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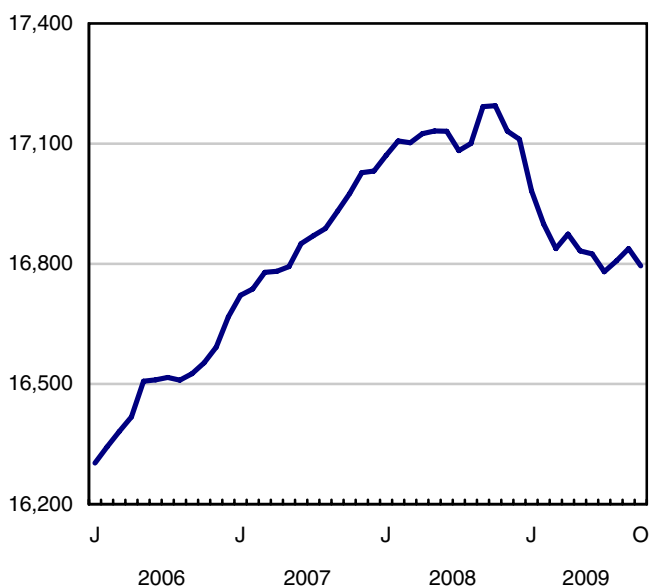
October 2009

Following two months of moderate growth, employment decreased by 43,000 in October, all in part time. This drop pushed the unemployment rate up 0.2 percentage points to 8.6%.

Chart 1
Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted

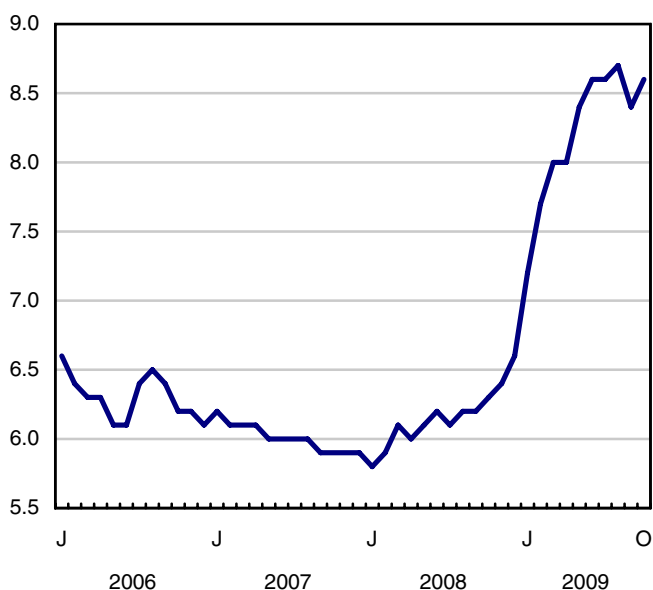
Employment

thousands



Unemployment rate

percent



Analysis — October 2009

Following two months of moderate growth, employment decreased by 43,000 in October, all in part time. This drop pushed the unemployment rate up 0.2 percentage points to 8.6%.

Compared to the peak of October 2008, employment is down 400,000 (-2.3%), with the bulk of the decline (-357,000) occurring during the first five months.

Part-time work dropped by 60,000 in October, the second consecutive month of large declines. At the same time, full-time employment increased slightly, adding to the large full-time gain from the previous month. Over the past 12 months, however, full-time employment has fallen at a faster rate (-2.7%) than part time (-0.7%).

Most of October's employment decline came from retail and wholesale trade, 'other services', and natural resources. These losses were partially offset by gains in transportation and warehousing.

Since October 2008, employment has fallen in most industries, with the steepest declines in manufacturing (-11.0%), natural resources (-11.0%), construction (-5.8%) and transportation and warehousing (-5.8%). At the same time, there were increases in information, culture and recreation (+4.8%) as well as in finance, insurance, real estate and leasing (+4.4%).

Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba and Newfoundland and Labrador experienced notable employment losses in October. In all other provinces, employment was little changed. Since October 2008, Alberta, Ontario and Newfoundland and Labrador were the only provinces with faster rates of employment decline than the national average.

There were declines in the number of private and public sector employees in October, partially offset by gains in self-employment.

Adult women aged 25 and over and youths aged 15 to 24 accounted for all of the employment decline in October.

Average hourly wages were up 3.3% in October compared with twelve months earlier.

Employment losses in retail and wholesale trade

In October, employment fell by 31,000 in retail and wholesale trade and by 20,000 in 'other services'. Employment also declined in natural resources, down 11,000, continuing a downward trend that began in February 2009.

While manufacturing employment was little changed in October, losses since the employment peak in October 2008 have totalled 218,000 (-11.0%).

Construction employment edged up in October, building on gains observed over the previous two months. Despite these recent increases, employment in this industry has fallen 5.8% (-73,000) from 12 months earlier.

Transportation and warehousing, was the only industry to experience a notable employment gain in October (+22,000). Overall, employment in this sector is down 51,000 (-5.8%) since October 2008.

Decline among private and public sector employees

Declines in the number of private (-45,000) and public (-26,000) sector employees in October were partially offset by gains in self-employment (+28,000).

Since October 2008, the number of employees in the private sector has fallen by 4.1%, a faster rate of decline than in the public sector (-1.6%). Self-employment, meanwhile, has increased by 3.9%.

Largest losses in Alberta and British Columbia

Employment in Alberta decreased by 15,000 in October, pushing the unemployment rate up 0.4 percentage points to 7.5%. Since October 2008, Alberta's employment has fallen by 3.3% (-68,000), the steepest rate of decline among all provinces.

In October, British Columbia's employment declined by 13,000. This employment loss, coupled with a slight increase in the labour force, pushed the unemployment rate up 0.9 percentage points to 8.3%. Over the past 12 months, employment in the province was down by 2.2% (-52,000).

Employment fell by 4,000 (-1.8%) in Newfoundland and Labrador in October, all in full time, and the unemployment rate rose to 17.0%. Since October 2008, employment in the province has declined by 2.6% (-5,700).

Manitoba's employment also fell in October (-3,400) bringing the unemployment rate up 0.5 percentage points to 5.8%. Despite this month's decline, employment remains little changed from October 2008.

Employment in Ontario edged down in October while the unemployment rate was little changed. Since the employment peak twelve months earlier, losses have totalled 206,000 (-3.1%), with most of the decline occurring between October 2008 and May 2009. Since last October, over half of the province's total employment losses were in manufacturing, well beyond that industry's 13% share of total employment.

In Quebec, although employment was little changed in October, the unemployment rate fell 0.3 percentage points to 8.5% as the labour force contracted. Employment in the province has fallen by 62,000 (-1.6%) since October 2008, a slower rate of decline than the national average (-2.3%).

Employment losses among adult women and youths

October's employment decrease was among adult women (-24,000) and youths (-20,000).

Since October 2008, youths have experienced employment declines throughout the whole period, totalling 225,000 (-8.7%). Among adult men, although down 177,000 (-2.3%) since October, employment has stabilized in recent months. For adult women, employment was unchanged compared to a year earlier.

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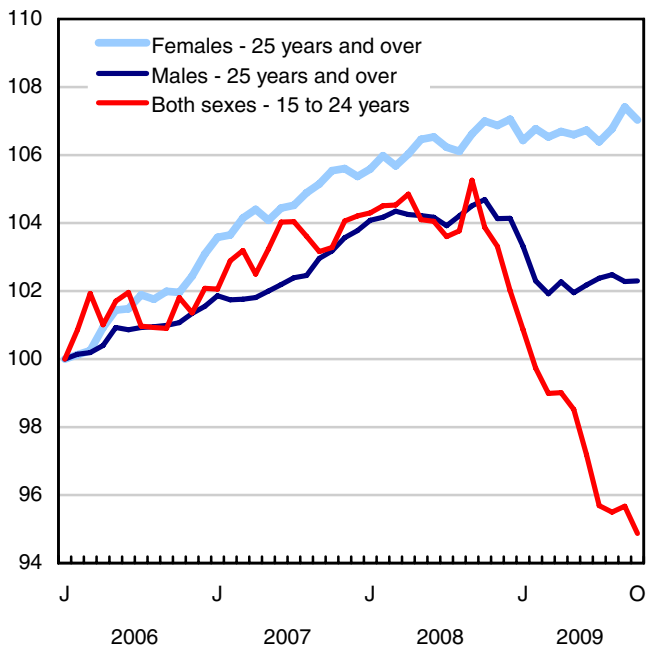
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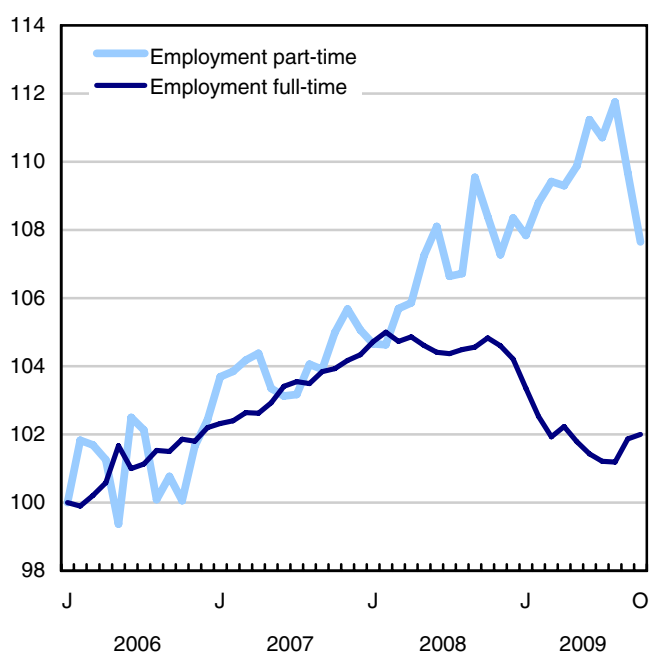
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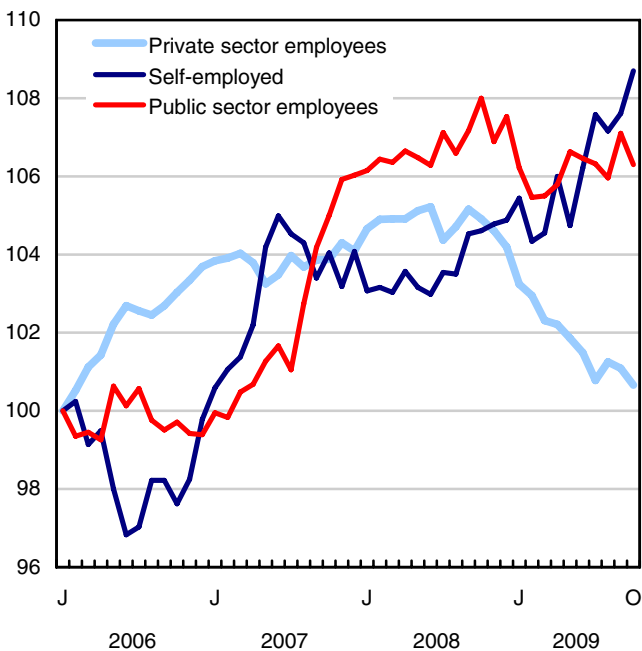
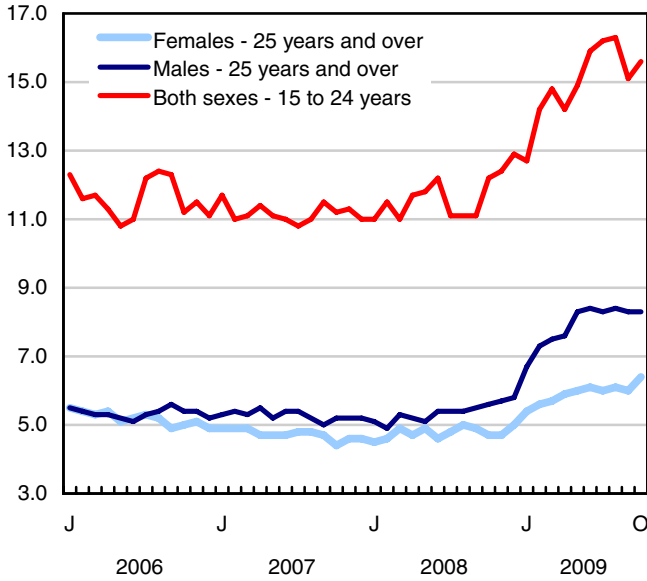
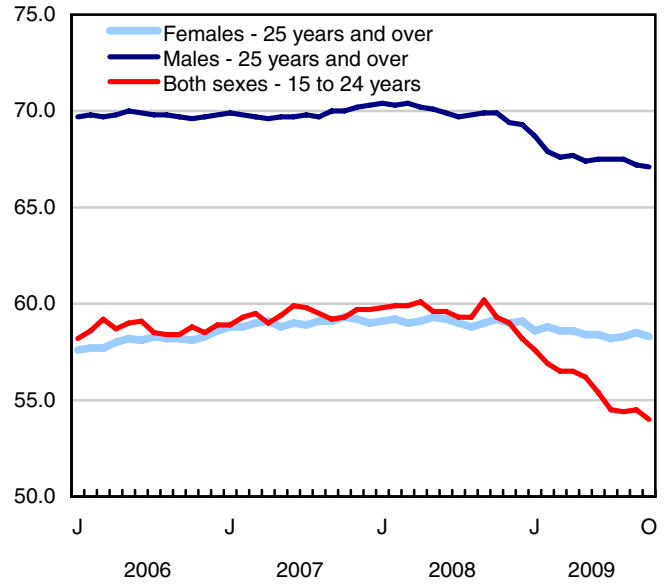


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Unemployment rate (%)



Employment rate (%)



Participation rate (%)

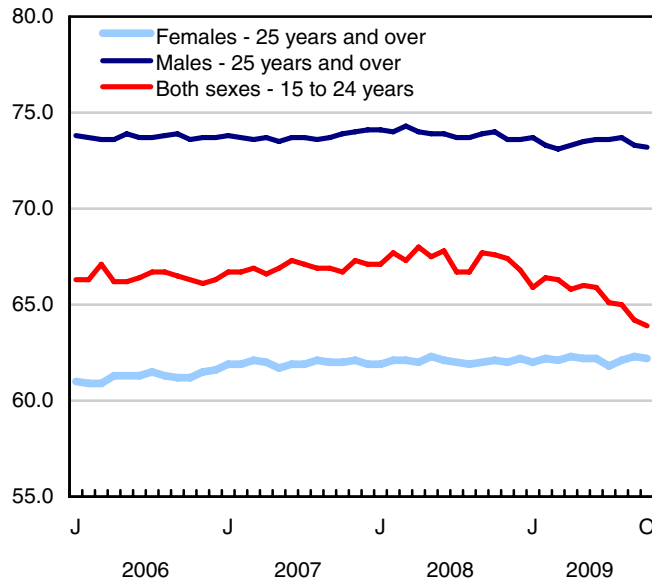


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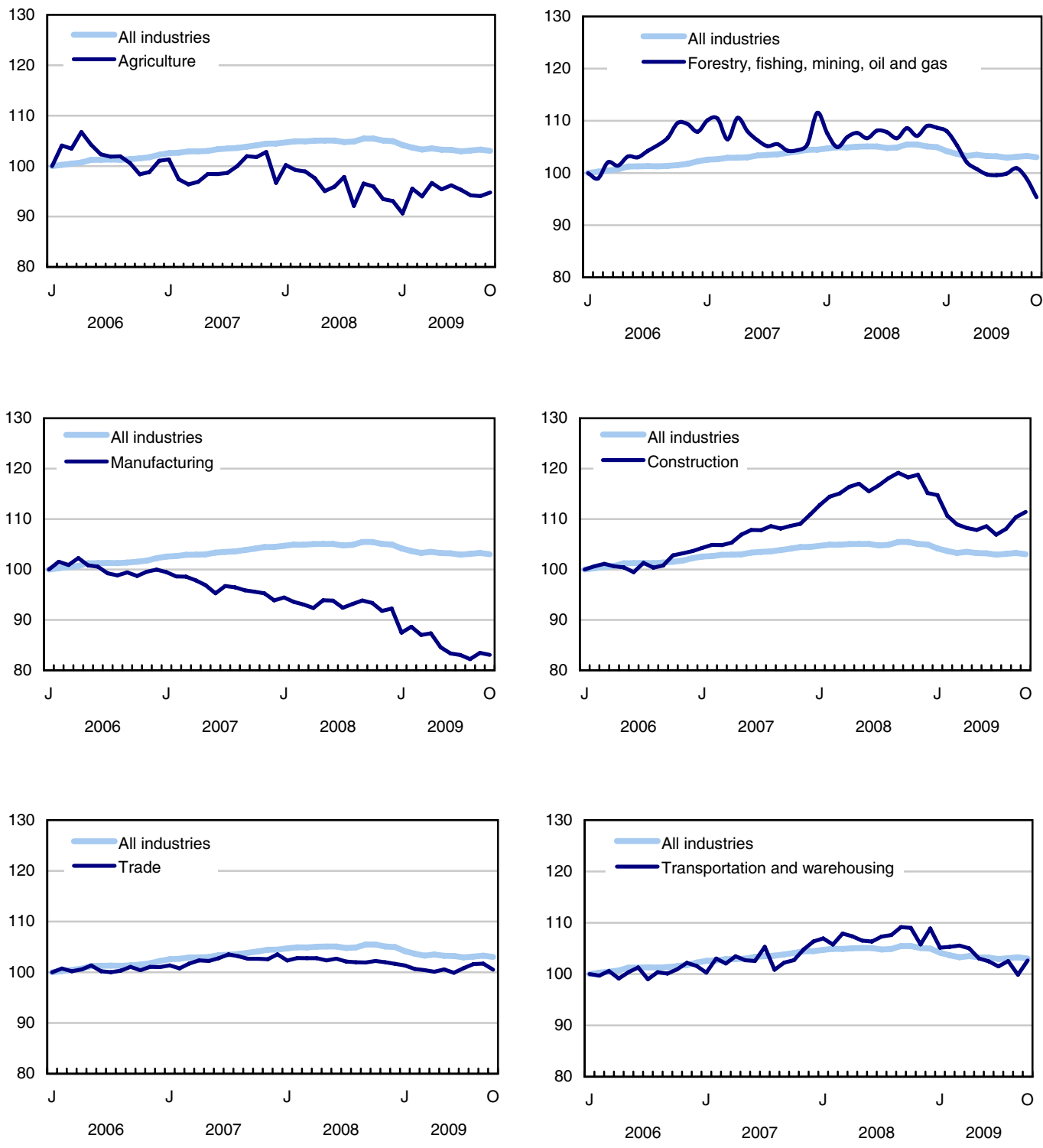


