

**Table 1**  
**Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted**

	January 2017	February 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>15 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	29,741.9	<b>29,764.3</b>	...	<b>22.4</b>	46.4	298.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.0
Labour force	19,597.7	<b>19,574.7</b>	29.8	<b>-23.0</b>	8.1	174.5	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	0.9
Employment	18,273.3	<b>18,288.6</b>	29.5	<b>15.3</b>	63.6	288.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.6
Employment full-time	14,693.6	<b>14,798.7</b>	40.5	<b>105.1</b>	120.9	235.4	<b>0.7</b>	0.8	1.6
Employment part-time	3,579.7	<b>3,489.9</b>	37.7	<b>-89.8</b>	-57.4	52.7	<b>-2.5</b>	-1.6	1.5
Unemployment	1,324.4	<b>1,286.1</b>	25.1	<b>-38.3</b>	-55.5	-113.6	<b>-2.9</b>	-4.1	-8.1
Participation rate	65.9	<b>65.8</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	<b>6.6</b>	0.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	<b>61.4</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.6	<b>19.1</b>	0.2	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
<b>15 to 24 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	4,361.2	<b>4,358.4</b>	...	<b>-2.8</b>	-7.5	-44.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	-1.0
Labour force	2,819.4	<b>2,783.8</b>	17.3	<b>-35.6</b>	-19.6	-18.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-0.7	-0.7
Employment	2,444.8	<b>2,438.1</b>	16.1	<b>-6.7</b>	-13.3	8.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.5	0.3
Employment full-time	1,234.2	<b>1,236.5</b>	19.8	<b>2.3</b>	-11.7	-42.4	<b>0.2</b>	-0.9	-3.3
Employment part-time	1,210.6	<b>1,201.6</b>	20.8	<b>-9.0</b>	-1.6	50.7	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.1	4.4
Unemployment	374.6	<b>345.7</b>	14.6	<b>-28.9</b>	-6.3	-27.0	<b>-7.7</b>	-1.8	-7.2
Participation rate	64.6	<b>63.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.3	<b>12.4</b>	0.5	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.1	<b>55.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.5	<b>49.3</b>	0.8	<b>-0.2</b>	0.2	1.9	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, men</b>									
Population	12,414.7	<b>12,426.9</b>	...	<b>12.2</b>	25.7	167.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.4
Labour force	8,871.6	<b>8,869.5</b>	15.6	<b>-2.1</b>	7.3	51.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.6
Employment	8,337.8	<b>8,344.7</b>	16.6	<b>6.9</b>	47.6	126.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	1.5
Employment full-time	7,605.3	<b>7,607.0</b>	22.6	<b>1.7</b>	39.2	61.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	0.8
Employment part-time	732.5	<b>737.7</b>	18.3	<b>5.2</b>	8.4	65.0	<b>0.7</b>	1.2	9.7
Unemployment	533.8	<b>524.8</b>	15.1	<b>-9.0</b>	-40.3	-74.3	<b>-1.7</b>	-7.1	-12.4
Participation rate	71.5	<b>71.4</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	<b>5.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.5	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.2	<b>67.2</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.8	<b>8.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, women</b>									
Population	12,966.0	<b>12,979.0</b>	...	<b>13.0</b>	28.2	175.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.4
Labour force	7,906.7	<b>7,921.4</b>	17.2	<b>14.7</b>	20.4	141.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	1.8
Employment	7,490.7	<b>7,505.7</b>	17.2	<b>15.0</b>	29.2	153.6	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	2.1
Employment full-time	5,854.1	<b>5,955.2</b>	26.6	<b>101.1</b>	93.5	216.6	<b>1.7</b>	1.6	3.8
Employment part-time	1,636.6	<b>1,550.5</b>	25.1	<b>-86.1</b>	-64.3	-63.1	<b>-5.3</b>	-4.0	-3.9
Unemployment	416.0	<b>415.7</b>	13.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-8.8	-12.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-2.1	-2.9
Participation rate	61.0	<b>61.0</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	<b>5.2</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.8	<b>57.8</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.8	<b>20.7</b>	0.3	<b>-1.2</b>	-0.9	-1.3	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	14,636.9	<b>14,640.4</b>	...	<b>3.5</b>	1.1	33.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2
Labour force	12,729.4	<b>12,734.6</b>	22.4	<b>5.2</b>	33.7	77.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	0.6
Employment	12,019.5	<b>12,030.9</b>	24.4	<b>11.4</b>	68.8	160.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	1.4
Unemployment	710.0	<b>703.6</b>	18.8	<b>-6.4</b>	-35.3	-83.6	<b>-0.9</b>	-4.8	-10.6
Participation rate	87.0	<b>87.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>5.5</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	82.1	<b>82.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, men</b>									
Population	7,285.5	<b>7,286.9</b>	...	<b>1.4</b>	-0.4	14.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2
Labour force	6,637.6	<b>6,623.7</b>	14.3	<b>-13.9</b>	-2.6	-5.5	<b>-0.2</b>	0.0	-0.1
Employment	6,248.2	<b>6,241.2</b>	16.4	<b>-7.0</b>	23.4	63.2	<b>-0.1</b>	0.4	1.0
Unemployment	389.4	<b>382.5</b>	13.7	<b>-6.9</b>	-26.0	-68.7	<b>-1.8</b>	-6.4	-15.2
Participation rate	91.1	<b>90.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	<b>5.8</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	85.8	<b>85.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	0.3	0.7	...	...	...

