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

	November 2015	December 2015	S.E.[1]	Change from last month	Change from last December	Change from twelve months ago	Percent change from last month	Percent change from last December	Percent change from twelve months ago
				in thousands (except rates)					
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	3,377.0	**3,379.0**	...	**2.0**	61.8	61.8	**0.1**	1.9	1.9
Labour force	2,461.0	**2,457.0**	10.0	**-4.0**	43.6	43.6	**-0.2**	1.8	1.8
Employment	2,289.5	**2,285.6**	10.2	**-3.9**	-14.6	-14.6	**-0.2**	-0.6	-0.6
Employment full-time	1,903.5	**1,880.3**	14.2	**-23.2**	-44.0	-44.0	**-1.2**	-2.3	-2.3
Unemployment	171.5	**171.3**	7.9	**-0.2**	58.1	58.1	**-0.1**	51.3	51.3
Participation rate	72.9	**72.7**	0.3	**-0.2**	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	**7.0**	0.3	**0.0**	2.3	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.8	**67.6**	0.3	**-0.2**	-1.7	-1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.9	**17.7**	0.5	**0.9**	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	521.8	**520.9**	...	**-0.9**	-4.3	-4.3	**-0.2**	-0.8	-0.8
Labour force	356.0	**348.1**	5.5	**-7.9**	-13.3	-13.3	**-2.2**	-3.7	-3.7
Employment	309.8	**309.2**	5.4	**-0.6**	-20.9	-20.9	**-0.2**	-6.3	-6.3
Unemployment	46.1	**38.9**	4.5	**-7.2**	7.7	7.7	**-15.6**	24.7	24.7
Participation rate	68.2	**66.8**	1.0	**-1.4**	-2.0	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.9	**11.2**	1.2	**-1.7**	2.6	2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	**59.4**	1.0	**0.0**	-3.5	-3.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.8	**42.5**	1.9	**2.7**	9.4	9.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,444.5	**1,445.7**	...	**1.2**	33.6	33.6	**0.1**	2.4	2.4
Labour force	1,164.1	**1,165.0**	5.2	**0.9**	33.5	33.5	**0.1**	3.0	3.0
Employment	1,087.0	**1,083.6**	5.8	**-3.4**	-6.8	-6.8	**-0.3**	-0.6	-0.6
Unemployment	77.1	**81.4**	4.7	**4.3**	40.3	40.3	**5.6**	98.1	98.1
Participation rate	80.6	**80.6**	0.4	**0.0**	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	**7.0**	0.4	**0.4**	3.4	3.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	75.3	**75.0**	0.4	**-0.3**	-2.2	-2.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.7	**6.9**	0.5	**1.2**	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,410.8	**1,412.3**	...	**1.5**	32.4	32.4	**0.1**	2.3	2.3
Labour force	941.0	**943.9**	5.8	**2.9**	23.4	23.4	**0.3**	2.5	2.5
Employment	892.7	**892.8**	6.0	**0.1**	13.2	13.2	**0.0**	1.5	1.5
Unemployment	48.3	**51.1**	4.1	**2.8**	10.2	10.2	**5.8**	24.9	24.9
Participation rate	66.7	**66.8**	0.4	**0.1**	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	**5.4**	0.4	**0.3**	1.0	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.3	**63.2**	0.4	**-0.1**	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.5	**22.3**	1.0	**-0.2**	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Industry	2,289.5	**2,285.6**	10.2	**-3.9**	-14.6	-14.6	**-0.2**	-0.6	-0.6
Goods-producing sector	633.9	**623.7**	6.9	**-10.2**	-39.5	-39.5	**-1.6**	-6.0	-6.0
Agriculture	61.1	**58.1**	3.2	**-3.0**	-4.9	-4.9	**-4.9**	-7.8	-7.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction [2]	152.2	**152.0**	3.6	**-0.2**	-20.9	-20.9	**-0.1**	-12.1	-12.1
Utilities	19.6	**19.2**	1.0	**-0.4**	1.1	1.1	**-2.0**	6.1	6.1
Construction	261.7	**256.5**	4.8	**-5.2**	-7.0	-7.0	**-2.0**	-2.7	-2.7
Manufacturing	139.3	**137.9**	3.1	**-1.4**	-7.7	-7.7	**-1.0**	-5.3	-5.3
Services-producing sector	1,655.6	**1,661.9**	9.3	**6.3**	24.9	24.9	**0.4**	1.5	1.5
Trade	327.3	**324.3**	4.8	**-3.0**	12.3	12.3	**-0.9**	3.9	3.9
Transportation and warehousing	129.3	**127.6**	3.3	**-1.7**	-14.6	-14.6	**-1.3**	-10.3	-10.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	101.4	**100.5**	2.6	**-0.9**	-3.5	-3.5	**-0.9**	-3.4	-3.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	173.4	**180.3**	3.3	**6.9**	-2.1	-2.1	**4.0**	-1.2	-1.2
Business, building and other support services	84.5	**82.4**	3.1	**-2.1**	2.3	2.3	**-2.5**	2.9	2.9
Educational services	142.5	**148.3**	3.3	**5.8**	16.1	16.1	**4.1**	12.2	12.2
Health care and social assistance	265.6	**268.4**	3.7	**2.8**	15.6	15.6	**1.1**	6.2	6.2
Information, culture and recreation	73.6	**83.1**	2.8	**9.5**	11.0	11.0	**12.9**	15.3	15.3
Accommodation and food services	150.4	**138.9**	4.1	**-11.5**	-15.9	-15.9	**-7.6**	-10.3	-10.3
Other services	109.1	**111.1**	3.4	**2.0**	-9.7	-9.7	**1.8**	-8.0	-8.0
Public administration	98.5	**96.9**	2.1	**-1.6**	13.5	13.5	**-1.6**	16.2	16.2

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.