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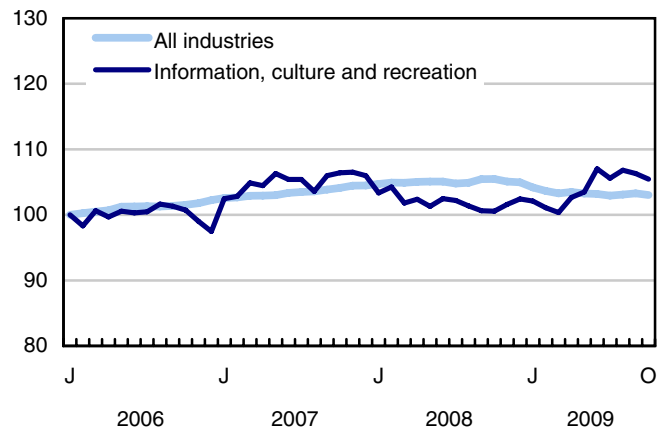
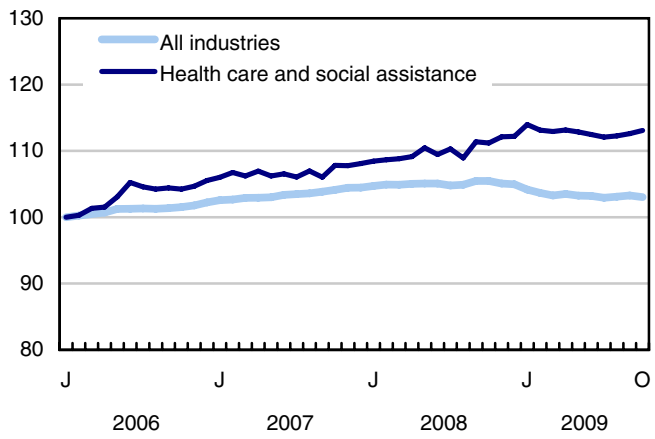
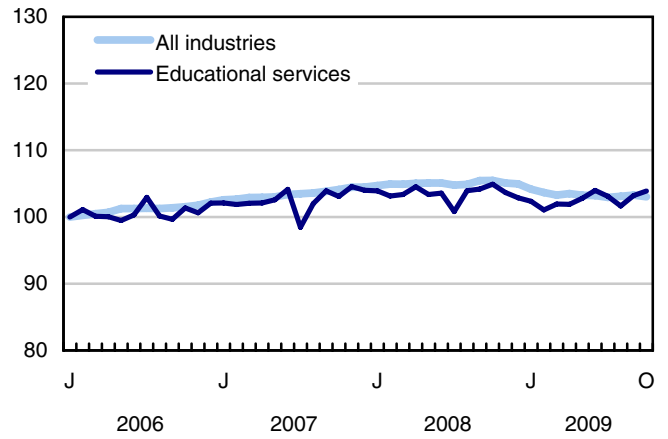
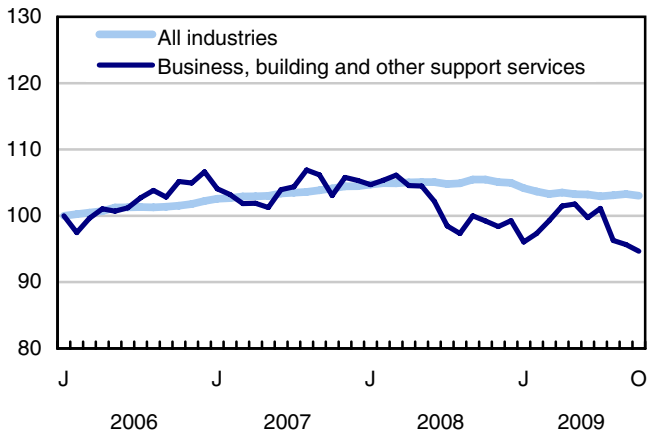
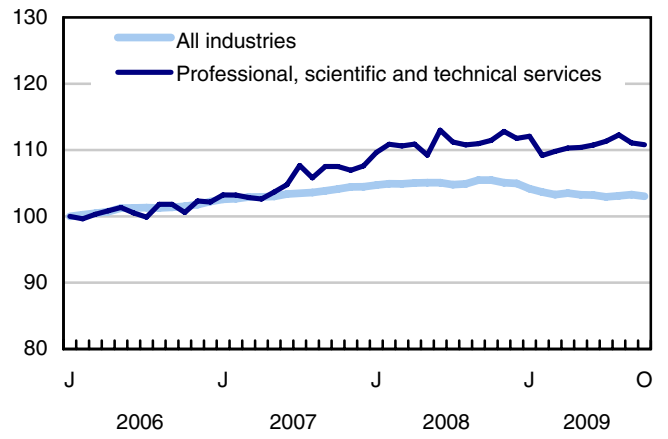
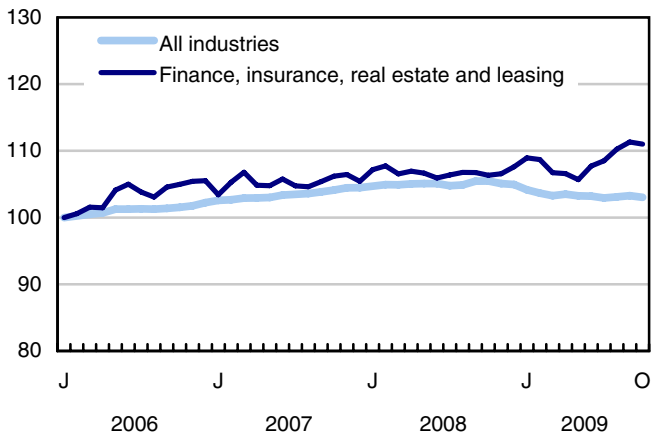


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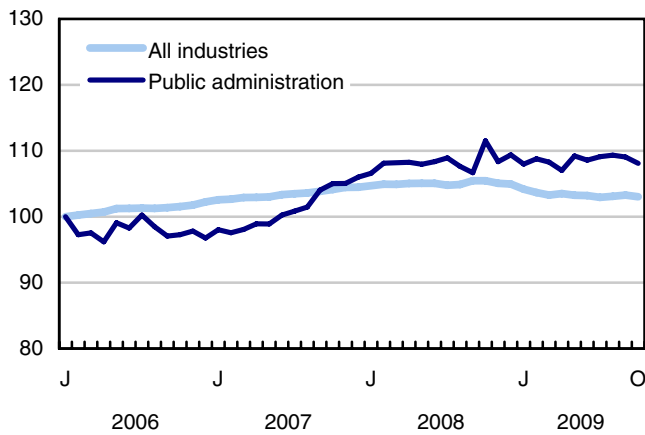
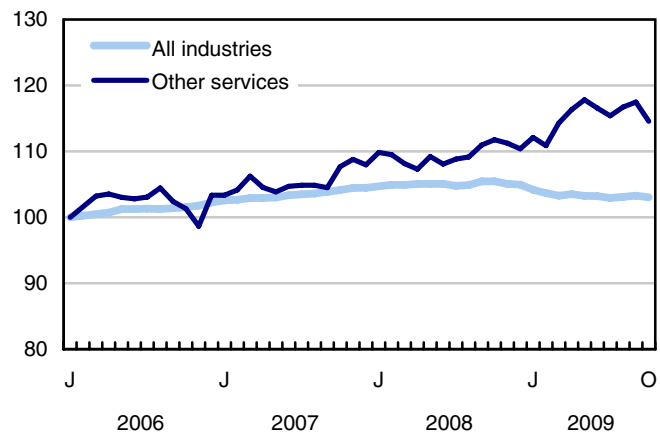
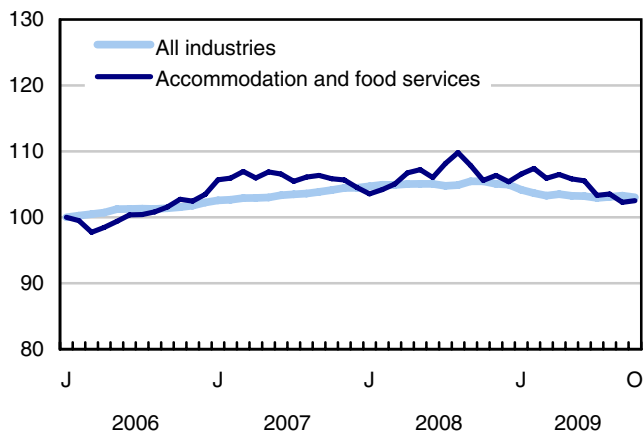


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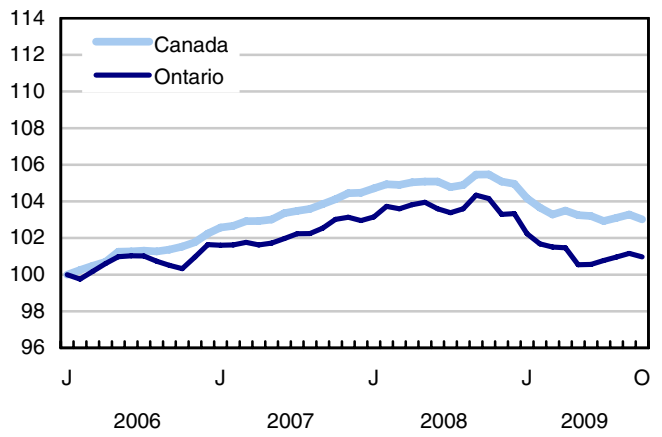
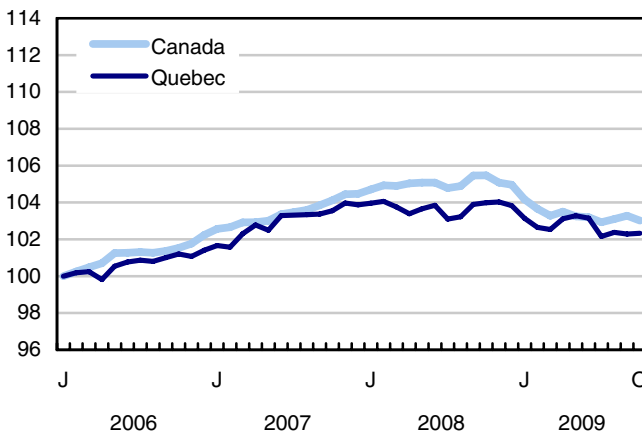
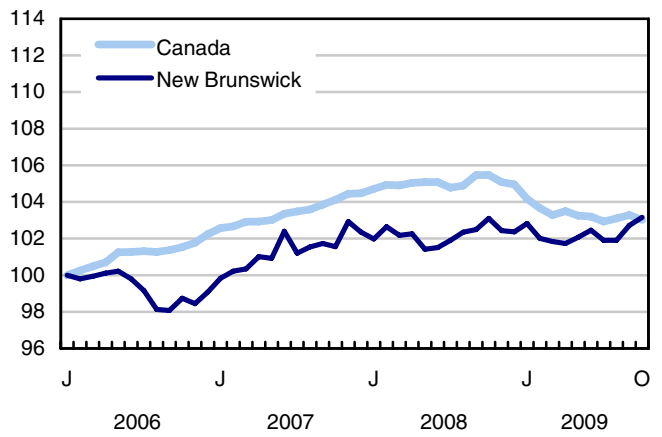
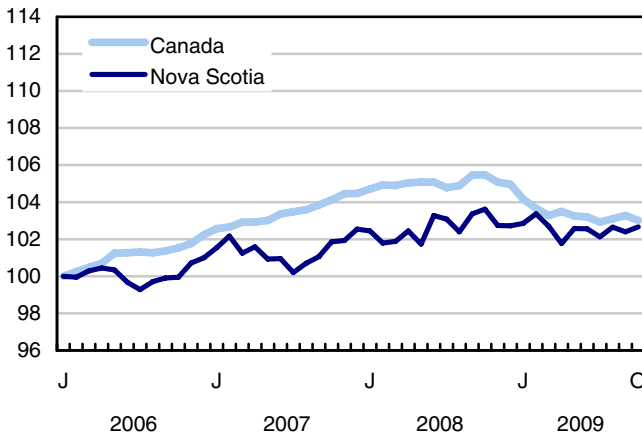
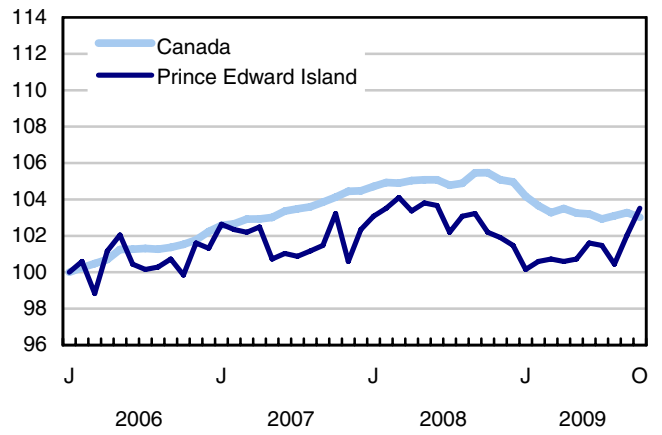
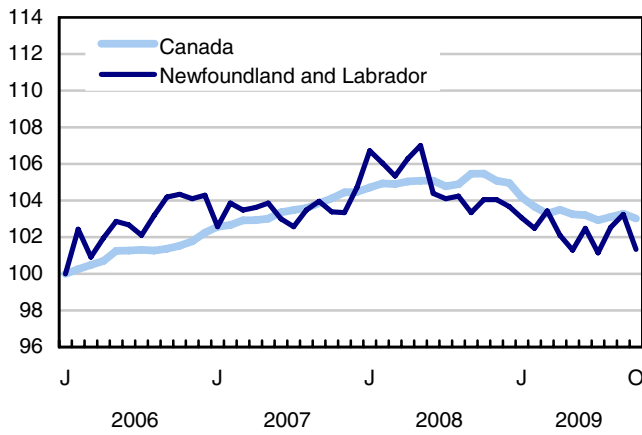
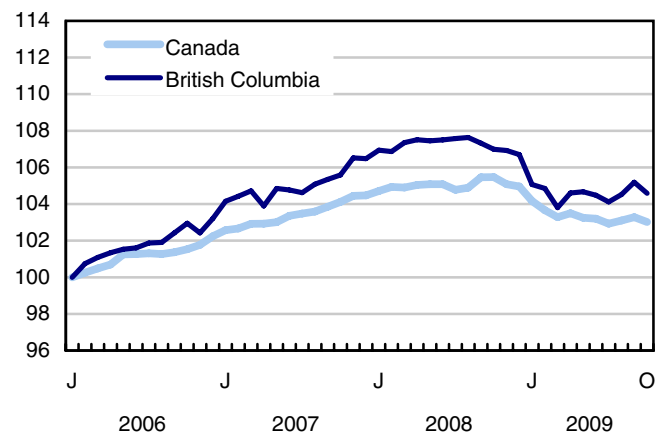
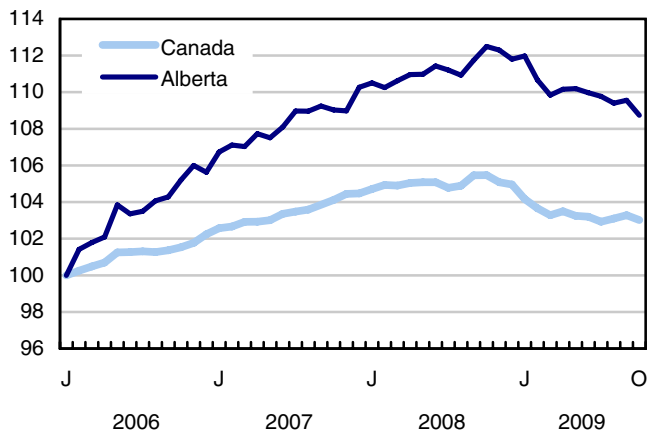
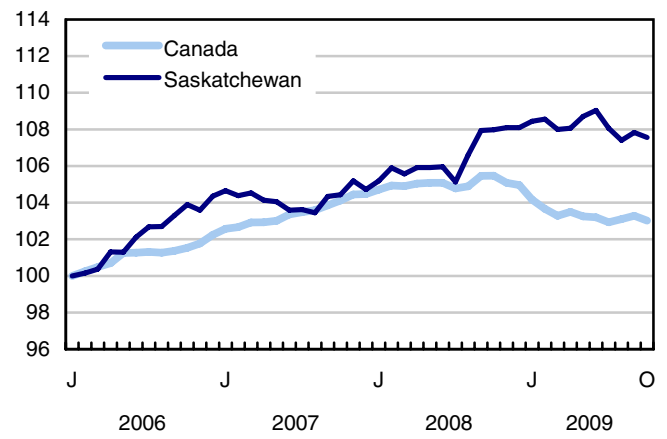
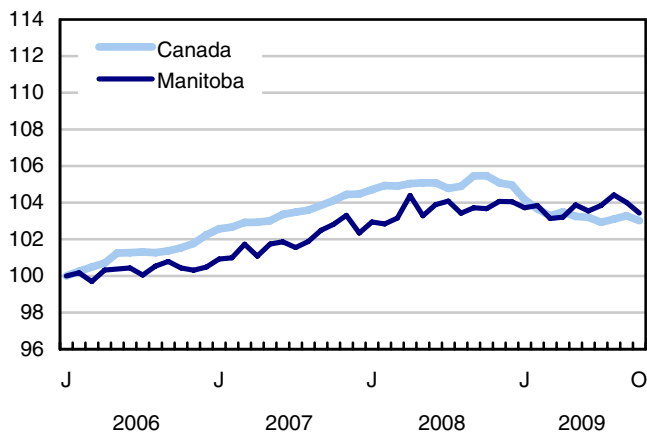


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Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2006=100



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Statistical tables

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 years and over, both sexes | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 27,401.5 | 27,433.1 | ... | 31.6 | 334.4 | 389.0 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 18,387.8 | 18,382.2 | 27.7 | -5.6 | 61.0 | 35.9 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Employment | 16,838.0 | 16,794.8 | 28.1 | -43.2 | -316.2 | -399.9 | -0.3 | -1.8 | -2.3 |
| Employment full-time | 13,609.6 | 13,626.1 | 36.6 | 16.5 | -295.6 | -378.1 | 0.1 | -2.1 | -2.7 |
| Employment part-time | 3,228.4 | 3,168.7 | 33.3 | -59.7 | -20.6 | -21.8 | -1.8 | -0.6 | -0.7 |
| Unemployment | 1,549.7 | 1,587.4 | 24.2 | 37.7 | 377.3 | 435.9 | 2.4 | 31.2 | 37.9 |
| Participation rate | 67.1 | 67.0 | 0.1 | -0.1 | -0.6 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.4 | 8.6 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 2.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.4 | 61.2 | 0.1 | -0.2 | -1.9 | -2.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 19.2 | 18.9 | 0.2 | -0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 15 to 24 years, both sexes | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 4,398.4 | 4,399.1 | ... | 0.7 | 14.7 | 17.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| Labour force | 2,821.8 | 2,813.2 | 16.6 | -8.6 | -117.3 | -147.4 | -0.3 | -4.0 | -5.0 |
| Employment | 2,395.2 | 2,375.3 | 15.9 | -19.9 | -178.6 | -225.2 | -0.8 | -7.0 | -8.7 |
| Employment full-time | 1,271.1 | 1,283.5 | 18.3 | 12.4 | -107.4 | -154.8 | 1.0 | -7.7 | -10.8 |
| Employment part-time | 1,124.1 | 1,091.8 | 18.9 | -32.3 | -71.2 | -70.5 | -2.9 | -6.1 | -6.1 |
| Unemployment | 426.6 | 437.8 | 14.2 | 11.2 | 61.1 | 77.8 | 2.6 | 16.2 | 21.6 |
| Participation rate | 64.2 | 63.9 | 0.4 | -0.3 | -2.9 | -3.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 15.1 | 15.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2.7 | 3.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 54.5 | 54.0 | 0.4 | -0.5 | -4.2 | -5.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 46.9 | 46.0 | 0.7 | -1.0 | 0.4 | 1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 25 years and over, men | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 11,249.6 | 11,265.9 | ... | 16.3 | 163.2 | 189.3 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 |
| Labour force | 8,244.1 | 8,247.3 | 14.3 | 3.2 | 74.6 | 52.3 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Employment | 7,561.9 | 7,563.0 | 15.8 | 1.1 | -136.3 | -177.1 | 0.0 | -1.8 | -2.3 |
| Employment full-time | 6,967.7 | 6,981.3 | 20.5 | 13.6 | -177.6 | -191.2 | 0.2 | -2.5 | -2.7 |
| Employment part-time | 594.2 | 581.7 | 16.2 | -12.5 | 41.3 | 14.0 | -2.1 | 7.6 | 2.5 |
| Unemployment | 682.2 | 684.3 | 14.2 | 2.1 | 210.9 | 229.4 | 0.3 | 44.6 | 50.4 |
| Participation rate | 73.3 | 73.2 | 0.1 | -0.1 | -0.4 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.3 | 8.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 2.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 67.2 | 67.1 | 0.1 | -0.1 | -2.2 | -2.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 7.9 | 7.7 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 0.7 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 25 years and over, women | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 11,753.5 | 11,768.1 | ... | 14.6 | 156.5 | 182.5 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 1.6 |
| Labour force | 7,321.8 | 7,321.8 | 15.9 | 0.0 | 103.9 | 131.1 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 1.8 |
| Employment | 6,880.9 | 6,856.5 | 15.8 | -24.4 | -1.3 | 2.4 | -0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Employment full-time | 5,370.8 | 5,361.3 | 23.5 | -9.5 | -10.6 | -32.2 | -0.2 | -0.2 | -0.6 |
| Employment part-time | 1,510.1 | 1,495.2 | 21.8 | -14.9 | 9.3 | 34.7 | -1.0 | 0.6 | 2.4 |
| Unemployment | 440.9 | 465.3 | 12.7 | 24.4 | 105.3 | 128.7 | 5.5 | 29.2 | 38.2 |
| Participation rate | 62.3 | 62.2 | 0.1 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.0 | 6.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 58.5 | 58.3 | 0.1 | -0.2 | -0.8 | -0.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 21.9 | 21.8 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| 25 to 54 years, both sexes | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 14,543.1 | 14,551.2 | ... | 8.1 | 84.7 | 96.2 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Labour force | 12,574.2 | 12,569.1 | 20.7 | -5.1 | 26.2 | 27.3 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Employment | 11,644.3 | 11,629.0 | 22.4 | -15.3 | -239.5 | -274.9 | -0.1 | -2.0 | -2.3 |
| Unemployment | 929.8 | 940.2 | 17.9 | 10.4 | 265.8 | 302.3 | 1.1 | 39.4 | 47.4 |
| Participation rate | 86.5 | 86.4 | 0.1 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.4 | 7.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 2.1 | 2.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 80.1 | 79.9 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -2.1 | -2.5 | ... | ... | ... |

