

Table 5-2
Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — Monthly

	July 2012	August 2012	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)									
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,258.8	3,261.3	...	2.5	23.5	33.3	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	2,145.9	2,168.4	15.8	22.5	71.0	34.5	1.0	3.4	1.6
Employment	1,972.1	1,990.3	15.9	18.2	82.8	37.3	0.9	4.3	1.9
Unemployment	173.8	178.1	11.7	4.3	-11.8	-2.8	2.5	-6.2	-1.5
Participation rate	65.8	66.5	0.5	0.7	1.7	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	8.2	0.5	0.1	-0.9	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	61.0	0.5	0.5	2.1	0.5	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,889.4	4,896.8	...	7.4	68.5	100.1	0.2	1.4	2.1
Labour force	3,284.8	3,305.6	21.6	20.8	91.7	87.3	0.6	2.9	2.7
Employment	3,012.4	3,016.5	21.3	4.1	72.3	56.0	0.1	2.5	1.9
Unemployment	272.5	289.1	15.7	16.6	19.4	31.3	6.1	7.2	12.1
Participation rate	67.2	67.5	0.4	0.3	0.9	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	8.7	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.6	0.4	0.0	0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,062.3	2,065.1	...	2.8	25.4	34.1	0.1	1.2	1.7
Labour force	1,373.6	1,375.9	10.7	2.3	25.5	19.5	0.2	1.9	1.4
Employment	1,279.2	1,278.7	10.4	-0.5	21.5	27.4	0.0	1.7	2.2
Unemployment	94.4	97.1	7.1	2.7	4.0	-8.0	2.9	4.3	-7.6
Participation rate	66.6	66.6	0.5	0.0	0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.1	0.5	0.2	0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.9	0.5	-0.1	0.3	0.3	...	...	...

1. Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Estimates from this table are based on 2006 census population counts. Related CANSIM Table 282-0117.