

Table 5-1
Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	April 2010	May 2010	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
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in thousands (except rates)									
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	160.0	160.2	...	0.2	1.3	3.4	0.1	0.8	2.2
Labour force	110.7	110.9	0.8	0.2	1.6	3.4	0.2	1.5	3.2
Employment	102.3	102.8	0.8	0.5	3.3	3.1	0.5	3.3	3.1
Unemployment	8.4	8.1	0.4	-0.3	-1.7	0.3	-3.6	-17.3	3.8
Participation rate	69.2	69.2	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.3	0.4	-0.3	-1.7	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.9	64.2	0.5	0.3	1.6	0.6	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	324.2	324.4	...	0.2	1.6	4.0	0.1	0.5	1.2
Labour force	233.1	233.3	1.1	0.2	2.7	3.2	0.1	1.2	1.4
Employment	218.9	219.8	1.2	0.9	4.5	3.5	0.4	2.1	1.6
Unemployment	14.2	13.5	0.7	-0.7	-1.8	-0.3	-4.9	-11.8	-2.2
Participation rate	71.9	71.9	0.3	0.0	0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.8	0.3	-0.3	-0.8	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.5	67.8	0.4	0.3	1.1	0.3	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	106.0	106.0	...	0.0	0.2	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.7
Labour force	70.8	70.8	0.8	0.0	-0.8	-0.6	0.0	-1.1	-0.8
Employment	65.9	65.9	0.7	0.0	-0.9	-1.7	0.0	-1.3	-2.5
Unemployment	4.9	5.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	1.2	2.0	4.2	31.6
Participation rate	66.8	66.8	0.7	0.0	-0.9	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.1	0.5	0.2	0.4	1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	62.2	0.7	0.0	-0.9	-2.0	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	124.6	124.6	...	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Labour force	75.8	76.3	0.7	0.5	-0.1	1.0	0.7	-0.1	1.3
Employment	70.0	70.4	0.7	0.4	-0.4	2.2	0.6	-0.6	3.2
Unemployment	5.9	5.9	0.4	0.0	0.3	-1.2	0.0	5.4	-16.9
Participation rate	60.8	61.2	0.6	0.4	-0.1	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	7.7	0.5	-0.1	0.4	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	56.5	0.6	0.3	-0.3	1.9	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	622.2	622.7	...	0.5	2.8	7.1	0.1	0.5	1.2
Labour force	413.6	417.6	3.3	4.0	4.9	4.0	1.0	1.2	1.0
Employment	394.3	394.7	3.2	0.4	2.3	-0.3	0.1	0.6	-0.1
Unemployment	19.4	22.9	1.4	3.5	2.6	4.3	18.0	12.8	23.1
Participation rate	66.5	67.1	0.5	0.6	0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.5	0.3	0.8	0.6	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	63.4	0.5	0.0	0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	123.6	123.7	...	0.1	0.5	1.3	0.1	0.4	1.1
Labour force	70.9	71.7	0.7	0.8	-3.8	-0.6	1.1	-5.0	-0.8
Employment	64.1	65.1	0.8	1.0	-3.1	-1.3	1.6	-4.5	-2.0
Unemployment	6.7	6.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.7	0.6	-3.0	-9.7	10.2
Participation rate	57.4	58.0	0.6	0.6	-3.3	-1.1
Unemployment rate	9.4	9.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.4	0.9
Employment rate	51.9	52.6	0.6	0.7	-2.8	-1.6

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Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	141.7	141.8	...	0.1	0.8	2.0	0.1	0.6	1.4
Labour force	89.0	89.9	0.8	0.9	-0.5	0.4	1.0	-0.6	0.4
Employment	81.4	82.3	0.8	0.9	-3.1	0.7	1.1	-3.6	0.9
Unemployment	7.6	7.6	0.3	0.0	2.6	-0.3	0.0	52.0	-3.8
Participation rate	62.8	63.4	0.6	0.6	-0.7	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	8.5	0.4	0.0	3.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	58.0	0.6	0.6	-2.6	-0.4	...	...	...
