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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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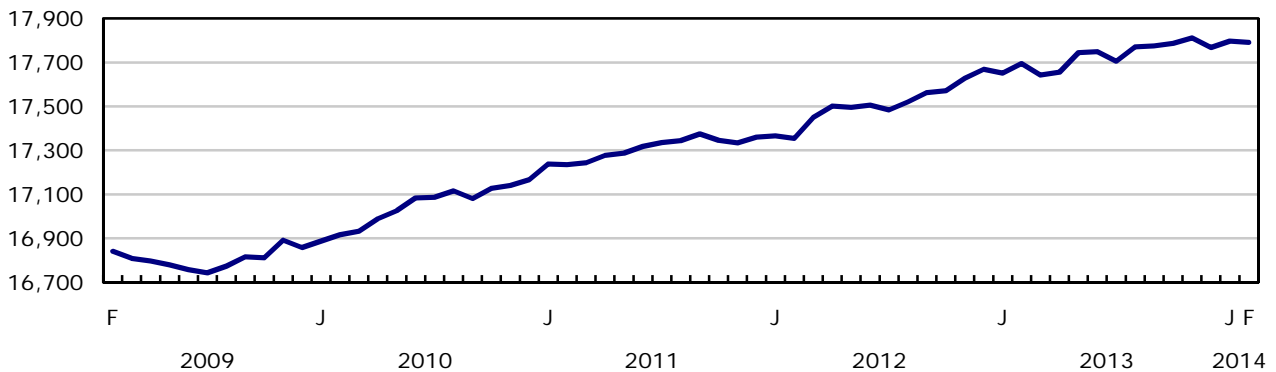
Highlights

Employment was little changed in February, and the unemployment rate remained at 7.0%. There has been little overall employment growth in Canada since August 2013.

Chart 1
Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted

Employment

thousands



Unemployment rate

percent



Analysis — February 2014

Employment was little changed in February, and the unemployment rate remained at 7.0%. There has been little overall employment growth in Canada since August 2013.

Compared with 12 months earlier, employment increased by 95,000 (+0.5%) and the unemployment rate was unchanged. Over the same period, the number of hours worked rose 0.7%.

Provincially, employment decreased in Quebec and British Columbia, while it increased in Alberta and Nova Scotia.

In February, there were fewer people working in health care and social assistance, as well as finance, insurance, real estate and leasing. At the same time, employment rose in “other services”, natural resources as well as agriculture.

The number of public sector employees declined in February, while there was little change among private sector employees and the self-employed.

Employment fell among men aged 25 to 54, and was virtually unchanged for the other demographic groups.

Provincial employment

In Quebec, the number of people working fell by 26,000 in February, pushing the unemployment rate up 0.3 percentage points to 7.8%. This employment decline follows a slight upward trend that began in September 2013.

In British Columbia, 10,000 fewer people were employed in February. The unemployment rate for this province was 6.4%, unchanged from a month earlier, as fewer people participated in the labour market. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in British Columbia was essentially unchanged.

Employment in Alberta rose by 19,000 in February, pushing the unemployment rate down 0.3 percentage points to 4.3%. On a year-over-year basis, employment in this province grew by 3.8% or 82,000, accounting for the lion's share of the national growth.

In February, employment increased by 2,900 in Nova Scotia. The unemployment rate was little changed at 8.9% compared with the previous month, as more people entered the labour market. Compared with February 2013, employment in the province was little changed.

Although employment in Saskatchewan was little changed in February, the unemployment rate fell 0.4 percentage points to 3.9%, as fewer people searched for work. On a year-over-year basis, employment in the province increased 0.9% or 5,200.

Industry perspective

Employment in health care and social assistance fell by 28,000 in February. Despite this decline, employment in this industry has been on a slight upward trend since August.

There were 25,000 fewer people working in finance, insurance, real estate and leasing in February, the first notable decline in this industry since an upward trend began in September.

In February, employment rose by 18,000 in “other services” such as personal care services as well as civic and social organizations. Compared to a year earlier, however, employment in this industry was unchanged.

There were 9,800 more people working in natural resources in February. On a year-over-year basis, employment in this industry was up 9.6% or 34,000.

Employment in agriculture increased by 7,900 but was little changed compared with 12 months earlier.

In February, the number of public sector employees fell by 51,000, with declines in health care and social assistance, educational services, as well as transportation and warehousing. On a year-over-year basis, there was little change in the public sector and in self-employment, while the number of private sector employees increased by 129,000 (+1.1%).

Employment declines among men aged 25 to 54

There were 20,000 fewer men aged 25 to 54 working in February, bringing employment to virtually the same level as that of 12 months earlier. Among women in this age group, there was little change in employment in February compared with the previous month and with a year earlier.

Employment was little changed among youths aged 15 to 24 in February, but was down 36,000 (-1.5%) from 12 months earlier. The youth unemployment rate was 13.6%, unchanged from a year earlier.

There was no notable employment change among men and women aged 55 and over compared with the previous month. However, employment for this group has been on an upward trend, rising 3.8% (+125,000) since February 2013, mostly the result of population ageing.

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. For more information, see *Interpreting Monthly Changes in Employment from the Labour Force Survey*. 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 "Data quality" section of the publication *Labour Force Information (71-001-X)*.

This analysis focuses on differences between estimates that are statistically significant at the 68% confidence level.

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).

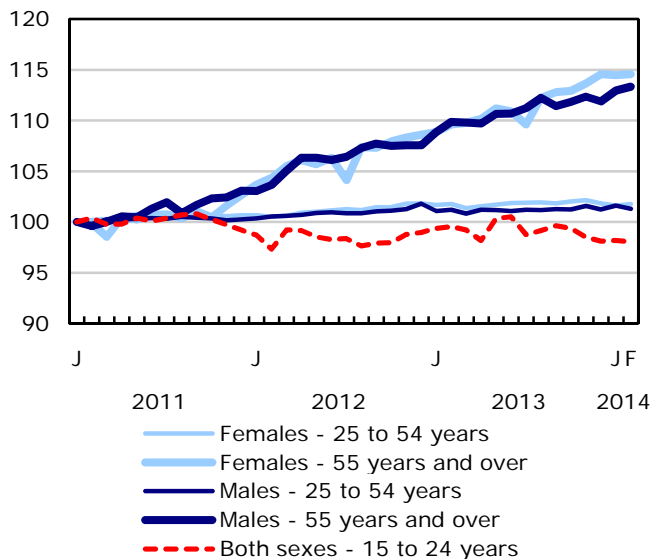
The participation rate is the number of employed and unemployed as a percentage of the population. For more detailed information, see the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)*.

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*.

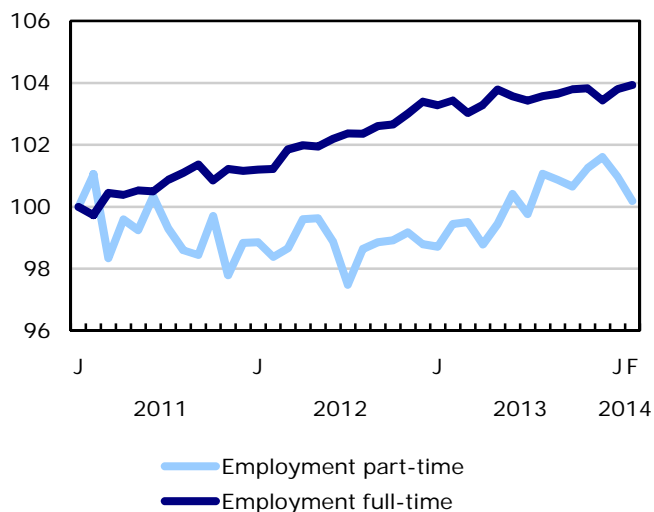
Each year, the LFS revises its estimates for the previous three years, using the latest seasonal factors.

Chart 1
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted

Employment index, January 2011=100



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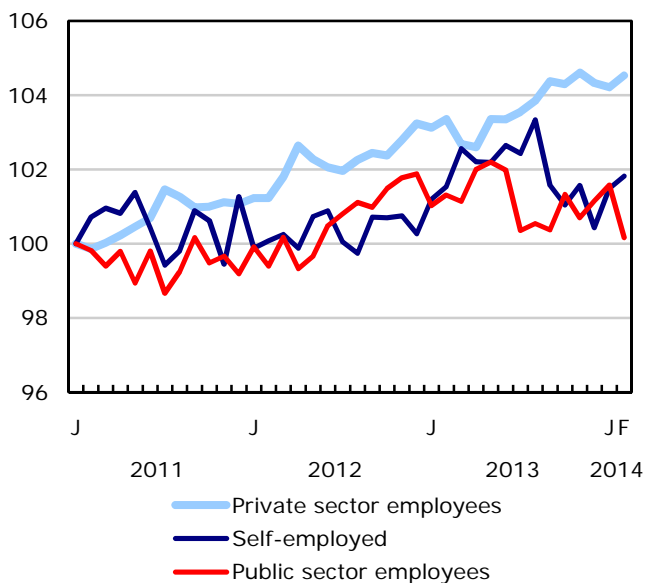
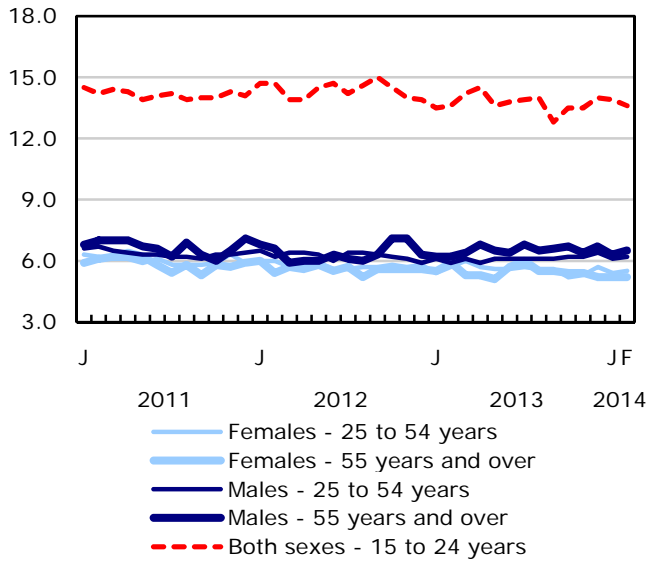
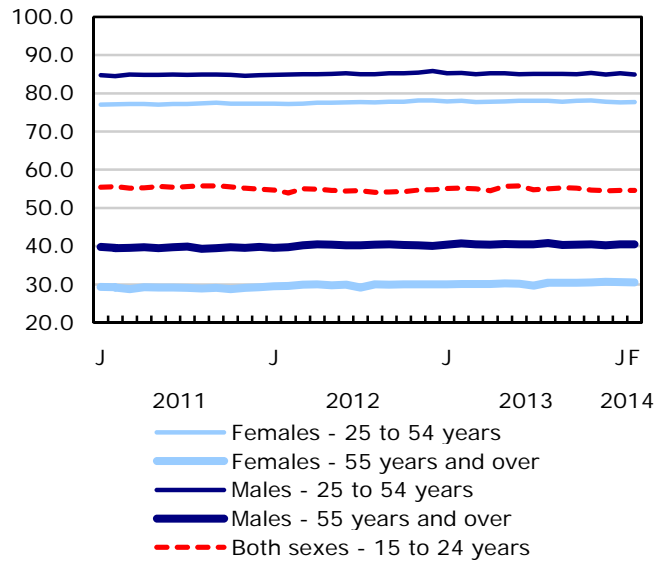


Chart 2
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted

Unemployment rate (%)



Employment rate (%)



Participation rate (%)

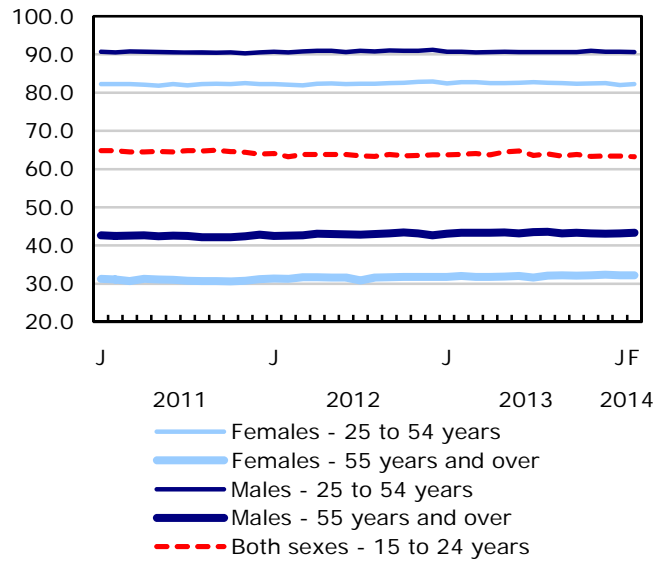


Chart 3
Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January 2011=100

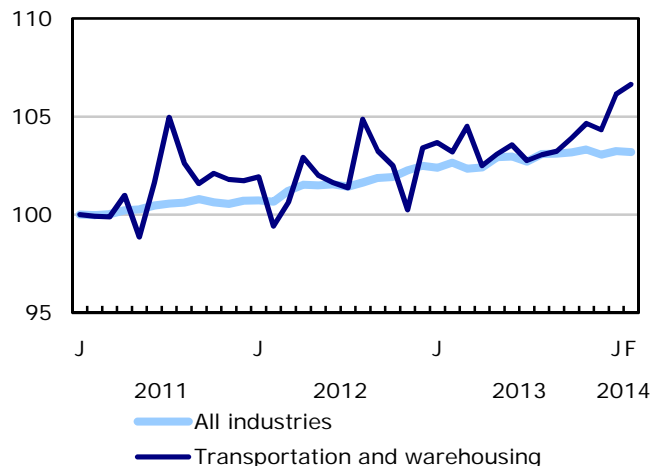
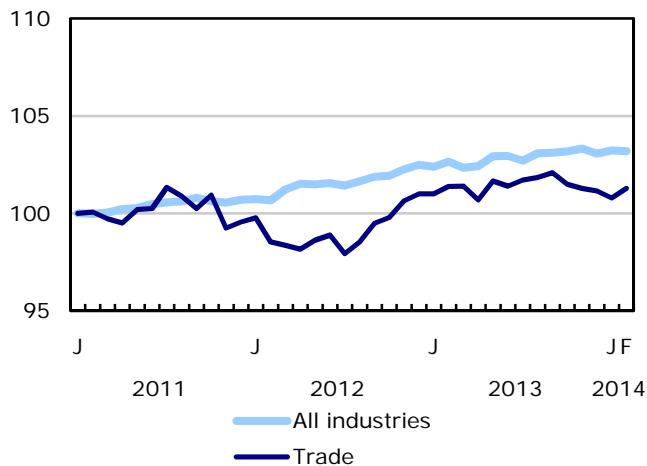
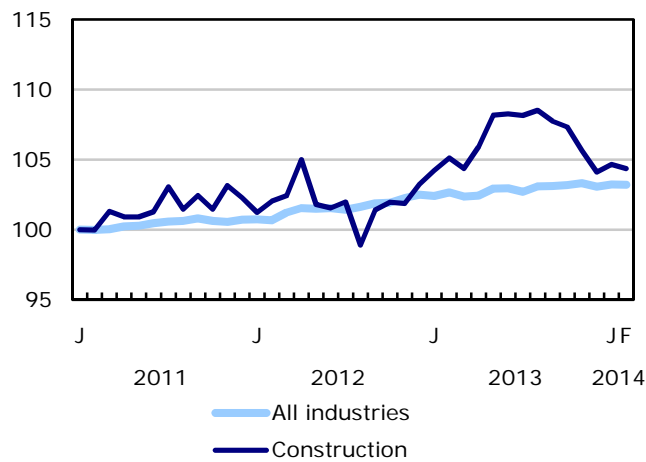
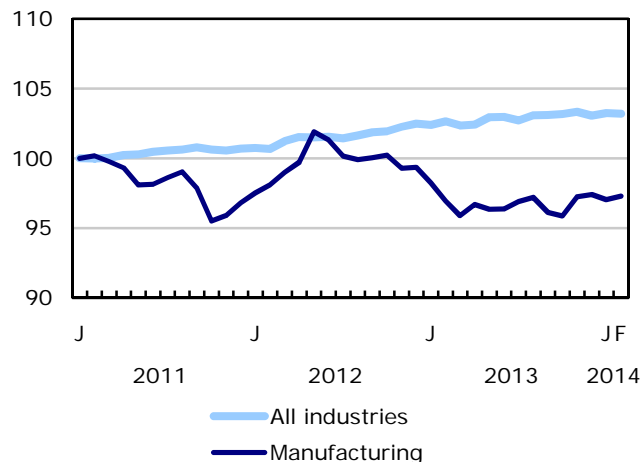
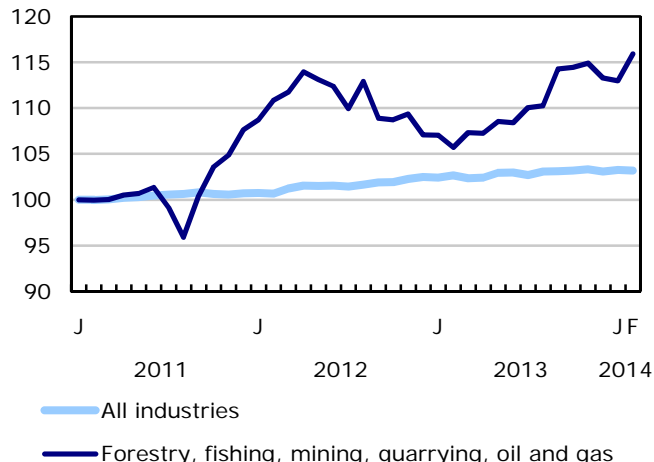
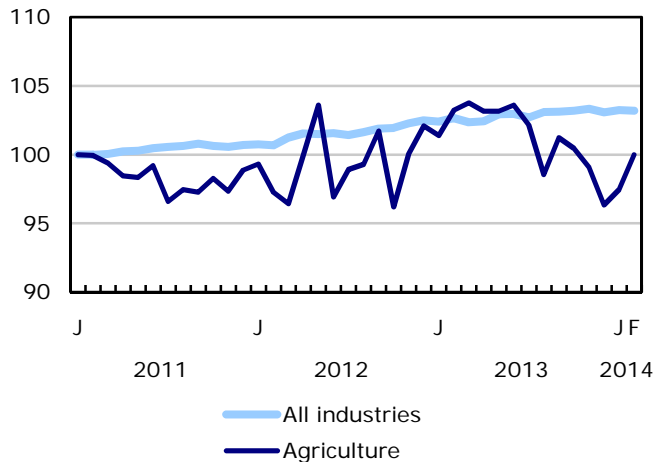


