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Commentary

Employment was little changed for the second consecutive month. Job gains over the first eight months of 2004 total 113,000 (+0.7%) with almost all of the growth this year occurring in April and May. In August, the unemployment rate was unchanged at 7.2%.

While there was little change in the number of hours worked in August, hours worked has grown by 2.5% over the first eight months of 2004.

More adult men working but fewer jobs for youths

Employment among adult men rose by 25,000 in August, with gains in full-time jobs. The unemployment rate for this group was 5.8%, the lowest since December 2000. The increase in employment in August brings overall gains so far this year for adult men to 91,000 (+1.3%), all full-time.

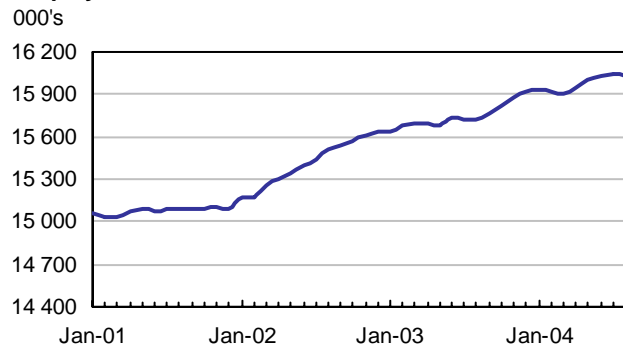
For the third consecutive month, employment among adult women was little changed. Employment among adult women is up only 32,000 (+0.5%) since the start of the year. In August, the unemployment rate among adult women increased 0.2 percentage points to 6.2% as more women were looking for work.

Employment among youths declined by 28,000 in August, all in full-time jobs, bringing overall losses over the last two months to 42,000. This recent decrease follows strength in the second quarter of the year. In August, the unemployment rate among youths edged up 0.3 percentage points to 13.7%.

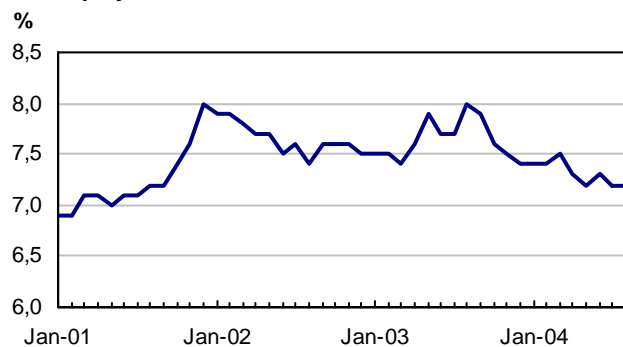
This year's summer job market weakened for younger teenagers aged 15 to 19 (those who had been attending school full time and who plan to return in the fall) compared to the summer of 2003. The proportion of teenage students with a job fell from 46.3% during the summer of 2003 to 45.2% during the summer of 2004 (average of May to August). Over the same period, the unemployment rate for 15 to 19 year-old students rose slightly by 0.5 percentage points to 19.1%.

In contrast, the summer job market improved marginally for students aged 20 to 24. Despite a decline in August, the share of students aged 20 to 24 who were employed this summer averaged 69.9%, up 0.2 percentage points from the summer before. Over the same period, the participation rate for this group of students increased 0.6 percentage points to 77.8% and this pushed their unemployment rate up slightly by 0.5 percentage points to 10.1%.

Employment



Unemployment rate



Fewer jobs in accommodation and food services

Employment declined by 17,000 in accommodation and food services in August with losses mostly among young people in Ontario. So far this year, overall employment in the sector is down 2.8% (-29,000).

Employment in manufacturing fell by 20,000 in August. This offsets the increase in July and follows a period of little change that began during the fall of 2003. Losses in August were concentrated in transportation equipment manufacturing industries in Ontario. The manufacturing sector has not recovered the job losses incurred from November 2002 to September 2003.

Employment fell by 29,000 in educational services, the second consecutive monthly decline. The decrease in August was at the primary and secondary level in Ontario.

Following little change over the previous three months, employment rose by 27,000 in finance, insurance, real estate and leasing. This month's increase brings gains since June 2003, when employment growth in the sector began to accelerate, to 77,000 (+8.3%).

There were 14,000 more people working in information, culture and recreation in August with gains in amusement, gambling and recreation industries. Despite losses earlier in the year, employment in the sector is up 2.9% (+21,000) from 12 months ago.

Employment edged up 6,000 in the natural resources sector in August with most of the increase occurring in Alberta and Quebec.

Public sector employment weakens

Following a strong upward trend that began in mid-2003, employment among public sector employees fell for the second consecutive month with a loss of 21,000 in August, mostly in educational services. These recent declines leave public sector employment up 23,000 (+0.8%) over the first eight months of the year.

In the private sector, employment edged up by 14,000 among employees and the number of self-employed was unchanged. Over the first eight months of 2004, the number of private sector employees is up only 50,000 (+0.5%) and the number of self-employed has increased by 39,000 (+1.6%) over the same period.

Provincial focus

In British Columbia, employment fell by 15,000, almost all among youths. Sectors with job losses include retail and wholesale trade, professional, scientific and technical services as well as transportation and warehousing. Job losses earlier in the year, along with the decline in August, offset recent gains and leave employment in the province slightly below the level at the end of 2003. In August, the unemployment rate rose 0.4 percentage points to 7.7%.

Employment in Ontario edged down 19,000 in August mostly among youths. Since the start of the year, employment is up 0.8% (+51,000) with most of the gains occurring in the second quarter of the year. Employment losses in August were concentrated in educational services at the primary and secondary level, transportation equipment manufacturing, and accommodation and food services. A decrease in labour force participation, especially among youths, left the overall unemployment rate unchanged at 6.8%.

Employment declined by 5,000 in Newfoundland and Labrador, offsetting the increase in July. There were job losses in natural resources, retail and wholesale trade, and in manufacturing. This leaves overall employment in the province up 6,000 (+2.6%) since the start of the year. The unemployment rate rose 1.2 percentage points in August to 16.2%.

In August, employment increased in Alberta by 14,000. This offsets the decline in July and leaves employment in the province up only 6,000 (+0.4%) since the start of the year. In August, there were job gains in construction, finance, insurance, real estate and leasing as well as in support activities for mining, oil and gas extraction. Despite the increase in employment in August, the unemployment rate was unchanged at 4.7%, the result of more people participating in the labour force.

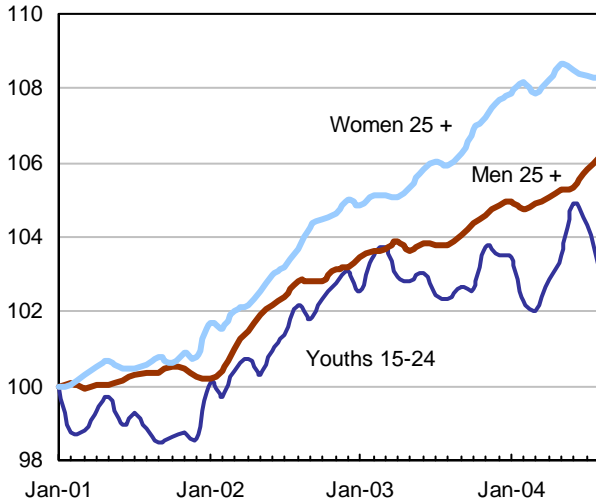
Following several months of little change, employment in Quebec edged up 15,000 in August, as a gain of 22,000 in full-time was partly offset by a decline in part-time. Over the first eight months of 2004, employment in the province is up 35,000 (+1.0%) with gains mostly in professional, scientific and technical services, retail and wholesale trade as well as transportation and warehousing. In August, the unemployment rate edged down 0.2 percentage points to 8.0%.

Employment rose by 4,000 in Manitoba, offsetting most of the decline in July. Job gains occurred mainly in manufacturing and accommodation and food services. Employment in the province is now 4,000 (+0.6%) above the level at the end of 2003. Despite more jobs in August, an increase in labour force participation left the unemployment rate unchanged at 5.7%.

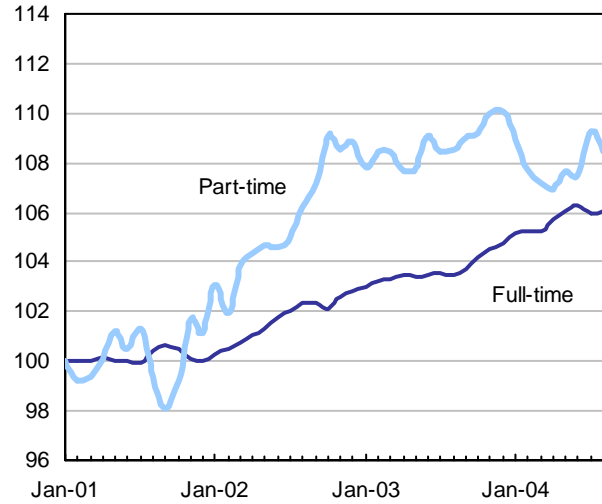
There was little change in employment in the other provinces.

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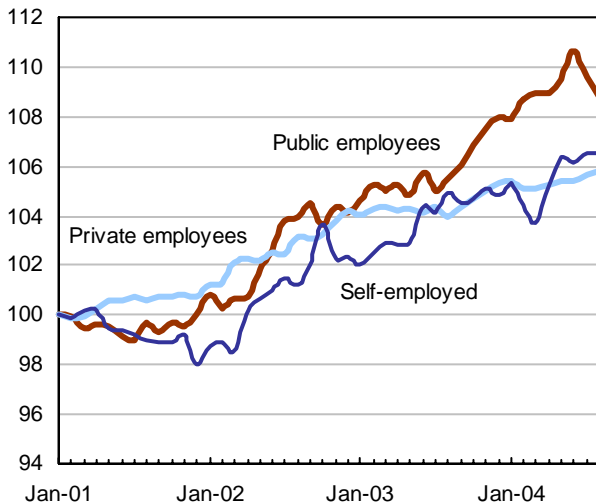
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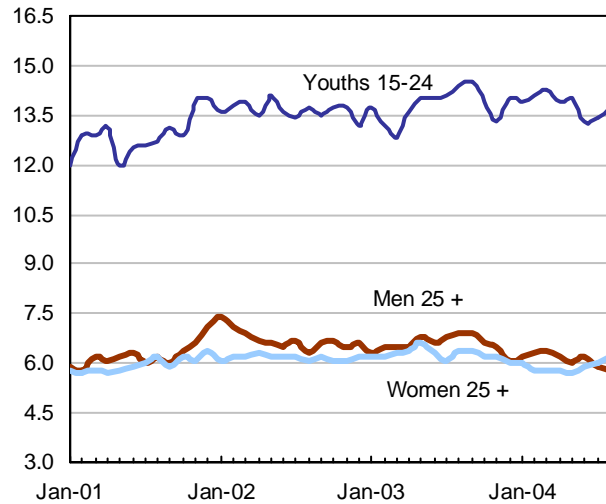
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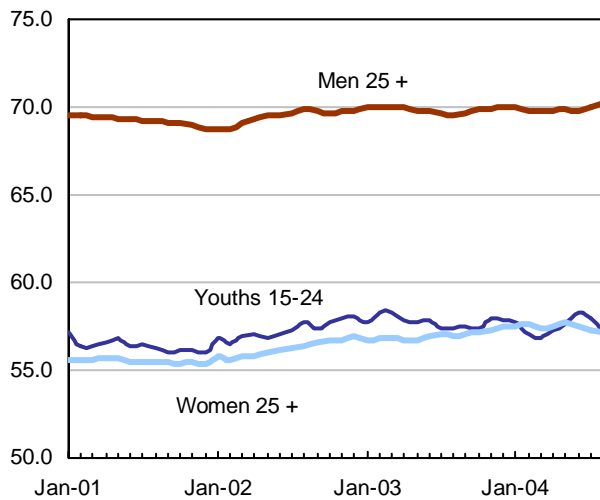
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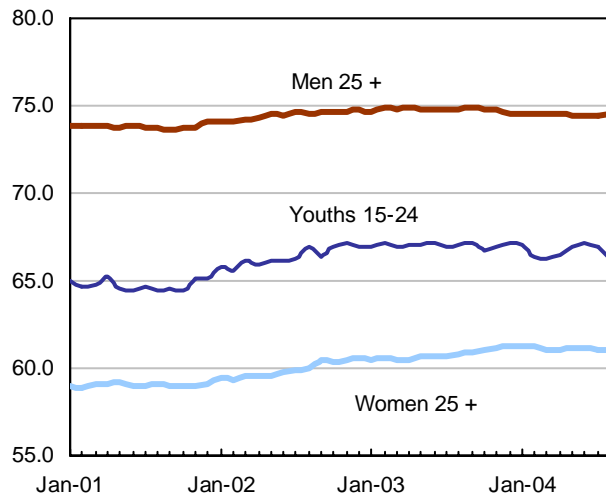
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Employment rate (%)

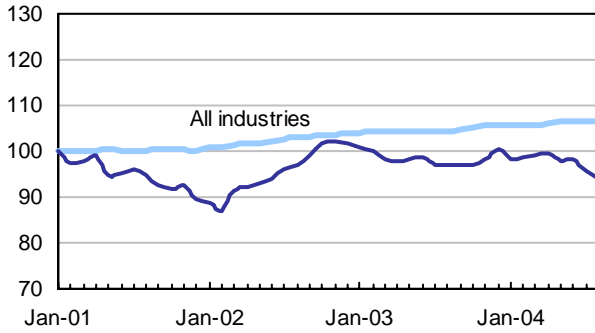


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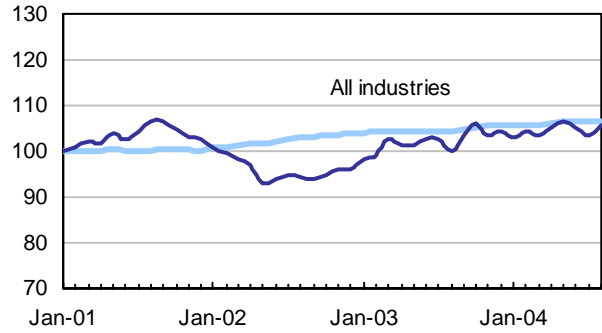


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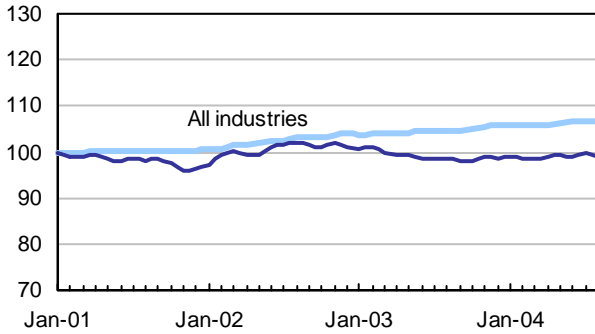
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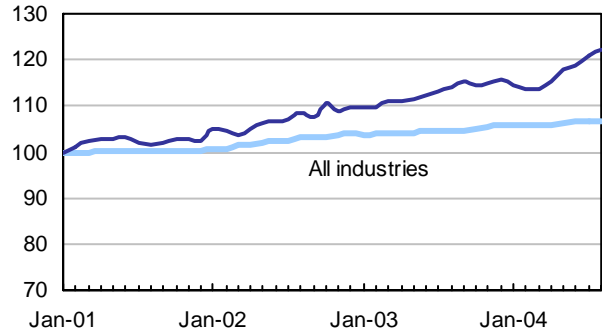
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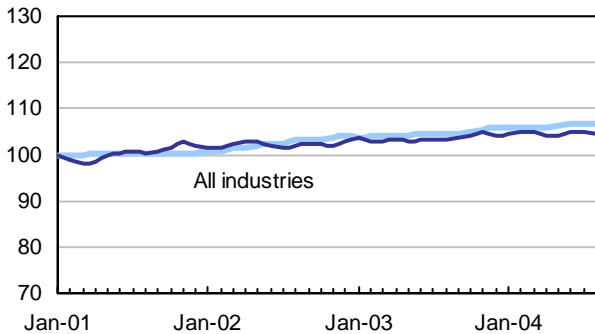
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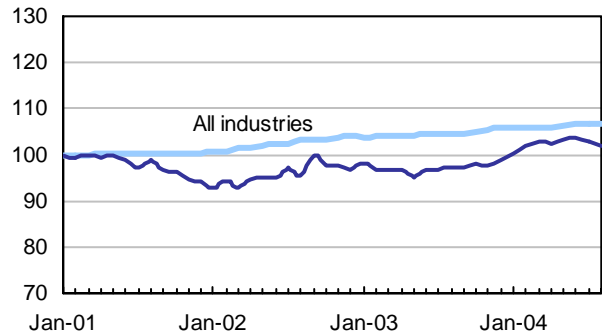
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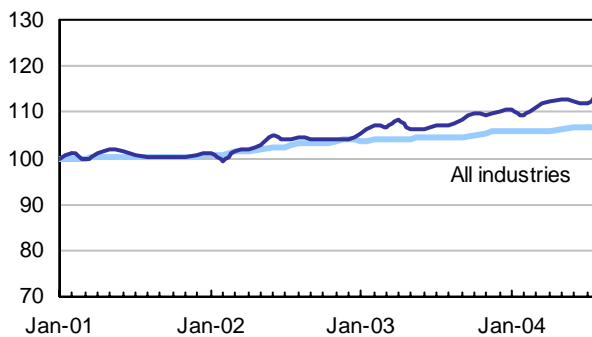
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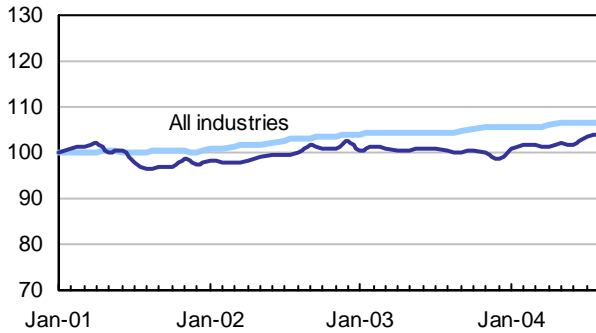


