

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

	November 2008	December 2008	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	6,395.8	6,400.1	...	4.3	59.9	59.9	0.1	0.9	0.9
Labour force	4,193.4	4,191.7	14.3	-1.7	16.9	16.9	0.0	0.4	0.4
Employment	3,893.8	3,884.4	14.7	-9.4	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0
Employment full-time	3,184.2	3,135.5	19.3	-48.7	-13.7	-13.7	-1.5	-0.4	-0.4
Unemployment	299.6	307.2	12.8	7.6	16.7	16.7	2.5	5.7	5.7
Participation rate	65.6	65.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	7.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	60.7	0.2	-0.2	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	19.3	0.4	1.1	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	960.8	961.0	...	0.2	4.1	4.1	0.0	0.4	0.4
Labour force	655.1	644.3	8.1	-10.8	4.3	4.3	-1.6	0.7	0.7
Employment	574.7	559.3	8.0	-15.4	-5.5	-5.5	-2.7	-1.0	-1.0
Unemployment	80.3	85.0	7.1	4.7	9.8	9.8	5.9	13.0	13.0
Participation rate	68.2	67.0	0.8	-1.2	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.3	13.2	1.0	0.9	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	58.2	0.8	-1.6	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.4	52.3	1.5	2.9	4.3	4.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,655.7	2,657.8	...	2.1	28.0	28.0	0.1	1.1	1.1
Labour force	1,866.2	1,865.6	7.7	-0.6	-17.1	-17.1	0.0	-0.9	-0.9
Employment	1,735.7	1,728.0	8.4	-7.7	-21.7	-21.7	-0.4	-1.2	-1.2
Unemployment	130.5	137.5	7.8	7.0	4.5	4.5	5.4	3.4	3.4
Participation rate	70.3	70.2	0.3	-0.1	-1.4	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.0	0.3	-0.4	-1.5	-1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.4	7.4	0.5	1.0	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,779.3	2,781.2	...	1.9	27.7	27.7	0.1	1.0	1.0
Labour force	1,672.1	1,681.8	8.0	9.7	29.7	29.7	0.6	1.8	1.8
Employment	1,583.4	1,597.1	8.3	13.7	27.3	27.3	0.9	1.7	1.7
Unemployment	88.7	84.7	6.8	-4.0	2.4	2.4	-4.5	2.9	2.9
Participation rate	60.2	60.5	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.0	0.4	-0.3	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	57.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.9	20.6	0.7	0.7	-1.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Industry									
	3,893.8	3,884.4	14.7	-9.4	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	896.3	873.4	11.9	-22.9	-6.2	-6.2	-2.6	-0.7	-0.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	54.9	52.1	3.5	-2.8	-18.8	-18.8	-5.1	-26.5	-26.5
Utilities	33.3	31.9	2.3	-1.4	-3.1	-3.1	-4.2	-8.9	-8.9
Construction	30.4	30.9	2.3	0.5	-0.8	-0.8	1.6	-2.5	-2.5
Manufacturing	227.0	208.5	6.4	-18.5	-1.1	-1.1	-8.1	-0.5	-0.5
	550.6	550.1	9.6	-0.5	17.8	17.8	-0.1	3.3	3.3
Services-producing sector									
Trade	2,997.5	3,011.0	16.1	13.5	6.3	6.3	0.5	0.2	0.2
Transportation and warehousing	623.0	606.0	11.0	-17.0	-35.4	-35.4	-2.7	-5.5	-5.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	167.1	181.1	6.2	14.0	-7.5	-7.5	8.4	-4.0	-4.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	223.9	223.1	6.6	-0.8	-10.4	-10.4	-0.4	-4.5	-4.5
Business, building and other support services	262.2	259.6	7.8	-2.6	-7.3	-7.3	-1.0	-2.7	-2.7
Educational services	140.9	147.0	6.0	6.1	12.1	12.1	4.3	9.0	9.0
Health care and social assistance	249.5	245.3	7.1	-4.2	-17.4	-17.4	-1.7	-6.6	-6.6
Information, culture and recreation	490.4	498.8	8.1	8.4	37.8	37.8	1.7	8.2	8.2
Accommodation and food services	179.2	179.6	6.4	0.4	15.0	15.0	0.2	9.1	9.1
Other services	251.2	243.0	7.7	-8.2	-3.0	-3.0	-3.3	-1.2	-1.2
Public administration	178.5	171.4	6.1	-7.1	-11.1	-11.1	-4.0	-6.1	-6.1
	231.6	256.2	5.8	24.6	33.7	33.7	10.6	15.1	15.1

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.