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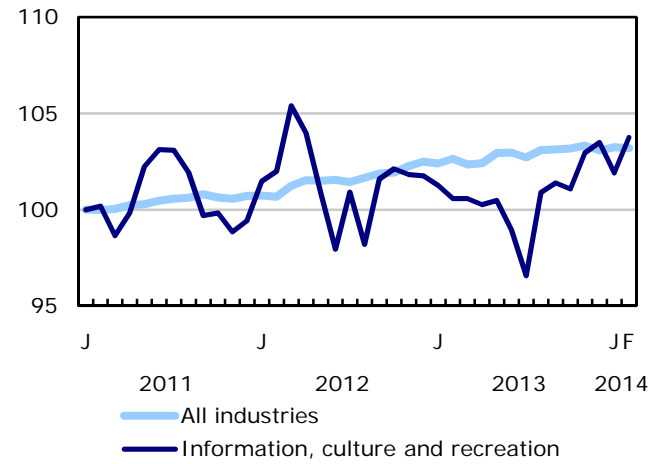
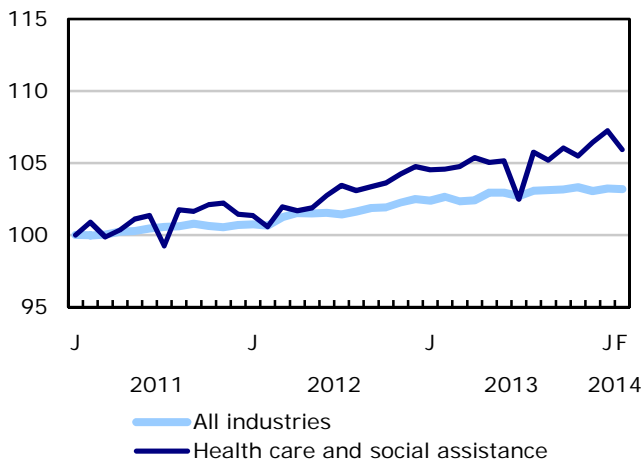
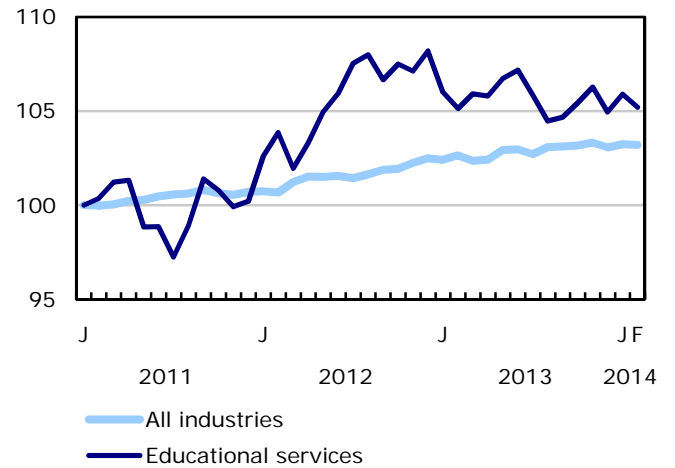
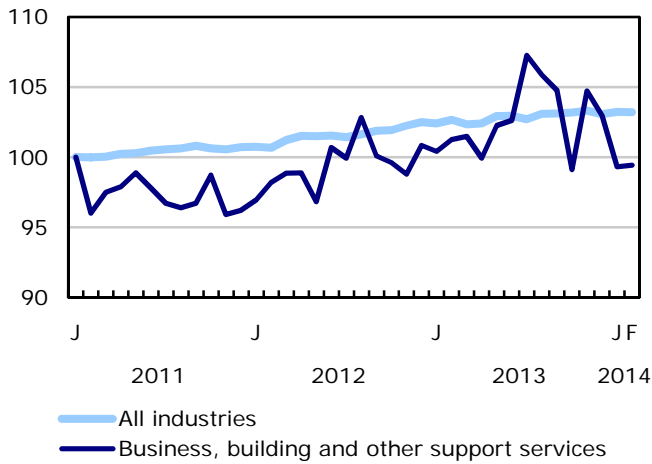
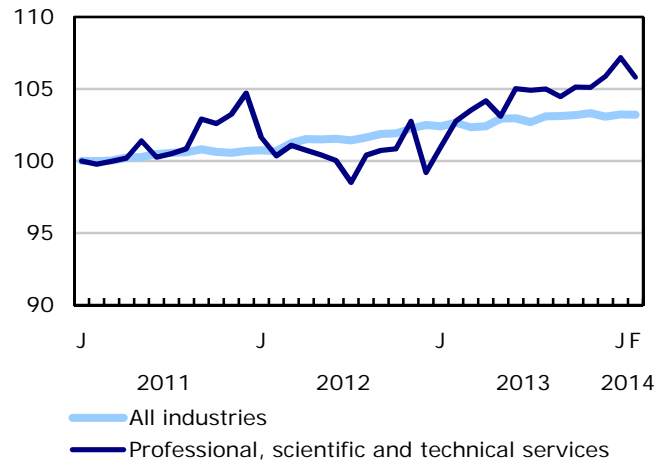
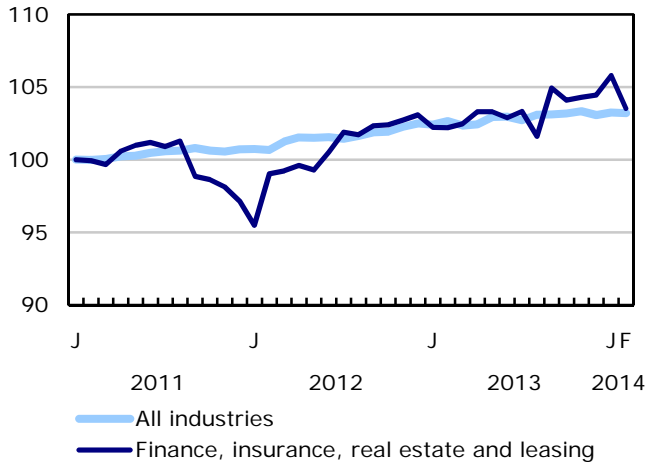


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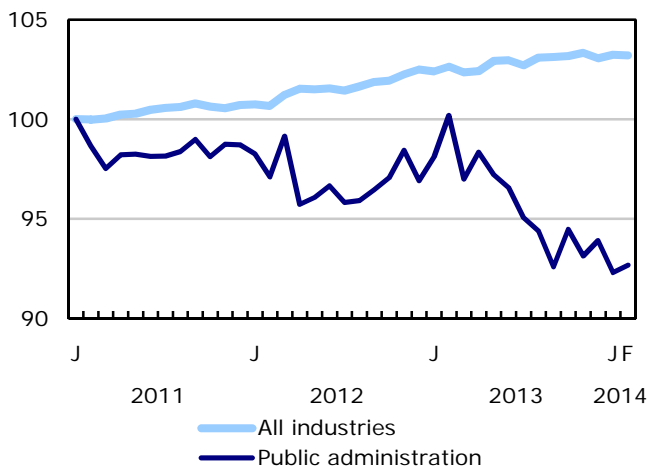
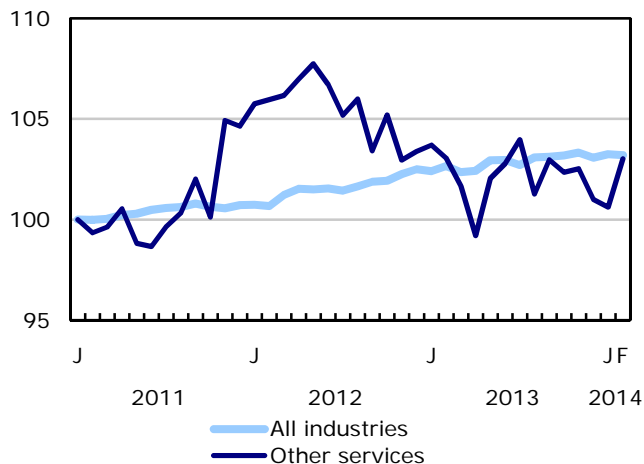
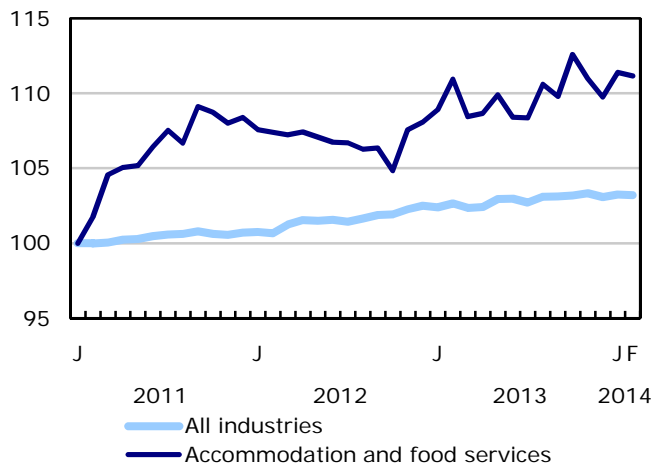


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Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2011=100

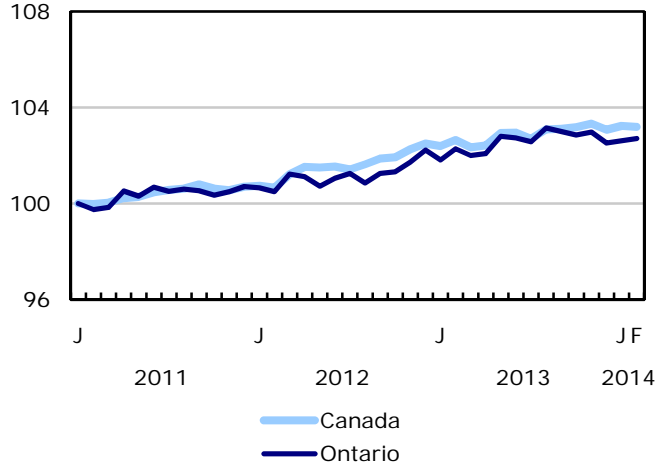
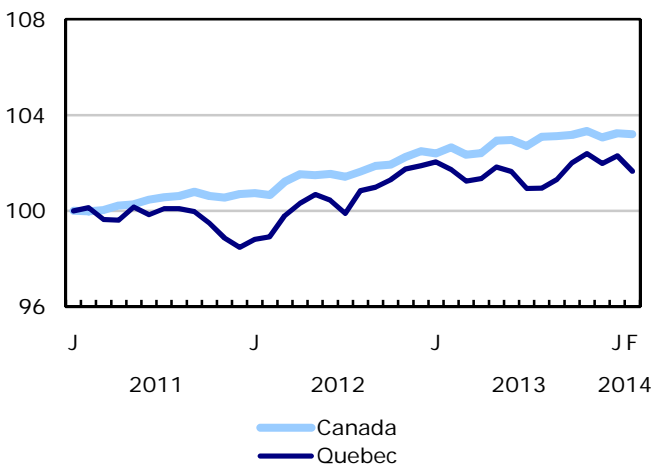
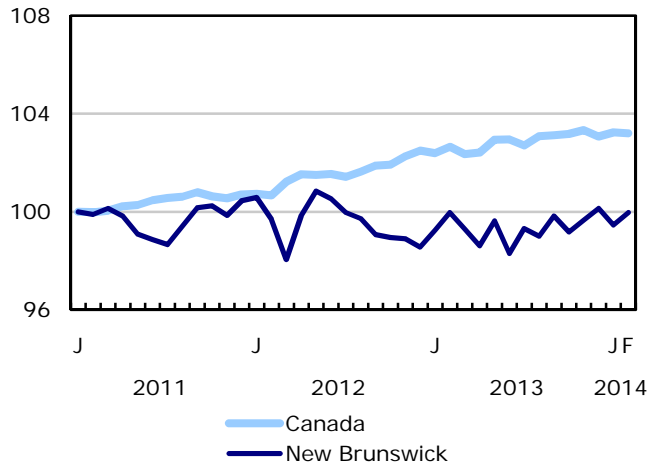
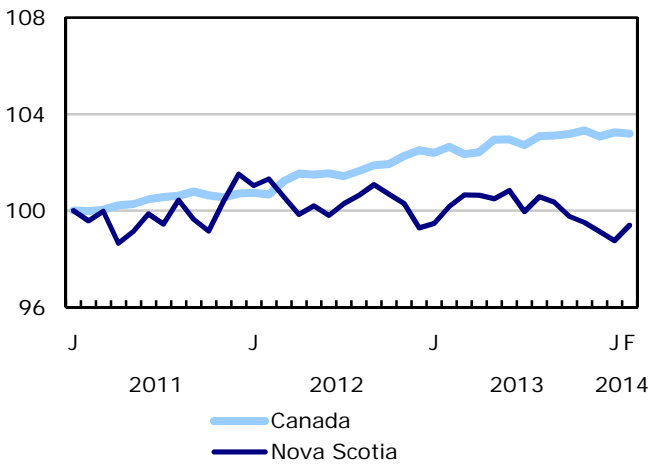
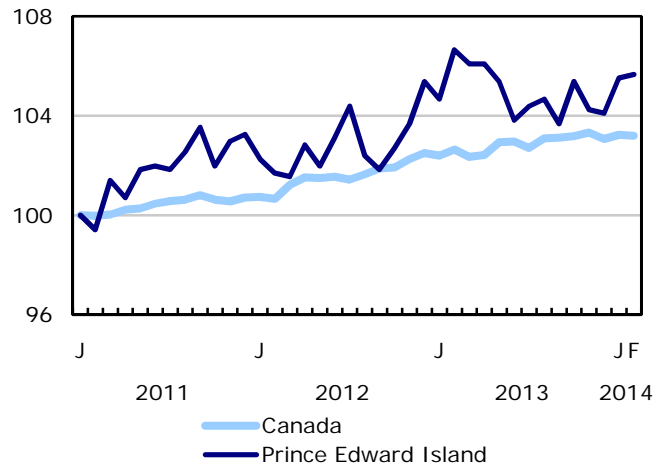
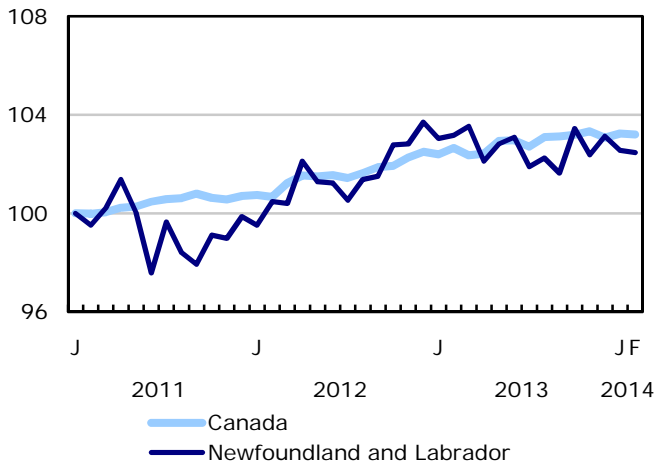
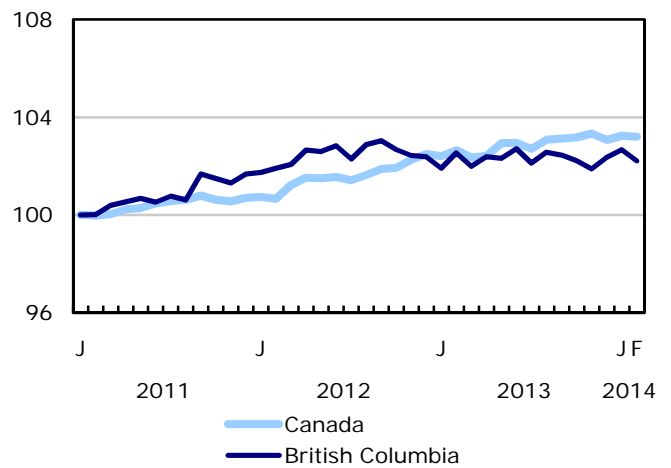
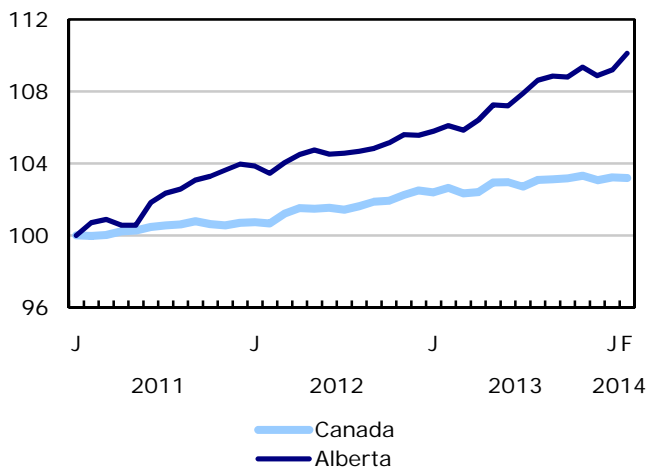
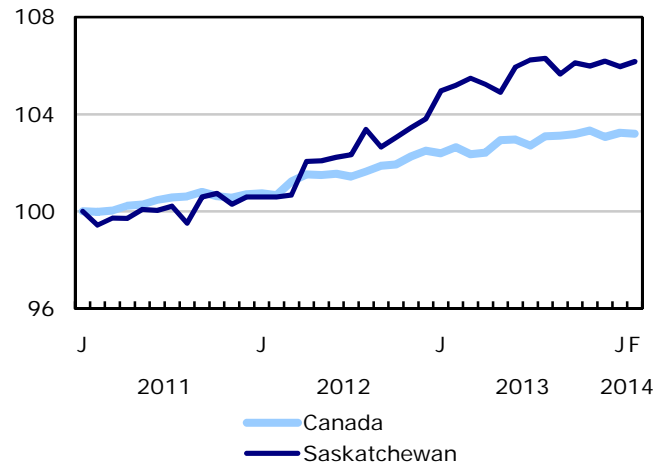
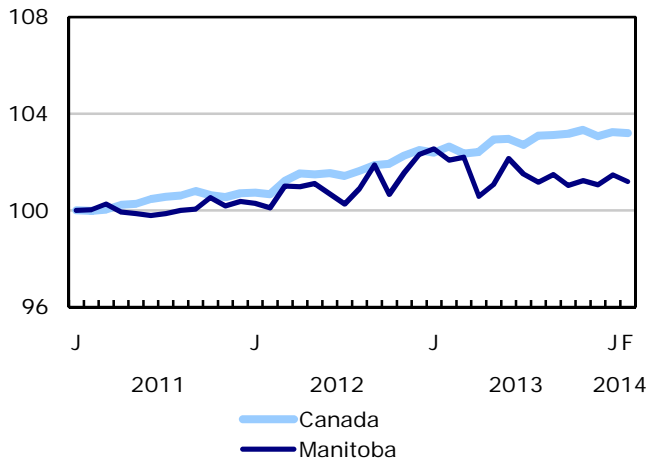