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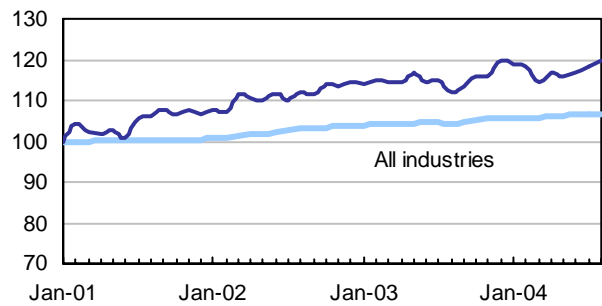


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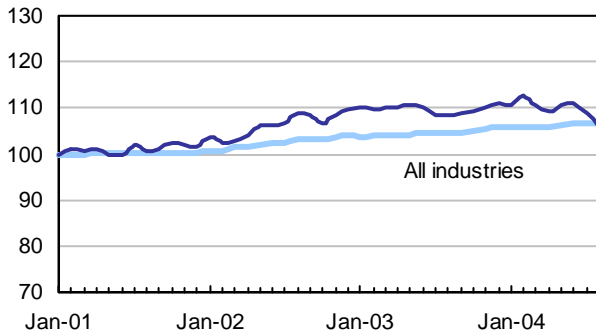
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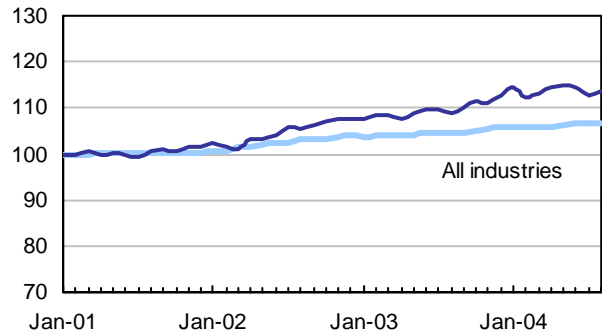
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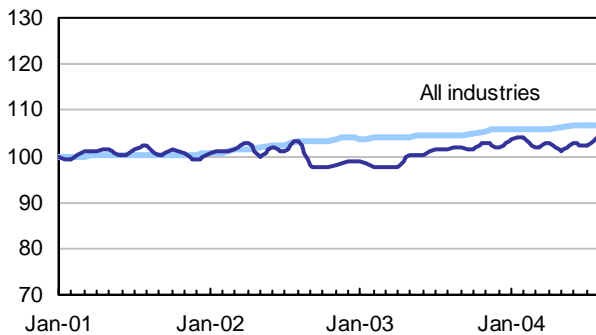
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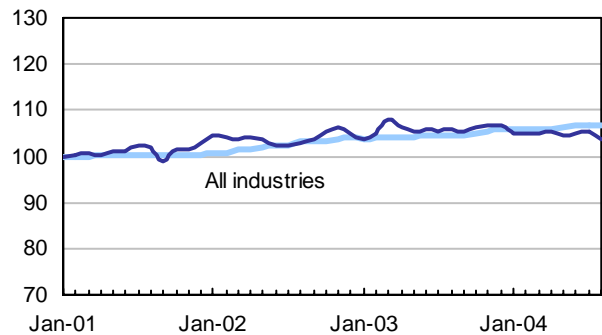
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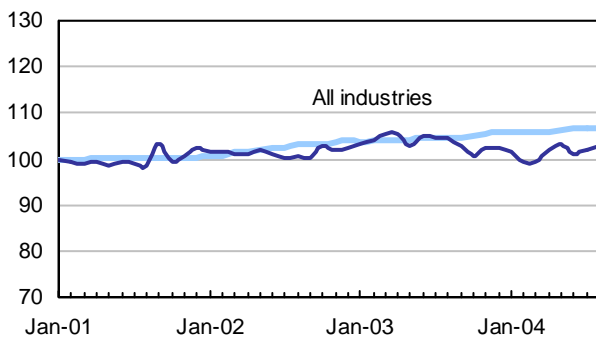
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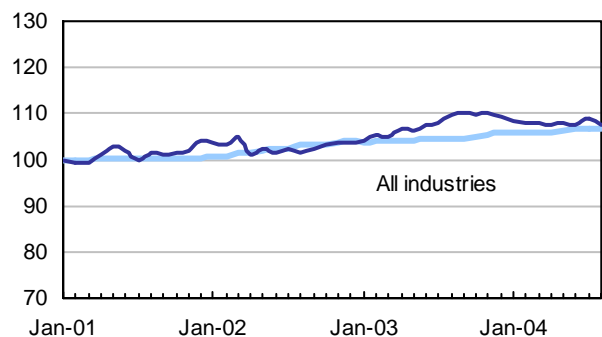
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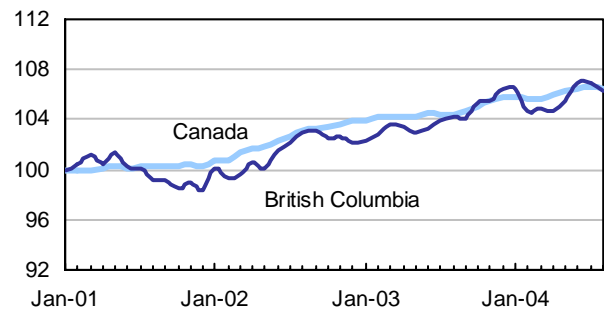
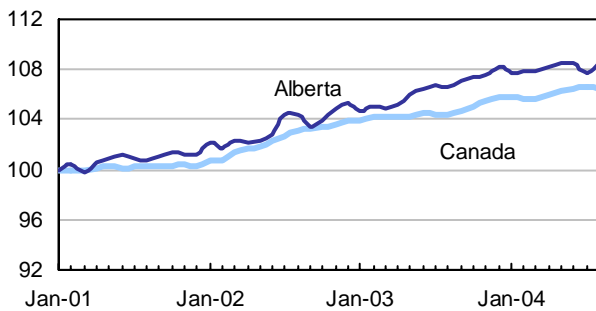
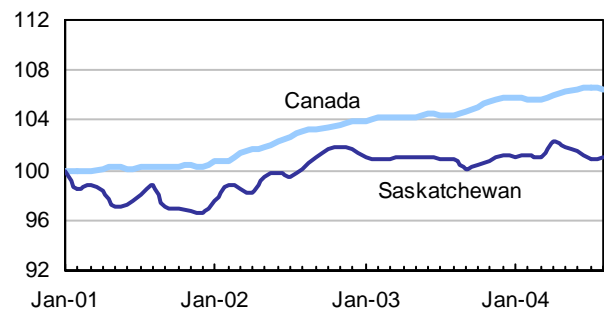
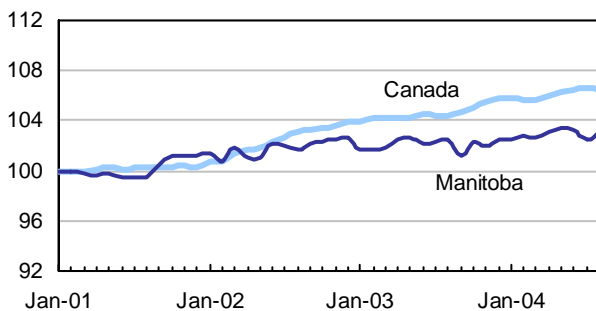
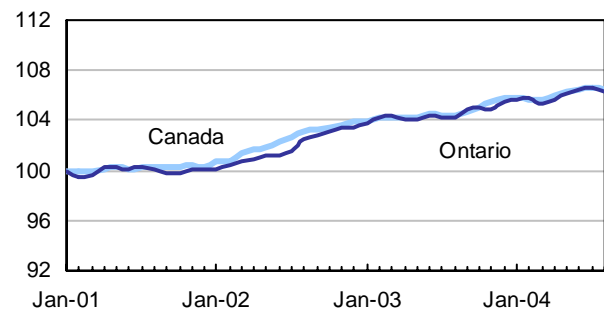
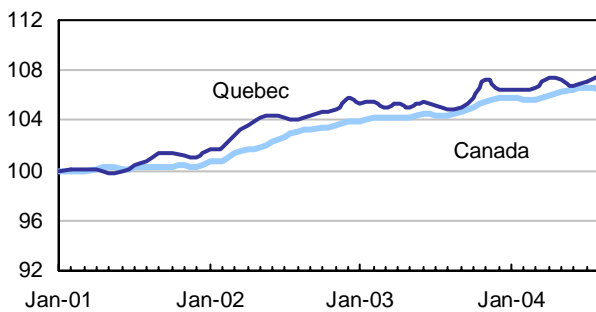
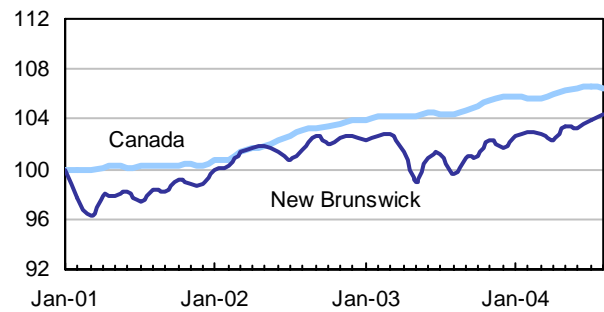
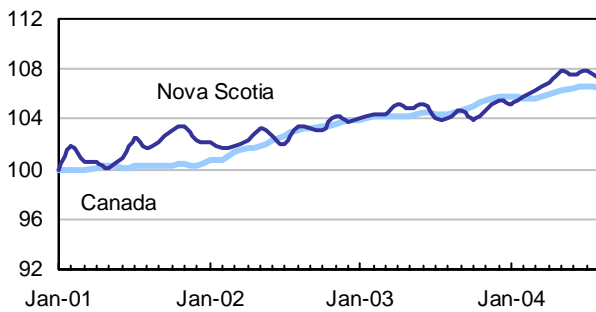
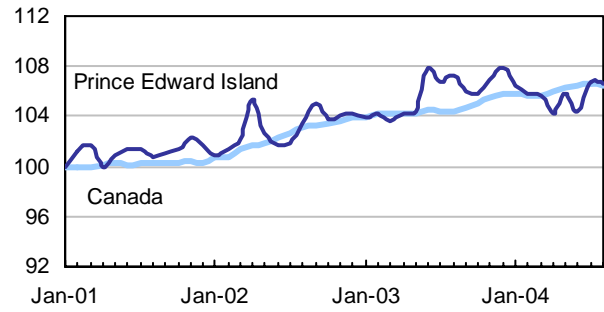
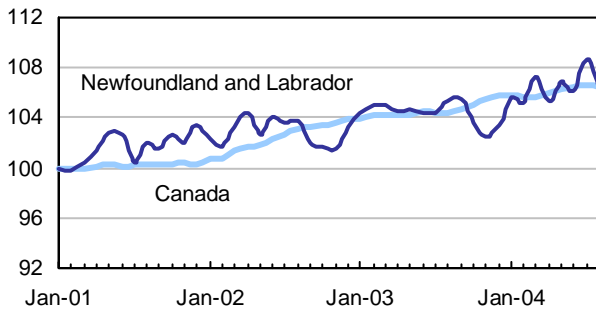
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Table 1

Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	25,619.9	25,653.4	...	33.5	249.5	367.6	0.1	1.0	1.5
Labour force	17,275.7	17,279.2	28.6	3.5	91.8	206.1	0.0	0.5	1.2
Employment	16,040.2	16,033.2	29.5	-7.0	112.5	317.6	0.0	0.7	2.0
Employment full-time	13,059.3	13,074.7	34.8	15.4	157.5	318.8	0.1	1.2	2.5
Employment part-time	2,980.9	2,958.5	30.6	-22.4	-44.9	-1.2	-0.8	-1.5	0.0
Unemployment	1,235.5	1,246.0	23.9	10.5	-20.8	-111.5	0.8	-1.6	-8.2
Participation rate	67.4	67.4	0.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.2	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	62.5	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.6	18.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	4,208.6	4,212.6	...	4.0	29.5	43.6	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	2,814.9	2,790.1	16.6	-24.8	-22.1	-2.6	-0.9	-0.8	-0.1
Employment	2,436.9	2,409.0	16.0	-27.9	-9.8	17.7	-1.1	-0.4	0.7
Employment full-time	1,332.9	1,303.2	17.1	-29.7	-5.7	9.1	-2.2	-0.4	0.7
Employment part-time	1,104.0	1,105.9	17.7	1.9	-4.1	8.7	0.2	-0.4	0.8
Unemployment	378.0	381.0	13.8	3.0	-12.4	-20.3	0.8	-3.2	-5.1
Participation rate	66.9	66.2	0.4	-0.7	-1.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.4	13.7	0.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.9	57.2	0.4	-0.7	-0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.3	45.9	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	10,441.5	10,455.7	...	14.2	106.5	156.8	0.1	1.0	1.5
Labour force	7,772.2	7,788.5	14.9	16.3	69.6	83.5	0.2	0.9	1.1
Employment	7,313.4	7,337.9	16.6	24.5	90.9	165.3	0.3	1.3	2.3
Employment full-time	6,860.8	6,892.6	19.7	31.8	120.3	162.5	0.5	1.8	2.4
Employment part-time	452.6	445.2	13.9	-7.4	-29.5	2.8	-1.6	-6.2	0.6
Unemployment	458.7	450.6	13.6	-8.1	-21.3	-81.9	-1.8	-4.5	-15.4
Participation rate	74.4	74.5	0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.0	70.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.2	6.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	10,969.8	10,985.1	...	15.3	113.6	167.2	0.1	1.0	1.5
Labour force	6,688.6	6,700.6	16.5	12.0	44.3	125.2	0.2	0.7	1.9
Employment	6,289.8	6,286.3	16.9	-3.5	31.5	134.6	-0.1	0.5	2.2
Employment full-time	4,865.6	4,878.9	22.3	13.3	42.9	147.3	0.3	0.9	3.1
Employment part-time	1,424.3	1,407.4	20.2	-16.9	-11.3	-12.6	-1.2	-0.8	-0.9
Unemployment	398.8	414.3	12.6	15.5	12.8	-9.4	3.9	3.2	-2.2
Participation rate	61.0	61.0	0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	57.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.6	22.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,201.0	14,208.0	...	7.0	68.9	98.1	0.0	0.5	0.7
Labour force	12,254.4	12,279.2	21.0	24.8	51.3	95.4	0.2	0.4	0.8
Employment	11,530.2	11,548.7	23.0	18.5	74.5	192.7	0.2	0.6	1.7
Unemployment	724.1	730.4	17.8	6.3	-23.2	-97.3	0.9	-3.1	-11.8
Participation rate	86.3	86.4	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.9	0.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.2	81.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.8	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 2**Employment by class of worker and industry, Canada (in thousands), seasonally adjusted**

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Class of worker									
Employees	13,563.6	13,556.4	30.7	-7.2	73.1	279.4	-0.1	0.5	2.1
Self-employed ²	2,476.5	2,476.8	17.8	0.3	39.4	38.2	0.0	1.6	1.6
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,104.5	3,083.1	17.6	-21.4	23.3	93.3	-0.7	0.8	3.1
Private sector employees	10,459.2	10,473.3	30.5	14.1	49.8	186.1	0.1	0.5	1.8
Industry	16,040.2	16,033.2	29.5	-7.0	112.5	317.6	0.0	0.7	2.0
Goods-producing sector	4,067.0	4,060.4	21.5	-6.6	45.1	86.0	-0.2	1.1	2.2
Agriculture	330.8	325.0	6.0	-5.8	-21.5	-9.7	-1.8	-6.2	-2.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	293.4	299.5	5.5	6.1	3.5	15.6	2.1	1.2	5.5
Utilities	134.1	138.8	3.7	4.7	8.1	3.5	3.5	6.2	2.6
Construction	999.9	1,008.8	12.5	8.9	51.7	66.3	0.9	5.4	7.0
Manufacturing	2,308.8	2,288.4	17.0	-20.4	3.4	10.3	-0.9	0.1	0.5
Services-producing sector	11,973.1	11,972.8	30.3	-0.3	67.4	231.6	0.0	0.6	2.0
Trade	2,496.7	2,485.8	18.4	-10.9	8.4	29.3	-0.4	0.3	1.2
Transportation and warehousing	811.4	806.2	10.8	-5.2	24.0	40.4	-0.6	3.1	5.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	972.3	999.2	11.7	26.9	42.5	66.7	2.8	4.4	7.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,032.5	1,034.9	12.3	2.4	50.4	34.0	0.2	5.1	3.4
Business, building and other support services	628.7	637.3	11.0	8.6	-0.3	42.3	1.4	0.0	7.1
Educational services	1,040.9	1,012.2	11.7	-28.7	-48.9	-25.5	-2.8	-4.6	-2.5
Health care and social assistance	1,733.6	1,746.5	13.3	12.9	14.3	73.8	0.7	0.8	4.4
Information, culture and recreation	719.6	733.4	11.2	13.8	16.4	20.8	1.9	2.3	2.9
Accommodation and food services	1,018.3	1,001.0	12.8	-17.3	-28.5	-21.6	-1.7	-2.8	-2.1
Other services	695.9	701.5	10.5	5.6	1.9	-13.3	0.8	0.3	-1.9
Public administration	823.2	815.0	9.3	-8.2	-12.6	-15.2	-1.0	-1.5	-1.8

