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- r revised
- x suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the *Statistics Act*
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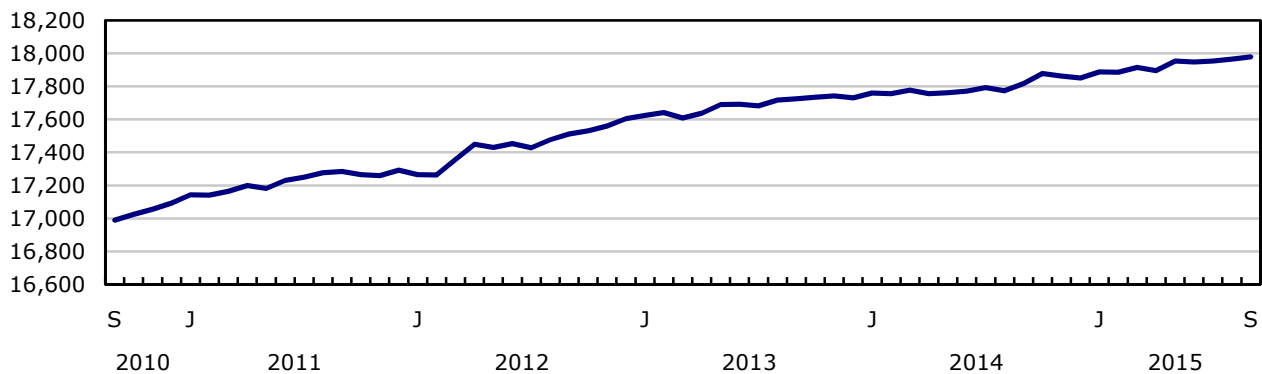
Highlights

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Chart 1
Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted

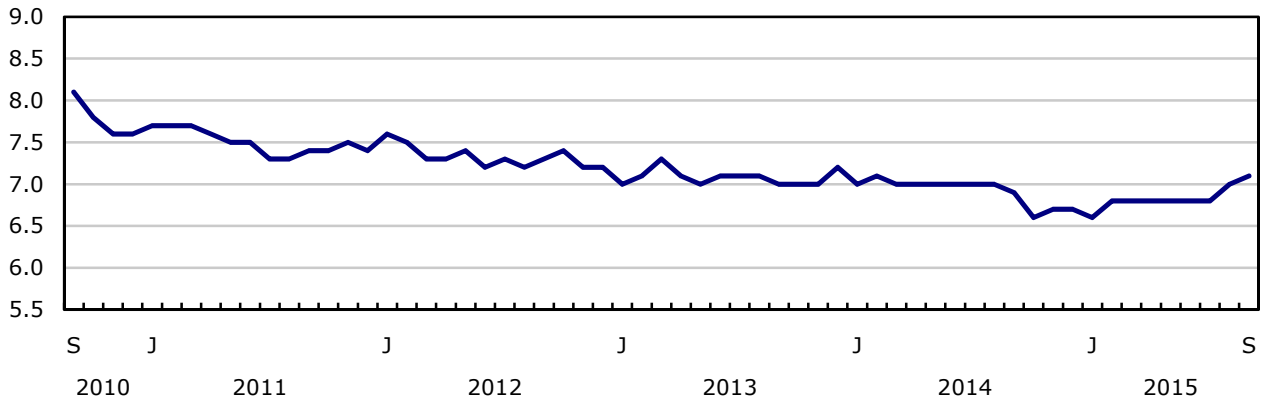
Employment

thousands



Unemployment rate

percent



Analysis — September 2015

Employment was little changed for the fourth consecutive month in September (+12,000 or +0.1%). The unemployment rate increased by 0.1 percentage points to 7.1%, as more people participated in the labour market.

Part-time employment rose by 74,000 in September, which was largely offset by a decline of 62,000 in full time.

Following gains of 63,000 (+0.4%) in the first quarter, and 33,000 (+0.2%) in the second quarter, employment grew by 31,000 (+0.2%) in the third quarter of 2015.

In the 12 months to September, employment increased by 161,000 (+0.9%), with all of the gains in full-time work. Over the same period, the total number of hours worked rose by 1.1%.

In September, employment increased among people aged 55 and older and was little changed for the other demographic groups.

Provincially, employment rose in British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan, and Prince Edward Island, while it fell in Ontario as well as Newfoundland and Labrador.

In September, there were more people employed in information, culture and recreation; 'other services'; health care and social assistance; as well as business, building and other support services. At the same time, employment declined in educational services.

The number of self-employed workers increased, while public sector employment declined. There was little change in the number of private sector employees.

Adjusted to the concepts used in the United States, the unemployment rate in Canada was 6.0% in September, compared with 5.1% in the US.

Employment up for people aged 55 and older

In September, employment increased by 21,000 among people aged 55 and older, and their unemployment rate was little changed at 6.0%. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment for this group grew by 129,000 (+3.7%), mainly the result of growth in their population.

For men and women aged 25 to 54, employment was little changed in September. However, employment increased by 62,000 (+0.5%) on a year-over-year basis. In September, the unemployment rate for this age group was 6.3% for men and 5.5% for women.

Employment among youths aged 15 to 24 was virtually unchanged, and their unemployment rate was little changed at 13.5%. In the 12 months to September, employment among this group edged down 29,000 (-1.2%) and their unemployment rate declined 1.3 percentage points, as fewer of them participated in the labour market.

Employment up in British Columbia and Alberta, down in Ontario

Employment rose by 12,000 in British Columbia in September. However, the unemployment rate increased by 0.3 percentage points to 6.3%, as more people participated in the labour market. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in the province grew by 47,000 or 2.1%, the highest growth rate among the provinces.

In Alberta, employment also rose by 12,000. However, an increase in the number of people searching for work pushed the unemployment rate up 0.5 percentage points to 6.5%. On a year-over-year basis, employment in the province was up 31,000 (+1.4%), with most of the growth in part-time work.

Employment in Manitoba increased by 4,000 in September, bringing the unemployment rate down 0.5 percentage points to 5.2%. In the 12 months to September, employment gains totalled 10,000 (+1.6%).

In September, employment was little changed in Quebec and the unemployment rate declined 0.3 percentage points to 7.7%. Compared with September 2014, employment in the province increased by 47,000 (+1.2%), with most of the growth in the first four months of 2015.

In Ontario, employment fell by 34,000 in September, as full-time employment declines were partly offset by increases in part-time work. The unemployment rate was little changed at 6.9%, as fewer people participated in the labour market. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in the province was little changed.

Employment in Newfoundland and Labrador declined by 3,700 in September and the unemployment rate rose 2.1 percentage points to 13.6%. On a year-over-year basis, employment in the province was little changed.

Industry perspective

Employment grew by 33,000 in information, culture and recreation in September, bringing employment up 36,000 (+4.9%) over the past 12 months.

In September, there were 22,000 more people employed in 'other services' such as personal and laundry services as well as religious, civic and professional organizations. Despite this increase, employment in the industry was down 25,000 (-3.1%) compared with 12 months earlier.

The number of workers in health care and social assistance rose by 17,000 in September. On a year-over-year basis, employment in this industry increased by 76,000 (+3.4%).

In business, building and other support services, employment was up 16,000 in September, continuing an upward trend that began in the autumn of 2014. In the 12 months to September, employment increased by 38,000 (+5.2%).

In educational services, employment decreased by 51,000 in September, mainly in Ontario and Quebec. This decrease was widespread, with employment declines in 'other schools and educational support'; primary and secondary schools; as well as universities. There have been a number of changes in the education sector which could impact employment, including recent provincial contract negotiations. With this decline, employment in educational services was back to a level similar to that of September 2014.

Prior to seasonal adjustment, the actual number of persons working in education increased between August and September, but less than the typical increase observed between these two months. This resulted in a decline in employment on a seasonally-adjusted basis for this industry (see "Educational services" in the note to readers).

The number of self-employed workers increased by 31,000 in September, while public sector employment declined by 29,000. At the same time, the number of private sector employees was little changed.

In the 12 months to September, the number of private sector employees rose by 71,000 (+0.6%) and self-employment increased by 68,000 (+2.5%). Over the same period, public sector employment was little changed.

Quarterly update for the territories

The Labour Force Survey also collects labour market information about the territories. This information is produced monthly in the form of three-month moving averages.

In the third quarter of 2015, employment in Yukon rose by 700 compared with the second quarter. This pushed the unemployment rate down 3.0 percentage points to 5.3%. On a year-over-year basis, employment was little changed.

In the Northwest Territories, employment was little changed between the second and third quarter and on a year-over-year basis. The unemployment rate rose 1.7 percentage points to 8.8% in the third quarter, as more people searched for work.

Employment in Nunavut increased by 600 in the third quarter of 2015 compared with the previous quarter. Over the same period, the unemployment rate was little changed at 17.2% as more people participated in the labour market. Compared with the same period a year earlier, employment was virtually unchanged.

Canada–United States comparison

Adjusted to US concepts, the unemployment rate in Canada was 6.0% in September. In the United States the rate was 5.1%. Compared with September 2014, the unemployment rate in Canada edged up by 0.1 percentage points, while the US rate fell by 0.8 percentage points.

The labour force participation rate in Canada (adjusted to US concepts) was 65.8% in September, compared with 62.4% in the US. In the 12 months to September, the participation rate was unchanged in Canada, while it declined 0.3 percentage points in the US.

In September, the employment rate in Canada (adjusted to US concepts) was 61.8%, compared with 59.2% in the US. On a year-over-year basis, the employment rate edged down 0.1 percentage points in Canada, while it edged up 0.2 percentage points in the US.

For further information on Canada-US comparisons, see "*Measuring Employment and Unemployment in Canada and the United States – A Comparison*".

Note to readers

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates for September are for the week of September 13 to 19.

The 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, youths 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)*.

Seasonal adjustment

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 "*Seasonally adjusted data – Frequently asked questions*."

Educational services

The LFS seasonal adjustment process removes typical seasonal patterns in the monthly data, according to trends established in previous years. While there has always been variability in educational services employment over the summer months, there has not been a consistent pattern in the magnitude or direction of these changes in recent years.

Sample redesign

Every 10 years, the LFS undergoes a sample redesign to reflect changes in population and labour market characteristics, as well as new definitions of geographical boundaries. The redesigned sample was introduced starting in January 2015 and was fully implemented in June 2015.

Next release

The next release of the LFS will be on November 6.

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Employment indexes, Canada, seasonally adjusted

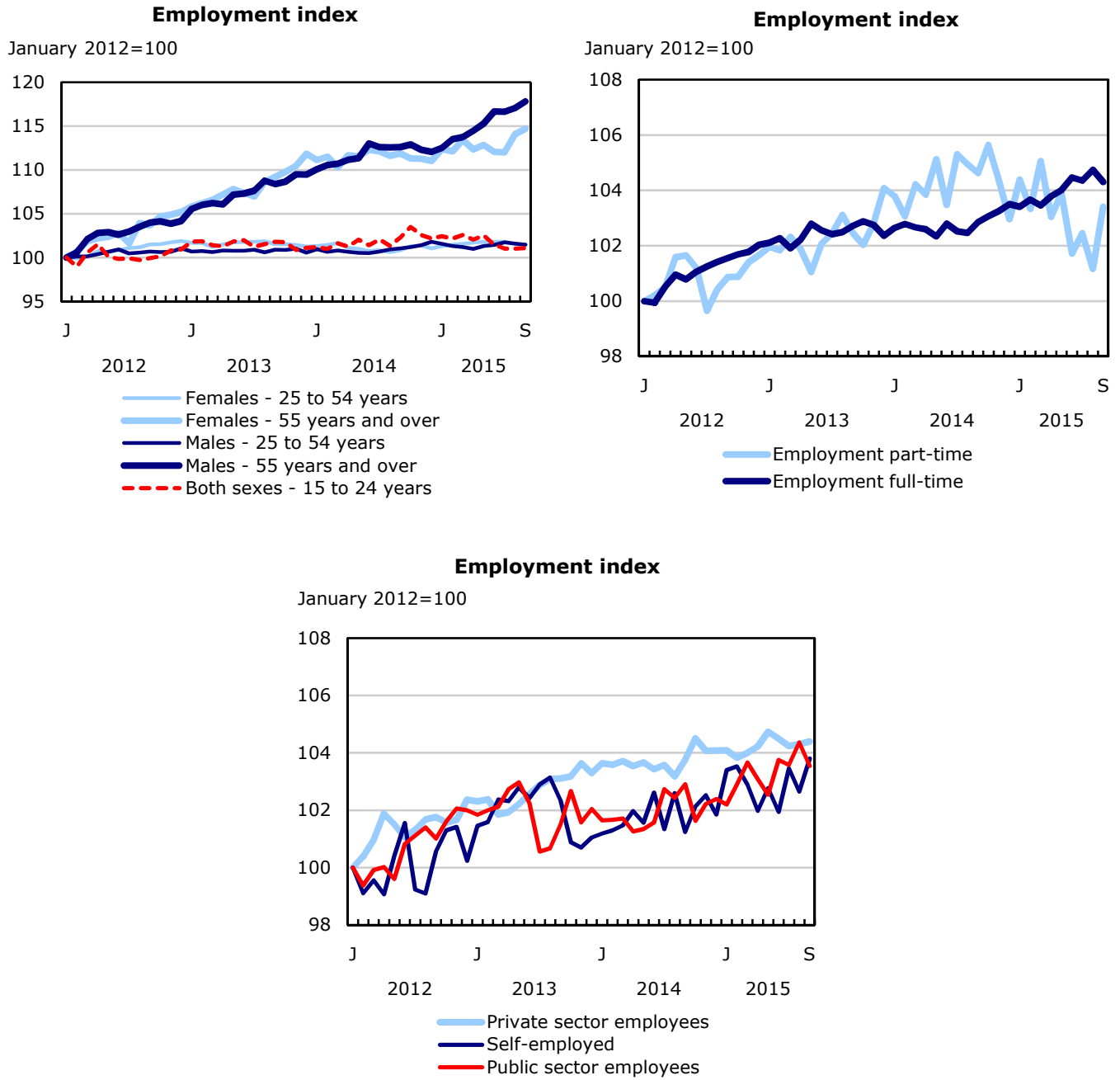


Chart 2
Employment, unemployment, and participation rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted

