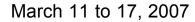


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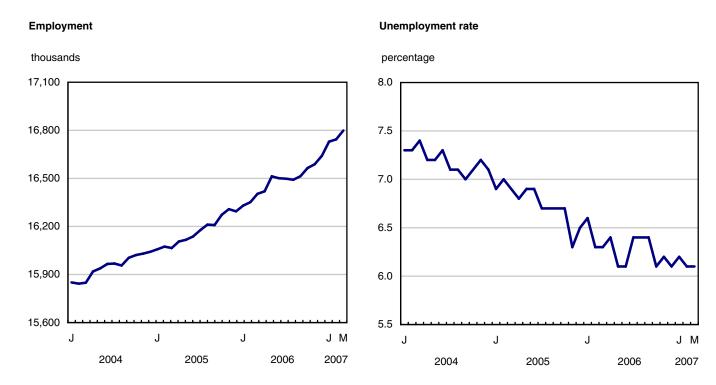
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## **Highlights**

## March 2007

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Chart 1
Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted



## Analysis — March 2007

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In the first quarter of 2007, employment grew by an estimated 158,000, the strongest first quarter growth since 2002. Provincial growth rates for the first quarter were particularly strong in British Columbia, Alberta and New Brunswick.

The employment rate in March reached 63.5%, its highest level in 31 years. March's employment increase is largely attributable to strength in Quebec and British Columbia. These two provinces, along with Manitoba, boosted their employment rates to record levels.

British Columbia's unemployment rate dipped to a record low of 3.9% in March.

The employment rate for adult women reached an all-time high of 59.0% in March, as women continue to be the main beneficiaries of employment growth.

Gains in March were based in the service sector, especially in trade, accommodation and food services, information, culture and recreation, and other services.

## Women capture the lion's share of March growth

Women aged 25 and over captured most of the employment increases in March (+39,000). Steady employment growth since the start of 2006 has led to a series of record employment rates for adult women, reaching a new high of 59.0% in March. Over the past twelve months, employment growth for adult women (+3.8%) was more than double that of adult men (+1.7%). Employment growth among youths remained more modest at 1.2%.

Canada's labour force participation rate — the proportion of the working-age population that has a job or is looking for one — has jumped 0.6 percentage points since October 2006, reaching 67.7% in March. This strong increase is primarily the result of more women participating in the labour force.

Women aged 55 and over attained a record high employment rate of 25.8% in March. While the employment rate for women aged 25 to 54 has been increasing for several decades, the upward trend in the employment rate for older women began in 1997. Older men have also seen their employment rate rise over the same period.

#### Service sector powers growth

Employment growth in the service sector in March (+66,000) more than offset the weakness of the goods-producing sector. The largest increases in the service sector were in Ontario (+26,000), Quebec (+19,000) and Alberta (+19,000).

Employment in trade grew by an estimated 27,000 in March, with nearly half the increase in Alberta (+12,000). This month's strength was driven mainly by gains in wholesale trade potentially a result of increased activity following the strike by Canadian National Railway workers that ended in February.

Accommodation and food services employment grew by 15,000 in March, a result of an increase in accommodation services. Over the past year, employment in accommodation and food services has risen by 8.8%. This represents the largest increase among the different service-producing industries, with Ontario accounting for more than half of the growth.

### Record low unemployment rate in British Columbia

For a third straight month, British Columbia's unemployment rate reached a record low. In March, the unemployment rate dipped to 3.9%. The British Columbia economy added 13,000 workers in March, bringing total gains for the first quarter to 47,000 (+2.1%). The March employment rate, at 63.8%, was the highest in three decades.

The manufacturing sector continued to show strength in British Columbia, up 11,000 in March and 25,000 since August 2006. The provincial economy also benefited from strong gains in information, culture and recreation, up 18,000 (+17%) in the first three months of the year.

Quebec's employment rose by an estimated 29,000 in March, the largest monthly gain since May 2006. As a result, Quebec's employment rate increased to 60.8%, its highest level in three decades. Gains in March were spread across a number of industries. The unemployment rate in Quebec edged down to 7.6%, hovering near its 31-year low.

For the second consecutive month, employment was little changed in Alberta in March. Employment losses in the goods sector (-19,000) were offset by similar increases in the service sector. This was the first sizable monthly decline in the goods-producing sector since March 2005. The unemployment rate in Alberta remains the lowest in the country, at 3.6%.

Employment in Manitoba grew by an estimated 3,100 in March, primarily in accommodation and food services as well as in utilities. The province reached a new record high employment rate of 66.3%. For the first quarter of 2007, employment rose by 6,000 or 1.0%, mostly in the goods sector.

Overall employment in Ontario was little changed in March, as growth in the service sector was partly offset by weakness in the goods sector. So far this, year employment is up only 0.4%, well below the national growth rate of 0.9%.

In the North, the proportion of people aged 15 and over working remains high. In Nunavut, the employment rate increased to 63.1% in March, up from 55.6% from one year ago (3-month moving average). Employment rates in the Northwest Territories at 75.0% and in the Yukon at 67.3% were virtually unchanged compared to March of last year.

#### Wages increase in several provinces

During the first three months of 2007, the average hourly wage in Canada rose an estimated 2.4% compared to the same period last year. This exceeds the most recent comparable Consumer Price Index, which increased by 1.6%.

Alberta's booming labour market continued to exert pressure on the province's wages, which rose 5.4% for the first quarter of 2007 compared to the same period last year. This increase was tempered by a 4.5% rise in consumer prices. Similarly, wage growth of 3.6% in British Columbia was dampened by a 2.2% increase in prices.

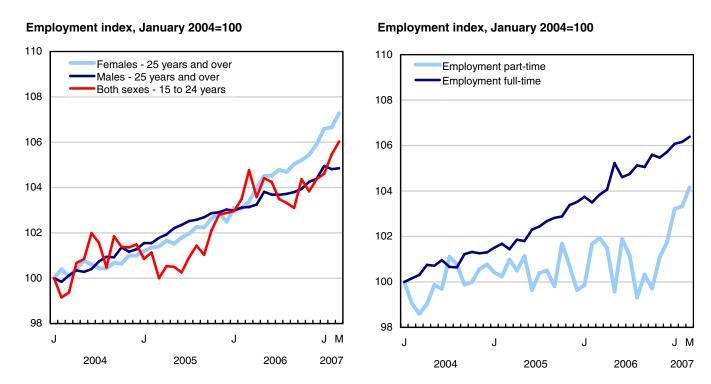
New Brunswick and Manitoba also benefited from sizeable wage increases in the first quarter of 2007. In New Brunswick, the average wage increase was 3.8%, well above the 0.6% increase in consumer prices. Manitoba also experienced a notable rise in the average hourly wage (4.4%) compared to an increase in prices of 1.8%.

#### Note to readers

The Labour Force Survey estimates are based on a sample, and are therefore subject to sampling variability. Estimates for smaller geographic areas or industries will have more variability. For an explanation of sampling variability of estimates, and how to use standard errors to assess this variability, consult the Data Quality section in this publication.

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Chart 2
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



## Employment index, January 2004=100

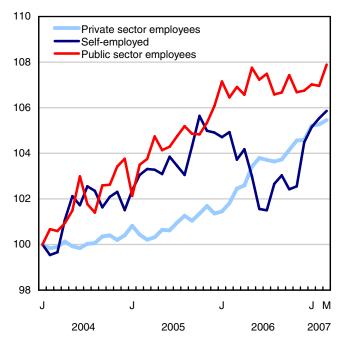
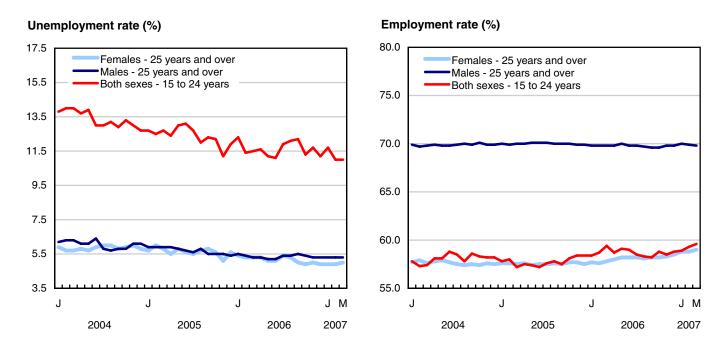


Chart 3
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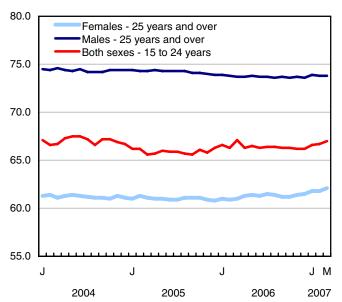
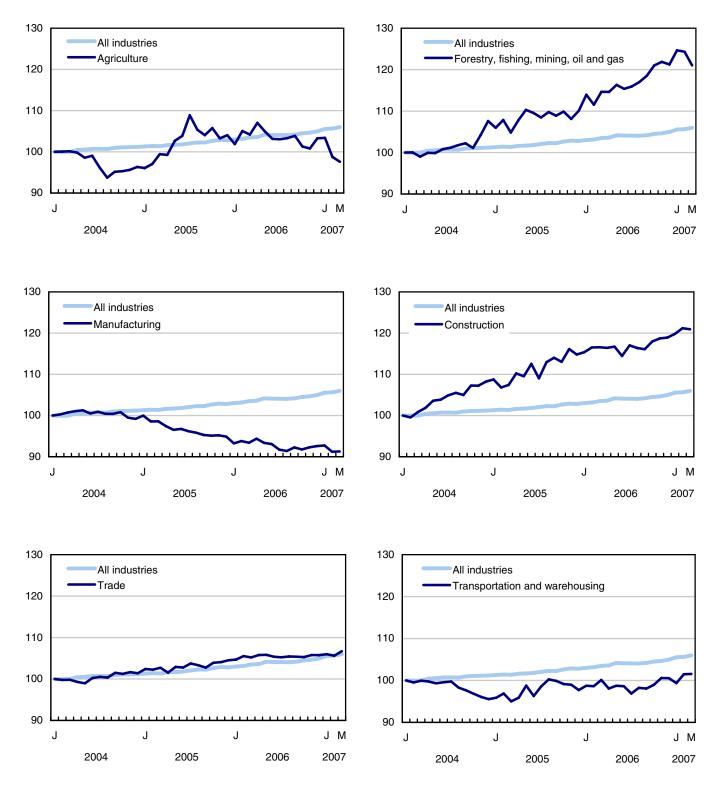
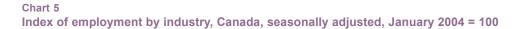


Chart 4 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January, 2004=100





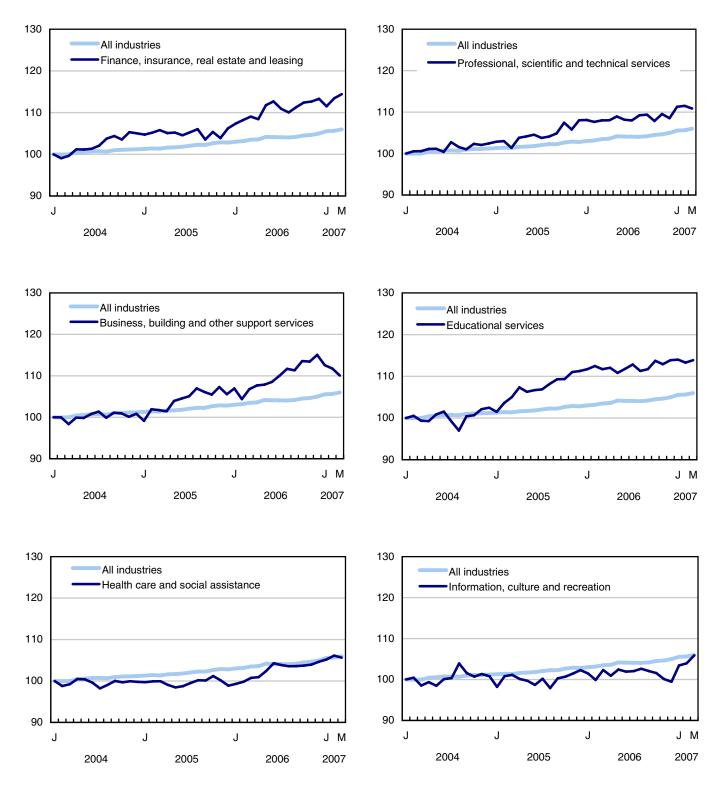
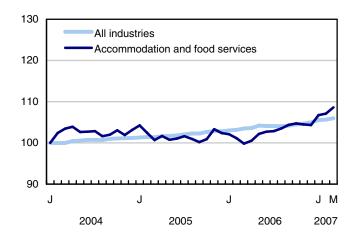
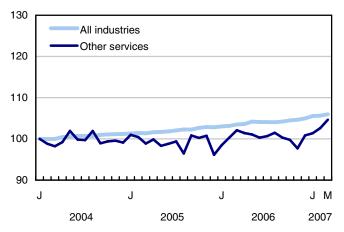
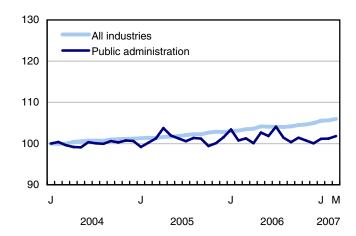


Chart 6 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January 2004 = 100









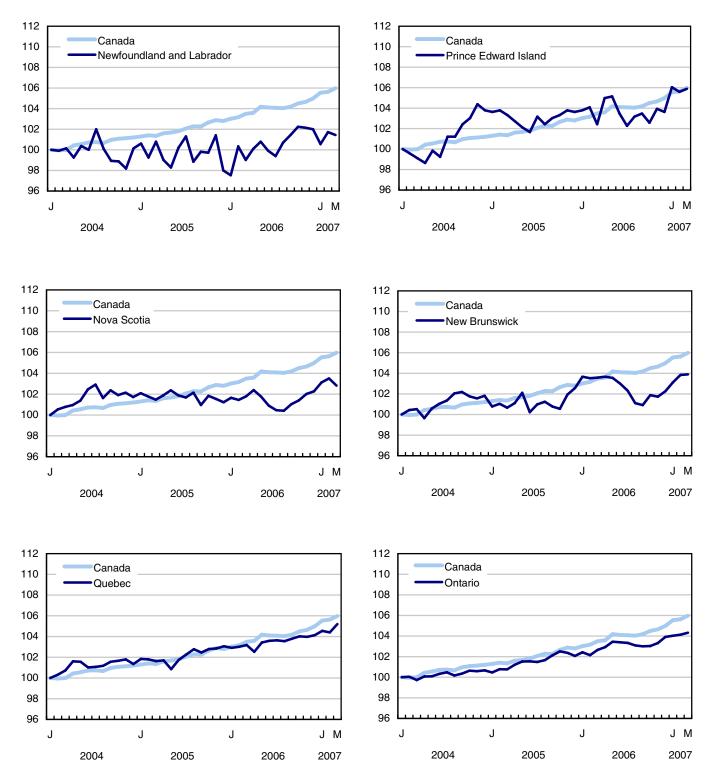
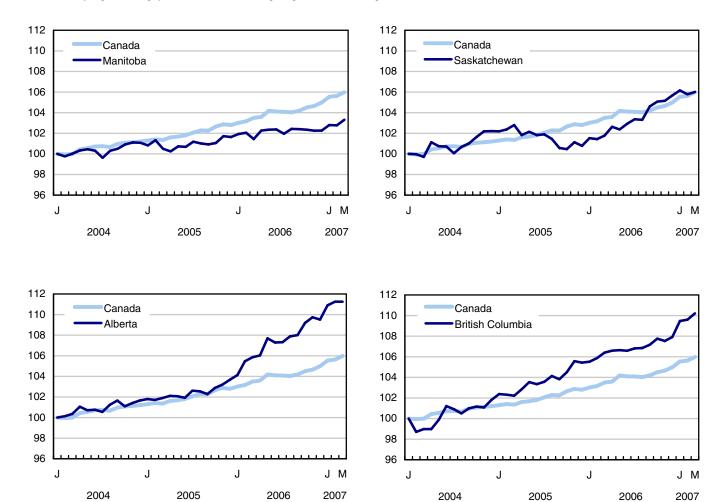


