

**Table 5-1****Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average**

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in thousands (except rates)									
<b>St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador</b>									
Population	182.8	<b>183.1</b>	...	0.3	0.6	3.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	1.7
Labour force	126.2	<b>125.2</b>	0.9	-1.0	-1.2	2.0	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.9	1.6
Employment	114.1	<b>113.7</b>	1.0	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.3	-0.3
Unemployment	12.1	<b>11.4</b>	0.5	-0.7	-1.0	2.2	<b>-5.8</b>	-8.1	23.9
Participation rate	69.0	<b>68.4</b>	0.5	-0.6	-0.9	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	<b>9.1</b>	0.4	-0.5	-0.7	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	<b>62.1</b>	0.5	-0.3	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
<b>Halifax, Nova Scotia</b>									
Population	356.2	<b>356.7</b>	...	0.5	0.9	5.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.5
Labour force	240.4	<b>239.4</b>	1.2	-1.0	-1.1	0.1	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.5	0.0
Employment	226.1	<b>224.9</b>	1.3	-1.2	-0.9	1.5	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.4	0.7
Unemployment	14.3	<b>14.5</b>	0.8	0.2	-0.2	-1.4	<b>1.4</b>	-1.4	-8.8
Participation rate	67.5	<b>67.1</b>	0.4	-0.4	-0.5	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	<b>6.1</b>	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	<b>63.1</b>	0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Moncton, New Brunswick</b>									
Population	126.4	<b>126.6</b>	...	0.2	0.3	2.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.6
Labour force	82.2	<b>81.5</b>	0.7	-0.7	-1.8	-1.7	<b>-0.9</b>	-2.2	-2.0
Employment	75.6	<b>74.8</b>	0.8	-0.8	-2.0	-2.9	<b>-1.1</b>	-2.6	-3.7
Unemployment	6.6	<b>6.7</b>	0.5	0.1	0.2	1.2	<b>1.5</b>	3.1	21.8
Participation rate	65.0	<b>64.4</b>	0.6	-0.6	-1.6	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	<b>8.2</b>	0.5	0.2	0.4	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	<b>59.1</b>	0.6	-0.7	-1.7	-3.3	...	...	...
<b>Saint John, New Brunswick</b>									
Population	105.4	<b>105.4</b>	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.0
Labour force	72.2	<b>72.4</b>	0.7	0.2	0.9	4.6	<b>0.3</b>	1.3	6.8
Employment	66.6	<b>66.7</b>	0.7	0.1	1.0	4.5	<b>0.2</b>	1.5	7.2
Unemployment	5.6	<b>5.7</b>	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.1	<b>1.8</b>	-1.7	1.8
Participation rate	68.5	<b>68.7</b>	0.6	0.2	0.9	4.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	<b>7.9</b>	0.6	0.1	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	<b>63.3</b>	0.6	0.1	1.0	4.3	...	...	...
<b>Saguenay, Quebec</b>									
Population	134.9	<b>134.8</b>	...	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	78.9	<b>79.5</b>	0.8	0.6	1.1	-3.4	<b>0.8</b>	1.4	-4.1
Employment	72.9	<b>74.0</b>	0.8	1.1	1.3	-1.7	<b>1.5</b>	1.8	-2.2
Unemployment	6.0	<b>5.5</b>	0.4	-0.5	-0.2	-1.7	<b>-8.3</b>	-3.5	-23.6
Participation rate	58.5	<b>59.0</b>	0.6	0.5	0.9	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	<b>6.9</b>	0.5	-0.7	-0.4	-1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.0	<b>54.9</b>	0.6	0.9	1.0	-1.2	...	...	...
<b>Québec, Quebec</b>									
Population	677.8	<b>678.1</b>	...	0.3	0.6	5.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.8
Labour force	466.7	<b>467.8</b>	3.5	1.1	2.3	7.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	1.6
Employment	446.6	<b>447.6</b>	3.5	1.0	2.3	10.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.5	2.3
Unemployment	20.1	<b>20.2</b>	1.4	0.1	0.1	-2.7	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-11.8
Participation rate	68.9	<b>69.0</b>	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	<b>4.3</b>	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.9	<b>66.0</b>	0.5	0.1	0.3	1.0	...	...	...
