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- r revised
- x suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the *Statistics Act*
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- F too unreliable to be published
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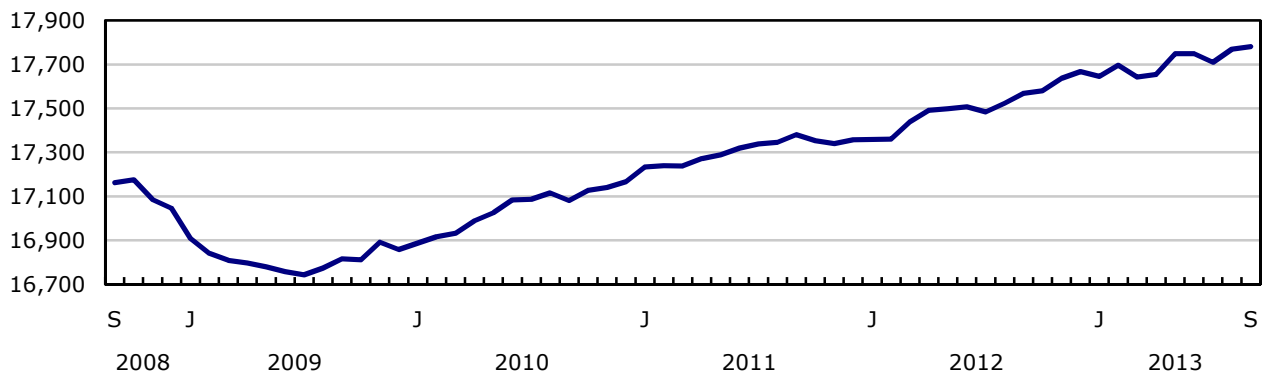
Highlights

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Chart 1
Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted

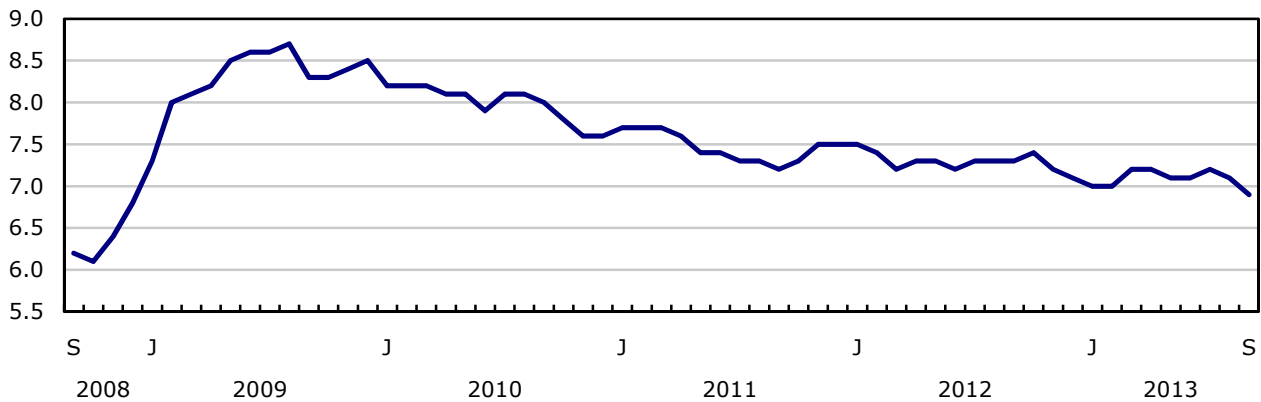
Employment

thousands



Unemployment rate

percent



Analysis — September 2013

Employment was little changed in September, while the unemployment rate declined 0.2 percentage points to 6.9% as fewer youths searched for work.

Employment increased 1.2% (+212,000) compared with 12 months earlier. During this same period, however, the employment rate was little changed, as employment and the working-age population grew at a similar pace.

Since September 2012, the number of hours worked rose by 0.8%, as part-time employment grew at a faster pace than full-time.

There were employment gains in finance, insurance, real estate and leasing as well as natural resources and agriculture in September. At the same time, there were declines in manufacturing and public administration.

In September, employment increased in New Brunswick and declined in Saskatchewan, while there was little change in the other provinces.

The number of private sector employees increased in September, while self-employment declined.

There were no notable employment changes among the major demographic groups.

Industry perspective

Employment in finance, insurance, real estate and leasing rose by 33,000 in September, following a decline the previous month. Despite these recent changes, employment levels in this industry are similar to one year earlier.

Employment increased by 19,000 in natural resources, accounting for all the growth since September 2012 (+4.7% or +17,000).

In September, the number of people working in agriculture increased by 8,500, following a decline the previous month. Employment in this industry remains at a level similar to that of 12 months earlier.

Employment in manufacturing fell by 26,000 in September, contributing to the decline of 4.1% (-73,000) on a year-over-year basis.

There were 17,000 fewer people working in public administration in September. Employment in this industry has been declining since February, down 7.2% or 71,000 over this seven-month period.

In September, there were 74,000 more private sector employees, while there were 45,000 fewer self-employed workers. Over the previous 12 months, the number of private sector employees increased by 1.8%, while the number of public sector employees and the self-employed was little changed.

Few employment changes by province

In New Brunswick, employment increased by 2,800 in September, and the unemployment rate was unchanged at 10.7%. Employment in this province was at a similar level as that of 12 months earlier.

Employment in Saskatchewan fell by 3,200. Despite this decline, employment grew by 3.1% year-over-year, the second highest growth rate after Alberta. In September, the unemployment rate in Saskatchewan was 4.3%, which was the same as for Alberta, the lowest among the provinces.

In September, employment in Ontario was little changed. At the same time, the unemployment rate decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 7.3% as fewer youths looked for work. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in the province grew by 1.7%, above the national average of 1.2%.

Despite little change in employment in Quebec, the unemployment rate declined 0.3 percentage points to 7.6% as fewer youths searched for work. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in the province was little changed, as gains in the first five months of the period were offset by recent losses.

Little change in employment among demographic groups

While employment for youths aged 15 to 24 was virtually unchanged in September, their unemployment rate declined by 1.2 percentage points to 12.9%. This decline was largely due to fewer youths searching for work. Compared to 12 months earlier, youth employment increased 1.7%, mainly the result of gains in the first half of the period.

Employment in September was also little changed among people aged 25 to 54 and remains at a level similar to that of September 2012.

In September, employment among people aged 55 and over was unchanged. Compared with 12 months earlier, however, there were 140,000 more men and women working in this age group (+4.3%), largely a result of population aging.

Quarterly update for the territories

The Labour Force Survey also collects labour market information about the territories. This information is produced monthly in the form of three-month moving averages. The following data are not seasonally adjusted; therefore, comparisons should only be made on a year-over-year basis.

In the third quarter of 2013, employment levels were little changed in Yukon and the Northwest Territories compared with the third quarter of 2012. The unemployment rate also was little changed for these two territories and stood at 4.4% in Yukon and 8.4% in the Northwest Territories.

In Nunavut, employment increased by 800 over this period, all in full-time work. The unemployment rate was 14.2%, relatively unchanged from the third quarter of 2012.

Note to readers

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates are based on a sample and are therefore subject to sampling variability. As a result, monthly estimates will show more variability than trends observed over longer time periods. Estimates for smaller geographic areas or industries also have more variability. For an explanation of sampling variability of estimates and how to use standard errors to assess this variability, consult the "Estimates quality" section of the publication *Labour Force Information (71-001-X)*.

The employment rate is the number of employed persons as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The rate for a particular group (for example, youth aged 15 to 24) is the number employed in that group as a percentage of the population for that group.

The unemployment rate is the number unemployed as a percentage of the labour force (employed and unemployed).

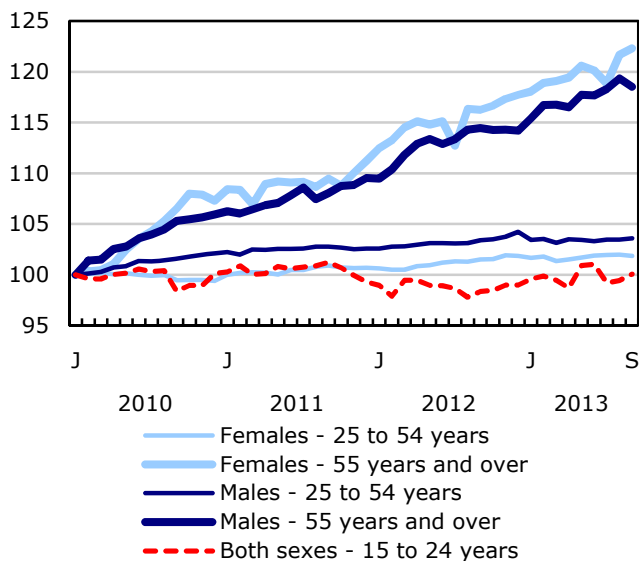
The participation rate is the number of employed and unemployed as a percentage of the population. For more detailed information, see the *Guide to the Labour Force (71-543-G)*.

Unless otherwise stated, this release presents seasonally adjusted estimates, which facilitates comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations. For more information on seasonal adjustment, see *Seasonal adjustment and identifying economic trends*.

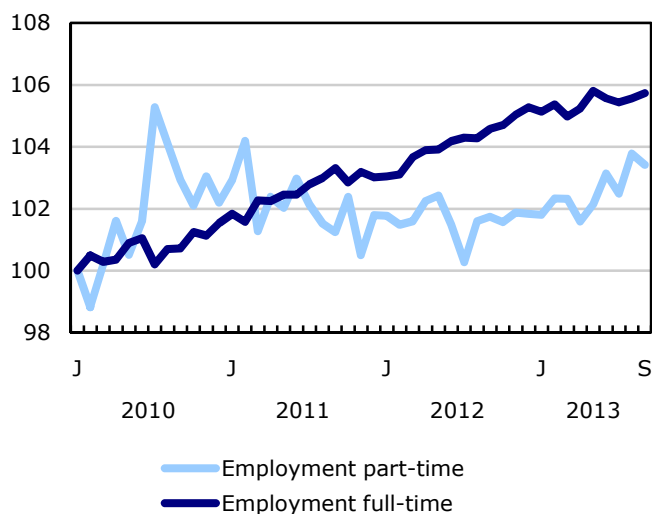
Each year, the LFS revises its estimates for the previous three years, using the latest seasonal factors.

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Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted

Employment index, January 2010=100



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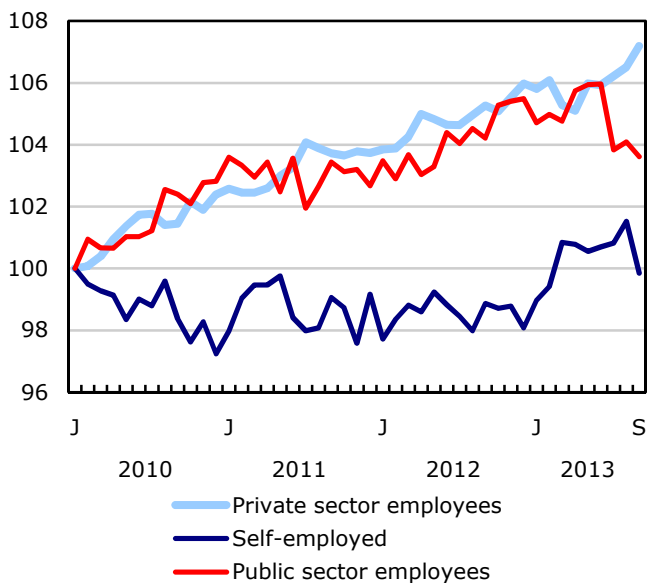
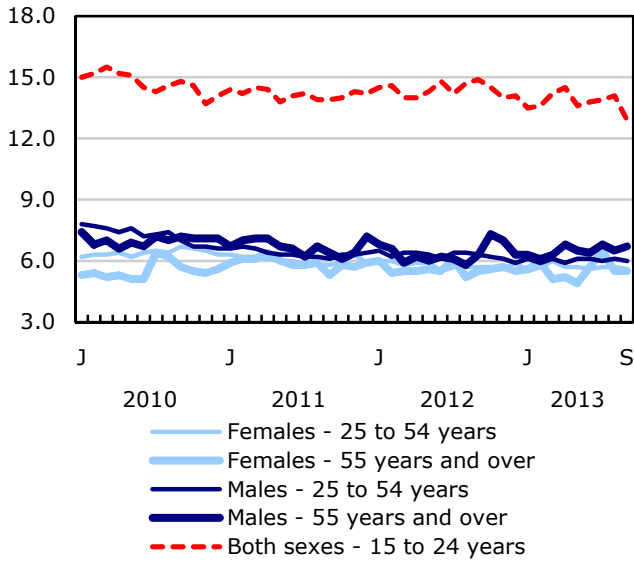
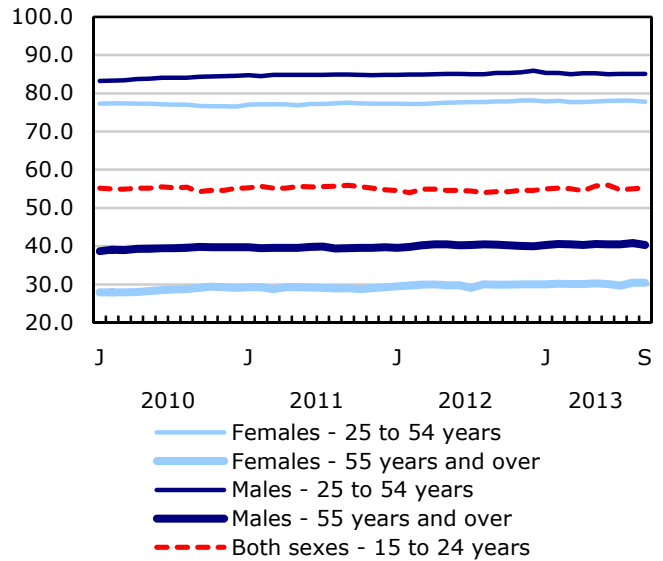


Chart 2
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted

Unemployment rate (%)



Employment rate (%)



Participation rate (%)

