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	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
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in thousands							
Canada ²							
2009	27,325.6	18,727.8	17,103.3	1,624.5	68.5	8.7	62.6
2010	27,737.1	19,030.6	17,478.4	1,552.2	68.6	8.2	63.0
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2009	428.8	268.3	231.0	37.3	62.6	13.9	53.9
2010	431.7	271.5	236.4	35.1	62.9	12.9	54.8
Avalon Peninsula [1010]							
2009	215.5	142.4	127.2	15.1	66.1	10.6	59.0
2010	218.7	148.7	133.4	15.3	68.0	10.3	61.0
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]							
2009	31.9	16.5	13.6	2.9	51.7	17.6	42.6
2010	31.4	18.1	14.6	3.6	57.6	19.9	46.5
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]							
2009	88.1	53.1	44.5	8.6	60.3	16.2	50.5
2010	88.3	51.6	43.4	8.2	58.4	15.9	49.2
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]							
2009	93.4	56.3	45.7	10.7	60.3	19.0	48.9
2010	93.2	53.1	45.1	8.0	57.0	15.1	48.4
Prince Edward Island							
2009	116.2	82.6	74.8	7.8	71.1	9.4	64.4
2010	117.4	84.5	76.9	7.6	72.0	9.0	65.5
Nova Scotia							
2009	772.5	508.7	464.2	44.5	65.9	8.7	60.1
2010	776.3	515.6	470.0	45.6	66.4	8.8	60.5
Cape Breton [1210]							
2009	114.9	65.7	56.8	8.8	57.2	13.4	49.4
2010	114.2	69.4	59.2	10.2	60.8	14.7	51.8
North Shore [1220]							
2009	131.3	81.1	72.1	8.9	61.8	11.0	54.9
2010	131.4	82.1	74.8	7.3	62.5	8.9	56.9
Annapolis Valley [1230]							
2009	101.7	61.7	57.0	4.7	60.7	7.6	56.0
2010	102.2	62.2	56.8	5.4	60.9	8.7	55.6
Southern [1240]							
2009	103.3	65.4	59.4	5.9	63.3	9.0	57.5
2010	103.0	67.4	59.7	7.6	65.4	11.3	58.0
Halifax [1250]							
2009	321.3	234.9	218.8	16.1	73.1	6.9	68.1
2010	325.5	234.6	219.5	15.1	72.1	6.4	67.4
New Brunswick							
2009	621.7	418.5	382.2	36.3	67.3	8.7	61.5
2010	624.8	415.9	378.9	37.0	66.6	8.9	60.6
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]							
2009	135.2	80.3	69.0	11.3	59.4	14.1	51.0
2010	134.6	76.6	66.0	10.6	56.9	13.8	49.0
Moncton-Richibucto [1320]							
2009	168.0	117.9	108.0	10.0	70.2	8.5	64.3
2010	170.3	118.6	110.4	8.2	69.6	6.9	64.8
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]							
2009	143.8	99.1	93.2	5.8	68.9	5.9	64.8
2010	144.6	96.7	88.5	8.2	66.9	8.5	61.2

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in thousands							
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]							
2009	106.4	75.8	70.7	5.0	71.2	6.6	66.4
2010	107.3	75.9	70.7	5.3	70.7	7.0	65.9
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2009	68.2	45.4	41.3	4.1	66.6	9.0	60.6
2010	68.1	47.9	43.2	4.7	70.3	9.8	63.4
Quebec							
2009	6,438.5	4,286.7	3,927.6	359.1	66.6	8.4	61.0
2010	6,519.2	4,354.8	4,018.5	336.3	66.8	7.7	61.6
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2009	80.8	45.7	40.0	5.7	56.6	12.5	49.5
2010	80.9	47.5	41.0	6.5	58.7	13.7	50.7
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2009	167.6	104.6	96.1	8.5	62.4	8.1	57.3
2010	168.0	105.2	94.8	10.4	62.6	9.9	56.4
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2009	573.0	378.0	357.8	20.3	66.0	5.4	62.4
2010	578.9	392.7	374.9	17.8	67.8	4.5	64.8
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2009	332.1	229.4	217.3	12.1	69.1	5.3	65.4
2010	335.0	235.1	223.6	11.5	70.2	4.9	66.7
Estrie [2430]							
2009	253.5	173.6	162.0	11.6	68.5	6.7	63.9
2010	256.5	163.3	149.1	14.3	63.7	8.8	58.1
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2009	188.0	128.9	121.9	7.0	68.6	5.4	64.8
2010	189.8	117.1	110.3	6.8	61.7	5.8	58.1
Montérégie [2435]							
2009	1,162.6	789.5	725.0	64.5	67.9	8.2	62.4
2010	1,185.2	805.9	746.9	59.0	68.0	7.3	63.0
Montréal [2440]							
2009	1,595.8	1,054.1	930.9	123.2	66.1	11.7	58.3
2010	1,603.7	1,087.0	980.4	106.6	67.8	9.8	61.1
Laval [2445]							
2009	319.1	214.4	199.2	15.2	67.2	7.1	62.4
2010	324.8	219.4	201.2	18.2	67.5	8.3	61.9
Lanaudière [2450]							
2009	374.3	262.6	241.6	21.0	70.2	8.0	64.5
2010	385.9	264.4	249.1	15.4	68.5	5.8	64.6
Laurentides [2455]							
2009	445.6	303.8	282.6	21.2	68.2	7.0	63.4
2010	456.7	309.8	287.3	22.5	67.8	7.3	62.9
Outaouais [2460]							
2009	299.4	208.7	196.7	12.1	69.7	5.8	65.7
2010	304.6	214.1	199.8	14.3	70.3	6.7	65.6
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2009	116.3	73.1	66.7	6.3	62.9	8.6	57.4
2010	117.1	75.7	68.9	6.8	64.6	9.0	58.8
Mauricie [2470]							
2009	219.0	131.8	117.3	14.5	60.2	11.0	53.6
2010	220.3	128.1	115.4	12.7	58.1	9.9	52.4