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,132.2	3,135.3	...	3.1	17.1	41.3	0.1	0.5	1.3
Labour force	2,124.3	2,130.5	6.9	6.2	47.3	56.9	0.3	2.3	2.7
Employment	1,933.2	1,942.3	7.2	9.1	48.6	65.1	0.5	2.6	3.5
Unemployment	191.2	188.2	4.8	-3.0	-1.3	-8.2	-1.6	-0.7	-4.2
Participation rate	67.8	68.0	0.2	0.2	1.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	8.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.9	0.2	0.2	1.2	1.2	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	985.9	987.1	...	1.2	5.6	13.6	0.1	0.6	1.4
Labour force	716.4	719.3	3.4	2.9	14.6	28.4	0.4	2.1	4.1
Employment	673.4	676.0	3.6	2.6	13.3	26.3	0.4	2.0	4.0
Unemployment	43.0	43.3	1.6	0.3	1.3	2.1	0.7	3.1	5.1
Participation rate	72.7	72.9	0.3	0.2	1.1	1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.3	68.5	0.4	0.2	1.0	1.8	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	251.1	251.4	...	0.3	1.8	4.2	0.1	0.7	1.7
Labour force	182.8	180.2	1.3	-2.6	-3.5	5.5	-1.4	-1.9	3.1
Employment	172.1	168.9	1.4	-3.2	-3.9	3.7	-1.9	-2.3	2.2
Unemployment	10.7	11.3	0.6	0.6	0.4	1.8	5.6	3.7	18.9
Participation rate	72.8	71.7	0.5	-1.1	-1.9	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.5	67.2	0.6	-1.3	-2.0	0.4	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	734.9	735.7	...	0.8	3.8	9.4	0.1	0.5	1.3
Labour force	533.6	539.2	3.1	5.6	18.2	23.0	1.0	3.5	4.5
Employment	501.3	507.1	3.3	5.8	17.3	22.6	1.2	3.5	4.7
Unemployment	32.2	32.1	1.5	-0.1	1.0	0.5	-0.3	3.2	1.6
Participation rate	72.6	73.3	0.4	0.7	2.1	2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.2	68.9	0.5	0.7	2.0	2.2	...	...	...
Kingston, Ontario									
Population	126.4	126.4	...	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Labour force	80.8	81.1	0.7	0.3	-4.2	-0.8	0.4	-4.9	-1.0
Employment	76.0	76.6	0.7	0.6	-3.5	-0.1	0.8	-4.4	-0.1
Unemployment	4.8	4.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.6	-0.7	-6.2	-11.8	-13.5
Participation rate	63.9	64.2	0.5	0.3	-3.3	-0.6
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.5	-0.8
Employment rate	60.1	60.6	0.6	0.5	-2.8	-0.1

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Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,733.3	4,742.1	...	8.8	44.0	108.4	0.2	0.9	2.3
Labour force	3,220.4	3,225.9	9.4	5.5	21.1	31.3	0.2	0.7	1.0
Employment	2,915.7	2,919.8	9.7	4.1	14.9	22.8	0.1	0.5	0.8
Unemployment	304.7	306.2	6.4	1.5	6.3	8.6	0.5	2.1	2.9
Participation rate	68.0	68.0	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.5	9.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.6	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	604.9	605.3	...	0.4	1.7	4.7	0.1	0.3	0.8
Labour force	398.2	396.0	3.1	-2.2	-13.8	-13.3	-0.6	-3.4	-3.2
Employment	367.5	365.1	3.2	-2.4	-9.8	-14.0	-0.7	-2.6	-3.7
Unemployment	30.7	30.9	1.6	0.2	-4.1	0.8	0.7	-11.7	2.7
Participation rate	65.8	65.4	0.5	-0.4	-2.5	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.8	0.4	0.1	-0.7	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	60.3	0.5	-0.5	-1.8	-2.8	...	...	...
Kitchener, Ontario									
Population	391.8	392.3	...	0.5	2.1	5.4	0.1	0.5	1.4
Labour force	279.3	283.9	1.9	4.6	10.8	6.4	1.6	4.0	2.3
Employment	254.1	260.5	2.0	6.4	12.9	10.2	2.5	5.2	4.1
Unemployment	25.2	23.4	1.2	-1.8	-2.1	-3.8	-7.1	-8.2	-14.0
Participation rate	71.3	72.4	0.5	1.1	2.4	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	8.2	0.4	-0.8	-1.1	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.9	66.4	0.5	1.5	2.9	1.7	...	...	...
