

**Table 4-4**  
**Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — New Brunswick**

|   | April<br>2016 | May<br>2016  | S.E. <sup>1</sup> | Change from   |                  |                         | Percent change from |                  |                         |
|---|---------------|--------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
|   |               |              |                   | last<br>month | last<br>December | twelve<br>months<br>ago | last<br>month       | last<br>December | twelve<br>months<br>ago |
| in thousands (except rates)   |               |              |                   |               |                  |                         |                     |                  |                         |
| <b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>                                      |               |              |                   |               |                  |                         |                     |                  |                         |
| Population  | 623.4         | <b>623.5</b> | ...               | <b>0.1</b>    | 1.6              | 1.5                     | <b>0.0</b>          | 0.3              | 0.2                     |
| Labour force  | 386.6         | <b>386.7</b> | 2.2               | <b>0.1</b>    | -0.6             | -1.3                    | <b>0.0</b>          | -0.2             | -0.3                    |
| Employment  | 349.3         | <b>348.4</b> | 2.3               | <b>-0.9</b>   | -4.4             | -2.8                    | <b>-0.3</b>         | -1.2             | -0.8                    |
| Employment full-time  | 294.8         | <b>295.7</b> | 3.0               | <b>0.9</b>    | -5.6             | -0.6                    | <b>0.3</b>          | -1.9             | -0.2                    |
| Unemployment  | 37.3          | <b>38.3</b>  | 2.1               | <b>1.0</b>    | 3.8              | 1.4                     | <b>2.7</b>          | 11.0             | 3.8                     |
| Participation rate  | 62.0          | <b>62.0</b>  | 0.4               | <b>0.0</b>    | -0.3             | -0.4                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Unemployment rate   | 9.6           | <b>9.9</b>   | 0.5               | <b>0.3</b>    | 1.0              | 0.4                     | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Employment rate   | 56.0          | <b>55.9</b>  | 0.4               | <b>-0.1</b>   | -0.8             | -0.6                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Part-time rate  | 15.6          | <b>15.1</b>  | 0.7               | <b>-0.5</b>   | 0.5              | -0.5                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| <b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>   |               |              |                   |               |                  |                         |                     |                  |                         |
| Population  | 83.5          | <b>83.4</b>  | ...               | <b>-0.1</b>   | -0.2             | -1.5                    | <b>-0.1</b>         | -0.2             | -1.8                    |
| Labour force  | 50.7          | <b>51.5</b>  | 1.2               | <b>0.8</b>    | -0.3             | -2.7                    | <b>1.6</b>          | -0.6             | -5.0                    |
| Employment  | 42.2          | <b>41.1</b>  | 1.1               | <b>-1.1</b>   | -1.8             | -4.0                    | <b>-2.6</b>         | -4.2             | -8.9                    |
| Unemployment  | 8.5           | <b>10.4</b>  | 1.2               | <b>1.9</b>    | 1.5              | 1.3                     | <b>22.4</b>         | 16.9             | 14.3                    |
| Participation rate  | 60.7          | <b>61.8</b>  | 1.4               | <b>1.1</b>    | -0.2             | -2.0                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Unemployment rate   | 16.8          | <b>20.2</b>  | 2.0               | <b>3.4</b>    | 3.0              | 3.4                     | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Employment rate   | 50.5          | <b>49.3</b>  | 1.3               | <b>-1.2</b>   | -2.0             | -3.8                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Part-time rate  | 43.4          | <b>41.1</b>  | 3.0               | <b>-2.2</b>   | -3.2             | 2.5                     | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| <b>Men, 25 years and over</b>   |               |              |                   |               |                  |                         |                     |                  |                         |
| Population  | 261.4         | <b>261.6</b> | ...               | <b>0.2</b>    | 1.0              | 1.4                     | <b>0.1</b>          | 0.4              | 0.5                     |
| Labour force  | 173.9         | <b>174.1</b> | 1.2               | <b>0.2</b>    | 1.2              | 0.7                     | <b>0.1</b>          | 0.7              | 0.4                     |
| Employment  | 155.0         | <b>155.4</b> | 1.5               | <b>0.4</b>    | -1.3             | 0.2                     | <b>0.3</b>          | -0.8             | 0.1                     |
| Unemployment  | 18.9          | <b>18.7</b>  | 1.4               | <b>-0.2</b>   | 2.5              | 0.4                     | <b>-1.1</b>         | 15.4             | 2.2                     |
| Participation rate  | 66.5          | <b>66.6</b>  | 0.5               | <b>0.1</b>    | 0.3              | 0.0                     | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Unemployment rate   | 10.9          | <b>10.7</b>  | 0.8               | <b>-0.2</b>   | 1.3              | 0.1                     | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Employment rate   | 59.3          | <b>59.4</b>  | 0.6               | <b>0.1</b>    | -0.7             | -0.2                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Part-time rate  | 6.6           | <b>6.4</b>   | 0.8               | <b>-0.1</b>   | 0.5              | -1.0                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| <b>Women, 25 years and over</b>   |               |              |                   |               |                  |                         |                     |                  |                         |
