

Table 3
Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	September 2012	October 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)																		
Newfoundland and Labrador																		
Population	427.2	427.5	...	0.3	-1.1	-1.0	0.1	-0.3	-0.2									
Labour force	261.0	264.0	2.1	3.0	3.5	6.1	1.1	1.3	2.4									
Employment	228.7	232.5	2.1	3.8	5.3	8.0	1.7	2.3	3.6									
Employment full-time	198.8	199.1	2.4	0.3	3.7	9.3	0.2	1.9	4.9									
Employment part-time	30.0	33.4	1.9	3.4	1.6	-1.3	11.3	5.0	-3.7									
Unemployment	32.2	31.5	2.0	-0.7	-1.7	-1.9	-2.2	-5.1	-5.7									
Participation rate	61.1	61.8	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.6	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	12.3	11.9	0.7	-0.4	-0.8	-1.1	...	...	...						
Employment rate	53.5	54.4	0.5	0.9	1.4	2.0	...	...	...						
Prince Edward Island																		
Population	120.8	120.7	...	-0.1	0.9	1.1	-0.1	0.8	0.9									
Labour force	81.1	81.9	0.6	0.8	-0.9	0.9	1.0	-1.1	1.1									
Employment	72.0	72.4	0.7	0.4	-1.0	0.5	0.6	-1.4	0.7									
Employment full-time	60.2	60.5	0.8	0.3	-1.0	-0.4	0.5	-1.6	-0.7									
Employment part-time	11.8	11.8	0.7	0.0	-0.1	0.8	0.0	-0.8	7.3									
Unemployment	9.1	9.6	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.5	5.5	3.2	5.5									
Participation rate	67.1	67.9	0.5	0.8	-1.2	0.2	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	11.2	11.7	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5	...	...	...						
Employment rate	59.6	60.0	0.6	0.4	-1.3	-0.1	...	...	...						
Nova Scotia																		
Population	780.4	780.5	...	0.1	0.9	1.2	0.0	0.1	0.2									
Labour force	502.0	503.6	2.7	1.6	6.3	11.8	0.3	1.3	2.4									
Employment	458.6	457.4	2.8	-1.2	-1.0	7.6	-0.3	-0.2	1.7									
Employment full-time	366.8	365.5	3.5	-1.3	-4.0	-1.4	-0.4	-1.1	-0.4									
Employment part-time	91.8	92.0	3.1	0.2	3.1	9.0	0.2	3.5	10.8									
Unemployment	43.4	46.2	2.4	2.8	7.3	4.2	6.5	18.8	10.0									
Participation rate	64.3	64.5	0.3	0.2	0.7	1.4	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	8.6	9.2	0.5	0.6	1.4	0.7	...	...	...						
Employment rate	58.8	58.6	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.9	...	...	...						
New Brunswick																		
Population	620.6	620.3	...	-0.3	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0									
Labour force	393.4	395.2	2.3	1.8	4.1	5.1	0.5	1.0	1.3									
Employment	350.0	349.4	2.4	-0.6	-5.1	-3.9	-0.2	-1.4	-1.1									
Employment full-time	295.6	293.5	2.8	-2.1	-4.4	-3.5	-0.7	-1.5	-1.2									
Employment part-time	54.4	56.0	2.4	1.6	-0.6	-0.2	2.9	-1.1	-0.4									
Unemployment	43.4	45.8	2.1	2.4	9.2	9.0	5.5	25.1	24.5									
Participation rate	63.4	63.7	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.8	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	11.0	11.6	0.5	0.6	2.2	2.2	...	...	...						
Employment rate	56.4	56.3	0.4	-0.1	-0.9	-0.7	...	...	...						
Quebec																		
Population	6,650.9	6,655.5	...	4.6	50.3	60.7	0.1	0.8	0.9									
Labour force	4,345.4	4,354.1	15.1	8.7	77.3	70.2	0.2	1.8	1.6									
Employment	3,999.9	4,020.0	15.3	20.1	114.0	67.3	0.5	2.9	1.7									
Employment full-time	3,233.7	3,230.4	19.5	-3.3	65.1	23.0	-0.1	2.1	0.7									
Employment part-time	766.2	789.5	18.2	23.3	48.8	44.1	3.0	6.6	5.9									
Unemployment	345.5	334.2	13.6	-11.3	-36.6	3.1	-3.3	-9.9	0.9									
Participation rate	65.3	65.4	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.4	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	8.0	7.7	0.3	-0.3	-1.0	0.0	...	...	...						