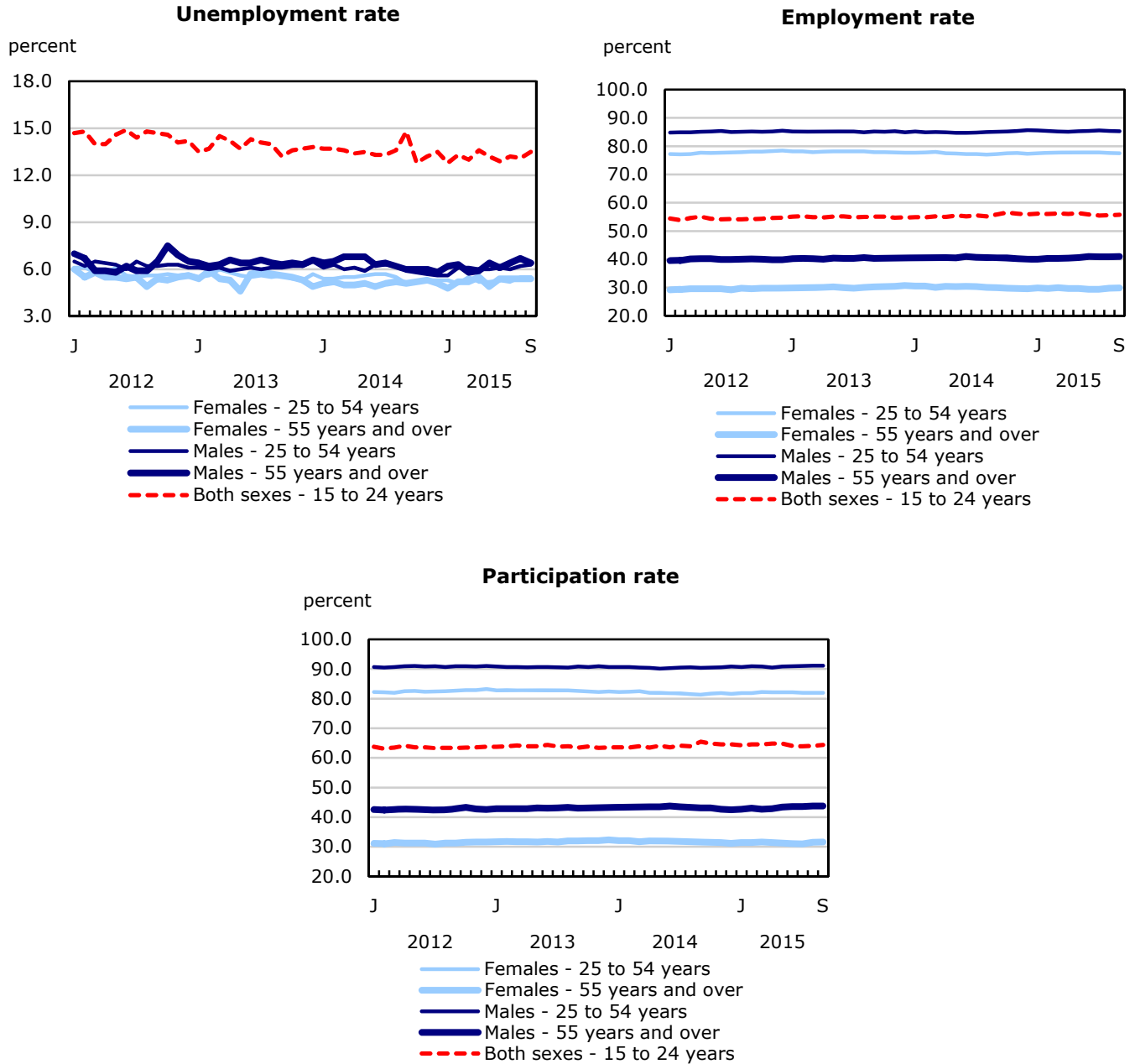


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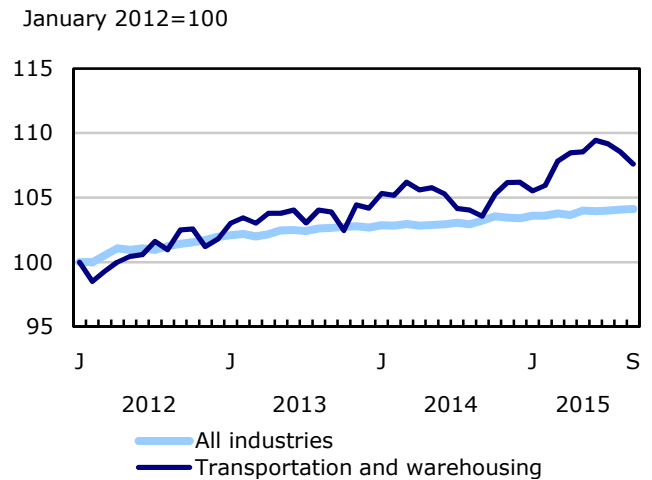
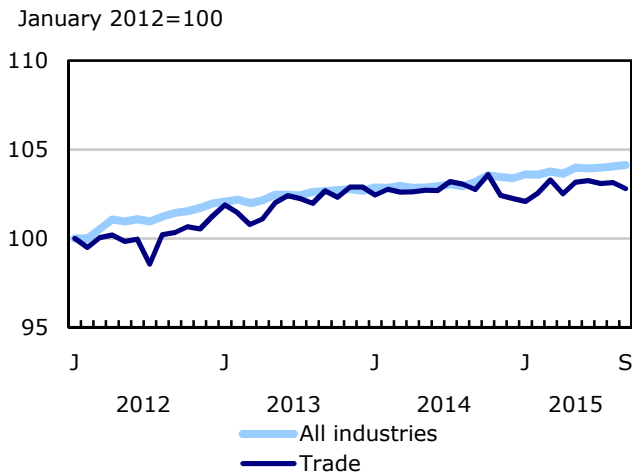
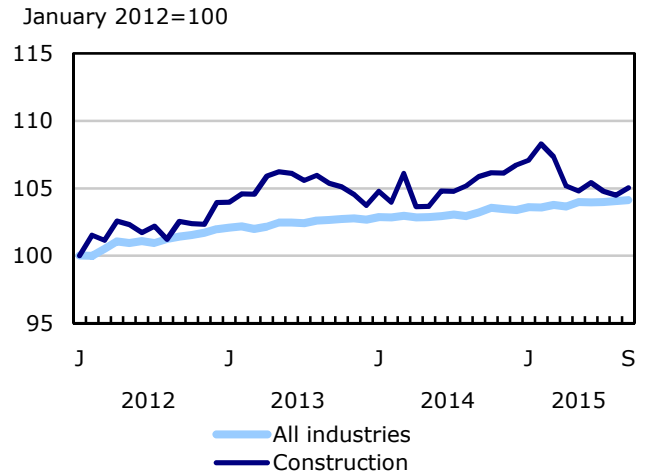
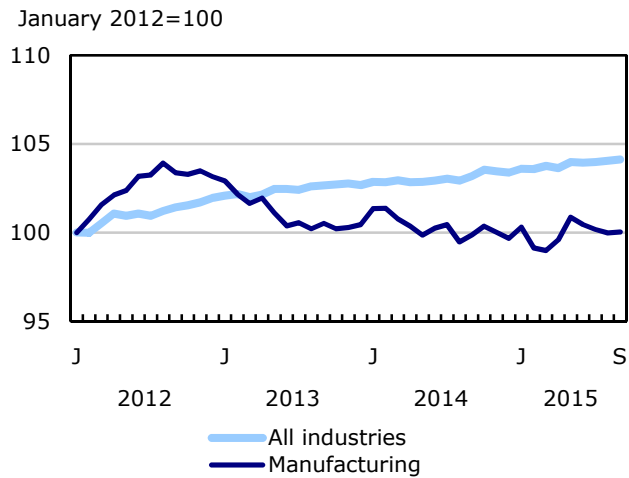
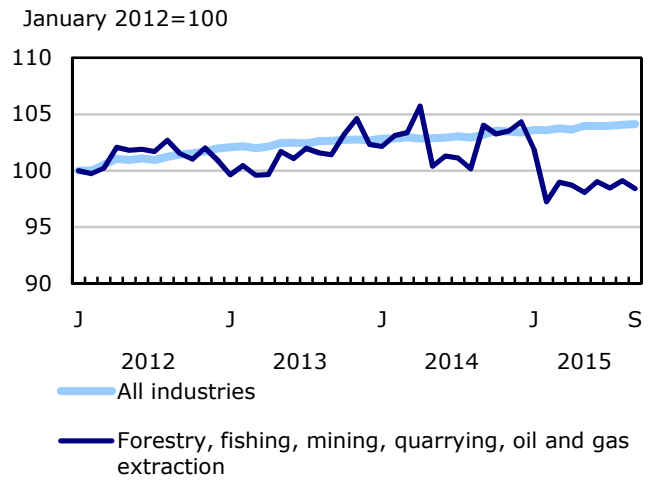
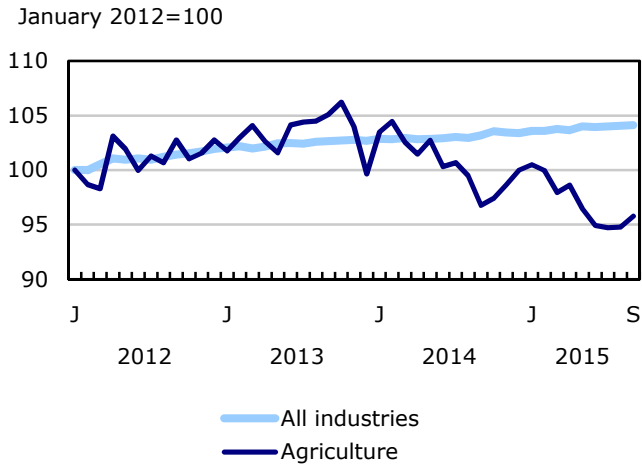


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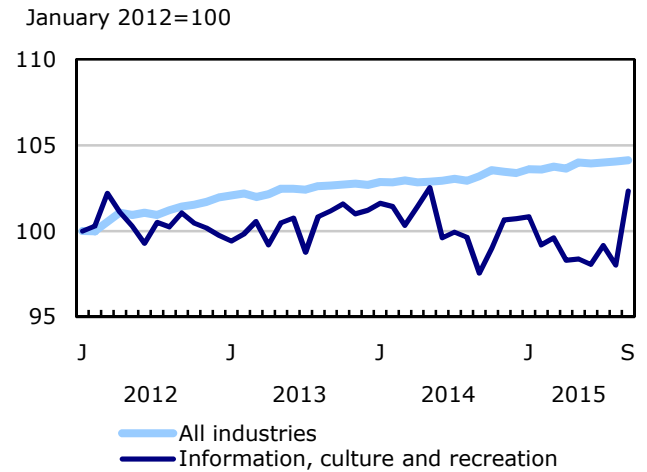
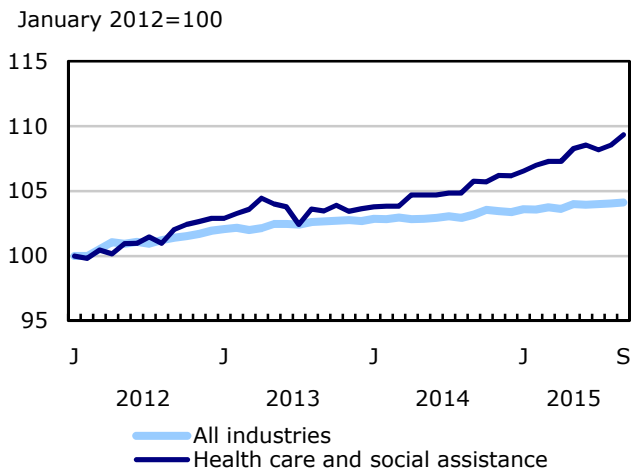
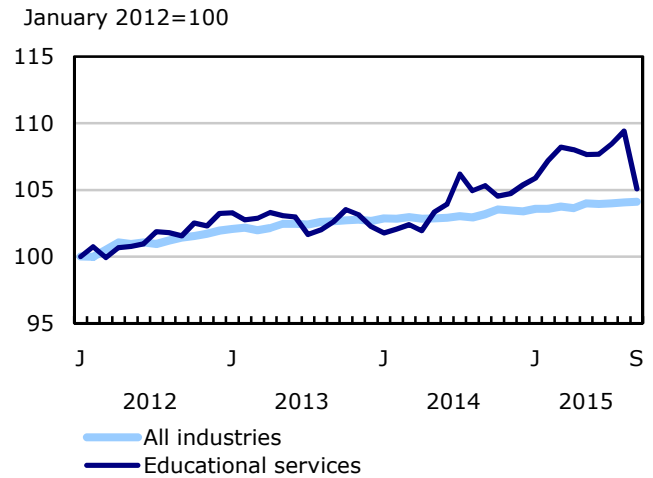
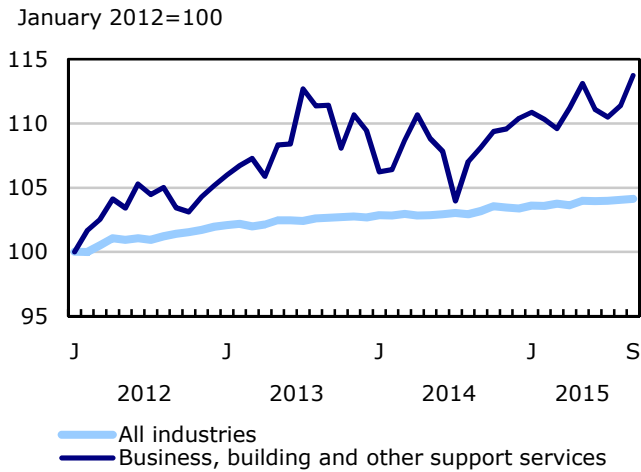
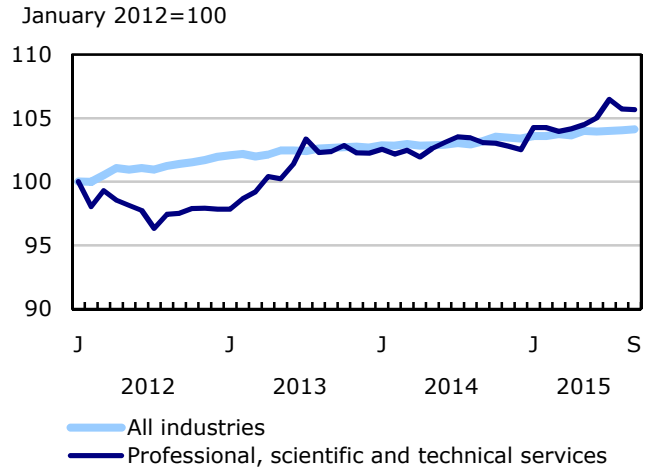
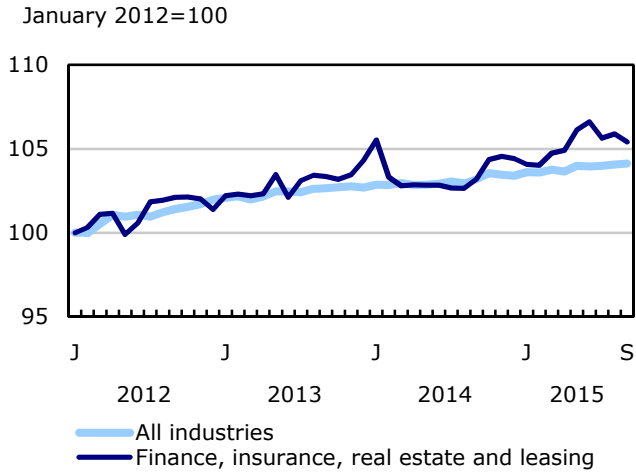
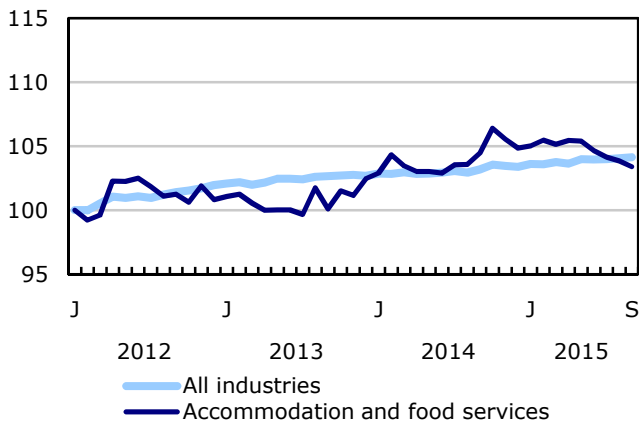
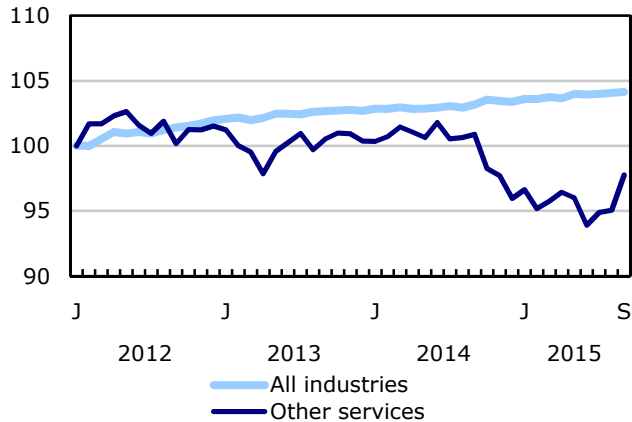


Chart 5
Employment indexes by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted

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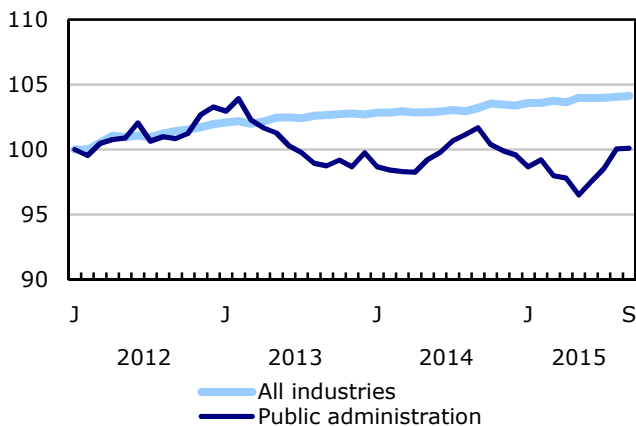


