

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

	January 2010	February 2010	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>15 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	27,522.2	<b>27,555.8</b>	...	<b>33.6</b>	65.1	394.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.5
Labour force	18,456.1	<b>18,464.7</b>	28.2	<b>8.6</b>	27.5	151.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.8
Employment	16,924.4	<b>16,945.3</b>	28.2	<b>20.9</b>	63.9	87.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.5
Employment full-time	13,678.6	<b>13,738.8</b>	36.8	<b>60.2</b>	61.6	98.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.5	0.7
Employment part-time	3,245.8	<b>3,206.5</b>	33.5	<b>-39.3</b>	2.2	-10.6	<b>-1.2</b>	0.1	-0.3
Unemployment	1,531.7	<b>1,519.4</b>	25.1	<b>-12.3</b>	-36.4	63.4	<b>-0.8</b>	-2.3	4.4
Participation rate	67.1	<b>67.0</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	<b>8.2</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	<b>61.5</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.2	<b>18.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>15 to 24 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	4,401.2	<b>4,401.5</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	1.2	14.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	2,850.7	<b>2,849.6</b>	16.8	<b>-1.1</b>	1.8	-55.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	-1.9
Employment	2,421.3	<b>2,417.1</b>	15.5	<b>-4.2</b>	25.1	-62.2	<b>-0.2</b>	1.0	-2.5
Employment full-time	1,275.9	<b>1,274.7</b>	18.0	<b>-1.2</b>	2.4	-65.0	<b>-0.1</b>	0.2	-4.9
Employment part-time	1,145.4	<b>1,142.4</b>	18.5	<b>-3.0</b>	22.8	2.8	<b>-0.3</b>	2.0	0.2
Unemployment	429.4	<b>432.5</b>	14.6	<b>3.1</b>	-23.4	6.3	<b>0.7</b>	-5.1	1.5
Participation rate	64.8	<b>64.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.1	<b>15.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	-0.8	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.0	<b>54.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.5	-1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	47.3	<b>47.3</b>	0.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	1.3	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, men</b>									
Population	11,309.1	<b>11,325.7</b>	...	<b>16.6</b>	31.9	193.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.7
Labour force	8,242.1	<b>8,248.7</b>	14.8	<b>6.6</b>	-19.3	94.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.2	1.2
Employment	7,592.3	<b>7,622.2</b>	16.1	<b>29.9</b>	12.6	78.9	<b>0.4</b>	0.2	1.0
Employment full-time	7,004.3	<b>7,042.6</b>	20.8	<b>38.3</b>	32.2	83.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.2
Employment part-time	588.0	<b>579.6</b>	16.5	<b>-8.4</b>	-19.6	-4.1	<b>-1.4</b>	-3.3	-0.7
Unemployment	649.8	<b>626.6</b>	15.0	<b>-23.2</b>	-31.7	15.4	<b>-3.6</b>	-4.8	2.5
Participation rate	72.9	<b>72.8</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	<b>7.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.1	<b>67.3</b>	0.1	<b>0.2</b>	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.7	<b>7.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, women</b>									
Population	11,811.9	<b>11,828.5</b>	...	<b>16.6</b>	31.9	187.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.6
Labour force	7,363.3	<b>7,366.4</b>	16.1	<b>3.1</b>	45.0	112.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.6	1.6
Employment	6,910.8	<b>6,906.1</b>	15.8	<b>-4.7</b>	26.3	71.1	<b>-0.1</b>	0.4	1.0
Employment full-time	5,398.5	<b>5,421.6</b>	23.5	<b>23.1</b>	27.2	80.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.5	1.5
Employment part-time	1,512.4	<b>1,484.5</b>	22.0	<b>-27.9</b>	-0.9	-9.3	<b>-1.8</b>	-0.1	-0.6
Unemployment	452.5	<b>460.3</b>	13.0	<b>7.8</b>	18.7	41.7	<b>1.7</b>	4.2	10.0
Participation rate	62.3	<b>62.3</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>6.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.5	<b>58.4</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.9	<b>21.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	14,570.4	<b>14,578.2</b>	...	<b>7.8</b>	13.4	101.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7
Labour force	12,589.2	<b>12,578.9</b>	21.3	<b>-10.3</b>	10.4	60.8	<b>-0.1</b>	0.1	0.5
Employment	11,691.3	<b>11,689.3</b>	22.9	<b>-2.0</b>	17.3	14.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.1
Unemployment	897.9	<b>889.6</b>	18.8	<b>-8.3</b>	-7.0	46.1	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.8	5.5
Participation rate	86.4	<b>86.3</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	<b>7.1</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	80.2	<b>80.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	-0.4	...	...	...

