by 1.4%.

Among the provinces, employment increased in British Columbia, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Labrador, Saskatchewan, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island in December. In contrast, employment declined in Quebec, while there was little change in the other provinces.

There were notable employment gains in manufacturing for the month, while there were declines in utilities. All other industries showed little employment change.

There were more self-employed workers in December, up 31,000. Compared with 12 months earlier, self-employment was up 2.0%, while the number of private sector employees rose 1.3%, and the number of public sector workers was unchanged.

Employment increased in December among people aged 55 and over. At the same time, there was a decline among youths aged 15 to 24, and little change for people aged 25 to 54.

Manufacturing employment up in December

Following declines in recent months, employment in manufacturing increased by 30,000 in December. At the same time, employment was down 7,200 in utilities, and was little changed in the other industries.

Since December 2010, overall employment in the goods sector was little changed. While there was notable growth in natural resources (+7.5%) and construction (+3.1%), there were offsetting declines in utilities (-9.5%) and manufacturing (-2.8%).

Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in the service sector was up 1.5% (+194,000). Over this period, there was notable growth in accommodation and food services (+6.2%); professional, scientific and technical services (+6.0%); 'other services' (+4.3%); and health care and social assistance (+2.9%). At the same time, there were declines in finance, insurance, real estate and leasing (-2.8%).

Provincial summary

Employment in British Columbia rose by 11,000 in December. Over the previous 12 months, employment in the province has grown by 1.4% (+32,000), slightly above the national average of 1.2%.

Nova Scotia's employment increased for a second consecutive month in December, up 4,300. The unemployment rate fell 0.8 percentage points to 7.8%, the lowest since October 2008. Over the past 12 months, employment has risen 2.3% (+11,000) in the province.

In December, employment was up 3,200 in Newfoundland and Labrador, bringing growth over the previous 12 months to 1.9% (+4,300).

In Saskatchewan, employment rose by 3,100. Employment in the province was up 0.7% (+3,700) compared to December 2010.

Employment increased by 2,900 in New Brunswick, returning to its level of 12 months earlier.

In Ontario, employment edged up by 16,000, bringing growth since December 2010 to 1.4% (+91,000). The unemployment rate in the province was 7.7% in December, down 0.2 percentage points from a month earlier.

Employment in Quebec decreased for a third consecutive month, down 26,000 in December. As a result, the unemployment rate rose 0.7 percentage points to 8.7%. Compared to a year earlier, employment in Quebec was down 1.3% (-51,000).

While employment in Alberta was little changed in December, it grew 4.9% (+99,000) over the year, entirely in full-time work.

Employment gains among older workers

In December, employment grew by 24,000 among people aged 55 and over Employment for this age group was up 3.4% (+102,000) compared with 12 months earlier. This increase was almost entirely due to aging of the population, as the number of people aged 55 and over grew by 3.2% over the period.

Employment among youths aged 15 to 24 declined for the third consecutive month, down 17,000 in December. With this decline, youth employment was 12,000 below its level of 12 months earlier (-0.5%).

Employment among people aged 25 to 54 was little changed in December, and growth for this group over the 12 months was 0.9% (+109,000).

Quarterly update for the territories

The Labour Force Survey also collects labour market information about the territories. This information is produced monthly in the form of three-month moving averages. Not all estimates are seasonally adjusted; therefore, comparisons should only be made on a year-over-year basis.

Employment in Yukon rose by 1,500 (+8.4%) from the fourth quarter of 2010 to the same period in 2011. Employment was little changed in both the Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

In the fourth quarter of 2011, the unemployment rate was 4.9% in Yukon, 7.9% in the Northwest Territories and 14.9% in Nunavut.

Note to readers

Annual average estimates for 2011 are now available on CANSIM (tables 282-0001 to 282-0121).

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates are based on a sample, and are therefore subject to sampling variability. Estimates for smaller geographic areas or industries will have more variability. For an explanation of sampling variability of estimates, and how to use standard errors to assess this variability, consult the "Data quality" section of the publication *Labour Force Information* (71-001-X, free).

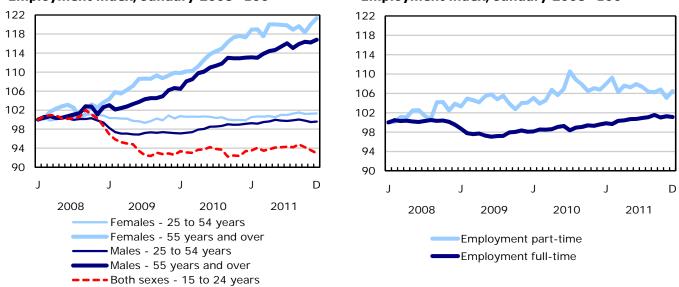
Unless otherwise stated, this release presents seasonally adjusted data, which facilitates comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations.

Statistics Canada is moving to one release time, 8:30 a.m., for all data releases in The Daily. This will mean a change in the release time for the LFS, which is currently 7:00 a.m. This change will be implemented with the release of LFS data on April 5, 2012.

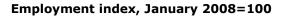
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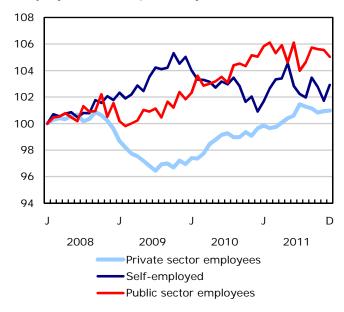
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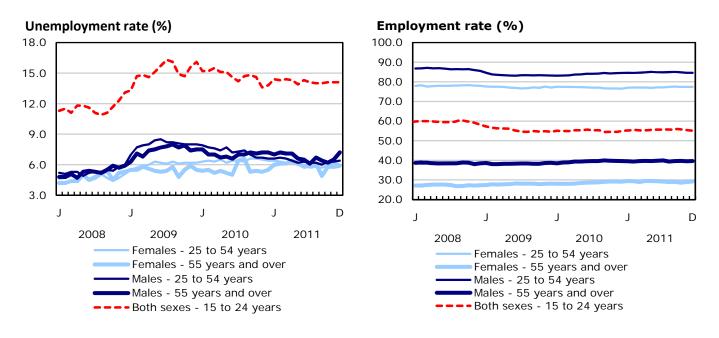
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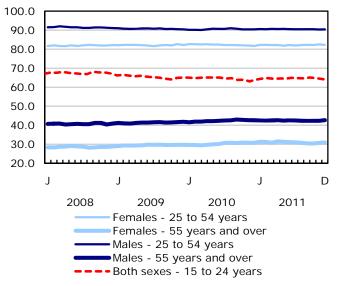


Employment index, January 2008=100

Chart 2 Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



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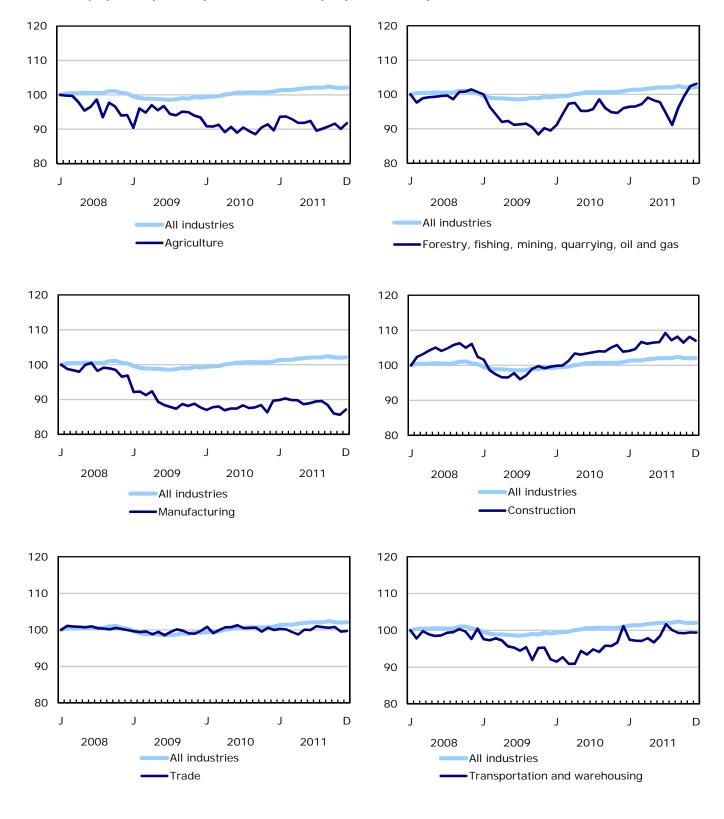
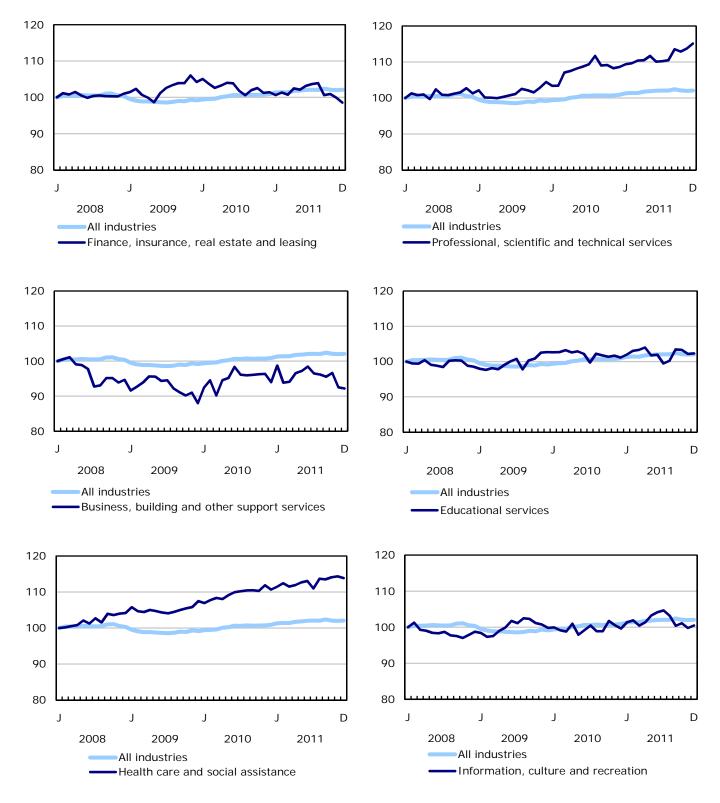