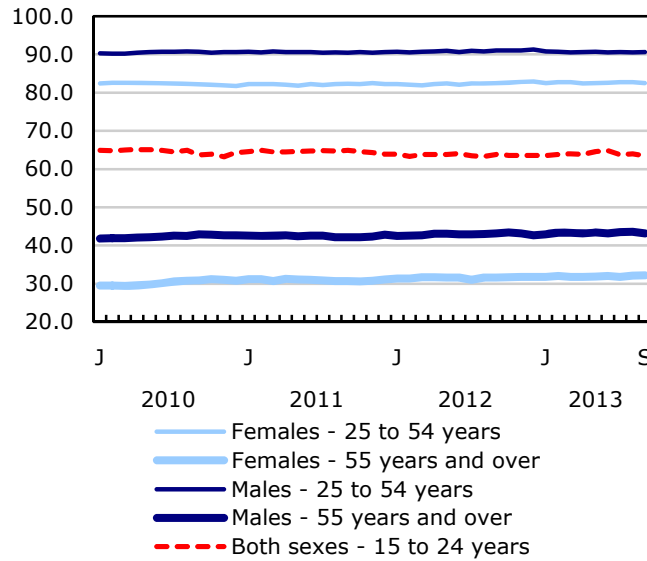


Chart 3
Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January 2010=100

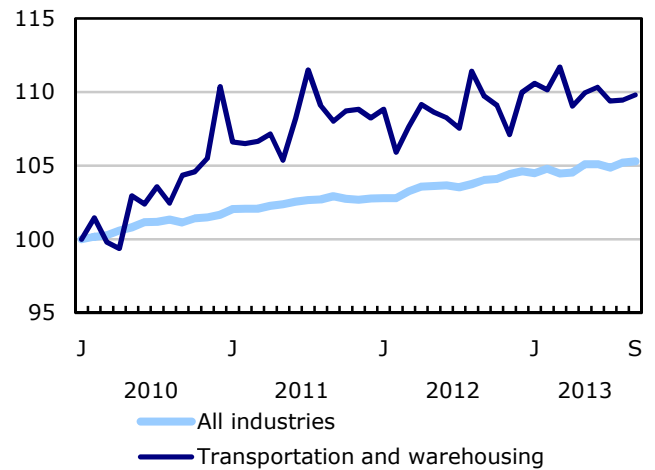
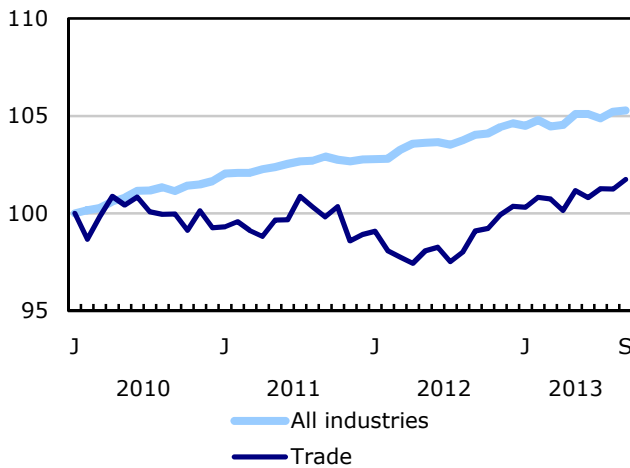
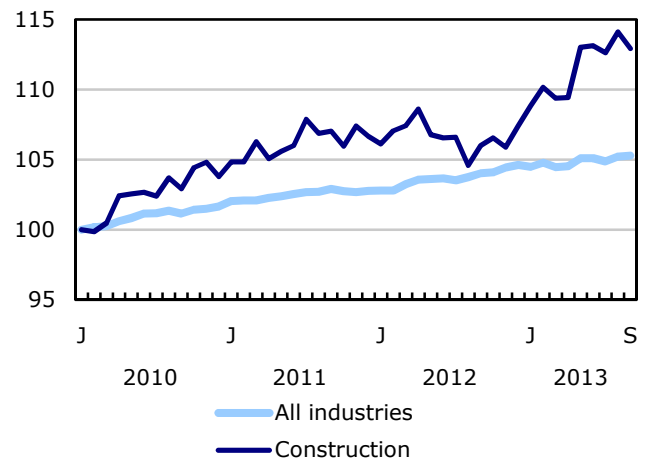
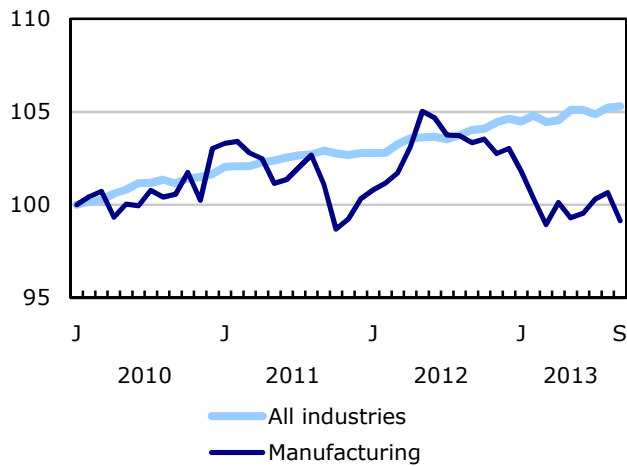
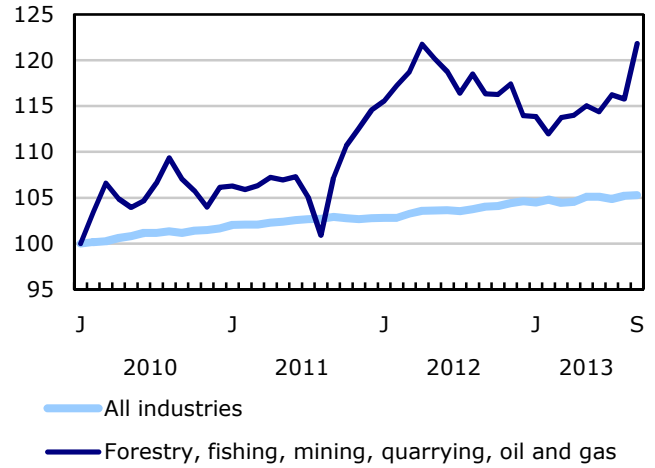
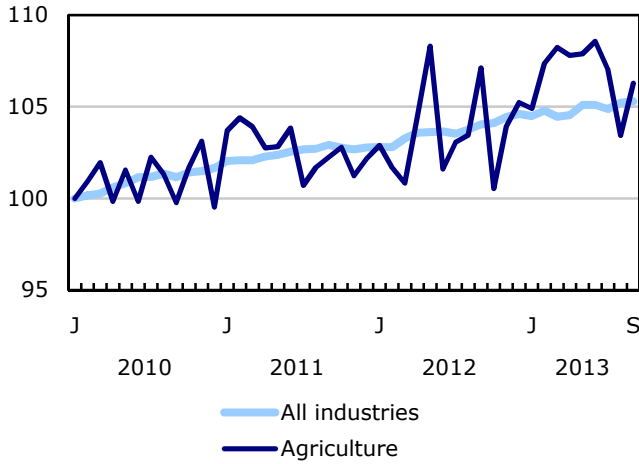


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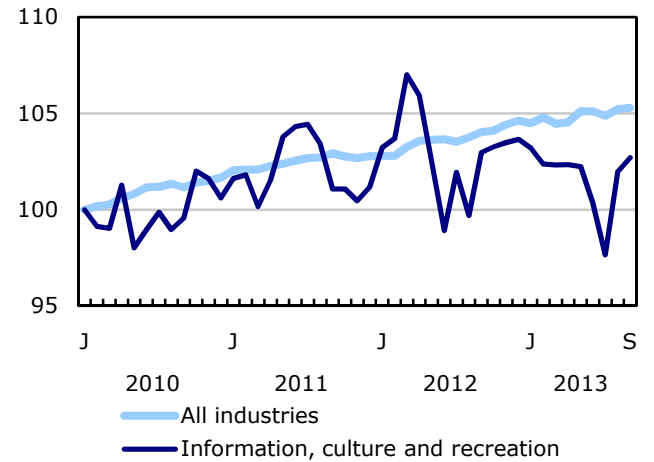
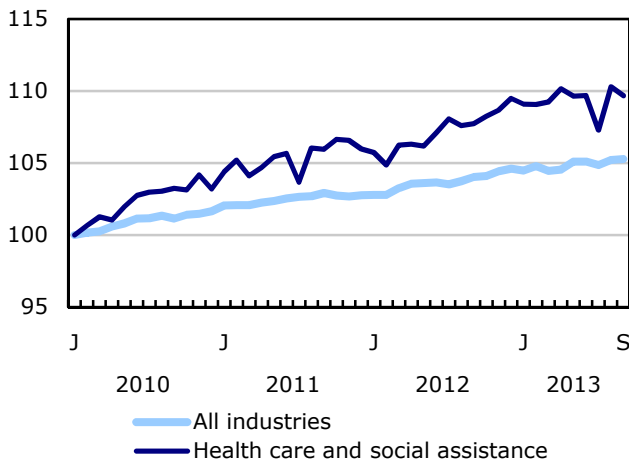
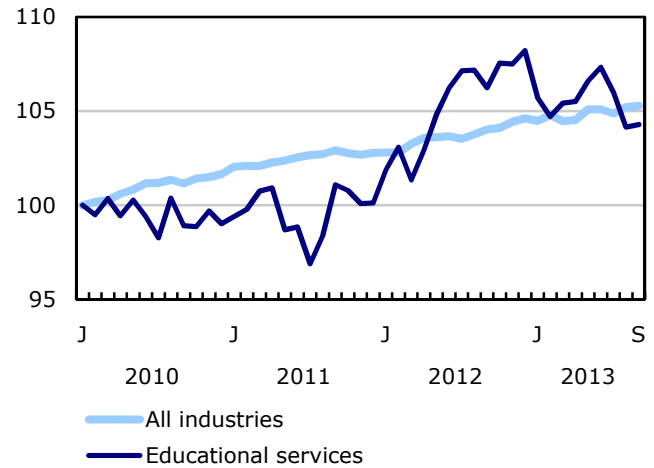
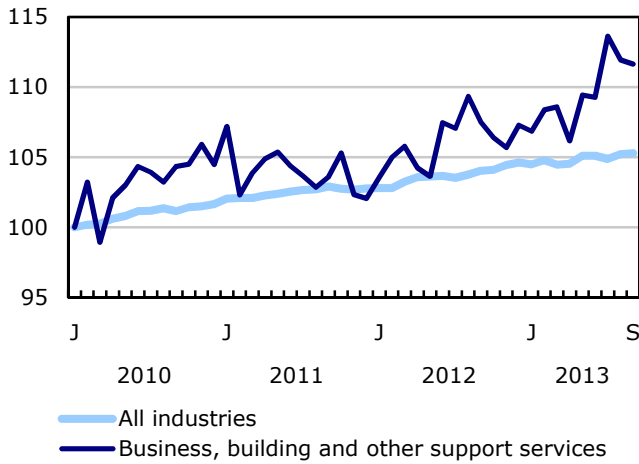
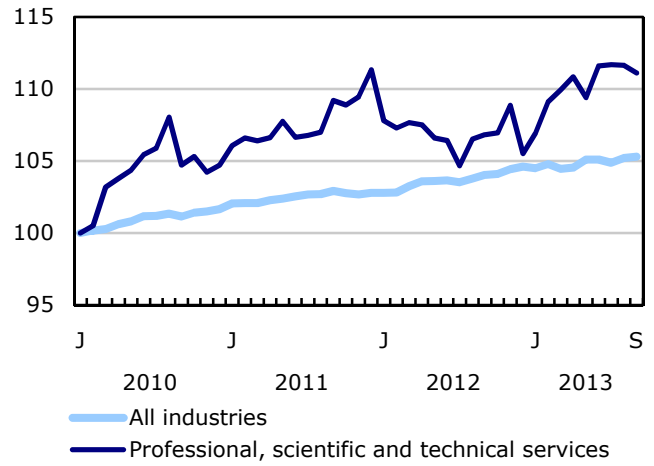
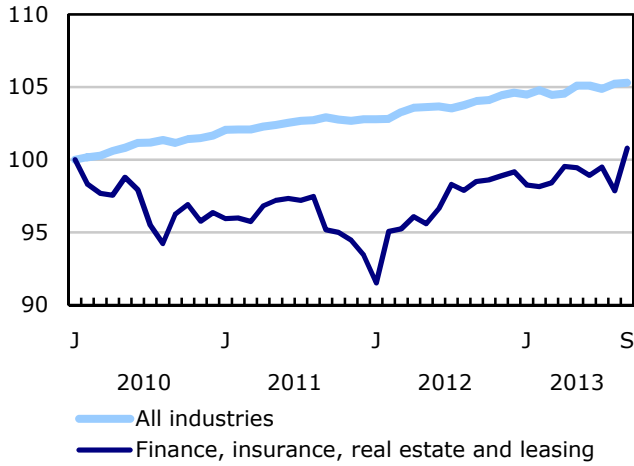


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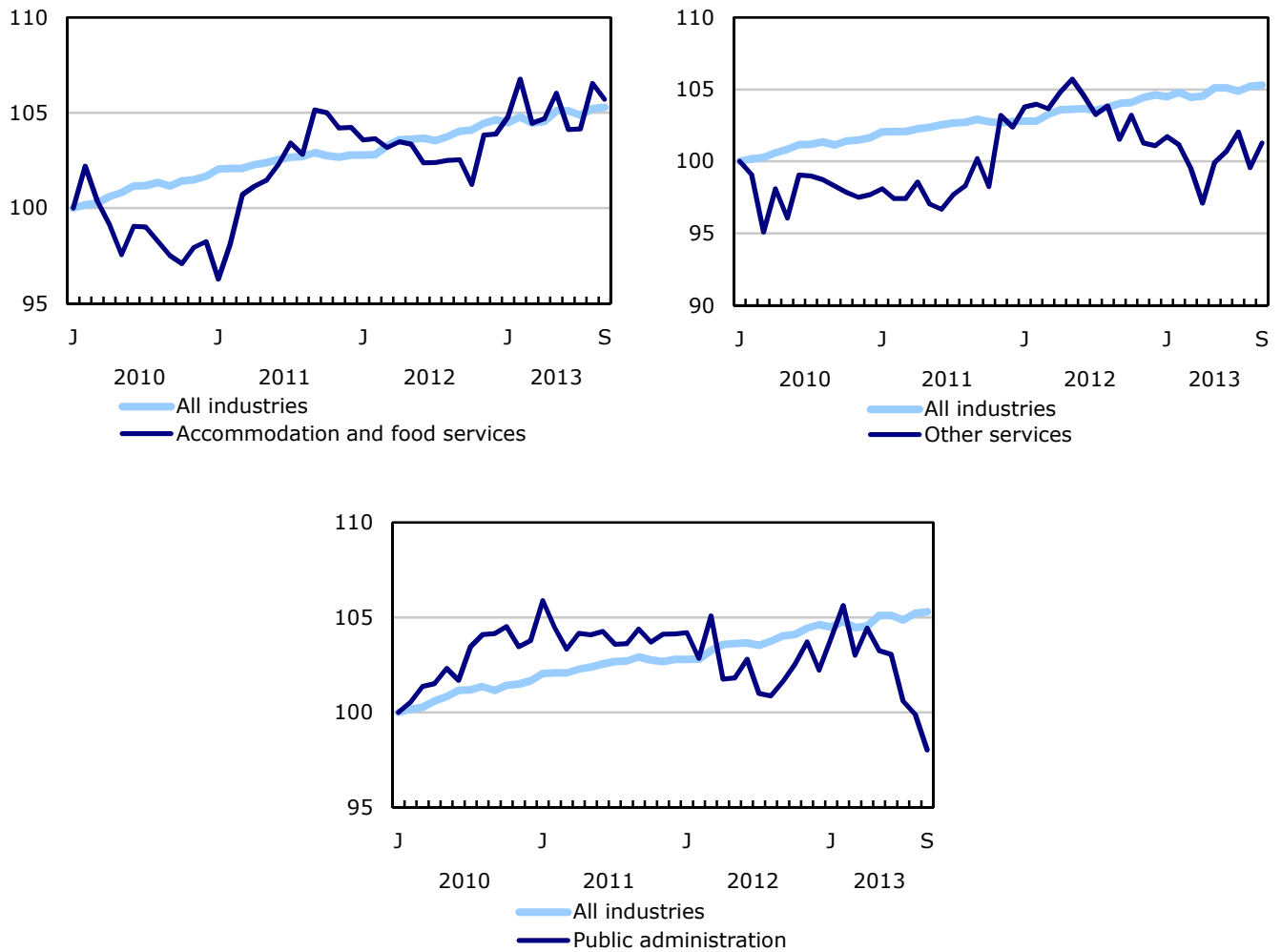


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Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2010=100

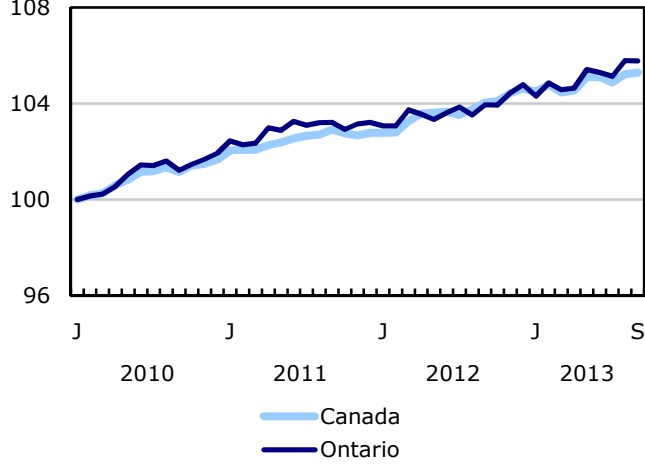
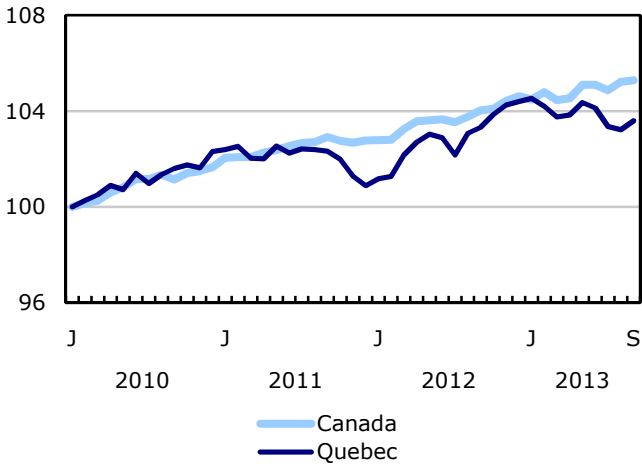
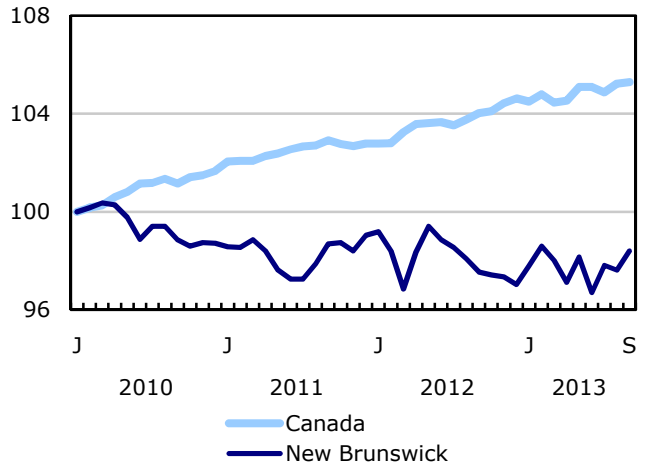
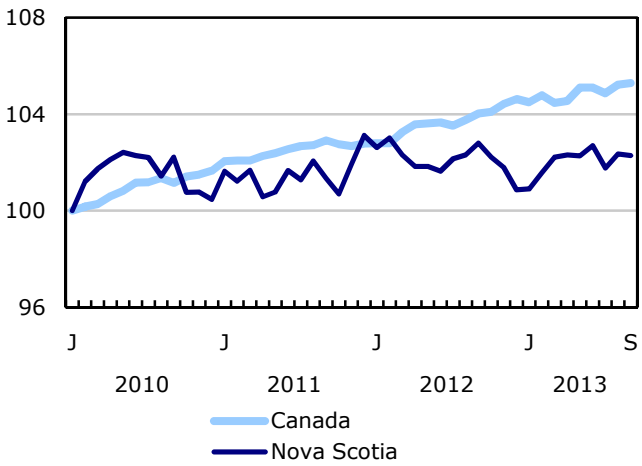
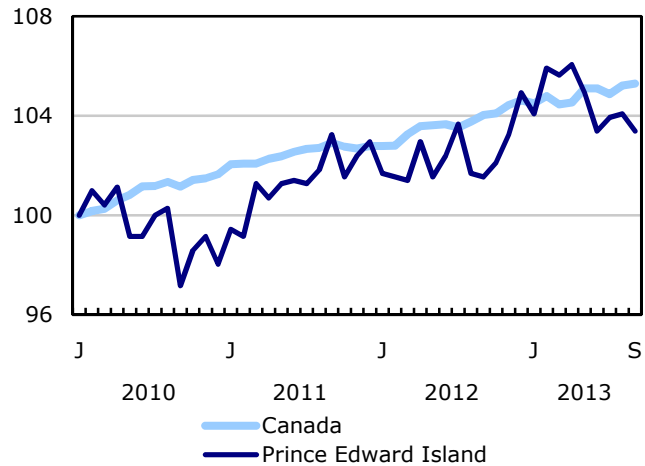
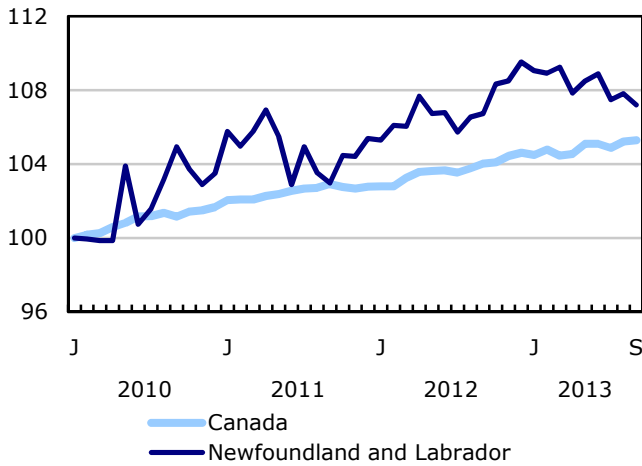
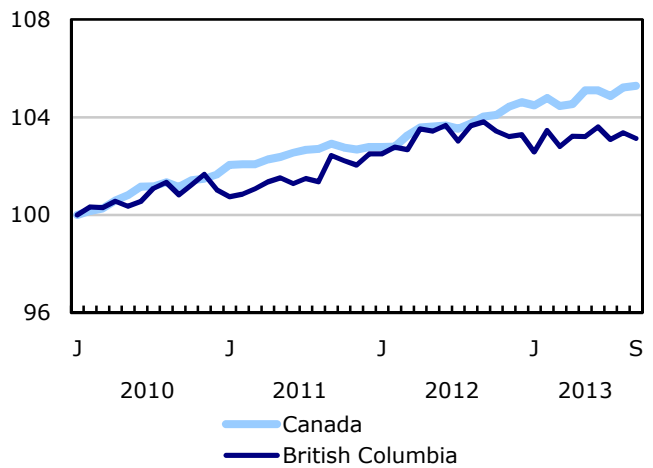
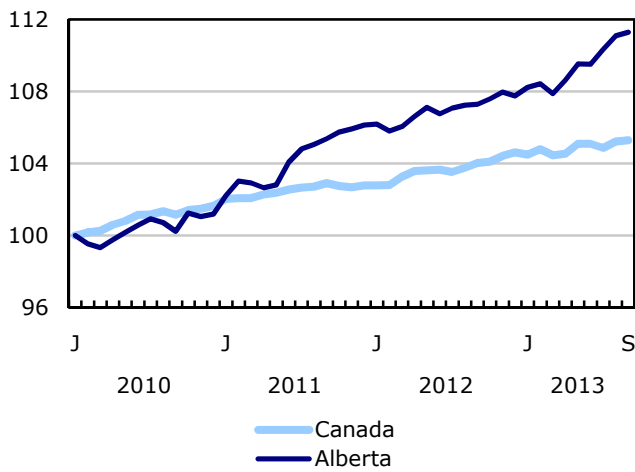
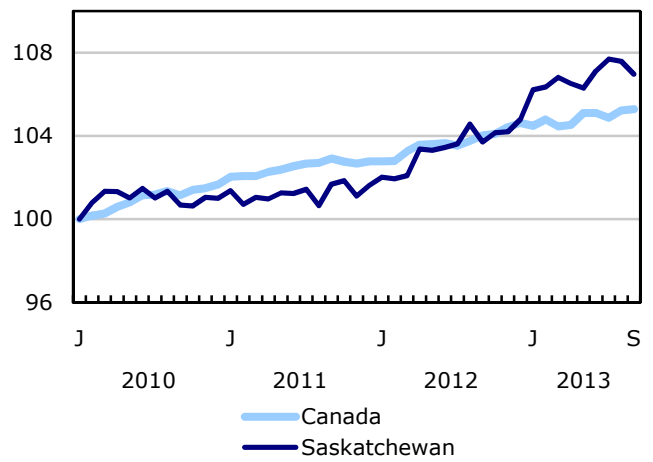
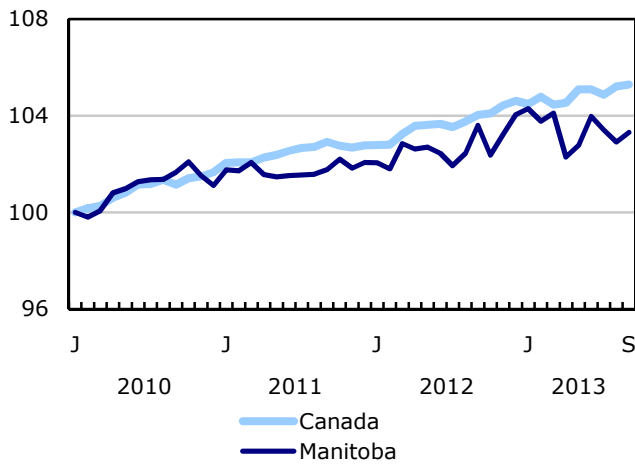