Chart 7
Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2011=100



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

	January 2014	February 2014	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
				last	last	twelve	last	last	twelve
				month	December	months ago	month	December	months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
15 years and over, both sexes									
Population	28,870.4	28,893.5	...	23.1	49.8	367.2	0.1	0.2	1.3
Labour force	19,130.5	19,133.4	29.1	2.9	-18.0	102.6	0.0	-0.1	0.5
Employment	17,797.3	17,790.3	28.9	-7.0	22.4	94.7	0.0	0.1	0.5
Employment full-time	14,424.7	14,443.6	39.2	18.9	69.4	69.6	0.1	0.5	0.5
Employment part-time	3,372.6	3,346.7	36.1	-25.9	-47.0	25.1	-0.8	-1.4	0.8
Unemployment	1,333.2	1,343.1	24.9	9.9	-40.4	7.9	0.7	-2.9	0.6
Participation rate	66.3	66.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.0	0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	18.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
15 to 24 years, both sexes									
Population	4,436.8	4,433.8	...	-3.0	-6.1	-20.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4
Labour force	2,815.1	2,803.1	17.2	-12.0	-13.0	-40.0	-0.4	-0.5	-1.4
Employment	2,423.4	2,420.7	15.8	-2.7	-1.2	-36.3	-0.1	0.0	-1.5
Employment full-time	1,242.8	1,268.4	18.6	25.6	19.0	-17.1	2.1	1.5	-1.3
Employment part-time	1,180.6	1,152.2	19.7	-28.4	-20.3	-19.3	-2.4	-1.7	-1.6
Unemployment	391.7	382.4	14.6	-9.3	-11.9	-3.7	-2.4	-3.0	-1.0
Participation rate	63.4	63.2	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.9	13.6	0.5	-0.3	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.6	54.6	0.4	0.0	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.7	47.6	0.7	-1.1	-0.8	-0.1	...	...	...
25 years and over, men									
Population	11,966.6	11,980.0	...	13.4	28.8	196.3	0.1	0.2	1.7
Labour force	8,654.7	8,654.5	15.1	-0.2	16.3	94.7	0.0	0.2	1.1
Employment	8,124.1	8,110.0	16.4	-14.1	27.7	62.7	-0.2	0.3	0.8
Employment full-time	7,486.2	7,478.1	22.0	-8.1	37.0	31.7	-0.1	0.5	0.4
Employment part-time	637.8	631.9	18.0	-5.9	-9.3	30.9	-0.9	-1.5	5.1
Unemployment	530.7	544.5	14.5	13.8	-11.3	32.0	2.6	-2.0	6.2
Participation rate	72.3	72.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.3	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.9	67.7	0.1	-0.2	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.9	7.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
25 years and over, women									
Population	12,467.0	12,479.7	...	12.7	27.1	190.8	0.1	0.2	1.6
Labour force	7,660.7	7,675.9	16.6	15.2	-21.2	47.9	0.2	-0.3	0.6
Employment	7,249.9	7,259.7	16.4	9.8	-4.1	68.4	0.1	-0.1	1.0
Employment full-time	5,695.7	5,697.1	25.7	1.4	13.4	54.9	0.0	0.2	1.0
Employment part-time	1,554.1	1,562.5	24.0	8.4	-17.6	13.3	0.5	-1.1	0.9
Unemployment	410.8	416.2	13.3	5.4	-17.1	-20.5	1.3	-3.9	-4.7
Participation rate	61.4	61.5	0.1	0.1	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	58.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.4	21.5	0.3	0.1	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, both sexes									
Population	14,644.4	14,650.2	...	5.8	9.8	70.0	0.0	0.1	0.5
Labour force	12,650.3	12,655.0	21.9	4.7	-24.7	14.6	0.0	-0.2	0.1
Employment	11,922.5	11,910.9	23.4	-11.6	-0.3	5.7	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Unemployment	727.7	744.1	18.5	16.4	-24.4	8.9	2.3	-3.2	1.2
Participation rate	86.4	86.4	0.1	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.9	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.4	81.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, men									
Population	7,330.1	7,333.4	...	3.3	5.8	38.5	0.0	0.1	0.5
Labour force	6,650.7	6,641.5	14.0	-9.2	-4.0	27.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.4
Employment	6,247.2	6,227.2	15.7	-20.0	3.8	5.3	-0.3	0.1	0.1
Unemployment	403.5	414.3	13.3	10.8	-7.7	21.7	2.7	-1.8	5.5
Participation rate	90.7	90.6	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.2	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	85.2	84.9	0.2	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	7,314.2	7,316.8	...	2.6	4.0	31.4	0.0	0.1	0.4
Labour force	5,999.5	6,013.5	16.2	14.0	-20.7	-12.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.2
Employment	5,675.3	5,683.7	16.4	8.4	-4.0	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.0
Unemployment	324.2	329.8	12.3	5.6	-16.7	-12.8	1.7	-4.8	-3.7
Participation rate	82.0	82.2	0.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.5	0.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.6	77.7	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
55 years and over, both sexes									
Population	9,789.3	9,809.5	...	20.2	46.1	317.2	0.2	0.5	3.3
Labour force	3,665.1	3,675.3	17.5	10.2	19.8	127.9	0.3	0.5	3.6
Employment	3,451.4	3,458.7	17.7	7.3	23.8	125.2	0.2	0.7	3.8
Unemployment	213.7	216.6	9.5	2.9	-4.0	2.7	1.4	-1.8	1.3
Participation rate	37.4	37.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.9	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	35.3	35.3	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
55 years and over, men									
Population	4,636.5	4,646.6	...	10.1	23.0	157.8	0.2	0.5	3.5
Labour force	2,004.0	2,013.0	11.5	9.0	20.3	67.7	0.4	1.0	3.5
Employment	1,876.8	1,882.8	11.8	6.0	23.9	57.4	0.3	1.3	3.1
Unemployment	127.2	130.2	7.0	3.0	-3.6	10.3	2.4	-2.7	8.6
Participation rate	43.2	43.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.3	0.2	-0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	40.5	40.5	0.3	0.0	0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
55 years and over, women									
Population	5,152.8	5,162.9	...	10.1	23.1	159.3	0.2	0.4	3.2
Labour force	1,661.2	1,662.3	12.1	1.1	-0.6	60.2	0.1	0.0	3.8
Employment	1,574.6	1,575.9	12.1	1.3	-0.1	67.8	0.1	0.0	4.5
Unemployment	86.6	86.4	6.2	-0.2	-0.4	-7.6	-0.2	-0.5	-8.1
Participation rate	32.2	32.2	0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	30.6	30.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Related CANSIM 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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	15,100.8	15,085.3	35.7	-15.5	-14.4	87.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.6
Self-employed ²	2,696.5	2,705.1	25.5	8.6	36.9	7.5	0.3	1.4	0.3
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,637.0	3,586.3	25.0	-50.7	-36.0	-41.3	-1.4	-1.0	-1.1
Private sector employees	11,463.8	11,499.0	37.9	35.2	21.6	128.5	0.3	0.2	1.1
Industry	17,797.3	17,790.3	28.9	-7.0	22.4	94.7	0.0	0.1	0.5
Goods-producing sector	3,877.7	3,896.6	26.3	18.9	22.5	45.8	0.5	0.6	1.2
Agriculture	302.8	310.7	7.5	7.9	11.4	-10.0	2.6	3.8	-3.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ³	376.6	386.4	7.4	9.8	8.7	33.9	2.6	2.3	9.6
Utilities	158.6	158.4	5.4	-0.2	1.2	24.8	-0.1	0.8	18.6
Construction	1,301.1	1,297.5	17.7	-3.6	3.1	-9.2	-0.3	0.2	-0.7
Manufacturing	1,738.7	1,743.7	19.6	5.0	-1.8	6.4	0.3	-0.1	0.4
Services-producing sector	13,919.6	13,893.7	34.4	-25.9	-0.1	48.9	-0.2	0.0	0.4
Trade	2,686.7	2,700.1	24.5	13.4	3.8	-2.7	0.5	0.1	-0.1
Transportation and warehousing	884.1	888.2	14.2	4.1	19.3	28.7	0.5	2.2	3.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,148.8	1,124.2	16.8	-24.6	-10.0	14.4	-2.1	-0.9	1.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,385.4	1,367.9	18.6	-17.5	-0.9	39.5	-1.3	-0.1	3.0
Business, building and other support services	690.3	691.1	14.4	0.8	-24.6	-12.6	0.1	-3.4	-1.8
Educational services	1,291.2	1,282.8	16.2	-8.4	3.1	1.0	-0.7	0.2	0.1
Health care and social assistance	2,221.5	2,194.0	19.5	-27.5	-10.6	28.0	-1.2	-0.5	1.3
Information, culture and recreation	793.7	808.1	14.8	14.4	2.1	24.7	1.8	0.3	3.2
Accommodation and food services	1,149.4	1,147.0	17.2	-2.4	14.6	2.2	-0.2	1.3	0.2
Other services	758.1	776.1	13.8	18.0	15.2	-0.3	2.4	2.0	0.0
Public administration	910.3	914.1	13.0	3.8	-12.2	-74.2	0.4	-1.3	-7.5

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	429.4	429.2	...	-0.2	-0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Labour force	264.4	263.7	1.9	-0.7	1.3	-1.8	-0.3	0.5	-0.7
Employment	232.7	232.5	2.0	-0.2	-1.5	-1.6	-0.1	-0.6	-0.7
Employment full-time	196.7	198.3	2.4	1.6	-0.5	-1.7	0.8	-0.3	-0.8
Employment part-time	36.0	34.2	1.9	-1.8	-0.9	0.1	-5.0	-2.6	0.3
Unemployment	31.8	31.2	1.8	-0.6	2.8	-0.2	-1.9	9.9	-0.6
Participation rate	61.6	61.4	0.4	-0.2	0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.0	11.8	0.6	-0.2	1.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.2	54.2	0.5	0.0	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	121.1	121.2	...	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	84.1	84.4	0.6	0.3	1.1	-0.8	0.4	1.3	-0.9
Employment	74.6	74.7	0.7	0.1	1.1	-0.7	0.1	1.5	-0.9
Employment full-time	61.9	62.5	0.9	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.6
Employment part-time	12.7	12.2	0.7	-0.5	0.4	-1.6	-3.9	3.4	-11.6
Unemployment	9.5	9.7	0.7	0.2	0.0	-0.2	2.1	0.0	-2.0
Participation rate	69.4	69.6	0.5	0.2	0.8	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.3	11.5	0.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.6	0.6	0.0	0.8	-1.0	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	781.6	781.3	...	-0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	489.9	494.8	2.6	4.9	-0.1	-6.0	1.0	0.0	-1.2
Employment	447.8	450.7	2.6	2.9	1.2	-3.5	0.6	0.3	-0.8
Employment full-time	359.3	363.9	3.5	4.6	4.0	-0.9	1.3	1.1	-0.2
Employment part-time	88.5	86.8	3.2	-1.7	-2.8	-2.5	-1.9	-3.1	-2.8
Unemployment	42.2	44.1	2.4	1.9	-1.3	-2.5	4.5	-2.9	-5.4
Participation rate	62.7	63.3	0.3	0.6	0.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.9	0.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	57.7	0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	620.0	620.1	...	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	389.7	391.5	2.2	1.8	-0.2	-1.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Employment	351.3	353.1	2.4	1.8	-0.6	0.0	0.5	-0.2	0.0
Employment full-time	299.3	298.3	3.0	-1.0	2.2	1.1	-0.3	0.7	0.4
Employment part-time	52.0	54.8	2.6	2.8	-2.8	-1.1	5.4	-4.9	-2.0
Unemployment	38.4	38.4	2.3	0.0	0.4	-1.1	0.0	1.1	-2.8
Participation rate	62.9	63.1	0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.9	9.8	0.6	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.7	56.9	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,716.9	6,719.6	...	2.7	5.6	48.3	0.0	0.1	0.7
Labour force	4,384.9	4,375.3	15.1	-9.6	-8.7	16.7	-0.2	-0.2	0.4
Employment	4,058.2	4,032.7	15.2	-25.5	-12.8	-2.6	-0.6	-0.3	-0.1
Employment full-time	3,239.2	3,242.1	20.0	2.9	2.2	-49.8	0.1	0.1	-1.5
Employment part-time	819.0	790.6	18.3	-28.4	-14.9	47.2	-3.5	-1.8	6.3
Unemployment	326.7	342.7	13.2	16.0	4.1	19.4	4.9	1.2	6.0
Participation rate	65.3	65.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.8	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.0	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Ontario									
Population	11,278.4	11,287.3	...	8.9	19.7	137.1	0.1	0.2	1.2
Labour force	7,438.2	7,448.7	19.8	10.5	-17.6	17.5	0.1	-0.2	0.2
Employment	6,882.8	6,888.9	19.0	6.1	12.1	28.7	0.1	0.2	0.4
Employment full-time	5,600.6	5,605.9	26.6	5.3	28.4	86.0	0.1	0.5	1.6
Employment part-time	1,282.2	1,283.0	24.6	0.8	-16.2	-57.3	0.1	-1.2	-4.3
Unemployment	555.4	559.8	17.2	4.4	-29.7	-11.3	0.8	-5.0	-2.0
Participation rate	66.0	66.0	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.5	0.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	61.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	January 2014	February 2014	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	979.9	980.9	...	1.0	2.0	11.8	0.1	0.2	1.2
Labour force	670.8	666.5	2.7	-4.3	-1.0	-3.1	-0.6	-0.1	-0.5
Employment	633.1	631.4	2.7	-1.7	0.9	-5.5	-0.3	0.1	-0.9
Employment full-time	514.9	509.2	3.7	-5.7	-1.1	-3.5	-1.1	-0.2	-0.7
Employment part-time	118.1	122.2	3.5	4.1	2.1	-2.0	3.5	1.7	-1.6
Unemployment	37.7	35.1	2.1	-2.6	-1.9	2.4	-6.9	-5.1	7.3
Participation rate	68.5	67.9	0.3	-0.6	-0.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	64.4	0.3	-0.2	0.0	-1.3	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	835.3	836.4	...	1.1	2.2	16.7	0.1	0.3	2.0
Labour force	581.6	580.4	2.5	-1.2	0.0	6.0	-0.2	0.0	1.0
Employment	556.8	557.9	2.6	1.1	-0.1	5.2	0.2	0.0	0.9
Employment full-time	462.3	464.3	3.4	2.0	6.8	7.9	0.4	1.5	1.7
Employment part-time	94.5	93.6	3.1	-0.9	-6.9	-2.7	-1.0	-6.9	-2.8
Unemployment	24.8	22.5	1.8	-2.3	0.1	0.8	-9.3	0.4	3.7
Participation rate	69.6	69.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	3.9	0.3	-0.4	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.7	66.7	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	3,230.0	3,236.3	...	6.3	14.0	107.9	0.2	0.4	3.4
Labour force	2,351.5	2,364.2	9.3	12.7	15.2	81.3	0.5	0.6	3.6
Employment	2,243.3	2,262.1	9.9	18.8	25.4	82.3	0.8	1.1	3.8
Employment full-time	1,882.9	1,896.7	12.6	13.8	23.1	48.9	0.7	1.2	2.6
Employment part-time	360.3	365.5	11.2	5.2	2.4	33.5	1.4	0.7	10.1
Unemployment	108.2	102.0	7.1	-6.2	-10.2	-1.2	-5.7	-9.1	-1.2
Participation rate	72.8	73.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.5	69.9	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.2	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,877.9	3,881.1	...	3.2	6.3	43.9	0.1	0.2	1.1
Labour force	2,475.3	2,463.9	10.5	-11.4	-8.1	-6.0	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2
Employment	2,316.8	2,306.4	10.4	-10.4	-3.3	-7.6	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Employment full-time	1,807.7	1,802.7	14.6	-5.0	4.1	-19.2	-0.3	0.2	-1.1
Employment part-time	509.1	503.7	13.8	-5.4	-7.4	11.6	-1.1	-1.4	2.4
Unemployment	158.5	157.5	8.6	-1.0	-4.8	1.6	-0.6	-3.0	1.0
Participation rate	63.8	63.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.4	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	59.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...

