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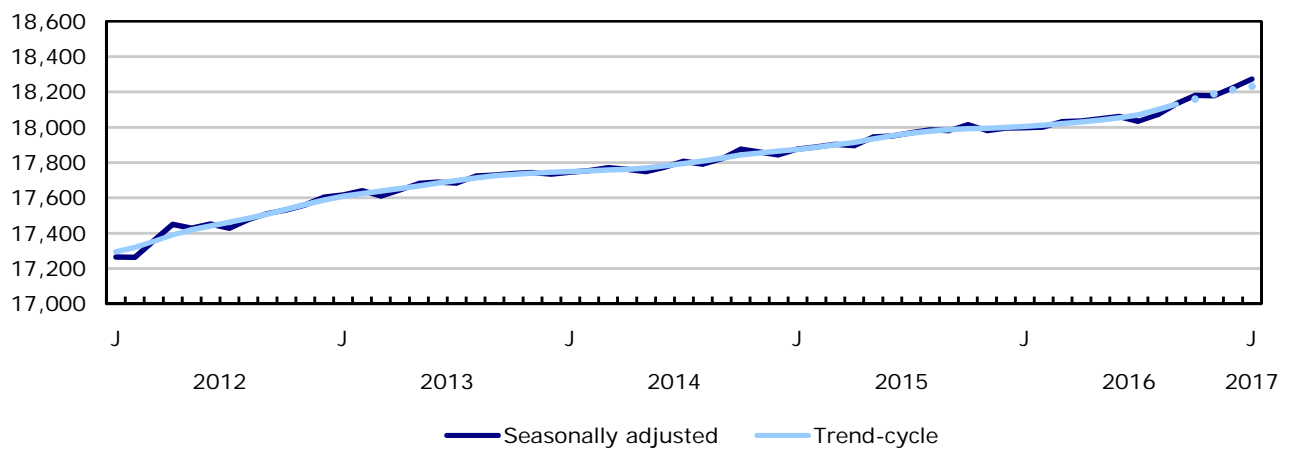
# Highlights

Employment rose by 48,000 (+0.3%) in January, building on gains observed in the latter part of 2016. The unemployment rate fell by 0.1 percentage points to 6.8%.

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

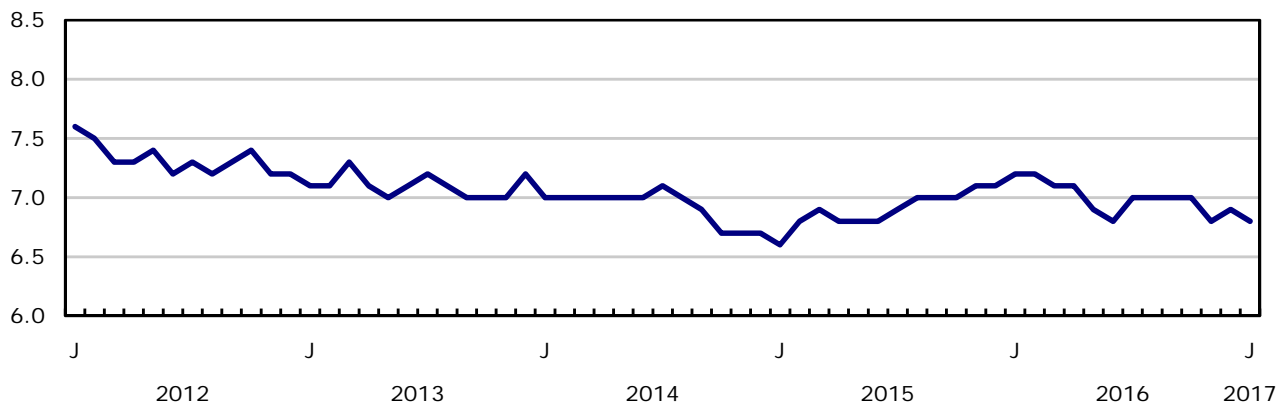
## Employment

thousands



## Unemployment rate

percent



## Analysis — January 2017

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Employment rose by 48,000 (+0.3%) in January, building on gains observed in the latter part of 2016. The unemployment rate fell by 0.1 percentage points to 6.8%.

On a year-over-year basis, employment rose by 276,000 (+1.5%), with most of the increase occurring from August to January.

Following a significant increase the month before, full-time employment held steady in January. Compared with 12 months earlier, full-time employment was up 86,000 (+0.6%), with increases totalling 141,000 since August.

Despite little change in January, part-time employment was up on a year-over-year basis (+190,000 or +5.6%). In January, 19.6% of employed persons worked part-time, compared with 18.8% 12 months earlier.

In the 12 months to January, the number of hours worked declined by 0.8%. In general, changes in actual hours worked reflect a number of factors, including changes in the composition of employment by full-time/part-time status, industry, occupation, age and sex.

From December to January, employment increased among core-aged men and women (25 to 54 years old). There was little overall employment change among the other demographic groups.

Compared with December, employment rose in Ontario, British Columbia, Nova Scotia and in Newfoundland and Labrador. In contrast, there were fewer people working in New Brunswick. Employment was little changed in the remaining provinces.

Nearly all of the employment growth in January came from the service sector, with increases in finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing; business, building and other support services; transportation and warehousing; and public administration. On the other hand, there were fewer people working in information, culture and recreation.

The number of private sector employees edged up in January, while public sector employment and the number of self-employed workers were each little changed.

### Employment increases for the core working-age population

In January, employment for men aged 25 to 54 rose by 30,000, and their unemployment rate fell by 0.3 percentage points to 5.9%. The employment increase in January was the largest in over two years. On a year-over-year basis, gains for men in this age group totalled 69,000 (+1.1%).

Employment among women aged 25 to 54 increased for the second consecutive month, up 27,000 in January. Their unemployment rate was essentially unchanged at 5.3%. The recent gains for core-aged women boosted their year-over-year employment growth to 76,000 (+1.3%).

In January, employment among youths aged 15 to 24 was little changed on both a monthly and year-over-year basis, while their population growth continued on a downward trend. With more youths searching for work in January, their unemployment rate increased by 0.7 percentage points to 13.3%.

In January, employment among men aged 55 and older was little changed. However, their unemployment rate decreased by 0.5 percentage points to 6.5% as fewer men in this age group searched for work. In the 12 months to January, employment among men aged 55 and older rose by 65,000 (+3.2%), and their population increased by 156,000 (+3.1%).



Employment among women aged 55 and older was also little changed in January, and their unemployment rate was 5.3%. Compared with 12 months earlier, 64,000 (+3.8%) more women aged 55 and older were working, and the number of women in this age group was up by 159,000 (+2.9%).

## Provincial summary

Employment in Ontario rose by 29,000 in January. The unemployment rate for the province remained at 6.4% as more people participated in the labour market. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in Ontario was up by 90,000 (+1.3%), with all of the gains from August to January.