Chart 7
Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2010=100



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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	28,724.6	28,762.9	...	38.3	294.3	374.6	0.1	1.0	1.3
Labour force	19,130.8	19,105.7	29.2	-25.1	79.7	149.5	-0.1	0.4	0.8
Employment	17,768.8	17,780.7	28.9	11.9	113.1	212.4	0.1	0.6	1.2
Employment full-time	14,398.4	14,421.8	39.0	23.4	61.8	157.8	0.2	0.4	1.1
Employment part-time	3,370.4	3,358.9	35.7	-11.5	51.3	54.6	-0.3	1.6	1.7
Unemployment	1,362.0	1,325.0	25.1	-37.0	-33.4	-62.9	-2.7	-2.5	-4.5
Participation rate	66.6	66.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.9	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.9	61.8	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	18.9	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
15 to 24 years, both sexes									
Population	4,449.5	4,447.0	...	-2.5	-9.1	-10.6	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	2,846.1	2,824.7	17.3	-21.4	-11.3	-18.9	-0.8	-0.4	-0.7
Employment	2,445.6	2,461.3	15.8	15.7	26.2	41.8	0.6	1.1	1.7
Employment full-time	1,263.4	1,286.0	18.6	22.6	9.9	14.2	1.8	0.8	1.1
Employment part-time	1,182.2	1,175.3	19.5	-6.9	16.3	27.7	-0.6	1.4	2.4
Unemployment	400.5	363.4	14.9	-37.1	-37.4	-60.8	-9.3	-9.3	-14.3
Participation rate	64.0	63.5	0.4	-0.5	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.1	12.9	0.5	-1.2	-1.2	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.0	55.3	0.4	0.3	0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.3	47.8	0.7	-0.6	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
25 years and over, men									
Population	11,885.3	11,906.1	...	20.8	152.5	193.5	0.2	1.3	1.7
Labour force	8,615.1	8,613.0	15.1	-2.1	46.3	71.6	0.0	0.5	0.8
Employment	8,084.4	8,080.1	16.3	-4.3	29.7	75.4	-0.1	0.4	0.9
Employment full-time	7,455.9	7,444.2	22.0	-11.7	0.2	44.8	-0.2	0.0	0.6
Employment part-time	628.5	635.9	17.7	7.4	29.5	30.6	1.2	4.9	5.1
Unemployment	530.8	532.9	14.5	2.1	16.6	-3.8	0.4	3.2	-0.7
Participation rate	72.5	72.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.2	0.2	0.0	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.0	67.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.6	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.8	7.9	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
25 years and over, women									
Population	12,389.8	12,409.8	...	20.0	150.9	191.7	0.2	1.2	1.6
Labour force	7,669.6	7,668.0	16.6	-1.6	44.7	96.9	0.0	0.6	1.3
Employment	7,238.8	7,239.3	16.5	0.5	57.2	95.2	0.0	0.8	1.3
Employment full-time	5,679.1	5,691.7	25.4	12.6	51.8	98.9	0.2	0.9	1.8
Employment part-time	1,559.7	1,547.6	23.8	-12.1	5.4	-3.7	-0.8	0.4	-0.2
Unemployment	430.8	428.6	13.4	-2.2	-12.6	1.5	-0.5	-2.9	0.4
Participation rate	61.9	61.8	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.6	0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.5	21.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, both sexes									
Population	14,616.4	14,624.1	...	7.7	44.7	51.9	0.1	0.3	0.4
Labour force	12,659.1	12,656.0	21.8	-3.1	-48.5	13.9	0.0	-0.4	0.1
Employment	11,915.4	11,916.3	23.3	0.9	-38.1	30.7	0.0	-0.3	0.3
Unemployment	743.7	739.7	18.3	-4.0	-10.4	-16.8	-0.5	-1.4	-2.2
Participation rate	86.6	86.5	0.1	-0.1	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.8	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.5	81.5	0.2	0.0	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, men									
Population	7,313.9	7,318.1	...	4.2	23.7	27.4	0.1	0.3	0.4
Labour force	6,622.7	6,629.9	13.9	7.2	-32.2	-3.1	0.1	-0.5	0.0
Employment	6,220.6	6,229.0	15.6	8.4	-37.6	12.1	0.1	-0.6	0.2
Unemployment	402.1	400.9	13.3	-1.2	5.4	-15.2	-0.3	1.4	-3.7
Participation rate	90.5	90.6	0.2	0.1	-0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.0	0.2	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	85.1	85.1	0.2	0.0	-0.8	-0.2	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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, women									
Population	7,302.5	7,306.0	...	3.5	21.0	24.5	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	6,036.4	6,026.1	16.1	-10.3	-16.3	17.0	-0.2	-0.3	0.3
Employment	5,694.8	5,687.3	16.4	-7.5	-0.5	18.6	-0.1	0.0	0.3
Unemployment	341.6	338.8	12.2	-2.8	-15.8	-1.6	-0.8	-4.5	-0.5
Participation rate	82.7	82.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.6	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	78.0	77.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
55 years and over, both sexes									
Population	9,658.7	9,691.8	...	33.1	258.7	333.3	0.3	2.7	3.6
Labour force	3,625.6	3,625.0	17.4	-0.6	139.5	154.5	0.0	4.0	4.5
Employment	3,407.8	3,403.1	17.4	-4.7	125.0	139.8	-0.1	3.8	4.3
Unemployment	217.8	221.9	9.4	4.1	14.5	14.7	1.9	7.0	7.1
Participation rate	37.5	37.4	0.2	-0.1	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.1	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	35.3	35.1	0.2	-0.2	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
55 years and over, men									
Population	4,571.4	4,588.0	...	16.6	128.8	166.1	0.4	2.9	3.8
Labour force	1,992.4	1,983.1	11.4	-9.3	78.5	74.7	-0.5	4.1	3.9
Employment	1,863.8	1,851.1	11.6	-12.7	67.3	63.3	-0.7	3.8	3.5
Unemployment	128.6	132.0	6.9	3.4	11.2	11.4	2.6	9.3	9.5
Participation rate	43.6	43.2	0.3	-0.4	0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.7	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	40.8	40.3	0.3	-0.5	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
55 years and over, women									
Population	5,087.3	5,103.8	...	16.5	129.9	167.2	0.3	2.6	3.4
Labour force	1,633.2	1,641.9	12.0	8.7	61.0	79.8	0.5	3.9	5.1
Employment	1,544.0	1,552.0	11.9	8.0	57.7	76.6	0.5	3.9	5.2
Unemployment	89.2	89.9	6.2	0.7	3.3	3.3	0.8	3.8	3.8
Participation rate	32.1	32.2	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.5	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	30.4	30.4	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.5	...	...	...

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. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	15,024.1	15,081.4	35.5	57.3	65.4	185.8	0.4	0.4	1.2
Self-employed ²	2,744.7	2,699.3	25.2	-45.4	47.7	26.6	-1.7	1.8	1.0
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,600.0	3,583.7	25.0	-16.3	-64.8	-20.9	-0.5	-1.8	-0.6
Private sector employees	11,424.1	11,497.7	37.7	73.6	130.2	206.7	0.6	1.1	1.8
Industry	17,768.8	17,780.7	28.9	11.9	113.1	212.4	0.1	0.6	1.2
Goods-producing sector	3,922.2	3,911.9	26.6	-10.3	32.5	25.1	-0.3	0.8	0.6
Agriculture	307.9	316.4	7.3	8.5	3.1	-2.5	2.8	1.0	-0.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ³	363.1	382.0	7.2	18.9	24.6	17.2	5.2	6.9	4.7
Utilities	149.3	151.7	5.0	2.4	6.7	0.8	1.6	4.6	0.5
Construction	1,356.3	1,342.2	17.2	-14.1	65.7	82.3	-1.0	5.1	6.5
Manufacturing	1,745.6	1,719.6	20.0	-26.0	-67.6	-72.7	-1.5	-3.8	-4.1
Services-producing sector	13,846.6	13,868.8	34.4	22.2	80.6	187.3	0.2	0.6	1.4
Trade	2,715.1	2,728.2	23.7	13.1	37.4	70.9	0.5	1.4	2.7
Transportation and warehousing	855.9	858.6	14.1	2.7	-1.5	0.5	0.3	-0.2	0.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,104.7	1,137.9	16.3	33.2	18.4	25.9	3.0	1.6	2.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,357.8	1,351.3	18.4	-6.5	68.0	52.2	-0.5	5.3	4.0
Business, building and other support services	729.2	727.2	14.2	-2.0	28.3	26.9	-0.3	4.0	3.8
Educational services	1,274.0	1,275.6	16.7	1.6	-48.2	-24.1	0.1	-3.6	-1.9
Health care and social assistance	2,190.0	2,177.7	19.4	-12.3	3.8	38.8	-0.6	0.2	1.8
Information, culture and recreation	782.5	788.1	14.5	5.6	-7.3	-2.1	0.7	-0.9	-0.3
Accommodation and food services	1,140.9	1,132.1	16.9	-8.8	19.6	34.1	-0.8	1.8	3.1
Other services	764.9	778.0	13.7	13.1	1.4	-2.0	1.7	0.2	-0.3
Public administration	931.5	914.1	13.1	-17.4	-39.2	-33.8	-1.9	-4.1	-3.6

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

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

3. Also referred to as Natural resources.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0088, 282-0089. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