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

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	429.4	429.2	...	-0.2	-0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Labour force	264.4	263.7	1.9	-0.7	1.3	-1.8	-0.3	0.5	-0.7
Employment	232.7	232.5	2.0	-0.2	-1.5	-1.6	-0.1	-0.6	-0.7
Employment full-time	196.7	198.3	2.4	1.6	-0.5	-1.7	0.8	-0.3	-0.8
Unemployment	31.8	31.2	1.8	-0.6	2.8	-0.2	-1.9	9.9	-0.6
Participation rate	61.6	61.4	0.4	-0.2	0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.0	11.8	0.6	-0.2	1.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.2	54.2	0.5	0.0	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.5	14.7	0.8	-0.8	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	57.7	57.6	...	-0.1	-0.3	-1.5	-0.2	-0.5	-2.5
Labour force	34.6	34.6	1.0	0.0	0.8	-0.8	0.0	2.4	-2.3
Employment	27.2	28.4	1.0	1.2	0.6	-1.5	4.4	2.2	-5.0
Unemployment	7.4	6.2	0.9	-1.2	0.2	0.6	-16.2	3.3	10.7
Participation rate	60.0	60.1	1.7	0.1	1.7	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	21.4	17.9	2.4	-3.5	0.1	2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	47.1	49.3	1.8	2.2	1.3	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.2	41.5	3.6	-3.7	0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	179.5	179.5	...	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.4
Labour force	119.9	119.7	1.1	-0.2	0.8	-0.7	-0.2	0.7	-0.6
Employment	106.3	106.5	1.2	0.2	0.8	1.4	0.2	0.8	1.3
Unemployment	13.5	13.2	1.1	-0.3	0.0	-2.1	-2.2	0.0	-13.7
Participation rate	66.8	66.7	0.6	-0.1	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.3	11.0	0.9	-0.3	-0.1	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	59.3	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.6	5.2	0.7	0.6	0.2	1.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	192.2	192.2	...	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Labour force	109.9	109.4	1.1	-0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.3	-0.3
Employment	99.1	97.6	1.0	-1.5	-2.9	-1.5	-1.5	-2.9	-1.5
Unemployment	10.8	11.7	1.0	0.9	2.5	1.1	8.3	27.2	10.4
Participation rate	57.2	56.9	0.6	-0.3	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	10.7	0.9	0.9	2.3	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.6	50.8	0.5	-0.8	-1.5	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.9	17.3	1.3	-1.6	-1.0	0.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Population	232.7	232.5	2.0	-0.2	-1.5	-1.6	-0.1	-0.6	-0.7
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	56.9	55.7	1.8	-1.2	-1.2	2.9	-2.1	-2.1	5.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	1.5	1.4	0.4	-0.1	-0.4	0.0	-6.7	-22.2	0.0
Utilities	18.6	19.5	1.0	0.9	1.4	3.8	4.8	7.7	24.2
Construction	2.2	2.3	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	4.5	0.0	-14.8
Manufacturing	20.8	19.8	1.2	-1.0	-1.1	-2.2	-4.8	-5.3	-10.0
Services-producing sector									
Trade	13.8	12.7	0.9	-1.1	-1.1	1.7	-8.0	-8.0	15.5
Transportation and warehousing	175.8	176.9	2.0	1.1	-0.2	-4.4	0.6	-0.1	-2.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	37.5	37.9	1.4	0.4	-0.2	2.9	1.1	-0.5	8.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	10.8	12.2	0.7	1.4	1.8	0.8	13.0	17.3	7.0
Business, building and other support services	8.5	8.9	0.6	0.4	-0.5	-0.3	4.7	-5.3	-3.3
Educational services	9.6	9.4	0.8	-0.2	0.2	1.2	-2.1	2.2	14.6
Health care and social assistance	6.0	6.0	0.6	0.0	0.5	-1.2	0.0	9.1	-16.7
Information, culture and recreation	18.7	17.9	1.0	-0.8	-0.3	1.6	-4.3	-1.6	9.8
Accommodation and food services	35.1	35.0	1.2	-0.1	-1.6	-2.2	-0.3	-4.4	-5.9
Other services	7.9	7.6	0.7	-0.3	0.2	0.4	-3.8	2.7	5.6
Public administration	14.6	15.2	1.0	0.6	1.4	0.0	4.1	10.1	0.0
	10.5	10.6	0.9	0.1	-0.3	-4.2	1.0	-2.8	-28.4
	16.6	16.2	0.9	-0.4	-1.3	-3.5	-2.4	-7.4	-17.8

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	121.1	121.2	...	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	84.1	84.4	0.6	0.3	1.1	-0.8	0.4	1.3	-0.9
Employment	74.6	74.7	0.7	0.1	1.1	-0.7	0.1	1.5	-0.9
Employment full-time	61.9	62.5	0.9	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.6
Unemployment	9.5	9.7	0.7	0.2	0.0	-0.2	2.1	0.0	-2.0
Participation rate	69.4	69.6	0.5	0.2	0.8	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.3	11.5	0.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.6	0.6	0.0	0.8	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.0	16.3	0.9	-0.7	0.3	-2.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.6	19.6	...	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.0	-1.5
Labour force	13.8	13.5	0.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.5	-2.2	0.0	-3.6
Employment	11.6	11.4	0.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	-1.7	0.9	-0.9
Unemployment	2.2	2.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-4.5	-8.7	-16.0
Participation rate	70.4	68.9	1.9	-1.5	0.0	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.9	15.6	2.4	-0.3	-1.4	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	58.2	1.8	-1.0	0.5	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.7	43.9	3.7	-1.8	4.9	-5.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	48.7	48.7	...	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.6
Labour force	35.9	36.5	0.3	0.6	0.8	-0.2	1.7	2.2	-0.5
Employment	31.6	31.9	0.4	0.3	0.4	-0.6	0.9	1.3	-1.8
Unemployment	4.2	4.7	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	11.9	11.9	11.9
Participation rate	73.7	74.9	0.7	1.2	1.4	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.7	12.9	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.9	65.5	0.9	0.6	0.7	-1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.3	6.6	1.0	-0.7	-1.7	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	52.8	52.9	...	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.2	1.1
Labour force	34.4	34.3	0.3	-0.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	0.9	-0.6
Employment	31.3	31.4	0.4	0.1	0.6	0.1	0.3	1.9	0.3
Unemployment	3.1	2.9	0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-6.5	-9.4	-9.4
Participation rate	65.2	64.8	0.6	-0.4	0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	8.5	1.0	-0.5	-0.9	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.3	59.4	0.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.3	16.2	1.5	-0.1	1.0	-1.6	...	...	...
Industry	74.6	74.7	0.7	0.1	1.1	-0.7	0.1	1.5	-0.9
Goods-producing sector	17.4	17.1	0.6	-0.3	0.7	-0.3	-1.7	4.3	-1.7
Agriculture	3.3	3.3	0.3	0.0	0.3	-1.2	0.0	10.0	-26.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	2.7	2.8	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.5	3.7	3.7	21.7
Utilities	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	33.3
Construction	5.6	5.4	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.2	-3.6	0.0	3.8
Manufacturing	5.3	5.2	0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.0	-1.9	6.1	0.0
Services-producing sector	57.2	57.6	0.7	0.4	0.4	-0.3	0.7	0.7	-0.5
Trade	10.9	10.8	0.5	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.9	-1.8	-3.6
Transportation and warehousing	2.6	2.7	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.6	3.8	-3.6	28.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	3.2	3.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	18.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	3.3	3.5	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	6.1	12.9	9.4
Business, building and other support services	1.8	1.8	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	-14.3	-14.3
Educational services	6.5	6.3	0.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	-3.1	1.6	-1.6
Health care and social assistance	10.2	10.5	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	2.9	5.0	5.0
Information, culture and recreation	2.7	2.7	0.3	0.0	0.1	-0.3	0.0	3.8	-10.0
Accommodation and food services	5.4	5.2	0.4	-0.2	0.0	-0.9	-3.7	0.0	-14.8
Other services	3.6	3.7	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.6	2.8	-2.6	19.4
Public administration	7.0	7.1	0.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.9	1.4	-1.4	-11.2

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	781.6	781.3	...	-0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	489.9	494.8	2.6	4.9	-0.1	-6.0	1.0	0.0	-1.2
Employment	447.8	450.7	2.6	2.9	1.2	-3.5	0.6	0.3	-0.8
Employment full-time	359.3	363.9	3.5	4.6	4.0	-0.9	1.3	1.1	-0.2
Unemployment	42.2	44.1	2.4	1.9	-1.3	-2.5	4.5	-2.9	-5.4
Participation rate	62.7	63.3	0.3	0.6	0.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.9	0.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	57.7	0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.8	19.3	0.7	-0.5	-0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	114.7	114.5	...	-0.2	-0.5	-2.4	-0.2	-0.4	-2.1
Labour force	72.8	75.7	1.6	2.9	0.3	0.0	4.0	0.4	0.0
Employment	60.8	61.3	1.4	0.5	0.6	-0.4	0.8	1.0	-0.6
Unemployment	12.0	14.4	1.5	2.4	-0.3	0.4	20.0	-2.0	2.9
Participation rate	63.5	66.1	1.4	2.6	0.5	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.5	19.0	1.8	2.5	-0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.0	53.5	1.2	0.5	0.7	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.0	48.0	2.7	-0.1	2.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	316.0	316.0	...	0.0	0.1	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.4
Labour force	211.2	211.5	1.3	0.3	-1.3	-4.0	0.1	-0.6	-1.9
Employment	192.7	193.8	1.5	1.1	0.3	-3.3	0.6	0.2	-1.7
Unemployment	18.5	17.7	1.4	-0.8	-1.6	-0.6	-4.3	-8.3	-3.3
Participation rate	66.8	66.9	0.4	0.1	-0.5	-1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.4	0.6	-0.4	-0.7	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	61.3	0.5	0.3	0.0	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.0	8.6	0.8	-0.4	-0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	350.8	350.9	...	0.1	0.2	1.6	0.0	0.1	0.5
Labour force	205.9	207.6	1.4	1.7	0.9	-2.1	0.8	0.4	-1.0
Employment	194.3	195.5	1.5	1.2	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.1
Unemployment	11.6	12.1	1.2	0.5	0.7	-2.2	4.3	6.1	-15.4
Participation rate	58.7	59.2	0.4	0.5	0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.8	0.6	0.2	0.3	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.4	55.7	0.4	0.3	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.6	20.9	1.1	-0.7	-1.4	-1.8	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	447.8	450.7	2.6	2.9	1.2	-3.5	0.6	0.3	-0.8
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	85.6	82.4	2.2	-3.2	-2.1	-0.3	-3.7	-2.5	-0.4
Agriculture	4.6	4.7	0.8	0.1	-0.6	0.0	2.2	-11.3	0.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	9.6	10.3	1.0	0.7	-1.0	-0.7	7.3	-8.8	-6.4
Utilities	4.3	4.0	0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-7.0	-7.0	-7.0
Construction	32.9	33.2	1.6	0.3	0.1	0.7	0.9	0.3	2.2
Manufacturing	34.3	30.3	1.3	-4.0	-0.2	0.1	-11.7	-0.7	0.3
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	362.1	368.3	2.9	6.2	3.3	-3.1	1.7	0.9	-0.8
Trade	72.8	71.5	2.0	-1.3	-1.1	-4.9	-1.8	-1.5	-6.4
Transportation and warehousing	18.8	19.9	1.1	1.1	1.5	-0.8	5.9	8.2	-3.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	21.6	23.0	1.0	1.4	0.2	1.0	6.5	0.9	4.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	24.1	25.6	1.4	1.5	0.2	-4.2	6.2	0.8	-14.1
Business, building and other support services	20.2	21.1	1.3	0.9	-2.1	-1.2	4.5	-9.1	-5.4
Educational services	35.6	36.4	1.5	0.8	0.1	1.2	2.2	0.3	3.4
Health care and social assistance	70.8	71.4	1.7	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.1	0.4
Information, culture and recreation	20.5	22.0	1.1	1.5	2.1	3.9	7.3	10.6	21.5
Accommodation and food services	28.4	28.8	1.6	0.4	0.4	0.2	1.4	1.4	0.7
Other services	19.0	18.2	1.1	-0.8	0.6	0.4	-4.2	3.4	2.2
Public administration	30.4	30.5	1.2	0.1	1.4	1.0	0.3	4.8	3.4

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	620.0	620.1	...	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	389.7	391.5	2.2	1.8	-0.2	-1.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.3
Employment	351.3	353.1	2.4	1.8	-0.6	0.0	0.5	-0.2	0.0
Employment full-time	299.3	298.3	3.0	-1.0	2.2	1.1	-0.3	0.7	0.4
Unemployment	38.4	38.4	2.3	0.0	0.4	-1.1	0.0	1.1	-2.8
Participation rate	62.9	63.1	0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.9	9.8	0.6	-0.1	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.7	56.9	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	14.8	15.5	0.7	0.7	-0.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	87.3	87.2	...	-0.1	-0.3	-2.0	-0.1	-0.3	-2.2
Labour force	55.3	56.0	1.3	0.7	0.1	2.4	1.3	0.2	4.5
Employment	47.2	48.1	1.3	0.9	0.0	3.2	1.9	0.0	7.1
Unemployment	8.1	7.9	1.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.8	-2.5	0.0	-9.2
Participation rate	63.3	64.2	1.4	0.9	0.3	4.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.6	14.1	2.0	-0.5	0.0	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	55.2	1.4	1.1	0.2	4.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	40.7	41.0	3.0	0.3	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	255.5	255.7	...	0.2	0.3	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.5
Labour force	174.3	173.9	1.2	-0.4	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.1
Employment	156.0	155.1	1.4	-0.9	-0.3	1.9	-0.6	-0.2	1.2
Unemployment	18.3	18.8	1.5	0.5	0.2	-1.7	2.7	1.1	-8.3
Participation rate	68.2	68.0	0.5	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	10.8	0.8	0.3	0.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	60.7	0.6	-0.4	-0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.4	5.4	0.7	0.0	-1.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	277.2	277.3	...	0.1	0.3	1.1	0.0	0.1	0.4
Labour force	160.1	161.7	1.2	1.6	-0.1	-3.6	1.0	-0.1	-2.2
Employment	148.2	149.9	1.3	1.7	-0.3	-5.1	1.1	-0.2	-3.3
Unemployment	12.0	11.7	1.2	-0.3	0.1	1.4	-2.5	0.9	13.6
Participation rate	57.8	58.3	0.4	0.5	-0.1	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.2	0.7	-0.3	0.0	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.5	54.1	0.5	0.6	-0.1	-2.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.5	17.9	1.1	1.4	-0.8	0.1	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	351.3	353.1	2.4	1.8	-0.6	0.0	0.5	-0.2	0.0
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	76.2	76.0	1.9	-0.2	-1.9	-0.9	-0.3	-2.4	-1.2
Agriculture	3.5	3.8	0.5	0.3	-0.1	-1.0	8.6	-2.6	-20.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	11.5	10.8	0.8	-0.7	-1.9	-1.7	-6.1	-15.0	-13.6
Utilities	4.6	4.0	0.4	-0.6	-0.1	0.3	-13.0	-2.4	8.1
Construction	28.6	29.0	1.3	0.4	-0.1	2.8	1.4	-0.3	10.7
Manufacturing	28.1	28.3	1.2	0.2	0.2	-1.4	0.7	0.7	-4.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	275.1	277.1	2.4	2.0	1.3	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.3
Trade	58.6	59.8	1.6	1.2	0.7	3.6	2.0	1.2	6.4
Transportation and warehousing	15.9	15.8	0.9	-0.1	-0.8	-2.2	-0.6	-4.8	-12.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	16.8	16.8	0.8	0.0	-0.3	0.8	0.0	-1.8	5.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	15.1	15.4	0.8	0.3	0.1	2.2	2.0	0.7	16.7
Business, building and other support services	17.6	18.2	1.0	0.6	1.5	2.8	3.4	9.0	18.2
Educational services	27.0	25.8	1.2	-1.2	-1.5	-0.4	-4.4	-5.5	-1.5
Health care and social assistance	48.4	49.1	1.4	0.7	-0.3	-5.7	1.4	-0.6	-10.4
Information, culture and recreation	12.0	11.6	0.9	-0.4	0.3	-3.4	-3.3	2.7	-22.7
Accommodation and food services	23.4	23.9	1.2	0.5	0.6	1.1	2.1	2.6	4.8
Other services	15.3	16.2	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.6	5.9	5.2	3.8
Public administration	25.0	24.6	1.0	-0.4	0.2	1.5	-1.6	0.8	6.5

