

**Table 4-6**  
**Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Ontario**

	March 2016	April 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>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	11,477.8	<b>11,487.5</b>	...	<b>9.7</b>	43.0	130.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	1.2
Labour force	7,496.9	<b>7,510.6</b>	19.8	<b>13.7</b>	44.4	118.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.6	1.6
Employment	6,988.6	<b>6,985.3</b>	19.3	<b>-3.3</b>	19.2	95.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	1.4
Employment full-time	5,677.7	<b>5,653.5</b>	28.0	<b>-24.2</b>	-30.5	67.0	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.5	1.2
Unemployment	508.3	<b>525.3</b>	17.0	<b>17.0</b>	25.2	22.7	<b>3.3</b>	5.0	4.5
Participation rate	65.3	<b>65.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	<b>7.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	<b>60.8</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.8	<b>19.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	1,788.1	<b>1,786.9</b>	...	<b>-1.2</b>	-4.2	-12.7	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	-0.7
Labour force	1,074.1	<b>1,091.1</b>	12.4	<b>17.0</b>	22.7	-21.2	<b>1.6</b>	2.1	-1.9
Employment	913.8	<b>929.1</b>	11.2	<b>15.3</b>	7.3	-13.1	<b>1.7</b>	0.8	-1.4
Unemployment	160.3	<b>162.0</b>	10.4	<b>1.7</b>	15.4	-8.1	<b>1.1</b>	10.5	-4.8
Participation rate	60.1	<b>61.1</b>	0.7	<b>1.0</b>	1.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.9	<b>14.8</b>	0.9	<b>-0.1</b>	1.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.1	<b>52.0</b>	0.6	<b>0.9</b>	0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.2	<b>49.8</b>	1.4	<b>0.7</b>	1.6	-0.9	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	4,674.7	<b>4,680.2</b>	...	<b>5.5</b>	23.8	71.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	1.5
Labour force	3,368.5	<b>3,354.7</b>	10.3	<b>-13.8</b>	-2.0	67.1	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.1	2.0
Employment	3,178.9	<b>3,158.4</b>	10.5	<b>-20.5</b>	-6.8	44.1	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.2	1.4
Unemployment	189.6	<b>196.3</b>	9.3	<b>6.7</b>	4.8	23.1	<b>3.5</b>	2.5	13.3
Participation rate	72.1	<b>71.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>5.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.0	<b>67.5</b>	0.2	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.6	<b>7.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	5,015.1	<b>5,020.4</b>	...	<b>5.3</b>	23.5	72.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	1.5
Labour force	3,054.3	<b>3,064.8</b>	11.2	<b>10.5</b>	23.7	72.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.8	2.4
Employment	2,896.0	<b>2,897.8</b>	11.1	<b>1.8</b>	18.7	64.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	2.3
Unemployment	158.4	<b>167.0</b>	8.9	<b>8.6</b>	5.0	7.7	<b>5.4</b>	3.1	4.8
Participation rate	60.9	<b>61.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.7	<b>57.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.4	<b>21.4</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	0.9	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
6,988.6	<b>6,985.3</b>	19.3	<b>-3.3</b>	19.2	95.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	1.4	
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
1,429.3	<b>1,405.9</b>	10.4	<b>-23.4</b>	-12.4	20.1	<b>-1.6</b>	-0.9	1.5	
Agriculture	86.5	<b>80.3</b>	2.8	<b>-6.2</b>	3.9	5.4	<b>-7.2</b>	5.1	7.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	40.6	<b>40.2</b>	2.1	<b>-0.4</b>	-3.3	-1.6	<b>-1.0</b>	-7.6	-3.8
Utilities	49.1	<b>50.1</b>	1.4	<b>1.0</b>	4.5	-1.3	<b>2.0</b>	9.9	-2.5
Construction	498.2	<b>485.9</b>	7.0	<b>-12.3</b>	-10.1	4.3	<b>-2.5</b>	-2.0	0.9
Manufacturing	755.0	<b>749.3</b>	7.3	<b>-5.7</b>	-7.6	13.3	<b>-0.8</b>	-1.0	1.8
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
5,559.4	<b>5,579.4</b>	18.6	<b>20.0</b>	31.7	75.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.6	1.4	
Wholesale and retail trade	1,033.3	<b>1,043.4</b>	9.5	<b>10.1</b>	10.6	-3.6	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-0.3
Transportation and warehousing	327.2	<b>332.2</b>	5.2	<b>5.0</b>	6.7	13.7	<b>1.5</b>	2.1	4.3
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	553.1	<b>556.1</b>	6.4	<b>3.0</b>	-1.3	31.0	<b>0.5</b>	-0.2	5.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	600.2	<b>600.6</b>	7.4	<b>0.4</b>	4.5	29.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	5.1
Business, building and other support services	337.0	<b>323.9</b>	7.4	<b>-13.1</b>	-2.0	-11.0	<b>-3.9</b>	-0.6	-3.3
Educational services	505.1	<b>501.7</b>	7.0	<b>-3.4</b>	-5.7	-19.2	<b>-0.7</b>	-1.1	-3.7
Health care and social assistance	832.9	<b>834.5</b>	7.3	<b>1.6</b>	5.4	35.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.7	4.4
Information, culture and recreation	303.1	<b>305.5</b>	6.5	<b>2.4</b>	6.3	-6.7	<b>0.8</b>	2.1	-2.1
Accommodation and food services	450.7	<b>459.6</b>	7.6	<b>8.9</b>	15.3	0.6	<b>2.0</b>	3.4	0.1
Other services (except public administration)	271.5	<b>270.7</b>	5.0	<b>-0.8</b>	-9.7	-1.1	<b>-0.3</b>	-3.5	-0.4
Public administration	345.3	<b>351.0</b>	4.6	<b>5.7</b>	1.5	7.5	<b>1.7</b>	0.4	2.2

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.