

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

	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
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	3,920.1	3,922.7	...	2.6	47.9	47.9	0.1	1.2	1.2
Labour force	2,491.5	2,482.4	10.3	-9.1	10.4	10.4	-0.4	0.4	0.4
Employment	2,346.0	2,348.2	10.3	2.2	38.5	38.5	0.1	1.7	1.7
Employment full-time	1,847.7	1,870.0	14.7	22.3	71.4	71.4	1.2	4.0	4.0
Unemployment	145.5	134.2	8.3	-11.3	-28.1	-28.1	-7.8	-17.3	-17.3
Participation rate	63.6	63.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.4	0.3	-0.4	-1.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	59.9	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.2	20.4	0.6	-0.9	-1.8	-1.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	584.0	583.4	...	-0.6	-2.5	-2.5	-0.1	-0.4	-0.4
Labour force	364.2	366.1	6.0	1.9	6.0	6.0	0.5	1.7	1.7
Employment	327.8	328.2	5.6	0.4	18.5	18.5	0.1	6.0	6.0
Unemployment	36.3	37.9	4.8	1.6	-12.6	-12.6	4.4	-25.0	-25.0
Participation rate	62.4	62.8	1.0	0.4	1.3	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	10.4	1.2	0.4	-3.6	-3.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.1	56.3	0.9	0.2	3.4	3.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.6	46.1	2.1	-0.5	-2.5	-2.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,627.5	1,629.0	...	1.5	24.0	24.0	0.1	1.5	1.5
Labour force	1,119.6	1,117.9	5.4	-1.7	9.8	9.8	-0.2	0.9	0.9
Employment	1,062.5	1,065.3	5.6	2.8	12.6	12.6	0.3	1.2	1.2
Unemployment	57.1	52.6	4.9	-4.5	-2.8	-2.8	-7.9	-5.1	-5.1
Participation rate	68.8	68.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.7	0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.3	65.4	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.5	9.0	0.6	-0.6	-1.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,708.6	1,710.4	...	1.8	26.6	26.6	0.1	1.6	1.6
Labour force	1,007.8	998.4	6.1	-9.4	-5.4	-5.4	-0.9	-0.5	-0.5
Employment	955.7	954.7	6.0	-1.0	7.3	7.3	-0.1	0.8	0.8
Unemployment	52.0	43.7	4.7	-8.3	-12.7	-12.7	-16.0	-22.5	-22.5
Participation rate	59.0	58.4	0.4	-0.6	-1.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	4.4	0.5	-0.8	-1.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.9	55.8	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	25.6	24.2	1.0	-1.3	-2.8	-2.8	...	...	...
Industry									
Goods-producing sector	450.1	457.8	9.5	7.7	5.2	5.2	1.7	1.1	1.1
Agriculture	22.5	25.7	2.6	3.2	0.3	0.3	14.2	1.2	1.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	50.0	52.2	3.4	2.2	1.4	1.4	4.4	2.8	2.8
Utilities	14.8	16.5	1.7	1.7	3.5	3.5	11.5	26.9	26.9
Construction	192.2	193.9	6.8	1.7	1.8	1.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Manufacturing	170.6	169.6	6.0	-1.0	-1.6	-1.6	-0.6	-0.9	-0.9
Services-producing sector	1,896.0	1,890.3	12.4	-5.7	33.2	33.2	-0.3	1.8	1.8
Trade	361.5	354.2	8.8	-7.3	0.3	0.3	-2.0	0.1	0.1
Transportation and warehousing	146.8	146.9	5.3	0.1	22.5	22.5	0.1	18.1	18.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	150.6	154.3	5.7	3.7	3.0	3.0	2.5	2.0	2.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	187.4	190.0	6.8	2.6	9.3	9.3	1.4	5.1	5.1
Business, building and other support services	86.4	96.5	4.9	10.1	0.2	0.2	11.7	0.2	0.2
Educational services	178.2	173.0	6.1	-5.2	-0.6	-0.6	-2.9	-0.3	-0.3
Health care and social assistance	279.4	286.5	6.7	7.1	13.3	13.3	2.5	4.9	4.9
Information, culture and recreation	116.3	109.8	5.4	-6.5	-11.8	-11.8	-5.6	-9.7	-9.7
Accommodation and food services	171.5	164.6	6.6	-6.9	-11.4	-11.4	-4.0	-6.5	-6.5
Other services	103.2	106.6	4.7	3.4	9.1	9.1	3.3	9.3	9.3
Public administration	114.6	108.0	4.4	-6.6	-0.6	-0.6	-5.8	-0.6	-0.6

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.