

Table 3
Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	January 2009	February 2009	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)									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	427.8	427.9	...	0.1	0.3	2.7	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	252.2	253.3	2.2	1.1	1.3	-2.5	0.4	0.5	-1.0
Employment	216.2	215.0	2.2	-1.2	-2.5	-7.5	-0.6	-1.1	-3.4
Employment full-time	186.6	183.6	2.5	-3.0	-2.0	-5.0	-1.6	-1.1	-2.7
Employment part-time	29.6	31.4	1.9	1.8	-0.4	-2.5	6.1	-1.3	-7.4
Unemployment	36.0	38.3	2.1	2.3	3.8	5.0	6.4	11.0	15.0
Participation rate	59.0	59.2	0.5	0.2	0.3	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.3	15.1	0.8	0.8	1.4	2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.5	50.2	0.5	-0.3	-0.7	-2.1	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	115.3	115.3	...	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.0	0.0	1.2
Labour force	77.5	78.2	0.6	0.7	-0.3	-0.2	0.9	-0.4	-0.3
Employment	68.3	68.6	0.7	0.3	-0.6	-2.0	0.4	-0.9	-2.8
Employment full-time	57.4	58.3	0.8	0.9	0.5	-1.5	1.6	0.9	-2.5
Employment part-time	10.9	10.3	0.7	-0.6	-1.1	-0.5	-5.5	-9.6	-4.6
Unemployment	9.2	9.6	0.6	0.4	0.4	1.8	4.3	4.3	23.1
Participation rate	67.2	67.8	0.5	0.6	-0.3	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.9	12.3	0.8	0.4	0.6	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	59.5	0.6	0.3	-0.5	-2.5	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	770.9	771.4	...	0.5	0.8	4.8	0.1	0.1	0.6
Labour force	497.8	500.4	2.8	2.6	6.4	13.7	0.5	1.3	2.8
Employment	454.1	456.4	2.9	2.3	2.9	7.0	0.5	0.6	1.6
Employment full-time	370.7	372.3	3.6	1.6	0.7	6.4	0.4	0.2	1.7
Employment part-time	83.4	84.1	3.1	0.7	2.1	0.7	0.8	2.6	0.8
Unemployment	43.7	44.0	2.6	0.3	3.5	6.7	0.7	8.6	18.0
Participation rate	64.6	64.9	0.4	0.3	0.8	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.8	0.5	0.0	0.6	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.9	59.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	620.0	620.4	...	0.4	0.7	4.3	0.1	0.1	0.7
Labour force	403.4	400.6	2.4	-2.8	-0.4	-0.1	-0.7	-0.1	0.0
Employment	368.2	365.3	2.5	-2.9	-1.3	-2.3	-0.8	-0.4	-0.6
Employment full-time	309.2	310.6	3.0	1.4	-0.2	-1.9	0.5	-0.1	-0.6
Employment part-time	58.9	54.6	2.4	-4.3	-1.2	-0.5	-7.3	-2.2	-0.9
Unemployment	35.2	35.4	2.2	0.2	1.0	2.3	0.6	2.9	6.9
Participation rate	65.1	64.6	0.4	-0.5	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.8	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	58.9	0.4	-0.5	-0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,405.0	6,411.2	...	6.2	11.1	62.3	0.1	0.2	1.0
Labour force	4,181.9	4,169.3	14.2	-12.6	-22.3	-17.7	-0.3	-0.5	-0.4
Employment	3,858.5	3,840.1	14.7	-18.4	-44.2	-52.9	-0.5	-1.1	-1.4
Employment full-time	3,142.7	3,114.2	19.0	-28.5	-20.6	-70.4	-0.9	-0.7	-2.2
Employment part-time	715.8	725.9	17.4	10.1	-23.6	17.6	1.4	-3.1	2.5
Unemployment	323.4	329.2	12.7	5.8	22.0	35.1	1.8	7.2	11.9
Participation rate	65.3	65.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.9
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.9	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.9
Employment rate	60.2	59.9	0.2	-0.3	-0.8	-1.4