Table 3
Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	August 2013	September 2013	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	429.8	...	0.1	1.7	2.6	0.0	0.4	0.6
Labour force	259.6	257.5	1.9	-2.1	-9.3	-4.3	-0.8	-3.5	-1.6
Employment	232.0	230.7	1.9	-1.3	-5.0	1.0	-0.6	-2.1	0.4
Employment full-time	197.6	196.4	2.3	-1.2	-4.1	-3.0	-0.6	-2.0	-1.5
Employment part-time	34.3	34.3	1.8	0.0	-0.9	4.0	0.0	-2.6	13.2
Unemployment	27.7	26.9	1.7	-0.8	-4.1	-5.2	-2.9	-13.2	-16.2
Participation rate	60.4	59.9	0.4	-0.5	-2.4	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.7	10.4	0.6	-0.3	-1.2	-1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.0	53.7	0.4	-0.3	-1.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	121.0	121.0	...	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.2
Labour force	82.7	82.5	0.7	-0.2	-1.3	1.3	-0.2	-1.6	1.6
Employment	73.9	73.4	0.7	-0.5	-1.1	1.3	-0.7	-1.5	1.8
Employment full-time	60.4	59.7	0.8	-0.7	-1.0	-0.5	-1.2	-1.6	-0.8
Employment part-time	13.5	13.7	0.7	0.2	-0.1	1.8	1.5	-0.7	15.1
Unemployment	8.8	9.1	0.7	0.3	-0.1	0.0	3.4	-1.1	0.0
Participation rate	68.3	68.2	0.5	-0.1	-1.3	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.6	11.0	0.8	0.4	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	60.7	0.5	-0.4	-1.1	1.0	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	781.7	781.8	...	0.1	1.0	1.4	0.0	0.1	0.2
Labour force	500.0	499.3	2.6	-0.7	3.4	-2.3	-0.1	0.7	-0.5
Employment	456.4	456.1	2.7	-0.3	6.3	-2.3	-0.1	1.4	-0.5
Employment full-time	367.0	365.4	3.7	-1.6	2.2	-1.1	-0.4	0.6	-0.3
Employment part-time	89.4	90.8	3.2	1.4	4.2	-1.0	1.6	4.8	-1.1
Unemployment	43.6	43.1	2.5	-0.5	-3.0	-0.1	-1.1	-6.5	-0.2
Participation rate	64.0	63.9	0.3	-0.1	0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.6	0.5	-0.1	-0.7	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.3	0.3	-0.1	0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	620.1	620.2	...	0.1	0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Labour force	391.7	394.7	2.2	3.0	4.9	1.7	0.8	1.3	0.4
Employment	349.8	352.6	2.3	2.8	4.9	3.1	0.8	1.4	0.9
Employment full-time	291.8	292.6	2.9	0.8	-0.8	-2.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.8
Employment part-time	58.0	60.0	2.5	2.0	5.7	5.5	3.4	10.5	10.1
Unemployment	42.0	42.1	2.2	0.1	0.0	-1.4	0.2	0.0	-3.2
Participation rate	63.2	63.6	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.7	10.7	0.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	56.9	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.6	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,698.2	6,703.2	...	5.0	38.9	52.3	0.1	0.6	0.8
Labour force	4,344.2	4,345.0	15.1	0.8	-19.5	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.0
Employment	3,998.8	4,013.8	15.4	15.0	-30.4	10.8	0.4	-0.8	0.3
Employment full-time	3,247.1	3,246.6	20.3	-0.5	-41.6	6.4	0.0	-1.3	0.2
Employment part-time	751.8	767.3	18.0	15.5	11.2	4.5	2.1	1.5	0.6
Unemployment	345.3	331.1	13.2	-14.2	10.8	-10.8	-4.1	3.4	-3.2
Participation rate	64.9	64.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.6	0.3	-0.3	0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	59.9	0.2	0.2	-0.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Ontario									
Population	11,221.2	11,236.3	...	15.1	108.2	136.2	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	7,478.8	7,461.3	20.1	-17.5	19.3	75.5	-0.2	0.3	1.0
Employment	6,920.1	6,918.4	19.3	-1.7	64.2	118.6	0.0	0.9	1.7
Employment full-time	5,578.2	5,588.9	26.3	10.7	41.7	88.5	0.2	0.8	1.6
Employment part-time	1,341.9	1,329.6	24.5	-12.3	22.5	30.2	-0.9	1.7	2.3
Unemployment	558.7	542.8	17.5	-15.9	-44.9	-43.2	-2.8	-7.6	-7.4
Participation rate	66.6	66.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.3	0.2	-0.2	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.6	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.3	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	August 2013	September 2013	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)									
Manitoba									
Population	974.9	976.0	...	1.1	8.7	11.2	0.1	0.9	1.2
Labour force	666.3	671.2	2.6	4.9	-2.3	1.7	0.7	-0.3	0.3
Employment	631.5	634.0	2.7	2.5	-4.4	-1.7	0.4	-0.7	-0.3
Employment full-time	508.3	509.8	3.6	1.5	-6.1	-4.5	0.3	-1.2	-0.9
Employment part-time	123.2	124.1	3.5	0.9	1.6	2.6	0.7	1.3	2.1
Unemployment	34.8	37.2	2.2	2.4	2.0	3.5	6.9	5.7	10.4
Participation rate	68.3	68.8	0.3	0.5	-0.8	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.8	65.0	0.3	0.2	-1.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	828.4	830.0	...	1.6	12.4	16.1	0.2	1.5	2.0
Labour force	583.4	580.7	2.5	-2.7	10.1	15.9	-0.5	1.8	2.8
Employment	558.7	555.5	2.6	-3.2	11.2	16.9	-0.6	2.1	3.1
Employment full-time	458.6	462.8	3.3	4.2	15.7	14.0	0.9	3.5	3.1
Employment part-time	100.1	92.7	3.1	-7.4	-4.5	2.9	-7.4	-4.6	3.2
Unemployment	24.7	25.1	1.9	0.4	-1.2	-1.1	1.6	-4.6	-4.2
Participation rate	70.4	70.0	0.3	-0.4	0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.3	0.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	66.9	0.3	-0.5	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	3,188.2	3,199.5	...	11.3	88.0	112.1	0.4	2.8	3.6
Labour force	2,345.2	2,337.6	8.8	-7.6	70.0	82.6	-0.3	3.1	3.7
Employment	2,232.4	2,236.4	9.2	4.0	71.1	80.3	0.2	3.3	3.7
Employment full-time	1,868.2	1,875.7	12.3	7.5	49.0	65.9	0.4	2.7	3.6
Employment part-time	364.2	360.7	11.1	-3.5	22.2	14.4	-1.0	6.6	4.2
Unemployment	112.8	101.3	7.0	-11.5	-1.0	2.3	-10.2	-1.0	2.3
Participation rate	73.6	73.1	0.3	-0.5	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.3	0.3	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.0	69.9	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,861.2	3,865.0	...	3.8	34.7	42.7	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	2,479.0	2,476.0	10.6	-3.0	4.4	-22.7	-0.1	0.2	-0.9
Employment	2,315.2	2,309.8	10.4	-5.4	-3.7	-15.6	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7
Employment full-time	1,821.1	1,824.0	14.5	2.9	6.9	-5.4	0.2	0.4	-0.3
Employment part-time	494.1	485.9	13.5	-8.2	-10.5	-10.1	-1.7	-2.1	-2.0
Unemployment	163.7	166.2	8.6	2.5	8.1	-7.1	1.5	5.1	-4.1
Participation rate	64.2	64.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.7	0.3	0.1	0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	59.8	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	-1.0	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM Table 282-0087. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	429.8	...	0.1	1.7	2.6	0.0	0.4	0.6
Labour force	259.6	257.5	1.9	-2.1	-9.3	-4.3	-0.8	-3.5	-1.6
Employment	232.0	230.7	1.9	-1.3	-5.0	1.0	-0.6	-2.1	0.4
Employment full-time	197.6	196.4	2.3	-1.2	-4.1	-3.0	-0.6	-2.0	-1.5
Unemployment	27.7	26.9	1.7	-0.8	-4.1	-5.2	-2.9	-13.2	-16.2
Participation rate	60.4	59.9	0.4	-0.5	-2.4	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.7	10.4	0.6	-0.3	-1.2	-1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.0	53.7	0.4	-0.3	-1.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	14.8	14.9	0.8	0.1	-0.1	1.7	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	58.4	58.3	...	-0.1	-0.8	-0.8	-0.2	-1.4	-1.4
Labour force	34.6	34.5	1.0	-0.1	-3.6	-2.1	-0.3	-9.4	-5.7
Employment	29.7	29.3	1.0	-0.4	-2.3	-0.5	-1.3	-7.3	-1.7
Unemployment	4.9	5.2	0.9	0.3	-1.3	-1.6	6.1	-20.0	-23.5
Participation rate	59.2	59.2	1.7	0.0	-5.3	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.2	15.1	2.2	0.9	-2.0	-3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.9	50.3	1.7	-0.6	-3.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.8	41.6	3.4	-0.1	3.7	7.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	179.4	179.5	...	0.1	1.2	1.6	0.1	0.7	0.9
Labour force	117.2	115.5	1.1	-1.7	-3.7	-1.9	-1.5	-3.1	-1.6
Employment	103.8	102.6	1.2	-1.2	-3.4	-0.7	-1.2	-3.2	-0.7
Unemployment	13.4	12.9	1.1	-0.5	-0.3	-1.2	-3.7	-2.3	-8.5
Participation rate	65.3	64.3	0.6	-1.0	-2.6	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.4	11.2	0.9	-0.2	0.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.9	57.2	0.7	-0.7	-2.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.5	3.9	0.7	-0.6	-0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	191.9	192.1	...	0.2	1.3	1.9	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	107.8	107.5	1.1	-0.3	-1.9	-0.3	-0.3	-1.7	-0.3
Employment	98.4	98.8	1.0	0.4	0.7	2.2	0.4	0.7	2.3
Unemployment	9.3	8.7	1.0	-0.6	-2.7	-2.5	-6.5	-23.7	-22.3
Participation rate	56.2	56.0	0.6	-0.2	-1.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.1	0.8	-0.5	-2.3	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.3	51.4	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.5	18.2	1.3	0.7	-0.8	2.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	232.0	230.7	1.9	-1.3	-5.0	1.0	-0.6	-2.1	0.4
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	54.7	53.7	1.6	-1.0	3.7	4.9	-1.8	7.4	10.0
Agriculture	1.6	1.2	0.3	-0.4	-0.7	-0.4	-25.0	-36.8	-25.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	16.7	16.4	1.0	-0.3	1.8	1.8	-1.8	12.3	12.3
Utilities	2.4	2.4	0.3	0.0	-0.9	-0.7	0.0	-27.3	-22.6
Construction	22.4	21.6	1.2	-0.8	1.6	2.4	-3.6	8.0	12.5
Manufacturing	11.6	12.1	0.9	0.5	1.9	1.9	4.3	18.6	18.6
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	177.3	177.0	2.0	-0.3	-8.7	-4.0	-0.2	-4.7	-2.2
Trade	37.0	38.4	1.3	1.4	5.2	4.9	3.8	15.7	14.6
Transportation and warehousing	10.0	9.7	0.8	-0.3	-2.9	-1.8	-3.0	-23.0	-15.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	9.4	8.2	0.7	-1.2	-1.9	-1.2	-12.8	-18.8	-12.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	10.4	9.9	0.7	-0.5	0.9	0.4	-4.8	10.0	4.2
Business, building and other support services	5.9	5.5	0.7	-0.4	-1.4	-2.0	-6.8	-20.3	-26.7
Educational services	18.2	18.6	1.0	0.4	-1.1	0.1	2.2	-5.6	0.5
Health care and social assistance	36.2	36.2	1.3	0.0	-1.5	-1.9	0.0	-4.0	-5.0
Information, culture and recreation	5.9	6.6	0.7	0.7	-0.8	-0.1	11.9	-10.8	-1.5
Accommodation and food services	13.7	13.4	0.9	-0.3	-1.5	-0.2	-2.2	-10.1	-1.5
Other services	12.6	12.6	1.0	0.0	-2.3	-2.7	0.0	-15.4	-17.6
Public administration	18.0	18.0	0.9	0.0	-1.4	0.7	0.0	-7.2	4.0

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	121.0	121.0	...	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.2
Labour force	82.7	82.5	0.7	-0.2	-1.3	1.3	-0.2	-1.6	1.6
Employment	73.9	73.4	0.7	-0.5	-1.1	1.3	-0.7	-1.5	1.8
Employment full-time	60.4	59.7	0.8	-0.7	-1.0	-0.5	-1.2	-1.6	-0.8
Unemployment	8.8	9.1	0.7	0.3	-0.1	0.0	3.4	-1.1	0.0
Participation rate	68.3	68.2	0.5	-0.1	-1.3	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.6	11.0	0.8	0.4	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	60.7	0.5	-0.4	-1.1	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.3	18.7	1.0	0.4	0.1	2.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.8	19.7	...	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-1.0	-1.5
Labour force	13.3	13.2	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.9	-0.8	-1.5	7.3
Employment	10.9	10.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.7	0.6	-3.7	-6.2	6.1
Unemployment	2.4	2.7	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	12.5	22.7	12.5
Participation rate	67.2	67.0	2.0	-0.2	-0.3	5.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	18.0	20.5	2.5	2.5	4.1	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.1	53.3	1.8	-1.8	-3.0	3.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.9	45.7	3.7	-0.2	-1.6	3.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	48.5	48.5	...	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.2	-0.2
Labour force	35.9	35.6	0.4	-0.3	-0.5	0.7	-0.8	-1.4	2.0
Employment	32.3	31.8	0.4	-0.5	0.0	0.3	-1.5	0.0	1.0
Unemployment	3.7	3.8	0.4	0.1	-0.5	0.4	2.7	-11.6	11.8
Participation rate	74.0	73.4	0.7	-0.6	-1.2	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.3	10.7	1.1	0.4	-1.2	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	65.6	0.9	-1.0	-0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.0	8.8	1.1	0.8	0.6	1.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	52.7	52.7	...	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.0
Labour force	33.4	33.7	0.3	0.3	-0.5	-0.3	0.9	-1.5	-0.9
Employment	30.7	31.1	0.4	0.4	-0.4	0.3	1.3	-1.3	1.0
Unemployment	2.7	2.7	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.5	0.0	-3.6	-15.6
Participation rate	63.4	63.9	0.6	0.5	-1.6	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	8.0	1.0	-0.1	-0.2	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	59.0	0.7	0.7	-1.3	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.2	19.6	1.5	0.4	1.2	1.8	...	...	...
Industry	73.9	73.4	0.7	-0.5	-1.1	1.3	-0.7	-1.5	1.8
Goods-producing sector	18.2	16.8	0.6	-1.4	-0.6	-1.0	-7.7	-3.4	-5.6
Agriculture	4.2	3.5	0.3	-0.7	-0.9	-0.9	-16.7	-20.5	-20.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	2.2	2.5	0.3	0.3	0.1	-0.8	13.6	4.2	-24.2
Utilities	0.6	0.4	0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.0	-33.3	33.3	0.0
Construction	6.3	5.4	0.3	-0.9	0.1	0.2	-14.3	1.9	3.8
Manufacturing	5.0	4.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	-2.0	-2.0	6.5
Services-producing sector	55.7	56.6	0.7	0.9	-0.5	2.3	1.6	-0.9	4.2
Trade	10.6	10.6	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.9	0.0	1.0	9.3
Transportation and warehousing	2.4	2.6	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	8.3	13.0	8.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.6	2.9	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5	11.5	20.8	20.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.8	3.3	0.3	0.5	0.1	-0.5	17.9	3.1	-13.2
Business, building and other support services	2.1	1.6	0.3	-0.5	-0.6	-0.9	-23.8	-27.3	-36.0
Educational services	5.8	6.3	0.4	0.5	-0.6	0.1	8.6	-8.7	1.6
Health care and social assistance	9.9	10.1	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.3	2.0	5.2	3.1
Information, culture and recreation	3.2	3.0	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.6	-6.2	0.0	25.0
Accommodation and food services	5.2	5.3	0.4	0.1	-0.6	0.6	1.9	-10.2	12.8
Other services	3.3	3.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	3.0	6.2	9.7
Public administration	7.8	7.5	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	0.1	-3.8	-3.8	1.4

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	781.7	781.8	...	0.1	1.0	1.4	0.0	0.1	0.2
Labour force	500.0	499.3	2.6	-0.7	3.4	-2.3	-0.1	0.7	-0.5
Employment	456.4	456.1	2.7	-0.3	6.3	-2.3	-0.1	1.4	-0.5
Employment full-time	367.0	365.4	3.7	-1.6	2.2	-1.1	-0.4	0.6	-0.3
Unemployment	43.6	43.1	2.5	-0.5	-3.0	-0.1	-1.1	-6.5	-0.2
Participation rate	64.0	63.9	0.3	-0.1	0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.6	0.5	-0.1	-0.7	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.3	0.3	-0.1	0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.6	19.9	0.7	0.3	0.7	-0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	116.1	115.8	...	-0.3	-1.4	-1.7	-0.3	-1.2	-1.4
Labour force	76.3	76.3	1.6	0.0	1.6	-1.7	0.0	2.1	-2.2
Employment	63.0	63.2	1.4	0.2	1.8	-0.3	0.3	2.9	-0.5
Unemployment	13.4	13.2	1.5	-0.2	-0.1	-1.3	-1.5	-0.8	-9.0
Participation rate	65.7	65.9	1.4	0.2	2.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.6	17.3	1.8	-0.3	-0.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.3	54.6	1.2	0.3	2.2	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.0	48.7	2.7	2.7	-0.8	-2.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	315.5	315.7	...	0.2	1.2	1.5	0.1	0.4	0.5
Labour force	211.3	212.2	1.3	0.9	-0.2	-0.2	0.4	-0.1	-0.1
Employment	193.4	194.8	1.6	1.4	0.8	-1.4	0.7	0.4	-0.7
Unemployment	18.0	17.4	1.4	-0.6	-1.0	1.3	-3.3	-5.4	8.1
Participation rate	67.0	67.2	0.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	8.2	0.7	-0.3	-0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	61.7	0.5	0.4	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.1	8.8	0.8	-0.3	0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	350.1	350.3	...	0.2	1.2	1.6	0.1	0.3	0.5
Labour force	212.3	210.7	1.4	-1.6	1.9	-0.5	-0.8	0.9	-0.2
Employment	200.0	198.2	1.5	-1.8	3.8	-0.4	-0.9	2.0	-0.2
Unemployment	12.3	12.6	1.3	0.3	-1.8	0.0	2.4	-12.5	0.0
Participation rate	60.6	60.1	0.4	-0.5	0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	6.0	0.6	0.2	-0.9	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.1	56.6	0.4	-0.5	0.9	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.3	21.6	1.1	0.3	0.9	0.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	456.4	456.1	2.7	-0.3	6.3	-2.3	-0.1	1.4	-0.5
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	88.0	88.6	2.3	0.6	7.4	3.8	0.7	9.1	4.5
Agriculture	4.7	6.4	0.8	1.7	0.3	0.3	36.2	4.9	4.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	11.7	11.8	1.0	0.1	1.1	0.2	0.9	10.3	1.7
Utilities	4.9	4.5	0.4	-0.4	0.1	0.2	-8.2	2.3	4.7
Construction	35.2	34.5	1.6	-0.7	5.2	2.8	-2.0	17.7	8.8
Manufacturing	31.5	31.5	1.4	0.0	0.8	0.4	0.0	2.6	1.3
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	368.4	367.6	2.9	-0.8	-0.9	-6.0	-0.2	-0.2	-1.6
Trade	72.7	72.9	2.0	0.2	3.2	-0.7	0.3	4.6	-1.0
Transportation and warehousing	18.2	18.4	1.2	0.2	-2.0	-1.7	1.1	-9.8	-8.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	23.1	23.4	1.0	0.3	1.2	-0.7	1.3	5.4	-2.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	28.3	25.3	1.4	-3.0	-3.4	0.5	-10.6	-11.8	2.0
Business, building and other support services	23.6	24.4	1.3	0.8	3.0	3.9	3.4	14.0	19.0
Educational services	36.4	38.8	1.5	2.4	2.2	1.6	6.6	6.0	4.3
Health care and social assistance	67.9	67.9	1.7	0.0	0.2	-1.3	0.0	0.3	-1.9
Information, culture and recreation	20.0	18.6	1.1	-1.4	0.0	-0.1	-7.0	0.0	-0.5
Accommodation and food services	30.6	29.7	1.5	-0.9	-4.8	-5.1	-2.9	-13.9	-14.7
Other services	19.6	18.6	1.2	-1.0	-1.6	-1.3	-5.1	-7.9	-6.5
Public administration	27.9	29.5	1.3	1.6	1.0	-1.2	5.7	3.5	-3.9

