

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

	February 2016	March 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	29,465.4	<b>29,492.5</b>	...	<b>27.1</b>	73.5	309.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.1
Labour force	19,413.3	<b>19,428.4</b>	29.8	<b>15.1</b>	31.1	199.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.0
Employment	18,002.9	<b>18,043.5</b>	29.5	<b>40.6</b>	32.6	129.6	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.7
Employment full-time	14,571.6	<b>14,606.9</b>	42.5	<b>35.3</b>	-10.9	133.7	<b>0.2</b>	-0.1	0.9
Employment part-time	3,431.3	<b>3,436.6</b>	39.7	<b>5.3</b>	43.5	-4.1	<b>0.2</b>	1.3	-0.1
Unemployment	1,410.4	<b>1,384.9</b>	25.3	<b>-25.5</b>	-1.5	69.6	<b>-1.8</b>	-0.1	5.3
Participation rate	65.9	<b>65.9</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	<b>7.1</b>	0.1	<b>-0.2</b>	0.0	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	<b>61.2</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.1	<b>19.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>15 to 24 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	4,402.6	<b>4,399.7</b>	...	<b>-2.9</b>	-12.3	-44.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	-1.0
Labour force	2,804.2	<b>2,809.2</b>	17.4	<b>5.0</b>	0.9	-59.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.0	-2.1
Employment	2,431.4	<b>2,433.7</b>	16.4	<b>2.3</b>	-8.8	-60.4	<b>0.1</b>	-0.4	-2.4
Employment full-time	1,288.7	<b>1,258.3</b>	20.6	<b>-30.4</b>	-30.5	-7.3	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	-0.6
Employment part-time	1,142.6	<b>1,175.4</b>	21.4	<b>32.8</b>	21.7	-53.1	<b>2.9</b>	1.9	-4.3
Unemployment	372.9	<b>375.5</b>	14.9	<b>2.6</b>	9.7	0.5	<b>0.7</b>	2.7	0.1
Participation rate	63.7	<b>63.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.3	<b>13.4</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.2	<b>55.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	47.0	<b>48.3</b>	0.8	<b>1.3</b>	1.1	-1.0	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, men</b>									
Population	12,259.4	<b>12,274.2</b>	...	<b>14.8</b>	41.6	174.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.4
Labour force	8,828.9	<b>8,816.3</b>	16.0	<b>-12.6</b>	3.9	153.0	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	1.8
Employment	8,222.2	<b>8,230.6</b>	16.7	<b>8.4</b>	2.4	88.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	1.1
Employment full-time	7,545.4	<b>7,567.4</b>	23.4	<b>22.0</b>	-9.6	68.8	<b>0.3</b>	-0.1	0.9
Employment part-time	676.8	<b>663.2</b>	19.2	<b>-13.6</b>	12.0	19.9	<b>-2.0</b>	1.8	3.1
Unemployment	606.7	<b>585.7</b>	14.9	<b>-21.0</b>	1.5	64.3	<b>-3.5</b>	0.3	12.3
Participation rate	72.0	<b>71.8</b>	0.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>6.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.1	<b>67.1</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.2	<b>8.1</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, women</b>									
Population	12,803.4	<b>12,818.7</b>	...	<b>15.3</b>	44.3	178.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.4
Labour force	7,780.2	<b>7,802.9</b>	17.0	<b>22.7</b>	26.4	106.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4
Employment	7,349.3	<b>7,379.2</b>	16.9	<b>29.9</b>	39.0	101.2	<b>0.4</b>	0.5	1.4
Employment full-time	5,737.4	<b>5,781.2</b>	27.9	<b>43.8</b>	29.2	72.2	<b>0.8</b>	0.5	1.3
Employment part-time	1,611.9	<b>1,598.0</b>	26.7	<b>-13.9</b>	9.8	29.1	<b>-0.9</b>	0.6	1.9
Unemployment	430.8	<b>423.7</b>	13.5	<b>-7.1</b>	-12.6	4.8	<b>-1.6</b>	-2.9	1.1
Participation rate	60.8	<b>60.9</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	<b>5.4</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	<b>57.6</b>	0.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.9	<b>21.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	14,607.0	<b>14,613.8</b>	...	<b>6.8</b>	9.1	44.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.3
Labour force	12,664.1	<b>12,682.9</b>	24.6	<b>18.8</b>	30.2	82.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.7
Employment	11,868.5	<b>11,908.5</b>	26.2	<b>40.0</b>	46.7	40.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	0.3