In January, employment increased by 11,000 in British Columbia, continuing an upward trend that began in the spring of 2015. In the 12 months to January 2017, employment increased by 82,000 or 3.5%, the fastest growth rate of all provinces. Over the same period, the unemployment rate fell by a full percentage point to 5.6%, the lowest among the provinces.

There were 4,200 more people working in Nova Scotia in January, and the unemployment rate fell by 0.6 percentage points to 7.7%. On a year-over-year basis, employment in the province increased by 9,800, partly due to the low reached in January 2016 and the fact that employment in the province has picked up recently, with most of the gains occurring since October 2016.

In Newfoundland and Labrador, there were 2,200 more people employed in January, and the unemployment rate fell by 1.3 percentage points to 13.8%. Employment in the province has been trending downward since May 2016.

Following an increase in December, employment in Quebec held steady in January. As the number of unemployed decreased (-15,000), the unemployment rate declined 0.3 percentage points to 6.2%. Compared with January 2016, employment in Quebec was up by 97,000 or 2.4%, powered by gains in the second half of 2016.

In Alberta, employment was unchanged in January, with part-time gains (+25,000) offsetting losses in full-time (-24,000). The unemployment rate rose by 0.3 percentage points to 8.8%, as the number of people searching for work edged up. On a year-over-year basis, employment in Alberta was little changed.

In January, there were 3,000 fewer people working in New Brunswick, leaving employment for the province at about the same level as 12 months earlier. The unemployment rate edged down by 0.4 percentage points to 8.9%, the result of fewer people participating in the labour market.

## Industry perspective

Employment in finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing increased by an estimated 21,000 in January, bringing gains from 12 months earlier to 59,000 (+5.3%), with most of this increase concentrated in the last six months.

There were 16,000 more people working in business, building and other support services in January. On a year-over-year basis, employment in this industry was little changed.

In January, employment was also up in transportation and warehousing (+11,000), contributing to an increase of 23,000 (+2.5%) from 12 months earlier.

Employment in public administration increased by 7,800 in January, bringing total gains to 52,000 (+5.7%) from 12 months earlier. Over this period, gains were strongest at the local, municipal and regional level, with increases also observed at the federal and provincial levels.

Information, culture and recreation employment declined by 13,000 in January. Compared with January 2016, employment in the industry edged up 21,000 (+2.8%).

The number of private sector employees edged up in January (+32,000), building on strong growth observed in the second half of 2016. In the 12 months to January, the number of private sector employees rose by 257,000 (+2.2%), with increases in a number of service sector industries as well as construction.

Public sector employment and the number of self-employed workers were each little changed in January. On a year-over-year basis, the number of public sector employees rose by 68,000 (+1.9%), the result of additional employment in public administration and information, culture and recreation. Self-employment edged down over the same period.

## Canada–United States comparison

Adjusted to the concepts used in the United States (U.S.), the unemployment rate in Canada was 5.7% in January, compared with 4.8% in the U.S. In the 12 months to January, the unemployment rate fell by 0.5 percentage points in Canada, while it was little changed in the U.S. (-0.1 percentage points).

In January, the labour force participation rate was 65.8% in Canada (adjusted to U.S. concepts) and 62.9% in the U.S. The participation rate in Canada was unchanged compared with 12 months earlier, while it increased slightly in the U.S. (+0.2 percentage points).

The U.S.-adjusted employment rate in Canada stood at 62.1% in January, compared with 59.9% in the U.S. On a year-over-year basis, the employment rate rose by 0.4 percentage points in Canada and by 0.3 percentage points in the United States.

For further information on Canada–U.S. comparisons, see "*Measuring Employment and Unemployment in Canada and the United States – A comparison.*"

## Historical perspective on the Canadian labour market

As 2017 marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Confederation, we take a brief look at the history of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (LFS).

After the Second World War, Canada experienced massive changes as the country transitioned from a war economy to a peace economy. The LFS was designed to satisfy the need for reliable and timely data on Canada's labour-market conditions. It started as a quarterly survey in November 1945 and has been a monthly survey since November 1952, producing leading economic indicators each month, such as the employment rate and the unemployment rate.

In 1946, the employment rate was 53.1%, increasing to 61.1% in 2016, as a result of a number of factors, most notably higher labour force participation among women over the course of this time period.

The unemployment rate more than doubled during the history of the LFS, from 3.4% in 1946 to 7.0% in 2016. There was variation over time due to historical and economic factors. The unemployment rate was higher during periods of economic downturns, reaching a high during the recession of the 1980s. It was lowest during the post-World War II period of the late 1940s.

## Note to readers

The historical perspective on the Canadian labour market is adapted from the *History of the Canadian Labour Force Survey, 1945 to 2016*, which summarizes many of the major changes that have been made in the past 70 years to various components of the LFS, including methodology, questionnaire as well as collection and processing techniques.

## Labour Force Survey: 2016 revisions

A standard revision was applied to the LFS estimates, as announced in *The Daily* on February 3. Using the latest seasonal factors, seasonally adjusted estimates from the LFS were revised from January 2014 to December 2016.

Occupation data are now based on the *2016 National Occupational Classification* (NOC). Because NOC 2016 maintains the NOC 2011 structure of major, minor and unit groups, no historical revision of data was necessary.

The LFS estimates for January are for the week of January 15 to 21.

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 the 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 LFS estimates are the first in a series of labour market indicators released by Statistics Canada, which includes indicators from programs such as the Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours (SEPH), Employment Insurance Statistics, and the Job Vacancy and Wage Survey. For more information on the conceptual differences between employment measures from the LFS and SEPH, refer to *section 8* of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)*.

The **employment rate** is the number of employed people as a percentage of the population aged 15 and older. 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 of 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.