<b>Sherbrooke, Quebec</b>									
Population	182.3	<b>182.5</b>	...	0.2	0.3	2.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.2
Labour force	113.2	<b>112.3</b>	1.0	-0.9	-2.0	-1.9	<b>-0.8</b>	-1.7	-1.7
Employment	107.0	<b>106.1</b>	1.1	-0.9	-2.0	-0.1	<b>-0.8</b>	-1.9	-0.1
Unemployment	6.2	<b>6.2</b>	0.5	0.0	0.0	-1.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-22.5
Participation rate	62.1	<b>61.5</b>	0.6	-0.6	-1.2	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	<b>5.5</b>	0.4	0.0	0.1	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	<b>58.1</b>	0.6	-0.6	-1.2	-0.8	...	...	...

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<b>Trois-Rivières, Quebec</b>									
Population	133.5	<b>133.5</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.5
Labour force	80.2	<b>79.8</b>	0.9	<b>-0.4</b>	-1.3	-1.2	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.6	-1.5
Employment	74.5	<b>74.5</b>	0.9	<b>0.0</b>	-0.7	-1.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.9	-1.6
Unemployment	5.7	<b>5.3</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.6	0.0	<b>-7.0</b>	-10.2	0.0
Participation rate	60.1	<b>59.8</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.9	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	<b>6.6</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.7	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	<b>55.8</b>	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	-1.2	...	...	...
<b>Montréal, Quebec</b>									
Population	3,402.6	<b>3,405.1</b>	...	<b>2.5</b>	4.8	33.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Labour force	2,274.4	<b>2,281.1</b>	8.4	<b>6.7</b>	16.9	42.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.7	1.9
Employment	2,125.4	<b>2,129.3</b>	8.6	<b>3.9</b>	15.9	84.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.8	4.2
Unemployment	149.0	<b>151.8</b>	5.1	<b>2.8</b>	1.0	-42.3	<b>1.9</b>	0.7	-21.8
Participation rate	66.8	<b>67.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	<b>6.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	<b>62.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	1.9	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	1,117.4	<b>1,118.4</b>	...	<b>1.0</b>	2.1	14.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.3
Labour force	768.9	<b>768.5</b>	4.2	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.1	4.6	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	0.6
Employment	725.1	<b>728.1</b>	4.2	<b>3.0</b>	6.4	14.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.9	2.0
Unemployment	43.7	<b>40.4</b>	2.0	<b>-3.3</b>	-6.5	-9.7	<b>-7.6</b>	-13.9	-19.4
Participation rate	68.8	<b>68.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	<b>5.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.8	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.9	<b>65.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	0.5	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	274.8	<b>274.9</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.6
Labour force	185.9	<b>186.0</b>	1.3	<b>0.1</b>	-0.9	-3.4	<b>0.1</b>	-0.5	-1.8
Employment	175.6	<b>175.6</b>	1.4	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	-1.5	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	-0.8
Unemployment	10.3	<b>10.3</b>	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	-1.0	-2.0	<b>0.0</b>	-8.8	-16.3
Participation rate	67.6	<b>67.7</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	-0.3	-1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	<b>5.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.9	<b>63.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	842.5	<b>843.6</b>	...	<b>1.1</b>	2.1	12.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.5
Labour force	583.0	<b>582.6</b>	3.9	<b>-0.4</b>	0.9	8.1	<b>-0.1</b>	0.2	1.4
Employment	549.5	<b>552.5</b>	4.0	<b>3.0</b>	6.4	15.8	<b>0.5</b>	1.2	2.9
Unemployment	33.4	<b>30.0</b>	1.9	<b>-3.4</b>	-5.6	-7.7	<b>-10.2</b>	-15.7	-20.4
Participation rate	69.2	<b>69.1</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	<b>5.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.6</b>	-1.0	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.2	<b>65.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	0.9	...	...	...