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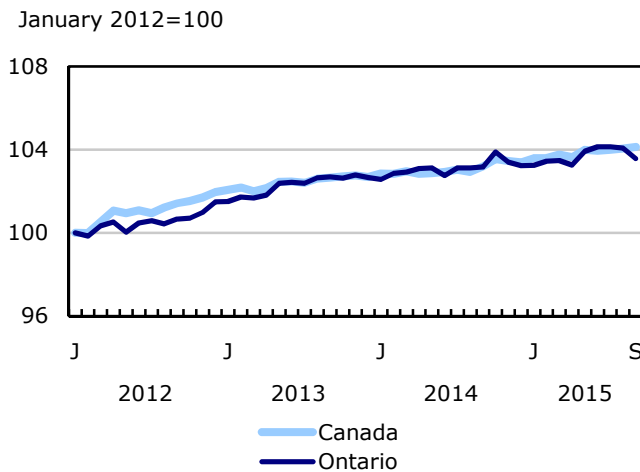
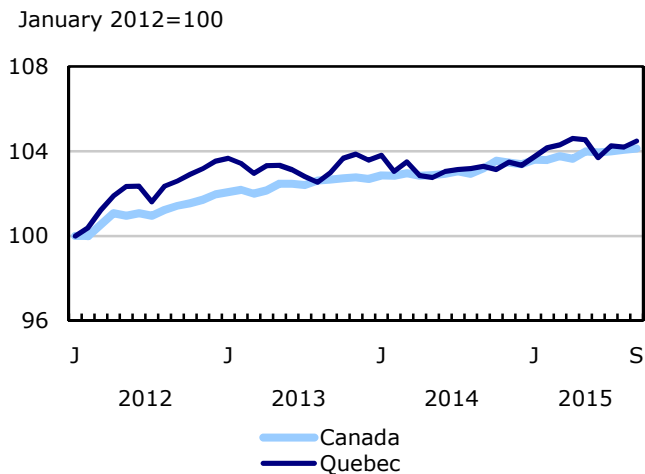
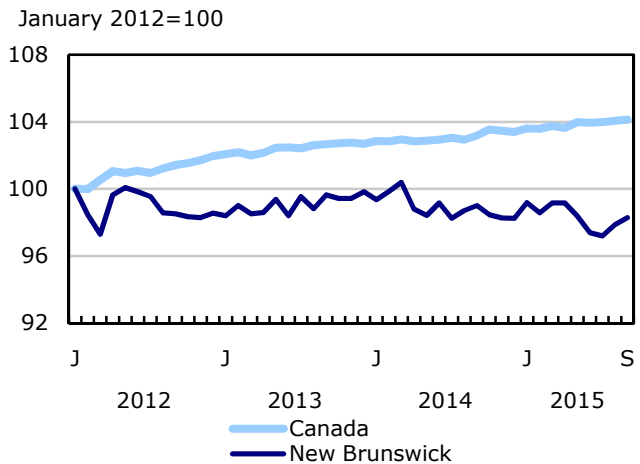
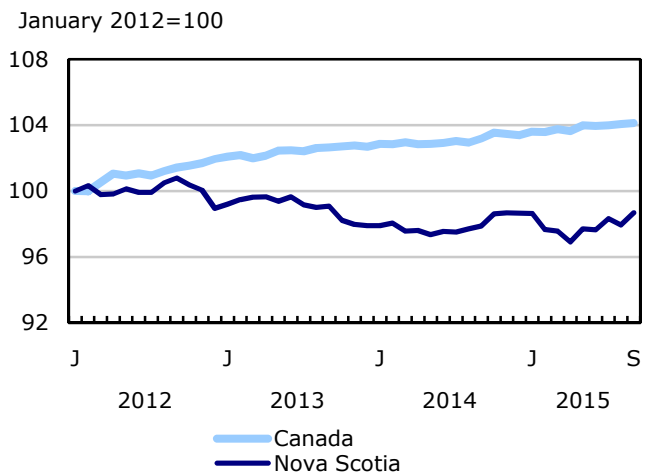
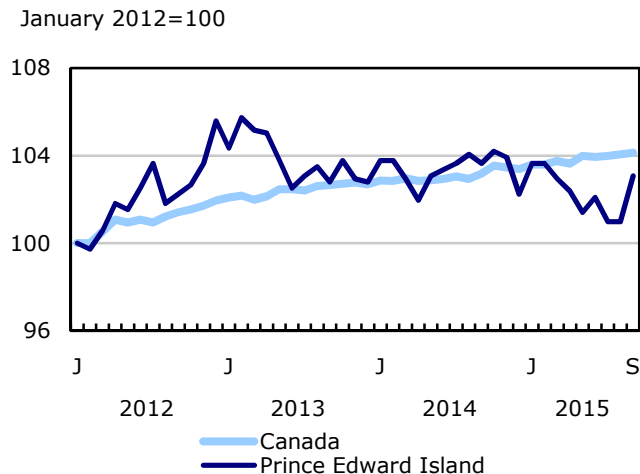
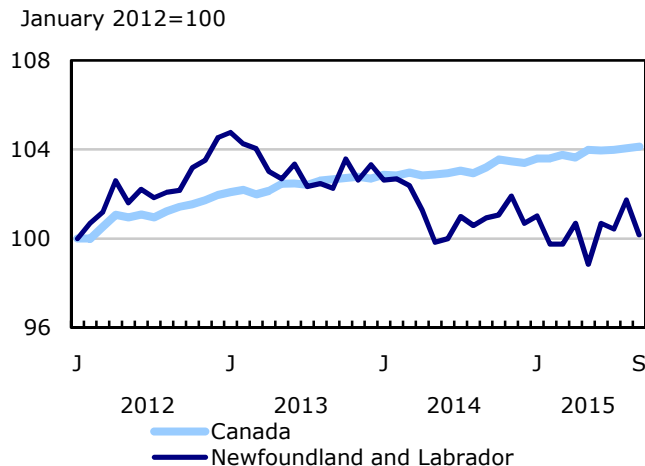
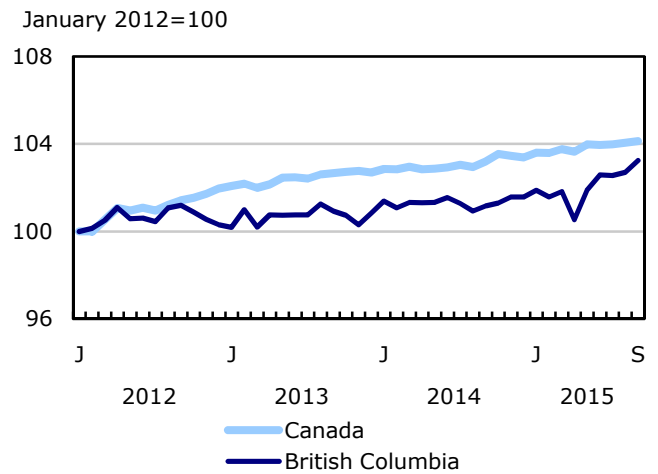
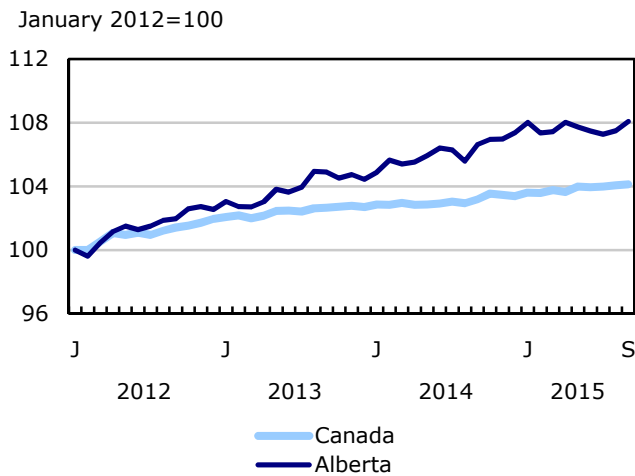
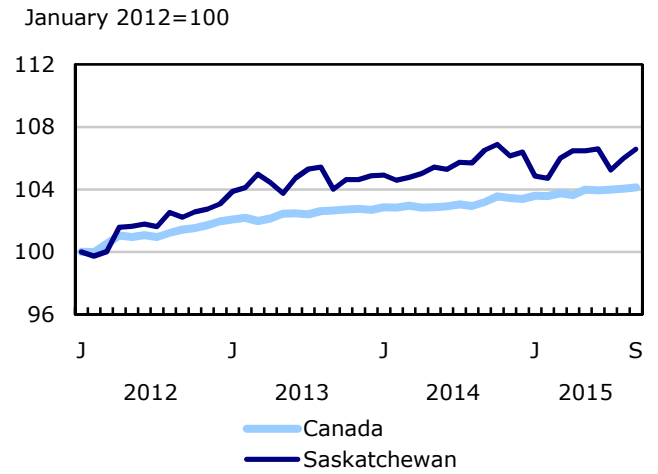
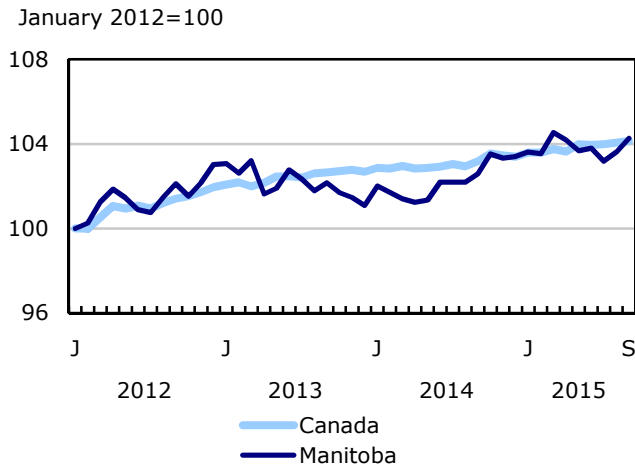


Chart 7
Employment indexes by province, Canada, seasonally adjusted



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

	August 2015	September 2015	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
15 years and over, both sexes									
Population	29,321.5	29,352.3	...	30.8	235.7	296.8	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	19,312.0	19,342.6	29.2	30.6	214.9	198.9	0.2	1.1	1.0
Employment	17,966.0	17,978.1	29.1	12.1	126.6	161.2	0.1	0.7	0.9
Employment full-time	14,639.7	14,577.8	41.8	-61.9	111.8	201.5	-0.4	0.8	1.4
Employment part-time	3,326.3	3,400.3	38.4	74.0	14.8	-40.3	2.2	0.4	-1.2
Unemployment	1,346.1	1,364.5	24.9	18.4	88.3	37.7	1.4	6.9	2.8
Participation rate	65.9	65.9	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	61.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.5	18.9	0.2	0.4	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
15 to 24 years, both sexes									
Population	4,428.8	4,424.1	...	-4.7	-30.9	-43.0	-0.1	-0.7	-1.0
Labour force	2,832.9	2,847.5	17.1	14.6	-28.3	-77.0	0.5	-1.0	-2.6
Employment	2,460.8	2,462.4	16.0	1.6	-26.5	-29.4	0.1	-1.1	-1.2
Employment full-time	1,272.5	1,283.2	19.8	10.7	-6.3	-1.0	0.8	-0.5	-0.1
Employment part-time	1,188.3	1,179.2	20.9	-9.1	-20.1	-28.3	-0.8	-1.7	-2.3
Unemployment	372.0	385.1	14.8	13.1	-1.9	-47.7	3.5	-0.5	-11.0
Participation rate	64.0	64.4	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.1	13.5	0.5	0.4	0.0	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.6	55.7	0.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.3	47.9	0.8	-0.4	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
25 years and over, men									
Population	12,177.1	12,194.7	...	17.6	133.1	168.1	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	8,769.6	8,780.3	15.8	10.7	148.6	164.3	0.1	1.7	1.9
Employment	8,215.6	8,221.8	16.9	6.2	78.3	115.3	0.1	1.0	1.4
Employment full-time	7,599.4	7,574.2	23.1	-25.2	72.0	118.0	-0.3	1.0	1.6
Employment part-time	616.2	647.6	18.9	31.4	6.3	-2.8	5.1	1.0	-0.4
Unemployment	554.1	558.4	14.8	4.3	70.2	48.9	0.8	14.4	9.6
Participation rate	72.0	72.0	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.4	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.5	67.4	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.5	7.9	0.2	0.4	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
25 years and over, women									
Population	12,715.6	12,733.4	...	17.8	133.5	171.6	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	7,709.5	7,714.9	16.4	5.4	94.7	111.7	0.1	1.2	1.5
Employment	7,289.6	7,293.8	16.4	4.2	74.6	75.2	0.1	1.0	1.0
Employment full-time	5,767.8	5,720.4	27.4	-47.4	46.2	84.5	-0.8	0.8	1.5
Employment part-time	1,521.8	1,573.4	25.9	51.6	28.5	-9.4	3.4	1.8	-0.6
Unemployment	419.9	421.0	13.1	1.1	20.0	36.4	0.3	5.0	9.5
Participation rate	60.6	60.6	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.5	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	57.3	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.9	21.6	0.3	0.7	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, both sexes									
Population	14,593.7	14,597.7	...	4.0	28.3	28.5	0.0	0.2	0.2
Labour force	12,627.7	12,627.3	23.8	-0.4	65.4	123.6	0.0	0.5	1.0
Employment	11,889.9	11,879.6	25.7	-10.3	3.3	62.0	-0.1	0.0	0.5
Unemployment	737.8	747.7	18.5	9.9	62.1	61.6	1.3	9.1	9.0
Participation rate	86.5	86.5	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.9	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.5	81.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
25 to 54 years, men									
Population	7,268.2	7,270.2	...	2.0	13.8	12.4	0.0	0.2	0.2
Labour force	6,617.7	6,621.5	15.5	3.8	30.1	59.9	0.1	0.5	0.9
Employment	6,208.2	6,201.9	17.3	-6.3	-20.3	26.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.4
Unemployment	409.5	419.5	13.6	10.0	50.3	33.6	2.4	13.6	8.7
Participation rate	91.1	91.1	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.3	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	85.4	85.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	0.2	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 1 – continued

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	7,325.4	7,327.5	...	2.1	14.5	16.1	0.0	0.2	0.2
Labour force	6,010.0	6,005.8	17.2	-4.2	35.3	63.6	-0.1	0.6	1.1
Employment	5,681.7	5,677.7	17.8	-4.0	23.6	35.8	-0.1	0.4	0.6
Unemployment	328.3	328.1	12.3	-0.2	11.7	27.8	-0.1	3.7	9.3
Participation rate	82.0	82.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.5	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.6	77.5	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
55 years and over, both sexes									
Population	10,299.0	10,330.4	...	31.4	238.3	311.2	0.3	2.4	3.1
Labour force	3,851.5	3,867.8	20.3	16.3	177.8	152.3	0.4	4.8	4.1
Employment	3,615.3	3,636.1	20.4	20.8	149.7	128.5	0.6	4.3	3.7
Unemployment	236.2	231.8	10.1	-4.4	28.2	23.9	-1.9	13.9	11.5
Participation rate	37.4	37.4	0.2	0.0	0.8	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.0	0.3	-0.1	0.5	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	35.1	35.2	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
55 years and over, men									
Population	4,908.8	4,924.5	...	15.7	119.3	155.7	0.3	2.5	3.3
Labour force	2,151.9	2,158.8	13.3	6.9	118.5	104.4	0.3	5.8	5.1
Employment	2,007.4	2,019.9	13.7	12.5	98.6	89.0	0.6	5.1	4.6
Unemployment	144.6	138.9	7.6	-5.7	19.9	15.3	-3.9	16.7	12.4
Participation rate	43.8	43.8	0.3	0.0	1.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.4	0.4	-0.3	0.6	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	40.9	41.0	0.3	0.1	1.0	0.5	...	...	...
55 years and over, women									
Population	5,390.2	5,405.9	...	15.7	119.0	155.6	0.3	2.3	3.0
Labour force	1,699.6	1,709.0	13.8	9.4	59.3	47.9	0.6	3.6	2.9
Employment	1,607.9	1,616.2	13.7	8.3	51.1	39.5	0.5	3.3	2.5
Unemployment	91.7	92.9	6.5	1.2	8.3	8.6	1.3	9.8	10.2
Participation rate	31.5	31.6	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.4	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	29.8	29.9	0.3	0.1	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...

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

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

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	15,219.3	15,200.7	35.6	-18.6	74.4	92.8	-0.1	0.5	0.6
Self-employed ²	2,746.6	2,777.4	25.3	30.8	52.2	68.4	1.1	1.9	2.5
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,630.1	3,601.3	20.7	-28.8	39.9	21.7	-0.8	1.1	0.6
Private sector employees	11,589.2	11,599.3	36.0	10.1	34.4	71.0	0.1	0.3	0.6
Industry	17,966.0	17,978.1	29.1	12.1	126.6	161.2	0.1	0.7	0.9
Goods-producing sector	3,852.0	3,855.4	16.7	3.4	-52.1	-26.3	0.1	-1.3	-0.7
Agriculture	287.5	290.5	5.8	3.0	-12.8	-3.0	1.0	-4.2	-1.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ³	358.6	356.0	5.5	-2.6	-21.5	-20.3	-0.7	-5.7	-5.4
Utilities	141.1	136.8	2.4	-4.3	-1.5	5.3	-3.0	-1.1	4.0
Construction	1,359.6	1,366.4	11.4	6.8	-22.1	-10.8	0.5	-1.6	-0.8
Manufacturing	1,705.2	1,705.8	10.7	0.6	5.9	2.7	0.0	0.3	0.2
Services-producing sector	14,114.0	14,122.7	27.5	8.7	178.8	187.5	0.1	1.3	1.3
Trade	2,739.3	2,730.4	14.3	-8.9	14.9	1.3	-0.3	0.5	0.0
Transportation and warehousing	924.0	916.2	8.2	-7.8	12.0	34.6	-0.8	1.3	3.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,109.2	1,104.3	8.6	-4.9	10.5	23.3	-0.4	1.0	2.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,370.1	1,369.5	10.6	-0.6	40.7	33.5	0.0	3.1	2.5
Business, building and other support services	757.9	773.9	9.9	16.0	22.7	38.1	2.1	3.0	5.2
Educational services	1,304.1	1,252.8	10.4	-51.3	-3.6	-3.0	-3.9	-0.3	-0.2
Health care and social assistance	2,295.4	2,312.2	10.8	16.8	67.0	75.5	0.7	3.0	3.4
Information, culture and recreation	739.8	772.3	9.7	32.5	12.2	36.0	4.4	1.6	4.9
Accommodation and food services	1,204.6	1,199.5	11.6	-5.1	-16.7	-12.5	-0.4	-1.4	-1.0
Other services	755.2	776.8	8.3	21.6	14.2	-24.7	2.9	1.9	-3.1
Public administration	914.4	914.9	6.9	0.5	4.8	-14.3	0.1	0.5	-1.5