## Seasonal adjustment

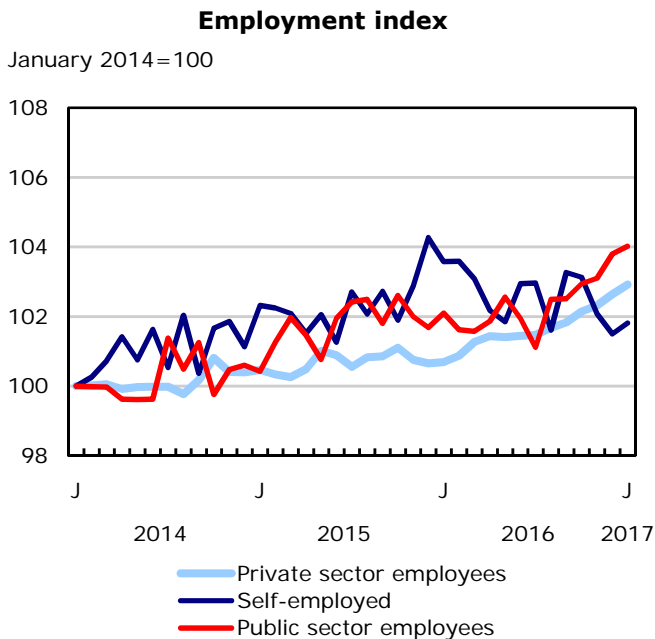
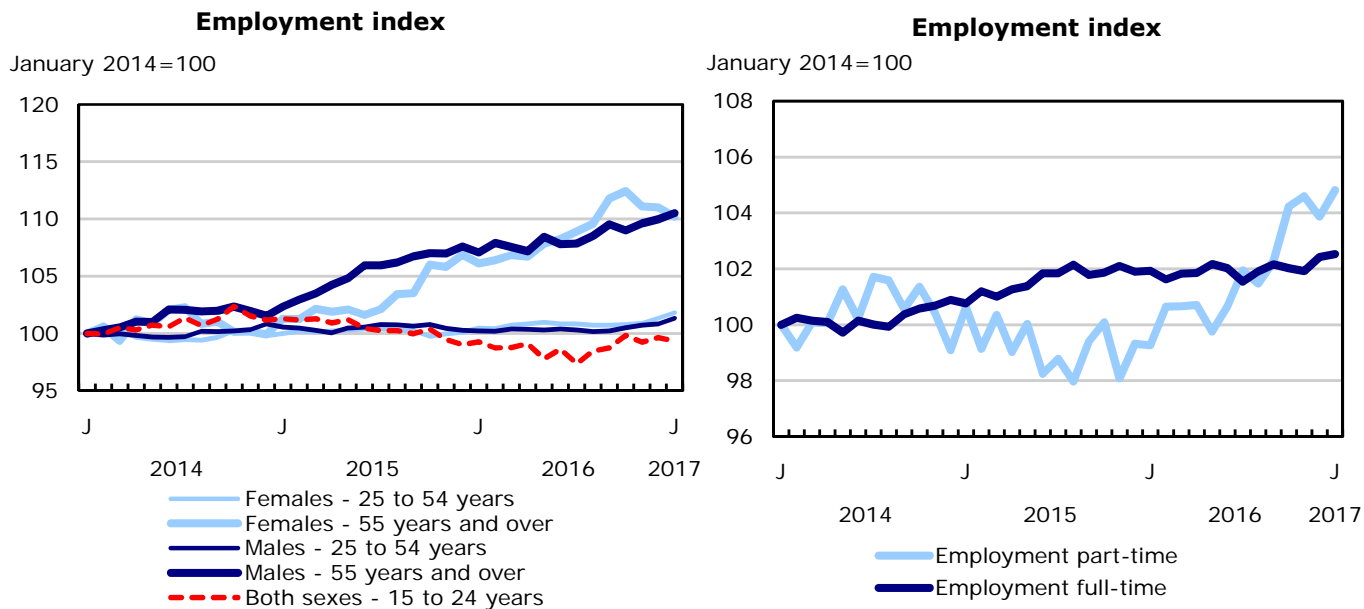
Unless otherwise stated, this release presents seasonally adjusted estimates, which facilitate comparisons by removing the effects of seasonal variations. For more information on seasonal adjustment, see *Seasonally adjusted data – Frequently asked questions*.

Chart 1 shows trend-cycle data on employment. These data represent a smoothed version of the seasonally adjusted time series, which provides information on longer-term movements, including changes in direction underlying the series. These data are available in CANSIM table 282-0087 for the national level employment series. For more information, see the *StatCan Blog* and *Trend-cycle estimates – Frequently asked questions*.

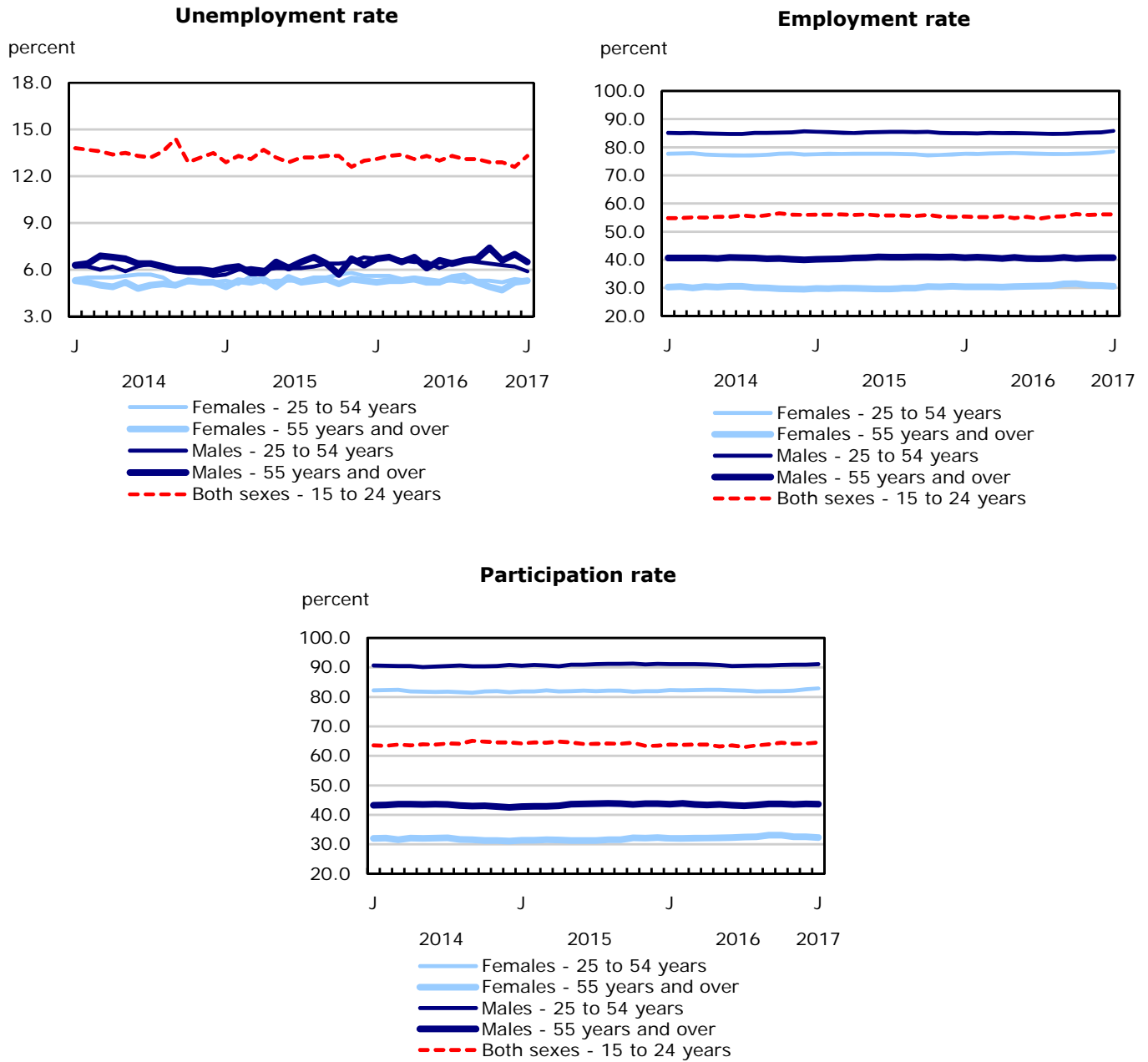
## Next release

The next release of the LFS will be on March 10.

