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	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
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in thousands							
Canada²							
2009	27,462.4	18,316.8	16,886.7	1,430.1	66.7	7.8	61.5
2010	27,867.8	18,566.7	17,238.1	1,328.6	66.6	7.2	61.9
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2009	430.2	251.2	212.9	38.3	58.4	15.2	49.5
2010	432.0	256.8	223.7	33.1	59.4	12.9	51.8
Avalon Peninsula [1010]							
2009	216.7	136.6	121.0	15.7	63.0	11.5	55.8
2010	219.5	139.7	127.9	11.8	63.6	8.4	58.3
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]							
2009	31.8	15.1	12.2	2.9	47.5	19.2	38.4
2010	31.2	18.1	14.0	4.1	58.0	22.7	44.9
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]							
2009	88.2	50.5	42.2	8.4	57.3	16.6	47.8
2010	88.3	51.6	43.1	8.5	58.4	16.5	48.8
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]							
2009	93.4	49.0	37.6	11.3	52.5	23.1	40.3
2010	93.0	47.4	38.7	8.7	51.0	18.4	41.6
Prince Edward Island							
2009	116.4	78.4	69.7	8.7	67.4	11.1	59.9
2010	118.3	79.4	69.5	10.0	67.1	12.6	58.7
Nova Scotia							
2009	774.1	497.8	454.7	43.0	64.3	8.6	58.7
2010	777.4	496.8	450.3	46.5	63.9	9.4	57.9
Cape Breton [1210]							
2009	114.7	63.3	54.3	9.0	55.2	14.2	47.3
2010	113.9	63.2	53.3	9.9	55.5	15.7	46.8
North Shore [1220]							
2009	131.4	80.4	72.2	8.3	61.2	10.3	54.9
2010	131.4	79.3	70.4	9.0	60.4	11.3	53.6
Annapolis Valley [1230]							
2009	101.9	62.9	57.5	5.4	61.7	8.6	56.4
2010	102.4	63.5	56.9	6.6	62.0	10.4	55.6
Southern [1240]							
2009	103.2	60.9	54.0	6.9	59.0	11.3	52.3
2010	102.9	62.4	55.4	7.0	60.6	11.2	53.8
Halifax [1250]							
2009	322.8	230.2	216.7	13.5	71.3	5.9	67.1
2010	326.9	228.4	214.4	14.1	69.9	6.2	65.6
New Brunswick							
2009	622.5	397.4	366.0	31.4	63.8	7.9	58.8
2010	626.1	396.5	361.1	35.4	63.3	8.9	57.7
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]							
2009	134.9	73.9	63.6	10.2	54.8	13.8	47.1
2010	134.4	73.5	61.0	12.6	54.7	17.1	45.4
Moncton-Richibucto [1320]							
2009	168.7	112.1	105.9	6.2	66.4	5.5	62.8
2010	171.0	111.7	102.3	9.4	65.3	8.4	59.8
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]							
2009	144.0	94.3	87.9	6.4	65.5	6.8	61.0
2010	144.8	94.1	89.0	5.1	65.0	5.4	61.5

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in thousands							
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]							
2009	106.8	73.5	68.8	4.6	68.8	6.3	64.4
2010	107.8	75.2	70.5	4.8	69.8	6.4	65.4
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2009	68.1	43.6	39.7	3.9	64.0	8.9	58.3
2010	68.1	42.0	38.4	3.6	61.7	8.6	56.4
Quebec							
2009	6,465.3	4,172.8	3,851.7	321.1	64.5	7.7	59.6
2010	6,545.4	4,259.8	3,947.5	312.3	65.1	7.3	60.3
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2009	80.9	41.9	35.9	6.0	51.8	14.3	44.4
2010	81.0	43.1	37.7	5.4	53.2	12.5	46.5
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2009	167.8	92.7	84.6	8.1	55.2	8.7	50.4
2010	168.2	99.1	89.6	9.5	58.9	9.6	53.3
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2009	575.0	371.4	352.4	19.1	64.6	5.1	61.3
2010	581.0	392.0	371.6	20.3	67.5	5.2	64.0
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2009	333.1	217.3	207.3	10.0	65.2	4.6	62.2
2010	336.1	228.4	219.6	8.8	68.0	3.9	65.3
Estrie [2430]							
2009	254.6	159.0	150.4	8.6	62.5	5.4	59.1
2010	257.5	167.5	157.3	10.2	65.0	6.1	61.1
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2009	188.6	115.6	108.5	7.1	61.3	6.1	57.5
2010	190.4	116.8	110.9	6.0	61.3	5.1	58.2
Montérégie [2435]							
2009	1,169.4	780.5	727.7	52.8	66.7	6.8	62.2
2010	1,192.0	800.4	744.1	56.3	67.1	7.0	62.4
Montréal [2440]							
2009	1,598.7	1,030.3	924.3	106.0	64.4	10.3	57.8
2010	1,606.1	1,029.8	935.7	94.1	64.1	9.1	58.3
Laval [2445]							
2009	321.0	222.7	207.8	14.9	69.4	6.7	64.7
2010	326.8	207.1	190.3	16.8	63.4	8.1	58.2
Lanaudière [2450]							
2009	378.1	256.7	234.6	22.1	67.9	8.6	62.0
2010	389.8	255.0	234.8	20.2	65.4	7.9	60.2
Laurentides [2455]							
2009	449.2	302.4	279.3	23.1	67.3	7.6	62.2
2010	460.3	316.5	292.1	24.4	68.8	7.7	63.5
Outaouais [2460]							
2009	301.1	210.0	198.5	11.5	69.7	5.5	65.9
2010	306.3	202.3	190.4	11.9	66.0	5.9	62.2
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2009	116.6	68.5	62.2	6.3	58.7	9.2	53.3
2010	117.3	78.3	72.6	5.6	66.8	7.2	61.9
Mauricie [2470]							
2009	219.5	118.2	108.0	10.2	53.8	8.6	49.2
2010	220.8	135.1	125.5	9.6	61.2	7.1	56.8

