

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

	November 2015	December 2015	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	786.8	787.0	...	0.2	2.9	2.9	0.0	0.4	0.4	
Labour force	491.2	488.0	2.6	-3.2	-4.1	-4.1	-0.7	-0.8	-0.8	
Employment	448.8	445.8	2.7	-3.0	-5.2	-5.2	-0.7	-1.2	-1.2	
Employment full-time	374.2	368.4	3.8	-5.8	-0.6	-0.6	-1.5	-0.2	-0.2	
Unemployment	42.4	42.2	2.4	-0.2	1.1	1.1	-0.5	2.7	2.7	
Participation rate	62.4	62.0	0.3	-0.4	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.6	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	56.6	0.3	-0.4	-0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.6	17.4	0.7	0.7	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years										
Population	110.7	110.6	...	-0.1	-2.2	-2.2	-0.1	-2.0	-2.0	
Labour force	71.3	70.8	1.6	-0.5	-2.7	-2.7	-0.7	-3.7	-3.7	
Employment	60.3	59.9	1.4	-0.4	-2.8	-2.8	-0.7	-4.5	-4.5	
Unemployment	11.0	10.9	1.5	-0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.9	0.9	0.9	
Participation rate	64.4	64.0	1.4	-0.4	-1.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.4	15.4	1.8	0.0	0.7	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.5	54.2	1.3	-0.3	-1.4	-1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	40.1	43.6	2.9	3.4	-2.2	-2.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over										
Population	323.7	323.9	...	0.2	2.7	2.7	0.1	0.8	0.8	
Labour force	214.0	211.8	1.5	-2.2	-1.8	-1.8	-1.0	-0.8	-0.8	
Employment	194.9	193.3	1.7	-1.6	-3.7	-3.7	-0.8	-1.9	-1.9	
Unemployment	19.1	18.5	1.5	-0.6	1.9	1.9	-3.1	11.4	11.4	
Participation rate	66.1	65.4	0.5	-0.7	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.7	0.7	-0.2	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	59.7	0.5	-0.5	-1.6	-1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.4	7.4	0.8	0.0	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over										
Population	352.3	352.5	...	0.2	2.5	2.5	0.1	0.7	0.7	
Labour force	205.9	205.5	1.4	-0.4	0.5	0.5	-0.2	0.2	0.2	
Employment	193.6	192.6	1.4	-1.0	1.3	1.3	-0.5	0.7	0.7	
Unemployment	12.3	12.9	1.2	0.6	-0.8	-0.8	4.9	-5.8	-5.8	
Participation rate	58.4	58.3	0.4	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.3	0.6	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.0	54.6	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.6	19.3	1.2	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Industry										
Goods-producing sector	448.8	445.8	2.7	-3.0	-5.2	-5.2	-0.7	-1.2	-1.2	
Agriculture	85.4	84.8	1.7	-0.6	3.2	3.2	-0.7	3.9	3.9	
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	5.7	6.0	0.6	0.3	1.4	1.4	5.3	30.4	30.4	
Utilities	11.4	10.8	1.0	-0.6	-1.8	-1.8	-5.3	-14.3	-14.3	
Construction	3.8	3.8	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-5.0	-5.0	
Manufacturing	34.1	33.5	1.1	-0.6	1.9	1.9	-1.8	6.0	6.0	
Services-producing sector	30.5	30.8	0.9	0.3	2.0	2.0	1.0	6.9	6.9	
Trade	24.0	24.6	0.7	0.6	1.6	1.6	2.5	7.0	7.0	
Transportation and warehousing	25.9	25.9	0.8	0.0	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	-1.1	-1.1	
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	19.2	17.9	0.8	-1.3	-0.8	-0.8	-6.8	-4.3	-4.3	
Professional, scientific and technical services	16.6	16.1	0.8	-0.5	-3.9	-3.9	-2.3	2.3	2.3	
Business, building and other support services	18.7	18.7	0.8	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0	5.1	5.1	
Educational services	27.8	27.6	0.7	-0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.7	0.4	0.4	
Services-producing sector										
Health care and social assistance	35.6	36.6	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.8	2.8	2.2	2.2	
Information, culture and recreation	73.8	72.1	1.0	-1.7	1.6	1.6	-2.3	2.3	2.3	
Accommodation and food services	16.6	16.1	0.8	-0.5	-3.9	-3.9	-3.0	-19.5	-19.5	
Other services	29.8	30.0	1.1	0.2	-2.7	-2.7	0.7	-8.3	-8.3	
Public administration	18.7	18.7	0.8	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0	5.1	5.1	

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.