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- r revised
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# Highlights

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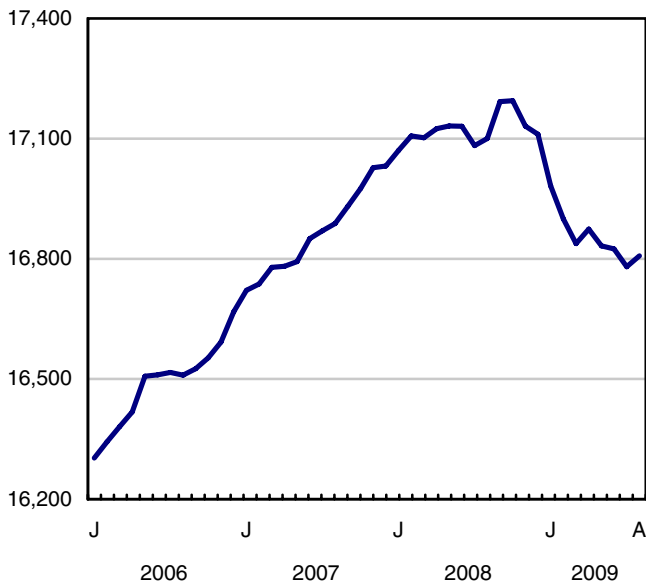
## August 2009

Employment increased by 27,000 in August, led by part-time work and among private sector employees. The unemployment rate edged up 0.1 percentage points to 8.7% as more people participated in the labour market.

**Chart 1**  
**Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted**

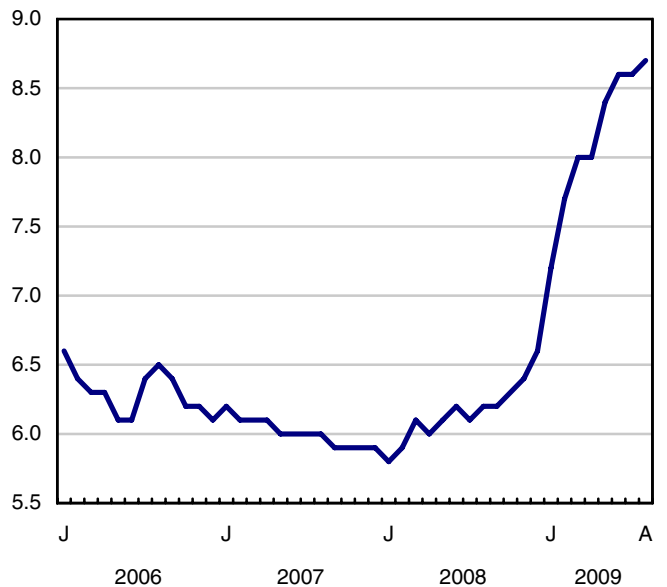
### Employment

thousands



### Unemployment rate

percent



## Analysis — August 2009

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Since employment peaked in October 2008, total employment has fallen by 387,000 (-2.3%). The trend in employment, however, has changed recently. Over the last five months, employment has fallen by 31,000, a much smaller decline than the 357,000 observed during the five months following October 2008.

In August, part-time employment rose by 31,000. Since October, full-time work has dropped by 486,000 (-3.5%), partially offset by increases in part time of 99,000 (+3.1%).

Employment among private sector employees increased by 49,000 in August, the first increase in this group since September 2008. Employment among both public sector employees and the self-employed edged down in August.

In August, increases were observed in a number of industries, including retail and wholesale trade, as well as finance, insurance, real estate and leasing. Total employment gains were partially offset by losses in business, building and other support services, as well as educational services.

In August, employment edged up in most provinces. Saskatchewan was the only province with a notable decline.

August's employment increase was concentrated among women aged 25 to 54.

The 2009 summer labour market was one of the most challenging for students aged 15 to 24. Their average unemployment rate reached 19.2% over the summer months, the second highest rate since comparable data became available in 1977.

Average hourly wages were up 3.3% compared to August 2008, the lowest year-over-year growth in more than two years.

### **More workers in retail and wholesale trade**

In August, there were employment increases in a number of industries, the largest in retail and wholesale trade (+21,000) and finance, insurance, real estate and leasing (+18,000). Total employment gains were partially offset by losses in business, building and other support services (-33,000), as well as educational services (-17,000).

Employment in the manufacturing sector continued its downward trend in August, while construction rose slightly.

In the five months following the employment peak of October 2008, employment fell in almost all industries, especially manufacturing and construction. In the past five months, however, while manufacturing has continued its decline, employment in construction has stabilized and it has increased in most service industries.

### **Employment edged up in most provinces in August**

Manitoba's employment increased by 3,400 in August. However, the unemployment rate climbed 0.5 percentage points to 5.7% as more people looked for work.

In Newfoundland and Labrador, employment rose by 2,900 in August and the unemployment rate fell 1.5 percentage points to 15.6%. Since October, employment in the province has declined by 3,200 (-1.5%).

Employment in Ontario increased slightly for a second consecutive month in August. Despite these gains, employment in Ontario has declined by 207,000 (-3.1%) since last October. The province's unemployment rate in August was 9.4%, up 0.1 percentage points.



Following a large drop in July, employment in Quebec was little changed in August. The unemployment rate was 9.1%, up 0.1 percentage points. Since last October, employment in the province has decreased by 60,000 (-1.5%).

In Saskatchewan, employment declined for the second consecutive month, down 3,200 in August. The unemployment rate, while up 0.3 percentage points, remained the lowest in Canada at 5.0%.

### **Employment up among core-aged women**

Women aged 25 to 54 were the only demographic group with an employment increase in August (+23,000). Since last October, employment for this group has declined over the whole period, with losses totalling 77,000.

The largest employment decreases since last October, however, were for youths (-210,000) and men aged 25 to 54 (-194,000). While employment for youths has declined throughout the entire ten-month period, all the losses for men occurred during the first five months.

Among workers aged 55 and over, employment rose by 93,000 since last October, particularly in the last five months.

### **Unemployment rate for students one of the highest in summer 2009**

From May to August, the Labour Force Survey collects labour market information about young people aged 15 to 24 who were attending school full time in March and intend to return to school in the fall. The published estimates are not seasonally adjusted; therefore, comparisons can only be made on a year-over-year basis.

In August, employment was down 128,000 (-9.5%) among students aged 15 to 24 compared to August 2008, the fastest year-over-year rate of decline for a month of August since 1983.

The unemployment rate reached 16.4% for students in August, up 5.0 percentage points compared to the same month last year. This was the highest August unemployment rate for these students since comparable data became available in 1977.

The 2009 summer labour market was one of the most challenging for students. The average unemployment rate for the summer was 19.2%, the second highest rate since comparable data became available in 1977. In addition to a high unemployment rate, the average number of hours worked during the summer by students was the lowest since 1977, at 23.4 hours per week.

#### **Note to readers**

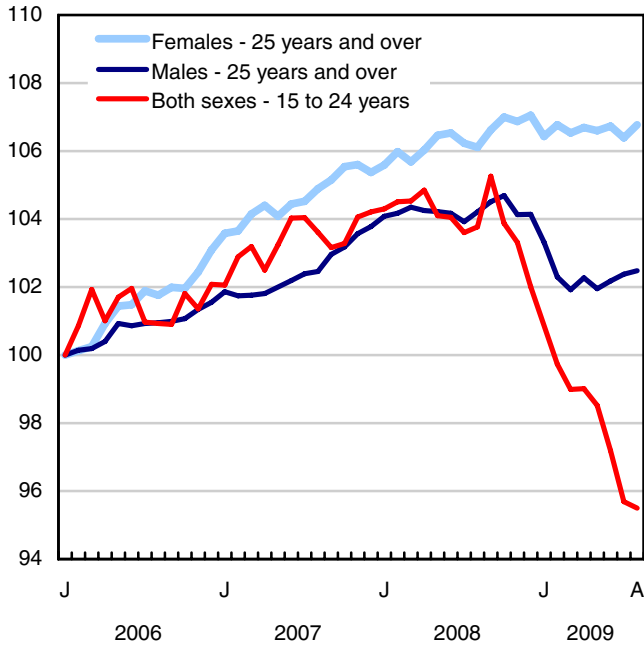
The Labour Force Survey estimates are based on a sample, and are therefore subject to sampling variability. Estimates for smaller geographic areas or industries will have more variability. For an explanation of sampling variability of estimates, and how to use standard errors to assess this variability,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

Changes in average hourly wages are affected by shifts in the composition of the Canadian labour force. For example, a drop in employment in low-wage occupations or industries will contribute to an increase in the national average hourly wage.

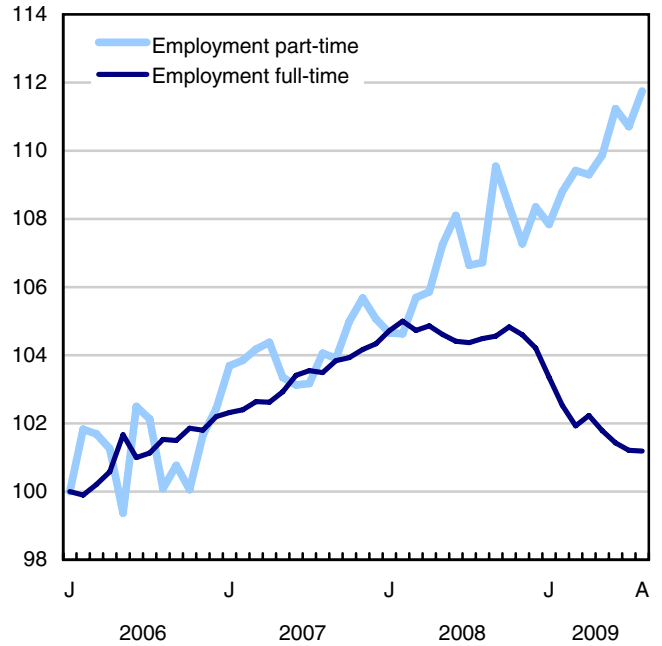
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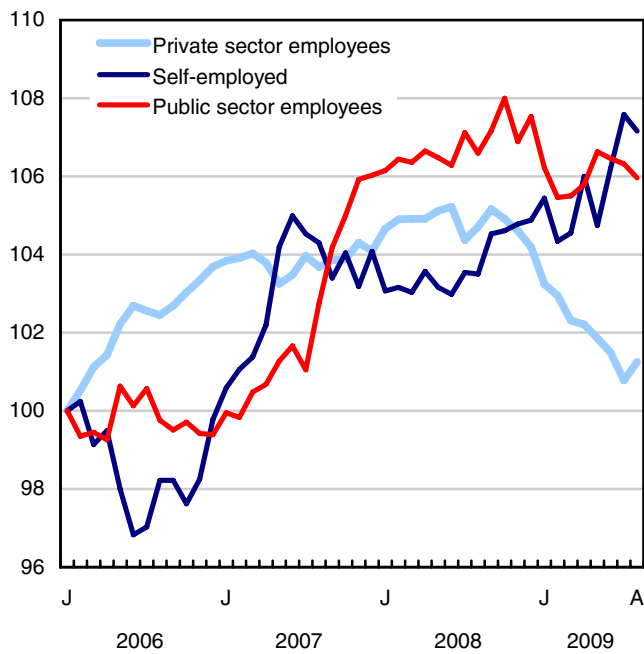
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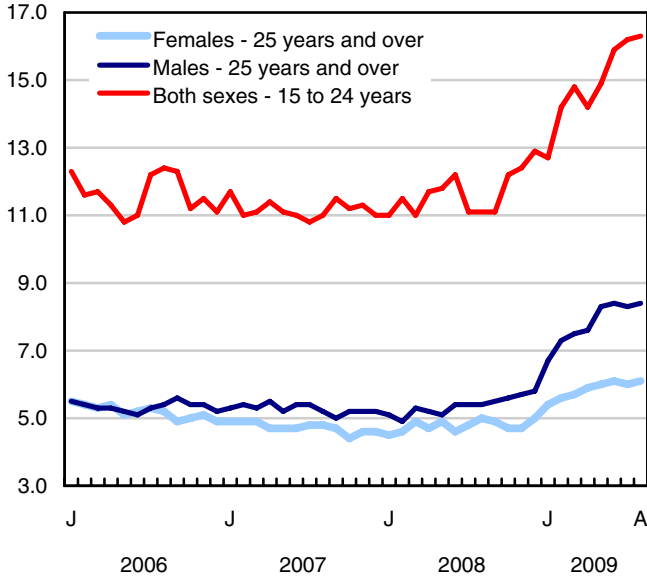


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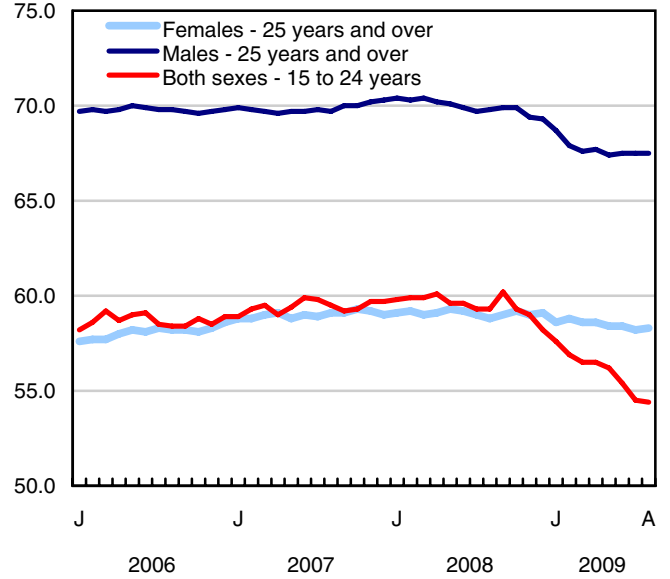