Chart 3 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January 2008=100





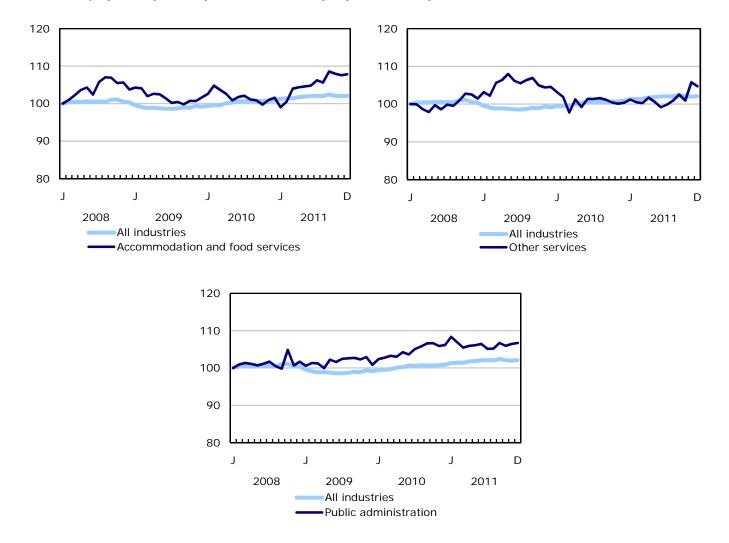


Chart 5 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January 2008=100

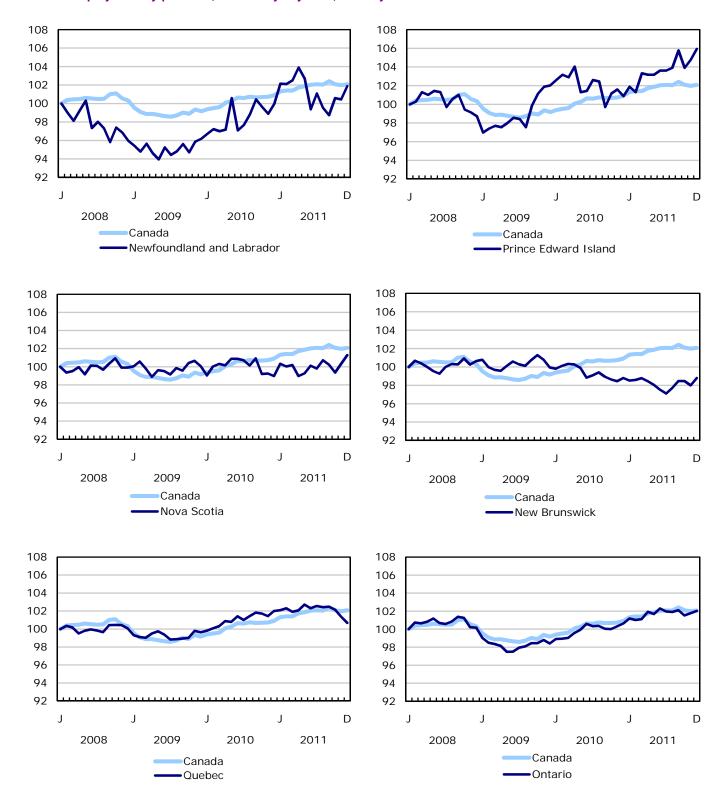


Chart 6 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2008=100

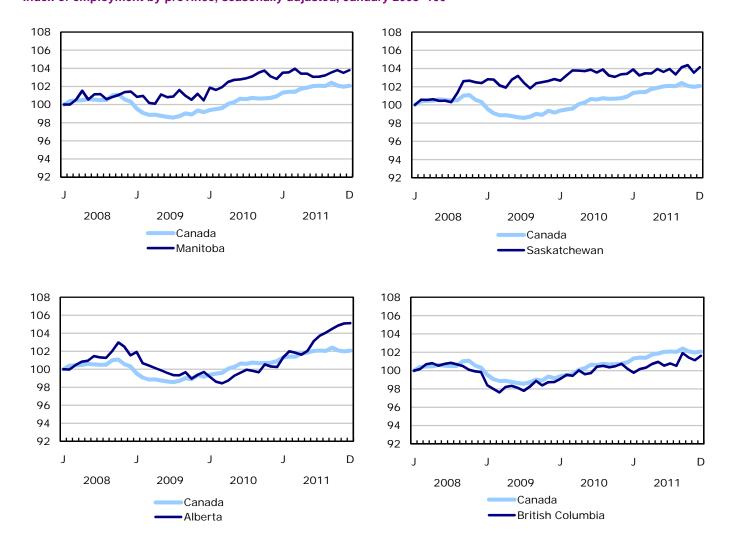


Chart 7 Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2008=100

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- 282-0112 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), employment by census metropolitan area based on 2006 census boundaries and North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), annual
- 282-0113 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), employment by census metropolitan area based on 2006 census boundaries and National Occupational Classification for Statistics (NOC-S), 3-month moving average, unadjusted for seasonality, monthly
- 282-0114 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), employment by census metropolitan area based on 2006 census boundaries and National Occupational Classification for Statistics (NOC-S), annual
- 282-0115 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by selected census agglomerations based on 2006 census boundaries, annual
- 282-0116 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by census metropolitan area based on 2006 census boundaries, 3-month moving average, seasonally adjusted and unadjusted, monthly
- 282-0117 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by Montréal, Toronto and Vancouver census metropolitan areas based on 2006 census boundaries, seasonally adjusted and unadjusted, monthly
- 282-0118 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by urban and rural areas based on 2006 census boundaries, sex and age group, unadjusted for seasonality, monthly
- 282-0119 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by urban and rural areas based on 2006 census boundaries, sex and age group, annual
- 282-0120 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), employment by urban and rural areas based on 2006 census boundaries, class of worker and North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), unadjusted for seasonality, monthly
- 282-0121 Labour force survey estimates (LFS), employment by urban and rural areas based on 2006 census boundaries, class of worker and North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), 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 1Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	November		S.E. ¹	(Change from		Percent change from		
	2011	2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
15 years and over, both sexes									
Population Labour force	28,107.1 18,721.7	28,130.8 18,745.3	29.3	23.7 23.6	316.0 187.5	316.0 187.5	0.1 0.1	1.1 1.0	1.1 1.0
Employment	17,327.0	17,344.5	29.5	17.5	199.2	199.2	0.1	1.0	1.0
Employment full-time	14,069.0	14,043.5	37.7	-25.5	207.7	207.7	-0.2	1.5	1.5
Employment part-time	3,257.9	3,301.0	34.8	43.1	-8.6	-8.6	1.3	-0.3	-0.3
Unemployment	1,394.7	1,400.8	25.3	6.1	-11.7	-11.7	0.4	-0.8	-0.8
Participation rate	66.6	66.6	0.1 0.1	0.0 0.1	-0.1 -0.1	-0.1 -0.1			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.4 61.6	7.5 61.7	0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.1			
Part-time rate	18.8	19.0	0.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.3			
15 to 24 years, both sexes									
Population	4,457.3	4,457.3		0.0	-2.7	-2.7	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force Employment	2,867.3 2,461.7	2,845.6 2,444.9	17.0 15.7	-21.7 -16.8	-5.6 -11.6	-5.6 -11.6	-0.8 -0.7	-0.2 -0.5	-0.2 -0.5
Employment full-time	1,306.6	1,303.5	18.5	-10.8	17.7	17.7	-0.7	-0.3	-0.3
Employment part-time	1,155.2	1,141.4	19.4	-13.8	-29.3	-29.3	-1.2	-2.5	-2.5
Unemployment	405.6	400.6	14.7	-5.0	5.9	5.9	-1.2	1.5	1.5
Participation rate	64.3	63.8	0.4	-0.5	-0.1	-0.1			
Unemployment rate	14.1	14.1	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	55.2 46.9	54.9 46.7	0.4 0.7	-0.3 -0.2	-0.2 -1.0	-0.2 -1.0			
25 years and over, men									
Population	11,572.0	11,583.7		11.7	159.1	159.1	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force	8,383.0	8,420.6	15.3	37.6	77.4	77.4	0.4	0.9	0.9
Employment	7,850.2	7,865.6 7,263.4	16.1 21.2	15.4 7.2	84.4 89.2	84.4 89.2	0.2 0.1	1.1	1.1
Employment full-time Employment part-time	7,256.2 594.0	602.2	17.3	8.2	-4.8	-4.8	1.4	1.2 -0.8	1.2 -0.8
Unemployment	532.8	554.9	14.5	22.1	-7.1	-7.1	4.1	-1.3	-1.3
Participation rate	72.4	72.7	0.1	0.3	-0.3	-0.3			
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.6	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	67.8 7.6	67.9 7.7	0.1 0.2	0.1 0.1	-0.2 -0.1	-0.2 -0.1			
25 years and over, women	7.0		0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.1			
Population	12,077.8	12,089.8		12.0	159.5	159.5	0.1	1.3	1.3
Labour force	7,471.4	7,479.2	16.7	7.8	115.8	115.8	0.1	1.6	1.6
Employment	7,015.1	7,033.9	16.2	18.8	126.3	126.3	0.3	1.8	1.8
Employment full-time	5,506.3	5,476.5	24.6	-29.8	100.8	100.8	-0.5	1.9	1.9
Employment part-time	1,508.8	1,557.4 445.3	22.9 13.4	48.6 -11.0	25.5 -10.5	25.5 -10.5	3.2 -2.4	1.7 -2.3	1.7 -2.3
Unemployment Participation rate	456.3 61.9	61.9	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	-2.4	-2.5	-2.5
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2			
Employment rate	58.1	58.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3			
Part-time rate	21.5	22.1	0.3	0.6	0.0	0.0			
25 to 54 years, both sexes									
Population	14,545.9	14,547.2		1.3	36.5	36.5	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	12,563.0	12,566.6	22.0	3.6	78.1	78.1	0.0	0.6	0.6
Employment	11,776.9	11,787.1	23.1	10.2	108.7	108.7	0.1	0.9	0.9
Unemployment Participation rate	786.2 86.4	779.4 86.4	18.5 0.2	-6.8 0.0	-30.7 0.3	-30.7 0.3	-0.9	-3.8	-3.8
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3			
Employment rate	81.0	81.0	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.5			
25 to 54 years, men	7 070 -	7 077 4		• •	10 5	40 F	• •	~ ~	
Population Labour force	7,276.5 6,568.1	7,277.1 6,581.7	14.0	0.6 13.6	19.5 17.9	19.5 17.9	0.0 0.2	0.3 0.3	0.3 0.3
Employment	6,152.8	6,159.6	14.0	6.8	29.2	29.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
Unemployment	415.3	422.1	13.2	6.8	-11.3	-11.3	1.6	-2.6	-2.6
Participation rate	90.3	90.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0			
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.4	0.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.2			
Employment rate	84.6	84.6	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1			

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 - continued

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

	November		S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
25 to 54 years, women									
Population	7,269.5	7,270.1		0.6	17.0	17.0	0.0	0.2	0.2
Labour force	5,994.9	5,984.9	16.1	-10.0	60.2	60.2	-0.2	1.0	1.0
Employment	5,624.0	5,627.5	16.2	3.5	79.5	79.5	0.1	1.4	1.4
Unemployment	370.9	357.3	12.6	-13.6	-19.4	-19.4	-3.7	-5.1	-5.1
Participation rate	82.5	82.3	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.6			
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.0	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4			
Employment rate	77.4	77.4	0.2	0.0	0.9	0.9			
55 years and over, both sexes									
Population	9,103.8	9,126.2		22.4	282.0	282.0	0.2	3.2	3.2
Labour force	3,291.4	3,333.2	17.2	41.8	115.1	115.1	1.3	3.6	3.6
Employment	3,088.4	3,112.4	17.2	24.0	102.0	102.0	0.8	3.4	3.4
Unemployment	202.9	220.8	9.4	17.9	13.1	13.1	8.8	6.3	6.3
Participation rate	36.2	36.5	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1			
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.6	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.1			
Employment rate	33.9	34.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1			
55 years and over, men	4 005 5				100.0	100.0			
Population	4,295.5	4,306.6		11.1	139.6	139.6	0.3	3.4	3.4
Labour force	1,814.9	1,838.9	11.4	24.0	59.5	59.5	1.3	3.3	3.3
Employment	1,697.4	1,706.0	11.5	8.6	55.2	55.2	0.5	3.3	3.3
Unemployment	117.5	132.8	7.2	15.3	4.2	4.2	13.0	3.3	3.3
Participation rate	42.3 6.5	42.7 7.2	0.3 0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0 0.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.5 39.5	39.6	0.4	0.7 0.1	0.0 0.0	0.0			
. ,	39.5	39.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0			
55 years and over, women Population	4.808.3	4.819.7		11.4	142.5	142.5	0.2	3.0	3.0
Labour force	4,808.3	4,819.7	 11.7	11.4	55.6	55.6	1.2	3.0	3.9
Employment	1,476.5	1,494.3	11.7	17.8	46.8	55.6 46.8	1.2	3.9 3.4	3.5
	85.4	1,406.4	5.9	2.5	40.8	40.8 8.8	2.9	3.4 11.1	3.4 11.1
Unemployment Participation rate	85.4 30.7	31.0	5.9 0.3	2.5 0.3	0.2	0.8 0.2			
	30.7 5.8	5.9	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2			
Unemployment rate				0.1					
Employment rate	28.9	29.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1			

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

Table 2

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

	November	December	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
			in thousa	ands					
Class of worker Employees Self-employed ²	14,685.9 2,641.1	14,672.3 2,672.2	34.7 24.9	-13.6 31.1	147.2 52.0	147.2 52.0	-0.1 1.2	1.0 2.0	1.0 2.0
Public/private sector employees Public sector employees Private sector employees	3,571.7 11,114.2	3,554.4 11,118.0	24.3 36.3	-17.3 3.8	-0.1 147.4	-0.1 147.4	-0.5 0.0	0.0 1.3	0.0 1.3
Industry	17,327.0	17,344.5	28.6	17.5	199.2	199.2	0.1	1.2	1.2
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	3,775.5 300.5	3,794.0 306.2	25.3 6.9	18.5 5.7	5.2 7.0	5.2 7.0	0.5 1.9	0.1 2.3	0.1 2.3
gas extraction ³ Utilities Construction Manufacturing	353.8 141.0 1,277.5 1,702.7	356.2 133.8 1,264.7 1,733.1	7.0 4.8 16.3 19.0	2.4 -7.2 -12.8 30.4	24.7 -14.0 37.5 -50.0	24.7 -14.0 37.5 -50.0	0.7 -5.1 -1.0 1.8	7.5 -9.5 3.1 -2.8	7.5 -9.5 3.1 -2.8
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	13,551.4 2,656.8 850.0 1,066.7	13,550.5 2,661.9 849.4 1,052.2	33.6 22.8 13.2 15.4	-0.9 5.1 -0.6 -14.5	193.9 -6.5 -15.4 -30.7	193.9 -6.5 -15.4 -30.7	0.0 0.2 -0.1 -1.4	1.5 -0.2 -1.8 -2.8	1.5 -0.2 -1.8 -2.8
services Business, building and other support	1,336.1	1,352.2	17.4	16.1	76.2	76.2	1.2	6.0	6.0
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services	654.4 1,218.7 2,120.8 767.1 1,117.4 790.3	652.1 1,220.2 2,111.6 772.5 1,120.2 782.4	13.8 15.5 17.8 14.6 15.9 12.8	-2.3 1.5 -9.2 5.4 2.8 -7.9	-12.7 14.4 59.3 6.6 65.2 32.6	-12.7 14.4 59.3 6.6 65.2 32.6	-0.4 0.1 -0.4 0.7 0.3 -1.0	-1.9 1.2 2.9 0.9 6.2 4.3	-1.9 1.2 2.9 0.9 6.2 4.3
Public administration	790.3 973.2	782.4 975.8	12.8	-7.9	32.6 5.0	32.6 5.0	-1.0	4.3 0.5	4.3 0.5

 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.

Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0088, 282-0089.

Table 3Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	November 1 2011	November	December	S.E. ¹	Change from			Perc	Percent change from		
		2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago		
		in th	nousands (e	ccept rates)						
Newfoundland and Labrador											
Population Labour force	428.6 258.0	428.6 260.5	 2.1	0.0 2.5	-0.4 1.3	-0.4 1.3	0.0 1.0	-0.1 0.5	-0.1 0.5		
Employment	238.0	200.5	2.1	3.2	4.3	4.3	1.0	1.9	1.9		
Employment full-time	192.8	195.4	2.3	2.6	4.3	4.3	1.3	2.3	2.3		
Employment part-time	31.2	31.9	1.9	0.7	0.1	0.1	2.2	0.3	0.3		
Unemployment	34.0	33.3	1.9	-0.7	-3.0	-3.0	-2.1	-8.3	-8.3		
Participation rate	60.2 13.2	60.8 12.8	0.5 0.7	0.6 -0.4	0.4 -1.2	0.4 -1.2					
Unemployment rate Employment rate	52.3	53.0	0.7	-0.4	1.0	-1.2					
Prince Edward Island											
Population	119.8	119.8		0.0	1.9	1.9	0.0	1.6	1.6		
Labour force	81.7	82.8	0.6	1.1	3.4	3.4	1.3	4.3	4.3		
Employment	72.6 61.4	73.4 61.5	0.7 0.9	0.8 0.1	3.5 3.6	3.5 3.6	1.1 0.2	5.0 6.2	5.0 6.2		
Employment full-time Employment part-time	11.1	11.9	0.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.2 7.2	-0.8	0.2 -0.8		
Unemployment	9.1	9.4	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	3.3	0.0	0.0		
Participation rate	68.2	69.1	0.5	0.9	1.8	1.8					
Unemployment rate	11.1	11.4	0.8	0.3	-0.4	-0.4					
Employment rate	60.6	61.3	0.6	0.7	2.0	2.0					
Nova Scotia	770 4				0.7	0.7					
Population Labour force	779.4 496.7	779.6 497.0	2.7	0.2 0.3	0.7 -2.4	0.7 -2.4	0.0 0.1	0.1 -0.5	0.1 -0.5		
Employment	490.7 453.8	497.0	2.7	4.3	-2.4	-2.4	0.1	-0.5	-0.5		
Employment full-time	367.0	369.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	2.3	0.6	0.6	0.6		
Employment part-time	86.9	89.0	3.2	2.1	8.1	8.1	2.4	10.0	10.0		
Unemployment	42.9	38.8	2.5	-4.1	-13.0	-13.0	-9.6	-25.1	-25.1		
Participation rate	63.7	63.8	0.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.3					
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.6 58.2	7.8 58.8	0.5 0.4	-0.8 0.6	-2.6 1.3	-2.6 1.3					
New Brunswick											
Population	620.0	620.2		0.2	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.3	0.3		
Labour force	389.4	390.7	2.2	1.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.1		
Employment	351.2	354.1	2.4	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0		
Employment full-time	295.4	297.6	2.8	2.2	-1.8	-1.8	0.7	-0.6	-0.6		
Employment part-time Unemployment	55.8 38.2	56.5 36.6	2.3 2.1	0.7 -1.6	1.8 -0.3	1.8 -0.3	1.3 -4.2	3.3 -0.8	3.3 -0.8		
Participation rate	62.8	63.0	0.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-4.2	-0.0	-0.0		
Unemployment rate	9.8	9.4	0.5	-0.4	0.0	0.0					
Employment rate	56.6	57.1	0.4	0.5	-0.2	-0.2					
Quebec											
Population	6,600.4	6,605.2		4.8	65.9	65.9	0.1	1.0	1.0		
Labour force Employment	4,270.0 3,928.4	4,272.8 3,902.7	14.8 14.7	2.8 -25.7	-1.2 -51.0	-1.2 -51.0	0.1 -0.7	0.0 -1.3	0.0 -1.3		
Employment full-time	3,197.8	3,163.4	19.9	-34.4	-42.5	-42.5	-1.1	-1.3	-1.3		
Employment part-time	730.5	739.3	18.1	8.8	-8.5	-8.5	1.2	-1.1	-1.1		
Unemployment	341.6	370.1	13.3	28.5	49.8	49.8	8.3	15.5	15.5		
Participation rate	64.7	64.7	0.2	0.0	-0.7	-0.7					
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.7	0.3 0.2	0.7	1.2	1.2					
Employment rate	59.5	59.1	0.2	-0.4	-1.4	-1.4					
Ontario Population	10,979.7	10,991.5		11.8	137.0	137.0	0.1	1.3	1.3		
Labour force	7,315.0	7,315.8	20.5	0.8	66.3	66.3	0.0	0.9	0.9		
Employment	6,735.2	6,750.9	19.7	15.7	91.3	91.3	0.2	1.4	1.4		
Employment full-time	5,455.2	5,453.5	25.3	-1.7	79.2	79.2	0.0	1.5	1.5		
Employment part-time	1,280.0	1,297.4	23.5	17.4	12.1	12.1	1.4	0.9	0.9		
Unemployment	579.8	564.9	17.6	-14.9	-25.0	-25.0	-2.6	-4.2	-4.2		
		66.6	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.2					
Participation rate Unemployment rate	66.6 7.9	7.7	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4					