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| 25 to 54 years, men | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 7,269.8 | 7,274.7 | ... | 4.9 | 47.4 | 53.5 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Labour force | 6,584.8 | 6,587.9 | 13.2 | 3.1 | -3.4 | -16.1 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -0.2 |
| Employment | 6,033.4 | 6,038.0 | 15.4 | 4.6 | -169.8 | -206.0 | 0.1 | -2.7 | -3.3 |
| Unemployment | 551.4 | 549.9 | 13.2 | -1.5 | 166.4 | 189.9 | -0.3 | 43.4 | 52.8 |
| Participation rate | 90.6 | 90.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -0.6 | -0.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.4 | 8.3 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 2.5 | 2.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 83.0 | 83.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -2.9 | -3.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| 25 to 54 years, women | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 7,273.3 | 7,276.5 | ... | 3.2 | 37.4 | 42.6 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| Labour force | 5,989.3 | 5,981.2 | 15.2 | -8.1 | 29.7 | 43.4 | -0.1 | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| Employment | 5,610.9 | 5,591.0 | 15.4 | -19.9 | -69.7 | -68.9 | -0.4 | -1.2 | -1.2 |
| Unemployment | 378.4 | 390.3 | 11.8 | 11.9 | 99.4 | 112.4 | 3.1 | 34.2 | 40.4 |
| Participation rate | 82.3 | 82.2 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.3 | 6.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 1.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 77.1 | 76.8 | 0.2 | -0.3 | -1.4 | -1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 55 years and over, both sexes | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 8,460.0 | 8,482.8 | ... | 22.8 | 235.0 | 275.6 | 0.3 | 2.8 | 3.4 |
| Labour force | 2,991.8 | 2,999.9 | 16.0 | 8.1 | 152.2 | 156.0 | 0.3 | 5.3 | 5.5 |
| Employment | 2,798.5 | 2,790.5 | 16.0 | -8.0 | 101.8 | 100.2 | -0.3 | 3.8 | 3.7 |
| Unemployment | 193.3 | 209.4 | 8.4 | 16.1 | 50.4 | 55.8 | 8.3 | 31.7 | 36.3 |
| Participation rate | 35.4 | 35.4 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.5 | 7.0 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.4 | 1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 33.1 | 32.9 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 55 years and over, men | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 3,979.8 | 3,991.2 | ... | 11.4 | 115.9 | 135.8 | 0.3 | 3.0 | 3.5 |
| Labour force | 1,659.3 | 1,659.4 | 10.7 | 0.1 | 78.0 | 68.4 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 4.3 |
| Employment | 1,528.5 | 1,525.0 | 10.7 | -3.5 | 33.5 | 28.9 | -0.2 | 2.2 | 1.9 |
| Unemployment | 130.9 | 134.4 | 6.2 | 3.5 | 44.5 | 39.5 | 2.7 | 49.5 | 41.6 |
| Participation rate | 41.7 | 41.6 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.8 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.9 | 8.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 2.4 | 2.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 38.4 | 38.2 | 0.3 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| 55 years and over, women | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 4,480.2 | 4,491.6 | ... | 11.4 | 119.1 | 139.8 | 0.3 | 2.7 | 3.2 |
| Labour force | 1,332.5 | 1,340.5 | 11.0 | 8.0 | 74.2 | 87.6 | 0.6 | 5.9 | 7.0 |
| Employment | 1,270.0 | 1,265.5 | 10.9 | -4.5 | 68.3 | 71.3 | -0.4 | 5.7 | 6.0 |
| Unemployment | 62.5 | 75.0 | 5.6 | 12.5 | 5.8 | 16.3 | 20.0 | 8.4 | 27.8 |
| Participation rate | 29.7 | 29.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.7 | 5.6 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 28.3 | 28.2 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | ... | ... | ... |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands | | | | | | | | | |
| Class of worker | | | | | | | | | |
| Employees | 14,110.5 | 14,039.8 | 33.4 | -70.7 | -412.8 | -503.5 | -0.5 | -2.9 | -3.5 |
| Self-employed ² | 2,727.5 | 2,755.0 | 22.7 | 27.5 | 96.6 | 103.6 | 1.0 | 3.6 | 3.9 |
| Public/private sector employees | | | | | | | | | |
| Public sector employees | 3,433.0 | 3,407.4 | 21.8 | -25.6 | -39.3 | -54.5 | -0.7 | -1.1 | -1.6 |
| Private sector employees | 10,677.5 | 10,632.3 | 34.0 | -45.2 | -373.6 | -449.2 | -0.4 | -3.4 | -4.1 |
| Industry | 16,838.0 | 16,794.8 | 28.1 | -43.2 | -316.2 | -399.9 | -0.3 | -1.8 | -2.3 |
| Goods-producing sector | 3,714.6 | 3,708.3 | 24.0 | -6.3 | -268.8 | -330.3 | -0.2 | -6.8 | -8.2 |
| Agriculture | 319.5 | 321.9 | 7.1 | 2.4 | 5.7 | -4.1 | 0.8 | 1.8 | -1.3 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 313.0 | 301.7 | 6.8 | -11.3 | -42.2 | -37.2 | -3.6 | -12.3 | -11.0 |
| Utilities | 150.3 | 149.9 | 4.8 | -0.4 | 0.9 | 1.3 | -0.3 | 0.6 | 0.9 |
| Construction | 1,166.8 | 1,178.0 | 15.2 | 11.2 | -39.5 | -72.5 | 1.0 | -3.2 | -5.8 |
| Manufacturing | 1,765.0 | 1,756.8 | 17.8 | -8.2 | -193.7 | -217.7 | -0.5 | -9.9 | -11.0 |
| Services-producing sector | 13,123.4 | 13,086.4 | 31.6 | -37.0 | -47.5 | -69.7 | -0.3 | -0.4 | -0.5 |
| Trade | 2,662.9 | 2,632.1 | 20.9 | -30.8 | -29.6 | -44.7 | -1.2 | -1.1 | -1.7 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 797.7 | 819.9 | 12.5 | 22.2 | -49.8 | -50.7 | 2.8 | -5.7 | -5.8 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 1,121.1 | 1,118.0 | 14.2 | -3.1 | 34.3 | 47.0 | -0.3 | 3.2 | 4.4 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 1,199.8 | 1,196.9 | 15.4 | -2.9 | -10.2 | -7.1 | -0.2 | -0.8 | -0.6 |
| Business, building and other support services | 645.8 | 639.0 | 12.8 | -6.8 | -31.1 | -30.9 | -1.1 | -4.6 | -4.6 |
| Educational services | 1,188.4 | 1,196.5 | 14.2 | 8.1 | 12.0 | -11.7 | 0.7 | 1.0 | -1.0 |
| Health care and social assistance | 1,946.8 | 1,955.1 | 16.0 | 8.3 | 15.6 | 32.9 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 1.7 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 791.5 | 785.1 | 12.8 | -6.4 | 22.5 | 36.3 | -0.8 | 3.0 | 4.8 |
| Accommodation and food services | 1,032.0 | 1,034.5 | 15.4 | 2.5 | -28.9 | -31.0 | 0.2 | -2.7 | -2.9 |
| Other services | 805.4 | 785.5 | 12.0 | -19.9 | 28.6 | 19.3 | -2.5 | 3.8 | 2.5 |
| Public administration | 932.0 | 923.8 | 11.5 | -8.2 | -10.9 | -29.2 | -0.9 | -1.2 | -3.1 |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 429.7 | 429.9 | ... | 0.2 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| Labour force | 255.9 | 256.0 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Employment | 216.6 | 212.6 | 2.2 | -4.0 | -4.9 | -5.7 | -1.8 | -2.3 | -2.6 |
| Employment full-time | 184.9 | 180.2 | 2.4 | -4.7 | -5.4 | -5.1 | -2.5 | -2.9 | -2.8 |
| Employment part-time | 31.7 | 32.4 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | -0.6 | 2.2 | 1.9 | -1.8 |
| Unemployment | 39.2 | 43.4 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 8.9 | 8.5 | 10.7 | 25.8 | 24.4 |
| Participation rate | 59.6 | 59.5 | 0.5 | -0.1 | 0.6 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 15.3 | 17.0 | 0.8 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 3.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 50.4 | 49.5 | 0.5 | -0.9 | -1.4 | -1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Prince Edward Island | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 116.4 | 116.4 | ... | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Labour force | 78.9 | 80.2 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 2.2 | 1.9 |
| Employment | 69.6 | 70.6 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 1.3 |
| Employment full-time | 57.5 | 57.1 | 0.9 | -0.4 | -0.7 | -0.6 | -0.7 | -1.2 | -1.0 |
| Employment part-time | 12.1 | 13.4 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 10.7 | 17.5 | 12.6 |
| Unemployment | 9.3 | 9.6 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 3.2 | 4.3 | 5.5 |
| Participation rate | 67.8 | 68.9 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 11.8 | 12.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 59.8 | 60.7 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Nova Scotia | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 773.3 | 773.7 | ... | 0.4 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Labour force | 499.6 | 500.0 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 6.0 | 4.8 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| Employment | 452.1 | 453.3 | 2.9 | 1.2 | -0.2 | -4.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | -0.9 |
| Employment full-time | 368.8 | 372.4 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 0.8 | -0.6 | 1.0 | 0.2 | -0.2 |
| Employment part-time | 83.3 | 80.9 | 3.1 | -2.4 | -1.1 | -3.6 | -2.9 | -1.3 | -4.3 |
| Unemployment | 47.5 | 46.7 | 2.6 | -0.8 | 6.2 | 9.0 | -1.7 | 15.3 | 23.9 |
| Participation rate | 64.6 | 64.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.5 | 9.3 | 0.5 | -0.2 | 1.1 | 1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 58.5 | 58.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | -0.3 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| New Brunswick | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 622.2 | 622.3 | ... | 0.1 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Labour force | 400.1 | 403.6 | 2.5 | 3.5 | 2.6 | -1.7 | 0.9 | 0.6 | -0.4 |
| Employment | 367.8 | 369.4 | 2.6 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.1 |
| Employment full-time | 309.6 | 312.0 | 3.0 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Employment part-time | 58.2 | 57.4 | 2.5 | -0.8 | 1.6 | -1.9 | -1.4 | 2.9 | -3.2 |
| Unemployment | 32.3 | 34.2 | 2.3 | 1.9 | -0.2 | -1.9 | 5.9 | -0.6 | -5.3 |
| Participation rate | 64.3 | 64.9 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.2 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.1 | 8.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 59.1 | 59.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 6,451.9 | 6,458.7 | ... | 6.8 | 58.6 | 68.0 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 1.1 |
| Labour force | 4,196.7 | 4,182.1 | 14.2 | -14.6 | -9.5 | -10.7 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.3 |
| Employment | 3,826.7 | 3,828.1 | 14.6 | 1.4 | -56.2 | -62.1 | 0.0 | -1.4 | -1.6 |
| Employment full-time | 3,107.6 | 3,131.5 | 18.7 | 23.9 | -3.3 | -9.3 | 0.8 | -0.1 | -0.3 |
| Employment part-time | 719.1 | 696.6 | 17.0 | -22.5 | -52.9 | -52.8 | -3.1 | -7.1 | -7.0 |
| Unemployment | 370.0 | 354.0 | 13.0 | -16.0 | 46.8 | 51.4 | -4.3 | 15.2 | 17.0 |
| Participation rate | 65.0 | 64.8 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.7 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.8 | 8.5 | 0.3 | -0.3 | 1.2 | 1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 59.3 | 59.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -1.4 | -1.6 | ... | ... | ... |