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in thousands							
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2009	222.9	136.2	123.9	12.3	61.1	9.0	55.6
2010	223.1	133.8	124.1	9.7	60.0	7.2	55.6
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2009	88.7	52.3	48.7	3.6	59.0	6.9	54.9
2010	88.6	55.7	51.9	3.8	62.9	6.8	58.6
Ontario							
2009	10,664.9	7,309.4	6,586.9	722.5	68.5	9.9	61.8
2010	10,823.8	7,446.6	6,765.4	681.2	68.8	9.1	62.5
Ottawa [3510]							
2009	1,004.7	719.0	675.0	44.0	71.6	6.1	67.2
2010	1,015.7	736.8	680.6	56.2	72.5	7.6	67.0
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2009	361.4	234.6	214.1	20.6	64.9	8.8	59.2
2010	362.1	221.8	204.3	17.6	61.3	7.9	56.4
Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520]							
2009	312.9	191.7	178.7	13.0	61.3	6.8	57.1
2010	314.8	190.2	173.8	16.4	60.4	8.6	55.2
Toronto [3530]							
2009	4,910.9	3,412.8	3,041.9	370.9	69.5	10.9	61.9
2010	5,024.3	3,534.6	3,178.3	356.4	70.4	10.1	63.3
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2009	999.0	719.6	652.4	67.2	72.0	9.3	65.3
2010	1,014.5	737.5	679.5	58.0	72.7	7.9	67.0
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2009	1,151.7	776.9	704.9	72.1	67.5	9.3	61.2
2010	1,161.5	776.0	714.7	61.3	66.8	7.9	61.5
London [3560]							
2009	521.0	355.3	316.5	38.8	68.2	10.9	60.7
2010	526.6	357.3	326.0	31.2	67.9	8.7	61.9
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2009	527.2	340.0	294.9	45.1	64.5	13.3	55.9
2010	528.5	338.4	300.2	38.2	64.0	11.3	56.8
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2009	248.7	164.8	150.6	14.2	66.3	8.6	60.6
2010	249.6	163.8	153.7	10.1	65.6	6.2	61.6
Northeast [3590]							
2009	454.7	284.1	257.2	27.0	62.5	9.5	56.6
2010	455.5	285.4	258.0	27.4	62.7	9.6	56.6
Northwest [3595]							
2009	172.5	110.6	100.8	9.8	64.1	8.9	58.4
2010	170.7	104.9	96.4	8.5	61.5	8.1	56.5
Manitoba							
2009	923.8	654.4	617.9	36.5	70.8	5.6	66.9
2010	937.5	668.7	629.9	38.9	71.3	5.8	67.2
Southeast [4610]							
2009	81.1	55.6	52.0	3.6	68.6	6.5	64.1
2010	83.7	61.7	58.3	3.4	73.7	5.5	69.7
South Central [4620]							
2009	45.2	32.3	31.2	1.2	71.5	3.7	69.0
2010	46.3	33.1	32.0	1.0	71.5	3.0	69.1