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 - continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	November 2011	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Percent change from		
		2011 2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Manitoba									
Population	957.4	958.0		0.6	11.0	11.0	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force	660.6	662.3	2.6	1.7	7.7	7.7	0.3	1.2	1.2
Employment	624.5	626.3	2.6	1.8	5.8	5.8	0.3	0.9	0.9
Employment full-time	503.1	507.3	3.6	4.2	5.7	5.7	0.8	1.1	1.1
Employment part-time	121.4	119.0	3.4	-2.4	0.1	0.1	-2.0	0.1	0.1
Unemployment	36.1	36.0	2.1	-0.1	1.9	1.9	-0.3	5.6	5.6
Participation rate	69.0	69.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0			
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.4	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.2			
Employment rate	65.2	65.4	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.1			
Saskatchewan									
Population	803.7	804.3		0.6	8.9	8.9	0.1	1.1	1.1
Labour force	553.0	556.9	2.4	3.9	2.4	2.4	0.7	0.4	0.4
Employment	524.7	527.8	2.4	3.1	3.7	3.7	0.6	0.7	0.7
Employment full-time	437.2	435.5	3.2	-1.7	4.4	4.4	-0.4	1.0	1.0
Employment part-time	87.5	92.3	3.0	4.8	-0.7	-0.7	5.5	-0.8	-0.8
Unemployment	28.2	29.2	1.9	1.0	-1.3	-1.3	3.5	-4.3	-4.3
Participation rate	68.8	69.2 5.2	0.3 0.3	0.4 0.1	-0.5 -0.3	-0.5 -0.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	5.1 65.3	5.2 65.6	0.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.3			
Alberta									
Population	3,025.5	3,028.8		3.3	49.4	49.4	0.1	1.7	1.7
Labour force	2,242.5	2,241.1	9.0	-1.4	90.5	90.5	-0.1	4.2	4.2
Employment	2,130.2	2,131.0	9.0	0.8	98.8	98.8	0.0	4.9	4.9
Employment full-time	1,777.4	1,775.9	12.0	-1.5	100.6	100.6	-0.1	6.0	6.0
Employment part-time	352.7	355.1	10.8	2.4	-1.8	-1.8	0.7	-0.5	-0.5
Unemployment	112.3	110.1	7.2	-2.2	-8.3	-8.3	-2.0	-7.0	-7.0
Participation rate	74.1	74.0	0.3	-0.1	1.8	1.8			
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate	70.4	70.4	0.3	0.0	2.2	2.2			
British Columbia									
Population	3,792.5	3,794.8		2.3	39.5	39.5	0.1	1.1	1.1
Labour force	2,454.7	2,465.5	10.4	10.8	19.9	19.9	0.4	0.8	0.8
Employment	2,282.3	2,293.0	10.1	10.7	32.3	32.3	0.5	1.4	1.4
Employment full-time	1,781.6	1,784.2	13.8	2.6	51.8	51.8	0.1	3.0	3.0
Employment part-time	500.6	508.8	13.2	8.2	-19.5	-19.5	1.6	-3.7	-3.7
Unemployment	172.4	172.5	8.7	0.1	-12.4	-12.4	0.1	-6.7	-6.7
Participation rate	64.7	65.0	0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.1			
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.0	0.3	0.0	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate	60.2	60.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2			

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

Table 4-1

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

		December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Percent change from		
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in tł	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	428.6 258.0	428.6 260.5	 2.1	0.0 2.5	-0.4 1.3	-0.4 1.3	0.0 1.0	-0.1 0.5	-0.1 0.5
Employment	238.0	200.5	2.1	3.2	4.3	4.3	1.0	1.9	1.9
Employment full-time	192.8	195.4	2.3	2.6	4.3	4.3	1.3	2.3	2.3
Unemployment	34.0	33.3	1.9	-0.7	-3.0	-3.0	-2.1	-8.3	-8.3
Participation rate	60.2	60.8	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.4			
Unemployment rate	13.2	12.8	0.7	-0.4	-1.2	-1.2			
Employment rate Part-time rate	52.3 13.9	53.0 14.0	0.5 0.8	0.7 0.1	1.0 -0.2	1.0 -0.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	60.4	60.3		-0.1	-1.3	-1.3	-0.2	-2.1	-2.1
Labour force	36.2	35.8	1.0	-0.4	0.2	0.2	-1.1	0.6	0.6
Employment	28.6 7.5	29.3 6.5	1.0 0.9	0.7 -1.0	0.4 -0.2	0.4 -0.2	2.4 -13.3	1.4 -3.0	1.4 -3.0
Unemployment Participation rate	59.9	59.4	1.7	-0.5	-0.2	-0.2	-13.3	-3.0	-3.0
Unemployment rate	20.7	18.2	2.4	-2.5	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate	47.4	48.6	1.7	1.2	1.7	1.7			
Part-time rate	42.7	44.7	3.5	2.1	8.0	8.0			
Men, 25 years and over Population	177.7	177.8		0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force	115.2	117.6	 1.2	2.4	1.8	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.6
Employment	100.3	101.8	1.3	1.5	3.7	3.7	1.5	3.8	3.8
Unemployment	14.9	15.8	1.3	0.9	-1.8	-1.8	6.0	-10.2	-10.2
Participation rate	64.8	66.1	0.7	1.3	0.9	0.9			
Unemployment rate	12.9	13.4	1.1	0.5	-1.8	-1.8			
Employment rate Part-time rate	56.4 6.0	57.3 5.9	0.7 0.8	0.9 -0.1	2.0 0.7	2.0 0.7			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	190.5	190.5		0.0	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	106.6	107.1	1.1	0.5	-0.7	-0.7	0.5	-0.6	-0.6
Employment	95.1	96.1	1.1	1.0	0.2	0.2	1.1	0.2	0.2
Unemployment Participation rate	11.5 56.0	11.0 56.2	1.0 0.6	-0.5 0.2	-1.0 -0.6	-1.0 -0.6	-4.3	-8.3	-8.3
Unemployment rate	10.8	10.3	0.0	-0.5	-0.8	-0.8			
Employment rate	49.9	50.4	0.6	0.5	-0.1	-0.1			
Part-time rate	13.7	13.3	1.3	-0.4	-3.6	-3.6			
Industry	224.0	227.2	2.1	3.2	4.3	4.3	1.4	1.9	1.9
Goods-producing sector	48.3	51.1	1.6	2.8	4.9	4.9	5.8	10.6	10.6
Agriculture	1.6	1.2	0.4	-0.4	-1.1	-1.1	-25.0	-47.8	-47.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	447	45.4	0.0	0.4	4.0	1.0	0.7	7.0	7.0
gas extraction ² Utilities	14.7 2.3	15.1 2.5	0.9 0.3	0.4 0.2	-1.3 0.7	-1.3 0.7	2.7 8.7	-7.9 38.9	-7.9 38.9
Construction	19.8	20.3	1.1	0.2	3.7	3.7	2.5	22.3	22.3
Manufacturing	9.9	12.0	0.9	2.1	2.9	2.9	21.2	31.9	31.9
Services-producing sector	175.8	176.1	2.1	0.3	-0.6	-0.6	0.2	-0.3	-0.3
Trade Transportation and warehousing	35.6 9.4	37.4 10.1	1.4	1.8 0.7	-0.8	-0.8	5.1 7.4	-2.1	-2.1 -5.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	9.4 8.9	9.2	0.7 0.6	0.7	-0.6 3.1	-0.6 3.1	7.4	-5.6 50.8	-5.6 50.8
Professional, scientific and technical									
services Business, building and other support	9.7	9.2	0.5	-0.5	1.3	1.3	-5.2	16.5	16.5
services	6.3	6.0	0.6	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-4.8	-1.6	-1.6
Educational services	17.3	17.6	0.9	0.3	-0.6	-0.6	1.7	-3.3	-3.3
Health care and social assistance	35.2 7.1	34.3 7.2	1.2 0.6	-0.9 0.1	-1.8 -1.1	-1.8 -1.1	-2.6 1.4	-5.0 -13.3	-5.0 -13.3
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	13.7	13.2	0.6	-0.5	-0.6	-0.6	-3.6	-13.3 -4.3	-13.3
Other services	12.3	12.3	0.8	0.0	1.1	1.1	0.0	9.8	9.8
Public administration	20.2	19.7	0.9	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-2.5	-2.5	-2.5

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-2

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

	November 2011			Change from			Percent change from		
		2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in tl	housands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	119.8 81.7	119.8 82.8	 0.6	0.0 1.1	1.9 3.4	1.9 3.4	0.0 1.3	1.6 4.3	1.6 4.3
Labour force Employment	72.6	62.6 73.4	0.6	0.8	3.4 3.5	3.4 3.5	1.3	4.3 5.0	4.3 5.0
Employment full-time	61.4	61.5	0.9	0.0	3.6	3.6	0.2	6.2	6.2
Unemployment	9.1	9.4	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.0	3.3	0.0	0.0
Participation rate	68.2	69.1	0.5	0.9	1.8	1.8			
Unemployment rate	11.1	11.4	0.8	0.3	-0.4	-0.4			
Employment rate Part-time rate	60.6 15.3	61.3 16.2	0.6 1.0	0.7 0.9	2.0 -1.0	2.0 -1.0			
	10.0	10.2	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	19.9	19.9		0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0	1.5	1.5
Labour force	13.8	14.2	0.4	0.0	0.9	0.9	2.9	6.8	6.8
Employment	11.6	12.3	0.4	0.7	1.4	1.4	6.0	12.8	12.8
Unemployment	2.3	2.0	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-13.0	-16.7	-16.7
Participation rate	69.3	71.4	1.8	2.1	3.5	3.5			
Unemployment rate	16.7	14.1	2.4	-2.6	-3.9	-3.9			
Employment rate Part-time rate	58.3 37.9	61.8 39.0	1.9 3.5	3.5 1.1	6.2 0.5	6.2 0.5			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	48.2	48.2		0.0	0.8	0.8	0.0	1.7	1.7
Labour force	34.5	35.1	0.3	0.6	0.9	0.9	1.7	2.6	2.6
Employment	30.6	30.7	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.7	0.3	2.3	2.3
Unemployment	3.9	4.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	12.8	7.3	7.3
Participation rate	71.6	72.8	0.7	1.2	0.6	0.6			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	11.3 63.5	12.5 63.7	1.1 0.8	1.2 0.2	0.5 0.4	0.5 0.4			
Part-time rate	6.5	6.8	1.1	0.2	-2.2	-2.2			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	51.7	51.7		0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0	1.8	1.8
Labour force	33.4	33.5	0.3	0.1	1.6	1.6	0.3	5.0	5.0
Employment	30.5	30.4	0.4	-0.1	1.4	1.4	-0.3	4.8	4.8
Unemployment	3.0	3.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	3.3	6.9	6.9
Participation rate	64.6 9.0	64.8 9.3	0.7 1.0	0.2 0.3	2.0	2.0 0.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	9.0 59.0	9.3 58.8	0.8	-0.2	0.2 1.7	0.2 1.7			
Part-time rate	15.7	16.4	1.5	0.7	-1.1	-1.1			
Industry	70 6	72 4	0.7	0.0	25	25	1.1	5.0	5.0
Industry	72.6	73.4	0.7	0.8	3.5	3.5	1.1	5.0	5.0
Goods-producing sector Agriculture	18.3 4.1	18.5 4.0	0.6 0.3	0.2 -0.1	1.6 0.7	1.6 0.7	1.1 -2.4	9.5 21.2	9.5 21.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and									
gas extraction ²	3.6	3.5	0.3	-0.1	0.5	0.5	-2.8	16.7	16.7
Utilities	0.3 5.0	0.4 5.3	0.0	0.1 0.3	0.0 0.5	0.0 0.5	33.3 6.0	0.0	0.0
Construction Manufacturing	5.0	5.3	0.3 0.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	10.4 -1.9	10.4 -1.9
Services-producing sector	54.3	54.9	0.7	0.6	1.8	1.8	1.1	3.4	3.4
Trade	9.4	9.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3	-1.1	-3.1	-3.1
Transportation and warehousing	2.2	2.4	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.5	9.1	26.3	26.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	2.8	2.7	0.2	-0.1	0.7	0.7	-3.6	35.0	35.0
services Business, building and other support	3.0	3.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	3.4	3.4
services	2.5	2.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6	-4.0	-20.0	-20.0
Educational services	5.8	5.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5	-3.4	-8.2	-8.2
Health care and social assistance	9.7	10.1	0.3	0.4	1.5	1.5	4.1	17.4	17.4
Information, culture and recreation	2.4	2.7	0.3	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	12.5	-6.9	-6.9
Accommodation and food services Other services	5.8 2.8	5.7 2.7	0.4 0.2	-0.1 -0.1	0.4 -0.2	0.4 -0.2	-1.7 -3.6	7.5 -6.9	7.5 -6.9
	2.0	2.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-3.0	-0.9	-0.9

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources. Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

	November	December	S.E. ¹		Change from		Percent change from		
	2011	2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in tl	housands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	779.4 496.7	779.6 497.0	2.7	0.2 0.3	0.7 -2.4	0.7 -2.4	0.0 0.1	0.1 -0.5	0.1 -0.5
Employment	453.8	458.1	2.8	4.3	10.5	10.5	0.9	2.3	2.3
Employment full-time	367.0	369.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	2.3	0.6	0.6	0.6
Unemployment	42.9	38.8	2.5	-4.1	-13.0	-13.0	-9.6	-25.1	-25.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate	63.7 8.6	63.8 7.8	0.3 0.5	0.1 -0.8	-0.3 -2.6	-0.3 -2.6			
Employment rate	58.2	58.8	0.4	0.6	1.3	1.3			
Part-time rate	19.1	19.4	0.7	0.3	1.4	1.4			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	119.3	119.2		-0.1	-1.3	-1.3	-0.1	-1.1	-1.1
Labour force	76.7 62.9	75.3 64.7	1.6 1.6	-1.4 1.8	-5.3 -1.1	-5.3 -1.1	-1.8 2.9	-6.6 -1.7	-6.6 -1.7
Employment Unemployment	13.8	64.7 10.7	1.6	-3.1	-1.1	-1.1	-22.5	-1.7	-1.7
Participation rate	64.3	63.2	1.3	-1.1	-3.7	-3.7			21.1
Unemployment rate	18.0	14.2	1.7	-3.8	-4.2	-4.2			
Employment rate	52.7	54.3	1.3	1.6	-0.3	-0.3			
Part-time rate	50.6	50.2	2.6	-0.3	7.7	7.7			
Men, 25 years and over	242.4	242.6			0.0	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.2
Population Labour force	312.4 213.4	312.6 214.1	 1.5	0.2 0.7	0.8 1.6	0.8 1.6	0.1 0.3	0.3 0.8	0.3 0.8
Employment	196.0	197.6	1.6	1.6	5.8	5.8	0.8	3.0	3.0
Unemployment	17.4	16.5	1.5	-0.9	-4.2	-4.2	-5.2	-20.3	-20.3
Participation rate	68.3	68.5	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3			
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.7	0.7	-0.5	-2.0	-2.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	62.7 7.2	63.2 7.1	0.5 0.8	0.5 -0.1	1.7 -0.9	1.7 -0.9			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	347.7	347.8		0.1	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.4	0.4
Labour force	206.6	207.6	1.5	1.0	1.3	1.3	0.5	0.6	0.6
Employment	194.9	195.9	1.5	1.0	5.8	5.8	0.5	3.1	3.1
Unemployment	11.7	11.7	1.4	0.0	-4.5	-4.5	0.0	-27.8	-27.8
Participation rate Unemployment rate	59.4 5.7	59.7 5.6	0.4 0.6	0.3 -0.1	0.2 -2.3	0.2 -2.3			
Employment rate	56.1	56.3	0.0	0.2	1.4	1.4			
Part-time rate	21.0	21.7	1.1	0.7	2.0	2.0			
Industry	453.8	458.1	2.8	4.3	10.5	10.5	0.9	2.3	2.3
•	81.9	84.8	2.2	2.9	-0.8	-0.8	3.5	-0.9	-0.9
Goods-producing sector Agriculture	5.0	4.9	0.7	-0.1	-0.8	-0.8	-2.0	-10.9	-10.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and									
gas extraction ²	10.2	11.6	1.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	13.7	0.0	0.0
Utilities	3.9	3.5	0.3 1.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-10.3	-10.3	-10.3
Construction Manufacturing	30.4 32.4	31.6 33.2	1.4	1.2 0.8	-0.5 0.7	-0.5 0.7	3.9 2.5	-1.6 2.2	-1.6 2.2
Services-producing sector	372.0	373.4	2.9	1.4	11.4	11.4	0.4	3.1	3.1
Trade	77.1	76.5	1.9	-0.6	1.0	1.0	-0.8	1.3	1.3
Transportation and warehousing	21.4	22.3	1.0	0.9	4.6	4.6	4.2	26.0	26.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	23.1	23.2	1.1	0.1	-0.6	-0.6	0.4	-2.5	-2.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	24.3	24.2	1.1	-0.1	2.3	2.3	-0.4	10.5	10.5
Business, building and other support									
services	20.6	19.8	1.2	-0.8	-3.6	-3.6	-3.9	-15.4	-15.4
Educational services Health care and social assistance	37.8 68.5	38.5 68.5	1.4 1.6	0.7 0.0	5.4 0.4	5.4 0.4	1.9 0.0	16.3 0.6	16.3 0.6
Information, culture and recreation	21.4	20.6	1.0	-0.8	1.2	1.2	-3.7	6.2	6.2
Accommodation and food services	25.6	28.0	1.4	2.4	-0.7	-0.7	9.4	-2.4	-2.4
Other services	19.8	20.9	1.1	1.1	2.3	2.3	5.6	12.4	12.4
Public administration	32.4	30.9	1.2	-1.5	-0.8	-0.8	-4.6	-2.5	-2.5