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

	August 2015	September 2015	S.E. ¹	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	442.3	442.5	...	0.2	-0.8	-1.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	270.7	272.9	2.0	2.2	4.2	1.6	0.8	1.6	0.6
Employment	239.6	235.9	2.1	-3.7	-1.2	-1.8	-1.5	-0.5	-0.8
Employment full-time	204.3	199.9	2.7	-4.4	-3.7	-0.3	-2.2	-1.8	-0.1
Employment part-time	35.3	36.0	2.1	0.7	2.5	-1.4	2.0	7.5	-3.7
Unemployment	31.1	37.0	2.0	5.9	5.4	3.4	19.0	17.1	10.1
Participation rate	61.2	61.7	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.5	13.6	0.7	2.1	1.8	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.2	53.3	0.5	-0.9	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	121.1	121.0	...	-0.1	0.3	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force	80.9	81.3	0.6	0.4	-0.9	-0.7	0.5	-1.1	-0.9
Employment	72.2	73.7	0.6	1.5	0.6	-0.4	2.1	0.8	-0.5
Employment full-time	59.5	62.2	0.9	2.7	0.2	-0.4	4.5	0.3	-0.6
Employment part-time	12.6	11.6	0.7	-1.0	0.5	0.1	-7.9	4.5	0.9
Unemployment	8.7	7.6	0.6	-1.1	-1.5	-0.3	-12.6	-16.5	-3.8
Participation rate	66.8	67.2	0.5	0.4	-0.9	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	9.3	0.7	-1.5	-1.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	60.9	0.5	1.3	0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	786.1	786.4	...	0.3	2.3	2.9	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	488.6	495.0	2.6	6.4	2.9	6.0	1.3	0.6	1.2
Employment	447.7	451.1	2.7	3.4	0.1	3.7	0.8	0.0	0.8
Employment full-time	370.1	371.0	3.8	0.9	2.0	3.9	0.2	0.5	1.1
Employment part-time	77.6	80.0	3.3	2.4	-2.0	-0.3	3.1	-2.4	-0.4
Unemployment	40.9	44.0	2.4	3.1	2.9	2.4	7.6	7.1	5.8
Participation rate	62.2	62.9	0.3	0.7	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.9	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	57.4	0.3	0.4	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	621.8	621.8	...	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	389.3	385.3	2.2	-4.0	-4.9	-8.3	-1.0	-1.3	-2.1
Employment	349.9	351.4	2.3	1.5	0.2	-2.6	0.4	0.1	-0.7
Employment full-time	295.6	297.3	3.1	1.7	1.8	-2.5	0.6	0.6	-0.8
Employment part-time	54.3	54.1	2.7	-0.2	-1.6	-0.1	-0.4	-2.9	-0.2
Unemployment	39.4	34.0	2.1	-5.4	-5.0	-5.7	-13.7	-12.8	-14.4
Participation rate	62.6	62.0	0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.1	8.8	0.5	-1.3	-1.2	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	56.5	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,848.6	6,853.2	...	4.6	30.9	39.0	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	4,451.1	4,451.1	14.8	0.0	61.6	48.1	0.0	1.4	1.1
Employment	4,095.2	4,106.3	14.8	11.1	45.2	46.7	0.3	1.1	1.2
Employment full-time	3,292.8	3,301.1	21.4	8.3	39.4	66.4	0.3	1.2	2.1
Employment part-time	802.5	805.3	19.6	2.8	5.9	-19.6	0.3	0.7	-2.4
Unemployment	355.9	344.7	13.2	-11.2	16.3	1.3	-3.1	5.0	0.4
Participation rate	65.0	64.9	0.2	-0.1	0.6	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	7.7	0.3	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	59.9	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Ontario									
Population	11,401.1	11,414.7	...	13.6	94.3	117.5	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	7,450.1	7,422.3	19.7	-27.8	15.1	1.7	-0.4	0.2	0.0
Employment	6,941.8	6,908.0	19.6	-33.8	23.0	27.1	-0.5	0.3	0.4
Employment full-time	5,675.6	5,607.9	28.3	-67.7	67.8	71.9	-1.2	1.2	1.3
Employment part-time	1,266.1	1,300.1	25.6	34.0	-44.8	-44.8	2.7	-3.3	-3.3
Unemployment	508.4	514.3	16.9	5.9	-7.9	-25.4	1.2	-1.5	-4.7
Participation rate	65.3	65.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.9	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	60.5	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	August 2015	September 2015	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	988.5	989.6	...	1.1	8.1	10.4	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	673.3	674.3	2.5	1.0	4.3	9.1	0.1	0.6	1.4
Employment	635.0	639.0	2.5	4.0	5.2	10.3	0.6	0.8	1.6
Employment full-time	511.6	518.0	3.8	6.4	3.1	6.4	1.3	0.6	1.3
Employment part-time	123.4	121.0	3.6	-2.4	2.1	3.9	-1.9	1.8	3.3
Unemployment	38.3	35.3	2.1	-3.0	-0.9	-1.2	-7.8	-2.5	-3.3
Participation rate	68.1	68.1	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.2	0.3	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.2	64.6	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	862.8	863.4	...	0.6	6.4	8.5	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	600.9	606.9	2.6	6.0	9.6	10.6	1.0	1.6	1.8
Employment	572.7	575.9	2.7	3.2	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.1
Employment full-time	466.3	469.3	3.7	3.0	-10.4	-7.2	0.6	-2.2	-1.5
Employment part-time	106.4	106.6	3.4	0.2	11.3	7.5	0.2	11.9	7.6
Unemployment	28.2	30.9	2.0	2.7	8.6	10.2	9.6	38.6	49.3
Participation rate	69.6	70.3	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.1	0.3	0.4	1.4	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	66.7	0.3	0.3	-0.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	3,365.1	3,369.7	...	4.6	52.5	67.8	0.1	1.6	2.1
Labour force	2,449.5	2,475.8	10.0	26.3	62.4	81.0	1.1	2.6	3.4
Employment	2,302.9	2,315.2	10.2	12.3	15.0	31.0	0.5	0.7	1.4
Employment full-time	1,928.7	1,905.2	14.2	-23.5	-19.1	6.2	-1.2	-1.0	0.3
Employment part-time	374.2	410.0	12.7	35.8	34.1	24.9	9.6	9.1	6.5
Unemployment	146.7	160.6	7.9	13.9	47.4	49.9	9.5	41.9	45.1
Participation rate	72.8	73.5	0.3	0.7	0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.5	0.3	0.5	1.8	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.4	68.7	0.3	0.3	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,884.1	3,889.9	...	5.8	41.5	51.0	0.1	1.1	1.3
Labour force	2,457.6	2,477.7	10.1	20.1	60.6	49.8	0.8	2.5	2.1
Employment	2,309.1	2,321.5	10.1	12.4	37.6	46.7	0.5	1.6	2.1
Employment full-time	1,835.3	1,845.9	14.9	10.6	30.8	57.2	0.6	1.7	3.2
Employment part-time	473.8	475.6	14.4	1.8	6.8	-10.5	0.4	1.5	-2.2
Unemployment	148.5	156.3	8.2	7.8	23.1	3.2	5.3	17.3	2.1
Participation rate	63.3	63.7	0.3	0.4	0.9	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.3	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	59.7	0.3	0.2	0.4	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 4-1
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Newfoundland and Labrador

	August 2015	September 2015	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	442.3	442.5	...	0.2	-0.8	-1.0	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	270.7	272.9	2.0	2.2	4.2	1.6	0.8	1.6	0.6
Employment	239.6	235.9	2.1	-3.7	-1.2	-1.8	-1.5	-0.5	-0.8
Employment full-time	204.3	199.9	2.7	-4.4	-3.7	-0.3	-2.2	-1.8	-0.1
Unemployment	31.1	37.0	2.0	5.9	5.4	3.4	19.0	17.1	10.1
Participation rate	61.2	61.7	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.5	13.6	0.7	2.1	1.8	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.2	53.3	0.5	-0.9	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	14.7	15.3	0.9	0.5	1.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	55.8	55.8	...	0.0	-1.5	-2.0	0.0	-2.6	-3.5
Labour force	36.2	37.6	1.0	1.4	1.8	2.0	3.9	5.0	5.6
Employment	30.3	30.0	0.9	-0.3	-0.1	-0.5	-1.0	-0.3	-1.6
Unemployment	5.9	7.6	0.9	1.7	1.9	2.5	28.8	33.3	49.0
Participation rate	64.9	67.4	1.8	2.5	4.9	5.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.3	20.2	2.3	3.9	4.3	5.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.3	53.8	1.6	-0.5	1.3	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.6	46.0	3.6	4.4	5.1	2.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	188.4	188.5	...	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.3
Labour force	124.8	124.9	1.2	0.1	1.5	-0.2	0.1	1.2	-0.2
Employment	108.2	105.8	1.4	-2.4	-1.7	-0.6	-2.2	-1.6	-0.6
Unemployment	16.6	19.1	1.4	2.5	3.1	0.4	15.1	19.4	2.1
Participation rate	66.2	66.3	0.6	0.1	0.7	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.3	15.3	1.1	2.0	2.3	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	56.1	0.7	-1.3	-1.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.2	5.4	0.9	0.2	0.9	-1.5	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	198.1	198.2	...	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.3
Labour force	109.6	110.4	1.1	0.8	0.9	-0.2	0.7	0.8	-0.2
Employment	101.1	100.1	1.1	-1.0	0.6	-0.7	-1.0	0.6	-0.7
Unemployment	8.5	10.3	1.0	1.8	0.3	0.5	21.2	3.0	5.1
Participation rate	55.3	55.7	0.6	0.4	0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	9.3	0.9	1.5	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.0	50.5	0.6	-0.5	0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.9	16.5	1.4	-0.4	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Industry									
	239.6	235.9	2.1	-3.7	-1.2	-1.8	-1.5	-0.5	-0.8
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	57.7	52.9	1.5	-4.8	-3.4	-1.4	-8.3	-6.0	-2.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	0.8	0.6	0.4	-0.2	-1.0	-0.8	-25.0	-62.5	-57.1
Utilities	17.6	16.7	0.8	-0.9	-0.5	-0.2	-5.1	-2.9	-1.2
Construction	2.4	2.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.8	-0.5	-8.3	-26.7	-18.5
Manufacturing	24.4	22.8	1.0	-1.6	-0.8	-0.5	-6.6	-3.4	-2.1
	12.6	10.5	0.7	-2.1	-0.4	0.6	-16.7	-3.7	6.1
Services-producing sector									
Trade	181.9	183.1	1.8	1.2	2.3	-0.3	0.7	1.3	-0.2
Transportation and warehousing	40.6	43.6	1.0	3.0	4.4	4.6	7.4	11.2	11.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	11.1	10.5	0.6	-0.6	0.7	-1.5	-5.4	7.1	-12.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	8.0	9.3	0.4	1.3	1.3	0.9	16.2	16.2	10.7
Business, building and other support services	11.4	10.7	0.5	-0.7	-0.1	-0.7	-6.1	-0.9	-6.1
Educational services	7.4	7.5	0.5	0.1	0.6	0.9	1.4	8.7	13.6
Health care and social assistance	13.8	13.9	0.6	0.1	-2.8	-3.4	0.7	-16.8	-19.7
Information, culture and recreation	38.4	37.2	0.8	-1.2	-0.3	-0.2	-3.1	-0.8	-0.5
Accommodation and food services	7.4	7.4	0.6	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-1.3
Other services	15.7	15.0	0.8	-0.7	-0.9	-0.9	-4.5	-5.7	-5.7
Public administration	12.7	12.7	0.6	0.0	0.6	1.5	0.0	5.0	13.4
	15.4	15.3	0.6	-0.1	-1.2	-1.5	-0.6	-7.3	-8.9

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	121.0	...	-0.1	0.3	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force	80.9	81.3	0.6	0.4	-0.9	-0.7	0.5	-1.1	-0.9
Employment	72.2	73.7	0.6	1.5	0.6	-0.4	2.1	0.8	-0.5
Employment full-time	59.5	62.2	0.9	2.7	0.2	-0.4	4.5	0.3	-0.6
Unemployment	8.7	7.6	0.6	-1.1	-1.5	-0.3	-12.6	-16.5	-3.8
Participation rate	66.8	67.2	0.5	0.4	-0.9	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	9.3	0.7	-1.5	-1.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.6	60.9	0.5	1.3	0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.5	15.7	1.0	-1.7	0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	18.2	18.2	...	0.0	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	-1.6	-1.6
Labour force	12.1	13.1	0.3	1.0	0.7	0.3	8.3	5.6	2.3
Employment	10.2	11.5	0.4	1.3	1.3	0.4	12.7	12.7	3.6
Unemployment	1.9	1.6	0.3	-0.3	-0.7	-0.1	-15.8	-30.4	-5.9
Participation rate	66.5	72.0	1.8	5.5	5.0	2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.7	12.2	2.4	-3.5	-6.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	63.2	1.9	7.2	8.1	3.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.2	34.8	3.6	-7.4	-10.3	-6.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	49.2	49.3	...	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.8
Labour force	35.2	35.0	0.3	-0.2	-0.7	-0.4	-0.6	-2.0	-1.1
Employment	31.8	32.0	0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	0.6	-0.3	-0.6
Unemployment	3.5	3.0	0.4	-0.5	-0.6	-0.1	-14.3	-16.7	-3.2
Participation rate	71.5	71.0	0.7	-0.5	-1.9	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.9	8.6	1.0	-1.3	-1.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	64.9	0.8	0.3	-0.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.1	8.4	1.0	-0.7	3.5	3.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	53.6	53.6	...	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.6	0.8
Labour force	33.6	33.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.8	-0.5	-0.9	-2.3	-1.5
Employment	30.2	30.2	0.4	0.0	-0.6	-0.6	0.0	-1.9	-1.9
Unemployment	3.4	3.1	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	-8.8	-3.1	3.3
Participation rate	62.7	62.1	0.6	-0.6	-1.9	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.1	9.3	1.0	-0.8	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	56.3	0.7	0.0	-1.5	-1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.9	15.9	1.6	-2.0	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Industry	72.2	73.7	0.6	1.5	0.6	-0.4	2.1	0.8	-0.5
Goods-producing sector	16.7	17.1	0.4	0.4	-0.2	-1.3	2.4	-1.2	-7.1
Agriculture	2.9	3.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.8	10.3	10.3	-20.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	2.6	2.5	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.0	-3.8	8.7	0.0
Utilities	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	33.3	100.0
Construction	5.5	5.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.6	-1.8	-3.6	-10.0
Manufacturing	5.5	5.5	0.2	0.0	-0.7	-0.3	0.0	-11.3	-5.2
Services-producing sector	55.5	56.6	0.6	1.1	0.8	0.9	2.0	1.4	1.6
Trade	10.9	11.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	2.8	1.8	1.8
Transportation and warehousing	2.3	2.4	0.2	0.1	-0.7	-0.6	4.3	-22.6	-20.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.6	2.5	0.1	-0.1	0.3	0.4	-3.8	13.6	19.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	3.1	3.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	6.9	3.3
Business, building and other support services	2.3	2.5	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.2	8.7	-7.4	8.7
Educational services	5.2	5.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	3.8	1.9	1.9
Health care and social assistance	10.1	10.2	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1	1.0	3.0	1.0
Information, culture and recreation	2.3	2.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-4.3	-8.3	-15.4
Accommodation and food services	6.0	6.8	0.3	0.8	1.2	1.1	13.3	21.4	19.3
Other services	3.4	3.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.5	-8.8	-13.9	-13.9
Public administration	7.2	7.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	2.8	2.8	5.7

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	786.1	786.4	...	0.3	2.3	2.9	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	488.6	495.0	2.6	6.4	2.9	6.0	1.3	0.6	1.2
Employment	447.7	451.1	2.7	3.4	0.1	3.7	0.8	0.0	0.8
Employment full-time	370.1	371.0	3.8	0.9	2.0	3.9	0.2	0.5	1.1
Unemployment	40.9	44.0	2.4	3.1	2.9	2.4	7.6	7.1	5.8
Participation rate	62.2	62.9	0.3	0.7	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.9	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	57.4	0.3	0.4	-0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.3	17.7	0.7	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	111.2	111.1	...	-0.1	-1.7	-2.2	-0.1	-1.5	-1.9
Labour force	71.8	73.4	1.6	1.6	-0.1	0.4	2.2	-0.1	0.5
Employment	61.6	61.3	1.4	-0.3	-1.4	0.7	-0.5	-2.2	1.2
Unemployment	10.2	12.1	1.5	1.9	1.3	-0.3	18.6	12.0	-2.4
Participation rate	64.6	66.1	1.4	1.5	0.9	1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.2	16.5	1.8	2.3	1.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.4	55.2	1.3	-0.2	-0.4	1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.0	45.0	2.9	0.1	-0.7	2.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	323.1	323.4	...	0.3	2.2	2.7	0.1	0.7	0.8
Labour force	213.5	217.0	1.5	3.5	3.4	3.6	1.6	1.6	1.7
Employment	195.6	196.9	1.7	1.3	-0.1	0.1	0.7	-0.1	0.1
Unemployment	17.9	20.1	1.5	2.2	3.5	3.5	12.3	21.1	21.1
Participation rate	66.1	67.1	0.5	1.0	0.6	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	9.3	0.7	0.9	1.5	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.9	0.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.7	7.5	0.8	-1.3	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	351.7	352.0	...	0.3	2.0	2.5	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	203.3	204.6	1.4	1.3	-0.4	2.0	0.6	-0.2	1.0
Employment	190.6	192.8	1.4	2.2	1.5	2.9	1.2	0.8	1.5
Unemployment	12.7	11.8	1.2	-0.9	-1.9	-0.8	-7.1	-13.9	-6.3
Participation rate	57.8	58.1	0.4	0.3	-0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	5.8	0.6	-0.4	-0.9	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.2	54.8	0.4	0.6	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.3	19.6	1.2	2.3	0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	447.7	451.1	2.7	3.4	0.1	3.7	0.8	0.0	0.8
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	83.8	82.3	1.7	-1.5	0.7	-1.6	-1.8	0.9	-1.9
Agriculture	5.4	5.5	0.6	0.1	0.9	0.7	1.9	19.6	14.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	13.0	11.9	1.0	-1.1	-0.7	-0.5	-8.5	-5.6	-4.0
Utilities	3.3	3.4	0.3	0.1	-0.6	-0.2	3.0	-15.0	-5.6
Construction	34.4	32.6	1.1	-1.8	1.0	-1.1	-5.2	3.2	-3.3
Manufacturing	27.6	29.0	0.9	1.4	0.2	-0.4	5.1	0.7	-1.4
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	364.0	368.8	2.5	4.8	-0.6	5.3	1.3	-0.2	1.5
Trade	72.3	71.8	1.3	-0.5	-2.7	-2.3	-0.7	-3.6	-3.1
Transportation and warehousing	21.2	21.2	0.8	0.0	-1.4	0.8	0.0	-6.2	3.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	24.0	23.2	0.7	-0.8	0.2	1.9	-3.3	0.9	8.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	29.0	29.1	0.8	0.1	2.9	1.8	0.3	11.1	6.6
Business, building and other support services	20.2	20.3	0.8	0.1	1.6	1.5	0.5	8.6	8.0
Educational services	34.7	36.0	1.1	1.3	0.2	1.4	3.7	0.6	4.0
Health care and social assistance	73.6	75.5	1.0	1.9	5.0	5.5	2.6	7.1	7.9
Information, culture and recreation	17.4	17.0	0.8	-0.4	-3.0	-2.7	-2.3	-15.0	-13.7
Accommodation and food services	28.8	29.0	1.1	0.2	-3.7	-2.7	0.7	-11.3	-8.5
Other services	16.6	17.9	0.8	1.3	0.1	-0.4	7.8	0.6	-2.2
Public administration	26.1	27.8	0.7	1.7	0.3	0.7	6.5	1.1	2.6

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	621.8	621.8	...	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Labour force	389.3	385.3	2.2	-4.0	-4.9	-8.3	-1.0	-1.3	-2.1
Employment	349.9	351.4	2.3	1.5	0.2	-2.6	0.4	0.1	-0.7
Employment full-time	295.6	297.3	3.1	1.7	1.8	-2.5	0.6	0.6	-0.8
Unemployment	39.4	34.0	2.1	-5.4	-5.0	-5.7	-13.7	-12.8	-14.4
Participation rate	62.6	62.0	0.4	-0.6	-0.8	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.1	8.8	0.5	-1.3	-1.2	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	56.5	0.4	0.2	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.5	15.4	0.8	-0.1	-0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	84.3	84.1	...	-0.2	-1.3	-1.6	-0.2	-1.5	-1.9
Labour force	53.9	52.3	1.3	-1.6	-0.9	-2.8	-3.0	-1.7	-5.1
Employment	44.5	42.2	1.1	-2.3	-1.4	-1.1	-5.2	-3.2	-2.5
Unemployment	9.4	10.1	1.1	0.7	0.6	-1.8	7.4	6.3	-15.1
Participation rate	63.9	62.2	1.5	-1.7	-0.1	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.4	19.3	1.9	1.9	1.4	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.8	50.2	1.3	-2.6	-0.9	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.8	39.6	3.0	-0.2	-4.0	-3.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	260.3	260.4	...	0.1	0.6	0.9	0.0	0.2	0.3
Labour force	173.5	172.3	1.3	-1.2	-3.5	-4.5	-0.7	-2.0	-2.5
Employment	154.8	155.7	1.5	0.9	-1.4	-3.8	0.6	-0.9	-2.4
Unemployment	18.7	16.6	1.5	-2.1	-2.1	-0.7	-11.2	-11.2	-4.0
Participation rate	66.7	66.2	0.5	-0.5	-1.5	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	9.6	0.8	-1.2	-1.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	59.8	0.6	0.3	-0.7	-1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.2	7.8	0.8	0.6	1.1	1.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	277.2	277.3	...	0.1	0.7	1.0	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	161.8	160.8	1.2	-1.0	-0.4	-0.9	-0.6	-0.2	-0.6
Employment	150.6	153.5	1.3	2.9	3.0	2.3	1.9	2.0	1.5
Unemployment	11.2	7.3	1.1	-3.9	-3.4	-3.2	-34.8	-31.8	-30.5
Participation rate	58.4	58.0	0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	4.5	0.7	-2.4	-2.1	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.3	55.4	0.5	1.1	1.0	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.9	16.4	1.2	-0.4	-0.9	-0.1	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	349.9	351.4	2.3	1.5	0.2	-2.6	0.4	0.1	-0.7
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	73.4	71.0	1.6	-2.4	-3.1	-5.1	-3.3	-4.2	-6.7
Agriculture	4.4	4.0	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2	-9.1	-2.4	-4.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	10.9	11.4	0.8	0.5	0.4	-0.8	4.6	3.6	-6.6
Utilities	3.4	3.6	0.2	0.2	0.1	-0.1	5.9	2.9	-2.7
Construction	24.7	23.6	1.1	-1.1	-2.9	-3.9	-4.5	-10.9	-14.2
Manufacturing	30.0	28.5	0.8	-1.5	-0.6	0.1	-5.0	-2.1	0.4
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	276.5	280.3	2.1	3.8	3.2	2.4	1.4	1.2	0.9
Trade	54.4	56.8	1.1	2.4	2.3	1.3	4.4	4.2	2.3
Transportation and warehousing	18.6	19.9	0.6	1.3	2.9	4.1	7.0	17.1	25.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	14.4	14.6	0.5	0.2	-0.4	0.7	1.4	-2.7	5.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	16.1	16.3	0.6	0.2	-2.0	-2.3	1.2	-10.9	-12.4
Business, building and other support services	17.9	17.8	0.9	-0.1	-2.5	-3.2	-0.6	-12.3	-15.2
Educational services	27.5	27.0	0.8	-0.5	-0.1	0.1	-1.8	-0.4	0.4
Health care and social assistance	51.5	53.0	0.9	1.5	2.5	0.4	2.9	5.0	0.8
Information, culture and recreation	11.5	12.7	0.7	1.2	1.1	2.3	10.4	9.5	22.1
Accommodation and food services	25.3	22.8	0.8	-2.5	0.6	-0.6	-9.9	2.7	-2.6
Other services	15.3	15.8	0.6	0.5	-0.5	-0.3	3.3	-3.1	-1.9
Public administration	23.9	23.5	0.7	-0.4	-0.9	-0.2	-1.7	-3.7	-0.8

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.