London, Ontario									
Population	392.5	392.8	...	0.3	1.6	4.3	0.1	0.4	1.1
Labour force	266.1	266.9	1.8	0.8	3.3	4.1	0.3	1.3	1.6
Employment	242.7	244.0	1.9	1.3	3.7	8.7	0.5	1.5	3.7
Unemployment	23.4	23.0	1.1	-0.4	-0.2	-4.5	-1.7	-0.9	-16.4
Participation rate	67.8	67.9	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.6	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	62.1	0.5	0.3	0.7	1.5	...	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	297.9	298.4	...	0.5	2.4	5.8	0.2	0.8	2.0
Labour force	204.8	206.0	1.6	1.2	7.8	13.2	0.6	3.9	6.8
Employment	185.2	186.2	1.6	1.0	7.7	8.7	0.5	4.3	4.9
Unemployment	19.6	19.7	0.9	0.1	0.0	4.3	0.5	0.0	27.9
Participation rate	68.7	69.0	0.5	0.3	2.0	3.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	9.6	0.4	0.0	-0.3	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	62.4	0.5	0.2	2.1	1.7	...	...	...
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	330.6	330.7	...	0.1	0.2	0.9	0.0	0.1	0.3
Labour force	210.0	210.2	1.6	0.2	2.3	7.2	0.1	1.1	3.5
Employment	190.3	191.7	1.7	1.4	6.5	10.0	0.7	3.5	5.5
Unemployment	19.6	18.5	0.9	-1.1	-4.3	-2.8	-5.6	-18.9	-13.1
Participation rate	63.5	63.6	0.5	0.1	0.7	2.0
Unemployment rate	9.3	8.8	0.4	-0.5	-2.2	-1.7
Employment rate	57.6	58.0	0.5	0.4	2.0	2.9

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Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	135.0	135.1	...	0.1	0.3	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.7
Labour force	85.8	87.4	0.7	1.6	2.4	-0.6	1.9	2.8	-0.7
Employment	77.5	79.6	0.7	2.1	3.4	-1.1	2.7	4.5	-1.4
Unemployment	8.3	7.8	0.4	-0.5	-1.0	0.5	-6.0	-11.4	6.8
Participation rate	63.6	64.7	0.6	1.1	1.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.7	8.9	0.4	-0.8	-1.5	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	58.9	0.6	1.5	2.4	-1.2	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	102.9	102.9	...	0.0	-0.2	-0.5	0.0	-0.2	-0.5
Labour force	63.7	63.4	0.6	-0.3	-2.4	-1.8	-0.5	-3.6	-2.8
Employment	59.7	60.0	0.7	0.3	-0.5	0.3	0.5	-0.8	0.5
Unemployment	3.9	3.4	0.3	-0.5	-1.9	-2.1	-12.8	-35.8	-38.2
Participation rate	61.9	61.6	0.6	-0.3	-2.2	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.4	0.5	-0.7	-2.7	-3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	58.3	0.6	0.3	-0.4	0.6	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	273.7	273.7	...	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.2
Labour force	174.9	175.8	1.5	0.9	5.4	-2.5	0.5	3.2	-1.4
Employment	152.9	153.5	1.6	0.6	4.7	0.5	0.4	3.2	0.3
Unemployment	22.0	22.4	1.0	0.4	0.8	-2.9	1.8	3.7	-11.5
Participation rate	63.9	64.2	0.5	0.3	1.9	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.6	12.7	0.6	0.1	0.0	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.9	56.1	0.6	0.2	1.7	0.1	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	599.5	600.3	...	0.8	3.6	9.4	0.1	0.6	1.6
Labour force	420.8	424.2	1.3	3.4	5.6	9.5	0.8	1.3	2.3
Employment	398.0	400.1	1.3	2.1	5.0	5.8	0.5	1.3	1.5
Unemployment	22.8	24.1	0.8	1.3	0.7	3.7	5.7	3.0	18.1
Participation rate	70.2	70.7	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.7	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	66.7	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	174.2	174.6	...	0.4	1.6	3.8	0.2	0.9	2.2