<b>Kingston, Ontario</b>									
Population	140.2	<b>140.3</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Labour force	89.1	<b>89.8</b>	0.8	<b>0.7</b>	0.1	0.4	<b>0.8</b>	0.1	0.4
Employment	83.8	<b>84.3</b>	0.8	<b>0.5</b>	-0.3	0.2	<b>0.6</b>	-0.4	0.2
Unemployment	5.2	<b>5.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	0.2	<b>5.8</b>	7.8	3.8
Participation rate	63.6	<b>64.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	<b>6.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	<b>60.1</b>	0.6	<b>0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
<b>Peterborough, Ontario</b>									
Population	104.7	<b>104.7</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1
Labour force	65.9	<b>66.0</b>	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	3.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	4.8
Employment	62.4	<b>62.7</b>	1.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	3.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.8	5.7
Unemployment	3.5	<b>3.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.4	<b>-5.7</b>	-8.3	-10.8
Participation rate	62.9	<b>63.0</b>	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	<b>5.0</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.5	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	<b>59.9</b>	1.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	3.2	...	...	...

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<b>Oshawa, Ontario</b>										
Population	329.6	<b>330.0</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	0.8	5.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.7	
Labour force	228.3	<b>224.5</b>	1.7	<b>-3.8</b>	-4.2	2.0	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.8	0.9	
Employment	216.6	<b>211.7</b>	1.8	<b>-4.9</b>	-5.2	2.7	<b>-2.3</b>	-2.4	1.3	
Unemployment	11.7	<b>12.8</b>	0.9	<b>1.1</b>	1.0	-0.8	<b>9.4</b>	8.5	-5.9	
Participation rate	69.3	<b>68.0</b>	0.5	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.5	-0.6	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	5.1	<b>5.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.6</b>	0.5	-0.4	...	...	...	
Employment rate	65.7	<b>64.2</b>	0.6	<b>-1.5</b>	-1.7	-0.2	...	...	...	
<b>Toronto, Ontario</b>										
Population	5,239.5	<b>5,247.4</b>	...	<b>7.9</b>	15.6	94.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	1.8	
Labour force	3,457.4	<b>3,478.8</b>	10.6	<b>21.4</b>	33.7	5.9	<b>0.6</b>	1.0	0.2	
Employment	3,216.7	<b>3,233.2</b>	10.5	<b>16.5</b>	23.8	10.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.7	0.3	
Unemployment	240.6	<b>245.7</b>	6.2	<b>5.1</b>	9.9	-4.0	<b>2.1</b>	4.2	-1.6	
Participation rate	66.0	<b>66.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	-1.1	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	7.0	<b>7.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...	
Employment rate	61.4	<b>61.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	-0.9	...	...	...	
<b>Hamilton, Ontario</b>										
Population	654.0	<b>654.6</b>	...	<b>0.6</b>	1.2	8.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.3	
Labour force	423.3	<b>422.6</b>	3.3	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.5	14.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.1	3.6	
Employment	398.5	<b>397.5</b>	3.4	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.1	14.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	3.8	
Unemployment	24.8	<b>25.1</b>	1.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	-0.2	<b>1.2</b>	2.4	-0.8	
Participation rate	64.7	<b>64.6</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	1.5	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	5.9	<b>5.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...	
Employment rate	60.9	<b>60.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.3	1.5	...	...	...	
<b>St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario</b>										
Population	346.3	<b>346.4</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	2.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.7	
Labour force	216.7	<b>213.0</b>	2.1	<b>-3.7</b>	-6.7	-11.4	<b>-1.7</b>	-3.0	-5.1	
Employment	202.8	<b>199.4</b>	2.2	<b>-3.4</b>	-6.2	-6.0	<b>-1.7</b>	-3.0	-2.9	
Unemployment	13.9	<b>13.6</b>	0.9	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.5	-5.3	<b>-2.2</b>	-3.5	-28.0	
Participation rate	62.6	<b>61.5</b>	0.6	<b>-1.1</b>	-2.0	-3.7	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	6.4	<b>6.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-2.0	...	...	...	
Employment rate	58.6	<b>57.6</b>	0.6	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.8	-2.1	...	...	...	
