

**Table 3**  
**Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted**

	January 2017	February 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>									
Population	445.2	<b>445.4</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	1.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.4
Labour force	265.9	<b>262.8</b>	2.1	-3.1	-4.8	-6.6	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.8	-2.4
Employment	229.3	<b>225.5</b>	2.2	-3.8	-1.6	-6.4	<b>-1.7</b>	-0.7	-2.8
Employment full-time	191.2	<b>190.1</b>	2.6	-1.1	1.2	-4.6	<b>-0.6</b>	0.6	-2.4
Employment part-time	38.2	<b>35.4</b>	2.2	-2.8	-2.8	-1.8	<b>-7.3</b>	-7.3	-4.8
Unemployment	36.6	<b>37.3</b>	2.1	0.7	-3.2	-0.1	<b>1.9</b>	-7.9	-0.3
Participation rate	59.7	<b>59.0</b>	0.5	-0.7	-1.1	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.8	<b>14.2</b>	0.7	<b>0.4</b>	-0.9	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.5	<b>50.6</b>	0.5	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.4	-1.7	...	...	...
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>									
Population	122.6	<b>122.8</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	1.6	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	1.3
Labour force	80.7	<b>81.1</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.5	0.6	<b>0.5</b>	0.6	0.7
Employment	72.7	<b>73.0</b>	0.7	<b>0.3</b>	0.9	1.4	<b>0.4</b>	1.2	2.0
Employment full-time	61.5	<b>62.2</b>	0.8	<b>0.7</b>	3.2	1.3	<b>1.1</b>	5.4	2.1
Employment part-time	11.3	<b>10.8</b>	0.7	<b>-0.5</b>	-2.3	0.0	<b>-4.4</b>	-17.6	0.0
Unemployment	7.9	<b>8.1</b>	0.6	<b>0.2</b>	-0.4	-0.8	<b>2.5</b>	-4.7	-9.0
Participation rate	65.8	<b>66.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	<b>10.0</b>	0.7	<b>0.2</b>	-0.5	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.3	<b>59.4</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
<b>Nova Scotia</b>									
Population	790.3	<b>790.5</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	3.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.4
Labour force	490.5	<b>485.0</b>	2.5	<b>-5.5</b>	-3.9	-3.8	<b>-1.1</b>	-0.8	-0.8
Employment	452.7	<b>445.9</b>	2.7	<b>-6.8</b>	-2.6	1.7	<b>-1.5</b>	-0.6	0.4
Employment full-time	363.5	<b>362.3</b>	3.5	<b>-1.2</b>	7.2	-2.7	<b>-0.3</b>	2.0	-0.7
Employment part-time	89.2	<b>83.7</b>	3.2	<b>-5.5</b>	-9.7	4.4	<b>-6.2</b>	-10.4	5.5
Unemployment	37.9	<b>39.1</b>	2.3	<b>1.2</b>	-1.3	-5.5	<b>3.2</b>	-3.2	-12.3
Participation rate	62.1	<b>61.4</b>	0.3	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	<b>8.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	-0.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	<b>56.4</b>	0.3	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
<b>New Brunswick</b>									
Population	624.0	<b>624.0</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	1.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2
Labour force	386.6	<b>386.3</b>	2.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-5.2	2.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.3	0.7
Employment	351.9	<b>351.9</b>	2.2	<b>0.0</b>	-3.0	5.9	<b>0.0</b>	-0.8	1.7
Employment full-time	300.2	<b>301.3</b>	2.8	<b>1.1</b>	2.3	8.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.8	3.0
Employment part-time	51.7	<b>50.6</b>	2.4	<b>-1.1</b>	-5.4	-2.9	<b>-2.1</b>	-9.6	-5.4
Unemployment	34.6	<b>34.5</b>	2.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-2.1	-3.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-5.7	-8.5
Participation rate	62.0	<b>61.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.9	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	<b>8.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-0.4	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	<b>56.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	0.8	...	...	...
<b>Quebec</b>									
Population	6,909.7	<b>6,912.1</b>	...	<b>2.4</b>	6.2	42.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.6
Labour force	4,482.1	<b>4,478.2</b>	14.8	<b>-3.9</b>	-15.1	36.9	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	0.8
Employment	4,202.6	<b>4,191.5</b>	15.5	<b>-11.1</b>	-7.7	83.0	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.2	2.0
Employment full-time	3,390.5	<b>3,380.0</b>	21.6	<b>-10.5</b>	-16.1	54.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.5	1.6
Employment part-time	812.1	<b>811.5</b>	19.5	<b>-0.6</b>	8.4	28.1	<b>-0.1</b>	1.0	3.6
Unemployment	279.5	<b>286.7</b>	13.3	<b>7.2</b>	-7.4	-46.0	<b>2.6</b>	-2.5	-13.8
Participation rate	64.9	<b>64.8</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	<b>6.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	<b>56.4</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.8	...	...	...
<b>Ontario</b>									
Population	11,604.3	<b>11,615.2</b>	...	<b>10.9</b>	23.8	149.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.3
Labour force	7,559.9	<b>7,549.0</b>	20.7	<b>-10.9</b>	23.4	73.3	<b>-0.1</b>	0.3	1.0
Employment	7,075.2	<b>7,079.8</b>	19.7	<b>4.6</b>	33.4	107.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	1.5
Employment full-time	5,695.4	<b>5,748.6</b>	26.6	<b>53.2</b>	58.5	100.7	<b>0.9</b>	1.0	1.8
Employment part-time	1,379.8	<b>1,331.2</b>	25.2	<b>-48.6</b>	-25.1	6.8	<b>-3.5</b>	-1.9	0.5
Unemployment	484.8	<b>469.2</b>	16.4	<b>-15.6</b>	-10.0	-34.1	<b>-3.2</b>	-2.1	-6.8
Participation rate	65.1	<b>65.0</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	<b>6.2</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	<b>61.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	0.2	...	...	...

