

Table 1
Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	November 2014	December 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)									
15 years and over, both sexes									
Population	29,165.9	29,190.0	...	24.1	346.3	346.3	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force	19,236.6	19,225.4	29.0	-11.2	74.0	74.0	-0.1	0.4	0.4
Employment	17,957.9	17,953.6	28.5	-4.3	185.7	185.7	0.0	1.0	1.0
Employment full-time	14,511.0	14,564.5	38.8	53.5	190.3	190.3	0.4	1.3	1.3
Employment part-time	3,446.9	3,389.2	36.0	-57.7	-4.5	-4.5	-1.7	-0.1	-0.1
Unemployment	1,278.6	1,271.8	24.6	-6.8	-111.7	-111.7	-0.5	-8.1	-8.1
Participation rate	66.0	65.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.6	0.1	0.0	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.5	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.2	18.9	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
15 to 24 years, both sexes									
Population	4,403.2	4,399.9	...	-3.3	-40.0	-40.0	-0.1	-0.9	-0.9
Labour force	2,860.2	2,866.7	17.0	6.5	50.6	50.6	0.2	1.8	1.8
Employment	2,487.7	2,484.4	15.8	-3.3	62.5	62.5	-0.1	2.6	2.6
Employment full-time	1,258.2	1,293.0	18.7	34.8	43.6	43.6	2.8	3.5	3.5
Employment part-time	1,229.5	1,191.5	19.7	-38.0	19.0	19.0	-3.1	1.6	1.6
Unemployment	372.6	382.3	14.5	9.7	-12.0	-12.0	2.6	-3.0	-3.0
Participation rate	65.0	65.2	0.4	0.2	1.8	1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.0	13.3	0.5	0.3	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	56.5	0.4	0.0	2.0	2.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.4	48.0	0.7	-1.5	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
25 years and over, men									
Population	12,132.3	12,145.8	...	13.5	194.6	194.6	0.1	1.6	1.6
Labour force	8,688.8	8,702.6	15.3	13.8	64.4	64.4	0.2	0.7	0.7
Employment	8,182.9	8,209.7	16.3	26.8	127.4	127.4	0.3	1.6	1.6
Employment full-time	7,541.9	7,560.0	21.9	18.1	118.9	118.9	0.2	1.6	1.6
Employment part-time	641.0	649.8	18.1	8.8	8.6	8.6	1.4	1.3	1.3
Unemployment	506.0	492.9	14.5	-13.1	-62.9	-62.9	-2.6	-11.3	-11.3
Participation rate	71.6	71.7	0.1	0.1	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	67.6	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.8	7.9	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
25 years and over, women									
Population	12,630.4	12,644.4	...	14.0	191.8	191.8	0.1	1.5	1.5
Labour force	7,687.5	7,656.1	16.8	-31.4	-41.0	-41.0	-0.4	-0.5	-0.5
Employment	7,287.4	7,259.5	16.3	-27.9	-4.3	-4.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1
Employment full-time	5,711.0	5,711.6	25.3	0.6	27.9	27.9	0.0	0.5	0.5
Employment part-time	1,576.5	1,547.9	23.9	-28.6	-32.2	-32.2	-1.8	-2.0	-2.0
Unemployment	400.1	396.6	13.5	-3.5	-36.7	-36.7	-0.9	-8.5	-8.5
Participation rate	60.9	60.5	0.1	-0.4	-1.3	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.2	0.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.7	57.4	0.1	-0.3	-0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.6	21.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, both sexes									
Population	14,718.4	14,722.3	...	3.9	81.9	81.9	0.0	0.6	0.6
Labour force	12,682.1	12,670.4	22.1	-11.7	-9.3	-9.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Employment	11,990.1	11,989.1	23.5	-1.0	77.9	77.9	0.0	0.7	0.7
Unemployment	692.0	681.4	18.5	-10.6	-87.1	-87.1	-1.5	-11.3	-11.3
Participation rate	86.2	86.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.5	81.4	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, men									
Population	7,368.7	7,370.4	...	1.7	42.8	42.8	0.0	0.6	0.6
Labour force	6,659.2	6,672.3	14.2	13.1	26.8	26.8	0.2	0.4	0.4
Employment	6,280.1	6,302.7	15.9	22.6	79.3	79.3	0.4	1.3	1.3
Unemployment	379.1	369.6	13.4	-9.5	-52.4	-52.4	-2.5	-12.4	-12.4
Participation rate	90.4	90.5	0.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.2
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.9	-0.9
Employment rate	85.2	85.5	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.6

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25 to 54 years, women									
Population	7,349.7	7,351.9	...	2.2	39.1	39.1	0.0	0.5	0.5
Labour force	6,022.8	5,998.2	16.2	-24.6	-36.0	-36.0	-0.4	-0.6	-0.6
Employment	5,710.0	5,686.4	16.4	-23.6	-1.3	-1.3	-0.4	0.0	0.0
Unemployment	312.9	311.8	12.5	-1.1	-34.7	-34.7	-0.4	-10.0	-10.0
Participation rate	81.9	81.6	0.2	-0.3	-0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.2	0.2	0.0	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.7	77.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
55 years and over, both sexes									
Population	10,044.3	10,067.9	...	23.6	304.5	304.5	0.2	3.1	3.1
Labour force	3,694.2	3,688.3	18.0	-5.9	32.8	32.8	-0.2	0.9	0.9
Employment	3,480.2	3,480.1	17.9	-0.1	45.2	45.2	0.0	1.3	1.3
Unemployment	214.0	208.2	9.6	-5.8	-12.4	-12.4	-2.7	-5.6	-5.6
Participation rate	36.8	36.6	0.2	-0.2	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	34.6	34.6	0.2	0.0	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
55 years and over, men									
Population	4,763.6	4,775.4	...	11.8	151.8	151.8	0.2	3.3	3.3
Labour force	2,029.6	2,030.3	11.8	0.7	37.6	37.6	0.0	1.9	1.9
Employment	1,902.7	1,907.0	11.9	4.3	48.1	48.1	0.2	2.6	2.6
Unemployment	126.8	123.4	7.0	-3.4	-10.4	-10.4	-2.7	-7.8	-7.8
Participation rate	42.6	42.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	39.9	39.9	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
55 years and over, women									
Population	5,280.7	5,292.5	...	11.8	152.7	152.7	0.2	3.0	3.0
Labour force	1,664.7	1,658.0	12.3	-6.7	-4.9	-4.9	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3
Employment	1,577.5	1,573.1	12.2	-4.4	-2.9	-2.9	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2
Unemployment	87.2	84.8	6.3	-2.4	-2.0	-2.0	-2.8	-2.3	-2.3
Participation rate	31.5	31.3	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	29.9	29.7	0.2	-0.2	-1.0	-1.0	...	...	...

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