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	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
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	in thousands						
Canada ²							
2011	27,815.4	18,398.7	17,030.7	1,368.0	66.1	7.4	61.2
2012	28,131.4	18,543.7	17,194.9	1,348.8	65.9	7.3	61.1
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2011	428.9	250.8	216.1	34.7	58.5	13.8	50.4
2012	428.6	254.1	218.7	35.4	59.3	13.9	51.0
Avalon Peninsula [1010]							
2011	219.9	138.9	126.2	12.8	63.2	9.2	57.4
2012	221.3	143.9	129.5	14.4	65.0	10.0	58.5
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]							
2011	30.8	17.9	13.8	4.1	58.1	22.9	44.8
2012	30.3	16.4	12.5	3.9	54.1	23.8	41.3
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]							
2011	87.2	49.7	40.9	8.8	57.0	17.7	46.9
2012	86.5	48.3	40.1	8.2	55.8	17.0	46.4
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]							
2011	91.0	44.2	35.2	9.0	48.6	20.4	38.7
2012	90.4	45.4	36.6	8.8	50.2	19.4	40.5
Prince Edward Island							
2011	117.9	77.5	67.0	10.5	65.7	13.5	56.8
2012	119.9	80.0	69.3	10.7	66.7	13.4	57.8
Nova Scotia							
2011	778.8	492.9	444.8	48.2	63.3	9.8	57.1
2012	779.5	492.3	451.7	40.6	63.2	8.2	57.9
Cape Breton [1210]							
2011	112.9	61.7	51.7	10.0	54.7	16.2	45.8
2012	111.5	62.2	52.4	9.8	55.8	15.8	47.0
North Shore [1220]							
2011	130.2	77.9	68.2	9.7	59.8	12.5	52.4
2012	129.6	78.0	69.1	9.0	60.2	11.5	53.3
Annapolis Valley [1230]							
2011	100.0	61.1	54.0	7.0	61.1	11.5	54.0
2012	99.6	57.2	52.9	4.3	57.4	7.5	53.1
Southern [1240]							
2011	98.9	57.7	51.0	6.7	58.3	11.6	51.6
2012	97.8	57.9	52.3	5.6	59.2	9.7	53.5
Halifax [1250]							
2011	336.8	234.5	219.8	14.8	69.6	6.3	65.3
2012	341.2	236.8	224.9	11.9	69.4	5.0	65.9
New Brunswick							
2011	618.2	382.4	345.9	36.4	61.9	9.5	56.0
2012	620.2	382.9	346.6	36.3	61.7	9.5	55.9
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]							
2011	130.1	68.7	56.2	12.5	52.8	18.2	43.2
2012	128.6	67.9	57.6	10.3	52.8	15.2	44.8
Moncton-Richibucto [1320]							
2011	170.7	110.2	99.8	10.3	64.6	9.3	58.5
2012	172.7	113.4	104.9	8.5	65.7	7.5	60.7
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]							
2011	143.8	91.5	86.1	5.4	63.6	5.9	59.9
2012	144.5	91.1	83.6	7.5	63.0	8.2	57.9

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Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]							
2011	108.3	73.9	69.1	4.8	68.2	6.5	63.8
2012	109.8	71.4	65.3	6.0	65.0	8.4	59.5
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2011	65.3	38.2	34.8	3.4	58.5	8.9	53.3
2012	64.7	39.1	35.1	4.0	60.4	10.2	54.3
Quebec							
2011	6,539.5	4,230.5	3,901.6	329.0	64.7	7.8	59.7
2012	6,605.2	4,218.1	3,860.3	357.8	63.9	8.5	58.4
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2011	78.7	42.0	36.0	6.0	53.4	14.3	45.7
2012	78.6	38.8	34.0	4.7	49.4	12.1	43.3
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2011	166.9	96.9	85.8	11.1	58.1	11.5	51.4
2012	166.7	93.9	85.7	8.2	56.3	8.7	51.4
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2011	584.7	391.5	368.5	23.0	67.0	5.9	63.0
2012	591.4	396.9	374.1	22.8	67.1	5.7	63.3
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2011	332.6	224.1	214.2	9.8	67.4	4.4	64.4
2012	334.4	229.1	216.1	13.0	68.5	5.7	64.6
Estrie [2430]							
2011	257.1	168.2	156.8	11.4	65.4	6.8	61.0
2012	259.3	158.4	147.1	11.3	61.1	7.1	56.7
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2011	189.7	114.2	107.9	6.3	60.2	5.5	56.9
2012	191.3	112.2	102.1	10.1	58.7	9.0	53.4
Montréal [2435]							
2011	1,180.6	783.3	728.1	55.2	66.3	7.0	61.7
2012	1,196.2	770.2	709.6	60.6	64.4	7.9	59.3
Montréal [2440]							
2011	1,617.0	1,023.2	926.1	97.1	63.3	9.5	57.3
2012	1,626.1	1,020.6	909.4	111.2	62.8	10.9	55.9
Laval [2445]							
2011	329.7	212.6	196.0	16.6	64.5	7.8	59.4
2012	335.8	218.4	199.0	19.5	65.0	8.9	59.3
Lanaudière [2450]							
2011	386.8	251.4	232.3	19.0	65.0	7.6	60.1
2012	394.4	274.6	249.6	24.9	69.6	9.1	63.3
Laurentides [2455]							
2011	458.1	313.0	285.8	27.2	68.3	8.7	62.4
2012	466.9	307.4	284.3	23.1	65.8	7.5	60.9
Outaouais [2460]							
2011	303.1	201.8	188.8	13.0	66.6	6.4	62.3
2012	308.3	213.2	199.0	14.3	69.2	6.7	64.5
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2011	117.3	77.0	71.8	5.3	65.6	6.9	61.2
2012	117.8	74.1	69.0	5.1	62.9	6.9	58.6
Mauricie [2470]							
2011	221.0	137.6	126.3	11.3	62.3	8.2	57.1
2012	221.9	131.0	118.9	12.1	59.0	9.2	53.6