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Southwest [4630]							
2009	83.1	59.0	56.2	2.8	71.0	4.7	67.6
2010	83.6	55.8	53.3	2.5	66.7	4.5	63.8
North Central [4640]							
2009	36.3	25.1	23.6	1.5	69.1	6.0	65.0
2010	36.7	25.3	24.2	1.1	68.9	4.3	65.9
Winnipeg [4650]							
2009	547.3	391.9	368.1	23.7	71.6	6.0	67.3
2010	555.2	400.1	374.1	26.0	72.1	6.5	67.4
Interlake [4660]							
2009	71.9	50.5	48.4	2.0	70.2	4.0	67.3
2010	73.1	52.0	49.3	2.7	71.1	5.2	67.4
Parklands and North [4670, 4680]							
2009	58.8	40.1	38.3	1.8	68.2	4.5	65.1
2010	58.9	40.7	38.6	2.1	69.1	5.2	65.5
Saskatchewan							
2009	780.2	555.8	527.8	28.0	71.2	5.0	67.6
2010	792.2	565.9	535.7	30.2	71.4	5.3	67.6
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]							
2009	231.0	166.2	158.5	7.7	71.9	4.6	68.6
2010	235.4	175.1	167.1	7.9	74.4	4.5	71.0
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]							
2009	84.2	56.9	54.8	2.0	67.6	3.5	65.1
2010	84.5	57.6	54.6	2.9	68.2	5.0	64.6
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]							
2009	246.0	185.9	176.7	9.2	75.6	4.9	71.8
2010	252.0	183.9	173.8	10.2	73.0	5.5	69.0
Yorkton-Melville [4740]							
2009	64.7	42.3	40.4	1.9	65.4	4.5	62.4
2010	64.7	44.4	42.6	1.9	68.6	4.3	65.8
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]							
2009	154.2	104.6	97.3	7.2	67.8	6.9	63.1
2010	155.6	104.9	97.6	7.3	67.4	7.0	62.7
Alberta							
2009	2,870.0	2,164.3	2,010.6	153.8	75.4	7.1	70.1
2010	2,929.8	2,172.6	2,029.5	143.2	74.2	6.6	69.3
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]							
2009	212.5	146.9	136.7	10.2	69.1	6.9	64.3
2010	214.9	154.2	144.1	10.1	71.8	6.5	67.1
Camrose-Drumheller [4820]							
2009	156.6	114.5	108.4	6.1	73.1	5.3	69.2
2010	157.7	115.2	110.2	5.0	73.1	4.3	69.9
Calgary [4830]							
2009	1,052.5	817.7	760.6	57.1	77.7	7.0	72.3
2010	1,078.6	820.7	763.6	57.1	76.1	7.0	70.8
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840]							
2009	69.7	56.1	53.4	2.7	80.5	4.8	76.6
2010	70.7	56.8	54.2	2.7	80.3	4.8	76.7
Red Deer [4850]							
2009	151.1	111.3	102.5	8.8	73.7	7.9	67.8
2010	155.2	113.1	107.8	5.4	72.9	4.8	69.5

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Edmonton [4860]							
2009	941.6	699.3	646.2	53.0	74.3	7.6	68.6
2010	961.4	693.2	643.8	49.4	72.1	7.1	67.0
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]							
2009	191.0	144.9	132.9	12.0	75.9	8.3	69.6
2010	194.6	143.6	134.6	9.1	73.8	6.3	69.2
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2009	95.0	73.7	69.8	3.9	77.6	5.3	73.5
2010	96.8	75.8	71.4	4.4	78.3	5.8	73.8
British Columbia							
2009	3,709.0	2,479.1	2,280.5	198.6	66.8	8.0	61.5
2010	3,784.5	2,534.4	2,337.2	197.2	67.0	7.8	61.8
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2009	640.1	409.5	382.4	27.1	64.0	6.6	59.7
2010	648.1	416.1	389.4	26.7	64.2	6.4	60.1
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2009	2,261.4	1,536.0	1,418.6	117.4	67.9	7.6	62.7
2010	2,318.5	1,566.7	1,443.2	123.5	67.6	7.9	62.2
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2009	438.2	280.7	253.7	27.0	64.1	9.6	57.9
2010	445.8	292.4	269.2	23.2	65.6	7.9	60.4
Kootenay [5940]							
2009	123.3	76.8	69.9	6.9	62.3	9.0	56.7
2010	124.0	78.9	70.6	8.3	63.6	10.5	56.9
Cariboo [5950]							
2009	127.5	87.7	76.1	11.7	68.8	13.3	59.7
2010	128.8	92.4	84.6	7.7	71.7	8.3	65.7
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2009	65.2	47.3	42.1	5.2	72.5	11.0	64.6
2010	64.8	45.4	40.5	4.9	70.1	10.8	62.5
Northeast [5980]							
2009	53.4	41.0	37.7	3.4	76.8	8.3	70.6
2010	54.6	42.5	39.6	2.9	77.8	6.8	72.5

1. For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).

2. Estimates for Canada are a sum of the provincial totals and exclude estimates from Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

Note(s): All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM table 282-0054.