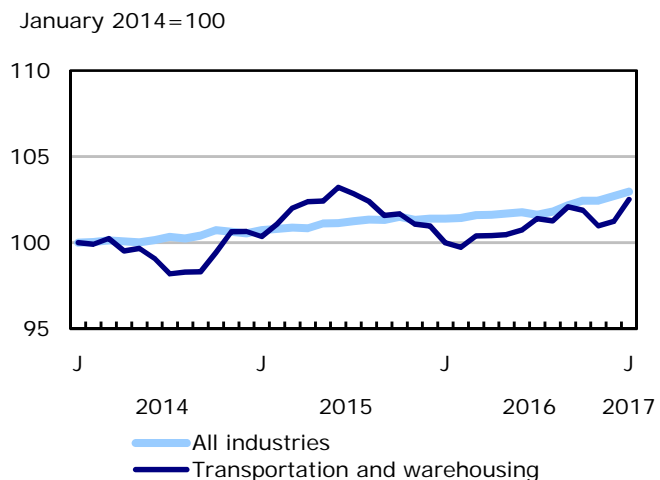
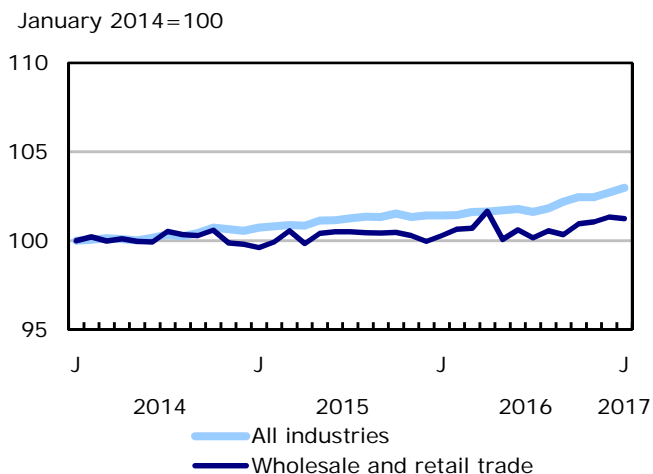
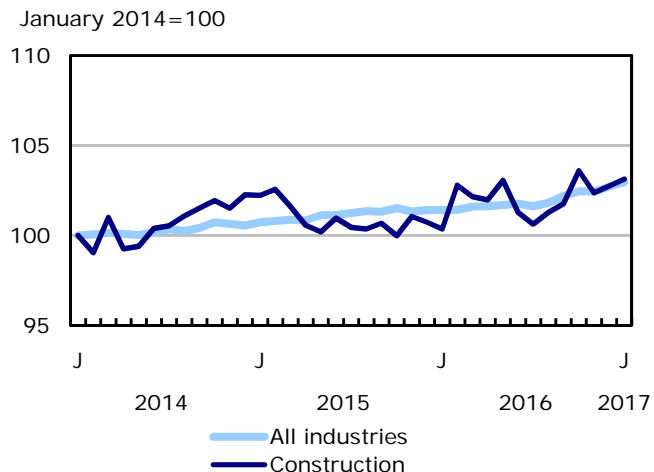
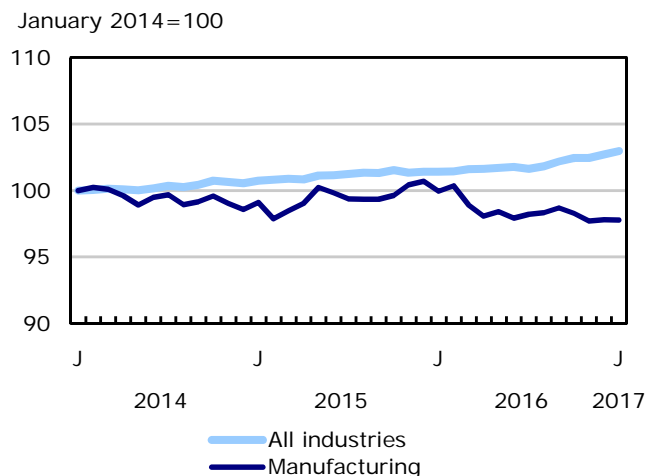
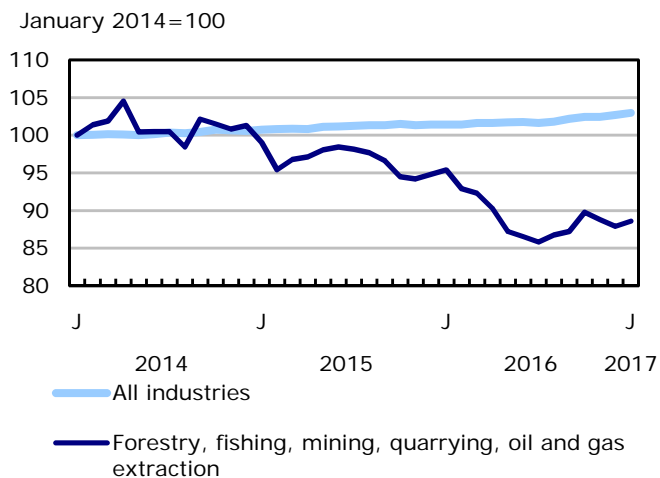
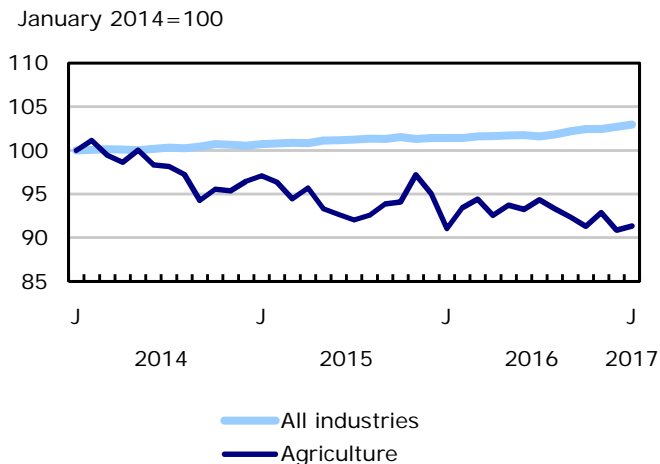
**Chart 1**  
**Employment indexes, Canada, seasonally adjusted**