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	6,848.6	6,853.2	...	4.6	30.9	39.0	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	4,451.1	4,451.1	14.8	0.0	61.6	48.1	0.0	1.4	1.1
Employment	4,095.2	4,106.3	14.8	11.1	45.2	46.7	0.3	1.1	1.2
Employment full-time	3,292.8	3,301.1	21.4	8.3	39.4	66.4	0.3	1.2	2.1
Unemployment	355.9	344.7	13.2	-11.2	16.3	1.3	-3.1	5.0	0.4
Participation rate	65.0	64.9	0.2	-0.1	0.6	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	7.7	0.3	-0.3	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	59.9	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.6	19.6	0.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	956.3	954.2	...	-2.1	-17.0	-22.0	-0.2	-1.8	-2.3
Labour force	649.3	665.8	8.3	16.5	11.0	-11.4	2.5	1.7	-1.7
Employment	562.5	583.9	8.0	21.4	20.5	6.6	3.8	3.6	1.1
Unemployment	86.8	81.9	7.5	-4.9	-9.6	-17.9	-5.6	-10.5	-17.9
Participation rate	67.9	69.8	0.9	1.9	2.4	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.4	12.3	1.1	-1.1	-1.7	-2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.8	61.2	0.8	2.4	3.2	2.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	55.7	54.4	1.7	-1.3	0.6	1.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,906.6	2,909.8	...	3.2	24.3	30.8	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	2,027.2	2,021.0	8.3	-6.2	38.4	48.2	-0.3	1.9	2.4
Employment	1,868.1	1,862.8	9.0	-5.3	15.1	37.3	-0.3	0.8	2.0
Unemployment	159.1	158.2	8.3	-0.9	23.2	10.9	-0.6	17.2	7.4
Participation rate	69.7	69.5	0.3	-0.2	0.8	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	7.8	0.4	0.0	1.0	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.3	64.0	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.3	8.7	0.6	0.4	0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,985.7	2,989.2	...	3.5	23.6	30.2	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	1,774.6	1,764.3	8.3	-10.3	12.2	11.2	-0.6	0.7	0.6
Employment	1,664.7	1,659.6	8.1	-5.1	9.5	2.8	-0.3	0.6	0.2
Unemployment	109.9	104.7	6.9	-5.2	2.7	8.4	-4.7	2.6	8.7
Participation rate	59.4	59.0	0.3	-0.4	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	5.9	0.4	-0.3	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	55.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.0	19.6	0.8	-0.5	-1.2	-1.9	...	...	...
Industry									
Goods-producing sector	4,095.2	4,106.3	14.8	11.1	45.2	46.7	0.3	1.1	1.2
Agriculture	831.7	829.0	8.5	-2.7	-39.8	-30.3	-0.3	-4.6	-3.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	52.4	56.8	2.6	4.4	1.1	2.7	8.4	2.0	5.0
Utilities	30.8	30.7	2.0	-0.1	-2.6	0.6	-0.3	-7.8	2.0
Construction	31.1	26.6	1.3	-4.5	-3.4	-2.6	-14.5	-11.3	-8.9
Manufacturing	229.7	221.2	5.7	-8.5	-49.8	-33.7	-3.7	-18.4	-13.2
Services-producing sector	487.6	493.7	5.9	6.1	14.8	2.8	1.3	3.1	0.6
Trade	3,263.5	3,277.3	13.9	13.8	85.0	76.9	0.4	2.7	2.4
Transportation and warehousing	669.9	664.5	7.2	-5.4	13.9	16.1	-0.8	2.1	2.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	202.1	198.7	3.9	-3.4	12.9	16.8	-1.7	6.9	9.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	211.8	209.7	3.9	-2.1	-4.7	-9.2	-1.0	-2.2	-4.2
Business, building and other support services	319.3	320.8	5.2	1.5	26.1	23.8	0.5	8.9	8.0
Educational services	171.5	169.5	4.8	-2.0	7.7	6.7	-1.2	4.8	4.1
Health care and social assistance	279.3	265.1	5.1	-14.2	-9.1	-8.4	-5.1	-3.3	-3.1
Information, culture and recreation	573.1	579.0	5.8	5.9	14.6	1.5	1.0	2.6	0.3
Accommodation and food services	162.5	171.6	5.2	9.1	-0.9	3.9	5.6	-0.5	2.3
Other services	270.7	284.8	5.7	14.1	-0.2	13.6	5.2	-0.1	5.0
Public administration	158.5	163.4	4.2	4.9	-1.0	-12.3	3.1	-0.6	-7.0
	245.0	250.2	3.5	5.2	25.7	24.3	2.1	11.4	10.8

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2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	11,401.1	11,414.7	...	13.6	94.3	117.5	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	7,450.1	7,422.3	19.7	-27.8	15.1	1.7	-0.4	0.2	0.0
Employment	6,941.8	6,908.0	19.6	-33.8	23.0	27.1	-0.5	0.3	0.4
Employment full-time	5,675.6	5,607.9	28.3	-67.7	67.8	71.9	-1.2	1.2	1.3
Unemployment	508.4	514.3	16.9	5.9	-7.9	-25.4	1.2	-1.5	-4.7
Participation rate	65.3	65.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.9	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	60.5	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	18.8	0.4	0.6	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,796.3	1,794.8	...	-1.5	-8.1	-12.3	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7
Labour force	1,095.6	1,082.5	12.3	-13.1	-42.1	-56.1	-1.2	-3.7	-4.9
Employment	940.8	920.1	10.9	-20.7	-25.8	-25.3	-2.2	-2.7	-2.7
Unemployment	154.8	162.4	10.6	7.6	-16.3	-30.8	4.9	-9.1	-15.9
Participation rate	61.0	60.3	0.7	-0.7	-2.1	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.1	15.0	0.9	0.9	-0.9	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.4	51.3	0.6	-1.1	-1.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	50.0	49.4	1.3	-0.6	-3.4	-3.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,632.3	4,640.0	...	7.7	49.5	62.1	0.2	1.1	1.4
Labour force	3,344.1	3,340.7	10.4	-3.4	31.0	38.5	-0.1	0.9	1.2
Employment	3,151.7	3,150.9	11.1	-0.8	26.7	38.4	0.0	0.9	1.2
Unemployment	192.4	189.8	9.6	-2.6	4.3	0.1	-1.4	2.3	0.1
Participation rate	72.2	72.0	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.7	0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.0	67.9	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.4	8.1	0.4	0.7	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,972.5	4,979.9	...	7.4	52.9	67.8	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	3,010.4	2,999.0	11.0	-11.4	26.1	19.2	-0.4	0.9	0.6
Employment	2,849.2	2,836.9	10.9	-12.3	22.0	13.9	-0.4	0.8	0.5
Unemployment	161.1	162.1	8.8	1.0	4.1	5.3	0.6	2.6	3.4
Participation rate	60.5	60.2	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.4	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	57.0	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.8	20.8	0.6	1.0	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Industry	6,941.8	6,908.0	19.6	-33.8	23.0	27.1	-0.5	0.3	0.4
Goods-producing sector	1,403.1	1,400.1	10.4	-3.0	14.1	32.8	-0.2	1.0	2.4
Agriculture	76.7	75.4	2.8	-1.3	-6.6	-4.3	-1.7	-8.0	-5.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	46.9	46.2	1.9	-0.7	6.8	14.4	-1.5	17.3	45.3
Utilities	51.2	50.6	1.2	-0.6	-0.3	1.6	-1.2	-0.6	3.3
Construction	480.8	492.7	6.9	11.9	24.3	15.4	2.5	5.2	3.2
Manufacturing	747.4	735.2	7.4	-12.2	-10.1	5.8	-1.6	-1.4	0.8
Services-producing sector	5,538.6	5,507.9	18.7	-30.7	8.9	-5.7	-0.6	0.2	-0.1
Trade	1,040.2	1,020.1	9.7	-20.1	-22.5	-34.9	-1.9	-2.2	-3.3
Transportation and warehousing	320.1	323.8	5.1	3.7	7.8	10.4	1.2	2.5	3.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	549.8	554.3	6.3	4.5	31.9	42.8	0.8	6.1	8.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	591.3	575.5	7.4	-15.8	21.8	15.1	-2.7	3.9	2.7
Business, building and other support services	324.8	343.7	7.2	18.9	0.9	13.8	5.8	0.3	4.2
Educational services	531.0	506.5	7.2	-24.5	-0.2	-2.4	-4.6	0.0	-0.5
Health care and social assistance	809.5	813.3	7.0	3.8	3.2	12.3	0.5	0.4	1.5
Information, culture and recreation	314.4	316.2	6.6	1.8	-12.1	2.3	0.6	-3.7	0.7
Accommodation and food services	441.7	433.4	7.5	-8.3	-8.7	-21.7	-1.9	-2.0	-4.8
Other services	276.1	286.4	5.2	10.3	16.3	-3.7	3.7	6.0	-1.3
Public administration	339.6	334.8	4.8	-4.8	-29.4	-39.6	-1.4	-8.1	-10.6

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	988.5	989.6	...	1.1	8.1	10.4	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	673.3	674.3	2.5	1.0	4.3	9.1	0.1	0.6	1.4
Employment	635.0	639.0	2.5	4.0	5.2	10.3	0.6	0.8	1.6
Employment full-time	511.6	518.0	3.8	6.4	3.1	6.4	1.3	0.6	1.3
Unemployment	38.3	35.3	2.1	-3.0	-0.9	-1.2	-7.8	-2.5	-3.3
Participation rate	68.1	68.1	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.2	0.3	-0.5	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.2	64.6	0.3	0.4	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.4	18.9	0.6	-0.5	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	162.9	163.0	...	0.1	-0.3	-0.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	107.9	105.1	1.6	-2.8	-6.1	-8.4	-2.6	-5.5	-7.4
Employment	95.8	95.1	1.5	-0.7	-4.2	-5.0	-0.7	-4.2	-5.0
Unemployment	12.1	9.9	1.4	-2.2	-2.0	-3.6	-18.2	-16.8	-26.7
Participation rate	66.2	64.5	1.0	-1.7	-3.6	-5.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	9.4	1.2	-1.8	-1.3	-2.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.8	58.3	0.9	-0.5	-2.5	-3.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.0	42.8	1.8	-2.2	0.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	404.8	405.3	...	0.5	4.4	5.7	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	300.7	301.7	1.3	1.0	1.5	7.2	0.3	0.5	2.4
Employment	287.4	288.6	1.4	1.2	1.9	5.7	0.4	0.7	2.0
Unemployment	13.3	13.1	1.2	-0.2	-0.4	1.6	-1.5	-3.0	13.9
Participation rate	74.3	74.4	0.3	0.1	-0.5	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.3	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.0	71.2	0.3	0.2	-0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.6	7.6	0.6	0.0	-0.6	-0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	420.8	421.3	...	0.5	4.0	5.2	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	264.7	267.5	1.5	2.8	8.8	10.3	1.1	3.4	4.0
Employment	251.8	255.3	1.4	3.5	7.4	9.6	1.4	3.0	3.9
Unemployment	12.9	12.3	1.1	-0.6	1.5	0.9	-4.7	13.9	7.9
Participation rate	62.9	63.5	0.3	0.6	1.5	1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.6	0.4	-0.3	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	60.6	0.3	0.8	1.2	1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.2	22.9	0.9	-0.3	1.2	2.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Population	635.0	639.0	2.5	4.0	5.2	10.3	0.6	0.8	1.6
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	147.3	147.2	1.6	-0.1	-2.0	-4.5	-0.1	-1.3	-3.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	23.2	22.3	0.9	-0.9	-0.2	-1.3	-3.9	-0.9	-5.5
Utilities	5.1	5.7	0.4	0.6	-0.9	-1.7	11.8	-13.6	-23.0
Construction	9.1	8.6	0.3	-0.5	1.2	0.5	-5.5	16.2	6.2
Manufacturing	46.3	46.0	1.0	-0.3	-1.6	-0.7	-0.6	-3.4	-1.5
Services-producing sector									
Trade	63.6	64.5	0.9	0.9	-0.6	-1.4	1.4	-0.9	-2.1
Transportation and warehousing	487.7	491.9	2.4	4.2	7.3	14.8	0.9	1.5	3.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	90.4	92.0	1.3	1.6	-2.8	-1.3	1.8	-3.0	-1.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	39.1	38.5	0.8	-0.6	0.3	2.5	-1.5	0.8	6.9
Business, building and other support services	31.3	31.9	0.7	0.6	-2.2	-1.8	1.9	-6.5	-5.3
Educational services	26.5	25.6	0.7	-0.9	2.9	1.4	-3.4	12.8	5.8
Health care and social assistance	18.6	18.7	0.8	0.1	2.0	2.6	0.5	12.0	16.1
Information, culture and recreation	53.0	52.7	1.0	-0.3	2.6	2.6	-0.6	5.2	5.2
Accommodation and food services	100.9	103.5	1.1	2.6	3.0	3.2	2.6	3.0	3.2
Other services	22.8	22.3	0.8	-0.5	1.3	0.4	-2.2	6.2	1.8
Public administration	42.0	42.9	1.0	0.9	1.4	4.2	2.1	3.4	10.9
Public administration	30.1	29.5	0.7	-0.6	-0.2	1.1	-2.0	-0.7	3.9
Public administration	33.1	34.4	0.8	1.3	-0.8	-0.3	3.9	-2.3	-0.9

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2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	862.8	863.4	...	0.6	6.4	8.5	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	600.9	606.9	2.6	6.0	9.6	10.6	1.0	1.6	1.8
Employment	572.7	575.9	2.7	3.2	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.1
Employment full-time	466.3	469.3	3.7	3.0	-10.4	-7.2	0.6	-2.2	-1.5
Unemployment	28.2	30.9	2.0	2.7	8.6	10.2	9.6	38.6	49.3
Participation rate	69.6	70.3	0.3	0.7	0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.1	0.3	0.4	1.4	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	66.7	0.3	0.3	-0.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.6	18.5	0.6	-0.1	1.9	1.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	136.4	136.1	...	-0.3	-1.9	-2.3	-0.2	-1.4	-1.7
Labour force	91.2	93.3	1.5	2.1	0.9	-1.1	2.3	1.0	-1.2
Employment	82.0	85.2	1.5	3.2	-0.6	-3.0	3.9	-0.7	-3.4
Unemployment	9.1	8.1	1.2	-1.0	1.4	1.9	-11.0	20.9	30.6
Participation rate	66.9	68.6	1.1	1.7	1.6	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	8.7	1.2	-1.3	1.4	2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	62.6	1.1	2.5	0.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.3	37.9	2.0	-0.4	1.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	363.7	364.2	...	0.5	4.6	5.9	0.1	1.3	1.6
Labour force	276.6	279.8	1.3	3.2	3.7	4.2	1.2	1.3	1.5
Employment	265.0	265.2	1.5	0.2	-2.0	-2.5	0.1	-0.7	-0.9
Unemployment	11.6	14.6	1.1	3.0	5.7	6.6	25.9	64.0	82.5
Participation rate	76.1	76.8	0.4	0.7	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	5.2	0.4	1.0	2.0	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.9	72.8	0.4	-0.1	-1.5	-1.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.7	7.6	0.6	-0.1	1.0	0.9	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	362.7	363.1	...	0.4	3.8	4.9	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	233.1	233.7	1.5	0.6	4.9	7.4	0.3	2.1	3.3
Employment	225.7	225.5	1.5	-0.2	3.4	5.7	-0.1	1.5	2.6
Unemployment	7.5	8.2	1.0	0.7	1.5	1.7	9.3	22.4	26.2
Participation rate	64.3	64.4	0.4	0.1	0.7	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.2	3.5	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	62.1	0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.1	24.0	1.0	-0.2	3.3	2.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	572.7	575.9	2.7	3.2	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.1
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	152.7	155.4	1.9	2.7	-8.3	-9.9	1.8	-5.1	-6.0
Agriculture	39.0	40.5	1.2	1.5	-3.3	-3.4	3.8	-7.5	-7.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	25.2	25.9	0.8	0.7	-2.8	-2.7	2.8	-9.8	-9.4
Utilities	6.9	6.8	0.3	-0.1	0.4	0.6	-1.4	6.2	9.7
Construction	55.3	56.1	1.2	0.8	-1.1	-1.5	1.4	-1.9	-2.6
Manufacturing	26.3	26.1	0.8	-0.2	-1.4	-2.8	-0.8	-5.1	-9.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	420.0	420.6	2.5	0.6	9.3	10.2	0.1	2.3	2.5
Trade	84.8	85.4	1.4	0.6	2.0	0.5	0.7	2.4	0.6
Transportation and warehousing	30.4	29.5	0.8	-0.9	0.9	0.1	-3.0	3.1	0.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	30.7	30.2	0.7	-0.5	-1.4	-1.4	-1.6	-4.4	-4.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	25.1	24.8	0.8	-0.3	-1.4	-2.3	-1.2	-5.3	-8.5
Business, building and other support services	14.3	14.3	0.7	0.0	0.3	1.6	0.0	2.1	12.6
Educational services	44.3	41.9	1.1	-2.4	-2.8	-1.0	-5.4	-6.3	-2.3
Health care and social assistance	79.4	80.0	1.0	0.6	6.4	7.1	0.8	8.7	9.7
Information, culture and recreation	18.0	21.4	0.7	3.4	4.5	5.5	18.9	26.6	34.6
Accommodation and food services	39.2	39.2	1.1	0.0	2.0	2.8	0.0	5.4	7.7
Other services	27.0	26.5	0.8	-0.5	2.3	0.3	-1.9	9.5	1.1
Public administration	27.0	27.4	0.7	0.4	-3.5	-3.0	1.5	-11.3	-9.9

