

**Table 4-6**  
**Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Ontario**

	November 2015	December 2015	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	11,436.0	<b>11,444.5</b>	...	<b>8.5</b>	124.1	124.1	<b>0.1</b>	1.1	1.1
Labour force	7,444.8	<b>7,465.8</b>	19.7	<b>21.0</b>	58.6	58.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.8	0.8
Employment	6,930.8	<b>6,965.7</b>	19.6	<b>34.9</b>	80.7	80.7	<b>0.5</b>	1.2	1.2
Employment full-time	5,640.4	<b>5,682.6</b>	28.3	<b>42.2</b>	142.5	142.5	<b>0.7</b>	2.6	2.6
Unemployment	513.9	<b>500.2</b>	16.9	<b>-13.7</b>	-22.0	-22.0	<b>-2.7</b>	-4.2	-4.2
Participation rate	65.1	<b>65.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>6.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	<b>60.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.6	<b>18.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	1,792.5	<b>1,791.1</b>	...	<b>-1.4</b>	-11.8	-11.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.7	-0.7
Labour force	1,077.0	<b>1,068.5</b>	12.3	<b>-8.5</b>	-56.1	-56.1	<b>-0.8</b>	-5.0	-5.0
Employment	926.1	<b>921.3</b>	10.9	<b>-4.8</b>	-24.6	-24.6	<b>-0.5</b>	-2.6	-2.6
Unemployment	150.8	<b>147.2</b>	10.6	<b>-3.6</b>	-31.5	-31.5	<b>-2.4</b>	-17.6	-17.6
Participation rate	60.1	<b>59.7</b>	0.7	<b>-0.4</b>	-2.7	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.0	<b>13.8</b>	0.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-2.1	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.7	<b>51.4</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.9	<b>48.3</b>	1.3	<b>-0.6</b>	-4.5	-4.5	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	4,651.7	<b>4,656.4</b>	...	<b>4.7</b>	65.9	65.9	<b>0.1</b>	1.4	1.4
Labour force	3,341.2	<b>3,356.1</b>	10.4	<b>14.9</b>	46.4	46.4	<b>0.4</b>	1.4	1.4
Employment	3,155.4	<b>3,165.2</b>	11.1	<b>9.8</b>	41.0	41.0	<b>0.3</b>	1.3	1.3
Unemployment	185.8	<b>190.9</b>	9.6	<b>5.1</b>	5.4	5.4	<b>2.7</b>	2.9	2.9
Participation rate	71.8	<b>72.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>5.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.8	<b>68.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.1	<b>7.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	4,991.9	<b>4,996.9</b>	...	<b>5.0</b>	69.9	69.9	<b>0.1</b>	1.4	1.4
Labour force	3,026.6	<b>3,041.2</b>	11.0	<b>14.6</b>	68.3	68.3	<b>0.5</b>	2.3	2.3
Employment	2,849.3	<b>2,879.2</b>	10.9	<b>29.9</b>	64.3	64.3	<b>1.0</b>	2.3	2.3
Unemployment	177.3	<b>162.1</b>	8.8	<b>-15.2</b>	4.1	4.1	<b>-8.6</b>	2.6	2.6
Participation rate	60.6	<b>60.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	<b>5.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.6</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.1	<b>57.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.4	<b>20.6</b>	0.6	<b>0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>	6,930.8	<b>6,965.7</b>	19.6	<b>34.9</b>	80.7	80.7	<b>0.5</b>	1.2	1.2
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>	1,411.4	<b>1,419.6</b>	10.4	<b>8.2</b>	33.6	33.6	<b>0.6</b>	2.4	2.4
Agriculture	78.8	<b>76.4</b>	2.8	<b>-2.4</b>	-5.6	-5.6	<b>-3.0</b>	-6.8	-6.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	44.1	<b>43.8</b>	1.9	<b>-0.3</b>	4.4	4.4	<b>-0.7</b>	11.2	11.2
Utilities	44.1	<b>45.6</b>	1.2	<b>1.5</b>	-5.3	-5.3	<b>3.4</b>	-10.4	-10.4
Construction	499.7	<b>496.4</b>	6.9	<b>-3.3</b>	28.0	28.0	<b>-0.7</b>	6.0	6.0
Manufacturing	744.7	<b>757.4</b>	7.4	<b>12.7</b>	12.1	12.1	<b>1.7</b>	1.6	1.6
<b>Services-producing sector</b>	5,519.4	<b>5,546.0</b>	18.7	<b>26.6</b>	47.0	47.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.9	0.9
Trade	1,027.4	<b>1,033.6</b>	9.7	<b>6.2</b>	-9.0	-9.0	<b>0.6</b>	-0.9	-0.9
Transportation and warehousing	330.9	<b>325.7</b>	5.1	<b>-5.2</b>	9.7	9.7	<b>-1.6</b>	3.1	3.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	549.4	<b>557.8</b>	6.3	<b>8.4</b>	35.4	35.4	<b>1.5</b>	6.8	6.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	587.2	<b>590.6</b>	7.4	<b>3.4</b>	36.9	36.9	<b>0.6</b>	6.7	6.7
Business, building and other support services	329.6	<b>326.2</b>	7.2	<b>-3.4</b>	-16.6	-16.6	<b>-1.0</b>	-4.8	-4.8
Educational services	504.6	<b>507.8</b>	7.2	<b>3.2</b>	1.1	1.1	<b>0.6</b>	0.2	0.2
Health care and social assistance	818.1	<b>829.8</b>	7.0	<b>11.7</b>	19.7	19.7	<b>1.4</b>	2.4	2.4
Information, culture and recreation	305.0	<b>299.5</b>	6.6	<b>-5.5</b>	-28.8	-28.8	<b>-1.8</b>	-8.8	-8.8
Accommodation and food services	444.6	<b>444.6</b>	7.5	<b>0.0</b>	2.5	2.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.6	0.6
Other services	278.5	<b>280.6</b>	5.2	<b>2.1</b>	10.5	10.5	<b>0.8</b>	3.9	3.9
Public administration	344.0	<b>349.8</b>	4.8	<b>5.8</b>	-14.4	-14.4	<b>1.7</b>	-4.0	-4.0

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.