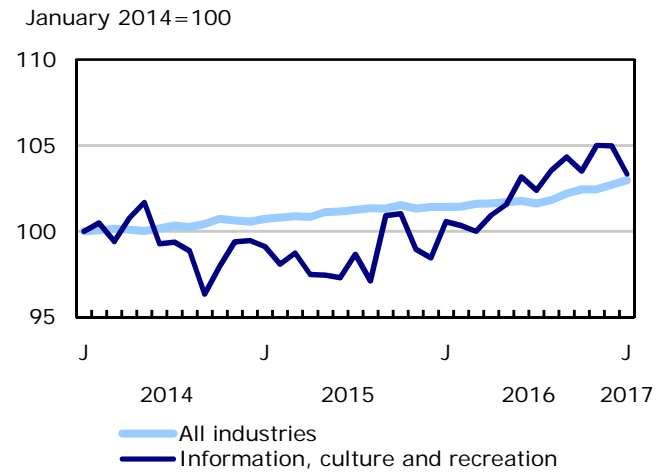
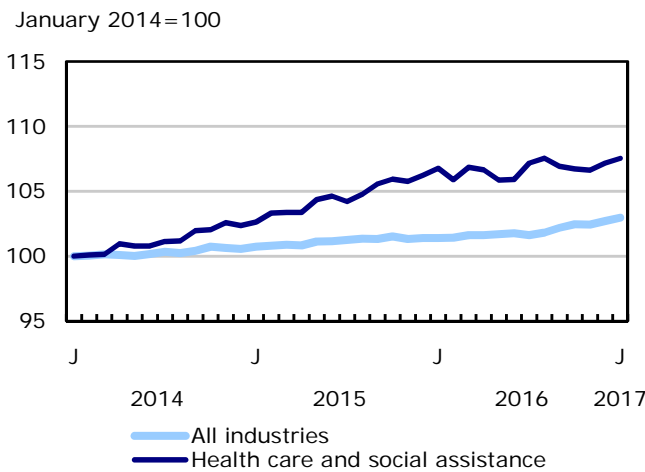
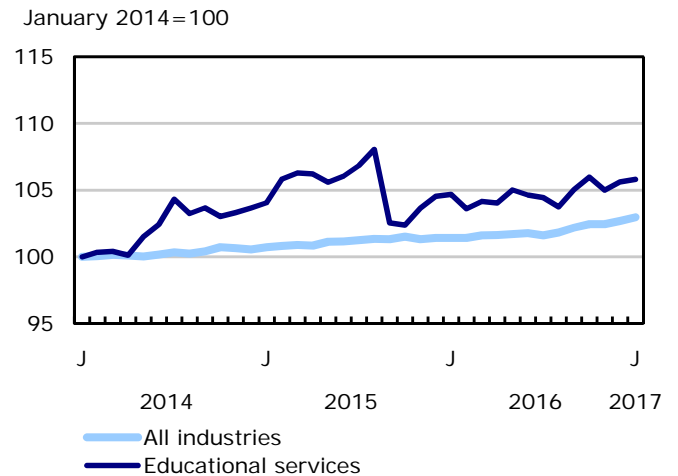
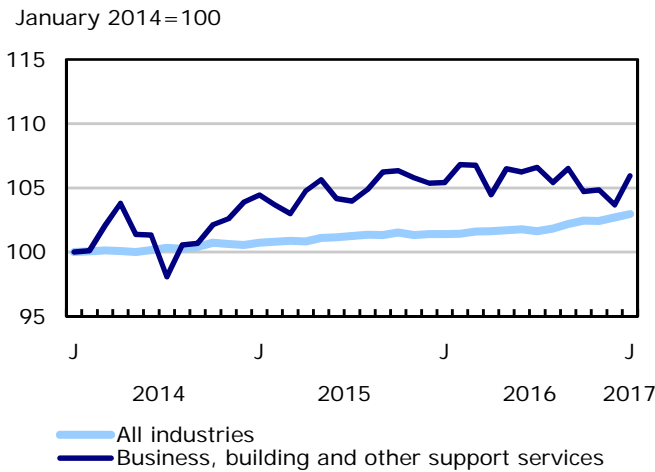
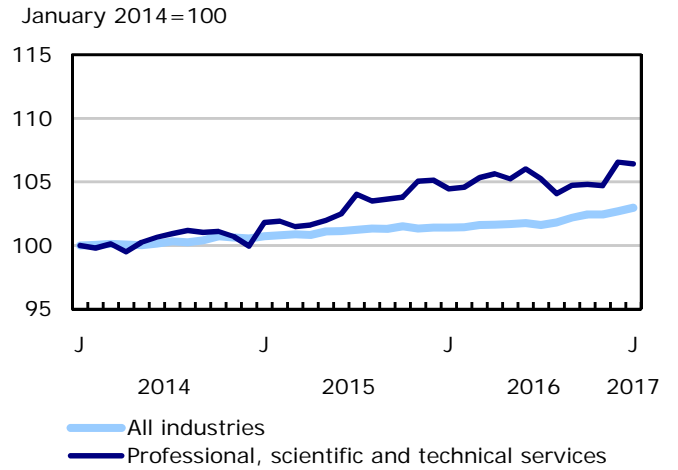
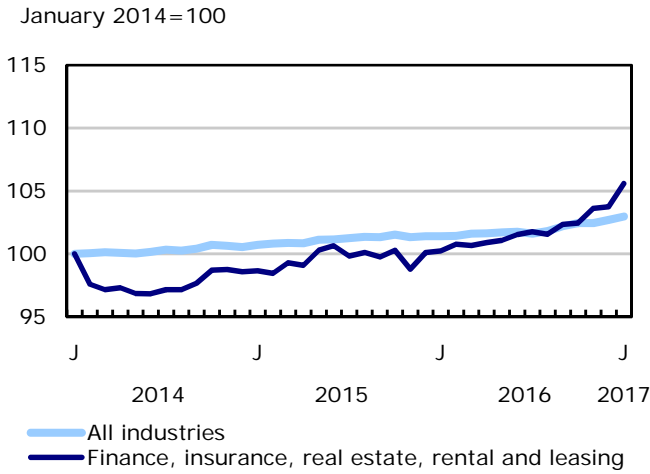
**Chart 2**  
**Unemployment, employment, and participation rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted**