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Ontario									
Population	10,591.9	10,604.6	...	12.7	23.8	156.3	0.1	0.2	1.5
Labour force	7,164.3	7,185.6	18.4	21.3	3.6	58.1	0.3	0.1	0.8
Employment	6,594.2	6,558.9	18.8	-35.3	-106.3	-131.9	-0.5	-1.6	-2.0
Employment full-time	5,372.6	5,316.7	23.8	-55.9	-104.4	-172.1	-1.0	-1.9	-3.1
Employment part-time	1,221.6	1,242.2	22.1	20.6	-1.9	40.2	1.7	-0.2	3.3
Unemployment	570.1	626.7	15.9	56.6	109.9	190.0	9.9	21.3	43.5
Participation rate	67.6	67.8	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.7	0.2	0.7	1.5	2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.3	61.8	0.2	-0.5	-1.2	-2.2	...	...	...
Manitoba									
Population	915.6	916.8	...	1.2	2.0	11.7	0.1	0.2	1.3
Labour force	636.5	638.4	2.7	1.9	1.9	10.1	0.3	0.3	1.6
Employment	607.2	607.9	2.8	0.7	-1.2	5.9	0.1	-0.2	1.0
Employment full-time	492.5	494.2	3.9	1.7	1.1	4.1	0.3	0.2	0.8
Employment part-time	114.7	113.7	3.6	-1.0	-2.3	1.8	-0.9	-2.0	1.6
Unemployment	29.3	30.5	2.2	1.2	3.1	4.1	4.1	11.3	15.5
Participation rate	69.5	69.6	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.8	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	66.3	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	774.7	775.6	...	0.9	1.6	14.9	0.1	0.2	2.0
Labour force	544.1	548.3	2.3	4.2	5.3	16.8	0.8	1.0	3.2
Employment	521.9	522.5	2.4	0.6	2.2	12.8	0.1	0.4	2.5
Employment full-time	423.7	424.2	3.2	0.5	-2.2	4.7	0.1	-0.5	1.1
Employment part-time	98.2	98.3	2.9	0.1	4.4	8.1	0.1	4.7	9.0
Unemployment	22.1	25.8	1.8	3.7	3.1	4.0	16.7	13.7	18.3
Participation rate	70.2	70.7	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.7	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	67.4	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	2,830.1	2,836.1	...	6.0	12.4	60.3	0.2	0.4	2.2
Labour force	2,119.3	2,116.5	8.0	-2.8	6.3	47.0	-0.1	0.3	2.3
Employment	2,025.8	2,002.1	8.4	-23.7	-20.4	7.5	-1.2	-1.0	0.4
Employment full-time	1,680.6	1,652.6	11.3	-28.0	-28.2	-25.0	-1.7	-1.7	-1.5
Employment part-time	345.3	349.5	9.8	4.2	7.8	32.5	1.2	2.3	10.3
Unemployment	93.5	114.5	5.8	21.0	26.7	39.6	22.5	30.4	52.9
Participation rate	74.9	74.6	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	5.4	0.3	1.0	1.2	1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.6	70.6	0.3	-1.0	-1.0	-1.3	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,676.8	3,681.8	...	5.0	9.6	67.7	0.1	0.3	1.9
Labour force	2,415.1	2,424.4	9.8	9.3	-8.1	17.3	0.4	-0.3	0.7
Employment	2,267.6	2,262.7	9.9	-4.9	-40.0	-43.7	-0.2	-1.7	-1.9
Employment full-time	1,771.5	1,769.9	14.0	-1.6	-69.7	-68.9	-0.1	-3.8	-3.7
Employment part-time	496.1	492.9	12.8	-3.2	29.7	25.3	-0.6	6.4	5.4
Unemployment	147.5	161.7	7.2	14.2	32.0	61.0	9.6	24.7	60.6
Participation rate	65.7	65.8	0.3	0.1	-0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.7	0.3	0.6	1.4	2.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.5	0.3	-0.2	-1.2	-2.3	...	...	...

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.