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in thousands							
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2009	223.1	130.1	119.1	10.9	58.3	8.4	53.4
2010	223.2	129.0	119.3	9.7	57.8	7.5	53.4
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2009	88.7	55.5	51.1	4.3	62.6	7.7	57.6
2010	88.5	59.4	55.9	3.5	67.1	5.9	63.2
Ontario							
2009	10,717.6	7,152.9	6,556.3	596.6	66.7	8.3	61.2
2010	10,878.7	7,249.7	6,707.1	542.6	66.6	7.5	61.7
Ottawa [3510]							
2009	1,008.3	704.7	663.9	40.9	69.9	5.8	65.8
2010	1,019.6	708.4	663.4	45.0	69.5	6.4	65.1
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2009	361.8	221.2	203.9	17.3	61.1	7.8	56.4
2010	362.4	217.0	202.5	14.5	59.9	6.7	55.9
Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520]							
2009	313.6	190.1	173.6	16.5	60.6	8.7	55.4
2010	315.5	184.1	165.8	18.3	58.4	9.9	52.6
Toronto [3530]							
2009	4,948.2	3,348.9	3,054.6	294.3	67.7	8.8	61.7
2010	5,062.6	3,449.2	3,183.6	265.6	68.1	7.7	62.9
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2009	1,003.9	703.7	647.6	56.1	70.1	8.0	64.5
2010	1,019.8	715.7	664.8	50.8	70.2	7.1	65.2
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2009	1,155.1	765.2	697.3	67.9	66.2	8.9	60.4
2010	1,165.1	757.7	700.5	57.2	65.0	7.5	60.1
London [3560]							
2009	522.9	349.7	321.1	28.5	66.9	8.1	61.4
2010	528.5	347.8	321.4	26.4	65.8	7.6	60.8
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2009	527.7	328.7	296.3	32.4	62.3	9.9	56.1
2010	529.1	333.6	302.4	31.3	63.1	9.4	57.2
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2009	249.1	164.1	152.8	11.3	65.9	6.9	61.3
2010	249.9	159.4	149.9	9.5	63.8	6.0	60.0
Northeast [3590]							
2009	455.1	268.0	243.6	24.4	58.9	9.1	53.5
2010	455.9	273.6	256.1	17.5	60.0	6.4	56.2
Northwest [3595]							
2009	171.9	108.5	101.4	7.0	63.1	6.5	59.0
2010	170.2	103.3	96.8	6.5	60.7	6.3	56.9
Manitoba							
2009	927.8	639.4	606.5	33.0	68.9	5.2	65.4
2010	942.0	652.5	622.0	30.5	69.3	4.7	66.0
Southeast [4610]							
2009	81.9	58.9	55.5	3.4	71.9	5.8	67.8
2010	84.5	58.6	55.9	2.8	69.3	4.8	66.2
South Central [4620]							
2009	45.5	31.7	30.5	1.2	69.7	3.8	67.0
2010	46.7	31.9	30.7	1.2	68.3	3.8	65.7