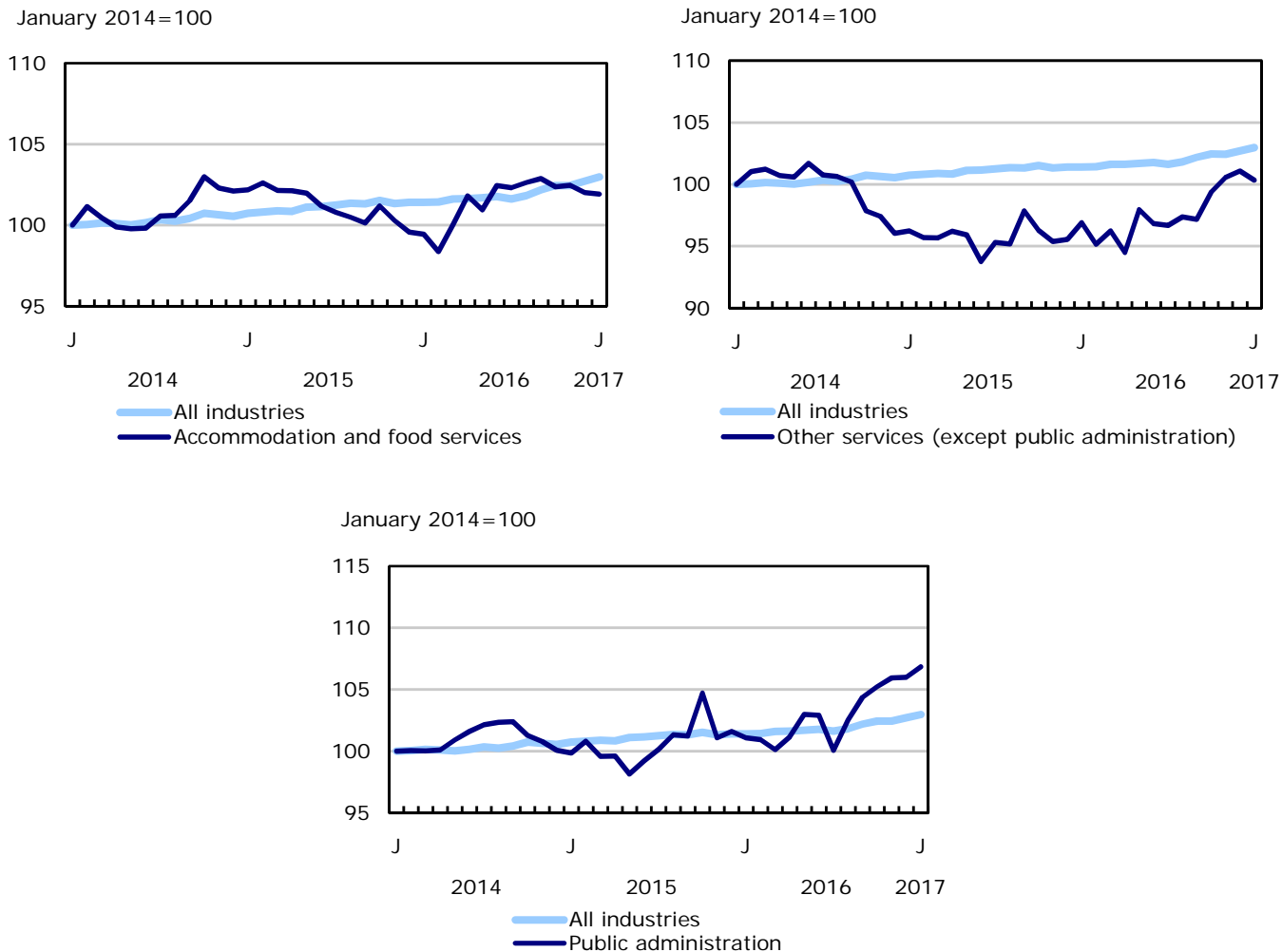
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**Employment indexes by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted**



**Chart 4**  
**Employment indexes by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted**

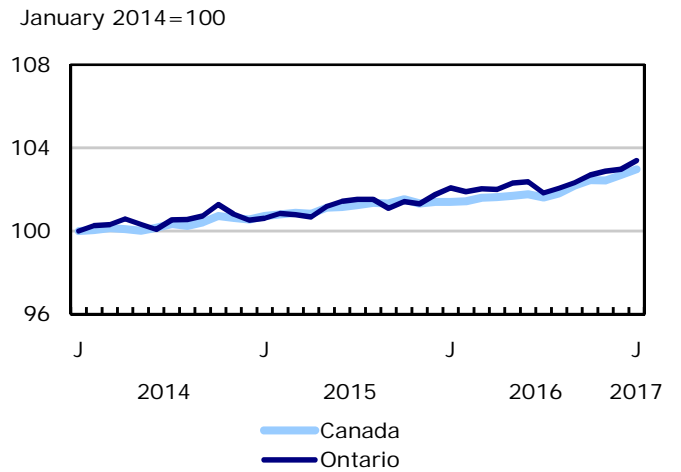
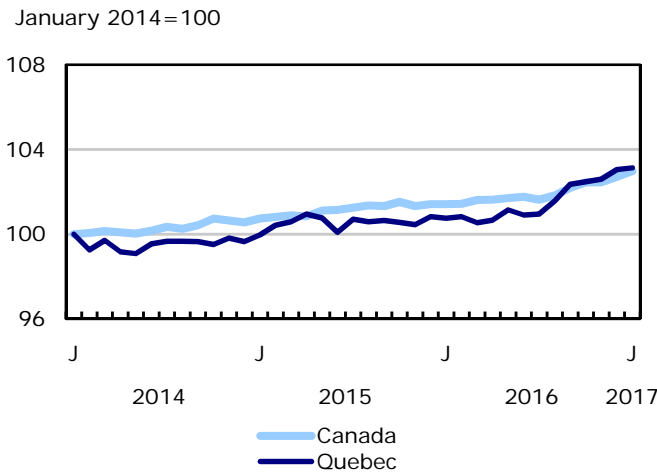
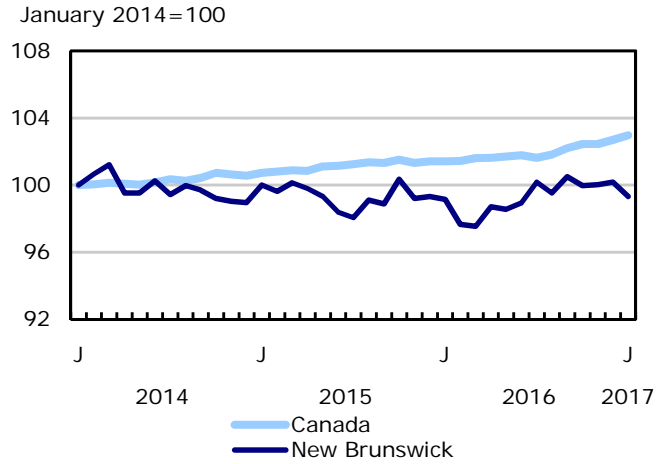
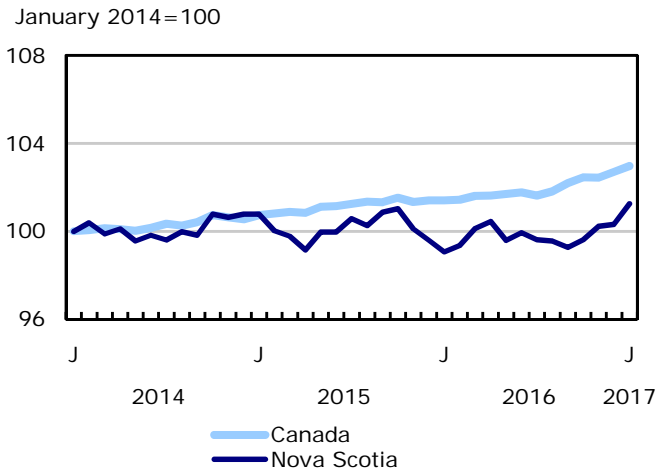
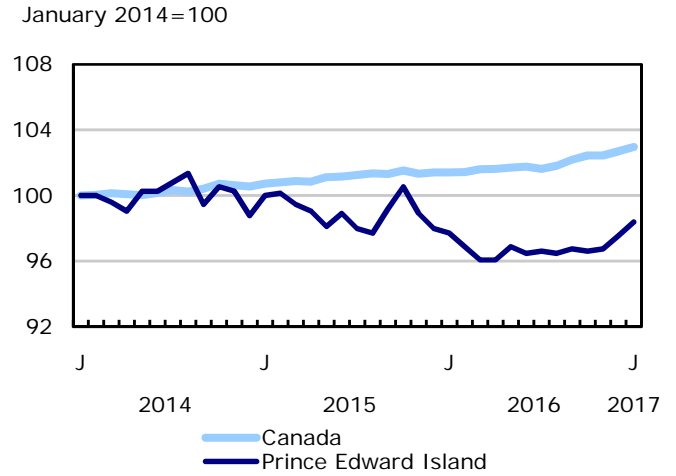
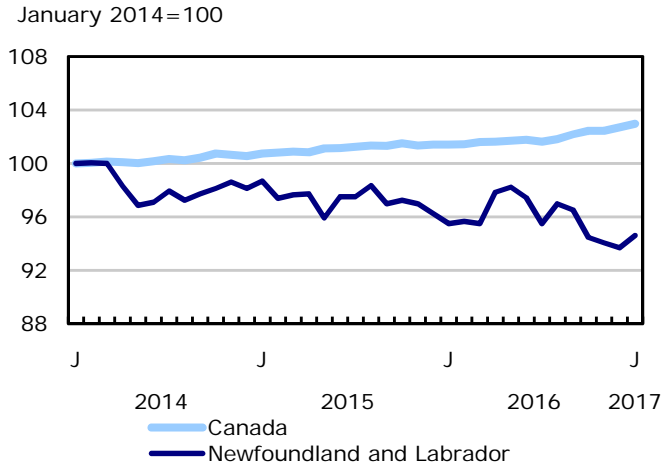


