

Table 4-5
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Quebec

	December 2015	January 2016	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	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
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	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.4	19.0	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	948.6	946.9	...	-1.7	-1.7	-22.4	-0.2	-0.2	-2.3
Labour force	645.9	641.7	8.7	-4.2	-4.2	-7.8	-0.7	-0.7	-1.2
Employment	562.3	562.0	8.5	-0.3	-0.3	-5.5	-0.1	-0.1	-1.0
Unemployment	83.5	79.7	7.8	-3.8	-3.8	-2.3	-4.6	-4.6	-2.8
Participation rate	68.1	67.8	0.9	-0.3	-0.3	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.9	12.4	1.1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.3	59.4	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	53.2	50.8	1.8	-2.4	-2.4	-4.9	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,916.8	2,919.4	...	2.6	2.6	31.6	0.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	2,039.0	2,028.1	8.6	-10.9	-10.9	37.7	-0.5	-0.5	1.9
Employment	1,884.3	1,875.9	9.5	-8.4	-8.4	23.9	-0.4	-0.4	1.3
Unemployment	154.8	152.3	8.6	-2.5	-2.5	13.9	-1.6	-1.6	10.0
Participation rate	69.9	69.5	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.5	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	64.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.8	8.3	0.6	-0.4	-0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,996.8	2,999.6	...	2.8	2.8	31.7	0.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	1,775.0	1,775.3	8.7	0.3	0.3	14.0	0.0	0.0	0.8
Employment	1,663.0	1,668.5	8.6	5.5	5.5	12.0	0.3	0.3	0.7
Unemployment	111.9	106.8	7.4	-5.1	-5.1	1.9	-4.6	-4.6	1.8
Participation rate	59.2	59.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.0	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.5	55.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.1	20.4	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	4,109.6	4,106.4	15.9	-3.2	-3.2	30.5	-0.1	-0.1	0.7
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	838.2	845.0	8.9	6.8	6.8	-10.7	0.8	0.8	-1.3
Agriculture	61.3	59.6	2.4	-1.7	-1.7	2.5	-2.8	-2.8	4.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	32.3	31.1	1.9	-1.2	-1.2	-0.9	-3.7	-3.7	-2.8
Utilities	26.5	28.7	1.4	2.2	2.2	-0.3	8.3	8.3	-1.0
Construction	227.4	230.1	6.0	2.7	2.7	-27.2	1.2	1.2	-10.6
Manufacturing	490.7	495.4	6.0	4.7	4.7	15.1	1.0	1.0	3.1
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	3,271.4	3,261.4	14.7	-10.0	-10.0	41.1	-0.3	-0.3	1.3
Wholesale and retail trade	652.8	647.0	7.6	-5.8	-5.8	-5.0	-0.9	-0.9	-0.8
Transportation and warehousing	196.8	193.7	4.2	-3.1	-3.1	5.1	-1.6	-1.6	2.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	210.1	209.7	4.1	-0.4	-0.4	-9.2	-0.2	-0.2	-4.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	323.9	315.6	5.5	-8.3	-8.3	11.2	-2.6	-2.6	3.7
Business, building and other support services	176.7	180.8	5.1	4.1	4.1	19.6	2.3	2.3	12.2
Educational services	272.4	267.4	5.2	-5.0	-5.0	-13.1	-1.8	-1.8	-4.7
Health care and social assistance	583.4	585.9	6.3	2.5	2.5	24.1	0.4	0.4	4.3
Information, culture and recreation	172.0	175.6	5.5	3.6	3.6	-5.6	2.1	2.1	-3.1
Accommodation and food services	280.9	279.4	6.2	-1.5	-1.5	-3.3	-0.5	-0.5	-1.2
Other services (except public administration)	160.7	166.2	4.4	5.5	5.5	6.3	3.4	3.4	3.9
Public administration	241.7	240.0	4.0	-1.7	-1.7	11.1	-0.7	-0.7	4.8

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.