Employment rate	60.1	60.4	0.2	0.3	1.3	0.5	...	...	...						
Ontario																		
Population	11,100.1	11,109.5	...	9.4	118.0	141.5	0.1	1.1	1.3									
Labour force	7,384.3	7,399.8	19.9	15.5	81.7	87.2	0.2	1.1	1.2									
Employment	6,798.8	6,788.9	19.0	-9.9	35.4	69.6	-0.1	0.5	1.0									
Employment full-time	5,500.7	5,530.6	25.5	29.9	74.4	110.3	0.5	1.4	2.0									
Employment part-time	1,298.1	1,258.3	23.2	-39.8	-39.0	-40.7	-3.1	-3.0	-3.1									
Unemployment	585.6	610.9	17.4	25.3	46.3	17.6	4.3	8.2	3.0									
Participation rate	66.5	66.6	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...						
Unemployment rate	7.9	8.3	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.2									
Employment rate	61.2	61.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2									

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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Manitoba									
Population	964.8	965.4	...	0.6	7.4	8.7	0.1	0.8	0.9
Labour force	668.6	664.7	2.7	-3.9	2.2	4.3	-0.6	0.3	0.7
Employment	635.0	627.7	2.7	-7.3	1.2	1.7	-1.1	0.2	0.3
Employment full-time	513.7	511.3	3.7	-2.4	3.2	13.6	-0.5	0.6	2.7
Employment part-time	121.3	116.5	3.6	-4.8	-2.0	-11.9	-4.0	-1.7	-9.3
Unemployment	33.6	37.0	2.2	3.4	1.0	2.6	10.1	2.8	7.6
Participation rate	69.3	68.9	0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.6	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	65.0	0.3	-0.8	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	813.9	815.1	...	1.2	10.8	12.2	0.1	1.3	1.5
Labour force	564.8	567.3	2.5	2.5	10.1	15.9	0.4	1.8	2.9
Employment	538.4	540.7	2.5	2.3	12.7	12.2	0.4	2.4	2.3
Employment full-time	448.6	449.5	3.4	0.9	14.2	13.8	0.2	3.3	3.2
Employment part-time	89.8	91.2	3.0	1.4	-1.4	-1.6	1.6	-1.5	-1.7
Unemployment	26.4	26.6	1.9	0.2	-2.6	3.7	0.8	-8.9	16.2
Participation rate	69.4	69.6	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.7	0.3	0.0	-0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.2	66.3	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.5	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	3,087.4	3,095.6	...	8.2	66.8	73.5	0.3	2.2	2.4
Labour force	2,255.6	2,261.9	8.6	6.3	19.1	24.0	0.3	0.9	1.1
Employment	2,156.0	2,161.0	9.1	5.0	27.8	36.5	0.2	1.3	1.7
Employment full-time	1,808.6	1,809.8	11.8	1.2	32.7	43.4	0.1	1.8	2.5
Employment part-time	347.4	351.2	10.7	3.8	-4.8	-6.9	1.1	-1.3	-1.9
Unemployment	99.6	101.0	6.8	1.4	-8.7	-12.3	1.4	-7.9	-10.9
Participation rate	73.1	73.1	0.3	0.0	-0.9	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.5	0.3	0.1	-0.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.8	69.8	0.3	0.0	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,822.3	3,824.7	...	2.4	29.9	34.4	0.1	0.8	0.9
Labour force	2,503.4	2,484.8	10.5	-18.6	19.3	36.3	-0.7	0.8	1.5
Employment	2,328.3	2,317.4	10.4	-10.9	23.5	29.5	-0.5	1.0	1.3
Employment full-time	1,828.9	1,812.7	14.4	-16.2	26.6	32.4	-0.9	1.5	1.8
Employment part-time	499.4	504.8	14.0	5.4	-3.0	-2.8	1.1	-0.6	-0.6
Unemployment	175.1	167.4	8.6	-7.7	-4.2	6.8	-4.4	-2.4	4.2
Participation rate	65.5	65.0	0.3	-0.5	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.7	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	60.6	0.3	-0.3	0.2	0.2	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM Table 282-0087.