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	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
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	in thousands						
Canada ²							
2008	26,748.7	17,890.6	16,817.0	1,073.6	66.9	6.0	62.9
2009	27,129.4	18,082.0	16,729.9	1,352.1	66.7	7.5	61.7
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2008	424.9	242.8	209.1	33.7	57.1	13.9	49.2
2009	427.8	242.3	202.8	39.4	56.6	16.3	47.4
<i>Avalon Peninsula [1010]</i>							
2008	210.8	130.2	115.9	14.4	61.8	11.1	55.0
2009	214.0	132.9	118.5	14.4	62.1	10.8	55.4
<i>South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]</i>							
2008	32.7	15.6	12.8	2.7	47.7	17.3	39.1
2009	32.2	16.3	12.3	4.0	50.6	24.5	38.2
<i>West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]</i>							
2008	87.7	48.9	40.8	8.1	55.8	16.6	46.5
2009	88.0	46.6	36.1	10.6	53.0	22.7	41.0
<i>Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]</i>							
2008	93.7	48.1	39.6	8.5	51.3	17.7	42.3
2009	93.6	46.4	35.9	10.5	49.6	22.6	38.4
Prince Edward Island							
2008	113.8	75.2	65.7	9.5	66.1	12.6	57.7
2009	115.3	76.0	64.5	11.5	65.9	15.1	55.9
Nova Scotia							
2008	766.2	477.7	440.0	37.7	62.3	7.9	57.4
2009	771.0	488.6	444.3	44.3	63.4	9.1	57.6
<i>Cape Breton [1210]</i>							
2008	115.9	64.0	54.8	9.2	55.2	14.4	47.3
2009	115.3	61.4	51.8	9.7	53.3	15.8	44.9
<i>North Shore [1220]</i>							
2008	131.1	76.6	68.7	7.9	58.4	10.3	52.4
2009	131.4	76.9	68.9	8.0	58.5	10.4	52.4
<i>Annapolis Valley [1230]</i>							
2008	100.7	59.8	53.5	6.3	59.4	10.5	53.1
2009	101.4	63.0	56.5	6.5	62.1	10.3	55.7
<i>Southern [1240]</i>							
2008	103.6	60.9	56.2	4.8	58.8	7.9	54.2
2009	103.5	60.9	54.1	6.8	58.8	11.2	52.3
<i>Halifax [1250]</i>							
2008	314.9	216.5	206.9	9.6	68.8	4.4	65.7
2009	319.4	226.4	213.0	13.4	70.9	5.9	66.7
New Brunswick							
2008	615.7	388.4	354.8	33.6	63.1	8.7	57.6
2009	620.0	391.5	355.0	36.5	63.1	9.3	57.3
<i>Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]</i>							
2008	135.8	77.4	65.2	12.2	57.0	15.8	48.0
2009	135.4	71.4	58.5	12.9	52.7	18.1	43.2
<i>Moncton-Richibucto [1320]</i>							
2008	164.5	107.6	99.6	8.0	65.4	7.4	60.5
2009	166.9	111.6	103.5	8.0	66.9	7.2	62.0
<i>Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]</i>							
2008	142.5	94.3	88.7	5.6	66.2	5.9	62.2
2009	143.4	95.0	89.1	5.9	66.2	6.2	62.1

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in thousands							
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]							
2008	104.7	68.2	64.3	3.8	65.1	5.6	61.4
2009	106.0	70.0	65.0	4.9	66.0	7.0	61.3
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2008	68.2	41.0	37.0	4.0	60.1	9.8	54.3
2009	68.2	43.5	38.8	4.7	63.8	10.8	56.9
Quebec							
2008	6,344.8	4,125.5	3,815.8	309.7	65.0	7.5	60.1
2009	6,405.4	4,130.3	3,782.6	347.7	64.5	8.4	59.1
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2008	80.8	37.4	30.2	7.3	46.3	19.5	37.4
2009	80.8	38.3	30.5	7.8	47.4	20.4	37.7
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2008	167.5	96.1	87.6	8.4	57.4	8.7	52.3
2009	167.5	104.9	93.3	11.6	62.6	11.1	55.7
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2008	565.9	368.1	348.5	19.6	65.0	5.3	61.6
2009	570.6	373.9	354.5	19.5	65.5	5.2	62.1
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2008	328.7	217.3	202.8	14.5	66.1	6.7	61.7
2009	330.9	215.8	200.1	15.7	65.2	7.3	60.5
Estrie [2430]							
2008	250.0	156.8	147.7	9.1	62.7	5.8	59.1
2009	252.3	162.5	147.9	14.6	64.4	9.0	58.6
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2008	185.9	125.4	115.4	10.0	67.5	8.0	62.1
2009	187.3	125.4	114.4	11.1	67.0	8.9	61.1
Montérégie [2435]							
2008	1,134.0	740.9	694.0	46.9	65.3	6.3	61.2
2009	1,152.6	771.9	716.2	55.8	67.0	7.2	62.1
Montréal [2440]							
2008	1,592.1	1,035.0	937.9	97.1	65.0	9.4	58.9
2009	1,593.5	1,018.5	920.4	98.1	63.9	9.6	57.8
Laval [2445]							
2008	311.7	215.8	201.2	14.6	69.2	6.8	64.5
2009	316.6	211.3	193.5	17.8	66.7	8.4	61.1
Lanaudière [2450]							
2008	358.6	244.4	224.6	19.8	68.2	8.1	62.6
2009	369.0	238.2	220.7	17.6	64.6	7.4	59.8
Laurentides [2455]							
2008	430.8	298.2	279.9	18.2	69.2	6.1	65.0
2009	440.6	288.8	263.0	25.9	65.5	9.0	59.7
Outaouais [2460]							
2008	292.8	204.5	194.2	10.3	69.8	5.0	66.3
2009	297.1	202.6	188.9	13.7	68.2	6.8	63.6
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2008	115.6	71.1	65.8	5.3	61.5	7.5	56.9
2009	116.1	75.5	68.4	7.1	65.0	9.4	58.9
Mauricie [2470]							
2008	217.8	125.5	115.3	10.3	57.6	8.2	52.9
2009	218.6	120.6	111.0	9.6	55.2	8.0	50.8

