

Table 4-3
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Nova Scotia

| | March 2016 | April 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 | 787.8 | 787.9 | ... | 0.1 | 0.9 | 3.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| Labour force | 492.7 | 490.2 | 2.7 | -2.5 | 2.1 | 1.6 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Employment | 447.7 | 449.7 | 2.7 | 2.0 | 3.8 | 5.4 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 1.2 |
| Employment full-time | 369.8 | 367.6 | 3.8 | -2.2 | -0.8 | 4.8 | -0.6 | -0.2 | 1.3 |
| Unemployment | 45.0 | 40.5 | 2.5 | -4.5 | -1.7 | -3.9 | -10.0 | -4.0 | -8.8 |
| Participation rate | 62.5 | 62.2 | 0.3 | -0.3 | 0.2 | -0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.1 | 8.3 | 0.5 | -0.8 | -0.3 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 56.8 | 57.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 17.4 | 18.3 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 110.3 | 110.2 | ... | -0.1 | -0.4 | -1.8 | -0.1 | -0.4 | -1.6 |
| Labour force | 72.0 | 73.1 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 2.3 | -0.9 | 1.5 | 3.2 | -1.2 |
| Employment | 60.0 | 62.9 | 1.4 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 1.3 |
| Unemployment | 12.1 | 10.1 | 1.4 | -2.0 | -0.8 | -1.8 | -16.5 | -7.3 | -15.1 |
| Participation rate | 65.3 | 66.3 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 2.3 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 16.8 | 13.8 | 1.7 | -3.0 | -1.6 | -2.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 54.4 | 57.1 | 1.3 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 41.0 | 42.6 | 2.8 | 1.6 | -0.9 | -0.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 324.4 | 324.5 | ... | 0.1 | 0.6 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.8 |
| Labour force | 214.9 | 212.5 | 1.5 | -2.4 | 0.7 | 1.2 | -1.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 |
| Employment | 195.1 | 193.9 | 1.7 | -1.2 | 0.6 | 2.2 | -0.6 | 0.3 | 1.1 |
| Unemployment | 19.7 | 18.6 | 1.6 | -1.1 | 0.1 | -1.0 | -5.6 | 0.5 | -5.1 |
| Participation rate | 66.2 | 65.5 | 0.5 | -0.7 | 0.1 | -0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.2 | 8.8 | 0.7 | -0.4 | 0.1 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 60.1 | 59.8 | 0.5 | -0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 7.9 | 7.5 | 0.8 | -0.4 | 0.1 | -1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 353.1 | 353.2 | ... | 0.1 | 0.7 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.8 |
| Labour force | 205.8 | 204.6 | 1.5 | -1.2 | -0.9 | 1.2 | -0.6 | -0.4 | 0.6 |
| Employment | 192.6 | 192.8 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.3 |
| Unemployment | 13.2 | 11.8 | 1.2 | -1.4 | -1.1 | -1.1 | -10.6 | -8.5 | -8.5 |
| Participation rate | 58.3 | 57.9 | 0.4 | -0.4 | -0.4 | -0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.4 | 5.8 | 0.6 | -0.6 | -0.5 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 54.5 | 54.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 19.6 | 21.1 | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | | | | | | | | | |
| Industry | 447.7 | 449.7 | 2.7 | 2.0 | 3.8 | 5.4 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 1.2 |
| Goods-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Goods-producing sector | 83.5 | 80.8 | 1.7 | -2.7 | -4.0 | 0.9 | -3.2 | -4.7 | 1.1 |
| Agriculture | 4.2 | 4.4 | 0.6 | 0.2 | -1.6 | -0.9 | 4.8 | -26.7 | -17.0 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ² | 12.3 | 11.8 | 0.9 | -0.5 | 1.0 | 1.0 | -4.1 | 9.3 | 9.3 |
| Utilities | 3.0 | 3.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -0.8 | -1.0 | 0.0 | -21.1 | -25.0 |
| Construction | 33.7 | 32.2 | 1.2 | -1.5 | -1.3 | 0.5 | -4.5 | -3.9 | 1.6 |
| Manufacturing | 30.3 | 29.3 | 0.8 | -1.0 | -1.5 | 1.2 | -3.3 | -4.9 | 4.3 |
| Services-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Services-producing sector | 364.1 | 368.9 | 2.6 | 4.8 | 7.9 | 4.5 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 1.2 |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 68.8 | 71.7 | 1.4 | 2.9 | 0.5 | -0.9 | 4.2 | 0.7 | -1.2 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 21.4 | 20.3 | 0.8 | -1.1 | -0.2 | 0.5 | -5.1 | -1.0 | 2.5 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing | 23.2 | 23.3 | 0.6 | 0.1 | -1.3 | 0.7 | 0.4 | -5.3 | 3.1 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 27.2 | 27.7 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 6.9 | 4.1 |
| Business, building and other support services | 17.7 | 18.6 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.7 | -3.4 | 5.1 | 3.9 | -15.5 |
| Educational services | 38.5 | 37.4 | 1.1 | -1.1 | 0.8 | 1.1 | -2.9 | 2.2 | 3.0 |
| Health care and social assistance | 74.2 | 75.6 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 1.9 | 4.9 | 6.0 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 16.4 | 15.6 | 0.8 | -0.8 | -0.5 | -2.8 | -4.9 | -3.1 | -15.2 |
| Accommodation and food services | 31.8 | 32.7 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 2.7 | 0.8 | 2.8 | 9.0 | 2.5 |
| Other services (except public administration) | 18.5 | 18.7 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 15.4 |
| Public administration | 26.4 | 27.4 | 0.7 | 1.0 | -0.2 | 0.7 | 3.8 | -0.7 | 2.6 |

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.