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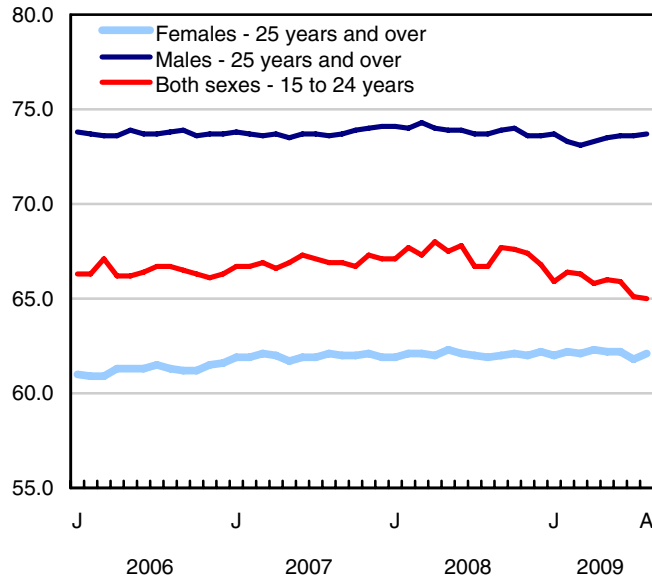
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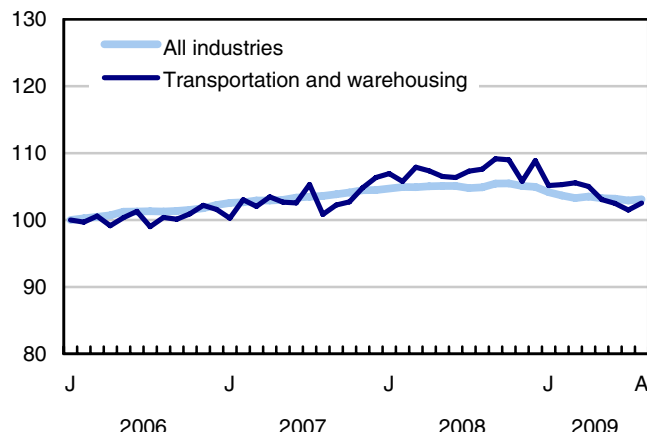
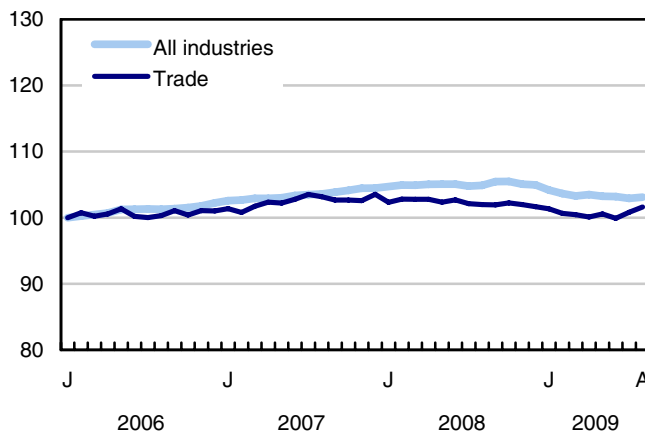
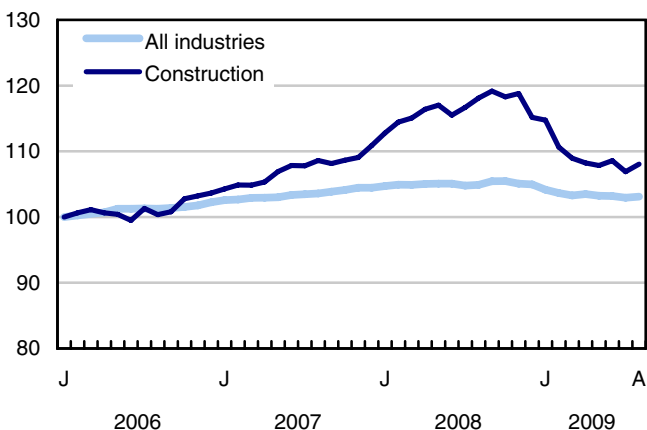
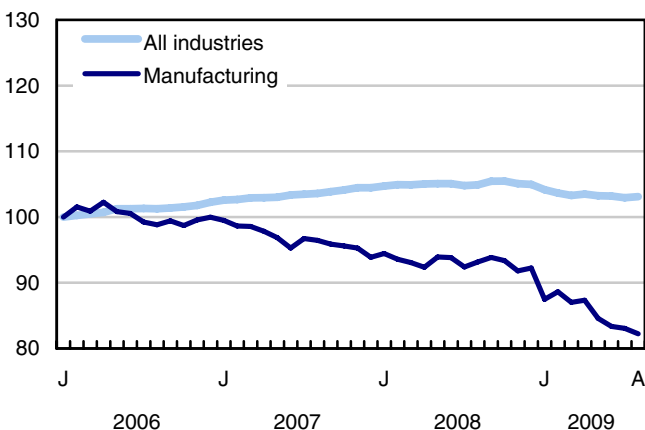
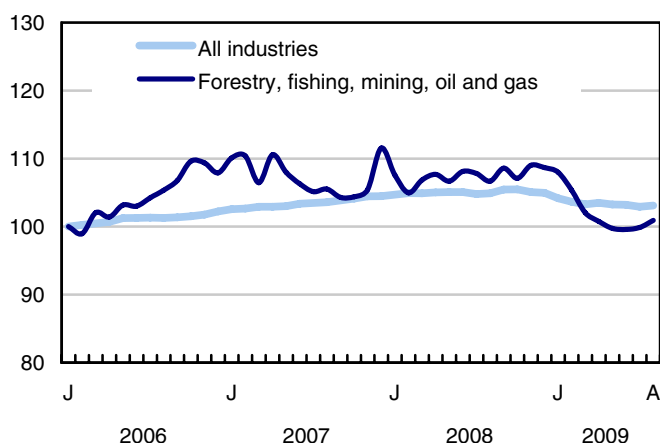
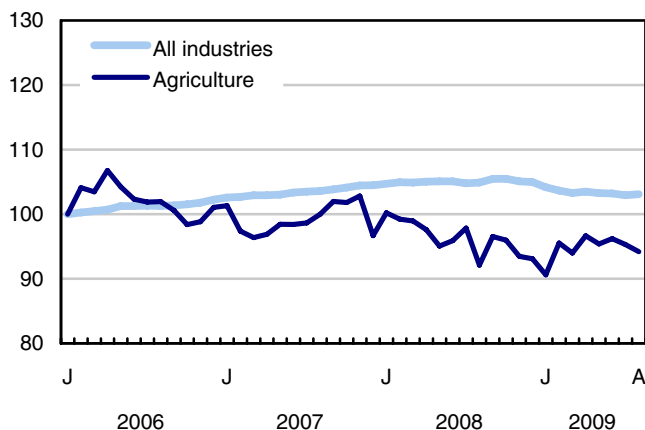
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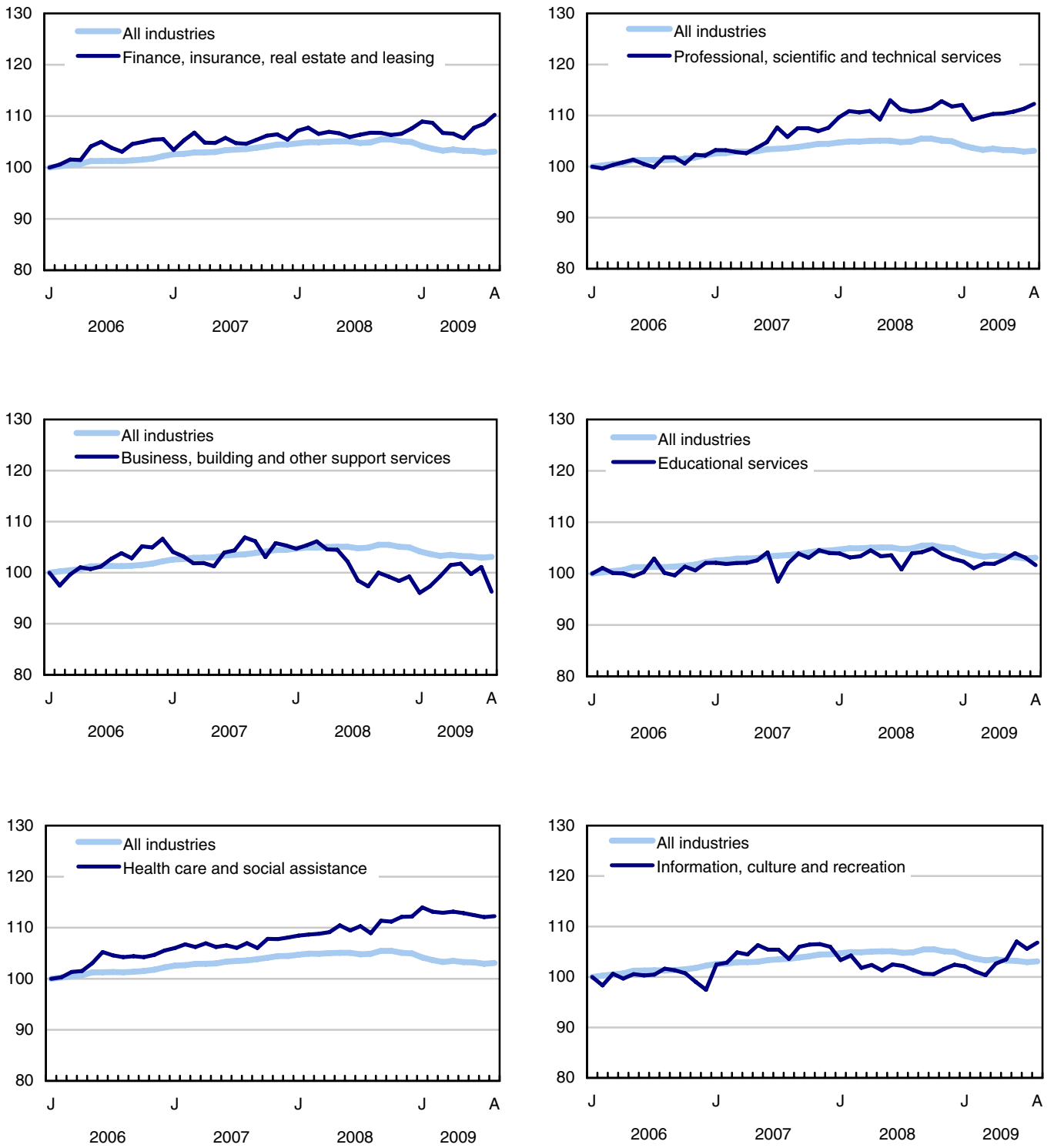
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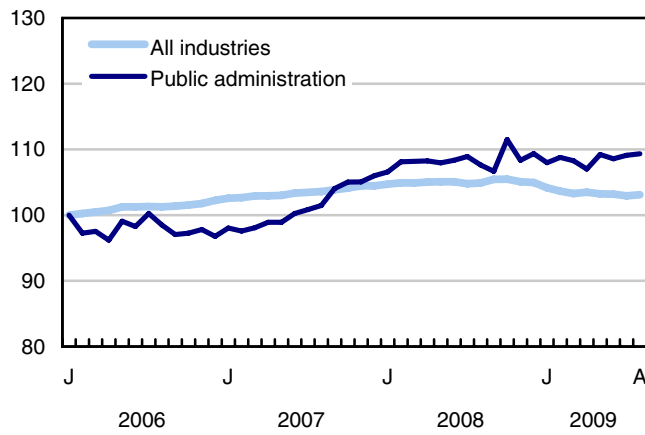
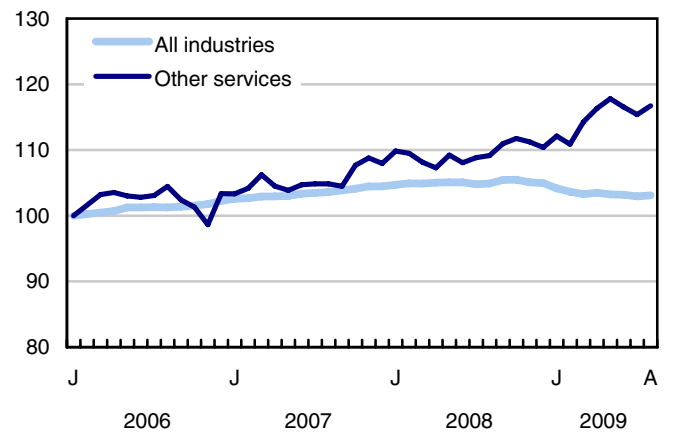
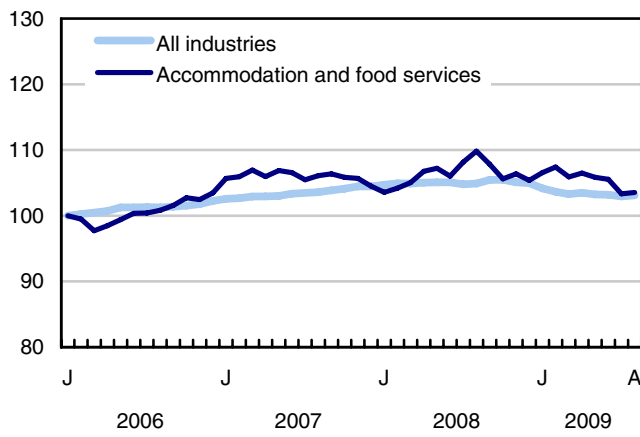
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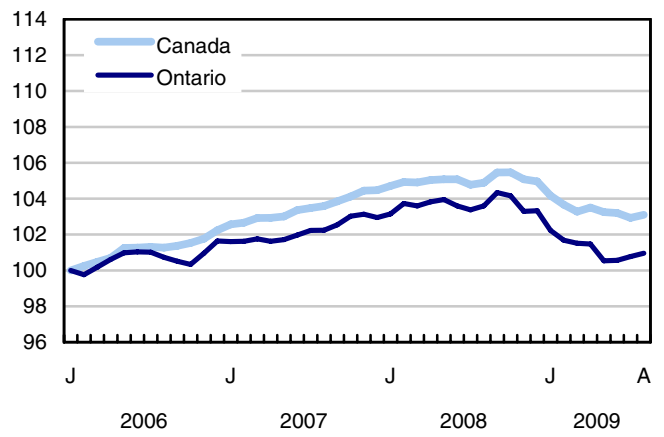
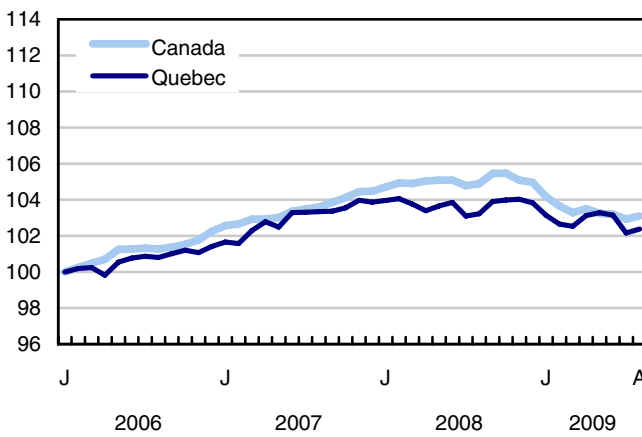
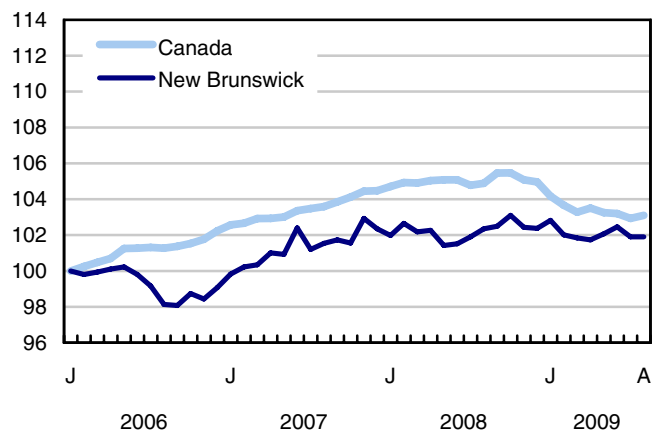
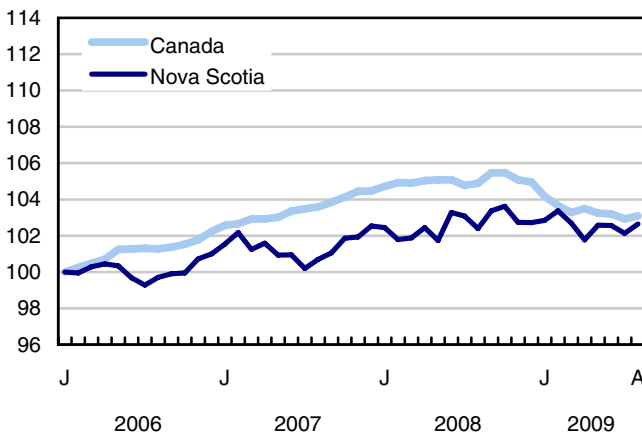
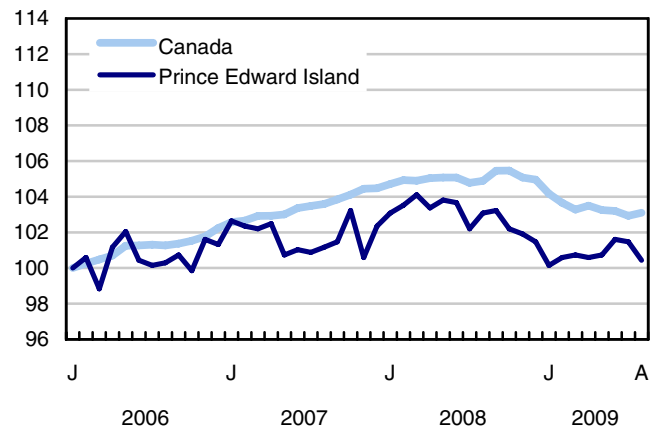
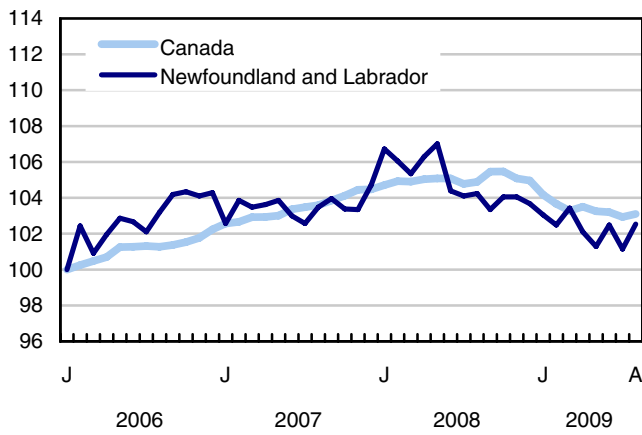
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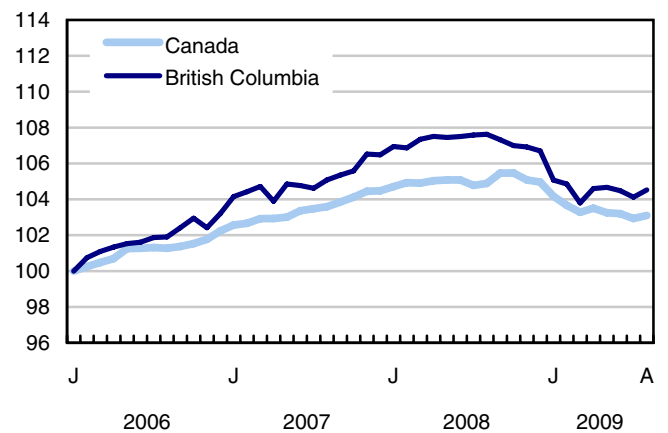
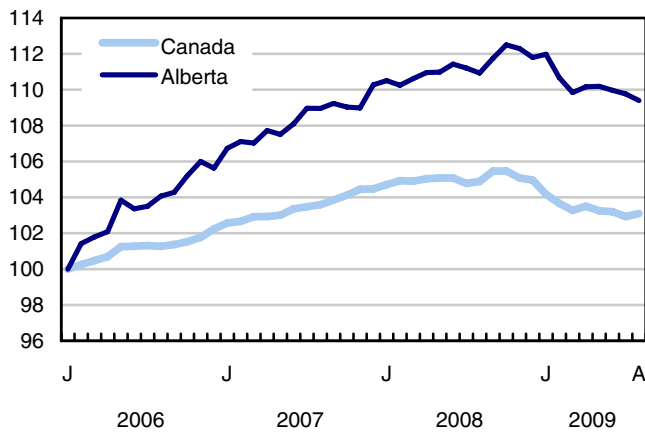
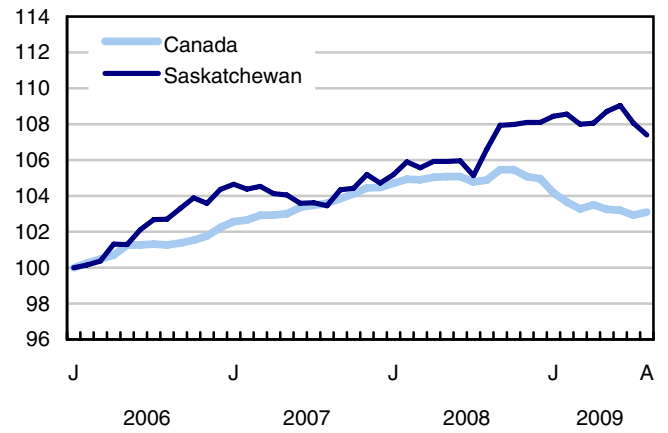
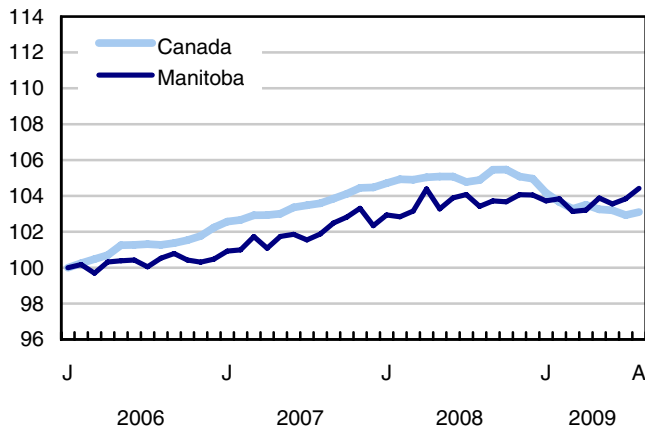
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**Chart 6**  
**Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2006=100**



**Chart 7**  
**Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2006=100**





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

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>15 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	27,326.0	<b>27,358.4</b>	...	<b>32.4</b>	259.7	384.1	<b>0.1</b>	1.0	1.4
Labour force	18,363.2	<b>18,412.3</b>	27.7	<b>49.1</b>	91.1	191.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	1.1
Employment	16,780.3	<b>16,807.4</b>	28.1	<b>27.1</b>	-303.6	-292.8	<b>0.2</b>	-1.8	-1.7
Employment full-time	13,521.5	<b>13,518.0</b>	36.6	<b>-3.5</b>	-403.7	-440.7	<b>0.0</b>	-2.9	-3.2
Employment part-time	3,258.8	<b>3,289.4</b>	33.3	<b>30.6</b>	100.1	148.0	<b>0.9</b>	3.1	4.7
Unemployment	1,583.0	<b>1,604.9</b>	24.2	<b>21.9</b>	394.8	484.1	<b>1.4</b>	32.6	43.2
Participation rate	67.2	<b>67.3</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	<b>8.7</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	2.1	2.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	<b>61.4</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	-1.7	-2.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.4	<b>19.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.9	1.2	...	...	...
<b>15 to 24 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	4,396.1	<b>4,396.8</b>	...	<b>0.7</b>	12.4	18.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	0.4
Labour force	2,859.9	<b>2,858.3</b>	16.6	<b>-1.6</b>	-72.2	-64.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-2.5	-2.2
Employment	2,395.9	<b>2,391.0</b>	15.9	<b>-4.9</b>	-162.9	-207.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-6.4	-8.0
Employment full-time	1,231.4	<b>1,213.3</b>	18.3	<b>-18.1</b>	-177.6	-215.9	<b>-1.5</b>	-12.8	-15.1
Employment part-time	1,164.5	<b>1,177.7</b>	18.9	<b>13.2</b>	14.7	8.7	<b>1.1</b>	1.3	0.7
Unemployment	464.1	<b>467.3</b>	14.2	<b>3.2</b>	90.6	143.0	<b>0.7</b>	24.1	44.1
Participation rate	65.1	<b>65.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.8	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.2	<b>16.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	3.4	5.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.5	<b>54.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-3.8	-4.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.6	<b>49.3</b>	0.7	<b>0.7</b>	3.7	4.3	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, men</b>									
Population	11,211.6	<b>11,228.2</b>	...	<b>16.6</b>	125.5	185.2	<b>0.1</b>	1.1	1.7
Labour force	8,255.6	<b>8,272.1</b>	14.3	<b>16.5</b>	99.4	129.1	<b>0.2</b>	1.2	1.6
Employment	7,568.8	<b>7,576.8</b>	15.8	<b>8.0</b>	-122.5	-127.7	<b>0.1</b>	-1.6	-1.7
Employment full-time	6,994.7	<b>7,000.3</b>	20.5	<b>5.6</b>	-158.6	-175.3	<b>0.1</b>	-2.2	-2.4
Employment part-time	574.1	<b>576.5</b>	16.2	<b>2.4</b>	36.1	47.6	<b>0.4</b>	6.7	9.0
Unemployment	686.8	<b>695.3</b>	14.2	<b>8.5</b>	221.9	256.8	<b>1.2</b>	46.9	58.6
Participation rate	73.6	<b>73.7</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	<b>8.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	2.6	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.5	<b>67.5</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	-1.8	-2.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.6	<b>7.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, women</b>									
Population	11,718.3	<b>11,733.4</b>	...	<b>15.1</b>	121.8	180.5	<b>0.1</b>	1.0	1.6
Labour force	7,247.7	<b>7,281.9</b>	15.9	<b>34.2</b>	64.0	126.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.9	1.8
Employment	6,815.6	<b>6,839.6</b>	15.8	<b>24.0</b>	-18.2	42.2	<b>0.4</b>	-0.3	0.6
Employment full-time	5,295.4	<b>5,304.5</b>	23.5	<b>9.1</b>	-67.4	-49.4	<b>0.2</b>	-1.3	-0.9
Employment part-time	1,520.2	<b>1,535.1</b>	21.8	<b>14.9</b>	49.2	91.6	<b>1.0</b>	3.3	6.3
Unemployment	432.1	<b>442.3</b>	12.7	<b>10.2</b>	82.3	84.3	<b>2.4</b>	22.9	23.5
Participation rate	61.8	<b>62.1</b>	0.1	<b>0.3</b>	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	<b>6.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	1.1	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	<b>58.3</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	-0.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.3	<b>22.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	1.2	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	14,522.6	<b>14,530.9</b>	...	<b>8.3</b>	64.4	92.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.6
Labour force	12,527.0	<b>12,562.7</b>	20.7	<b>35.7</b>	19.8	41.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.2	0.3
Employment	11,603.9	<b>11,633.4</b>	22.4	<b>29.5</b>	-235.1	-235.1	<b>0.3</b>	-2.0	-2.0
Unemployment	923.0	<b>929.2</b>	17.9	<b>6.2</b>	254.8	276.6	<b>0.7</b>	37.8	42.4
Participation rate	86.3	<b>86.5</b>	0.1	<b>0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	<b>7.4</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	2.0	2.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	79.9	<b>80.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	-1.9	-2.1	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

## Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>25 to 54 years, men</b>									
Population	7,258.1	<b>7,263.0</b>	...	<b>4.9</b>	35.7	50.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	0.7
Labour force	6,600.3	<b>6,609.2</b>	13.2	<b>8.9</b>	17.9	26.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	0.4
Employment	6,043.5	<b>6,050.3</b>	15.4	<b>6.8</b>	-157.5	-178.5	<b>0.1</b>	-2.5	-2.9
Unemployment	556.8	<b>558.9</b>	13.2	<b>2.1</b>	175.4	205.3	<b>0.4</b>	45.7	58.1
Participation rate	90.9	<b>91.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	<b>8.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	2.7	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	83.3	<b>83.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-2.6	-3.1	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, women</b>									
Population	7,264.5	<b>7,267.9</b>	...	<b>3.4</b>	28.8	41.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.4	0.6
Labour force	5,926.7	<b>5,953.5</b>	15.2	<b>26.8</b>	2.0	14.7	<b>0.5</b>	0.0	0.2
Employment	5,560.4	<b>5,583.1</b>	15.4	<b>22.7</b>	-77.6	-56.6	<b>0.4</b>	-1.4	-1.0
Unemployment	366.3	<b>370.4</b>	11.8	<b>4.1</b>	79.5	71.4	<b>1.1</b>	27.3	23.9
Participation rate	81.6	<b>81.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	<b>6.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	1.3	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	76.5	<b>76.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	-1.4	-1.2	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	8,407.3	<b>8,430.7</b>	...	<b>23.4</b>	182.9	273.5	<b>0.3</b>	2.2	3.4
Labour force	2,976.3	<b>2,991.3</b>	16.0	<b>15.0</b>	143.6	214.0	<b>0.5</b>	5.0	7.7
Employment	2,780.4	<b>2,783.0</b>	16.0	<b>2.6</b>	94.3	149.6	<b>0.1</b>	3.5	5.7
Unemployment	195.9	<b>208.4</b>	8.4	<b>12.5</b>	49.4	64.5	<b>6.4</b>	31.1	44.8
Participation rate	35.4	<b>35.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	1.0	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	<b>7.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	1.4	1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	33.1	<b>33.0</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	0.4	0.7	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, men</b>									
Population	3,953.5	<b>3,965.2</b>	...	<b>11.7</b>	89.9	134.6	<b>0.3</b>	2.3	3.5
Labour force	1,655.3	<b>1,662.9</b>	10.7	<b>7.6</b>	81.5	102.3	<b>0.5</b>	5.2	6.6
Employment	1,525.3	<b>1,526.4</b>	10.7	<b>1.1</b>	34.9	50.7	<b>0.1</b>	2.3	3.4
Unemployment	130.0	<b>136.4</b>	6.2	<b>6.4</b>	46.5	51.5	<b>4.9</b>	51.7	60.7
Participation rate	41.9	<b>41.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	1.1	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	<b>8.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	2.5	2.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	38.6	<b>38.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, women</b>									
Population	4,453.8	<b>4,465.5</b>	...	<b>11.7</b>	93.0	138.9	<b>0.3</b>	2.1	3.2
Labour force	1,321.0	<b>1,328.4</b>	11.0	<b>7.4</b>	62.1	111.7	<b>0.6</b>	4.9	9.2
Employment	1,255.2	<b>1,256.5</b>	10.9	<b>1.3</b>	59.3	98.8	<b>0.1</b>	5.0	8.5
Unemployment	65.9	<b>71.9</b>	5.6	<b>6.0</b>	2.7	12.9	<b>9.1</b>	3.9	21.9
Participation rate	29.7	<b>29.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.7	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	<b>5.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	28.2	<b>28.1</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	0.7	1.3	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0087.