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	620.1	620.2	...	0.1	0.2	-0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Labour force	391.7	394.7	2.2	3.0	4.9	1.7	0.8	1.3	0.4
Employment	349.8	352.6	2.3	2.8	4.9	3.1	0.8	1.4	0.9
Employment full-time	291.8	292.6	2.9	0.8	-0.8	-2.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.8
Unemployment	42.0	42.1	2.2	0.1	0.0	-1.4	0.2	0.0	-3.2
Participation rate	63.2	63.6	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.7	10.7	0.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	56.9	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.6	17.0	0.7	0.4	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	88.4	88.2	...	-0.2	-1.3	-1.8	-0.2	-1.5	-2.0
Labour force	54.1	58.3	1.3	4.2	3.1	2.3	7.8	5.6	4.1
Employment	42.7	47.0	1.2	4.3	1.8	1.0	10.1	4.0	2.2
Unemployment	11.5	11.2	1.2	-0.3	1.2	1.2	-2.6	12.0	12.0
Participation rate	61.2	66.1	1.4	4.9	4.4	3.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	21.3	19.2	1.9	-2.1	1.1	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	48.3	53.3	1.4	5.0	2.8	2.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	50.1	47.4	2.9	-2.7	10.9	7.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	255.0	255.2	...	0.2	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.2
Labour force	173.7	173.1	1.2	-0.6	1.5	-0.3	-0.3	0.9	-0.2
Employment	155.0	154.7	1.5	-0.3	2.2	2.0	-0.2	1.4	1.3
Unemployment	18.7	18.4	1.5	-0.3	-0.7	-2.3	-1.6	-3.7	-11.1
Participation rate	68.1	67.8	0.5	-0.3	0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	10.6	0.8	-0.2	-0.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	60.6	0.6	-0.2	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.5	5.9	0.7	0.5	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	276.8	276.9	...	0.1	0.8	0.9	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	163.9	163.3	1.2	-0.6	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	0.1	-0.2
Employment	152.1	150.9	1.3	-1.2	0.8	0.1	-0.8	0.5	0.1
Unemployment	11.8	12.4	1.1	0.6	-0.6	-0.3	5.1	-4.6	-2.4
Participation rate	59.2	59.0	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.6	0.7	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.9	54.5	0.5	-0.4	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.5	18.8	1.1	0.3	0.3	1.3	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	349.8	352.6	2.3	2.8	4.9	3.1	0.8	1.4	0.9
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	80.8	80.6	2.0	-0.2	7.7	4.7	-0.2	10.6	6.2
Agriculture	4.2	4.9	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	0.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	11.7	12.0	0.9	0.3	-0.8	0.6	2.6	-6.2	5.3
Utilities	4.6	4.1	0.4	-0.5	0.3	-0.3	-10.9	7.9	-6.8
Construction	31.5	31.7	1.3	0.2	8.6	8.3	0.6	37.2	35.5
Manufacturing	28.9	27.9	1.3	-1.0	-0.4	-4.0	-3.5	-1.4	-12.5
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	269.0	272.0	2.4	3.0	-2.9	-1.6	1.1	-1.1	-0.6
Trade	51.1	54.0	1.6	2.9	-2.0	0.4	5.7	-3.6	0.7
Transportation and warehousing	18.6	18.2	0.9	-0.4	1.7	0.7	-2.2	10.3	4.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	16.2	16.2	0.9	0.0	-0.8	-1.7	0.0	-4.7	-9.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	14.3	14.4	0.8	0.1	-0.2	-1.1	0.7	-1.4	-7.1
Business, building and other support services	16.1	16.7	1.0	0.6	-0.8	0.2	3.7	-4.6	1.2
Educational services	27.0	27.9	1.2	0.9	1.1	2.3	3.3	4.1	9.0
Health care and social assistance	51.3	49.2	1.4	-2.1	-5.7	-5.3	-4.1	-10.4	-9.7
Information, culture and recreation	12.8	13.5	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.4	5.5	3.8	3.1
Accommodation and food services	21.0	22.4	1.2	1.4	0.5	0.0	6.7	2.3	0.0
Other services	16.0	16.0	1.0	0.0	1.1	0.6	0.0	7.4	3.9
Public administration	24.8	23.6	1.1	-1.2	1.8	1.9	-4.8	8.3	8.8

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	6,698.2	6,703.2	...	5.0	38.9	52.3	0.1	0.6	0.8
Labour force	4,344.2	4,345.0	15.1	0.8	-19.5	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.0
Employment	3,998.8	4,013.8	15.4	15.0	-30.4	10.8	0.4	-0.8	0.3
Employment full-time	3,247.1	3,246.6	20.3	-0.5	-41.6	6.4	0.0	-1.3	0.2
Unemployment	345.3	331.1	13.2	-14.2	10.8	-10.8	-4.1	3.4	-3.2
Participation rate	64.9	64.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.6	0.3	-0.3	0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	59.9	0.2	0.2	-0.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.8	19.1	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	978.3	977.1	...	-1.2	-5.3	-5.8	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6
Labour force	650.7	639.4	8.6	-11.3	-17.3	-19.9	-1.7	-2.6	-3.0
Employment	557.6	560.0	8.1	2.4	-15.0	-7.9	0.4	-2.6	-1.4
Unemployment	93.1	79.4	7.4	-13.7	-2.4	-12.1	-14.7	-2.9	-13.2
Participation rate	66.5	65.4	0.9	-1.1	-1.4	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.3	12.4	1.1	-1.9	-0.1	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	57.3	0.8	0.3	-1.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	53.2	53.2	1.6	0.1	3.1	2.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,815.3	2,818.5	...	3.2	23.0	30.1	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	1,954.7	1,959.7	8.3	5.0	-19.1	-1.6	0.3	-1.0	-0.1
Employment	1,815.3	1,818.3	8.9	3.0	-20.0	-2.3	0.2	-1.1	-0.1
Unemployment	139.4	141.5	7.8	2.1	1.0	0.8	1.5	0.7	0.6
Participation rate	69.4	69.5	0.3	0.1	-1.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	7.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	64.5	0.3	0.0	-1.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.5	7.7	0.5	0.2	0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,904.6	2,907.6	...	3.0	21.2	28.0	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	1,738.9	1,745.8	8.4	6.9	16.7	21.6	0.4	1.0	1.3
Employment	1,626.0	1,635.6	8.6	9.6	4.6	21.1	0.6	0.3	1.3
Unemployment	112.8	110.2	7.0	-2.6	12.2	0.5	-2.3	12.4	0.5
Participation rate	59.9	60.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.3	0.4	-0.2	0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	56.3	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.6	20.1	0.7	0.5	-0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Industry									
	3,998.9	4,013.8	15.4	14.9	-30.4	10.8	0.4	-0.8	0.3
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	855.5	860.1	13.7	4.6	-12.8	-10.5	0.5	-1.5	-1.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	47.7	54.3	3.4	6.6	-2.1	-3.5	13.8	-3.7	-6.1
Utilities	25.8	29.0	2.4	3.2	-5.1	-5.4	12.4	-15.0	-15.7
Construction	37.7	35.1	2.3	-2.6	9.8	10.0	-6.9	38.7	39.8
Manufacturing	260.8	264.1	8.6	3.3	13.8	15.5	1.3	5.5	6.2
	483.6	477.6	10.8	-6.0	-29.2	-27.0	-1.2	-5.8	-5.4
Services-producing sector									
Trade	3,143.4	3,153.7	17.7	10.3	-17.6	21.3	0.3	-0.6	0.7
Transportation and warehousing	639.0	638.3	12.4	-0.7	8.5	2.5	-0.1	1.3	0.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	162.9	183.2	6.5	20.3	18.7	18.2	12.5	11.4	11.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	220.2	222.1	7.5	1.9	-9.0	-7.4	0.9	-3.9	-3.2
Business, building and other support services	298.2	306.2	9.3	8.0	9.6	10.2	2.7	3.2	3.4
Educational services	159.3	149.5	7.3	-9.8	-3.6	2.2	-6.2	-2.4	1.5
Health care and social assistance	276.9	285.1	8.7	8.2	-18.1	-12.7	3.0	-6.0	-4.3
Information, culture and recreation	562.7	549.0	10.3	-13.7	-22.2	6.3	-2.4	-3.9	1.2
Accommodation and food services	183.9	184.8	7.6	0.9	-1.9	-6.6	0.5	-1.0	-3.4
Other services	247.6	241.2	8.5	-6.4	12.4	16.0	-2.6	5.4	7.1
Public administration	174.7	172.5	6.5	-2.2	-7.0	-2.6	-1.3	-3.9	-1.5
	218.0	221.8	6.5	3.8	-4.9	-4.8	1.7	-2.2	-2.1

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2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	11,221.2	11,236.3	...	15.1	108.2	136.2	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	7,478.8	7,461.3	20.1	-17.5	19.3	75.5	-0.2	0.3	1.0
Employment	6,920.1	6,918.4	19.3	-1.7	64.2	118.6	0.0	0.9	1.7
Employment full-time	5,578.2	5,588.9	26.3	10.7	41.7	88.5	0.2	0.8	1.6
Unemployment	558.7	542.8	17.5	-15.9	-44.9	-43.2	-2.8	-7.6	-7.4
Participation rate	66.6	66.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.3	0.2	-0.2	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.6	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.4	19.2	0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,785.7	1,784.6	...	-1.1	-4.0	-5.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3
Labour force	1,098.9	1,080.9	12.3	-18.0	-16.3	-1.3	-1.6	-1.5	-0.1
Employment	918.9	917.7	10.7	-1.2	7.9	27.2	-0.1	0.9	3.1
Unemployment	180.0	163.2	10.7	-16.8	-24.1	-28.5	-9.3	-12.9	-14.9
Participation rate	61.5	60.6	0.7	-0.9	-0.7	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.4	15.1	0.9	-1.3	-2.0	-2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.5	51.4	0.6	-0.1	0.5	1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	51.3	51.1	1.2	-0.2	-3.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,576.5	4,584.4	...	7.9	53.8	67.8	0.2	1.2	1.5
Labour force	3,341.8	3,338.4	10.1	-3.4	20.7	30.5	-0.1	0.6	0.9
Employment	3,138.7	3,132.5	10.9	-6.2	25.5	47.1	-0.2	0.8	1.5
Unemployment	203.1	205.8	9.9	2.7	-4.9	-16.6	1.3	-2.3	-7.5
Participation rate	73.0	72.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.2	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.6	68.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.2	8.2	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,859.0	4,867.3	...	8.3	58.4	73.4	0.2	1.2	1.5
Labour force	3,038.1	3,042.0	11.2	3.9	14.9	46.3	0.1	0.5	1.5
Employment	2,862.6	2,868.1	11.1	5.5	30.7	44.3	0.2	1.1	1.6
Unemployment	175.5	173.8	9.2	-1.7	-15.9	1.9	-1.0	-8.4	1.1
Participation rate	62.5	62.5	0.2	0.0	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.7	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.9	58.9	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.5	21.1	0.6	-0.4	1.0	0.1	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	6,920.1	6,918.4	19.3	-1.7	64.2	118.6	0.0	0.9	1.7
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	1,447.1	1,435.8	18.1	-11.3	29.6	38.4	-0.8	2.1	2.7
Agriculture	84.6	86.2	4.2	1.6	1.1	-4.7	1.9	1.3	-5.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	40.3	39.8	2.4	-0.5	5.6	9.1	-1.2	16.4	29.6
Utilities	55.1	55.6	3.3	0.5	0.2	0.9	0.9	0.4	1.6
Construction	488.1	477.9	11.2	-10.2	48.5	58.3	-2.1	11.3	13.9
Manufacturing	779.0	776.2	14.5	-2.8	-25.9	-25.2	-0.4	-3.2	-3.1
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	5,473.0	5,482.7	23.8	9.7	34.6	80.3	0.2	0.6	1.5
Trade	1,021.7	1,043.2	16.3	21.5	8.3	43.0	2.1	0.8	4.3
Transportation and warehousing	336.7	324.3	10.1	-12.4	-4.9	-2.2	-3.7	-1.5	-0.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	507.9	522.4	12.2	14.5	-2.4	3.3	2.9	-0.5	0.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	578.1	560.9	13.3	-17.2	14.1	-2.9	-3.0	2.6	-0.5
Business, building and other support services	328.1	330.1	10.2	2.0	36.4	29.6	0.6	12.4	9.9
Educational services	524.5	507.4	11.7	-17.1	-16.2	-2.3	-3.3	-3.1	-0.5
Health care and social assistance	787.0	794.8	13.1	7.8	25.3	29.1	1.0	3.3	3.8
Information, culture and recreation	321.8	324.3	10.3	2.5	-2.4	-9.6	0.8	-0.7	-2.9
Accommodation and food services	426.5	431.4	11.5	4.9	3.0	6.6	1.1	0.7	1.6
Other services	273.5	285.7	9.5	12.2	-0.7	4.3	4.5	-0.2	1.5
Public administration	367.3	358.2	9.3	-9.1	-25.9	-18.7	-2.5	-6.7	-5.0

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	974.9	976.0	...	1.1	8.7	11.2	0.1	0.9	1.2
Labour force	666.3	671.2	2.6	4.9	-2.3	1.7	0.7	-0.3	0.3
Employment	631.5	634.0	2.7	2.5	-4.4	-1.7	0.4	-0.7	-0.3
Employment full-time	508.3	509.8	3.6	1.5	-6.1	-4.5	0.3	-1.2	-0.9
Unemployment	34.8	37.2	2.2	2.4	2.0	3.5	6.9	5.7	10.4
Participation rate	68.3	68.8	0.3	0.5	-0.8	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.8	65.0	0.3	0.2	-1.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.5	19.6	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	164.9	164.8	...	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Labour force	111.5	114.7	1.6	3.2	-0.7	-0.2	2.9	-0.6	-0.2
Employment	99.0	102.1	1.5	3.1	-1.6	-1.7	3.1	-1.5	-1.6
Unemployment	12.5	12.7	1.3	0.2	1.1	1.6	1.6	9.5	14.4
Participation rate	67.6	69.6	1.0	2.0	-0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	11.1	1.1	-0.1	1.0	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	62.0	0.9	2.0	-0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	43.7	41.5	1.7	-2.2	0.7	-2.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	397.1	397.7	...	0.6	4.4	5.7	0.2	1.1	1.5
Labour force	296.7	295.8	1.3	-0.9	-5.8	-3.3	-0.3	-1.9	-1.1
Employment	284.5	284.0	1.4	-0.5	-5.4	-3.2	-0.2	-1.9	-1.1
Unemployment	12.2	11.9	1.2	-0.3	-0.2	0.0	-2.5	-1.7	0.0
Participation rate	74.7	74.4	0.3	-0.3	-2.3	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.0	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.6	71.4	0.4	-0.2	-2.2	-1.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.2	8.0	0.6	0.8	-0.1	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	413.0	413.5	...	0.5	4.3	5.6	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	258.1	260.6	1.5	2.5	4.0	5.2	1.0	1.6	2.0
Employment	248.0	247.9	1.5	-0.1	2.7	3.2	0.0	1.1	1.3
Unemployment	10.1	12.7	1.1	2.6	1.3	2.0	25.7	11.4	18.7
Participation rate	62.5	63.0	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.9	4.9	0.4	1.0	0.5	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	60.0	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.0	23.8	0.9	-0.2	0.6	1.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Goods-producing sector	146.2	147.4	2.4	1.2	-1.9	3.3	0.8	-1.3	2.3
Agriculture	23.7	24.3	1.2	0.6	0.7	2.9	2.5	3.0	13.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	7.8	7.2	0.5	-0.6	-0.3	0.6	-7.7	-4.0	9.1
Utilities	7.7	8.3	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.4	7.8	3.8	5.1
Construction	42.5	41.6	1.6	-0.9	-7.1	-3.8	-2.1	-14.6	-8.4
Manufacturing	64.5	65.9	1.6	1.4	4.5	3.0	2.2	7.3	4.8
Services-producing sector	485.3	486.6	3.2	1.3	-2.5	-5.1	0.3	-0.5	-1.0
Trade	94.5	90.4	2.0	-4.1	-2.2	-3.9	-4.3	-2.4	-4.1
Transportation and warehousing	39.9	39.7	1.3	-0.2	3.3	1.6	-0.5	9.1	4.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	32.3	33.7	1.2	1.4	-1.4	-0.9	4.3	-4.0	-2.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	25.9	29.4	1.1	3.5	0.0	-0.9	13.5	0.0	-3.0
Business, building and other support services	19.4	19.7	1.2	0.3	-0.8	-1.3	1.5	-3.9	-6.2
Educational services	47.2	48.8	1.5	1.6	-1.3	0.0	3.4	-2.6	0.0
Health care and social assistance	95.3	94.9	1.8	-0.4	0.7	1.3	-0.4	0.7	1.4
Information, culture and recreation	23.7	24.4	1.2	0.7	-1.2	-1.5	3.0	-4.7	-5.8
Accommodation and food services	41.9	41.9	1.4	0.0	0.9	2.4	0.0	2.2	6.1
Other services	28.6	28.0	1.2	-0.6	-0.4	-0.4	-2.1	-1.4	-1.4
Public administration	36.6	35.6	1.2	-1.0	-0.3	-1.6	-2.7	-0.8	-4.3

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	828.4	830.0	...	1.6	12.4	16.1	0.2	1.5	2.0
Labour force	583.4	580.7	2.5	-2.7	10.1	15.9	-0.5	1.8	2.8
Employment	558.7	555.5	2.6	-3.2	11.2	16.9	-0.6	2.1	3.1
Employment full-time	458.6	462.8	3.3	4.2	15.7	14.0	0.9	3.5	3.1
Unemployment	24.7	25.1	1.9	0.4	-1.2	-1.1	1.6	-4.6	-4.2
Participation rate	70.4	70.0	0.3	-0.4	0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.3	0.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	66.9	0.3	-0.5	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.9	16.7	0.5	-1.2	-1.2	0.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	136.8	136.7	...	-0.1	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.1
Labour force	95.7	94.2	1.4	-1.5	0.0	0.0	-1.6	0.0	0.0
Employment	88.8	85.7	1.5	-3.1	0.8	1.2	-3.5	0.9	1.4
Unemployment	6.9	8.6	1.2	1.7	-0.7	-1.1	24.6	-7.5	-11.3
Participation rate	70.0	68.9	1.0	-1.1	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	9.1	1.2	1.9	-0.8	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.9	62.7	1.1	-2.2	0.6	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.3	33.1	1.7	-6.2	-3.3	-2.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	341.9	342.9	...	1.0	6.9	8.8	0.3	2.1	2.6
Labour force	266.5	265.5	1.2	-1.0	8.1	10.0	-0.4	3.1	3.9
Employment	256.8	256.6	1.3	-0.2	7.7	10.0	-0.1	3.1	4.1
Unemployment	9.8	8.8	1.0	-1.0	0.3	-0.1	-10.2	3.5	-1.1
Participation rate	77.9	77.4	0.3	-0.5	0.8	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.7	3.3	0.4	-0.4	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	75.1	74.8	0.4	-0.3	0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.5	7.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	349.6	350.4	...	0.8	5.5	7.1	0.2	1.6	2.1
Labour force	221.2	221.0	1.5	-0.2	2.1	5.8	-0.1	1.0	2.7
Employment	213.2	213.2	1.5	0.0	2.7	5.7	0.0	1.3	2.7
Unemployment	8.0	7.7	0.9	-0.3	-0.8	0.0	-3.8	-9.4	0.0
Participation rate	63.3	63.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.6	3.5	0.4	-0.1	-0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	60.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.7	21.8	1.0	-1.0	-2.1	0.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Goods-producing sector	149.3	151.5	2.6	2.2	1.4	5.9	1.5	0.9	4.1
Agriculture	42.2	44.2	1.7	2.0	2.3	3.4	4.7	5.5	8.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	24.2	24.1	1.2	-0.1	-1.9	-1.8	-0.4	-7.3	-6.9
Utilities	5.7	6.3	0.4	0.6	1.5	0.3	10.5	31.2	5.0
Construction	47.2	47.7	1.7	0.5	0.4	1.5	1.1	0.8	3.2
Manufacturing	30.0	29.2	1.1	-0.8	-0.9	2.5	-2.7	-3.0	9.4
Services-producing sector	409.4	404.0	3.1	-5.4	9.8	11.0	-1.3	2.5	2.8
Trade	83.1	80.7	2.0	-2.4	-1.2	-2.6	-2.9	-1.5	-3.1
Transportation and warehousing	27.1	27.7	1.2	0.6	2.2	3.2	2.2	8.6	13.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	29.5	29.4	1.0	-0.1	1.2	-1.2	-0.3	4.3	-3.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	27.5	27.0	1.1	-0.5	2.1	1.7	-1.8	8.4	6.7
Business, building and other support services	14.6	13.9	0.9	-0.7	1.0	0.6	-4.8	7.8	4.5
Educational services	42.6	44.8	1.5	2.2	1.2	2.1	5.2	2.8	4.9
Health care and social assistance	75.6	74.5	1.7	-1.1	2.3	5.3	-1.5	3.2	7.7
Information, culture and recreation	20.9	20.0	1.0	-0.9	0.7	0.8	-4.3	3.6	4.2
Accommodation and food services	33.0	33.9	1.5	0.9	5.6	6.2	2.7	19.8	22.4
Other services	25.0	22.7	1.2	-2.3	-1.8	-3.1	-9.2	-7.3	-12.0
Public administration	30.6	29.4	1.2	-1.2	-3.5	-1.9	-3.9	-10.6	-6.1

