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THE LABOUR FORCE EMPLOYMENT—UNEMPLOYMENT

Week ended November 13, 1965



Summary

Total employment, at 6,939,000 in November, showed a seasonal decline of 69,000 from October. A sharp drop in farm employment was partly offset by an appreciable increase in non-farm employment. Unemployment rose by an estimated 49,000 to 220,000.

Employment in November was 231,000 higher than a year earlier, and unemployment was 37,000 lower. The labour force, at 7,159,000, was 194,000 higher than in November 1964.

Employment

Farm employment decreased 109,000 between October and November, while confarm employment rose by 40,000. The decrease in farm employment was above average for the month owing to a sharp drop in seasonal requirements which were associated with grain harvesting. During October, farm employment had shown unusual strength as a result of delayed harvesting in western Canada.

The increase in non-farm employment was unusual as employment seldom increases during this period.

Total employment remained well ahead of a year earlier. The November figure of 6,939,000 represented an increase of 231,000, or 3.4 per cent. In non-agricultural industries the increase was 293,000, or 4.8 per cent. The service-producing industries accounted for the largest part of this advance; construction employment was also noticeably higher than a year ago. All regions contributed to the increase.

The number of young people employed in November was significantly higher than a year earlier. In November, 639,000 persons aged 14 to 19 years were employed, 30,000 more than in November 1964. In the 20-24 age group 908,000 were employed, an increase of 71,000 over the year.

Unemployment

Unemployment increased by 49,000 to 220,000 between October and November. After a month in which unemployment was virtually unchanged when it usually rises, the increase between October and November was larger than usual. Thus, between September and November, the rise in unemployment was about normal for the period.

The statistics in the Joint Press Release come from <u>The Labour Force</u>, a monthly publication by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The analysis is by the Department of Labour.

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The November estimate of unemployment was 37,000 lower than a year earlier.

Of the 220,000 unemployed in November, some 176,000 had been unemployed for three months or less. The remaining 44,000, or 20 per cent of the total, had been seeking work for four months or more. A year earlier, this group accounted for 26 per cent of the total.

Total unemployment in November represented 3.1 per cent of the labour force compared with 3.7 per cent in November 1964 and 4.4 per cent in November 1963. Unemployment rates were lower than a year ago in all regions. Seasonally adjusted, the November 1965 unemployment rate was 3.6 per cent.

Summary Labour Force Statistics, Canada

	November 13	October 16	November 14
	1965	1965	1964(1)
	(esti	(estimates in thousands)	
Population 14 years of age and over(2)	13,252	13,226	12,929
Labour Force	7,159	7,179	6,965
Employed	6,939	7,008	6,708
Men	4,879	4,931	4,749
	2,060	2,077	1,959
Agriculture	523	632	585
	6,416	6,376	6,123
Unemployed	220	171	257
Men	168	126	201
	89	64	99
	52	45	56
	18	17	21
14-19 years of age	50	45	55
	161	119	196
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Under 1 month unemployed(3)	106	74	108
	70	55	83
	24	22	32
	20	20	34