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

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands									
<b>Class of worker</b>									
Employees	14,053.5	<b>14,091.2</b>	33.4	<b>37.7</b>	-361.4	-385.6	<b>0.3</b>	-2.5	-2.7
Self-employed <sup>2</sup>	2,726.8	<b>2,716.2</b>	22.7	<b>-10.6</b>	57.8	92.8	<b>-0.4</b>	2.2	3.5
<b>Public/private sector employees</b>									
Public sector employees	3,408.1	<b>3,396.6</b>	21.8	<b>-11.5</b>	-50.1	-20.1	<b>-0.3</b>	-1.5	-0.6
Private sector employees	10,645.4	<b>10,694.6</b>	34.0	<b>49.2</b>	-311.3	-365.5	<b>0.5</b>	-2.8	-3.3
<b>Industry</b>	16,780.3	<b>16,807.4</b>	28.1	<b>27.1</b>	-303.6	-292.8	<b>0.2</b>	-1.8	-1.7
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>	3,675.2	<b>3,668.4</b>	24.0	<b>-6.8</b>	-308.7	-361.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-7.8	-9.0
Agriculture	323.7	<b>320.0</b>	7.1	<b>-3.7</b>	3.8	7.1	<b>-1.1</b>	1.2	2.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	316.0	<b>319.3</b>	6.8	<b>3.3</b>	-24.6	-18.2	<b>1.0</b>	-7.2	-5.4
Utilities	149.3	<b>148.0</b>	4.8	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.0	-12.8	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.7	-8.0
Construction	1,130.1	<b>1,142.2</b>	15.2	<b>12.1</b>	-75.3	-106.4	<b>1.1</b>	-6.2	-8.5
Manufacturing	1,756.2	<b>1,738.9</b>	17.8	<b>-17.3</b>	-211.6	-231.3	<b>-1.0</b>	-10.8	-11.7
<b>Services-producing sector</b>	13,105.1	<b>13,139.0</b>	31.6	<b>33.9</b>	5.1	68.8	<b>0.3</b>	0.0	0.5
Trade	2,639.7	<b>2,660.9</b>	20.9	<b>21.2</b>	-0.8	-9.8	<b>0.8</b>	0.0	-0.4
Transportation and warehousing	810.7	<b>819.0</b>	12.5	<b>8.3</b>	-50.7	-40.5	<b>1.0</b>	-5.8	-4.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,092.8	<b>1,110.3</b>	14.2	<b>17.5</b>	26.6	35.1	<b>1.6</b>	2.5	3.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,202.5	<b>1,212.9</b>	15.4	<b>10.4</b>	5.8	16.4	<b>0.9</b>	0.5	1.4
Business, building and other support services	682.6	<b>649.9</b>	12.8	<b>-32.7</b>	-20.2	-7.2	<b>-4.8</b>	-3.0	-1.1
Educational services	1,187.2	<b>1,170.5</b>	14.2	<b>-16.7</b>	-14.0	-26.4	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.2	-2.2
Health care and social assistance	1,937.4	<b>1,940.9</b>	16.0	<b>3.5</b>	1.4	57.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	3.1
Information, culture and recreation	786.2	<b>795.4</b>	12.8	<b>9.2</b>	32.8	40.7	<b>1.2</b>	4.3	5.4
Accommodation and food services	1,042.6	<b>1,044.6</b>	15.4	<b>2.0</b>	-18.8	-63.5	<b>0.2</b>	-1.8	-5.7
Other services	791.1	<b>800.2</b>	12.0	<b>9.1</b>	43.3	51.9	<b>1.2</b>	5.7	6.9
Public administration	932.4	<b>934.3</b>	11.5	<b>1.9</b>	-0.4	14.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.0	1.6

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

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

**Note(s):** Related CANSIM Tables 282-0088, 282-0089.

**Table 3**  
**Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>									
Population	428.8	<b>429.2</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	1.6	2.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.7
Labour force	256.0	<b>254.7</b>	2.2	<b>-1.3</b>	2.7	1.4	<b>-0.5</b>	1.1	0.6
Employment	212.2	<b>215.1</b>	2.2	<b>2.9</b>	-2.4	-3.6	<b>1.4</b>	-1.1	-1.6
Employment full-time	182.7	<b>189.1</b>	2.4	<b>6.4</b>	3.5	-1.6	<b>3.5</b>	1.9	-0.8
Employment part-time	29.5	<b>25.9</b>	1.8	<b>-3.6</b>	-5.9	-2.1	<b>-12.2</b>	-18.6	-7.5
Unemployment	43.8	<b>39.7</b>	2.0	<b>-4.1</b>	5.2	5.1	<b>-9.4</b>	15.1	14.7
Participation rate	59.7	<b>59.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.1	<b>15.6</b>	0.8	<b>-1.5</b>	1.9	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.5	<b>50.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.6</b>	-0.8	-1.2	...	...	...
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>									
Population	116.2	<b>116.4</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.1	1.6	<b>0.2</b>	1.0	1.4
Labour force	78.9	<b>79.4</b>	0.6	<b>0.5</b>	0.9	0.9	<b>0.6</b>	1.1	1.1
Employment	69.2	<b>68.5</b>	0.7	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-1.8	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-2.6
Employment full-time	56.8	<b>55.5</b>	0.9	<b>-1.3</b>	-2.3	-4.4	<b>-2.3</b>	-4.0	-7.3
Employment part-time	12.4	<b>13.0</b>	0.7	<b>0.6</b>	1.6	2.6	<b>4.8</b>	14.0	25.0
Unemployment	9.7	<b>10.9</b>	0.7	<b>1.2</b>	1.7	2.7	<b>12.4</b>	18.5	32.9
Participation rate	67.9	<b>68.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.3	<b>13.7</b>	0.8	<b>1.4</b>	2.0	3.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	<b>58.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-1.2	-2.4	...	...	...
<b>Nova Scotia</b>									
Population	772.5	<b>772.8</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	2.2	3.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	0.4
Labour force	496.4	<b>500.5</b>	2.8	<b>4.1</b>	6.5	8.1	<b>0.8</b>	1.3	1.6
Employment	450.9	<b>453.2</b>	2.9	<b>2.3</b>	-0.3	1.1	<b>0.5</b>	-0.1	0.2
Employment full-time	371.4	<b>371.2</b>	3.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	-4.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.1
Employment part-time	79.6	<b>82.1</b>	3.1	<b>2.5</b>	0.1	5.3	<b>3.1</b>	0.1	6.9
Unemployment	45.5	<b>47.3</b>	2.6	<b>1.8</b>	6.8	7.1	<b>4.0</b>	16.8	17.7
Participation rate	64.3	<b>64.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	<b>9.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	1.3	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	<b>58.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>New Brunswick</b>									
Population	621.7	<b>621.8</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	2.1	3.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	0.5
Labour force	402.7	<b>402.4</b>	2.5	<b>-0.3</b>	1.4	2.0	<b>-0.1</b>	0.3	0.5
Employment	364.9	<b>364.9</b>	2.6	<b>0.0</b>	-1.7	-1.6	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	-0.4
Employment full-time	306.2	<b>306.8</b>	3.0	<b>0.6</b>	-4.0	-1.3	<b>0.2</b>	-1.3	-0.4
Employment part-time	58.7	<b>58.1</b>	2.5	<b>-0.6</b>	2.3	-0.3	<b>-1.0</b>	4.1	-0.5
Unemployment	37.8	<b>37.5</b>	2.3	<b>-0.3</b>	3.1	3.7	<b>-0.8</b>	9.0	10.9
Participation rate	64.8	<b>64.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	<b>9.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	0.7	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	<b>58.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Quebec</b>									
Population	6,438.4	<b>6,444.3</b>	...	<b>5.9</b>	44.2	64.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	1.0
Labour force	4,201.1	<b>4,212.8</b>	14.2	<b>11.7</b>	21.2	32.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	0.8
Employment	3,821.9	<b>3,830.2</b>	14.6	<b>8.3</b>	-54.1	-31.3	<b>0.2</b>	-1.4	-0.8
Employment full-time	3,095.0	<b>3,099.3</b>	18.7	<b>4.3</b>	-35.5	-41.7	<b>0.1</b>	-1.1	-1.3
Employment part-time	726.9	<b>730.9</b>	17.0	<b>4.0</b>	-18.6	10.4	<b>0.6</b>	-2.5	1.4
Unemployment	379.2	<b>382.6</b>	13.0	<b>3.4</b>	75.4	63.5	<b>0.9</b>	24.5	19.9
Participation rate	65.3	<b>65.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	<b>9.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	1.8	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	<b>59.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-1.3	-1.1	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

## Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Ontario</b>									
Population	10,665.2	<b>10,677.4</b>	...	<b>12.2</b>	96.6	147.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	1.4
Labour force	7,165.4	<b>7,186.0</b>	19.0	<b>20.6</b>	4.0	47.7	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	0.7
Employment	6,500.3	<b>6,512.5</b>	18.9	<b>12.2</b>	-152.7	-170.4	<b>0.2</b>	-2.3	-2.5
Employment full-time	5,227.6	<b>5,204.0</b>	24.5	<b>-23.6</b>	-217.1	-227.7	<b>-0.5</b>	-4.0	-4.2
Employment part-time	1,272.7	<b>1,308.5</b>	22.3	<b>35.8</b>	64.4	57.4	<b>2.8</b>	5.2	4.6
Unemployment	665.1	<b>673.5</b>	16.9	<b>8.4</b>	156.7	218.1	<b>1.3</b>	30.3	47.9
Participation rate	67.2	<b>67.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	<b>9.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	2.2	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	<b>61.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-2.0	-2.5	...	...	...
<b>Manitoba</b>									
Population	923.8	<b>925.0</b>	...	<b>1.2</b>	10.2	13.7	<b>0.1</b>	1.1	1.5
Labour force	641.0	<b>648.5</b>	2.7	<b>7.5</b>	12.0	18.0	<b>1.2</b>	1.9	2.9
Employment	607.9	<b>611.3</b>	2.8	<b>3.4</b>	2.2	5.9	<b>0.6</b>	0.4	1.0
Employment full-time	490.3	<b>489.6</b>	3.9	<b>-0.7</b>	-3.5	-0.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.7	-0.2
Employment part-time	117.6	<b>121.7</b>	3.5	<b>4.1</b>	5.7	6.6	<b>3.5</b>	4.9	5.7
Unemployment	33.1	<b>37.2</b>	2.1	<b>4.1</b>	9.8	12.1	<b>12.4</b>	35.8	48.2
Participation rate	69.4	<b>70.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.7</b>	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.5</b>	1.4	1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	<b>66.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
<b>Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	780.2	<b>781.0</b>	...	<b>0.8</b>	7.0	11.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	1.5
Labour force	546.0	<b>544.2</b>	2.4	<b>-1.8</b>	1.2	7.1	<b>-0.3</b>	0.2	1.3
Employment	520.1	<b>516.9</b>	2.6	<b>-3.2</b>	-3.4	3.8	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.7	0.7
Employment full-time	417.1	<b>415.0</b>	3.3	<b>-2.1</b>	-11.4	-5.9	<b>-0.5</b>	-2.7	-1.4
Employment part-time	103.0	<b>101.9</b>	3.1	<b>-1.1</b>	8.0	9.8	<b>-1.1</b>	8.5	10.6
Unemployment	25.9	<b>27.3</b>	1.9	<b>1.4</b>	4.6	3.2	<b>5.4</b>	20.3	13.3
Participation rate	70.0	<b>69.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	<b>5.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.8	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.7	<b>66.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.0	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Alberta</b>									
Population	2,870.2	<b>2,876.0</b>	...	<b>5.8</b>	52.3	72.3	<b>0.2</b>	1.9	2.6
Labour force	2,139.7	<b>2,136.8</b>	8.2	<b>-2.9</b>	26.6	56.2	<b>-0.1</b>	1.3	2.7
Employment	1,985.8	<b>1,979.1</b>	8.8	<b>-6.7</b>	-43.4	-27.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-2.1	-1.4
Employment full-time	1,624.5	<b>1,613.2</b>	11.5	<b>-11.3</b>	-67.6	-74.8	<b>-0.7</b>	-4.0	-4.4
Employment part-time	361.2	<b>365.9</b>	10.2	<b>4.7</b>	24.2	46.9	<b>1.3</b>	7.1	14.7
Unemployment	153.9	<b>157.7</b>	6.4	<b>3.8</b>	69.9	84.0	<b>2.5</b>	79.6	114.0
Participation rate	74.5	<b>74.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	<b>7.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	3.2	3.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.2	<b>68.8</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-2.8	-2.8	...	...	...
<b>British Columbia</b>									
Population	3,709.1	<b>3,714.5</b>	...	<b>5.4</b>	42.3	63.0	<b>0.1</b>	1.2	1.7
Labour force	2,436.0	<b>2,447.0</b>	10.3	<b>11.0</b>	14.5	17.8	<b>0.5</b>	0.6	0.7
Employment	2,247.1	<b>2,255.7</b>	10.4	<b>8.6</b>	-47.0	-67.0	<b>0.4</b>	-2.0	-2.9
Employment full-time	1,750.0	<b>1,774.8</b>	14.2	<b>24.8</b>	-64.8	-78.0	<b>1.4</b>	-3.5	-4.2
Employment part-time	497.1	<b>480.8</b>	13.2	<b>-16.3</b>	17.6	10.8	<b>-3.3</b>	3.8	2.3
Unemployment	188.9	<b>191.3</b>	8.0	<b>2.4</b>	61.6	84.8	<b>1.3</b>	47.5	79.6
Participation rate	65.7	<b>65.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	<b>7.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	2.5	3.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	<b>60.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	-2.0	-2.9	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM Table 282-0087.

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

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	428.8	<b>429.2</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	1.6	2.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.7
Labour force	256.0	<b>254.7</b>	2.2	<b>-1.3</b>	2.7	1.4	<b>-0.5</b>	1.1	0.6
Employment	212.2	<b>215.1</b>	2.2	<b>2.9</b>	-2.4	-3.6	<b>1.4</b>	-1.1	-1.6
Employment full-time	182.7	<b>189.1</b>	2.4	<b>6.4</b>	3.5	-1.6	<b>3.5</b>	1.9	-0.8
Unemployment	43.8	<b>39.7</b>	2.0	<b>-4.1</b>	5.2	5.1	<b>-9.4</b>	15.1	14.7
Participation rate	59.7	<b>59.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.1	<b>15.6</b>	0.8	<b>-1.5</b>	1.9	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.5	<b>50.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.6</b>	-0.8	-1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	13.9	<b>12.0</b>	0.8	<b>-1.9</b>	-2.6	-0.8	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	61.0	<b>60.9</b>	...	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.0	-1.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-1.6	-2.2
Labour force	33.5	<b>33.6</b>	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	-0.7	-0.5	<b>0.3</b>	-2.0	-1.5
Employment	25.8	<b>26.0</b>	1.1	<b>0.2</b>	-0.7	-2.4	<b>0.8</b>	-2.6	-8.5
Unemployment	7.7	<b>7.6</b>	1.0	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	1.9	<b>-1.3</b>	0.0	33.3
Participation rate	54.9	<b>55.2</b>	1.8	<b>0.3</b>	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	23.0	<b>22.6</b>	2.6	<b>-0.4</b>	0.4	5.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	42.3	<b>42.7</b>	1.7	<b>0.4</b>	-0.4	-2.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	35.3	<b>30.4</b>	3.6	<b>-4.9</b>	-19.1	-3.8	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	177.4	<b>177.5</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	1.1	1.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	1.0
Labour force	116.8	<b>116.3</b>	1.3	<b>-0.5</b>	2.2	-0.1	<b>-0.4</b>	1.9	-0.1
Employment	95.4	<b>96.9</b>	1.4	<b>1.5</b>	-1.1	-2.1	<b>1.6</b>	-1.1	-2.1
Unemployment	21.4	<b>19.4</b>	1.3	<b>-2.0</b>	3.3	2.0	<b>-9.3</b>	20.5	11.5
Participation rate	65.8	<b>65.5</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	0.8	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	18.3	<b>16.7</b>	1.1	<b>-1.6</b>	2.6	1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.8	<b>54.6</b>	0.8	<b>0.8</b>	-1.0	-1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.9	<b>3.9</b>	0.8	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.1	0.1	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	190.5	<b>190.7</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.4	2.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	1.3
Labour force	105.7	<b>104.8</b>	1.1	<b>-0.9</b>	1.3	2.0	<b>-0.9</b>	1.3	1.9
Employment	91.0	<b>92.2</b>	1.1	<b>1.2</b>	-0.6	1.0	<b>1.3</b>	-0.6	1.1
Unemployment	14.7	<b>12.6</b>	1.1	<b>-2.1</b>	1.8	1.0	<b>-14.3</b>	16.7	8.6
Participation rate	55.5	<b>55.0</b>	0.6	<b>-0.5</b>	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.9	<b>12.0</b>	1.0	<b>-1.9</b>	1.6	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	47.8	<b>48.3</b>	0.6	<b>0.5</b>	-0.7	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.3	<b>15.4</b>	1.2	<b>-1.9</b>	0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
	212.2	<b>215.1</b>	2.2	<b>2.9</b>	-2.4	-3.6	<b>1.4</b>	-1.1	-1.6
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	0.6	<b>0.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	0.3	<b>50.0</b>	80.0	50.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	13.7	<b>15.4</b>	1.0	<b>1.7</b>	-0.9	-1.5	<b>12.4</b>	-5.5	-8.9
Utilities	1.8	<b>2.6</b>	0.3	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	0.5	<b>44.4</b>	44.4	23.8
Construction	15.6	<b>15.0</b>	1.1	<b>-0.6</b>	-2.3	-1.5	<b>-3.8</b>	-13.3	-9.1
Manufacturing	11.1	<b>12.3</b>	1.0	<b>1.2</b>	-0.3	-1.3	<b>10.8</b>	-2.4	-9.6
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
	169.4	<b>169.0</b>	2.1	<b>-0.4</b>	0.0	0.1	<b>-0.2</b>	0.0	0.1
Trade	33.8	<b>35.0</b>	1.3	<b>1.2</b>	0.6	-0.2	<b>3.6</b>	1.7	-0.6
Transportation and warehousing	10.5	<b>10.8</b>	0.8	<b>0.3</b>	-0.1	1.6	<b>2.9</b>	-0.9	17.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	7.8	<b>8.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	1.0	1.6	<b>2.6</b>	14.3	25.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	7.6	<b>7.3</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.8	-2.1	<b>-3.9</b>	-9.9	-22.3
Business, building and other support services	7.9	<b>6.6</b>	0.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.2	-1.2	<b>-16.5</b>	-15.4	-15.4
Educational services	17.5	<b>17.0</b>	0.9	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	1.3	<b>-2.9</b>	-2.9	8.3
Health care and social assistance	35.4	<b>35.3</b>	1.1	<b>-0.1</b>	2.1	3.1	<b>-0.3</b>	6.3	9.6
Information, culture and recreation	9.4	<b>9.1</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	1.4	0.5	<b>-3.2</b>	18.2	5.8
Accommodation and food services	13.4	<b>13.1</b>	0.9	<b>-0.3</b>	1.3	-0.2	<b>-2.2</b>	11.0	-1.5
Other services	9.3	<b>10.0</b>	0.8	<b>0.7</b>	-3.5	-1.5	<b>7.5</b>	-25.9	-13.0
Public administration	16.8	<b>16.8</b>	0.9	<b>0.0</b>	-0.4	-2.7	<b>0.0</b>	-2.3	-13.8