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Southwest [4630]							
2009	83.3	56.6	54.3	2.3	67.9	4.1	65.2
2010	83.7	55.1	53.7	1.5	65.8	2.7	64.2
North Central [4640]							
2009	36.4	23.6	22.5	1.1	64.8	4.7	61.8
2010	36.8	24.4	23.3	1.0	66.3	4.1	63.3
Winnipeg [4650]							
2009	549.6	381.1	360.2	20.9	69.3	5.5	65.5
2010	557.9	389.6	369.3	20.3	69.8	5.2	66.2
Interlake [4660]							
2009	72.3	47.5	45.2	2.3	65.7	4.8	62.5
2010	73.5	50.6	48.8	1.8	68.8	3.6	66.4
Parklands and North [4670, 4680]							
2009	58.8	40.0	38.3	1.7	68.0	4.3	65.1
2010	58.9	42.3	40.4	1.9	71.8	4.5	68.6
Saskatchewan							
2009	783.7	544.3	520.3	24.0	69.5	4.4	66.4
2010	795.4	552.8	525.3	27.5	69.5	5.0	66.0
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]							
2009	232.3	161.9	155.3	6.5	69.7	4.0	66.9
2010	236.6	171.8	165.6	6.2	72.6	3.6	70.0
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]							
2009	84.2	55.3	52.6	2.7	65.7	4.9	62.5
2010	84.6	55.7	52.9	2.8	65.8	5.0	62.5
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]							
2009	247.8	180.3	173.1	7.2	72.8	4.0	69.9
2010	253.7	175.3	167.1	8.2	69.1	4.7	65.9
Yorkton-Melville [4740]							
2009	64.7	42.0	40.4	1.6	64.9	3.8	62.4
2010	64.7	42.0	39.5	2.5	64.9	6.0	61.1
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]							
2009	154.6	104.8	98.9	6.0	67.8	5.7	64.0
2010	155.8	108.1	100.2	7.9	69.4	7.3	64.3
Alberta							
2009	2,891.3	2,124.8	1,979.0	145.7	73.5	6.9	68.4
2010	2,947.2	2,132.0	2,014.0	117.9	72.3	5.5	68.3
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]							
2009	213.4	145.6	137.7	7.8	68.2	5.4	64.5
2010	215.6	142.3	136.2	6.1	66.0	4.3	63.2
Camrose-Drumheller [4820]							
2009	156.9	111.3	105.3	6.0	70.9	5.4	67.1
2010	158.0	112.2	106.5	5.7	71.0	5.1	67.4
Calgary [4830]							
2009	1,061.8	801.4	744.5	57.0	75.5	7.1	70.1
2010	1,085.9	798.3	750.6	47.7	73.5	6.0	69.1
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840]							
2009	70.1	53.0	50.0	3.0	75.6	5.7	71.3
2010	70.8	55.0	51.7	3.3	77.7	6.0	73.0
Red Deer [4850]							
2009	152.4	109.1	101.4	7.7	71.6	7.1	66.5
2010	156.5	113.8	108.0	5.8	72.7	5.1	69.0

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Edmonton [4860]							
2009	948.8	686.7	637.0	49.7	72.4	7.2	67.1
2010	967.2	691.0	653.6	37.5	71.4	5.4	67.6
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]							
2009	192.2	143.5	132.1	11.4	74.7	7.9	68.7
2010	195.8	141.5	133.5	8.1	72.3	5.7	68.2
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2009	95.7	74.1	71.1	3.0	77.4	4.0	74.3
2010	97.3	77.8	74.0	3.8	80.0	4.9	76.1
British Columbia							
2009	3,733.3	2,457.8	2,269.5	188.3	65.8	7.7	60.8
2010	3,805.2	2,490.3	2,317.5	172.8	65.4	6.9	60.9
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2009	642.8	409.9	376.5	33.4	63.8	8.1	58.6
2010	650.3	404.9	381.3	23.6	62.3	5.8	58.6
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2009	2,279.7	1,511.9	1,402.0	110.0	66.3	7.3	61.5
2010	2,334.4	1,543.5	1,436.0	107.5	66.1	7.0	61.5
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2009	440.6	289.0	267.6	21.4	65.6	7.4	60.7
2010	447.8	295.8	272.4	23.4	66.1	7.9	60.8
Kootenay [5940]							
2009	123.5	76.6	70.1	6.5	62.0	8.5	56.8
2010	124.0	71.3	65.2	6.2	57.5	8.7	52.6
Cariboo [5950]							
2009	127.9	85.8	75.5	10.3	67.1	12.0	59.0
2010	129.1	88.3	82.1	6.2	68.4	7.0	63.6
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2009	65.0	44.1	39.6	4.5	67.8	10.2	60.9
2010	64.6	44.3	41.2	3.1	68.6	7.0	63.8
Northeast [5980]							
2009	53.8	40.5	38.3	2.2	75.3	5.4	71.2
2010	54.9	42.4	39.4	3.0	77.2	7.1	71.8

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.