Chart 8
Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2004 = 100



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Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	26,415.0	26,441.5		26.5	83.9	370.5	0.1	0.3	1.4
Labour force Employment	17,827.5 16,743.5	17,892.8 16,798.4	27.4 27.5	65.3 54.9	177.1 158.0	378.0 394.9	0.4 0.3	1.0 0.9	2.2 2.4
Employment full-time	13,693.6	13,724.1	35.5	30.5	86.9	329.3	0.3	0.6	2.4
Employment part-time	3,049.8	3,074.3	32.5	24.5	71.1	65.6	0.8	2.4	2.2
Unemployment	1,084.0	1,094.4	23.1	10.4	19.1	-16.9	1.0	1.8	-1.5
Participation rate	67.5	67.7	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.5			
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.2			
Employment rate	63.4	63.5	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.6			
Part-time rate	18.2	18.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.0	•••		
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	4,342.6	4,344.5		1.9	6.5	34.9	0.0	0.1	0.8
Labour force	2,894.4	2,908.9	16.7	14.5	38.5	17.0	0.5	1.3	0.6
Employment	2,575.4	2,589.4	15.9	14.0	40.5	31.0	0.5	1.6	1.2
Employment full-time	1,432.1	1,432.5	17.8	0.4	5.7	19.1	0.0	0.4	1.4
Employment part-time	1,143.3	1,156.9	18.6	13.6	34.8	12.0	1.2	3.1	1.0
Unemployment	319.1	319.4	13.8	0.3	-2.1	-14.2	0.1	-0.7	-4.3
Participation rate	66.7	67.0 11.0	0.4	0.3 0.0	0.8	-0.1	•••	•••	
Unemployment rate Employment rate	11.0 59.3	59.6	0.5 0.4	0.0	-0.2 0.8	-0.5 0.2	•••	•••	
Part-time rate	44.4	44.7	0.4	0.3	0.8	-0.1			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	10,781.0	10,793.3		12.3	38.3	167.4	0.1	0.4	1.6
Labour force	7,958.1	7,960.4	13.9	2.3	40.7	130.2	0.0	0.5	1.7
Employment	7,534.0	7,536.3	14.9	2.3	32.6	122.7	0.0	0.4	1.7
Employment full-time Employment part-time	7,025.3 508.7	7,034.9 501.3	19.4 15.1	9.6 -7.4	17.4 15.1	93.7 28.8	0.1 -1.5	0.2 3.1	1.3 6.1
Unemployment	424.1	424.1	13.1	0.0	8.0	7.5	0.0	1.9	1.8
Participation rate	73.8	73.8	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1		1.0	
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Employment rate	69.9	69.8	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0			
Part-time rate	6.8	6.7	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.3			
Women, 25 years and over	11 201 4	44 202 7		40.0	20.4	160.1	0.4	0.2	1 5
Population Labour force	11,291.4 6,975.0	11,303.7 7,023.5	15.4	12.3 48.5	39.1 97.9	168.1 230.8	0.1 0.7	0.3 1.4	1.5 3.4
Employment	6,634.1	6,672.7	15.4	38.6	84.8	241.2	0.7	1.3	3.8
Employment full-time	5,236.3	5,256.6	22.6	20.3	63.7	216.4	0.4	1.2	4.3
Employment part-time	1,397.9	1,416.1	21.0	18.2	21.2	24.8	1.3	1.5	1.8
Unemployment	340.8	350.8	12.3	10.0	13.1	-10.4	2.9	3.9	-2.9
Participation rate	61.8	62.1	0.1	0.3	0.6	1.1			
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	58.8 21.1	59.0 21.2	0.1 0.3	0.2 0.2	0.5 0.0	1.2 -0.4			
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,292.5	14,298.8		6.3	17.7	99.5	0.0	0.1	0.7
Labour force	12,383.3	12,405.6	20.4	22.3	77.1	201.6	0.2	0.6	1.7
Employment	11,743.6	11,761.9	21.7	18.3	66.1	211.7	0.2	0.6	1.8
Unemployment	639.6	643.7	16.9	4.1	11.0	-10.1	0.6	1.7	-1.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	86.6 5.2	86.8 5.2	0.1 0.1	0.2 0.0	0.5 0.1	0.9 -0.2			
Employment rate	5.2 82.2	82.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.0	•••		
Employment rate	02.2	02.0	0.2	0.1	0.4	1.0	•••		

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 2 Employment by class of worker and industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	า	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007 2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		i	n thous	ands					
Class of worker Employees Self-employed <sup>2</sup>	14,189.4 2,554.1	14,236.4 2,562.0	31.8 21.1	47.0 7.9	124.5 33.5	343.0 51.9	0.3 0.3	0.9 1.3	2.5 2.1
Public/private sector employees Public sector employees Private sector employees	3,197.8 10,991.6	3,225.4 11,011.0	19.9 33.0	27.6 19.4	33.9 90.5	29.3 313.7	0.9 0.2	1.1 0.8	0.9 2.9
Industry	16,743.5	16,798.4	27.5	54.9	158.0	394.9	0.3	0.9	2.4
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	4,002.6 330.6 351.1 128.1 1,110.3 2,082.5	3,991.5 326.7 341.8 131.1 1,107.9 2,083.9	22.7 6.7 6.3 3.6 13.7 17.7	-11.1 -3.9 -9.3 3.0 -2.4 1.4	-24.2 -19.1 -0.6 6.5 18.6 -29.7	2.6 -22.1 18.0 14.8 40.0 -48.1	-0.3 -1.2 -2.6 2.3 -0.2 0.1	-0.6 -5.5 -0.2 5.2 1.7 -1.4	0.1 -6.3 5.6 12.7 3.7 -2.3
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	12,740.9 2,638.3 823.5 1,066.4	12,806.9 2,665.6 824.1 1,075.8	30.3 20.0 11.5 12.9	66.0 27.3 0.6 9.4	182.2 23.8 8.2 10.6	392.3 38.0 11.6 50.7	0.5 1.0 0.1 0.9	1.4 0.9 1.0 1.0	3.2 1.4 1.4 4.9
services Business, building and other support services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	1,120.7 702.5 1,169.4 1,847.1 763.5 1,058.0 716.6 834.9	1,114.3 691.9 1,175.4 1,838.8 777.7 1,072.9 730.8 839.8	14.0 12.4 13.3 14.4 12.1 13.4 11.3 10.3	-6.4 -10.6 6.0 -8.3 14.2 14.9 14.2 4.9	23.4 -31.3 -0.1 17.2 47.3 42.2 26.6 14.4	28.7 20.7 22.2 85.1 26.3 86.8 17.9 4.5	-0.6 -1.5 0.5 -0.4 1.9 1.4 2.0 0.6	2.1 -4.3 0.0 0.9 6.5 4.1 3.8 1.7	2.6 3.1 1.9 4.9 3.5 8.8 2.5 0.5

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

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.

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0088, 282-0089

Table 3 Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	February	March	S.E.1		Change from	1	Percent change from			
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	ites)					
Newfoundland and Labrador Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment	425.9 254.7 218.3 184.6 33.7 36.3	425.7 254.0 217.7 187.6 30.1 36.3	2.2 2.3 2.6 1.9 2.2	-0.2 -0.7 -0.6 3.0 -3.6 0.0	-0.7 0.1 -1.2 2.9 -4.1 1.3	-3.1 2.0 5.2 8.3 -3.1 -3.2	0.0 -0.3 -0.3 1.6 -10.7 0.0	-0.2 0.0 -0.5 1.6 -12.0 3.7	-0.7 0.8 2.4 4.6 -9.3 -8.1	
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	59.8 14.3 51.3	59.7 14.3 51.1	0.5 0.8 0.5	-0.1 0.0 -0.2	0.2 0.5 -0.2	0.9 -1.4 1.5			 	
Prince Edward Island Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate	112.8 77.9 69.9 56.6 13.3 7.9 69.1	112.8 78.3 70.1 57.3 12.9 8.1 69.4	0.6 0.7 0.8 0.6 0.6	0.0 0.4 0.2 0.7 -0.4 0.2 0.3	0.1 0.0 1.5 0.7 0.9 -1.6 -0.1	0.8 1.0 2.3 -0.2 2.6 -1.4 0.4	0.0 0.5 0.3 1.2 -3.0 2.5	0.1 0.0 2.2 1.2 7.5 -16.5	0.7 1.3 3.4 -0.3 25.2 -14.7	
Unemployment rate Employment rate	10.1 62.0	10.3 62.1	0.7 0.6	0.2 0.1	-2.1 1.2	-2.0 1.6				
Nova Scotia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	763.5 486.8 450.8 371.1 79.8 36.0 63.8 7.4 59.0	763.7 486.1 447.8 365.2 82.6 38.3 63.7 7.9 58.6	2.7 3.0 3.7 3.1 2.6 0.4 0.5 0.4	0.2 -0.7 -3.0 -5.9 2.8 2.3 -0.1 0.5 -0.4	0.2 5.6 2.4 1.2 1.2 3.2 0.8 0.6 0.3	1.1 5.0 4.5 6.3 -1.8 0.5 0.6 0.0	0.0 -0.1 -0.7 -1.6 3.5 6.4	0.0 1.2 0.5 0.3 1.5 9.1 	0.1 1.0 1.0 1.8 -2.1 1.3	
New Brunswick Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	611.8 386.5 359.8 302.7 57.1 26.7 63.2 6.9 58.8	612.1 388.8 360.0 302.8 57.2 28.8 63.5 7.4 58.8	2.3 2.5 2.9 2.4 2.1 0.4 0.5 0.4	0.3 2.3 0.2 0.1 0.1 2.1 0.3 0.5	0.9 1.7 5.7 5.0 0.7 -4.0 0.2 -1.1	0.7 -6.3 1.1 0.6 0.6 -7.4 -1.1 -1.8 0.1	0.0 0.6 0.1 0.0 0.2 7.9	0.1 0.4 1.6 1.7 1.2 -12.2	0.1 -1.6 0.3 0.2 1.1 -20.4	
Quebec Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	6,293.0 4,122.2 3,799.0 3,102.7 696.3 323.2 65.5 7.8 60.4	6,297.3 4,143.7 3,828.2 3,115.8 712.5 315.5 65.8 7.6 60.8	14.5 14.8 19.3 17.6 13.6 0.2 0.3 0.2	4.3 21.5 29.2 13.1 16.2 -7.7 0.3 -0.2	14.5 48.0 38.8 5.3 33.6 9.2 0.6 0.1 0.5	67.2 44.4 73.4 60.7 12.8 -29.0 0.0 -0.8 0.5	0.1 0.5 0.8 0.4 2.3 -2.4	0.2 1.2 1.0 0.2 4.9 3.0	1.1 1.1 2.0 2.0 1.8 -8.4 	

See footnotes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from			
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)					
Ontario Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	10,309.2 7,002.7 6,560.2 5,354.9 1,205.3 442.5 67.9 6.3 63.6	10,318.6 7,030.2 6,572.5 5,391.6 1,181.0 457.7 68.1 6.5 63.7	18.4 18.1 23.0 21.2 15.3 0.2 0.2 0.2	9.4 27.5 12.3 36.7 -24.3 15.2 0.2 0.2	27.7 61.6 25.9 37.0 -10.9 35.7 0.4 0.4	132.7 137.9 105.2 73.6 31.7 32.7 0.4 0.3 0.2	0.1 0.4 0.2 0.7 -2.0 3.4	0.3 0.9 0.4 0.7 -0.9 8.5 	1.3 2.0 1.6 1.4 2.8 7.7	
Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	894.7 617.2 590.5 478.4 112.1 26.7 69.0 4.3 66.0	895.6 620.0 593.6 472.9 120.7 26.5 69.2 4.3 66.3	2.8 2.8 3.9 3.6 2.1 0.3 0.3	0.9 2.8 3.1 -5.5 8.6 -0.2 0.2 0.0	1.8 7.4 6.0 0.5 5.5 1.5 0.7 0.2 0.6	5.1 11.7 10.7 3.7 7.0 1.1 0.9 0.1 0.8	0.1 0.5 0.5 -1.1 7.7 -0.7	0.2 1.2 1.0 0.1 4.8 6.0 	0.6 1.9 1.8 0.8 6.2 4.3	
Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	747.4 524.0 503.3 406.1 97.2 20.7 70.1 4.0 67.3	748.2 524.3 504.4 405.5 98.9 19.9 70.1 3.8 67.4	2.4 2.5 3.3 2.9 1.9 0.3 0.4 0.3	0.8 0.3 1.1 -0.6 1.7 -0.8 0.0 -0.2	1.9 0.3 1.6 -2.2 3.8 -1.3 -0.1 -0.2	1.2 14.7 20.2 13.5 6.8 -5.5 1.9 -1.2 2.6	0.1 0.1 0.2 -0.1 1.7 -3.9	0.3 0.1 0.3 -0.5 4.0 -6.1	0.2 2.9 4.2 3.4 7.4 -21.7	
Alberta Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	2,709.2 2,008.1 1,938.7 1,639.0 299.7 69.4 74.1 3.5 71.6	2,715.9 2,010.1 1,938.6 1,631.2 307.4 71.5 74.0 3.6 71.4	8.0 8.3 10.8 9.8 5.6 0.3 0.3	6.7 2.0 -0.1 -7.8 7.7 2.1 -0.1 0.1 -0.2	23.8 35.7 30.2 15.7 14.5 5.5 0.7 0.3 0.5	105.5 99.8 93.9 97.8 -3.9 5.9 0.8 0.2	0.2 0.1 0.0 -0.5 2.6 3.0	0.9 1.8 1.6 1.0 5.0 8.3	4.0 5.2 5.1 6.4 -1.3 9.0 	
British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,547.4 2,347.4 2,252.9 1,797.5 455.3 94.6 66.2 4.0 63.5	3,551.7 2,357.3 2,265.4 1,794.3 471.1 91.9 66.4 3.9 63.8	10.0 10.1 13.5 12.5 7.3 0.3 0.3	4.3 9.9 12.5 -3.2 15.8 -2.7 0.2 -0.1 0.3	13.7 16.6 46.9 21.1 25.8 -30.3 0.2 -1.3 1.1	59.3 67.8 78.3 66.1 12.2 -10.5 0.8 -0.6 1.2	0.1 0.4 0.6 -0.2 3.5 -2.9	0.4 0.7 2.1 1.2 5.8 -24.8 	1.7 3.0 3.6 3.8 2.7 -10.3	

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 4-1 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Newfoundland and Labrador