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 10,695.3 | 10,707.6 | ... | 12.3 | 126.8 | 147.5 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 7,182.5 | 7,182.4 | 19.0 | -0.1 | 0.4 | -15.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.2 |
| Employment | 6,525.1 | 6,513.1 | 18.9 | -12.0 | -152.1 | -205.9 | -0.2 | -2.3 | -3.1 |
| Employment full-time | 5,265.5 | 5,268.7 | 24.5 | 3.2 | -152.4 | -195.1 | 0.1 | -2.8 | -3.6 |
| Employment part-time | 1,259.6 | 1,244.4 | 22.3 | -15.2 | 0.3 | -10.9 | -1.2 | 0.0 | -0.9 |
| Unemployment | 657.4 | 669.3 | 16.9 | 11.9 | 152.5 | 190.5 | 1.8 | 29.5 | 39.8 |
| Participation rate | 67.2 | 67.1 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.8 | -1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.2 | 9.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 2.1 | 2.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.0 | 60.8 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -2.2 | -2.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Manitoba | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 926.1 | 926.9 | ... | 0.8 | 12.1 | 13.8 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| Labour force | 643.2 | 642.8 | 2.7 | -0.4 | 6.3 | 8.3 | -0.1 | 1.0 | 1.3 |
| Employment | 608.9 | 605.5 | 2.8 | -3.4 | -3.6 | -1.4 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.2 |
| Employment full-time | 489.1 | 488.5 | 3.9 | -0.6 | -4.6 | -5.2 | -0.1 | -0.9 | -1.1 |
| Employment part-time | 119.8 | 117.0 | 3.5 | -2.8 | 1.0 | 3.8 | -2.3 | 0.9 | 3.4 |
| Unemployment | 34.3 | 37.3 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 8.7 | 36.1 | 35.1 |
| Participation rate | 69.5 | 69.3 | 0.3 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.3 | 5.8 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 65.7 | 65.3 | 0.3 | -0.4 | -1.3 | -1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Saskatchewan | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 782.1 | 783.0 | ... | 0.9 | 9.0 | 10.9 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 544.3 | 546.8 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 5.8 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| Employment | 519.0 | 517.7 | 2.6 | -1.3 | -2.6 | -2.0 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.4 |
| Employment full-time | 421.8 | 421.2 | 3.3 | -0.6 | -5.2 | -4.6 | -0.1 | -1.2 | -1.1 |
| Employment part-time | 97.2 | 96.6 | 3.1 | -0.6 | 2.7 | 2.7 | -0.6 | 2.9 | 2.9 |
| Unemployment | 25.3 | 29.0 | 1.9 | 3.7 | 6.3 | 7.7 | 14.6 | 27.8 | 36.2 |
| Participation rate | 69.6 | 69.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.4 | -0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.6 | 5.3 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 66.4 | 66.1 | 0.3 | -0.3 | -1.1 | -1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Alberta | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 2,882.2 | 2,887.1 | ... | 4.9 | 63.4 | 74.8 | 0.2 | 2.2 | 2.7 |
| Labour force | 2,134.0 | 2,127.6 | 8.2 | -6.4 | 17.4 | 14.5 | -0.3 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Employment | 1,982.1 | 1,967.2 | 8.8 | -14.9 | -55.3 | -68.0 | -0.8 | -2.7 | -3.3 |
| Employment full-time | 1,627.9 | 1,618.0 | 11.5 | -9.9 | -62.8 | -83.2 | -0.6 | -3.7 | -4.9 |
| Employment part-time | 354.2 | 349.1 | 10.2 | -5.1 | 7.4 | 15.1 | -1.4 | 2.2 | 4.5 |
| Unemployment | 151.9 | 160.5 | 6.4 | 8.6 | 72.7 | 82.7 | 5.7 | 82.8 | 106.3 |
| Participation rate | 74.0 | 73.7 | 0.3 | -0.3 | -1.0 | -1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.1 | 7.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 3.3 | 3.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 68.8 | 68.1 | 0.3 | -0.7 | -3.5 | -4.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| British Columbia | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 3,722.6 | 3,727.5 | ... | 4.9 | 55.3 | 63.6 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 |
| Labour force | 2,452.7 | 2,460.8 | 10.3 | 8.1 | 28.3 | 26.2 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Employment | 2,270.1 | 2,257.2 | 10.4 | -12.9 | -45.5 | -51.8 | -0.6 | -2.0 | -2.2 |
| Employment full-time | 1,777.0 | 1,776.5 | 14.2 | -0.5 | -63.1 | -76.9 | 0.0 | -3.4 | -4.1 |
| Employment part-time | 493.1 | 480.7 | 13.2 | -12.4 | 17.5 | 25.1 | -2.5 | 3.8 | 5.5 |
| Unemployment | 182.6 | 203.5 | 8.0 | 20.9 | 73.8 | 77.8 | 11.4 | 56.9 | 61.9 |
| Participation rate | 65.9 | 66.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | -0.2 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.4 | 8.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 3.0 | 3.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.0 | 60.6 | 0.3 | -0.4 | -2.1 | -2.4 | ... | ... | ... |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 429.7 | 429.9 | ... | 0.2 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| Labour force | 255.9 | 256.0 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Employment | 216.6 | 212.6 | 2.2 | -4.0 | -4.9 | -5.7 | -1.8 | -2.3 | -2.6 |
| Employment full-time | 184.9 | 180.2 | 2.4 | -4.7 | -5.4 | -5.1 | -2.5 | -2.9 | -2.8 |
| Unemployment | 39.2 | 43.4 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 8.9 | 8.5 | 10.7 | 25.8 | 24.4 |
| Participation rate | 59.6 | 59.5 | 0.5 | -0.1 | 0.6 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 15.3 | 17.0 | 0.8 | 1.7 | 3.3 | 3.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 50.4 | 49.5 | 0.5 | -0.9 | -1.4 | -1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 14.6 | 15.2 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 60.9 | 60.9 | ... | 0.0 | -1.0 | -1.2 | 0.0 | -1.6 | -1.9 |
| Labour force | 34.3 | 34.0 | 1.1 | -0.3 | -0.3 | -1.5 | -0.9 | -0.9 | -4.2 |
| Employment | 26.7 | 25.9 | 1.1 | -0.8 | -0.8 | -2.5 | -3.0 | -3.0 | -8.8 |
| Unemployment | 7.7 | 8.1 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 5.2 | 6.6 | 14.1 |
| Participation rate | 56.3 | 55.8 | 1.8 | -0.5 | 0.4 | -1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 22.4 | 23.8 | 2.6 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 3.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 43.8 | 42.5 | 1.7 | -1.3 | -0.6 | -3.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 40.1 | 45.2 | 3.6 | 5.1 | -4.3 | -0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 177.7 | 177.8 | ... | 0.1 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.0 |
| Labour force | 116.4 | 115.9 | 1.3 | -0.5 | 1.8 | 0.4 | -0.4 | 1.6 | 0.3 |
| Employment | 98.5 | 96.1 | 1.4 | -2.4 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -2.4 | -1.9 | -1.9 |
| Unemployment | 17.9 | 19.7 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 3.6 | 2.1 | 10.1 | 22.4 | 11.9 |
| Participation rate | 65.5 | 65.2 | 0.7 | -0.3 | 0.5 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 15.4 | 17.0 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 2.9 | 1.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 55.4 | 54.0 | 0.8 | -1.4 | -1.6 | -1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 4.4 | 5.2 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.2 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 191.0 | 191.2 | ... | 0.2 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Labour force | 105.1 | 106.1 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 3.8 |
| Employment | 91.5 | 90.5 | 1.1 | -1.0 | -2.3 | -1.5 | -1.1 | -2.5 | -1.6 |
| Unemployment | 13.6 | 15.5 | 1.1 | 1.9 | 4.7 | 5.3 | 14.0 | 43.5 | 52.0 |
| Participation rate | 55.0 | 55.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 12.9 | 14.6 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 4.2 | 4.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 47.9 | 47.3 | 0.6 | -0.6 | -1.7 | -1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 18.3 | 17.3 | 1.2 | -0.9 | 2.5 | 2.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | | | | | | | | | |
| Industry | 216.6 | 212.6 | 2.2 | -4.0 | -4.9 | -5.7 | -1.8 | -2.3 | -2.6 |
| Goods-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Agriculture | 47.3 | 45.2 | 1.7 | -2.1 | -3.2 | -1.1 | -4.4 | -6.6 | -2.4 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -37.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Utilities | 15.3 | 14.2 | 1.0 | -1.1 | -2.1 | -1.3 | -7.2 | -12.9 | -8.4 |
| Construction | 2.9 | 2.2 | 0.3 | -0.7 | 0.4 | 0.5 | -24.1 | 22.2 | 29.4 |
| Manufacturing | 17.0 | 17.4 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 4.8 |
| | 11.4 | 10.8 | 1.0 | -0.6 | -1.8 | -1.2 | -5.3 | -14.3 | -10.0 |
| Services-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Trade | 169.3 | 167.4 | 2.1 | -1.9 | -1.6 | -4.7 | -1.1 | -0.9 | -2.7 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 35.5 | 35.8 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 4.1 | 4.4 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 12.4 | 12.4 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 13.8 | 19.2 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 7.3 | 7.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | -0.2 | 2.7 | 7.1 | -2.6 |
| Business, building and other support services | 6.8 | 7.1 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -1.0 | -0.4 | 4.4 | -12.3 | -5.3 |
| Educational services | 7.1 | 6.0 | 0.7 | -1.1 | -1.8 | -2.2 | -15.5 | -23.1 | -26.8 |
| Health care and social assistance | 18.2 | 17.9 | 0.9 | -0.3 | 0.4 | 0.7 | -1.6 | 2.3 | 4.1 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 34.0 | 33.9 | 1.1 | -0.1 | 0.7 | -0.4 | -0.3 | 2.1 | -1.2 |
| Accommodation and food services | 8.4 | 8.0 | 0.7 | -0.4 | 0.3 | -0.2 | -4.8 | 3.9 | -2.4 |
| Other services | 13.5 | 12.6 | 0.9 | -0.9 | 0.8 | -0.2 | -6.7 | 6.8 | -1.6 |
| Public administration | 10.1 | 9.5 | 0.8 | -0.6 | -4.0 | -3.6 | -5.9 | -29.6 | -27.5 |
| | 16.0 | 16.8 | 0.9 | 0.8 | -0.4 | -1.6 | 5.0 | -2.3 | -8.7 |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 116.4 | 116.4 | ... | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Labour force | 78.9 | 80.2 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 2.2 | 1.9 |
| Employment | 69.6 | 70.6 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 1.3 |
| Employment full-time | 57.5 | 57.1 | 0.9 | -0.4 | -0.7 | -0.6 | -0.7 | -1.2 | -1.0 |
| Unemployment | 9.3 | 9.6 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 3.2 | 4.3 | 5.5 |
| Participation rate | 67.8 | 68.9 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 11.8 | 12.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 59.8 | 60.7 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 17.4 | 19.0 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 1.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 19.8 | 19.8 | ... | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Labour force | 14.1 | 13.9 | 0.4 | -0.2 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -1.4 | -0.7 | -2.1 |
| Employment | 11.4 | 11.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -2.6 |
| Unemployment | 2.7 | 2.5 | 0.4 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 0.0 | -7.4 | -3.8 | 0.0 |
| Participation rate | 71.2 | 70.2 | 2.1 | -1.0 | -0.5 | -1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 19.1 | 18.0 | 2.6 | -1.1 | -0.6 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 57.6 | 57.6 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 41.2 | 37.7 | 3.5 | -3.5 | -6.1 | -5.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 46.4 | 46.4 | ... | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| Labour force | 33.4 | 34.0 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 4.0 | 4.3 |
| Employment | 29.7 | 29.6 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.3 | 0.7 | -0.3 | 1.0 | 2.4 |
| Unemployment | 3.7 | 4.4 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 18.9 | 29.4 | 18.9 |
| Participation rate | 72.0 | 73.3 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 2.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 11.1 | 12.9 | 1.2 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 64.0 | 63.8 | 0.9 | -0.2 | 0.1 | 1.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 7.1 | 8.4 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 2.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 50.2 | 50.2 | ... | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 31.4 | 32.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 2.9 | 1.9 | 1.3 |
| Employment | 28.5 | 29.6 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 1.7 |
| Unemployment | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.3 | -0.1 | -0.5 | -0.2 | -3.6 | -15.6 | -6.9 |
| Participation rate | 62.5 | 64.3 | 0.7 | 1.8 | 0.4 | -0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.9 | 8.4 | 1.0 | -0.5 | -1.7 | -0.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 56.8 | 59.0 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 18.9 | 22.3 | 1.5 | 3.3 | 5.5 | 4.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | | | | | | | | | |
| Goods-producing sector | 69.6 | 70.6 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 1.3 |
| Agriculture | 17.0 | 17.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 2.4 | -0.6 | 0.6 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 3.8 | 4.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 7.9 | 32.3 | 36.7 |
| Utilities | 2.0 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | -1.3 | -0.6 | 5.0 | -38.2 | -22.2 |
| Construction | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 50.0 |
| Manufacturing | 5.6 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 14.3 | 7.7 |
| Manufacturing | 5.4 | 5.3 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -0.5 | -0.8 | -1.9 | -8.6 | -13.1 |
| Services-producing sector | 52.6 | 53.2 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 2.9 | 1.5 |
| Trade | 10.1 | 11.2 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 10.9 | 20.4 | 7.7 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 2.1 | 2.0 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.9 | -0.4 | -4.8 | -31.0 | -16.7 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 2.7 | 2.6 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | -3.7 | 8.3 | 4.0 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 2.1 | 2.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | -0.5 | -0.3 | 4.8 | -18.5 | -12.0 |
| Business, building and other support services | 2.4 | 2.7 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 12.5 | 17.4 | 3.8 |
| Educational services | 5.7 | 5.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 23.4 | 18.4 |
| Health care and social assistance | 8.0 | 8.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | -0.4 | -0.3 | 3.8 | -4.6 | -3.5 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.3 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -4.2 | -11.5 | -8.0 |
| Accommodation and food services | 5.5 | 5.4 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -0.3 | 0.0 | -1.8 | -5.3 | 0.0 |
| Other services | 3.6 | 3.1 | 0.3 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | -13.9 | 14.8 | 19.2 |
| Public administration | 7.9 | 7.7 | 0.4 | -0.2 | 0.0 | -0.4 | -2.5 | 0.0 | -4.9 |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 773.3 | 773.7 | ... | 0.4 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Labour force | 499.6 | 500.0 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 6.0 | 4.8 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| Employment | 452.1 | 453.3 | 2.9 | 1.2 | -0.2 | -4.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | -0.9 |
| Employment full-time | 368.8 | 372.4 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 0.8 | -0.6 | 1.0 | 0.2 | -0.2 |
| Unemployment | 47.5 | 46.7 | 2.6 | -0.8 | 6.2 | 9.0 | -1.7 | 15.3 | 23.9 |
| Participation rate | 64.6 | 64.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.5 | 9.3 | 0.5 | -0.2 | 1.1 | 1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 58.5 | 58.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | -0.3 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 18.4 | 17.8 | 0.7 | -0.6 | -0.2 | -0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 119.9 | 119.8 | ... | -0.1 | -0.9 | -1.1 | -0.1 | -0.7 | -0.9 |
| Labour force | 80.9 | 80.5 | 1.7 | -0.4 | -0.9 | -2.5 | -0.5 | -1.1 | -3.0 |
| Employment | 67.0 | 68.2 | 1.7 | 1.2 | -0.9 | -2.6 | 1.8 | -1.3 | -3.7 |
| Unemployment | 13.9 | 12.3 | 1.5 | -1.6 | -0.1 | 0.1 | -11.5 | -0.8 | 0.8 |
| Participation rate | 67.5 | 67.2 | 1.4 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 17.2 | 15.3 | 1.7 | -1.9 | 0.1 | 0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 55.9 | 56.9 | 1.4 | 1.0 | -0.3 | -1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 44.9 | 43.3 | 2.4 | -1.7 | 0.6 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 311.4 | 311.6 | ... | 0.2 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Labour force | 214.7 | 214.0 | 1.5 | -0.7 | 1.7 | 2.2 | -0.3 | 0.8 | 1.0 |
| Employment | 194.2 | 193.7 | 1.6 | -0.5 | -1.4 | -2.3 | -0.3 | -0.7 | -1.2 |
| Unemployment | 20.5 | 20.4 | 1.6 | -0.1 | 3.1 | 4.6 | -0.5 | 17.9 | 29.1 |
| Participation rate | 68.9 | 68.7 | 0.5 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.5 | 9.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 2.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 62.4 | 62.2 | 0.5 | -0.2 | -0.8 | -1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 7.5 | 6.4 | 0.7 | -1.2 | -0.8 | -1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 342.0 | 342.3 | ... | 0.3 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| Labour force | 204.0 | 205.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 0.7 | 2.6 | 2.5 |
| Employment | 190.9 | 191.5 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 0.4 |
| Unemployment | 13.1 | 14.0 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 3.1 | 4.2 | 6.9 | 28.4 | 42.9 |
| Participation rate | 59.6 | 60.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.4 | 6.8 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 1.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 55.8 | 55.9 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 20.2 | 20.4 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | | | | | | | | | |
| Industry | 452.1 | 453.3 | 2.9 | 1.2 | -0.2 | -4.2 | 0.3 | 0.0 | -0.9 |
| Goods-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Agriculture | 86.4 | 86.7 | 2.3 | 0.3 | -6.2 | -4.1 | 0.3 | -6.7 | -4.5 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 7.2 | 7.3 | 0.7 | 0.1 | -0.3 | 0.8 | 1.4 | -3.9 | 12.3 |
| Utilities | 13.0 | 12.6 | 1.1 | -0.4 | 0.4 | -0.5 | -3.1 | 3.3 | -3.8 |
| Construction | 3.5 | 3.6 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 2.9 | 33.3 | 28.6 |
| Manufacturing | 30.8 | 29.9 | 1.4 | -0.9 | -1.9 | 0.3 | -2.9 | -6.0 | 1.0 |
| Manufacturing | 31.8 | 33.2 | 1.5 | 1.4 | -5.5 | -5.5 | 4.4 | -14.2 | -14.2 |
| Services-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Trade | 365.6 | 366.7 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 0.0 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 80.2 | 75.3 | 2.0 | -4.9 | -4.1 | -5.1 | -6.1 | -5.2 | -6.3 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 21.8 | 21.1 | 1.0 | -0.7 | 1.6 | 2.4 | -3.2 | 8.2 | 12.8 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 23.8 | 24.5 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 13.4 | 12.4 |
| Business, building and other support services | 21.8 | 21.5 | 1.1 | -0.3 | -2.7 | -1.6 | -1.4 | -11.2 | -6.9 |
| Educational services | 22.3 | 21.8 | 1.4 | -0.5 | -3.1 | -1.9 | -2.2 | -12.4 | -8.0 |
| Health care and social assistance | 38.9 | 39.1 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 0.5 | 11.7 | 12.7 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 61.8 | 66.2 | 1.5 | 4.4 | 6.9 | 5.7 | 7.1 | 11.6 | 9.4 |
| Accommodation and food services | 18.5 | 18.9 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | -0.3 | 2.2 | 2.2 | -1.6 |
| Other services | 25.1 | 27.5 | 1.5 | 2.4 | -2.4 | -3.7 | 9.6 | -8.0 | -11.9 |
| Public administration | 19.5 | 18.0 | 1.1 | -1.5 | -0.4 | -2.4 | -7.7 | -2.2 | -11.8 |
| Public administration | 31.9 | 32.6 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 2.6 | -0.5 | 2.2 | 8.7 | -1.5 |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 622.2 | 622.3 | ... | 0.1 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Labour force | 400.1 | 403.6 | 2.5 | 3.5 | 2.6 | -1.7 | 0.9 | 0.6 | -0.4 |
| Employment | 367.8 | 369.4 | 2.6 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.1 |
| Employment full-time | 309.6 | 312.0 | 3.0 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Unemployment | 32.3 | 34.2 | 2.3 | 1.9 | -0.2 | -1.9 | 5.9 | -0.6 | -5.3 |
| Participation rate | 64.3 | 64.9 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.2 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.1 | 8.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 59.1 | 59.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 15.8 | 15.5 | 0.7 | -0.3 | 0.3 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 93.3 | 93.2 | ... | -0.1 | -1.1 | -1.3 | -0.1 | -1.2 | -1.4 |
| Labour force | 59.8 | 60.5 | 1.3 | 0.7 | -5.3 | -6.0 | 1.2 | -8.1 | -9.0 |
| Employment | 50.8 | 52.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 | -4.3 | -3.9 | 2.8 | -7.6 | -7.0 |
| Unemployment | 8.9 | 8.4 | 1.2 | -0.5 | -1.0 | -2.1 | -5.6 | -10.6 | -20.0 |
| Participation rate | 64.1 | 64.9 | 1.4 | 0.8 | -4.9 | -5.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 14.9 | 13.9 | 1.8 | -1.0 | -0.4 | -1.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 54.4 | 56.0 | 1.4 | 1.6 | -3.9 | -3.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 38.4 | 38.7 | 2.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | -4.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 255.2 | 255.3 | ... | 0.1 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| Labour force | 177.1 | 178.7 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 5.2 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 3.0 | 1.2 |
| Employment | 162.6 | 162.8 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 4.5 | 2.8 | 0.1 | 2.8 | 1.8 |
| Unemployment | 14.5 | 15.9 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.8 | -0.6 | 9.7 | 5.3 | -3.6 |
| Participation rate | 69.4 | 70.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.2 | 8.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.2 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 63.7 | 63.8 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 1.4 | 0.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 5.8 | 6.3 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 273.6 | 273.8 | ... | 0.2 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.9 |
| Labour force | 163.2 | 164.4 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 1.7 | 1.3 |
| Employment | 154.3 | 154.4 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 1.7 | 0.8 |
| Unemployment | 8.8 | 9.9 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 12.5 | 1.0 | 8.8 |
| Participation rate | 59.6 | 60.0 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.4 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 0.6 | -0.1 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 56.4 | 56.4 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 19.0 | 17.5 | 1.0 | -1.5 | 0.6 | 0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | | | | | | | | | |
| Goods-producing sector | 367.8 | 369.4 | 2.6 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.1 |
| Agriculture | 85.6 | 83.8 | 2.1 | -1.8 | 4.7 | 0.5 | -2.1 | 5.9 | 0.6 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 7.3 | 6.8 | 0.6 | -0.5 | -0.7 | 0.5 | -6.8 | -9.3 | 7.9 |
| Utilities | 12.1 | 11.2 | 0.8 | -0.9 | 1.7 | -0.2 | -7.4 | 17.9 | -1.8 |
| Construction | 4.0 | 4.3 | 0.5 | 0.3 | -0.5 | -0.6 | 7.5 | -10.4 | -12.2 |
| Manufacturing | 28.3 | 29.0 | 1.3 | 0.7 | 5.1 | 4.2 | 2.5 | 21.3 | 16.9 |
| Services-producing sector | 33.8 | 32.6 | 1.4 | -1.2 | -0.9 | -3.4 | -3.6 | -2.7 | -9.4 |
| Trade | 282.2 | 285.6 | 2.5 | 3.4 | -1.9 | -0.3 | 1.2 | -0.7 | -0.1 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 53.6 | 54.9 | 1.6 | 1.3 | -2.0 | -2.6 | 2.4 | -3.5 | -4.5 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 17.9 | 18.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 | -1.8 | -3.4 | 2.8 | -8.9 | -15.6 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 18.5 | 18.5 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 17.8 | 17.1 |
| Business, building and other support services | 16.2 | 16.7 | 1.0 | 0.5 | -0.7 | -0.8 | 3.1 | -4.0 | -4.6 |
| Educational services | 18.2 | 18.1 | 1.0 | -0.1 | -2.9 | -1.8 | -0.5 | -13.8 | -9.0 |
| Health care and social assistance | 26.9 | 27.8 | 1.2 | 0.9 | -1.7 | 1.0 | 3.3 | -5.8 | 3.7 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 50.4 | 49.2 | 1.3 | -1.2 | -0.8 | -2.0 | -2.4 | -1.6 | -3.9 |
| Accommodation and food services | 12.2 | 11.7 | 0.7 | -0.5 | 0.7 | 1.0 | -4.1 | 6.4 | 9.3 |
| Other services | 23.6 | 26.1 | 1.1 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 4.8 | 10.6 | 14.5 | 22.5 |
| Public administration | 16.9 | 16.7 | 0.9 | -0.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 | -1.2 | 10.6 | 12.8 |
| Public administration | 27.8 | 27.4 | 1.1 | -0.4 | -0.5 | -1.2 | -1.4 | -1.8 | -4.2 |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 6,451.9 | 6,458.7 | ... | 6.8 | 58.6 | 68.0 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 1.1 |
| Labour force | 4,196.7 | 4,182.1 | 14.2 | -14.6 | -9.5 | -10.7 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.3 |
| Employment | 3,826.7 | 3,828.1 | 14.6 | 1.4 | -56.2 | -62.1 | 0.0 | -1.4 | -1.6 |
| Employment full-time | 3,107.6 | 3,131.5 | 18.7 | 23.9 | -3.3 | -9.3 | 0.8 | -0.1 | -0.3 |
| Unemployment | 370.0 | 354.0 | 13.0 | -16.0 | 46.8 | 51.4 | -4.3 | 15.2 | 17.0 |
| Participation rate | 65.0 | 64.8 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.7 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.8 | 8.5 | 0.3 | -0.3 | 1.2 | 1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 59.3 | 59.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -1.4 | -1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 18.8 | 18.2 | 0.4 | -0.6 | -1.1 | -1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 963.1 | 963.6 | ... | 0.5 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Labour force | 625.8 | 620.3 | 8.4 | -5.5 | -23.2 | -29.4 | -0.9 | -3.6 | -4.5 |
| Employment | 529.9 | 532.9 | 8.2 | 3.0 | -26.1 | -40.5 | 0.6 | -4.7 | -7.1 |
| Unemployment | 95.8 | 87.4 | 7.5 | -8.4 | 2.9 | 11.1 | -8.8 | 3.4 | 14.5 |
| Participation rate | 65.0 | 64.4 | 0.9 | -0.6 | -2.6 | -3.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 15.3 | 14.1 | 1.1 | -1.2 | 1.0 | 2.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 55.0 | 55.3 | 0.9 | 0.3 | -2.9 | -4.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 49.5 | 47.9 | 1.5 | -1.6 | -4.5 | -3.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 2,683.5 | 2,686.9 | ... | 3.4 | 29.1 | 33.7 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Labour force | 1,892.4 | 1,884.0 | 7.8 | -8.4 | 17.7 | 9.8 | -0.4 | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| Employment | 1,712.1 | 1,718.1 | 8.4 | 6.0 | -10.3 | -13.6 | 0.4 | -0.6 | -0.8 |
| Unemployment | 180.3 | 165.9 | 7.9 | -14.4 | 28.0 | 23.4 | -8.0 | 20.3 | 16.4 |
| Participation rate | 70.5 | 70.1 | 0.3 | -0.4 | -0.1 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.5 | 8.8 | 0.4 | -0.7 | 1.4 | 1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 63.8 | 63.9 | 0.3 | 0.1 | -1.1 | -1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 7.7 | 7.7 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 2,805.3 | 2,808.3 | ... | 3.0 | 27.1 | 31.5 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 |
| Labour force | 1,678.5 | 1,677.8 | 7.9 | -0.7 | -4.0 | 8.9 | 0.0 | -0.2 | 0.5 |
| Employment | 1,584.6 | 1,577.2 | 8.0 | -7.4 | -19.8 | -7.8 | -0.5 | -1.2 | -0.5 |
| Unemployment | 93.9 | 100.7 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 15.9 | 16.8 | 7.2 | 18.8 | 20.0 |
| Participation rate | 59.8 | 59.7 | 0.3 | -0.1 | -0.8 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.6 | 6.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 1.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 56.5 | 56.2 | 0.3 | -0.3 | -1.2 | -0.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 20.5 | 19.6 | 0.7 | -0.9 | -1.0 | -0.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | 3,826.7 | 3,828.1 | 14.6 | 1.4 | -56.2 | -62.1 | 0.0 | -1.4 | -1.6 |
| Goods-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Agriculture | 863.0 | 867.6 | 11.9 | 4.6 | -5.8 | -17.6 | 0.5 | -0.7 | -2.0 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 59.4 | 58.8 | 3.4 | -0.6 | 6.7 | 3.0 | -1.0 | 12.9 | 5.4 |
| Utilities | 29.2 | 25.6 | 2.1 | -3.6 | -6.3 | -7.9 | -12.3 | -19.7 | -23.6 |
| Construction | 33.0 | 33.6 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 1.8 | 8.7 | 8.7 |
| Manufacturing | 208.3 | 212.5 | 7.0 | 4.2 | 4.0 | -9.0 | 2.0 | 1.9 | -4.1 |
| Manufacturing | 533.1 | 537.2 | 9.6 | 4.1 | -12.8 | -6.3 | 0.8 | -2.3 | -1.2 |
| Services-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Trade | 2,963.7 | 2,960.5 | 16.1 | -3.2 | -50.5 | -44.5 | -0.1 | -1.7 | -1.5 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 627.5 | 624.1 | 10.3 | -3.4 | 18.2 | -10.3 | -0.5 | 3.0 | -1.6 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 162.6 | 169.7 | 6.0 | 7.1 | -11.4 | -11.0 | 4.4 | -6.3 | -6.1 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 233.6 | 227.8 | 6.7 | -5.8 | 4.7 | 0.7 | -2.5 | 2.1 | 0.3 |
| Business, building and other support services | 264.8 | 280.0 | 7.6 | 15.2 | 20.4 | 17.3 | 5.7 | 7.9 | 6.6 |
| Educational services | 135.0 | 132.5 | 6.2 | -2.5 | -14.5 | 1.5 | -1.9 | -9.9 | 1.1 |
| Health care and social assistance | 267.2 | 265.8 | 7.0 | -1.4 | 20.5 | 14.9 | -0.5 | 8.4 | 5.9 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 471.6 | 466.6 | 8.4 | -5.0 | -32.2 | -14.4 | -1.1 | -6.5 | -3.0 |
| Accommodation and food services | 175.3 | 172.6 | 6.6 | -2.7 | -7.0 | -10.3 | -1.5 | -3.9 | -5.6 |
| Other services | 229.0 | 231.7 | 7.9 | 2.7 | -11.3 | -12.4 | 1.2 | -4.7 | -5.1 |
| Public administration | 174.5 | 165.8 | 6.0 | -8.7 | -5.6 | -7.2 | -5.0 | -3.3 | -4.2 |
| Public administration | 222.7 | 223.8 | 6.0 | 1.1 | -32.4 | -13.3 | 0.5 | -12.6 | -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 4-6
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Ontario

