

**Table 4-3**  
**Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Nova Scotia**

	February 2014	March 2014	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	781.3	<b>781.2</b>	...	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.0
Labour force	494.8	<b>492.9</b>	2.6	<b>-1.9</b>	-2.0	-11.1	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-2.2
Employment	450.7	<b>447.3</b>	2.6	<b>-3.4</b>	-2.2	-9.1	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.5	-2.0
Employment full-time	363.9	<b>360.1</b>	3.5	<b>-3.8</b>	0.2	-9.0	<b>-1.0</b>	0.1	-2.4
Unemployment	44.1	<b>45.6</b>	2.4	<b>1.5</b>	0.2	-2.0	<b>3.4</b>	0.4	-4.2
Participation rate	63.3	<b>63.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	<b>9.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.7	<b>57.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.3	<b>19.5</b>	0.7	<b>0.2</b>	-0.4	0.4	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	114.5	<b>114.2</b>	...	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.8	-2.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.7	-2.3
Labour force	75.7	<b>75.5</b>	1.6	<b>-0.2</b>	0.1	-3.0	<b>-0.3</b>	0.1	-3.8
Employment	61.3	<b>60.5</b>	1.4	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.2	-3.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-0.3	-5.8
Unemployment	14.4	<b>15.1</b>	1.5	<b>0.7</b>	0.4	0.9	<b>4.9</b>	2.7	6.3
Participation rate	66.1	<b>66.1</b>	1.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	19.0	<b>20.0</b>	1.8	<b>1.0</b>	0.5	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.5	<b>53.0</b>	1.2	<b>-0.5</b>	0.2	-1.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.0	<b>46.0</b>	2.7	<b>-2.0</b>	0.2	-3.3	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	316.0	<b>316.0</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	1.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4
Labour force	211.5	<b>210.1</b>	1.3	<b>-1.4</b>	-2.7	-5.7	<b>-0.7</b>	-1.3	-2.6
Employment	193.8	<b>190.8</b>	1.5	<b>-3.0</b>	-2.7	-6.6	<b>-1.5</b>	-1.4	-3.3
Unemployment	17.7	<b>19.3</b>	1.4	<b>1.6</b>	0.0	0.9	<b>9.0</b>	0.0	4.9
Participation rate	66.9	<b>66.5</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.9	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	<b>9.2</b>	0.6	<b>0.8</b>	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	<b>60.4</b>	0.5	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-2.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.6	<b>9.0</b>	0.8	<b>0.4</b>	-0.5	1.7	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	350.9	<b>350.9</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	1.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.4
Labour force	207.6	<b>207.3</b>	1.4	<b>-0.3</b>	0.6	-2.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.3	-1.1
Employment	195.5	<b>196.1</b>	1.5	<b>0.6</b>	0.8	1.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	0.7
Unemployment	12.1	<b>11.2</b>	1.2	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.2	-3.8	<b>-7.4</b>	-1.8	-25.3
Participation rate	59.2	<b>59.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	<b>5.4</b>	0.6	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.1	-1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.7	<b>55.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.9	<b>21.5</b>	1.1	<b>0.6</b>	-0.8	0.3	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	450.7	<b>447.3</b>	2.6	<b>-3.4</b>	-2.2	-9.1	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.5	-2.0
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	82.4	<b>81.1</b>	2.2	<b>-1.3</b>	-3.4	-3.3	<b>-1.6</b>	-4.0	-3.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	4.7	<b>5.0</b>	0.8	<b>0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.1	<b>6.4</b>	-5.7	-2.0
Utilities	10.3	<b>10.5</b>	1.0	<b>0.2</b>	-0.8	-0.4	<b>1.9</b>	-7.1	-3.7
Construction	4.0	<b>4.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-0.3	-0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-7.0	-11.1
Manufacturing	33.2	<b>30.9</b>	1.6	<b>-2.3</b>	-2.2	-2.4	<b>-6.9</b>	-6.6	-7.2
Manufacturing	30.3	<b>30.7</b>	1.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.2	0.0	<b>1.3</b>	0.7	0.0
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Trade	368.3	<b>366.3</b>	2.9	<b>-2.0</b>	1.3	-5.7	<b>-0.5</b>	0.4	-1.5
Transportation and warehousing	71.5	<b>71.4</b>	2.0	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.2	-3.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.7	-5.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	19.9	<b>19.9</b>	1.1	<b>0.0</b>	1.5	-2.0	<b>0.0</b>	8.2	-9.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	23.0	<b>23.1</b>	1.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.6	<b>0.4</b>	1.3	7.4
Business, building and other support services	25.6	<b>26.1</b>	1.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.7	-4.1	<b>2.0</b>	2.8	-13.6
Educational services	21.1	<b>21.3</b>	1.3	<b>0.2</b>	-1.9	-0.9	<b>0.9</b>	-8.2	-4.1
Health care and social assistance	36.4	<b>35.7</b>	1.5	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.6	0.0	<b>-1.9</b>	-1.7	0.0
Information, culture and recreation	71.4	<b>70.4</b>	1.7	<b>-1.0</b>	-0.9	0.8	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.3	1.1
Accommodation and food services	22.0	<b>21.6</b>	1.1	<b>-0.4</b>	1.7	1.9	<b>-1.8</b>	8.5	9.6
Other services	28.8	<b>29.7</b>	1.6	<b>0.9</b>	1.3	1.1	<b>3.1</b>	4.6	3.8
Public administration	18.2	<b>18.9</b>	1.1	<b>0.7</b>	1.3	1.3	<b>3.8</b>	7.4	7.4
Public administration	30.5	<b>28.2</b>	1.2	<b>-2.3</b>	-0.9	-1.7	<b>-7.5</b>	-3.1	-5.7

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.