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

	April 2010	May 2010	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	2,912.6	**2,917.8**	...	**5.2**	22.5	62.6	**0.2**	0.8	2.2
Labour force	2,137.8	**2,135.7**	8.4	**-2.1**	-0.2	4.5	**-0.1**	0.0	0.2
Employment	1,979.4	**1,994.1**	8.8	**14.7**	-1.2	6.1	**0.7**	-0.1	0.3
Employment full-time	1,627.9	**1,657.9**	11.7	**30.0**	26.1	21.4	**1.8**	1.6	1.3
Unemployment	158.5	**141.6**	7.2	**-16.9**	1.0	-1.6	**-10.7**	0.7	-1.1
Participation rate	73.4	**73.2**	0.3	**-0.2**	-0.6	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	**6.6**	0.3	**-0.8**	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.0	**68.3**	0.3	**0.3**	-0.6	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.8	**16.9**	0.5	**-0.9**	-1.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	505.6	**505.5**	...	**-0.1**	-2.1	-1.4	**0.0**	-0.4	-0.3
Labour force	357.7	**354.9**	5.2	**-2.8**	-2.0	-9.3	**-0.8**	-0.6	-2.6
Employment	312.5	**310.4**	4.9	**-2.1**	-1.6	-8.9	**-0.7**	-0.5	-2.8
Unemployment	45.2	**44.5**	4.4	**-0.7**	-0.4	-0.4	**-1.5**	-0.9	-0.9
Participation rate	70.7	**70.2**	1.0	**-0.5**	-0.1	-1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.6	**12.5**	1.1	**-0.1**	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	**61.4**	1.0	**-0.4**	-0.1	-1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	37.8	**36.2**	1.7	**-1.6**	-1.4	-1.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,221.7	**1,224.4**	...	**2.7**	12.6	35.6	**0.2**	1.0	3.0
Labour force	980.7	**985.2**	4.3	**4.5**	1.5	6.1	**0.5**	0.2	0.6
Employment	921.3	**928.4**	5.0	**7.1**	2.3	10.4	**0.8**	0.2	1.1
Unemployment	59.4	**56.8**	4.3	**-2.6**	-0.8	-4.3	**-4.4**	-1.4	-7.0
Participation rate	80.3	**80.5**	0.4	**0.2**	-0.7	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	**5.8**	0.4	**-0.3**	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	75.4	**75.8**	0.4	**0.4**	-0.6	-1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.4	**4.9**	0.5	**-0.6**	-1.5	-1.7	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,185.3	**1,187.9**	...	**2.6**	12.0	28.5	**0.2**	1.0	2.5
Labour force	799.5	**795.6**	4.7	**-3.9**	0.3	7.7	**-0.5**	0.0	1.0
Employment	745.6	**755.3**	4.8	**9.7**	-2.0	4.6	**1.3**	-0.3	0.6
Unemployment	53.9	**40.2**	3.5	**-13.7**	2.2	3.0	**-25.4**	5.8	8.1
Participation rate	67.5	**67.0**	0.4	**-0.5**	-0.6	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	**5.1**	0.4	**-1.6**	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	**63.6**	0.4	**0.7**	-0.8	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.6	**23.6**	1.0	**-0.9**	-1.1	0.9	...	...	...
Industry	1,979.4	**1,994.1**	8.8	**14.7**	-1.2	6.1	**0.7**	-0.1	0.3
Goods-producing sector	526.5	**539.3**	9.1	**12.8**	26.1	6.7	**2.4**	5.1	1.3
Agriculture	45.9	**53.6**	3.3	**7.7**	0.0	-6.2	**16.8**	0.0	-10.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	140.8	**136.6**	4.7	**-4.2**	11.0	-4.3	**-3.0**	8.8	-3.1
Utilities	17.1	**18.1**	1.8	**1.0**	-0.9	-2.9	**5.8**	-4.7	-13.8
Construction	196.8	**202.3**	6.1	**5.5**	3.3	15.5	**2.8**	1.7	8.3
Manufacturing	125.8	**128.8**	4.8	**3.0**	12.8	4.7	**2.4**	11.0	3.8
Services-producing sector	1,452.9	**1,454.8**	10.6	**1.9**	-27.4	-0.7	**0.1**	-1.8	0.0
Trade	294.7	**296.2**	7.4	**1.5**	-8.2	-6.7	**0.5**	-2.7	-2.2
Transportation and warehousing	98.5	**103.1**	4.5	**4.6**	2.5	-0.8	**4.7**	2.5	-0.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	102.6	**108.6**	4.1	**6.0**	4.0	-0.4	**5.8**	3.8	-0.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	150.8	**153.0**	5.1	**2.2**	7.4	2.8	**1.5**	5.1	1.9
Business, building and other support services	70.4	**67.3**	3.9	**-3.1**	2.0	-2.2	**-4.4**	3.1	-3.2
Educational services	124.0	**126.7**	4.6	**2.7**	-13.0	-5.3	**2.2**	-9.3	-4.0
Health care and social assistance	214.5	**215.7**	5.2	**1.2**	6.9	21.4	**0.6**	3.3	11.0
Information, culture and recreation	86.8	**77.0**	3.9	**-9.8**	-5.2	-2.6	**-11.3**	-6.3	-3.3
Accommodation and food services	129.0	**127.7**	5.1	**-1.3**	-5.6	1.5	**-1.0**	-4.2	1.2
Other services	97.8	**94.6**	4.3	**-3.2**	-12.9	-2.5	**-3.3**	-12.0	-2.6
Public administration	83.8	**84.8**	3.6	**1.0**	-5.5	-5.8	**1.2**	-6.1	-6.4

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.