See footnotes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

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<b>25 to 54 years, women</b>									
Population	7,351.4	<b>7,353.5</b>	...	<b>2.1</b>	1.5	19.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	6,091.8	<b>6,110.9</b>	16.6	<b>19.1</b>	36.2	82.7	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	1.4
Employment	5,771.3	<b>5,789.7</b>	17.2	<b>18.4</b>	45.4	97.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.8	1.7
Unemployment	320.6	<b>321.1</b>	12.6	<b>0.5</b>	-9.3	-14.9	<b>0.2</b>	-2.8	-4.4
Participation rate	82.9	<b>83.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	<b>5.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	78.5	<b>78.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.6	1.1	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	10,743.8	<b>10,765.5</b>	...	<b>21.7</b>	52.8	309.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	3.0
Labour force	4,048.9	<b>4,056.3</b>	19.0	<b>7.4</b>	-6.0	115.9	<b>0.2</b>	-0.1	2.9
Employment	3,809.1	<b>3,819.5</b>	18.9	<b>10.4</b>	7.9	118.9	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	3.2
Unemployment	239.9	<b>236.8</b>	10.2	<b>-3.1</b>	-13.9	-3.0	<b>-1.3</b>	-5.5	-1.3
Participation rate	37.7	<b>37.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	<b>5.8</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	35.5	<b>35.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, men</b>									
Population	5,129.2	<b>5,140.0</b>	...	<b>10.8</b>	26.1	153.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	3.1
Labour force	2,234.0	<b>2,245.8</b>	12.5	<b>11.8</b>	9.8	57.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.4	2.6
Employment	2,089.6	<b>2,103.5</b>	12.5	<b>13.9</b>	24.1	62.9	<b>0.7</b>	1.2	3.1
Unemployment	144.4	<b>142.3</b>	7.6	<b>-2.1</b>	-14.3	-5.6	<b>-1.5</b>	-9.1	-3.8
Participation rate	43.6	<b>43.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	<b>6.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	40.7	<b>40.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, women</b>									
Population	5,614.6	<b>5,625.5</b>	...	<b>10.9</b>	26.6	156.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	2.9
Labour force	1,814.9	<b>1,810.5</b>	13.1	<b>-4.4</b>	-15.9	58.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.9	3.3
Employment	1,719.5	<b>1,716.0</b>	13.1	<b>-3.5</b>	-16.2	56.0	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.9	3.4
Unemployment	95.4	<b>94.5</b>	6.6	<b>-0.9</b>	0.4	2.5	<b>-0.9</b>	0.4	2.7
Participation rate	32.3	<b>32.2</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	<b>5.2</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	30.6	<b>30.5</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...

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.