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	3,188.2	3,199.5	...	11.3	88.0	112.1	0.4	2.8	3.6
Labour force	2,345.2	2,337.6	8.8	-7.6	70.0	82.6	-0.3	3.1	3.7
Employment	2,232.4	2,236.4	9.2	4.0	71.1	80.3	0.2	3.3	3.7
Employment full-time	1,868.2	1,875.7	12.3	7.5	49.0	65.9	0.4	2.7	3.6
Unemployment	112.8	101.3	7.0	-11.5	-1.0	2.3	-10.2	-1.0	2.3
Participation rate	73.6	73.1	0.3	-0.5	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.3	0.3	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.0	69.9	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.3	16.1	0.5	-0.2	0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	514.3	515.1	...	0.8	5.7	7.4	0.2	1.1	1.5
Labour force	348.8	344.6	5.3	-4.2	12.4	7.9	-1.2	3.7	2.3
Employment	320.3	319.3	5.4	-1.0	16.5	16.5	-0.3	5.4	5.4
Unemployment	28.4	25.3	4.2	-3.1	-4.1	-8.6	-10.9	-13.9	-25.4
Participation rate	67.8	66.9	1.0	-0.9	1.7	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	7.3	1.2	-0.8	-1.6	-2.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.3	62.0	1.1	-0.3	2.6	2.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.0	36.0	1.8	-2.0	3.6	1.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,358.3	1,363.8	...	5.5	43.0	54.7	0.4	3.3	4.2
Labour force	1,110.3	1,108.3	4.2	-2.0	34.0	42.4	-0.2	3.2	4.0
Employment	1,060.5	1,063.2	4.8	2.7	26.3	29.8	0.3	2.5	2.9
Unemployment	49.7	45.1	4.0	-4.6	7.7	12.6	-9.3	20.6	38.8
Participation rate	81.7	81.3	0.3	-0.4	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.5	4.1	0.4	-0.4	0.6	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	78.1	78.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.6	6.1	0.5	0.4	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,315.6	1,320.6	...	5.0	39.4	50.0	0.4	3.1	3.9
Labour force	886.1	884.7	5.3	-1.4	23.6	32.3	-0.2	2.7	3.8
Employment	851.5	853.8	5.2	2.3	28.3	34.0	0.3	3.4	4.1
Unemployment	34.6	30.9	3.8	-3.7	-4.6	-1.7	-10.7	-13.0	-5.2
Participation rate	67.4	67.0	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.9	3.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.7	64.7	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.5	21.2	0.9	-0.2	-1.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Industry									
	2,232.4	2,236.3	9.2	3.9	71.0	80.2	0.2	3.3	3.7
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	627.4	625.0	9.4	-2.4	3.1	-5.2	-0.4	0.5	-0.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	65.2	64.7	3.3	-0.5	3.1	7.5	-0.8	5.0	13.1
Utilities	174.3	181.9	5.1	7.6	16.9	4.3	4.4	10.2	2.4
Construction	17.0	18.5	2.2	1.5	-4.3	-4.3	8.8	-18.9	-18.9
Manufacturing	228.9	226.1	6.6	-2.8	3.6	-5.6	-1.2	1.6	-2.4
	141.9	133.7	5.4	-8.2	-16.3	-7.3	-5.8	-10.9	-5.2
Services-producing sector									
	1,605.0	1,611.4	11.1	6.4	68.0	85.6	0.4	4.4	5.6
Trade	329.9	332.7	7.5	2.8	7.4	17.9	0.8	2.3	5.7
Transportation and warehousing	119.2	117.4	4.7	-1.8	-8.6	-9.5	-1.5	-6.8	-7.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	108.5	111.5	4.5	3.0	3.1	1.3	2.8	2.9	1.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	184.3	184.7	5.5	0.4	26.1	27.5	0.2	16.5	17.5
Business, building and other support services	74.6	74.5	4.0	-0.1	2.3	4.4	-0.1	3.2	6.3
Educational services	123.3	121.5	4.6	-1.8	-4.1	-11.2	-1.5	-3.3	-8.4
Health care and social assistance	240.9	240.1	5.8	-0.8	9.3	20.5	-0.3	4.0	9.3
Information, culture and recreation	86.8	83.1	3.9	-3.7	11.1	15.7	-4.3	15.4	23.3
Accommodation and food services	138.2	144.0	5.6	5.8	11.9	12.9	4.2	9.0	9.8
Other services	110.6	116.9	4.9	6.3	15.1	10.3	5.7	14.8	9.7
Public administration	88.8	85.0	3.9	-3.8	-5.7	-4.2	-4.3	-6.3	-4.7

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	3,861.2	3,865.0	...	3.8	34.7	42.7	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	2,479.0	2,476.0	10.6	-3.0	4.4	-22.7	-0.1	0.2	-0.9
Employment	2,315.2	2,309.8	10.4	-5.4	-3.7	-15.6	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7
Employment full-time	1,821.1	1,824.0	14.5	2.9	6.9	-5.4	0.2	0.4	-0.3
Unemployment	163.7	166.2	8.6	2.5	8.1	-7.1	1.5	5.1	-4.1
Participation rate	64.2	64.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.7	0.3	0.1	0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	59.8	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.3	21.0	0.6	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	587.0	586.7	...	-0.3	-1.8	-2.7	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5
Labour force	362.1	368.5	5.9	6.4	9.7	-4.8	1.8	2.7	-1.3
Employment	314.8	326.5	5.4	11.7	17.0	5.8	3.7	5.5	1.8
Unemployment	47.3	42.0	5.0	-5.3	-7.3	-10.6	-11.2	-14.8	-20.2
Participation rate	61.7	62.8	1.0	1.1	1.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.1	11.4	1.3	-1.7	-2.3	-2.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.6	55.7	0.9	2.1	3.1	1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.7	46.7	2.1	0.0	1.3	0.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,597.7	1,599.8	...	2.1	18.1	22.6	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	1,106.9	1,108.9	5.5	2.0	11.3	-4.8	0.2	1.0	-0.4
Employment	1,044.1	1,041.7	5.8	-2.4	-3.8	-6.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.6
Unemployment	62.8	67.2	4.9	4.4	15.0	1.3	7.0	28.7	2.0
Participation rate	69.3	69.3	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	6.1	0.4	0.4	1.3	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.1	0.4	-0.3	-1.0	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	10.1	9.7	0.6	-0.4	-0.1	1.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,676.4	1,678.5	...	2.1	18.4	22.8	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	1,009.9	998.6	6.4	-11.3	-16.5	-13.1	-1.1	-1.6	-1.3
Employment	956.3	941.6	6.2	-14.7	-16.9	-15.3	-1.5	-1.8	-1.6
Unemployment	53.6	57.0	4.9	3.4	0.4	2.2	6.3	0.7	4.0
Participation rate	60.2	59.5	0.4	-0.7	-1.6	-1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.7	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	56.1	0.4	-0.9	-1.6	-1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	25.3	24.7	0.9	-0.6	-1.8	-2.2	...	...	...
Industry									
	2,315.2	2,309.8	10.4	-5.4	-3.7	-15.6	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	442.2	449.4	8.9	7.2	-14.7	-11.8	1.6	-3.2	-2.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	29.6	26.0	2.7	-3.6	-1.8	-2.4	-12.2	-6.5	-8.5
Utilities	47.9	56.3	3.1	8.4	7.6	8.2	17.5	15.6	17.0
Construction	12.6	14.3	1.7	1.7	-2.0	-4.7	13.5	-12.3	-24.7
Manufacturing	188.8	193.0	6.4	4.2	-13.3	4.1	2.2	-6.4	2.2
	163.4	159.9	5.7	-3.5	-5.0	-16.9	-2.1	-3.0	-9.6
Services-producing sector									
	1,873.0	1,860.4	11.8	-12.6	11.0	-3.8	-0.7	0.6	-0.2
Trade	374.0	369.3	8.2	-4.7	7.2	7.9	-1.3	2.0	2.2
Transportation and warehousing	120.4	125.0	5.0	4.6	5.9	-10.0	3.8	5.0	-7.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	159.9	165.4	5.7	5.5	29.8	33.2	3.4	22.0	25.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	198.6	193.1	6.1	-5.5	18.7	18.5	-2.8	10.7	10.6
Business, building and other support services	90.0	91.4	4.6	1.4	-3.3	-9.6	1.6	-3.5	-9.5
Educational services	172.1	177.6	6.0	5.5	-8.8	-3.4	3.2	-4.7	-1.9
Health care and social assistance	263.9	259.2	7.0	-4.7	-6.0	-15.4	-1.8	-2.3	-5.6
Information, culture and recreation	105.3	109.2	5.3	3.9	-12.4	-4.8	3.7	-10.2	-4.2
Accommodation and food services	180.8	165.0	6.4	-15.8	-11.1	-9.8	-8.7	-6.3	-5.6
Other services	100.5	98.8	4.8	-1.7	-6.6	-7.5	-1.7	-6.3	-7.1
Public administration	107.6	106.4	4.4	-1.2	-2.4	-2.8	-1.1	-2.2	-2.6

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

Note(s): Related CANSIM Tables 282-0087, 282-0088. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	166.5	166.8	...	0.3	3.0	3.9	0.2	1.8	2.4
Labour force	115.1	115.2	0.8	0.1	-3.7	-2.2	0.1	-3.1	-1.9
Employment	108.5	108.7	0.8	0.2	-1.8	-0.4	0.2	-1.6	-0.4
Unemployment	6.6	6.5	0.4	-0.1	-1.8	-1.8	-1.5	-21.7	-21.7
Participation rate	69.1	69.1	0.5	0.0	-3.5	-3.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.6	0.3	-0.1	-1.4	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.2	65.2	0.5	0.0	-2.3	-1.8	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	347.8	348.2	...	0.4	3.3	4.2	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	243.9	242.9	1.2	-1.0	3.0	2.8	-0.4	1.3	1.2
Employment	228.9	228.5	1.2	-0.4	3.8	2.0	-0.2	1.7	0.9
Unemployment	15.0	14.5	0.7	-0.5	-0.7	0.8	-3.3	-4.6	5.8
Participation rate	70.1	69.8	0.3	-0.3	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.0	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	65.6	0.3	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Moncton, New Brunswick									
Population	118.9	119.1	...	0.2	1.5	1.8	0.2	1.3	1.5
Labour force	78.7	79.5	0.7	0.8	0.1	-0.1	1.0	0.1	-0.1
Employment	72.5	73.2	0.7	0.7	-1.0	-0.7	1.0	-1.3	-0.9
Unemployment	6.2	6.3	0.4	0.1	1.1	0.6	1.6	21.2	10.5
Participation rate	66.2	66.8	0.6	0.6	-0.7	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.9	0.5	0.0	1.4	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	61.5	0.6	0.5	-1.6	-1.5	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	106.8	106.8	...	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Labour force	69.6	70.1	0.7	0.5	1.7	-1.5	0.7	2.5	-2.1
Employment	62.3	63.3	0.7	1.0	1.7	-1.9	1.6	2.8	-2.9
Unemployment	7.3	6.8	0.4	-0.5	0.0	0.4	-6.8	0.0	6.2
Participation rate	65.2	65.6	0.7	0.4	1.5	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	9.7	0.6	-0.8	-0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	59.3	0.7	1.0	1.6	-1.8	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	126.5	126.5	...	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	76.6	78.1	0.8	1.5	0.6	-0.8	2.0	0.8	-1.0
Employment	70.4	71.7	0.9	1.3	1.9	-1.3	1.8	2.7	-1.8
Unemployment	6.3	6.4	0.4	0.1	-1.2	0.5	1.6	-15.8	8.5
Participation rate	60.6	61.7	0.7	1.1	0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	8.2	0.5	0.0	-1.6	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.7	56.7	0.7	1.0	1.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	648.0	648.6	...	0.6	3.7	5.1	0.1	0.6	0.8
Labour force	435.4	434.0	3.4	-1.4	-5.6	-5.8	-0.3	-1.3	-1.3
Employment	414.3	413.0	3.5	-1.3	-5.7	-2.6	-0.3	-1.4	-0.6
Unemployment	21.0	21.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	-3.2	0.0	0.0	-13.2
Participation rate	67.2	66.9	0.5	-0.3	-1.3	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.8	0.3	0.0	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.9	63.7	0.5	-0.2	-1.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	169.4	169.6	...	0.2	1.8	2.3	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	101.7	101.3	1.1	-0.4	-5.3	-4.8	-0.4	-5.0	-4.5
Employment	93.9	93.9	1.1	0.0	-5.5	-3.2	0.0	-5.5	-3.3
Unemployment	7.9	7.4	0.4	-0.5	0.1	-1.6	-6.3	1.4	-17.8
Participation rate	60.0	59.7	0.6	-0.3	-3.8	-3.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	7.3	0.4	-0.5	0.5	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.4	55.4	0.6	0.0	-3.8	-2.6	...	...	...

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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)									
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	126.7	126.8	...	0.1	0.6	0.9	0.1	0.5	0.7
Labour force	72.0	72.4	0.8	0.4	2.6	-0.1	0.6	3.7	-0.1
Employment	65.1	65.8	0.8	0.7	1.7	-1.1	1.1	2.7	-1.6
Unemployment	6.9	6.5	0.4	-0.4	0.8	1.0	-5.8	14.0	18.2
Participation rate	56.8	57.1	0.6	0.3	1.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	9.0	0.5	-0.6	0.8	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.4	51.9	0.6	0.5	1.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,294.2	3,297.7	...	3.5	28.1	36.3	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	2,219.2	2,215.6	8.0	-3.6	24.6	51.2	-0.2	1.1	2.4
Employment	2,033.6	2,030.8	8.1	-2.8	13.8	42.3	-0.1	0.7	2.1
Unemployment	185.5	184.8	4.7	-0.7	10.8	8.9	-0.4	6.2	5.1
Participation rate	67.4	67.2	0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.3	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.6	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	1,067.5	1,068.7	...	1.2	11.2	14.7	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	744.4	742.1	3.7	-2.3	-25.1	-14.8	-0.3	-3.3	-2.0
Employment	693.3	693.9	3.7	0.6	-22.6	-13.9	0.1	-3.2	-2.0
Unemployment	51.1	48.2	2.0	-2.9	-2.4	-0.9	-5.7	-4.7	-1.8
Participation rate	69.7	69.4	0.3	-0.3	-3.1	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.5	0.3	-0.4	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.9	64.9	0.4	0.0	-2.9	-2.3	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	265.7	266.0	...	0.3	2.5	3.2	0.1	0.9	1.2
Labour force	179.2	178.3	1.4	-0.9	-5.4	-4.3	-0.5	-2.9	-2.4
Employment	168.4	167.7	1.4	-0.7	-3.9	-3.7	-0.4	-2.3	-2.2
Unemployment	10.8	10.6	0.6	-0.2	-1.5	-0.6	-1.9	-12.4	-5.4
Participation rate	67.4	67.0	0.5	-0.4	-2.7	-2.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.7	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	63.0	0.5	-0.4	-2.1	-2.2	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	801.8	802.8	...	1.0	8.8	11.6	0.1	1.1	1.5
Labour force	565.2	563.8	3.4	-1.4	-19.7	-10.5	-0.2	-3.4	-1.8
Employment	524.9	526.2	3.4	1.3	-18.7	-10.2	0.2	-3.4	-1.9
Unemployment	40.3	37.6	1.9	-2.7	-0.9	-0.2	-6.7	-2.3	-0.5
Participation rate	70.5	70.2	0.4	-0.3	-3.3	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.7	0.3	-0.4	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.5	65.5	0.4	0.0	-3.1	-2.3	...	...	...
Kingston, Ontario									
Population	135.5	135.6	...	0.1	1.3	1.4	0.1	1.0	1.0
Labour force	87.0	88.5	0.8	1.5	2.5	4.0	1.7	2.9	4.7
Employment	81.3	82.8	0.8	1.5	3.1	3.8	1.8	3.9	4.8
Unemployment	5.8	5.7	0.4	-0.1	-0.6	0.2	-1.7	-9.5	3.6
Participation rate	64.2	65.3	0.6	1.1	1.3	2.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.4	0.4	-0.3	-0.9	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	61.1	0.6	1.1	1.8	2.2	...	...	...
Peterborough, Ontario									
Population	103.4	103.4	...	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.3
Labour force	64.9	64.1	1.1	-0.8	7.7	3.7	-1.2	13.7	6.1
Employment	59.3	59.2	1.1	-0.1	7.6	2.6	-0.2	14.7	4.6
Unemployment	5.7	4.8	0.5	-0.9	0.0	1.0	-15.8	0.0	26.3
Participation rate	62.8	62.0	1.1	-0.8	7.3	3.4
Unemployment rate	8.8	7.5	0.9	-1.3	-1.0	1.2
Employment rate	57.4	57.3	1.1	-0.1	7.3	2.4

