

Table 4-6
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Ontario

	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)									
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
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
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	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.5	18.9	0.3	0.4	0.3	1.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,740.1	1,741.2	...	1.1	2.1	12.1	0.1	0.1	0.7
Labour force	1,100.6	1,115.4	11.3	14.8	-6.9	-13.7	1.3	-0.6	-1.2
Employment	936.4	929.6	10.9	-6.8	-20.2	-44.0	-0.7	-2.1	-4.5
Unemployment	164.2	185.8	9.8	21.6	13.3	30.3	13.2	7.7	19.5
Participation rate	63.2	64.1	0.7	0.9	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.9	16.7	0.8	1.8	1.3	2.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.8	53.4	0.6	-0.4	-1.2	-2.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	47.7	48.5	1.1	0.8	1.1	0.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,300.5	4,306.1	...	5.6	10.4	67.6	0.1	0.2	1.6
Labour force	3,196.9	3,187.0	8.9	-9.9	-6.4	34.0	-0.3	-0.2	1.1
Employment	2,959.9	2,925.1	10.1	-34.8	-79.8	-83.7	-1.2	-2.7	-2.8
Unemployment	237.0	261.9	8.9	24.9	73.4	117.8	10.5	38.9	81.7
Participation rate	74.3	74.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	8.2	0.3	0.8	2.3	3.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.8	67.9	0.2	-0.9	-2.1	-3.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.4	7.8	0.3	0.4	0.5	1.6	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,551.3	4,557.3	...	6.0	11.3	76.5	0.1	0.2	1.7
Labour force	2,866.8	2,883.2	10.7	16.4	16.9	37.8	0.6	0.6	1.3
Employment	2,697.9	2,704.3	10.6	6.4	-6.2	-4.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.2
Unemployment	168.9	179.0	8.5	10.1	23.2	42.0	6.0	14.9	30.7
Participation rate	63.0	63.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.2	0.3	0.3	0.8	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.3	59.3	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.6	20.9	0.5	0.2	-0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Industry									
	6,594.2	6,558.9	18.8	-35.3	-106.3	-131.9	-0.5	-1.6	-2.0
Goods-producing sector									
	1,453.0	1,444.7	15.4	-8.3	-49.2	-98.0	-0.6	-3.3	-6.4
Agriculture	81.2	90.0	3.9	8.8	2.6	2.7	10.8	3.0	3.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	36.3	33.7	2.4	-2.6	-0.6	-2.6	-7.2	-1.7	-7.2
Utilities	59.6	58.9	3.2	-0.7	-5.0	-4.2	-1.2	-7.8	-6.7
Construction	440.6	412.7	9.2	-27.9	-24.3	-29.1	-6.3	-5.6	-6.6
Manufacturing	835.4	849.4	12.3	14.0	-21.8	-64.8	1.7	-2.5	-7.1
Services-producing sector									
	5,141.1	5,114.2	20.9	-26.9	-57.1	-33.9	-0.5	-1.1	-0.7
Trade	1,014.8	1,008.7	13.9	-6.1	-18.4	-19.3	-0.6	-1.8	-1.9
Transportation and warehousing	321.6	330.8	8.3	9.2	-16.2	20.4	2.9	-4.7	6.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	513.2	494.3	9.9	-18.9	-0.5	21.1	-3.7	-0.1	4.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	496.3	490.7	10.2	-5.6	-15.8	-8.7	-1.1	-3.1	-1.7
Business, building and other support services	258.9	264.0	8.9	5.1	-12.2	-53.7	2.0	-4.4	-16.9
Educational services	465.2	469.6	9.5	4.4	0.2	-13.0	0.9	0.0	-2.7
Health care and social assistance	710.1	700.2	10.2	-9.9	0.1	8.6	-1.4	0.0	1.2
Information, culture and recreation	312.3	303.5	8.5	-8.8	-9.8	-15.9	-2.8	-3.1	-5.0
Accommodation and food services	387.5	396.3	9.9	8.8	7.5	17.4	2.3	1.9	4.6
Other services	305.5	293.6	7.5	-11.9	-2.2	12.6	-3.9	-0.7	4.5
Public administration	355.6	362.6	7.6	7.0	10.2	-3.5	2.0	2.9	-1.0

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.