

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

	November 2010	December 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)																		
15 years and over, both sexes																		
Population	27,868.9	27,894.2	...	25.3	403.5	403.5	0.1	1.5	1.5									
Labour force	18,654.8	18,674.0	28.1	19.2	236.8	236.8	0.1	1.3	1.3									
Employment	17,227.9	17,249.9	27.9	22.0	368.5	368.5	0.1	2.2	2.2									
Employment full-time	13,898.3	13,936.3	36.8	38.0	259.1	259.1	0.3	1.9	1.9									
Employment part-time	3,329.6	3,313.5	33.7	-16.1	109.2	109.2	-0.5	3.4	3.4									
Unemployment	1,426.9	1,424.1	24.9	-2.8	-131.7	-131.7	-0.2	-8.5	-8.5									
Participation rate	66.9	66.9	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.6	0.1	0.0	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...						
Employment rate	61.8	61.8	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.4	...	...	...						
Part-time rate	19.3	19.2	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.2	...	...	...						
15 to 24 years, both sexes																		
Population	4,410.7	4,411.3	...	0.6	11.0	11.0	0.0	0.2	0.2									
Labour force	2,787.0	2,824.8	16.5	37.8	-23.0	-23.0	1.4	-0.8	-0.8									
Employment	2,407.5	2,433.9	15.1	26.4	41.9	41.9	1.1	1.8	1.8									
Employment full-time	1,260.8	1,272.0	17.7	11.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.9	0.0	0.0									
Employment part-time	1,146.7	1,161.9	18.3	15.2	42.3	42.3	1.3	3.8	3.8									
Unemployment	379.5	390.9	14.3	11.4	-65.0	-65.0	3.0	-14.3	-14.3									
Participation rate	63.2	64.0	0.4	0.8	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	13.6	13.8	0.5	0.2	-2.2	-2.2	...	...	...						
Employment rate	54.6	55.2	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.8	...	...	...						
Part-time rate	47.6	47.7	0.7	0.1	0.9	0.9	...	...	...						
25 years and over, men																		
Population	11,476.4	11,488.9	...	12.5	195.1	195.1	0.1	1.7	1.7									
Labour force	8,414.0	8,414.7	14.8	0.7	146.7	146.7	0.0	1.8	1.8									
Employment	7,836.1	7,844.7	16.2	8.6	235.1	235.1	0.1	3.1	3.1									
Employment full-time	7,233.4	7,233.8	20.8	0.4	223.4	223.4	0.0	3.2	3.2									
Employment part-time	602.7	610.9	16.6	8.2	11.7	11.7	1.4	2.0	2.0									
Unemployment	577.9	570.0	15.0	-7.9	-88.3	-88.3	-1.4	-13.4	-13.4									
Participation rate	73.3	73.2	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.8	0.2	-0.1	-1.2	-1.2	...	...	...						
Employment rate	68.3	68.3	0.1	0.0	0.9	0.9	...	...	...						
Part-time rate	7.7	7.8	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...						
25 years and over, women																		
Population	11,981.7	11,994.1	...	12.4	197.5	197.5	0.1	1.7	1.7									
Labour force	7,453.8	7,434.6	15.9	-19.2	113.2	113.2	-0.3	1.5	1.5									
Employment	6,984.3	6,971.3	15.8	-13.0	91.5	91.5	-0.2	1.3	1.3									
Employment full-time	5,404.1	5,430.5	23.6	26.4	36.1	36.1	0.5	0.7	0.7									
Employment part-time	1,580.2	1,540.7	22.1	-39.5	55.3	55.3	-2.5	3.7	3.7									
Unemployment	469.5	463.3	12.9	-6.2	21.7	21.7	-1.3	4.9	4.9									
Participation rate	62.2	62.0	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.2	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.2	...	...	...						
Employment rate	58.3	58.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...						
Part-time rate	22.6	22.1	0.3	-0.5	0.5	0.5	...	...	...						
25 to 54 years, both sexes																		
Population	14,672.7	14,676.6	...	3.9	111.8	111.8	0.0	0.8	0.8									
Labour force	12,657.6	12,638.0	21.3	-19.6	69.5	69.5	-0.2	0.6	0.6									
Employment	11,812.4	11,812.6	22.9	0.2	140.6	140.6	0.0	1.2	1.2									
Employment full-time	845.3	825.4	18.6	-19.9	-71.2	-71.2	-2.4	-7.9	-7.9									
Employment part-time	80.5	80.5	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.4	...	...	...						
Unemployment	6.7	6.5	0.1	-0.2	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...						
Participation rate	86.3	86.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.5	0.1	-0.2	-0.6	-0.6									
Employment rate	80.5	80.5	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.4									

