

**Table 4-3**  
**Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Nova Scotia**

	November 2010	December 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	777.3	<b>777.5</b>	...	0.2	3.0	3.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.4	0.4	
Labour force	498.1	<b>501.2</b>	2.7	3.1	1.3	1.3	<b>0.6</b>	0.3	0.3	
Employment	450.5	<b>449.1</b>	2.8	-1.4	-2.9	-2.9	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.6	-0.6	
Employment full-time	364.2	<b>368.7</b>	3.6	4.5	-0.1	-0.1	<b>1.2</b>	0.0	0.0	
Unemployment	47.6	<b>52.1</b>	2.6	4.5	4.3	4.3	<b>9.5</b>	9.0	9.0	
Participation rate	64.1	<b>64.5</b>	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	9.6	<b>10.4</b>	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	...	...	...	
Employment rate	58.0	<b>57.8</b>	0.4	-0.2	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...	
Part-time rate	19.2	<b>17.9</b>	0.7	-1.3	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...	
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>										
Population	118.7	<b>118.6</b>	...	-0.1	-1.2	-1.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.0	-1.0	
Labour force	79.5	<b>80.1</b>	1.6	0.6	-1.9	-1.9	<b>0.8</b>	-2.3	-2.3	
Employment	66.1	<b>65.2</b>	1.6	-0.9	-3.1	-3.1	<b>-1.4</b>	-4.5	-4.5	
Unemployment	13.4	<b>14.9</b>	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.3	<b>11.2</b>	9.6	9.6	
Participation rate	67.0	<b>67.5</b>	1.3	0.5	-0.9	-0.9	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	16.9	<b>18.6</b>	1.7	1.7	2.0	2.0	...	...	...	
Employment rate	55.7	<b>55.0</b>	1.3	-0.7	-2.0	-2.0	...	...	...	
Part-time rate	45.1	<b>42.2</b>	2.4	-2.9	-3.8	-3.8	...	...	...	
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>										
Population	314.0	<b>314.1</b>	...	0.1	2.0	2.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.6	0.6	
Labour force	214.1	<b>214.7</b>	1.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.3	
Employment	193.7	<b>193.7</b>	1.7	0.0	-1.1	-1.1	<b>0.0</b>	-0.6	-0.6	
Unemployment	20.4	<b>21.1</b>	1.6	0.7	1.9	1.9	<b>3.4</b>	9.9	9.9	
Participation rate	68.2	<b>68.4</b>	0.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	9.5	<b>9.8</b>	0.7	0.3	0.8	0.8	...	...	...	
Employment rate	61.7	<b>61.7</b>	0.6	0.0	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...	
Part-time rate	8.1	<b>7.9</b>	0.7	-0.2	1.4	1.4	...	...	...	
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>										
Population	344.6	<b>344.7</b>	...	0.1	2.0	2.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.6	0.6	
Labour force	204.5	<b>206.3</b>	1.5	1.8	2.4	2.4	<b>0.9</b>	1.2	1.2	
Employment	190.7	<b>190.2</b>	1.5	-0.5	1.3	1.3	<b>-0.3</b>	0.7	0.7	
Unemployment	13.8	<b>16.2</b>	1.3	2.4	1.2	1.2	<b>17.4</b>	8.0	8.0	
Participation rate	59.3	<b>59.8</b>	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	6.7	<b>7.9</b>	0.6	1.2	0.5	0.5	...	...	...	
Employment rate	55.3	<b>55.2</b>	0.4	-0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...	
Part-time rate	21.4	<b>19.8</b>	1.1	-1.6	-1.0	-1.0	...	...	...	
<b>Industry</b>										
Goods-producing sector	87.0	<b>87.3</b>	2.2	0.3	1.8	1.8	<b>0.3</b>	2.1	2.1	
Agriculture	4.9	<b>5.9</b>	0.7	1.0	0.6	0.6	<b>20.4</b>	11.3	11.3	
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	11.4	<b>11.9</b>	1.1	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	<b>4.4</b>	-1.7	-1.7	
Utilities	3.8	<b>3.9</b>	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	<b>2.6</b>	0.0	0.0	
Construction	34.1	<b>32.3</b>	1.5	-1.8	0.2	0.2	<b>-5.3</b>	0.6	0.6	
Manufacturing	32.8	<b>33.3</b>	1.3	0.5	1.2	1.2	<b>1.5</b>	3.7	3.7	
Services-producing sector	363.5	<b>361.7</b>	2.9	-1.8	-4.8	-4.8	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.3	-1.3	
Trade	79.0	<b>75.7</b>	2.1	-3.3	0.1	0.1	<b>-4.2</b>	0.1	0.1	
Transportation and warehousing	17.6	<b>17.3</b>	1.1	-0.3	-1.9	-1.9	<b>-1.7</b>	-9.9	-9.9	
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	23.3	<b>23.8</b>	1.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.1	<b>2.1</b>	-0.4	-0.4	
Professional, scientific and technical services	23.1	<b>22.0</b>	1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	<b>-4.8</b>	-4.8	-4.8	
Business, building and other support services	23.8	<b>24.0</b>	1.2	0.2	1.4	1.4	<b>0.8</b>	6.2	6.2	
Educational services	32.8	<b>32.8</b>	1.4	0.0	-4.4	-4.4	<b>0.0</b>	-11.8	-11.8	
Health care and social assistance	67.9	<b>68.1</b>	1.7	0.2	0.5	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.7	0.7	
Information, culture and recreation	19.2	<b>19.1</b>	1.2	-0.1	1.3	1.3	<b>-0.5</b>	7.3	7.3	
Accommodation and food services	27.8	<b>28.5</b>	1.3	0.7	0.1	0.1	<b>2.5</b>	0.4	0.4	
Other services	18.6	<b>18.7</b>	1.1	0.1	-1.8	-1.8	<b>0.5</b>	-8.8	-8.8	
Public administration	30.5	<b>31.8</b>	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.2	<b>4.3</b>	3.9	3.9	

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.