Labour force	122.8	123.9	0.7	1.1	3.5	1.7	0.9	2.9	1.4
Employment	116.8	118.0	0.7	1.2	3.5	0.6	1.0	3.1	0.5
Unemployment	6.0	5.9	0.3	-0.1	0.0	1.1	-1.7	0.0	22.9
Participation rate	70.5	71.0	0.4	0.5	1.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.8	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.0	67.6	0.4	0.6	1.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	207.0	207.5	...	0.5	2.5	5.8	0.2	1.2	2.9
Labour force	153.1	153.4	0.9	0.3	2.4	4.7	0.2	1.6	3.2
Employment	145.4	145.3	0.9	-0.1	1.4	3.5	-0.1	1.0	2.5
Unemployment	7.7	8.1	0.4	0.4	1.0	1.2	5.2	14.1	17.4
Participation rate	74.0	73.9	0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.2
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.3	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.7
Employment rate	70.2	70.0	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3

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Calgary, Alberta									
Population	988.7	990.4	...	1.7	8.3	24.2	0.2	0.8	2.5
Labour force	746.5	745.8	3.0	-0.7	-10.7	3.9	-0.1	-1.4	0.5
Employment	689.8	688.8	3.2	-1.0	-13.1	-3.0	-0.1	-1.9	-0.4
Unemployment	56.6	57.1	1.8	0.5	2.5	7.0	0.9	4.6	14.0
Participation rate	75.5	75.3	0.3	-0.2	-1.7	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.7	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.8	69.5	0.3	-0.3	-2.0	-2.1	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	918.6	920.0	...	1.4	6.8	20.4	0.2	0.7	2.3
Labour force	658.8	665.2	3.0	6.4	0.0	4.5	1.0	0.0	0.7
Employment	608.6	615.9	3.3	7.3	1.0	-4.9	1.2	0.2	-0.8
Unemployment	50.2	49.3	1.7	-0.9	-1.0	9.4	-1.8	-2.0	23.6
Participation rate	71.7	72.3	0.3	0.6	-0.5	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	66.9	0.4	0.6	-0.4	-2.1	...	...	...
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia									
Population	137.2	137.4	...	0.2	0.9	2.2	0.1	0.7	1.6
Labour force	95.9	96.8	0.9	0.9	0.7	6.9	0.9	0.7	7.7
Employment	89.3	89.1	0.8	-0.2	0.0	6.1	-0.2	0.0	7.3
Unemployment	6.6	7.6	0.4	1.0	0.6	0.7	15.2	8.6	10.1
Participation rate	69.9	70.5	0.6	0.6	0.1	4.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.9	0.4	1.0	0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	64.8	0.6	-0.3	-0.5	3.4	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,021.2	2,025.2	...	4.0	20.5	49.5	0.2	1.0	2.5
Labour force	1,338.3	1,339.7	5.0	1.4	-1.5	17.1	0.1	-0.1	1.3
Employment	1,237.9	1,239.0	5.1	1.1	1.2	7.4	0.1	0.1	0.6
Unemployment	100.4	100.7	2.8	0.3	-2.7	9.7	0.3	-2.6	10.7
Participation rate	66.2	66.2	0.3	0.0	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.5	0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	61.2	0.3	0.0	-0.5	-1.1	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	290.2	290.4	...	0.2	0.9	2.5	0.1	0.3	0.9
Labour force	198.4	194.5	1.4	-3.9	-3.2	2.1	-2.0	-1.6	1.1
Employment	185.6	183.0	1.4	-2.6	0.1	3.0	-1.4	0.1	1.7
Unemployment	12.8	11.5	0.7	-1.3	-3.3	-0.9	-10.2	-22.3	-7.3
Participation rate	68.4	67.0	0.5	-1.4	-1.3	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	5.9	0.3	-0.6	-1.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	63.0	0.5	-1.0	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...

1. Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0090.