

**Table 4-5**  
**Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Quebec**

	March 2011	April 2011	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	6,555.6	<b>6,561.3</b>	...	<b>5.7</b>	22.0	70.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.1
Labour force	4,281.7	<b>4,290.4</b>	14.5	<b>8.7</b>	16.4	43.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	1.0
Employment	3,950.1	<b>3,956.0</b>	14.4	<b>5.9</b>	2.3	45.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.2
Employment full-time	3,187.3	<b>3,199.6</b>	19.1	<b>12.3</b>	-6.3	54.0	<b>0.4</b>	-0.2	1.7
Unemployment	331.5	<b>334.4</b>	13.0	<b>2.9</b>	14.1	-1.8	<b>0.9</b>	4.4	-0.5
Participation rate	65.3	<b>65.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	<b>7.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	<b>60.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.3	<b>19.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	980.3	<b>980.5</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	1.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.2
Labour force	656.4	<b>664.4</b>	8.3	<b>8.0</b>	-9.3	3.6	<b>1.2</b>	-1.4	0.5
Employment	570.2	<b>576.1</b>	7.7	<b>5.9</b>	-11.0	14.0	<b>1.0</b>	-1.9	2.5
Unemployment	86.2	<b>88.3</b>	7.5	<b>2.1</b>	1.7	-10.5	<b>2.4</b>	2.0	-10.6
Participation rate	67.0	<b>67.8</b>	0.8	<b>0.8</b>	-0.9	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.1	<b>13.3</b>	1.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	<b>58.8</b>	0.8	<b>0.6</b>	-1.1	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.5	<b>49.8</b>	1.5	<b>1.3</b>	0.4	-2.0	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	2,739.7	<b>2,742.6</b>	...	<b>2.9</b>	11.5	36.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	1.3
Labour force	1,927.7	<b>1,921.2</b>	8.1	<b>-6.5</b>	8.3	19.1	<b>-0.3</b>	0.4	1.0
Employment	1,786.5	<b>1,783.5</b>	8.4	<b>-3.0</b>	4.1	25.9	<b>-0.2</b>	0.2	1.5
Unemployment	141.3	<b>137.7</b>	8.0	<b>-3.6</b>	4.3	-6.7	<b>-2.5</b>	3.2	-4.6
Participation rate	70.4	<b>70.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	<b>7.2</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.2	<b>65.0</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.0	<b>8.5</b>	0.5	<b>-0.6</b>	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	2,835.6	<b>2,838.2</b>	...	<b>2.6</b>	10.1	32.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	1.2
Labour force	1,697.5	<b>1,704.8</b>	8.0	<b>7.3</b>	17.3	21.2	<b>0.4</b>	1.0	1.3
Employment	1,593.5	<b>1,596.3</b>	8.1	<b>2.8</b>	9.1	5.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.6	0.4
Unemployment	104.0	<b>108.4</b>	6.5	<b>4.4</b>	8.1	15.4	<b>4.2</b>	8.1	16.6
Participation rate	59.9	<b>60.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>6.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	<b>56.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.4	<b>19.9</b>	0.7	<b>-0.5</b>	0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>	<b>3,950.1</b>	<b>3,956.0</b>	14.4	<b>5.9</b>	2.3	45.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.2
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>	<b>860.3</b>	<b>859.8</b>	12.8	<b>-0.5</b>	4.6	5.6	<b>-0.1</b>	0.5	0.7
Agriculture	57.1	<b>60.8</b>	3.1	<b>3.7</b>	0.9	11.3	<b>6.5</b>	1.5	22.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction	30.4	<b>30.9</b>	2.3	<b>0.5</b>	1.9	-2.0	<b>1.6</b>	6.6	-6.1
Utilities	36.3	<b>30.9</b>	2.2	<b>-5.4</b>	-2.4	-6.0	<b>-14.9</b>	-7.2	-16.3
Construction	236.9	<b>237.0</b>	7.5	<b>0.1</b>	-3.4	-2.9	<b>0.0</b>	-1.4	-1.2
Manufacturing	499.7	<b>500.2</b>	10.5	<b>0.5</b>	7.5	5.3	<b>0.1</b>	1.5	1.1
<b>Services-producing sector</b>	<b>3,089.8</b>	<b>3,096.2</b>	16.7	<b>6.4</b>	-2.3	40.1	<b>0.2</b>	-0.1	1.3
Trade	623.6	<b>633.6</b>	11.6	<b>10.0</b>	8.0	-13.4	<b>1.6</b>	1.3	-2.1
Transportation and warehousing	174.8	<b>172.8</b>	6.0	<b>-2.0</b>	-13.6	20.9	<b>-1.1</b>	-7.3	13.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	224.5	<b>221.2</b>	7.0	<b>-3.3</b>	-12.6	-20.6	<b>-1.5</b>	-5.4	-8.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	296.9	<b>300.5</b>	8.2	<b>3.6</b>	-5.2	7.7	<b>1.2</b>	-1.7	2.6
Business, building and other support services	146.8	<b>144.3</b>	6.7	<b>-2.5</b>	2.5	6.1	<b>-1.7</b>	1.8	4.4
Educational services	276.4	<b>277.7</b>	7.9	<b>1.3</b>	13.7	20.1	<b>0.5</b>	5.2	7.8
Health care and social assistance	518.1	<b>516.7</b>	9.4	<b>-1.4</b>	6.7	13.1	<b>-0.3</b>	1.3	2.6
Information, culture and recreation	169.7	<b>168.1</b>	7.2	<b>-1.6</b>	0.0	-10.1	<b>-0.9</b>	0.0	-5.7
Accommodation and food services	242.6	<b>258.9</b>	8.2	<b>16.3</b>	11.4	19.7	<b>6.7</b>	4.6	8.2
Other services	166.8	<b>163.1</b>	6.3	<b>-3.7</b>	-7.1	-4.7	<b>-2.2</b>	-4.2	-2.8
Public administration	249.6	<b>239.3</b>	6.5	<b>-10.3</b>	-6.3	1.1	<b>-4.1</b>	-2.6	0.5

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.