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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<b>Manitoba</b>									
Population	1,006.1	<b>1,007.4</b>	...	1.3	3.0	13.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.3
Labour force	675.6	<b>677.2</b>	2.6	<b>1.6</b>	1.9	5.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	0.9
Employment	634.3	<b>637.7</b>	2.6	<b>3.4</b>	4.7	6.6	<b>0.5</b>	0.7	1.0
Employment full-time	513.1	<b>517.0</b>	3.6	<b>3.9</b>	7.6	7.8	<b>0.8</b>	1.5	1.5
Employment part-time	121.2	<b>120.7</b>	3.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-2.9	-1.2	<b>-0.4</b>	-2.3	-1.0
Unemployment	41.3	<b>39.5</b>	2.0	<b>-1.8</b>	-2.8	-0.7	<b>-4.4</b>	-6.6	-1.7
Participation rate	67.2	<b>67.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>5.8</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.0	<b>63.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	872.7	<b>873.4</b>	...	<b>0.7</b>	0.9	7.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.9
Labour force	606.3	<b>612.5</b>	2.6	<b>6.2</b>	4.4	9.4	<b>1.0</b>	0.7	1.6
Employment	567.5	<b>575.5</b>	2.6	<b>8.0</b>	7.3	8.8	<b>1.4</b>	1.3	1.6
Employment full-time	463.6	<b>469.9</b>	3.4	<b>6.3</b>	3.3	3.2	<b>1.4</b>	0.7	0.7
Employment part-time	103.9	<b>105.6</b>	3.1	<b>1.7</b>	4.0	5.5	<b>1.6</b>	3.9	5.5
Unemployment	38.8	<b>36.9</b>	2.2	<b>-1.9</b>	-3.0	0.5	<b>-4.9</b>	-7.5	1.4
Participation rate	69.5	<b>70.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.6</b>	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	<b>6.0</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.6	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.0	<b>65.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.9</b>	0.8	0.4	...	...	...
<b>Alberta</b>									
Population	3,411.4	<b>3,414.2</b>	...	<b>2.8</b>	4.6	28.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8
Labour force	2,487.8	<b>2,473.7</b>	9.4	<b>-14.1</b>	-5.5	5.6	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.2	0.2
Employment	2,267.6	<b>2,268.9</b>	10.1	<b>1.3</b>	1.5	-5.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.2
Employment full-time	1,821.8	<b>1,841.1</b>	13.7	<b>19.3</b>	-5.0	-23.1	<b>1.1</b>	-0.3	-1.2
Employment part-time	445.8	<b>427.8</b>	12.4	<b>-18.0</b>	6.6	17.8	<b>-4.0</b>	1.6	4.3
Unemployment	220.1	<b>204.8</b>	8.8	<b>-15.3</b>	-7.1	10.9	<b>-7.0</b>	-3.4	5.6
Participation rate	72.9	<b>72.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	<b>8.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.5	<b>66.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
<b>British Columbia</b>									
Population	3,955.7	<b>3,959.4</b>	...	<b>3.7</b>	6.6	49.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.3
Labour force	2,562.3	<b>2,568.9</b>	10.6	<b>6.6</b>	12.5	50.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	2.0
Employment	2,419.4	<b>2,438.8</b>	10.4	<b>19.4</b>	30.6	84.9	<b>0.8</b>	1.3	3.6
Employment full-time	1,892.8	<b>1,926.2</b>	14.6	<b>33.4</b>	58.8	89.1	<b>1.8</b>	3.1	4.9
Employment part-time	526.6	<b>512.7</b>	14.0	<b>-13.9</b>	-28.1	-4.0	<b>-2.6</b>	-5.2	-0.8
Unemployment	142.9	<b>130.1</b>	9.0	<b>-12.8</b>	-18.1	-34.5	<b>-9.0</b>	-12.2	-21.0
Participation rate	64.8	<b>64.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>5.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.7	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	<b>61.6</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.7	1.4	...	...	...

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. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.