<b>Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario</b>										
Population	428.6	<b>429.0</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	0.8	5.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.2	
Labour force	294.2	<b>296.0</b>	2.4	<b>1.8</b>	2.2	-5.3	<b>0.6</b>	0.7	-1.8	
Employment	278.8	<b>279.9</b>	2.4	<b>1.1</b>	0.8	-3.1	<b>0.4</b>	0.3	-1.1	
Unemployment	15.4	<b>16.2</b>	1.1	<b>0.8</b>	1.5	-2.2	<b>5.2</b>	10.2	-12.0	
Participation rate	68.6	<b>69.0</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-2.1	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	-0.6	...	...	...	
Employment rate	65.0	<b>65.2</b>	0.6	<b>0.2</b>	0.0	-1.6	...	...	...	
<b>Brantford, Ontario</b>										
Population	113.8	<b>113.9</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.3	
Labour force	78.2	<b>78.1</b>	0.9	<b>-0.1</b>	0.9	5.4	<b>-0.1</b>	1.2	7.4	
Employment	74.9	<b>74.8</b>	0.9	<b>-0.1</b>	1.2	6.3	<b>-0.1</b>	1.6	9.2	
Unemployment	3.3	<b>3.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-0.3	-0.9	<b>0.0</b>	-8.3	-21.4	
Participation rate	68.7	<b>68.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.1</b>	0.7	3.9	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	4.2	<b>4.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	-1.6	...	...	...	
Employment rate	65.8	<b>65.7</b>	0.8	<b>-0.1</b>	1.0	4.8	...	...	...	
<b>Guelph, Ontario</b>										
Population	131.3	<b>131.5</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	1.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.5	
Labour force	95.4	<b>94.8</b>	1.2	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.5	-5.0	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.5	-5.0	
Employment	90.2	<b>89.3</b>	1.2	<b>-0.9</b>	-1.7	-6.5	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.9	-6.8	
Unemployment	5.2	<b>5.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	1.3	1.6	<b>5.8</b>	31.0	41.0	
Participation rate	72.7	<b>72.1</b>	0.9	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.5	-4.9	...	...	...	
Unemployment rate	5.5	<b>5.8</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	1.4	1.9	...	...	...	
Employment rate	68.7	<b>67.9</b>	0.9	<b>-0.8</b>	-1.5	-6.0	...	...	...	

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**Table 5-1 – continued****Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average**

	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>London, Ontario</b>									
Population	428.5	<b>428.8</b>	...	0.3	0.7	4.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.1
Labour force	258.4	<b>260.4</b>	2.5	<b>2.0</b>	1.1	-9.8	<b>0.8</b>	0.4	-3.6
Employment	240.6	<b>244.3</b>	2.6	<b>3.7</b>	3.1	-8.5	<b>1.5</b>	1.3	-3.4
Unemployment	17.8	<b>16.1</b>	1.1	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.9	-1.3	<b>-9.6</b>	-10.6	-7.5
Participation rate	60.3	<b>60.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.1	-3.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>6.2</b>	0.4	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.1	<b>57.0</b>	0.6	<b>0.9</b>	0.7	-2.6	...	...	...
<b>Windsor, Ontario</b>									
Population	283.4	<b>283.5</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	2.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	1.0
Labour force	171.6	<b>169.9</b>	1.5	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.5	-1.0	<b>-1.0</b>	-0.9	-0.6
Employment	162.3	<b>161.3</b>	1.5	<b>-1.0</b>	-0.5	3.0	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.3	1.9
Unemployment	9.3	<b>8.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.7</b>	-1.1	-4.1	<b>-7.5</b>	-11.3	-32.3
Participation rate	60.6	<b>59.9</b>	0.5	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.6	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	<b>5.1</b>	0.5	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.6	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	<b>56.9</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...
<b>Barrie, Ontario</b>									
Population	171.4	<b>171.7</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	3.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	1.8
Labour force	112.3	<b>115.0</b>	1.8	<b>2.7</b>	4.6	-1.6	<b>2.4</b>	4.2	-1.4
Employment	103.9	<b>106.7</b>	1.9	<b>2.8</b>	4.5	-2.1	<b>2.7</b>	4.4	-1.9
Unemployment	8.4	<b>8.3</b>	0.8	<b>-0.1</b>	0.1	0.5	<b>-1.2</b>	1.2	6.4
Participation rate	65.5	<b>67.0</b>	1.0	<b>1.5</b>	2.5	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	<b>7.2</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	<b>62.1</b>	1.1	<b>1.5</b>	2.4	-2.4	...	...	...