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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<b>25 to 54 years, men</b>									
Population	7,284.6	<b>7,288.7</b>	...	<b>4.1</b>	7.1	55.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8
Labour force	6,569.0	<b>6,558.6</b>	13.7	<b>-10.4</b>	-33.5	3.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.5	0.0
Employment	6,048.4	<b>6,052.4</b>	15.8	<b>4.0</b>	-8.9	-3.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.1
Unemployment	520.6	<b>506.2</b>	14.0	<b>-14.4</b>	-24.6	6.3	<b>-2.8</b>	-4.6	1.3
Participation rate	90.2	<b>90.0</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	<b>7.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	83.0	<b>83.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, women</b>									
Population	7,285.8	<b>7,289.5</b>	...	<b>3.7</b>	6.3	45.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6
Labour force	6,020.2	<b>6,020.3</b>	15.6	<b>0.1</b>	43.9	57.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.7	1.0
Employment	5,642.9	<b>5,636.9</b>	15.7	<b>-6.0</b>	26.2	17.8	<b>-0.1</b>	0.5	0.3
Unemployment	377.4	<b>383.4</b>	12.1	<b>6.0</b>	17.7	39.9	<b>1.6</b>	4.8	11.6
Participation rate	82.6	<b>82.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	<b>6.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.5	<b>77.3</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	8,550.6	<b>8,576.0</b>	...	<b>25.4</b>	50.4	279.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	3.4
Labour force	3,016.2	<b>3,036.2</b>	16.2	<b>20.0</b>	15.4	146.3	<b>0.7</b>	0.5	5.1
Employment	2,811.9	<b>2,838.9</b>	16.1	<b>27.0</b>	21.4	135.3	<b>1.0</b>	0.8	5.0
Unemployment	204.3	<b>197.3</b>	8.9	<b>-7.0</b>	-6.0	11.0	<b>-3.4</b>	-3.0	5.9
Participation rate	35.3	<b>35.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	<b>6.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	32.9	<b>33.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, men</b>									
Population	4,024.5	<b>4,037.0</b>	...	<b>12.5</b>	24.8	137.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	3.5
Labour force	1,673.1	<b>1,690.1</b>	10.9	<b>17.0</b>	14.2	91.1	<b>1.0</b>	0.8	5.7
Employment	1,543.9	<b>1,569.7</b>	10.9	<b>25.8</b>	21.3	82.0	<b>1.7</b>	1.4	5.5
Unemployment	129.2	<b>120.4</b>	6.7	<b>-8.8</b>	-7.1	9.1	<b>-6.8</b>	-5.6	8.2
Participation rate	41.6	<b>41.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	<b>7.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	38.4	<b>38.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, women</b>									
Population	4,526.1	<b>4,539.0</b>	...	<b>12.9</b>	25.6	141.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	3.2
Labour force	1,343.1	<b>1,346.1</b>	11.1	<b>3.0</b>	1.2	55.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	4.3
Employment	1,268.0	<b>1,269.2</b>	10.9	<b>1.2</b>	0.1	53.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	4.4
Unemployment	75.1	<b>76.9</b>	5.7	<b>1.8</b>	1.0	1.9	<b>2.4</b>	1.3	2.5
Participation rate	29.7	<b>29.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>5.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	28.0	<b>28.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...

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.