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

² Includes both incorporated and unincorporated working owners, self-employed persons who do not have a business and persons working in a family business without pay. Related CANSIM tables 282-0088, 282-0089

Table 3

Labour force characteristics by province (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	439.4	439.4	...	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.2
Labour force	266.4	264.0	2.5	-2.4	1.2	3.6	-0.9	0.5	1.4
Employment	226.5	221.2	2.7	-5.3	5.6	1.8	-2.3	2.6	0.8
Employment full-time	192.3	190.2	2.8	-2.1	5.0	0.9	-1.1	2.7	0.5
Employment part-time	34.2	31.0	2.0	-3.2	0.6	0.8	-9.4	2.0	2.6
Unemployment	39.9	42.8	2.5	2.9	-4.4	1.8	7.3	-9.3	4.4
Participation rate	60.6	60.1	0.6	-0.5	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.0	16.2	0.9	1.2	-1.8	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.5	50.3	0.6	-1.2	1.2	0.3	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	114.7	114.7	...	0.0	1.0	1.3	0.0	0.9	1.1
Labour force	78.3	78.2	0.7	-0.1	0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.1	0.5
Employment	69.5	69.4	0.7	-0.1	-0.8	-0.4	-0.1	-1.1	-0.6
Employment full-time	57.5	57.7	0.8	0.2	-0.4	-1.0	0.3	-0.7	-1.7
Employment part-time	12.0	11.6	0.7	-0.4	-0.5	0.6	-3.3	-4.1	5.5
Unemployment	8.8	8.8	0.7	0.0	0.9	0.7	0.0	11.4	8.6
Participation rate	68.3	68.2	0.6	-0.1	-0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	11.3	0.8	0.1	1.2	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.5	0.6	-0.1	-1.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	764.6	765.1	...	0.5	3.1	4.4	0.1	0.4	0.6
Labour force	490.4	489.6	3.1	-0.8	7.1	6.3	-0.2	1.5	1.3
Employment	449.2	446.7	3.4	-2.5	7.5	13.4	-0.6	1.7	3.1
Employment full-time	363.3	366.5	3.7	3.2	15.0	16.6	0.9	4.3	4.7
Employment part-time	85.8	80.2	3.3	-5.6	-7.5	-3.2	-6.5	-8.6	-3.8
Unemployment	41.3	42.9	2.8	1.6	-0.4	-7.1	3.9	-0.9	-14.2
Participation rate	64.1	64.0	0.4	-0.1	0.7	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.8	0.5	0.4	-0.2	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	58.4	0.4	-0.3	0.8	1.4	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	612.7	613.2	...	0.5	2.6	3.2	0.1	0.4	0.5
Labour force	393.4	397.4	2.6	4.0	13.2	15.9	1.0	3.4	4.2
Employment	354.1	355.7	2.6	1.6	9.6	16.3	0.5	2.8	4.8
Employment full-time	297.7	296.9	2.8	-0.8	3.6	9.6	-0.3	1.2	3.3
Employment part-time	56.4	58.9	2.2	2.5	6.2	6.8	4.4	11.8	13.1
Unemployment	39.3	41.7	2.3	2.4	3.6	-0.3	6.1	9.4	-0.7
Participation rate	64.2	64.8	0.4	0.6	1.9	2.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	10.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.8	58.0	0.4	0.2	1.3	2.4	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,151.1	6,157.6	...	6.5	45.5	69.5	0.1	0.7	1.1
Labour force	4,033.1	4,041.1	15.5	8.0	-20.7	17.8	0.2	-0.5	0.4
Employment	3,702.5	3,717.0	16.1	14.5	35.1	92.5	0.4	1.0	2.6
Employment full-time	3,022.2	3,044.3	19.1	22.1	70.4	72.8	0.7	2.4	2.4
Employment part-time	680.3	672.6	16.3	-7.7	-35.4	19.7	-1.1	-5.0	3.0
Unemployment	330.6	324.1	13.6	-6.5	-55.8	-74.8	-2.0	-14.7	-18.8
Participation rate	65.6	65.6	0.3	0.0	-0.9	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	8.0	0.3	-0.2	-1.4	-1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	60.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.9	...	...	...

Table 3**Labour force characteristics by province (in thousands), seasonally adjusted - Concluded**

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Ontario									
Population	9,961.3	9,977.2	...	15.9	119.9	176.3	0.2	1.2	1.8
Labour force	6,822.0	6,801.7	18.9	-20.3	65.5	109.2	-0.3	1.0	1.6
Employment	6,355.2	6,336.4	19.0	-18.8	50.6	118.2	-0.3	0.8	1.9
Employment full-time	5,206.9	5,205.6	22.4	-1.3	59.4	133.1	0.0	1.2	2.6
Employment part-time	1,148.3	1,130.9	19.9	-17.4	-8.8	-14.8	-1.5	-0.8	-1.3
Unemployment	466.9	465.3	15.4	-1.6	14.9	-9.1	-0.3	3.3	-1.9
Participation rate	68.5	68.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.8	0.2	0.0	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.8	63.5	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Manitoba									
Population	877.9	878.6	...	0.7	6.7	9.8	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	604.5	609.2	2.7	4.7	8.4	8.6	0.8	1.4	1.4
Employment	570.8	574.3	2.9	3.5	3.7	3.3	0.6	0.6	0.6
Employment full-time	457.3	465.8	3.7	8.5	4.5	7.7	1.9	1.0	1.7
Employment part-time	113.5	108.5	3.2	-5.0	-0.8	-4.5	-4.4	-0.7	-4.0
Unemployment	33.7	34.9	2.1	1.2	4.6	5.3	3.6	15.2	17.9
Participation rate	68.9	69.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.7	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.0	65.4	0.3	0.4	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	758.0	758.2	...	0.2	2.0	2.4	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	513.6	515.2	2.5	1.6	-2.6	-0.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.1
Employment	486.8	487.6	2.6	0.8	-0.8	1.0	0.2	-0.2	0.2
Employment full-time	389.2	389.5	3.1	0.3	-2.9	1.3	0.1	-0.7	0.3
Employment part-time	97.7	98.0	2.9	0.3	1.9	-0.3	0.3	2.0	-0.3
Unemployment	26.8	27.6	1.8	0.8	-1.7	-1.5	3.0	-5.8	-5.2
Participation rate	67.8	68.0	0.3	0.2	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.4	0.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.2	64.3	0.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	2,520.1	2,524.3	...	4.2	30.6	45.7	0.2	1.2	1.8
Labour force	1,829.3	1,843.7	7.5	14.4	3.0	23.9	0.8	0.2	1.3
Employment	1,744.2	1,757.9	8.4	13.7	6.4	32.0	0.8	0.4	1.9
Employment full-time	1,435.9	1,434.9	10.2	-1.0	1.2	19.5	-0.1	0.1	1.4
Employment part-time	308.3	323.0	9.3	14.7	5.2	12.6	4.8	1.6	4.1
Unemployment	85.1	85.8	5.9	0.7	-3.4	-8.1	0.8	-3.8	-8.6
Participation rate	72.6	73.0	0.3	0.4	-0.8	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.7	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.2	69.6	0.3	0.4	-0.6	0.0	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,420.1	3,425.3	...	5.2	38.4	54.4	0.2	1.1	1.6
Labour force	2,244.9	2,239.1	11.3	-5.8	16.5	21.0	-0.3	0.7	0.9
Employment	2,081.5	2,067.0	11.7	-14.5	-4.4	39.5	-0.7	-0.2	1.9
Employment full-time	1,636.9	1,623.3	13.6	-13.6	1.8	57.7	-0.8	0.1	3.7
Employment part-time	444.6	443.7	12.2	-0.9	-6.2	-18.3	-0.2	-1.4	-4.0
Unemployment	163.3	172.1	9.0	8.8	21.0	-18.5	5.4	13.9	-9.7
Participation rate	65.6	65.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.7	0.4	0.4	0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	60.3	0.3	-0.6	-0.9	0.2	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 4

Selected labour force characteristics, Newfoundland and Labrador (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	439.4	439.4	...	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.2
Labour force	266.4	264.0	2.5	-2.4	1.2	3.6	-0.9	0.5	1.4
Employment	226.5	221.2	2.7	-5.3	5.6	1.8	-2.3	2.6	0.8
Employment full-time	192.3	190.2	2.8	-2.1	5.0	0.9	-1.1	2.7	0.5
Unemployment	39.9	42.8	2.5	2.9	-4.4	1.8	7.3	-9.3	4.4
Participation rate	60.6	60.1	0.6	-0.5	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.0	16.2	0.9	1.2	-1.8	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.5	50.3	0.6	-1.2	1.2	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.1	14.0	0.9	-1.1	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	71.3	71.1	...	-0.2	-1.4	-1.8	-0.3	-1.9	-2.5
Labour force	39.3	39.2	1.3	-0.1	-0.5	-1.1	-0.3	-1.3	-2.7
Employment	30.9	29.9	1.3	-1.0	1.7	-1.2	-3.2	6.0	-3.9
Unemployment	8.4	9.3	1.1	0.9	-2.2	0.1	10.7	-19.1	1.1
Participation rate	55.1	55.1	1.8	0.0	0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	21.4	23.7	2.6	2.3	-5.3	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	43.3	42.1	1.7	-1.2	3.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.5	32.1	3.7	-6.4	-5.8	0.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	179.5	179.5	...	0.0	0.5	1.2	0.0	0.3	0.7
Labour force	120.7	120.7	1.5	0.0	2.6	5.3	0.0	2.2	4.6
Employment	102.5	101.6	1.6	-0.9	3.8	5.0	-0.9	3.9	5.2
Unemployment	18.1	19.1	1.6	1.0	-1.2	0.3	5.5	-5.9	1.6
Participation rate	67.2	67.2	0.8	0.0	1.2	2.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.0	15.8	1.2	0.8	-1.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.1	56.6	0.9	-0.5	2.0	2.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.4	5.1	0.8	0.7	-0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	188.6	188.7	...	0.1	0.8	1.3	0.1	0.4	0.7
Labour force	106.5	104.1	1.3	-2.4	-1.0	-0.6	-2.3	-1.0	-0.6
Employment	93.0	89.8	1.4	-3.2	0.2	-1.9	-3.4	0.2	-2.1
Unemployment	13.5	14.4	1.2	0.9	-1.1	1.4	6.7	-7.1	10.8
Participation rate	56.5	55.2	0.7	-1.3	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.7	13.8	1.1	1.1	-0.9	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.3	47.6	0.8	-1.7	-0.1	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	17.9	1.3	-1.1	2.0	0.6	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	226.5	221.2	2.7	-5.3	5.6	1.8	-2.3	2.6	0.8
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	53.8	51.2	1.8	-2.6	2.8	6.2	-4.8	5.8	13.8
Agriculture	1.5	1.4	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.2	-6.7	27.3	16.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	18.2	16.2	1.0	-2.0	-1.8	0.0	-11.0	-10.0	0.0
Utilities	2.1	2.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	9.5	4.5	9.5
Construction	12.9	13.4	0.8	0.5	3.2	4.7	3.9	31.4	54.0
Manufacturing	19.0	17.8	1.1	-1.2	1.0	0.9	-6.3	6.0	5.3
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	172.7	169.9	2.3	-2.8	2.7	-4.5	-1.6	1.6	-2.6
Trade	41.9	40.4	1.2	-1.5	5.4	4.0	-3.6	15.4	11.0
Transportation and warehousing	12.5	11.5	0.7	-1.0	-1.0	-1.8	-8.0	-8.0	-13.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	8.1	8.1	0.6	0.0	0.4	0.8	0.0	5.2	11.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	7.7	7.5	0.6	-0.2	0.1	-0.6	-2.6	1.4	-7.4
Business, building and other support services	7.3	8.1	0.8	0.8	0.2	-0.3	11.0	2.5	-3.6
Educational services	16.9	16.4	0.8	-0.5	0.0	0.1	-3.0	0.0	0.6
Health care and social assistance	31.5	31.5	1.0	0.0	0.2	-0.6	0.0	0.6	-1.9
Information, culture and recreation	8.0	7.9	0.6	-0.1	0.7	-0.3	-1.2	9.7	-3.7
Accommodation and food services	11.9	11.7	0.9	-0.2	-1.0	-2.6	-1.7	-7.9	-18.2
Other services	11.5	11.7	0.8	0.2	-1.4	-1.7	1.7	-10.7	-12.7
Public administration	15.4	15.1	0.8	-0.3	-0.9	-1.3	-1.9	-5.6	-7.9

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

Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 5

Selected labour force characteristics, Prince Edward Island (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	114.7	114.7	...	0.0	1.0	1.3	0.0	0.9	1.1
Labour force	78.3	78.2	0.7	-0.1	0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.1	0.5
Employment	69.5	69.4	0.7	-0.1	-0.8	-0.4	-0.1	-1.1	-0.6
Employment full-time	57.5	57.7	0.8	0.2	-0.4	-1.0	0.3	-0.7	-1.7
Unemployment	8.8	8.8	0.7	0.0	0.9	0.7	0.0	11.4	8.6
Participation rate	68.3	68.2	0.6	-0.1	-0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	11.3	0.8	0.1	1.2	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.5	0.6	-0.1	-1.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.3	16.7	0.9	-0.6	-0.5	1.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	20.2	20.1	...	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.5	0.0	-0.5
Labour force	13.8	13.5	0.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.8	-2.2	0.0	-5.6
Employment	10.8	11.0	0.4	0.2	-0.7	-1.7	1.9	-6.0	-13.4
Unemployment	3.0	2.5	0.3	-0.5	0.7	0.9	-16.7	38.9	56.2
Participation rate	68.3	67.2	1.9	-1.1	0.0	-3.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	21.7	18.5	2.4	-3.2	5.2	7.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.5	54.7	2.0	1.2	-3.5	-8.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.6	40.9	3.2	-1.7	-0.1	5.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	45.6	45.6	...	0.0	0.4	0.6	0.0	0.9	1.3
Labour force	33.1	33.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.6	1.2
Employment	29.6	30.0	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.9	1.4	0.3	3.1
Unemployment	3.5	3.3	0.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.5	-5.7	3.1	-13.2
Participation rate	72.6	73.0	0.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.6	9.9	1.2	-0.7	0.2	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.9	65.8	1.0	0.9	-0.4	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	5.7	0.9	-0.4	1.7	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	48.9	49.0	...	0.1	0.6	0.7	0.2	1.2	1.4
Labour force	31.4	31.4	0.4	0.0	-0.2	0.7	0.0	-0.6	2.3
Employment	29.1	28.4	0.4	-0.7	-0.2	0.5	-2.4	-0.7	1.8
Unemployment	2.3	3.0	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.3	30.4	0.0	11.1
Participation rate	64.2	64.1	0.7	-0.1	-1.2	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	9.6	1.1	2.3	0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	58.0	0.8	-1.5	-1.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.2	19.4	1.5	0.1	-2.3	1.1	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	69.5	69.4	0.7	-0.1	-0.8	-0.4	-0.1	-1.1	-0.6
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	17.9	17.8	0.6	-0.1	-1.0	0.6	-0.6	-5.3	3.5
Agriculture	3.8	4.0	0.3	0.2	-0.2	0.5	5.3	-4.8	14.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	2.9	2.8	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.1	-3.4	0.0	3.7
Utilities	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	33.3
Construction	4.4	4.4	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	4.8	4.8
Manufacturing	6.4	6.1	0.3	-0.3	-1.0	-0.3	-4.7	-14.1	-4.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	51.6	51.6	0.7	0.0	0.2	-0.9	0.0	0.4	-1.7
Trade	9.9	10.1	0.4	0.2	-0.7	-0.1	2.0	-6.5	-1.0
Transportation and warehousing	2.6	2.8	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	7.7	0.0	0.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.9	2.9	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	11.5	7.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.9	2.8	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-3.4	3.7	-3.4
Business, building and other support services	2.3	1.8	0.2	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6	-21.7	-21.7	-25.0
Educational services	4.9	4.9	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Health care and social assistance	7.6	8.0	0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.2	5.3	2.6	-2.4
Information, culture and recreation	2.5	2.5	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	0.0	-3.8	-13.8
Accommodation and food services	5.0	4.9	0.3	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-2.0	0.0	-2.0
Other services	3.2	3.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6	-3.1	-13.9	-16.2
Public administration	7.8	7.9	0.3	0.1	1.4	0.9	1.3	21.5	12.9