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-4

Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) - New Brunswick

	November	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Percent change from		
	2011	2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in tł	nousands (e:	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	620.0	620.2		0.2	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force Employment	389.4 351.2	390.7 354.1	2.2 2.4	1.3 2.9	-0.3 0.0	-0.3 0.0	0.3 0.8	-0.1 0.0	-0.1 0.0
Employment full-time	295.4	297.6	2.4	2.3	-1.8	-1.8	0.8	-0.6	-0.6
Unemployment	38.2	36.6	2.1	-1.6	-0.3	-0.3	-4.2	-0.8	-0.8
Participation rate	62.8	63.0	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.2			
Unemployment rate	9.8	9.4	0.5	-0.4	0.0	0.0			
Employment rate Part-time rate	56.6 15.9	57.1 16.0	0.4 0.6	0.5 0.1	-0.2 0.5	-0.2 0.5			
	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	90.9	90.9		0.0	-0.8	-0.8	0.0	-0.9	-0.9
Labour force	59.1	59.3	1.3	0.2	3.7	3.7	0.3	6.7	6.7
Employment	47.7	48.1	1.2	0.4	1.3	1.3	0.8	2.8	2.8
Unemployment	11.4	11.2	1.2	-0.2	2.4	2.4	-1.8	27.3	27.3
Participation rate	65.0	65.2	1.4	0.2	4.6	4.6			
Unemployment rate	19.3	18.9	1.9	-0.4	3.1	3.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	52.5 42.3	52.9 43.5	1.3 2.6	0.4 1.1	1.9 4.1	1.9 4.1			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	253.8	254.0		0.2	1.4	1.4	0.1	0.6	0.6
Labour force	169.0	170.3	1.3	1.3	-4.0	-4.0	0.8	-2.3	-2.3
Employment	153.6	154.9	1.4	1.3	-2.3	-2.3	0.8	-1.5	-1.5
Unemployment	15.5	15.4	1.3	-0.1	-1.7	-1.7	-0.6	-9.9	-9.9
Participation rate	66.6	67.0	0.5	0.4	-2.0	-2.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	9.2 60.5	9.0 61.0	0.7 0.6	-0.2 0.5	-0.8 -1.2	-0.8 -1.2			
Part-time rate	5.8	5.7	0.8	0.5	-1.2	-1.2			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	275.2	275.4		0.2	1.4	1.4	0.1	0.5	0.5
Labour force	161.4	161.1	1.2	-0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.1
Employment	150.0	151.1	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.7	0.7
Unemployment	11.3	10.0	1.1	-1.3	-0.9	-0.9	-11.5	-8.3	-8.3
Participation rate	58.6	58.5	0.4	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.0 54.5	6.2 54.9	0.7 0.5	-0.8 0.4	-0.6 0.1	-0.6 0.1			
Part-time rate	17.8	17.7	1.0	-0.1	0.1	0.1			
	054.0								
Industry	351.2	354.1	2.4	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0
Goods-producing sector Agriculture	76.6 4.6	76.8 3.8	1.9 0.6	0.2 -0.8	-7.3 -1.4	-7.3 -1.4	0.3 -17.4	-8.7 -26.9	-8.7 -26.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	4.0	5.0	0.0	-0.0	-1.4	-1.4	-17.4	-20.5	-20.3
gas extraction ²	9.1	10.0	0.8	0.9	-1.9	-1.9	9.9	-16.0	-16.0
Utilities	4.8	4.6	0.4	-0.2	0.4	0.4	-4.2	9.5	9.5
Construction	28.0	28.1	1.3	0.1	-1.2	-1.2	0.4	-4.1	-4.1
Manufacturing	30.2	30.3	1.3	0.1	-3.2	-3.2	0.3	-9.6	-9.6
Services-producing sector	274.6	277.2	2.4	2.6	7.2	7.2	0.9	2.7	2.7
Trade	56.0	56.5	1.5	0.5	2.8	2.8	0.9	5.2	5.2
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	16.3 17.2	15.7 16.3	0.8 0.8	-0.6 -0.9	-2.6 -0.5	-2.6 -0.5	-3.7 -5.2	-14.2 -3.0	-14.2 -3.0
Professional, scientific and technical									
services Business, building and other support	14.6	15.6	0.8	1.0	-0.3	-0.3	6.8	-1.9	-1.9
services	18.1	16.1	1.0	-2.0	0.6	0.6	-11.0	3.9	3.9
Educational services	25.4	26.4	1.1	1.0	0.4	0.4	3.9	1.5	1.5
Health care and social assistance	51.6	51.6	1.3	0.0	1.4	1.4	0.0	2.8	2.8
Information, culture and recreation	12.1	12.8	0.9	0.7	2.5	2.5	5.8	24.3	24.3
Accommodation and food services	22.8	23.8	1.1	1.0	3.5	3.5	4.4	17.2	17.2
Other services Public administration	15.3 25.3	14.9 27.6	0.9 1.0	-0.4 2.3	-1.7 1.1	-1.7 1.1	-2.6 9.1	-10.2 4.2	-10.2 4.2
	20.0	21.0	1.0	2.3		1.1	3.1	7.2	4.2

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources. Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

	November	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
	_	in tł	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	6,600.4 4,270.0	6,605.2 4,272.8		4.8 2.8	65.9 -1.2	65.9 -1.2	0.1 0.1	1.0 0.0	1.0 0.0
Labour force Employment	3,928.4	3,902.7	14.8 14.7	-25.7	-1.2	-51.0	-0.7	-1.3	-1.3
Employment full-time	3,197.8	3,163.4	19.9	-34.4	-42.5	-42.5	-1.1	-1.3	-1.3
Unemployment	341.6	370.1	13.3	28.5	49.8	49.8	8.3	15.5	15.5
Participation rate	64.7 8.0	64.7 8.7	0.2 0.3	0.0 0.7	-0.7 1.2	-0.7 1.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	59.5	59.1	0.3	-0.4	-1.4	-1.4			
Part-time rate	18.6	18.9	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	981.7	982.2		0.5	2.2	2.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force	635.9	636.2	8.3	0.3	-37.5	-37.5	0.0	-5.6	-5.6
Employment Unemployment	542.2 93.7	545.2 91.0	8.0 7.5	3.0 -2.7	-41.9 4.4	-41.9 4.4	0.6 -2.9	-7.1 5.1	-7.1 5.1
Participation rate	64.8	64.8	0.9	0.0	-3.9	-3.9	-2.9	5.1	5.1
Unemployment rate	14.7	14.3	1.1	-0.4	1.4	1.4			
Employment rate	55.2	55.5	0.8	0.3	-4.4	-4.4			
Part-time rate	51.6	51.1	1.6	-0.5	1.8	1.8			
Men, 25 years and over	0 700 0				00 F	00 F		10	1.0
Population Labour force	2,762.3 1,932.5	2,764.6 1,932.5	 8.1	2.3 0.0	33.5 19.6	33.5 19.6	0.1 0.0	1.2 1.0	1.2 1.0
Employment	1,789.5	1,760.1	8.4	-29.4	-19.3	-19.3	-1.6	-1.1	-1.1
Unemployment	143.1	172.3	7.9	29.2	38.9	38.9	20.4	29.2	29.2
Participation rate	70.0	69.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1			
Unemployment rate	7.4	8.9	0.4	1.5	1.9	1.9			
Employment rate Part-time rate	64.8 7.6	63.7 7.6	0.3 0.5	-1.1 0.0	-1.5 -0.8	-1.5 -0.8			
Women, 25 years and over Population	2,856.3	2.858.4		2.1	30.3	30.3	0.1	1.1	1.1
Labour force	1,701.6	1,704.1	8.2	2.5	16.6	16.6	0.1	1.0	1.0
Employment	1,596.7	1,597.4	8.4	0.7	10.2	10.2	0.0	0.6	0.6
Unemployment	104.9	106.7	7.0	1.8	6.4	6.4	1.7	6.4	6.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	59.6 6.2	59.6 6.3	0.3 0.4	0.0 0.1	-0.1 0.4	-0.1 0.4			
Employment rate	55.9	55.9	0.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.2			
Part-time rate	19.7	20.5	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.0			
Industry	3,928.4	3,902.7	14.7	-25.7	-51.0	-51.0	-0.7	-1.3	-1.3
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Goods-producing sector Agriculture	830.7 54.0	822.5 55.6	13.1 3.2	-8.2 1.6	-32.7 -4.3	-32.7 -4.3	-1.0 3.0	-3.8 -7.2	-3.8 -7.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, guarrying, oil and	01.0	00.0	0.2			1.0	0.0	1.2	
gas extraction 2	37.5	37.6	2.4	0.1	8.6	8.6	0.3	29.7	29.7
Utilities	31.1	28.0	2.3	-3.1	-5.3	-5.3	-10.0	-15.9	-15.9
Construction Manufacturing	236.3 471.7	227.3 474.0	7.7 10.5	-9.0 2.3	-13.1 -18.7	-13.1 -18.7	-3.8 0.5	-5.4 -3.8	-5.4 -3.8
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Services-producing sector Trade	3,097.7 624.9	3,080.2 634.4	17.1 12.2	-17.5 9.5	-18.3 8.8	-18.3 8.8	-0.6 1.5	-0.6 1.4	-0.6 1.4
Transportation and warehousing	180.0	180.2	6.5	0.2	-6.2	-6.2	0.1	-3.3	-3.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	224.2	220.1	7.1	-4.1	-13.7	-13.7	-1.8	-5.9	-5.9
services Business, building and other support	310.2	300.3	8.5	-9.9	-5.4	-5.4	-3.2	-1.8	-1.8
services	139.1	138.6	6.9	-0.5	-3.2	-3.2	-0.4	-2.3	-2.3
Educational services	283.2	280.3	7.8	-2.9	16.3	16.3	-1.0	6.2	6.2
Health care and social assistance	506.2	491.4	9.6	-14.8	-18.6	-18.6	-2.9	-3.6	-3.6
Information, culture and recreation	154.0	155.2	7.4	1.2	-12.9	-12.9	0.8	-7.7	-7.7
Accommodation and food services Other services	260.4 182.5	257.6 184.7	8.4 6.4	-2.8 2.2	10.1 14.5	10.1 14.5	-1.1 1.2	4.1 8.5	4.1 8.5
Public administration	232.9	237.4	6.5	4.5	-8.2	-8.2	1.9	-3.3	-3.3

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-6

Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Ontario

	November		S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	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									
Population	10,979.7	10,991.5	20.5	11.8 0.8	137.0 66.3	137.0 66.3	0.1 0.0	1.3 0.9	1.3 0.9
Labour force Employment	7,315.0 6,735.2	7,315.8 6,750.9	20.5 19.7	0.8 15.7	91.3	91.3	0.0	0.9 1.4	0.9
Employment full-time	5,455.2	5,453.5	25.3	-1.7	79.2	79.2	0.0	1.5	1.5
Unemployment	579.8	564.9	17.6	-14.9	-25.0	-25.0	-2.6	-4.2	-4.2
Participation rate	66.6	66.6	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.9 61.3	7.7 61.4	0.2 0.2	-0.2 0.1	-0.4 0.0	-0.4 0.0			
Part-time rate	19.0	19.2	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,785.5	1,786.2		0.7	5.2	5.2	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	1,109.4	1,075.8	12.0	-33.6	-0.5	-0.5	-3.0	0.0	0.0
Employment	942.4	908.1	10.8	-34.3	8.0	8.0	-3.6	0.9	0.9
Unemployment Participation rate	167.0 62.1	167.6 60.2	10.5 0.7	0.6 -1.9	-8.7 -0.2	-8.7 -0.2	0.4	-4.9	-4.9
Participation rate Unemployment rate	15.1	15.6	0.7	0.5	-0.2	-0.2			
Employment rate	52.8	50.8	0.6	-2.0	0.3	0.3			
Part-time rate	49.2	49.2	1.3	0.0	-2.5	-2.5			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,459.0	4,464.4		5.4	64.5	64.5	0.1	1.5	1.5
Labour force	3,238.0	3,261.0	10.3	23.0	15.5	15.5	0.7	0.5	0.5
Employment Unemployment	3,029.7 208.3	3,061.3 199.7	10.8 9.7	31.6 -8.6	37.0 -21.5	37.0 -21.5	1.0 -4.1	1.2 -9.7	1.2 -9.7
Participation rate	72.6	73.0	0.2	-0.0	-21.5	-21.5	-4.1	-5.7	-9.7
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.1	0.3	-0.3	-0.7	-0.7			
Employment rate	67.9	68.6	0.2	0.7	-0.1	-0.1			
Part-time rate	7.5	7.7	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,735.1	4,740.9		5.8	67.3	67.3	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force Employment	2,967.7 2,763.1	2,979.1 2,781.5	11.6 11.0	11.4 18.4	51.5 46.3	51.5 46.3	0.4 0.7	1.8 1.7	1.8 1.7
Unemployment	204.5	197.6	9.3	-6.9	5.2	5.2	-3.4	2.7	2.7
Participation rate	62.7	62.8	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2			
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.6	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.0			
Employment rate	58.4	58.7	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2			
Part-time rate	21.3	22.1	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.5			
Industry	6,735.2	6,750.9	19.7	15.7	91.3	91.3	0.2	1.4	1.4
Goods-producing sector	1,417.1	1,413.7	17.0	-3.4	5.1	5.1	-0.2	0.4	0.4
Agriculture	93.1	92.2	4.0	-0.9	8.9	8.9	-1.0	10.7	10.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	00 F	00.7	0.5	4.0	0.5	0.5	47	4.0	4.0
gas extraction ² Utilities	38.5 60.0	36.7 55.9	2.5 3.2	-1.8 -4.1	-0.5 -0.6	-0.5 -0.6	-4.7 -6.8	-1.3 -1.1	-1.3 -1.1
Construction	456.0	444.3	10.6	-11.7	19.4	19.4	-2.6	4.6	4.6
Manufacturing	769.6	784.6	13.4	15.0	-22.2	-22.2	1.9	-2.8	-2.8
Services-producing sector	5,318.2	5,337.3	23.1	19.1	86.3	86.3	0.4	1.6	1.6
Trade	984.8	979.6	15.2	-5.2	-34.4	-34.4	-0.5	-3.4	-3.4
Transportation and warehousing	319.1	314.6	9.2	-4.5	-9.6	-9.6	-1.4	-3.0	-3.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	480.1	480.7	11.5	0.6	-23.0	-23.0	0.1	-4.6	-4.6
services Business, building and other support	566.8	587.4	12.5	20.6	53.0	53.0	3.6	9.9	9.9
services	285.4	292.2	9.9	6.8	3.6	3.6	2.4	1.2	1.2
Educational services	474.2	480.0	10.6	5.8	0.4	0.4	1.2	0.1	0.1
Health care and social assistance	777.6	771.3	11.8	-6.3	37.9	37.9	-0.8	5.2	5.2
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	341.2 401.1	343.4 407.0	10.6 10.4	2.2 5.9	5.7 22.9	5.7 22.9	0.6 1.5	1.7 6.0	1.7 6.0
Other services	289.0	281.5	8.8	-7.5	13.6	13.6	-2.6	5.1	6.0 5.1
Public administration	398.7	399.5	8.7	0.8	16.2	16.2	0.2	4.2	4.2

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources. Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

