

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

	February 2016	March 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	6,869.3	6,873.6	...	4.3	11.4	43.3	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	4,447.4	4,430.1	15.6	-17.3	-29.7	-1.5	-0.4	-0.7	0.0
Employment	4,109.8	4,098.6	15.9	-11.2	-11.0	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.0
Employment full-time	3,326.0	3,303.5	22.5	-22.5	-7.0	25.3	-0.7	-0.2	0.8
Unemployment	337.6	331.5	13.7	-6.1	-18.7	-1.8	-1.8	-5.3	-0.5
Participation rate	64.7	64.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	59.6	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.1	19.4	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	944.4	942.8	...	-1.6	-5.8	-22.4	-0.2	-0.6	-2.3
Labour force	644.7	638.4	8.7	-6.3	-7.5	-19.7	-1.0	-1.2	-3.0
Employment	562.1	562.3	8.5	0.2	0.0	-11.6	0.0	0.0	-2.0
Unemployment	82.6	76.2	7.8	-6.4	-7.3	-8.0	-7.7	-8.7	-9.5
Participation rate	68.3	67.7	0.9	-0.6	-0.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.8	11.9	1.1	-0.9	-1.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	59.6	0.9	0.1	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	51.1	54.7	1.8	3.6	1.5	0.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,922.3	2,925.2	...	2.9	8.4	32.6	0.1	0.3	1.1
Labour force	2,034.4	2,019.4	8.6	-15.0	-19.6	23.6	-0.7	-1.0	1.2
Employment	1,871.5	1,864.8	9.5	-6.7	-19.5	11.0	-0.4	-1.0	0.6
Unemployment	162.9	154.6	8.6	-8.3	-0.2	12.6	-5.1	-0.1	8.9
Participation rate	69.6	69.0	0.3	-0.6	-0.9	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	7.7	0.4	-0.3	0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	63.7	0.3	-0.3	-0.9	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.3	8.3	0.6	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	3,002.6	3,005.6	...	3.0	8.8	33.0	0.1	0.3	1.1
Labour force	1,768.3	1,772.3	8.7	4.0	-2.7	-5.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.3
Employment	1,676.2	1,671.5	8.6	-4.7	8.5	0.9	-0.3	0.5	0.1
Unemployment	92.1	100.8	7.4	8.7	-11.1	-6.3	9.4	-9.9	-5.9
Participation rate	58.9	59.0	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.7	0.4	0.5	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	55.6	0.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.3	19.9	0.8	-0.5	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	4,109.8	4,098.6	15.9	-11.2	-11.0	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.0
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	859.7	840.6	8.9	-19.1	2.4	-0.3	-2.2	0.3	0.0
Agriculture	56.7	56.9	2.4	0.2	-4.4	4.1	0.4	-7.2	7.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	31.4	30.2	1.9	-1.2	-2.1	-0.1	-3.8	-6.5	-0.3
Utilities	29.6	28.8	1.4	-0.8	2.3	2.0	-2.7	8.7	7.5
Construction	243.1	234.6	6.0	-8.5	7.2	-12.3	-3.5	3.2	-5.0
Manufacturing	498.8	490.1	6.0	-8.7	-0.6	6.0	-1.7	-0.1	1.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	3,250.1	3,258.0	14.7	7.9	-13.4	0.6	0.2	-0.4	0.0
Wholesale and retail trade	648.5	645.9	7.6	-2.6	-6.9	-21.1	-0.4	-1.1	-3.2
Transportation and warehousing	193.5	190.9	4.2	-2.6	-5.9	-3.4	-1.3	-3.0	-1.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	212.0	204.8	4.1	-7.2	-5.3	-13.6	-3.4	-2.5	-6.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	313.6	312.2	5.5	-1.4	-11.7	-0.1	-0.4	-3.6	0.0
Business, building and other support services	180.7	183.5	5.1	2.8	6.8	19.2	1.5	3.8	11.7
Educational services	266.0	272.8	5.2	6.8	0.4	-10.3	2.6	0.1	-3.6
Health care and social assistance	582.0	590.1	6.3	8.1	6.7	11.7	1.4	1.1	2.0
Information, culture and recreation	178.0	175.8	5.5	-2.2	3.8	1.8	-1.2	2.2	1.0
Accommodation and food services	276.4	282.0	6.2	5.6	1.1	3.4	2.0	0.4	1.2
Other services (except public administration)	159.8	166.1	4.4	6.3	5.4	5.3	3.9	3.4	3.3
Public administration	239.6	233.9	4.0	-5.7	-7.8	7.7	-2.4	-3.2	3.4

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.