

Table 1
Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	November 2009	December 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)									
15 years and over, both sexes									
Population	27,463.3	27,490.7	...	27.4	392.0	392.0	0.1	1.4	1.4
Labour force	18,448.0	18,439.1	27.7	-8.9	117.9	117.9	0.0	0.6	0.6
Employment	16,873.9	16,871.3	28.1	-2.6	-239.7	-239.7	0.0	-1.4	-1.4
Employment full-time	13,664.7	13,662.3	36.6	-2.4	-259.4	-259.4	0.0	-1.9	-1.9
Employment part-time	3,209.1	3,208.9	33.3	-0.2	19.6	19.6	0.0	0.6	0.6
Unemployment	1,574.2	1,567.8	24.2	-6.4	357.7	357.7	-0.4	29.6	29.6
Participation rate	67.2	67.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	8.5	0.1	0.0	1.9	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	61.4	0.1	0.0	-1.7	-1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	19.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
15 to 24 years, both sexes									
Population	4,399.9	4,400.3	...	0.4	15.9	15.9	0.0	0.4	0.4
Labour force	2,831.3	2,848.2	16.6	16.9	-82.3	-82.3	0.6	-2.8	-2.8
Employment	2,381.7	2,389.8	15.9	8.1	-164.1	-164.1	0.3	-6.4	-6.4
Employment full-time	1,267.9	1,270.5	18.3	2.6	-120.4	-120.4	0.2	-8.7	-8.7
Employment part-time	1,113.7	1,119.3	18.9	5.6	-43.7	-43.7	0.5	-3.8	-3.8
Unemployment	449.6	458.4	14.2	8.8	81.7	81.7	2.0	21.7	21.7
Participation rate	64.3	64.7	0.4	0.4	-2.1	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.9	16.1	0.5	0.2	3.2	3.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	54.3	0.4	0.2	-3.9	-3.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.8	46.8	0.7	0.1	1.3	1.3	...	...	...
25 years and over, men									
Population	11,280.4	11,293.8	...	13.4	191.1	191.1	0.1	1.7	1.7
Labour force	8,250.5	8,259.1	14.3	8.6	86.4	86.4	0.1	1.1	1.1
Employment	7,582.7	7,592.6	15.8	9.9	-106.7	-106.7	0.1	-1.4	-1.4
Employment full-time	6,981.3	6,989.7	20.5	8.4	-169.2	-169.2	0.1	-2.4	-2.4
Employment part-time	601.3	602.9	16.2	1.6	62.5	62.5	0.3	11.6	11.6
Unemployment	667.9	666.5	14.2	-1.4	193.1	193.1	-0.2	40.8	40.8
Participation rate	73.1	73.1	0.1	0.0	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	8.1	0.2	0.0	2.3	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.2	67.2	0.1	0.0	-2.1	-2.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.9	7.9	0.2	0.0	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
25 years and over, women									
Population	11,783.0	11,796.6	...	13.6	185.0	185.0	0.1	1.6	1.6
Labour force	7,366.2	7,331.8	15.9	-34.4	113.9	113.9	-0.5	1.6	1.6
Employment	6,909.5	6,888.9	15.8	-20.6	31.1	31.1	-0.3	0.5	0.5
Employment full-time	5,415.5	5,402.1	23.5	-13.4	30.2	30.2	-0.2	0.6	0.6
Employment part-time	1,494.0	1,486.7	21.8	-7.3	0.8	0.8	-0.5	0.1	0.1
Unemployment	456.7	442.9	12.7	-13.8	82.9	82.9	-3.0	23.0	23.0
Participation rate	62.5	62.2	0.1	-0.3	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.0	0.2	-0.2	1.0	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	58.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.6	21.6	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, both sexes									
Population	14,558.8	14,564.8	...	6.0	98.3	98.3	0.0	0.7	0.7
Labour force	12,604.6	12,570.2	20.7	-34.4	27.3	27.3	-0.3	0.2	0.2
Employment	11,682.9	11,663.7	22.4	-19.2	-204.8	-204.8	-0.2	-1.7	-1.7
Unemployment	921.7	906.5	17.9	-15.2	232.1	232.1	-1.6	34.4	34.4
Participation rate	86.6	86.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.2	0.1	-0.1	1.8	1.8
Employment rate	80.2	80.1	0.2	-0.1	-1.9	-1.9

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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25 to 54 years, men									
Population	7,278.6	7,281.6	...	3.0	54.3	54.3	0.0	0.8	0.8
Labour force	6,583.4	6,585.3	13.2	1.9	-6.0	-6.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Employment	6,040.9	6,045.7	15.4	4.8	-162.1	-162.1	0.1	-2.6	-2.6
Unemployment	542.5	539.6	13.2	-2.9	156.1	156.1	-0.5	40.7	40.7
Participation rate	90.4	90.4	0.2	0.0	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	8.2	0.2	0.0	2.4	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	83.0	83.0	0.2	0.0	-2.9	-2.9	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, women									
Population	7,280.2	7,283.2	...	3.0	44.1	44.1	0.0	0.6	0.6
Labour force	6,021.1	5,984.9	15.2	-36.2	33.4	33.4	-0.6	0.6	0.6
Employment	5,641.9	5,618.0	15.4	-23.9	-42.7	-42.7	-0.4	-0.8	-0.8
Unemployment	379.2	366.9	11.8	-12.3	76.0	76.0	-3.2	26.1	26.1
Participation rate	82.7	82.2	0.2	-0.5	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.1	0.2	-0.2	1.2	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.5	77.1	0.2	-0.4	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
55 years and over, both sexes									
Population	8,504.6	8,525.6	...	21.0	277.8	277.8	0.2	3.4	3.4
Labour force	3,012.2	3,020.7	16.0	8.5	173.0	173.0	0.3	6.1	6.1
Employment	2,809.3	2,817.8	16.0	8.5	129.1	129.1	0.3	4.8	4.8
Unemployment	202.9	202.9	8.4	0.0	43.9	43.9	0.0	27.6	27.6
Participation rate	35.4	35.4	0.2	0.0	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.7	0.3	0.0	1.1	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	33.0	33.1	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
55 years and over, men									
Population	4,001.8	4,012.2	...	10.4	136.9	136.9	0.3	3.5	3.5
Labour force	1,667.1	1,673.8	10.7	6.7	92.4	92.4	0.4	5.8	5.8
Employment	1,541.7	1,546.9	10.7	5.2	55.4	55.4	0.3	3.7	3.7
Unemployment	125.4	126.9	6.2	1.5	37.0	37.0	1.2	41.2	41.2
Participation rate	41.7	41.7	0.3	0.0	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.6	0.4	0.1	1.9	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	38.5	38.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
55 years and over, women									
Population	4,502.8	4,513.4	...	10.6	140.9	140.9	0.2	3.2	3.2
Labour force	1,345.1	1,346.9	11.0	1.8	80.6	80.6	0.1	6.4	6.4
Employment	1,267.6	1,270.9	10.9	3.3	73.7	73.7	0.3	6.2	6.2
Unemployment	77.5	76.0	5.6	-1.5	6.8	6.8	-1.9	9.8	9.8
Participation rate	29.9	29.8	0.3	-0.1	0.8	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.6	0.4	-0.2	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	28.2	28.2	0.2	0.0	0.8	0.8	...	...	...

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.