	November	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in tl	housands (e	xcept rates)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	957.4	958.0		0.6	11.0	11.0	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force Employment	660.6 624.5	662.3 626.3	2.6 2.6	1.7 1.8	7.7 5.8	7.7 5.8	0.3 0.3	1.2 0.9	1.2 0.9
Employment full-time	503.1	507.3	3.6	4.2	5.7	5.7	0.8	1.1	1.1
Unemployment	36.1	36.0	2.1	-0.1	1.9	1.9	-0.3	5.6	5.6
Participation rate	69.0	69.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	5.5 65.2	5.4 65.4	0.3 0.3	-0.1 0.2	0.2 -0.1	0.2 -0.1			
Part-time rate	19.4	19.0	0.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	165.0	164.9		-0.1	0.5	0.5	-0.1	0.3	0.3
Labour force	114.3	113.5	1.6	-0.8	0.9	0.9	-0.7	0.8	0.8
Employment	101.1	100.8	1.5	-0.3	0.4	0.4	-0.3	0.4	0.4
Unemployment	13.2	12.6	1.4	-0.6	0.4	0.4	-4.5	3.3	3.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate	69.3 11.5	68.8 11.1	1.0 1.1	-0.5 -0.4	0.3 0.3	0.3 0.3			
Employment rate	61.3	61.1	0.9	-0.4	0.0	0.0			
Part-time rate	43.9	41.1	1.8	-2.8	-3.3	-3.3			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	388.3	388.7		0.4	5.3	5.3	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force	292.8	295.5	1.3	2.7	3.8	3.8	0.9	1.3	1.3
Employment	282.6	283.9 11.6	1.5 1.2	1.3 1.3	4.5 -0.6	4.5 -0.6	0.5 12.6	1.6 -4.9	1.6 -4.9
Unemployment Participation rate	10.3 75.4	76.0	0.3	0.6	-0.6	-0.6	12.0	-4.9	
Unemployment rate	3.5	3.9	0.4	0.4	-0.3	-0.3			
Employment rate	72.8	73.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1			
Part-time rate	7.2	7.3	0.6	0.0	0.2	0.2			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	404.1	404.4		0.3	5.3	5.3	0.1	1.3	1.3
Labour force	253.5	253.3	1.5	-0.2	2.9	2.9	-0.1	1.2	1.2
Employment Unemployment	240.8 12.6	241.6 11.7	1.5 1.1	0.8 -0.9	0.9 2.0	0.9 2.0	0.3 -7.1	0.4 20.6	0.4 20.6
Participation rate	62.7	62.6	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1		20.0	20.0
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.6	0.4	-0.4	0.7	0.7			
Employment rate	59.6	59.7	0.4	0.1	-0.6	-0.6			
Part-time rate	23.5	23.6	0.9	0.0	0.8	0.8			
Industry	624.5	626.3	2.6	1.8	5.8	5.8	0.3	0.9	0.9
Goods-producing sector	141.3	140.5	2.4	-0.8	-11.0	-11.0	-0.6	-7.3	-7.3
Agriculture	19.7	21.2	1.1	1.5	-4.0	-4.0	7.6	-15.9	-15.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and	7.0	6.5	0.6	0 F	0.0	0.0	74	11.0	11.0
gas extraction ² Utilities	7.0 8.2	6.5 8.2	0.6 0.6	-0.5 0.0	-0.8 -0.8	-0.8 -0.8	-7.1 0.0	-11.0 -8.9	-11.0 -8.9
Construction	46.1	43.0	1.6	-3.1	1.1	1.1	-6.7	2.6	2.6
Manufacturing	60.3	61.5	1.6	1.2	-6.7	-6.7	2.0	-9.8	-9.8
Services-producing sector	483.2	485.8	3.1	2.6	16.8	16.8	0.5	3.6	3.6
Trade	95.6	93.7	2.0	-1.9	0.0	0.0	-2.0	0.0	0.0
Transportation and warehousing	34.9	36.2	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.5	3.7	4.3	4.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	37.2	36.9	1.2	-0.3	2.6	2.6	-0.8	7.6	7.6
services Business, building and other support	27.0	25.8	1.2	-1.2	-1.4	-1.4	-4.4	-5.1	-5.1
services	17.2	18.3	1.2	1.1	2.0	2.0	6.4	12.3	12.3
Educational services	47.7	46.8	1.5	-0.9	-2.5	-2.5	-1.9	-5.1	-5.1
Health care and social assistance	95.8	95.7	1.9	-0.1	0.6	0.6	-0.1	0.6	0.6
Information, culture and recreation	22.8	23.4	1.2	0.6	0.3	0.3	2.6	1.3	1.3
Accommodation and food services Other services	43.2 24.1	44.2 25.8	1.6 1.2	1.0 1.7	7.4 2.7	7.4 2.7	2.3 7.1	20.1 11.7	20.1 11.7

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-8

Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Saskatchewan

	November	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011		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									
Population Labour force	803.7 553.0	804.3 556.9	 2.4	0.6 3.9	8.9 2.4	8.9 2.4	0.1 0.7	1.1 0.4	1.1 0.4
Employment	524.7	527.8	2.4	3.1	3.7	3.7	0.6	0.4	0.4
Employment full-time	437.2	435.5	3.2	-1.7	4.4	4.4	-0.4	1.0	1.0
Unemployment	28.2	29.2	1.9	1.0	-1.3	-1.3	3.5	-4.3	-4.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate	68.8 5.1	69.2 5.2	0.3 0.3	0.4 0.1	-0.5 -0.3	-0.5 -0.3			
Employment rate	65.3	65.6	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.3			
Part-time rate	16.7	17.5	0.5	0.8	-0.3	-0.3			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	136.5	136.5		0.0	-1.2	-1.2	0.0	-0.9	-0.9
Labour force	92.2	96.0 85.8	1.5	3.8 3.7	3.3	3.3 2.7	4.1 4.5	3.6	3.6
Employment Unemployment	82.1 10.1	65.8 10.1	1.5 1.1	3.7 0.0	2.7 0.6	2.7	4.5	3.2 6.3	3.2 6.3
Participation rate	67.5	70.3	1.1	2.8	3.0	3.0		0.0	
Unemployment rate	11.0	10.5	1.2	-0.5	0.3	0.3			
Employment rate	60.1	62.9	1.1	2.8	2.6	2.6			
Part-time rate	35.4	35.4	1.9	0.0	-0.9	-0.9			
Men, 25 years and over									4.7
Population Labour force	328.3 247.9	328.6 248.7	1.2	0.3 0.8	5.5 -0.3	5.5 -0.3	0.1 0.3	1.7 -0.1	1.7 -0.1
Employment	239.2	240.7	1.2	1.3	3.6	3.6	0.5	1.5	1.5
Unemployment	8.7	8.3	1.1	-0.4	-3.9	-3.9	-4.6	-32.0	-32.0
Participation rate	75.5	75.7	0.4	0.2	-1.4	-1.4			
Unemployment rate	3.5	3.3	0.4	-0.2	-1.6	-1.6			
Employment rate Part-time rate	72.9 6.1	73.2 6.9	0.4 0.6	0.3 0.8	-0.1 0.6	-0.1 0.6			
Women, 25 years and over Population	339.0	339.2		0.2	4.6	4.6	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force	212.8	212.3	1.4	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
Employment	203.4	201.5	1.4	-1.9	-2.6	-2.6	-0.9	-1.3	-1.3
Unemployment	9.4	10.8	1.0	1.4	2.0	2.0	14.9	22.7	22.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	62.8 4.4	62.6 5.1	0.4 0.4	-0.2 0.7	-1.0 1.0	-1.0 1.0			
Employment rate	60.0	59.4	0.4	-0.6	-1.6	-1.6			
Part-time rate	21.5	22.5	1.0	0.9	-1.0	-1.0			
Industry	524.7	527.8	2.4	3.1	3.7	3.7	0.6	0.7	0.7
Goods-producing sector	134.0	135.0	2.3	1.0	-2.7	-2.7	0.7	-2.0	-2.0
Agriculture	38.4	38.1	2.3 1.4	-0.3	-0.7	-0.7	-0.8	-1.8	-2.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and									
gas extraction ²	24.2	23.1	1.1	-1.1	-0.7	-0.7	-4.5	-2.9	-2.9
Utilities	5.2	5.3	0.5	0.1	-0.4	-0.4	1.9	-7.0	-7.0
Construction Manufacturing	40.4 25.7	42.4 26.0	1.4 1.1	2.0 0.3	3.4 -4.4	3.4 -4.4	5.0 1.2	8.7 -14.5	8.7 -14.5
Services-producing sector	390.8	392.8	2.8	2.0	6.4	6.4	0.5	1.7	1.7
Trade	390.8 85.9	392.8 84.2	2.0 1.8	-1.7	2.4	2.4	-2.0	2.9	2.9
Transportation and warehousing	25.6	25.8	1.1	0.2	-1.2	-1.2	0.8	-4.4	-4.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	30.9	30.9	1.1	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.0	2.7	2.7
services Business, building and other support	26.4	26.2	1.0	-0.2	4.8	4.8	-0.8	22.4	22.4
Business, building and other support services	12.3	12.3	0.8	0.0	1.8	1.8	0.0	17.1	17.1
Educational services	37.5	38.9	1.3	1.4	-0.1	-0.1	3.7	-0.3	-0.3
Health care and social assistance	69.2	70.5	1.6	1.3	3.1	3.1	1.9	4.6	4.6
Information, culture and recreation	17.3	17.4	1.0	0.1	-3.6	-3.6	0.6	-17.1	-17.1
Accommodation and food services Other services	30.2 26.0	33.0 25.9	1.3 1.1	2.8 -0.1	0.8 -1.3	0.8 -1.3	9.3 -0.4	2.5 -4.8	2.5 -4.8
	20.0	25.9	1.1	-1.9	-1.3	-1.3	-0.4 -6.4	-4.6	-4.0

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources. Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

	November	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011	_	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									
Population	3,025.5	3,028.8 2.241.1	 9.0	3.3 -1.4	49.4 90.5	49.4 90.5	0.1 -0.1	1.7 4.2	1.7
Labour force Employment	2,242.5 2,130.2	2,241.1	9.0 9.0	-1.4	90.5 98.8	90.5 98.8	-0.1	4.2	4.2 4.9
Employment full-time	1.777.4	1,775.9	12.0	-1.5	100.6	100.6	-0.1	6.0	6.0
Unemployment	112.3	110.1	7.2	-2.2	-8.3	-8.3	-2.0	-7.0	-7.0
Participation rate	74.1	74.0	0.3	-0.1	1.8	1.8			
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate Part-time rate	70.4 16.6	70.4 16.7	0.3 0.5	0.0 0.1	2.2 -0.9	2.2 -0.9			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	507.3	506.7		-0.6	-4.7	-4.7	-0.1	-0.9	-0.9
Labour force	360.0	364.2	5.2	4.2	17.6	17.6	1.2	5.1	5.1
Employment	323.4	327.0	4.9	3.6	13.4	13.4	1.1	4.3	4.3
Unemployment	36.6	37.2	4.2	0.6	4.2	4.2	1.6	12.7	12.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	71.0 10.2	71.9 10.2	1.0 1.1	0.9 0.0	4.1 0.7	4.1 0.7			
Employment rate	63.7	64.5	1.0	0.0	3.2	3.2			
Part-time rate	34.2	34.7	1.8	0.5	-3.1	-3.1			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,280.0	1,281.8		1.8	27.0	27.0	0.1	2.2	2.2
Labour force	1,042.5	1,041.8	4.6	-0.7	31.2	31.2	-0.1	3.1	3.1
Employment	999.7	1,002.4	5.1	2.7	40.9	40.9	0.3	4.3	4.3
Unemployment Participation rate	42.8 81.4	39.4 81.3	4.3 0.4	-3.4 -0.1	-9.7 0.8	-9.7 0.8	-7.9	-19.8	-19.8
Unemployment rate	4.1	3.8	0.4	-0.1	-1.1	-1.1			
Employment rate	78.1	78.2	0.4	0.1	1.6	1.6			
Part-time rate	6.2	5.9	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,238.2	1,240.3		2.1	27.0	27.0	0.2	2.2	2.2
Labour force	839.9	835.1	5.5	-4.8	41.7	41.7	-0.6	5.3	5.3
Employment	807.1	801.6 33.5	5.2 3.8	-5.5 0.6	44.5 -2.8	44.5 -2.8	-0.7 1.8	5.9	5.9 -7.7
Unemployment Participation rate	32.9 67.8	53.5 67.3	3.8 0.4	-0.5	-2.8	-2.8 1.9		-7.7	
Unemployment rate	3.9	4.0	0.4	0.1	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate	65.2	64.6	0.4	-0.6	2.2	2.2			
Part-time rate	22.4	22.7	0.9	0.3	-0.9	-0.9			
Industry	2,130.2	2,131.0	9.0	0.8	98.8	98.8	0.0	4.9	4.9
Goods-producing sector	584.6	591.5	9.0	6.9	35.1	35.1	1.2	6.3	6.3
Agriculture	54.6	55.5	3.2	0.9	11.9	11.9	1.6	27.3	27.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and									
gas extraction ²	168.7	166.6	4.9	-2.1	13.6	13.6	-1.2	8.9	8.9
Utilities	14.3	14.6	1.8	0.3 7.9	-4.5 3.0	-4.5 3.0	2.1 3.8	-23.6	-23.6
Construction Manufacturing	210.5 136.5	218.4 136.4	6.6 5.2	-0.1	11.1	3.0 11.1	-0.1	1.4 8.9	1.4 8.9
Services-producing sector	1,545.6	1,539.5	11.0	-6.1	63.7	63.7	-0.4	4.3	4.3
Trade	326.6	335.4	7.5	8.8	22.3	22.3	2.7	7.1	7.1
Transportation and warehousing	112.1	109.1	4.1	-3.0	1.6	1.6	-2.7	1.5	1.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	102.9	100.1	4.4	-2.8	1.3	1.3	-2.7	1.3	1.3
services Business, building and other support	164.4	164.2	5.3	-0.2	5.5	5.5	-0.1	3.5	3.5
services	73.9	72.6	4.1	-1.3	-0.7	-0.7	-1.8	-1.0	-1.0
Educational services	123.6	124.6	5.0	1.0	3.2	3.2	0.8	2.6	2.6
Health care and social assistance	229.9	233.2	5.6	3.3	13.2	13.2	1.4	6.0	6.0
Information, culture and recreation	83.1	78.5	4.0	-4.6	7.2	7.2	-5.5	10.1	10.1
Accommodation and food services Other services	130.2 115.1	125.7 110.1	5.3 4.3	-4.5 -5.0	6.9 5.4	6.9 5.4	-3.5 -4.3	5.8 5.2	5.8 5.2

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Also referred to as Natural resources.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 4-10

Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — British Columbia

	November	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	ent change fro	om
	2011	2011		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									
Population	3,792.5	3,794.8	 10.4	2.3 10.8	39.5 19.9	39.5 19.9	0.1 0.4	1.1 0.8	1.1 0.8
Labour force Employment	2,454.7 2,282.3	2,465.5 2.293.0	10.4	10.8	32.3	32.3	0.4	0.8 1.4	0.8 1.4
Employment full-time	1,781.6	1,784.2	13.8	2.6	51.8	51.8	0.1	3.0	3.0
Unemployment	172.4	172.5	8.7	0.1	-12.4	-12.4	0.1	-6.7	-6.7
Participation rate	64.7	65.0 7.0	0.3 0.3	0.3 0.0	-0.1 -0.6	-0.1 -0.6			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.0 60.2	60.4	0.3	0.0	-0.8	-0.6			
Part-time rate	21.9	22.2	0.6	0.3	-1.2	-1.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	590.7	590.5		-0.2	-1.5	-1.5	0.0	-0.3	-0.3
Labour force	369.7	375.3	6.0	5.6	11.1	11.1	1.5	3.0	3.0
Employment	319.7 50.1	323.6 51.7	5.5 5.0	3.9 1.6	3.7 7.3	3.7 7.3	1.2 3.2	1.2 16.4	1.2 16.4
Unemployment Participation rate	62.6	63.6	5.0 1.0	1.0	2.1	2.1	J.Z		
Unemployment rate	13.6	13.8	1.2	0.2	1.6	1.6			
Employment rate	54.1	54.8	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.8			
Part-time rate	49.6	49.2	2.0	-0.4	-1.2	-1.2			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,561.8	1,563.0		1.2	19.9	19.9	0.1	1.3	1.3
Labour force Employment	1,097.0 1,029.0	1,104.1 1,032.5	5.5 5.9	7.1 3.5	7.3 10.0	7.3 10.0	0.6 0.3	0.7 1.0	0.7 1.0
Unemployment	68.0	71.6	5.1	3.6	-2.6	-2.6	5.3	-3.5	-3.5
Participation rate	70.2	70.6	0.4	0.4	-0.5	-0.5			
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.5	0.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	65.9 9.9	66.1 10.1	0.4 0.6	0.2 0.2	-0.2 0.2	-0.2 0.2			
	0.0	10.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.2			
Women, 25 years and over Population	1,640.0	1,641.2		1.2	21.0	21.0	0.1	1.3	1.3
Labour force	988.0	986.1	6.0	-1.9	1.5	1.5	-0.2	0.2	0.2
Employment	933.6	936.9	5.8	3.3	18.6	18.6	0.4	2.0	2.0
Unemployment	54.4	49.2	4.7	-5.2	-17.1	-17.1	-9.6	-25.8	-25.8
Participation rate	60.2	60.1	0.4 0.5	-0.1 -0.5	-0.7 -1.7	-0.7 -1.7			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	5.5 56.9	5.0 57.1	0.5	-0.5	-1.7	-1.7			
Part-time rate	25.7	26.2	0.9	0.4	-2.8	-2.8			
Industry	2,282.3	2,293.0	10.1	10.7	32.3	32.3	0.5	1.4	1.4
Goods-producing sector	450.2	457.1	8.8	6.9	12.1	12.1	1.5	2.7	2.7
Agriculture	24.5	26.8	2.6	2.3	-5.5	-5.5	9.4	-17.0	-17.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and									
gas extraction ²	40.4	43.5	2.8	3.1	5.9	5.9	7.7	15.7	15.7
Utilities	11.3 209.6	10.7 207.2	1.6 6.4	-0.6 -2.4	-3.2 24.9	-3.2 24.9	-5.3 -1.1	-23.0 13.7	-23.0 13.7
Construction Manufacturing	209.0	168.9	5.8	-2.4	-10.1	-10.1	2.7	-5.6	-5.6
Services-producing sector	1,832.1	1,836.0	11.8	3.9	20.3	20.3	0.2	1.1	1.1
Trade	356.5	358.1	8.0	3.5 1.6	-7.4	-7.4	0.2	-2.0	-2.0
Transportation and warehousing	128.5	127.8	5.1	-0.7	-1.8	-1.8	-0.5	-1.4	-1.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	137.0	132.8	5.2	-4.2	-2.7	-2.7	-3.1	-2.0	-2.0
services Business, building and other support	187.0	194.0	6.4	7.0	18.9	18.9	3.7	10.8	10.8
services	85.5	82.4	4.8	-3.1	-10.6	-10.6	-3.6	-11.4	-11.4
Educational services	167.8	162.2	5.8	-5.6	-8.5	-8.5	-3.3	-5.0	-5.0
Health care and social assistance	272.1	276.6	6.7	4.5	19.0	19.0	1.7	7.4	7.4
Information, culture and recreation	107.0	113.8	4.8	6.8 -1.7	8.3	8.3	6.4	7.9	7.9
Accommodation and food services Other services	180.5 103.8	178.8 104.3	6.2 4.7	-1.7 0.5	15.9 -2.9	15.9 -2.9	-0.9 0.5	9.8 -2.7	9.8 -2.7
Public administration	105.0	104.5	4.2	-1.2	-2.5	-8.0	-1.1	-7.1	-7.1

