

Job vacancies in brief, three-month average ending in April 2014

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In April, there were 227,000 job vacancies among Canadian businesses, little changed compared with April 2013. There were 6.1 unemployed people for every job vacancy, also little changed compared with one year earlier.

The national job vacancy rate was 1.5% in April, virtually unchanged compared with 12 months earlier.

Note to readers

Monthly data are based on three-month moving averages. For example, data for the current month are based on an average of the data from the current month and the previous two months.

Data on job vacancies are not seasonally adjusted and should only be compared on a year-over-year basis. Given this is a new data series, trends are not yet available; therefore, data should be interpreted with caution.

With each release, data for the current reference month are subject to revision. Data for the previous month have been revised. Users are encouraged to request and use the most up-to-date data for each month.

The differences between estimates presented in the text are statistically significant at the 68% confidence level.

Available in CANSIM: tables 284-0001 and 284-0003.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5202.

The job vacancies release for May will be on August 19.

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