

Table 5-2
Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — Monthly

	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)									
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,368.7	3,371.3	...	2.6	2.6	32.0	0.1	0.1	1.0
Labour force	2,246.0	2,240.3	19.3	-5.7	-5.7	43.4	-0.3	-0.3	2.0
Employment	2,048.4	2,049.1	19.4	0.7	0.7	18.8	0.0	0.0	0.9
Unemployment	197.6	191.2	12.6	-6.4	-6.4	24.7	-3.2	-3.2	14.8
Participation rate	66.7	66.5	0.6	-0.2	-0.2	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.5	0.5	-0.3	-0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	60.8	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	5,145.8	5,153.1	...	7.3	7.3	86.6	0.1	0.1	1.7
Labour force	3,476.8	3,483.5	24.1	6.7	6.7	157.5	0.2	0.2	4.7
Employment	3,230.2	3,235.8	23.9	5.6	5.6	151.1	0.2	0.2	4.9
Unemployment	246.6	247.6	15.1	1.0	1.0	6.2	0.4	0.4	2.6
Participation rate	67.6	67.6	0.5	0.0	0.0	2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	7.1	0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.8	62.8	0.5	0.0	0.0	1.9	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,149.1	2,151.2	...	2.1	2.1	38.6	0.1	0.1	1.8
Labour force	1,420.7	1,420.3	12.8	-0.4	-0.4	57.7	0.0	0.0	4.2
Employment	1,335.6	1,336.5	13.1	0.9	0.9	55.6	0.1	0.1	4.3
Unemployment	85.1	83.8	7.8	-1.3	-1.3	2.1	-1.5	-1.5	2.6
Participation rate	66.1	66.0	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.9	0.6	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.1	62.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	1.5	...	...	...

1. Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Estimates in this table are based on 2011 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0136. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.