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	116.2	<b>116.4</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.1	1.6	<b>0.2</b>	1.0	1.4
Labour force	78.9	<b>79.4</b>	0.6	<b>0.5</b>	0.9	0.9	<b>0.6</b>	1.1	1.1
Employment	69.2	<b>68.5</b>	0.7	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-1.8	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-2.6
Employment full-time	56.8	<b>55.5</b>	0.9	<b>-1.3</b>	-2.3	-4.4	<b>-2.3</b>	-4.0	-7.3
Unemployment	9.7	<b>10.9</b>	0.7	<b>1.2</b>	1.7	2.7	<b>12.4</b>	18.5	32.9
Participation rate	67.9	<b>68.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.3	<b>13.7</b>	0.8	<b>1.4</b>	2.0	3.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	<b>58.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-1.2	-2.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.9	<b>19.0</b>	1.0	<b>1.1</b>	2.5	4.2	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	19.8	<b>19.9</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.5
Labour force	13.4	<b>14.0</b>	0.4	<b>0.6</b>	0.0	0.4	<b>4.5</b>	0.0	2.9
Employment	11.6	<b>11.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.3	-0.4	<b>-4.3</b>	-2.6	-3.5
Unemployment	1.8	<b>2.8</b>	0.4	<b>1.0</b>	0.2	0.8	<b>55.6</b>	7.7	40.0
Participation rate	67.7	<b>70.4</b>	2.1	<b>2.7</b>	-0.3	1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.4	<b>20.0</b>	2.6	<b>6.6</b>	1.4	5.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	<b>55.8</b>	2.1	<b>-2.8</b>	-1.8	-2.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.8	<b>49.5</b>	3.5	<b>4.7</b>	5.7	10.4	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	46.3	<b>46.4</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.9	1.5
Labour force	34.3	<b>34.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	1.4	1.1	<b>-0.6</b>	4.3	3.3
Employment	29.8	<b>29.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.4	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	1.4	2.1
Unemployment	4.5	<b>4.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	1.0	0.5	<b>-2.2</b>	29.4	12.8
Participation rate	74.1	<b>73.5</b>	0.8	<b>-0.6</b>	2.4	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.1	<b>12.9</b>	1.2	<b>-0.2</b>	2.5	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	<b>64.0</b>	0.9	<b>-0.4</b>	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.4	<b>6.7</b>	1.0	<b>0.4</b>	1.3	2.3	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	50.0	<b>50.1</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	0.8	<b>0.2</b>	1.0	1.6
Labour force	31.3	<b>31.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-0.4	-0.6	<b>0.0</b>	-1.3	-1.9
Employment	27.9	<b>27.6</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.9	-2.0	<b>-1.1</b>	-3.2	-6.8
Unemployment	3.4	<b>3.6</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	1.3	<b>5.9</b>	12.5	56.5
Participation rate	62.6	<b>62.5</b>	0.7	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.4	-2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.9	<b>11.5</b>	1.0	<b>0.6</b>	1.4	4.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	<b>55.1</b>	0.8	<b>-0.7</b>	-2.4	-4.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	<b>20.3</b>	1.5	<b>1.3</b>	3.4	4.4	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>	69.2	<b>68.5</b>	0.7	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-1.8	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-2.6
Agriculture	16.2	<b>16.3</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	-1.2	-1.3	<b>0.6</b>	-6.9	-7.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	3.6	<b>3.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	0.2	0.2	<b>-8.3</b>	6.5	6.5
Utilities	2.2	<b>2.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-1.3	-1.0	<b>-4.5</b>	-38.2	-32.3
Construction	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.0	<b>-33.3</b>	-33.3	0.0
Manufacturing	5.2	<b>5.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.4	<b>1.9</b>	8.2	8.2
Manufacturing	4.9	<b>5.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	-0.4	-0.9	<b>10.2</b>	-6.9	-14.3
<b>Services-producing sector</b>	53.1	<b>52.2</b>	0.7	<b>-0.9</b>	0.5	-0.5	<b>-1.7</b>	1.0	-0.9
Trade	9.7	<b>9.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.6	-0.9	<b>2.1</b>	6.5	-8.3
Transportation and warehousing	2.2	<b>2.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.7	-0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-24.1	-12.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.7	<b>2.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	-0.3	<b>0.0</b>	12.5	-10.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.2	<b>2.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.4	-0.3	<b>4.5</b>	-14.8	-11.5
Business, building and other support services	2.7	<b>2.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.1	-0.4	<b>-18.5</b>	-4.3	-15.4
Educational services	5.0	<b>5.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	-0.1	<b>0.0</b>	6.4	-2.0
Health care and social assistance	8.2	<b>8.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.6	-0.2	<b>-1.2</b>	-6.9	-2.4
Information, culture and recreation	2.6	<b>2.4</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.3	<b>-7.7</b>	-7.7	-11.1
Accommodation and food services	6.0	<b>6.0</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	1.0	<b>0.0</b>	5.3	20.0
Other services	3.3	<b>3.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	0.5	0.5	<b>-3.0</b>	18.5	18.5
Public administration	8.5	<b>8.2</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	0.5	0.8	<b>-3.5</b>	6.5	10.8

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	772.5	<b>772.8</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	2.2	3.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	0.4
Labour force	496.4	<b>500.5</b>	2.8	<b>4.1</b>	6.5	8.1	<b>0.8</b>	1.3	1.6
Employment	450.9	<b>453.2</b>	2.9	<b>2.3</b>	-0.3	1.1	<b>0.5</b>	-0.1	0.2
Employment full-time	371.4	<b>371.2</b>	3.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	-4.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.1
Unemployment	45.5	<b>47.3</b>	2.6	<b>1.8</b>	6.8	7.1	<b>4.0</b>	16.8	17.7
Participation rate	64.3	<b>64.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	<b>9.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	1.3	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	<b>58.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.7	<b>18.1</b>	0.7	<b>0.5</b>	0.0	1.1	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	120.0	<b>120.0</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	-0.7	-1.3	<b>0.0</b>	-0.6	-1.1
Labour force	79.7	<b>81.7</b>	1.7	<b>2.0</b>	0.3	0.8	<b>2.5</b>	0.4	1.0
Employment	64.9	<b>65.7</b>	1.7	<b>0.8</b>	-3.4	-3.7	<b>1.2</b>	-4.9	-5.3
Unemployment	14.8	<b>16.0</b>	1.5	<b>1.2</b>	3.6	4.5	<b>8.1</b>	29.0	39.1
Participation rate	66.4	<b>68.1</b>	1.4	<b>1.7</b>	0.7	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	18.6	<b>19.6</b>	1.7	<b>1.0</b>	4.4	5.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	<b>54.8</b>	1.4	<b>0.7</b>	-2.4	-2.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	43.6	<b>47.6</b>	2.4	<b>4.0</b>	4.9	2.7	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	310.9	<b>311.1</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.3	2.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.7
Labour force	214.5	<b>215.5</b>	1.5	<b>1.0</b>	3.2	2.3	<b>0.5</b>	1.5	1.1
Employment	194.6	<b>195.9</b>	1.6	<b>1.3</b>	0.8	0.2	<b>0.7</b>	0.4	0.1
Unemployment	19.9	<b>19.6</b>	1.6	<b>-0.3</b>	2.3	2.1	<b>-1.5</b>	13.3	12.0
Participation rate	69.0	<b>69.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.8	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	<b>9.1</b>	0.7	<b>-0.2</b>	1.0	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	<b>63.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.5	<b>6.2</b>	0.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-0.9	-1.0	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	341.5	<b>341.8</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	1.7	2.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	0.8
Labour force	202.2	<b>203.3</b>	1.5	<b>1.1</b>	3.0	5.0	<b>0.5</b>	1.5	2.5
Employment	191.4	<b>191.7</b>	1.6	<b>0.3</b>	2.3	4.7	<b>0.2</b>	1.2	2.5
Unemployment	10.8	<b>11.6</b>	1.3	<b>0.8</b>	0.7	0.3	<b>7.4</b>	6.4	2.7
Participation rate	59.2	<b>59.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	<b>5.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	<b>56.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.1	<b>20.1</b>	1.1	<b>1.0</b>	-0.3	3.2	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	450.9	<b>453.2</b>	2.9	<b>2.3</b>	-0.3	1.1	<b>0.5</b>	-0.1	0.2
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	82.5	<b>86.2</b>	2.3	<b>3.7</b>	-6.7	-4.2	<b>4.5</b>	-7.2	-4.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	6.3	<b>6.5</b>	0.7	<b>0.2</b>	-1.1	0.9	<b>3.2</b>	-14.5	16.1
Utilities	13.0	<b>12.2</b>	1.1	<b>-0.8</b>	0.0	-0.7	<b>-6.2</b>	0.0	-5.4
Construction	3.2	<b>3.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	-0.1	<b>0.0</b>	18.5	-3.0
Manufacturing	29.7	<b>31.7</b>	1.4	<b>2.0</b>	-0.1	2.3	<b>6.7</b>	-0.3	7.8
Manufacturing	30.4	<b>32.6</b>	1.5	<b>2.2</b>	-6.1	-6.5	<b>7.2</b>	-15.8	-16.6
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Trade	368.4	<b>367.0</b>	3.0	<b>-1.4</b>	6.3	5.2	<b>-0.4</b>	1.7	1.4
Transportation and warehousing	79.4	<b>79.2</b>	2.0	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.1	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	1.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	22.0	<b>20.8</b>	1.0	<b>-1.2</b>	1.3	2.2	<b>-5.5</b>	6.7	11.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	22.7	<b>25.7</b>	1.0	<b>3.0</b>	4.1	1.5	<b>13.2</b>	19.0	6.2
Business, building and other support services	21.9	<b>22.5</b>	1.1	<b>0.6</b>	-1.7	-0.7	<b>2.7</b>	-7.0	-3.0
Educational services	23.0	<b>22.2</b>	1.4	<b>-0.8</b>	-2.7	-2.6	<b>-3.5</b>	-10.8	-10.5
Health care and social assistance	38.8	<b>36.7</b>	1.4	<b>-2.1</b>	1.7	2.1	<b>-5.4</b>	4.9	6.1
Information, culture and recreation	62.8	<b>63.2</b>	1.5	<b>0.4</b>	3.9	1.4	<b>0.6</b>	6.6	2.3
Accommodation and food services	15.5	<b>16.8</b>	1.1	<b>1.3</b>	-1.7	-2.7	<b>8.4</b>	-9.2	-13.8
Other services	29.4	<b>29.2</b>	1.5	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.7	0.5	<b>-0.7</b>	-2.3	1.7
Public administration	20.3	<b>19.6</b>	1.1	<b>-0.7</b>	1.2	1.4	<b>-3.4</b>	6.5	7.7
Public administration	32.6	<b>31.2</b>	1.2	<b>-1.4</b>	1.2	1.1	<b>-4.3</b>	4.0	3.7

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	621.7	<b>621.8</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	2.1	3.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	0.5
Labour force	402.7	<b>402.4</b>	2.5	<b>-0.3</b>	1.4	2.0	<b>-0.1</b>	0.3	0.5
Employment	364.9	<b>364.9</b>	2.6	<b>0.0</b>	-1.7	-1.6	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	-0.4
Employment full-time	306.2	<b>306.8</b>	3.0	<b>0.6</b>	-4.0	-1.3	<b>0.2</b>	-1.3	-0.4
Unemployment	37.8	<b>37.5</b>	2.3	<b>-0.3</b>	3.1	3.7	<b>-0.8</b>	9.0	10.9
Participation rate	64.8	<b>64.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	<b>9.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	0.7	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	<b>58.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.1	<b>15.9</b>	0.7	<b>-0.2</b>	0.7	0.0	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	93.7	<b>93.5</b>	...	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.8	-1.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.8	-1.3
Labour force	59.3	<b>60.1</b>	1.3	<b>0.8</b>	-5.7	-2.5	<b>1.3</b>	-8.7	-4.0
Employment	49.4	<b>51.1</b>	1.3	<b>1.7</b>	-5.4	-4.3	<b>3.4</b>	-9.6	-7.8
Unemployment	9.9	<b>9.0</b>	1.2	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.4	1.9	<b>-9.1</b>	-4.3	26.8
Participation rate	63.3	<b>64.3</b>	1.4	<b>1.0</b>	-5.5	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.7	<b>15.0</b>	1.8	<b>-1.7</b>	0.7	3.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.7	<b>54.7</b>	1.4	<b>2.0</b>	-5.2	-3.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.3	<b>43.2</b>	2.4	<b>-1.1</b>	4.8	-1.9	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	254.8	<b>254.9</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	1.3	1.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.5	0.8
Labour force	179.6	<b>178.9</b>	1.4	<b>-0.7</b>	5.4	3.3	<b>-0.4</b>	3.1	1.9
Employment	163.1	<b>161.7</b>	1.5	<b>-1.4</b>	3.4	1.9	<b>-0.9</b>	2.1	1.2
Unemployment	16.5	<b>17.2</b>	1.4	<b>0.7</b>	2.1	1.5	<b>4.2</b>	13.9	9.6
Participation rate	70.5	<b>70.2</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	1.8	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	<b>9.6</b>	0.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.9	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	<b>63.4</b>	0.6	<b>-0.6</b>	1.0	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.6	<b>5.9</b>	0.7	<b>-0.6</b>	0.6	0.3	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	273.2	<b>273.4</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.6	2.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	0.9
Labour force	163.8	<b>163.4</b>	1.3	<b>-0.4</b>	1.7	1.1	<b>-0.2</b>	1.1	0.7
Employment	152.5	<b>152.2</b>	1.4	<b>-0.3</b>	0.4	0.9	<b>-0.2</b>	0.3	0.6
Unemployment	11.3	<b>11.2</b>	1.2	<b>-0.1</b>	1.4	0.2	<b>-0.9</b>	14.3	1.8
Participation rate	60.0	<b>59.8</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>6.9</b>	0.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.8	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	<b>55.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.1	<b>17.3</b>	1.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.4	1.2	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>	364.9	<b>364.9</b>	2.6	<b>0.0</b>	-1.7	-1.6	<b>0.0</b>	-0.5	-0.4
Agriculture	83.8	<b>83.4</b>	2.1	<b>-0.4</b>	4.3	-0.5	<b>-0.5</b>	5.4	-0.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	7.0	<b>6.5</b>	0.6	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.0	0.6	<b>-7.1</b>	-13.3	10.2
Utilities	11.2	<b>11.5</b>	0.8	<b>0.3</b>	2.0	-0.9	<b>2.7</b>	21.1	-7.3
Construction	4.6	<b>4.5</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	-0.8	<b>-2.2</b>	-6.2	-15.1
Manufacturing	27.6	<b>28.0</b>	1.3	<b>0.4</b>	4.1	4.6	<b>1.4</b>	17.2	19.7
Manufacturing	33.4	<b>32.8</b>	1.4	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.7	-4.1	<b>-1.8</b>	-2.1	-11.1
<b>Services-producing sector</b>	281.1	<b>281.6</b>	2.5	<b>0.5</b>	-5.9	-1.0	<b>0.2</b>	-2.1	-0.4
Trade	53.1	<b>54.3</b>	1.6	<b>1.2</b>	-2.6	-5.4	<b>2.3</b>	-4.6	-9.0
Transportation and warehousing	18.0	<b>19.8</b>	1.0	<b>1.8</b>	-0.4	-1.2	<b>10.0</b>	-2.0	-5.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	17.2	<b>17.2</b>	0.9	<b>0.0</b>	1.5	1.3	<b>0.0</b>	9.6	8.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	17.5	<b>16.2</b>	1.0	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.2	-0.5	<b>-7.4</b>	-6.9	-3.0
Business, building and other support services	19.7	<b>18.4</b>	1.0	<b>-1.3</b>	-2.6	-1.0	<b>-6.6</b>	-12.4	-5.2
Educational services	29.3	<b>27.3</b>	1.2	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.2	3.7	<b>-6.8</b>	-7.5	15.7
Health care and social assistance	50.1	<b>50.4</b>	1.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	-1.8	<b>0.6</b>	0.8	-3.4
Information, culture and recreation	12.8	<b>13.4</b>	0.7	<b>0.6</b>	2.4	2.8	<b>4.7</b>	21.8	26.4
Accommodation and food services	21.4	<b>22.7</b>	1.1	<b>1.3</b>	-0.1	-1.2	<b>6.1</b>	-0.4	-5.0
Other services	15.7	<b>15.1</b>	0.9	<b>-0.6</b>	0.0	0.1	<b>-3.8</b>	0.0	0.7
Public administration	26.4	<b>26.9</b>	1.1	<b>0.5</b>	-1.0	2.4	<b>1.9</b>	-3.6	9.8

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	6,438.4	<b>6,444.3</b>	...	<b>5.9</b>	44.2	64.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	1.0
Labour force	4,201.1	<b>4,212.8</b>	14.2	<b>11.7</b>	21.2	32.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	0.8
Employment	3,821.9	<b>3,830.2</b>	14.6	<b>8.3</b>	-54.1	-31.3	<b>0.2</b>	-1.4	-0.8
Employment full-time	3,095.0	<b>3,099.3</b>	18.7	<b>4.3</b>	-35.5	-41.7	<b>0.1</b>	-1.1	-1.3
Unemployment	379.2	<b>382.6</b>	13.0	<b>3.4</b>	75.4	63.5	<b>0.9</b>	24.5	19.9
Participation rate	65.3	<b>65.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	<b>9.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	1.8	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	<b>59.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-1.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	<b>19.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	962.8	<b>963.0</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	2.0	3.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.2	0.3
Labour force	633.3	<b>636.1</b>	8.4	<b>2.8</b>	-7.4	-8.0	<b>0.4</b>	-1.1	-1.2
Employment	527.4	<b>530.3</b>	8.2	<b>2.9</b>	-28.7	-42.8	<b>0.5</b>	-5.1	-7.5
Unemployment	106.0	<b>105.8</b>	7.5	<b>-0.2</b>	21.3	34.8	<b>-0.2</b>	25.2	49.0
Participation rate	65.8	<b>66.1</b>	0.9	<b>0.3</b>	-0.9	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.7	<b>16.6</b>	1.1	<b>-0.1</b>	3.5	5.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.8	<b>55.1</b>	0.9	<b>0.3</b>	-3.1	-4.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	52.9	<b>51.6</b>	1.5	<b>-1.3</b>	-0.7	4.3	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	2,676.8	<b>2,679.8</b>	...	<b>3.0</b>	22.0	31.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	1.2
Labour force	1,894.3	<b>1,900.2</b>	7.8	<b>5.9</b>	33.9	28.3	<b>0.3</b>	1.8	1.5
Employment	1,722.3	<b>1,724.2</b>	8.4	<b>1.9</b>	-4.2	2.9	<b>0.1</b>	-0.2	0.2
Unemployment	172.0	<b>176.0</b>	7.9	<b>4.0</b>	38.1	25.3	<b>2.3</b>	27.6	16.8
Participation rate	70.8	<b>70.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.1	<b>9.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	1.9	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.3	<b>64.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.5	<b>7.6</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	2,798.8	<b>2,801.5</b>	...	<b>2.7</b>	20.3	30.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	1.1
Labour force	1,673.5	<b>1,676.5</b>	7.9	<b>3.0</b>	-5.3	12.0	<b>0.2</b>	-0.3	0.7
Employment	1,572.2	<b>1,575.8</b>	8.0	<b>3.6</b>	-21.2	8.7	<b>0.2</b>	-1.3	0.6
Unemployment	101.3	<b>100.8</b>	6.6	<b>-0.5</b>	16.0	3.4	<b>-0.5</b>	18.9	3.5
Participation rate	59.8	<b>59.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-0.7	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>6.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	1.0	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	<b>56.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-1.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.3	<b>20.7</b>	0.7	<b>0.4</b>	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
	3,821.9	<b>3,830.2</b>	14.6	<b>8.3</b>	-54.1	-31.3	<b>0.2</b>	-1.4	-0.8
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	865.6	<b>851.6</b>	11.9	<b>-14.0</b>	-21.8	-31.2	<b>-1.6</b>	-2.5	-3.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	59.1	<b>59.2</b>	3.4	<b>0.1</b>	7.1	3.4	<b>0.2</b>	13.6	6.1
Utilities	27.1	<b>30.3</b>	2.1	<b>3.2</b>	-1.6	-2.1	<b>11.8</b>	-5.0	-6.5
Construction	37.8	<b>33.4</b>	2.3	<b>-4.4</b>	2.5	1.0	<b>-11.6</b>	8.1	3.1
Manufacturing	211.5	<b>207.6</b>	7.0	<b>-3.9</b>	-0.9	-9.4	<b>-1.8</b>	-0.4	-4.3
	530.0	<b>521.1</b>	9.6	<b>-8.9</b>	-28.9	-24.1	<b>-1.7</b>	-5.3	-4.4
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
	2,956.3	<b>2,978.6</b>	16.1	<b>22.3</b>	-32.4	-0.1	<b>0.8</b>	-1.1	0.0
Trade	623.8	<b>643.0</b>	10.3	<b>19.2</b>	37.1	22.1	<b>3.1</b>	6.1	3.6
Transportation and warehousing	162.1	<b>172.4</b>	6.0	<b>10.3</b>	-8.7	-16.7	<b>6.4</b>	-4.8	-8.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	225.5	<b>226.4</b>	6.7	<b>0.9</b>	3.3	-10.1	<b>0.4</b>	1.5	-4.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	273.0	<b>268.2</b>	7.6	<b>-4.8</b>	8.6	13.6	<b>-1.8</b>	3.3	5.3
Business, building and other support services	151.3	<b>143.6</b>	6.2	<b>-7.7</b>	-3.4	15.6	<b>-5.1</b>	-2.3	12.2
Educational services	257.8	<b>257.5</b>	7.0	<b>-0.3</b>	12.2	5.9	<b>-0.1</b>	5.0	2.3
Health care and social assistance	468.0	<b>479.2</b>	8.4	<b>11.2</b>	-19.6	11.2	<b>2.4</b>	-3.9	2.4
Information, culture and recreation	169.2	<b>171.6</b>	6.6	<b>2.4</b>	-8.0	-11.2	<b>1.4</b>	-4.5	-6.1
Accommodation and food services	221.7	<b>222.9</b>	7.9	<b>1.2</b>	-20.1	-29.2	<b>0.5</b>	-8.3	-11.6
Other services	178.1	<b>173.3</b>	6.0	<b>-4.8</b>	1.9	6.0	<b>-2.7</b>	1.1	3.6
Public administration	225.9	<b>220.4</b>	6.0	<b>-5.5</b>	-35.8	-7.4	<b>-2.4</b>	-14.0	-3.2