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 10,695.3 | 10,707.6 | ... | 12.3 | 126.8 | 147.5 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 7,182.5 | 7,182.4 | 19.0 | -0.1 | 0.4 | -15.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.2 |
| Employment | 6,525.1 | 6,513.1 | 18.9 | -12.0 | -152.1 | -205.9 | -0.2 | -2.3 | -3.1 |
| Employment full-time | 5,265.5 | 5,268.7 | 24.5 | 3.2 | -152.4 | -195.1 | 0.1 | -2.8 | -3.6 |
| Unemployment | 657.4 | 669.3 | 16.9 | 11.9 | 152.5 | 190.5 | 1.8 | 29.5 | 39.8 |
| Participation rate | 67.2 | 67.1 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.8 | -1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.2 | 9.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 2.1 | 2.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.0 | 60.8 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -2.2 | -2.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 19.3 | 19.1 | 0.3 | -0.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 1,747.3 | 1,747.8 | ... | 0.5 | 8.7 | 10.4 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| Labour force | 1,071.0 | 1,068.3 | 11.4 | -2.7 | -54.0 | -59.6 | -0.3 | -4.8 | -5.3 |
| Employment | 888.0 | 878.3 | 10.7 | -9.7 | -71.5 | -87.8 | -1.1 | -7.5 | -9.1 |
| Unemployment | 183.0 | 190.1 | 10.0 | 7.1 | 17.6 | 28.3 | 3.9 | 10.2 | 17.5 |
| Participation rate | 61.3 | 61.1 | 0.7 | -0.2 | -3.4 | -3.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 17.1 | 17.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 2.4 | 3.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 50.8 | 50.3 | 0.6 | -0.5 | -4.3 | -5.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 52.1 | 52.1 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 4.6 | 6.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 4,346.9 | 4,352.7 | ... | 5.8 | 57.0 | 66.1 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| Labour force | 3,197.9 | 3,200.1 | 9.5 | 2.2 | 6.7 | -3.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| Employment | 2,922.4 | 2,918.6 | 10.8 | -3.8 | -86.3 | -110.0 | -0.1 | -2.9 | -3.6 |
| Unemployment | 275.5 | 281.5 | 9.8 | 6.0 | 93.0 | 106.6 | 2.2 | 49.3 | 60.9 |
| Participation rate | 73.6 | 73.5 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.8 | -1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.6 | 8.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 2.9 | 3.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 67.2 | 67.1 | 0.3 | -0.1 | -2.9 | -3.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 8.3 | 7.7 | 0.4 | -0.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 4,601.0 | 4,607.1 | ... | 6.1 | 61.1 | 71.1 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 1.6 |
| Labour force | 2,913.7 | 2,914.0 | 11.0 | 0.3 | 47.7 | 47.6 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| Employment | 2,714.8 | 2,716.2 | 10.7 | 1.4 | 5.7 | -8.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -0.3 |
| Unemployment | 198.9 | 197.7 | 8.8 | -1.2 | 41.9 | 55.6 | -0.6 | 26.9 | 39.1 |
| Participation rate | 63.3 | 63.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.8 | 6.8 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 1.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 59.0 | 59.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -0.6 | -1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 20.4 | 20.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 | -0.6 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | 6,525.1 | 6,513.1 | 18.9 | -12.0 | -152.1 | -205.9 | -0.2 | -2.3 | -3.1 |
| Goods-producing sector | 1,358.6 | 1,375.5 | 15.8 | 16.9 | -118.4 | -155.8 | 1.2 | -7.9 | -10.2 |
| Agriculture | 82.0 | 82.3 | 3.9 | 0.3 | -5.1 | -6.9 | 0.4 | -5.8 | -7.7 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 37.5 | 35.7 | 2.3 | -1.8 | 1.4 | -2.6 | -4.8 | 4.1 | -6.8 |
| Utilities | 57.7 | 57.2 | 3.3 | -0.5 | -6.7 | -6.1 | -0.9 | -10.5 | -9.6 |
| Construction | 406.2 | 422.6 | 9.7 | 16.4 | -14.4 | -13.8 | 4.0 | -3.3 | -3.2 |
| Manufacturing | 775.1 | 777.7 | 12.4 | 2.6 | -93.5 | -126.4 | 0.3 | -10.7 | -14.0 |
| Services-producing sector | 5,166.5 | 5,137.6 | 21.1 | -28.9 | -33.7 | -50.1 | -0.6 | -0.7 | -1.0 |
| Trade | 1,002.8 | 987.2 | 14.1 | -15.6 | -39.9 | -32.1 | -1.6 | -3.9 | -3.1 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 306.4 | 313.3 | 8.5 | 6.9 | -33.7 | -31.8 | 2.3 | -9.7 | -9.2 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 517.4 | 517.2 | 10.5 | -0.2 | 22.4 | 47.4 | 0.0 | 4.5 | 10.1 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 527.3 | 517.9 | 10.7 | -9.4 | 11.4 | 15.8 | -1.8 | 2.3 | 3.1 |
| Business, building and other support services | 270.4 | 272.0 | 8.9 | 1.6 | -4.2 | -25.6 | 0.6 | -1.5 | -8.6 |
| Educational services | 447.7 | 450.5 | 9.5 | 2.8 | -18.9 | -39.2 | 0.6 | -4.0 | -8.0 |
| Health care and social assistance | 710.2 | 712.4 | 10.5 | 2.2 | 12.3 | 17.4 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 2.5 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 330.4 | 330.9 | 8.8 | 0.5 | 17.6 | 30.5 | 0.2 | 5.6 | 10.2 |
| Accommodation and food services | 377.9 | 375.6 | 10.1 | -2.3 | -13.2 | -17.2 | -0.6 | -3.4 | -4.4 |
| Other services | 316.1 | 309.3 | 8.1 | -6.8 | 13.5 | 14.2 | -2.2 | 4.6 | 4.8 |
| Public administration | 360.1 | 351.3 | 7.7 | -8.8 | -1.1 | -29.5 | -2.4 | -0.3 | -7.7 |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 926.1 | 926.9 | ... | 0.8 | 12.1 | 13.8 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| Labour force | 643.2 | 642.8 | 2.7 | -0.4 | 6.3 | 8.3 | -0.1 | 1.0 | 1.3 |
| Employment | 608.9 | 605.5 | 2.8 | -3.4 | -3.6 | -1.4 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.2 |
| Employment full-time | 489.1 | 488.5 | 3.9 | -0.6 | -4.6 | -5.2 | -0.1 | -0.9 | -1.1 |
| Unemployment | 34.3 | 37.3 | 2.1 | 3.0 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 8.7 | 36.1 | 35.1 |
| Participation rate | 69.5 | 69.3 | 0.3 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.3 | 5.8 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 65.7 | 65.3 | 0.3 | -0.4 | -1.3 | -1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 19.7 | 19.3 | 0.6 | -0.4 | 0.3 | 0.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 160.4 | 160.5 | ... | 0.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 1.1 |
| Labour force | 113.3 | 111.1 | 1.6 | -2.2 | -3.6 | -3.1 | -1.9 | -3.1 | -2.7 |
| Employment | 100.6 | 98.7 | 1.7 | -1.9 | -6.0 | -4.6 | -1.9 | -5.7 | -4.5 |
| Unemployment | 12.7 | 12.4 | 1.4 | -0.3 | 2.4 | 1.5 | -2.4 | 24.0 | 13.8 |
| Participation rate | 70.6 | 69.2 | 1.0 | -1.4 | -2.9 | -2.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 11.2 | 11.2 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 2.5 | 1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 62.7 | 61.5 | 1.0 | -1.2 | -4.3 | -3.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 41.5 | 41.0 | 1.9 | -0.4 | -2.9 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 374.3 | 374.8 | ... | 0.5 | 5.4 | 6.1 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 |
| Labour force | 286.0 | 285.8 | 1.4 | -0.2 | 5.6 | 5.7 | -0.1 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| Employment | 274.1 | 273.1 | 1.5 | -1.0 | 2.7 | 2.3 | -0.4 | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| Unemployment | 11.9 | 12.7 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 6.7 | 29.6 | 36.6 |
| Participation rate | 76.4 | 76.3 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.2 | 4.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 73.2 | 72.9 | 0.4 | -0.3 | -0.3 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 7.2 | 7.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 391.3 | 391.7 | ... | 0.4 | 5.3 | 6.1 | 0.1 | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| Labour force | 244.0 | 245.9 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 4.2 | 5.7 | 0.8 | 1.7 | 2.4 |
| Employment | 234.2 | 233.7 | 1.6 | -0.5 | -0.4 | 0.9 | -0.2 | -0.2 | 0.4 |
| Unemployment | 9.7 | 12.2 | 1.2 | 2.5 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 25.8 | 60.5 | 64.9 |
| Participation rate | 62.4 | 62.8 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.0 | 5.0 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 59.9 | 59.7 | 0.4 | -0.2 | -0.9 | -0.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 24.9 | 24.3 | 0.9 | -0.6 | 2.6 | 2.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | 608.9 | 605.5 | 2.8 | -3.4 | -3.6 | -1.4 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.2 |
| Goods-producing sector | 140.5 | 139.4 | 2.4 | -1.1 | -6.8 | -13.3 | -0.8 | -4.7 | -8.7 |
| Agriculture | 25.2 | 26.5 | 1.3 | 1.3 | -2.9 | -3.8 | 5.2 | -9.9 | -12.5 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 7.0 | 5.9 | 0.5 | -1.1 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -15.7 | 0.0 | -3.3 |
| Utilities | 8.0 | 8.1 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 17.4 | 20.9 |
| Construction | 37.4 | 36.9 | 1.5 | -0.5 | -1.3 | -3.7 | -1.3 | -3.4 | -9.1 |
| Manufacturing | 62.9 | 62.0 | 1.7 | -0.9 | -3.8 | -7.1 | -1.4 | -5.8 | -10.3 |
| Services-producing sector | 468.4 | 466.2 | 3.2 | -2.2 | 3.3 | 12.0 | -0.5 | 0.7 | 2.6 |
| Trade | 91.0 | 88.6 | 2.0 | -2.4 | -0.7 | 0.4 | -2.6 | -0.8 | 0.5 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 39.7 | 39.2 | 1.4 | -0.5 | 2.1 | 5.0 | -1.3 | 5.7 | 14.6 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 37.5 | 36.5 | 1.3 | -1.0 | 1.7 | 1.3 | -2.7 | 4.9 | 3.7 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 22.3 | 23.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | -1.2 | -0.3 | 3.1 | -5.0 | -1.3 |
| Business, building and other support services | 19.4 | 19.0 | 1.2 | -0.4 | 1.5 | 3.7 | -2.1 | 8.6 | 24.2 |
| Educational services | 51.5 | 52.0 | 1.5 | 0.5 | 4.1 | 4.9 | 1.0 | 8.6 | 10.4 |
| Health care and social assistance | 82.7 | 82.0 | 1.9 | -0.7 | -5.2 | -4.9 | -0.8 | -6.0 | -5.6 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 23.6 | 23.4 | 1.2 | -0.2 | 0.8 | 1.3 | -0.8 | 3.5 | 5.9 |
| Accommodation and food services | 37.3 | 37.9 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 3.8 |
| Other services | 27.8 | 28.9 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 |
| Public administration | 35.6 | 35.5 | 1.2 | -0.1 | -0.9 | -1.5 | -0.3 | -2.5 | -4.1 |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 782.1 | 783.0 | ... | 0.9 | 9.0 | 10.9 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 544.3 | 546.8 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 5.8 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| Employment | 519.0 | 517.7 | 2.6 | -1.3 | -2.6 | -2.0 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.4 |
| Employment full-time | 421.8 | 421.2 | 3.3 | -0.6 | -5.2 | -4.6 | -0.1 | -1.2 | -1.1 |
| Unemployment | 25.3 | 29.0 | 1.9 | 3.7 | 6.3 | 7.7 | 14.6 | 27.8 | 36.2 |
| Participation rate | 69.6 | 69.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.4 | -0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.6 | 5.3 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 66.4 | 66.1 | 0.3 | -0.3 | -1.1 | -1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 18.7 | 18.7 | 0.6 | -0.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 139.0 | 138.8 | ... | -0.2 | -0.9 | -0.8 | -0.1 | -0.6 | -0.6 |
| Labour force | 95.9 | 97.0 | 1.5 | 1.1 | -4.4 | -4.2 | 1.1 | -4.3 | -4.2 |
| Employment | 87.7 | 86.6 | 1.6 | -1.1 | -6.9 | -6.0 | -1.3 | -7.4 | -6.5 |
| Unemployment | 8.2 | 10.3 | 1.3 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 25.6 | 30.4 | 19.8 |
| Participation rate | 69.0 | 69.9 | 1.1 | 0.9 | -2.7 | -2.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.6 | 10.6 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 2.8 | 2.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 63.1 | 62.4 | 1.1 | -0.7 | -4.5 | -3.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 37.4 | 37.6 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 314.4 | 314.9 | ... | 0.5 | 5.0 | 5.9 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 |
| Labour force | 239.5 | 240.7 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 5.4 | 5.7 | 0.5 | 2.3 | 2.4 |
| Employment | 229.3 | 229.3 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.9 |
| Unemployment | 10.2 | 11.3 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 10.8 | 46.8 | 46.8 |
| Participation rate | 76.2 | 76.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.3 | 4.7 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 72.9 | 72.8 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -0.6 | -0.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 6.6 | 7.5 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 328.7 | 329.2 | ... | 0.5 | 4.8 | 5.7 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| Labour force | 208.9 | 209.2 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 3.0 | 4.4 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 2.1 |
| Employment | 201.9 | 201.8 | 1.4 | -0.1 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.0 |
| Unemployment | 7.0 | 7.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 2.4 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 48.0 |
| Participation rate | 63.6 | 63.5 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -0.1 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 3.4 | 3.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.4 | 61.3 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 24.5 | 23.2 | 1.0 | -1.2 | 1.3 | 1.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | 519.0 | 517.7 | 2.6 | -1.3 | -2.6 | -2.0 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.4 |
| Goods-producing sector | 138.8 | 141.2 | 2.2 | 2.4 | -1.4 | -1.3 | 1.7 | -1.0 | -0.9 |
| Agriculture | 42.9 | 45.8 | 1.5 | 2.9 | 6.6 | 5.0 | 6.8 | 16.8 | 12.3 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 24.9 | 25.1 | 1.0 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.5 | 0.8 | -0.4 | -2.0 |
| Utilities | 4.5 | 4.7 | 0.4 | 0.2 | -1.5 | -1.2 | 4.4 | -24.2 | -20.3 |
| Construction | 39.1 | 38.1 | 1.3 | -1.0 | -2.5 | -1.1 | -2.6 | -6.2 | -2.8 |
| Manufacturing | 27.4 | 27.5 | 1.1 | 0.1 | -3.8 | -3.4 | 0.4 | -12.1 | -11.0 |
| Services-producing sector | 380.2 | 376.5 | 2.7 | -3.7 | -1.2 | -0.7 | -1.0 | -0.3 | -0.2 |
| Trade | 81.6 | 78.8 | 1.8 | -2.8 | -4.5 | -5.0 | -3.4 | -5.4 | -6.0 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 26.2 | 25.6 | 1.0 | -0.6 | 2.3 | 1.7 | -2.3 | 9.9 | 7.1 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 28.2 | 28.0 | 1.0 | -0.2 | -0.9 | -0.5 | -0.7 | -3.1 | -1.8 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 21.1 | 21.3 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.8 | -0.3 | 0.9 | 3.9 | -1.4 |
| Business, building and other support services | 13.1 | 11.9 | 0.8 | -1.2 | -0.8 | -0.5 | -9.2 | -6.3 | -4.0 |
| Educational services | 39.9 | 38.7 | 1.3 | -1.2 | 0.1 | -0.4 | -3.0 | 0.3 | -1.0 |
| Health care and social assistance | 66.5 | 67.9 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 4.9 | 4.3 | 2.1 | 7.8 | 6.8 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 19.4 | 20.6 | 1.0 | 1.2 | -0.2 | 1.5 | 6.2 | -1.0 | 7.9 |
| Accommodation and food services | 29.3 | 29.5 | 1.3 | 0.2 | -2.9 | -2.4 | 0.7 | -9.0 | -7.5 |
| Other services | 24.1 | 23.8 | 1.0 | -0.3 | -0.3 | 1.0 | -1.2 | -1.2 | 4.4 |
| Public administration | 30.8 | 30.3 | 1.0 | -0.5 | 0.2 | -0.4 | -1.6 | 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 Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 2,882.2 | 2,887.1 | ... | 4.9 | 63.4 | 74.8 | 0.2 | 2.2 | 2.7 |
| Labour force | 2,134.0 | 2,127.6 | 8.2 | -6.4 | 17.4 | 14.5 | -0.3 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Employment | 1,982.1 | 1,967.2 | 8.8 | -14.9 | -55.3 | -68.0 | -0.8 | -2.7 | -3.3 |
| Employment full-time | 1,627.9 | 1,618.0 | 11.5 | -9.9 | -62.8 | -83.2 | -0.6 | -3.7 | -4.9 |
| Unemployment | 151.9 | 160.5 | 6.4 | 8.6 | 72.7 | 82.7 | 5.7 | 82.8 | 106.3 |
| Participation rate | 74.0 | 73.7 | 0.3 | -0.3 | -1.0 | -1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.1 | 7.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 3.3 | 3.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 68.8 | 68.1 | 0.3 | -0.7 | -3.5 | -4.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 17.9 | 17.7 | 0.5 | -0.1 | 0.9 | 1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 508.3 | 508.2 | ... | -0.1 | 3.2 | 4.2 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| Labour force | 353.9 | 352.2 | 5.0 | -1.7 | -15.1 | -25.6 | -0.5 | -4.1 | -6.8 |
| Employment | 308.9 | 305.4 | 5.1 | -3.5 | -28.9 | -40.1 | -1.1 | -8.6 | -11.6 |
| Unemployment | 45.0 | 46.8 | 3.9 | 1.8 | 13.9 | 14.5 | 4.0 | 42.2 | 44.9 |
| Participation rate | 69.6 | 69.3 | 1.0 | -0.3 | -3.4 | -5.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 12.7 | 13.3 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 4.3 | 4.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 60.8 | 60.1 | 1.0 | -0.7 | -6.1 | -8.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 35.0 | 35.2 | 1.6 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 1,204.1 | 1,207.3 | ... | 3.2 | 34.8 | 40.6 | 0.3 | 3.0 | 3.5 |
| Labour force | 988.3 | 984.6 | 4.1 | -3.7 | 15.6 | 14.9 | -0.4 | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| Employment | 920.6 | 915.2 | 4.8 | -5.4 | -25.5 | -30.7 | -0.6 | -2.7 | -3.2 |
| Unemployment | 67.7 | 69.5 | 3.7 | 1.8 | 41.2 | 45.7 | 2.7 | 145.6 | 192.0 |
| Participation rate | 82.1 | 81.6 | 0.4 | -0.5 | -1.0 | -1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.9 | 7.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 4.2 | 4.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 76.5 | 75.8 | 0.4 | -0.7 | -4.4 | -5.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 6.3 | 6.4 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 1,169.8 | 1,171.6 | ... | 1.8 | 25.5 | 30.1 | 0.2 | 2.2 | 2.6 |
| Labour force | 791.8 | 790.8 | 4.7 | -1.0 | 16.9 | 25.2 | -0.1 | 2.2 | 3.3 |
| Employment | 752.5 | 746.6 | 4.9 | -5.9 | -0.8 | 2.7 | -0.8 | -0.1 | 0.4 |
| Unemployment | 39.2 | 44.1 | 3.5 | 4.9 | 17.6 | 22.4 | 12.5 | 66.4 | 103.2 |
| Participation rate | 67.7 | 67.5 | 0.4 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.0 | 5.6 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 2.2 | 2.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 64.3 | 63.7 | 0.4 | -0.6 | -1.5 | -1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 24.9 | 24.5 | 0.9 | -0.4 | 1.2 | 2.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | | | | | | | | | |
| Industry | 1,982.1 | 1,967.2 | 8.8 | -14.9 | -55.3 | -68.0 | -0.8 | -2.7 | -3.3 |
| Goods-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Goods-producing sector | 524.2 | 513.9 | 8.9 | -10.3 | -77.9 | -85.8 | -2.0 | -13.2 | -14.3 |
| Agriculture | 53.9 | 51.7 | 3.4 | -2.2 | -10.7 | -12.0 | -4.1 | -17.1 | -18.8 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 131.2 | 129.7 | 4.7 | -1.5 | -25.4 | -21.0 | -1.1 | -16.4 | -13.9 |
| Utilities | 22.9 | 22.4 | 1.8 | -0.5 | 3.5 | 5.3 | -2.2 | 18.5 | 31.0 |
| Construction | 201.4 | 192.9 | 6.0 | -8.5 | -11.6 | -21.9 | -4.2 | -5.7 | -10.2 |
| Manufacturing | 114.8 | 117.2 | 5.0 | 2.4 | -33.6 | -36.1 | 2.1 | -22.3 | -23.5 |
| Services-producing sector | | | | | | | | | |
| Services-producing sector | 1,457.9 | 1,453.3 | 10.6 | -4.6 | 22.6 | 17.7 | -0.3 | 1.6 | 1.2 |
| Trade | 297.3 | 299.2 | 7.1 | 1.9 | -15.7 | -23.5 | 0.6 | -5.0 | -7.3 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 97.1 | 103.6 | 4.1 | 6.5 | 0.8 | -0.4 | 6.7 | 0.8 | -0.4 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 104.8 | 106.0 | 4.1 | 1.2 | -6.0 | -5.5 | 1.1 | -5.4 | -4.9 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 157.0 | 144.1 | 5.1 | -12.9 | -15.8 | -23.0 | -8.2 | -9.9 | -13.8 |
| Business, building and other support services | 66.5 | 64.3 | 3.8 | -2.2 | 1.0 | 0.9 | -3.3 | 1.6 | 1.4 |
| Educational services | 133.4 | 135.5 | 4.7 | 2.1 | -3.1 | 3.5 | 1.6 | -2.2 | 2.7 |
| Health care and social assistance | 206.7 | 203.3 | 4.9 | -3.4 | 17.9 | 22.0 | -1.6 | 9.7 | 12.1 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 83.3 | 82.9 | 3.7 | -0.4 | 6.3 | 15.5 | -0.5 | 8.2 | 23.0 |
| Accommodation and food services | 123.8 | 120.2 | 4.8 | -3.6 | 11.0 | 5.0 | -2.9 | 10.1 | 4.3 |
| Other services | 100.6 | 102.9 | 4.1 | 2.3 | 15.4 | 11.1 | 2.3 | 17.6 | 12.1 |
| Public administration | 87.4 | 91.2 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 10.7 | 11.8 | 4.3 | 13.3 | 14.9 |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Both sexes, 15 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 3,722.6 | 3,727.5 | ... | 4.9 | 55.3 | 63.6 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 1.7 |
| Labour force | 2,452.7 | 2,460.8 | 10.3 | 8.1 | 28.3 | 26.2 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Employment | 2,270.1 | 2,257.2 | 10.4 | -12.9 | -45.5 | -51.8 | -0.6 | -2.0 | -2.2 |
| Employment full-time | 1,777.0 | 1,776.5 | 14.2 | -0.5 | -63.1 | -76.9 | 0.0 | -3.4 | -4.1 |
| Unemployment | 182.6 | 203.5 | 8.0 | 20.9 | 73.8 | 77.8 | 11.4 | 56.9 | 61.9 |
| Participation rate | 65.9 | 66.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | -0.2 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.4 | 8.3 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 3.0 | 3.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.0 | 60.6 | 0.3 | -0.4 | -2.1 | -2.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 21.7 | 21.3 | 0.6 | -0.4 | 1.2 | 1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Both sexes, 15 to 24 years | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 586.3 | 586.5 | ... | 0.2 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Labour force | 372.9 | 375.4 | 6.1 | 2.5 | -10.4 | -15.2 | 0.7 | -2.7 | -3.9 |
| Employment | 324.2 | 315.9 | 6.0 | -8.3 | -33.0 | -36.7 | -2.6 | -9.5 | -10.4 |
| Unemployment | 48.7 | 59.5 | 4.6 | 10.8 | 22.6 | 21.4 | 22.2 | 61.2 | 56.2 |
| Participation rate | 63.6 | 64.0 | 1.0 | 0.4 | -2.1 | -2.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 13.1 | 15.8 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 6.2 | 6.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 55.3 | 53.9 | 1.0 | -1.4 | -5.9 | -6.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 46.7 | 42.0 | 2.0 | -4.7 | -1.2 | -1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Men, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 1,535.7 | 1,538.2 | ... | 2.5 | 26.7 | 30.8 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 2.0 |
| Labour force | 1,098.3 | 1,109.5 | 5.0 | 11.2 | 13.5 | 13.4 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Employment | 1,018.2 | 1,026.5 | 5.4 | 8.3 | -20.3 | -26.5 | 0.8 | -1.9 | -2.5 |
| Unemployment | 80.1 | 83.0 | 4.5 | 2.9 | 33.8 | 39.9 | 3.6 | 68.7 | 92.6 |
| Participation rate | 71.5 | 72.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | -0.4 | -0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.3 | 7.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 3.0 | 3.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 66.3 | 66.7 | 0.4 | 0.4 | -2.6 | -3.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 9.3 | 9.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Women, 25 years and over | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 1,600.6 | 1,602.8 | ... | 2.2 | 26.0 | 30.2 | 0.1 | 1.6 | 1.9 |
| Labour force | 981.4 | 975.9 | 6.1 | -5.5 | 25.2 | 28.0 | -0.6 | 2.7 | 3.0 |
| Employment | 927.7 | 914.8 | 6.0 | -12.9 | 7.8 | 11.4 | -1.4 | 0.9 | 1.3 |
| Unemployment | 53.7 | 61.0 | 4.5 | 7.3 | 17.4 | 16.5 | 13.6 | 39.9 | 37.1 |
| Participation rate | 61.3 | 60.9 | 0.4 | -0.4 | 0.6 | 0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.5 | 6.3 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.7 | 1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 58.0 | 57.1 | 0.4 | -0.9 | -0.4 | -0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Part-time rate | 26.6 | 27.3 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 3.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Industry | 2,270.1 | 2,257.2 | 10.4 | -12.9 | -45.5 | -51.8 | -0.6 | -2.0 | -2.2 |
| Goods-producing sector | 454.5 | 445.2 | 9.0 | -9.3 | -49.0 | -52.4 | -2.0 | -9.9 | -10.5 |
| Agriculture | 36.9 | 39.1 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 8.5 | 8.1 | 6.0 | 27.8 | 26.1 |
| Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 38.7 | 39.8 | 3.0 | 1.1 | -9.7 | -3.1 | 2.8 | -19.6 | -7.2 |
| Utilities | 13.5 | 13.6 | 1.5 | 0.1 | 1.0 | -1.5 | 0.7 | 7.9 | -9.9 |
| Construction | 195.7 | 195.1 | 6.4 | -0.6 | -18.4 | -30.2 | -0.3 | -8.6 | -13.4 |
| Manufacturing | 169.8 | 157.6 | 5.9 | -12.2 | -30.4 | -25.7 | -7.2 | -16.2 | -14.0 |
| Services-producing sector | 1,815.6 | 1,812.0 | 11.9 | -3.6 | 3.4 | 0.6 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Trade | 382.0 | 378.7 | 8.1 | -3.3 | 20.7 | 32.1 | -0.9 | 5.8 | 9.3 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 113.1 | 115.3 | 4.8 | 2.2 | -10.9 | -13.1 | 1.9 | -8.6 | -10.2 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing | 148.1 | 147.9 | 5.1 | -0.2 | -1.1 | -3.3 | -0.1 | -0.7 | -2.2 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 153.0 | 155.0 | 5.8 | 2.0 | -15.0 | -15.1 | 1.3 | -8.8 | -8.9 |
| Business, building and other support services | 90.8 | 91.5 | 4.9 | 0.7 | -7.3 | -5.5 | 0.8 | -7.4 | -5.7 |
| Educational services | 165.5 | 162.1 | 5.6 | -3.4 | 0.4 | 1.2 | -2.1 | 0.2 | 0.7 |
| Health care and social assistance | 263.3 | 263.7 | 6.2 | 0.4 | 13.9 | 8.4 | 0.2 | 5.6 | 3.3 |
| Information, culture and recreation | 115.8 | 112.0 | 4.8 | -3.8 | -2.1 | -2.6 | -3.3 | -1.8 | -2.3 |
| Accommodation and food services | 166.3 | 169.0 | 6.3 | 2.7 | -14.0 | -4.4 | 1.6 | -7.7 | -2.5 |
| Other services | 104.8 | 105.7 | 4.5 | 0.9 | 9.8 | -0.3 | 0.9 | 10.2 | -0.3 |
| Public administration | 113.0 | 111.1 | 4.2 | -1.9 | 8.9 | 3.1 | -1.7 | 8.7 | 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 Tables 282-0087, 282-0088.

