

**Table 1**  
**Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted**

	January 2016	February 2016	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>15 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	29,439.8	<b>29,465.4</b>	...	<b>25.6</b>	46.4	304.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.0
Labour force	19,395.5	<b>19,413.3</b>	29.8	<b>17.8</b>	16.0	212.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1
Employment	18,005.2	<b>18,002.9</b>	29.5	<b>-2.3</b>	-8.0	117.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.7
Employment full-time	14,623.4	<b>14,571.6</b>	42.5	<b>-51.8</b>	-46.2	81.6	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.3	0.6
Employment part-time	3,381.8	<b>3,431.3</b>	39.7	<b>49.5</b>	38.2	36.3	<b>1.5</b>	1.1	1.1
Unemployment	1,390.3	<b>1,410.4</b>	25.3	<b>20.1</b>	24.0	94.7	<b>1.4</b>	1.7	7.2
Participation rate	65.9	<b>65.9</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	<b>7.3</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	<b>61.1</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.8	<b>19.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
<b>15 to 24 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	4,407.3	<b>4,402.6</b>	...	<b>-4.7</b>	-9.4	-44.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	-1.0
Labour force	2,813.0	<b>2,804.2</b>	17.4	<b>-8.8</b>	-4.1	-66.1	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.1	-2.3
Employment	2,447.0	<b>2,431.4</b>	16.4	<b>-15.6</b>	-11.1	-55.5	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.5	-2.2
Employment full-time	1,309.6	<b>1,288.7</b>	20.6	<b>-20.9</b>	-0.1	19.1	<b>-1.6</b>	0.0	1.5
Employment part-time	1,137.4	<b>1,142.6</b>	21.4	<b>5.2</b>	-11.1	-74.7	<b>0.5</b>	-1.0	-6.1
Unemployment	366.0	<b>372.9</b>	14.9	<b>6.9</b>	7.1	-10.4	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	-2.7
Participation rate	63.8	<b>63.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.0	<b>13.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.5	<b>55.2</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.5	<b>47.0</b>	0.8	<b>0.5</b>	-0.2	-2.0	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, men</b>									
Population	12,244.7	<b>12,259.4</b>	...	<b>14.7</b>	26.8	171.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.4
Labour force	8,801.0	<b>8,828.9</b>	16.0	<b>27.9</b>	16.5	151.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	1.7
Employment	8,207.3	<b>8,222.2</b>	16.7	<b>14.9</b>	-6.0	79.9	<b>0.2</b>	-0.1	1.0
Employment full-time	7,549.9	<b>7,545.4</b>	23.4	<b>-4.5</b>	-31.6	42.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	0.6
Employment part-time	657.3	<b>676.8</b>	19.2	<b>19.5</b>	25.6	37.8	<b>3.0</b>	3.9	5.9
Unemployment	593.7	<b>606.7</b>	14.9	<b>13.0</b>	22.5	71.7	<b>2.2</b>	3.9	13.4
Participation rate	71.9	<b>72.0</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	<b>6.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.0	<b>67.1</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.0	<b>8.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, women</b>									
Population	12,787.9	<b>12,803.4</b>	...	<b>15.5</b>	29.0	177.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.4
Labour force	7,781.5	<b>7,780.2</b>	17.0	<b>-1.3</b>	3.7	127.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.7
Employment	7,350.9	<b>7,349.3</b>	16.9	<b>-1.6</b>	9.1	93.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	1.3
Employment full-time	5,763.9	<b>5,737.4</b>	27.9	<b>-26.5</b>	-14.6	20.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.3	0.4
Employment part-time	1,587.1	<b>1,611.9</b>	26.7	<b>24.8</b>	23.7	73.3	<b>1.6</b>	1.5	4.8
Unemployment	430.5	<b>430.8</b>	13.5	<b>0.3</b>	-5.5	33.4	<b>0.1</b>	-1.3	8.4
Participation rate	60.9	<b>60.8</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	<b>5.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.5	<b>57.4</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.6	<b>21.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	14,603.0	<b>14,607.0</b>	...	<b>4.0</b>	2.3	40.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	12,662.4	<b>12,664.1</b>	24.6	<b>1.7</b>	11.4	81.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.6
