Table 4-10
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — British Columbia

	January 2014	February 2014	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)					
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	3,877.9	3,881.1	...	3.2	6.3	43.9	0.1	0.2	1.1
Labour force	2,475.3	2,463.9	10.5	-11.4	-8.1	-6.0	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2
Employment	2,316.8	2,306.4	10.4	-10.4	-3.3	-7.6	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Employment full-time	1,807.7	1,802.7	14.6	-5.0	4.1	-19.2	-0.3	0.2	-1.1
Unemployment	158.5	157.5	8.6	-1.0	-4.8	1.6	-0.6	-3.0	1.0
Participation rate	63.8	63.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.4	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	59.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.0	21.8	0.6	-0.1	-0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	585.6	585.4	...	-0.2	-0.5	-2.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.4
Labour force	359.8	361.1	6.0	1.3	1.0	-1.4	0.4	0.3	-0.4
Employment	313.7	314.8	5.5	1.1	5.1	-1.2	0.4	1.6	-0.4
Unemployment	46.1	46.3	5.1	0.2	-4.2	-0.2	0.4	-8.3	-0.4
Participation rate	61.4	61.7	1.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.8	12.8	1.3	0.0	-1.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.6	53.8	0.9	0.2	0.9	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.5	48.3	2.1	-0.3	-0.3	3.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,606.7	1,608.3	...	1.6	3.3	22.9	0.1	0.2	1.4
Labour force	1,113.6	1,110.0	5.5	-3.6	1.9	9.8	-0.3	0.2	0.9
Employment	1,055.2	1,052.8	5.7	-2.4	0.1	4.2	-0.2	0.0	0.4
Unemployment	58.5	57.2	5.0	-1.3	1.8	5.6	-2.2	3.2	10.9
Participation rate	69.3	69.0	0.3	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.2	0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.6	9.3	0.6	-0.3	-0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,685.6	1,687.4	...	1.8	3.6	23.6	0.1	0.2	1.4
Labour force	1,001.9	992.8	6.4	-9.1	-11.0	-14.5	-0.9	-1.1	-1.4
Employment	948.0	938.8	6.1	-9.2	-8.6	-10.6	-1.0	-0.9	-1.1
Unemployment	53.9	54.1	4.9	0.2	-2.3	-3.8	0.4	-4.1	-6.6
Participation rate	59.4	58.8	0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.4	0.5	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	55.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.7	-1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	26.9	27.0	1.0	0.1	0.0	0.5	...	...	...
Industry	2,316.8	2,306.4	10.4	-10.4	-3.3	-7.6	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Goods-producing sector	448.8	456.1	9.3	7.3	3.5	6.1	1.6	0.8	1.4
Agriculture	26.4	27.8	2.7	1.4	2.4	-4.2	5.3	9.4	-13.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction [2]	51.9	51.7	3.2	-0.2	0.9	5.9	-0.4	1.8	12.9
Utilities	15.1	14.4	1.7	-0.7	1.4	2.3	-4.6	10.8	19.0
Construction	188.3	187.1	6.8	-1.2	-5.0	-13.0	-0.6	-2.6	-6.5
Manufacturing	167.1	175.1	5.8	8.0	3.9	15.1	4.8	2.3	9.4
Services-producing sector	1,868.0	1,850.3	12.2	-17.7	-6.8	-13.7	-0.9	-0.4	-0.7
Trade	356.1	347.7	8.9	-8.4	-6.2	-22.5	-2.4	-1.8	-6.1
Transportation and warehousing	139.6	136.4	4.9	-3.2	12.0	17.2	-2.3	9.6	14.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	150.9	146.8	6.1	-4.1	-4.5	3.1	-2.7	-3.0	2.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	186.5	179.3	6.7	-7.2	-1.4	0.9	-3.9	-0.8	0.5
Business, building and other support services	81.0	87.9	4.7	6.9	-8.4	-8.4	8.5	-8.7	-8.7
Educational services	176.3	178.9	6.0	2.6	5.3	0.9	1.5	3.1	0.5
Health care and social assistance	281.0	270.6	6.9	-10.4	-2.6	17.0	-3.7	-1.0	6.7
Information, culture and recreation	114.5	118.0	5.4	3.5	-3.6	-2.2	3.1	-3.0	-1.8
Accommodation and food services	180.3	184.5	6.6	4.2	8.5	-0.1	2.3	4.8	-0.1
Other services	92.7	91.9	4.8	-0.8	-5.6	-11.0	-0.9	-5.7	-10.7
Public administration	109.3	108.3	4.4	-1.0	-0.3	-8.6	-0.9	-0.3	-7.4

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. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.