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	3,365.1	3,369.7	...	4.6	52.5	67.8	0.1	1.6	2.1
Labour force	2,449.5	2,475.8	10.0	26.3	62.4	81.0	1.1	2.6	3.4
Employment	2,302.9	2,315.2	10.2	12.3	15.0	31.0	0.5	0.7	1.4
Employment full-time	1,928.7	1,905.2	14.2	-23.5	-19.1	6.2	-1.2	-1.0	0.3
Unemployment	146.7	160.6	7.9	13.9	47.4	49.9	9.5	41.9	45.1
Participation rate	72.8	73.5	0.3	0.7	0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.5	0.3	0.5	1.8	1.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.4	68.7	0.3	0.3	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.2	17.7	0.5	1.5	1.4	0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	523.4	522.8	...	-0.6	-2.4	-3.0	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6
Labour force	357.0	364.0	5.5	7.0	2.6	1.6	2.0	0.7	0.4
Employment	320.1	321.1	5.4	1.0	-9.0	-4.0	0.3	-2.7	-1.2
Unemployment	36.9	42.8	4.5	5.9	11.6	5.5	16.0	37.2	14.7
Participation rate	68.2	69.6	1.0	1.4	0.8	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.3	11.8	1.2	1.5	3.2	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	61.4	1.0	0.2	-1.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.8	39.0	1.9	0.2	6.0	2.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,438.0	1,440.6	...	2.6	28.5	36.6	0.2	2.0	2.6
Labour force	1,163.9	1,168.1	5.2	4.2	36.6	36.9	0.4	3.2	3.3
Employment	1,100.2	1,101.0	5.8	0.8	10.6	9.9	0.1	1.0	0.9
Unemployment	63.7	67.2	4.7	3.5	26.1	27.1	5.5	63.5	67.6
Participation rate	80.9	81.1	0.4	0.2	1.0	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.8	0.4	0.3	2.2	2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	76.5	76.4	0.4	-0.1	-0.8	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.6	6.6	0.5	1.0	0.6	1.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,403.7	1,406.3	...	2.6	26.4	34.1	0.2	1.9	2.5
Labour force	928.6	943.7	5.8	15.1	23.2	42.4	1.6	2.5	4.7
Employment	882.6	893.1	6.0	10.5	13.5	25.1	1.2	1.5	2.9
Unemployment	46.0	50.6	4.1	4.6	9.7	17.3	10.0	23.7	52.0
Participation rate	66.2	67.1	0.4	0.9	0.4	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.4	0.4	0.4	1.0	1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	63.5	0.4	0.6	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.4	23.8	1.0	2.4	0.9	0.1	...	...	...
Industry									
	2,302.9	2,315.2	10.2	12.3	15.0	31.0	0.5	0.7	1.4
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	632.4	638.8	6.9	6.4	-24.4	-25.0	1.0	-3.7	-3.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	62.7	61.8	3.2	-0.9	-1.2	7.2	-1.4	-1.9	13.2
Utilities	156.2	157.4	3.6	1.2	-15.5	-27.8	0.8	-9.0	-15.0
Construction	20.3	20.4	1.0	0.1	2.3	3.9	0.5	12.7	23.6
Manufacturing	258.0	260.7	4.8	2.7	-2.8	2.5	1.0	-1.1	1.0
	135.3	138.5	3.1	3.2	-7.1	-10.9	2.4	-4.9	-7.3
Services-producing sector									
Trade	1,670.4	1,676.4	9.3	6.0	39.4	56.1	0.4	2.4	3.5
Transportation and warehousing	323.6	330.0	4.8	6.4	18.0	16.6	2.0	5.8	5.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	138.3	131.8	3.3	-6.5	-10.4	1.5	-4.7	-7.3	1.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	107.9	102.8	2.6	-5.1	-1.2	-1.1	-4.7	-1.2	-1.1
Business, building and other support services	171.7	174.1	3.3	2.4	-8.3	-11.4	1.4	-4.6	-6.1
Educational services	81.3	86.4	3.1	5.1	6.3	6.6	6.3	7.9	8.3
Health care and social assistance	136.9	141.1	3.3	4.2	8.9	8.1	3.1	6.7	6.1
Information, culture and recreation	266.3	266.6	3.7	0.3	13.8	19.1	0.1	5.5	7.7
Accommodation and food services	75.8	79.5	2.8	3.7	7.4	7.6	4.9	10.3	10.6
Other services	155.1	150.5	4.1	-4.6	-4.3	3.2	-3.0	-2.8	2.2
Public administration	114.2	116.6	3.4	2.4	-4.2	-6.0	2.1	-3.5	-4.9
	99.4	97.0	2.1	-2.4	13.6	11.9	-2.4	16.3	14.0

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	3,884.1	3,889.9	...	5.8	41.5	51.0	0.1	1.1	1.3
Labour force	2,457.6	2,477.7	10.1	20.1	60.6	49.8	0.8	2.5	2.1
Employment	2,309.1	2,321.5	10.1	12.4	37.6	46.7	0.5	1.6	2.1
Employment full-time	1,835.3	1,845.9	14.9	10.6	30.8	57.2	0.6	1.7	3.2
Unemployment	148.5	156.3	8.2	7.8	23.1	3.2	5.3	17.3	2.1
Participation rate	63.3	63.7	0.3	0.4	0.9	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.3	0.3	0.3	0.8	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	59.7	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.5	20.5	0.6	0.0	0.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	583.8	584.2	...	0.4	3.7	3.4	0.1	0.6	0.6
Labour force	357.8	360.5	5.9	2.7	4.0	-1.5	0.8	1.1	-0.4
Employment	313.0	311.9	5.6	-1.1	-5.9	1.6	-0.4	-1.9	0.5
Unemployment	44.9	48.6	4.9	3.7	9.8	-3.1	8.2	25.3	-6.0
Participation rate	61.3	61.7	1.0	0.4	0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.5	13.5	1.3	1.0	2.6	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.6	53.4	1.0	-0.2	-1.3	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.8	46.9	2.2	1.0	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,610.6	1,613.2	...	2.6	18.2	22.6	0.2	1.1	1.4
Labour force	1,110.0	1,119.8	5.4	9.8	36.6	30.7	0.9	3.4	2.8
Employment	1,052.9	1,062.8	5.7	9.9	29.2	30.9	0.9	2.8	3.0
Unemployment	57.1	56.9	4.7	-0.2	7.4	-0.3	-0.4	14.9	-0.5
Participation rate	68.9	69.4	0.3	0.5	1.5	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.1	0.4	0.0	0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.9	0.4	0.5	1.1	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.3	7.5	0.7	-0.8	-1.3	-2.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,689.7	1,692.5	...	2.8	19.6	25.0	0.2	1.2	1.5
Labour force	989.7	997.4	5.9	7.7	20.0	20.6	0.8	2.0	2.1
Employment	943.2	946.7	5.9	3.5	14.3	14.2	0.4	1.5	1.5
Unemployment	46.5	50.7	4.5	4.2	5.8	6.4	9.0	12.9	14.4
Participation rate	58.6	58.9	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.1	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	55.9	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	25.7	26.4	1.0	0.6	1.8	0.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	2,309.1	2,321.5	10.1	12.4	37.6	46.7	0.5	1.6	2.1
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	452.8	467.6	5.9	14.8	18.6	23.0	3.3	4.1	5.2
Agriculture	19.9	22.3	2.4	2.4	-0.5	-0.8	12.1	-2.2	-3.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction ²	49.8	48.4	2.5	-1.4	-3.1	-2.2	-2.8	-6.0	-4.3
Utilities	13.4	13.6	1.0	0.2	-1.1	1.4	1.5	-7.5	11.5
Construction	200.2	208.4	4.1	8.2	12.1	13.1	4.1	6.2	6.7
Manufacturing	169.5	175.0	3.3	5.5	11.4	11.6	3.2	7.0	7.1
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	1,856.3	1,853.8	9.7	-2.5	18.9	23.7	-0.1	1.0	1.3
Trade	351.4	357.0	5.1	5.6	3.0	-0.3	1.6	0.8	-0.1
Transportation and warehousing	140.2	138.2	3.3	-2.0	-2.2	1.3	-1.4	-1.6	0.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	130.0	126.1	3.1	-3.9	-11.1	-10.3	-3.0	-8.1	-7.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	191.7	184.4	3.8	-7.3	-2.1	7.0	-3.8	-1.1	3.9
Business, building and other support services	97.7	94.4	3.2	-3.3	8.0	8.9	-3.4	9.3	10.4
Educational services	168.7	162.6	3.7	-6.1	-1.7	-3.0	-3.6	-1.0	-1.8
Health care and social assistance	295.0	293.9	3.8	-1.1	22.6	26.8	-0.4	8.3	10.0
Information, culture and recreation	109.1	118.2	3.6	9.1	7.6	12.1	8.3	6.9	11.4
Accommodation and food services	175.8	177.0	4.9	1.2	-2.8	-12.2	0.7	-1.6	-6.4
Other services	101.0	104.1	3.0	3.1	-4.1	-2.3	3.1	-3.8	-2.2
Public administration	95.6	97.8	2.2	2.2	1.5	-4.6	2.3	1.6	-4.5

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	178.6	178.8	...	0.2	1.4	1.7	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	123.4	123.6	0.9	0.2	-0.8	0.0	0.2	-0.6	0.0
Employment	115.6	115.5	1.0	-0.1	-2.0	-0.2	-0.1	-1.7	-0.2
Unemployment	7.8	8.0	0.5	0.2	1.0	0.1	2.6	14.3	1.3
Participation rate	69.1	69.1	0.5	0.0	-1.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.7	64.6	0.5	-0.1	-1.6	-0.7	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	348.9	349.4	...	0.5	3.7	5.0	0.1	1.1	1.5
Labour force	238.2	240.7	1.4	2.5	-2.2	4.3	1.0	-0.9	1.8
Employment	224.6	226.7	1.4	2.1	-1.1	4.8	0.9	-0.5	2.2
Unemployment	13.6	14.1	0.7	0.5	-0.9	-0.4	3.7	-6.0	-2.8
Participation rate	68.3	68.9	0.4	0.6	-1.4	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.9	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	64.9	0.4	0.5	-1.0	0.5	...	...	...
Moncton, New Brunswick									
Population	123.8	123.9	...	0.1	1.2	1.7	0.1	1.0	1.4
Labour force	84.4	84.0	0.9	-0.4	3.7	3.8	-0.5	4.6	4.7
Employment	78.0	78.2	0.9	0.2	3.5	3.6	0.3	4.7	4.8
Unemployment	6.4	5.8	0.4	-0.6	0.3	0.2	-9.4	5.5	3.6
Participation rate	68.2	67.8	0.7	-0.4	2.4	2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	6.9	0.5	-0.7	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.0	63.1	0.7	0.1	2.2	2.1	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	105.5	105.4	...	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3
Labour force	71.0	71.0	0.8	0.0	0.5	2.1	0.0	0.7	3.0
Employment	64.8	65.0	0.8	0.2	0.2	1.5	0.3	0.3	2.4
Unemployment	6.2	6.0	0.4	-0.2	0.3	0.6	-3.2	5.3	11.1
Participation rate	67.3	67.4	0.7	0.1	0.6	2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.5	0.6	-0.2	0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	61.7	0.8	0.3	0.3	1.6	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	135.1	135.1	...	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	79.1	79.6	1.0	0.5	-8.1	-5.7	0.6	-9.2	-6.7
Employment	72.5	72.8	1.0	0.3	-6.3	-4.2	0.4	-8.0	-5.5
Unemployment	6.5	6.8	0.4	0.3	-1.8	-1.5	4.6	-20.9	-18.1
Participation rate	58.5	58.9	0.8	0.4	-5.9	-4.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	8.5	0.5	0.3	-1.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.7	53.9	0.7	0.2	-4.6	-3.0	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	670.2	670.7	...	0.5	3.4	4.3	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	468.3	467.9	4.2	-0.4	17.9	7.8	-0.1	4.0	1.7
Employment	445.3	445.0	4.3	-0.3	19.4	11.0	-0.1	4.6	2.5
Unemployment	23.0	22.9	1.6	-0.1	-1.5	-3.2	-0.4	-6.1	-12.3
Participation rate	69.9	69.8	0.6	-0.1	2.4	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	0.4	0.0	-0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	66.3	0.6	-0.1	2.5	1.2	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	179.4	179.6	...	0.2	1.4	1.8	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	115.8	114.5	1.2	-1.3	4.3	4.5	-1.1	3.9	4.1
Employment	107.5	106.7	1.2	-0.8	4.6	4.3	-0.7	4.5	4.2
Unemployment	8.3	7.8	0.5	-0.5	-0.4	0.2	-6.0	-4.9	2.6
Participation rate	64.5	63.8	0.7	-0.7	2.0	1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	6.8	0.4	-0.4	-0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	59.4	0.7	-0.5	2.1	1.8	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	132.7	132.8	...	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force	77.0	78.6	1.0	1.6	2.6	1.5	2.1	3.4	1.9
Employment	71.7	73.2	1.0	1.5	2.1	0.7	2.1	3.0	1.0
Unemployment	5.3	5.4	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.8	1.9	8.0	17.4
Participation rate	58.0	59.2	0.7	1.2	1.9	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.9	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.0	55.1	0.7	1.1	1.5	0.4	...	...	...
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	3,355.4	3,358.3	...	2.9	22.8	29.0	0.1	0.7	0.9
Labour force	2,241.6	2,242.6	8.4	1.0	37.8	37.8	0.0	1.7	1.7
Employment	2,041.7	2,047.7	8.6	6.0	21.1	30.4	0.3	1.0	1.5
Unemployment	199.9	194.9	4.9	-5.0	16.7	7.4	-2.5	9.4	3.9
Participation rate	66.8	66.8	0.3	0.0	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.7	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	61.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	1,098.2	1,099.2	...	1.0	8.9	11.9	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	760.8	762.9	4.6	2.1	3.1	1.6	0.3	0.4	0.2
Employment	711.6	714.8	4.8	3.2	2.3	6.2	0.4	0.3	0.9
Unemployment	49.3	48.1	2.1	-1.2	0.8	-4.6	-2.4	1.7	-8.7
Participation rate	69.3	69.4	0.4	0.1	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.3	0.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.8	65.0	0.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	272.6	272.7	...	0.1	1.2	1.8	0.0	0.4	0.7
Labour force	195.7	197.9	1.6	2.2	12.9	11.5	1.1	7.0	6.2
Employment	182.4	184.6	1.6	2.2	12.8	12.4	1.2	7.5	7.2
Unemployment	13.3	13.3	0.8	0.0	0.1	-0.8	0.0	0.8	-5.7
Participation rate	71.8	72.6	0.6	0.8	4.5	3.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.7	0.4	-0.1	-0.4	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.9	67.7	0.6	0.8	4.4	4.1	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	825.6	826.5	...	0.9	7.7	10.1	0.1	0.9	1.2
Labour force	565.1	565.0	4.3	-0.1	-9.8	-9.9	0.0	-1.7	-1.7
Employment	529.2	530.2	4.5	1.0	-10.5	-6.2	0.2	-1.9	-1.2
Unemployment	35.9	34.8	1.9	-1.1	0.7	-3.7	-3.1	2.1	-9.6
Participation rate	68.4	68.4	0.5	0.0	-1.8	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.2	0.3	-0.2	0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.1	64.2	0.6	0.1	-1.8	-1.5	...	...	...
Kingston, Ontario									
Population	138.5	138.6	...	0.1	1.0	1.1	0.1	0.7	0.8
Labour force	90.0	90.3	0.9	0.3	5.1	2.8	0.3	6.0	3.2
Employment	83.8	83.9	0.9	0.1	4.5	3.1	0.1	5.7	3.8
Unemployment	6.2	6.4	0.4	0.2	0.7	-0.3	3.2	12.3	-4.5
Participation rate	65.0	65.2	0.7	0.2	3.3	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.1	0.4	0.2	0.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.5	0.6	0.0	2.8	1.7	...	...	...
Peterborough, Ontario									
Population	104.4	104.4	...	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.3
Labour force	68.8	67.1	1.2	-1.7	-1.0	-1.2	-2.5	-1.5	-1.8
Employment	63.9	61.7	1.2	-2.2	-1.7	-1.3	-3.4	-2.7	-2.1
Unemployment	4.9	5.4	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.1	10.2	14.9	1.9
Participation rate	65.9	64.3	1.1	-1.6	-1.1	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	8.0	0.9	0.9	1.1	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	59.1	1.2	-2.1	-1.7	-1.4	...	...	...