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**Employment indexes by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted**

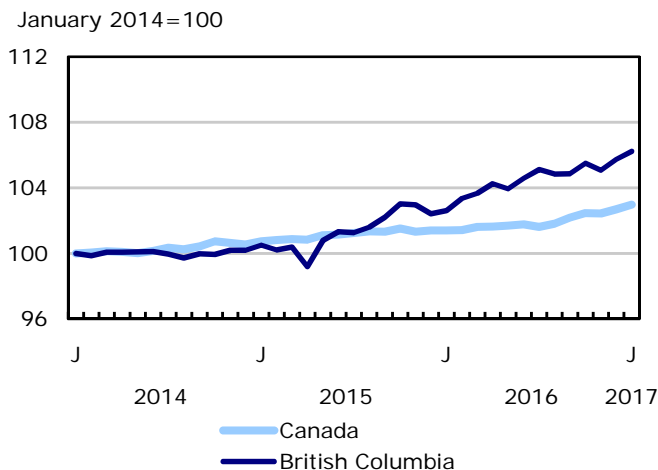
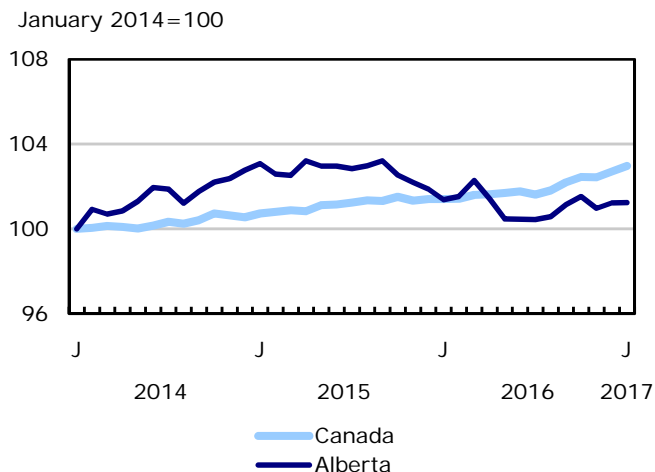
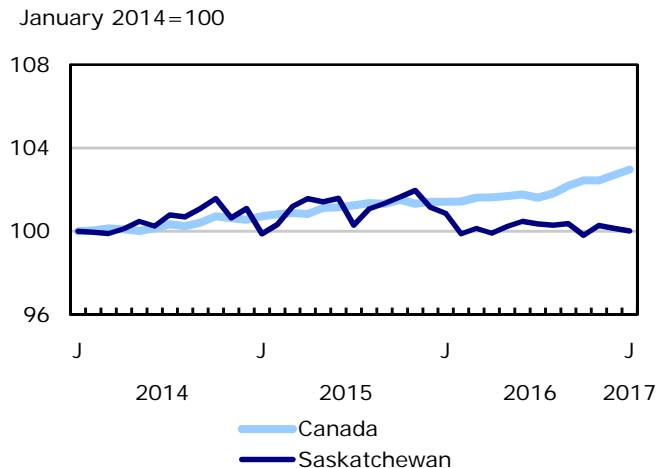
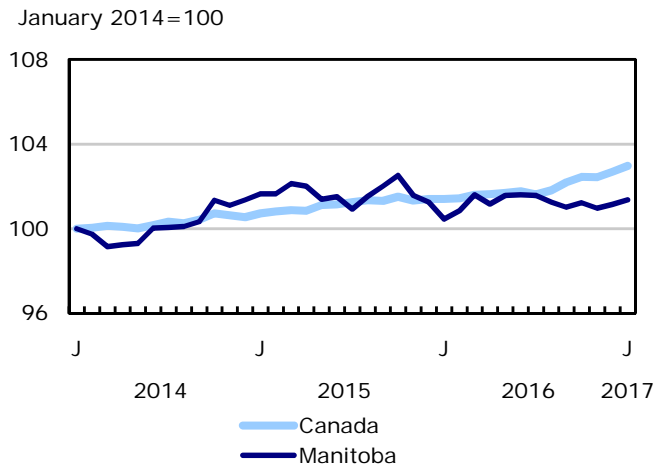