<b>Greater Sudbury, Ontario</b>									
Population	140.3	<b>140.3</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1
Labour force	88.7	<b>88.4</b>	0.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-1.4	1.1	<b>-0.3</b>	-1.6	1.3
Employment	81.6	<b>81.5</b>	0.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.8	1.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.0	1.7
Unemployment	7.1	<b>7.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.5	-0.1	<b>-1.4</b>	-6.7	-1.4
Participation rate	63.2	<b>63.0</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-1.0	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	<b>7.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	<b>58.1</b>	0.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.6	0.9	...	...	...
<b>Thunder Bay, Ontario</b>									
Population	104.8	<b>104.8</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2
Labour force	63.1	<b>63.4</b>	0.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	-1.7	<b>0.5</b>	0.2	-2.6
Employment	59.2	<b>59.6</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.2	-0.8	<b>0.7</b>	0.3	-1.3
Unemployment	3.9	<b>3.8</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.9	<b>-2.6</b>	-2.6	-19.1
Participation rate	60.2	<b>60.5</b>	0.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	<b>6.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	<b>56.9</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
<b>Winnipeg, Manitoba</b>									
Population	667.9	<b>668.9</b>	...	<b>1.0</b>	1.9	10.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	1.7
Labour force	456.5	<b>457.1</b>	1.3	<b>0.6</b>	-0.2	4.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.0	1.0
Employment	425.9	<b>426.4</b>	1.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.7	2.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.6
Unemployment	30.5	<b>30.7</b>	0.8	<b>0.2</b>	-0.9	2.1	<b>0.7</b>	-2.8	7.3
Participation rate	68.3	<b>68.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	<b>6.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.8	<b>63.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
<b>Regina, Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	202.9	<b>203.2</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	3.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.5
Labour force	147.5	<b>148.7</b>	0.8	<b>1.2</b>	1.3	3.3	<b>0.8</b>	0.9	2.3
Employment	139.4	<b>140.9</b>	0.9	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	2.5	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	1.8
Unemployment	8.1	<b>7.8</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.2	0.8	<b>-3.7</b>	-2.5	11.4
Participation rate	72.7	<b>73.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	<b>5.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.7	<b>69.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.6</b>	0.5	0.2	...	...	...

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**Table 5-1 – continued****Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average**

	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>Saskatoon, Saskatchewan</b>																		
Population	259.9	<b>260.4</b>	...	0.5	0.9	4.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.3	1.9									
Labour force	183.8	<b>182.6</b>	1.0	-1.2	-1.4	3.7	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.8	2.1									
Employment	170.0	<b>169.8</b>	1.1	-0.2	-0.3	2.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.2	1.4									
Unemployment	13.7	<b>12.8</b>	0.6	-0.9	-1.0	1.4	<b>-6.6</b>	-7.2	12.3									
Participation rate	70.7	<b>70.1</b>	0.4	-0.6	-0.8	0.1	...	...	...									
Unemployment rate	7.5	<b>7.0</b>	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	0.6	...	...	...									
Employment rate	65.4	<b>65.2</b>	0.4	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...									
<b>Calgary, Alberta</b>																		
Population	1,211.4	<b>1,212.8</b>	...	1.4	2.5	17.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.5									
Labour force	907.3	<b>904.3</b>	4.2	-3.0	-2.9	32.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	3.7									
Employment	818.0	<b>819.3</b>	4.4	1.3	3.6	21.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	2.7									
Unemployment	89.2	<b>85.0</b>	2.7	-4.2	-6.5	10.6	<b>-4.7</b>	-7.1	14.2									
Participation rate	74.9	<b>74.6</b>	0.4	-0.3	-0.4	1.6	...	...	...									
Unemployment rate	9.8	<b>9.4</b>	0.3	-0.4	-0.7	0.9	...	...	...									
Employment rate	67.5	<b>67.6</b>	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.9	...	...	...									