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 6

Selected labour force characteristics, Nova Scotia (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	764.6	765.1	...	0.5	3.1	4.4	0.1	0.4	0.6
Labour force	490.4	489.6	3.1	-0.8	7.1	6.3	-0.2	1.5	1.3
Employment	449.2	446.7	3.4	-2.5	7.5	13.4	-0.6	1.7	3.1
Employment full-time	363.3	366.5	3.7	3.2	15.0	16.6	0.9	4.3	4.7
Unemployment	41.3	42.9	2.8	1.6	-0.4	-7.1	3.9	-0.9	-14.2
Participation rate	64.1	64.0	0.4	-0.1	0.7	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.8	0.5	0.4	-0.2	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	58.4	0.4	-0.3	0.8	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.1	18.0	0.7	-1.1	-2.0	-1.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	124.4	124.5	...	0.1	0.6	0.7	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	83.5	83.3	1.8	-0.2	0.3	1.2	-0.2	0.4	1.5
Employment	71.7	70.9	1.9	-0.8	0.2	5.3	-1.1	0.3	8.1
Unemployment	11.8	12.4	1.6	0.6	0.1	-4.1	5.1	0.8	-24.8
Participation rate	67.1	66.9	1.5	-0.2	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.1	14.9	1.8	0.8	0.1	-5.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.6	56.9	1.5	-0.7	-0.2	3.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.3	44.7	2.4	-1.6	-2.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	305.5	305.7	...	0.2	1.0	1.6	0.1	0.3	0.5
Labour force	215.1	213.8	1.6	-1.3	3.2	0.5	-0.6	1.5	0.2
Employment	199.0	197.1	1.9	-1.9	4.1	4.9	-1.0	2.1	2.5
Unemployment	16.1	16.8	1.7	0.7	-0.8	-4.4	4.3	-4.5	-20.8
Participation rate	70.4	69.9	0.5	-0.5	0.8	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.9	0.8	0.4	-0.5	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	64.5	0.6	-0.6	1.2	1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.6	5.8	0.7	-0.8	-0.8	-0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	334.6	334.9	...	0.3	1.4	2.0	0.1	0.4	0.6
Labour force	191.9	192.5	1.7	0.6	3.6	4.7	0.3	1.9	2.5
Employment	178.5	178.7	1.7	0.2	3.2	3.2	0.1	1.8	1.8
Unemployment	13.4	13.8	1.4	0.4	0.4	1.5	3.0	3.0	12.2
Participation rate	57.4	57.5	0.5	0.1	0.9	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.2	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.3	53.4	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.1	20.7	1.1	-1.4	-3.0	-2.5	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	449.2	446.7	3.4	-2.5	7.5	13.4	-0.6	1.7	3.1
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	97.5	97.8	2.2	0.3	-1.9	3.1	0.3	-1.9	3.3
Agriculture	5.7	5.5	0.6	-0.2	-1.1	-1.0	-3.5	-16.7	-15.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	14.9	14.4	1.0	-0.5	0.0	1.1	-3.4	0.0	8.3
Utilities	3.1	3.1	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.3	0.0	14.8	10.7
Construction	28.7	28.3	1.3	-0.4	0.0	4.5	-1.4	0.0	18.9
Manufacturing	45.0	46.5	1.4	1.5	-1.2	-1.8	3.3	-2.5	-3.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	351.7	348.9	2.9	-2.8	9.5	10.3	-0.8	2.8	3.0
Trade	78.5	81.7	1.8	3.2	7.0	7.9	4.1	9.4	10.7
Transportation and warehousing	20.5	20.7	1.0	0.2	0.6	0.0	1.0	3.0	0.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	23.8	23.1	0.9	-0.7	3.5	2.0	-2.9	17.9	9.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	21.0	19.9	0.9	-1.1	1.3	1.3	-5.2	7.0	7.0
Business, building and other support services	26.5	25.3	1.2	-1.2	1.2	2.2	-4.5	5.0	9.5
Educational services	36.2	35.2	1.3	-1.0	1.4	3.1	-2.8	4.1	9.7
Health care and social assistance	52.7	49.1	1.3	-3.6	-5.9	-5.1	-6.8	-10.7	-9.4
Information, culture and recreation	17.4	17.3	1.1	-0.1	-1.5	-0.2	-0.6	-8.0	-1.1
Accommodation and food services	30.9	30.5	1.4	-0.4	4.2	-0.2	-1.3	16.0	-0.7
Other services	19.6	20.5	1.1	0.9	1.4	2.0	4.6	7.3	10.8
Public administration	24.8	25.7	1.0	0.9	-3.7	-2.6	3.6	-12.6	-9.2

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 7

Selected labour force characteristics, New Brunswick (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	612.7	613.2	...	0.5	2.6	3.2	0.1	0.4	0.5
Labour force	393.4	397.4	2.6	4.0	13.2	15.9	1.0	3.4	4.2
Employment	354.1	355.7	2.6	1.6	9.6	16.3	0.5	2.8	4.8
Employment full-time	297.7	296.9	2.8	-0.8	3.6	9.6	-0.3	1.2	3.3
Unemployment	39.3	41.7	2.3	2.4	3.6	-0.3	6.1	9.4	-0.7
Participation rate	64.2	64.8	0.4	0.6	1.9	2.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	10.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.8	58.0	0.4	0.2	1.3	2.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.9	16.6	0.6	0.6	1.3	1.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	97.2	97.2	...	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Labour force	62.6	62.3	1.4	-0.3	-1.9	1.6	-0.5	-3.0	2.6
Employment	54.3	53.2	1.4	-1.1	-0.5	4.5	-2.0	-0.9	9.2
Unemployment	8.3	9.1	1.3	0.8	-1.4	-2.9	9.6	-13.3	-24.2
Participation rate	64.4	64.1	1.4	-0.3	-1.9	1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.3	14.6	1.9	1.3	-1.8	-5.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.9	54.7	1.4	-1.2	-0.5	4.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.1	37.8	2.2	-0.3	-2.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	249.1	249.4	...	0.3	1.3	1.6	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	173.2	175.8	1.5	2.6	4.6	5.3	1.5	2.7	3.1
Employment	154.5	155.3	1.6	0.8	1.4	3.7	0.5	0.9	2.4
Unemployment	18.7	20.5	1.5	1.8	3.2	1.6	9.6	18.5	8.5
Participation rate	69.5	70.5	0.6	1.0	1.5	1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	11.7	0.8	0.9	1.6	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	62.3	0.6	0.3	0.3	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.1	4.9	0.6	-0.2	0.8	0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	266.3	266.6	...	0.3	1.4	1.8	0.1	0.5	0.7
Labour force	157.5	159.3	1.4	1.8	10.5	9.0	1.1	7.1	6.0
Employment	145.3	147.2	1.4	1.9	8.8	8.0	1.3	6.4	5.7
Unemployment	12.2	12.0	1.2	-0.2	1.7	0.9	-1.6	16.5	8.1
Participation rate	59.1	59.8	0.5	0.7	3.7	3.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.5	0.8	-0.2	0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.6	55.2	0.5	0.6	3.0	2.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.1	21.2	1.0	2.1	3.1	2.6	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	354.1	355.7	2.6	1.6	9.6	16.3	0.5	2.8	4.8
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	82.7	85.6	1.8	2.9	1.4	7.3	3.5	1.7	9.3
Agriculture	6.7	7.5	0.5	0.8	2.9	2.9	11.9	63.0	63.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	10.8	12.2	0.8	1.4	0.1	1.9	13.0	0.8	18.4
Utilities	4.3	3.8	0.3	-0.5	0.4	0.0	-11.6	11.8	0.0
Construction	18.8	20.4	1.0	1.6	0.9	2.7	8.5	4.6	15.3
Manufacturing	42.2	41.6	1.3	-0.6	-3.0	-0.4	-1.4	-6.7	-1.0
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	271.4	270.2	2.4	-1.2	8.3	9.1	-0.4	3.2	3.5
Trade	56.1	53.9	1.3	-2.2	-1.9	1.8	-3.9	-3.4	3.5
Transportation and warehousing	21.0	20.8	0.8	-0.2	3.2	1.1	-1.0	18.2	5.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	15.4	15.4	0.6	0.0	0.6	1.5	0.0	4.1	10.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	15.4	16.5	0.7	1.1	2.1	1.9	7.1	14.6	13.0
Business, building and other support services	20.5	20.8	1.0	0.3	-0.8	-0.5	1.5	-3.7	-2.3
Educational services	25.2	23.4	0.9	-1.8	-0.8	0.4	-7.1	-3.3	1.7
Health care and social assistance	48.7	48.8	1.1	0.1	2.0	3.5	0.2	4.3	7.7
Information, culture and recreation	10.8	10.6	0.7	-0.2	0.8	-1.4	-1.9	8.2	-11.7
Accommodation and food services	21.3	22.0	1.0	0.7	0.2	0.2	3.3	0.9	0.9
Other services	17.6	18.7	0.9	1.1	1.7	1.5	6.2	10.0	8.7
Public administration	19.4	19.3	0.7	-0.1	1.3	-0.8	-0.5	7.2	-4.0

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Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 8

Selected labour force characteristics, Quebec (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	6,151.1	6,157.6	...	6.5	45.5	69.5	0.1	0.7	1.1
Labour force	4,033.1	4,041.1	15.5	8.0	-20.7	17.8	0.2	-0.5	0.4
Employment	3,702.5	3,717.0	16.1	14.5	35.1	92.5	0.4	1.0	2.6
Employment full-time	3,022.2	3,044.3	19.1	22.1	70.4	72.8	0.7	2.4	2.4
Unemployment	330.6	324.1	13.6	-6.5	-55.8	-74.8	-2.0	-14.7	-18.8
Participation rate	65.6	65.6	0.3	0.0	-0.9	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	8.0	0.3	-0.2	-1.4	-1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	60.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.4	18.1	0.4	-0.3	-1.1	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	948.4	948.2	...	-0.2	-2.0	-2.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	631.2	643.2	8.8	12.0	-7.9	-7.9	1.9	-1.2	-1.2
Employment	543.2	550.7	8.6	7.5	5.0	-4.8	1.4	0.9	-0.9
Unemployment	87.9	92.5	7.4	4.6	-12.8	-3.1	5.2	-12.2	-3.2
Participation rate	66.6	67.8	0.9	1.2	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.9	14.4	1.1	0.5	-1.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	58.1	0.9	0.8	0.7	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.6	46.6	1.5	2.1	0.8	2.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,538.0	2,541.3	...	3.3	24.1	36.4	0.1	1.0	1.5
Labour force	1,844.9	1,841.8	8.3	-3.1	-3.9	1.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.1
Employment	1,708.6	1,712.6	9.4	4.0	18.4	42.8	0.2	1.1	2.6
Unemployment	136.3	129.2	8.0	-7.1	-22.3	-41.5	-5.2	-14.7	-24.3
Participation rate	72.7	72.5	0.3	-0.2	-0.8	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	7.0	0.4	-0.4	-1.2	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.3	67.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.7	6.8	0.5	0.1	-0.7	0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,664.7	2,668.0	...	3.3	23.3	35.4	0.1	0.9	1.3
Labour force	1,557.0	1,556.1	8.9	-0.9	-9.0	24.4	-0.1	-0.6	1.6
Employment	1,450.6	1,453.6	9.1	3.0	11.7	54.5	0.2	0.8	3.9
Unemployment	106.3	102.5	7.5	-3.8	-20.6	-30.0	-3.6	-16.7	-22.6
Participation rate	58.4	58.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.9	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.6	0.5	-0.2	-1.3	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.4	54.5	0.3	0.1	0.0	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.3	20.6	0.7	-1.7	-2.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	3,702.5	3,717.0	16.1	14.5	35.1	92.5	0.4	1.0	2.6
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	922.6	923.2	11.2	0.6	-2.9	4.5	0.1	-0.3	0.5
Agriculture	53.2	47.0	2.6	-6.2	-10.0	-6.8	-11.7	-17.5	-12.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	31.2	34.0	2.2	2.8	-4.7	-3.1	9.0	-12.1	-8.4
Utilities	33.1	32.0	2.2	-1.1	2.3	2.5	-3.3	7.7	8.5
Construction	181.8	183.1	5.8	1.3	5.3	14.6	0.7	3.0	8.7
Manufacturing	623.3	627.1	9.5	3.8	4.1	-2.7	0.6	0.7	-0.4
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	2,779.8	2,793.8	16.2	14.0	38.1	88.1	0.5	1.4	3.3
Trade	618.8	621.4	10.7	2.6	15.7	18.1	0.4	2.6	3.0
Transportation and warehousing	176.9	178.1	5.7	1.2	14.5	11.0	0.7	8.9	6.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	209.6	212.5	5.9	2.9	11.8	26.1	1.4	5.9	14.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	232.3	235.3	6.3	3.0	22.8	28.5	1.3	10.7	13.8
Business, building and other support services	117.3	123.3	5.3	6.0	10.9	12.8	5.1	9.7	11.6
Educational services	228.0	230.2	6.6	2.2	-24.6	-11.8	1.0	-9.7	-4.9
Health care and social assistance	452.6	450.1	8.1	-2.5	-2.1	26.8	-0.6	-0.5	6.3
Information, culture and recreation	156.6	157.5	6.1	0.9	-3.8	5.8	0.6	-2.4	3.8
Accommodation and food services	204.4	197.6	6.8	-6.8	-12.7	-26.9	-3.3	-6.0	-12.0
Other services	173.2	177.8	5.9	4.6	10.1	8.3	2.7	6.0	4.9
Public administration	210.1	210.0	5.3	-0.1	-4.5	-10.7	0.0	-2.1	-4.8

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 9

Selected labour force characteristics, Ontario (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	9,961.3	9,977.2	...	15.9	119.9	176.3	0.2	1.2	1.8
Labour force	6,822.0	6,801.7	18.9	-20.3	65.5	109.2	-0.3	1.0	1.6
Employment	6,355.2	6,336.4	19.0	-18.8	50.6	118.2	-0.3	0.8	1.9
Employment full-time	5,206.9	5,205.6	22.4	-1.3	59.4	133.1	0.0	1.2	2.6
Unemployment	466.9	465.3	15.4	-1.6	14.9	-9.1	-0.3	3.3	-1.9
Participation rate	68.5	68.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.8	0.2	0.0	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.8	63.5	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.1	17.8	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,630.3	1,633.3	...	3.0	22.2	32.1	0.2	1.4	2.0
Labour force	1,099.0	1,074.0	11.1	-25.0	-4.5	19.0	-2.3	-0.4	1.8
Employment	942.5	920.6	10.3	-21.9	1.1	25.0	-2.3	0.1	2.8
Unemployment	156.5	153.5	9.2	-3.0	-5.5	-6.0	-1.9	-3.5	-3.8
Participation rate	67.4	65.8	0.7	-1.6	-1.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.2	14.3	0.8	0.1	-0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.8	56.4	0.6	-1.4	-0.7	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	47.9	48.0	1.1	0.1	-0.6	-1.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,046.6	4,052.7	...	6.1	46.4	68.8	0.2	1.2	1.7
Labour force	3,062.3	3,069.4	9.5	7.1	49.5	47.1	0.2	1.6	1.6
Employment	2,906.2	2,917.0	10.6	10.8	46.4	63.7	0.4	1.6	2.2
Unemployment	156.2	152.5	8.5	-3.7	3.2	-16.5	-2.4	2.1	-9.8
Participation rate	75.7	75.7	0.2	0.0	0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.0	0.3	-0.1	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.8	72.0	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.9	5.6	0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,284.4	4,291.1	...	6.7	51.2	75.4	0.2	1.2	1.8
Labour force	2,660.7	2,658.2	11.1	-2.5	20.4	43.0	-0.1	0.8	1.6
Employment	2,506.5	2,498.9	11.1	-7.6	3.1	29.6	-0.3	0.1	1.2
Unemployment	154.2	159.3	8.0	5.1	17.3	13.4	3.3	12.2	9.2
Participation rate	62.1	61.9	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	6.0	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.5	58.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.9	21.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	6,355.2	6,336.4	19.0	-18.8	50.6	118.2	-0.3	0.8	1.9
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	1,678.1	1,664.2	14.4	-13.9	12.2	13.3	-0.8	0.7	0.8
Agriculture	75.8	75.6	3.2	-0.2	-11.5	-7.5	-0.3	-13.2	-9.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	37.8	39.7	1.8	1.9	7.9	8.9	5.0	24.8	28.9
Utilities	54.2	58.3	2.4	4.1	3.3	0.0	7.6	6.0	0.0
Construction	389.4	389.2	8.5	-0.2	-6.1	-1.6	-0.1	-1.5	-0.4
Manufacturing	1,121.0	1,101.3	12.0	-19.7	18.5	13.4	-1.8	1.7	1.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	4,677.0	4,672.2	20.1	-4.8	38.3	104.9	-0.1	0.8	2.3
Trade	955.1	951.4	11.7	-3.7	13.0	24.0	-0.4	1.4	2.6
Transportation and warehousing	299.5	304.5	7.4	5.0	9.9	23.8	1.7	3.4	8.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	445.4	456.2	8.4	10.8	22.3	20.7	2.4	5.1	4.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	440.3	449.7	8.6	9.4	34.0	8.7	2.1	8.2	2.0
Business, building and other support services	268.5	275.3	7.7	6.8	-14.5	14.5	2.5	-5.0	5.6
Educational services	399.8	379.6	7.4	-20.2	-13.5	1.6	-5.1	-3.4	0.4
Health care and social assistance	617.4	626.5	8.2	9.1	0.6	14.4	1.5	0.1	2.4
Information, culture and recreation	301.4	306.6	7.4	5.2	14.6	10.9	1.7	5.0	3.7
Accommodation and food services	376.6	363.6	8.1	-13.0	-21.0	-3.6	-3.5	-5.5	-1.0
Other services	251.8	247.6	6.7	-4.2	-5.0	-11.2	-1.7	-2.0	-4.3
Public administration	321.1	311.4	6.1	-9.7	-2.0	1.2	-3.0	-0.6	0.4