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	6,716.9	6,719.6	...	2.7	5.6	48.3	0.0	0.1	0.7
Labour force	4,384.9	4,375.3	15.1	-9.6	-8.7	16.7	-0.2	-0.2	0.4
Employment	4,058.2	4,032.7	15.2	-25.5	-12.8	-2.6	-0.6	-0.3	-0.1
Employment full-time	3,239.2	3,242.1	20.0	2.9	2.2	-49.8	0.1	0.1	-1.5
Unemployment	326.7	342.7	13.2	16.0	4.1	19.4	4.9	1.2	6.0
Participation rate	65.3	65.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.8	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.0	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.2	19.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.3	1.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	973.6	972.4	...	-1.2	-2.2	-8.9	-0.1	-0.2	-0.9
Labour force	649.4	645.4	8.5	-4.0	-2.9	-10.9	-0.6	-0.4	-1.7
Employment	563.1	555.9	8.1	-7.2	-8.7	-20.7	-1.3	-1.5	-3.6
Unemployment	86.2	89.5	7.3	3.3	5.8	9.8	3.8	6.9	12.3
Participation rate	66.7	66.4	0.9	-0.3	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.3	13.9	1.0	0.6	1.0	1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.8	57.2	0.8	-0.6	-0.7	-1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	54.9	53.3	1.6	-1.6	-0.4	2.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,827.7	2,829.7	...	2.0	4.2	30.0	0.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	1,984.6	1,980.0	8.3	-4.6	1.3	10.1	-0.2	0.1	0.5
Employment	1,838.7	1,823.5	8.9	-15.2	-7.5	-10.7	-0.8	-0.4	-0.6
Unemployment	145.9	156.6	7.8	10.7	8.9	20.9	7.3	6.0	15.4
Participation rate	70.2	70.0	0.3	-0.2	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	7.9	0.4	0.5	0.4	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.0	64.4	0.3	-0.6	-0.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.8	8.8	0.5	0.0	-0.2	1.7	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,915.6	2,917.4	...	1.8	3.5	27.1	0.1	0.1	0.9
Labour force	1,751.0	1,749.9	8.5	-1.1	-7.1	17.5	-0.1	-0.4	1.0
Employment	1,656.4	1,653.3	8.5	-3.1	3.4	28.8	-0.2	0.2	1.8
Unemployment	94.5	96.6	7.1	2.1	-10.5	-11.4	2.2	-9.8	-10.6
Participation rate	60.1	60.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.5	0.4	0.1	-0.6	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.8	56.7	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.1	20.2	0.7	-0.8	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	4,058.2	4,032.7	15.2	-25.5	-12.8	-2.6	-0.6	-0.3	-0.1
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	863.7	862.7	13.5	-1.0	3.2	5.8	-0.1	0.4	0.7
Agriculture	50.8	59.8	3.6	9.0	7.1	4.3	17.7	13.5	7.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	33.4	34.4	2.4	1.0	7.0	0.7	3.0	25.5	2.1
Utilities	33.2	34.9	2.8	1.7	0.4	8.3	5.1	1.2	31.2
Construction	246.5	229.0	8.7	-17.5	-22.8	-25.4	-7.1	-9.1	-10.0
Manufacturing	499.7	504.7	10.6	5.0	11.5	18.1	1.0	2.3	3.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	3,194.5	3,169.9	17.7	-24.6	-16.0	-8.5	-0.8	-0.5	-0.3
Trade	620.4	622.0	12.9	1.6	-11.6	-19.6	0.3	-1.8	-3.1
Transportation and warehousing	189.1	193.7	6.7	4.6	0.9	21.2	2.4	0.5	12.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	243.8	234.5	7.6	-9.3	5.3	11.9	-3.8	2.3	5.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	311.4	300.2	9.5	-11.2	-9.1	-6.8	-3.6	-2.9	-2.2
Business, building and other support services	148.1	150.1	7.3	2.0	1.2	-4.8	1.4	0.8	-3.1
Educational services	292.4	286.8	8.2	-5.6	-1.2	6.4	-1.9	-0.4	2.3
Health care and social assistance	571.3	570.4	10.6	-0.9	7.7	11.5	-0.2	1.4	2.1
Information, culture and recreation	182.9	186.4	7.8	3.5	-4.1	1.7	1.9	-2.2	0.9
Accommodation and food services	253.8	249.8	8.9	-4.0	-1.3	9.6	-1.6	-0.5	4.0
Other services	176.4	171.8	7.0	-4.6	3.2	-0.3	-2.6	1.9	-0.2
Public administration	204.9	204.2	6.5	-0.7	-7.1	-39.4	-0.3	-3.4	-16.2

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	11,278.4	11,287.3	...	8.9	19.7	137.1	0.1	0.2	1.2
Labour force	7,438.2	7,448.7	19.8	10.5	-17.6	17.5	0.1	-0.2	0.2
Employment	6,882.8	6,888.9	19.0	6.1	12.1	28.7	0.1	0.2	0.4
Employment full-time	5,600.6	5,605.9	26.6	5.3	28.4	86.0	0.1	0.5	1.6
Unemployment	555.4	559.8	17.2	4.4	-29.7	-11.3	0.8	-5.0	-2.0
Participation rate	66.0	66.0	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.5	0.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	61.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.6	18.6	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,780.6	1,779.6	...	-1.0	-2.2	-8.5	-0.1	-0.1	-0.5
Labour force	1,082.4	1,070.6	12.1	-11.8	-6.1	-22.8	-1.1	-0.6	-2.1
Employment	904.3	901.4	10.7	-2.9	4.9	-14.6	-0.3	0.5	-1.6
Unemployment	178.1	169.2	10.4	-8.9	-10.9	-8.3	-5.0	-6.1	-4.7
Participation rate	60.8	60.2	0.7	-0.6	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.5	15.8	0.9	-0.7	-0.9	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.8	50.7	0.6	-0.1	0.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	50.9	49.0	1.2	-1.9	-2.7	-5.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,607.0	4,611.8	...	4.8	10.6	70.4	0.1	0.2	1.6
Labour force	3,325.4	3,328.5	10.1	3.1	-10.9	21.5	0.1	-0.3	0.7
Employment	3,119.5	3,116.8	10.9	-2.7	4.3	22.6	-0.1	0.1	0.7
Unemployment	206.0	211.6	9.8	5.6	-15.2	-1.2	2.7	-6.7	-0.6
Participation rate	72.2	72.2	0.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.4	0.3	0.2	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.7	67.6	0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.9	7.9	0.4	0.0	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,890.8	4,895.8	...	5.0	11.2	75.1	0.1	0.2	1.6
Labour force	3,030.4	3,049.7	11.1	19.3	-0.5	18.9	0.6	0.0	0.6
Employment	2,859.1	2,870.7	10.9	11.6	3.0	20.7	0.4	0.1	0.7
Unemployment	171.3	179.0	9.1	7.7	-3.5	-1.8	4.5	-1.9	-1.0
Participation rate	62.0	62.3	0.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.9	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.5	58.6	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.1	20.7	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Industry	6,882.8	6,888.9	19.0	6.1	12.1	28.7	0.1	0.2	0.4
Goods-producing sector	1,405.9	1,397.4	17.5	-8.5	0.6	0.2	-0.6	0.0	0.0
Agriculture	85.5	83.5	4.2	-2.0	0.8	-5.3	-2.3	1.0	-6.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	38.9	39.2	2.5	0.3	1.0	4.1	0.8	2.6	11.7
Utilities	57.3	57.9	3.4	0.6	-2.8	7.9	1.0	-4.6	15.8
Construction	458.0	453.2	11.5	-4.8	5.9	15.3	-1.0	1.3	3.5
Manufacturing	766.3	763.5	14.2	-2.8	-4.5	-21.9	-0.4	-0.6	-2.8
Services-producing sector	5,476.9	5,491.5	23.2	14.6	11.5	28.5	0.3	0.2	0.5
Trade	1,017.2	1,029.3	16.4	12.1	4.7	16.4	1.2	0.5	1.6
Transportation and warehousing	327.5	330.3	10.1	2.8	17.0	-9.2	0.9	5.4	-2.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	531.8	517.6	12.6	-14.2	-5.1	7.9	-2.7	-1.0	1.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	578.7	596.2	13.0	17.5	9.5	31.4	3.0	1.6	5.6
Business, building and other support services	309.5	302.2	10.4	-7.3	-13.9	1.8	-2.4	-4.4	0.6
Educational services	506.5	507.7	11.2	1.2	-3.1	-9.5	0.2	-0.6	-1.8
Health care and social assistance	797.1	785.2	13.1	-11.9	-8.4	6.1	-1.5	-1.1	0.8
Information, culture and recreation	337.9	340.8	10.2	2.9	7.0	27.1	0.9	2.1	8.6
Accommodation and food services	421.8	415.0	11.3	-6.8	1.3	-24.5	-1.6	0.3	-5.6
Other services	288.5	302.9	9.1	14.4	13.0	12.5	5.0	4.5	4.3
Public administration	360.5	364.5	9.3	4.0	-10.3	-31.3	1.1	-2.7	-7.9

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.

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	979.9	980.9	...	1.0	2.0	11.8	0.1	0.2	1.2
Labour force	670.8	666.5	2.7	-4.3	-1.0	-3.1	-0.6	-0.1	-0.5
Employment	633.1	631.4	2.7	-1.7	0.9	-5.5	-0.3	0.1	-0.9
Employment full-time	514.9	509.2	3.7	-5.7	-1.1	-3.5	-1.1	-0.2	-0.7
Unemployment	37.7	35.1	2.1	-2.6	-1.9	2.4	-6.9	-5.1	7.3
Participation rate	68.5	67.9	0.3	-0.6	-0.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	64.4	0.3	-0.2	0.0	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.7	19.4	0.5	0.7	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	164.8	164.8	...	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	112.1	107.2	1.6	-4.9	-4.9	-8.4	-4.4	-4.4	-7.3
Employment	100.5	97.3	1.5	-3.2	-2.9	-6.8	-3.2	-2.9	-6.5
Unemployment	11.5	9.9	1.3	-1.6	-2.0	-1.6	-13.9	-16.8	-13.9
Participation rate	68.0	65.0	0.9	-3.0	-3.0	-5.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.3	9.2	1.1	-1.1	-1.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	59.0	0.9	-2.0	-1.8	-4.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.4	43.5	1.8	2.1	1.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	399.9	400.4	...	0.5	1.1	6.2	0.1	0.3	1.6
Labour force	297.8	298.1	1.3	0.3	2.5	-1.0	0.1	0.8	-0.3
Employment	285.0	285.2	1.4	0.2	3.0	-2.7	0.1	1.1	-0.9
Unemployment	12.8	12.8	1.2	0.0	-0.6	1.6	0.0	-4.5	14.3
Participation rate	74.5	74.5	0.3	0.0	0.5	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.3	0.4	0.0	-0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.3	71.2	0.4	-0.1	0.5	-1.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.1	7.3	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.6	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	415.3	415.7	...	0.4	0.9	5.6	0.1	0.2	1.4
Labour force	260.9	261.2	1.6	0.3	1.4	6.3	0.1	0.5	2.5
Employment	247.6	248.8	1.6	1.2	0.7	3.9	0.5	0.3	1.6
Unemployment	13.4	12.4	1.1	-1.0	0.7	2.4	-7.5	6.0	24.0
Participation rate	62.8	62.8	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.7	0.4	-0.4	0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	59.9	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.8	23.7	0.9	0.9	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Industry									
Goods-producing sector	633.1	631.4	2.7	-1.7	0.9	-5.5	-0.3	0.1	-0.9
Agriculture	145.8	143.9	2.4	-1.9	-1.3	-11.5	-1.3	-0.9	-7.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	22.2	22.1	1.2	-0.1	-0.4	-2.6	-0.5	-1.8	-10.5
Utilities	7.0	6.3	0.6	-0.7	-0.7	-1.2	-10.0	-10.0	-16.0
Construction	8.6	9.1	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	5.8	5.8	12.3
Manufacturing	43.0	42.2	1.6	-0.8	0.2	-11.4	-1.9	0.5	-21.3
Services-producing sector	65.1	64.2	1.7	-0.9	-0.9	2.8	-1.4	-1.4	4.6
Trade	487.3	487.4	3.2	0.1	2.2	5.9	0.0	0.5	1.2
Transportation and warehousing	93.0	93.2	1.9	0.2	-2.8	4.3	0.2	-2.9	4.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	39.7	38.5	1.3	-1.2	-0.5	2.5	-3.0	-1.3	6.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	35.8	34.4	1.2	-1.4	0.2	0.7	-3.9	0.6	2.1
Business, building and other support services	26.8	27.2	1.1	0.4	-0.6	-0.3	1.5	-2.2	-1.1
Educational services	19.1	18.8	1.2	-0.3	-0.7	0.2	-1.6	-3.6	1.1
Health care and social assistance	50.8	51.6	1.5	0.8	2.9	2.4	1.6	6.0	4.9
Information, culture and recreation	98.2	98.3	1.9	0.1	1.8	5.1	0.1	1.9	5.5
Accommodation and food services	23.0	24.6	1.3	1.6	0.9	-1.6	7.0	3.8	-6.1
Other services	40.0	39.4	1.6	-0.6	1.1	-3.5	-1.5	2.9	-8.2
Public administration	24.5	25.7	1.3	1.2	-0.6	-2.4	4.9	-2.3	-8.5
	36.4	35.9	1.2	-0.5	0.7	-1.4	-1.4	2.0	-3.8

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	835.3	836.4	...	1.1	2.2	16.7	0.1	0.3	2.0
Labour force	581.6	580.4	2.5	-1.2	0.0	6.0	-0.2	0.0	1.0
Employment	556.8	557.9	2.6	1.1	-0.1	5.2	0.2	0.0	0.9
Employment full-time	462.3	464.3	3.4	2.0	6.8	7.9	0.4	1.5	1.7
Unemployment	24.8	22.5	1.8	-2.3	0.1	0.8	-9.3	0.4	3.7
Participation rate	69.6	69.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	3.9	0.3	-0.4	0.0	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.7	66.7	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.0	16.8	0.5	-0.2	-1.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	136.6	136.6	...	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Labour force	90.6	91.3	1.4	0.7	-1.0	-3.3	0.8	-1.1	-3.5
Employment	83.8	83.1	1.4	-0.7	-3.2	-3.0	-0.8	-3.7	-3.5
Unemployment	6.8	8.2	1.2	1.4	2.2	-0.3	20.6	36.7	-3.5
Participation rate	66.3	66.8	1.1	0.5	-0.7	-2.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	9.0	1.2	1.5	2.5	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	60.8	1.1	-0.5	-2.3	-2.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	37.9	35.1	1.8	-2.8	-4.5	3.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	346.1	346.8	...	0.7	1.4	9.7	0.2	0.4	2.9
Labour force	269.8	269.4	1.2	-0.4	3.2	11.0	-0.1	1.2	4.3
Employment	259.9	261.4	1.3	1.5	3.1	9.1	0.6	1.2	3.6
Unemployment	9.9	7.9	1.0	-2.0	-0.1	1.9	-20.2	-1.2	31.7
Participation rate	78.0	77.7	0.4	-0.3	0.6	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.7	2.9	0.4	-0.8	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	75.1	75.4	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.7	6.0	0.6	0.3	-0.5	-1.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	352.6	353.0	...	0.4	0.9	7.1	0.1	0.3	2.1
Labour force	221.2	219.8	1.4	-1.4	-2.0	-1.7	-0.6	-0.9	-0.8
Employment	213.2	213.4	1.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.9	0.1	0.0	-0.4
Unemployment	8.0	6.4	0.9	-1.6	-2.0	-0.8	-20.0	-23.8	-11.1
Participation rate	62.7	62.3	0.4	-0.4	-0.7	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.6	2.9	0.4	-0.7	-0.9	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.5	0.4	0.0	-0.1	-1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.5	22.9	1.0	0.4	-0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	556.8	557.9	2.6	1.1	-0.1	5.2	0.2	0.0	0.9
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	151.4	152.9	2.6	1.5	0.2	2.2	1.0	0.1	1.5
Agriculture	45.0	44.6	1.8	-0.4	0.4	0.4	-0.9	0.9	0.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	24.1	25.7	1.2	1.6	2.8	0.3	6.6	12.2	1.2
Utilities	7.1	7.0	0.4	-0.1	0.3	1.8	-1.4	4.5	34.6
Construction	47.9	48.8	1.7	0.9	0.1	0.6	1.9	0.2	1.2
Manufacturing	27.2	26.8	1.2	-0.4	-3.4	-0.9	-1.5	-11.3	-3.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	405.4	405.0	3.0	-0.4	-0.3	3.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.7
Trade	81.8	81.8	2.2	0.0	-0.9	-3.3	0.0	-1.1	-3.9
Transportation and warehousing	29.7	30.2	1.2	0.5	0.6	4.7	1.7	2.0	18.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	29.8	29.7	1.2	-0.1	0.1	0.9	-0.3	0.3	3.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	28.3	28.7	1.2	0.4	-1.2	2.8	1.4	-4.0	10.8
Business, building and other support services	13.7	12.6	1.0	-1.1	-0.9	1.1	-8.0	-6.7	9.6
Educational services	44.5	43.8	1.5	-0.7	-1.5	-1.1	-1.6	-3.3	-2.4
Health care and social assistance	72.9	72.8	1.7	-0.1	1.7	-1.6	-0.1	2.4	-2.2
Information, culture and recreation	19.7	19.8	1.1	0.1	-0.9	1.1	0.5	-4.3	5.9
Accommodation and food services	32.3	33.4	1.5	1.1	2.1	2.7	3.4	6.7	8.8
Other services	22.4	23.2	1.2	0.8	0.5	-4.3	3.6	2.2	-15.6
Public administration	30.3	29.0	1.3	-1.3	0.2	0.0	-4.3	0.7	0.0