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 158.0 | 158.3 | ... | 0.3 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 2.1 |
| Labour force | 107.6 | 107.3 | 0.7 | -0.3 | -2.1 | -1.7 | -0.3 | -1.9 | -1.6 |
| Employment | 98.4 | 97.8 | 0.8 | -0.6 | -3.7 | -3.0 | -0.6 | -3.6 | -3.0 |
| Unemployment | 9.2 | 9.5 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 3.3 | 20.3 | 15.9 |
| Participation rate | 68.1 | 67.8 | 0.5 | -0.3 | -2.5 | -2.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.6 | 8.9 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 62.3 | 61.8 | 0.5 | -0.5 | -3.4 | -3.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Halifax, Nova Scotia | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 321.7 | 322.1 | ... | 0.4 | 3.4 | 4.0 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Labour force | 230.4 | 229.8 | 1.1 | -0.6 | 4.5 | 8.5 | -0.3 | 2.0 | 3.8 |
| Employment | 215.2 | 214.1 | 1.2 | -1.1 | 0.9 | 4.7 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 2.2 |
| Unemployment | 15.2 | 15.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.3 | 30.8 | 31.9 |
| Participation rate | 71.6 | 71.3 | 0.3 | -0.3 | 0.6 | 1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.6 | 6.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 66.9 | 66.5 | 0.4 | -0.4 | -0.4 | 0.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Saint John, New Brunswick | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 105.6 | 105.6 | ... | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Labour force | 71.5 | 71.1 | 0.7 | -0.4 | 1.5 | 2.7 | -0.6 | 2.2 | 3.9 |
| Employment | 67.6 | 67.4 | 0.7 | -0.2 | 2.4 | 3.3 | -0.3 | 3.7 | 5.1 |
| Unemployment | 3.9 | 3.7 | 0.3 | -0.2 | -0.9 | -0.6 | -5.1 | -19.6 | -14.0 |
| Participation rate | 67.7 | 67.3 | 0.7 | -0.4 | 1.0 | 2.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.5 | 5.2 | 0.5 | -0.3 | -1.4 | -1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 64.0 | 63.8 | 0.7 | -0.2 | 1.9 | 2.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Saguenay, Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 124.7 | 124.7 | ... | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.3 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.2 |
| Labour force | 77.0 | 76.8 | 0.7 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | -0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| Employment | 70.2 | 70.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Unemployment | 6.9 | 6.0 | 0.4 | -0.9 | 0.1 | 0.3 | -13.0 | 1.7 | 5.3 |
| Participation rate | 61.7 | 61.6 | 0.6 | -0.1 | 0.3 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.0 | 7.8 | 0.5 | -1.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 56.3 | 56.8 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Québec, Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 617.9 | 618.6 | ... | 0.7 | 5.5 | 6.6 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 1.1 |
| Labour force | 403.2 | 405.6 | 3.5 | 2.4 | -7.4 | -3.8 | 0.6 | -1.8 | -0.9 |
| Employment | 381.1 | 383.5 | 3.4 | 2.4 | -13.2 | -8.3 | 0.6 | -3.3 | -2.1 |
| Unemployment | 22.0 | 22.1 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 5.8 | 4.4 | 0.5 | 35.6 | 24.9 |
| Participation rate | 65.3 | 65.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -1.8 | -1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.5 | 5.4 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 1.5 | 1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.7 | 62.0 | 0.5 | 0.3 | -2.7 | -2.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Trois-Rivières, Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 122.8 | 122.9 | ... | 0.1 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| Labour force | 75.6 | 76.1 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 3.4 | 1.9 |
| Employment | 68.7 | 69.1 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.0 |
| Unemployment | 6.9 | 7.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 45.8 | 25.0 |
| Participation rate | 61.6 | 61.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.5 | 0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.1 | 9.2 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 2.7 | 1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 55.9 | 56.2 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -0.2 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Sherbrooke, Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 140.4 | 140.6 | ... | 0.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Labour force | 90.9 | 90.6 | 0.8 | -0.3 | 1.6 | 0.6 | -0.3 | 1.8 | 0.7 |
| Employment | 84.5 | 84.8 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 2.2 | 0.8 |
| Unemployment | 6.4 | 5.8 | 0.3 | -0.6 | -0.2 | -0.1 | -9.4 | -3.3 | -1.7 |
| Participation rate | 64.7 | 64.4 | 0.5 | -0.3 | 0.4 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.0 | 6.4 | 0.4 | -0.6 | -0.3 | -0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 60.2 | 60.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.6 | -0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Montréal, Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 3,107.0 | 3,110.8 | ... | 3.8 | 31.3 | 36.9 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Labour force | 2,071.0 | 2,069.9 | 7.1 | -1.1 | 10.2 | 17.5 | -0.1 | 0.5 | 0.9 |
| Employment | 1,874.0 | 1,876.7 | 7.4 | 2.7 | -27.9 | -23.4 | 0.1 | -1.5 | -1.2 |
| Unemployment | 197.0 | 193.2 | 4.6 | -3.8 | 38.1 | 40.9 | -1.9 | 24.6 | 26.9 |
| Participation rate | 66.7 | 66.5 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.4 | -0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.5 | 9.3 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 1.8 | 1.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 60.3 | 60.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -1.5 | -1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 978.0 | 979.2 | ... | 1.2 | 11.0 | 13.3 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 703.1 | 706.1 | 3.6 | 3.0 | -2.2 | -5.2 | 0.4 | -0.3 | -0.7 |
| Employment | 667.5 | 668.3 | 3.9 | 0.8 | -8.0 | -8.7 | 0.1 | -1.2 | -1.3 |
| Unemployment | 35.6 | 37.8 | 1.6 | 2.2 | 5.8 | 3.5 | 6.2 | 18.1 | 10.2 |
| Participation rate | 71.9 | 72.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | -1.1 | -1.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.1 | 5.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 68.3 | 68.2 | 0.4 | -0.1 | -1.7 | -1.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 248.5 | 248.9 | ... | 0.4 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 0.2 | 1.3 | 1.6 |
| Labour force | 179.9 | 181.1 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 4.5 | -0.1 | 0.7 | 2.5 | -0.1 |
| Employment | 169.5 | 170.5 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 1.7 | -1.7 | 0.6 | 1.0 | -1.0 |
| Unemployment | 10.4 | 10.6 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 2.8 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 35.9 | 16.5 |
| Participation rate | 72.4 | 72.8 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.9 | -1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.8 | 5.9 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 0.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 68.2 | 68.5 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -0.2 | -1.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 729.5 | 730.3 | ... | 0.8 | 7.7 | 9.4 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Labour force | 523.2 | 525.0 | 3.4 | 1.8 | -6.7 | -5.1 | 0.3 | -1.3 | -1.0 |
| Employment | 498.0 | 497.8 | 3.6 | -0.2 | -9.7 | -7.0 | 0.0 | -1.9 | -1.4 |
| Unemployment | 25.3 | 27.2 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 7.5 | 12.4 | 7.9 |
| Participation rate | 71.7 | 71.9 | 0.5 | 0.2 | -1.7 | -1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.8 | 5.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 68.3 | 68.2 | 0.5 | -0.1 | -2.0 | -1.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Kingston, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 126.5 | 126.5 | ... | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Labour force | 83.2 | 84.6 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 0.5 | -0.4 | 1.7 | 0.6 | -0.5 |
| Employment | 77.5 | 79.4 | 0.7 | 1.9 | -1.0 | -0.7 | 2.5 | -1.2 | -0.9 |
| Unemployment | 5.7 | 5.2 | 0.3 | -0.5 | 1.5 | 0.3 | -8.8 | 40.5 | 6.1 |
| Participation rate | 65.8 | 66.9 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.3 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.9 | 6.1 | 0.3 | -0.8 | 1.7 | 0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.3 | 62.8 | 0.6 | 1.5 | -0.9 | -0.6 | ... | ... | ... |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Toronto, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 4,671.0 | 4,680.7 | ... | 9.7 | 88.5 | 106.3 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 2.3 |
| Labour force | 3,189.1 | 3,193.7 | 9.1 | 4.6 | 38.6 | 52.1 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.7 |
| Employment | 2,876.1 | 2,886.3 | 9.5 | 10.2 | -39.6 | -39.0 | 0.4 | -1.4 | -1.3 |
| Unemployment | 313.0 | 307.4 | 6.0 | -5.6 | 78.2 | 91.1 | -1.8 | 34.1 | 42.1 |
| Participation rate | 68.3 | 68.2 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.5 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.8 | 9.6 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 2.3 | 2.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.6 | 61.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | -2.0 | -2.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Hamilton, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 602.3 | 602.8 | ... | 0.5 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| Labour force | 406.6 | 408.0 | 2.9 | 1.4 | 11.9 | 10.2 | 0.3 | 3.0 | 2.6 |
| Employment | 369.8 | 373.7 | 3.0 | 3.9 | 5.4 | -0.5 | 1.1 | 1.5 | -0.1 |
| Unemployment | 36.9 | 34.2 | 1.5 | -2.7 | 6.4 | 10.5 | -7.3 | 23.0 | 44.3 |
| Participation rate | 67.5 | 67.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.1 | 8.4 | 0.4 | -0.7 | 1.4 | 2.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.4 | 62.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Kitchener, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 388.8 | 389.3 | ... | 0.5 | 4.3 | 5.2 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 279.7 | 278.9 | 1.8 | -0.8 | -0.6 | 2.7 | -0.3 | -0.2 | 1.0 |
| Employment | 253.8 | 253.9 | 1.9 | 0.1 | -3.7 | -7.4 | 0.0 | -1.4 | -2.8 |
| Unemployment | 26.0 | 25.1 | 1.1 | -0.9 | 3.1 | 10.2 | -3.5 | 14.1 | 68.5 |
| Participation rate | 71.9 | 71.6 | 0.5 | -0.3 | -1.0 | -0.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.3 | 9.0 | 0.4 | -0.3 | 1.1 | 3.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 65.3 | 65.2 | 0.5 | -0.1 | -1.7 | -2.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| London, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 390.0 | 390.5 | ... | 0.5 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 1.1 |
| Labour force | 256.8 | 258.3 | 1.8 | 1.5 | -5.5 | -4.6 | 0.6 | -2.1 | -1.7 |
| Employment | 228.0 | 230.6 | 1.9 | 2.6 | -13.9 | -14.4 | 1.1 | -5.7 | -5.9 |
| Unemployment | 28.8 | 27.8 | 1.0 | -1.0 | 8.5 | 9.8 | -3.5 | 44.0 | 54.4 |
| Participation rate | 65.8 | 66.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | -2.1 | -2.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 11.2 | 10.8 | 0.4 | -0.4 | 3.5 | 4.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 58.5 | 59.1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | -4.1 | -4.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Oshawa, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 294.6 | 295.1 | ... | 0.5 | 4.6 | 5.5 | 0.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 |
| Labour force | 201.1 | 200.1 | 1.6 | -1.0 | -2.2 | -4.4 | -0.5 | -1.1 | -2.2 |
| Employment | 182.6 | 181.8 | 1.6 | -0.8 | -4.8 | -7.7 | -0.4 | -2.6 | -4.1 |
| Unemployment | 18.5 | 18.3 | 0.8 | -0.2 | 2.5 | 3.2 | -1.1 | 15.8 | 21.2 |
| Participation rate | 68.3 | 67.8 | 0.5 | -0.5 | -1.8 | -2.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.2 | 9.1 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 1.3 | 1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 62.0 | 61.6 | 0.5 | -0.4 | -2.6 | -3.8 | ... | ... | ... |
| St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 330.2 | 330.3 | ... | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Labour force | 204.5 | 205.8 | 1.6 | 1.3 | -7.7 | -6.1 | 0.6 | -3.6 | -2.9 |
| Employment | 184.3 | 185.1 | 1.7 | 0.8 | -9.6 | -10.2 | 0.4 | -4.9 | -5.2 |
| Unemployment | 20.2 | 20.7 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 1.9 | 4.1 | 2.5 | 10.1 | 24.7 |
| Participation rate | 61.9 | 62.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | -2.4 | -2.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.9 | 10.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.3 | 2.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 55.8 | 56.0 | 0.5 | 0.2 | -3.0 | -3.3 | ... | ... | ... |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 134.6 | 134.6 | ... | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Labour force | 87.0 | 86.2 | 0.8 | -0.8 | -1.4 | -2.0 | -0.9 | -1.6 | -2.3 |
| Employment | 77.9 | 77.5 | 0.8 | -0.4 | -5.2 | -5.6 | -0.5 | -6.3 | -6.7 |
| Unemployment | 9.1 | 8.7 | 0.3 | -0.4 | 3.8 | 3.6 | -4.4 | 77.6 | 70.6 |
| Participation rate | 64.6 | 64.0 | 0.6 | -0.6 | -1.4 | -1.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 10.5 | 10.1 | 0.4 | -0.4 | 4.5 | 4.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 57.9 | 57.6 | 0.6 | -0.3 | -4.1 | -4.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Thunder Bay, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 103.2 | 103.2 | ... | 0.0 | -0.5 | -0.6 | 0.0 | -0.5 | -0.6 |
| Labour force | 65.5 | 65.6 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -0.9 | 0.2 | 0.3 | -1.4 |
| Employment | 59.8 | 59.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | -1.3 | -3.0 | 0.0 | -2.1 | -4.8 |
| Unemployment | 5.6 | 5.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 3.6 | 34.9 | 56.8 |
| Participation rate | 63.5 | 63.6 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.5 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.5 | 8.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 2.2 | 3.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 57.9 | 57.9 | 0.6 | 0.0 | -1.0 | -2.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Windsor, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 273.4 | 273.5 | ... | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Labour force | 174.5 | 171.9 | 1.5 | -2.6 | -4.0 | -2.3 | -1.5 | -2.3 | -1.3 |
| Employment | 149.6 | 148.5 | 1.6 | -1.1 | -9.5 | -8.0 | -0.7 | -6.0 | -5.1 |
| Unemployment | 24.9 | 23.5 | 0.9 | -1.4 | 5.7 | 5.8 | -5.6 | 32.0 | 32.8 |
| Participation rate | 63.8 | 62.9 | 0.5 | -0.9 | -1.5 | -0.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 14.3 | 13.7 | 0.5 | -0.6 | 3.6 | 3.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 54.7 | 54.3 | 0.6 | -0.4 | -3.6 | -3.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Winnipeg, Manitoba | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 594.7 | 595.4 | ... | 0.7 | 8.3 | 9.6 | 0.1 | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| Labour force | 421.6 | 421.6 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 7.8 | 9.6 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 2.3 |
| Employment | 397.2 | 397.1 | 1.3 | -0.1 | 2.2 | 4.1 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 1.0 |
| Unemployment | 24.4 | 24.5 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 5.7 | 5.5 | 0.4 | 30.3 | 28.9 |
| Participation rate | 70.9 | 70.8 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 5.8 | 5.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 66.8 | 66.7 | 0.2 | -0.1 | -0.6 | -0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Regina, Saskatchewan | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 172.1 | 172.4 | ... | 0.3 | 3.0 | 3.8 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 2.3 |
| Labour force | 121.5 | 121.1 | 0.7 | -0.4 | -0.6 | -0.1 | -0.3 | -0.5 | -0.1 |
| Employment | 115.9 | 114.9 | 0.7 | -1.0 | -2.4 | -1.5 | -0.9 | -2.0 | -1.3 |
| Unemployment | 5.6 | 6.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 10.7 | 40.9 | 26.5 |
| Participation rate | 70.6 | 70.2 | 0.4 | -0.4 | -1.6 | -1.7 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.6 | 5.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 67.3 | 66.6 | 0.4 | -0.7 | -2.6 | -2.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Saskatoon, Saskatchewan | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 203.7 | 204.1 | ... | 0.4 | 4.6 | 5.6 | 0.2 | 2.3 | 2.8 |
| Labour force | 151.8 | 151.7 | 0.9 | -0.1 | 5.3 | 6.7 | -0.1 | 3.6 | 4.6 |
| Employment | 145.1 | 145.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 4.7 | 5.9 | 0.0 | 3.3 | 4.2 |
| Unemployment | 6.8 | 6.6 | 0.4 | -0.2 | 0.7 | 0.8 | -2.9 | 11.9 | 13.8 |
| Participation rate | 74.5 | 74.3 | 0.4 | -0.2 | 0.9 | 1.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 4.5 | 4.4 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 71.2 | 71.1 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.7 | 1.0 | ... | ... | ... |