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Table 5-1 – continued

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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)									
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	314.7	315.2	...	0.5	3.8	4.9	0.2	1.2	1.6
Labour force	215.2	213.8	1.6	-1.4	0.1	6.7	-0.7	0.0	3.2
Employment	201.3	200.3	1.6	-1.0	7.3	12.1	-0.5	3.8	6.4
Unemployment	13.9	13.5	0.9	-0.4	-7.1	-5.4	-2.9	-34.5	-28.6
Participation rate	68.4	67.8	0.5	-0.6	-0.8	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.3	0.4	-0.2	-3.3	-2.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	63.5	0.5	-0.5	1.5	2.8	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,981.8	4,990.7	...	8.9	72.9	94.0	0.2	1.5	1.9
Labour force	3,415.3	3,424.3	10.5	9.0	72.0	107.6	0.3	2.1	3.2
Employment	3,149.7	3,155.4	10.6	5.7	80.8	121.5	0.2	2.6	4.0
Unemployment	265.6	268.9	6.5	3.3	-8.9	-14.0	1.2	-3.2	-4.9
Participation rate	68.6	68.6	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	7.9	0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	63.2	0.2	0.0	0.7	1.2	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	631.4	632.1	...	0.7	5.0	6.2	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	396.4	393.8	2.9	-2.6	-12.7	-12.3	-0.7	-3.1	-3.0
Employment	370.6	366.4	3.0	-4.2	-16.1	-12.4	-1.1	-4.2	-3.3
Unemployment	25.8	27.4	1.4	1.6	3.5	0.1	6.2	14.6	0.4
Participation rate	62.8	62.3	0.5	-0.5	-2.5	-2.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	7.0	0.3	0.5	1.1	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	58.0	0.5	-0.7	-3.0	-2.5	...	...	...
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	340.8	340.9	...	0.1	0.8	0.9	0.0	0.2	0.3
Labour force	208.6	207.2	1.7	-1.4	-11.0	-16.2	-0.7	-5.0	-7.3
Employment	190.7	189.6	1.8	-1.1	-11.5	-15.0	-0.6	-5.7	-7.3
Unemployment	17.9	17.6	0.9	-0.3	0.5	-1.2	-1.7	2.9	-6.4
Participation rate	61.2	60.8	0.5	-0.4	-3.4	-4.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.5	0.4	-0.1	0.7	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	55.6	0.5	-0.4	-3.5	-4.6	...	...	...
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario									
Population	418.6	419.2	...	0.6	4.2	5.1	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	302.7	306.0	2.3	3.3	12.9	14.3	1.1	4.4	4.9
Employment	278.7	283.6	2.2	4.9	10.7	10.5	1.8	3.9	3.8
Unemployment	24.1	22.4	1.0	-1.7	2.2	3.8	-7.1	10.9	20.4
Participation rate	72.3	73.0	0.6	0.7	2.4	2.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	7.3	0.3	-0.7	0.4	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	67.7	0.5	1.1	1.9	1.7	...	...	...
Brantford, Ontario									
Population	109.3	109.3	...	0.0	0.4	0.6	0.0	0.4	0.6
Labour force	74.2	73.3	0.9	-0.9	1.2	-1.7	-1.2	1.7	-2.3
Employment	69.1	69.1	0.8	0.0	2.9	0.4	0.0	4.4	0.6
Unemployment	5.1	4.2	0.4	-0.9	-1.7	-2.1	-17.6	-28.8	-33.3
Participation rate	67.9	67.1	0.8	-0.8	0.9	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	5.7	0.5	-1.2	-2.5	-2.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	63.2	0.8	0.0	2.4	0.0	...	...	...
Guelph, Ontario									
Population	117.2	117.4	...	0.2	1.5	1.9	0.2	1.3	1.6
Labour force	78.8	77.9	0.8	-0.9	-4.4	-6.1	-1.1	-5.3	-7.3
Employment	73.1	72.6	0.8	-0.5	-4.5	-6.9	-0.7	-5.8	-8.7
Unemployment	5.7	5.3	0.4	-0.4	0.1	0.8	-7.0	1.9	17.8
Participation rate	67.2	66.4	0.7	-0.8	-4.6	-6.3
Unemployment rate	7.2	6.8	0.5	-0.4	0.5	1.4
Employment rate	62.4	61.8	0.7	-0.6	-4.7	-7.0

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Table 5-1 – continued

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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)									
London, Ontario									
Population	420.0	420.4	...	0.4	3.0	3.7	0.1	0.7	0.9
Labour force	268.4	265.7	2.0	-2.7	-3.1	-9.2	-1.0	-1.2	-3.3
Employment	246.1	244.8	2.2	-1.3	-1.3	-6.7	-0.5	-0.5	-2.7
Unemployment	22.3	20.9	1.1	-1.4	-1.7	-2.5	-6.3	-7.5	-10.7
Participation rate	63.9	63.2	0.5	-0.7	-1.2	-2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	7.9	0.4	-0.4	-0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	58.2	0.5	-0.4	-0.8	-2.2	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	269.3	269.4	...	0.1	1.1	1.4	0.0	0.4	0.5
Labour force	167.8	166.6	1.6	-1.2	-2.4	-1.2	-0.7	-1.4	-0.7
Employment	153.0	151.2	1.6	-1.8	-0.2	-1.5	-1.2	-0.1	-1.0
Unemployment	14.9	15.3	0.8	0.4	-2.3	0.2	2.7	-13.1	1.3
Participation rate	62.3	61.8	0.6	-0.5	-1.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	9.2	0.5	0.3	-1.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.8	56.1	0.6	-0.7	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Barrie, Ontario									
Population	165.3	165.5	...	0.2	1.6	2.0	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	120.5	120.8	1.5	0.3	4.1	9.4	0.2	3.5	8.4
Employment	111.0	112.1	1.4	1.1	4.0	10.6	1.0	3.7	10.4
Unemployment	9.5	8.7	0.7	-0.8	0.1	-1.2	-8.4	1.2	-12.1
Participation rate	72.9	73.0	0.9	0.1	1.8	4.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.2	0.6	-0.7	-0.2	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.2	67.7	0.9	0.5	1.7	5.6	...	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	138.2	138.2	...	0.0	-0.4	-0.7	0.0	-0.3	-0.5
Labour force	88.2	88.7	0.8	0.5	0.6	2.6	0.6	0.7	3.0
Employment	82.4	82.7	0.8	0.3	0.6	2.4	0.4	0.7	3.0
Unemployment	5.8	6.1	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.3	5.2	1.7	5.2
Participation rate	63.8	64.2	0.6	0.4	0.6	2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.9	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	59.8	0.6	0.2	0.6	2.0	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	103.3	103.3	...	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.4
Labour force	67.3	67.5	0.7	0.2	4.1	3.9	0.3	6.5	6.1
Employment	63.2	63.2	0.7	0.0	2.9	3.5	0.0	4.8	5.9
Unemployment	4.1	4.3	0.3	0.2	1.2	0.4	4.9	38.7	10.3
Participation rate	65.2	65.3	0.6	0.1	3.8	3.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.4	0.4	0.3	1.5	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	61.2	0.7	0.0	2.7	3.2	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	642.9	643.9	...	1.0	8.2	10.2	0.2	1.3	1.6
Labour force	447.3	446.7	1.3	-0.6	6.0	6.0	-0.1	1.4	1.4
Employment	420.9	419.9	1.3	-1.0	3.7	3.7	-0.2	0.9	0.9
Unemployment	26.4	26.8	0.8	0.4	2.4	2.3	1.5	9.8	9.4
Participation rate	69.6	69.4	0.2	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.0	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.5	65.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	185.4	185.9	...	0.5	4.0	5.0	0.3	2.2	2.8
Labour force	139.4	139.3	0.8	-0.1	5.8	7.5	-0.1	4.3	5.7
Employment	135.3	135.1	0.8	-0.2	7.3	8.5	-0.1	5.7	6.7
Unemployment	4.1	4.2	0.3	0.1	-1.5	-1.0	2.4	-26.3	-19.2
Participation rate	75.2	74.9	0.4	-0.3	1.5	2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	2.9	3.0	0.2	0.1	-1.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	73.0	72.7	0.4	-0.3	2.4	2.7	...	...	...

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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)									
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	235.9	236.8	...	0.9	7.1	9.0	0.4	3.1	4.0
Labour force	171.0	172.2	1.0	1.2	8.5	10.0	0.7	5.2	6.2
Employment	163.7	164.5	1.0	0.8	9.9	11.1	0.5	6.4	7.2
Unemployment	7.3	7.6	0.5	0.3	-1.4	-1.2	4.1	-15.6	-13.6
Participation rate	72.5	72.7	0.4	0.2	1.4	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.4	0.3	0.1	-1.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.4	69.5	0.4	0.1	2.2	2.2	...	...	...
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	1,099.6	1,103.9	...	4.3	33.6	42.2	0.4	3.1	4.0
Labour force	813.1	818.0	3.6	4.9	20.0	34.9	0.6	2.5	4.5
Employment	772.3	779.8	3.8	7.5	18.8	33.5	1.0	2.5	4.5
Unemployment	40.8	38.2	1.9	-2.6	1.2	1.4	-6.4	3.2	3.8
Participation rate	73.9	74.1	0.3	0.2	-0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.7	0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.2	70.6	0.4	0.4	-0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	1,030.7	1,034.4	...	3.7	31.2	40.3	0.4	3.1	4.1
Labour force	763.2	764.2	3.6	1.0	25.7	26.5	0.1	3.5	3.6
Employment	723.7	725.0	3.8	1.3	19.7	19.8	0.2	2.8	2.8
Unemployment	39.6	39.2	1.8	-0.4	6.1	6.7	-1.0	18.4	20.6
Participation rate	74.0	73.9	0.4	-0.1	0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.1	0.2	-0.1	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.2	70.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Kelowna, British Columbia									
Population	151.2	151.4	...	0.2	1.2	1.2	0.1	0.8	0.8
Labour force	99.7	102.4	2.0	2.7	2.1	3.2	2.7	2.1	3.2
Employment	92.5	95.7	1.8	3.2	2.8	1.8	3.5	3.0	1.9
Unemployment	7.2	6.7	0.8	-0.5	-0.7	1.4	-6.9	-9.5	26.4
Participation rate	65.9	67.6	1.3	1.7	0.8	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	6.5	0.8	-0.7	-0.9	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	63.2	1.2	2.0	1.3	0.7	...	...	...
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia									
Population	147.3	147.5	...	0.2	1.4	1.7	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	102.9	102.6	0.9	-0.3	3.0	2.5	-0.3	3.0	2.5
Employment	94.8	94.6	0.9	-0.2	2.6	1.9	-0.2	2.8	2.0
Unemployment	8.1	7.9	0.4	-0.2	0.3	0.5	-2.5	3.9	6.8
Participation rate	69.9	69.6	0.6	-0.3	1.4	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.7	0.4	-0.2	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	64.1	0.6	-0.3	1.1	0.5	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,099.5	2,103.1	...	3.6	30.0	38.1	0.2	1.4	1.8
Labour force	1,361.8	1,361.7	5.2	-0.1	-0.9	-12.4	0.0	-0.1	-0.9
Employment	1,268.9	1,267.4	5.3	-1.5	-3.9	-9.6	-0.1	-0.3	-0.8
Unemployment	92.9	94.3	3.0	1.4	2.9	-2.8	1.5	3.2	-2.9
Participation rate	64.9	64.7	0.3	-0.2	-1.0	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.9	0.2	0.1	0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.3	0.3	-0.1	-1.0	-1.5	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	304.7	305.0	...	0.3	1.7	2.2	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	193.8	194.1	1.5	0.3	-4.2	-0.8	0.2	-2.1	-0.4
Employment	182.8	183.9	1.6	1.1	-3.6	0.5	0.6	-1.9	0.3
Unemployment	11.0	10.2	0.7	-0.8	-0.6	-1.4	-7.3	-5.6	-12.1
Participation rate	63.6	63.6	0.5	0.0	-1.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.3	0.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	60.3	0.5	0.3	-1.5	-0.3	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Estimates in this table are based on 2006 census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0116. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2013	September 2013	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	3,297.3	3,301.1	...	3.8	28.9	36.9	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	2,212.2	2,211.7	16.3	-0.5	11.3	38.3	0.0	0.5	1.8
Employment	2,020.9	2,032.0	16.3	11.1	-3.3	36.6	0.5	-0.2	1.8
Unemployment	191.3	179.7	11.5	-11.6	14.6	1.8	-6.1	8.8	1.0
Participation rate	67.1	67.0	0.5	-0.1	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.1	0.5	-0.5	0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	61.6	0.5	0.3	-0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,990.0	4,999.7	...	9.7	75.0	95.9	0.2	1.5	2.0
Labour force	3,435.2	3,438.0	21.8	2.8	81.5	95.4	0.1	2.4	2.9
Employment	3,174.8	3,162.2	21.3	-12.6	82.5	102.7	-0.4	2.7	3.4
Unemployment	260.4	275.8	15.5	15.4	-1.0	-7.3	5.9	-0.4	-2.6
Participation rate	68.8	68.8	0.4	0.0	0.6	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	8.0	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.6	63.2	0.4	-0.4	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,103.2	2,106.6	...	3.4	30.6	39.1	0.2	1.5	1.9
Labour force	1,363.8	1,358.4	11.1	-5.4	1.6	-18.9	-0.4	0.1	-1.4
Employment	1,267.8	1,266.3	11.0	-1.5	-6.5	-12.4	-0.1	-0.5	-1.0
Unemployment	96.0	92.1	7.2	-3.9	8.1	-6.4	-4.1	9.6	-6.5
Participation rate	64.8	64.5	0.5	-0.3	-0.9	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.8	0.5	-0.2	0.6	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	60.1	0.5	-0.2	-1.2	-1.7	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Estimates in this table are based on 2006 census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0117. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

Table 6-1

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in September 2012 and September 2013

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Canada ²							
2012	28,363.1	19,133.6	17,730.4	1,403.3	67.5	7.3	62.5
2013	28,727.6	19,340.5	17,959.5	1,381.0	67.3	7.1	62.5
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2012	427.1	270.8	239.8	31.0	63.4	11.4	56.1
2013	429.7	267.4	241.9	25.5	62.2	9.5	56.3
Avalon Peninsula [1010]							
2012	221.7	152.2	139.0	13.3	68.7	8.7	62.7
2013	224.9	149.6	139.7	10.0	66.5	6.7	62.1
South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]							
2012	30.0	16.8	13.5	3.2	56.0	19.0	45.0
2013	29.7	16.7	13.9	2.8	56.2	16.8	46.8
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]							
2012	85.7	51.5	43.6	7.8	60.1	15.1	50.9
2013	85.7	51.4	44.3	7.2	60.0	14.0	51.7
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]							
2012	89.7	50.4	43.6	6.7	56.2	13.3	48.6
2013	89.4	49.6	44.1	5.5	55.5	11.1	49.3
Prince Edward Island							
2012	120.7	84.9	77.0	7.9	70.3	9.3	63.8
2013	121.0	86.0	78.0	8.0	71.1	9.3	64.5
Nova Scotia							
2012	780.6	511.8	466.7	45.1	65.6	8.8	59.8
2013	781.6	507.9	465.4	42.5	65.0	8.4	59.5
Cape Breton [1210]							
2012	110.8	65.4	55.5	9.9	59.0	15.1	50.1
2013	109.5	65.4	56.9	8.5	59.7	13.0	52.0
North Shore [1220]							
2012	129.2	81.8	73.7	8.1	63.3	9.9	57.0
2013	128.6	78.5	70.1	8.3	61.0	10.6	54.5
Annapolis Valley [1230]							
2012	99.5	63.7	58.6	5.1	64.0	8.0	58.9
2013	99.2	62.0	57.5	4.6	62.5	7.4	58.0
Southern [1240]							
2012	97.1	58.1	50.5	7.6	59.8	13.1	52.0
2013	96.1	55.7	50.3	5.4	58.0	9.7	52.3
Halifax [1250]							
2012	344.0	242.7	228.4	14.3	70.6	5.9	66.4
2013	348.2	246.3	230.6	15.7	70.7	6.4	66.2
New Brunswick							
2012	620.5	402.3	362.2	40.1	64.8	10.0	58.4
2013	620.1	401.2	362.1	39.1	64.7	9.7	58.4
Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]							
2012	127.6	71.2	60.8	10.4	55.8	14.6	47.6
2013	126.0	75.6	64.5	11.1	60.0	14.7	51.2
Moncton-Richibucto [1320]							
2012	173.8	118.6	108.9	9.8	68.2	8.3	62.7
2013	175.0	115.4	105.0	10.4	65.9	9.0	60.0
Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]							
2012	144.7	98.0	88.2	9.9	67.7	10.1	61.0
2013	144.5	95.1	85.9	9.2	65.8	9.7	59.4

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 September 2012 and September 2013

