

Table 3
Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	December 2015	January 2016	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
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in thousands (except rates)									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	443.0	443.3	...	0.3	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Labour force	272.1	269.2	2.0	-2.9	-2.9	0.5	-1.1	-1.1	0.2
Employment	232.8	230.4	2.1	-2.4	-2.4	-7.4	-1.0	-1.0	-3.1
Employment full-time	194.7	193.8	2.7	-0.9	-0.9	-7.6	-0.5	-0.5	-3.8
Employment part-time	38.1	36.7	2.1	-1.4	-1.4	0.3	-3.7	-3.7	0.8
Unemployment	39.3	38.8	2.1	-0.5	-0.5	7.9	-1.3	-1.3	25.6
Participation rate	61.4	60.7	0.5	-0.7	-0.7	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.4	14.4	0.7	0.0	0.0	2.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.6	52.0	0.5	-0.6	-0.6	-1.6	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	121.2	121.2	...	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.3
Labour force	80.6	80.1	0.6	-0.5	-0.5	-2.4	-0.6	-0.6	-2.9
Employment	72.8	72.4	0.6	-0.4	-0.4	-1.6	-0.5	-0.5	-2.2
Employment full-time	60.7	60.6	0.9	-0.1	-0.1	-1.5	-0.2	-0.2	-2.4
Employment part-time	12.1	11.8	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	-0.1	-2.5	-2.5	-0.8
Unemployment	7.9	7.6	0.6	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	-3.8	-3.8	-10.6
Participation rate	66.5	66.1	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	9.5	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	59.7	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-1.6	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	787.0	787.1	...	0.1	0.1	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Labour force	488.1	484.8	2.7	-3.3	-3.3	-6.8	-0.7	-0.7	-1.4
Employment	445.9	443.5	2.7	-2.4	-2.4	-7.0	-0.5	-0.5	-1.6
Employment full-time	368.4	365.5	3.8	-2.9	-2.9	-3.3	-0.8	-0.8	-0.9
Employment part-time	77.5	78.0	3.3	0.5	0.5	-3.7	0.6	0.6	-4.5
Unemployment	42.2	41.4	2.5	-0.8	-0.8	0.3	-1.9	-1.9	0.7
Participation rate	62.0	61.6	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.5	0.5	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.7	56.3	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	621.9	622.2	...	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	387.3	387.5	2.2	0.2	0.2	-6.3	0.1	0.1	-1.6
Employment	352.8	351.7	2.3	-1.1	-1.1	-2.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.7
Employment full-time	301.3	296.7	3.0	-4.6	-4.6	-2.0	-1.5	-1.5	-0.7
Employment part-time	51.5	55.0	2.6	3.5	3.5	-0.4	6.8	6.8	-0.7
Unemployment	34.5	35.9	2.1	1.4	1.4	-3.8	4.1	4.1	-9.6
Participation rate	62.3	62.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.7	56.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,862.2	6,865.9	...	3.7	3.7	40.9	0.1	0.1	0.6
Labour force	4,459.8	4,445.2	15.6	-14.6	-14.6	44.0	-0.3	-0.3	1.0
Employment	4,109.6	4,106.4	15.9	-3.2	-3.2	30.5	-0.1	-0.1	0.7
Employment full-time	3,310.5	3,324.4	22.5	13.9	13.9	67.4	0.4	0.4	2.1
Employment part-time	799.1	781.9	20.9	-17.2	-17.2	-37.0	-2.2	-2.2	-4.5
Unemployment	350.2	338.8	13.7	-11.4	-11.4	13.5	-3.3	-3.3	4.2
Participation rate	65.0	64.7	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.6	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	59.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Ontario									
Population	11,444.5	11,454.5	...	10.0	10.0	125.4	0.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	7,466.2	7,491.4	19.8	25.2	25.2	99.6	0.3	0.3	1.3
Employment	6,966.1	6,985.9	19.3	19.8	19.8	100.2	0.3	0.3	1.5
Employment full-time	5,684.0	5,700.3	28.0	16.3	16.3	180.6	0.3	0.3	3.3
Employment part-time	1,282.0	1,285.6	26.2	3.6	3.6	-80.4	0.3	0.3	-5.9
Unemployment	500.1	505.6	17.0	5.5	5.5	-0.5	1.1	1.1	-0.1
Participation rate	65.2	65.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Employment rate	60.9	61.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2

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Manitoba									
Population	991.9	992.8	...	0.9	0.9	10.3	0.1	0.1	1.0
Labour force	674.2	669.5	2.5	-4.7	-4.7	-6.2	-0.7	-0.7	-0.9
Employment	634.0	628.7	2.6	-5.3	-5.3	-6.6	-0.8	-0.8	-1.0
Employment full-time	506.5	507.6	3.8	1.1	1.1	-11.1	0.2	0.2	-2.1
Employment part-time	127.6	121.1	3.6	-6.5	-6.5	4.5	-5.1	-5.1	3.9
Unemployment	40.1	40.8	2.1	0.7	0.7	0.5	1.7	1.7	1.2
Participation rate	68.0	67.4	0.3	-0.6	-0.6	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.9	63.3	0.3	-0.6	-0.6	-1.4	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	865.0	865.2	...	0.2	0.2	7.4	0.0	0.0	0.9
Labour force	608.6	607.0	2.6	-1.6	-1.6	13.2	-0.3	-0.3	2.2
Employment	575.1	573.3	2.7	-1.8	-1.8	6.4	-0.3	-0.3	1.1
Employment full-time	478.9	472.9	3.8	-6.0	-6.0	5.1	-1.3	-1.3	1.1
Employment part-time	96.2	100.4	3.5	4.2	4.2	1.3	4.4	4.4	1.3
Unemployment	33.6	33.7	2.1	0.1	0.1	6.8	0.3	0.3	25.3
Participation rate	70.4	70.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.5	66.3	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	3,379.0	3,381.7	...	2.7	2.7	58.7	0.1	0.1	1.8
Labour force	2,457.1	2,457.8	9.8	0.7	0.7	34.2	0.0	0.0	1.4
Employment	2,286.1	2,276.1	9.8	-10.0	-10.0	-35.0	-0.4	-0.4	-1.5
Employment full-time	1,880.9	1,859.0	14.1	-21.9	-21.9	-73.0	-1.2	-1.2	-3.8
Employment part-time	405.2	417.1	13.1	11.9	11.9	38.0	2.9	2.9	10.0
Unemployment	171.0	181.7	8.1	10.7	10.7	69.2	6.3	6.3	61.5
Participation rate	72.7	72.7	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	2.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.7	67.3	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-2.2	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,903.2	3,905.9	...	2.7	2.7	54.3	0.1	0.1	1.4
Labour force	2,503.2	2,503.0	10.5	-0.2	-0.2	78.9	0.0	0.0	3.3
Employment	2,335.7	2,336.9	10.6	1.2	1.2	48.6	0.1	0.1	2.1
Employment full-time	1,831.9	1,842.6	15.6	10.7	10.7	16.8	0.6	0.6	0.9
Employment part-time	503.8	494.3	14.8	-9.5	-9.5	31.8	-1.9	-1.9	6.9
Unemployment	167.5	166.0	8.5	-1.5	-1.5	30.2	-0.9	-0.9	22.2
Participation rate	64.1	64.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.6	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	59.8	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.4	...	...	...

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.