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	10,665.2	<b>10,677.4</b>	...	<b>12.2</b>	96.6	147.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	1.4
Labour force	7,165.4	<b>7,186.0</b>	19.0	<b>20.6</b>	4.0	47.7	<b>0.3</b>	0.1	0.7
Employment	6,500.3	<b>6,512.5</b>	18.9	<b>12.2</b>	-152.7	-170.4	<b>0.2</b>	-2.3	-2.5
Employment full-time	5,227.6	<b>5,204.0</b>	24.5	<b>-23.6</b>	-217.1	-227.7	<b>-0.5</b>	-4.0	-4.2
Unemployment	665.1	<b>673.5</b>	16.9	<b>8.4</b>	156.7	218.1	<b>1.3</b>	30.3	47.9
Participation rate	67.2	<b>67.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	<b>9.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	2.2	3.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	<b>61.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-2.0	-2.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.6	<b>20.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.5</b>	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	1,745.7	<b>1,746.2</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	7.1	11.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.4	0.7
Labour force	1,084.8	<b>1,091.5</b>	11.4	<b>6.7</b>	-30.8	-16.8	<b>0.6</b>	-2.7	-1.5
Employment	882.3	<b>888.6</b>	10.7	<b>6.3</b>	-61.2	-70.9	<b>0.7</b>	-6.4	-7.4
Unemployment	202.5	<b>202.9</b>	10.0	<b>0.4</b>	30.4	54.1	<b>0.2</b>	17.6	36.4
Participation rate	62.1	<b>62.5</b>	0.7	<b>0.4</b>	-2.0	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	18.7	<b>18.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.1</b>	3.2	5.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.5	<b>50.9</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	-3.7	-4.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	52.0	<b>54.2</b>	1.2	<b>2.2</b>	6.7	4.2	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	4,333.0	<b>4,338.6</b>	...	<b>5.6</b>	42.9	65.0	<b>0.1</b>	1.0	1.5
Labour force	3,206.9	<b>3,207.4</b>	9.5	<b>0.5</b>	14.0	35.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.4	1.1
Employment	2,921.3	<b>2,922.8</b>	10.8	<b>1.5</b>	-82.1	-86.2	<b>0.1</b>	-2.7	-2.9
Unemployment	285.6	<b>284.6</b>	9.8	<b>-1.0</b>	96.1	121.7	<b>-0.4</b>	51.0	74.7
Participation rate	74.0	<b>73.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	<b>8.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	3.0	3.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	<b>67.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-2.6	-3.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.8	<b>7.8</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.5	0.8	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	4,586.6	<b>4,592.5</b>	...	<b>5.9</b>	46.5	71.0	<b>0.1</b>	1.0	1.6
Labour force	2,873.7	<b>2,887.1</b>	11.0	<b>13.4</b>	20.8	29.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.7	1.0
Employment	2,696.7	<b>2,701.1</b>	10.7	<b>4.4</b>	-9.4	-13.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.5
Unemployment	177.0	<b>186.0</b>	8.8	<b>9.0</b>	30.2	42.3	<b>5.1</b>	19.4	29.4
Participation rate	62.7	<b>62.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	<b>6.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	1.0	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.8	<b>58.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.8	-1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.7	<b>22.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.5</b>	1.0	1.5	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
	6,500.3	<b>6,512.5</b>	18.9	<b>12.2</b>	-152.7	-170.4	<b>0.2</b>	-2.3	-2.5
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
	1,340.1	<b>1,349.9</b>	15.8	<b>9.8</b>	-144.0	-174.7	<b>0.7</b>	-9.6	-11.5
Agriculture	84.7	<b>84.8</b>	3.9	<b>0.1</b>	-2.6	7.3	<b>0.1</b>	-3.0	9.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	34.6	<b>34.6</b>	2.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	-4.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.9	-10.6
Utilities	57.7	<b>60.2</b>	3.3	<b>2.5</b>	-3.7	-10.2	<b>4.3</b>	-5.8	-14.5
Construction	384.6	<b>400.5</b>	9.7	<b>15.9</b>	-36.5	-43.0	<b>4.1</b>	-8.4	-9.7
Manufacturing	778.5	<b>770.0</b>	12.4	<b>-8.5</b>	-101.2	-124.5	<b>-1.1</b>	-11.6	-13.9
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
	5,160.1	<b>5,162.5</b>	21.1	<b>2.4</b>	-8.8	4.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	0.1
Trade	988.4	<b>991.8</b>	14.1	<b>3.4</b>	-35.3	-22.7	<b>0.3</b>	-3.4	-2.2
Transportation and warehousing	306.9	<b>312.3</b>	8.5	<b>5.4</b>	-34.7	-19.8	<b>1.8</b>	-10.0	-6.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	504.5	<b>512.8</b>	10.5	<b>8.3</b>	18.0	35.6	<b>1.6</b>	3.6	7.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	509.3	<b>533.4</b>	10.7	<b>24.1</b>	26.9	22.7	<b>4.7</b>	5.3	4.4
Business, building and other support services	280.4	<b>267.5</b>	8.9	<b>-12.9</b>	-8.7	-20.6	<b>-4.6</b>	-3.1	-7.2
Educational services	470.1	<b>445.9</b>	9.5	<b>-24.2</b>	-23.5	-44.7	<b>-5.1</b>	-5.0	-9.1
Health care and social assistance	708.1	<b>703.5</b>	10.5	<b>-4.6</b>	3.4	18.5	<b>-0.6</b>	0.5	2.7
Information, culture and recreation	328.1	<b>330.1</b>	8.8	<b>2.0</b>	16.8	27.7	<b>0.6</b>	5.4	9.2
Accommodation and food services	390.5	<b>387.1</b>	10.1	<b>-3.4</b>	-1.7	-35.0	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.4	-8.3
Other services	313.9	<b>318.8</b>	8.1	<b>4.9</b>	23.0	41.1	<b>1.6</b>	7.8	14.8
Public administration	359.9	<b>359.4</b>	7.7	<b>-0.5</b>	7.0	1.5	<b>-0.1</b>	2.0	0.4

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	923.8	<b>925.0</b>	...	<b>1.2</b>	10.2	13.7	<b>0.1</b>	1.1	1.5
Labour force	641.0	<b>648.5</b>	2.7	<b>7.5</b>	12.0	18.0	<b>1.2</b>	1.9	2.9
Employment	607.9	<b>611.3</b>	2.8	<b>3.4</b>	2.2	5.9	<b>0.6</b>	0.4	1.0
Employment full-time	490.3	<b>489.6</b>	3.9	<b>-0.7</b>	-3.5	-0.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.7	-0.2
Unemployment	33.1	<b>37.2</b>	2.1	<b>4.1</b>	9.8	12.1	<b>12.4</b>	35.8	48.2
Participation rate	69.4	<b>70.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.7</b>	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.5</b>	1.4	1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	<b>66.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.3	<b>19.9</b>	0.6	<b>0.6</b>	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	160.4	<b>160.4</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	1.4	1.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.9	1.1
Labour force	113.3	<b>116.5</b>	1.6	<b>3.2</b>	1.8	3.4	<b>2.8</b>	1.6	3.0
Employment	101.8	<b>102.4</b>	1.7	<b>0.6</b>	-2.3	-1.5	<b>0.6</b>	-2.2	-1.4
Unemployment	11.5	<b>14.1</b>	1.4	<b>2.6</b>	4.1	4.9	<b>22.6</b>	41.0	53.3
Participation rate	70.6	<b>72.6</b>	1.0	<b>2.0</b>	0.5	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.2	<b>12.1</b>	1.2	<b>1.9</b>	3.4	4.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	<b>63.8</b>	1.0	<b>0.3</b>	-2.0	-1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.6	<b>43.8</b>	1.9	<b>-1.7</b>	-0.1	1.7	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	373.3	<b>373.9</b>	...	<b>0.6</b>	4.5	6.0	<b>0.2</b>	1.2	1.6
Labour force	284.8	<b>288.4</b>	1.4	<b>3.6</b>	8.2	8.8	<b>1.3</b>	2.9	3.1
Employment	273.3	<b>275.0</b>	1.5	<b>1.7</b>	4.6	2.9	<b>0.6</b>	1.7	1.1
Unemployment	11.5	<b>13.3</b>	1.2	<b>1.8</b>	3.5	5.8	<b>15.7</b>	35.7	77.3
Participation rate	76.3	<b>77.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.8</b>	1.2	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.0	<b>4.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.6</b>	1.1	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	73.2	<b>73.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.0	<b>7.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.8</b>	0.6	0.5	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	390.2	<b>390.7</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	4.3	5.9	<b>0.1</b>	1.1	1.5
Labour force	242.8	<b>243.7</b>	1.6	<b>0.9</b>	2.0	5.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.8	2.4
Employment	232.8	<b>233.9</b>	1.6	<b>1.1</b>	-0.2	4.5	<b>0.5</b>	-0.1	2.0
Unemployment	10.1	<b>9.8</b>	1.2	<b>-0.3</b>	2.2	1.4	<b>-3.0</b>	28.9	16.7
Participation rate	62.2	<b>62.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	-0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	<b>4.0</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	0.9	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	<b>59.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	-0.7	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.4	<b>23.7</b>	0.9	<b>1.3</b>	2.0	1.3	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Population	607.9	<b>611.3</b>	2.8	<b>3.4</b>	2.2	5.9	<b>0.6</b>	0.4	1.0
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	27.1	<b>26.6</b>	1.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-2.8	-2.5	<b>-1.8</b>	-9.5	-8.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	7.3	<b>7.1</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	1.2	1.1	<b>-2.7</b>	20.3	18.3
Utilities	7.5	<b>7.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	0.4	-0.3	<b>-2.7</b>	5.8	-3.9
Construction	36.8	<b>36.3</b>	1.5	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.9	-1.4	<b>-1.4</b>	-5.0	-3.7
Manufacturing	62.2	<b>61.6</b>	1.7	<b>-0.6</b>	-4.2	-4.8	<b>-1.0</b>	-6.4	-7.2
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Trade	90.4	<b>88.8</b>	2.0	<b>-1.6</b>	-0.5	-1.4	<b>-1.8</b>	-0.6	-1.6
Transportation and warehousing	40.4	<b>39.0</b>	1.4	<b>-1.4</b>	1.9	3.9	<b>-3.5</b>	5.1	11.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	37.3	<b>39.2</b>	1.3	<b>1.9</b>	4.4	4.5	<b>5.1</b>	12.6	13.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	24.5	<b>24.6</b>	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	-0.8	<b>0.4</b>	1.7	-3.1
Business, building and other support services	20.5	<b>19.3</b>	1.2	<b>-1.2</b>	1.8	2.3	<b>-5.9</b>	10.3	13.5
Educational services	46.9	<b>48.8</b>	1.5	<b>1.9</b>	0.9	4.0	<b>4.1</b>	1.9	8.9
Health care and social assistance	85.4	<b>84.9</b>	1.9	<b>-0.5</b>	-2.3	-4.0	<b>-0.6</b>	-2.6	-4.5
Information, culture and recreation	24.4	<b>24.6</b>	1.2	<b>0.2</b>	2.0	3.1	<b>0.8</b>	8.8	14.4
Accommodation and food services	36.4	<b>37.1</b>	1.5	<b>0.7</b>	0.1	-1.8	<b>1.9</b>	0.3	-4.6
Other services	27.2	<b>29.3</b>	1.3	<b>2.1</b>	0.4	1.6	<b>7.7</b>	1.4	5.8
Public administration	33.7	<b>36.7</b>	1.2	<b>3.0</b>	0.3	2.1	<b>8.9</b>	0.8	6.1

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	780.2	<b>781.0</b>	...	<b>0.8</b>	7.0	11.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	1.5
Labour force	546.0	<b>544.2</b>	2.4	<b>-1.8</b>	1.2	7.1	<b>-0.3</b>	0.2	1.3
Employment	520.1	<b>516.9</b>	2.6	<b>-3.2</b>	-3.4	3.8	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.7	0.7
Employment full-time	417.1	<b>415.0</b>	3.3	<b>-2.1</b>	-11.4	-5.9	<b>-0.5</b>	-2.7	-1.4
Unemployment	25.9	<b>27.3</b>	1.9	<b>1.4</b>	4.6	3.2	<b>5.4</b>	20.3	13.3
Participation rate	70.0	<b>69.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	<b>5.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.8	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.7	<b>66.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.8	<b>19.7</b>	0.6	<b>-0.1</b>	1.7	1.8	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	139.3	<b>139.1</b>	...	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.6	-0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.4	-0.4
Labour force	97.1	<b>96.7</b>	1.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-4.7	-3.7	<b>-0.4</b>	-4.6	-3.7
Employment	88.8	<b>88.1</b>	1.6	<b>-0.7</b>	-5.4	-4.1	<b>-0.8</b>	-5.8	-4.4
Unemployment	8.2	<b>8.6</b>	1.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.7	0.4	<b>4.9</b>	8.9	4.9
Participation rate	69.7	<b>69.5</b>	1.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-3.1	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	<b>8.9</b>	1.2	<b>0.5</b>	1.1	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.7	<b>63.3</b>	1.1	<b>-0.4</b>	-3.6	-2.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.2	<b>37.9</b>	1.7	<b>-0.3</b>	0.8	0.2	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	313.3	<b>313.8</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	3.9	6.2	<b>0.2</b>	1.3	2.0
Labour force	239.8	<b>240.4</b>	1.1	<b>0.6</b>	5.1	5.8	<b>0.3</b>	2.2	2.5
Employment	229.3	<b>229.4</b>	1.3	<b>0.1</b>	1.8	4.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.8	1.8
Unemployment	10.5	<b>11.0</b>	1.0	<b>0.5</b>	3.3	1.8	<b>4.8</b>	42.9	19.6
Participation rate	76.5	<b>76.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	<b>4.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	1.3	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	73.2	<b>73.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.1	<b>8.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	2.0	2.8	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	327.6	<b>328.1</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	3.7	6.1	<b>0.2</b>	1.1	1.9
Labour force	209.2	<b>207.1</b>	1.4	<b>-2.1</b>	0.9	4.9	<b>-1.0</b>	0.4	2.4
Employment	202.0	<b>199.4</b>	1.4	<b>-2.6</b>	0.2	3.8	<b>-1.3</b>	0.1	1.9
Unemployment	7.2	<b>7.7</b>	0.9	<b>0.5</b>	0.7	1.1	<b>6.9</b>	10.0	16.7
Participation rate	63.9	<b>63.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.4	<b>3.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	<b>60.8</b>	0.4	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.9	<b>24.2</b>	1.0	<b>0.4</b>	2.2	1.8	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	520.1	<b>516.9</b>	2.6	<b>-3.2</b>	-3.4	3.8	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.7	0.7
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Goods-producing sector	136.8	<b>136.1</b>	2.2	<b>-0.7</b>	-6.5	-3.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-4.6	-2.4
Agriculture	41.8	<b>41.4</b>	1.5	<b>-0.4</b>	2.2	0.3	<b>-1.0</b>	5.6	0.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	23.6	<b>23.2</b>	1.0	<b>-0.4</b>	-2.0	-2.8	<b>-1.7</b>	-7.9	-10.8
Utilities	4.7	<b>4.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	-1.5	-0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-24.2	-9.6
Construction	40.4	<b>40.8</b>	1.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.2	3.5	<b>1.0</b>	0.5	9.4
Manufacturing	26.4	<b>25.9</b>	1.1	<b>-0.5</b>	-5.4	-4.0	<b>-1.9</b>	-17.3	-13.4
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Services-producing sector	383.3	<b>380.8</b>	2.7	<b>-2.5</b>	3.1	7.2	<b>-0.7</b>	0.8	1.9
Trade	82.6	<b>80.5</b>	1.8	<b>-2.1</b>	-2.8	-2.0	<b>-2.5</b>	-3.4	-2.4
Transportation and warehousing	25.8	<b>27.0</b>	1.0	<b>1.2</b>	3.7	4.5	<b>4.7</b>	15.9	20.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	29.3	<b>27.8</b>	1.0	<b>-1.5</b>	-1.1	-1.3	<b>-5.1</b>	-3.8	-4.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	21.6	<b>21.2</b>	0.9	<b>-0.4</b>	0.7	-1.2	<b>-1.9</b>	3.4	-5.4
Business, building and other support services	12.6	<b>12.3</b>	0.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.4	1.6	<b>-2.4</b>	-3.1	15.0
Educational services	37.5	<b>36.4</b>	1.3	<b>-1.1</b>	-2.2	-0.2	<b>-2.9</b>	-5.7	-0.5
Health care and social assistance	67.7	<b>69.6</b>	1.4	<b>1.9</b>	6.6	4.8	<b>2.8</b>	10.5	7.4
Information, culture and recreation	20.7	<b>19.3</b>	1.0	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.5	0.3	<b>-6.8</b>	-7.2	1.6
Accommodation and food services	30.3	<b>30.8</b>	1.3	<b>0.5</b>	-1.6	-2.0	<b>1.7</b>	-4.9	-6.1
Other services	24.3	<b>25.2</b>	1.0	<b>0.9</b>	1.1	1.0	<b>3.7</b>	4.6	4.1
Public administration	31.0	<b>30.8</b>	1.0	<b>-0.2</b>	0.7	1.8	<b>-0.6</b>	2.3	6.2

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	2,870.2	<b>2,876.0</b>	...	<b>5.8</b>	52.3	72.3	<b>0.2</b>	1.9	2.6
Labour force	2,139.7	<b>2,136.8</b>	8.2	<b>-2.9</b>	26.6	56.2	<b>-0.1</b>	1.3	2.7
Employment	1,985.8	<b>1,979.1</b>	8.8	<b>-6.7</b>	-43.4	-27.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-2.1	-1.4
Employment full-time	1,624.5	<b>1,613.2</b>	11.5	<b>-11.3</b>	-67.6	-74.8	<b>-0.7</b>	-4.0	-4.4
Unemployment	153.9	<b>157.7</b>	6.4	<b>3.8</b>	69.9	84.0	<b>2.5</b>	79.6	114.0
Participation rate	74.5	<b>74.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	<b>7.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	3.2	3.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.2	<b>68.8</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-2.8	-2.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	<b>18.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	1.6	2.6	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	508.1	<b>508.3</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	3.3	4.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.7	0.9
Labour force	362.9	<b>348.1</b>	5.0	<b>-14.8</b>	-19.2	-17.4	<b>-4.1</b>	-5.2	-4.8
Employment	313.4	<b>301.0</b>	5.1	<b>-12.4</b>	-33.3	-37.5	<b>-4.0</b>	-10.0	-11.1
Unemployment	49.4	<b>47.2</b>	3.9	<b>-2.2</b>	14.3	20.2	<b>-4.5</b>	43.5	74.8
Participation rate	71.4	<b>68.5</b>	1.0	<b>-2.9</b>	-4.2	-4.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.6	<b>13.6</b>	1.0	<b>0.0</b>	4.6	6.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	<b>59.2</b>	1.0	<b>-2.5</b>	-7.0	-8.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.0	<b>38.4</b>	1.6	<b>0.4</b>	3.0	5.9	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,196.7	<b>1,200.3</b>	...	<b>3.6</b>	27.8	39.1	<b>0.3</b>	2.4	3.4
Labour force	989.4	<b>991.6</b>	4.1	<b>2.2</b>	22.6	37.1	<b>0.2</b>	2.3	3.9
Employment	924.8	<b>922.6</b>	4.8	<b>-2.2</b>	-18.1	-10.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-1.9	-1.2
Unemployment	64.6	<b>69.0</b>	3.7	<b>4.4</b>	40.7	48.0	<b>6.8</b>	143.8	228.6
Participation rate	82.7	<b>82.6</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	<b>7.0</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	4.1	4.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.3	<b>76.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-3.3	-3.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	<b>6.8</b>	0.5	<b>0.7</b>	1.6	1.5	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,165.4	<b>1,167.5</b>	...	<b>2.1</b>	21.4	28.9	<b>0.2</b>	1.9	2.5
Labour force	787.4	<b>797.1</b>	4.7	<b>9.7</b>	23.2	36.4	<b>1.2</b>	3.0	4.8
Employment	747.6	<b>755.6</b>	4.9	<b>8.0</b>	8.2	20.6	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	2.8
Unemployment	39.9	<b>41.6</b>	3.5	<b>1.7</b>	15.1	15.9	<b>4.3</b>	57.0	61.9
Participation rate	67.6	<b>68.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.7</b>	0.8	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	<b>5.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	1.8	1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.1	<b>64.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.6</b>	-0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.9	<b>24.8</b>	0.9	<b>0.0</b>	1.5	3.1	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Population	1,985.8	<b>1,979.1</b>	8.8	<b>-6.7</b>	-43.4	-27.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-2.1	-1.4
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	525.2	<b>516.1</b>	8.9	<b>-9.1</b>	-75.7	-70.0	<b>-1.7</b>	-12.8	-11.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	53.1	<b>55.6</b>	3.4	<b>2.5</b>	-6.8	-4.4	<b>4.7</b>	-10.9	-7.3
Utilities	143.7	<b>141.7</b>	4.7	<b>-2.0</b>	-13.4	-4.5	<b>-1.4</b>	-8.6	-3.1
Construction	20.5	<b>22.0</b>	1.8	<b>1.5</b>	3.1	3.1	<b>7.3</b>	16.4	16.4
Manufacturing	184.8	<b>184.0</b>	6.0	<b>-0.8</b>	-20.5	-26.6	<b>-0.4</b>	-10.0	-12.6
Services-producing sector	123.1	<b>112.8</b>	5.0	<b>-10.3</b>	-38.0	-37.5	<b>-8.4</b>	-25.2	-25.0
Population	1,460.6	<b>1,463.0</b>	10.6	<b>2.4</b>	32.3	42.1	<b>0.2</b>	2.3	3.0
Trade	300.0	<b>294.6</b>	7.1	<b>-5.4</b>	-20.3	-22.0	<b>-1.8</b>	-6.4	-6.9
Transportation and warehousing	103.6	<b>100.3</b>	4.1	<b>-3.3</b>	-2.5	1.8	<b>-3.2</b>	-2.4	1.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	106.9	<b>112.1</b>	4.1	<b>5.2</b>	0.1	4.6	<b>4.9</b>	0.1	4.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	154.5	<b>154.5</b>	5.1	<b>0.0</b>	-5.4	-9.4	<b>0.0</b>	-3.4	-5.7
Business, building and other support services	72.0	<b>69.8</b>	3.8	<b>-2.2</b>	6.5	10.4	<b>-3.1</b>	10.3	17.5
Educational services	126.1	<b>126.0</b>	4.7	<b>-0.1</b>	-12.6	6.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-9.1	5.2
Health care and social assistance	199.6	<b>202.0</b>	4.9	<b>2.4</b>	16.6	12.4	<b>1.2</b>	9.0	6.5
Information, culture and recreation	76.8	<b>80.7</b>	3.7	<b>3.9</b>	4.1	10.1	<b>5.1</b>	5.4	14.3
Accommodation and food services	126.5	<b>130.1</b>	4.8	<b>3.6</b>	20.9	13.9	<b>2.8</b>	19.1	12.0
Other services	104.7	<b>105.9</b>	4.1	<b>1.2</b>	18.4	9.7	<b>1.1</b>	21.0	10.1
Public administration	89.9	<b>87.1</b>	3.5	<b>-2.8</b>	6.6	4.6	<b>-3.1</b>	8.2	5.6