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in thousands							
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2008	223.3	135.3	123.2	12.1	60.6	8.9	55.2
2009	223.0	131.7	117.4	14.3	59.1	10.9	52.6
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2008	89.2	53.8	47.5	6.4	60.3	11.9	53.3
2009	88.8	50.3	42.8	7.6	56.6	15.1	48.2
Ontario							
2008	10,438.1	7,015.4	6,585.2	430.2	67.2	6.1	63.1
2009	10,592.4	7,082.4	6,520.6	561.8	66.9	7.9	61.6
Ottawa [3510]							
2008	989.0	696.9	665.7	31.3	70.5	4.5	67.3
2009	999.7	696.2	661.1	35.1	69.6	5.0	66.1
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2008	359.6	226.1	209.4	16.7	62.9	7.4	58.2
2009	360.8	231.1	215.4	15.7	64.1	6.8	59.7
Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520]							
2008	310.4	188.3	172.4	15.9	60.7	8.4	55.5
2009	312.2	182.1	171.2	10.9	58.3	6.0	54.8
Toronto [3530]							
2008	4,748.0	3,238.3	3,037.9	200.4	68.2	6.2	64.0
2009	4,857.9	3,299.1	3,031.3	267.8	67.9	8.1	62.4
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2008	977.2	689.9	654.2	35.7	70.6	5.2	66.9
2009	992.1	703.9	645.9	58.0	71.0	8.2	65.1
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2008	1,138.0	745.2	697.7	47.6	65.5	6.4	61.3
2009	1,147.6	748.3	681.5	66.8	65.2	8.9	59.4
London [3560]							
2008	513.2	350.9	328.3	22.7	68.4	6.5	64.0
2009	518.6	347.6	317.1	30.5	67.0	8.8	61.1
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2008	525.6	341.2	314.1	27.0	64.9	7.9	59.8
2009	526.9	336.2	297.6	38.7	63.8	11.5	56.5
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2008	247.7	158.2	151.1	7.1	63.9	4.5	61.0
2009	248.5	159.5	148.4	11.0	64.2	6.9	59.7
Northeast [3590]							
2008	454.0	270.7	252.8	17.9	59.6	6.6	55.7
2009	454.7	267.9	249.9	17.9	58.9	6.7	55.0
Northwest [3595]							
2008	175.4	109.7	101.8	7.9	62.5	7.2	58.0
2009	173.5	110.5	101.1	9.4	63.7	8.5	58.3
Manitoba							
2008	904.2	619.9	593.6	26.3	68.6	4.2	65.6
2009	915.7	630.4	600.1	30.3	68.8	4.8	65.5
Southeast [4610]							
2008	77.6	51.6	48.7	2.9	66.5	5.6	62.8
2009	79.8	53.1	50.3	2.7	66.5	5.1	63.0
South Central [4620]							
2008	43.5	29.2	28.3	0.9	67.1	3.1	65.1
2009	44.5	29.2	27.6	1.6	65.6	5.5	62.0

