

**Table 3**  
**Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted**

	December 2016	January 2017	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>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>										
Population	445.0	<b>445.2</b>	...	0.2	0.2	1.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4	
Labour force	267.6	<b>265.9</b>	2.1	-1.7	-1.7	-3.9	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-1.4	
Employment	227.1	<b>229.3</b>	2.2	2.2	2.2	-2.2	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-1.0	
Employment full-time	188.9	<b>191.2</b>	2.6	2.3	2.3	-3.0	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	-1.5	
Employment part-time	38.2	<b>38.2</b>	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	2.1	
Unemployment	40.5	<b>36.6</b>	2.1	-3.9	-3.9	-1.6	<b>-9.6</b>	-9.6	-4.2	
Participation rate	60.1	<b>59.7</b>	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	15.1	<b>13.8</b>	0.7	-1.3	-1.3	-0.4	...	...	...	
Employment rate	51.0	<b>51.5</b>	0.5	0.5	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...	
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>										
Population	122.4	<b>122.6</b>	...	0.2	0.2	1.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.2	
Labour force	80.6	<b>80.7</b>	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0	
Employment	72.1	<b>72.7</b>	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	0.7	
Employment full-time	59.0	<b>61.5</b>	0.8	2.5	2.5	1.0	<b>4.2</b>	4.2	1.7	
Employment part-time	13.1	<b>11.3</b>	0.7	-1.8	-1.8	-0.4	<b>-13.7</b>	-13.7	-3.4	
Unemployment	8.5	<b>7.9</b>	0.6	-0.6	-0.6	0.2	<b>-7.1</b>	-7.1	2.6	
Participation rate	65.8	<b>65.8</b>	0.5	0.0	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	10.5	<b>9.8</b>	0.7	-0.7	-0.7	0.2	...	...	...	
Employment rate	58.9	<b>59.3</b>	0.5	0.4	0.4	-0.3	...	...	...	
<b>Nova Scotia</b>										
Population	790.0	<b>790.3</b>	...	0.3	0.3	3.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4	
Labour force	488.9	<b>490.5</b>	2.5	1.6	1.6	6.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.2	
Employment	448.5	<b>452.7</b>	2.7	4.2	4.2	9.8	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	2.2	
Employment full-time	355.1	<b>363.5</b>	3.5	8.4	8.4	-1.3	<b>2.4</b>	2.4	-0.4	
Employment part-time	93.4	<b>89.2</b>	3.2	-4.2	-4.2	11.2	<b>-4.5</b>	-4.5	14.4	
Unemployment	40.4	<b>37.9</b>	2.3	-2.5	-2.5	-3.7	<b>-6.2</b>	-6.2	-8.9	
Participation rate	61.9	<b>62.1</b>	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.5	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	8.3	<b>7.7</b>	0.5	-0.6	-0.6	-0.9	...	...	...	
Employment rate	56.8	<b>57.3</b>	0.3	0.5	0.5	1.0	...	...	...	
<b>New Brunswick</b>										
Population	623.9	<b>624.0</b>	...	0.1	0.1	1.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3	
Labour force	391.5	<b>386.6</b>	2.2	-4.9	-4.9	-0.8	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-0.2	
Employment	354.9	<b>351.9</b>	2.2	-3.0	-3.0	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	0.2	
Employment full-time	299.0	<b>300.2</b>	2.8	1.2	1.2	4.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	1.5	
Employment part-time	56.0	<b>51.7</b>	2.4	-4.3	-4.3	-3.7	<b>-7.7</b>	-7.7	-6.7	
Unemployment	36.6	<b>34.6</b>	2.1	-2.0	-2.0	-1.5	<b>-5.5</b>	-5.5	-4.2	
Participation rate	62.8	<b>62.0</b>	0.4	-0.8	-0.8	-0.3	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	9.3	<b>8.9</b>	0.5	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...	
Employment rate	56.9	<b>56.4</b>	0.4	-0.5	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...	
<b>Quebec</b>										
Population	6,905.9	<b>6,909.7</b>	...	3.8	3.8	43.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6	
Labour force	4,493.3	<b>4,482.1</b>	14.8	-11.2	-11.2	39.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.9	
Employment	4,199.2	<b>4,202.6</b>	15.5	3.4	3.4	97.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.4	
Employment full-time	3,396.1	<b>3,390.5</b>	21.6	-5.6	-5.6	62.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.9	
Employment part-time	803.1	<b>812.1</b>	19.5	9.0	9.0	34.3	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	4.4	
Unemployment	294.1	<b>279.5</b>	13.3	-14.6	-14.6	-57.3	<b>-5.0</b>	-5.0	-17.0	
Participation rate	65.1	<b>64.9</b>	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	6.5	<b>6.2</b>	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-1.4	...	...	...	
Employment rate	56.9	<b>56.4</b>	0.2	0.0	0.0	1.0	...	...	...	
<b>Ontario</b>										
Population	11,591.4	<b>11,604.3</b>	...	12.9	12.9	149.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3	
Labour force	7,525.6	<b>7,559.9</b>	20.7	34.3	34.3	71.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.0	
Employment	7,046.4	<b>7,075.2</b>	19.7	28.8	28.8	90.1	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	1.3	
Employment full-time	5,690.1	<b>5,695.4</b>	26.6	5.3	5.3	6.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1	
Employment part-time	1,356.3	<b>1,379.8</b>	25.2	23.5	23.5	84.0	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	6.5	
Unemployment	479.2	<b>484.8</b>	16.4	5.6	5.6	-18.8	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	-3.7	
Participation rate	64.9	<b>65.1</b>	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	6.4	<b>6.4</b>	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...	
Employment rate	60.8	<b>61.0</b>	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	...	...	...	