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	3,709.1	<b>3,714.5</b>	...	<b>5.4</b>	42.3	63.0	<b>0.1</b>	1.2	1.7
Labour force	2,436.0	<b>2,447.0</b>	10.3	<b>11.0</b>	14.5	17.8	<b>0.5</b>	0.6	0.7
Employment	2,247.1	<b>2,255.7</b>	10.4	<b>8.6</b>	-47.0	-67.0	<b>0.4</b>	-2.0	-2.9
Employment full-time	1,750.0	<b>1,774.8</b>	14.2	<b>24.8</b>	-64.8	-78.0	<b>1.4</b>	-3.5	-4.2
Unemployment	188.9	<b>191.3</b>	8.0	<b>2.4</b>	61.6	84.8	<b>1.3</b>	47.5	79.6
Participation rate	65.7	<b>65.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	<b>7.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	2.5	3.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	<b>60.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	-2.0	-2.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.1	<b>21.3</b>	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	1.2	1.1	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	585.3	<b>585.6</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	1.7	2.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	0.4
Labour force	382.7	<b>380.1</b>	6.1	<b>-2.6</b>	-5.7	-19.9	<b>-0.7</b>	-1.5	-5.0
Employment	330.5	<b>326.9</b>	6.0	<b>-3.6</b>	-22.0	-39.3	<b>-1.1</b>	-6.3	-10.7
Unemployment	52.2	<b>53.2</b>	4.6	<b>1.0</b>	16.3	19.5	<b>1.9</b>	44.2	57.9
Participation rate	65.4	<b>64.9</b>	1.0	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.2	-3.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.6	<b>14.0</b>	1.2	<b>0.4</b>	4.4	5.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	<b>55.8</b>	1.0	<b>-0.7</b>	-4.0	-7.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.2	<b>49.4</b>	2.0	<b>0.2</b>	6.2	5.8	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,529.1	<b>1,531.9</b>	...	<b>2.8</b>	20.4	30.6	<b>0.2</b>	1.3	2.0
Labour force	1,095.2	<b>1,099.3</b>	5.0	<b>4.1</b>	3.3	7.0	<b>0.4</b>	0.3	0.6
Employment	1,015.0	<b>1,018.6</b>	5.4	<b>3.6</b>	-28.2	-41.1	<b>0.4</b>	-2.7	-3.9
Unemployment	80.2	<b>80.7</b>	4.5	<b>0.5</b>	31.5	48.1	<b>0.6</b>	64.0	147.5
Participation rate	71.6	<b>71.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.7	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	<b>7.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	2.8	4.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	<b>66.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	-2.8	-4.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.7	<b>8.5</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	0.6	1.3	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,594.6	<b>1,597.1</b>	...	<b>2.5</b>	20.3	30.4	<b>0.2</b>	1.3	1.9
Labour force	958.1	<b>967.6</b>	6.1	<b>9.5</b>	16.9	30.7	<b>1.0</b>	1.8	3.3
Employment	901.6	<b>910.2</b>	6.0	<b>8.6</b>	3.2	13.4	<b>1.0</b>	0.4	1.5
Unemployment	56.5	<b>57.4</b>	4.5	<b>0.9</b>	13.8	17.3	<b>1.6</b>	31.7	43.1
Participation rate	60.1	<b>60.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.3	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	<b>5.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	1.3	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	<b>57.0</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	27.3	<b>25.6</b>	0.9	<b>-1.8</b>	0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
	2,247.1	<b>2,255.7</b>	10.4	<b>8.6</b>	-47.0	-67.0	<b>0.4</b>	-2.0	-2.9
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	34.8	<b>33.8</b>	2.6	<b>-1.0</b>	3.2	-0.6	<b>-2.9</b>	10.5	-1.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	38.6	<b>39.8</b>	3.0	<b>1.2</b>	-9.7	-2.1	<b>3.1</b>	-19.6	-5.0
Utilities	11.3	<b>9.9</b>	1.5	<b>-1.4</b>	-2.7	-5.4	<b>-12.4</b>	-21.4	-35.3
Construction	193.1	<b>191.7</b>	6.4	<b>-1.4</b>	-21.8	-35.2	<b>-0.7</b>	-10.2	-15.5
Manufacturing	156.9	<b>163.9</b>	5.9	<b>7.0</b>	-24.1	-23.0	<b>4.5</b>	-12.8	-12.3
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Trade	375.7	<b>382.1</b>	8.1	<b>6.4</b>	24.1	20.4	<b>1.7</b>	6.7	5.6
Transportation and warehousing	113.5	<b>115.2</b>	4.8	<b>1.7</b>	-11.0	-16.1	<b>1.5</b>	-8.7	-12.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	144.7	<b>138.1</b>	5.1	<b>-6.6</b>	-10.9	-3.9	<b>-4.6</b>	-7.3	-2.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	173.7	<b>169.6</b>	5.8	<b>-4.1</b>	-0.4	-5.5	<b>-2.4</b>	-0.2	-3.1
Business, building and other support services	93.0	<b>90.6</b>	4.9	<b>-2.4</b>	-8.2	-11.2	<b>-2.6</b>	-8.3	-11.0
Educational services	155.2	<b>168.2</b>	5.6	<b>13.0</b>	6.5	7.8	<b>8.4</b>	4.0	4.9
Health care and social assistance	262.0	<b>252.3</b>	6.2	<b>-9.7</b>	2.5	9.0	<b>-3.7</b>	1.0	3.7
Information, culture and recreation	128.5	<b>126.7</b>	4.8	<b>-1.8</b>	12.6	9.4	<b>-1.4</b>	11.0	8.0
Accommodation and food services	166.9	<b>163.7</b>	6.3	<b>-3.2</b>	-19.3	-13.3	<b>-1.9</b>	-10.5	-7.5
Other services	97.1	<b>98.7</b>	4.5	<b>1.6</b>	2.8	-7.8	<b>1.6</b>	2.9	-7.3
Public administration	102.2	<b>111.2</b>	4.2	<b>9.0</b>	9.0	10.5	<b>8.8</b>	8.8	10.4

1. 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**

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador</b>									
Population	157.4	<b>157.6</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.9	3.1	<b>0.1</b>	1.2	2.0
Labour force	107.3	<b>107.6</b>	0.7	<b>0.3</b>	-1.8	1.0	<b>0.3</b>	-1.6	0.9
Employment	98.5	<b>98.7</b>	0.8	<b>0.2</b>	-2.8	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	-2.8	0.2
Unemployment	8.7	<b>8.8</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	0.7	<b>1.1</b>	11.4	8.6
Participation rate	68.2	<b>68.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	-2.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	<b>8.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	1.0	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	<b>62.6</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-2.6	-1.2	...	...	...
<b>Halifax, Nova Scotia</b>									
Population	321.0	<b>321.3</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	2.6	4.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	1.3
Labour force	231.7	<b>231.0</b>	1.1	<b>-0.7</b>	5.7	11.9	<b>-0.3</b>	2.5	5.4
Employment	217.7	<b>216.3</b>	1.2	<b>-1.4</b>	3.1	9.4	<b>-0.6</b>	1.5	4.5
Unemployment	14.0	<b>14.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.7</b>	2.7	2.5	<b>5.0</b>	22.5	20.5
Participation rate	72.2	<b>71.9</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	1.2	2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	<b>6.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	1.1	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.8	<b>67.3</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	0.4	2.1	...	...	...
<b>Saint John, New Brunswick</b>									
Population	105.5	<b>105.6</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.6	0.8
Labour force	71.6	<b>71.5</b>	0.7	<b>-0.1</b>	1.9	2.1	<b>-0.1</b>	2.7	3.0
Employment	68.1	<b>67.8</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	2.8	2.7	<b>-0.4</b>	4.3	4.1
Unemployment	3.6	<b>3.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	-0.9	-0.7	<b>2.8</b>	-19.6	-15.9
Participation rate	67.9	<b>67.7</b>	0.7	<b>-0.2</b>	1.4	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	<b>5.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	-1.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	<b>64.2</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	2.3	2.1	...	...	...
<b>Saguenay, Quebec</b>									
Population	124.7	<b>124.7</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	-0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	75.8	<b>76.2</b>	0.7	<b>0.4</b>	-0.4	1.2	<b>0.5</b>	-0.5	1.6
Employment	68.4	<b>69.1</b>	0.7	<b>0.7</b>	-1.7	0.5	<b>1.0</b>	-2.4	0.7
Unemployment	7.4	<b>7.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	1.2	0.8	<b>-4.1</b>	20.3	12.7
Participation rate	60.8	<b>61.1</b>	0.6	<b>0.3</b>	-0.2	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	<b>9.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.5</b>	1.6	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.9	<b>55.4</b>	0.6	<b>0.5</b>	-1.3	0.5	...	...	...
<b>Québec, Quebec</b>									
Population	616.7	<b>617.2</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	4.1	6.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	1.0
Labour force	407.5	<b>404.8</b>	3.5	<b>-2.7</b>	-8.2	-5.2	<b>-0.7</b>	-2.0	-1.3
Employment	387.8	<b>384.1</b>	3.4	<b>-3.7</b>	-12.6	-7.2	<b>-1.0</b>	-3.2	-1.8
Unemployment	19.7	<b>20.7</b>	1.4	<b>1.0</b>	4.4	2.0	<b>5.1</b>	27.0	10.7
Participation rate	66.1	<b>65.6</b>	0.6	<b>-0.5</b>	-1.8	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	<b>5.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	1.2	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	<b>62.2</b>	0.5	<b>-0.7</b>	-2.5	-1.9	...	...	...
<b>Trois-Rivières, Quebec</b>									
Population	122.6	<b>122.7</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	0.9
Labour force	72.6	<b>74.3</b>	0.7	<b>1.7</b>	0.7	-1.2	<b>2.3</b>	1.0	-1.6
Employment	66.5	<b>67.9</b>	0.8	<b>1.4</b>	-0.9	-1.7	<b>2.1</b>	-1.3	-2.4
Unemployment	6.0	<b>6.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	1.6	0.5	<b>6.7</b>	33.3	8.5
Participation rate	59.2	<b>60.6</b>	0.6	<b>1.4</b>	0.2	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	<b>8.6</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	2.1	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.2	<b>55.3</b>	0.6	<b>1.1</b>	-1.1	-1.9	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.



Table 5-1 – continued

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

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Sherbrooke, Quebec</b>									
Population	140.1	<b>140.3</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.2	1.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	1.3
Labour force	89.8	<b>90.4</b>	0.8	<b>0.6</b>	1.4	2.7	<b>0.7</b>	1.6	3.1
Employment	82.2	<b>83.5</b>	0.8	<b>1.3</b>	0.5	1.2	<b>1.6</b>	0.6	1.5
Unemployment	7.6	<b>6.9</b>	0.3	<b>-0.7</b>	0.9	1.5	<b>-9.2</b>	15.0	27.8
Participation rate	64.1	<b>64.4</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.4	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	<b>7.6</b>	0.4	<b>-0.9</b>	0.9	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	<b>59.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
<b>Montréal, Quebec</b>									
Population	3,100.3	<b>3,103.5</b>	...	<b>3.2</b>	24.0	35.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	1.2
Labour force	2,079.1	<b>2,078.5</b>	7.1	<b>-0.6</b>	18.8	34.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.9	1.7
Employment	1,879.9	<b>1,879.7</b>	7.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-24.9	-12.4	<b>0.0</b>	-1.3	-0.7
Unemployment	199.3	<b>198.8</b>	4.6	<b>-0.5</b>	43.7	46.8	<b>-0.3</b>	28.2	30.8
Participation rate	67.1	<b>67.0</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	<b>9.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	2.1	2.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	<b>60.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-1.2	-1.1	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	975.7	<b>976.8</b>	...	<b>1.1</b>	8.6	13.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	1.4
Labour force	695.1	<b>701.4</b>	3.6	<b>6.3</b>	-6.9	-9.1	<b>0.9</b>	-1.0	-1.3
Employment	654.4	<b>663.6</b>	3.9	<b>9.2</b>	-12.7	-11.1	<b>1.4</b>	-1.9	-1.6
Unemployment	40.7	<b>37.8</b>	1.6	<b>-2.9</b>	5.8	1.9	<b>-7.1</b>	18.1	5.3
Participation rate	71.2	<b>71.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.6</b>	-1.4	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	<b>5.4</b>	0.2	<b>-0.5</b>	0.9	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.1	<b>67.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.8</b>	-2.0	-2.1	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	247.8	<b>248.1</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	2.5	3.8	<b>0.1</b>	1.0	1.6
Labour force	176.6	<b>178.9</b>	1.3	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	-2.2	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	-1.2
Employment	167.0	<b>168.5</b>	1.4	<b>1.5</b>	-0.3	-4.0	<b>0.9</b>	-0.2	-2.3
Unemployment	9.6	<b>10.4</b>	0.6	<b>0.8</b>	2.6	1.9	<b>8.3</b>	33.3	22.4
Participation rate	71.3	<b>72.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	0.2	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	<b>5.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	1.4	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	<b>67.9</b>	0.6	<b>0.5</b>	-0.8	-2.7	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	727.9	<b>728.7</b>	...	<b>0.8</b>	6.1	9.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	1.3
Labour force	518.5	<b>522.5</b>	3.4	<b>4.0</b>	-9.2	-7.0	<b>0.8</b>	-1.7	-1.3
Employment	487.5	<b>495.1</b>	3.6	<b>7.6</b>	-12.4	-7.0	<b>1.6</b>	-2.4	-1.4
Unemployment	31.1	<b>27.4</b>	1.5	<b>-3.7</b>	3.2	0.1	<b>-11.9</b>	13.2	0.4
Participation rate	71.2	<b>71.7</b>	0.5	<b>0.5</b>	-1.9	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	<b>5.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.8</b>	0.6	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.0	<b>67.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.9</b>	-2.3	-1.9	...	...	...
<b>Kingston, Ontario</b>									
Population	126.4	<b>126.5</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.2
Labour force	81.1	<b>81.2</b>	0.7	<b>0.1</b>	-2.9	-3.6	<b>0.1</b>	-3.4	-4.2
Employment	75.3	<b>75.7</b>	0.7	<b>0.4</b>	-4.7	-3.5	<b>0.5</b>	-5.8	-4.4
Unemployment	5.8	<b>5.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	1.8	-0.1	<b>-5.2</b>	48.6	-1.8
Participation rate	64.2	<b>64.2</b>	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	-2.4	-3.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	<b>6.8</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	2.4	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	<b>59.8</b>	0.6	<b>0.2</b>	-3.9	-3.0	...	...	...

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Table 5-1 – continued

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

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Toronto, Ontario</b>									
Population	4,651.9	<b>4,661.3</b>	...	<b>9.4</b>	69.1	106.4	<b>0.2</b>	1.5	2.3
Labour force	3,179.9	<b>3,189.3</b>	9.1	<b>9.4</b>	34.2	66.1	<b>0.3</b>	1.1	2.1
Employment	2,861.2	<b>2,865.5</b>	9.5	<b>4.3</b>	-60.4	-38.3	<b>0.2</b>	-2.1	-1.3
Unemployment	318.7	<b>323.7</b>	6.0	<b>5.0</b>	94.5	104.3	<b>1.6</b>	41.2	47.5
Participation rate	68.4	<b>68.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	<b>10.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	2.8	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	<b>61.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	-2.2	-2.3	...	...	...
<b>Hamilton, Ontario</b>									
Population	601.4	<b>601.9</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	2.7	4.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	0.8
Labour force	405.8	<b>404.9</b>	2.9	<b>-0.9</b>	8.8	5.5	<b>-0.2</b>	2.2	1.4
Employment	372.5	<b>369.5</b>	3.0	<b>-3.0</b>	1.2	-7.6	<b>-0.8</b>	0.3	-2.0
Unemployment	33.2	<b>35.4</b>	1.5	<b>2.2</b>	7.6	13.1	<b>6.6</b>	27.3	58.7
Participation rate	67.5	<b>67.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	1.2	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	<b>8.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	1.7	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.9	<b>61.4</b>	0.5	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.1	-1.7	...	...	...
<b>Kitchener, Ontario</b>									
Population	387.8	<b>388.3</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	3.3	5.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	1.4
Labour force	278.4	<b>280.1</b>	1.8	<b>1.7</b>	0.6	9.4	<b>0.6</b>	0.2	3.5
Employment	250.9	<b>252.3</b>	1.9	<b>1.4</b>	-5.3	-3.7	<b>0.6</b>	-2.1	-1.4
Unemployment	27.5	<b>27.8</b>	1.1	<b>0.3</b>	5.8	13.0	<b>1.1</b>	26.4	87.8
Participation rate	71.8	<b>72.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	-0.5	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.9	<b>9.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	2.0	4.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.7	<b>65.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	-1.9	-1.8	...	...	...
<b>London, Ontario</b>									
Population	389.3	<b>389.6</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	2.6	4.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.7	1.1
Labour force	261.1	<b>258.0</b>	1.8	<b>-3.1</b>	-5.8	-4.1	<b>-1.2</b>	-2.2	-1.6
Employment	232.6	<b>229.5</b>	1.9	<b>-3.1</b>	-15.0	-14.9	<b>-1.3</b>	-6.1	-6.1
Unemployment	28.5	<b>28.6</b>	1.0	<b>0.1</b>	9.3	10.9	<b>0.4</b>	48.2	61.6
Participation rate	67.1	<b>66.2</b>	0.5	<b>-0.9</b>	-2.0	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.9	<b>11.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	3.8	4.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	<b>58.9</b>	0.5	<b>-0.8</b>	-4.3	-4.5	...	...	...
<b>Oshawa, Ontario</b>									
Population	293.6	<b>294.1</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	3.6	5.5	<b>0.2</b>	1.2	1.9
Labour force	197.4	<b>199.9</b>	1.6	<b>2.5</b>	-2.4	-1.7	<b>1.3</b>	-1.2	-0.8
Employment	178.4	<b>180.2</b>	1.6	<b>1.8</b>	-6.4	-8.6	<b>1.0</b>	-3.4	-4.6
Unemployment	19.1	<b>19.7</b>	0.8	<b>0.6</b>	3.9	6.9	<b>3.1</b>	24.7	53.9
Participation rate	67.2	<b>68.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	-1.6	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.7	<b>9.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	2.1	3.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	<b>61.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.5</b>	-2.9	-4.1	...	...	...
<b>St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario</b>									
Population	330.0	<b>330.1</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.3	0.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.2
Labour force	204.0	<b>204.8</b>	1.6	<b>0.8</b>	-8.7	-7.4	<b>0.4</b>	-4.1	-3.5
Employment	182.6	<b>184.7</b>	1.7	<b>2.1</b>	-10.0	-12.7	<b>1.2</b>	-5.1	-6.4
Unemployment	21.4	<b>20.2</b>	0.8	<b>-1.2</b>	1.4	5.4	<b>-5.6</b>	7.4	36.5
Participation rate	61.8	<b>62.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	-2.7	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	<b>9.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.6</b>	1.1	2.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.3	<b>56.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.7</b>	-3.0	-3.9	...	...	...