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	321.7	322.2	...	0.5	3.9	5.2	0.2	1.2	1.6
Labour force	202.4	202.5	1.8	0.1	-19.8	-17.5	0.0	-8.9	-8.0
Employment	186.9	185.9	1.9	-1.0	-21.1	-17.5	-0.5	-10.2	-8.6
Unemployment	15.5	16.6	0.9	1.1	1.3	-0.1	7.1	8.5	-0.6
Participation rate	62.9	62.8	0.6	-0.1	-7.0	-6.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	8.2	0.4	0.5	1.3	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.1	57.7	0.6	-0.4	-7.3	-6.5	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	5,109.4	5,117.4	...	8.0	64.2	82.5	0.2	1.3	1.6
Labour force	3,445.9	3,454.7	11.5	8.8	116.1	114.9	0.3	3.5	3.4
Employment	3,213.7	3,216.2	11.6	2.5	143.6	153.2	0.1	4.7	5.0
Unemployment	232.2	238.6	6.5	6.4	-27.4	-38.2	2.8	-10.3	-13.8
Participation rate	67.4	67.5	0.2	0.1	1.4	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.9	0.2	0.2	-1.1	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	62.8	0.2	-0.1	2.0	2.0	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	642.9	643.5	...	0.6	4.8	6.3	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	414.3	413.9	3.6	-0.4	11.8	3.9	-0.1	2.9	1.0
Employment	392.9	392.1	3.7	-0.8	11.7	6.1	-0.2	3.1	1.6
Unemployment	21.5	21.8	1.4	0.3	0.1	-2.2	1.4	0.5	-9.2
Participation rate	64.4	64.3	0.6	-0.1	1.3	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.3	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	60.9	0.6	-0.2	1.3	0.3	...	...	...
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	343.3	343.4	...	0.1	0.8	0.9	0.0	0.2	0.3
Labour force	220.9	223.0	2.1	2.1	11.3	13.6	1.0	5.3	6.5
Employment	206.6	207.8	2.1	1.2	10.9	13.8	0.6	5.5	7.1
Unemployment	14.3	15.2	0.8	0.9	0.4	-0.2	6.3	2.7	-1.3
Participation rate	64.3	64.9	0.6	0.6	3.1	3.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.8	0.4	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	60.5	0.6	0.3	3.0	3.9	...	...	...
Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario									
Population	421.8	422.2	...	0.4	3.0	4.0	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	292.4	295.1	2.8	2.7	-12.6	-7.1	0.9	-4.1	-2.3
Employment	275.4	278.1	2.9	2.7	-11.9	-3.4	1.0	-4.1	-1.2
Unemployment	17.0	17.1	1.0	0.1	-0.7	-3.6	0.6	-3.9	-17.4
Participation rate	69.3	69.9	0.7	0.6	-3.5	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.8	0.3	0.0	0.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.3	65.9	0.7	0.6	-3.3	-1.4	...	...	...
Brantford, Ontario									
Population	111.9	112.0	...	0.1	0.7	0.8	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	72.8	72.3	0.9	-0.5	-1.9	-0.5	-0.7	-2.6	-0.7
Employment	67.7	67.7	0.9	0.0	-1.9	0.0	0.0	-2.7	0.0
Unemployment	5.1	4.6	0.4	-0.5	0.0	-0.4	-9.8	0.0	-8.0
Participation rate	65.1	64.6	0.8	-0.5	-2.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.4	0.5	-0.6	0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.4	0.8	-0.1	-2.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Guelph, Ontario									
Population	128.8	129.0	...	0.2	1.2	1.7	0.2	0.9	1.3
Labour force	92.5	92.7	1.2	0.2	2.8	3.0	0.2	3.1	3.3
Employment	89.2	89.4	1.2	0.2	4.1	5.3	0.2	4.8	6.3
Unemployment	3.4	3.3	0.4	-0.1	-1.3	-2.3	-2.9	-28.3	-41.1
Participation rate	71.8	71.9	0.9	0.1	1.6	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.7	3.6	0.5	-0.1	-1.5	-2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.3	69.3	0.9	0.0	2.6	3.2	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	422.4	422.7	...	0.3	2.7	3.5	0.1	0.6	0.8
Labour force	272.4	271.7	2.4	-0.7	6.0	8.3	-0.3	2.3	3.2
Employment	254.5	251.8	2.4	-2.7	5.6	7.9	-1.1	2.3	3.2
Unemployment	17.9	19.9	1.1	2.0	0.4	0.4	11.2	2.1	2.1
Participation rate	64.5	64.3	0.6	-0.2	1.0	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	7.3	0.4	0.7	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	59.6	0.6	-0.7	1.0	1.4	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	279.8	280.0	...	0.2	1.4	1.9	0.1	0.5	0.7
Labour force	176.4	172.8	1.8	-3.6	-2.4	1.8	-2.0	-1.4	1.1
Employment	160.5	156.0	1.8	-4.5	-2.1	0.6	-2.8	-1.3	0.4
Unemployment	15.8	16.8	1.0	1.0	-0.2	1.2	6.3	-1.2	7.7
Participation rate	63.0	61.7	0.6	-1.3	-1.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	9.7	0.6	0.7	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	55.7	0.6	-1.7	-1.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Barrie, Ontario									
Population	167.3	167.5	...	0.2	1.9	2.6	0.1	1.1	1.6
Labour force	118.1	116.7	1.4	-1.4	-4.7	-5.6	-1.2	-3.9	-4.6
Employment	110.1	108.6	1.5	-1.5	-6.5	-6.4	-1.4	-5.6	-5.6
Unemployment	8.0	8.1	0.7	0.1	1.9	0.8	1.2	30.6	11.0
Participation rate	70.6	69.7	0.9	-0.9	-3.6	-4.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.9	0.6	0.1	1.8	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	64.8	0.9	-1.0	-4.7	-4.9	...	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	139.9	140.0	...	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2
Labour force	89.4	88.1	0.8	-1.3	-1.7	0.0	-1.5	-1.9	0.0
Employment	83.1	81.7	0.9	-1.4	-2.6	-1.1	-1.7	-3.1	-1.3
Unemployment	6.3	6.4	0.4	0.1	1.0	1.1	1.6	18.5	20.8
Participation rate	63.9	62.9	0.6	-1.0	-1.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.3	0.4	0.3	1.3	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	58.4	0.6	-1.0	-1.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	104.6	104.6	...	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	61.7	61.4	0.7	-0.3	-2.6	-3.8	-0.5	-4.1	-5.8
Employment	58.7	58.3	0.7	-0.4	-2.2	-3.6	-0.7	-3.6	-5.8
Unemployment	3.1	3.1	0.3	0.0	-0.5	-0.2	0.0	-13.9	-6.1
Participation rate	59.0	58.7	0.7	-0.3	-2.4	-3.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.0	0.4	0.0	-0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.1	55.7	0.7	-0.4	-2.1	-3.4	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	653.4	654.3	...	0.9	7.2	9.4	0.1	1.1	1.5
Labour force	452.3	451.7	1.4	-0.6	11.3	14.0	-0.1	2.6	3.2
Employment	425.7	426.5	1.4	0.8	11.4	15.3	0.2	2.7	3.7
Unemployment	26.6	25.2	0.8	-1.4	-0.1	-1.3	-5.3	-0.4	-4.9
Participation rate	69.2	69.0	0.2	-0.2	0.9	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.6	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.2	65.2	0.2	0.0	1.1	1.4	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	198.6	198.9	...	0.3	3.0	4.1	0.2	1.5	2.1
Labour force	142.9	142.8	1.0	-0.1	-0.2	1.9	-0.1	-0.1	1.3
Employment	136.8	136.5	1.0	-0.3	-1.4	0.0	-0.2	-1.0	0.0
Unemployment	6.1	6.3	0.4	0.2	1.2	1.9	3.3	23.5	43.2
Participation rate	72.0	71.8	0.5	-0.2	-1.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.4	0.3	0.1	0.8	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.9	68.6	0.5	-0.3	-1.8	-1.5	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 5-1 – continued

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	252.8	253.3	...	0.5	5.0	6.8	0.2	2.0	2.8
Labour force	178.0	179.6	1.2	1.6	0.9	2.2	0.9	0.5	1.2
Employment	167.6	169.0	1.3	1.4	-2.7	-1.0	0.8	-1.6	-0.6
Unemployment	10.4	10.5	0.5	0.1	3.5	3.1	1.0	50.0	41.9
Participation rate	70.4	70.9	0.5	0.5	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.8	0.3	0.0	1.9	1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	66.7	0.5	0.4	-2.5	-2.3	...	...	...
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	1,183.3	1,185.8	...	2.5	25.1	33.0	0.2	2.2	2.9
Labour force	875.0	878.9	4.5	3.9	28.5	35.2	0.4	3.4	4.2
Employment	816.9	819.3	4.5	2.4	9.4	17.6	0.3	1.2	2.2
Unemployment	58.1	59.6	2.2	1.5	19.1	17.6	2.6	47.2	41.9
Participation rate	73.9	74.1	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.8	0.3	0.2	2.0	1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.0	69.1	0.4	0.1	-0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	1,104.5	1,106.5	...	2.0	20.5	26.5	0.2	1.9	2.5
Labour force	800.2	808.0	4.5	7.8	22.4	25.8	1.0	2.9	3.3
Employment	755.9	760.4	4.6	4.5	12.6	20.8	0.6	1.7	2.8
Unemployment	44.3	47.6	2.2	3.3	9.8	5.1	7.4	25.9	12.0
Participation rate	72.4	73.0	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.9	0.3	0.4	1.1	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.4	68.7	0.4	0.3	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Kelowna, British Columbia									
Population	152.5	152.8	...	0.3	1.8	2.0	0.2	1.2	1.3
Labour force	99.9	98.1	2.0	-1.8	3.6	1.6	-1.8	3.8	1.7
Employment	93.3	91.2	2.0	-2.1	0.2	0.3	-2.3	0.2	0.3
Unemployment	6.6	6.8	0.6	0.2	3.3	1.2	3.0	94.3	21.4
Participation rate	65.5	64.2	1.3	-1.3	1.6	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.9	0.7	0.3	3.2	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	59.7	1.3	-1.5	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia									
Population	145.2	145.4	...	0.2	1.5	1.8	0.1	1.0	1.3
Labour force	97.3	96.2	0.9	-1.1	3.9	4.5	-1.1	4.2	4.9
Employment	91.8	90.5	0.9	-1.3	4.1	5.8	-1.4	4.7	6.8
Unemployment	5.5	5.7	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-1.3	3.6	-3.4	-18.6
Participation rate	67.0	66.2	0.7	-0.8	2.1	2.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.9	0.4	0.2	-0.5	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	62.2	0.6	-1.0	2.2	3.2	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,132.9	2,136.5	...	3.6	30.0	37.6	0.2	1.4	1.8
Labour force	1,364.8	1,374.9	5.6	10.1	10.3	18.3	0.7	0.8	1.3
Employment	1,287.0	1,295.4	5.7	8.4	12.2	20.1	0.7	1.0	1.6
Unemployment	77.8	79.5	2.9	1.7	-2.0	-1.8	2.2	-2.5	-2.2
Participation rate	64.0	64.4	0.3	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.8	0.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	60.6	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	303.6	304.0	...	0.4	2.6	3.2	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	189.3	190.7	1.8	1.4	8.7	8.4	0.7	4.8	4.6
Employment	179.1	179.9	1.8	0.8	7.0	7.7	0.4	4.0	4.5
Unemployment	10.2	10.7	0.7	0.5	1.6	0.6	4.9	17.6	5.9
Participation rate	62.4	62.7	0.6	0.3	2.3	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.6	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.0	59.2	0.6	0.2	1.8	2.0	...	...	...

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 2011 census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0135. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

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

	August 2015	September 2015	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	3,358.1	3,361.4	...	3.3	24.0	29.5	0.1	0.7	0.9
Labour force	2,243.5	2,234.3	18.1	-9.2	34.6	25.5	-0.4	1.6	1.2
Employment	2,044.4	2,044.4	17.9	0.0	14.2	17.5	0.0	0.7	0.9
Unemployment	199.1	190.0	12.0	-9.1	20.5	8.2	-4.6	12.1	4.5
Participation rate	66.8	66.5	0.5	-0.3	0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.5	0.5	-0.4	0.8	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	60.8	0.5	-0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	5,116.9	5,125.7	...	8.8	66.3	83.5	0.2	1.3	1.7
Labour force	3,480.5	3,445.2	24.5	-35.3	121.3	114.8	-1.0	3.6	3.4
Employment	3,227.5	3,199.5	24.7	-28.0	142.2	138.3	-0.9	4.7	4.5
Unemployment	253.0	245.7	15.4	-7.3	-20.9	-23.5	-2.9	-7.8	-8.7
Participation rate	68.0	67.2	0.5	-0.8	1.5	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.9	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.1	62.4	0.5	-0.7	2.0	1.7	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	2,136.2	2,140.1	...	3.9	30.6	38.5	0.2	1.5	1.8
Labour force	1,370.8	1,396.4	12.1	25.6	34.6	28.2	1.9	2.5	2.1
Employment	1,293.9	1,311.0	12.1	17.1	27.3	29.2	1.3	2.1	2.3
Unemployment	76.9	85.4	7.3	8.5	7.4	-1.0	11.1	9.5	-1.2
Participation rate	64.2	65.2	0.6	1.0	0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	6.1	0.5	0.5	0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	61.3	0.6	0.7	0.4	0.3	...	...	...

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

Note(s): Estimates in this table are based on 2011 census boundaries. Related CANSIM Table 282-0136. The sum of individual categories may not always add to the total due to rounding.

Table 6-1

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in September 2014 and September 2015

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Canada							
2014	29,029.3	19,370.6	18,010.1	1,360.5	66.7	7.0	62.0
2015	29,323.3	19,550.4	18,179.3	1,371.1	66.7	7.0	62.0
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2014	443.6	278.1	247.2	30.9	62.7	11.1	55.7
2015	442.5	278.4	247.8	30.6	62.9	11.0	56.0
<i>Avalon Peninsula [1010]</i>							
2014	232.0	155.1	142.1	13.0	66.9	8.4	61.3
2015	232.8	153.5	140.3	13.2	65.9	8.6	60.3
<i>South Coast-Burin Peninsula and Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1020, 1040]</i>							
2014	123.9	69.6	58.7	10.9	56.2	15.7	47.4
2015	122.5	71.8	62.2	9.6	58.6	13.4	50.8
<i>West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]</i>							
2014	87.7	53.4	46.4	7.0	60.9	13.1	52.9
2015	87.1	53.2	45.4	7.8	61.1	14.7	52.1
Prince Edward Island							
2014	120.7	84.7	78.3	6.5	70.2	7.7	64.9
2015	121.0	83.8	76.7	7.1	69.3	8.5	63.4
Nova Scotia							
2014	783.2	499.6	457.2	42.3	63.8	8.5	58.4
2015	786.1	501.0	460.9	40.2	63.7	8.0	58.6
<i>Cape Breton [1210]</i>							
2014	108.0	61.9	53.9	8.0	57.3	12.9	49.9
2015	106.9	58.8	50.5	8.3	55.0	14.1	47.2
<i>North Shore [1220]</i>							
2014	129.4	76.6	68.8	7.8	59.2	10.2	53.2
2015	128.8	82.4	75.6	6.8	64.0	8.3	58.7
<i>Annapolis Valley [1230]</i>							
2014	102.5	64.1	59.3	4.8	62.5	7.5	57.9
2015	102.6	60.0	55.8	4.2	58.5	7.0	54.4
<i>Southern [1240]</i>							
2014	98.8	57.7	50.9	6.8	58.4	11.8	51.5
2015	98.3	56.3	49.7	6.6	57.3	11.7	50.6
<i>Halifax [1250]</i>							
2014	344.4	239.2	224.2	15.0	69.5	6.3	65.1
2015	349.4	243.5	229.3	14.2	69.7	5.8	65.6
New Brunswick							
2014	621.4	400.0	364.1	35.9	64.4	9.0	58.6
2015	621.8	397.2	360.4	36.9	63.9	9.3	58.0
<i>Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]</i>							
2014	129.9	76.7	66.8	9.9	59.0	12.9	51.4
2015	129.0	73.0	63.8	9.2	56.6	12.6	49.5
<i>Moncton-Richibucto [1320]</i>							
2014	175.4	118.6	109.7	8.9	67.6	7.5	62.5
2015	176.8	117.4	108.0	9.4	66.4	8.0	61.1
<i>Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]</i>							
2014	142.6	95.1	87.2	7.9	66.7	8.3	61.2
2015	142.1	94.0	85.6	8.4	66.2	8.9	60.2
<i>Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]</i>							
2014	109.1	68.9	63.3	5.6	63.2	8.1	58.0
2015	110.0	72.5	66.3	6.3	65.9	8.7	60.3

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, ¹ unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in September 2014 and September 2015

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]							
2014	64.4	40.8	37.1	3.7	63.4	9.1	57.6
2015	63.9	40.2	36.6	3.6	62.9	9.0	57.3
Quebec							
2014	6,810.0	4,451.2	4,121.6	329.6	65.4	7.4	60.5
2015	6,849.0	4,496.5	4,161.2	335.3	65.7	7.5	60.8
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]							
2014	78.7	46.6	41.4	5.2	59.2	11.2	52.6
2015	78.0	43.6	39.7	3.9	55.9	8.9	50.9
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]							
2014	170.5	91.1	85.1	6.0	53.4	6.6	49.9
2015	169.8	94.2	89.1	5.2	55.5	5.5	52.5
Capitale-Nationale [2420]							
2014	613.4	413.4	391.9	21.5	67.4	5.2	63.9
2015	617.4	422.0	404.1	17.9	68.4	4.2	65.5
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]							
2014	348.8	238.9	224.6	14.3	68.5	6.0	64.4
2015	349.3	226.8	215.3	11.5	64.9	5.1	61.6
Estrie [2430]							
2014	268.1	168.2	158.6	9.6	62.7	5.7	59.2
2015	269.4	162.8	153.5	9.3	60.4	5.7	57.0
Centre-du-Québec [2433]							
2014	199.7	121.9	115.5	6.4	61.0	5.3	57.8
2015	200.5	126.7	119.1	7.6	63.2	6.0	59.4
Montérégie [2435]							
2014	1,243.6	860.1	807.4	52.8	69.2	6.1	64.9
2015	1,252.0	835.6	782.7	52.9	66.7	6.3	62.5
Montréal [2440]							
2014	1,653.9	1,055.1	943.6	111.5	63.8	10.6	57.1
2015	1,666.8	1,113.5	994.0	119.4	66.8	10.7	59.6
Laval [2445]							
2014	348.8	245.9	229.6	16.2	70.5	6.6	65.8
2015	352.1	226.4	202.8	23.5	64.3	10.4	57.6
Lanaudière [2450]							
2014	408.5	267.2	247.6	19.6	65.4	7.3	60.6
2015	411.8	287.8	265.0	22.9	69.9	8.0	64.4
Laurentides [2455]							
2014	488.3	327.9	307.4	20.6	67.2	6.3	63.0
2015	493.3	337.5	323.4	14.1	68.4	4.2	65.6
Outaouais [2460]							
2014	316.8	209.8	192.5	17.3	66.2	8.2	60.8
2015	318.5	222.0	206.6	15.4	69.7	6.9	64.9
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]							
2014	120.3	81.3	77.0	4.4	67.6	5.4	64.0
2015	120.5	75.1	70.8	4.3	62.3	5.7	58.8
Mauricie [2470]							
2014	226.0	124.8	115.8	9.0	55.2	7.2	51.2
2015	225.5	124.9	115.5	9.3	55.4	7.4	51.2
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]							
2014	232.5	144.5	132.8	11.7	62.2	8.1	57.1
2015	231.9	139.5	126.9	12.7	60.2	9.1	54.7