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Calgary, Alberta | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 976.4 | 978.5 | ... | 2.1 | 23.7 | 27.5 | 0.2 | 2.5 | 2.9 |
| Labour force | 747.5 | 751.3 | 3.1 | 3.8 | 6.9 | 9.5 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 1.3 |
| Employment | 696.0 | 699.7 | 3.3 | 3.7 | -15.7 | -13.3 | 0.5 | -2.2 | -1.9 |
| Unemployment | 51.5 | 51.5 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 22.5 | 22.6 | 0.0 | 77.6 | 78.2 |
| Participation rate | 76.6 | 76.8 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -1.2 | -1.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.9 | 6.9 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 3.0 | 3.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 71.3 | 71.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -3.4 | -3.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Edmonton, Alberta | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 908.4 | 910.2 | ... | 1.8 | 20.2 | 23.3 | 0.2 | 2.3 | 2.6 |
| Labour force | 665.0 | 662.5 | 3.2 | -2.5 | 9.5 | 16.7 | -0.4 | 1.5 | 2.6 |
| Employment | 615.5 | 611.2 | 3.5 | -4.3 | -18.2 | -12.5 | -0.7 | -2.9 | -2.0 |
| Unemployment | 49.4 | 51.3 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 27.6 | 29.2 | 3.8 | 116.5 | 132.1 |
| Participation rate | 73.2 | 72.8 | 0.4 | -0.4 | -0.6 | 0.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.4 | 7.7 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 4.1 | 4.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 67.8 | 67.2 | 0.4 | -0.6 | -3.5 | -3.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 136.0 | 136.2 | ... | 0.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Labour force | 94.1 | 95.1 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 0.7 |
| Employment | 85.7 | 87.6 | 0.8 | 1.9 | -0.8 | -2.2 | 2.2 | -0.9 | -2.4 |
| Unemployment | 8.4 | 7.6 | 0.4 | -0.8 | 2.5 | 3.0 | -9.5 | 49.0 | 65.2 |
| Participation rate | 69.2 | 69.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 8.9 | 8.0 | 0.4 | -0.9 | 2.5 | 3.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 63.0 | 64.3 | 0.6 | 1.3 | -1.4 | -2.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Vancouver, British Columbia | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 1,992.5 | 1,996.6 | ... | 4.1 | 36.8 | 43.3 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 2.2 |
| Labour force | 1,333.9 | 1,338.6 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 39.6 | 40.5 | 0.4 | 3.0 | 3.1 |
| Employment | 1,239.7 | 1,240.6 | 5.1 | 0.9 | 3.5 | -0.5 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Unemployment | 94.3 | 97.9 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 36.0 | 40.9 | 3.8 | 58.2 | 71.8 |
| Participation rate | 66.9 | 67.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.5 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 7.1 | 7.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 2.5 | 2.9 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 62.2 | 62.1 | 0.3 | -0.1 | -1.0 | -1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Victoria, British Columbia | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 288.8 | 289.0 | ... | 0.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.7 |
| Labour force | 191.9 | 193.4 | 1.4 | 1.5 | -3.7 | -4.3 | 0.8 | -1.9 | -2.2 |
| Employment | 180.1 | 181.1 | 1.4 | 1.0 | -8.6 | -10.2 | 0.6 | -4.5 | -5.3 |
| Unemployment | 11.8 | 12.3 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 4.2 | 68.5 | 89.2 |
| Participation rate | 66.4 | 66.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | -1.7 | -2.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.1 | 6.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 2.7 | 3.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 62.4 | 62.7 | 0.5 | 0.3 | -3.3 | -3.9 | ... | ... | ... |

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

Note(s): All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0090.

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

| | September 2009 | October 2009 | S.E. ¹ | Change from | | | Percent change from | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | last month | last December | twelve months ago | last month | last December | twelve months ago |
| in thousands (except rates) | | | | | | | | | |
| Montréal, Quebec | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 3,111.0 | 3,114.6 | ... | 3.6 | 32.5 | 37.8 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Labour force | 2,059.1 | 2,060.7 | 14.9 | 1.6 | 5.4 | 6.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Employment | 1,866.3 | 1,876.4 | 15.0 | 10.1 | -23.8 | -24.6 | 0.5 | -1.3 | -1.3 |
| Unemployment | 192.9 | 184.3 | 11.2 | -8.6 | 29.3 | 30.7 | -4.5 | 18.9 | 20.0 |
| Participation rate | 66.2 | 66.2 | 0.5 | 0.0 | -0.5 | -0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.4 | 8.9 | 0.5 | -0.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 60.0 | 60.2 | 0.5 | 0.2 | -1.5 | -1.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Toronto, Ontario | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 4,681.7 | 4,690.4 | ... | 8.7 | 90.5 | 106.2 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 2.3 |
| Labour force | 3,180.9 | 3,195.5 | 19.5 | 14.6 | 25.8 | 46.9 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.5 |
| Employment | 2,882.7 | 2,894.2 | 19.5 | 11.5 | -38.3 | -35.5 | 0.4 | -1.3 | -1.2 |
| Unemployment | 298.3 | 301.3 | 14.7 | 3.0 | 64.1 | 82.3 | 1.0 | 27.0 | 37.6 |
| Participation rate | 67.9 | 68.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | -0.8 | -0.6 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 9.4 | 9.4 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 2.4 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 61.6 | 61.7 | 0.4 | 0.1 | -2.1 | -2.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Vancouver, British Columbia | | | | | | | | | |
| Population | 1,997.2 | 2,000.7 | ... | 3.5 | 38.1 | 43.7 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 2.2 |
| Labour force | 1,340.2 | 1,337.1 | 10.4 | -3.1 | 40.6 | 34.7 | -0.2 | 3.1 | 2.7 |
| Employment | 1,250.9 | 1,232.2 | 10.3 | -18.7 | 2.9 | -9.5 | -1.5 | 0.2 | -0.8 |
| Unemployment | 89.4 | 104.9 | 6.5 | 15.5 | 37.7 | 44.2 | 17.3 | 56.1 | 72.8 |
| Participation rate | 67.1 | 66.8 | 0.5 | -0.3 | 0.7 | 0.2 | ... | ... | ... |
| Unemployment rate | 6.7 | 7.8 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 2.6 | 3.1 | ... | ... | ... |
| Employment rate | 62.6 | 61.6 | 0.5 | -1.0 | -1.0 | -1.8 | ... | ... | ... |

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

Note(s): All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0091.

Table 6-1
Labour force characteristics by province and economic region 1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in October 2008 and October 2009

| | Population | Labour force | | | Participation rate | Unemployment rate | Employment rate |
|--|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Labour force | Employment | Unemployment | | | |
| in thousands | | | | | | | |
| Canada ² | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 27,010.4 | 18,394.0 | 17,297.6 | 1,096.4 | 68.1 | 6.0 | 64.0 |
| 2009 | 27,397.7 | 18,459.0 | 16,963.7 | 1,495.2 | 67.4 | 8.1 | 61.9 |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 426.8 | 257.4 | 226.2 | 31.3 | 60.3 | 12.2 | 53.0 |
| 2009 | 429.6 | 259.3 | 222.8 | 36.5 | 60.4 | 14.1 | 51.9 |
| <i>Avalon Peninsula [1010]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 212.9 | 138.8 | 125.5 | 13.3 | 65.2 | 9.6 | 58.9 |
| 2009 | 216.1 | 139.6 | 123.7 | 15.9 | 64.6 | 11.4 | 57.2 |
| <i>South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 32.3 | 17.2 | 14.8 | 2.4 | 53.3 | 14.0 | 45.8 |
| 2009 | 31.9 | 15.8 | 12.8 | 2.9 | 49.5 | 18.4 | 40.1 |
| <i>West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 87.9 | 49.1 | 41.9 | 7.2 | 55.9 | 14.7 | 47.7 |
| 2009 | 88.2 | 52.4 | 44.3 | 8.1 | 59.4 | 15.5 | 50.2 |
| <i>Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 93.6 | 52.3 | 43.9 | 8.4 | 55.9 | 16.1 | 46.9 |
| 2009 | 93.4 | 51.5 | 42.0 | 9.5 | 55.1 | 18.4 | 45.0 |
| Prince Edward Island | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 115.1 | 80.3 | 73.2 | 7.0 | 69.8 | 8.7 | 63.6 |
| 2009 | 116.4 | 80.6 | 72.8 | 7.8 | 69.2 | 9.7 | 62.5 |
| Nova Scotia | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 769.9 | 497.4 | 461.3 | 36.1 | 64.6 | 7.3 | 59.9 |
| 2009 | 773.3 | 501.9 | 458.2 | 43.7 | 64.9 | 8.7 | 59.3 |
| <i>Cape Breton [1210]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 115.6 | 65.8 | 57.6 | 8.2 | 56.9 | 12.5 | 49.8 |
| 2009 | 114.8 | 64.6 | 55.8 | 8.8 | 56.3 | 13.6 | 48.6 |
| <i>North Shore [1220]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 131.4 | 81.8 | 74.9 | 6.9 | 62.3 | 8.4 | 57.0 |
| 2009 | 131.4 | 82.1 | 73.5 | 8.6 | 62.5 | 10.5 | 55.9 |
| <i>Annapolis Valley [1230]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 101.3 | 63.9 | 60.1 | 3.8 | 63.1 | 5.9 | 59.3 |
| 2009 | 101.8 | 62.4 | 57.1 | 5.3 | 61.3 | 8.5 | 56.1 |
| <i>Southern [1240]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 103.6 | 63.8 | 58.0 | 5.8 | 61.6 | 9.1 | 56.0 |
| 2009 | 103.2 | 62.6 | 57.4 | 5.2 | 60.7 | 8.3 | 55.6 |
| <i>Halifax [1250]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 318.1 | 222.1 | 210.6 | 11.5 | 69.8 | 5.2 | 66.2 |
| 2009 | 322.1 | 230.2 | 214.5 | 15.7 | 71.5 | 6.8 | 66.6 |
| New Brunswick | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 619.0 | 406.6 | 375.3 | 31.4 | 65.7 | 7.7 | 60.6 |
| 2009 | 622.1 | 407.1 | 375.9 | 31.2 | 65.4 | 7.7 | 60.4 |
| <i>Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 135.6 | 81.8 | 71.0 | 10.7 | 60.3 | 13.1 | 52.4 |
| 2009 | 135.0 | 75.5 | 65.7 | 9.8 | 55.9 | 13.0 | 48.7 |
| <i>Moncton-Richibucto [1320]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 166.2 | 115.2 | 108.2 | 7.0 | 69.3 | 6.1 | 65.1 |
| 2009 | 168.4 | 117.0 | 109.1 | 7.9 | 69.5 | 6.8 | 64.8 |
| <i>Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]</i> | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 143.2 | 93.2 | 87.1 | 6.1 | 65.1 | 6.5 | 60.8 |
| 2009 | 143.9 | 95.5 | 90.3 | 5.2 | 66.4 | 5.4 | 62.8 |

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 October 2008 and October 2009

| | Population | Labour force | | | Participation rate | Unemployment rate | Employment rate |
|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Labour force | Employment | Unemployment | | | |
| in thousands | | | | | | | |
| Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 105.6 | 72.2 | 67.8 | 4.4 | 68.4 | 6.1 | 64.2 |
| 2009 | 106.6 | 73.7 | 69.5 | 4.2 | 69.1 | 5.7 | 65.2 |
| Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 68.3 | 44.2 | 41.2 | 3.1 | 64.7 | 7.0 | 60.3 |
| 2009 | 68.2 | 45.3 | 41.2 | 4.1 | 66.4 | 9.1 | 60.4 |
| Quebec | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 6,385.2 | 4,212.1 | 3,922.7 | 289.5 | 66.0 | 6.9 | 61.4 |
| 2009 | 6,451.6 | 4,210.1 | 3,873.5 | 336.5 | 65.3 | 8.0 | 60.0 |
| Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 80.8 | 47.6 | 40.3 | 7.3 | 58.9 | 15.3 | 49.9 |
| 2009 | 80.8 | 44.1 | 38.4 | 5.7 | 54.6 | 12.9 | 47.5 |
| Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 167.5 | 103.7 | 95.7 | 8.0 | 61.9 | 7.7 | 57.1 |
| 2009 | 167.7 | 98.2 | 91.0 | 7.2 | 58.6 | 7.3 | 54.3 |
| Capitale-Nationale [2420] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 569.0 | 370.2 | 356.0 | 14.3 | 65.1 | 3.9 | 62.6 |
| 2009 | 574.0 | 367.3 | 347.6 | 19.6 | 64.0 | 5.3 | 60.6 |
| Chaudière-Appalaches [2425] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 330.2 | 222.3 | 212.3 | 10.0 | 67.3 | 4.5 | 64.3 |
| 2009 | 332.6 | 225.2 | 212.3 | 12.8 | 67.7 | 5.7 | 63.8 |
| Estrie [2430] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 251.6 | 157.2 | 148.0 | 9.2 | 62.5 | 5.9 | 58.8 |
| 2009 | 254.1 | 169.5 | 159.5 | 10.0 | 66.7 | 5.9 | 62.8 |
| Centre-du-Québec [2433] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 186.9 | 125.8 | 117.1 | 8.7 | 67.3 | 6.9 | 62.7 |
| 2009 | 188.3 | 121.1 | 114.5 | 6.7 | 64.3 | 5.5 | 60.8 |
| Montérégie [2435] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 1,146.6 | 786.6 | 734.1 | 52.5 | 68.6 | 6.7 | 64.0 |
| 2009 | 1,165.8 | 774.4 | 719.2 | 55.2 | 66.4 | 7.1 | 61.7 |
| Montréal [2440] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 1,592.5 | 1,051.2 | 962.9 | 88.4 | 66.0 | 8.4 | 60.5 |
| 2009 | 1,597.1 | 1,039.5 | 926.3 | 113.2 | 65.1 | 10.9 | 58.0 |
| Laval [2445] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 315.0 | 219.6 | 206.7 | 12.9 | 69.7 | 5.9 | 65.6 |
| 2009 | 320.1 | 220.0 | 206.1 | 13.9 | 68.7 | 6.3 | 64.4 |
| Lanaudière [2450] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 365.6 | 236.6 | 222.4 | 14.3 | 64.7 | 6.0 | 60.8 |
| 2009 | 376.2 | 259.5 | 235.2 | 24.3 | 69.0 | 9.4 | 62.5 |
| Laurentides [2455] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 437.4 | 282.9 | 261.8 | 21.1 | 64.7 | 7.5 | 59.9 |
| 2009 | 447.4 | 304.0 | 280.8 | 23.2 | 67.9 | 7.6 | 62.8 |
| Outaouais [2460] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 295.7 | 215.2 | 203.9 | 11.3 | 72.8 | 5.3 | 69.0 |
| 2009 | 300.3 | 209.7 | 198.4 | 11.3 | 69.8 | 5.4 | 66.1 |
| Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 115.9 | 76.4 | 70.9 | 5.5 | 65.9 | 7.2 | 61.2 |
| 2009 | 116.5 | 69.4 | 62.9 | 6.5 | 59.6 | 9.4 | 54.0 |
| Mauricie [2470] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 218.3 | 128.1 | 116.5 | 11.6 | 58.7 | 9.1 | 53.4 |
| 2009 | 219.2 | 124.6 | 113.0 | 11.6 | 56.8 | 9.3 | 51.6 |

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 October 2008 and October 2009

| | Population | Labour force | | | Participation rate | Unemployment rate | Employment rate |
|---|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Labour force | Employment | Unemployment | | | |
| in thousands | | | | | | | |
| Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 223.2 | 134.6 | 125.0 | 9.6 | 60.3 | 7.1 | 56.0 |
| 2009 | 223.0 | 132.2 | 120.9 | 11.3 | 59.3 | 8.5 | 54.2 |
| Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 88.9 | 54.2 | 49.1 | 5.0 | 61.0 | 9.2 | 55.2 |
| 2009 | 88.7 | 51.2 | 47.4 | 3.9 | 57.7 | 7.6 | 53.4 |
| Ontario | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 10,545.6 | 7,210.8 | 6,753.6 | 457.3 | 68.4 | 6.3 | 64.0 |
| 2009 | 10,693.4 | 7,210.1 | 6,571.1 | 639.0 | 67.4 | 8.9 | 61.5 |
| Ottawa [3510] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 996.4 | 713.5 | 678.7 | 34.8 | 71.6 | 4.9 | 68.1 |
| 2009 | 1,006.6 | 712.5 | 672.0 | 40.5 | 70.8 | 5.7 | 66.8 |
| Kingston-Pembroke [3515] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 360.7 | 239.5 | 225.0 | 14.5 | 66.4 | 6.1 | 62.4 |
| 2009 | 361.7 | 230.8 | 212.6 | 18.2 | 63.8 | 7.9 | 58.8 |
| Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 311.8 | 198.9 | 189.1 | 9.8 | 63.8 | 4.9 | 60.6 |
| 2009 | 313.3 | 186.3 | 172.1 | 14.2 | 59.5 | 7.6 | 54.9 |
| Toronto [3530] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 4,822.9 | 3,316.4 | 3,086.6 | 229.8 | 68.8 | 6.9 | 64.0 |
| 2009 | 4,930.7 | 3,357.4 | 3,037.9 | 319.4 | 68.1 | 9.5 | 61.6 |
| Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 987.8 | 708.5 | 670.2 | 38.3 | 71.7 | 5.4 | 67.8 |
| 2009 | 1,001.7 | 713.4 | 653.3 | 60.1 | 71.2 | 8.4 | 65.2 |
| Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 1,144.9 | 770.2 | 720.7 | 49.5 | 67.3 | 6.4 | 62.9 |
| 2009 | 1,153.6 | 774.5 | 707.2 | 67.3 | 67.1 | 8.7 | 61.3 |
| London [3560] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 517.0 | 354.6 | 331.7 | 22.9 | 68.6 | 6.5 | 64.2 |
| 2009 | 522.1 | 352.2 | 317.1 | 35.1 | 67.5 | 10.0 | 60.7 |
| Windsor-Sarnia [3570] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 526.7 | 344.0 | 317.0 | 27.0 | 65.3 | 7.8 | 60.2 |
| 2009 | 527.6 | 334.9 | 298.5 | 36.4 | 63.5 | 10.9 | 56.6 |
| Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 248.4 | 167.6 | 160.1 | 7.5 | 67.5 | 4.5 | 64.5 |
| 2009 | 249.0 | 165.8 | 153.3 | 12.5 | 66.6 | 7.5 | 61.6 |
| Northeast [3590] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 454.7 | 284.5 | 268.5 | 16.0 | 62.6 | 5.6 | 59.0 |
| 2009 | 455.0 | 273.0 | 246.9 | 26.1 | 60.0 | 9.6 | 54.3 |
| Northwest [3595] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 174.3 | 113.0 | 105.8 | 7.2 | 64.8 | 6.4 | 60.7 |
| 2009 | 172.2 | 109.3 | 100.1 | 9.2 | 63.5 | 8.4 | 58.1 |
| Manitoba | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 912.2 | 636.8 | 609.5 | 27.3 | 69.8 | 4.3 | 66.8 |
| 2009 | 926.0 | 647.6 | 611.9 | 35.7 | 69.9 | 5.5 | 66.1 |
| Southeast [4610] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 79.1 | 52.9 | 50.8 | 2.1 | 66.9 | 4.0 | 64.2 |
| 2009 | 81.5 | 57.3 | 53.7 | 3.6 | 70.3 | 6.3 | 65.9 |
| South Central [4620] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 44.2 | 30.8 | 29.6 | 1.1 | 69.7 | 3.6 | 67.0 |
| 2009 | 45.3 | 33.2 | 31.9 | 1.3 | 73.3 | 3.9 | 70.4 |