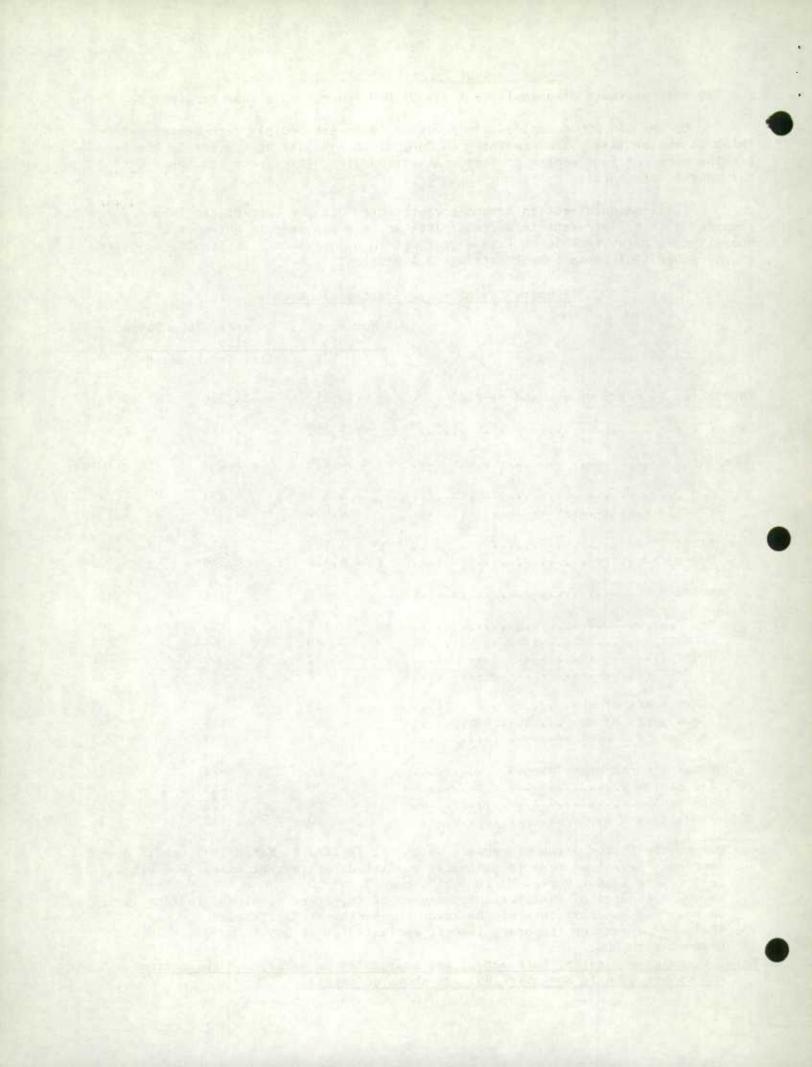
⁽¹⁾ Due to the introduction of revised weighting factors in March 1965, small adjustments have been made to estimates published before that time. See D.B.S. report "The Labour Force, March 1965", page 8.

⁽²⁾ Excludes inmates of institutions, members of the armed services, Indians living on reserves and residents of the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

⁽³⁾ Includes persons on temporary layoff, estimated at 16,000 in November 1965.

* Less than 10,000.

Note: Unemployment rates, both actual and seasonally adjusted, for the period November 1964 to November 1965 are shown on page 3.



Summary Labour Force Statistics, by Region

	November 13	October 16 1965	November 14 1964(1)
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Population 14 years of age and over			
Atlantic	1,276	1,275	
Quebec	3,836	3,828	3,742
Ontario	4,661	4,649	4,534
Prairies	2,224	2,222	2,189
British Columbia	1,255	1,252	1,207
Labour Force			
Atlantic	609	625	586
Quebec	2,038	2,040	1,964
Ontario	2,621	2,596	2,567
Prairies	1,221	1,251	1,206
British Columbia	670	667	642
Employed			
Atlantic	580	602	547
Quebec	1,945	1,965	1,867
Ontario	2,572	2,559	2,506
Prairies	1,197	1,238	1,173
British Columbia	645	644	615
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Unemployed Atlantic	29	23	39
	93	75	97
Quebec	49	37	61
Ontario	24	13	33
Prairies	25	23	27
British Columbia	25	23	21
Unemployment rates	1.10	2 7	(7
Atlantic	448	3.7	6.7
Quebec	4.6	3.7	4.9
Ontario	1.9	1.4	2.4
Prairies	2.0	1.0	2.7
British Columbia	3.7	3.4	4.2

Unemployment Rates, Actual and Seasonally Adjusted, Canada, November 1964 to November 1965, inclusive(1)

	Week ended:		Actual	Seasonally adjusted(2)
1964 November	November	14	3.7	4.3
	December	12	4.1	3.9
1965	January	16	5.9	4.2
	February	20	5.8	3.9
	March	20	5.6	3.9
	April	17	5.3	4.2
	May	22	3.7	4.2
	June	19	3.5	4.5
	July	24	3.3	4.3
	August	21	2.8	4.0
	September	18	2.5	3.6
	October	16	2.4	3.2
	November	13	3.1	3.6

⁽¹⁾ See footnote(1), page 2.

⁽²⁾ The seasonally adjusted series is subject to periodic revisions when more up-to-date estimates of change in seasonal patterns become available.

Note: Unemployment rates are expressed as percentages of the labour force.

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