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 10

Selected labour force characteristics, Manitoba (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	877.9	878.6	...	0.7	6.7	9.8	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	604.5	609.2	2.7	4.7	8.4	8.6	0.8	1.4	1.4
Employment	570.8	574.3	2.9	3.5	3.7	3.3	0.6	0.6	0.6
Employment full-time	457.3	465.8	3.7	8.5	4.5	7.7	1.9	1.0	1.7
Unemployment	33.7	34.9	2.1	1.2	4.6	5.3	3.6	15.2	17.9
Participation rate	68.9	69.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.7	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.0	65.4	0.3	0.4	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.9	18.9	0.6	-1.0	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	152.6	152.7	...	0.1	1.7	2.6	0.1	1.1	1.7
Labour force	106.9	108.8	1.7	1.9	1.8	0.7	1.8	1.7	0.6
Employment	93.9	95.4	1.7	1.5	-2.3	-2.3	1.6	-2.4	-2.4
Unemployment	13.0	13.4	1.4	0.4	4.1	3.0	3.1	44.1	28.8
Participation rate	70.1	71.3	1.1	1.2	0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.2	12.3	1.2	0.1	3.6	2.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	62.5	1.1	1.0	-2.2	-2.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.5	42.6	1.8	-2.9	-2.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	354.1	354.3	...	0.2	2.3	3.5	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	266.1	268.2	1.4	2.1	2.8	3.0	0.8	1.1	1.1
Employment	255.0	256.9	1.6	1.9	3.3	1.5	0.7	1.3	0.6
Unemployment	11.1	11.3	1.2	0.2	-0.5	1.5	1.8	-4.2	15.3
Participation rate	75.1	75.7	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.2	0.5	0.0	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.0	72.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	6.2	0.6	0.0	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	371.3	371.5	...	0.2	2.5	3.7	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	231.5	232.2	1.6	0.7	3.8	4.9	0.3	1.7	2.2
Employment	221.9	222.0	1.6	0.1	2.8	4.1	0.0	1.3	1.9
Unemployment	9.5	10.2	1.1	0.7	1.0	0.8	7.4	10.9	8.5
Participation rate	62.3	62.5	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	59.8	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.9	23.5	1.0	-1.4	1.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	570.8	574.3	2.9	3.5	3.7	3.3	0.6	0.6	0.6
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	141.6	144.6	2.2	3.0	1.9	4.1	2.1	1.3	2.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	31.2	30.6	1.2	-0.6	-1.1	-0.1	-1.9	-3.5	-0.3
Utilities	6.9	7.2	0.5	0.3	1.2	1.6	4.3	20.0	28.6
Construction	7.0	8.0	0.4	1.0	1.4	0.8	14.3	21.2	11.1
Manufacturing	28.3	27.9	1.2	-0.4	1.4	-0.2	-1.4	5.3	-0.7
Services-producing sector									
Trade	68.1	70.9	1.6	2.8	-1.1	2.0	4.1	-1.5	2.9
Transportation and warehousing	429.2	429.6	2.9	0.4	1.8	-0.9	0.1	0.4	-0.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	85.4	84.2	1.7	-1.2	-1.3	0.0	-1.4	-1.5	0.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	31.5	31.4	1.1	-0.1	-2.9	-2.8	-0.3	-8.5	-8.2
Business, building and other support services	30.3	28.4	1.0	-1.9	-1.6	-0.6	-6.3	-5.3	-2.1
Educational services	25.1	24.3	0.9	-0.8	0.6	0.8	-3.2	2.5	3.4
Health care and social assistance	20.5	20.4	1.0	-0.1	3.9	1.4	-0.5	23.6	7.4
Information, culture and recreation	42.1	43.1	1.3	1.0	0.2	1.5	2.4	0.5	3.6
Accommodation and food services	77.0	78.1	1.4	1.1	3.2	4.9	1.4	4.3	6.7
Other services	24.9	24.7	1.1	-0.2	1.2	2.1	-0.8	5.1	9.3
Public administration	31.9	33.5	1.4	1.6	-5.9	-5.0	5.0	-15.0	-13.0
Other services	24.5	25.3	1.1	0.8	0.9	-4.4	3.3	3.7	-14.8
Public administration	36.0	36.4	1.0	0.4	3.5	1.4	1.1	10.6	4.0

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 11

Selected labour force characteristics, Saskatchewan (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	758.0	758.2	...	0.2	2.0	2.4	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	513.6	515.2	2.5	1.6	-2.6	-0.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.1
Employment	486.8	487.6	2.6	0.8	-0.8	1.0	0.2	-0.2	0.2
Employment full-time	389.2	389.5	3.1	0.3	-2.9	1.3	0.1	-0.7	0.3
Unemployment	26.8	27.6	1.8	0.8	-1.7	-1.5	3.0	-5.8	-5.2
Participation rate	67.8	68.0	0.3	0.2	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.4	0.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.2	64.3	0.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.1	20.1	0.6	0.0	0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	138.4	138.4	...	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Labour force	94.0	93.8	1.6	-0.2	0.5	0.2	-0.2	0.5	0.2
Employment	84.1	83.6	1.5	-0.5	1.9	-0.3	-0.6	2.3	-0.4
Unemployment	9.9	10.3	1.2	0.4	-1.3	0.6	4.0	-11.2	6.2
Participation rate	67.9	67.8	1.1	-0.1	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	11.0	1.2	0.5	-1.4	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	60.4	1.1	-0.4	1.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	40.0	44.3	1.8	4.3	2.2	3.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	302.0	302.1	...	0.1	0.8	1.1	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	225.0	226.8	1.3	1.8	-2.3	-0.7	0.8	-1.0	-0.3
Employment	214.9	216.1	1.4	1.2	-2.4	0.4	0.6	-1.1	0.2
Unemployment	10.2	10.7	1.1	0.5	0.0	-1.2	4.9	0.0	-10.1
Participation rate	74.5	75.1	0.4	0.6	-0.9	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.5	4.7	0.5	0.2	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.2	71.5	0.5	0.3	-1.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.9	6.6	0.6	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	317.6	317.7	...	0.1	1.0	1.3	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	194.6	194.5	1.4	-0.1	-0.9	-0.1	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1
Employment	187.9	187.9	1.4	0.0	-0.4	0.9	0.0	-0.2	0.5
Unemployment	6.7	6.7	0.9	0.0	-0.4	-0.9	0.0	-5.6	-11.8
Participation rate	61.3	61.2	0.5	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.4	3.4	0.5	0.0	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	59.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	26.1	24.9	1.0	-1.2	0.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	486.8	487.6	2.6	0.8	-0.8	1.0	0.2	-0.2	0.2
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	128.3	129.3	1.9	1.0	3.6	8.9	0.8	2.9	7.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	45.3	46.0	1.4	0.7	-2.9	-0.3	1.5	-5.9	-0.6
Utilities	19.7	18.9	0.9	-0.8	-1.7	1.3	-4.1	-8.3	7.4
Construction	5.6	5.8	0.4	0.2	1.2	0.9	3.6	26.1	18.4
Manufacturing	26.8	26.9	1.0	0.1	4.0	3.0	0.4	17.5	12.6
Services-producing sector	30.8	31.7	0.9	0.9	2.9	4.0	2.9	10.1	14.4
Services-producing sector									
Trade	358.6	358.3	2.6	-0.3	-4.4	-7.9	-0.1	-1.2	-2.2
Transportation and warehousing	77.5	76.9	1.5	-0.6	-2.7	-0.8	-0.8	-3.4	-1.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	23.5	22.7	0.9	-0.8	-0.6	-1.1	-3.4	-2.6	-4.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	24.2	25.7	0.8	1.5	-1.2	-1.2	6.2	-4.5	-4.5
Business, building and other support services	15.7	16.6	0.7	0.9	-0.7	-2.2	5.7	-4.0	-11.7
Educational services	12.6	12.4	0.7	-0.2	0.2	1.4	-1.6	1.6	12.7
Health care and social assistance	41.2	39.7	1.2	-1.5	-0.9	-1.2	-3.6	-2.2	-2.9
Information, culture and recreation	62.1	61.6	1.1	-0.5	4.3	1.8	-0.8	7.5	3.0
Accommodation and food services	21.0	21.4	0.8	0.4	-1.9	3.1	1.9	-8.2	16.9
Other services	34.6	33.2	1.3	-1.4	-0.9	-2.1	-4.0	-2.6	-5.9
Public administration	24.0	24.8	1.0	0.8	4.0	-1.0	3.3	19.2	-3.9
Public administration	22.1	23.2	0.8	1.1	-4.1	-4.6	5.0	-15.0	-16.5

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 12

Selected labour force characteristics, Alberta (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	2,520.1	2,524.3	...	4.2	30.6	45.7	0.2	1.2	1.8
Labour force	1,829.3	1,843.7	7.5	14.4	3.0	23.9	0.8	0.2	1.3
Employment	1,744.2	1,757.9	8.4	13.7	6.4	32.0	0.8	0.4	1.9
Employment full-time	1,435.9	1,434.9	10.2	-1.0	1.2	19.5	-0.1	0.1	1.4
Unemployment	85.1	85.8	5.9	0.7	-3.4	-8.1	0.8	-3.8	-8.6
Participation rate	72.6	73.0	0.3	0.4	-0.8	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.7	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.2	69.6	0.3	0.4	-0.6	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.7	18.4	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	469.3	469.7	...	0.4	3.4	5.3	0.1	0.7	1.1
Labour force	327.9	333.3	4.9	5.4	6.4	-4.7	1.6	2.0	-1.4
Employment	300.4	302.4	5.0	2.0	2.2	-5.6	0.7	0.7	-1.8
Unemployment	27.5	30.9	3.6	3.4	4.2	0.9	12.4	15.7	3.0
Participation rate	69.9	71.0	1.1	1.1	0.9	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	9.3	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	64.4	1.1	0.4	0.0	-1.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.7	40.5	1.7	0.8	1.5	1.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,026.0	1,027.9	...	1.9	13.8	20.1	0.2	1.4	2.0
Labour force	823.6	825.8	3.8	2.2	-8.9	1.1	0.3	-1.1	0.1
Employment	792.4	799.9	4.6	7.5	-1.4	9.0	0.9	-0.2	1.1
Unemployment	31.2	25.8	3.3	-5.4	-7.6	-8.1	-17.3	-22.8	-23.9
Participation rate	80.3	80.3	0.4	0.0	-2.0	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.8	3.1	0.4	-0.7	-0.9	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.2	77.8	0.4	0.6	-1.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.6	4.9	0.5	0.3	-0.9	-0.5	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,024.9	1,026.7	...	1.8	13.5	20.3	0.2	1.3	2.0
Labour force	677.8	684.6	4.4	6.8	5.6	27.6	1.0	0.8	4.2
Employment	651.4	655.6	4.5	4.2	5.7	28.6	0.6	0.9	4.6
Unemployment	26.4	29.0	3.1	2.6	-0.2	-1.0	9.8	-0.7	-3.3
Participation rate	66.1	66.7	0.5	0.6	-0.3	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.9	4.2	0.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.6	63.9	0.5	0.3	-0.2	1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.4	24.6	0.9	1.2	0.8	1.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	1,744.2	1,757.9	8.4	13.7	6.4	32.0	0.8	0.4	1.9
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	496.4	511.9	6.5	15.5	17.2	20.4	3.1	3.5	4.2
Agriculture	67.8	71.9	2.6	4.1	-0.1	0.4	6.0	-0.1	0.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	112.8	115.9	3.2	3.1	6.9	6.8	2.7	6.3	6.2
Utilities	14.0	13.5	1.0	-0.5	-1.6	0.9	-3.6	-10.6	7.1
Construction	155.8	163.7	4.3	7.9	17.9	7.4	5.1	12.3	4.7
Manufacturing	146.0	146.9	3.9	0.9	-5.9	4.9	0.6	-3.9	3.5
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	1,247.8	1,246.0	8.7	-1.8	-10.8	11.6	-0.1	-0.9	0.9
Trade	260.0	258.6	5.0	-1.4	-16.3	-6.9	-0.5	-5.9	-2.6
Transportation and warehousing	97.6	98.2	3.0	0.6	4.9	5.9	0.6	5.3	6.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	82.1	86.7	2.8	4.6	-5.4	-0.8	5.6	-5.9	-0.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	129.6	121.2	3.5	-8.4	0.4	1.7	-6.5	0.3	1.4
Business, building and other support services	66.2	64.5	3.1	-1.7	4.0	4.3	-2.6	6.6	7.1
Educational services	102.9	102.4	3.3	-0.5	-6.3	-6.3	-0.5	-5.8	-5.8
Health care and social assistance	166.6	169.9	3.4	3.3	4.1	13.8	2.0	2.5	8.8
Information, culture and recreation	70.3	72.3	2.9	2.0	2.7	0.4	2.8	3.9	0.6
Accommodation and food services	125.2	127.8	3.8	2.6	7.6	9.7	2.1	6.3	8.2
Other services	79.6	75.9	2.8	-3.7	-3.5	-6.0	-4.6	-4.4	-7.3
Public administration	67.8	68.6	2.3	0.8	-3.1	-4.0	1.2	-4.3	-5.5

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Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 13

Selected labour force characteristics, British Columbia (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	3,420.1	3,425.3	...	5.2	38.4	54.4	0.2	1.1	1.6
Labour force	2,244.9	2,239.1	11.3	-5.8	16.5	21.0	-0.3	0.7	0.9
Employment	2,081.5	2,067.0	11.7	-14.5	-4.4	39.5	-0.7	-0.2	1.9
Employment full-time	1,636.9	1,623.3	13.6	-13.6	1.8	57.7	-0.8	0.1	3.7
Unemployment	163.3	172.1	9.0	8.8	21.0	-18.5	5.4	13.9	-9.7
Participation rate	65.6	65.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.7	0.4	0.4	0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	60.3	0.3	-0.6	-0.9	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.4	21.5	0.6	0.1	-0.3	-1.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	556.5	557.3	...	0.8	4.8	7.3	0.1	0.9	1.3
Labour force	356.8	338.6	6.2	-18.2	-16.6	-10.8	-5.1	-4.7	-3.1
Employment	305.1	291.4	6.3	-13.7	-18.3	-1.1	-4.5	-5.9	-0.4
Unemployment	51.7	47.3	5.2	-4.4	1.8	-9.6	-8.5	4.0	-16.9
Participation rate	64.1	60.8	1.1	-3.3	-3.5	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.5	14.0	1.4	-0.5	1.2	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.8	52.3	1.1	-2.5	-3.8	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	47.4	48.5	2.0	1.1	0.5	-2.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,395.0	1,397.0	...	2.0	15.5	21.7	0.1	1.1	1.6
Labour force	1,008.2	1,012.9	6.0	4.7	21.7	20.2	0.5	2.2	2.0
Employment	950.8	951.4	6.4	0.6	17.2	33.3	0.1	1.8	3.6
Unemployment	57.4	61.4	5.4	4.0	4.5	-13.2	7.0	7.9	-17.7
Participation rate	72.3	72.5	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	6.1	0.5	0.4	0.4	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.2	68.1	0.5	-0.1	0.5	1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.5	7.6	0.6	0.0	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,468.6	1,470.9	...	2.3	17.9	25.3	0.2	1.2	1.8
Labour force	879.9	887.7	6.4	7.8	11.5	11.6	0.9	1.3	1.3
Employment	825.6	824.2	6.7	-1.4	-3.3	7.2	-0.2	-0.4	0.9
Unemployment	54.3	63.5	4.6	9.2	14.8	4.4	16.9	30.4	7.4
Participation rate	59.9	60.4	0.4	0.5	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	7.2	0.5	1.0	1.6	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	56.0	0.5	-0.2	-1.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	27.7	28.0	1.0	0.3	0.6	-1.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	2,081.5	2,067.0	11.7	-14.5	-4.4	39.5	-0.7	-0.2	1.9
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	441.2	438.6	7.9	-2.6	21.8	18.3	-0.6	5.2	4.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	38.2	34.8	2.8	-3.4	1.9	1.3	-8.9	5.8	3.9
Utilities	39.2	37.4	2.9	-1.8	-3.5	-5.6	-4.6	-8.6	-13.0
Construction	10.3	11.5	1.1	1.2	0.6	-2.1	11.7	5.5	-15.4
Manufacturing	148.1	152.9	4.9	4.8	24.5	29.8	3.2	19.1	24.2
Services-producing sector	205.4	202.0	5.5	-3.4	-1.7	-5.1	-1.7	-0.8	-2.5
Services-producing sector	1,640.3	1,628.5	11.7	-11.8	-26.1	21.3	-0.7	-1.6	1.3
Trade	313.2	302.3	7.1	-10.9	-19.3	-14.9	-3.5	-6.0	-4.7
Transportation and warehousing	125.9	119.2	4.0	-6.7	3.4	5.1	-5.3	2.9	4.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	128.3	140.7	4.4	12.4	8.0	17.4	9.7	6.0	14.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	148.2	141.3	4.6	-6.9	-4.5	-7.8	-4.7	-3.1	-5.2
Business, building and other support services	83.8	86.2	4.2	2.4	-4.8	4.6	2.9	-5.3	5.6
Educational services	135.7	133.1	4.6	-2.6	-10.2	-11.4	-1.9	-7.1	-7.9
Health care and social assistance	226.0	221.3	5.0	-4.7	1.0	11.6	-2.1	0.5	5.5
Information, culture and recreation	107.6	111.4	4.5	3.8	1.1	3.2	3.5	1.0	3.0
Accommodation and food services	177.5	178.0	5.5	0.5	2.3	8.5	0.3	1.3	5.0
Other services	95.9	97.5	4.1	1.6	-2.6	-1.2	1.7	-2.6	-1.2
Public administration	98.4	97.5	3.6	-0.9	-0.5	6.3	-0.9	-0.5	6.9