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 September 2014 and September 2015

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]							
2014	92.1	54.5	50.9	3.6	59.2	6.6	55.3
2015	91.9	58.0	52.8	5.3	63.1	9.1	57.5
Ontario							
2014	11,287.0	7,525.7	6,944.1	581.6	66.7	7.7	61.5
2015	11,402.1	7,530.4	6,994.9	535.4	66.0	7.1	61.3
Ottawa [3510]							
2014	1,089.3	757.7	704.7	53.1	69.6	7.0	64.7
2015	1,098.3	741.5	690.1	51.3	67.5	6.9	62.8
Kingston-Pembroke [3515]							
2014	376.7	236.4	219.2	17.2	62.8	7.3	58.2
2015	377.3	217.4	201.0	16.4	57.6	7.5	53.3
Muskoka-Kawartha [3520]							
2014	324.7	206.0	195.1	10.9	63.4	5.3	60.1
2015	326.4	171.1	159.8	11.3	52.4	6.6	49.0
Toronto [3530]							
2014	5,287.2	3,558.5	3,242.8	315.7	67.3	8.9	61.3
2015	5,369.4	3,657.8	3,380.8	276.9	68.1	7.6	63.0
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]							
2014	1,066.2	766.0	719.3	46.7	71.8	6.1	67.5
2015	1,078.6	753.0	710.2	42.8	69.8	5.7	65.8
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]							
2014	1,190.8	762.8	711.6	51.2	64.1	6.7	59.8
2015	1,199.7	785.0	736.8	48.2	65.4	6.1	61.4
London [3560]							
2014	550.2	355.7	328.7	26.9	64.6	7.6	59.7
2015	554.1	365.0	340.4	24.6	65.9	6.7	61.4
Windsor-Sarnia [3570]							
2014	524.5	331.9	305.5	26.4	63.3	8.0	58.2
2015	524.3	315.5	288.7	26.9	60.2	8.5	55.1
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]							
2014	246.0	160.1	153.5	6.6	65.1	4.1	62.4
2015	245.8	147.0	137.3	9.7	59.8	6.6	55.9
Northeast [3590]							
2014	458.7	281.6	261.0	20.6	61.4	7.3	56.9
2015	456.8	272.8	251.8	21.0	59.7	7.7	55.1
Northwest [3595]							
2014	172.5	108.9	102.5	6.4	63.1	5.9	59.4
2015	171.4	104.4	98.0	6.4	60.9	6.1	57.2
Manitoba							
2014	978.3	669.7	630.3	39.3	68.5	5.9	64.4
2015	988.6	680.1	638.5	41.6	68.8	6.1	64.6
Southeast [4610]							
2014	87.5	60.8	58.2	2.6	69.5	4.3	66.5
2015	89.4	58.8	55.5	3.3	65.8	5.6	62.1
South Central and North Central [4620, 4640]							
2014	83.7	59.8	57.7	2.1	71.4	3.5	68.9
2015	84.6	58.2	55.0	3.2	68.8	5.5	65.0
Southwest [4630]							
2014	87.6	59.4	57.1	2.3	67.8	3.9	65.2
2015	88.0	61.4	58.7	2.8	69.8	4.6	66.7

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 September 2014 and September 2015

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
Winnipeg [4650]							
2014	587.9	399.6	371.9	27.7	68.0	6.9	63.3
2015	595.7	412.7	386.0	26.7	69.3	6.5	64.8
Interlake [4660]							
2014	74.2	53.1	50.8	2.2	71.6	4.1	68.5
2015	75.0	50.2	47.3	3.0	66.9	6.0	63.1
Parklands and Northern [4670, 4680]							
2014	57.3	37.1	34.7	2.4	64.7	6.5	60.6
2015	55.9	38.8	36.1	2.7	69.4	7.0	64.6
Saskatchewan							
2014	854.0	601.0	577.5	23.5	70.4	3.9	67.6
2015	862.7	609.9	577.8	32.1	70.7	5.3	67.0
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]							
2014	259.3	190.3	184.0	6.3	73.4	3.3	71.0
2015	263.6	192.8	184.8	7.9	73.1	4.1	70.1
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]							
2014	82.8	54.7	53.4	1.3	66.1	2.4	64.5
2015	82.5	55.2	53.0	2.2	66.9	4.0	64.2
Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]							
2014	289.8	208.4	199.7	8.6	71.9	4.1	68.9
2015	296.0	212.6	200.7	11.9	71.8	5.6	67.8
Yorkton-Melville [4740]							
2014	63.2	40.6	39.2	1.3	64.2	3.2	62.0
2015	62.4	39.9	37.5	2.5	63.9	6.3	60.1
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]							
2014	158.8	107.1	101.1	6.0	67.4	5.6	63.7
2015	158.1	109.3	101.8	7.5	69.1	6.9	64.4
Alberta							
2014	3,295.5	2,412.6	2,295.1	117.5	73.2	4.9	69.6
2015	3,365.1	2,481.7	2,325.9	155.8	73.7	6.3	69.1
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]							
2014	229.3	148.9	143.7	5.3	64.9	3.6	62.7
2015	230.5	155.8	147.8	8.1	67.6	5.2	64.1
Camrose-Drumheller [4820]							
2014	161.6	115.0	111.3	3.7	71.2	3.2	68.9
2015	162.0	109.2	105.1	4.1	67.4	3.8	64.9
Calgary [4830]							
2014	1,237.6	911.2	868.0	43.2	73.6	4.7	70.1
2015	1,271.8	952.1	886.7	65.4	74.9	6.9	69.7
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House and Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4840, 4870]							
2014	275.6	205.3	195.6	9.7	74.5	4.7	71.0
2015	277.4	205.1	193.9	11.2	73.9	5.5	69.9
Red Deer [4850]							
2014	167.3	128.2	122.7	5.4	76.6	4.2	73.3
2015	170.7	125.3	116.5	8.8	73.4	7.0	68.2
Edmonton [4860]							
2014	1,109.3	813.8	768.6	45.2	73.4	5.6	69.3
2015	1,134.8	840.2	789.0	51.3	74.0	6.1	69.5
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2014	114.9	90.1	85.1	5.1	78.4	5.7	74.1
2015	117.8	93.9	86.9	7.0	79.7	7.5	73.8

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, 1 unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in September 2014 and September 2015

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
British Columbia							
2014	3,835.6	2,447.9	2,294.7	153.2	63.8	6.3	59.8
2015	3,884.5	2,491.5	2,335.3	156.2	64.1	6.3	60.1
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2014	650.7	374.4	350.8	23.6	57.5	6.3	53.9
2015	655.7	383.4	358.0	25.4	58.5	6.6	54.6
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2014	2,384.4	1,555.8	1,458.3	97.5	65.2	6.3	61.2
2015	2,425.3	1,577.6	1,481.4	96.2	65.0	6.1	61.1
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2014	429.7	267.5	250.6	16.9	62.3	6.3	58.3
2015	431.8	275.9	260.1	15.8	63.9	5.7	60.2
Kootenay [5940]							
2014	122.2	73.5	68.8	4.6	60.1	6.3	56.3
2015	122.0	79.2	72.9	6.3	64.9	8.0	59.8
Cariboo [5950]							
2014	127.0	93.2	88.1	5.0	73.4	5.4	69.4
2015	127.4	87.3	80.6	6.7	68.5	7.7	63.3
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2014	66.6	43.5	39.4	4.1	65.3	9.4	59.2
2015	66.5	46.6	43.0	3.6	70.1	7.7	64.7
Northeast [5980]							
2014	55.1	40.1	38.6	1.6	72.8	4.0	70.1
2015	55.9	41.6	39.2	2.3	74.4	5.5	70.1

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

Note(s): Estimates in this table are based on 2011 census boundaries. Related CANSIM table 282-0122.

Table 6-2
Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in
September 2014 and September 2015

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
		in thousands			percent		
Yukon ¹							
2014	27.8	21.4	20.8	0.6	77.0	2.8	74.8
2015	28.3	21.4	20.5	0.9	75.6	4.2	72.4
Northwest Territories ²							
2014	32.3	24.3	22.5	1.8	75.2	7.4	69.7
2015	31.8	24.3	22.2	2.1	76.4	8.6	69.8
Nunavut ³							
2014	23.4	14.9	12.7	2.2	63.5	14.7	54.2
2015	24.0	15.6	12.9	2.7	65.0	17.2	53.8

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

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

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

	Employees				Full-time			Part-time		
	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Average hourly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages
	thousands		current dollars		thousands		current dollars	thousands		current dollars
September 2015										
15 years and over	15,283.4	35.4	932.82	25.45	12,530.7	39.4	1,067.37	2,752.7	17.4	320.32
15 to 24 years	2,303.8	27.2	428.44	14.76	1,162.8	38.7	656.97	1,141.0	15.3	195.55
25 years and over	12,979.6	36.9	1,022.35	27.34	11,367.9	39.4	1,109.35	1,611.6	18.8	408.66
Men	7,792.7	37.8	1,063.06	27.45	6,908.1	40.5	1,160.02	884.6	16.8	305.83
Women	7,490.6	32.9	797.34	23.36	5,622.5	38.0	953.54	1,868.1	17.7	327.18
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,721.6	35.8	1,056.05	29.13	4,048.9	38.6	1,154.77	672.7	18.9	461.92
No union coverage	10,561.8	35.2	877.73	23.80	8,481.8	39.7	1,025.66	2,080.0	16.9	274.53
Job permanency										
Permanent	13,199.3	36.3	976.42	26.15	11,279.6	39.3	1,084.96	1,919.8	18.4	338.69
Temporary	2,084.0	29.9	656.70	20.96	1,251.1	39.8	908.84	832.9	15.1	277.99
Occupation										
Management	972.6	39.8	1,577.58	39.71	943.0	40.5	1,609.48	29.6	18.5	559.99
Business, finance and administrative	2,803.1	35.5	879.67	24.31	2,399.9	38.3	967.99	403.3	18.3	354.12
Natural and applied sciences	1,255.3	38.5	1,364.70	35.33	1,211.8	39.2	1,394.93	43.5	18.6	522.81
Health	1,133.7	33.9	997.67	29.28	879.1	38.0	1,121.99	254.6	20.0	568.30
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,502.8	33.6	1,083.48	31.94	1,213.5	37.7	1,227.02	289.3	16.5	481.49
Art, culture, recreation and sport	359.4	31.2	875.90	26.56	253.4	38.6	1,117.87	106.0	13.7	297.55
Sales and service	3,947.8	30.6	561.57	17.07	2,507.6	38.5	754.85	1,440.2	17.0	225.04
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,229.2	40.4	1,033.82	25.34	2,099.1	41.7	1,075.98	130.1	18.6	353.80
Occupations unique to primary industry	324.2	42.0	995.01	22.88	291.1	45.0	1,079.95	33.0	15.3	246.69
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	755.2	39.3	827.64	20.84	732.1	40.0	845.78	23.1	16.6	252.68
September 2014										
15 years and over	15,194.6	35.4	906.64	24.71	12,424.1	39.4	1,039.84	2,770.4	17.4	309.28
15 to 24 years	2,345.5	27.1	423.48	14.54	1,163.8	39.0	656.94	1,181.7	15.3	193.56
25 years and over	12,849.1	36.9	994.83	26.56	11,260.4	39.5	1,079.42	1,588.7	18.9	395.35
Men	7,729.7	38.0	1,033.25	26.51	6,874.1	40.6	1,127.05	855.6	16.7	279.64
Women	7,464.9	32.7	775.53	22.84	5,550.0	37.9	931.83	1,914.8	17.7	322.52
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,672.0	35.9	1,028.66	28.25	3,996.7	38.7	1,126.56	675.3	19.0	449.31
No union coverage	10,522.6	35.2	852.46	23.13	8,427.5	39.7	998.72	2,095.1	16.9	264.13
Job permanency										
Permanent	13,147.9	36.2	949.34	25.44	11,183.8	39.4	1,058.40	1,964.1	18.3	328.27
Temporary	2,046.7	30.2	632.35	20.00	1,240.3	39.9	872.47	806.4	15.3	263.01
Occupation										
Management	893.9	39.7	1,609.94	40.66	873.5	40.2	1,633.43	20.4	20.1	603.21
Business, finance and administrative	2,778.3	35.2	852.59	23.72	2,359.5	38.2	942.47	418.7	18.1	346.15
Natural and applied sciences	1,183.4	38.6	1,328.47	34.40	1,146.2	39.3	1,354.49	37.1	17.5	525.04
Health	1,055.3	33.4	957.96	28.33	799.6	37.6	1,091.13	255.7	20.3	541.44
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,445.6	33.8	1,075.00	31.41	1,169.5	37.8	1,220.06	276.1	16.8	460.48
Art, culture, recreation and sport	369.1	30.9	820.74	25.15	263.5	38.4	1,049.14	105.6	12.3	250.58
Sales and service	4,021.4	30.6	541.61	16.56	2,560.3	38.4	721.80	1,461.0	17.1	225.83
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,316.4	40.7	1,020.33	24.72	2,179.4	42.1	1,064.53	136.9	18.2	316.76
Occupations unique to primary industry	334.6	42.2	964.32	22.14	298.8	45.4	1,052.52	35.9	15.6	229.85
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	796.7	39.7	833.47	20.80	773.6	40.3	849.85	23.0	18.1	282.87

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

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

Region	Effective from October 11, 2015 to November 7, 2015
	percent
Newfoundland and Labrador	
01. St. John's	6.4
02. Newfoundland and Labrador ²	17.0
Prince Edward Island ³	
65. Charlottetown	9.0
66. Prince Edward Island ⁴	12.4
Nova Scotia	
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	15.0
05. Western Nova Scotia	9.8
06. Halifax	5.6
New Brunswick	
07. Fredericton—Moncton—Saint John	7.6
08. Madawaska—Charlotte	10.6
09. Restigouche—Albert	15.3
Quebec	
10. Gaspésie—Îles-de-la-Madeleine	15.5
11. Québec	5.1
12. Trois-Rivières	7.0
13. South Central Quebec	4.7
14. Sherbrooke	6.8
15. Montérégie	7.8
16. Montréal	8.8
17. Central Quebec	7.0
18. North Western Quebec	9.0
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent—Côte-Nord	10.5
20. Hull	6.7
21. Chicoutimi—Jonquière	8.5
Ontario	
22. Ottawa	6.1
23. Eastern Ontario	8.7
24. Kingston	7.0
25. Central Ontario	7.4
26. Oshawa	8.3
27. Toronto	6.9
28. Hamilton	5.2
29. St. Catharines	6.9
30. London	7.4
31. Niagara	8.0
32. Windsor	10.5
33. Kitchener	5.9
34. Huron	7.1
35. South Central Ontario	5.2
36. Sudbury	7.4
37. Thunder Bay	4.8
38. Northern Ontario	12.7
Manitoba	
39. Winnipeg	5.6
40. Southern Manitoba	7.0
41. Northern Manitoba	33.9
Saskatchewan	
42. Regina	4.5
43. Saskatoon	5.8
44. Southern Saskatchewan	6.5
45. Northern Saskatchewan	18.1
Alberta	
46. Calgary	6.9
47. Edmonton	6.0
48. Northern Alberta	10.8
49. Southern Alberta	6.5

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 8 – continued

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

Region	Effective from October 11, 2015 to November 7, 2015
	percent
British Columbia	
50. Southern Interior British Columbia	7.9
51. Abbotsford	6.2
52. Vancouver	5.9
53. Victoria	6.6
54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	9.0
55. Northern British Columbia	10.7
Territories ^{3, 5}	
59. Whitehorse	5.7
60. Yukon ⁶	7.6
61. Yellowknife	4.1
62. Northwest Territories ⁷	14.1
63. Iqaluit	6.2
64. Nunavut ⁸	21.6

1. The boundaries of these regions are determined by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of employment insurance regions, see the ESDC website: <http://srv129.services.gc.ca/eiregions/en/geocont.aspx>.
 2. This region excludes St. John's.
 3. Prince Edward Island as well as the territories are each comprised of two regions effective October 12, 2014.
 4. This region excludes Charlottetown.
 5. The monthly regional unemployment rates for EI purposes in the territories are subject to the greater of a seasonally adjusted 3 month moving average or 12 month moving average.
 6. This region excludes Whitehorse.
 7. This region excludes Yellowknife.
 8. This region excludes Iqaluit.
- Note(s):** All regions are based on the 1996 Census boundaries, with the exception of those in Prince Edward Island and in the territories, which respect the 2011 Census boundaries.

Data quality

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 (employed and unemployed). 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** 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 2011 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.

For more information on seasonal adjustment, see *Seasonally adjusted data – Frequently asked questions*.

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

Approximately 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% confidence level, the change in the estimate must be greater than twice the sampling error in order to ensure that change is real.

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 17,800,000. The associated standard error for the movement estimate is 28,800. 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 -12,800 to +44,800 (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 -30,100 to +62,100 (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 -41,600 to +73,600 (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).

Documentation

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

- Overview of the Labour Force Survey 3701
- Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)
- Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (71-526-X)
- LFS *geographical maps*