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	3,230.0	3,236.3	...	6.3	14.0	107.9	0.2	0.4	3.4
Labour force	2,351.5	2,364.2	9.3	12.7	15.2	81.3	0.5	0.6	3.6
Employment	2,243.3	2,262.1	9.9	18.8	25.4	82.3	0.8	1.1	3.8
Employment full-time	1,882.9	1,896.7	12.6	13.8	23.1	48.9	0.7	1.2	2.6
Unemployment	108.2	102.0	7.1	-6.2	-10.2	-1.2	-5.7	-9.1	-1.2
Participation rate	72.8	73.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.5	69.9	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.1	16.2	0.5	0.1	-0.1	0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	516.3	516.1	...	-0.2	-0.2	6.3	0.0	0.0	1.2
Labour force	344.4	347.8	5.4	3.4	-0.2	5.8	1.0	-0.1	1.7
Employment	311.2	319.0	5.4	7.8	2.3	8.8	2.5	0.7	2.8
Unemployment	33.1	28.8	4.1	-4.3	-2.4	-3.0	-13.0	-7.7	-9.4
Participation rate	66.7	67.4	1.1	0.7	0.0	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	8.3	1.1	-1.3	-0.7	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	61.8	1.0	1.5	0.5	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.3	39.1	1.8	0.8	2.7	6.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,379.6	1,383.0	...	3.4	7.6	53.6	0.2	0.6	4.0
Labour force	1,122.2	1,126.9	4.6	4.7	18.1	47.9	0.4	1.6	4.4
Employment	1,079.2	1,082.9	5.3	3.7	23.3	40.7	0.3	2.2	3.9
Unemployment	43.0	43.9	4.4	0.9	-5.3	7.1	2.1	-10.8	19.3
Participation rate	81.3	81.5	0.3	0.2	0.9	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.8	3.9	0.4	0.1	-0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	78.2	78.3	0.4	0.1	1.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.5	5.3	0.5	-0.2	-0.6	0.0	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,334.1	1,337.1	...	3.0	6.5	47.9	0.2	0.5	3.7
Labour force	885.0	889.5	5.5	4.5	-2.7	27.6	0.5	-0.3	3.2
Employment	852.9	860.2	5.3	7.3	-0.2	32.8	0.9	0.0	4.0
Unemployment	32.1	29.3	3.8	-2.8	-2.5	-5.2	-8.7	-7.9	-15.1
Participation rate	66.3	66.5	0.4	0.2	-0.6	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.6	3.3	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.9	64.3	0.4	0.4	-0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.3	21.3	0.9	0.0	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Industry	2,243.3	2,262.1	9.9	18.8	25.4	82.3	0.8	1.1	3.8
Goods-producing sector	628.3	659.1	9.4	30.8	23.0	44.9	4.9	3.6	7.3
Agriculture	61.6	62.7	3.6	1.1	5.3	1.1	1.8	9.2	1.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	177.3	184.1	5.2	6.8	-1.1	21.2	3.8	-0.6	13.0
Utilities	25.0	24.9	2.2	-0.1	2.2	5.3	-0.4	9.7	27.0
Construction	230.2	253.5	6.9	23.3	21.3	25.3	10.1	9.2	11.1
Manufacturing	134.1	133.9	5.3	-0.2	-4.7	-8.0	-0.1	-3.4	-5.6
Services-producing sector	1,615.0	1,603.0	12.0	-12.0	2.4	37.4	-0.7	0.1	2.4
Trade	338.3	345.6	8.2	7.3	18.5	22.0	2.2	5.7	6.8
Transportation and warehousing	115.3	112.4	4.7	-2.9	-7.4	-5.9	-2.5	-6.2	-5.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	109.2	110.7	4.7	1.5	4.8	-11.5	1.4	4.5	-9.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	191.5	176.3	6.0	-15.2	-5.6	8.9	-7.9	-3.1	5.3
Business, building and other support services	72.4	73.9	4.2	1.5	-1.3	-0.2	2.1	-1.7	-0.3
Educational services	130.2	128.2	4.8	-2.0	0.4	-0.1	-1.5	0.3	-0.1
Health care and social assistance	237.9	227.3	5.9	-10.6	-13.9	-4.4	-4.5	-5.8	-1.9
Information, culture and recreation	73.5	75.2	4.1	1.7	1.4	-0.2	2.3	1.9	-0.3
Accommodation and food services	149.2	148.9	5.8	-0.3	-0.1	19.3	-0.2	-0.1	14.9
Other services	106.5	112.5	5.3	6.0	4.7	2.6	5.6	4.4	2.4
Public administration	91.0	92.1	4.0	1.1	1.1	7.0	1.2	1.2	8.2

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	3,877.9	3,881.1	...	3.2	6.3	43.9	0.1	0.2	1.1
Labour force	2,475.3	2,463.9	10.5	-11.4	-8.1	-6.0	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2
Employment	2,316.8	2,306.4	10.4	-10.4	-3.3	-7.6	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Employment full-time	1,807.7	1,802.7	14.6	-5.0	4.1	-19.2	-0.3	0.2	-1.1
Unemployment	158.5	157.5	8.6	-1.0	-4.8	1.6	-0.6	-3.0	1.0
Participation rate	63.8	63.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.4	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	59.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.0	21.8	0.6	-0.1	-0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	585.6	585.4	...	-0.2	-0.5	-2.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.4
Labour force	359.8	361.1	6.0	1.3	1.0	-1.4	0.4	0.3	-0.4
Employment	313.7	314.8	5.5	1.1	5.1	-1.2	0.4	1.6	-0.4
Unemployment	46.1	46.3	5.1	0.2	-4.2	-0.2	0.4	-8.3	-0.4
Participation rate	61.4	61.7	1.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.8	12.8	1.3	0.0	-1.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.6	53.8	0.9	0.2	0.9	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.5	48.3	2.1	-0.3	-0.3	3.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,606.7	1,608.3	...	1.6	3.3	22.9	0.1	0.2	1.4
Labour force	1,113.6	1,110.0	5.5	-3.6	1.9	9.8	-0.3	0.2	0.9
Employment	1,055.2	1,052.8	5.7	-2.4	0.1	4.2	-0.2	0.0	0.4
Unemployment	58.5	57.2	5.0	-1.3	1.8	5.6	-2.2	3.2	10.9
Participation rate	69.3	69.0	0.3	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.2	0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.6	9.3	0.6	-0.3	-0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,685.6	1,687.4	...	1.8	3.6	23.6	0.1	0.2	1.4
Labour force	1,001.9	992.8	6.4	-9.1	-11.0	-14.5	-0.9	-1.1	-1.4
Employment	948.0	938.8	6.1	-9.2	-8.6	-10.6	-1.0	-0.9	-1.1
Unemployment	53.9	54.1	4.9	0.2	-2.3	-3.8	0.4	-4.1	-6.6
Participation rate	59.4	58.8	0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.4	0.5	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	55.6	0.4	-0.6	-0.7	-1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	26.9	27.0	1.0	0.1	0.0	0.5	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	2,316.8	2,306.4	10.4	-10.4	-3.3	-7.6	-0.4	-0.1	-0.3
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	448.8	456.1	9.3	7.3	3.5	6.1	1.6	0.8	1.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	26.4	27.8	2.7	1.4	2.4	-4.2	5.3	9.4	-13.1
Utilities	51.9	51.7	3.2	-0.2	0.9	5.9	-0.4	1.8	12.9
Construction	15.1	14.4	1.7	-0.7	1.4	2.3	-4.6	10.8	19.0
Manufacturing	188.3	187.1	6.8	-1.2	-5.0	-13.0	-0.6	-2.6	-6.5
Manufacturing	167.1	175.1	5.8	8.0	3.9	15.1	4.8	2.3	9.4
Services-producing sector									
Trade	1,868.0	1,850.3	12.2	-17.7	-6.8	-13.7	-0.9	-0.4	-0.7
Transportation and warehousing	356.1	347.7	8.9	-8.4	-6.2	-22.5	-2.4	-1.8	-6.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	139.6	136.4	4.9	-3.2	12.0	17.2	-2.3	9.6	14.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	150.9	146.8	6.1	-4.1	-4.5	3.1	-2.7	-3.0	2.2
Business, building and other support services	186.5	179.3	6.7	-7.2	-1.4	0.9	-3.9	-0.8	0.5
Educational services	81.0	87.9	4.7	6.9	-8.4	-8.4	8.5	-8.7	-8.7
Health care and social assistance	176.3	178.9	6.0	2.6	5.3	0.9	1.5	3.1	0.5
Information, culture and recreation	281.0	270.6	6.9	-10.4	-2.6	17.0	-3.7	-1.0	6.7
Accommodation and food services	114.5	118.0	5.4	3.5	-3.6	-2.2	3.1	-3.0	-1.8
Other services	180.3	184.5	6.6	4.2	8.5	-0.1	2.3	4.8	-0.1
Public administration	92.7	91.9	4.8	-0.8	-5.6	-11.0	-0.9	-5.7	-10.7
Public administration	109.3	108.3	4.4	-1.0	-0.3	-8.6	-0.9	-0.3	-7.4