-	February	March	S.E.1		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	425.9 254.7 218.3 184.6 36.3 59.8 14.3 51.3	425.7 254.0 217.7 187.6 36.3 59.7 14.3 51.1 13.8	2.2 2.3 2.6 2.2 0.5 0.8 0.5 0.9	-0.2 -0.7 -0.6 3.0 0.0 -0.1 0.0 -0.2 -1.6	-0.7 0.1 -1.2 2.9 1.3 0.2 0.5 -0.2 -1.8	-3.1 2.0 5.2 8.3 -3.2 0.9 -1.4 1.5 -1.8	0.0 -0.3 -0.3 1.6 0.0	-0.2 0.0 -0.5 1.6 3.7 	-0.7 0.8 2.4 4.6 -8.1 
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years  Population    Labour force    Employment    Unemployment  Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	65.0 36.5 29.5 7.0 56.2 19.2 45.4 44.1	64.8 35.7 28.6 7.1 55.1 19.9 44.1 41.6	1.2 1.1 1.1 1.8 2.8 1.6 3.6	-0.2 -0.8 -0.9 0.1 -1.1 0.7 -1.3 -2.5	-0.6 -0.7 0.2 -0.8 -0.6 -1.8 0.7	-2.8 -1.2 1.7 -2.9 0.5 -7.2 4.3 -6.7	-0.3 -2.2 -3.1 1.4 	-0.9 -1.9 0.7 -10.1  	-4.1 -3.3 6.3 -29.0 
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	174.6 114.3 96.8 17.5 65.5 15.3 55.4 5.3	174.5 114.2 96.9 17.4 65.4 15.2 55.5	1.2 1.4 1.4 0.7 1.1 0.8 0.8	-0.1 -0.1 0.1 -0.1 -0.1 -0.1 0.1	-0.2 -0.8 -1.9 1.2 -0.4 1.1 -1.1	-0.4 1.2 1.0 0.3 0.8 0.1 0.7 0.1	-0.1 -0.1 0.1 -0.6 	-0.1 -0.7 -1.9 7.4 	-0.2 1.1 1.0 1.8 
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	186.3 103.9 92.0 11.9 55.8 11.5 49.4 17.0	186.3 104.0 92.2 11.9 55.8 11.4 49.5	1.3 1.3 1.2 0.7 1.1 0.7 1.4	0.0 0.1 0.2 0.0 0.0 -0.1 0.1 -2.5	0.0 1.5 0.5 1.0 0.8 0.8 0.3 -4.3	0.1 1.9 2.5 -0.5 1.0 -0.7 1.3 -2.9	0.0 0.1 0.2 0.0 	0.0 1.5 0.5 9.2 	0.1 1.9 2.8 -4.0 
Industry	218.3	217.7	2.3	-0.6	-1.2	5.2	-0.3	-0.5	2.4
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	47.5 1.5 17.6 1.5 12.3 14.6	48.0 1.3 16.9 1.6 13.0 15.2	1.9 0.4 1.1 0.3 1.0 1.1	0.5 -0.2 -0.7 0.1 0.7 0.6	-2.4 -0.4 -1.0 0.2 -0.6 -0.6	-1.1 -0.5 0.7 -1.0 0.4 -0.7	1.1 -13.3 -4.0 6.7 5.7 4.1	-4.8 -23.5 -5.6 14.3 -4.4 -3.8	-2.2 -27.8 4.3 -38.5 3.2 -4.4
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	170.8 39.6 10.6 6.6	169.7 38.8 10.6 7.3	2.0 1.2 0.7 0.5	-1.1 -0.8 0.0 0.7	1.2 0.7 -0.7 0.9	6.2 2.4 -1.1 -0.1	-0.6 -2.0 0.0 10.6	0.7 1.8 -6.2 14.1	3.8 6.6 -9.4 -1.4
Professional, scientific and technical services Business, building and other support	7.5	7.6	0.5	0.1	1.8	1.3	1.3	31.0	20.6
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	8.2 20.0 29.8 8.5 13.3 9.8 16.9	8.6 18.4 30.2 8.2 13.6 10.0 16.5	0.7 0.8 1.0 0.6 1.0 0.7 0.8	0.4 -1.6 0.4 -0.3 0.3 0.2 -0.4	-0.7 -0.2 0.5 -0.9 1.2 -1.4	1.2 2.7 -1.2 0.4 0.6 -1.7 1.9	4.9 -8.0 1.3 -3.5 2.3 2.0 -2.4	-7.5 -1.1 1.7 -9.9 9.7 -12.3	16.2 17.2 -3.8 5.1 4.6 -14.5 13.0

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-2
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Prince Edward Island

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment	112.8 77.9 69.9	112.8 78.3 70.1	 0.6 0.7	0.0 0.4 0.2	0.1 0.0 1.5	0.8 1.0 2.3	0.0 0.5 0.3	0.1 0.0 2.2	0.7 1.3 3.4
Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate	56.6 7.9 69.1	57.3 8.1 69.4	0.7 0.8 0.6 0.5	0.2 0.7 0.2 0.3	0.7 -1.6 -0.1	-0.2 -1.4 0.4	1.2 2.5	1.2 -16.5	-0.3 -14.7
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	10.1 62.0 19.0	10.3 62.1 18.4	0.7 0.6 0.9	0.2 0.1 -0.6	-2.1 1.2 0.9	-2.0 1.6 3.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	19.8	19.8		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate	14.1 12.5 1.6 71.2	14.3 12.7 1.6 72.2	0.4 0.4 0.3 1.8	0.2 0.2 0.0 1.0	0.0 0.9 -0.9 0.0	0.2 1.0 -0.8 1.0	1.4 1.6 0.0	0.0 7.6 -36.0	1.4 8.5 -33.3
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	11.3 63.1 42.4	11.2 64.1 41.7	2.2 1.8 3.1	-0.1 1.0 -0.7	-6.3 4.5 0.2	-5.8 5.0 6.7			
Men, 25 years and over Population	44.6	44.6		0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.9
Labour force Employment Unemployment	32.8 29.3 3.6	33.0 29.3 3.7	0.3 0.4 0.4	0.2 0.0 0.1	-0.1 0.6 -0.6	0.3 1.2 -0.9	0.6 0.0 2.8	-0.3 2.1 -14.0	0.9 4.3 -19.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	73.5 11.0 65.7 8.9	74.0 11.2 65.7 6.5	0.8 1.1 0.9 0.9	0.5 0.2 0.0 -2.4	-0.4 -1.8 1.2 0.6	0.0 -2.9 2.1 1.5		  	  
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force	48.5 31.0	48.5 30.9	 0.3	0.0 -0.1	0.1 -0.1	0.5 0.4	0.0 -0.3	0.2 -0.3	1.0 1.3
Employment Unemployment Participation rate	28.2 2.8 63.9	28.1 2.8 63.7	0.4 0.3 0.7	-0.1 0.0 -0.2	0.0 -0.1 -0.3	0.1 0.3 0.2	-0.4 0.0	0.0 -3.4	0.4 12.0
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	9.0 58.1 19.1	9.1 57.9 20.3	1.0 0.8 1.6	0.1 -0.2 1.1	-0.3 -0.2 1.1	0.9 -0.4 3.1			
Industry	69.9	70.1	0.7	0.2	1.5	2.3	0.3	2.2	3.4
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction	18.9 4.0 2.6 0.2 5.3	19.0 4.1 2.4 0.2 5.6	0.5 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.3	0.1 0.1 -0.2 0.0 0.3	0.5 0.1 0.2 0.0 -0.1	0.4 0.2 0.2 -0.3 0.1	0.5 2.5 -7.7 0.0 5.7	2.7 2.5 9.1 0.0 -1.8	2.2 5.1 9.1 -60.0 1.8
Manufacturing Services-producing sector	6.8 51.0	6.7 51.2	0.3	-0.1 0.2	0.2 1.1	0.1 2.0	-1.5 0.4	3.1 2.2	1.5 4.1
Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	9.9 2.4 2.3	10.2 2.3 2.4	0.3 0.2 0.1	0.2 0.3 -0.1 0.1	0.4 -0.1 0.0	0.5 0.5 0.7	3.0 -4.2 4.3	4.1 -4.2 0.0	5.2 27.8 41.2
services Business, building and other support	2.6	2.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-11.5	-8.0	-17.9
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	2.6 4.9 8.3 2.7 6.1	3.0 4.8 8.3 2.8 6.1	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.2 0.3	0.4 -0.1 0.0 0.1 0.0	0.4 0.0 0.4 0.3 0.3	0.4 0.3 0.1 0.2 0.2	15.4 -2.0 0.0 3.7 0.0	15.4 0.0 5.1 12.0 5.2	15.4 6.7 1.2 7.7 3.4
Other services Public administration	2.6 6.6	2.6 6.6	0.2 0.3	0.0 0.0	0.0 -0.2	-0.7 0.4	0.0 0.0	0.0 -2.9	-21.2 6.5

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-3 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Nova Scotia

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force	763.5 486.8	763.7 486.1	 2.7	0.2 -0.7	0.2 5.6	1.1 5.0	0.0 -0.1	0.0 1.2	0.1 1.0
Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	450.8 450.8 371.1 36.0	447.8 365.2 38.3	3.0 3.7 2.6	-0.7 -3.0 -5.9 2.3	2.4 1.2 3.2	4.5 6.3 0.5	-0.1 -0.7 -1.6 6.4	0.5 0.3 9.1	1.0 1.0 1.8 1.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	63.8 7.4 59.0 17.7	63.7 7.9 58.6 18.4	0.4 0.5 0.4 0.7	-0.1 0.5 -0.4 0.7	0.8 0.6 0.3 0.2	0.6 0.0 0.5 -0.6			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	122.6	122.6		0.0	-0.2	-0.9	0.0	-0.2	-0.7
Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate	81.0 70.2 10.8 66.1	80.2 69.5 10.7 65.4	1.7 1.7 1.5 1.4	-0.8 -0.7 -0.1 -0.7	-0.8 -1.5 0.7 -0.6	-4.5 -3.9 -0.6 -3.2	-1.0 -1.0 -0.9	-1.0 -2.1 7.0	-5.3 -5.3 -5.3
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	13.3 57.3 44.6	13.3 56.7 45.3	1.7 1.3 2.4	0.0 -0.6 0.7	1.0 -1.1 -0.6	0.0 -2.7 -3.3		  	··· ···
Men, 25 years and over Population	305.9	306.0		0.1	0.2	0.7	0.0	0.1	0.2
Labour force Employment Unemployment	210.0 194.6 15.3	209.5 192.7 16.7	1.5 1.7 1.5	-0.5 -1.9 1.4	2.6 1.8 0.7	4.5 3.8 0.7	-0.2 -1.0 9.2	1.3 0.9 4.4	2.2 2.0 4.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	68.6 7.3 63.6 7.3	68.5 8.0 63.0 7.8	0.5 0.7 0.5 0.7	-0.1 0.7 -0.6 0.5	0.8 0.3 0.6 0.7	1.4 0.2 1.1 0.9		  	  
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force	335.0 195.9	335.1 196.5	 1.4	0.1 0.6	0.2 3.9	1.3 5.1	0.0 0.3	0.1 2.0	0.4 2.7
Employment Unemployment Participation rate	185.9 9.9 58.5	185.6 10.8 58.6	1.5 1.3 0.4	-0.3 0.9 0.1	2.0 1.7 1.1	4.6 0.3 1.3	-0.2 9.1	1.1 18.7	2.5 2.9
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	5.1 55.5 18.5	5.5 55.4 19.5	0.6 0.4 1.1	0.4 -0.1 1.1	0.8 0.6 0.2	0.0 1.2 -0.2		 	
Industry	450.8	447.8	3.0	-3.0	2.4	4.5	-0.7	0.5	1.0
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	86.6 4.6 12.7 1.6	87.2 5.4 13.0 1.6	2.2 0.6 1.0 0.2	0.6 0.8 0.3 0.0	0.9 0.9 1.3 -0.6	0.4 0.8 -0.9 -0.1	0.7 17.4 2.4 0.0	1.0 20.0 11.1 -27.3	0.5 17.4 -6.5 -5.9
Construction Manufacturing	26.3 41.5	25.4 41.7	1.4 1.4	-0.9 0.2	-2.5 1.7	-1.2 1.7	-3.4 0.5	-9.0 4.2	-4.5 4.2
Services-producing sector Trade	364.2 76.9	360.6 79.4	2.9 1.9	-3.6 2.5	1.5 0.6	4.0 0.4	-1.0 3.3	0.4 0.8	1.1 0.5
Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	18.5 24.6	18.5 24.1	1.0	0.0 -0.5	0.4 -0.4	0.1 2.1	0.0 -2.0	2.2 -1.6	0.5 9.5
services Business, building and other support services	16.9 27.9	15.7 25.2	1.0 1.3	-1.2 -2.7	-1.1 -3.8	-3.8 -4.0	-7.1 -9.7	-6.5 -13.1	-19.5 -13.7
Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services	35.5 62.2 18.0 33.5 21.5	35.0 62.7 17.8 32.4 21.4	1.3 1.4 1.3 1.0 1.4 1.1	-2.7 -0.5 0.5 -0.2 -1.1 -0.1	-3.6 0.1 1.9 1.5 0.9 1.4	-4.0 -2.1 3.5 2.3 5.8 0.1	-9.7 -1.4 0.8 -1.1 -3.3 -0.5	0.3 3.1 9.2 2.9 7.0	-13.7 -5.7 5.9 14.8 21.8 0.5
Public administration	28.7	28.3	1.1	-0.4	-0.3	-0.5	-1.4	-1.0	-1.7

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-4
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — New Brunswick

