

**Table 4-2**  
**Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Prince Edward Island**

	September 2012	October 2012	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	120.8	<b>120.7</b>	...	<b>-0.1</b>	0.9	1.1	<b>-0.1</b>	0.8	0.9
Labour force	81.1	<b>81.9</b>	0.6	<b>0.8</b>	-0.9	0.9	<b>1.0</b>	-1.1	1.1
Employment	72.0	<b>72.4</b>	0.7	<b>0.4</b>	-1.0	0.5	<b>0.6</b>	-1.4	0.7
Employment full-time	60.2	<b>60.5</b>	0.8	<b>0.3</b>	-1.0	-0.4	<b>0.5</b>	-1.6	-0.7
Unemployment	9.1	<b>9.6</b>	0.7	<b>0.5</b>	0.3	0.5	<b>5.5</b>	3.2	5.5
Participation rate	67.1	<b>67.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	-1.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	<b>11.7</b>	0.8	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	<b>60.0</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	-1.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.4	<b>16.3</b>	1.0	<b>-0.1</b>	0.1	1.0	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	20.0	<b>20.0</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	0.5
Labour force	12.4	<b>12.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	-1.6	-0.9	<b>1.6</b>	-11.3	-6.7
Employment	10.0	<b>10.0</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	-2.3	-1.7	<b>0.0</b>	-18.7	-14.5
Unemployment	2.5	<b>2.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	0.8	<b>4.0</b>	36.8	44.4
Participation rate	62.0	<b>63.0</b>	2.0	<b>1.0</b>	-8.4	-4.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	20.2	<b>20.6</b>	2.5	<b>0.4</b>	7.2	7.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.0	<b>50.0</b>	2.0	<b>0.0</b>	-11.8	-8.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.0	<b>39.0</b>	3.6	<b>-2.0</b>	-0.8	0.5	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	48.6	<b>48.5</b>	...	<b>-0.1</b>	0.3	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	0.6	0.6
Labour force	34.8	<b>35.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.1	1.0	<b>1.1</b>	0.3	2.9
Employment	31.4	<b>31.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	1.9	<b>0.3</b>	2.3	6.4
Unemployment	3.4	<b>3.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	-0.7	-1.0	<b>8.8</b>	-15.9	-21.3
Participation rate	71.6	<b>72.6</b>	0.7	<b>1.0</b>	-0.2	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	<b>10.5</b>	1.1	<b>0.7</b>	-2.0	-3.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	<b>64.9</b>	0.8	<b>0.3</b>	1.0	3.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.0	<b>7.0</b>	1.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	1.2	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	52.2	<b>52.2</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	1.0	1.2
Labour force	33.9	<b>34.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.6	0.9	<b>0.6</b>	1.8	2.7
Employment	30.6	<b>30.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	0.3	<b>1.0</b>	1.6	1.0
Unemployment	3.2	<b>3.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	3.2	23.1
Participation rate	64.9	<b>65.3</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.5	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	<b>9.4</b>	1.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	<b>59.2</b>	0.7	<b>0.6</b>	0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.0	<b>18.4</b>	1.4	<b>0.5</b>	2.0	2.8	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>	72.0	<b>72.4</b>	0.7	<b>0.4</b>	-1.0	0.5	<b>0.6</b>	-1.4	0.7
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>	17.8	<b>17.2</b>	0.6	<b>-0.6</b>	-1.3	0.4	<b>-3.4</b>	-7.0	2.4
Agriculture	4.4	<b>3.9</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.1	0.4	<b>-11.4</b>	-2.5	11.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	3.3	<b>3.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	0.1	<b>-6.1</b>	-11.4	3.3
Utilities	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	33.3
Construction	5.1	<b>4.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	0.1	<b>-3.9</b>	-7.5	2.1
Manufacturing	4.5	<b>4.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.4	<b>8.9</b>	-7.5	-7.5
<b>Services-producing sector</b>	54.2	<b>55.2</b>	0.7	<b>1.0</b>	0.2	0.1	<b>1.8</b>	0.4	0.2
Trade	9.7	<b>9.7</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.4	-0.3	<b>0.0</b>	4.3	-3.0
Transportation and warehousing	2.4	<b>2.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	4.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.4	<b>2.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.3	-0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-11.1	-11.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	3.8	<b>3.5</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	0.5	0.8	<b>-7.9</b>	16.7	29.6
Business, building and other support services	2.5	<b>2.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	4.2	8.7
Educational services	6.1	<b>6.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	-0.1	<b>0.0</b>	8.9	-1.6
Health care and social assistance	9.8	<b>9.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.7	-0.2	<b>-4.1</b>	-6.9	-2.1
Information, culture and recreation	2.4	<b>2.6</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.2	<b>8.3</b>	-7.1	-7.1
Accommodation and food services	4.7	<b>5.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.6</b>	-0.5	-0.2	<b>12.8</b>	-8.6	-3.6
Other services	3.0	<b>3.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	0.4	<b>10.0</b>	22.2	13.8
Public administration	7.4	<b>7.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.2	<b>5.4</b>	-4.9	-2.5

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

**Note(s):** Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.