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources. Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

Table 5-1

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

	November		S.E. ¹		Change from		Perc	cent change fro	om
	2011	2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
St. John's Newfoundland and Labraday									
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador Population	161.4	161.5		0.1	1.3	1.3	0.1	0.8	0.8
Labour force	113.6	114.8 106.2	0.8 0.8	1.2 0.9	5.5 4.6	5.5 4.6	1.1 0.9	5.0	5.0
Employment Unemployment	105.3 8.3	8.6	0.8	0.9	4.6 0.8	4.6 0.8	0.9 3.6	4.5 10.3	4.5 10.3
Participation rate	70.4	71.1	0.5	0.7	2.9	2.9			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.3 65.2	7.5 65.8	0.4 0.5	0.2 0.6	0.4 2.4	0.4 2.4			
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	340.4	340.8		0.4	4.5	4.5	0.1	1.3	1.3
Labour force	239.2 225.5	238.1 225.0	1.1	-1.1 -0.5	4.2 7.2	4.2 7.2	-0.5 -0.2	1.8	1.8
Employment Unemployment	225.5	13.1	1.2 0.6	-0.5	-2.9	-2.9	-0.2	3.3 -18.1	3.3 -18.1
Participation rate	70.3	69.9	0.3	-0.4	0.3	0.3			
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.5	0.3	-0.2	-1.3	-1.3			
Employment rate	66.2	66.0	0.3	-0.2	1.2	1.2			
Moncton, New Brunswick Population	115.6	115.7		0.1	1.7	1.7	0.1	1.5	1.5
Labour force	78.7	79.7	0.6	1.0	3.3	3.3	1.3	4.3	4.3
Employment	72.8 5.9	73.7 6.0	0.7 0.4	0.9 0.1	3.4 -0.2	3.4 -0.2	1.2 1.7	4.8 -3.2	4.8 -3.2
Unemployment Participation rate	68.1	68.9	0.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.2		-3.2	-3.2
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.5	0.5	0.0	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate	63.0	63.7	0.6	0.7	2.0	2.0			
Saint John, New Brunswick Population	106.3	106.4		0.1	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.7	0.7
Labour force	68.9	67.5	0.7	-1.4	-1.3	-1.3	-2.0	-1.9	-1.9
Employment	64.2	62.5	0.8	-1.7	-1.9	-1.9	-2.6	-3.0	-3.0
Unemployment	4.6 64.8	5.0 63.4	0.3 0.7	0.4 -1.4	0.6 -1.7	0.6 -1.7	8.7	13.6	13.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	6.7	7.4	0.7	0.7	1.0	1.0			
Employment rate	60.4	58.7	0.7	-1.7	-2.2	-2.2			
Saguenay, Quebec	(00.0	· • • =							
Population Labour force	126.6 71.7	126.7 72.5	0.9	0.1 0.8	0.2 -1.2	0.2 -1.2	0.1 1.1	0.2 -1.6	0.2 -1.6
Employment	67.5	68.3	0.9	0.8	0.3	0.3	1.2	0.4	0.4
Unemployment	4.2	4.2	0.4	0.0	-1.6	-1.6	0.0	-27.6	-27.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	56.6 5.9	57.2 5.8	0.7 0.5	0.6 -0.1	-1.1 -2.1	-1.1 -2.1			
Employment rate	53.3	53.9	0.7	0.6	0.1	0.1			
Québec, Quebec									
Population	638.8	639.4		0.6	7.6	7.6	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force Employment	450.8 430.8	449.3 428.3	3.3 3.4	-1.5 -2.5	3.9 4.5	3.9 4.5	-0.3 -0.6	0.9 1.1	0.9 1.1
Unemployment	20.1	21.0	1.6	0.9	-0.6	-0.6	4.5	-2.8	-2.8
Participation rate	70.6	70.3	0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	4.5 67.4	4.7 67.0	0.4 0.5	0.2 -0.4	-0.1 -0.1	-0.1 -0.1			
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	165.6	165.7		0.1	1.9	1.9	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force Employment	105.0 98.0	106.2 99.1	0.9 0.9	1.2 1.1	2.2 2.9	2.2 2.9	1.1 1.1	2.1 3.0	2.1 3.0
Unemployment	7.0	7.1	0.5	0.1	-0.6	-0.6	1.4	-7.8	-7.8
Participation rate	63.4	64.1	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.6			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	6.7 59.2	6.7 59.8	0.4 0.5	0.0 0.6	-0.7 1.1	-0.7 1.1			
	53.2	53.0	0.5	0.0	1.1	1.1			

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	2011								
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	125.0	125.1		0.1	1.1	1.1	0.1	0.9	0.9
Labour force	77.4	78.7	0.8	1.3	5.0	5.0	1.7	6.8	6.8
Employment	70.6	71.7	0.8	1.1 0.4	4.2 0.9	4.2 0.9	1.6 6.0	6.2	6.2
Unemployment Participation rate	6.7 61.9	7.1 62.9	0.4 0.6	1.0	3.5	3.5	0.0	14.5	14.5
Unemployment rate	8.7	9.0	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.6			
Employment rate	56.5	57.3	0.6	0.8	2.9	2.9			
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,233.0	3,235.4		2.4	37.5	37.5	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force	2,105.2	2,098.5	7.7	-6.7	-16.7	-16.7	-0.3	-0.8	-0.8
Employment Unemployment	1,932.0 173.2	1,914.7 183.8	7.9 4.8	-17.3 10.6	-21.4 4.7	-21.4 4.7	-0.9 6.1	-1.1 2.6	-1.1 2.6
Participation rate	65.1	64.9	0.2	-0.2	-1.2	-1.2	0.1	2.0	2.0
Unemployment rate	8.2	8.8	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.3			
Employment rate	59.8	59.2	0.2	-0.6	-1.3	-1.3			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	1,039.5	1,041.1		1.6	18.1	18.1	0.2	1.8	1.8
Labour force	739.3	745.0	3.6 3.7	5.7 5.4	13.1	13.1	0.8 0.8	1.8 2.0	1.8 2.0
Employment Unemployment	692.4 46.8	697.8 47.2	2.0	5.4 0.4	13.9 -0.9	13.9 -0.9	0.8	-1.9	-1.9
Participation rate	71.1	71.6	0.4	0.5	0.0	0.0			
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.3	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.3			
Employment rate	66.6	67.0	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	259.8	260.1		0.3	5.0	5.0	0.1	2.0	2.0
Labour force	186.7 173.7	188.2 174.9	1.3 1.4	1.5 1.2	11.0 8.8	11.0 8.8	0.8 0.7	6.2 5.3	6.2 5.3
Employment Unemployment	13.0	13.3	0.7	0.3	2.2	0.0 2.2	2.3	19.8	19.8
Participation rate	71.9	72.4	0.5	0.5	2.9	2.9			
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.1	0.4	0.1	0.8	0.8			
Employment rate	66.9	67.2	0.5	0.3	2.1	2.1			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	779.8	781.0		1.2	13.1	13.1	0.2	1.7	1.7
Labour force Employment	552.6 518.7	556.8 522.9	3.3 3.4	4.2 4.2	2.1 5.1	2.1 5.1	0.8 0.8	0.4 1.0	0.4 1.0
Unemployment	33.9	33.9	1.9	4.2 0.0	-3.0	-3.0	0.0	-8.1	-8.1
Participation rate	70.9	71.3	0.4	0.4	-0.9	-0.9			
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.1	0.3	0.0	-0.6	-0.6			
Employment rate	66.5	67.0	0.4	0.5	-0.4	-0.4			
Kingston, Ontario		4		. .			_ .		
Population	132.7 84.8	132.8 85.5		0.1 0.7	1.6	1.6	0.1 0.8	1.2 5.0	1.2
Labour force Employment	84.8 79.7	85.5 80.0	0.8 0.9	0.7	4.1 4.1	4.1 4.1	0.8 0.4	5.0 5.4	5.0 5.4
Unemployment	5.1	5.5	0.9	0.3	0.0	0.0	7.8	0.0	0.0
Participation rate	63.9	64.4	0.6	0.5	2.4	2.4			
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.4	0.4	0.4	-0.4	-0.4			
Employment rate	60.1	60.2	0.7	0.1	2.3	2.3			
Peterborough, Ontario		4			~ .	~ .	. -	~ .	
Population	102.6	102.6		0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.4
Labour force Employment	63.1 57.2	66.7 61.7	1.2 1.2	3.6 4.5	5.4 5.6	5.4 5.6	5.7 7.9	8.8 10.0	8.8 10.0
Unemployment	57.2	4.9	0.5	-1.0	-0.3	-0.3	-16.9	-5.8	-5.8
Participation rate	61.5	65.0	1.2	3.5	5.0	5.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	9.4 55.8	7.3 60.1	0.8 1.1	-2.1 4.3	-1.2 5.2	-1.2 5.2			

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	November	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Perc	cent change fro	om
	2011	2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	305.8	306.3		0.5	5.7	5.7	0.2	1.9	1.9
Labour force	212.0	212.5	1.5	0.5	1.5	1.5	0.2	0.7	0.7
Employment Unemployment	196.9 15.2	197.0 15.6	1.6 0.9	0.1 0.4	5.8 -4.2	5.8 -4.2	0.1 2.6	3.0 -21.2	3.0 -21.2
Participation rate	69.3	69.4	0.9	0.4	-4.2	-4.2		-21.2	
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.3	0.4	0.1	-2.1	-2.1			
Employment rate	64.4	64.3	0.5	-0.1	0.7	0.7			
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,812.5	4,820.4		7.9	90.2	90.2	0.2	1.9	1.9
Labour force	3,230.3	3,224.3	10.0	-6.0	-3.5	-3.5	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Employment	2,957.5	2,946.6	10.3	-10.9	-12.8	-12.8	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
Unemployment Participation rate	272.9 67.1	277.7 66.9	6.6 0.2	4.8 -0.2	9.3 -1.3	9.3 -1.3	1.8	3.5	3.5
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.6	0.2	-0.2	-1.3	0.3			
Employment rate	61.5	61.1	0.2	-0.4	-1.5	-1.5			
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	620.3	620.8		0.5	6.3	6.3	0.1	1.0	1.0
Labour force	411.8	416.8	3.2	5.0	13.3	13.3	1.2	3.3	3.3
Employment	384.9	390.0	3.3	5.1	14.4	14.4	1.3	3.8	3.8
Unemployment	26.9	26.9	1.5	0.0	-1.0	-1.0	0.0	-3.6	-3.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	66.4 6.5	67.1 6.5	0.5 0.4	0.7 0.0	1.4 -0.4	1.4 -0.4			
Employment rate	62.1	62.8	0.4	0.7	1.7	1.7			
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	339.0	339.1		0.1	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.2	0.2
Labour force	213.5	211.7	1.7	-1.8	-0.3	-0.3	-0.8	-0.1	-0.1
Employment	197.2	196.0	1.7	-1.2	4.1	4.1	-0.6	2.1	2.1
Unemployment	16.3 63.0	15.7 62.4	0.9 0.5	-0.6 -0.6	-4.3 -0.3	-4.3	-3.7	-21.5	-21.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	7.6	7.4	0.5	-0.0	-0.3	-0.3 -2.0			
Employment rate	58.2	57.8	0.5	-0.2	1.1	1.1			
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario									
Population	410.0	410.4		0.4	5.6	5.6	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force	289.1	291.7	1.9	2.6	9.4	9.4	0.9	3.3	3.3
Employment	269.4	272.4	2.1	3.0	10.9	10.9	1.1	4.2	4.2
Unemployment Participation rate	19.6 70.5	19.3 71.1	1.1 0.5	-0.3 0.6	-1.4 1.4	-1.4 1.4	-1.5	-6.8	-6.8
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.7	-0.7			
Employment rate	65.7	66.4	0.5	0.7	1.8	1.8			
Brantford, Ontario									
Population	108.1	108.2		0.1	0.8	0.8	0.1	0.7	0.7
Labour force	72.3	71.2	0.8	-1.1	-3.7	-3.7	-1.5	-4.9	-4.9
Employment	66.4	65.8	0.8	-0.6	-2.6	-2.6	-0.9	-3.8	-3.8
Unemployment	5.9	5.3	0.4	-0.6	-1.2	-1.2	-10.2	-18.5	-18.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	66.9 8.2	65.8 7.4	0.7 0.6	-1.1 -0.8	-3.9 -1.3	-3.9 -1.3			
Employment rate	61.4	60.8	0.8	-0.6	-2.9	-2.9			
Guelph, Ontario									
Population	113.8	114.0		0.2	1.5	1.5	0.2	1.3	1.3
Labour force	85.7	86.7	0.8	1.0	9.7	9.7	1.2	12.6	12.6
Employment	81.7	82.2	0.9	0.5	11.0	11.0	0.6	15.4	15.4
Unemployment	3.9	4.4	0.4	0.5	-1.4	-1.4	12.8	-24.1	-24.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate	75.3 4.6	76.1 5.1	0.7 0.5	0.8 0.5	7.7 -2.4	7.7 -2.4			
Employment rate	4.0 71.8	72.1	0.5	0.5	-2.4 8.8	-2.4 8.8			
Employment rate	71.0	12.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0			

