

**Table 4-9**  
**Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Alberta**

	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	3,236.3	<b>3,243.9</b>	...	<b>7.6</b>	21.6	108.6	<b>0.2</b>	0.7	3.5
Labour force	2,364.2	<b>2,377.7</b>	9.3	<b>13.5</b>	28.7	92.1	<b>0.6</b>	1.2	4.0
Employment	2,262.1	<b>2,261.2</b>	9.9	<b>-0.9</b>	24.5	86.6	<b>0.0</b>	1.1	4.0
Employment full-time	1,896.7	<b>1,895.2</b>	12.6	<b>-1.5</b>	21.6	47.8	<b>-0.1</b>	1.2	2.6
Unemployment	102.0	<b>116.5</b>	7.1	<b>14.5</b>	4.3	5.6	<b>14.2</b>	3.8	5.0
Participation rate	73.1	<b>73.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	<b>4.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.6</b>	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.9	<b>69.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.2	<b>16.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.1	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	516.1	<b>516.2</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	6.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.3
Labour force	347.8	<b>357.2</b>	5.4	<b>9.4</b>	9.2	10.7	<b>2.7</b>	2.6	3.1
Employment	319.0	<b>316.3</b>	5.4	<b>-2.7</b>	-0.4	1.3	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.1	0.4
Unemployment	28.8	<b>40.9</b>	4.1	<b>12.1</b>	9.7	9.4	<b>42.0</b>	31.1	29.8
Participation rate	67.4	<b>69.2</b>	1.1	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	<b>11.5</b>	1.1	<b>3.2</b>	2.5	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	<b>61.3</b>	1.0	<b>-0.5</b>	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.1	<b>37.3</b>	1.8	<b>-1.8</b>	0.9	6.2	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,383.0	<b>1,387.0</b>	...	<b>4.0</b>	11.6	54.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.8	4.1
Labour force	1,126.9	<b>1,124.7</b>	4.6	<b>-2.2</b>	15.9	46.5	<b>-0.2</b>	1.4	4.3
Employment	1,082.9	<b>1,082.5</b>	5.3	<b>-0.4</b>	22.9	44.9	<b>0.0</b>	2.2	4.3
Unemployment	43.9	<b>42.1</b>	4.4	<b>-1.8</b>	-7.1	1.5	<b>-4.1</b>	-14.4	3.7
Participation rate	81.5	<b>81.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	0.5	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.9	<b>3.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.7	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	78.3	<b>78.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	1.0	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.3	<b>6.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	0.2	0.9	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,337.1	<b>1,340.7</b>	...	<b>3.6</b>	10.1	48.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.8	3.7
Labour force	889.5	<b>895.9</b>	5.5	<b>6.4</b>	3.7	35.0	<b>0.7</b>	0.4	4.1
Employment	860.2	<b>862.4</b>	5.3	<b>2.2</b>	2.0	40.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	4.9
Unemployment	29.3	<b>33.5</b>	3.8	<b>4.2</b>	1.7	-5.4	<b>14.3</b>	5.3	-13.9
Participation rate	66.5	<b>66.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.3	<b>3.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.3	<b>64.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	-0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.3	<b>21.1</b>	0.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
	2,262.1	<b>2,261.2</b>	9.9	<b>-0.9</b>	24.5	86.6	<b>0.0</b>	1.1	4.0
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	659.1	<b>650.3</b>	9.4	<b>-8.8</b>	14.2	38.9	<b>-1.3</b>	2.2	6.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	62.7	<b>61.3</b>	3.6	<b>-1.4</b>	3.9	-2.9	<b>-2.2</b>	6.8	-4.5
Utilities	184.1	<b>182.5</b>	5.2	<b>-1.6</b>	-2.7	15.1	<b>-0.9</b>	-1.5	9.0
Construction	24.9	<b>24.2</b>	2.2	<b>-0.7</b>	1.5	8.9	<b>-2.8</b>	6.6	58.2
Manufacturing	253.5	<b>238.5</b>	6.9	<b>-15.0</b>	6.3	14.4	<b>-5.9</b>	2.7	6.4
	133.9	<b>143.8</b>	5.3	<b>9.9</b>	5.2	3.5	<b>7.4</b>	3.8	2.5
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Trade	1,603.0	<b>1,610.9</b>	12.0	<b>7.9</b>	10.3	47.6	<b>0.5</b>	0.6	3.0
Transportation and warehousing	345.6	<b>342.0</b>	8.2	<b>-3.6</b>	14.9	18.9	<b>-1.0</b>	4.6	5.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	112.4	<b>113.1</b>	4.7	<b>0.7</b>	-6.7	-9.2	<b>0.6</b>	-5.6	-7.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	110.7	<b>107.1</b>	4.7	<b>-3.6</b>	1.2	-6.7	<b>-3.3</b>	1.1	-5.9
Business, building and other support services	176.3	<b>186.9</b>	6.0	<b>10.6</b>	5.0	15.0	<b>6.0</b>	2.7	8.7
Educational services	73.9	<b>72.5</b>	4.2	<b>-1.4</b>	-2.7	0.8	<b>-1.9</b>	-3.6	1.1
Health care and social assistance	128.2	<b>128.5</b>	4.8	<b>0.3</b>	0.7	-3.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	-2.7
Information, culture and recreation	227.3	<b>231.7</b>	5.9	<b>4.4</b>	-9.5	-6.7	<b>1.9</b>	-3.9	-2.8
Accommodation and food services	75.2	<b>69.0</b>	4.1	<b>-6.2</b>	-4.8	-6.9	<b>-8.2</b>	-6.5	-9.1
Other services	148.9	<b>148.5</b>	5.8	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.5	28.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	24.1
Public administration	112.5	<b>116.9</b>	5.3	<b>4.4</b>	9.1	8.1	<b>3.9</b>	8.4	7.4
	92.1	<b>94.6</b>	4.0	<b>2.5</b>	3.6	9.0	<b>2.7</b>	4.0	10.5

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