Employment full-time	795.6	<b>774.4</b>	19.0	<b>-21.2</b>	-16.5	42.2	<b>-2.7</b>	-2.1	5.8
Employment part-time	86.7	<b>86.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment	86.7	<b>86.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Participation rate	6.3	<b>6.1</b>	0.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	81.3	<b>81.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.3	<b>81.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, men</b>									
Population	7,272.9	<b>7,276.1</b>	...	<b>3.2</b>	3.6	20.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	6,634.5	<b>6,640.1</b>	15.7	<b>5.6</b>	2.5	52.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.8
Employment	6,178.0	<b>6,195.9</b>	17.3	<b>17.9</b>	6.1	10.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	0.2
Employment full-time	456.6	<b>444.2</b>	13.7	<b>-12.4</b>	-3.6	42.6	<b>-2.7</b>	-0.8	10.6
Employment part-time	91.2	<b>91.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment	456.6	<b>444.2</b>	13.7	<b>-12.4</b>	-3.6	42.6	<b>-2.7</b>	-0.8	10.6
Participation rate	91.2	<b>91.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>6.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	84.9	<b>85.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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in thousands (except rates)									
<b>25 to 54 years, women</b>									
Population	7,334.1	<b>7,337.7</b>	...	<b>3.6</b>	5.5	23.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.3
Labour force	6,029.5	<b>6,042.7</b>	17.8	<b>13.2</b>	27.6	30.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	0.5
Employment	5,690.5	<b>5,712.5</b>	18.2	<b>22.0</b>	40.4	30.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.7	0.5
Unemployment	339.0	<b>330.2</b>	12.7	<b>-8.8</b>	-12.8	-0.3	<b>-2.6</b>	-3.7	-0.1
Participation rate	82.2	<b>82.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>5.5</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.6	<b>77.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	0.2	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	10,455.8	<b>10,479.1</b>	...	<b>23.3</b>	76.8	309.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.7	3.0
Labour force	3,945.0	<b>3,936.4</b>	20.7	<b>-8.6</b>	0.1	176.3	<b>-0.2</b>	0.0	4.7
Employment	3,703.1	<b>3,701.3</b>	20.7	<b>-1.8</b>	-5.3	149.4	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	4.2
Unemployment	241.9	<b>235.0</b>	10.5	<b>-6.9</b>	5.3	26.8	<b>-2.9</b>	2.3	12.9
Participation rate	37.7	<b>37.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>6.0</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	35.4	<b>35.3</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	0.4	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, men</b>									
Population	4,986.5	<b>4,998.1</b>	...	<b>11.6</b>	38.0	153.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.8	3.2
Labour force	2,194.4	<b>2,176.2</b>	13.6	<b>-18.2</b>	1.4	100.4	<b>-0.8</b>	0.1	4.8
Employment	2,044.3	<b>2,034.7</b>	13.9	<b>-9.6</b>	-3.7	78.7	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.2	4.0
Unemployment	150.1	<b>141.5</b>	7.8	<b>-8.6</b>	5.1	21.7	<b>-5.7</b>	3.7	18.1
Participation rate	44.0	<b>43.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	<b>6.5</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	0.2	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	41.0	<b>40.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.4	0.3	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, women</b>									
Population	5,469.3	<b>5,481.0</b>	...	<b>11.7</b>	38.8	155.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.7	2.9
Labour force	1,750.6	<b>1,760.2</b>	14.2	<b>9.6</b>	-1.2	75.9	<b>0.5</b>	-0.1	4.5
Employment	1,658.8	<b>1,666.7</b>	14.2	<b>7.9</b>	-1.4	70.8	<b>0.5</b>	-0.1	4.4
Unemployment	91.8	<b>93.5</b>	6.7	<b>1.7</b>	0.2	5.1	<b>1.9</b>	0.2	5.8
Participation rate	32.0	<b>32.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	-0.3	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	30.3	<b>30.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	-0.3	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.