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Southwest [4630]							
2008	82.5	53.9	52.3	1.6	65.3	3.0	63.4
2009	82.8	60.0	57.7	2.3	72.5	3.8	69.7
North Central [4640]							
2008	35.7	24.3	23.1	1.3	68.1	5.3	64.7
2009	36.0	23.8	23.1	0.6	66.1	2.5	64.2
Winnipeg [4650]							
2008	535.7	376.2	359.9	16.3	70.2	4.3	67.2
2009	542.6	380.9	362.4	18.5	70.2	4.9	66.8
Interlake [4660]							
2008	70.3	45.5	43.7	1.9	64.7	4.2	62.2
2009	71.3	46.1	43.7	2.4	64.7	5.2	61.3
Parklands and North [4670, 4680]							
2008	58.9	39.1	37.6	1.5	66.4	3.8	63.8
2009	58.7	37.4	35.3	2.1	63.7	5.6	60.1
Saskatchewan							
2008	759.5	520.2	498.3	21.9	68.5	4.2	65.6
2009	774.8	539.0	514.3	24.7	69.6	4.6	66.4
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]							
2008	223.8	156.9	151.3	5.6	70.1	3.6	67.6
2009	229.1	161.8	155.6	6.2	70.6	3.8	67.9
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]							
2008	83.2	54.2	51.9	2.3	65.1	4.2	62.4
2009	84.0	54.8	53.0	1.8	65.2	3.3	63.1
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]							
2008	236.7	167.9	162.2	5.7	70.9	3.4	68.5
2009	243.3	176.3	168.7	7.6	72.5	4.3	69.3
Yorkton-Melville [4740]							
2008	64.3	42.7	40.9	1.8	66.4	4.2	63.6
2009	64.7	40.8	38.6	2.2	63.1	5.4	59.7
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]							
2008	151.5	98.5	92.1	6.4	65.0	6.5	60.8
2009	153.7	105.3	98.4	6.9	68.5	6.6	64.0
Alberta							
2008	2,772.8	2,045.5	1,975.5	70.0	73.8	3.4	71.2
2009	2,830.0	2,098.5	1,994.4	104.1	74.2	5.0	70.5
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]							
2008	208.1	142.6	136.0	6.7	68.5	4.7	65.4
2009	210.5	140.3	133.7	6.6	66.7	4.7	63.5
Camrose-Drumheller [4820]							
2008	155.4	113.8	110.8	3.0	73.2	2.6	71.3
2009	155.6	113.9	110.2	3.7	73.2	3.2	70.8
Calgary [4830]							
2008	1,010.2	756.3	734.1	22.2	74.9	2.9	72.7
2009	1,035.7	792.8	752.8	40.1	76.5	5.1	72.7
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840]							
2008	68.2	53.1	51.6	1.5	77.9	2.8	75.7
2009	69.0	55.1	52.3	2.8	79.9	5.1	75.8
Red Deer [4850]							
2008	144.5	107.2	103.5	3.7	74.2	3.5	71.6
2009	148.5	114.2	107.2	7.1	76.9	6.2	72.2

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Edmonton [4860]							
2008	909.5	663.8	639.5	24.2	73.0	3.6	70.3
2009	928.4	669.9	637.0	32.9	72.2	4.9	68.6
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]							
2008	184.9	135.8	129.4	6.4	73.4	4.7	70.0
2009	188.5	141.0	133.3	7.7	74.8	5.5	70.7
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2008	92.1	73.0	70.6	2.3	79.3	3.2	76.7
2009	93.8	71.3	68.1	3.3	76.0	4.6	72.6
British Columbia							
2008	3,608.8	2,379.9	2,278.9	101.0	65.9	4.2	63.1
2009	3,677.0	2,402.9	2,251.1	151.8	65.3	6.3	61.2
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2008	628.6	397.9	378.0	19.9	63.3	5.0	60.1
2009	636.8	408.5	384.4	24.1	64.1	5.9	60.4
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2008	2,187.3	1,464.8	1,411.1	53.7	67.0	3.7	64.5
2009	2,237.0	1,468.0	1,381.8	86.2	65.6	5.9	61.8
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2008	427.3	267.9	253.6	14.2	62.7	5.3	59.3
2009	434.9	277.0	255.3	21.7	63.7	7.8	58.7
Kootenay [5940]							
2008	122.5	75.1	71.8	3.3	61.3	4.4	58.6
2009	123.1	77.6	70.8	6.8	63.0	8.8	57.5
Cariboo [5950]							
2008	125.6	91.8	86.5	5.3	73.1	5.8	68.9
2009	127.0	85.5	78.8	6.7	67.3	7.8	62.0
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2008	65.8	45.3	42.1	3.3	68.8	7.3	64.0
2009	65.4	45.0	40.5	4.4	68.8	9.8	61.9
Northeast [5980]							
2008	51.7	37.0	35.8	x	71.6	x	69.2
2009	52.9	41.4	39.5	1.9	78.3	4.6	74.7

1. For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).

2. Estimates for Canada are a sum of the provincial totals and exclude estimates from Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0054.