

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

	January 2017	February 2017	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	11,604.3	11,615.2	...	10.9	23.8	149.2	0.1	0.2	1.3
Labour force	7,559.9	7,549.0	20.7	-10.9	23.4	73.3	-0.1	0.3	1.0
Employment	7,075.2	7,079.8	19.7	4.6	33.4	107.5	0.1	0.5	1.5
Employment full-time	5,695.4	5,748.6	26.6	53.2	58.5	100.7	0.9	1.0	1.8
Unemployment	484.8	469.2	16.4	-15.6	-10.0	-34.1	-3.2	-2.1	-6.8
Participation rate	65.1	65.0	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	61.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.5	18.8	0.3	-0.7	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,782.0	1,781.8	...	-0.2	-0.9	-6.8	0.0	-0.1	-0.4
Labour force	1,095.3	1,082.9	12.2	-12.4	1.7	19.6	-1.1	0.2	1.8
Employment	924.5	932.0	10.9	7.5	4.1	20.7	0.8	0.4	2.3
Unemployment	170.8	150.9	9.8	-19.9	-2.5	-1.1	-11.7	-1.6	-0.7
Participation rate	61.5	60.8	0.7	-0.7	0.2	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.6	13.9	0.8	-1.7	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.9	52.3	0.6	0.4	0.2	1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	50.0	50.5	1.3	0.5	1.8	1.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,740.7	4,746.3	...	5.6	12.1	77.9	0.1	0.3	1.7
Labour force	3,387.6	3,378.5	10.2	-9.1	12.8	9.6	-0.3	0.4	0.3
Employment	3,227.1	3,215.9	10.5	-11.2	14.0	35.7	-0.3	0.4	1.1
Unemployment	160.4	162.6	9.3	2.2	-1.2	-26.1	1.4	-0.7	-13.8
Participation rate	71.5	71.2	0.2	-0.3	0.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.8	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.1	67.8	0.2	-0.3	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.8	8.5	0.4	-0.3	-0.5	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	5,081.6	5,087.1	...	5.5	12.6	78.1	0.1	0.2	1.6
Labour force	3,077.0	3,087.5	12.0	10.5	8.8	44.0	0.3	0.3	1.4
Employment	2,923.6	2,931.9	11.6	8.3	15.3	51.1	0.3	0.5	1.8
Unemployment	153.5	155.6	9.2	2.1	-6.5	-7.0	1.4	-4.0	-4.3
Participation rate	60.6	60.7	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.0	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.5	57.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.7	20.1	0.6	-1.6	-1.1	-1.5	...	...	...
Industry	7,075.2	7,079.8	19.7	4.6	33.4	107.5	0.1	0.5	1.5
Goods-producing sector	1,441.4	1,411.5	10.2	-29.9	-11.8	-26.2	-2.1	-0.8	-1.8
Agriculture	73.7	71.5	2.9	-2.2	-0.4	-10.9	-3.0	-0.6	-13.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	32.9	36.0	1.6	3.1	1.8	-4.3	9.4	5.3	-10.7
Utilities	51.7	50.7	1.7	-1.0	-0.6	2.6	-1.9	-1.2	5.4
Construction	523.4	500.4	6.7	-23.0	-19.9	-2.2	-4.4	-3.8	-0.4
Manufacturing	759.6	752.8	7.3	-6.8	7.2	-11.6	-0.9	1.0	-1.5
Services-producing sector	5,633.8	5,668.3	18.9	34.5	45.2	133.7	0.6	0.8	2.4
Wholesale and retail trade	1,019.4	1,037.2	9.8	17.8	12.3	3.4	1.7	1.2	0.3
Transportation and warehousing	327.2	327.6	5.4	0.4	3.4	0.9	0.1	1.0	0.3
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	570.5	573.2	6.2	2.7	10.9	19.7	0.5	1.9	3.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	599.6	600.4	7.5	0.8	-6.1	7.5	0.1	-1.0	1.3
Business, building and other support services	326.9	321.9	7.4	-5.0	-6.3	-18.2	-1.5	-1.9	-5.4
Educational services	501.7	501.0	7.2	-0.7	1.2	-5.5	-0.1	0.2	-1.1
Health care and social assistance	858.2	871.1	7.0	12.9	20.4	45.6	1.5	2.4	5.5
Information, culture and recreation	317.3	317.4	6.8	0.1	-6.3	16.0	0.0	-1.9	5.3
Accommodation and food services	464.5	461.6	7.6	-2.9	1.8	14.0	-0.6	0.4	3.1
Other services (except public administration)	280.0	283.4	5.3	3.4	1.7	19.7	1.2	0.6	7.5
Public administration	368.4	373.5	5.2	5.1	12.2	30.4	1.4	3.4	8.9

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.