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	044.0	040.4		• •	0.0	0.7		0.4	0.4
Population Labour force	611.8 386.5	612.1 388.8	2.3	0.3 2.3	0.9 1.7	0.7 -6.3	0.0 0.6	0.1 0.4	0.1 -1.6
Employment	359.8	360.0	2.5	0.2	5.7	1.1	0.1	1.6	0.3
Employment full-time Unemployment	302.7 26.7	302.8 28.8	2.9 2.1	0.1 2.1	5.0 -4.0	0.6 -7.4	0.0 7.9	1.7 -12.2	0.2 -20.4
Participation rate	63.2	63.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	-7. <del>4</del> -1.1	1.3	-12.2	-20.4
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.4	0.5	0.5	-1.1	-1.8			
Employment rate Part-time rate	58.8 15.9	58.8 15.9	0.4 0.7	0.0 0.0	0.8 -0.1	0.1 0.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	95.2	95.1	4	-0.1	-0.1	-1.0	-0.1	-0.1	-1.0
Labour force Employment	62.3 54.8	62.1 54.9	1.4 1.4	-0.2 0.1	1.2 2.0	-2.6 -1.0	-0.3 0.2	2.0 3.8	-4.0 -1.8
Unemployment	7.6	7.2	1.1	-0.4	-0.8	-1.5	-5.3	-10.0	-17.2
Participation rate	65.4	65.3	1.4	-0.1	1.3	-2.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	12.2 57.6	11.6 57.7	1.6 1.4	-0.6 0.1	-1.5 2.1	-1.8 -0.5		•••	
Part-time rate	41.6	39.3	2.3	-2.3	4.0	0.7			
Men, 25 years and over	0.40.0				0.5			0.0	0.4
Population Labour force	249.8 169.9	250.0 171.7	1.3	0.2 1.8	0.5 2.1	1.1 -2.0	0.1 1.1	0.2 1.2	0.4 -1.2
Employment	158.6	157.7	1.5	-0.9	2.8	1.1	-0.6	1.8	0.7
Unemployment	11.3	14.0	1.4	2.7	-0.7	-3.1	23.9	-4.8	-18.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate	68.0 6.7	68.7 8.2	0.5 0.8	0.7 1.5	0.7 -0.5	-1.1 -1.6			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.5 4.7	63.1 5.1	0.6 0.7	-0.4 0.4	1.0 -0.7	0.2 -0.1			
Women, 25 years and over	222.2				0.5	0.7		0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	266.8 154.2	267.0 155.0	1.2	0.2 0.8	0.5 -1.6	0.7 -1.7	0.1 0.5	0.2 -1.0	0.3 -1.1
Employment	146.4	147.3	1.3	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.6
Unemployment	7.8	7.6	1.1	-0.2	-2.5	-2.8	-2.6	-24.8	-26.9
Participation rate Unemployment rate	57.8 5.1	58.1 4.9	0.5 0.7	0.3 -0.2	-0.7 -1.5	-0.7 -1.7			
Employment rate	54.9	55.2	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2			
Part-time rate	18.3	18.7	1.1	0.4	-0.9	0.4		•••	•••
Industry	359.8	360.0	2.5	0.2	5.7	1.1	0.1	1.6	0.3
Goods-producing sector	85.0	85.3	1.9	0.3	5.2	7.8	0.4	6.5	10.1
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	6.7 11.3	6.8 11.2	0.6 0.8	0.1 -0.1	0.8 1.2	0.5 0.2	1.5 -0.9	13.3 12.0	7.9 1.8
Utilities	3.7	4.0	0.8	0.3	0.9	1.2	-0.9 8.1	29.0	42.9
Construction	23.2	23.8	1.2	0.6	1.1	2.5	2.6	4.8	11.7
Manufacturing	40.0	39.5	1.3	-0.5	1.2	3.4	-1.2	3.1	9.4
Services-producing sector Trade	274.8 55.7	274.6 56.2	2.4 1.4	-0.2 0.5	0.4 -1.8	-6.8 -1.9	-0.1 0.9	0.1 -3.1	-2.4 -3.3
Transportation and warehousing	19.5	19.4	0.9	-0.1	-0.8	-1.5	-0.5	-4.0	-7.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	15.3	16.2	0.8	0.9	-1.5	0.6	5.9	-8.5	3.8
services Business, building and other support	13.6	13.4	0.8	-0.2	-0.5	0.2	-1.5	-3.6	1.5
services	20.7	19.7	1.1	-1.0	0.0	-2.5	-4.8	0.0	-11.3
Educational services Health care and social assistance	26.7 47.7	26.8 47.3	1.0 1.1	0.1 -0.4	0.8 1.1	-0.8 1.8	0.4 -0.8	3.1 2.4	-2.9 4.0
Information, culture and recreation	11.7	12.4	0.8	0.7	1.0	-0.4	6.0	8.8	-3.1
Accommodation and food services	25.7	26.1	1.1	0.4	2.9	1.7	1.6	12.5	7.0
Other services Public administration	17.1 21.0	16.3 20.7	1.0 0.9	-0.8 -0.3	-1.1 0.3	-2.9 -1.0	-4.7 -1.4	-6.3 1.5	-15.1 -4.6
	_1.0		0.0	3.0	0.0	1.0		1.5	4.0

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-5 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Quebec

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	6,293.0 4,122.2 3,799.0 3,102.7 323.2 65.5 7.8	6,297.3 4,143.7 3,828.2 3,115.8 315.5 65.8 7.6	14.5 14.8 19.3 13.6 0.2 0.3	4.3 21.5 29.2 13.1 -7.7 0.3 -0.2	14.5 48.0 38.8 5.3 9.2 0.6 0.1	67.2 44.4 73.4 60.7 -29.0 0.0 -0.8	0.1 0.5 0.8 0.4 -2.4	0.2 1.2 1.0 0.2 3.0	1.1 1.1 2.0 2.0 -8.4
Employment rate Part-time rate	60.4 18.3	60.8 18.6	0.2 0.5	0.4 0.3	0.5 0.7	0.5 0.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years  Population    Labour force    Employment    Unemployment  Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	953.1 627.2 547.9 79.3 65.8 12.6 57.5 48.3	953.4 637.5 561.0 76.6 66.9 12.0 58.8 48.3	8.5 8.2 7.6 0.9 1.1 0.9 1.6	0.3 10.3 13.1 -2.7 1.1 -0.6 1.3 -0.1	1.1 10.5 10.9 -0.3 1.1 -0.3 1.0	3.3 -5.9 7.9 -13.7 -0.8 -2.0 0.6 1.0	0.0 1.6 2.4 -3.4	0.1 1.7 2.0 -0.4 	0.3 -0.9 1.4 -15.2  
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	2,607.9 1,862.1 1,725.2 136.9 71.4 7.4 66.2 7.4	2,610.0 1,864.5 1,725.3 139.2 71.4 7.5 66.1 7.3	7.9 8.4 8.1 0.3 0.4 0.3 0.5	2.1 2.4 0.1 2.3 0.0 0.1 -0.1	6.8 4.3 4.1 0.2 -0.1 0.0 0.0	32.5 12.9 12.6 0.3 -0.4 0.0 -0.3 0.3	0.1 0.1 0.0 1.7 	0.3 0.2 0.2 0.1 	1.3 0.7 0.7 0.2 
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	2,732.0 1,632.9 1,525.9 107.0 59.8 6.6 55.9 20.0	2,733.9 1,641.7 1,542.0 99.7 60.0 6.1 56.4 20.5	8.1 8.2 7.3 0.3 0.4 0.3 0.7	1.9 8.8 16.1 -7.3 0.2 -0.5 0.5	6.6 33.2 23.8 9.4 1.0 0.5 0.7	31.4 37.4 53.1 -15.6 0.6 -1.1 1.3 -0.9	0.1 0.5 1.1 -6.8 	0.2 2.1 1.6 10.4 	1.2 2.3 3.6 -13.5 
Industry	3,799.0	3,828.2	14.8	29.2	38.8	73.4	0.8	1.0	2.0
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	855.4 60.5 36.4 25.4 186.5 546.6	865.8 59.8 36.8 30.5 184.4 554.4	12.1 3.6 2.3 1.9 6.4 10.0	10.4 -0.7 0.4 5.1 -2.1 7.8	-14.4 -6.7 2.2 5.0 6.2 -20.9	-44.4 -4.5 -7.3 0.0 -4.9 -27.7	1.2 -1.2 1.1 20.1 -1.1 1.4	-1.6 -10.1 6.4 19.6 3.5 -3.6	-4.9 -7.0 -16.6 0.0 -2.6 -4.8
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2,943.6 640.8 170.6 234.8	2,962.4 644.6 172.1 236.4	15.9 10.7 6.0 6.3	18.8 3.8 1.5 1.6	53.1 8.3 -1.8 5.5	117.9 12.5 -0.5 19.5	0.6 0.6 0.9 0.7	1.8 1.3 -1.0 2.4	4.1 2.0 -0.3 9.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	256.0	253.2	7.5	-2.8	-1.2	18.9	-1.1	-0.5	8.1
Business, building and other support services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	158.3 257.6 457.8 174.2 219.9 162.0 211.6	160.9 259.3 457.0 172.1 225.4 166.9 214.7	6.3 7.2 7.9 6.2 6.9 5.9 5.7	2.6 1.7 -0.8 -2.1 5.5 4.9 3.1	10.9 2.3 2.7 11.8 5.3 7.6 2.0	27.6 -2.8 8.8 16.0 13.5 5.8 -1.3	1.6 0.7 -0.2 -1.2 2.5 3.0 1.5	7.3 0.9 0.6 7.4 2.4 4.8 0.9	20.7 -1.1 2.0 10.2 6.4 3.6 -0.6

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)	_			
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	10,309.2 7,002.7	10,318.6 7,030.2	18.4	9.4 27.5	27.7 61.6	132.7 137.9	0.1 0.4	0.3 0.9	1.3 2.0
Employment	6,560.2	6,572.5	18.1	12.3	25.9	105.2	0.2	0.4	1.6
Employment full-time	5,354.9	5,391.6	23.0	36.7	37.0	73.6	0.7	0.7	1.4
Unemployment Participation rate	442.5 67.9	457.7 68.1	15.3 0.2	15.2 0.2	35.7 0.4	32.7 0.4	3.4	8.5	7.7
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.6 18.4	63.7 18.0	0.2 0.3	0.1 -0.4	0.1 -0.2	0.2 0.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,714.7	1,715.6		0.9	3.1	17.2	0.1	0.2	1.0
Labour force Employment	1,106.7 966.8	1,119.8 976.8	11.6 10.7	13.1 10.0	21.8 18.9	14.4 11.6	1.2 1.0	2.0 2.0	1.3 1.2
Unemployment	139.9	143.1	9.6	3.2	3.0	2.9	2.3	2.1	2.1
Participation rate	64.5	65.3	0.7	8.0	1.2	0.2			
Unemployment rate	12.6 56.4	12.8	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	49.4	56.9 48.6	0.6 1.1	0.5 -0.8	1.0 -1.3	0.1 1.4			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population Labour force	4,180.1 3,113.7	4,184.0 3,104.9	 9.1	3.9 -8.8	11.1 3.2	53.3 13.7	0.1 -0.3	0.3 0.1	1.3 0.4
Employment	2,939.9	2,940.0	9.8	0.1	-12.5	-3.4	0.0	-0.4	-0.1
Unemployment	173.8	165.0	8.4	-8.8	15.7	17.2	-5.1	10.5	11.6
Participation rate	74.5	74.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.6			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	5.6 70.3	5.3 70.3	0.3 0.2	-0.3 0.0	0.5 -0.5	0.5 -1.0			
Part-time rate	6.5	6.3	0.3	-0.3	0.1	0.2			
Women, 25 years and over	4 414 4	4 440 0		4.6	12.5	60.0	0.4	0.2	1.1
Population Labour force	4,414.4 2,782.3	4,419.0 2,805.5	10.2	4.6 23.2	13.5 36.6	62.2 109.9	0.1 0.8	0.3 1.3	1.4 4.1
Employment	2,653.5	2,655.8	10.0	2.3	19.5	97.1	0.1	0.7	3.8
Unemployment	128.9	149.6	8.0	20.7	16.9	12.6	16.1	12.7	9.2
Participation rate	63.0 4.6	63.5 5.3	0.2 0.3	0.5 0.7	0.6 0.5	1.6 0.2			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	60.1	60.1	0.3	0.7	0.3	1.4			
Part-time rate	20.2	19.7	0.5	-0.5	-0.6	-0.4			
Industry	6,560.2	6,572.5	18.1	12.3	25.9	105.2	0.2	0.4	1.6
Goods-producing sector	1,585.6	1,572.4	15.0	-13.2	-25.6	-29.0	-0.8	-1.6	-1.8
Agriculture	100.2	101.4	3.6	1.2	-3.4	2.3	1.2	-3.2	2.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	40.8 57.2	33.7 57.4	2.3 2.3	-7.1 0.2	-9.1 4.6	2.0 11.6	-17.4 0.3	-21.3 8.7	6.3 25.3
Construction	413.6	411.3	8.9	-2.3	-0.6	6.9	-0.6	-0.1	1.7
Manufacturing	973.7	968.6	12.6	-5.1	-17.1	-51.8	-0.5	-1.7	-5.1
Services-producing sector Trade	4,974.6 1,014.3	5,000.2 1,026.7	20.5 13.4	25.6 12.4	51.6 0.1	134.3 31.6	0.5 1.2	1.0 0.0	2.8 3.2
Transportation and warehousing	307.2	310.8	7.8	3.6	5.5	20.0	1.2	1.8	6.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	483.7	485.6	9.6	1.9	10.9	8.8	0.4	2.3	1.8
services	463.1	468.7	9.5	5.6	18.9	7.3	1.2	4.2	1.6
Business, building and other support									
services Educational services	291.5 446.5	276.0	8.8 8.8	-15.5 -2.0	-27.7 6.0	-20.3	-5.3	-9.1 -1.3	-6.9 -1.9
Educational services Health care and social assistance	662.2	444.5 659.9	9.3	-2.0 -2.3	-6.0 1.1	-8.4 35.8	-0.4 -0.3	0.2	-1.9 5.7
Information, culture and recreation	315.3	320.6	8.4	5.3	4.2	-8.8	1.7	1.3	-2.7
Accommodation and food services	396.3	403.5	8.7	7.2	20.4	45.8	1.8	5.3	12.8
Other services	272.8 321.8	283.2 320.7	7.6 6.8	10.4	16.5	10.2 12.4	3.8 -0.3	6.2 2.4	3.7
Public administration	321.8	320.7	6.8	-1.1	7.6	12.4	-0.3	2.4	4.0

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-7 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Manitoba

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force	894.7 617.2	895.6 620.0	 2.8	0.9 2.8	1.8 7.4	5.1 11.7	0.1 0.5	0.2 1.2	0.6 1.9
Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	590.5 478.4 26.7	593.6 472.9 26.5	2.8 3.9 2.1	3.1 -5.5 -0.2	6.0 0.5 1.5	10.7 3.7 1.1	0.5 -1.1 -0.7	1.0 0.1 6.0	1.8 0.8 4.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	69.0 4.3 66.0 19.0	69.2 4.3 66.3 20.3	0.3 0.3 0.3 0.6	0.2 0.0 0.3 1.3	0.7 0.2 0.6 0.7	0.9 0.1 0.8 0.8			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force	156.0 110.9	156.2 112.0	1.8	0.2 1.1	0.4 2.4	0.6 -0.5	0.1 1.0	0.3 2.2	0.4 -0.4
Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	101.9 9.0 71.1 8.1	103.0 9.0 71.7 8.0	1.7 1.4 1.1 1.2	1.1 0.0 0.6 -0.1	1.6 0.8 1.4 0.5	0.0 -0.5 -0.6 -0.4	1.1 0.0 	1.6 9.8 	0.0 -5.3 
Employment rate Part-time rate	65.3 41.6	65.9 45.2	1.1 1.9	0.6 3.6	0.8 3.2	-0.3 0.3			
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force	360.9 270.8	361.2 273.3	1.4	0.3 2.5	0.8 3.0	2.7 8.8	0.1 0.9	0.2 1.1	0.8 3.3
Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	261.5 9.4 75.0 3.5	263.9 9.4 75.7 3.4	1.4 1.2 0.4 0.4	2.4 0.0 0.7 -0.1	2.3 0.8 0.7 0.2	8.6 0.3 1.9 0.0	0.9 0.0 	0.9 9.3 	3.4 3.3 
Employment rate Part-time rate	72.5 5.7	73.1 6.4	0.4 0.6	0.6 0.7	0.5 0.1	1.9 0.1			
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force	377.9 235.5	378.2 234.7	 1.6	0.3 -0.8	0.6 1.9	1.8 3.4	0.1 -0.3	0.2 0.8	0.5 1.5
Employment Unemployment Participation rate	227.1 8.4 62.3	226.7 8.1 62.1	1.6 1.1 0.4	-0.4 -0.3 -0.2	2.1 -0.1 0.4	2.2 1.3 0.6	-0.2 -3.6	0.9 -1.2	1.0 19.1
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	3.6 60.1 24.1	3.5 59.9 25.2	0.5 0.4 1.0	-0.1 -0.2 1.1	0.0 0.4 0.3	0.6 0.3 2.4	 		
Industry	590.5	593.6	2.8	3.1	6.0	10.7	0.5	1.0	1.8
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	144.4 28.6 6.5 4.6	145.7 29.7 6.7 6.6	2.3 1.3 0.5 0.4	1.3 1.1 0.2 2.0	4.4 0.2 0.0 1.6	9.5 -0.2 -0.1 1.0	0.9 3.8 3.1 43.5	3.1 0.7 0.0 32.0	7.0 -0.7 -1.5 17.9
Construction Manufacturing	31.2 73.5	32.0 70.8	1.4 1.7	0.8 -2.7	1.5 1.2	2.7 6.2	2.6 -3.7	4.9 1.7	9.2 9.6
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	446.1 90.9 34.2 31.2	447.8 89.4 34.1 31.2	3.2 2.1 1.2 1.2	1.7 -1.5 -0.1 0.0	1.5 -3.4 -1.0 -1.2	1.1 -1.8 -1.7 -0.9	0.4 -1.7 -0.3 0.0	0.3 -3.7 -2.8 -3.7	0.2 -2.0 -4.7 -2.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	23.9	23.4	1.1	-0.5	2.3	-1.3	-2.1	10.9	-5.3
Business, building and other support services Educational services	17.5 47.3	16.7 46.2	1.2 1.5	-0.8 -1.1	-1.8 -1.3	-1.7 0.9	-4.6 -2.3	-9.7 -2.7	-9.2 2.0
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services	82.0 22.0 35.9 25.4	83.8 23.4 38.7 24.1	1.7 1.1 1.6 1.2	1.8 1.4 2.8 -1.3	1.7 1.0 3.7 -0.8	5.5 -0.4 0.4 -0.2	2.2 6.4 7.8 -5.1	2.1 4.5 10.6 -3.2	7.0 -1.7 1.0 -0.8
Public administration	36.0	36.7	1.2	0.7	2.2	2.2	1.9	6.4	6.4