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Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	145.6	145.7	...	0.1	1.1	1.8	0.1	0.8	1.3
Labour force	97.6	97.2	0.9	-0.4	0.6	-0.9	-0.4	0.6	-0.9
Employment	88.3	88.3	0.9	0.0	1.4	-1.1	0.0	1.6	-1.2
Unemployment	9.3	8.9	0.5	-0.4	-0.8	0.2	-4.3	-8.2	2.3
Participation rate	67.0	66.7	0.6	-0.3	-0.1	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.5	9.2	0.5	-0.3	-0.8	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.6	0.6	0.0	0.5	-1.5	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	292.5	292.9	...	0.4	2.9	4.3	0.1	1.0	1.5
Labour force	208.0	207.7	1.3	-0.3	5.2	4.6	-0.1	2.6	2.3
Employment	195.8	195.7	1.3	-0.1	5.0	7.0	-0.1	2.6	3.7
Unemployment	12.2	12.0	0.7	-0.2	0.3	-2.4	-1.6	2.6	-16.7
Participation rate	71.1	70.9	0.4	-0.2	1.1	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.8	0.3	-0.1	0.0	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.9	66.8	0.4	-0.1	1.0	1.4	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	101.1	101.1	...	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2
Labour force	66.2	66.5	0.7	0.3	1.9	2.5	0.5	2.9	3.9
Employment	60.4	60.7	0.7	0.3	1.8	2.9	0.5	3.1	5.0
Unemployment	5.9	5.8	0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.4	-1.7	1.8	-6.5
Participation rate	65.5	65.8	0.7	0.3	1.8	2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.7	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	60.0	0.7	0.3	1.7	2.7	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	130.0	129.9	...	-0.1	-0.6	-0.7	-0.1	-0.5	-0.5
Labour force	84.6	83.3	0.7	-1.3	3.9	3.0	-1.5	4.9	3.7
Employment	75.9	74.8	0.8	-1.1	4.8	2.8	-1.4	6.9	3.9
Unemployment	8.8	8.5	0.5	-0.3	-0.9	0.2	-3.4	-9.6	2.4
Participation rate	65.1	64.1	0.6	-1.0	3.3	2.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.4	10.2	0.6	-0.2	-1.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	57.6	0.6	-0.8	4.0	2.5	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	582.3	582.8	...	0.5	4.3	6.3	0.1	0.7	1.1
Labour force	382.0	380.8	2.9	-1.2	3.3	-9.9	-0.3	0.9	-2.5
Employment	361.5	361.5	3.0	0.0	11.8	-7.6	0.0	3.4	-2.1
Unemployment	20.5	19.3	1.5	-1.2	-8.5	-2.2	-5.9	-30.6	-10.2
Participation rate	65.6	65.3	0.5	-0.3	0.0	-2.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.1	0.4	-0.3	-2.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.1	62.0	0.5	-0.1	1.6	-2.0	...	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	118.2	118.2	...	0.0	0.4	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.6
Labour force	70.5	70.7	0.8	0.2	-2.9	-1.0	0.3	-3.9	-1.4
Employment	62.7	63.0	0.8	0.3	-2.9	-0.5	0.5	-4.4	-0.8
Unemployment	7.9	7.8	0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.4	-1.3	1.3	-4.9
Participation rate	59.6	59.8	0.7	0.2	-2.7	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	11.0	0.6	-0.2	0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.0	53.3	0.7	0.3	-2.6	-0.7	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	130.0	130.2	...	0.2	1.3	1.9	0.2	1.0	1.5
Labour force	87.0	86.5	0.7	-0.5	0.9	1.2	-0.6	1.1	1.4
Employment	81.5	80.7	0.7	-0.8	1.5	2.3	-1.0	1.9	2.9
Unemployment	5.5	5.7	0.4	0.2	-0.7	-1.2	3.6	-10.9	-17.4
Participation rate	66.9	66.4	0.6	-0.5	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.6	0.5	0.3	-0.9	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.7	62.0	0.6	-0.7	0.6	0.9	...	...	...

Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Continued

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,948.9	2,953.0	...	4.1	31.9	47.7	0.1	1.1	1.6
Labour force	1,986.4	1,989.1	7.3	2.7	-29.5	14.3	0.1	-1.5	0.7
Employment	1,827.4	1,826.4	7.6	-1.0	-7.0	49.0	-0.1	-0.4	2.8
Unemployment	159.0	162.7	4.9	3.7	-22.5	-34.7	2.3	-12.1	-17.6
Participation rate	67.4	67.4	0.3	0.0	-1.7	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.2	0.2	0.2	-1.0	-1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.8	0.3	-0.2	-1.0	0.6	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	933.3	935.2	...	1.9	14.3	21.2	0.2	1.6	2.3
Labour force	660.6	658.8	3.3	-1.8	3.9	1.1	-0.3	0.6	0.2
Employment	616.3	615.7	3.4	-0.6	8.4	-0.5	-0.1	1.4	-0.1
Unemployment	44.3	43.1	1.8	-1.2	-4.5	1.6	-2.7	-9.5	3.9
Participation rate	70.8	70.4	0.4	-0.4	-0.7	-1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.5	0.3	-0.2	-0.8	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.0	65.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	-1.6	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,253.8	4,263.4	...	9.6	74.8	109.3	0.2	1.8	2.6
Labour force	2,995.7	3,000.7	8.7	5.0	99.3	93.6	0.2	3.4	3.2
Employment	2,770.7	2,775.2	9.1	4.5	85.1	109.5	0.2	3.2	4.1
Unemployment	225.0	225.5	5.5	0.5	14.2	-15.9	0.2	6.7	-6.6
Participation rate	70.4	70.4	0.2	0.0	1.1	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.5	0.2	0.0	0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	65.1	0.2	0.0	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	571.7	572.4	...	0.7	4.8	7.1	0.1	0.8	1.3
Labour force	400.9	401.6	2.6	0.7	10.7	11.1	0.2	2.7	2.8
Employment	375.8	377.3	2.6	1.5	7.9	12.4	0.4	2.1	3.4
Unemployment	25.1	24.3	1.4	-0.8	2.8	-1.3	-3.2	13.0	-5.1
Participation rate	70.1	70.2	0.5	0.1	1.3	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.1	0.4	-0.2	0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.9	0.5	0.2	0.8	1.4	...	...	...
Kitchener, Ontario									
Population	362.7	363.4	...	0.7	4.5	7.0	0.2	1.3	2.0
Labour force	254.8	256.8	1.8	2.0	4.9	7.5	0.8	1.9	3.0
Employment	240.4	242.0	1.9	1.6	2.8	8.5	0.7	1.2	3.6
Unemployment	14.4	14.7	0.8	0.3	2.0	-1.1	2.1	15.7	-7.0
Participation rate	70.3	70.7	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.7	0.3	0.0	0.7	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	66.6	0.5	0.3	0.0	1.1	...	...	...
London, Ontario									
Population	350.2	350.5	...	0.3	1.8	2.9	0.1	0.5	0.8
Labour force	244.6	246.1	1.9	1.5	5.3	12.3	0.6	2.2	5.3
Employment	233.1	234.3	2.0	1.2	10.8	16.0	0.5	4.8	7.3
Unemployment	11.5	11.8	0.9	0.3	-5.6	-3.7	2.6	-32.2	-23.9
Participation rate	69.8	70.2	0.6	0.4	1.1	2.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.8	0.4	0.1	-2.4	-1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	66.8	0.6	0.2	2.7	4.0	...	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	252.9	253.4	...	0.5	3.6	5.5	0.2	1.4	2.2
Labour force	179.7	177.1	1.3	-2.6	-3.7	-7.0	-1.4	-2.0	-3.8
Employment	171.2	167.9	1.2	-3.3	-4.1	-6.4	-1.9	-2.4	-3.7
Unemployment	8.5	9.2	0.5	0.7	0.4	-0.6	8.2	4.5	-6.1
Participation rate	71.1	69.9	0.5	-1.2	-2.5	-4.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.2	0.3	0.5	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.7	66.3	0.5	-1.4	-2.6	-4.0	...	...	...

Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Continued

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	327.0	327.2	...	0.2	0.9	1.5	0.1	0.3	0.5
Labour force	201.7	201.0	1.6	-0.7	-8.8	-9.6	-0.3	-4.2	-4.6
Employment	184.6	184.4	1.7	-0.2	-11.3	-11.6	-0.1	-5.8	-5.9
Unemployment	17.1	16.5	0.8	-0.6	2.4	1.9	-3.5	17.0	13.0
Participation rate	61.7	61.4	0.5	-0.3	-2.9	-3.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	8.2	0.4	-0.3	1.5	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	56.4	0.5	-0.1	-3.6	-3.8	...	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	126.4	126.3	...	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6
Labour force	81.5	80.6	0.7	-0.9	0.7	1.5	-1.1	0.9	1.9
Employment	74.5	74.3	0.7	-0.2	2.3	1.9	-0.3	3.2	2.6
Unemployment	7.0	6.3	0.4	-0.7	-1.6	-0.4	-10.0	-20.3	-6.0
Participation rate	64.5	63.8	0.5	-0.7	0.7	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	7.8	0.5	-0.8	-2.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.9	58.8	0.5	-0.1	2.0	1.8	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	100.2	100.1	...	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5
Labour force	66.3	66.1	0.6	-0.2	-0.7	-1.8	-0.3	-1.0	-2.7
Employment	60.6	60.3	0.6	-0.3	-1.8	-3.8	-0.5	-2.9	-5.9
Unemployment	5.7	5.8	0.3	0.1	1.1	2.0	1.8	23.4	52.6
Participation rate	66.2	66.0	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.8	0.4	0.2	1.8	3.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.2	0.6	-0.3	-1.7	-3.5	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	265.5	266.0	...	0.5	3.6	5.4	0.2	1.4	2.1
Labour force	175.4	176.5	1.5	1.1	3.4	1.6	0.6	2.0	0.9
Employment	159.9	159.8	1.6	-0.1	-0.2	-2.7	-0.1	-0.1	-1.7
Unemployment	15.5	16.7	0.8	1.2	3.6	4.3	7.7	27.5	34.7
Participation rate	66.1	66.4	0.6	0.3	0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	9.5	0.4	0.7	1.9	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	60.1	0.6	-0.1	-0.9	-2.3	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	547.9	548.7	...	0.8	5.1	7.2	0.1	0.9	1.3
Labour force	387.9	387.8	1.3	-0.1	9.0	5.1	0.0	2.4	1.3
Employment	366.1	365.3	1.3	-0.8	7.4	1.5	-0.2	2.1	0.4
Unemployment	21.8	22.5	0.8	0.7	1.7	3.6	3.2	8.2	19.0
Participation rate	70.8	70.7	0.2	-0.1	1.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.8	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.8	66.6	0.2	-0.2	0.8	-0.6	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	156.5	156.6	...	0.1	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.3	0.4
Labour force	114.7	113.4	0.7	-1.3	-1.3	0.9	-1.1	-1.1	0.8
Employment	109.4	108.6	0.7	-0.8	0.2	2.5	-0.7	0.2	2.4
Unemployment	5.3	4.8	0.4	-0.5	-1.5	-1.6	-9.4	-23.8	-25.0
Participation rate	73.3	72.4	0.5	-0.9	-1.1	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.2	0.3	-0.4	-1.3	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.9	69.3	0.5	-0.6	-0.1	1.2	...	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	184.6	184.8	...	0.2	1.4	1.9	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	128.6	129.3	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.7	0.7
Employment	120.8	121.5	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.3
Unemployment	7.8	7.7	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	0.4	-1.3	-1.3	5.5
Participation rate	69.7	70.0	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.7	0.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...

Table 14**Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Concluded**

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	856.6	858.4	...	1.8	13.6	20.4	0.2	1.6	2.4
Labour force	643.3	644.3	2.9	1.0	9.0	14.1	0.2	1.4	2.2
Employment	611.7	611.8	3.1	0.1	11.9	12.0	0.0	2.0	2.0
Unemployment	31.6	32.5	1.7	0.9	-2.9	2.2	2.8	-8.2	7.3
Participation rate	75.1	75.1	0.4	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.0	0.3	0.1	-0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.4	71.3	0.4	-0.1	0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	794.5	795.6	...	1.1	7.5	11.8	0.1	1.0	1.5
Labour force	568.1	568.6	2.7	0.5	-4.4	4.8	0.1	-0.8	0.9
Employment	544.2	542.7	2.7	-1.5	-3.9	7.5	-0.3	-0.7	1.4
Unemployment	23.8	25.9	1.3	2.1	-0.5	-2.7	8.8	-1.9	-9.4
Participation rate	71.5	71.5	0.3	0.0	-1.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.6	0.2	0.4	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.5	68.2	0.4	-0.3	-1.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,814.3	1,818.1	...	3.8	27.4	39.3	0.2	1.5	2.2
Labour force	1,237.1	1,227.5	5.0	-9.6	18.1	25.7	-0.8	1.5	2.1
Employment	1,147.4	1,140.3	5.2	-7.1	7.2	33.0	-0.6	0.6	3.0
Unemployment	89.7	87.2	3.0	-2.5	10.9	-7.2	-2.8	14.3	-7.6
Participation rate	68.2	67.5	0.3	-0.7	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.1	0.2	-0.2	0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	62.7	0.3	-0.5	-0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	263.9	264.1	...	0.2	2.4	2.9	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	169.3	169.1	1.8	-0.2	0.8	3.0	-0.1	0.5	1.8
Employment	160.4	160.1	1.8	-0.3	0.7	4.8	-0.2	0.4	3.1
Unemployment	8.9	9.0	0.7	0.1	0.1	-1.8	1.1	1.1	-16.7
Participation rate	64.2	64.0	0.7	-0.2	-0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	60.6	0.7	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0090

Table 15

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, monthly

	July 2004	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,952.6	2,957.1	...	4.5	32.1	49.0	0.2	1.1	1.7
Labour force	1,988.2	1,990.2	15.6	2.0	-28.2	0.0	0.1	-1.4	0.0
Employment	1,823.3	1,832.3	16.2	9.0	3.3	60.2	0.5	0.2	3.4
Unemployment	164.8	158.0	11.7	-6.8	-31.4	-60.1	-4.1	-16.6	-27.6
Participation rate	67.3	67.3	0.5	0.0	-1.7	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	7.9	0.6	-0.4	-1.5	-3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	62.0	0.6	0.2	-0.5	1.1	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,262.9	4,272.4	...	9.5	75.9	111.3	0.2	1.8	2.7
Labour force	3,000.4	3,005.7	18.6	5.3	90.6	111.8	0.2	3.1	3.9
Employment	2,770.2	2,775.2	18.8	5.0	69.3	120.4	0.2	2.6	4.5
Unemployment	230.2	230.5	13.0	0.3	21.3	-8.6	0.1	10.2	-3.6
Participation rate	70.4	70.4	0.4	0.0	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.7	0.4	0.0	0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.0	65.0	0.4	0.0	0.5	1.2	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,817.9	1,821.7	...	3.8	28.1	40.3	0.2	1.6	2.3
Labour force	1,226.6	1,218.7	10.9	-7.9	12.9	8.8	-0.6	1.1	0.7
Employment	1,140.3	1,133.4	11.1	-6.9	-3.4	18.3	-0.6	-0.3	1.6
Unemployment	86.3	85.3	7.4	-1.0	16.2	-9.4	-1.2	23.4	-9.9
Participation rate	67.5	66.9	0.6	-0.6	-0.3	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.0	0.6	0.0	1.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.7	62.2	0.6	-0.5	-1.2	-0.4	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0091