See footnotes at the end of the table.

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<b>Manitoba</b>									
Population	1,004.4	<b>1,006.1</b>	...	1.7	1.7	13.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.3
Labour force	675.3	<b>675.6</b>	2.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	6.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.9
Employment	633.0	<b>634.3</b>	2.6	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	5.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.9
Employment full-time	509.4	<b>513.1</b>	3.6	<b>3.7</b>	3.7	5.6	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	1.1
Employment part-time	123.6	<b>121.2</b>	3.3	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	0.2	<b>-1.9</b>	-1.9	0.2
Unemployment	42.3	<b>41.3</b>	2.0	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	0.4	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	1.0
Participation rate	67.2	<b>67.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	<b>6.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.0	<b>63.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
<b>Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	872.5	<b>872.7</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	7.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.9
Labour force	608.1	<b>606.3</b>	2.6	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	-0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.0
Employment	568.2	<b>567.5</b>	2.6	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-4.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.8
Employment full-time	466.6	<b>463.6</b>	3.4	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	-8.3	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-1.8
Employment part-time	101.6	<b>103.9</b>	3.1	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	3.4	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	3.4
Unemployment	39.9	<b>38.8</b>	2.2	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	4.6	<b>-2.8</b>	-2.8	13.5
Participation rate	69.7	<b>69.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	<b>6.4</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	<b>65.0</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.1	...	...	...
<b>Alberta</b>									
Population	3,409.6	<b>3,411.4</b>	...	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	29.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.9
Labour force	2,479.2	<b>2,487.8</b>	9.4	<b>8.6</b>	8.6	33.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4
Employment	2,267.4	<b>2,267.6</b>	10.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-3.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1
Employment full-time	1,846.1	<b>1,821.8</b>	13.7	<b>-24.3</b>	-24.3	-30.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-1.7
Employment part-time	421.2	<b>445.8</b>	12.4	<b>24.6</b>	24.6	27.6	<b>5.8</b>	5.8	6.6
Unemployment	211.9	<b>220.1</b>	8.8	<b>8.2</b>	8.2	36.2	<b>3.9</b>	3.9	19.7
Participation rate	72.7	<b>72.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	<b>8.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.5	<b>66.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
<b>British Columbia</b>									
Population	3,952.8	<b>3,955.7</b>	...	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	49.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Labour force	2,556.4	<b>2,562.3</b>	10.6	<b>5.9</b>	5.9	60.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.4
Employment	2,408.2	<b>2,419.4</b>	10.4	<b>11.2</b>	11.2	82.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	3.5
Employment full-time	1,867.4	<b>1,892.8</b>	14.6	<b>25.4</b>	25.4	49.7	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	2.7
Employment part-time	540.8	<b>526.6</b>	14.0	<b>-14.2</b>	-14.2	32.6	<b>-2.6</b>	-2.6	6.6
Unemployment	148.2	<b>142.9</b>	9.0	<b>-5.3</b>	-5.3	-22.1	<b>-3.6</b>	-3.6	-13.4
Participation rate	64.7	<b>64.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	<b>5.6</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	<b>61.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4	...	...	...

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.