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	2011	2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
London, Ontario									
Population	413.4	413.8		0.4	4.1	4.1	0.1	1.0	1.0
Labour force	268.5	266.7	2.0	-1.8	4.0	4.0	-0.7	1.5	1.5
Employment	242.1	241.0	2.1	-1.1	0.6	0.6	-0.5	0.2	0.2
Unemployment Participation rate	26.4 64.9	25.7 64.5	1.1 0.5	-0.7 -0.4	3.5 0.4	3.5 0.4	-2.7	15.8	15.8
Unemployment rate	9.8	9.6	0.3	-0.4	1.1	1.1			
Employment rate	58.6	58.2	0.5	-0.4	-0.5	-0.5			
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	267.2	267.1		-0.1	-1.0	-1.0	0.0	-0.4	-0.4
Labour force	164.3	165.1	1.4	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.5	0.7	0.7
Employment	146.5	147.7 17.4	1.4 0.8	1.2 -0.4	1.4 -0.4	1.4 -0.4	0.8 -2.2	1.0 -2.2	1.0
Unemployment Participation rate	17.8 61.5	61.8	0.8	-0.4	-0.4 0.6	-0.4 0.6	-2.2	-2.2	-2.2
Unemployment rate	10.8	10.5	0.5	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4			
Employment rate	54.8	55.3	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.7			
Barrie, Ontario									
Population	161.8	162.0		0.2	2.3	2.3	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force	118.0 104.9	117.1 105.1	1.7 1.7	-0.9 0.2	5.3 2.7	5.3 2.7	-0.8 0.2	4.7	4.7
Employment Unemployment	13.1	12.0	0.7	-1.1	2.7	2.7	-8.4	2.6 27.7	2.6 27.7
Participation rate	72.9	72.3	1.1	-0.6	2.0	2.0	-0.4	27.7	
Unemployment rate	11.1	10.2	0.6	-0.9	1.8	1.8			
Employment rate	64.8	64.9	1.0	0.1	0.8	0.8			
Greater Sudbury, Ontario	(a a a								
Population	139.5	139.5		0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.4
Labour force	89.2 84.2	88.5 83.5	0.7 0.8	-0.7 -0.7	-1.2 1.3	-1.2 1.3	-0.8 -0.8	-1.3 1.6	-1.3 1.6
Employment Unemployment	5.0	5.0	0.8	-0.7	-2.5	-2.5	-0.8	-33.3	-33.3
Participation rate	63.9	63.4	0.5	-0.5	-1.1	-1.1			
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.6	0.4	0.0	-2.8	-2.8			
Employment rate	60.4	59.9	0.6	-0.5	0.8	0.8			
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	102.4	102.4		0.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force Employment	65.8 61.2	66.9 62.2	0.6 0.7	1.1 1.0	1.5 1.3	1.5 1.3	1.7 1.6	2.3 2.1	2.3 2.1
Unemployment	4.6	4.7	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.3	2.2	6.8	6.8
Participation rate	64.3	65.3	0.6	1.0	1.6	1.6		0.0	
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.0	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.3			
Employment rate	59.8	60.7	0.6	0.9	1.3	1.3			
Winnipeg, Manitoba	000.0								
Population	626.8	627.4		0.6	9.4	9.4	0.1	1.5	1.5
Labour force Employment	434.4 408.7	437.3 412.2	1.3 1.3	2.9 3.5	4.6 2.7	4.6 2.7	0.7 0.9	1.1 0.7	1.1 0.7
Unemployment	25.7	25.0	0.8	-0.7	1.8	1.8	-2.7	7.8	7.8
Participation rate	69.3	69.7	0.2	0.4	-0.3	-0.3			
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.7	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.3			
Employment rate	65.2	65.7	0.2	0.5	-0.6	-0.6			
Regina, Saskatchewan	477.0	477.0			0.0	0.0		4.0	4.0
Population Labour force	177.6 130.1	177.8 130.1	0.8	0.2 0.0	2.8	2.8 3.0	0.1 0.0	1.6 2.4	1.6 2.4
Employment	125.5	125.1	0.8	-0.4	3.0 3.9	3.0 3.9	-0.3	2.4	2.4
Unemployment	4.6	5.0	0.8	-0.4	-0.9	-0.9	8.7	-15.3	-15.3
Participation rate	73.3	73.2	0.4	-0.1	0.6	0.6			
Unemployment rate	3.5	3.8	0.3	0.3	-0.8	-0.8			

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	2011	2011	-	last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in tl	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	222.0	222.4		0.4	5.3	5.3	0.2	2.4	2.4
Labour force	153.3	154.1	1.0	0.8	2.9	2.9	0.5	1.9	1.9
Employment	144.9	145.9	1.0	1.0	3.1	3.1	0.7	2.2	2.2
Unemployment Participation rate	8.5 69.1	8.3 69.3	0.5 0.5	-0.2 0.2	-0.1 -0.3	-0.1 -0.3	-2.4	-1.2	-1.2
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2			
Employment rate	65.3	65.6	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-0.2			
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	1,039.8	1,041.3		1.5	20.4	20.4	0.1	2.0	2.0
Labour force	773.9	776.9	3.4	3.0	28.7	28.7	0.4	3.8	3.8
Employment	732.2 41.8	734.5 42.4	3.7	2.3 0.6	31.2	31.2 -2.5	0.3 1.4	4.4	4.4
Unemployment Participation rate	74.4	42.4 74.6	2.1 0.3	0.6	-2.5 1.3	-2.5		-5.6	-5.6
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.5	0.3	0.2	-0.5	-0.5			
Employment rate	70.4	70.5	0.4	0.1	1.6	1.6			
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	970.4	971.8		1.4	17.3	17.3	0.1	1.8	1.8
Labour force	721.0	717.5	3.4	-3.5	32.4	32.4	-0.5	4.7	4.7
Employment	681.8	681.2	3.6	-0.6	35.6	35.6	-0.1	5.5	5.5
Unemployment Participation rate	39.2 74.3	36.3 73.8	1.8 0.4	-2.9 -0.5	-3.2 2.0	-3.2 2.0	-7.4	-8.1	-8.1
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.1	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	-0.7			
Employment rate	70.3	70.1	0.4	-0.2	2.5	2.5			
Kelowna, British Columbia									
Population	150.0	150.0		0.0	1.8	1.8	0.0	1.2	1.2
Labour force	100.5	101.8	1.3	1.3	-2.7	-2.7	1.3	-2.6	-2.6
Employment	92.4	93.7	1.3	1.3	-3.0	-3.0	1.4	-3.1	-3.1
Unemployment Participation rate	8.1 67.0	8.1 67.9	0.8 0.9	0.0 0.9	0.3 -2.6	0.3 -2.6	0.0	3.8	3.8
Unemployment rate	8.1	8.0	0.3	-0.1	0.5	0.5			
Employment rate	61.6	62.5	0.9	0.9	-2.7	-2.7			
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia									
Population	144.8	144.9		0.1	2.0	2.0	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force	95.1	95.8	0.8	0.7	-0.1	-0.1	0.7	-0.1	-0.1
Employment	87.0 8.1	87.2 8.6	0.8 0.4	0.2 0.5	1.0 -1.1	1.0 -1.1	0.2 6.2	1.2 -11.3	1.2
Unemployment Participation rate	65.7	66.1	0.4	0.5	-1.0	-1.0	0.2	-11.5	-11.3
Unemployment rate	8.5	9.0	0.4	0.5	-1.1	-1.1			
Employment rate	60.1	60.2	0.6	0.1	-0.1	-0.1			
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,035.4	2,037.5		2.1	31.5	31.5	0.1	1.6	1.6
Labour force	1,367.1	1,357.1	5.0	-10.0	29.6	29.6	-0.7	2.2	2.2
Employment	1,275.4	1,263.4	5.1	-12.0	32.2	32.2	-0.9	2.6	2.6
Unemployment Participation rate	91.7 67.2	93.7 66.6	3.0 0.3	2.0 -0.6	-2.6 0.4	-2.6 0.4	2.2	-2.7	-2.7
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.9	0.2	0.2	-0.4	-0.4			
Employment rate	62.7	62.0	0.3	-0.7	0.6	0.6			
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	301.2	301.3		0.1	2.1	2.1	0.0	0.7	0.7
Labour force	189.7	190.3	1.5	0.6	-2.9	-2.9	0.3	-1.5	-1.5
Employment	178.1	179.1	1.5	1.0	-2.8	-2.8	0.6	-1.5	-1.5
Unemployment Participation rate	11.6 63.0	11.2 63.2	0.6 0.5	-0.4 0.2	-0.1 -1.4	-0.1 -1.4	-3.4	-0.9	-0.9
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.9	0.5	-0.2	-1.4	0.1			
Employment rate	59.1	59.4	0.5	0.3	-1.4	-1.4			

1. Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Estimates from this table are based on 2006 census population counts. Related CANSIM Table 282-0116.

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

	November	December	S.E. ¹	(Change from		Percent change fror		m
	2011	2011		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in th	nousands (e	xcept rates)				
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,235.6	3,237.8		2.2	36.7	36.7	0.1	1.1	1.1
Labour force	2,083.0	2,097.4	15.7	14.4	-14.2	-14.2	0.7	-0.7	-0.7
Employment	1,900.6	1,907.5	15.6	6.9	-36.6	-36.6	0.4	-1.9	-1.9
Unemployment	182.3	189.9	11.5	7.6	22.4	22.4	4.2	13.4	13.4
Participation rate	64.4	64.8	0.5	0.4	-1.2	-1.2			
Unemployment rate	8.8	9.1	0.5	0.3	1.2	1.2			
Employment rate	58.7	58.9	0.5	0.2	-1.8	-1.8			
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,820.4	4,828.3		7.9	91.8	91.8	0.2	1.9	1.9
Labour force	3,223.0	3,217.2	21.6	-5.8	-26.9	-26.9	-0.2	-0.8	-0.8
Employment	2,950.4	2,947.5	21.2	-2.9	-33.5	-33.5	-0.1	-1.1	-1.1
Unemployment	272.6	269.7	15.5	-2.9	6.6	6.6	-1.1	2.5	2.5
Participation rate	66.9	66.6	0.5	-0.3	-1.9	-1.9			
Unemployment rate	8.5	8.4	0.5	-0.1	0.3	0.3			
Employment rate	61.2	61.0	0.4	-0.2	-1.9	-1.9			
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,037.5	2,039.7		2.2	30.9	30.9	0.1	1.5	1.5
Labour force	1,359.6	1,350.7	10.7	-8.9	20.9	20.9	-0.7	1.6	1.6
Employment	1,259.8	1,257.6	10.5	-2.2	29.2	29.2	-0.2	2.4	2.4
Unemployment	99.9	93.1	7.2	-6.8	-8.3	-8.3	-6.8	-8.2	-8.2
Participation rate	66.7	66.2	0.5	-0.5	0.0	0.0			
Unemployment rate	7.3	6.9	0.5	-0.4	-0.7	-0.7			
Employment rate	61.8	61.7	0.5	-0.1	0.5	0.5			

1. Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Estimates from this table are based on 2006 census population counts. Related CANSIM Table 282-0117.

Table 6-1

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in December 2010 and December 2011

	Population		Labour force		Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Canada ² 2010 2011	27,790.2 28,106.7	18,447.8 18,606.5	17,132.9 17,330.1	1,314.9 1,276.4	66.4 66.2	7.1 6.9	61.7 61.7
Newfoundland and Labrador 2010 2011	428.8 428.6	252.9 255.4	219.8 223.2	33.1 32.2	59.0 59.6	13.1 12.6	51.3 52.1
Avalon Peninsula <i>[1010]</i> 2010 2011	219.6 221.2	138.4 144.4	126.5 130.6	12.0 13.8	63.0 65.3	8.7 9.6	57.6 59.0
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020] 2010 2011	30.9 30.4	17.8 16.4	13.7 12.9	4.1 3.6	57.6 53.9	23.0 22.0	44.3 42.4
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]							
2010 2011	87.2 86.6	50.6 48.9	42.2 41.8	8.4 7.0	58.0 56.5	16.6 14.3	48.4 48.3
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040] 2010 2011	91.1 90.4	46.0 45.7	37.4 37.9	8.6 7.8	50.5 50.6	18.7 17.1	41.1 41.9
Prince Edward Island 2010 2011	117.7 119.8	78.5 80.5	68.8 71.4	9.7 9.1	66.7 67.2	12.4 11.3	58.5 59.6
Nova Scotia 2010 2011	778.6 779.5	495.1 492.9	449.0 454.4	46.0 38.5	63.6 63.2	9.3 7.8	57.7 58.3
Cape Breton [1210] 2010 2011	113.0 111.6	62.3 62.8	52.6 52.8	9.7 10.0	55.1 56.3	15.6 15.9	46.5 47.3
North Shore [1220] 2010 2011	130.2 129.6	78.2 77.0	69.3 69.3	8.8 7.7	60.1 59.4	11.3 10.0	53.2 53.5
Annapolis Valley <i>[1230]</i> 2010 2011	100.0 99.6	61.7 58.2	55.3 54.2	6.4 4.0	61.7 58.4	10.4 6.9	55.3 54.4
Southern <i>[1240]</i> 2010 2011	99.0 97.9	59.6 58.5	52.9 52.8	6.7 5.8	60.2 59.8	11.2 9.9	53.4 53.9
Halifax <i>[1250]</i> 2010 2011	336.3 340.8	233.2 236.4	218.8 225.3	14.4 11.0	69.3 69.4	6.2 4.7	65.1 66.1
New Brunswick 2010 2011	618.0 620.0	386.9 385.8	352.3 352.3	34.7 33.5	62.6 62.2	9.0 8.7	57.0 56.8
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310] 2010 2011	130.2 128.7	70.0 68.6	58.0 59.3	12.0	53.8 53.3	17.1 13.6	44.5 46.1
Moncton-Richibucto <i>[1320]</i> 2010 2011	170.5 172.5	110.1 113.9	100.7 105.5	9.3 8.4	64.6 66.0	8.4 7.4	59.1 61.2
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330] 2010 2011	143.7 144.5	92.1 92.0	87.1 85.5	5.0 6.5	64.1 63.7	5.4 7.1	60.6 59.2

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in December 2010 and December 2011

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] 2010 2011	108.2 109.7	74.9 71.8	70.2 66.2	4.8 5.6	69.2 65.5	6.4 7.8	64.9 60.3
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] 2010 2011	65.3 64.8	39.8 39.5	36.3 35.9	3.5 3.6	60.9 61.0	8.8 9.1	55.6 55.4
Quebec 2010 2011	6,534.1 6,600.1	4,250.5 4,246.7	3,939.9 3,917.9	310.6 328.8	65.1 64.3	7.3 7.7	60.3 59.4
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] 2010 2011	78.7 78.6	41.9 40.1	36.6 35.1	5.2 5.0	53.2 51.0	12.4 12.5	46.5 44.7
Bas-Saint-Laurent <i>[2415]</i> 2010 2011	166.9 166.7	98.4 93.9	89.0 86.8	9.4 7.1	59.0 56.3	9.6 7.6	53.3 52.1
Capitale-Nationale <i>[2420]</i> 2010 2011	584.2 591.0	393.7 401.2	373.3 381.3	20.4 19.9	67.4 67.9	5.2 5.0	63.9 64.5
Chaudière-Appalaches <i>[2425]</i> 2010 2011	332.6 334.2	225.9 234.6	217.2 224.7	8.7 9.8	67.9 70.2	3.9 4.2	65.3 67.2
Estrie <i>[2430]</i> 2010 2011	256.9 259.1	167.3 159.9	157.1 150.8	10.2 9.1	65.1 61.7	6.1 5.7	61.2 58.2
Centre-du-Québec <i>[2433]</i> 2010 2011	189.6 191.1	116.1 115.4	110.2 106.7	5.9 8.7	61.2 60.4	5.1 7.5	58.1 55.8
Montérégie <i>[2435]</i> 2010 2011	1,179.4 1,194.8	792.7 775.6	737.0 720.8	55.7 54.8	67.2 64.9	7.0 7.1	62.5 60.3
Montréal <i>[2440]</i> 2010 2011	1,616.0 1,625.7	1,035.3 1,021.8	941.2 914.1	94.1 107.7	64.1 62.9	9.1 10.5	58.2 56.2
Laval <i>[2445]</i> 2010 2011	329.2 335.3	208.8 215.9	192.0 198.4	16.7 17.5	63.4 64.4	8.0 8.1	58.3 59.2
Lanaudière <i>[2450]</i> 2010 2011	386.2 393.8	252.6 277.9	232.8 256.5	19.9 21.4	65.4 70.6	7.9 7.7	60.3 65.1
Laurentides <i>[2455]</i> 2010 2011	457.4 466.2	314.7 308.2	290.5 284.5	24.2 23.7	68.8 66.1	7.7 7.7	63.5 61.0
Outaouais <i>[2460]</i> 2010 2011	302.7 307.9	199.0 215.2	187.2 200.5	11.8 14.7	65.7 69.9	5.9 6.8	61.8 65.1
Abitibi-Témiscamingue <i>[2465]</i> 2010 2011	117.3 117.8	78.2 76.7	72.6 71.2	5.6 5.5	66.7 65.1	7.2 7.2	61.9 60.4
Mauricie <i>[2470]</i> 2010 2011	220.9 221.8	135.2 131.1	125.6 120.8	9.6 10.2	61.2 59.1	7.1 7.8	56.9 54.5

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in December 2010 and December 2011