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Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2011	225.3	133.3	121.3	12.0	59.2	9.0	53.8
2012	225.4	124.4	113.7	10.7	55.2	8.6	50.4
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2011	90.8	60.5	55.6	4.8	66.6	7.9	61.2
2012	90.7	54.8	48.7	6.2	60.4	11.3	53.7
Ontario							
2011	10,854.5	7,184.2	6,637.6	546.7	66.2	7.6	61.2
2012	10,991.6	7,242.6	6,708.6	534.0	65.9	7.4	61.0
Ottawa [3510]							
2011	1,041.1	714.8	668.4	46.5	68.7	6.5	64.2
2012	1,054.8	731.0	687.9	43.0	69.3	5.9	65.2
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2011	369.3	222.7	208.0	14.7	60.3	6.6	56.3
2012	371.4	232.6	219.0	13.6	62.6	5.8	59.0
Muskoka-Kawartha [3520]							
2011	318.0	183.9	163.7	20.2	57.8	11.0	51.5
2012	319.4	194.5	179.8	14.7	60.9	7.6	56.3
Toronto [3530]							
2011	4,991.8	3,382.6	3,122.3	260.3	67.8	7.7	62.5
2012	5,087.8	3,365.0	3,093.4	271.5	66.1	8.1	60.8
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2011	1,028.8	716.3	663.9	52.4	69.6	7.3	64.5
2012	1,043.6	733.7	684.2	49.5	70.3	6.7	65.6
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2011	1,164.4	751.3	692.1	59.3	64.5	7.9	59.4
2012	1,173.4	764.4	712.3	52.1	65.1	6.8	60.7
London [3560]							
2011	537.9	348.9	321.7	27.2	64.9	7.8	59.8
2012	542.4	350.2	322.2	28.1	64.6	8.0	59.4
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2011	520.8	326.0	296.5	29.5	62.6	9.0	56.9
2012	518.9	323.0	291.7	31.3	62.2	9.7	56.2
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2011	245.9	157.3	146.4	10.8	64.0	6.9	59.5
2012	245.7	163.4	156.4	7.0	66.5	4.3	63.7
Northeast [3590]							
2011	462.3	277.1	259.3	17.7	59.9	6.4	56.1
2012	461.1	273.8	257.0	16.8	59.4	6.1	55.7
Northwest [3595]							
2011	174.0	103.4	95.3	8.1	59.4	7.8	54.8
2012	173.2	110.9	104.5	6.3	64.0	5.7	60.3
Manitoba							
2011	947.0	649.3	617.5	31.8	68.6	4.9	65.2
2012	958.1	654.2	620.4	33.7	68.3	5.2	64.8
Southeast [4610]							
2011	81.8	56.5	53.5	2.9	69.1	5.1	65.4
2012	83.4	57.1	54.3	2.8	68.5	4.9	65.1
South Central [4620]							
2011	46.7	31.4	30.1	1.3	67.2	4.1	64.5
2012	47.9	30.8	29.8	1.0	64.3	3.2	62.2