Employment	11,875.9	<b>11,868.5</b>	26.2	<b>-7.4</b>	6.7	-1.5	<b>-0.1</b>	0.1	0.0
Employment full-time	786.5	<b>795.6</b>	19.0	<b>9.1</b>	4.7	82.7	<b>1.2</b>	0.6	11.6
Employment part-time	86.7	<b>86.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment	86.7	<b>86.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Participation rate	6.2	<b>6.3</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	81.3	<b>81.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.3	<b>81.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, men</b>									
Population	7,271.1	<b>7,272.9</b>	...	<b>1.8</b>	0.4	18.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	6,627.1	<b>6,634.5</b>	15.7	<b>7.4</b>	-3.1	39.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.6
Employment	6,181.1	<b>6,178.0</b>	17.3	<b>-3.1</b>	-11.8	-13.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	-0.2
Employment full-time	446.1	<b>456.6</b>	13.7	<b>10.5</b>	8.8	52.9	<b>2.4</b>	2.0	13.1
Employment part-time	91.1	<b>91.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment	446.1	<b>456.6</b>	13.7	<b>10.5</b>	8.8	52.9	<b>2.4</b>	2.0	13.1
Participation rate	91.1	<b>91.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	<b>6.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	85.0	<b>84.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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<b>25 to 54 years, women</b>									
Population	7,331.9	<b>7,334.1</b>	...	<b>2.2</b>	1.9	22.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	6,035.2	<b>6,029.5</b>	17.8	<b>-5.7</b>	14.4	42.1	<b>-0.1</b>	0.2	0.7
Employment	5,694.8	<b>5,690.5</b>	18.2	<b>-4.3</b>	18.4	12.3	<b>-0.1</b>	0.3	0.2
Unemployment	340.4	<b>339.0</b>	12.7	<b>-1.4</b>	-4.0	29.8	<b>-0.4</b>	-1.2	9.6
Participation rate	82.3	<b>82.2</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>5.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.7	<b>77.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	10,429.6	<b>10,455.8</b>	...	<b>26.2</b>	53.5	308.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	3.0
Labour force	3,920.1	<b>3,945.0</b>	20.7	<b>24.9</b>	8.7	197.4	<b>0.6</b>	0.2	5.3
Employment	3,682.3	<b>3,703.1</b>	20.7	<b>20.8</b>	-3.5	175.1	<b>0.6</b>	-0.1	5.0
Unemployment	237.8	<b>241.9</b>	10.5	<b>4.1</b>	12.2	22.3	<b>1.7</b>	5.3	10.2
Participation rate	37.6	<b>37.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>6.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	35.3	<b>35.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.2	0.6	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, men</b>									
Population	4,973.6	<b>4,986.5</b>	...	<b>12.9</b>	26.4	153.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	3.2
Labour force	2,173.8	<b>2,194.4</b>	13.6	<b>20.6</b>	19.6	112.6	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	5.4
Employment	2,026.2	<b>2,044.3</b>	13.9	<b>18.1</b>	5.9	93.8	<b>0.9</b>	0.3	4.8
Unemployment	147.6	<b>150.1</b>	7.8	<b>2.5</b>	13.7	18.7	<b>1.7</b>	10.0	14.2
Participation rate	43.7	<b>44.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	<b>6.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	40.7	<b>41.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, women</b>									
Population	5,456.0	<b>5,469.3</b>	...	<b>13.3</b>	27.1	155.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	2.9
Labour force	1,746.3	<b>1,750.6</b>	14.2	<b>4.3</b>	-10.8	84.9	<b>0.2</b>	-0.6	5.1
Employment	1,656.1	<b>1,658.8</b>	14.2	<b>2.7</b>	-9.3	81.2	<b>0.2</b>	-0.6	5.1
Unemployment	90.1	<b>91.8</b>	6.7	<b>1.7</b>	-1.5	3.6	<b>1.9</b>	-1.6	4.1
Participation rate	32.0	<b>32.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	30.4	<b>30.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	0.6	...	...	...

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.