

Table 4-9
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Alberta

	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)									
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	2,891.5	2,895.3	...	3.8	71.6	71.6	0.1	2.5	2.5
Labour force	2,138.5	2,138.0	8.2	-0.5	27.8	27.8	0.0	1.3	1.3
Employment	1,980.0	1,993.9	8.8	13.9	-28.6	-28.6	0.7	-1.4	-1.4
Employment full-time	1,618.3	1,628.4	11.5	10.1	-52.4	-52.4	0.6	-3.1	-3.1
Unemployment	158.5	144.1	6.4	-14.4	56.3	56.3	-9.1	64.1	64.1
Participation rate	74.0	73.8	0.3	-0.2	-0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	6.7	0.3	-0.7	2.5	2.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.5	68.9	0.3	0.4	-2.7	-2.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.3	18.3	0.5	0.1	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	508.0	507.6	...	-0.4	2.6	2.6	-0.1	0.5	0.5
Labour force	355.1	358.1	5.0	3.0	-9.2	-9.2	0.8	-2.5	-2.5
Employment	307.4	311.9	5.1	4.5	-22.4	-22.4	1.5	-6.7	-6.7
Unemployment	47.7	46.2	3.9	-1.5	13.3	13.3	-3.1	40.4	40.4
Participation rate	69.9	70.5	1.0	0.6	-2.2	-2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.4	12.9	1.0	-0.5	3.9	3.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	61.4	1.0	0.9	-4.8	-4.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	37.6	37.7	1.6	0.1	2.3	2.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,209.7	1,211.8	...	2.1	39.3	39.3	0.2	3.4	3.4
Labour force	986.4	982.8	4.1	-3.6	13.8	13.8	-0.4	1.4	1.4
Employment	918.5	923.2	4.8	4.7	-17.5	-17.5	0.5	-1.9	-1.9
Unemployment	67.9	59.6	3.7	-8.3	31.3	31.3	-12.2	110.6	110.6
Participation rate	81.5	81.1	0.4	-0.4	-1.5	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.1	0.4	-0.8	3.2	3.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	75.9	76.2	0.4	0.3	-4.0	-4.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.8	6.5	0.5	-0.3	1.3	1.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,173.8	1,175.9	...	2.1	29.8	29.8	0.2	2.6	2.6
Labour force	796.9	797.2	4.7	0.3	23.3	23.3	0.0	3.0	3.0
Employment	754.0	758.8	4.9	4.8	11.4	11.4	0.6	1.5	1.5
Unemployment	42.9	38.3	3.5	-4.6	11.8	11.8	-10.7	44.5	44.5
Participation rate	67.9	67.8	0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	4.8	0.4	-0.6	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.2	64.5	0.4	0.3	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.3	24.8	0.9	0.4	1.5	1.5	...	...	...
Industry	1,980.0	1,993.9	8.8	13.9	-28.6	-28.6	0.7	-1.4	-1.4
Goods-producing sector	521.2	514.1	8.9	-7.1	-77.7	-77.7	-1.4	-13.1	-13.1
Agriculture	51.8	53.9	3.4	2.1	-8.5	-8.5	4.1	-13.6	-13.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	131.0	126.1	4.7	-4.9	-29.0	-29.0	-3.7	-18.7	-18.7
Utilities	21.0	19.4	1.8	-1.6	0.5	0.5	-7.6	2.6	2.6
Construction	197.9	199.1	6.0	1.2	-5.4	-5.4	0.6	-2.6	-2.6
Manufacturing	119.5	115.5	5.0	-4.0	-35.3	-35.3	-3.3	-23.4	-23.4
Services-producing sector	1,458.8	1,479.8	10.6	21.0	49.1	49.1	1.4	3.4	3.4
Trade	296.1	306.0	7.1	9.9	-8.9	-8.9	3.3	-2.8	-2.8
Transportation and warehousing	104.4	100.6	4.1	-3.8	-2.2	-2.2	-3.6	-2.1	-2.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	106.0	105.1	4.1	-0.9	-6.9	-6.9	-0.8	-6.2	-6.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	146.9	142.3	5.1	-4.6	-17.6	-17.6	-3.1	-11.0	-11.0
Business, building and other support services	67.2	65.0	3.8	-2.2	1.7	1.7	-3.3	2.7	2.7
Educational services	135.6	138.8	4.7	3.2	0.2	0.2	2.4	0.1	0.1
Health care and social assistance	200.9	208.2	4.9	7.3	22.8	22.8	3.6	12.3	12.3
Information, culture and recreation	82.7	83.6	3.7	0.9	7.0	7.0	1.1	9.1	9.1
Accommodation and food services	123.1	134.5	4.8	11.4	25.3	25.3	9.3	23.2	23.2
Other services	102.2	105.0	4.1	2.8	17.5	17.5	2.7	20.0	20.0
Public administration	93.5	90.6	3.5	-2.9	10.1	10.1	-3.1	12.5	12.5

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.