<b>Edmonton, Alberta</b>																		
Population	1,128.3	<b>1,129.6</b>	...	1.3	2.2	15.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.4									
Labour force	813.3	<b>818.4</b>	3.9	<b>5.1</b>	10.8	-16.5	<b>0.6</b>	1.3	-2.0									
Employment	747.7	<b>750.3</b>	4.1	<b>2.6</b>	3.0	-27.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	-3.5									
Unemployment	65.6	<b>68.2</b>	2.4	<b>2.6</b>	7.9	10.7	<b>4.0</b>	13.1	18.6									
Participation rate	72.1	<b>72.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.9	-2.5	...	...	...									
Unemployment rate	8.1	<b>8.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.8	1.4	...	...	...									
Employment rate	66.3	<b>66.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-3.4	...	...	...									
<b>Kelowna, British Columbia</b>																		
Population	157.3	<b>157.5</b>	...	0.2	0.4	3.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	2.3									
Labour force	104.0	<b>102.5</b>	1.4	-1.5	-0.3	5.0	<b>-1.4</b>	-0.3	5.1									
Employment	95.3	<b>94.9</b>	1.4	-0.4	1.0	5.3	<b>-0.4</b>	1.1	5.9									
Unemployment	8.6	<b>7.6</b>	0.7	-1.0	-1.3	-0.3	<b>-11.6</b>	-14.6	-3.8									
Participation rate	66.1	<b>65.1</b>	0.9	-1.0	-0.3	1.8	...	...	...									
Unemployment rate	8.3	<b>7.4</b>	0.7	-0.9	-1.3	-0.7	...	...	...									
Employment rate	60.6	<b>60.3</b>	0.9	-0.3	0.5	2.1	...	...	...									
<b>Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia</b>																		
Population	148.5	<b>148.7</b>	...	0.2	0.3	2.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.6									
Labour force	100.4	<b>99.7</b>	0.8	-0.7	-0.3	3.1	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.3	3.2									
Employment	94.2	<b>93.6</b>	0.8	-0.6	-0.5	4.1	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.5	4.6									
Unemployment	6.2	<b>6.1</b>	0.4	-0.1	0.2	-1.0	<b>-1.6</b>	3.4	-14.1									
Participation rate	67.6	<b>67.0</b>	0.5	-0.6	-0.4	1.0	...	...	...									
Unemployment rate	6.2	<b>6.1</b>	0.4	-0.1	0.2	-1.2	...	...	...									
Employment rate	63.4	<b>62.9</b>	0.5	-0.5	-0.5	1.8	...	...	...									
<b>Vancouver, British Columbia</b>																		
Population	2,179.1	<b>2,181.3</b>	...	2.2	4.1	29.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	1.4									
Labour force	1,429.0	<b>1,433.4</b>	5.8	<b>4.4</b>	1.1	4.9	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	0.3									
Employment	1,358.3	<b>1,366.5</b>	5.8	<b>8.2</b>	7.1	25.3	<b>0.6</b>	0.5	1.9									
Unemployment	70.7	<b>66.8</b>	3.1	<b>-3.9</b>	-6.1	-20.5	<b>-5.5</b>	-8.4	-23.5									
Participation rate	65.6	<b>65.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.7	...	...	...									
Unemployment rate	4.9	<b>4.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	-1.4	...	...	...									
Employment rate	62.3	<b>62.6</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...									
<b>Victoria, British Columbia</b>																		
Population	308.8	<b>309.0</b>	...	0.2	0.4	3.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1									
Labour force	196.2	<b>196.8</b>	1.7	<b>0.6</b>	0.3	3.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	1.9									
Employment	187.1	<b>188.2</b>	1.7	<b>1.1</b>	1.6	6.2	<b>0.6</b>	0.9	3.4									
Unemployment	9.1	<b>8.6</b>	0.7	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.3	-2.6	<b>-5.5</b>	-13.1	-23.2									
Participation rate	63.5	<b>63.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.2</b>	0.0	0.5	...	...	...									
Unemployment rate	4.6	<b>4.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.6	-1.4	...	...	...									
Employment rate	60.6	<b>60.9</b>	0.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	1.3	...	...	...									

1. Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Estimates in this table are based on 2011 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0135. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.