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thou	sands				
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean <i>[2475]</i> 2010 2011	225.4 225.4	130.1 124.8	120.4 116.4	9.7 8.4	57.7 55.4	7.5 6.7	53.4 51.6
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490] 2010 2011	90.8 90.7	60.7 54.4	57.2 49.1	3.5 5.3	66.9 60.0	5.8 9.7	63.0 54.1
Ontario 2010 2011	10,844.8 10,979.7	7,194.7 7,261.3	6,658.9 6,744.4	535.8 516.9	66.3 66.1	7.4 7.1	61.4 61.4
Ottawa <i>[3510]</i> 2010 2011	1,040.2 1,053.5	718.9 726.3	673.5 683.5		69.1 68.9	6.3 5.9	64.7 64.9
Kingston-Pembroke <i>[3515]</i> 2010 2011	369.2 371.2	219.9 233.7	205.3 219.5	14.6 14.1	59.6 63.0	6.6 6.0	55.6 59.1
Muskoka-Kawarthas <i>[3520]</i> 2010 2011	317.9 319.3	184.2 195.2	166.0 181.6	18.2 13.6	57.9 61.1	9.9 7.0	52.2 56.9
Toronto <i>[3530]</i> 2010 2011	4,984.8 5,079.4	3,385.4 3,372.5	3,126.5 3,107.8	258.9 264.7	67.9 66.4	7.6 7.8	62.7 61.2
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie <i>[3540]</i> 2010 2011	1,027.6 1,042.5	718.0 737.0	666.9 690.4	51.1 46.6	69.9 70.7	7.1 6.3	64.9 66.2
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula <i>[3550]</i> 2010 2011	1,163.9 1,172.6	753.0 767.8	696.2 718.1	56.8 49.7	64.7 65.5	7.5 6.5	59.8 61.2
London <i>[3560]</i> 2010 2011	537.6 542.1	351.2 352.0	324.6 323.1	26.7 28.9	65.3 64.9	7.6 8.2	60.4 59.6
Windsor-Sarnia <i>[3570]</i> 2010 2011	521.1 519.0	327.3 323.9	296.8 297.3	30.5 26.6	62.8 62.4	9.3 8.2	57.0 57.3
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580] 2010 2011	245.9 245.7	156.1 164.7	146.8 157.2	9.3 7.5	63.5 67.0	6.0 4.6	59.7 64.0
Northeast <i>[3590]</i> 2010 2011	462.4 461.2	276.0 277.2	258.3 261.1	17.7 16.1	59.7 60.1	6.4 5.8	55.9 56.6
Northwest <i>[3595]</i> 2010 2011	174.1 173.2	104.7 111.0	98.2 104.6		60.1 64.1	6.3 5.7	56.4 60.4
Manitoba 2010 2011	945.9 957.4	652.7 657.0	622.3 625.1	30.3 31.9	69.0 68.6	4.6 4.9	65.8 65.3
Southeast <i>[4610]</i> 2010 2011	81.6 83.3	56.6 56.8	53.9 54.4		69.4 68.2	4.6 4.2	66.1 65.3
South Central <i>[4620]</i> 2010 2011	46.6 47.8	31.8 31.6	30.6 30.7		68.2 66.1	3.8 2.8	65.7 64.2

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in December 2010 and December 2011

	Population		Labour force			Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Southwest [4630] 2010 2011	83.5 83.8	54.8 57.5	53.4 55.4	1.4 2.2	65.6 68.6	2.6 3.8	64.0 66.1
North Central <i>[4640]</i> 2010 2011	36.2 36.7	23.9 23.3	22.9 22.3	1.0 1.0	66.0 63.5	4.2 4.3	63.3 60.8
Winnipeg <i>[4650]</i> 2010 2011	565.4 573.4	392.9 397.2	372.6 375.9	20.3 21.4	69.5 69.3	5.2 5.4	65.9 65.6
Interlake <i>[4660]</i> 2010 2011	72.2 72.7	49.5 51.2	47.7 48.9	1.8 2.4	68.6 70.4	3.6 4.7	66.1 67.3
Parklands and North <i>[4670, 4680]</i> 2010 2011	60.3 59.7	43.2 39.3	41.2 37.6		71.6 65.8	4.6 4.3	68.3 63.0
Saskatchewan 2010 2011	794.8 803.6	549.9 549.7	522.6 525.6	27.3 24.1	69.2 68.4	5.0 4.4	65.8 65.4
Regina-Moose Mountain <i>[4710]</i> 2010 2011	235.7 238.9	170.3 174.5	164.1 169.0	6.2 5.4	72.3 73.0	3.6 3.1	69.6 70.7
Swift Current-Moose Jaw <i>[4720]</i> 2010 2011	81.2 81.1	53.3 50.9	50.6 48.9	2.6 2.0	65.6 62.8	4.9 3.9	62.3 60.3
Saskatoon-Biggar <i>[4730]</i> 2010 2011	261.6 266.9	179.7 182.0	171.2 173.8	8.5 8.2	68.7 68.2	4.7 4.5	65.4 65.1
Yorkton-Melville <i>[4740]</i> 2010 2011	63.2 62.8	40.8 41.7	38.4 40.1	2.4 1.7	64.6 66.4	5.9 4.1	60.8 63.9
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] 2010 2011	153.1 153.8	105.8 100.6	98.2 93.8		69.1 65.4	7.2 6.8	64.1 61.0
Alberta 2010 2011	2,976.3 3,025.5	2,147.5 2,230.1	2,029.8 2,125.6	117.7 104.5	72.2 73.7	5.5 4.7	68.2 70.3
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat <i>[4810]</i> 2010 2011	217.8 220.0	142.4 150.0	136.3 143.8		65.4 68.2	4.3 4.1	62.6 65.4
Camrose-Drumheller <i>[4820]</i> 2010 2011	155.7 156.3	110.3 111.0	104.8 106.7	5.5 4.3	70.8 71.0	5.0 3.9	67.3 68.3
Calgary <i>[4830]</i> 2010 2011	1,097.1 1,119.2	804.6 835.5	757.0 794.3	47.6 41.2	73.3 74.7	5.9 4.9	69.0 71.0
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840] 2010 2011	71.7 71.9	55.5 53.9	52.2 52.2		77.4 75.0	5.9 3.2	72.8 72.6

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in December 2010 and December 2011

	Population		Labour force		Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	sands				
Red Deer <i>[4850]</i> 2010 2011	152.9 155.2	111.7 117.9	105.9 111.8	5.8 6.2	73.1 76.0	5.2 5.3	69.3 72.0
Edmonton <i>[4860]</i> 2010 2011	990.0 1,007.8	705.8 737.2	668.0 703.0		71.3 73.1	5.4 4.6	67.5 69.8
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870] 2010 2011	190.0 191.1	136.4 141.4	128.7 134.3		71.8 74.0	5.6 5.0	67.7 70.3
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake <i>[4880]</i> 2010 2011	101.0 104.0	80.7 83.2	76.8 79.5		79.9 80.0	4.8 4.3	76.0 76.4
British Columbia 2010 2011	3,751.3 3,792.5	2,439.1 2,447.1	2,269.6 2,290.2		65.0 64.5	7.0 6.4	60.5 60.4
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910] 2010 2011	652.5 657.0	402.7 381.8	379.0 357.7		61.7 58.1	5.9 6.3	58.1 54.4
Lower Mainland-Southwest <i>[5920]</i> 2010 2011	2,289.6 2,325.3	1,506.8 1,536.3	1,402.0 1,439.3		65.8 66.1	7.0 6.3	61.2 61.9
Thompson-Okanagan <i>[5930]</i> 2010 2011	435.9 437.8	285.2 273.3	262.4 255.2		65.4 62.4	8.0 6.6	60.2 58.3
Kootenay <i>[5940]</i> 2010 2011	127.0 127.3	72.3 80.8	66.0 75.4	6.3 5.5	56.9 63.5	8.7 6.8	52.0 59.2
Cariboo <i>[5950]</i> 2010 2011	127.7 127.2	87.3 88.2	81.2 81.8		68.4 69.3	7.0 7.3	63.6 64.3
North Coast and Nechako <i>[5960, 5970]</i> 2010 2011	67.0 66.5	45.3 48.0	42.1 43.2	3.2 4.7	67.6 72.2	7.1 9.8	62.8 65.0
Northeast <i>[5980]</i> 2010 2011	51.6 51.5	39.5 38.7	36.7 37.7	2.8 x	76.6 75.1	7.1 x	71.1 73.2

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

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

	Population		Labour force		Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in thous	ands			percent	
Yukon 1 2010 2011	26.1 26.7	18.7 20.4	17.9 19.4	0.8 1.0	71.6 76.4	4.3 4.9	68.6 72.7
Northwest Territories ² 2010 2011	32.2 32.1	23.6 24.0	21.7 22.1	1.8 1.9	73.3 74.8	7.6 7.9	67.4 68.8
Nunavut ³ 2010 2011	21.3 20.9	13.8 13.4	11.8 11.4	2.1 2.0	65.0 64.3	14.9 14.9	55.3 54.8

Table 6-2 Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in December 2010 and December 2011

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

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

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

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

Table 7

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

		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 o	lollars	thousands		current dollars	thousands		current dollars
		•				•				
December 2011 15 years and over	14,597.7	35.1	853.57	23.39	11,807.8	39.4	986.86	2,789.9	17.0	289.47
15 to 24 years	2,291.8	26.3	386.49	13.58	1,099.8	39.4	618.95	1,192.0	14.8	172.01
25 years and over	12,305.9	36.7	940.56	25.22	10,708.0	39.4	1,024.64	1,597.9	18.7	377.10
Men	7,302.2	37.7	975.94	25.17	6,446.0	40.6	1,071.21	856.2	16.2	258.64
Women	7,295.5	32.5	731.09	21.61	5,361.7	37.9	885.44	1,933.7	17.4	303.13
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,560.1	35.7	976.53	26.98	3,887.0	38.6	1,070.81	673.1	18.9	432.09
No union coverage	10,037.6	34.8	797.71	21.76	7,920.8	39.7	945.66	2,116.8	16.4	244.12
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,748.3	36.1	894.30	24.03	10,779.6	39.4	1,000.87	1,968.7	18.1	310.74
Temporary	1,849.4	28.4	572.84	19.00	1,028.1	39.5	839.90	821.3	14.4	238.50
Occupation	c=c =		4 400 00	<u> </u>			4 465 5-			F00 0-
Management	979.7	39.7	1,436.63	36.37	946.6	40.4	1,468.30	33.2	18.2	532.60
Business, finance and administrative	2,778.8 1,105.1	34.9 38.6	788.30 1,280.95	22.05 33.10	2,332.2 1,066.8	38.2 39.4	880.64 1,307.24	446.7 38.3	17.5 18.2	306.23 547.97
Natural and applied sciences Health	1,020.1	34.0	920.18	27.00	780.7	38.2	1,037.18	239.4	20.3	538.56
Social science, education, government	1,02011	01.0	020.10	21.00	100.1	00.2	1,001.10	200.1	20.0	000.00
service and religion	1,440.6	34.2	1,052.60	30.45	1,172.7	38.2	1,187.88	267.9	16.7	460.48
Art, culture, recreation and sport	364.8	30.8	783.45	23.68	256.1	38.8	1,022.42	108.7	12.2	220.54
Sales and service	3,737.1	30.0	497.55	15.44	2,289.0	38.4	681.09	1,448.1	16.7	207.45
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,169.6	40.0	932.41	23.04	2,024.9	41.6	978.15	144.6	17.8	292.20
Occupations unique to primary industry	233.1	42.7	983.93	22.31	208.0	46.2	1,081.13	25.1	13.2	179.22
Occupations unique to processing,							,			
manufacturing and utilities	768.8	38.9	772.73	19.64	730.9	40.1	800.84	37.9	16.6	230.86
D										
December 2010 15 years and over	14,462.2	34.9	829.72	22.88	11,625.8	39.2	962.75	2,836.4	17.0	284.48
15 to 24 years	2,310.3	25.9	367.66	13.21	1,079.3	39.2	591.96	1,231.1	14.8	171.01
25 years and over	12,151.8	36.6	917.57	24.71	10,546.5	39.3	1,000.69	1,605.3	18.7	371.49
Men	7,220.2	37.5	949.92	24.61	6,340.1	40.5	1,047.00	880.1	16.2	250.62
Women	7,241.9	32.3	709.89	21.14	5,285.7	37.8	861.69	1,956.3	17.4	299.71
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,606.9	35.4	946.19	26.34	3,898.6	38.5	1,041.21	708.3	18.8	423.20
No union coverage	9,855.3	34.6	775.28	21.26	7,727.2	39.6	923.16	2,128.1	16.4	238.30
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,659.5	35.8	867.94	23.46	10,647.3	39.2	975.28	2,012.1	17.9	299.91
Temporary	1,802.7	28.2	561.36	18.78	978.5	39.4	826.34	824.2	14.9	246.79
Occupation										
Management	975.0	39.8	1,403.60	35.25	949.8	40.3	1,426.27	25.2	20.2	549.76
Business, finance and administrative	2,802.8	35.1	776.87	21.66	2,387.5	38.1	860.40	415.3	17.5	296.67
Natural and applied sciences	1,085.6	38.3	1,221.24	31.79	1,041.8	39.2	1,254.75	43.9	17.4	425.39
Health Social science, education, government	967.4	33.0	879.37	26.56	716.6	37.6	1,002.26	250.8	20.0	528.23
service and religion	1,463.8	33.4	1,001.52	29.55	1,156.6	37.9	1,147.03	307.2	16.8	453.72
Art, culture, recreation and sport	330.1	29.6	740.36	23.08	220.9	38.1	994.13	109.2	12.5	226.90
Sales and service	3,744.1	29.8	495.11	15.40	2,259.7	38.4	688.02	1,484.4	16.6	201.44
Trades, transport and equipment										
operators Occupations unique to primary industry	2,113.7	39.9	912.01	22.59	1,964.3	41.6	959.50	149.4	17.9	287.68
	232.8	42.7	921.48	20.83	210.5	45.8	998.63	22.3	14.2	191.88
Occupations unique to printing industry Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	746.9	39.3	764.23	19.30	718.2	40.2	783.37	28.8	18.2	286.39

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 January 8, 2012 to February 4, 2012	
	percent	
Newfoundland and Labrador 01. St.John's 02. Newfoundland and Labrador	7.1 18.2	
Prince Edward Island 03. Prince Edward Island	11.2	
Nova Scotia 04. Eastern Nova Scotia 05. Western Nova Scotia 06. Halifax	16.5 9.7 5.5	
New Brunswick 07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John 08. Madawaska-Charlotte 09. Restigouche-Albert	7.2 11.5 14.5	
Quebec 10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine 11. Québec 12. Trois-Rivières 13. South Central Quebec 14. Sherbrooke 15. Montréal 16. Montréal 17. Central Quebec 18. Northwestern Quebec 19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord 20. Gatineau 21. Saguenay	13.7 4.7 9.0 4.7 6.3 9.5 8.8 8.8 10.1 9.9 7.2 5.6	
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	6.0 8.8 6.3 8.6 7.3 8.6 6.4 7.5 9.6 9.8 11.0 6.8 8.2 5.5 5.5 7.3 11.6	
Manitoba 39. Winnipeg 40. Southern Manitoba 41. Northern Manitoba	5.7 6.2 28.3	
Saskatchewan 42. Regina 43. Saskatoon 44. Southern Saskatchewan 45. Northern Saskatchewan	4.0 5.5 6.5 18.5	
Alberta 46. Calgary 47. Edmonton 48. Northern Alberta 49. Southern Alberta	5.4 5.2 8.9 5.9	

Table 8 - continued

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

Region	Effective from January 8, 2012 to February 4, 2012	
	percent	
British Columbia		
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	8.2	
51. Abbotsford	9.1	
52. Vancouver	6.9	
53. Victoria	6.6	
Southern Coastal British Columbia	7.9	
55. Northern British Columbia	11.5	
Territories		
56. Yukon ²	25.0	
57. Northwest Territories ²	25.0	
58. Nunavut ²	25.0	

1. The boundaries of these regions are determined by Human Resources and Social Development Canada (HRSDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of employment insurance regions, see the HRSDC website: http://srv129.services.gc.ca/eiregions/en/geocont.aspx.

2. All geographic regions are based on the 1996 Census boundaries.

Note(s):

Data quality

About the Labour Force Survey

The statistics contained in this report are based on information obtained through a sample survey of 56,000 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 2006 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 56,000 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