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-8
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Saskatchewan

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force	747.4 524.0	748.2 524.3	 2.4	0.8 0.3	1.9 0.3	1.2 14.7	0.1 0.1	0.3 0.1	0.2 2.9
Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	503.3 406.1 20.7	504.4 405.5 19.9	2.5 3.3 1.9	1.1 -0.6 -0.8	1.6 -2.2 -1.3	20.2 13.5 -5.5	0.2 -0.1 -3.9	0.3 -0.5 -6.1	4.2 3.4 -21.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	70.1 4.0 67.3 19.3	70.1 3.8 67.4 19.6	0.3 0.4 0.3 0.6	0.0 -0.2 0.1 0.3	-0.1 -0.2 0.0 0.7	1.9 -1.2 2.6 0.6		  	
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment	137.3 103.2 95.0 8.2	137.4 101.1 94.5 6.6	1.5 1.5 1.2	0.1 -2.1 -0.5 -1.6	0.1 -1.2 0.3 -1.5	-0.7 5.6 9.1 -3.4	0.1 -2.0 -0.5 -19.5	0.1 -1.2 0.3 -18.5	-0.5 5.9 10.7 -34.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	75.2 7.9 69.2 40.6	73.6 6.5 68.8 40.4	1.1 1.2 1.1 1.8	-1.6 -1.4 -0.4 -0.2	-0.9 -1.4 0.2 3.1	4.4 -4.0 7.0 -0.4		  	
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment	297.8 227.9 221.2	298.2 227.5 220.2	 1.2 1.3	0.4 -0.4 -1.0	1.0 -0.2 -0.3	1.4 6.6 7.5	0.1 -0.2 -0.5	0.3 -0.1 -0.1	0.5 3.0 3.5
Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	6.7 76.5 2.9 74.3 6.4	7.3 76.3 3.2 73.8 6.4	1.1 0.4 0.5 0.5 0.6	0.6 -0.2 0.3 -0.5 0.0	0.0 -0.3 0.0 -0.4 -0.6	-0.9 1.9 -0.5 2.1 0.3	9.0  	0.0  	-11.0  
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force	312.2 192.9	312.6 195.6	 1.3	0.4 2.7	0.8 1.7	0.5 2.3	0.1 1.4	0.3 0.9	0.2 1.2
Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	187.1 5.8 61.8 3.0	189.7 6.0 62.6 3.1	1.4 0.9 0.4 0.5	2.6 0.2 0.8 0.1	1.6 0.2 0.4 0.1	3.6 -1.2 0.7 -0.6	1.4 3.4 	0.9 3.4 	1.9 -16.7 
Employment rate Part-time rate	59.9 23.8	60.7 24.6	0.4 1.0	0.8 0.8	0.4 1.0	1.1 0.8			
Industry	503.3	504.4	2.5	1.1	1.6	20.2	0.2	0.3	4.2
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	130.4 44.4 22.7 3.4 30.6 29.3	131.2 43.2 22.8 3.7 31.8 29.7	2.3 1.6 1.0 0.4 1.3 1.1	0.8 -1.2 0.1 0.3 1.2 0.4	-2.2 -4.3 0.3 -0.3 1.1 1.1	-1.5 -4.4 1.6 -0.9 2.7 -0.6	0.6 -2.7 0.4 8.8 3.9 1.4	-1.6 -9.1 1.3 -7.5 3.6 3.8	-1.1 -9.2 7.5 -19.6 9.3 -2.0
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing	372.9 85.0 24.8	373.2 86.5 24.8	2.8 1.8 1.0	0.3 1.5 0.0	3.8 0.6 -0.4	21.8 9.2 -2.0	0.1 1.8 0.0	1.0 0.7 -1.6	6.2 11.9 -7.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical services	26.3 19.7	25.8 20.4	0.9	-0.5 0.7	-1.3	0.1	-1.9 3.6	-4.8 2.5	19.3
Business, building and other support services	10.5	10.5	0.8	0.0	-1.3	-1.3	0.0	-11.0	-11.0
Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	40.5 62.4 19.3 32.1 24.9 27.4	43.5 60.6 19.9 30.9 22.8 27.5	1.2 1.4 1.0 1.3 1.1 1.0	3.0 -1.8 0.6 -1.2 -2.1 0.1	4.7 -0.5 -0.5 0.1 1.1 0.8	7.3 2.0 1.0 1.7 1.0 -0.5	7.4 -2.9 3.1 -3.7 -8.4 0.4	12.1 -0.8 -2.5 0.3 5.1 3.0	20.2 3.4 5.3 5.8 4.6 -1.8

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-9 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Alberta

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	า	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	2,709.2 2.008.1	2,715.9 2.010.1	8.0	6.7 2.0	23.8 35.7	105.5 99.8	0.2 0.1	0.9 1.8	4.0 5.2
Employment	1,938.7	1,938.6	8.3	-0.1	30.2	93.9	0.0	1.6	5.1
Employment full-time	1,639.0	1,631.2	10.8	-7.8	15.7	97.8	-0.5	1.0	6.4
Unemployment	69.4 74.1	71.5 74.0	5.6 0.3	2.1 -0.1	5.5 0.7	5.9 0.8	3.0	8.3	9.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	3.5	3.6	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.8			
Employment rate	71.6	71.4	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.7			
Part-time rate	15.5	15.9	0.5	0.4	0.5	-1.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	504.0	504.0			0.0	40.7	0.4	0.5	0.4
Population Labour force	501.3 367.0	501.8 358.4	5.1	0.5 -8.6	2.3 2.1	16.7 5.7	0.1 -2.3	0.5 0.6	3.4 1.6
Employment	341.3	329.2	5.1	-12.1	-4.5	-1.5	-3.5	-1.3	-0.5
Unemployment	25.7	29.2	3.6	3.5	6.6	7.2	13.6	29.2	32.7
Participation rate	73.2	71.4	1.0	-1.8	0.1	-1.3	•••		
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.0 68.1	8.1 65.6	1.0 1.0	1.1 -2.5	1.8 -1.2	1.9 -2.6			
Part-time rate	31.3	31.4	1.6	0.1	-0.5	-4.7			
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,107.8	1,111.0		3.2	11.2	46.7	0.3	1.0	4.4
Labour force	905.8	912.2	3.5	6.4	19.8	52.3	0.7	2.2	6.1
Employment Unemployment	886.0 19.8	892.9 19.3	3.9 3.0	6.9 -0.5	22.5 -2.7	56.1 -3.7	0.8 -2.5	2.6 -12.3	6.7 -16.1
Participation rate	81.8	82.1	0.3	0.3	1.0	1.3	-2.5	-12.0	-10.1
Unemployment rate	2.2	2.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-0.6			
Employment rate	80.0 4.7	80.4 5.5	0.4 0.5	0.4 0.8	1.3 1.2	1.8 1.2	•••		
Part-time rate	4.7	5.5	0.5	0.0	1.2	1.2			
Women, 25 years and over	1 100 2	4 402 4		2.0	10.2	12.1	0.2	0.0	4.0
Population Labour force	1,100.2 735.2	1,103.1 739.6	4.7	2.9 4.4	10.3 13.9	42.1 41.8	0.3 0.6	0.9 1.9	4.0 6.0
Employment	711.4	716.5	4.7	5.1	12.1	39.3	0.7	1.7	5.8
Unemployment	23.9	23.1	3.0	-0.8	1.7	2.5	-3.3	7.9	12.1
Participation rate	66.8	67.0	0.4	0.2 -0.2	0.6	1.2	•••		
Unemployment rate Employment rate	3.3 64.7	3.1 65.0	0.4 0.4	0.3	0.2 0.5	0.1 1.2			
Part-time rate	21.2	21.6	0.9	0.4	0.4	-1.5			
Industry	1,938.7	1,938.6	8.3	-0.1	30.2	93.9	0.0	1.6	5.1
Goods-producing sector	567.0	548.3	7.2	-18.7	5.0	36.3	-3.3	0.9	7.1
Agriculture	48.7	43.9	2.6	-4.8	-4.0	-12.0	-9.9	-8.4	-21.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	151.3	149.3	4.0	-2.0	5.9	13.1	-1.3	4.1	9.6
Utilities	21.1	17.3	1.3	-3.8	-3.7	2.3	-18.0	-17.6	15.3
Construction Manufacturing	195.8 150.1	190.5 147.3	5.0 4.2	-5.3 -2.8	8.8 -2.1	16.9 16.1	-2.7 -1.9	4.8 -1.4	9.7 12.3
Services-producing sector	1,371.7	1,390.4	9.4	18.7	25.3	57.7	1.4	1.9	4.3
Trade	267.6	279.8	6.1	12.2	8.5	-10.7	4.6	3.1	-3.7
Transportation and warehousing	106.0	105.5	3.7	-0.5	-0.6	-1.3	-0.5	-0.6	-1.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	97.0	96.9	3.4	-0.1	-7.5	3.4	-0.1	-7.2	3.6
Professional, scientific and technical	151.7	145.8	4.3	-5.9	3.2	6.2	-3.9	2.2	4.4
services Business, building and other support	101.7	143.0	4.3	-5.5	3.2	0.2	-3.5	۷.۷	4.4
services	64.7	72.3	3.4	7.6	2.0	12.9	11.7	2.8	21.7
Educational services	137.6	138.0	4.0	0.4	-0.9	14.9	0.3	-0.6	12.1
Health care and social assistance	183.0	181.9	4.4	-1.1	1.0	5.9	-0.6	0.6	3.4
Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services	74.7 123.9	76.2 120.5	3.4 4.3	1.5 -3.4	9.5 2.3	10.3 9.4	2.0 -2.7	14.2 1.9	15.6 8.5
Other services	91.7	97.6	3.5	5.9	8.6	15.4	6.4	9.7	18.7
Public administration	73.8	75.9	3.0	2.1	-0.8	-8.6	2.8	-1.0	-10.2

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-10
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — British Columbia

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population Labour force	3,547.4 2,347.4	3,551.7 2,357.3	10.0	4.3 9.9	13.7 16.6	59.3 67.8	0.1 0.4	0.4 0.7	1.7 3.0
Employment	2,252.9	2,265.4	10.1	12.5	46.9	78.3	0.6	2.1	3.6
Employment full-time	1,797.5	1,794.3	13.5	-3.2	21.1	66.1	-0.2	1.2	3.8
Unemployment Participation rate	94.6 66.2	91.9 66.4	7.3 0.3	-2.7 0.2	-30.3 0.2	-10.5 0.8	-2.9	-24.8 	-10.3
Unemployment rate	4.0	3.9	0.3	-0.1	-1.3	-0.6			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.5 20.2	63.8 20.8	0.3 0.5	0.3 0.6	1.1 0.7	1.2 -0.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	577.7	577.9	 F 0	0.2	0.5	2.6	0.0	0.1	0.5
Labour force Employment	385.6 355.5	387.7 359.3	5.8 5.8	2.1 3.8	3.1 11.7	5.6 6.4	0.5 1.1	0.8 3.4	1.5 1.8
Unemployment	30.1	28.4	4.2	-1.7	-8.6	-0.7	-5.6	-23.2	-2.4
Participation rate	66.7	67.1	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.7			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	7.8 61.5	7.3 62.2	1.1 1.0	-0.5 0.7	-2.3 2.0	-0.3 0.9			
Part-time rate	39.5	42.5	1.8	3.0	4.3	-0.9			
Men, 25 years and over	1,451.7	1,453.8		2.1	6.7	29.1	0.1	0.5	2.0
Population Labour force	1,451.7	1,453.6	5.2	-1.1	6.6	31.8	-0.1	0.5	3.1
Employment	1,020.8	1,017.4	5.4	-3.4	13.0	34.2	-0.3	1.3	3.5
Unemployment  Participation rate	29.9 72.4	32.2 72.2	4.2 0.4	2.3 -0.2	-6.4 0.1	-2.5 0.8	7.7	-16.6	-7.2
Participation rate Unemployment rate	2.8	3.1	0.4	0.2	-0.6	-0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	70.3 8.8	70.0 8.0	0.4 0.6	-0.3 -0.8	0.6 -1.0	1.0			
	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.0	-1.0	-0.2	•••	•	
Women, 25 years and over Population	1,518.1	1,520.0		1.9	6.5	27.6	0.1	0.4	1.8
Labour force	911.2	920.0	6.0	8.8	6.9	30.3	1.0	0.8	3.4
Employment	876.6 34.6	888.7 31.2	5.8 4.2	12.1 -3.4	22.2 -15.4	37.7 -7.4	1.4 -9.8	2.6 -33.0	4.4 -19.2
Unemployment Participation rate	60.0	60.5	0.4	-3.4 0.5	0.2	0.9	-9.0	-33.0	-19.2
Unemployment rate	3.8	3.4	0.5	-0.4	-1.7	-0.9			
Employment rate Part-time rate	57.7 25.7	58.5 26.7	0.4 0.9	0.8 1.0	1.2 1.1	1.5 0.3			
Tart and Tate	20		0.0			0.0	•••		•••
Industry	2,252.9	2,265.4	10.1	12.5	46.9	78.3	0.6	2.1	3.6
Goods-producing sector	484.2	493.2	8.1	9.0	9.9	25.9	1.9	2.0	5.5
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	35.7 48.3	33.5 45.2	2.6 2.8	-2.2 -3.1	-2.5 -3.0	-2.7 5.4	-6.2 -6.4	-6.9 -6.2	-7.5 13.6
Utilities	9.3	8.2	1.0	-1.1	-1.1	1.0	-11.8	-11.8	13.9
Construction Manufacturing	186.5 204.5	190.9 215.3	5.7 5.3	4.4 10.8	4.4 12.1	13.6 8.5	2.4 5.3	2.4 6.0	7.7 4.1
Services-producing sector	1,768.7	1,772.2	11.1	3.5	36.9	52.4	0.2	2.1	3.0
Trade	359.1	355.0	7.3	-4.1	14.6	-3.8	-1.1	4.3	-1.1
Transportation and warehousing	131.3	125.6	4.3	-5.7	8.4	0.7	-4.3	7.2	0.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	139.9	149.2	4.5	9.3	1.5	16.5	6.6	1.0	12.4
services	168.9	161.1	5.1	-7.8	-3.4	-5.0	-4.6	-2.1	-3.0
Business, building and other support									
services	96.7	95.4	4.3	-1.3	-13.1	5.0	-1.3	-12.1	5.5 6.1
Educational services Health care and social assistance	159.9 243.2	162.9 248.5	4.8 5.4	3.0 5.3	0.6 9.3	9.4 24.2	1.9 2.2	0.4 3.9	6.1 10.8
Information, culture and recreation	116.2	123.5	4.6	7.3	17.9	3.9	6.3	17.0	3.3
Accommodation and food services	173.1	173.5	5.5	0.4	2.7	11.1	0.2	1.6	6.8
Other services Public administration	89.0 91.4	85.3 92.2	4.1 3.5	-3.7 0.8	-3.7 2.2	-8.4 -1.3	-4.2 0.9	-4.2 2.4	-9.0 -1.4
Public administration	91.4	92.2	3.5	0.8	2.2	-1.3	0.9	2.4	-1.4