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]							
2012	110.3	72.9	67.3	5.6	66.1	7.7	61.0
2013	111.1	72.7	68.2	4.5	65.4	6.2	61.4
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2012	64.2	41.5	37.1	4.4	64.6	10.6	57.8
2013	63.5	42.4	38.6	3.9	66.8	9.2	60.8
Quebec							
2012	6,646.4	4,375.7	4,059.3	316.4	65.8	7.2	61.1
2013	6,698.8	4,406.3	4,077.1	329.2	65.8	7.5	60.9
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2012	78.6	43.5	39.1	4.5	55.3	10.3	49.7
2013	78.2	45.0	40.1	4.9	57.5	10.9	51.3
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2012	166.5	103.8	96.3	7.5	62.3	7.2	57.8
2013	165.7	94.1	87.5	6.6	56.8	7.0	52.8
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2012	594.9	404.3	382.0	22.4	68.0	5.5	64.2
2013	599.6	399.0	380.2	18.8	66.5	4.7	63.4
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2012	335.8	227.4	219.0	8.4	67.7	3.7	65.2
2013	336.8	227.1	215.9	11.2	67.4	4.9	64.1
Estrie [2430]							
2012	260.9	163.6	149.6	14.1	62.7	8.6	57.3
2013	263.0	169.0	158.7	10.4	64.3	6.2	60.3
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2012	192.3	122.9	113.9	9.0	63.9	7.3	59.2
2013	193.3	123.2	114.3	8.9	63.7	7.2	59.1
Montréal [2435]							
2012	1,205.6	816.0	769.2	46.8	67.7	5.7	63.8
2013	1,216.3	821.9	769.9	52.0	67.6	6.3	63.3
Montréal [2440]							
2012	1,634.2	1,057.8	959.8	97.9	64.7	9.3	58.7
2013	1,649.6	1,082.4	976.9	105.5	65.6	9.7	59.2
Laval [2445]							
2012	339.7	237.2	216.7	20.5	69.8	8.6	63.8
2013	344.7	238.4	220.7	17.7	69.2	7.4	64.0
Lanaudière [2450]							
2012	398.4	256.3	238.4	17.9	64.3	7.0	59.8
2013	403.1	271.5	250.0	21.4	67.4	7.9	62.0
Laurentides [2455]							
2012	471.7	328.4	304.8	23.6	69.6	7.2	64.6
2013	477.6	333.1	306.9	26.3	69.7	7.9	64.3
Outaouais [2460]							
2012	311.3	210.8	197.8	13.0	67.7	6.2	63.5
2013	315.0	205.7	193.2	12.6	65.3	6.1	61.3
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2012	118.0	76.8	72.0	4.8	65.1	6.3	61.0
2013	118.0	79.3	73.9	5.4	67.2	6.8	62.6
Mauricie [2470]							
2012	222.2	127.7	115.9	11.9	57.5	9.3	52.2
2013	222.1	119.2	108.3	10.9	53.7	9.1	48.8

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 September 2012 and September 2013

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2012	225.4	141.7	131.2	10.5	62.9	7.4	58.2
2013	224.9	137.0	125.9	11.1	60.9	8.1	56.0
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2012	90.9	57.4	53.8	3.6	63.1	6.3	59.2
2013	90.9	60.3	54.8	5.5	66.3	9.1	60.3
Ontario							
2012	11,090.4	7,450.7	6,833.6	617.1	67.2	8.3	61.6
2013	11,222.8	7,548.8	6,957.2	591.6	67.3	7.8	62.0
Ottawa [3510]							
2012	1,064.5	744.7	693.8	50.9	70.0	6.8	65.2
2013	1,076.5	740.8	689.2	51.6	68.8	7.0	64.0
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2012	372.5	227.7	209.7	17.9	61.1	7.9	56.3
2013	373.5	232.3	217.1	15.2	62.2	6.5	58.1
Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520]							
2012	320.3	188.2	175.6	12.6	58.8	6.7	54.8
2013	321.4	192.1	178.8	13.3	59.8	6.9	55.6
Toronto [3530]							
2012	5,156.1	3,532.1	3,200.4	331.7	68.5	9.4	62.1
2013	5,250.4	3,641.7	3,331.0	310.8	69.4	8.5	63.4
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2012	1,053.0	732.5	681.9	50.6	69.6	6.9	64.8
2013	1,066.8	760.8	710.4	50.3	71.3	6.6	66.6
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2012	1,180.8	787.2	727.4	59.8	66.7	7.6	61.6
2013	1,189.8	752.5	696.6	55.9	63.2	7.4	58.5
London [3560]							
2012	545.6	365.2	334.8	30.4	66.9	8.3	61.4
2013	549.9	358.5	330.4	28.1	65.2	7.8	60.1
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2012	519.1	328.5	301.6	26.9	63.3	8.2	58.1
2013	519.0	323.8	294.3	29.5	62.4	9.1	56.7
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2012	245.8	159.7	151.8	8.0	65.0	5.0	61.8
2013	245.6	163.0	152.6	10.4	66.4	6.4	62.1
Northeast [3590]							
2012	459.4	277.1	256.4	20.7	60.3	7.5	55.8
2013	457.0	272.1	254.1	18.0	59.5	6.6	55.6
Northwest [3595]							
2012	173.1	107.7	100.1	7.6	62.2	7.1	57.8
2013	172.9	111.2	102.6	8.6	64.3	7.7	59.3
Manitoba							
2012	964.2	674.2	634.7	39.5	69.9	5.9	65.8
2013	974.9	676.1	636.5	39.6	69.4	5.9	65.3
Southeast [4610]							
2012	84.3	60.7	58.2	2.5	72.0	4.1	69.0
2013	85.5	63.5	61.1	2.3	74.3	3.6	71.5
South Central [4620]							
2012	48.3	32.9	31.6	1.3	68.1	4.0	65.4
2013	49.0	32.7	31.6	1.0	66.7	3.1	64.5

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 September 2012 and September 2013

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Southwest [4630]							
2012	84.0	62.1	59.4	2.7	73.9	4.3	70.7
2013	84.3	59.5	57.4	2.1	70.6	3.5	68.1
North Central [4640]							
2012	36.8	24.4	23.3	1.1	66.3	4.5	63.3
2013	36.9	25.7	24.9	0.9	69.6	3.5	67.5
Winnipeg [4650]							
2012	578.8	405.3	379.8	25.5	70.0	6.3	65.6
2013	587.4	406.8	378.5	28.3	69.3	7.0	64.4
Interlake [4660]							
2012	73.1	49.7	46.8	2.9	68.0	5.8	64.0
2013	73.7	50.4	47.9	2.4	68.4	4.8	65.0
Parklands and North [4670, 4680]							
2012	59.0	39.0	35.5	3.5	66.1	9.0	60.2
2013	58.1	37.5	35.0	2.5	64.5	6.7	60.2
Saskatchewan							
2012	812.9	572.1	544.2	27.9	70.4	4.9	66.9
2013	828.4	587.6	561.5	26.1	70.9	4.4	67.8
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]							
2012	242.5	179.3	171.8	7.4	73.9	4.1	70.8
2013	248.1	186.0	179.9	6.2	75.0	3.3	72.5
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]							
2012	81.1	51.8	49.6	2.2	63.9	4.2	61.2
2013	81.4	53.4	51.8	1.7	65.6	3.2	63.6
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]							
2012	272.1	194.9	184.8	10.0	71.6	5.1	67.9
2013	280.7	204.3	194.8	9.5	72.8	4.7	69.4
Yorkton-Melville [4740]							
2012	62.6	39.4	36.9	2.5	62.9	6.3	58.9
2013	62.4	39.0	37.3	1.7	62.5	4.4	59.8
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]							
2012	154.6	106.8	101.1	5.7	69.1	5.3	65.4
2013	155.8	104.8	97.8	7.0	67.3	6.7	62.8
Alberta							
2012	3,080.3	2,277.1	2,170.8	106.3	73.9	4.7	70.5
2013	3,189.2	2,359.7	2,247.8	111.9	74.0	4.7	70.5
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]							
2012	222.8	150.8	143.5	7.3	67.7	4.8	64.4
2013	228.1	145.9	141.2	4.7	64.0	3.2	61.9
Camrose-Drumheller [4820]							
2012	157.5	111.6	107.6	4.0	70.9	3.6	68.3
2013	160.4	114.7	109.7	5.0	71.5	4.4	68.4
Calgary [4830]							
2012	1,141.7	852.5	809.4	43.1	74.7	5.1	70.9
2013	1,186.6	889.9	847.1	42.8	75.0	4.8	71.4
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840]							
2012	72.4	54.1	52.6	1.5	74.7	2.8	72.7
2013	74.4	56.4	54.5	1.9	75.8	3.4	73.3

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 September 2012 and September 2013

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Red Deer [4850]							
2012	157.7	111.4	106.0	5.4	70.6	4.8	67.2
2013	162.6	123.3	116.7	6.6	75.8	5.4	71.8
Edmonton [4860]							
2012	1,030.0	769.0	734.4	34.6	74.7	4.5	71.3
2013	1,070.4	798.2	756.5	41.7	74.6	5.2	70.7
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]							
2012	192.3	142.6	136.4	6.2	74.2	4.3	70.9
2013	196.2	144.1	138.7	5.4	73.4	3.7	70.7
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2012	106.0	85.1	81.0	4.2	80.3	4.9	76.4
2013	110.5	87.1	83.4	3.7	78.8	4.2	75.5
British Columbia							
2012	3,820.1	2,514.0	2,342.0	172.0	65.8	6.8	61.3
2013	3,861.0	2,499.6	2,332.0	167.6	64.7	6.7	60.4
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2012	658.8	389.4	366.5	22.9	59.1	5.9	55.6
2013	661.7	397.2	372.7	24.5	60.0	6.2	56.3
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2012	2,354.7	1,585.4	1,472.2	113.3	67.3	7.1	62.5
2013	2,396.0	1,576.3	1,464.1	112.2	65.8	7.1	61.1
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2012	435.4	278.9	264.3	14.5	64.1	5.2	60.7
2013	434.2	272.2	253.8	18.4	62.7	6.8	58.5
Kootenay [5940]							
2012	126.8	80.8	73.7	7.1	63.7	8.8	58.1
2013	126.2	82.1	79.6	2.5	65.1	3.0	63.1
Cariboo [5950]							
2012	126.6	95.6	87.8	7.8	75.5	8.2	69.4
2013	125.7	87.4	81.7	5.7	69.5	6.5	65.0
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2012	65.9	42.9	38.4	4.5	65.1	10.5	58.3
2013	64.9	43.7	41.3	2.4	67.3	5.5	63.6
Northeast [5980]							
2012	51.9	41.0	39.2	1.8	79.0	4.4	75.5
2013	52.4	40.7	38.7	2.0	77.7	4.9	73.9

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

2. Estimates for Canada are a sum of the provincial totals and exclude estimates from Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

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

Table 6-2
Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in
September 2012 and September 2013

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
		in thousands			percent		
Yukon ¹							
2012	27.0	20.9	19.8	1.1	77.4	5.3	73.3
2013	27.7	20.5	19.6	0.9	74.0	4.4	70.8
Northwest Territories ²							
2012	32.0	25.6	23.4	2.2	80.0	8.6	73.1
2013	31.9	25.1	23.0	2.1	78.7	8.4	72.1
Nunavut ³							
2012	21.1	14.4	12.2	2.1	68.0	14.8	57.9
2013	21.9	15.1	13.0	2.1	69.3	14.2	59.5

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		current dollars		thousands		current dollars	thousands		current dollars
September 2013										
15 years and over	15,121.7	35.5	892.01	24.28	12,398.9	39.4	1,020.66	2,722.8	17.4	306.20
15 to 24 years	2,290.2	27.1	415.21	14.24	1,152.7	38.9	642.44	1,137.5	15.2	184.95
25 years and over	12,831.5	36.9	977.11	26.07	11,246.2	39.5	1,059.42	1,585.3	19.1	393.21
Men	7,670.4	37.8	1,010.02	25.98	6,798.4	40.5	1,104.35	872.0	16.8	274.56
Women	7,451.3	33.0	770.54	22.52	5,600.5	38.0	919.07	1,850.9	17.7	321.11
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,686.5	35.9	1,016.45	27.90	4,023.8	38.7	1,110.81	662.6	19.1	443.46
No union coverage	10,435.2	35.3	836.13	22.65	8,375.0	39.8	977.35	2,060.2	16.9	262.05
Job permanency										
Permanent	13,068.8	36.3	934.58	25.02	11,137.8	39.4	1,039.73	1,931.0	18.5	328.05
Temporary	2,052.9	30.2	621.05	19.58	1,261.0	39.8	852.21	791.9	14.9	252.93
Occupation										
Management	934.1	39.9	1,533.99	38.47	917.3	40.3	1,553.23	16.8	19.7	483.92
Business, finance and administrative	2,791.1	35.5	840.55	23.24	2,405.2	38.3	922.60	385.9	17.8	329.16
Natural and applied sciences	1,161.7	38.6	1,292.74	33.47	1,123.0	39.3	1,317.87	38.7	19.4	562.77
Health	1,036.3	33.5	954.89	28.26	793.5	37.7	1,085.15	242.7	19.5	529.10
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,473.9	34.3	1,087.59	31.29	1,207.4	37.9	1,219.37	266.6	17.6	490.75
Art, culture, recreation and sport	363.0	30.6	810.63	24.93	246.0	38.6	1,053.27	117.1	13.8	300.85
Sales and service	3,948.6	30.8	544.61	16.47	2,508.4	38.7	729.71	1,440.2	17.2	222.24
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,294.2	40.1	974.50	23.99	2,150.1	41.6	1,019.17	144.1	18.1	307.96
Occupations unique to primary industry	333.4	41.6	906.79	21.15	289.8	45.6	1,010.73	43.6	15.0	215.84
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	785.3	39.6	805.62	20.22	758.2	40.3	823.29	27.2	18.9	312.27
September 2012										
15 years and over	14,928.3	35.5	876.66	23.84	12,305.8	39.4	999.58	2,622.5	17.4	299.84
15 to 24 years	2,238.7	27.4	405.27	13.83	1,151.9	38.9	614.31	1,086.9	15.2	183.72
25 years and over	12,689.6	37.0	959.82	25.60	11,154.0	39.4	1,039.37	1,535.6	19.0	382.03
Men	7,574.2	38.0	995.24	25.55	6,748.1	40.6	1,085.24	826.2	16.7	260.09
Women	7,354.1	33.0	754.53	22.08	5,557.7	37.9	895.58	1,796.4	17.8	318.12
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,737.4	35.9	985.23	27.06	4,073.5	38.7	1,076.99	663.9	18.8	422.26
No union coverage	10,190.9	35.4	826.18	22.34	8,232.3	39.7	961.28	1,958.6	17.0	258.35
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,922.9	36.3	918.05	24.57	11,063.4	39.4	1,018.65	1,859.5	18.3	319.47
Temporary	2,005.4	30.4	609.94	19.12	1,242.4	39.7	829.76	763.0	15.2	252.02
Occupation										
Management	1,030.1	39.7	1,487.59	37.63	1,007.1	40.1	1,508.85	23.0	19.0	556.06
Business, finance and administrative	2,789.8	35.4	818.30	22.65	2,405.2	38.2	897.62	384.6	17.7	322.28
Natural and applied sciences	1,149.9	38.6	1,275.90	32.99	1,113.3	39.2	1,302.81	36.6	18.5	457.79
Health	1,010.9	33.5	918.36	27.26	760.8	37.8	1,041.64	250.0	20.3	543.19
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,485.4	34.5	1,053.51	30.34	1,240.5	37.9	1,169.58	244.9	17.0	465.48
Art, culture, recreation and sport	322.8	32.0	814.91	24.08	232.0	38.6	1,019.43	90.8	14.9	292.60
Sales and service	3,753.2	30.7	527.00	16.04	2,380.0	38.5	707.10	1,373.2	17.0	214.84
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,302.6	40.2	948.64	23.33	2,151.1	41.8	994.36	151.5	17.8	299.59
Occupations unique to primary industry	313.9	42.4	905.66	20.67	277.3	45.9	994.66	36.6	15.6	230.71
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	769.8	39.3	781.71	19.71	738.5	40.2	804.52	31.3	17.3	244.04

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 October 13, 2013 to November 9, 2013
	percent
Newfoundland and Labrador	
01. St. John's	5.5
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	15.2
Prince Edward Island	
03. Prince Edward Island	11.1
Nova Scotia	
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	14.5
05. Western Nova Scotia	10.3
06. Halifax	6.1
New Brunswick	
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	8.4
08. Madawaska-Charlotte	11.1
09. Restigouche-Albert	15.9
Quebec	
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	15.8
11. Québec	5.1
12. Trois-Rivières	8.9
13. South Central Quebec	4.5
14. Sherbrooke	7.8
15. Montérégie	7.5
16. Montréal	8.4
17. Central Quebec	8.8
18. Northwestern Quebec	8.8
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord	10.6
20. Gatineau	6.0
21. Saguenay	8.2
Ontario	
22. Ottawa	6.5
23. Eastern Ontario	7.0
24. Kingston	6.6
25. Central Ontario	7.4
26. Oshawa	6.4
27. Toronto	7.9
28. Hamilton	6.9
29. St. Catharines	8.5
30. London	7.6
31. Niagara	8.2
32. Windsor	9.4
33. Kitchener	7.4
34. Huron	9.6
35. South Central Ontario	6.5
36. Sudbury	7.0
37. Thunder Bay	6.7
38. Northern Ontario	11.0
Manitoba	
39. Winnipeg	6.0
40. Southern Manitoba	5.2
41. Northern Manitoba	30.9
Saskatchewan	
42. Regina	3.0
43. Saskatoon	4.5
44. Southern Saskatchewan	6.1
45. Northern Saskatchewan	18.3
Alberta	
46. Calgary	4.7
47. Edmonton	5.3
48. Northern Alberta	7.5
49. Southern Alberta	5.3

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 8 – continued

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

Region	Effective from October 13, 2013 to November 9, 2013
	percent
British Columbia	
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	6.8
51. Abbotsford	7.6
52. Vancouver	7.0
53. Victoria	6.0
54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	9.2
55. Northern British Columbia	10.3
Territories	
56. Yukon ²	25.0
57. Northwest Territories ²	25.0
58. Nunavut ²	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 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 56,000 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 2006 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 56,000 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. They are based on 12-month averages and are updated twice a year, in February and August.

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*