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	167.7	167.8	...	0.1	0.3	3.2	0.1	0.2	1.9
Labour force	115.7	116.1	0.7	0.4	-0.2	0.4	0.3	-0.2	0.3
Employment	109.2	109.9	0.8	0.7	0.4	2.1	0.6	0.4	1.9
Unemployment	6.5	6.2	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	-1.7	-4.6	-10.1	-21.5
Participation rate	69.0	69.2	0.5	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.6	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	65.5	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	349.4	349.6	...	0.2	0.5	4.0	0.1	0.1	1.2
Labour force	243.6	243.2	1.2	-0.4	-1.8	2.0	-0.2	-0.7	0.8
Employment	227.1	226.9	1.2	-0.2	-1.3	1.4	-0.1	-0.6	0.6
Unemployment	16.5	16.3	0.7	-0.2	-0.5	0.6	-1.2	-3.0	3.8
Participation rate	69.7	69.6	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.7	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.0	64.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Moncton, New Brunswick									
Population	119.6	119.8	...	0.2	0.3	1.9	0.2	0.3	1.6
Labour force	80.3	81.5	0.7	1.2	1.7	2.6	1.5	2.1	3.3
Employment	74.7	75.9	0.8	1.2	2.3	2.1	1.6	3.1	2.8
Unemployment	5.6	5.6	0.4	0.0	-0.5	0.5	0.0	-8.2	9.8
Participation rate	67.1	68.0	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.9	0.5	-0.1	-0.7	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	63.4	0.6	0.9	1.8	0.8	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	106.8	106.8	...	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1
Labour force	71.4	70.2	0.7	-1.2	-1.6	1.5	-1.7	-2.2	2.2
Employment	66.9	65.6	0.7	-1.3	-1.3	3.4	-1.9	-1.9	5.5
Unemployment	4.6	4.6	0.4	0.0	-0.3	-1.9	0.0	-6.1	-29.2
Participation rate	66.9	65.7	0.6	-1.2	-1.5	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.6	0.6	0.2	-0.2	-2.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	61.4	0.7	-1.2	-1.2	3.1	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	126.4	126.4	...	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Labour force	77.8	76.0	0.8	-1.8	-3.0	-1.6	-2.3	-3.8	-2.1
Employment	72.0	69.6	0.8	-2.4	-3.6	-0.8	-3.3	-4.9	-1.1
Unemployment	5.8	6.4	0.4	0.6	0.6	-0.9	10.3	10.3	-12.3
Participation rate	61.6	60.1	0.7	-1.5	-2.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	8.4	0.5	0.9	1.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	55.1	0.7	-1.9	-2.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	650.2	650.5	...	0.3	0.6	5.0	0.0	0.1	0.8
Labour force	451.1	454.4	3.5	3.3	7.5	11.0	0.7	1.7	2.5
Employment	431.9	435.8	3.5	3.9	9.9	12.9	0.9	2.3	3.1
Unemployment	19.2	18.7	1.5	-0.5	-2.3	-1.8	-2.6	-11.0	-8.8
Participation rate	69.4	69.9	0.5	0.5	1.1	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	67.0	0.5	0.6	1.5	1.5	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	170.4	170.6	...	0.2	0.4	2.5	0.1	0.2	1.5
Labour force	102.1	103.1	1.1	1.0	2.0	0.2	1.0	2.0	0.2
Employment	94.9	95.5	1.1	0.6	1.5	-0.9	0.6	1.6	-0.9
Unemployment	7.2	7.6	0.4	0.4	0.5	1.1	5.6	7.0	16.9
Participation rate	59.9	60.4	0.7	0.5	1.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	7.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.7	56.0	0.7	0.3	0.8	-1.3	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	127.0	127.0	...	0.0	0.1	0.7	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	73.2	73.1	0.8	-0.1	0.6	3.6	-0.1	0.8	5.2
Employment	66.8	66.9	0.8	0.1	0.4	3.1	0.1	0.6	4.9
Unemployment	6.4	6.2	0.4	-0.2	0.2	0.5	-3.1	3.3	8.8
Participation rate	57.6	57.6	0.6	0.0	0.5	2.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.5	0.5	-0.2	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.6	52.7	0.6	0.1	0.3	2.2	...	...	...
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,309.2	3,311.8	...	2.6	5.3	36.9	0.1	0.2	1.1
Labour force	2,214.2	2,211.2	8.0	-3.0	-8.6	9.9	-0.1	-0.4	0.4
Employment	2,038.2	2,031.8	8.1	-6.4	-10.2	-2.6	-0.3	-0.5	-0.1
Unemployment	176.0	179.4	4.8	3.4	1.7	12.5	1.9	1.0	7.5
Participation rate	66.9	66.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	8.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	1,073.5	1,074.6	...	1.1	2.2	14.5	0.1	0.2	1.4
Labour force	750.6	747.9	3.6	-2.7	4.6	-11.6	-0.4	0.6	-1.5
Employment	702.5	699.0	3.7	-3.5	2.0	-12.4	-0.5	0.3	-1.7
Unemployment	48.1	48.9	1.9	0.8	2.6	0.8	1.7	5.6	1.7
Participation rate	69.9	69.6	0.3	-0.3	0.3	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.5	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.0	0.3	-0.4	0.0	-2.1	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	267.0	267.3	...	0.3	0.5	3.3	0.1	0.2	1.2
Labour force	184.9	185.0	1.4	0.1	2.3	1.6	0.1	1.3	0.9
Employment	172.3	172.6	1.4	0.3	2.6	1.7	0.2	1.5	1.0
Unemployment	12.6	12.4	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-1.6	-2.4	-0.8
Participation rate	69.3	69.2	0.5	-0.1	0.7	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.7	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	64.6	0.5	0.1	0.9	-0.1	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	806.5	807.4	...	0.9	1.8	11.3	0.1	0.2	1.4
Labour force	565.8	562.9	3.3	-2.9	2.3	-13.2	-0.5	0.4	-2.3
Employment	530.2	526.5	3.5	-3.7	-0.5	-14.1	-0.7	-0.1	-2.6
Unemployment	35.6	36.4	1.7	0.8	2.8	0.8	2.2	8.3	2.2
Participation rate	70.2	69.7	0.4	-0.5	0.1	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.2	0.4	-0.5	-0.2	-2.7	...	...	...
Kingston, Ontario									
Population	135.9	136.0	...	0.1	0.2	1.5	0.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	87.8	87.3	0.8	-0.5	-1.9	0.6	-0.6	-2.1	0.7
Employment	82.1	81.9	0.8	-0.2	-1.8	0.8	-0.2	-2.2	1.0
Unemployment	5.8	5.5	0.4	-0.3	0.1	-0.1	-5.2	1.9	-1.8
Participation rate	64.6	64.2	0.6	-0.4	-1.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.3	0.4	-0.3	0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.2	0.6	-0.2	-1.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Peterborough, Ontario									
Population	103.6	103.6	...	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.3
Labour force	61.2	62.0	1.1	0.8	0.7	6.3	1.3	1.1	11.3
Employment	56.6	56.6	1.1	0.0	-1.0	6.4	0.0	-1.7	12.7
Unemployment	4.6	5.4	0.5	0.8	1.7	-0.1	17.4	45.9	-1.8
Participation rate	59.1	59.8	1.0	0.7	0.6	5.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	8.7	0.8	1.2	2.7	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.6	54.6	1.0	0.0	-1.1	6.0	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	316.9	317.4	...	0.5	0.9	5.3	0.2	0.3	1.7
Labour force	211.4	211.7	1.6	0.3	-1.3	-3.0	0.1	-0.6	-1.4
Employment	196.2	196.2	1.6	0.0	-1.9	0.9	0.0	-1.0	0.5
Unemployment	15.2	15.5	0.8	0.3	0.6	-3.9	2.0	4.0	-20.1
Participation rate	66.7	66.7	0.5	0.0	-0.6	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.3	0.4	0.1	0.3	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.9	61.8	0.5	-0.1	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	5,021.1	5,028.2	...	7.1	14.4	94.8	0.1	0.3	1.9
Labour force	3,418.5	3,421.1	10.1	2.6	-2.9	61.8	0.1	-0.1	1.8
Employment	3,132.0	3,135.7	10.4	3.7	2.2	57.2	0.1	0.1	1.9
Unemployment	286.5	285.4	6.4	-1.1	-5.0	4.6	-0.4	-1.7	1.6
Participation rate	68.1	68.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	62.4	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	634.3	634.8	...	0.5	1.0	6.8	0.1	0.2	1.1
Labour force	398.8	403.6	3.0	4.8	4.8	-7.8	1.2	1.2	-1.9
Employment	374.7	379.6	3.0	4.9	7.2	-8.2	1.3	1.9	-2.1
Unemployment	24.1	23.9	1.4	-0.2	-2.6	0.2	-0.8	-9.8	0.8
Participation rate	62.9	63.6	0.5	0.7	0.7	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.7	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.1	59.8	0.5	0.7	1.0	-2.0	...	...	...
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	341.4	341.4	...	0.0	0.1	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.4
Labour force	211.9	213.4	1.8	1.5	1.0	-4.1	0.7	0.5	-1.9
Employment	193.3	195.2	1.8	1.9	1.7	-6.3	1.0	0.9	-3.1
Unemployment	18.7	18.2	0.9	-0.5	-0.7	2.2	-2.7	-3.7	13.8
Participation rate	62.1	62.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.5	0.4	-0.3	-0.4	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.6	57.2	0.5	0.6	0.5	-2.0	...	...	...
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario									
Population	421.1	421.6	...	0.5	0.9	5.9	0.1	0.2	1.4
Labour force	311.6	307.5	2.1	-4.1	-4.6	10.6	-1.3	-1.5	3.6
Employment	291.9	287.5	2.0	-4.4	-5.1	12.6	-1.5	-1.7	4.6
Unemployment	19.8	20.0	1.1	0.2	0.5	-2.1	1.0	2.6	-9.5
Participation rate	74.0	72.9	0.5	-1.1	-1.3	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.5	0.4	0.1	0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.3	68.2	0.5	-1.1	-1.4	2.1	...	...	...
Brantford, Ontario									
Population	109.6	109.6	...	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	70.6	70.9	0.8	0.3	0.3	-3.4	0.4	0.4	-4.6
Employment	66.4	65.9	0.8	-0.5	-1.0	-2.8	-0.8	-1.5	-4.1
Unemployment	4.2	5.0	0.4	0.8	1.4	-0.7	19.0	38.9	-12.3
Participation rate	64.4	64.7	0.8	0.3	0.2	-3.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	7.1	0.5	1.2	2.0	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.1	0.8	-0.5	-1.0	-2.9	...	...	...
Guelph, Ontario									
Population	118.1	118.2	...	0.1	0.3	2.0	0.1	0.3	1.7
Labour force	78.2	78.2	0.9	0.0	0.0	-3.8	0.0	0.0	-4.6
Employment	72.6	72.7	0.9	0.1	0.5	-4.4	0.1	0.7	-5.7
Unemployment	5.7	5.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.5	0.6	-3.5	-8.3	12.2
Participation rate	66.2	66.2	0.7	0.0	-0.1	-4.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.0	0.5	-0.3	-0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	61.5	0.8	0.0	0.3	-4.9	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	421.7	422.0	...	0.3	0.6	4.1	0.1	0.1	1.0
Labour force	261.6	261.7	2.1	0.1	-1.8	-9.1	0.0	-0.7	-3.4
Employment	240.9	240.8	2.2	-0.1	-2.4	-5.4	0.0	-1.0	-2.2
Unemployment	20.6	20.9	1.1	0.3	0.6	-3.8	1.5	3.0	-15.4
Participation rate	62.0	62.0	0.5	0.0	-0.5	-2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	8.0	0.4	0.1	0.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.1	57.1	0.5	0.0	-0.6	-1.8	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	269.9	270.0	...	0.1	0.2	1.6	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	166.6	165.9	1.7	-0.7	-1.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.7	0.1
Employment	155.1	154.0	1.7	-1.1	-0.3	3.4	-0.7	-0.2	2.3
Unemployment	11.5	12.0	0.8	0.5	-0.8	-3.2	4.3	-6.2	-21.1
Participation rate	61.7	61.4	0.6	-0.3	-0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.2	0.5	0.3	-0.5	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.5	57.0	0.6	-0.5	-0.2	0.9	...	...	...
Barrie, Ontario									
Population	166.3	166.5	...	0.2	0.4	2.4	0.1	0.2	1.5
Labour force	116.7	116.2	1.4	-0.5	-0.3	-7.0	-0.4	-0.3	-5.7
Employment	109.5	108.5	1.3	-1.0	-1.9	-6.2	-0.9	-1.7	-5.4
Unemployment	7.2	7.7	0.7	0.5	1.6	-0.9	6.9	26.2	-10.5
Participation rate	70.2	69.8	0.8	-0.4	-0.3	-5.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.6	0.5	0.4	1.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	65.2	0.8	-0.6	-1.3	-4.7	...	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	138.2	138.2	...	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1
Labour force	89.3	89.2	0.8	-0.1	0.0	-0.5	-0.1	0.0	-0.6
Employment	83.1	83.0	0.8	-0.1	-0.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.1	0.6
Unemployment	6.1	6.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	-1.0	1.6	1.6	-13.9
Participation rate	64.6	64.5	0.6	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	7.0	0.4	0.2	0.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	60.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	103.4	103.4	...	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.3
Labour force	65.1	64.6	0.6	-0.5	-1.0	-0.1	-0.8	-1.5	-0.2
Employment	61.4	61.0	0.6	-0.4	-0.8	0.3	-0.7	-1.3	0.5
Unemployment	3.7	3.6	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-2.7	-5.3	-10.0
Participation rate	63.0	62.5	0.6	-0.5	-0.9	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.6	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	59.0	0.6	-0.4	-0.8	0.1	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	647.7	648.7	...	1.0	1.9	11.3	0.2	0.3	1.8
Labour force	445.0	444.1	1.3	-0.9	-0.9	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	0.1
Employment	419.2	419.1	1.4	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Unemployment	25.8	25.0	0.8	-0.8	-0.7	0.9	-3.1	-2.7	3.7
Participation rate	68.7	68.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.6	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.7	64.6	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	187.8	188.2	...	0.4	0.9	5.5	0.2	0.5	3.0
Labour force	140.3	140.2	0.8	-0.1	0.8	3.9	-0.1	0.6	2.9
Employment	134.1	134.6	0.8	0.5	1.2	3.3	0.4	0.9	2.5
Unemployment	6.2	5.6	0.3	-0.6	-0.4	0.6	-9.7	-6.7	12.0
Participation rate	74.7	74.5	0.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.0	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.4	71.5	0.4	0.1	0.3	-0.4	...	...	...

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	240.1	240.9	...	0.8	1.5	9.9	0.3	0.6	4.3
Labour force	172.5	172.7	1.0	0.2	0.6	7.7	0.1	0.3	4.7
Employment	165.1	165.1	1.0	0.0	0.2	7.4	0.0	0.1	4.7
Unemployment	7.4	7.6	0.5	0.2	0.4	0.3	2.7	5.6	4.1
Participation rate	71.8	71.7	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.8	68.5	0.4	-0.3	-0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	1,117.6	1,120.6	...	3.0	6.2	44.0	0.3	0.6	4.1
Labour force	832.0	830.8	3.5	-1.2	1.0	25.1	-0.1	0.1	3.1
Employment	792.3	792.1	3.8	-0.2	1.5	27.0	0.0	0.2	3.5
Unemployment	39.7	38.7	2.0	-1.0	-0.5	-1.9	-2.5	-1.3	-4.7
Participation rate	74.4	74.1	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.7	0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.9	70.7	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	1,046.5	1,049.1	...	2.6	5.2	39.4	0.2	0.5	3.9
Labour force	769.7	770.7	3.7	1.0	2.7	36.5	0.1	0.4	5.0
Employment	727.5	731.2	4.0	3.7	5.5	29.0	0.5	0.8	4.1
Unemployment	42.2	39.5	2.0	-2.7	-2.8	7.5	-6.4	-6.6	23.4
Participation rate	73.5	73.5	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.1	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.5	69.7	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Kelowna, British Columbia									
Population	152.0	152.1	...	0.1	0.2	1.8	0.1	0.1	1.2
Labour force	95.0	94.5	1.9	-0.5	-3.6	-2.0	-0.5	-3.7	-2.1
Employment	88.1	88.4	1.8	0.3	-2.8	-2.0	0.3	-3.1	-2.2
Unemployment	6.9	6.1	0.8	-0.8	-0.8	0.0	-11.6	-11.6	0.0
Participation rate	62.5	62.1	1.3	-0.4	-2.5	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	6.5	0.8	-0.8	-0.5	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	58.1	1.2	0.1	-1.9	-2.0	...	...	...
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia									
Population	148.1	148.2	...	0.1	0.3	1.9	0.1	0.2	1.3
Labour force	100.4	100.1	0.9	-0.3	-2.1	0.4	-0.3	-2.1	0.4
Employment	92.4	91.6	0.9	-0.8	-2.5	-0.9	-0.9	-2.7	-1.0
Unemployment	8.0	8.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	1.4	6.2	4.9	19.7
Participation rate	67.8	67.5	0.6	-0.3	-1.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.5	0.4	0.5	0.6	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	61.8	0.6	-0.6	-1.8	-1.4	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,115.1	2,118.2	...	3.1	6.0	38.5	0.1	0.3	1.9
Labour force	1,375.9	1,377.0	5.2	1.1	10.4	19.6	0.1	0.8	1.4
Employment	1,289.8	1,292.2	5.4	2.4	12.8	21.7	0.2	1.0	1.7
Unemployment	86.1	84.8	3.1	-1.3	-2.4	-2.1	-1.5	-2.8	-2.4
Participation rate	65.1	65.0	0.2	-0.1	0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	61.0	0.3	0.0	0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	305.7	305.8	...	0.1	0.3	2.2	0.0	0.1	0.7
Labour force	191.6	192.5	1.6	0.9	1.9	-6.8	0.5	1.0	-3.4
Employment	182.3	182.2	1.6	-0.1	0.1	-6.2	-0.1	0.1	-3.3
Unemployment	9.3	10.3	0.7	1.0	1.8	-0.6	10.8	21.2	-5.5
Participation rate	62.7	62.9	0.5	0.2	0.5	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.4	0.3	0.5	0.9	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	59.6	0.5	0.0	0.0	-2.5	...	...	...

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

	January 2014	February 2014	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	3,311.8	3,314.3	...	2.5	5.0	36.7	0.1	0.2	1.1
Labour force	2,203.9	2,207.5	16.3	3.6	-14.8	16.0	0.2	-0.7	0.7
Employment	2,032.1	2,029.2	16.3	-2.9	-5.0	3.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.2
Unemployment	171.9	178.3	11.4	6.4	-9.8	12.7	3.7	-5.2	7.7
Participation rate	66.5	66.6	0.5	0.1	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	8.1	0.5	0.3	-0.4	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	61.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	5,028.7	5,034.9	...	6.2	14.0	93.7	0.1	0.3	1.9
Labour force	3,397.4	3,432.2	21.5	34.8	-1.4	61.1	1.0	0.0	1.8
Employment	3,124.0	3,150.6	21.0	26.6	18.1	68.7	0.9	0.6	2.2
Unemployment	273.4	281.6	15.2	8.2	-19.5	-7.6	3.0	-6.5	-2.6
Participation rate	67.6	68.2	0.4	0.6	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.2	0.4	0.2	-0.6	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.1	62.6	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,118.3	2,121.1	...	2.8	6.0	38.1	0.1	0.3	1.8
Labour force	1,379.2	1,368.3	11.0	-10.9	-15.2	7.0	-0.8	-1.1	0.5
Employment	1,297.8	1,282.7	11.0	-15.1	-13.5	9.1	-1.2	-1.0	0.7
Unemployment	81.5	85.7	7.4	4.2	-1.6	-2.0	5.2	-1.8	-2.3
Participation rate	65.1	64.5	0.5	-0.6	-0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.3	0.5	0.4	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	60.5	0.5	-0.8	-0.8	-0.6	...	...	...

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 February 2013 and February 2014

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Canada ²							
2013	28,498.7	18,765.5	17,430.6	1,334.9	65.8	7.1	61.2
2014	28,869.2	18,896.7	17,544.7	1,352.0	65.5	7.2	60.8
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2013	428.6	258.0	225.2	32.7	60.2	12.7	52.5
2014	429.4	255.8	223.1	32.7	59.6	12.8	52.0
<i>Avalon Peninsula [1010]</i>							
2013	223.2	145.5	133.1	12.4	65.2	8.5	59.6
2014	225.5	144.5	132.2	12.2	64.1	8.4	58.6
<i>South Coast-Burin Peninsula [1020]</i>							
2013	29.9	15.6	12.8	2.8	52.2	17.9	42.8
2014	29.4	16.3	13.7	2.7	55.4	16.6	46.6
<i>West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]</i>							
2013	85.8	50.9	42.0	8.9	59.3	17.5	49.0
2014	85.5	48.3	41.1	7.2	56.5	14.9	48.1
<i>Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1040]</i>							
2013	89.7	45.9	37.4	8.6	51.2	18.7	41.7
2014	89.0	46.7	36.1	10.6	52.5	22.7	40.6
Prince Edward Island							
2013	120.6	81.4	70.4	11.0	67.5	13.5	58.4
2014	121.1	81.5	70.2	11.3	67.3	13.9	58.0
Nova Scotia							
2013	780.9	490.5	441.6	48.8	62.8	9.9	56.6
2014	781.5	484.0	438.7	45.3	61.9	9.4	56.1
<i>Cape Breton [1210]</i>							
2013	110.3	58.9	48.6	10.3	53.4	17.5	44.1
2014	108.9	57.9	48.7	9.3	53.2	16.1	44.7
<i>North Shore [1220]</i>							
2013	128.9	77.7	67.7	9.9	60.3	12.7	52.5
2014	128.3	73.6	65.9	7.8	57.4	10.6	51.4
<i>Annapolis Valley [1230]</i>							
2013	99.5	59.8	53.2	6.6	60.1	11.0	53.5
2014	99.0	59.4	53.6	5.8	60.0	9.8	54.1
<i>Southern [1240]</i>							
2013	96.7	55.7	49.0	6.7	57.6	12.0	50.7
2014	95.7	52.9	46.4	6.6	55.3	12.5	48.5
<i>Halifax [1250]</i>							
2013	345.6	238.3	223.1	15.3	69.0	6.4	64.6
2014	349.6	240.1	224.3	15.9	68.7	6.6	64.2
New Brunswick							
2013	620.0	383.9	340.2	43.7	61.9	11.4	54.9
2014	620.0	382.0	342.6	39.4	61.6	10.3	55.3
<i>Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]</i>							
2013	126.9	71.8	58.3	13.6	56.6	18.9	45.9
2014	125.3	68.7	54.8	14.0	54.8	20.4	43.7
<i>Moncton-Richibucto [1320]</i>							
2013	174.2	111.9	102.9	9.0	64.2	8.0	59.1
2014	175.5	113.5	104.4	9.2	64.7	8.1	59.5
<i>Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]</i>							
2013	144.5	90.7	81.1	9.6	62.8	10.6	56.1
2014	144.4	91.9	84.8	7.0	63.6	7.6	58.7

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 February 2013 and February 2014