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in August 2003 and August 2004**

	August	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Canada	2003	25,263.1	17,423.7	16,071.3	1,352.5	69.0	7.8	63.6
	2004	25,622.0	17,641.2	16,373.9	1,267.3	68.9	7.2	63.9
Newfoundland and Labrador	2003	438.6	277.9	239.0	39.0	63.4	14.0	54.5
	2004	439.4	283.0	243.8	39.3	64.4	13.9	55.5
010 Avalon Peninsula	2003	208.6	136.8	119.9	16.8	65.6	12.3	57.5
	2004	210.6	138.4	123.0	15.4	65.7	11.1	58.4
020 South Coast-Burin Peninsula	2003	36.6	20.2	16.6	3.7	55.2	18.3	45.4
	2004	36.0	22.8	18.7	4.1	63.3	18.0	51.9
030 West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador	2003	93.8	61.5	53.2	8.3	65.6	13.5	56.7
	2004	93.6	61.5	51.6	9.9	65.7	16.1	55.1
040 Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay	2003	99.6	59.4	49.3	10.1	59.6	17.0	49.5
	2004	99.2	60.3	50.4	9.8	60.8	16.3	50.8
Prince Edward Island	2003	113.4	82.8	76.5	6.2	73.0	7.5	67.5
	2004	114.7	82.6	75.7	6.9	72.0	8.4	66.0
Nova Scotia	2003	760.1	495.7	450.5	45.2	65.2	9.1	59.3
	2004	764.6	505.8	464.2	41.7	66.2	8.2	60.7
210 Cape Breton	2003	119.7	67.3	56.5	10.8	56.2	16.0	47.2
	2004	118.8	68.6	58.8	9.8	57.7	14.3	49.5
220 North Shore	2003	133.3	84.2	76.6	7.7	63.2	9.1	57.5
	2004	133.5	84.7	77.0	7.7	63.4	9.1	57.7
230 Annapolis Valley	2003	102.1	63.7	58.0	5.7	62.4	8.9	56.8
	2004	102.7	68.1	62.6	5.6	66.3	8.2	61.0
240 Southern	2003	104.4	67.1	60.6	6.5	64.3	9.7	58.0
	2004	104.7	66.7	60.3	6.5	63.7	9.7	57.6
250 Halifax	2003	300.6	213.5	198.9	14.6	71.0	6.8	66.2
	2004	305.0	217.6	205.6	12.0	71.3	5.5	67.4
New Brunswick	2003	609.7	402.0	362.7	39.3	65.9	9.8	59.5
	2004	612.7	411.4	373.3	38.1	67.1	9.3	60.9
310 Campbellton-Miramichi	2003	144.9	85.7	72.5	13.2	59.1	15.4	50.0
	2004	144.3	90.8	78.0	12.8	62.9	14.1	54.1
320 Moncton-Richibucto	2003	154.8	107.5	98.7	8.8	69.4	8.2	63.8
	2004	156.7	110.5	102.4	8.1	70.5	7.3	65.3
330 Saint John-St. Stephen	2003	140.0	91.8	83.1	8.7	65.6	9.5	59.4
	2004	140.6	93.4	86.0	7.4	66.4	7.9	61.2
340 Fredericton-Oromocto	2003	100.1	68.8	63.8	5.0	68.7	7.3	63.7
	2004	101.3	69.4	63.6	5.8	68.5	8.4	62.8
350 Edmundston-Woodstock	2003	69.9	48.2	44.6	3.6	69.0	7.5	63.8
	2004	69.9	47.2	43.3	3.9	67.5	8.3	61.9
Quebec	2003	6,084.4	4,108.8	3,739.7	369.2	67.5	9.0	61.5
	2004	6,151.8	4,118.4	3,797.9	320.5	66.9	7.8	61.7
410 Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	2003	81.9	49.2	42.0	7.2	60.1	14.6	51.3
	2004	81.6	44.5	36.9	7.6	54.5	17.1	45.2
415 Bas-Saint-Laurent	2003	167.1	101.2	93.8	7.3	60.6	7.2	56.1
	2004	166.9	110.1	102.6	7.5	66.0	6.8	61.5
420 Québec	2003	539.6	368.2	346.9	21.2	68.2	5.8	64.3
	2004	545.4	357.0	340.2	16.7	65.5	4.7	62.4

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in August 2003 and August 2004 - Continued**

	August	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Quebec - Continued								
425 Chaudière-Appalaches	2003	320.1	225.9	215.3	10.6	70.6	4.7	67.3
	2004	321.6	228.6	216.2	12.4	71.1	5.4	67.2
430 Estrie	2003	239.8	163.2	152.7	10.5	68.1	6.4	63.7
	2004	242.1	157.6	146.4	11.1	65.1	7.0	60.5
433 Centre-du-Québec	2003	180.5	119.9	109.1	10.8	66.4	9.0	60.4
	2004	181.5	116.4	107.7	8.7	64.1	7.5	59.3
435 Montérégie	2003	1,085.3	759.3	701.8	57.6	70.0	7.6	64.7
	2004	1,098.6	747.7	693.3	54.4	68.1	7.3	63.1
440 Montréal	2003	1,522.9	1,013.0	887.5	125.6	66.5	12.4	58.3
	2004	1,544.0	1,023.0	923.2	99.8	66.3	9.8	59.8
445 Laval	2003	294.4	202.8	186.2	16.6	68.9	8.2	63.2
	2004	298.9	205.5	188.7	16.9	68.8	8.2	63.1
450 Lanaudière	2003	329.0	232.0	209.3	22.8	70.5	9.8	63.6
	2004	334.6	233.6	219.7	13.9	69.8	6.0	65.7
455 Laurentides	2003	394.0	265.6	245.6	20.1	67.4	7.6	62.3
	2004	402.9	285.8	269.2	16.6	70.9	5.8	66.8
460 Outaouais	2003	266.4	189.9	175.4	14.5	71.3	7.6	65.8
	2004	272.4	191.3	178.4	12.9	70.2	6.7	65.5
465 Abitibi-Témiscamingue	2003	119.9	75.9	67.6	8.3	63.3	10.9	56.4
	2004	119.1	77.8	70.9	6.8	65.3	8.7	59.5
470 Mauricie	2003	215.5	133.6	120.9	12.7	62.0	9.5	56.1
	2004	215.5	129.9	116.8	13.1	60.3	10.1	54.2
475 Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean	2003	231.9	149.0	132.3	16.6	64.3	11.1	57.1
	2004	231.1	149.5	132.9	16.7	64.7	11.2	57.5
480 and 490 Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec	2003	96.0	60.1	53.3	6.8	62.6	11.3	55.5
	2004	95.3	60.1	54.8	5.3	63.1	8.8	57.5
Ontario								
	2003	9,789.9	6,827.5	6,315.9	511.6	69.7	7.5	64.5
	2004	9,962.1	6,943.9	6,443.7	500.1	69.7	7.2	64.7
510 Ottawa	2003	949.5	673.6	628.3	45.2	70.9	6.7	66.2
	2004	967.0	660.5	616.6	43.9	68.3	6.6	63.8
515 Kingston-Pembroke	2003	338.3	207.8	195.9	11.9	61.4	5.7	57.9
	2004	339.5	217.7	204.3	13.4	64.1	6.2	60.2
520 Muskoka-Kawartha	2003	299.6	198.3	187.1	11.2	66.2	5.6	62.4
	2004	302.9	187.1	176.7	10.4	61.8	5.6	58.3
530 Toronto	2003	4,352.5	3,101.8	2,831.3	270.5	71.3	8.7	65.0
	2004	4,466.0	3,186.5	2,929.1	257.4	71.4	8.1	65.6
540 Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie	2003	895.0	641.5	605.9	35.6	71.7	5.5	67.7
	2004	915.3	661.6	626.0	35.6	72.3	5.4	68.4
550 Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula	2003	1,084.7	751.2	700.4	50.8	69.3	6.8	64.6
	2004	1,095.5	749.3	699.8	49.5	68.4	6.6	63.9
560 London	2003	486.9	340.3	317.3	23.0	69.9	6.8	65.2
	2004	490.9	356.3	337.1	19.3	72.6	5.4	68.7
570 Windsor-Sarnia	2003	514.7	338.7	315.2	23.5	65.8	6.9	61.2
	2004	520.6	344.1	312.4	31.7	66.1	9.2	60.0

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in August 2003 and August 2004 - Continued**

	August	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Ontario - Continued								
580 Stratford-Bruce Peninsula	2003	236.5	161.4	152.6	8.8	68.2	5.5	64.5
	2004	237.5	174.0	167.1	6.9	73.3	4.0	70.4
590 Northeast	2003	453.3	281.8	258.1	23.6	62.2	8.4	56.9
	2004	449.6	283.6	260.2	23.5	63.1	8.3	57.9
595 Northwest	2003	178.9	131.1	123.7	7.4	73.3	5.6	69.1
	2004	177.4	123.0	114.4	8.6	69.3	7.0	64.5
Manitoba								
	2003	868.3	609.2	579.2	30.0	70.2	4.9	66.7
	2004	877.9	617.0	581.9	35.1	70.3	5.7	66.3
610 Southeast	2003	70.7	52.6	50.6	2.0	74.4	3.8	71.6
	2004	72.3	53.6	51.2	2.4	74.1	4.5	70.8
620 South Central	2003	41.0	27.8	27.1	0.7	67.8	2.5	66.1
	2004	41.8	30.6	29.3	1.3	73.2	4.2	70.1
630 Southwest	2003	82.1	56.1	54.3	1.8	68.3	3.2	66.1
	2004	82.0	56.4	54.1	2.3	68.8	4.1	66.0
640 North Central	2003	34.8	24.3	23.2	1.1	69.8	4.5	66.7
	2004	35.0	22.3	21.2	1.1	63.7	4.9	60.6
650 Winnipeg	2003	503.8	358.6	339.7	19.0	71.2	5.3	67.4
	2004	510.0	362.8	340.1	22.7	71.1	6.3	66.7
660 Interlake	2003	68.6	46.3	43.8	2.5	67.5	5.4	63.8
	2004	70.0	48.0	45.4	2.6	68.6	5.4	64.9
670 and 680 Parklands and North	2003	67.2	43.5	40.5	2.9	64.7	6.7	60.3
	2004	66.8	43.4	40.6	2.8	65.0	6.5	60.8
Saskatchewan								
	2003	755.8	529.8	500.4	29.5	70.1	5.6	66.2
	2004	758.0	527.9	500.5	27.4	69.6	5.2	66.0
710 Regina-Moose Mountain	2003	216.1	155.5	146.8	8.7	72.0	5.6	67.9
	2004	216.7	154.6	148.6	6.0	71.3	3.9	68.6
720 Swift Current-Moose Jaw	2003	83.5	59.2	56.9	2.3	70.9	3.9	68.1
	2004	83.0	54.4	51.5	2.9	65.5	5.3	62.0
730 Saskatoon-Biggar	2003	227.7	165.7	156.7	9.0	72.8	5.4	68.8
	2004	229.6	165.7	156.1	9.6	72.2	5.8	68.0
740 Yorkton-Melville	2003	69.0	40.9	39.1	1.7	59.3	4.2	56.7
	2004	68.5	44.8	43.1	1.7	65.4	3.8	62.9
750 and 760 Prince Albert and Northern	2003	159.6	108.5	100.9	7.6	68.0	7.0	63.2
	2004	160.2	108.4	101.2	7.2	67.7	6.6	63.2
Alberta								
	2003	2,475.2	1,847.9	1,754.8	93.1	74.7	5.0	70.9
	2004	2,520.5	1,867.3	1,780.9	86.3	74.1	4.6	70.7
810 Lethbridge-Medicine Hat	2003	193.7	139.1	131.7	7.5	71.8	5.4	68.0
	2004	196.7	140.5	133.3	7.2	71.4	5.1	67.8
820 Camrose-Drumheller	2003	144.2	100.6	96.3	4.3	69.8	4.3	66.8
	2004	145.5	106.8	104.2	2.6	73.4	2.4	71.6
830 Calgary	2003	892.4	679.9	646.6	33.3	76.2	4.9	72.5
	2004	914.6	697.3	662.7	34.6	76.2	5.0	72.5
840 Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House	2003	64.6	46.8	45.0	1.9	72.4	4.1	69.7
	2004	64.7	47.3	46.0	x	73.1	x	71.1

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in August 2003 and August 2004 - Concluded**

	August	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Alberta - Continued								
850 Red Deer	2003	123.9	93.7	87.6	6.1	75.6	6.5	70.7
	2004	126.7	91.9	87.4	4.5	72.5	4.9	69.0
860 Edmonton	2003	807.5	594.7	564.8	29.9	73.6	5.0	69.9
	2004	819.5	596.9	569.1	27.8	72.8	4.7	69.4
870 Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River	2003	171.0	127.8	121.3	6.5	74.7	5.1	70.9
	2004	172.8	124.4	118.5	5.9	72.0	4.7	68.6
880 Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake	2003	78.0	65.1	61.5	3.6	83.5	5.5	78.8
	2004	79.9	62.2	59.8	2.5	77.8	4.0	74.8
British Columbia								
	2003	3,367.7	2,242.2	2,052.7	189.5	66.6	8.5	61.0
	2004	3,420.3	2,283.9	2,112.1	171.8	66.8	7.5	61.8
910 Vancouver Island and Coast	2003	573.1	343.7	313.5	30.3	60.0	8.8	54.7
	2004	579.2	367.0	337.2	29.8	63.4	8.1	58.2
920 Lower Mainland-Southwest	2003	2,020.4	1,385.8	1,275.8	110.1	68.6	7.9	63.1
	2004	2,063.5	1,407.1	1,306.9	100.2	68.2	7.1	63.3
930 Thompson-Okanagan	2003	394.2	249.8	229.0	20.8	63.4	8.3	58.1
	2004	398.9	250.1	231.7	18.3	62.7	7.3	58.1
940 Kootenay	2003	125.2	78.7	69.9	8.8	62.9	11.2	55.8
	2004	125.6	79.7	73.3	6.4	63.5	8.0	58.4
950 Cariboo	2003	134.0	94.1	83.9	10.2	70.2	10.8	62.6
	2004	133.2	94.6	86.4	8.2	71.0	8.7	64.9
960 and 970 North Coast and Nechako	2003	73.0	53.7	47.2	6.5	73.6	12.1	64.7
	2004	72.1	50.4	44.4	6.1	69.9	12.1	61.6
980 Northeast	2003	47.7	36.3	33.5	2.8	76.1	7.7	70.2
	2004	47.7	35.0	32.2	2.8	73.4	8.0	67.5

¹ For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).
Related CANSIM table 282-0054

Table 17

Average usual hours and wages of employees by selected characteristics, Canada (in thousands), unadjusted