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 October 2008 and October 2009

| | Population | Labour force | | | Participation rate | Unemployment rate | Employment rate |
|---|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Labour force | Employment | Unemployment | | | |
| in thousands | | | | | | | |
| Southwest [4630] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 82.7 | 59.5 | 58.4 | 1.1 | 71.9 | 1.8 | 70.6 |
| 2009 | 83.2 | 56.9 | 54.6 | 2.3 | 68.4 | 4.0 | 65.6 |
| North Central [4640] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 35.9 | 24.5 | 23.7 | 0.8 | 68.2 | 3.3 | 66.0 |
| 2009 | 36.3 | 23.8 | 22.4 | 1.4 | 65.6 | 5.9 | 61.7 |
| Winnipeg [4650] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 540.5 | 379.8 | 360.9 | 18.9 | 70.3 | 5.0 | 66.8 |
| 2009 | 548.6 | 387.4 | 363.8 | 23.6 | 70.6 | 6.1 | 66.3 |
| Interlake [4660] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 71.0 | 49.0 | 47.6 | 1.5 | 69.0 | 3.1 | 67.0 |
| 2009 | 72.1 | 49.5 | 47.4 | 2.1 | 68.7 | 4.2 | 65.7 |
| Parklands and North [4670, 4680] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 58.8 | 40.3 | 38.6 | 1.7 | 68.5 | 4.2 | 65.6 |
| 2009 | 58.9 | 39.5 | 38.0 | 1.5 | 67.1 | 3.8 | 64.5 |
| Saskatchewan | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 770.7 | 543.6 | 521.2 | 22.3 | 70.5 | 4.1 | 67.6 |
| 2009 | 782.0 | 547.8 | 521.3 | 26.5 | 70.1 | 4.8 | 66.7 |
| Regina-Moose Mountain [4710] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 227.6 | 162.8 | 157.1 | 5.6 | 71.5 | 3.4 | 69.0 |
| 2009 | 231.7 | 163.3 | 155.2 | 8.2 | 70.5 | 5.0 | 67.0 |
| Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 83.8 | 56.4 | 54.3 | 2.2 | 67.3 | 3.9 | 64.8 |
| 2009 | 84.2 | 55.3 | 53.5 | 1.8 | 65.7 | 3.3 | 63.5 |
| Saskatoon-Biggar [4730] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 241.4 | 176.0 | 169.4 | 6.6 | 72.9 | 3.8 | 70.2 |
| 2009 | 247.0 | 182.4 | 174.2 | 8.2 | 73.8 | 4.5 | 70.5 |
| Yorkton-Melville [4740] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 64.7 | 42.9 | 41.8 | 1.1 | 66.3 | 2.6 | 64.6 |
| 2009 | 64.7 | 43.0 | 41.1 | 1.9 | 66.5 | 4.4 | 63.5 |
| Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 153.2 | 105.5 | 98.7 | 6.8 | 68.9 | 6.4 | 64.4 |
| 2009 | 154.4 | 103.7 | 97.3 | 6.4 | 67.2 | 6.2 | 63.0 |
| Alberta | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 2,808.1 | 2,108.1 | 2,029.4 | 78.8 | 75.1 | 3.7 | 72.3 |
| 2009 | 2,881.8 | 2,133.7 | 1,982.7 | 151.0 | 74.0 | 7.1 | 68.8 |
| Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 209.5 | 140.4 | 136.0 | 4.4 | 67.0 | 3.1 | 64.9 |
| 2009 | 213.0 | 146.1 | 136.5 | 9.6 | 68.6 | 6.6 | 64.1 |
| Camrose-Drumheller [4820] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 155.4 | 116.3 | 113.3 | 3.0 | 74.8 | 2.6 | 72.9 |
| 2009 | 156.8 | 110.7 | 103.8 | 6.9 | 70.6 | 6.2 | 66.2 |
| Calgary [4830] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 1,026.2 | 800.3 | 768.9 | 31.4 | 78.0 | 3.9 | 74.9 |
| 2009 | 1,057.5 | 806.8 | 752.0 | 54.7 | 76.3 | 6.8 | 71.1 |
| Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 68.6 | 53.9 | 51.6 | 2.3 | 78.6 | 4.3 | 75.2 |
| 2009 | 70.0 | 55.2 | 52.9 | 2.3 | 78.9 | 4.2 | 75.6 |
| Red Deer [4850] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 147.0 | 112.8 | 108.0 | 4.8 | 76.7 | 4.3 | 73.5 |
| 2009 | 151.8 | 111.1 | 103.2 | 7.8 | 73.2 | 7.0 | 68.0 |

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 October 2008 and October 2009

| | Population | Labour force | | | Participation rate | Unemployment rate | Employment rate |
|---|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Labour force | Employment | Unemployment | | | |
| in thousands | | | | | | | |
| Edmonton [4860] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 921.2 | 671.1 | 647.9 | 23.1 | 72.9 | 3.4 | 70.3 |
| 2009 | 945.6 | 686.5 | 633.2 | 53.3 | 72.6 | 7.8 | 67.0 |
| Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 187.1 | 140.5 | 133.8 | 6.6 | 75.1 | 4.7 | 71.5 |
| 2009 | 191.7 | 143.0 | 129.9 | 13.0 | 74.6 | 9.1 | 67.8 |
| Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 93.1 | 72.8 | 69.8 | 3.0 | 78.2 | 4.1 | 75.0 |
| 2009 | 95.4 | 74.4 | 71.1 | 3.3 | 78.0 | 4.4 | 74.5 |
| British Columbia | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 3,658.0 | 2,440.8 | 2,325.3 | 115.5 | 66.7 | 4.7 | 63.6 |
| 2009 | 3,721.5 | 2,460.9 | 2,273.5 | 187.4 | 66.1 | 7.6 | 61.1 |
| Vancouver Island and Coast [5910] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 634.7 | 419.0 | 401.0 | 18.0 | 66.0 | 4.3 | 63.2 |
| 2009 | 641.5 | 405.2 | 374.8 | 30.4 | 63.2 | 7.5 | 58.4 |
| Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 2,222.7 | 1,485.8 | 1,420.3 | 65.5 | 66.8 | 4.4 | 63.9 |
| 2009 | 2,270.8 | 1,520.9 | 1,408.4 | 112.5 | 67.0 | 7.4 | 62.0 |
| Thompson-Okanagan [5930] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 432.8 | 282.6 | 267.3 | 15.3 | 65.3 | 5.4 | 61.8 |
| 2009 | 439.4 | 284.7 | 263.9 | 20.9 | 64.8 | 7.3 | 60.1 |
| Kootenay [5940] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 123.0 | 75.4 | 70.1 | 5.3 | 61.3 | 7.0 | 57.0 |
| 2009 | 123.4 | 76.4 | 70.3 | 6.1 | 61.9 | 8.0 | 57.0 |
| Cariboo [5950] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 126.6 | 88.1 | 82.5 | 5.6 | 69.6 | 6.4 | 65.2 |
| 2009 | 127.7 | 86.1 | 76.2 | 9.9 | 67.4 | 11.5 | 59.7 |
| North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 65.6 | 48.0 | 44.3 | 3.7 | 73.2 | 7.7 | 67.5 |
| 2009 | 65.1 | 47.1 | 42.4 | 4.7 | 72.4 | 10.0 | 65.1 |
| Northeast [5980] | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 52.5 | 41.9 | 39.8 | 2.1 | 79.8 | 5.0 | 75.8 |
| 2009 | 53.6 | 40.4 | 37.5 | 2.9 | 75.4 | 7.2 | 70.0 |

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): All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries. Related CANSIM table 282-0054.

Table 6-2
Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in
October 2008 and October 2009

| | Population | Labour force | | | Participation rate | Unemployment rate | Employment rate |
|---|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| | | Labour force | Employment | Unemployment | | | |
| | | in thousands | | | percent | | |
| Yukon ¹ | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 23.8 | 18.4 | 17.5 | 0.8 | 77.3 | 4.3 | 73.5 |
| 2009 | 24.3 | 17.7 | 16.7 | 1.0 | 72.8 | 5.6 | 68.7 |
| Northwest Territories ² | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 31.5 | 23.8 | 22.7 | 1.1 | 75.6 | 4.6 | 72.1 |
| 2009 | 31.5 | 22.3 | 20.5 | 1.7 | 70.8 | 7.6 | 65.1 |
| Nunavut ³ | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 18.6 | 11.6 | 10.2 | 1.4 | 62.2 | 11.9 | 54.8 |
| 2009 | 18.6 | 11.3 | 9.8 | 1.5 | 60.7 | 12.9 | 52.8 |

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 |
| October 2009 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 years and over | 14,138.9 | 35.2 | 815.58 | 22.35 | 11,530.7 | 39.3 | 936.35 | 2,608.2 | 17.1 | 281.66 |
| 15 to 24 years | 2,224.3 | 27.0 | 376.55 | 13.04 | 1,137.2 | 38.6 | 577.32 | 1,087.2 | 14.9 | 166.54 |
| 25 years and over | 11,914.6 | 36.7 | 897.54 | 24.09 | 10,393.5 | 39.3 | 975.63 | 1,521.0 | 18.7 | 363.94 |
| Men | 7,060.5 | 37.8 | 935.68 | 24.14 | 6,279.5 | 40.5 | 1,020.47 | 781.0 | 16.4 | 253.91 |
| Women | 7,078.4 | 32.6 | 695.77 | 20.56 | 5,251.2 | 37.8 | 835.74 | 1,827.2 | 17.5 | 293.52 |
| Union coverage | | | | | | | | | | |
| Union coverage | 4,471.3 | 35.6 | 919.69 | 25.47 | 3,797.5 | 38.6 | 1,010.15 | 673.8 | 18.8 | 409.88 |
| No union coverage | 9,667.6 | 35.0 | 767.42 | 20.90 | 7,733.2 | 39.6 | 900.10 | 1,934.4 | 16.5 | 237.00 |
| Job permanency | | | | | | | | | | |
| Permanent | 12,318.9 | 36.0 | 852.79 | 22.95 | 10,446.2 | 39.3 | 952.05 | 1,872.8 | 18.1 | 299.10 |
| Temporary | 1,820.0 | 29.4 | 563.69 | 18.25 | 1,084.6 | 39.4 | 785.05 | 735.4 | 14.6 | 237.23 |
| Occupation | | | | | | | | | | |
| Management | 1,048.8 | 39.6 | 1,353.18 | 34.15 | 1,017.7 | 40.2 | 1,380.18 | 31.1 | 19.3 | 468.77 |
| Business, finance and administrative | 2,707.5 | 35.1 | 758.22 | 21.14 | 2,297.3 | 38.1 | 838.90 | 410.2 | 18.0 | 306.36 |
| Natural and applied sciences | 1,035.9 | 38.6 | 1,203.71 | 31.18 | 999.4 | 39.3 | 1,229.85 | 36.5 | 18.3 | 487.51 |
| Health | 931.0 | 33.6 | 903.58 | 26.60 | 701.0 | 37.9 | 1,030.21 | 230.0 | 20.5 | 517.72 |
| Social science, education, government service and religion | 1,416.4 | 33.8 | 974.11 | 28.42 | 1,140.6 | 38.0 | 1,104.37 | 275.8 | 16.6 | 435.35 |
| Art, culture, recreation and sport | 341.2 | 30.2 | 736.76 | 22.78 | 228.8 | 38.4 | 976.51 | 112.4 | 13.5 | 248.97 |
| Sales and service | 3,555.2 | 30.4 | 492.06 | 15.05 | 2,255.3 | 38.4 | 663.32 | 1,299.9 | 16.6 | 194.93 |
| Trades, transport and equipment operators | 2,084.8 | 39.9 | 871.56 | 21.60 | 1,945.7 | 41.5 | 913.95 | 139.1 | 17.5 | 278.73 |
| Occupations unique to primary industry | 258.8 | 41.7 | 795.88 | 18.56 | 227.3 | 45.5 | 881.16 | 31.5 | 14.3 | 180.97 |
| Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities | 759.2 | 38.7 | 747.55 | 19.13 | 717.6 | 39.9 | 774.78 | 41.6 | 18.6 | 278.16 |
| October 2008 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 years and over | 14,615.2 | 35.3 | 793.76 | 21.64 | 11,902.3 | 39.5 | 913.43 | 2,712.9 | 17.1 | 268.72 |
| 15 to 24 years | 2,446.1 | 27.5 | 377.72 | 12.74 | 1,271.5 | 39.1 | 580.44 | 1,174.6 | 14.9 | 158.27 |
| 25 years and over | 12,169.2 | 36.9 | 877.39 | 23.43 | 10,630.8 | 39.6 | 953.26 | 1,538.3 | 18.8 | 353.05 |
| Men | 7,389.3 | 37.9 | 913.74 | 23.47 | 6,529.4 | 40.8 | 1,001.81 | 860.0 | 16.5 | 245.03 |
| Women | 7,225.9 | 32.7 | 671.07 | 19.78 | 5,372.9 | 38.0 | 806.04 | 1,853.0 | 17.4 | 279.71 |
| Union coverage | | | | | | | | | | |
| Union coverage | 4,549.7 | 35.9 | 900.65 | 24.76 | 3,909.2 | 38.7 | 981.19 | 640.5 | 19.1 | 409.04 |
| No union coverage | 10,065.5 | 35.1 | 745.45 | 20.24 | 7,993.1 | 39.9 | 880.30 | 2,072.5 | 16.5 | 225.35 |
| Job permanency | | | | | | | | | | |
| Permanent | 12,808.5 | 36.2 | 832.00 | 22.30 | 10,882.0 | 39.5 | 928.29 | 1,926.5 | 18.0 | 288.10 |
| Temporary | 1,806.8 | 29.0 | 522.69 | 16.99 | 1,020.3 | 40.0 | 755.04 | 786.4 | 14.8 | 221.23 |
| Occupation | | | | | | | | | | |
| Management | 1,075.9 | 39.8 | 1,357.66 | 34.15 | 1,040.3 | 40.5 | 1,388.40 | 35.7 | 18.5 | 461.50 |
| Business, finance and administrative | 2,845.2 | 35.2 | 739.99 | 20.61 | 2,414.2 | 38.3 | 820.16 | 431.0 | 17.4 | 290.95 |
| Natural and applied sciences | 1,049.9 | 38.9 | 1,165.00 | 29.98 | 1,016.5 | 39.5 | 1,186.85 | 33.4 | 18.7 | 500.11 |
| Health | 901.7 | 33.7 | 860.41 | 25.51 | 685.3 | 38.0 | 971.20 | 216.4 | 20.2 | 509.52 |
| Social science, education, government service and religion | 1,365.5 | 33.9 | 950.64 | 27.62 | 1,093.1 | 38.2 | 1,083.30 | 272.3 | 16.7 | 418.12 |
| Art, culture, recreation and sport | 336.5 | 30.5 | 694.90 | 21.21 | 228.1 | 38.5 | 919.90 | 108.3 | 13.5 | 221.12 |
| Sales and service | 3,668.0 | 30.3 | 467.41 | 14.38 | 2,275.1 | 38.5 | 636.70 | 1,392.9 | 16.8 | 190.91 |
| Trades, transport and equipment operators | 2,234.2 | 40.2 | 864.59 | 21.28 | 2,084.9 | 41.8 | 906.81 | 149.3 | 17.8 | 274.93 |
| Occupations unique to primary industry | 280.5 | 41.2 | 804.06 | 18.85 | 247.7 | 44.7 | 887.38 | 32.7 | 14.3 | 172.97 |
| Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities | 857.9 | 39.1 | 737.08 | 18.68 | 817.1 | 40.2 | 762.01 | 40.8 | 16.6 | 238.22 |

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

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

| Region | Effective from November 8, 2009 to December 5, 2009 |
|--|---|
| | percent |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | |
| 01. St. John's | 8.8 |
| 02. Newfoundland and Labrador | 20.4 |
| Prince Edward Island | |
| 03. Prince Edward Island | 12.4 |
| Nova Scotia | |
| 04. Eastern Nova Scotia | 15.6 |
| 05. Western Nova Scotia | 10.0 |
| 06. Halifax | 6.8 |
| New Brunswick | |
| 07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John | 6.1 |
| 08. Madawaska-Charlotte ² | 11.5 |
| 09. Restigouche-Albert | 13.8 |
| Quebec | |
| 10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine | 16.2 |
| 11. Québec | 5.6 |
| 12. Trois-Rivières | 9.2 |
| 13. South Central Quebec | 6.3 |
| 14. Sherbrooke | 6.4 |
| 15. Montérégie | 7.4 |
| 16. Montréal | 9.4 |
| 17. Central Quebec | 9.2 |
| 18. Northwestern Quebec | 11.6 |
| 19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³ | 11.9 |
| 20. Gatineau | 5.9 |
| 21. Saguenay | 7.8 |
| Ontario | |
| 22. Ottawa | 5.2 |
| 23. Eastern Ontario | 7.8 |
| 24. Kingston | 6.1 |
| 25. Central Ontario | 9.7 |
| 26. Oshawa | 9.3 |
| 27. Toronto | 9.7 |
| 28. Hamilton | 8.4 |
| 29. St. Catharines | 10.1 |
| 30. London | 10.8 |
| 31. Niagara | 11.6 |
| 32. Windsor | 13.3 |
| 33. Kitchener | 8.9 |
| 34. Huron | 10.8 |
| 35. South Central Ontario | 8.4 |
| 36. Sudbury | 10.0 |
| 37. Thunder Bay | 8.6 |
| 38. Northern Ontario | 13.5 |
| Manitoba | |
| 39. Winnipeg | 5.8 |
| 40. Southern Manitoba | 6.1 |
| 41. Northern Manitoba | 28.4 |
| Saskatchewan | |
| 42. Regina | 5.2 |
| 43. Saskatoon | 4.4 |
| 44. Southern Saskatchewan | 6.9 |
| 45. Northern Saskatchewan | 16.2 |

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 November 8, 2009 to December 5, 2009 |
|--|---|
| | percent |
| Alberta | |
| 46. Calgary | 6.9 |
| 47. Edmonton | 7.8 |
| 48. Northern Alberta | 10.0 |
| 49. Southern Alberta | 8.2 |
| British Columbia | |
| 50. Southern Interior British Columbia | 9.7 |
| 51. Abbotsford | 8.0 |
| 52. Vancouver | 7.4 |
| 53. Victoria | 7.1 |
| 54. Southern Coastal British Columbia | 9.2 |
| 55. Northern British Columbia | 14.1 |
| Territories | |
| 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.

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

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

Note(s): All geographic regions are based on the 1996 Census boundaries.

Data quality

About the Labour Force Survey

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

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

Definitions and explanations

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

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week:

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

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

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week:

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

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

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

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

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

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

All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries.

Seasonal adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. The seasonally adjusted series contains irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

The seasonally adjusted series are revised each year to take into account current data and to generate new forecast factors for the next twelve months. The data are therefore subject to slight revisions in future issues of this publication.

Sampling variability of estimates

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

Interpretation based on standard error

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

Movements in estimates that are smaller than the sampling error are less likely to reflect a real change and more likely to be due to sampling variability. While the above is true for monthly movements, one can have more confidence in a series of consecutive movements in the same direction, even though some of the monthly movements may be smaller than the sampling error.

Interpretation based on confidence intervals

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

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

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

Documentation

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

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