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]							
2013	110.6	70.6	63.9	6.7	63.8	9.5	57.8
2014	111.6	70.7	65.5	5.2	63.4	7.4	58.7
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2013	63.8	38.9	34.1	4.7	61.0	12.1	53.4
2014	63.2	37.2	33.2	4.0	58.9	10.8	52.5
Quebec							
2013	6,668.0	4,296.5	3,959.7	336.8	64.4	7.8	59.4
2014	6,716.8	4,321.1	3,966.1	355.0	64.3	8.2	59.0
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2013	78.5	39.8	32.0	7.8	50.7	19.6	40.8
2014	78.0	41.2	33.0	8.2	52.8	19.9	42.3
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2013	166.2	99.4	87.6	11.8	59.8	11.9	52.7
2014	165.2	91.9	79.1	12.7	55.6	13.8	47.9
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2013	596.9	396.4	375.1	21.4	66.4	5.4	62.8
2014	601.2	411.3	390.3	21.0	68.4	5.1	64.9
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2013	336.5	225.1	212.9	12.2	66.9	5.4	63.3
2014	336.9	225.7	215.6	10.1	67.0	4.5	64.0
Estrie [2430]							
2013	261.7	163.8	153.1	10.7	62.6	6.5	58.5
2014	263.8	160.7	147.7	12.9	60.9	8.0	56.0
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2013	192.8	115.0	106.7	8.3	59.6	7.2	55.3
2014	193.6	112.9	104.5	8.4	58.3	7.4	54.0
Montérégie [2435]							
2013	1,210.1	814.4	767.5	46.9	67.3	5.8	63.4
2014	1,219.6	804.0	742.9	61.1	65.9	7.6	60.9
Montréal [2440]							
2013	1,639.2	1,058.5	951.0	107.5	64.6	10.2	58.0
2014	1,655.9	1,051.8	953.9	97.9	63.5	9.3	57.6
Laval [2445]							
2013	341.9	226.4	211.9	14.5	66.2	6.4	62.0
2014	346.5	244.1	226.6	17.5	70.4	7.2	65.4
Lanaudière [2450]							
2013	400.5	255.4	234.0	21.4	63.8	8.4	58.4
2014	404.8	270.1	243.7	26.5	66.7	9.8	60.2
Laurentides [2455]							
2013	474.3	315.4	293.4	22.0	66.5	7.0	61.9
2014	479.6	308.1	283.0	25.1	64.2	8.1	59.0
Outaouais [2460]							
2013	312.8	206.0	190.3	15.8	65.9	7.7	60.8
2014	316.4	209.2	194.1	15.1	66.1	7.2	61.3
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2013	118.0	77.6	72.1	5.5	65.8	7.1	61.1
2014	118.0	81.4	75.1	6.3	69.0	7.7	63.6
Mauricie [2470]							
2013	222.3	112.9	101.2	11.6	50.8	10.3	45.5
2014	221.9	123.1	109.8	13.2	55.5	10.7	49.5

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 February 2013 and February 2014

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2013	225.3	137.6	122.4	15.2	61.1	11.0	54.3
2014	224.5	131.0	117.2	13.8	58.4	10.5	52.2
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2013	90.9	52.8	48.6	4.2	58.1	8.0	53.5
2014	91.0	54.7	49.6	5.1	60.1	9.3	54.5
Ontario							
2013	11,139.4	7,325.6	6,778.5	547.1	65.8	7.5	60.9
2014	11,277.8	7,356.2	6,810.5	545.8	65.2	7.4	60.4
Ottawa [3510]							
2013	1,069.5	735.4	691.8	43.7	68.8	5.9	64.7
2014	1,081.3	732.3	683.8	48.5	67.7	6.6	63.2
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2013	372.5	228.2	213.3	15.0	61.3	6.6	57.3
2014	373.9	222.7	201.5	21.3	59.6	9.6	53.9
Muskoka-Kawarthas [3520]							
2013	320.7	173.8	158.6	15.2	54.2	8.7	49.5
2014	322.0	181.4	168.4	13.0	56.3	7.2	52.3
Toronto [3530]							
2013	5,192.7	3,486.6	3,206.1	280.5	67.1	8.0	61.7
2014	5,288.2	3,540.0	3,261.0	278.9	66.9	7.9	61.7
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2013	1,057.7	741.8	693.5	48.3	70.1	6.5	65.6
2014	1,072.9	734.9	690.5	44.5	68.5	6.1	64.4
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2013	1,184.1	765.3	714.4	50.9	64.6	6.7	60.3
2014	1,193.7	754.3	702.6	51.7	63.2	6.9	58.9
London [3560]							
2013	547.1	348.9	322.5	26.4	63.8	7.6	58.9
2014	551.8	345.8	320.9	24.9	62.7	7.2	58.2
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2013	518.6	314.8	287.2	27.7	60.7	8.8	55.4
2014	519.2	316.1	291.9	24.1	60.9	7.6	56.2
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2013	245.7	150.8	143.0	7.9	61.4	5.2	58.2
2014	245.6	155.5	145.3	10.2	63.3	6.6	59.2
Northeast [3590]							
2013	458.0	270.8	246.0	24.8	59.1	9.2	53.7
2014	456.4	267.3	246.1	21.2	58.6	7.9	53.9
Northwest [3595]							
2013	172.9	108.8	102.1	6.7	62.9	6.2	59.1
2014	172.9	106.0	98.5	7.5	61.3	7.1	57.0
Manitoba							
2013	968.2	664.8	631.7	33.2	68.7	5.0	65.2
2014	979.9	660.8	625.0	35.8	67.4	5.4	63.8
Southeast [4610]							
2013	84.8	57.8	55.4	2.4	68.2	4.2	65.3
2014	86.0	58.8	55.8	3.0	68.4	5.1	64.9
South Central [4620]							
2013	48.6	32.3	31.4	0.9	66.5	2.8	64.6
2014	49.3	31.6	29.9	1.7	64.1	5.4	60.6

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in February 2013 and February 2014

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Southwest [4630]							
2013	84.1	59.9	57.7	2.3	71.2	3.8	68.6
2014	84.4	59.2	57.0	2.3	70.1	3.9	67.5
North Central [4640]							
2013	36.8	25.2	24.6	0.7	68.5	2.8	66.8
2014	37.1	24.3	23.3	1.0	65.5	4.1	62.8
Winnipeg [4650]							
2013	581.9	402.6	380.1	22.5	69.2	5.6	65.3
2014	591.5	400.7	378.3	22.3	67.7	5.6	64.0
Interlake [4660]							
2013	73.4	50.2	48.3	1.9	68.4	3.8	65.8
2014	73.9	49.7	46.9	2.9	67.3	5.8	63.5
Parklands and North [4670, 4680]							
2013	58.6	36.8	34.3	2.5	62.8	6.8	58.5
2014	57.7	36.5	33.9	2.6	63.3	7.1	58.8
Saskatchewan							
2013	818.7	566.7	543.7	23.0	69.2	4.1	66.4
2014	835.3	574.6	552.1	22.5	68.8	3.9	66.1
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]							
2013	244.6	178.0	171.8	6.2	72.8	3.5	70.2
2014	250.6	179.3	173.8	5.6	71.5	3.1	69.4
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]							
2013	81.2	53.4	52.3	1.1	65.8	2.1	64.4
2014	81.5	52.8	50.8	2.0	64.8	3.8	62.3
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]							
2013	275.2	193.2	185.4	7.8	70.2	4.0	67.4
2014	284.5	200.7	192.5	8.1	70.5	4.0	67.7
Yorkton-Melville [4740]							
2013	62.5	41.3	39.5	1.8	66.1	4.4	63.2
2014	62.4	40.8	38.9	1.9	65.4	4.7	62.3
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]							
2013	155.0	100.9	94.8	6.2	65.1	6.1	61.2
2014	156.3	101.0	96.1	4.9	64.6	4.9	61.5
Alberta							
2013	3,120.5	2,257.3	2,157.2	100.2	72.3	4.4	69.1
2014	3,229.5	2,333.8	2,230.4	103.5	72.3	4.4	69.1
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]							
2013	224.9	145.5	139.3	6.2	64.7	4.3	61.9
2014	229.8	142.9	136.8	6.1	62.2	4.3	59.5
Camrose-Drumheller [4820]							
2013	158.5	107.1	104.3	2.8	67.6	2.6	65.8
2014	161.4	107.5	102.9	4.6	66.6	4.3	63.8
Calgary [4830]							
2013	1,158.0	857.0	814.4	42.6	74.0	5.0	70.3
2014	1,204.0	881.1	841.7	39.3	73.2	4.5	69.9
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840]							
2013	73.0	52.9	50.3	2.6	72.5	4.9	68.9
2014	75.3	56.7	54.7	2.0	75.3	3.5	72.6

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in February 2013 and February 2014

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
in thousands							
Red Deer [4850]							
2013	159.5	117.8	112.6	5.2	73.9	4.4	70.6
2014	164.3	119.0	115.0	4.0	72.4	3.4	70.0
Edmonton [4860]							
2013	1,045.6	754.9	722.7	32.2	72.2	4.3	69.1
2014	1,085.1	793.9	755.7	38.2	73.2	4.8	69.6
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]							
2013	193.5	135.8	130.6	5.2	70.2	3.8	67.5
2014	197.4	144.7	139.3	5.4	73.3	3.7	70.6
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2013	107.5	86.3	83.0	3.3	80.3	3.8	77.2
2014	112.4	88.2	84.3	3.8	78.5	4.3	75.0
British Columbia							
2013	3,833.8	2,440.9	2,282.4	158.5	63.7	6.5	59.5
2014	3,877.9	2,446.8	2,286.0	160.8	63.1	6.6	58.9
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2013	659.5	397.7	370.8	26.9	60.3	6.8	56.2
2014	662.9	386.6	362.9	23.7	58.3	6.1	54.7
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2013	2,370.3	1,527.8	1,429.3	98.5	64.5	6.4	60.3
2014	2,412.4	1,541.8	1,445.3	96.5	63.9	6.3	59.9
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2013	433.9	260.8	242.8	18.0	60.1	6.9	56.0
2014	434.4	273.6	250.0	23.6	63.0	8.6	57.6
Kootenay [5940]							
2013	126.4	84.6	79.2	5.4	66.9	6.4	62.7
2014	125.9	75.3	69.8	5.5	59.8	7.3	55.4
Cariboo [5950]							
2013	126.1	85.6	80.8	4.8	67.9	5.6	64.1
2014	125.3	87.8	82.5	5.2	70.1	5.9	65.8
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2013	65.5	43.0	39.8	3.2	65.6	7.4	60.8
2014	64.4	39.4	36.2	3.2	61.2	8.1	56.2
Northeast [5980]							
2013	52.0	41.4	39.7	1.7	79.6	4.1	76.3
2014	52.6	42.4	39.2	3.2	80.6	7.5	74.5

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 February 2013 and February 2014

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
Yukon ¹							
2013	27.3	19.6	18.2	1.4	71.8	7.1	66.7
2014	27.6	20.8	19.7	1.2	75.4	5.8	71.4
Northwest Territories ²							
2013	32.1	23.5	21.9	1.6	73.2	6.8	68.2
2014	32.0	23.4	21.6	1.9	73.1	8.1	67.5
Nunavut ³							
2013	21.4	13.5	11.7	1.8	62.9	13.4	54.5
2014	22.3	14.3	12.4	1.9	64.1	13.1	55.7

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
February 2014										
15 years and over	14,841.6	34.9	895.98	24.64	11,962.0	39.2	1,039.44	2,879.6	17.0	300.05
15 to 24 years	2,198.1	25.5	391.68	14.16	1,001.5	38.6	646.30	1,196.7	14.5	178.59
25 years and over	12,643.5	36.5	983.66	26.46	10,960.5	39.3	1,075.36	1,683.0	18.8	386.42
Men	7,408.2	37.4	1,026.18	26.62	6,489.7	40.4	1,133.35	918.6	16.2	269.04
Women	7,433.4	32.4	766.22	22.66	5,472.3	37.8	928.07	1,961.1	17.4	314.58
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,589.1	35.5	1,015.08	28.18	3,891.6	38.5	1,117.09	697.5	18.9	445.95
No union coverage	10,252.5	34.6	842.67	23.06	8,070.4	39.6	1,002.00	2,182.1	16.4	253.41
Job permanency										
Permanent	13,100.5	36.0	939.32	25.30	11,080.7	39.2	1,052.14	2,019.8	18.0	320.41
Temporary	1,741.1	27.1	569.90	19.65	881.3	39.2	879.84	859.8	14.6	252.23
Occupation										
Management	972.9	39.5	1,538.01	39.07	948.5	40.0	1,562.20	24.5	20.0	600.36
Business, finance and administrative	2,872.0	35.4	843.74	23.31	2,458.9	38.3	931.01	413.1	18.1	324.26
Natural and applied sciences	1,179.8	38.6	1,331.16	34.39	1,142.2	39.3	1,358.35	37.6	17.8	504.79
Health	1,051.7	33.7	955.30	28.15	806.1	37.9	1,081.02	245.5	19.8	542.55
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,485.0	33.7	1,072.36	31.47	1,194.6	37.8	1,216.58	290.4	17.0	479.19
Art, culture, recreation and sport	376.7	28.1	701.75	22.76	226.2	38.4	1,014.46	150.5	12.6	231.86
Sales and service	3,830.4	29.8	527.43	16.44	2,331.0	38.3	726.76	1,499.4	16.6	217.54
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,075.6	39.9	987.07	24.41	1,925.8	41.7	1,040.11	149.9	17.8	305.47
Occupations unique to primary industry	259.8	41.3	1,062.65	24.26	226.7	45.4	1,187.23	33.1	13.2	208.15
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	737.7	38.9	814.88	20.74	702.0	39.9	841.67	35.7	18.4	288.96
February 2013										
15 years and over	14,757.3	34.8	872.00	24.04	11,871.3	39.2	1,012.48	2,886.0	16.9	294.14
15 to 24 years	2,237.1	25.5	388.59	14.04	1,027.4	38.7	644.59	1,209.7	14.2	171.16
25 years and over	12,520.2	36.5	958.38	25.82	10,843.9	39.3	1,047.34	1,676.3	18.7	382.88
Men	7,354.3	37.3	999.10	25.99	6,426.0	40.4	1,104.40	928.3	16.0	270.24
Women	7,403.0	32.4	745.73	22.10	5,445.3	37.8	904.01	1,957.7	17.2	305.47
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,734.1	35.3	980.47	27.36	3,995.8	38.5	1,082.00	738.3	18.3	431.00
No union coverage	10,023.2	34.6	820.77	22.47	7,875.5	39.6	977.21	2,147.7	16.3	247.09
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,973.5	35.8	911.95	24.64	10,904.1	39.2	1,025.60	2,069.4	17.9	313.12
Temporary	1,783.8	27.7	581.45	19.69	967.2	39.1	864.64	816.7	14.3	246.05
Occupation										
Management	998.7	39.6	1,486.48	37.57	973.7	40.2	1,510.71	25.0	18.6	544.34
Business, finance and administrative	2,890.6	35.2	809.09	22.50	2,456.9	38.3	896.74	433.7	17.6	312.62
Natural and applied sciences	1,174.2	38.5	1,274.54	32.97	1,131.4	39.3	1,303.18	42.9	18.6	518.68
Health	1,013.1	33.8	931.99	27.50	780.0	37.9	1,047.77	233.1	20.0	544.56
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,509.4	33.6	1,055.27	31.06	1,205.8	37.9	1,203.95	303.7	16.4	464.89
Art, culture, recreation and sport	367.9	28.8	735.82	23.25	233.7	38.4	1,028.72	134.2	12.2	225.77
Sales and service	3,776.0	29.8	517.05	16.10	2,295.5	38.4	714.26	1,480.5	16.5	211.27
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,071.5	39.5	960.48	23.94	1,903.7	41.4	1,018.25	167.8	17.9	305.16
Occupations unique to primary industry	233.1	41.1	990.05	23.07	200.9	45.4	1,114.70	32.2	14.2	213.01
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	722.7	39.0	785.69	19.94	689.8	40.0	811.33	32.9	16.4	248.37

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 March 9, 2014 to April 5, 2014
	percent
Newfoundland and Labrador	
01. St. John's	5.4
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	16.3
Prince Edward Island	
03. Prince Edward Island	11.9
Nova Scotia	
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	15.0
05. Western Nova Scotia	10.2
06. Halifax	6.7
New Brunswick	
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	6.6
08. Madawaska-Charlotte	11.1
09. Restigouche-Albert	16.9
Quebec	
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	17.1
11. Québec	4.3
12. Trois-Rivières	8.6
13. South Central Quebec	5.0
14. Sherbrooke	6.6
15. Montérégie	7.3
16. Montréal	8.2
17. Central Quebec	8.4
18. Northwestern Quebec	9.9
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord	10.4
20. Gatineau	6.7
21. Saguenay	8.4
Ontario	
22. Ottawa	6.4
23. Eastern Ontario	7.4
24. Kingston	6.4
25. Central Ontario	8.3
26. Oshawa	7.5
27. Toronto	8.3
28. Hamilton	5.9
29. St. Catharines	8.4
30. London	8.1
31. Niagara	9.1
32. Windsor	7.4
33. Kitchener	6.6
34. Huron	7.7
35. South Central Ontario	5.9
36. Sudbury	6.8
37. Thunder Bay	5.8
38. Northern Ontario	12.8
Manitoba	
39. Winnipeg	5.7
40. Southern Manitoba	6.2
41. Northern Manitoba	32.2
Saskatchewan	
42. Regina	4.0
43. Saskatoon	4.5
44. Southern Saskatchewan	6.3
45. Northern Saskatchewan	16.3
Alberta	
46. Calgary	4.8
47. Edmonton	5.3
48. Northern Alberta	8.7
49. Southern Alberta	5.2

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 8 – continued

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

Region	Effective from March 9, 2014 to April 5, 2014
	percent
British Columbia	
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	8.9
51. Abbotsford	8.5
52. Vancouver	6.3
53. Victoria	6.1
54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	8.7
55. Northern British Columbia	11.6
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*