

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

	April 2010	May 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>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	10,777.6	<b>10,791.0</b>	...	<b>13.4</b>	63.4	154.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	1.4
Labour force	7,252.6	<b>7,280.7</b>	19.5	<b>28.1</b>	90.5	130.0	<b>0.4</b>	1.3	1.8
Employment	6,615.6	<b>6,633.3</b>	19.0	<b>17.7</b>	105.9	160.2	<b>0.3</b>	1.6	2.5
Employment full-time	5,337.8	<b>5,363.3</b>	24.6	<b>25.5</b>	61.9	147.3	<b>0.5</b>	1.2	2.8
Unemployment	636.9	<b>647.3</b>	17.4	<b>10.4</b>	-15.5	-30.3	<b>1.6</b>	-2.3	-4.5
Participation rate	67.3	<b>67.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	<b>8.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	<b>61.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.3	<b>19.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	1,752.2	<b>1,753.0</b>	...	<b>0.8</b>	4.2	9.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	0.5
Labour force	1,098.4	<b>1,093.5</b>	11.8	<b>-4.9</b>	11.4	5.7	<b>-0.4</b>	1.1	0.5
Employment	907.8	<b>908.0</b>	10.4	<b>0.2</b>	25.9	8.7	<b>0.0</b>	2.9	1.0
Unemployment	190.6	<b>185.5</b>	10.2	<b>-5.1</b>	-14.5	-3.0	<b>-2.7</b>	-7.2	-1.6
Participation rate	62.7	<b>62.4</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.4	<b>17.0</b>	0.8	<b>-0.4</b>	-1.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.8	<b>51.8</b>	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	1.4	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	53.1	<b>52.6</b>	1.2	<b>-0.6</b>	2.2	1.5	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	4,383.0	<b>4,388.8</b>	...	<b>5.8</b>	27.4	68.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	1.6
Labour force	3,216.0	<b>3,246.7</b>	9.9	<b>30.7</b>	44.4	55.7	<b>1.0</b>	1.4	1.7
Employment	2,968.9	<b>2,984.4</b>	11.0	<b>15.5</b>	59.7	91.8	<b>0.5</b>	2.0	3.2
Unemployment	247.1	<b>262.3</b>	10.3	<b>15.2</b>	-15.3	-36.1	<b>6.2</b>	-5.5	-12.1
Participation rate	73.4	<b>74.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	<b>8.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	-0.6	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.7	<b>68.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.9	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.9	<b>7.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	4,642.4	<b>4,649.1</b>	...	<b>6.7</b>	31.6	76.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	1.7
Labour force	2,938.1	<b>2,940.5</b>	11.2	<b>2.4</b>	34.7	68.6	<b>0.1</b>	1.2	2.4
Employment	2,738.9	<b>2,741.0</b>	10.7	<b>2.1</b>	20.4	59.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	2.2
Unemployment	199.2	<b>199.5</b>	9.2	<b>0.3</b>	14.3	8.7	<b>0.2</b>	7.7	4.6
Participation rate	63.3	<b>63.2</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	<b>6.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.0	<b>59.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.5	<b>20.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>	6,615.6	<b>6,633.4</b>	19.0	<b>17.8</b>	106.0	160.3	<b>0.3</b>	1.6	2.5
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>	1,398.6	<b>1,393.8</b>	16.2	<b>-4.8</b>	16.3	46.7	<b>-0.3</b>	1.2	3.5
Agriculture	83.2	<b>84.8</b>	3.6	<b>1.6</b>	1.2	3.1	<b>1.9</b>	1.4	3.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	40.8	<b>39.5</b>	2.2	<b>-1.3</b>	0.5	3.9	<b>-3.2</b>	1.3	11.0
Utilities	57.9	<b>58.9</b>	3.2	<b>1.0</b>	3.4	2.6	<b>1.7</b>	6.1	4.6
Construction	433.1	<b>427.2</b>	9.8	<b>-5.9</b>	13.2	27.4	<b>-1.4</b>	3.2	6.9
Manufacturing	783.6	<b>783.5</b>	12.9	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.9	9.8	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	1.3
<b>Services-producing sector</b>	5,217.0	<b>5,239.5</b>	21.8	<b>22.5</b>	89.6	113.5	<b>0.4</b>	1.7	2.2
Trade	1,023.6	<b>1,016.8</b>	14.3	<b>-6.8</b>	31.9	26.3	<b>-0.7</b>	3.2	2.7
Transportation and warehousing	296.2	<b>306.4</b>	8.6	<b>10.2</b>	5.3	-8.6	<b>3.4</b>	1.8	-2.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	499.4	<b>507.0</b>	11.3	<b>7.6</b>	-9.2	10.0	<b>1.5</b>	-1.8	2.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	558.8	<b>558.9</b>	11.2	<b>0.1</b>	33.6	53.9	<b>0.0</b>	6.4	10.7
Business, building and other support services	271.9	<b>284.8</b>	8.9	<b>12.9</b>	23.9	11.5	<b>4.7</b>	9.2	4.2
Educational services	499.5	<b>497.1</b>	9.9	<b>-2.4</b>	17.6	43.2	<b>-0.5</b>	3.7	9.5
Health care and social assistance	708.2	<b>718.1</b>	10.6	<b>9.9</b>	-7.7	17.4	<b>1.4</b>	-1.1	2.5
Information, culture and recreation	315.6	<b>313.4</b>	9.2	<b>-2.2</b>	-8.6	-3.2	<b>-0.7</b>	-2.7	-1.0
Accommodation and food services	398.6	<b>380.8</b>	9.7	<b>-17.8</b>	-6.8	-19.2	<b>-4.5</b>	-1.8	-4.8
Other services	285.7	<b>288.7</b>	8.8	<b>3.0</b>	-12.7	-25.4	<b>1.1</b>	-4.2	-8.1
Public administration	359.5	<b>367.4</b>	7.7	<b>7.9</b>	22.0	7.6	<b>2.2</b>	6.4	2.1

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.