| Population  | 278.4         | <b>278.5</b> | ...               | <b>0.1</b>    | 0.9              | 1.5                     | <b>0.0</b>          | 0.3              | 0.5                     |
| Labour force  | 162.0         | <b>161.1</b> | 1.2               | <b>-0.9</b>   | -1.5             | 0.6                     | <b>-0.6</b>         | -0.9             | 0.4                     |
| Employment  | 152.1         | <b>151.9</b> | 1.2               | <b>-0.2</b>   | -1.3             | 1.0                     | <b>-0.1</b>         | -0.8             | 0.7                     |
| Unemployment  | 9.9           | <b>9.2</b>   | 1.1               | <b>-0.7</b>   | -0.2             | -0.3                    | <b>-7.1</b>         | -2.1             | -3.2                    |
| Participation rate  | 58.2          | <b>57.8</b>  | 0.4               | <b>-0.4</b>   | -0.8             | -0.1                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Unemployment rate   | 6.1           | <b>5.7</b>   | 0.7               | <b>-0.4</b>   | -0.1             | -0.2                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Employment rate   | 54.6          | <b>54.5</b>  | 0.4               | <b>-0.1</b>   | -0.7             | 0.0                     | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| Part-time rate  | 17.1          | <b>17.0</b>  | 1.1               | <b>-0.1</b>   | 1.8              | -0.2                    | ...                 | ...              | ...                     |
| <b>Industry</b>   |               |              |                   |               |                  |                         |                     |                  |                         |
| <b>Goods-producing sector</b>   | 349.3         | <b>348.4</b> | 2.3               | <b>-0.9</b>   | -4.4             | -2.8                    | <b>-0.3</b>         | -1.2             | -0.8                    |
| Agriculture   | 71.6          | <b>73.7</b>  | 1.5               | <b>2.1</b>    | -2.1             | 1.6                     | <b>2.9</b>          | -2.8             | 2.2                     |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup> | 4.6           | <b>5.3</b>   | 0.5               | <b>0.7</b>    | 0.9              | 1.2                     | <b>15.2</b>         | 20.5             | 29.3                    |
| Utilities   | 10.4          | <b>9.7</b>   | 0.8               | <b>-0.7</b>   | -1.5             | 0.0                     | <b>-6.7</b>         | -13.4            | 0.0                     |
| Construction  | 3.3           | <b>3.7</b>   | 0.2               | <b>0.4</b>    | 0.0              | 0.2                     | <b>12.1</b>         | 0.0              | 5.7                     |
| Manufacturing   | 24.0          | <b>24.9</b>  | 1.0               | <b>0.9</b>    | -1.7             | 1.0                     | <b>3.8</b>          | -6.4             | 4.2                     |
| Manufacturing   | 29.3          | <b>30.1</b>  | 0.9               | <b>0.8</b>    | 0.1              | -0.8                    | <b>2.7</b>          | 0.3              | -2.6                    |
| <b>Services-producing sector</b>  | 277.7         | <b>274.7</b> | 2.1               | <b>-3.0</b>   | -2.3             | -4.4                    | <b>-1.1</b>         | -0.8             | -1.6                    |
| Wholesale and retail trade  | 55.9          | <b>54.5</b>  | 1.1               | <b>-1.4</b>   | -0.3             | -1.0                    | <b>-2.5</b>         | -0.5             | -1.8                    |
| Transportation and warehousing  | 19.9          | <b>20.7</b>  | 0.6               | <b>0.8</b>    | 0.2              | 2.2                     | <b>4.0</b>          | 1.0              | 11.9                    |
| Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing                       | 17.3          | <b>16.1</b>  | 0.5               | <b>-1.2</b>   | 0.7              | 2.1                     | <b>-6.9</b>         | 4.5              | 15.0                    |
| Professional, scientific and technical services                           | 15.7          | <b>15.6</b>  | 0.6               | <b>-0.1</b>   | 1.0              | -0.6                    | <b>-0.6</b>         | 6.8              | -3.7                    |
| Business, building and other support services                             | 15.0          | <b>16.3</b>  | 0.8               | <b>1.3</b>    | -1.5             | -3.3                    | <b>8.7</b>          | -8.4             | -16.8                   |
| Educational services  | 25.3          | <b>24.7</b>  | 0.8               | <b>-0.6</b>   | -1.4             | -3.7                    | <b>-2.4</b>         | -5.4             | -13.0                   |
| Health care and social assistance   | 53.3          | <b>53.1</b>  | 0.9               | <b>-0.2</b>   | 0.4              | 2.2                     | <b>-0.4</b>         | 0.8              | 4.3                     |
| Information, culture and recreation                                       | 12.4          | <b>13.7</b>  | 0.7               | <b>1.3</b>    | 1.9              | 2.8                     | <b>10.5</b>         | 16.1             | 25.7                    |
| Accommodation and food services   | 23.9          | <b>21.5</b>  | 0.9               | <b>-2.4</b>   | -2.5             | -5.3                    | <b>-10.0</b>        | -10.4            | -19.8                   |
| Other services (except public administration)                             | 15.4          | <b>15.7</b>  | 0.6               | <b>0.3</b>    | 0.7              | 0.7                     | <b>1.9</b>          | 4.7              | 4.7                     |
| Public administration   | 23.6          | <b>22.9</b>  | 0.6               | <b>-0.7</b>   | -1.4             | -0.4                    | <b>-3.0</b>         | -5.8             | -1.7                    |

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.