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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in thousands (except rates)												
25 to 54 years, men												
Population	7,336.1	7,338.3	...	2.2	56.7	56.7	0.0	0.8	0.8			
Labour force	6,639.2	6,639.5	13.7	0.3	47.4	47.4	0.0	0.7	0.7			
Employment	6,189.5	6,198.2	15.6	8.7	136.9	136.9	0.1	2.3	2.3			
Unemployment	449.7	441.3	13.8	-8.4	-89.5	-89.5	-1.9	-16.9	-16.9			
Participation rate	90.5	90.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.6	0.2	-0.2	-1.5	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	84.4	84.5	0.2	0.1	1.3	1.3	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, women												
Population	7,336.5	7,338.3	...	1.8	55.1	55.1	0.0	0.8	0.8			
Labour force	6,018.5	5,998.5	15.5	-20.0	22.1	22.1	-0.3	0.4	0.4			
Employment	5,622.9	5,614.4	15.8	-8.5	3.7	3.7	-0.2	0.1	0.1			
Unemployment	395.6	384.2	12.0	-11.4	18.5	18.5	-2.9	5.1	5.1			
Participation rate	82.0	81.7	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.4	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	76.6	76.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
55 years and over, both sexes												
Population	8,785.5	8,806.3	...	20.8	280.7	280.7	0.2	3.3	3.3			
Labour force	3,210.2	3,211.2	16.5	1.0	190.4	190.4	0.0	6.3	6.3			
Employment	3,008.1	3,003.3	16.5	-4.8	185.8	185.8	-0.2	6.6	6.6			
Unemployment	202.1	207.9	9.1	5.8	4.6	4.6	2.9	2.3	2.3			
Participation rate	36.5	36.5	0.2	0.0	1.1	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.3	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	34.2	34.1	0.2	-0.1	1.1	1.1	...	...	...
55 years and over, men												
Population	4,140.3	4,150.6	...	10.3	138.4	138.4	0.2	3.4	3.4			
Labour force	1,774.8	1,775.2	11.1	0.4	99.3	99.3	0.0	5.9	5.9			
Employment	1,646.6	1,646.5	11.2	-0.1	98.1	98.1	0.0	6.3	6.3			
Unemployment	128.2	128.7	7.0	0.5	1.2	1.2	0.4	0.9	0.9			
Participation rate	42.9	42.8	0.3	-0.1	1.0	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.2	0.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	39.8	39.7	0.3	-0.1	1.1	1.1	...	...	...
55 years and over, women												
Population	4,645.2	4,655.7	...	10.5	142.3	142.3	0.2	3.2	3.2			
Labour force	1,435.4	1,436.0	11.1	0.6	91.1	91.1	0.0	6.8	6.8			
Employment	1,361.4	1,356.9	11.1	-4.5	87.8	87.8	-0.3	6.9	6.9			
Unemployment	73.9	79.1	5.6	5.2	3.2	3.2	7.0	4.2	4.2			
Participation rate	30.9	30.8	0.2	-0.1	1.0	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.5	0.4	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	29.3	29.1	0.2	-0.2	1.0	1.0	...	...	...

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.