	Employees				Full-time			Part-time		
	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Average hourly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages
			\$	\$			\$			\$
August 2004										
15 years and over	13,829.2	36.4	682.29	18.28	11,725.8	39.5	759.97	2,103.4	18.7	249.25
15 to 24 years	2,627.3	31.9	342.76	10.30	1,771.1	38.9	434.63	856.2	17.6	152.71
25 years and over	11,201.9	37.4	761.93	20.15	9,954.7	39.7	817.86	1,247.2	19.4	315.52
Men	7,163.1	38.9	783.81	19.82	6,574.0	40.7	835.23	589.1	18.0	210.04
Women	6,666.1	33.7	573.21	16.62	5,151.8	38.0	663.94	1,514.3	18.9	264.50
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,254.8	36.6	795.00	21.55	3,744.8	38.8	852.61	510.0	20.1	372.06
No union coverage	9,574.4	36.3	632.20	16.82	7,981.0	39.9	716.51	1,593.4	18.2	209.94
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,728.6	36.9	723.42	19.18	10,232.6	39.5	789.64	1,496.1	19.2	270.47
Temporary	2,100.6	33.2	452.67	13.23	1,493.2	39.6	556.67	607.3	17.3	196.97
Occupation										
Management	930.0	40.1	1,181.24	29.54	905.1	40.6	1,202.53	24.9	20.8	406.91
Business, finance and administrative	2,718.7	35.4	637.39	17.72	2,345.2	38.1	693.82	373.5	18.7	283.00
Natural and applied sciences	946.2	38.9	1,012.62	26.03	924.0	39.4	1,026.41	22.2	19.8	438.29
Health	794.7	33.4	748.28	22.24	596.2	37.7	851.39	198.4	20.5	438.45
Social science, education, government service and religion	898.8	35.6	912.51	25.77	761.0	38.5	985.49	137.8	19.5	509.58
Art, culture, recreation and sport	326.9	35.6	639.97	17.73	273.8	39.5	723.97	53.1	15.7	207.14
Sales and service	3,637.5	32.3	418.79	12.27	2,517.6	38.5	528.33	1,119.8	18.3	172.53
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,970.9	40.8	751.02	18.31	1,880.9	41.8	775.70	90.1	18.9	235.75
Occupations unique to primary industry	377.0	42.5	613.25	14.13	342.1	45.2	659.32	34.9	16.9	161.90
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,228.5	39.4	640.81	16.10	1,179.9	40.3	658.42	48.6	18.6	213.66
August 2003										
15 years and over	13,581.3	36.4	666.46	17.85	11,480.5	39.6	743.28	2,100.8	18.6	246.62
15 to 24 years	2,612.6	31.9	340.16	10.23	1,760.5	38.8	430.51	852.1	17.7	153.47
25 years and over	10,968.7	37.5	744.18	19.67	9,720.0	39.8	799.93	1,248.7	19.3	310.19
Men	7,042.7	39.0	770.58	19.48	6,444.6	40.9	821.46	598.2	18.1	222.42
Women	6,538.6	33.6	554.31	16.10	5,035.9	38.0	643.24	1,502.6	18.9	256.26
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,229.6	36.6	775.29	21.01	3,730.8	38.8	828.77	498.7	20.2	375.23
No union coverage	9,351.7	36.3	617.23	16.43	7,749.7	40.0	702.13	1,602.1	18.1	206.59
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,542.5	36.9	706.38	18.74	10,019.6	39.6	773.02	1,522.9	19.2	267.91
Temporary	2,038.8	33.3	440.46	12.85	1,460.9	39.7	539.33	577.9	17.1	190.53
Occupation										
Management	890.4	40.7	1,161.55	28.76	867.8	41.2	1,181.30	22.6	20.3	404.73
Business, finance and administrative	2,609.9	35.4	621.03	17.26	2,236.4	38.3	680.91	373.5	18.1	262.51
Natural and applied sciences	941.0	38.8	976.99	25.33	908.3	39.4	993.25	32.7	20.5	525.62
Health	772.3	33.5	712.44	21.35	576.3	37.8	800.69	196.0	20.7	452.94
Social science, education, government service and religion	930.5	35.8	857.72	24.09	800.8	38.5	920.34	129.7	19.1	471.16
Art, culture, recreation and sport	334.9	34.0	572.95	16.61	260.1	38.9	673.75	74.8	17.0	222.56
Sales and service	3,553.5	32.4	419.34	12.25	2,448.8	38.6	529.42	1,104.7	18.6	175.31
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,950.3	40.6	733.39	17.98	1,860.9	41.7	758.15	89.5	17.8	218.40
Occupations unique to primary industry	348.0	43.1	623.87	14.10	316.4	45.8	670.24	31.6	16.5	159.24
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,250.5	39.5	639.07	16.01	1,204.8	40.3	655.90	45.7	18.3	195.16

Related CANSIM tables 282-0023, 282-0069, 282-0073

Table 18**Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program¹, seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average**

Region	Effective from September 12, 2004 to October 9, 2004	Region	Effective from September 12, 2004 to October 9, 2004
	Unemployment rate		Unemployment rate
	%		%
Newfoundland and Labrador		Ontario - Continued	
01. St. John's	9.3	30. London	4.8
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	19.5	31. Niagara	7.5
Prince Edward Island		32. Windsor	9.5
03. Prince Edward Island	11.6	33. Kitchener	5.7
Nova Scotia		34. Huron	9.8
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	14.6	35. South Central Ontario	4.5
05. Western Nova Scotia	10.2	36. Sudbury	7.9
06. Halifax	5.8	37. Thunder Bay	9.2
New Brunswick		38. Northern Ontario	12.8
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	7.8	Manitoba	
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	10.9	39. Winnipeg	5.8
09. Restigouche-Albert	16.4	40. Southern Manitoba	6.3
Quebec		41. Northern Manitoba	26.7
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	20.7	Saskatchewan	
11. Québec	5.1	42. Regina	4.2
12. Trois-Rivières	11.1	43. Saskatoon	6.0
13. South Central Quebec	5.5	44. Southern Saskatchewan	7.1
14. Sherbrooke	6.6	45. Northern Saskatchewan	14.5
15. Montérégie	6.9	Alberta	
16. Montréal	8.2	46. Calgary	5.2
17. Central Quebec	9.1	47. Edmonton	4.8
18. Northwestern Quebec	15.9	48. Northern Alberta	9.6
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³	13.2	49. Southern Alberta	5.8
20. Hull	5.8	British Columbia	
21. Chicoutimi-Jonquière	10.3	50. Southern Interior British Columbia	8.8
Ontario		51. Abbotsford	6.9
22. Ottawa	6.8	52. Vancouver	7.2
23. Eastern Ontario	6.7	53. Victoria	5.9
24. Kingston	7.4	54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	10.9
25. Central Ontario	5.3	55. Northern British Columbia	13.7
26. Oshawa	5.2	Territories	
27. Toronto	7.5	56. Yukon ⁴	25.0
28. Hamilton	6.0	57. Northwest Territories ⁴	25.0
29. St. Catharines	8.2	58. Nunavut ⁴	25.0

¹ The boundaries of these regions are determined by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of employment insurance regions, see the HRSDC website: <http://www14.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/ei-ae/canadaei.htm>.

² This unemployment rate has been determined using a transition formula prescribed in the EI Regulations. For further information, see: http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/cs/comm/news/2000/000913a_e.shtml.

³ This unemployment rate has been determined using a transition formula prescribed in the EI Regulations. For further information, see: http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/cs/comm/news/2000/000913b_e.shtml.

⁴ This rate is provided by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

Table 19

Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 by detailed age groups, unadjusted data (in thousands)

	August 2002	August 2003	August 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from		% change from	
					last year	two years ago	last year	two years ago
Students²								
15 to 24 years								
Population	2,256.5	2,266.2	2,305.7	26.5	39.5	49.2	1.7	2.2
Labour force	1,490.7	1,509.5	1,475.3	27.3	-34.2	-15.4	-2.3	-1.0
Employment	1,297.5	1,298.6	1,277.2	25.5	-21.4	-20.3	-1.6	-1.6
Full-time employment	657.9	663.3	629.2	18.0	-34.1	-28.7	-5.1	-4.4
Part-time employment	639.6	635.3	648.1	20.9	12.8	8.5	2.0	1.3
Unemployment	193.2	210.9	198.1	12.7	-12.8	4.9	-6.1	2.5
Participation rate	66.1	66.6	64.0	0.9	-2.6	-2.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.0	14.0	13.4	0.9	-0.6	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	57.5	57.3	55.4	0.9	-1.9	-2.1	...	...
Part-time rate	49.3	48.9	50.7	1.3	1.8	1.4	...	...
15 to 16 years								
Population	773.8	775.2	783.9	4.7	8.7	10.1	1.1	1.3
Labour force	380.1	368.3	363.2	11.4	-5.1	-16.9	-1.4	-4.4
Employment	302.0	286.6	282.1	10.6	-4.5	-19.9	-1.6	-6.6
Full-time employment	90.6	81.0	81.8	4.2	0.8	-8.8	1.0	-9.7
Part-time employment	211.4	205.6	200.4	10.2	-5.2	-11.0	-2.5	-5.2
Unemployment	78.1	81.7	81.0	7.0	-0.7	2.9	-0.9	3.7
Participation rate	49.1	47.5	46.3	1.5	-1.2	-2.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	20.5	22.2	22.3	2.0	0.1	1.8	...	...
Employment rate	39.0	37.0	36.0	1.4	-1.0	-3.0	...	...
Part-time rate	70.0	71.7	71.0	1.5	-0.7	1.0	...	...
17 to 19 years								
Population	831.6	839.4	856.7	14.8	17.3	25.1	2.1	3.0
Labour force	628.7	626.6	607.1	15.7	-19.5	-21.6	-3.1	-3.4
Employment	545.3	534.2	527.4	15.1	-6.8	-17.9	-1.3	-3.3
Full-time employment	255.9	252.6	249.2	10.0	-3.4	-6.7	-1.3	-2.6
Part-time employment	289.4	281.7	278.2	13.5	-3.5	-11.2	-1.2	-3.9
Unemployment	83.4	92.3	79.7	8.0	-12.6	-3.7	-13.7	-4.4
Participation rate	75.6	74.6	70.9	1.4	-3.7	-4.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.3	14.7	13.1	1.4	-1.6	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	65.6	63.6	61.6	1.5	-2.0	-4.0	...	...
Part-time rate	53.1	52.7	52.7	1.8	0.0	-0.3	...	...
20 to 24 years								
Population	651.1	651.6	665.1	20.6	13.5	14.0	2.1	2.2
Labour force	481.9	514.7	505.0	18.8	-9.7	23.1	-1.9	4.8
Employment	450.2	477.8	467.7	17.8	-10.1	17.5	-2.1	3.9
Full-time employment	311.3	329.7	298.2	14.2	-31.5	-13.1	-9.6	-4.2
Part-time employment	138.8	148.1	169.5	12.5	21.4	30.7	14.4	22.1
Unemployment	31.7	36.8	37.3	6.8	0.5	5.6	1.4	17.7
Participation rate	74.0	79.0	75.9	1.7	-3.1	1.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	7.1	7.4	1.4	0.3	0.8	...	...
Employment rate	69.1	73.3	70.3	1.9	-3.0	1.2	...	...
Part-time rate	30.8	31.0	36.2	2.3	5.2	5.4	...	...
Other persons aged 15 to 24³								
Population	1,877.6	1,902.8	1,906.9	22.2	4.1	29.3	0.2	1.6
Labour force	1,643.6	1,659.2	1,661.1	24.1	1.9	17.5	0.1	1.1
Employment	1,437.0	1,441.8	1,458.3	23.4	16.5	21.3	1.1	1.5
Full-time employment	1,188.4	1,161.5	1,191.3	24.4	29.8	2.9	2.6	0.2
Part-time employment	248.5	280.3	267.1	19.0	-13.2	18.6	-4.7	7.5
Unemployment	206.6	217.3	202.7	14.8	-14.6	-3.9	-6.7	-1.9
Participation rate	87.5	87.2	87.1	0.6	-0.1	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.6	13.1	12.2	0.6	-0.9	-0.4	...	...
Employment rate	76.5	75.8	76.5	0.7	0.7	-0.1	...	...
Part-time rate	17.3	19.4	18.3	0.9	-1.1	1.0	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change over the year (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

² Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall. Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.

³ Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.

Related CANSIM table 282-0006

Table 20

Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 by province, unadjusted data (in thousands)

	August	Population	Labour force					Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Full-time employment	Part-time employment	Unemployment			
Students¹										
Newfoundland and Labrador	2003	37.2	22.0	19.5	14.3	5.2	2.5	59.1	11.4	52.4
	2004	39.0	23.9	20.0	13.5	6.6	3.9	61.3	16.3	51.3
Prince Edward Island	2003	11.4	9.9	9.4	7.4	2.1	0.4	86.8	4.0	82.5
	2004	10.2	8.2	7.6	5.4	2.2	0.6	80.4	7.3	74.5
Nova Scotia	2003	67.1	47.0	40.4	21.6	18.9	6.6	70.0	14.0	60.2
	2004	68.8	49.2	42.6	21.0	21.6	6.6	71.5	13.4	61.9
New Brunswick	2003	52.1	36.4	31.7	21.0	10.7	4.7	69.9	12.9	60.8
	2004	50.6	35.1	31.6	18.8	12.8	3.5	69.4	10.0	62.5
Quebec	2003	521.9	349.4	305.6	167.8	137.7	43.9	66.9	12.6	58.6
	2004	526.7	330.3	287.5	139.4	148.0	42.9	62.7	13.0	54.6
Ontario	2003	919.9	630.1	528.8	243.0	285.8	101.4	68.5	16.1	57.5
	2004	964.9	637.7	546.8	273.3	273.5	90.9	66.1	14.3	56.7
Manitoba	2003	71.5	48.7	45.6	25.1	20.6	3.1	68.1	6.4	63.8
	2004	71.9	49.6	43.1	23.3	19.9	6.5	69.0	13.1	59.9
Saskatchewan	2003	71.2	48.8	44.2	22.7	21.6	4.6	68.5	9.4	62.1
	2004	68.6	45.5	41.2	19.8	21.4	4.4	66.3	9.7	60.1
Alberta	2003	227.7	161.1	147.8	87.0	60.9	13.2	70.8	8.2	64.9
	2004	209.2	139.0	126.0	61.0	65.0	13.0	66.4	9.4	60.2
British Columbia	2003	286.2	156.1	125.5	53.5	72.0	30.5	54.5	19.5	43.9
	2004	295.7	156.7	130.9	53.7	77.2	25.8	53.0	16.5	44.3
Other persons aged 15-24²										
Newfoundland and Labrador	2003	35.7	29.1	21.9	17.2	4.7	7.3	81.5	25.1	61.3
	2004	32.1	25.6	19.8	16.7	3.0	5.8	79.8	22.7	61.7
Prince Edward Island	2003	8.8	8.1	7.3	6.6	0.7	x	92.0	x	83.0
	2004	9.9	8.7	7.4	6.7	0.7	1.3	87.9	14.9	74.7
Nova Scotia	2003	56.7	49.6	40.0	33.9	6.1	9.6	87.5	19.4	70.5
	2004	55.7	49.6	43.9	38.5	5.4	5.7	89.0	11.5	78.8
New Brunswick	2003	45.3	38.0	30.9	26.6	4.4	7.1	83.9	18.7	68.2
	2004	46.6	40.3	34.9	31.8	3.1	5.5	86.5	13.6	74.9
Quebec	2003	428.6	378.2	326.7	268.5	58.2	51.6	88.2	13.6	76.2
	2004	421.5	371.4	320.1	263.9	56.2	51.3	88.1	13.8	75.9
Ontario	2003	681.4	583.9	505.1	411.8	93.3	78.8	85.7	13.5	74.1
	2004	668.4	588.1	509.7	413.8	95.9	78.5	88.0	13.3	76.3
Manitoba	2003	78.7	69.4	63.2	51.9	11.3	6.4	88.2	9.2	80.3
	2004	80.8	68.9	62.7	52.5	10.1	6.1	85.3	8.9	77.6
Saskatchewan	2003	67.2	59.4	53.5	46.3	7.2	5.9	88.4	9.9	79.6
	2004	69.7	61.2	55.1	45.6	9.5	6.1	87.8	10.0	79.1
Alberta	2003	236.8	212.9	194.5	161.1	33.4	18.3	89.9	8.6	82.1
	2004	260.4	227.6	209.7	177.2	32.4	17.9	87.4	7.9	80.5
British Columbia	2003	263.8	230.5	198.8	137.8	61.0	31.7	87.4	13.8	75.4
	2004	261.7	219.8	195.3	144.5	50.7	24.6	84.0	11.2	74.6

¹ Students are persons aged 15-24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall. Other persons are all other youths aged 15-24 who are not included in the student population.

² Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.
Related CANSIM table 282-0006

Data Quality

About the Labour Force Survey

The statistics contained in this report are based on information obtained through a sample survey of 53,000 representative households across the country. The Labour Force Survey, started in November 1945, was taken at quarterly intervals until November 1952. It has been carried out monthly since then. The information generated by the survey has expanded considerably over the years with a major redesign of the survey content in 1976 and again in 1997, and provides a rich and detailed picture of the Canadian labour market.

The sample used in the Labour Force Survey has been designed to represent all persons in the population 15 years of age and over residing in the provinces of Canada, with the exception of the following: persons living on Indian reserves, full-time members of the armed forces and people living in institutions (for example, inmates of penal institutions and patients in hospitals or nursing homes who have resided in the institution for more than six months). Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Definitions and explanations

The **labour force** is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week:

- a) did any work at all
- b) had a job but were not at work

A person is considered to be **full-time** if his/her usual hours at the main job are greater than 29 hours per week. When the number of hours worked at the main job is usually less than 30 hours per week then he/she is considered to be **part-time**.

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week:

- a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with reference week), and were available for work;
- b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but were on temporary layoff and were available for work;
- c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Persons in the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were neither employed nor unemployed are classified as **not in the labour force**.

The **unemployment rate** represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

The **participation rate** represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the labour force in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

The **employment rate (formerly the employment/population ratio)** represents the number of persons employed expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number employed in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

The **part-time rate** represents the number of persons employed part-time expressed as a percentage of the employed. The part-time rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number employed part-time in that group expressed as a percentage of the employed for that group.

All geographic regions are based on the 1996 Census boundaries.

Seasonal adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. The seasonally adjusted series contains irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations. The seasonally adjusted series are revised each year to take into account current data and to generate new forecast factors for the next twelve months. The data are therefore subject to slight revisions in future issues of this publication.

Sampling error

Estimates in this publication are based on the Labour Force Survey, a monthly survey of approximately 53,000 households across Canada. Because they are based on a sample survey, the estimates are subject to sampling error. Changes in the level of any estimates between two months can be the result of a true change or sampling variability. In most tables in this publication an indicator of the sampling error is provided. Two thirds of the time, a change greater than the sampling error indicates a real change. Movements in estimates that are smaller than the sampling error are less likely to reflect a real change and more likely to be due to sampling variability. While the above is true for monthly movements, one can have more confidence in a series of consecutive movements in the same direction, even though some of the monthly movements may be smaller than the sampling error.

For more detailed information about the Labour Force Survey, see the following documents:

- *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-GIE)*
- *Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (71-526-XPB)*