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Southwest [4630]							
2011	83.6	55.4	53.6	1.8	66.3	3.2	64.1
2012	83.8	57.1	54.5	2.6	68.1	4.6	65.0
North Central [4640]							
2011	36.3	23.5	22.4	1.1	64.7	4.7	61.7
2012	36.7	23.1	22.2	0.8	62.9	3.5	60.5
Winnipeg [4650]							
2011	566.1	390.3	369.7	20.6	68.9	5.3	65.3
2012	574.0	396.5	374.2	22.3	69.1	5.6	65.2
Interlake [4660]							
2011	72.2	49.1	47.1	2.1	68.0	4.3	65.2
2012	72.8	50.5	48.2	2.3	69.4	4.6	66.2
Parklands and North [4670, 4680]							
2011	60.3	43.0	41.0	2.0	71.3	4.7	68.0
2012	59.5	39.1	37.2	1.9	65.7	4.9	62.5
Saskatchewan							
2011	795.4	548.9	520.7	28.2	69.0	5.1	65.5
2012	804.3	549.4	522.7	26.6	68.3	4.8	65.0
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]							
2011	235.9	168.3	162.2	6.1	71.3	3.6	68.8
2012	239.2	172.9	167.0	5.9	72.3	3.4	69.8
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]							
2011	81.2	53.2	50.4	2.7	65.5	5.1	62.1
2012	81.1	50.0	48.0	2.0	61.7	4.0	59.2
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]							
2011	262.0	180.8	172.0	8.9	69.0	4.9	65.6
2012	267.4	183.3	173.9	9.4	68.5	5.1	65.0
Yorkton-Melville [4740]							
2011	63.1	40.6	38.2	2.4	64.3	5.9	60.5
2012	62.8	42.1	40.1	1.9	67.0	4.5	63.9
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]							
2011	153.2	106.0	98.0	8.0	69.2	7.5	64.0
2012	153.9	101.1	93.7	7.4	65.7	7.3	60.9
Alberta							
2011	2,979.8	2,150.2	2,029.6	120.6	72.2	5.6	68.1
2012	3,029.1	2,227.7	2,121.6	106.1	73.5	4.8	70.0
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]							
2011	218.0	140.9	134.9	6.0	64.6	4.3	61.9
2012	220.1	151.0	144.7	6.4	68.6	4.2	65.7
Camrose-Drumheller [4820]							
2011	155.7	111.2	105.7	5.6	71.4	5.0	67.9
2012	156.3	111.2	107.0	4.2	71.1	3.8	68.5
Calgary [4830]							
2011	1,098.8	801.7	754.2	47.6	73.0	5.9	68.6
2012	1,120.8	836.7	795.8	40.9	74.7	4.9	71.0
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840]							
2011	71.7	56.1	52.8	3.3	78.2	5.9	73.6
2012	71.9	54.1	51.8	2.3	75.2	4.3	72.0

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Red Deer [4850]							
2011	153.1	112.2	106.4	5.8	73.3	5.2	69.5
2012	155.3	118.1	111.0	7.1	76.0	6.0	71.5
Edmonton [4860]							
2011	991.2	712.2	671.8	40.4	71.9	5.7	67.8
2012	1,009.2	734.3	699.8	34.5	72.8	4.7	69.3
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]							
2011	190.0	135.2	126.9	8.3	71.2	6.1	66.8
2012	191.1	138.9	132.0	6.9	72.7	5.0	69.1
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2011	101.3	80.7	77.1	3.6	79.7	4.5	76.1
2012	104.1	83.3	79.6	3.7	80.0	4.4	76.5
British Columbia							
2011	3,755.4	2,431.9	2,250.0	182.0	64.8	7.5	59.9
2012	3,794.9	2,442.5	2,275.0	167.6	64.4	6.9	59.9
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2011	653.0	402.6	374.7	27.9	61.7	6.9	57.4
2012	657.2	386.8	361.3	25.5	58.9	6.6	55.0
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2011	2,292.9	1,500.5	1,391.4	109.0	65.4	7.3	60.7
2012	2,327.8	1,526.0	1,423.1	102.9	65.6	6.7	61.1
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2011	436.3	280.9	255.5	25.4	64.4	9.0	58.6
2012	437.5	273.2	252.3	20.9	62.4	7.7	57.7
Kootenay [5940]							
2011	127.0	75.6	69.3	6.3	59.5	8.3	54.6
2012	127.2	81.1	76.1	5.0	63.8	6.2	59.8
Cariboo [5950]							
2011	127.7	86.9	80.6	6.3	68.1	7.2	63.1
2012	127.2	88.2	81.6	6.6	69.3	7.5	64.2
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2011	66.9	45.4	42.0	3.4	67.9	7.5	62.8
2012	66.4	47.6	42.0	5.5	71.7	11.6	63.3
Northeast [5980]							
2011	51.5	40.1	36.5	3.6	77.9	9.0	70.9
2012	51.5	39.6	38.6	x	76.9	x	75.0

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): Related CANSIM table 282-0054.