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

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario</b>									
Population	134.4	<b>134.5</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.5	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.6
Labour force	88.1	<b>87.8</b>	0.8	<b>-0.3</b>	0.2	1.0	<b>-0.3</b>	0.2	1.2
Employment	79.5	<b>78.5</b>	0.8	<b>-1.0</b>	-4.2	-3.3	<b>-1.3</b>	-5.1	-4.0
Unemployment	8.6	<b>9.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.7</b>	4.4	4.4	<b>8.1</b>	89.8	89.8
Participation rate	65.6	<b>65.3</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	<b>10.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.8</b>	5.0	5.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	<b>58.4</b>	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-3.3	-2.8	...	...	...
<b>Thunder Bay, Ontario</b>									
Population	103.3	<b>103.3</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	-0.4	-0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-0.4	-0.5
Labour force	65.9	<b>65.7</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	0.3	0.1	<b>-0.3</b>	0.5	0.2
Employment	60.2	<b>59.9</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-1.2	-1.7	<b>-0.5</b>	-2.0	-2.8
Unemployment	5.6	<b>5.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	1.4	1.7	<b>1.8</b>	32.6	42.5
Participation rate	63.8	<b>63.6</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	0.5	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	<b>8.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	2.1	2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	<b>58.0</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.9	-1.3	...	...	...
<b>Windsor, Ontario</b>									
Population	273.2	<b>273.3</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.2	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.1	0.2
Labour force	179.1	<b>176.9</b>	1.5	<b>-2.2</b>	1.0	5.5	<b>-1.2</b>	0.6	3.2
Employment	151.9	<b>150.8</b>	1.6	<b>-1.1</b>	-7.2	-4.0	<b>-0.7</b>	-4.6	-2.6
Unemployment	27.2	<b>26.1</b>	0.9	<b>-1.1</b>	8.3	9.5	<b>-4.0</b>	46.6	57.2
Participation rate	65.6	<b>64.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.9</b>	0.3	1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.2	<b>14.8</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	4.7	5.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.6	<b>55.2</b>	0.6	<b>-0.4</b>	-2.7	-1.6	...	...	...
<b>Winnipeg, Manitoba</b>									
Population	592.9	<b>593.9</b>	...	<b>1.0</b>	6.8	9.4	<b>0.2</b>	1.2	1.6
Labour force	416.9	<b>420.9</b>	1.3	<b>4.0</b>	7.1	7.6	<b>1.0</b>	1.7	1.8
Employment	395.0	<b>396.5</b>	1.3	<b>1.5</b>	1.6	1.0	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.3
Unemployment	21.9	<b>24.4</b>	0.7	<b>2.5</b>	5.6	6.5	<b>11.4</b>	29.8	36.3
Participation rate	70.3	<b>70.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.6</b>	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	<b>5.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.5</b>	1.3	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	<b>66.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	-0.5	-0.9	...	...	...
<b>Regina, Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	171.4	<b>171.8</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	2.4	3.9	<b>0.2</b>	1.4	2.3
Labour force	122.1	<b>122.1</b>	0.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.4	4.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.3	3.7
Employment	118.1	<b>117.1</b>	0.7	<b>-1.0</b>	-0.2	3.9	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.2	3.4
Unemployment	3.9	<b>5.0</b>	0.3	<b>1.1</b>	0.6	0.5	<b>28.2</b>	13.6	11.1
Participation rate	71.2	<b>71.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.2	<b>4.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.9</b>	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.9	<b>68.2</b>	0.4	<b>-0.7</b>	-1.0	0.8	...	...	...
<b>Saskatoon, Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	202.7	<b>203.2</b>	...	<b>0.5</b>	3.7	5.8	<b>0.2</b>	1.9	2.9
Labour force	150.3	<b>151.1</b>	0.9	<b>0.8</b>	4.7	7.8	<b>0.5</b>	3.2	5.4
Employment	143.3	<b>144.3</b>	0.9	<b>1.0</b>	3.9	7.0	<b>0.7</b>	2.8	5.1
Unemployment	7.0	<b>6.8</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	0.9	0.8	<b>-2.9</b>	15.3	13.3
Participation rate	74.1	<b>74.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	1.0	1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	<b>4.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.7	<b>71.0</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.6	1.4	...	...	...

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

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Calgary, Alberta</b>									
Population	971.6	<b>974.1</b>	...	<b>2.5</b>	19.3	26.5	<b>0.3</b>	2.0	2.8
Labour force	744.3	<b>746.6</b>	3.1	<b>2.3</b>	2.2	15.8	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	2.2
Employment	693.0	<b>693.6</b>	3.3	<b>0.6</b>	-21.8	-10.8	<b>0.1</b>	-3.0	-1.5
Unemployment	51.3	<b>53.0</b>	1.7	<b>1.7</b>	24.0	26.6	<b>3.3</b>	82.8	100.8
Participation rate	76.6	<b>76.6</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	-1.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>7.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	3.2	3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.3	<b>71.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-3.7	-3.1	...	...	...
<b>Edmonton, Alberta</b>									
Population	904.2	<b>906.4</b>	...	<b>2.2</b>	16.4	22.2	<b>0.2</b>	1.8	2.5
Labour force	665.3	<b>665.8</b>	3.2	<b>0.5</b>	12.8	27.1	<b>0.1</b>	2.0	4.2
Employment	618.7	<b>617.5</b>	3.5	<b>-1.2</b>	-11.9	0.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-1.9	0.1
Unemployment	46.6	<b>48.4</b>	1.4	<b>1.8</b>	24.7	26.5	<b>3.9</b>	104.2	121.0
Participation rate	73.6	<b>73.5</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	0.1	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	<b>7.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	3.7	3.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.4	<b>68.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-2.6	-1.6	...	...	...
<b>Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia</b>									
Population	135.6	<b>135.8</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.2	1.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.9	1.4
Labour force	92.0	<b>93.1</b>	0.8	<b>1.1</b>	-0.4	-0.3	<b>1.2</b>	-0.4	-0.3
Employment	83.6	<b>84.6</b>	0.8	<b>1.0</b>	-3.8	-4.7	<b>1.2</b>	-4.3	-5.3
Unemployment	8.3	<b>8.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	3.3	4.3	<b>1.2</b>	64.7	104.9
Participation rate	67.8	<b>68.6</b>	0.6	<b>0.8</b>	-0.9	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	<b>9.0</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	3.5	4.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	<b>62.3</b>	0.6	<b>0.6</b>	-3.4	-4.4	...	...	...
<b>Vancouver, British Columbia</b>									
Population	1,983.9	<b>1,988.2</b>	...	<b>4.3</b>	28.4	42.9	<b>0.2</b>	1.4	2.2
Labour force	1,330.7	<b>1,333.7</b>	5.0	<b>3.0</b>	34.7	38.4	<b>0.2</b>	2.7	3.0
Employment	1,237.6	<b>1,237.0</b>	5.1	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.1	-3.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3
Unemployment	93.1	<b>96.7</b>	2.6	<b>3.6</b>	34.8	42.2	<b>3.9</b>	56.2	77.4
Participation rate	67.1	<b>67.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.8	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	<b>7.3</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	2.5	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	<b>62.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.9	-1.6	...	...	...
<b>Victoria, British Columbia</b>									
Population	288.4	<b>288.6</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	1.2	2.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.4	0.7
Labour force	192.2	<b>192.1</b>	1.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-5.0	-5.9	<b>-0.1</b>	-2.5	-3.0
Employment	180.5	<b>181.1</b>	1.4	<b>0.6</b>	-8.6	-10.4	<b>0.3</b>	-4.5	-5.4
Unemployment	11.7	<b>11.0</b>	0.6	<b>-0.7</b>	3.7	4.5	<b>-6.0</b>	50.7	69.2
Participation rate	66.6	<b>66.6</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-2.0	-2.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>5.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	2.0	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	<b>62.8</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	-3.2	-4.0	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM Table 282-0090.

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

	July 2009	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Montréal, Quebec</b>									
Population	3,103.5	<b>3,106.6</b>	...	<b>3.1</b>	24.5	35.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.8	1.2
Labour force	2,063.9	<b>2,090.0</b>	14.9	<b>26.1</b>	34.7	38.3	<b>1.3</b>	1.7	1.9
Employment	1,868.3	<b>1,887.5</b>	15.0	<b>19.2</b>	-12.7	-12.7	<b>1.0</b>	-0.7	-0.7
Unemployment	195.6	<b>202.5</b>	11.2	<b>6.9</b>	47.5	51.0	<b>3.5</b>	30.6	33.7
Participation rate	66.5	<b>67.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.5	<b>9.7</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	2.2	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	<b>60.8</b>	0.5	<b>0.6</b>	-0.9	-1.1	...	...	...
<b>Toronto, Ontario</b>									
Population	4,661.3	<b>4,670.0</b>	...	<b>8.7</b>	70.1	106.2	<b>0.2</b>	1.5	2.3
Labour force	3,181.8	<b>3,204.6</b>	19.5	<b>22.8</b>	34.9	84.4	<b>0.7</b>	1.1	2.7
Employment	2,863.5	<b>2,882.1</b>	19.5	<b>18.6</b>	-50.4	-25.2	<b>0.6</b>	-1.7	-0.9
Unemployment	318.3	<b>322.6</b>	14.7	<b>4.3</b>	85.4	109.7	<b>1.4</b>	36.0	51.5
Participation rate	68.3	<b>68.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	<b>10.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	2.6	3.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	<b>61.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	-2.1	-2.0	...	...	...
<b>Vancouver, British Columbia</b>									
Population	1,988.2	<b>1,992.0</b>	...	<b>3.8</b>	29.4	42.8	<b>0.2</b>	1.5	2.2
Labour force	1,323.2	<b>1,338.3</b>	10.4	<b>15.1</b>	41.8	40.7	<b>1.1</b>	3.2	3.1
Employment	1,229.3	<b>1,238.9</b>	10.3	<b>9.6</b>	9.6	-6.2	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	-0.5
Unemployment	93.9	<b>99.5</b>	6.5	<b>5.6</b>	32.3	47.0	<b>6.0</b>	48.1	89.5
Participation rate	66.6	<b>67.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.6</b>	1.1	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	<b>7.4</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	2.2	3.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	<b>62.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	-0.4	-1.7	...	...	...

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

**Note(s):** Related CANSIM Table 282-0091.

**Table 6-1**  
**Labour force characteristics by province and economic region <sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2008 and August 2009**

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
<b>Canada <sup>2</sup></b>							
2008	26,942.6	18,578.1	17,436.4	1,141.7	69.0	6.1	64.7
2009	27,325.6	18,727.8	17,103.3	1,624.5	68.5	8.7	62.6
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>							
2008	426.2	268.0	236.8	31.1	62.9	11.6	55.6
2009	428.8	268.3	231.0	37.3	62.6	13.9	53.9
<b>Avalon Peninsula [1010]</b>							
2008	212.3	142.8	129.4	13.4	67.3	9.4	61.0
2009	215.5	142.4	127.2	15.1	66.1	10.6	59.0
<b>South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]</b>							
2008	32.4	18.4	15.6	2.8	56.8	15.2	48.1
2009	31.9	16.5	13.6	2.9	51.7	17.6	42.6
<b>West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]</b>							
2008	87.8	52.1	45.3	6.8	59.3	13.1	51.6
2009	88.1	53.1	44.5	8.6	60.3	16.2	50.5
<b>Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]</b>							
2008	93.6	54.7	46.5	8.2	58.4	15.0	49.7
2009	93.4	56.3	45.7	10.7	60.3	19.0	48.9
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>							
2008	114.6	82.5	76.1	6.5	72.0	7.9	66.4
2009	116.2	82.6	74.8	7.8	71.1	9.4	64.4
<b>Nova Scotia</b>							
2008	769.0	502.8	467.6	35.2	65.4	7.0	60.8
2009	772.5	508.7	464.2	44.5	65.9	8.7	60.1
<b>Cape Breton [1210]</b>							
2008	115.7	66.3	59.5	6.8	57.3	10.3	51.4
2009	114.9	65.7	56.8	8.8	57.2	13.4	49.4
<b>North Shore [1220]</b>							
2008	131.3	82.5	75.9	6.6	62.8	8.0	57.8
2009	131.3	81.1	72.1	8.9	61.8	11.0	54.9
<b>Annapolis Valley [1230]</b>							
2008	101.1	66.0	62.6	3.4	65.3	5.2	61.9
2009	101.7	61.7	57.0	4.7	60.7	7.6	56.0
<b>Southern [1240]</b>							
2008	103.6	65.2	59.7	5.4	62.9	8.3	57.6
2009	103.3	65.4	59.4	5.9	63.3	9.0	57.5
<b>Halifax [1250]</b>							
2008	317.3	222.8	209.8	13.0	70.2	5.8	66.1
2009	321.3	234.9	218.8	16.1	73.1	6.9	68.1
<b>New Brunswick</b>							
2008	618.3	416.7	381.8	34.8	67.4	8.4	61.7
2009	621.7	418.5	382.2	36.3	67.3	8.7	61.5
<b>Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]</b>							
2008	135.7	85.3	73.9	11.3	62.9	13.2	54.5
2009	135.2	80.3	69.0	11.3	59.4	14.1	51.0
<b>Moncton-Richibucto [1320]</b>							
2008	165.8	116.7	108.2	8.4	70.4	7.2	65.3
2009	168.0	117.9	108.0	10.0	70.2	8.5	64.3
<b>Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]</b>							
2008	143.1	95.7	88.8	7.0	66.9	7.3	62.1
2009	143.8	99.1	93.2	5.8	68.9	5.9	64.8

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

## Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2008 and August 2009

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]							
2008	105.3	74.1	70.1	4.1	70.4	5.5	66.6
2009	106.4	75.8	70.7	5.0	71.2	6.6	66.4
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2008	68.3	44.9	40.8	4.0	65.7	8.9	59.7
2009	68.2	45.4	41.3	4.1	66.6	9.0	60.6
<b>Quebec</b>							
2008	6,374.5	4,257.4	3,964.4	293.0	66.8	6.9	62.2
2009	6,438.5	4,286.7	3,927.6	359.1	66.6	8.4	61.0
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2008	80.8	50.6	44.3	6.4	62.6	12.6	54.8
2009	80.8	45.7	40.0	5.7	56.6	12.5	49.5
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2008	167.5	106.7	98.1	8.6	63.7	8.1	58.6
2009	167.6	104.6	96.1	8.5	62.4	8.1	57.3
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2008	568.1	387.7	371.6	16.0	68.2	4.1	65.4
2009	573.0	378.0	357.8	20.3	66.0	5.4	62.4
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2008	329.8	216.5	208.5	8.0	65.6	3.7	63.2
2009	332.1	229.4	217.3	12.1	69.1	5.3	65.4
Estrie [2430]							
2008	251.2	158.2	150.2	8.0	63.0	5.1	59.8
2009	253.5	173.6	162.0	11.6	68.5	6.7	63.9
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2008	186.6	128.1	119.2	8.9	68.6	6.9	63.9
2009	188.0	128.9	121.9	7.0	68.6	5.4	64.8
Montérégie [2435]							
2008	1,143.6	787.9	732.0	55.9	68.9	7.1	64.0
2009	1,162.6	789.5	725.0	64.5	67.9	8.2	62.4
Montréal [2440]							
2008	1,592.1	1,059.2	971.9	87.3	66.5	8.2	61.0
2009	1,595.8	1,054.1	930.9	123.2	66.1	11.7	58.3
Laval [2445]							
2008	314.1	221.0	206.6	14.4	70.4	6.5	65.8
2009	319.1	214.4	199.2	15.2	67.2	7.1	62.4
Lanaudière [2450]							
2008	363.8	237.1	223.0	14.1	65.2	5.9	61.3
2009	374.3	262.6	241.6	21.0	70.2	8.0	64.5
Laurentides [2455]							
2008	435.7	288.4	266.9	21.4	66.2	7.4	61.3
2009	445.6	303.8	282.6	21.2	68.2	7.0	63.4
Outaouais [2460]							
2008	294.9	214.9	204.3	10.6	72.9	4.9	69.3
2009	299.4	208.7	196.7	12.1	69.7	5.8	65.7
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2008	115.9	75.6	70.3	5.2	65.2	6.9	60.7
2009	116.3	73.1	66.7	6.3	62.9	8.6	57.4
Mauricie [2470]							
2008	218.2	131.7	119.7	12.1	60.4	9.2	54.9
2009	219.0	131.8	117.3	14.5	60.2	11.0	53.6

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

## Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2008 and August 2009

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2008	223.2	135.7	125.8	9.9	60.8	7.3	56.4
2009	222.9	136.2	123.9	12.3	61.1	9.0	55.6
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2008	89.0	58.1	52.0	6.1	65.3	10.5	58.4
2009	88.7	52.3	48.7	3.6	59.0	6.9	54.9
<b>Ontario</b>							
2008	10,516.7	7,283.1	6,780.9	502.2	69.3	6.9	64.5
2009	10,664.9	7,309.4	6,586.9	722.5	68.5	9.9	61.8
Ottawa [3510]							
2008	994.4	725.6	684.0	41.6	73.0	5.7	68.8
2009	1,004.7	719.0	675.0	44.0	71.6	6.1	67.2
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2008	360.4	243.2	227.5	15.7	67.5	6.5	63.1
2009	361.4	234.6	214.1	20.6	64.9	8.8	59.2
Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520]							
2008	311.4	203.4	192.3	11.1	65.3	5.5	61.8
2009	312.9	191.7	178.7	13.0	61.3	6.8	57.1
Toronto [3530]							
2008	4,803.0	3,357.7	3,100.2	257.6	69.9	7.7	64.5
2009	4,910.9	3,412.8	3,041.9	370.9	69.5	10.9	61.9
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2008	985.1	704.8	664.0	40.8	71.5	5.8	67.4
2009	999.0	719.6	652.4	67.2	72.0	9.3	65.3
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2008	1,143.0	781.2	734.1	47.1	68.3	6.0	64.2
2009	1,151.7	776.9	704.9	72.1	67.5	9.3	61.2
London [3560]							
2008	516.0	359.2	335.3	23.9	69.6	6.7	65.0
2009	521.0	355.3	316.5	38.8	68.2	10.9	60.7
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2008	526.3	343.4	312.4	30.9	65.2	9.0	59.4
2009	527.2	340.0	294.9	45.1	64.5	13.3	55.9
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2008	248.2	166.6	160.4	6.2	67.1	3.7	64.6
2009	248.7	164.8	150.6	14.2	66.3	8.6	60.6
Northeast [3590]							
2008	454.5	285.4	267.5	17.9	62.8	6.3	58.9
2009	454.7	284.1	257.2	27.0	62.5	9.5	56.6
Northwest [3595]							
2008	174.5	112.6	103.2	9.4	64.5	8.3	59.1
2009	172.5	110.6	100.8	9.8	64.1	8.9	58.4
<b>Manitoba</b>							
2008	910.4	642.8	616.8	26.0	70.6	4.0	67.8
2009	923.8	654.4	617.9	36.5	70.8	5.6	66.9
Southeast [4610]							
2008	78.8	54.7	52.8	1.8	69.4	3.3	67.0
2009	81.1	55.6	52.0	3.6	68.6	6.5	64.1
South Central [4620]							
2008	44.0	31.8	30.6	1.3	72.3	4.1	69.5
2009	45.2	32.3	31.2	1.2	71.5	3.7	69.0

See notes at the end of the table.



Table 6-1 – continued

**Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2008 and August 2009**

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
<b>Southwest [4630]</b>							
2008	82.7	57.7	56.4	1.4	69.8	2.4	68.2
2009	83.1	59.0	56.2	2.8	71.0	4.7	67.6
<b>North Central [4640]</b>							
2008	35.9	24.9	24.3	0.6	69.4	2.4	67.7
2009	36.3	25.1	23.6	1.5	69.1	6.0	65.0
<b>Winnipeg [4650]</b>							
2008	539.4	383.0	365.7	17.3	71.0	4.5	67.8
2009	547.3	391.9	368.1	23.7	71.6	6.0	67.3
<b>Interlake [4660]</b>							
2008	70.8	50.1	48.0	2.1	70.8	4.2	67.8
2009	71.9	50.5	48.4	2.0	70.2	4.0	67.3
<b>Parklands and North [4670, 4680]</b>							
2008	58.9	40.6	39.1	1.5	68.9	3.7	66.4
2009	58.8	40.1	38.3	1.8	68.2	4.5	65.1
<b>Saskatchewan</b>							
2008	768.0	543.2	518.5	24.7	70.7	4.5	67.5
2009	780.2	555.8	527.8	28.0	71.2	5.0	67.6
<b>Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]</b>							
2008	226.7	161.4	155.6	5.7	71.2	3.5	68.6
2009	231.0	166.2	158.5	7.7	71.9	4.6	68.6
<b>Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]</b>							
2008	83.7	56.5	54.1	2.4	67.5	4.2	64.6
2009	84.2	56.9	54.8	2.0	67.6	3.5	65.1
<b>Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]</b>							
2008	240.2	178.8	171.3	7.5	74.4	4.2	71.3
2009	246.0	185.9	176.7	9.2	75.6	4.9	71.8
<b>Yorkton-Melville [4740]</b>							
2008	64.6	40.8	39.5	1.4	63.2	3.4	61.1
2009	64.7	42.3	40.4	1.9	65.4	4.5	62.4
<b>Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]</b>							
2008	152.8	105.8	98.0	7.8	69.2	7.4	64.1
2009	154.2	104.6	97.3	7.2	67.8	6.9	63.1
<b>Alberta</b>							
2008	2,799.6	2,117.9	2,042.7	75.2	75.7	3.6	73.0
2009	2,870.0	2,164.3	2,010.6	153.8	75.4	7.1	70.1
<b>Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]</b>							
2008	209.2	146.4	142.9	3.5	70.0	2.4	68.3
2009	212.5	146.9	136.7	10.2	69.1	6.9	64.3
<b>Camrose-Drumheller [4820]</b>							
2008	155.5	117.0	114.1	2.9	75.2	2.5	73.4
2009	156.6	114.5	108.4	6.1	73.1	5.3	69.2
<b>Calgary [4830]</b>							
2008	1,022.3	799.3	771.5	27.8	78.2	3.5	75.5
2009	1,052.5	817.7	760.6	57.1	77.7	7.0	72.3
<b>Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840]</b>							
2008	68.5	54.1	52.0	2.1	79.0	3.9	75.9
2009	69.7	56.1	53.4	2.7	80.5	4.8	76.6
<b>Red Deer [4850]</b>							
2008	146.4	110.9	106.2	4.8	75.8	4.3	72.5
2009	151.1	111.3	102.5	8.8	73.7	7.9	67.8

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

**Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2008 and August 2009**

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Edmonton [4860]							
2008	918.3	673.8	649.8	24.1	73.4	3.6	70.8
2009	941.6	699.3	646.2	53.0	74.3	7.6	68.6
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]							
2008	186.6	143.6	136.4	7.2	77.0	5.0	73.1
2009	191.0	144.9	132.9	12.0	75.9	8.3	69.6
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2008	92.8	72.7	69.9	2.8	78.3	3.9	75.3
2009	95.0	73.7	69.8	3.9	77.6	5.3	73.5
<b>British Columbia</b>							
2008	3,645.4	2,463.7	2,350.7	113.0	67.6	4.6	64.5
2009	3,709.0	2,479.1	2,280.5	198.6	66.8	8.0	61.5
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2008	633.0	419.1	403.3	15.8	66.2	3.8	63.7
2009	640.1	409.5	382.4	27.1	64.0	6.6	59.7
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2008	2,213.8	1,499.8	1,433.3	66.4	67.7	4.4	64.7
2009	2,261.4	1,536.0	1,418.6	117.4	67.9	7.6	62.7
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2008	431.4	289.5	275.2	14.3	67.1	4.9	63.8
2009	438.2	280.7	253.7	27.0	64.1	9.6	57.9
Kootenay [5940]							
2008	122.9	74.3	70.5	3.8	60.5	5.1	57.4
2009	123.3	76.8	69.9	6.9	62.3	9.0	56.7
Cariboo [5950]							
2008	126.4	89.5	83.2	6.4	70.8	7.2	65.8
2009	127.5	87.7	76.1	11.7	68.8	13.3	59.7
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2008	65.6	50.2	46.5	3.8	76.5	7.6	70.9
2009	65.2	47.3	42.1	5.2	72.5	11.0	64.6
Northeast [5980]							
2008	52.3	41.2	38.6	2.6	78.8	6.3	73.8
2009	53.4	41.0	37.7	3.4	76.8	8.3	70.6

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

2. Estimates for Canada are a sum of the provincial totals and exclude estimates from Yukon, 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 August 2008 and August 2009**

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
		in thousands			percent		
<b>Yukon</b> <sup>1</sup>							
2008	23.8	18.6	17.7	0.9	78.2	4.8	74.4
2009	24.2	18.0	17.0	1.0	74.4	5.6	70.2
<b>Northwest Territories</b> <sup>2</sup>							
2008	31.4	24.1	22.7	1.4	76.8	5.8	72.3
2009	31.5	22.8	21.2	1.6	72.4	7.0	67.3
<b>Nunavut</b> <sup>3</sup>							
2008	18.5	11.9	10.1	1.8	64.2	14.7	54.7
2009	18.6	11.7	10.0	1.7	62.9	14.8	53.6

1. Since 1992, the Labour force survey (LFS) has been conducted in the Yukon, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in the national totals. In 1995, the LFS in the Yukon underwent a sample redesign. One result of the redesign was that the covered population increased from 85% to 92%, which is reflected by the sharp increase in the three month moving averages estimates of January, February and March of 1995 for all the level estimates. Users are therefore warned to be cautious when comparing estimates before January 1995 to estimates for January 1995 and forward.
2. Since 2001, the Labour force survey (LFS) 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.
3. Since 2004, the Labour force survey (LFS) has been administered in Nunavut, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are 3-month moving averages and are not included in national totals. From January 2004 to December 2007, estimates represent about 70% of all Nunavut residents aged 15 and over. Starting in January 2008, coverage was extended to 92%, so that by March 2008, the 3-month moving average is completely based on the extended coverage. Because of the large difference in coverage, users are recommended not to compare estimates prior to January 2008 with data afterwards. The January and February 2008 3-month moving average estimates are based on a mix of both coverages, since the extended coverage was introduced in January 2008. Estimates from January 2004 to December 2007 are based on the 10 largest communities in Nunavut: Iqaluit, Rankin Inlet, Cambridge Bay, Kugluktuk, Baker Lake, Arviat, Pond Inlet, Cape Dorset, Pangnirtung, Igloolik. Estimates from March 2008 to present cover the above communities as well as: Taloyoak, Gjoa Haven, Kugaaruk, Coral Harbour, Repulse Bay, Qikiqtarjuaq, Arctic Bay, Hall Beach, Clyde River.

**Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0100.

**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		dollars		thousands		dollars	thousands		dollars
<b>August 2009</b>										
15 years and over	14,339.8	36.0	808.08	21.83	12,054.7	39.3	905.12	2,285.1	18.6	296.18
15 to 24 years	2,626.0	31.1	414.51	12.71	1,696.7	38.5	538.22	929.3	17.6	188.63
25 years and over	11,713.8	37.1	896.31	23.88	10,358.0	39.4	965.21	1,355.9	19.3	369.89
Men	7,238.0	38.3	918.41	23.54	6,562.0	40.4	984.42	676.0	18.3	277.66
Women	7,101.8	33.6	695.63	20.10	5,492.7	37.9	810.37	1,609.1	18.7	303.96
<b>Union coverage</b>										
Union coverage	4,332.1	36.2	918.27	25.06	3,785.1	38.6	989.86	547.0	20.1	422.89
No union coverage	10,007.8	35.9	760.38	20.44	8,269.6	39.6	866.33	1,738.1	18.1	256.30
<b>Job permanency</b>										
Permanent	12,193.5	36.5	854.08	22.83	10,535.3	39.3	938.47	1,658.2	19.3	317.86
Temporary	2,146.3	32.8	546.76	16.20	1,519.4	39.4	673.82	627.0	16.8	238.84
<b>Occupation</b>										
Management	1,019.4	39.6	1,346.63	34.13	991.9	40.1	1,368.55	27.5	21.6	555.00
Business, finance and administrative	2,780.4	35.5	754.68	20.85	2,401.8	38.2	825.69	378.6	18.4	304.18
Natural and applied sciences	1,054.7	38.5	1,171.13	30.50	1,025.2	39.0	1,185.23	29.5	21.0	681.36
Health	939.5	34.0	889.54	26.09	722.2	37.9	993.84	217.3	20.9	542.84
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,250.9	35.4	990.39	27.80	1,068.8	38.2	1,078.49	182.1	18.4	473.39
Art, culture, recreation and sport	386.2	34.1	709.31	20.38	304.9	38.9	827.51	81.3	16.3	266.00
Sales and service	3,702.4	31.9	503.01	14.89	2,508.1	38.3	641.47	1,194.2	18.4	212.22
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,107.8	40.4	878.41	21.57	2,003.2	41.5	909.28	104.5	18.5	286.68
Occupations unique to primary industry	347.1	41.1	745.01	17.66	306.9	44.2	811.57	40.2	17.7	236.93
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	751.5	39.0	745.86	19.00	721.6	39.8	766.27	29.9	17.4	253.65
<b>August 2008</b>										
15 years and over	14,747.9	36.4	788.85	21.13	12,578.3	39.5	876.32	2,169.7	18.5	281.79
15 to 24 years	2,847.9	32.2	417.58	12.39	1,949.7	38.9	527.06	898.1	17.7	179.93
25 years and over	11,900.1	37.4	877.70	23.22	10,628.5	39.6	940.39	1,271.6	19.1	353.73
Men	7,547.3	38.7	901.85	22.90	6,907.9	40.7	962.18	639.3	17.9	250.04
Women	7,200.7	34.0	670.41	19.27	5,670.3	38.1	771.72	1,530.3	18.7	295.05
<b>Union coverage</b>										
Union coverage	4,450.3	36.6	903.63	24.47	3,944.5	38.7	965.57	505.8	20.2	420.60
No union coverage	10,297.6	36.3	739.25	19.69	8,633.8	39.8	835.54	1,663.8	18.0	239.59
<b>Job permanency</b>										
Permanent	12,623.8	36.9	831.52	22.05	11,051.2	39.4	907.18	1,572.6	19.0	299.83
Temporary	2,124.1	33.4	535.28	15.62	1,527.1	39.8	652.98	597.1	17.2	234.25
<b>Occupation</b>										
Management	1,093.3	40.0	1,339.44	33.53	1,060.0	40.6	1,366.75	33.3	20.5	469.32
Business, finance and administrative	2,888.9	35.8	728.05	20.09	2,528.1	38.3	790.23	360.8	18.1	292.26
Natural and applied sciences	1,087.2	38.7	1,144.82	29.63	1,053.6	39.3	1,164.68	33.7	20.2	523.60
Health	907.4	33.6	838.95	25.01	695.6	37.7	940.43	211.7	20.3	505.53
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,190.8	35.7	988.81	27.55	1,034.5	38.3	1,065.40	156.4	18.6	482.11
Art, culture, recreation and sport	371.0	34.7	686.88	19.72	300.5	39.0	785.51	70.5	16.3	266.48
Sales and service	3,695.9	32.3	482.94	14.18	2,552.7	38.5	608.20	1,143.2	18.4	203.27
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,281.3	40.9	856.51	20.83	2,191.0	41.8	881.03	90.2	18.8	261.22
Occupations unique to primary industry	362.1	41.7	730.56	17.22	323.1	44.9	795.33	39.0	15.3	193.90
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	870.2	39.5	717.95	18.04	839.2	40.2	734.93	31.0	19.6	258.22

**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 September 6, 2009 to October 10, 2009
	percent
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	
01. St. John's	8.2
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	21.1
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	
03. Prince Edward Island	12.5
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	16.1
05. Western Nova Scotia	10.0
06. Halifax	6.4
<b>New Brunswick</b>	
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	6.4
08. Madawaska-Charlotte <sup>2</sup>	11.8
09. Restigouche-Albert	15.1
<b>Quebec</b>	
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	16.5
11. Québec	5.2
12. Trois-Rivières	8.6
13. South Central Quebec	6.8
14. Sherbrooke	7.7
15. Montérégie	8.3
16. Montréal	9.7
17. Central Quebec	10.0
18. Northwestern Quebec	11.0
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord <sup>3</sup>	11.8
20. Gatineau	5.9
21. Saguenay	9.3
<b>Ontario</b>	
22. Ottawa	5.3
23. Eastern Ontario	7.6
24. Kingston	5.9
25. Central Ontario	9.7
26. Oshawa	9.9
27. Toronto	10.1
28. Hamilton	8.7
29. St. Catharines	9.8
30. London	11.1
31. Niagara	12.4
32. Windsor	14.5
33. Kitchener	9.9
34. Huron	10.5
35. South Central Ontario	8.4
36. Sudbury	10.2
37. Thunder Bay	8.6
38. Northern Ontario	12.2
<b>Manitoba</b>	
39. Winnipeg	5.7
40. Southern Manitoba	5.9
41. Northern Manitoba	27.6
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	
42. Regina	4.3
43. Saskatoon	4.6
44. Southern Saskatchewan	7.1
45. Northern Saskatchewan	16.3

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 8 – continued

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

Region	Effective from September 6, 2009 to October 10, 2009
	percent
<b>Alberta</b>	
46. Calgary	7.2
47. Edmonton	7.4
48. Northern Alberta	9.8
49. Southern Alberta	7.9
<b>British Columbia</b>	
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	10.9
51. Abbotsford	9.0
52. Vancouver	7.4
53. Victoria	6.5
54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	8.9
55. Northern British Columbia	14.0
<b>Territories</b>	
56. Yukon 4	25.0
57. Northwest Territories 4	25.0
58. Nunavut 4	25.0

1. 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://srv129.services.gc.ca/eiregions/en/geocont.aspx>.

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

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

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

**Table 9-1**  
**Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by detailed age groups**

	August 2007	August 2008	August 2009	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from		Percent change from	
					last year	two years ago	last year	two years ago
in thousands								
<b>Students 15 to 24 years<sup>2</sup></b>								
Population	2,312.7	2,320.4	<b>2,385.8</b>	28.5	<b>65.4</b>	73.1	<b>2.8</b>	3.2
Labour force	1,521.4	1,532.0	<b>1,469.2</b>	30.3	<b>-62.8</b>	-52.2	<b>-4.1</b>	-3.4
Employment	1,347.3	1,356.6	<b>1,228.3</b>	29.3	<b>-128.3</b>	-119.0	<b>-9.5</b>	-8.8
Full-time employment	675.0	682.6	<b>567.6</b>	21.2	<b>-115.0</b>	-107.4	<b>-16.8</b>	-15.9
Part-time employment	672.3	674.0	<b>660.6</b>	23.2	<b>-13.4</b>	-11.7	<b>-2.0</b>	-1.7
Unemployment	174.2	175.4	<b>240.9</b>	13.1	<b>65.5</b>	66.7	<b>37.3</b>	38.3
Participation rate	65.8	66.0	<b>61.6</b>	1.0	<b>-4.4</b>	-4.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.4	11.4	<b>16.4</b>	0.9	<b>5.0</b>	5.0	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	58.5	<b>51.5</b>	1.0	<b>-7.0</b>	-6.8	...	...
Part-time rate	49.9	49.7	<b>53.8</b>	1.3	<b>4.1</b>	3.9	...	...
<b>Students 15 to 16 years<sup>2</sup></b>								
Population	817.0	808.6	<b>791.7</b>	5.0	<b>-16.9</b>	-25.3	<b>-2.1</b>	-3.1
Labour force	396.8	406.5	<b>343.0</b>	12.7	<b>-63.5</b>	-53.8	<b>-15.6</b>	-13.6
Employment	314.2	330.9	<b>250.6</b>	12.0	<b>-80.3</b>	-63.6	<b>-24.3</b>	-20.2
Full-time employment	96.2	93.9	<b>60.1</b>	5.2	<b>-33.8</b>	-36.1	<b>-36.0</b>	-37.5
Part-time employment	218.0	237.0	<b>190.6</b>	11.2	<b>-46.4</b>	-27.4	<b>-19.6</b>	-12.6
Unemployment	82.7	75.6	<b>92.4</b>	7.5	<b>16.8</b>	9.7	<b>22.2</b>	11.7
Participation rate	48.6	50.3	<b>43.3</b>	1.5	<b>-7.0</b>	-5.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	20.8	18.6	<b>26.9</b>	1.9	<b>8.3</b>	6.1	...	...
Employment rate	38.5	40.9	<b>31.7</b>	1.5	<b>-9.2</b>	-6.8	...	...
Part-time rate	69.4	71.6	<b>76.1</b>	1.6	<b>4.4</b>	6.7	...	...
<b>Students 17 to 19 years<sup>2</sup></b>								
Population	869.9	869.8	<b>919.2</b>	15.7	<b>49.4</b>	49.3	<b>5.7</b>	5.7
Labour force	644.1	636.3	<b>636.7</b>	17.2	<b>0.4</b>	-7.4	<b>0.1</b>	-1.1
Employment	576.4	558.8	<b>533.2</b>	17.0	<b>-25.6</b>	-43.2	<b>-4.6</b>	-7.5
Full-time employment	279.9	277.2	<b>222.1</b>	11.9	<b>-55.1</b>	-57.8	<b>-19.9</b>	-20.7
Part-time employment	296.5	281.6	<b>311.1</b>	14.6	<b>29.5</b>	14.6	<b>10.5</b>	4.9
Unemployment	67.7	77.6	<b>103.6</b>	8.3	<b>26.0</b>	35.9	<b>33.5</b>	53.0
Participation rate	74.0	73.2	<b>69.3</b>	1.6	<b>-3.9</b>	-4.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	12.2	<b>16.3</b>	1.4	<b>4.1</b>	5.8	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	64.2	<b>58.0</b>	1.7	<b>-6.2</b>	-8.3	...	...
Part-time rate	51.4	50.4	<b>58.3</b>	1.9	<b>8.0</b>	6.9	...	...
<b>Students 20 to 24 years<sup>2</sup></b>								
Population	625.7	642.0	<b>674.8</b>	22.7	<b>32.8</b>	49.1	<b>5.1</b>	7.8
Labour force	480.5	489.1	<b>489.5</b>	20.4	<b>0.4</b>	9.0	<b>0.1</b>	1.9
Employment	456.7	466.9	<b>444.5</b>	19.8	<b>-22.4</b>	-12.2	<b>-4.8</b>	-2.7
Full-time employment	298.9	311.5	<b>285.5</b>	15.8	<b>-26.0</b>	-13.4	<b>-8.3</b>	-4.5
Part-time employment	157.8	155.4	<b>159.0</b>	13.5	<b>3.6</b>	1.2	<b>2.3</b>	0.8
Unemployment	23.8	22.2	<b>45.0</b>	6.5	<b>22.8</b>	21.2	<b>102.7</b>	89.1
Participation rate	76.8	76.2	<b>72.5</b>	1.8	<b>-3.7</b>	-4.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.5	<b>9.2</b>	1.3	<b>4.7</b>	4.2	...	...
Employment rate	73.0	72.7	<b>65.9</b>	1.9	<b>-6.8</b>	-7.1	...	...
Part-time rate	34.6	33.3	<b>35.8</b>	2.4	<b>2.5</b>	1.2	...	...
<b>Other persons aged 15 to 24<sup>3</sup></b>								
Population	2,044.2	2,058.1	<b>2,011.1</b>	28.5	<b>-47.0</b>	-33.1	<b>-2.3</b>	-1.6
Labour force	1,747.2	1,754.5	<b>1,737.6</b>	28.2	<b>-16.9</b>	-9.6	<b>-1.0</b>	-0.5
Employment	1,584.6	1,591.2	<b>1,491.5</b>	27.5	<b>-99.7</b>	-93.1	<b>-6.3</b>	-5.9
Full-time employment	1,341.3	1,327.1	<b>1,185.8</b>	25.9	<b>-141.3</b>	-155.5	<b>-10.6</b>	-11.6
Part-time employment	243.3	264.2	<b>305.9</b>	16.0	<b>41.7</b>	62.6	<b>15.8</b>	25.7
Unemployment	162.6	163.3	<b>246.1</b>	12.4	<b>82.8</b>	83.5	<b>50.7</b>	51.4
Participation rate	85.5	85.2	<b>86.4</b>	0.7	<b>1.2</b>	0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	9.3	<b>14.2</b>	0.7	<b>4.9</b>	4.9	...	...
Employment rate	77.5	77.3	<b>74.2</b>	0.9	<b>-3.2</b>	-3.4	...	...
Part-time rate	15.4	16.6	<b>20.5</b>	0.9	<b>3.9</b>	5.2	...	...

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

2. Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall.

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

**Note(s):** Related CANSIM Table 282-0006.

**Table 9-2**  
**Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by province**

	Population		Labour force				Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
	Labour force	Employment	Full-time employment	Part-time employment	Unemployment				
in thousands									
<b>Students<sup>1</sup></b>									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
August 2008	34.4	22.6	21.0	13.8	7.2	1.6	65.7	7.1	61.0
August 2009	32.6	20.2	17.5	12.4	5.0	2.7	62.0	13.4	53.7
Prince Edward Island									
August 2008	9.5	8.0	7.3	5.3	2.0	0.6	84.2	7.5	76.8
August 2009	10.5	8.6	7.6	4.7	2.8	1.0	81.9	11.6	72.4
Nova Scotia									
August 2008	66.6	47.2	42.1	23.2	18.9	5.1	70.9	10.8	63.2
August 2009	61.7	40.0	34.0	18.0	16.0	5.9	64.8	14.8	55.1
New Brunswick									
August 2008	48.8	37.1	34.5	18.5	16.0	2.7	76.0	7.3	70.7
August 2009	52.0	37.4	33.3	19.1	14.1	4.1	71.9	11.0	64.0
Quebec									
August 2008	537.4	364.0	328.1	172.2	155.9	35.9	67.7	9.9	61.1
August 2009	534.7	348.0	288.5	138.5	150.0	59.4	65.1	17.1	54.0
Ontario									
August 2008	998.7	642.0	549.7	255.2	294.5	92.4	64.3	14.4	55.0
August 2009	1,041.7	622.3	502.1	212.0	290.1	120.2	59.7	19.3	48.2
Manitoba									
August 2008	75.1	52.4	48.4	26.2	22.2	4.1	69.8	7.8	64.4
August 2009	72.2	49.0	43.3	22.2	21.1	5.6	67.9	11.4	60.0
Saskatchewan									
August 2008	62.2	44.1	40.1	21.8	18.3	4.0	70.9	9.1	64.5
August 2009	61.3	39.9	36.5	19.5	17.0	3.4	65.1	8.5	59.5
Alberta									
August 2008	217.8	150.2	136.8	79.8	57.0	13.5	69.0	9.0	62.8
August 2009	224.5	135.5	119.9	63.9	56.0	15.5	60.4	11.4	53.4
British Columbia									
August 2008	269.9	164.3	148.6	66.7	81.9	15.7	60.9	9.6	55.1
August 2009	294.5	168.5	145.5	57.2	88.3	23.0	57.2	13.6	49.4
<b>Other persons aged 15-24<sup>2</sup></b>									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
August 2008	27.9	20.9	16.7	14.3	2.4	4.1	74.9	19.6	59.9
August 2009	28.4	22.0	17.0	14.1	2.8	5.0	77.5	22.7	59.9
Prince Edward Island									
August 2008	10.3	9.0	8.1	7.2	0.9	0.9	87.4	10.0	78.6
August 2009	9.4	8.4	7.3	6.2	1.1	x	89.4	x	77.7
Nova Scotia									
August 2008	54.7	46.3	40.7	34.9	5.8	5.5	84.6	11.9	74.4
August 2009	58.3	52.4	43.9	34.4	9.5	8.5	89.9	16.2	75.3
New Brunswick									
August 2008	45.9	38.3	34.0	30.3	3.7	4.3	83.4	11.2	74.1
August 2009	41.5	35.3	30.7	27.5	3.3	4.6	85.1	13.0	74.0
Quebec									
August 2008	422.5	359.4	321.8	269.0	52.7	37.5	85.1	10.4	76.2
August 2009	428.3	367.6	317.3	261.4	55.8	50.3	85.8	13.7	74.1
Ontario									
August 2008	736.2	616.1	546.1	439.3	106.8	70.0	83.7	11.4	74.2
August 2009	704.5	612.3	510.7	379.0	131.7	101.6	86.9	16.6	72.5
Manitoba									
August 2008	83.6	71.4	66.9	56.1	10.8	4.5	85.4	6.3	80.0
August 2009	88.2	78.1	70.4	57.2	13.2	7.8	88.5	10.0	79.8
Saskatchewan									
August 2008	77.4	68.3	63.7	55.0	8.7	4.6	88.2	6.7	82.3
August 2009	77.8	67.7	62.5	54.0	8.5	5.2	87.0	7.7	80.3

See notes at the end of the table.



Table 9-2 – continued

## Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by province

	Population	Labour force				Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Full-time employment	Part-time employment				
in thousands									
Alberta									
August 2008	286.0	252.9	240.0	218.9	21.1	12.9	88.4	5.1	83.9
August 2009	283.7	246.9	215.5	185.5	30.0	31.4	87.0	12.7	76.0
British Columbia									
August 2008	313.6	272.1	253.3	202.2	51.2	18.8	86.8	6.9	80.8
August 2009	291.1	246.9	216.2	166.3	49.9	30.7	84.8	12.4	74.3

1. Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall.

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

**Note(s):** Related CANSIM Table 282-0006.

# Data quality

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## 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*