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

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

	February	March	S.E.1		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	151.9 99.3 92.0 7.3 65.4 7.4 60.6	152.0 98.9 91.3 7.6 65.1 7.7 60.1	0.8 0.8 0.5 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.1 -0.4 -0.7 0.3 -0.3 -0.5	0.2 -3.4 -3.3 -0.1 -2.3 0.2 -2.2	0.8 -0.9 0.2 -1.1 -0.9 -1.0	0.1 -0.4 -0.8 4.1 	0.1 -3.3 -3.5 -1.3 	0.5 -0.9 0.2 -12.6 
Halifax, Nova Scotia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	312.4 217.9 208.6 9.4 69.8 4.3 66.8	312.5 217.3 207.8 9.5 69.5 4.4 66.5	1.1 1.1 0.6 0.4 0.3 0.4	0.1 -0.6 -0.8 0.1 -0.3 0.1 -0.3	0.5 -0.1 0.2 -0.4 -0.2 -0.2	1.9 4.1 5.3 -1.2 0.9 -0.6 1.3	0.0 -0.3 -0.4 1.1 	0.2 0.0 0.1 -4.0 	0.6 1.9 2.6 -11.2 
Saint John, New Brunswick Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	103.5 66.2 62.6 3.7 64.0 5.6 60.5	103.6 66.3 62.9 3.3 64.0 5.0 60.7	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.6 0.5 0.7	0.1 0.3 -0.4 0.0 -0.6 0.2	0.2 0.8 1.1 -0.4 0.7 -0.6 0.9	0.2 -0.6 -0.1 -0.6 -0.7 -0.8 -0.2	0.1 0.2 0.5 -10.8	0.2 1.2 1.8 -10.8 	0.2 -0.9 -0.2 -15.4 
Saguenay, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	125.9 75.6 68.2 7.4 60.0 9.8 54.2	125.8 76.6 68.8 7.8 60.9 10.2 54.7	0.8 0.8 0.4 0.6 0.5	-0.1 1.0 0.6 0.4 0.9 0.4 0.5	-0.2 2.2 0.9 1.2 1.9 1.3 0.8	-0.4 -2.3 -3.9 1.5 -1.6 2.2 -2.9	-0.1 1.3 0.9 5.4 	-0.2 3.0 1.3 18.2 	-0.3 -2.9 -5.4 23.8 
Québec, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	603.3 396.5 374.7 21.8 65.7 5.5 62.1	603.8 395.5 376.5 19.0 65.5 4.8 62.4	3.2 3.3 1.5 0.5 0.4 0.6	0.5 -1.0 1.8 -2.8 -0.2 -0.7 0.3	1.6 0.0 4.6 -4.6 -0.2 -1.2	7.1 -5.3 -2.8 -2.4 -1.7 -0.5 -1.2	0.1 -0.3 0.5 -12.8 	0.3 0.0 1.2 -19.5 	1.2 -1.3 -0.7 -11.2 
Trois-Rivières, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	120.1 75.0 68.9 6.1 62.4 8.1 57.4	120.2 76.5 70.0 6.5 63.6 8.5 58.2	0.7 0.7 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.1 1.5 1.1 0.4 1.2 0.4 0.8	0.3 3.9 2.4 1.6 3.0 1.8 1.8	1.4 1.0 1.4 -0.4 0.0 -0.6 0.5	0.1 2.0 1.6 6.6	0.3 5.4 3.6 32.7 	1.2 1.3 2.0 -5.8 

Table 5-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

-	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
Sherbrooke, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	136.1 89.2 83.0 6.2 65.5 7.0 61.0	136.2 89.0 83.0 6.0 65.3 6.7 60.9	0.7 0.8 0.3 0.5 0.4 0.6	0.1 -0.2 0.0 -0.2 -0.2 -0.3 -0.1	0.4 0.1 0.8 -0.7 -0.2 -0.8 0.4	1.7 -0.7 0.7 -1.4 -1.5 -0.3	0.1 -0.2 0.0 -3.2	0.3 0.1 1.0 -10.4 	1.3 -0.8 0.9 -18.9 
Montréal, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,023.9 2,025.9 1,875.0 151.0 67.0 7.5 62.0	3,026.3 2,029.3 1,878.2 151.1 67.1 7.4 62.1	7.3 7.5 4.9 0.2 0.2 0.3	2.4 3.4 3.2 0.1 0.1 -0.1	8.1 -11.3 -7.2 -4.1 -0.5 -0.2 -0.4	36.8 9.5 46.8 -37.3 -0.5 -1.9 0.8	0.1 0.2 0.2 0.1 	0.3 -0.6 -0.4 -2.6 	1.2 0.5 2.6 -19.8 
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	948.0 668.6 631.0 37.6 70.5 5.6 66.6	948.5 672.5 635.4 37.1 70.9 5.5 67.0	3.2 3.4 1.6 0.3 0.2 0.4	0.5 3.9 4.4 -0.5 0.4 -0.1	1.6 6.6 7.2 -0.6 0.6 -0.2 0.7	8.5 -13.9 -15.3 1.4 -2.1 0.3 -2.2	0.1 0.6 0.7 -1.3	0.2 1.0 1.1 -1.6 	0.9 -2.0 -2.4 3.9 
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	238.0 174.4 163.2 11.3 73.3 6.5 68.6	238.3 174.4 163.2 11.2 73.2 6.4 68.5	1.2 1.2 0.6 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.3 0.0 0.0 -0.1 -0.1 -0.1	1.1 2.1 1.7 0.4 0.6 0.1	4.3 2.7 1.1 1.6 -0.2 0.8 -0.8	0.1 0.0 0.0 -0.9	0.5 1.2 1.1 3.7 	1.8 1.6 0.7 16.7 
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	710.1 494.2 467.9 26.4 69.6 5.3 65.9	710.2 498.1 472.2 25.9 70.1 5.2 66.5	3.0 3.2 1.5 0.4 0.3 0.5	0.1 3.9 4.3 -0.5 0.5 -0.1	0.6 4.4 5.5 -1.1 0.5 -0.3 0.7	4.2 -16.5 -16.4 -0.2 -2.8 0.1 -2.7	0.0 0.8 0.9 -1.9	0.1 0.9 1.2 -4.1 	0.6 -3.2 -3.4 -0.8 
Kingston, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	126.0 82.7 78.6 4.1 65.6 5.0 62.4	125.9 84.5 80.8 3.7 67.1 4.4 64.2	0.8 0.8 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	-0.1 1.8 2.2 -0.4 1.5 -0.6 1.8	0.0 3.5 4.0 -0.5 2.8 -0.8 3.2	0.5 2.4 3.7 -1.3 1.6 -1.7 2.7	-0.1 2.2 2.8 -9.8	0.0 4.3 5.2 -11.9 	0.4 2.9 4.8 -26.0 

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

	February	March	S.E.1		Change from	า	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous							
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	4,418.4 3,065.4 2,867.0 198.4 69.4 6.5	4,424.0 3,073.0 2,865.9 207.1 69.5 6.7	9.0 9.2 5.4 0.2 0.2	5.6 7.6 -1.1 8.7 0.1 0.2	18.5 49.5 43.4 6.1 0.9 0.1	81.6 93.8 85.8 8.0 0.9	0.1 0.2 0.0 4.4	0.4 1.6 1.5 3.0	1.9 3.1 3.1 4.0
Employment rate	64.9	64.8	0.2	-0.1	0.7	0.8			
Hamilton, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	590.8 390.4 365.9 24.5 66.1 6.3 61.9	591.1 394.1 368.2 25.9 66.7 6.6 62.3	2.9 3.0 1.3 0.5 0.3	0.3 3.7 2.3 1.4 0.6 0.3 0.4	1.0 5.0 2.8 2.1 0.8 0.5 0.4	5.4 -5.3 -8.9 3.6 -1.5 1.0 -2.1	0.1 0.9 0.6 5.7 	0.2 1.3 0.8 8.8 	0.9 -1.3 -2.4 16.1 
Kitchener, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	374.5 267.9 252.1 15.8 71.5 5.9 67.3	375.0 266.7 251.6 15.0 71.1 5.6 67.1	1.9 2.0 0.9 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.5 -1.2 -0.5 -0.8 -0.4 -0.3 -0.2	1.4 -5.3 -5.7 0.3 -1.7 0.2 -1.8	6.3 2.0 0.6 1.3 -0.7 0.4 -1.0	0.1 -0.4 -0.2 -5.1	0.4 -1.9 -2.2 2.0 	1.7 0.8 0.2 9.5 
London, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	380.1 265.4 250.4 15.0 69.8 5.7 65.9	380.3 264.4 249.2 15.2 69.5 5.7 65.5	1.7 1.8 0.9 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.2 -1.0 -1.2 0.2 -0.3 0.0 -0.4	0.7 -3.2 -1.8 -1.4 -1.0 -0.5 -0.6	3.8 7.8 7.9 -0.1 1.3 -0.3 1.4	0.1 -0.4 -0.5 1.3 	0.2 -1.2 -0.7 -8.4 	1.0 3.0 3.3 -0.7 
Oshawa, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	278.9 189.4 177.3 12.1 67.9 6.4 63.6	279.5 189.5 177.9 11.6 67.8 6.1 63.6	1.3 1.4 0.7 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.6 0.1 0.6 -0.5 -0.1 -0.3	2.0 -0.6 0.5 -1.1 -0.7 -0.6 -0.3	8.1 2.9 3.2 -0.3 -1.0 -0.3 -0.8	0.2 0.1 0.3 -4.1 	0.7 -0.3 0.3 -8.7 	3.0 1.6 1.8 -2.5 
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	327.7 201.2 188.2 13.0 61.4 6.5 57.4	327.8 202.9 190.1 12.8 61.9 6.3 58.0	1.7 1.7 1.7 0.7 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.1 1.7 1.9 -0.2 0.5 -0.2 0.6	0.2 2.0 2.0 0.1 0.6 0.0 0.6	1.6 4.5 4.8 -0.4 1.1 -0.4 1.2	0.0 0.8 1.0 -1.5	0.1 1.0 1.1 0.8 	0.5 2.3 2.6 -3.0 

Table 5-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	February	March	S.E.¹		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	132.7	132.7		0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.2
Labour force	83.7	84.6	0.7	0.9	0.3	1.6	1.1	0.4	1.9
Employment Unemployment	78.9 4.8	79.7 4.9	0.7 0.3	0.8 0.1	0.6 -0.3	3.5 -1.9	1.0 2.1	0.8 -5.8	4.6 -27.9
Participation rate	63.1	63.8	0.5	0.7	0.3	1.1	2.1	-5.0	-21.5
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.8	0.4	0.1	-0.4	-2.4	•••		
Employment rate	59.5	60.1	0.6	0.6	0.5	2.5			
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	104.2	104.2		0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Labour force Employment	65.9 61.5	66.1 61.5	0.6 0.7	0.2 0.0	0.8 0.7	-0.1 0.3	0.3 0.0	1.2 1.2	-0.2 0.5
Unemployment	4.4	4.6	0.7	0.2	0.2	-0.4	4.5	4.5	-8.0
Participation rate	63.2	63.4	0.6	0.2	0.8	-0.1			
Unemployment rate	6.7	7.0	0.5	0.3	0.3	-0.6	•••		
Employment rate	59.0	59.0	0.6	0.0	0.7	0.3	•••	•••	•••
Windsor, Ontario	074.4	074.4			0.0	4 7		0.4	0.0
Population Labour force	271.4 175.0	271.4 173.4	1.4	0.0 -1.6	0.2 -6.4	1.7 -7.4	0.0 -0.9	0.1 -3.6	0.6 -4.1
Employment	157.8	156.7	1.4	-1.1	-6.9	-7.2	-0.7	-4.2	-4.4
Unemployment	17.1	16.8	8.0	-0.3	0.6	-0.1	-1.8	3.7	-0.6
Participation rate	64.5	63.9	0.5	-0.6	-2.4	-3.1			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	9.8 58.1	9.7 57.7	0.4 0.5	-0.1 -0.4	0.7 -2.6	0.4 -3.1			
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Winnipeg, Manitoba Population	573.4	573.8		0.4	1.2	3.8	0.1	0.2	0.7
Labour force	403.0	406.2	1.4	3.2	4.5	8.0	0.8	1.1	2.0
Employment	382.9	386.7	1.4	3.8	4.1	6.8	1.0	1.1	1.8
Unemployment Participation rate	20.1 70.3	19.5 70.8	0.7 0.2	-0.6 0.5	0.4 0.6	1.1 0.9	-3.0	2.1	6.0
Unemployment rate	70.3 5.0	70.8 4.8	0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.9			
Employment rate	66.8	67.4	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.8			
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	161.7	161.9		0.2	0.6	1.1	0.1	0.4	0.7
Labour force	116.7	116.9	0.7	0.2	-0.5	5.1	0.2	-0.4	4.6
Employment Unemployment	112.0 4.7	112.3 4.7	0.7 0.3	0.3 0.0	0.1 -0.5	6.0 -0.9	0.3 0.0	0.1 -9.6	5.6 -16.1
Participation rate	72.2	72.2	0.3	0.0	-0.6	2.7		-9.0	-10.1
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.0	0.3	0.0	-0.4	-1.0	•••		
Employment rate	69.3	69.4	0.5	0.1	-0.2	3.3			
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan				_					
Population	189.2	189.5		0.3	0.7	1.6	0.2	0.4	0.9
Labour force Employment	140.1 134.9	140.0 134.9	0.8 0.9	-0.1 0.0	1.8 1.3	8.8 10.7	-0.1 0.0	1.3 1.0	6.7 8.6
Unemployment	5.1	5.1	0.9	0.0	0.6	-1.9	0.0	13.3	-27.1
Participation rate	74.0	73.9	0.4	-0.1	0.7	4.1			
Unemployment rate	3.6	3.6	0.3	0.0	0.3	-1.7			
Employment rate	71.3	71.2	0.5	-0.1	0.4	5.1	•••		

