

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

	November 2008	December 2008	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>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	427.4	<b>427.6</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	3.1	3.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.7	0.7
Labour force	253.3	<b>252.1</b>	2.2	<b>-1.2</b>	1.9	1.9	<b>-0.5</b>	0.8	0.8
Employment	218.7	<b>217.5</b>	2.3	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.3	-1.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.6	-0.6
Employment full-time	186.0	<b>185.7</b>	2.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-2.9	-2.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-1.5	-1.5
Unemployment	34.6	<b>34.6</b>	2.1	<b>0.0</b>	3.2	3.2	<b>0.0</b>	10.2	10.2
Participation rate	59.3	<b>59.0</b>	0.5	<b>-0.3</b>	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.7	<b>13.7</b>	0.8	<b>0.0</b>	1.2	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.2	<b>50.9</b>	0.5	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.0	<b>14.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.3</b>	0.8	0.8	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	62.0	<b>61.9</b>	...	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.0	-1.0	<b>-0.2</b>	-1.6	-1.6
Labour force	34.2	<b>34.5</b>	1.1	<b>0.3</b>	1.1	1.1	<b>0.9</b>	3.3	3.3
Employment	27.3	<b>26.7</b>	1.1	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.5	-0.5	<b>-2.2</b>	-1.8	-1.8
Unemployment	6.9	<b>7.7</b>	1.0	<b>0.8</b>	1.5	1.5	<b>11.6</b>	24.2	24.2
Participation rate	55.2	<b>55.7</b>	1.8	<b>0.5</b>	2.6	2.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	20.2	<b>22.3</b>	2.7	<b>2.1</b>	3.7	3.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	44.0	<b>43.1</b>	1.7	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.7	<b>49.4</b>	3.6	<b>4.7</b>	9.7	9.7	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	176.3	<b>176.4</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	1.6	1.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	0.9
Labour force	115.3	<b>114.0</b>	1.3	<b>-1.3</b>	-0.4	-0.4	<b>-1.1</b>	-0.3	-0.3
Employment	98.3	<b>98.0</b>	1.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-3.5	-3.5	<b>-0.3</b>	-3.4	-3.4
Unemployment	17.0	<b>16.1</b>	1.3	<b>-0.9</b>	3.2	3.2	<b>-5.3</b>	24.8	24.8
Participation rate	65.4	<b>64.6</b>	0.7	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.7	<b>14.1</b>	1.1	<b>-0.6</b>	2.8	2.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	<b>55.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-2.5	-2.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.0	<b>5.0</b>	0.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.7	0.7	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	189.1	<b>189.3</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	2.6	2.6	<b>0.1</b>	1.4	1.4
Labour force	103.8	<b>103.5</b>	1.2	<b>-0.3</b>	1.1	1.1	<b>-0.3</b>	1.1	1.1
Employment	93.1	<b>92.8</b>	1.2	<b>-0.3</b>	2.7	2.7	<b>-0.3</b>	3.0	3.0
Unemployment	10.7	<b>10.8</b>	1.2	<b>0.1</b>	-1.5	-1.5	<b>0.9</b>	-12.2	-12.2
Participation rate	54.9	<b>54.7</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.3	<b>10.4</b>	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	-1.6	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.2	<b>49.0</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	0.7	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.8	<b>14.9</b>	1.4	<b>-1.9</b>	-1.8	-1.8	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
	218.7	<b>217.5</b>	2.3	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.3	-1.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.6	-0.6
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	0.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.9	-0.9	<b>66.7</b>	-64.3	-64.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	15.8	<b>16.3</b>	1.0	<b>0.5</b>	-0.7	-0.7	<b>3.2</b>	-4.1	-4.1
Utilities	1.5	<b>1.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	-0.1	-0.1	<b>20.0</b>	-5.3	-5.3
Construction	16.7	<b>17.3</b>	1.0	<b>0.6</b>	3.1	3.1	<b>3.6</b>	21.8	21.8
Manufacturing	12.4	<b>12.6</b>	1.1	<b>0.2</b>	-2.6	-2.6	<b>1.6</b>	-17.1	-17.1
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
	172.0	<b>169.0</b>	2.1	<b>-3.0</b>	-0.2	-0.2	<b>-1.7</b>	-0.1	-0.1
Trade	34.4	<b>34.4</b>	1.3	<b>0.0</b>	-2.1	-2.1	<b>0.0</b>	-5.8	-5.8
Transportation and warehousing	10.4	<b>10.9</b>	0.8	<b>0.5</b>	0.8	0.8	<b>4.8</b>	7.9	7.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	6.8	<b>7.0</b>	0.6	<b>0.2</b>	-1.3	-1.3	<b>2.9</b>	-15.7	-15.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	8.1	<b>8.1</b>	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	2.5	2.5
Business, building and other support services	7.7	<b>7.7</b>	0.8	<b>0.0</b>	-1.3	-1.3	<b>0.0</b>	-14.4	-14.4
Educational services	17.7	<b>17.5</b>	0.8	<b>-0.2</b>	2.2	2.2	<b>-1.1</b>	14.4	14.4
Health care and social assistance	34.8	<b>33.2</b>	1.0	<b>-1.6</b>	0.8	0.8	<b>-4.6</b>	2.5	2.5
Information, culture and recreation	8.2	<b>7.7</b>	0.7	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.6	-1.6	<b>-6.1</b>	-17.2	-17.2
Accommodation and food services	12.4	<b>11.8</b>	1.0	<b>-0.6</b>	-3.4	-3.4	<b>-4.8</b>	-22.4	-22.4
Other services	13.2	<b>13.5</b>	0.7	<b>0.3</b>	4.6	4.6	<b>2.3</b>	51.7	51.7
Public administration	18.3	<b>17.2</b>	0.9	<b>-1.1</b>	1.0	1.0	<b>-6.0</b>	6.2	6.2

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

**Note(s):** Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.