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

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Calgary, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	909.0 693.3 671.8 21.5 76.3 3.1 73.9	912.0 695.0 672.0 23.0 76.2 3.3 73.7	3.1 3.2 1.4 0.4 0.2 0.4	3.0 1.7 0.2 1.5 -0.1 0.2 -0.2	9.6 2.1 -2.9 5.0 -0.6 0.7 -1.1	38.3 34.2 33.3 0.8 0.6 -0.1 0.6	0.3 0.2 0.0 7.0	1.1 0.3 -0.4 27.8 	4.4 5.2 5.2 3.6 
Edmonton, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	855.7 610.1 587.7 22.3 71.3 3.7 68.7	858.0 613.8 592.6 21.2 71.5 3.5 69.1	3.1 3.2 1.4 0.4 0.2 0.4	2.3 3.7 4.9 -1.1 0.2 -0.2 0.4	7.6 16.9 17.9 -1.0 1.3 -0.2 1.5	31.4 44.0 44.3 -0.3 2.6 -0.3 2.8	0.3 0.6 0.8 -4.9	0.9 2.8 3.1 -4.5 	3.8 7.7 8.1 -1.4 
Abbotsford, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	130.3 88.9 85.1 3.8 68.2 4.3 65.3	130.6 88.1 84.2 3.8 67.5 4.3 64.5	0.7 0.8 0.3 0.6 0.3 0.6	0.3 -0.8 -0.9 0.0 -0.7 0.0 -0.8	1.0 -0.1 -0.1 -0.1 -0.6 -0.1	3.9 1.4 1.4 -0.1 -0.9 -0.2 -0.9	0.2 -0.9 -1.1 0.0 	0.8 -0.1 -0.1 -2.6 	3.1 1.6 1.7 -2.6 
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	1,880.7 1,263.3 1,209.7 53.6 67.2 4.2 64.3	1,883.4 1,266.8 1,220.8 45.9 67.3 3.6 64.8	4.8 4.8 2.3 0.3 0.2 0.3	2.7 3.5 11.1 -7.7 0.1 -0.6 0.5	8.2 8.0 20.6 -12.7 0.2 -1.1 0.8	34.3 47.7 58.8 -11.2 1.4 -1.1 2.0	0.1 0.3 0.9 -14.4 	0.4 0.6 1.7 -21.7 	1.9 3.9 5.1 -19.6 
Victoria, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	281.4 183.3 177.7 5.6 65.1 3.1 63.1	281.8 182.8 177.0 5.9 64.9 3.2 62.8	1.4 1.4 0.6 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.4 -0.5 -0.7 0.3 -0.2 0.1 -0.3	1.3 -2.6 -1.8 -0.7 -1.2 -0.4 -0.9	5.6 3.5 4.5 -0.9 0.0 -0.6 0.3	0.1 -0.3 -0.4 5.4 	0.5 -1.4 -1.0 -10.6 	2.0 2.0 2.6 -13.2 

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0090

Table 5-2 Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — Monthly

	February	March	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
	2007	2007		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	xcept ra	tes)				
Montréal, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,026.6 2,024.3 1,868.5 155.8 66.9 7.7 61.7	3,028.3 2,037.4 1,889.6 147.8 67.3 7.3 62.4	15.4 15.5 11.8 0.5 0.6 0.5	1.7 13.1 21.1 -8.0 0.4 -0.4 0.7	7.3 10.1 9.8 0.4 0.2 0.0	36.7 19.5 56.9 -37.4 -0.2 -1.9	0.1 0.6 1.1 -5.1	0.2 0.5 0.5 0.3 	1.2 1.0 3.1 -20.2 
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,424.3 3,074.7 2,870.6 204.1 69.5 6.6 64.9	4,428.5 3,071.9 2,853.5 218.4 69.4 7.1 64.4	19.3 19.1 13.2 0.4 0.4 0.4	4.2 -2.8 -17.1 14.3 -0.1 0.5 -0.5	16.8 22.7 -3.1 25.8 0.3 0.8 -0.4	80.0 91.4 65.4 26.1 0.9 0.6 0.3	0.1 -0.1 -0.6 7.0	0.4 0.7 -0.1 13.4 	1.8 3.1 2.3 13.6 
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,883.2 1,268.0 1,229.0 39.0 67.3 3.1 65.3	1,885.8 1,267.6 1,225.4 42.1 67.2 3.3 65.0	10.0 10.2 5.8 0.5 0.5	2.6 -0.4 -3.6 3.1 -0.1 0.2 -0.3	8.1 10.3 33.3 -23.0 0.2 -1.9 1.5	34.1 41.8 52.1 -10.4 1.0 -1.0	0.1 0.0 -0.3 7.9	0.4 0.8 2.8 -35.3 	1.8 3.4 4.4 -19.8 

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0091

Table 6-1 Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in March 2006 and March 2007

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
<b>Canada</b> <sup>2</sup> 2006 2007	26,045.1 26,416.2	17,216.6 17,595.0	16,032.5 16,438.9	1,184.1 1,156.0	66.1 66.6	6.9 6.6	61.6 62.2
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b> 2006 2007	429.0 425.9	239.7 242.2	197.4 201.8	42.2 40.4	55.9 56.9	17.6 16.7	46.0 47.4
Avalon Peninsula <i>[1010]</i> 2006 2007	209.8 210.1	127.3 126.8	111.1 110.2	16.2 16.6	60.7 60.4	12.7 13.1	53.0 52.5
South Coast-Burin Peninsula <i>[1020]</i> 2006 2007	34.0 33.2	16.3 16.8	12.1 12.4	4.2 4.4	47.9 50.6	25.8 26.2	35.6 37.3
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030] 2006 2007	88.9 87.8	48.3 50.3	38.7 40.6	9.6 9.7	54.3 57.3	19.9 19.3	43.5 46.2
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040] 2006 2007	96.3 94.7	47.8 48.3	35.5 38.6	12.3 9.7	49.6 51.0	25.7 20.1	36.9 40.8
Prince Edward Island 2006 2007	111.9 112.8	74.0 74.9	63.3 65.0	10.8 9.9	66.1 66.4	14.6 13.2	56.6 57.6
Nova Scotia 2006 2007	762.4 763.6	468.7 475.0	425.8 433.1	42.9 42.0	61.5 62.2	9.2 8.8	55.8 56.7
Cape Breton <i>[1210]</i> 2006 2007	117.2 116.6	60.4 62.4	51.7 52.3	8.7 10.1	51.5 53.5	14.4 16.2	44.1 44.9
North Shore <i>[1220]</i> 2006 2007	131.2 130.9	79.6 76.3	71.2 67.4	8.5 8.9	60.7 58.3	10.7 11.7	54.3 51.5
Annapolis Valley <i>[1230]</i> 2006 2007	99.6 100.0	60.1 62.9	54.1 57.7	6.1 5.2	60.3 62.9	10.1 8.3	54.3 57.7
Southern <i>[1240]</i> 2006 2007	103.8 103.6	58.2 59.2	50.5 52.0	7.7 7.2	56.1 57.1	13.2 12.2	48.7 50.2
Halifax <i>[1250]</i> 2006 2007	310.6 312.5	210.3 214.3	198.4 203.7	11.9 10.6	67.7 68.6	5.7 4.9	63.9 65.2
New Brunswick 2006 2007	611.4 611.8	381.9 374.7	342.9 344.1	39.0 30.6	62.5 61.2	10.2 8.2	56.1 56.2
Campbellton-Miramichi <i>[1310]</i> 2006 2007	137.2 135.8	75.2 75.6	63.5 65.7	11.7 9.9	54.8 55.7	15.6 13.1	46.3 48.4
Moncton-Richibucto <i>[1320]</i> 2006 2007	161.0 162.3	104.2 100.0	93.6 91.3	10.6 8.8	64.7 61.6	10.2 8.8	58.1 56.3
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330] 2006 2007	141.3 141.6	90.8 86.3	83.5 81.6	7.3 4.7	64.3 60.9	8.0 5.4	59.1 57.6

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in March 2006 and March 2007

	Population		Labour forc	e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands	_			
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] 2006 2007	103.5 104.0	67.3 69.8	61.7 65.9	5.6 3.8	65.0 67.1	8.3 5.4	59.6 63.4
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] 2006 2007	68.4 68.0	44.4 43.0	40.6 39.6	3.8 3.4	64.9 63.2	8.6 7.9	59.4 58.2
<b>Quebec</b> 2006 2007	6,225.7 6,293.1	4,030.2 4,073.1	3,660.6 3,725.0	369.6 348.1	64.7 64.7	9.2 8.5	58.8 59.2
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] 2006 2007	80.6 80.9	37.4 40.3	29.0 31.9	8.5 8.4	46.4 49.8	22.7 20.8	36.0 39.4
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415] 2006 2007	167.0 167.3	95.8 96.3	84.9 85.1	10.9 11.2	57.4 57.6	11.4 11.6	50.8 50.9
Capitale-Nationale [2420] 2006 2007	557.9 562.9	364.3 356.0	339.5 332.6	24.9 23.4	65.3 63.2	6.8 6.6	60.9 59.1
Chaudière-Appalaches <i>[2425]</i> 2006 2007	323.8 326.7	215.9 222.5	201.3 204.6	14.7 17.8	66.7 68.1	6.8 8.0	62.2 62.6
Estrie <i>[2430]</i> 2006 2007	245.5 247.8	156.4 159.6	141.8 145.4	14.7 14.2	63.7 64.4	9.4 8.9	57.8 58.7
Centre-du-Québec [2433] 2006 2007	183.1 184.8	123.7 131.4	112.8 118.8	10.9 12.5	67.6 71.1	8.8 9.5	61.6 64.3
Montérégie <i>[2435]</i> 2006 2007	1,105.2 1,118.8	742.2 743.4	683.9 692.9	58.3 50.5	67.2 66.4	7.9 6.8	61.9 61.9
Montréal <i>[2440]</i> 2006 2007	1,577.8 1,591.5	1,031.8 1,014.3	910.1 919.6	121.7 94.7	65.4 63.7	11.8 9.3	57.7 57.8
Laval <i>[2445]</i> 2006 2007	302.7 307.3	195.1 206.4	181.6 191.8	13.4 14.6	64.5 67.2	6.9 7.1	60.0 62.4
Lanaudière <i>[2450]</i> 2006 2007	340.9 349.1	219.6 235.0	204.0 220.9	15.6 14.1	64.4 67.3	7.1 6.0	59.8 63.3
Laurentides [2455] 2006 2007	412.6 421.7	268.2 278.3	241.5 252.0	26.7 26.3	65.0 66.0	10.0 9.5	58.5 59.8
Outaouais <i>[2460]</i> 2006 2007	283.3 288.1	197.8 196.8	185.0 180.9	12.8 15.9	69.8 68.3	6.5 8.1	65.3 62.8
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465] 2006 2007	115.2 115.5	72.1 75.2	65.7 68.1	6.4 7.1	62.6 65.1	8.9 9.4	57.0 59.0
Mauricie <i>[2470]</i> 2006 2007	216.0 217.1	120.0 128.8	109.0 114.2	11.0 14.7	55.6 59.3	9.2 11.4	50.5 52.6

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in March 2006 and March 2007

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
	-	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475] 2006 2007	224.5 224.2	134.8 136.2	120.9 119.5	13.9 16.7	60.0 60.7	10.3 12.3	53.9 53.3
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490] 2006 2007	89.6 89.5	55.1 52.5	49.8 46.5	5.3 5.9	61.5 58.7	9.6 11.2	55.6 52.0
<b>Ontario</b> 2006 2007	10,175.8 10,309.8	6,786.6 6,914.4	6,345.9 6,453.7	440.7 460.8	66.7 67.1	6.5 6.7	62.4 62.6
Ottawa [3510] 2006 2007	975.8 981.9	678.3 666.6	640.9 627.1	37.5 39.5	69.5 67.9	5.5 5.9	65.7 63.9
Kingston-Pembroke <i>[3515]</i> 2006 2007	356.9 358.5	209.6 213.8	196.9 201.8	12.8 11.9	58.7 59.6	6.1 5.6	55.2 56.3
Muskoka-Kawarthas <i>[3520]</i> 2006 2007	304.8 307.9	184.0 192.3	171.3 176.2	12.7 16.1	60.4 62.5	6.9 8.4	56.2 57.2
Toronto [3530] 2006 2007	4,575.6 4,662.4	3,094.0 3,189.5	2,889.2 2,975.7	204.8 213.9	67.6 68.4	6.6 6.7	63.1 63.8
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540] 2006 2007	942.4 960.7	671.3 686.4	636.9 649.2	34.4 37.1	71.2 71.4	5.1 5.4	67.6 67.6
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula <i>[3550]</i> 2006 2007	1,118.1 1,128.9	724.4 727.3	677.1 675.9	47.3 51.4	64.8 64.4	6.5 7.1	60.6 59.9
London [3560] 2006 2007	504.0 508.8	342.0 350.7	318.3 330.0	23.8 20.7	67.9 68.9	7.0 5.9	63.2 64.9
Windsor-Sarnia <i>[3570]</i> 2006 2007	521.7 523.8	346.0 335.9	316.1 303.6	29.9 32.3	66.3 64.1	8.6 9.6	60.6 58.0
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580] 2006 2007	246.0 247.2	157.3 157.6	148.9 150.1	8.4 7.5	63.9 63.8	5.3 4.8	60.5 60.7
Northeast [3590] 2006 2007	453.0 453.2	269.8 277.3	249.8 256.2	20.0 21.0	59.6 61.2	7.4 7.6	55.1 56.5
Northwest [3595] 2006 2007	177.4 176.5	109.8 117.2	100.7 107.8	9.1 9.3	61.9 66.4	8.3 7.9	56.8 61.1
<b>Manitoba</b> 2006 2007	890.1 894.9	603.5 611.9	575.3 582.7	28.2 29.1	67.8 68.4	4.7 4.8	64.6 65.1
Southeast [4610] 2006 2007	74.1 75.7	53.6 49.2	50.8 46.4	2.8 2.8	72.3 65.0	5.2 5.7	68.6 61.3
South Central <i>[4620]</i> 2006 2007	42.2 42.7	26.7 28.4	26.1 27.1	0.6 1.3	63.3 66.5	2.2 4.6	61.8 63.5

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in March 2006 and March 2007

	Population		Labour force	е	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	ousands	_			
Southwest [4630] 2006 2007	81.7 81.8	54.8 54.7	51.6 52.6	3.1 2.1	67.1 66.9	5.7 3.8	63.2 64.3
North Central [4640] 2006 2007	35.4 35.6	22.4 22.4	21.7 21.7	0.7 0.7	63.3 62.9	3.1 3.1	61.3 61.0
Winnipeg <i>[4650]</i> 2006 2007	527.9 530.6	359.5 371.0	341.4 352.5	18.1 18.5	68.1 69.9	5.0 5.0	64.7 66.4
Interlake <i>[4660]</i> 2006 2007	68.4 69.1	46.5 45.7	45.3 44.3	1.3 1.4	68.0 66.1	2.8 3.1	66.2 64.1
Parklands and North [4670, 4680] 2006 2007	60.5 59.4	39.9 40.4	38.4 38.2	1.5 2.2	66.0 68.0	3.8 5.4	63.5 64.3
Saskatchewan 2006 2007	747.4 747.5	501.1 516.0	472.4 493.5	28.8 22.5	67.0 69.0	5.7 4.4	63.2 66.0
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710] 2006 2007	219.2 219.7	148.3 155.7	141.2 149.3	7.1 6.4	67.7 70.9	4.8 4.1	64.4 68.0
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720] 2006 2007	82.8 82.4	55.5 56.6	52.4 54.4	3.1 2.2	67.0 68.7	5.6 3.9	63.3 66.0
Saskatoon-Biggar <i>[4730]</i> 2006 2007	230.7 231.9	156.5 166.4	147.9 160.2	8.7 6.2	67.8 71.8	5.6 3.7	64.1 69.1
Yorkton-Melville [4740] 2006 2007	65.1 64.1	42.5 41.8	40.7 39.4	1.9 2.4	65.3 65.2	4.5 5.7	62.5 61.5
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] 2006 2007	149.6 149.3	98.3 95.6	90.3 90.4	8.0 5.2	65.7 64.0	8.1 5.4	60.4 60.5
<b>Alberta</b> 2006 2007	2,603.4 2,709.4	1,870.8 1,984.1	1,805.8 1,913.3	64.9 70.8	71.9 73.2	3.5 3.6	69.4 70.6
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810] 2006 2007	197.8 204.9	137.6 140.1	133.8 133.5	3.8 6.6	69.6 68.4	2.8 4.7	67.6 65.2
Camrose-Drumheller [4820] 2006 2007	149.2 153.7	103.2 110.7	100.6 106.8	2.5 3.8	69.2 72.0	2.4 3.4	67.4 69.5
Calgary [4830] 2006 2007	939.1 981.5	703.6 744.2	679.3 719.0	24.4 25.2	74.9 75.8	3.5 3.4	72.3 73.3
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840] 2006 2007	65.3 67.3	49.5 54.7	48.6 53.0	x 1.7	75.8 81.3	x 3.1	74.4 78.8
Red Deer <i>[4850]</i> 2006 2007	133.7 140.1	98.0 104.2	93.7 101.0	4.3 3.2	73.3 74.4	4.4 3.1	70.1 72.1

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in March 2006 and March 2007

	Population Labour force			Participation				
	-	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate	
		in th	nousands					
Edmonton [4860]								
2006 2007	857.9 890.6	583.3 626.8	560.3 604.2	23.0 22.6	68.0 70.4	3.9 3.6	65.3 67.8	
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]								
2006 2007	174.8 181.4	130.5 135.7	127.2 130.8	3.3 4.9	74.7 74.8	2.5 3.6	72.8 72.1	
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake <i>[4880]</i>								
2006 2007	85.5 89.9	65.1 67.7	62.3 64.9	2.8 2.8	76.1 75.3	4.3 4.1	72.9 72.2	
British Columbia								
2006 2007	3,488.0 3,547.6	2,260.2 2,328.7	2,143.1 2,226.8	117.1 101.9	64.8 65.6	5.2 4.4	61.4 62.8	
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]								
2006 2007	607.7 619.0	384.3 388.7	364.1 367.7	20.2 21.0	63.2 62.8	5.3 5.4	59.9 59.4	
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]	0.400.0	4.074.0	4 00 4 0	07.4	05.0	4.0	20.0	
2006 2007	2,103.6 2,144.4	1,371.3 1,426.2	1,304.2 1,372.6	67.1 53.6	65.2 66.5	4.9 3.8	62.0 64.0	
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]	400.0	202 7	040.4	44.0	04.0		CO 0	
2006 2007	409.9 420.0	263.7 266.2	249.1 252.9	14.6 13.3	64.3 63.4	5.5 5.0	60.8 60.2	
Kootenay <i>[5940]</i> 2006	122.3	70.8	66.3	4.6	57.9	6.5	54.2	
2006 2007	121.9	80.7	75.9	4.8	66.2	5.9	62.3	
Cariboo <i>[5950]</i> 2006	126.3	89.0	83.5	5.4	70.5	6.1	66.1	
2007	124.8	85.3	80.9	4.4	68.3	5.2	64.8	
North Coast and Nechako <i>[5960, 5970]</i> 2006	68.0	46.0	41.7	4.2	67.6	9.1	61.3	
2007	66.4	44.7	41.1	3.7	67.3	8.3	61.9	
Northeast <i>[5980]</i> 2006	50.3	35.1	34.1	x	69.8	X	67.8	
2006 2007	51.1	37.0	35.8	X	72.4	X	70.1	

<sup>1.</sup> For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).

<sup>2.</sup> Estimates for Canada are a sum of the provincial totals and exclude estimates from Yukon Territory, Northwest Territories and Nunavut. **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0054.

Table 6-2 Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in March 2006 and March 2007

	Population	n Labour force			Participation	Unemployment	Employment	
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate	
	in thousands							
Yukon Territory <sup>1</sup> 2006 2007	21.6 21.4	15.9 15.1	15.0 14.4	0.9 0.7	73.6 70.6	5.7 4.6	69.4 67.3	
Northwest Territories <sup>2</sup> 2006 2007	31.4 30.8	24.2 24.1	23.1 23.1	1.1 1.0	77.1 78.2	4.5 4.1	73.6 75.0	
Nunavut - 10 largest communities <sup>3</sup> 2006 2007	13.8 14.0	8.3 9.6	7.7 8.8	0.6 0.8	60.1 68.7	7.5 8.3	55.6 63.1	

<sup>1.</sup> Since 1992, the Labour force survey has been administered in the Yukon Territory, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0054.

<sup>2.</sup> Since 2001, the Labour force survey has been administered in the Northwest Territories, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

<sup>3.</sup> Since 2004, the Labour force survey has been administered in Nunavut, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals. The 10 largest communities are Iqaluit, Cambridge Bay, Baker Lake, Arviat, Rankin Inlet, Kugluktuk, Pond Inlet, Cape Dorset, Pangnirtung, Igloolik.

Table 7 Average usual hours and wages of employees by selected characteristics, Canada, unadjusted for seasonality

	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
	thousands	-	dolla	rs	thousands	_	dollars	thousands		dollars
March 2007										
15 years and over	13,961.4	35.1	735.11	20.14	11,274.6	39.5	850.55	2,686.8	17.1	250.65
15 to 24 years	2,334.1	26.6	333.25	11.58	1,149.4	38.8	526.19	1,184.7	14.8	146.06
25 years and over	11,627.2 6,937.9	36.9 37.8	815.78	21.86 21.91	10,125.2	39.5 40.7	887.37 935.68	1,502.1 824.3	18.8 16.2	333.14 222.18
Men Women	7,023.4	37.6 32.6	850.91 620.71	18.39	6,113.7 5,160.9	38.0	749.71	1,862.5	17.4	263.24
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,491.8	35.8	837.18	23.11	3,831.2	38.7	916.41	660.6	18.9	377.65
No union coverage	9,469.5	34.8	686.69	18.73	7,443.4	39.9	816.65	2,026.1	16.4	209.24
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,336.9	36.1	767.87	20.62	10,405.9	39.5	860.66	1,930.9	18.1	267.83
Temporary	1,624.5	27.7	486.27	16.48	868.7	39.2	729.48	755.8	14.5	206.75
Occupation			4.050.00	24.42	0.50 4				40.0	0=0.40
Management	977.4	39.8	1,250.23	31.46	956.1	40.3	1,269.61	21.3	18.2	379.48
Business, finance and administrative Natural and applied sciences	2,696.2 1,019.0	35.3 38.6	692.26 1,092.82	19.15 28.29	2,289.3 985.9	38.4 39.3	767.30 1,112.66	406.9 33.0	17.9 18.1	270.03 500.68
Health	870.1	33.4	798.39	23.93	654.8	37.8	904.44	215.3	20.0	475.90
Social science, education, government service	070.1	33.4	190.59	23.93	034.0	37.0	304.44	213.3	20.0	475.80
and religion	1,292.2	33.6	880.58	25.98	1,012.5	38.2	1,008.06	279.7	16.7	419.15
Art, culture, recreation and sport	301.8	30.0	643.44	20.23	202.6	38.5	859.62	99.2	12.6	202.15
Sales and service	3,687.7	30.3	434.73	13.36	2,256.5	38.8	597.97	1,431.2	16.8	177.37
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,950.1	40.0	815.91	20.20	1,820.9	41.6	856.91	129.3	17.1	238.39
Occupations unique to primary industry	224.2	41.0	817.79	18.75	190.2	45.7	932.68	34.0	14.4	175.63
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	942.6	39.3	696.62	17.60	905.9	40.2	715.47	36.7	16.9	231.60
manufacturing and utilities	342.0	09.0	030.02	17.00	300.3	40.2	710.47	30.7	10.3	231.00
March 2006										
15 years and over	13,611.5	35.2	721.41	19.71	11,014.2	39.5	834.57	2,597.3	17.1	241.54
15 to 24 years	2,294.3	26.7	326.54	11.28	1,127.6	39.0	517.00	1,166.7	14.9	142.46
25 years and over	11,317.2	36.9	801.46	21.42	9,886.6	39.6	870.79	1,430.6	18.8	322.33
Men Women	6,872.9 6,738.6	37.7 32.6	834.09 606.49	21.50 17.89	6,047.2 4,967.0	40.7 38.0	919.15 731.60	825.7 1,771.6	16.1 17.5	211.16 255.70
	0,730.0	32.0	000.49	17.09	4,907.0	36.0	731.00	1,771.0	17.5	255.70
Union coverage Union coverage	4,349.2	35.7	820.96	22.73	3.704.2	38.7	898.97	645.0	18.9	372.97
No union coverage	9,262.3	35.0	674.66	18.29	7,310.0	39.9	801.94	1,952.3	16.5	198.11
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,035.3	36.2	754.47	20.20	10,182.4	39.5	844.44	1,852.9	18.1	260.03
Temporary	1,576.2	27.4	468.99	15.95	831.8	38.9	713.75	744.4	14.5	195.50
Occupation										
Management	1,019.0	39.9	1,212.04	30.46	989.4	40.5	1,235.93	29.6	19.5	413.91
Business, finance and administrative	2,665.7	35.1	673.17	18.76	2,251.4	38.3	748.80	414.3	17.6	262.18
Natural and applied sciences	941.9	38.6	1,072.40	27.75	908.5	39.4	1,098.32	33.4	17.1	366.96
Health Social science, education, government service	845.7	33.7	784.12	23.14	647.1	37.8	888.06	198.7	20.3	445.59
and religion	1,259.7	33.7	874.44	25.72	982.0	38.4	1,006.03	277.7	17.2	409.01
Art, culture, recreation and sport	342.6	29.6	609.28	18.89	224.4	38.2	825.64	118.1	13.3	198.26
Sales and service	3,392.9	30.1	423.84	12.99	2,073.5	38.7	586.25	1,319.4	16.6	168.60
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,966.2	39.9	786.00	19.48	1,828.7	41.6	827.19	137.5	17.4	238.18
Occupations unique to primary industry	225.8	42.4	784.74	17.76	197.7	46.1	870.10	28.2	16.0	186.21
Occupations unique to processing,		<b>66</b> 1	0=0.0:	4- 4-	<b></b> -		000 0=			0010-
manufacturing and utilities	951.9	39.4	678.31	17.11	911.5	40.4	699.35	40.4	16.6	204.08

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0023, 282-0069, 282-0073

Table 8
Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program,<sup>1</sup> seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

Region	Effective from April 8, 2007 to May 12, 2007	
	Percent	
Newfoundland and Labrador 01. St.John's 02. Newfoundland and Labrador	7.6 19.0	
<b>Prince Edward Island</b> 03. Prince Edward Island	10.5	
Nova Scotia 04. Eastern Nova Scotia 05. Western Nova Scotia 06. Halifax	14.4 9.0 4.4	
New Brunswick 07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John 08. Madawaska-Charlotte <sup>2</sup> 09. Restigouche-Albert	5.0 8.9 12.6	
Quebec  10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine  11. Québec  12. Trois-Rivières  13. South Central Quebec  14. Sherbrooke  15. Montérégie  16. Montréal  17. Central Quebec  18. Northwestern Quebec  19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord <sup>3</sup> 20. Gatineau  21. Saguenay	17.2 4.9 7.9 5.4 6.7 7.0 7.5 9.7 11.2 12.6 6.4	
Ontario 22. Ottawa 23. Eastern Ontario 24. Kingston 25. Central Ontario 26. Oshawa 27. Toronto 28. Hamilton 29. St. Catharines 30. London 31. Niagara 32. Windsor 33. Kitchener 34. Huron 35. South Central Ontario 36. Sudbury 37. Thunder Bay 38. Northern Ontario	5.4 7.4 4.4 5.3 6.1 6.6 6.3 5.7 8.1 9.8 5.6 8.1 5.5 5.6 6.9	
Manitoba 39. Winnipeg 40. Southern Manitoba 41. Northern Manitoba Saskatchewan	4.7 4.6 27.0	
42. Regina 43. Saskatoon 44. Southern Saskatchewan 45. Northern Saskatchewan	4.0 3.7 5.9 13.9	

Table 8 – continued

Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program,1 seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

Region	Effective from April 8, 2007 to May 12, 2007	
	Percent	
Alberta 46. Calgary 47. Edmonton 48. Northern Alberta 49. Southern Alberta	3.3 3.6 8.1 4.7	
British Columbia 50. Southern Interior British Columbia 51. Abbotsford 52. Vancouver 53. Victoria 54. Southern Coastal British Columbia 55. Northern British Columbia	6.1 4.3 3.7 3.8 6.2 7.8	
<b>Territories</b> 56. Yukon Territory <sup>4</sup> 57. Northwest Territories <sup>4</sup> 58. Nunavut <sup>4</sup>	25.0 25.0 25.0	

The boundaries of these regions are determined by Human Resources and Social Development Canada (HRSDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of employment insurance regions, see the HRSDC website: http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/asp/gateway.asp?hr=en/ei/region/economic\_region\_information.shtml&hs=eza.

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.

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

<sup>4.</sup> This rate is provided by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

# **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 30 or more 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 2001 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 variability of estimates

Estimates in this publication are based on the Labour Force Survey, a monthly survey of approximately 53,000 households across Canada. Because the entire population is not surveyed, the estimates are subject to sampling error. While the published estimate is the best available indicator of the real value, changes in the level of any estimates between two months can be the result of a true change or sampling variability. The sampling error can be estimated by calculating the standard error for the published estimate or statistic. These standard errors have been included in the publication tables, in order to assist users in interpreting the data.

#### Interpretation based on standard error

Two thirds of the time (68%), a change greater than the sampling error indicates a real change. The larger the change compared to the standard error, the better the chance that we are observing a real change, as opposed to a change due to sampling variability. At the 95% level, in order to ensure that change is real, the change in the estimate must be greater than twice the sampling error.

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.

#### Interpretation based on confidence intervals

Confidence intervals provide another way of looking at the variability inherent in estimates of sample surveys. To illustrate how to calculate the confidence interval, let us say that one month the published estimate for total employment rose by 16,000 to reach 16,500,000. The associated standard error for the movement estimate is 27,200. The standard error used to interpret the movement estimate indicates that:

- There are approximately two chances in three (68%) that the real value of the movement between the two months falls within the range -11,200 to +43,200 (16,000 + or one standard error).
- There are approximately nine chances in ten (90%) that the real value of the movement between the two months falls within the range -27,520 to +59,520 (16,000 + or 1.6 times the standard error).
- There are approximately nineteen chances in twenty (95%) that the real value of the movement between the two months falls within the range -38,400 to +70,400 (16,000 + or two standard errors).

For more detailed explanations on sampling variability of estimates, and in particular for information on how to assess the variability of level estimates, consult the Data quality section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey*, (71-543-G) on page 27.

#### **Documentation**

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

- Overview of the Labour Force Survey
- Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)
- · Data quality statement
- Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (71-526-X)
- · LFS geographical maps