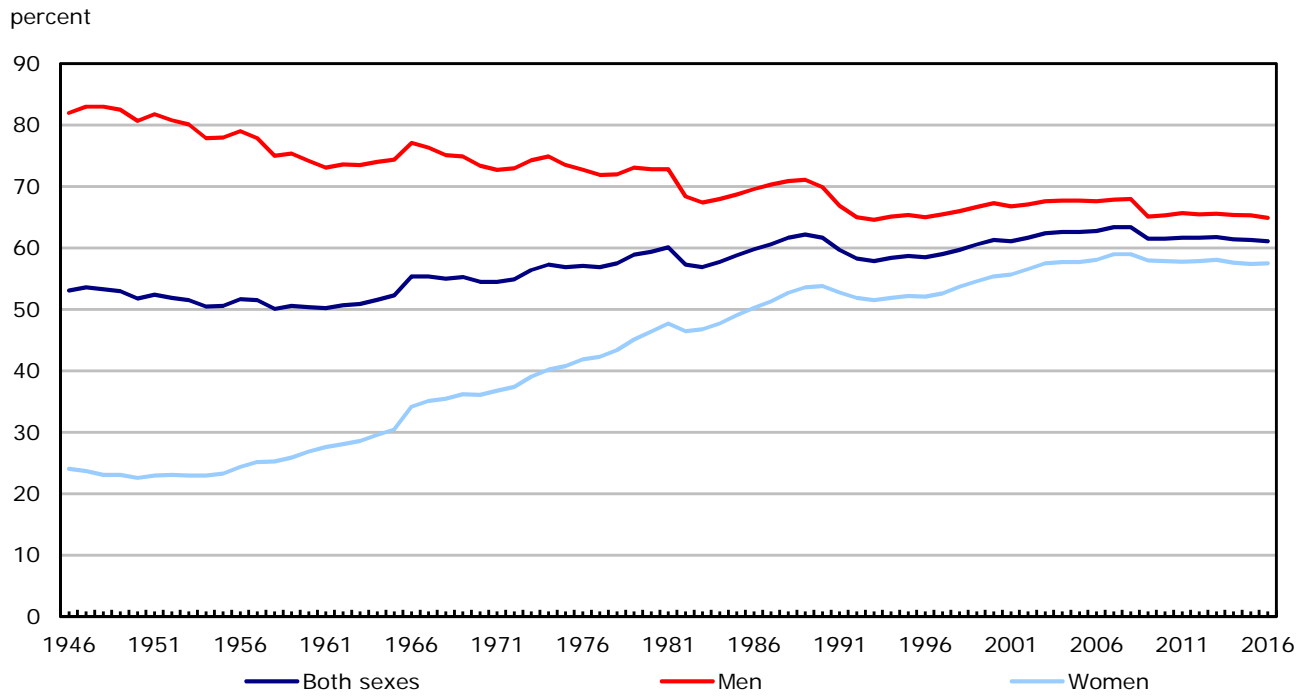
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**Employment indexes by province, Canada, seasonally adjusted**



**Chart 7**  
**Employment indexes by province, Canada, seasonally adjusted**



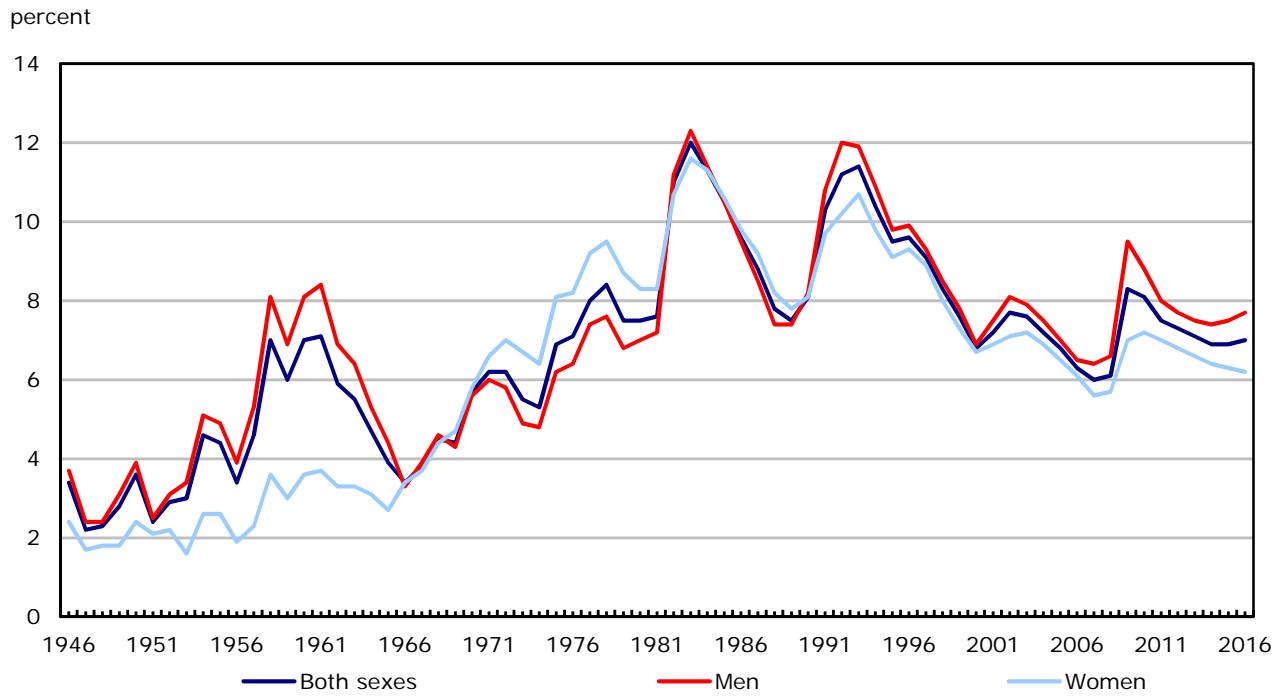
**Chart 8**  
**Employment rate by sex, 1946 to 2016**



**Note(s):** From 1946 to 1965, rates are based on the population aged 14 years and older. From 1966 to 2016, rates are based on the population aged 15 years and older. Newfoundland was included in the LFS in the fourth quarter of 1949.

**Source(s):** LFS, annual averages.

**Chart 9**  
**Unemployment rate by sex, 1946 to 2016**



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**Source(s):** LFS, annual averages.

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71-526-X	Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey
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**Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted**

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>15 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	29,717.9	<b>29,741.9</b>	...	<b>24.0</b>	24.0	302.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Labour force	19,566.6	<b>19,597.7</b>	29.8	<b>31.1</b>	31.1	212.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.1
Employment	18,225.0	<b>18,273.3</b>	29.5	<b>48.3</b>	48.3	276.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.5
Employment full-time	14,677.8	<b>14,693.6</b>	40.5	<b>15.8</b>	15.8	86.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6
Employment part-time	3,547.3	<b>3,579.7</b>	37.7	<b>32.4</b>	32.4	189.9	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	5.6
Unemployment	1,341.6	<b>1,324.4</b>	25.1	<b>-17.2</b>	-17.2	-63.6	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-4.6
Participation rate	65.8	<b>65.9</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>6.8</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	<b>61.4</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.5	<b>19.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8	...	...	...
<b>15 to 24 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	4,365.9	<b>4,361.2</b>	...	<b>-4.7</b>	-4.7	-46.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.0
Labour force	2,803.4	<b>2,819.4</b>	17.3	<b>16.0</b>	16.0	9.7	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	0.3
Employment	2,451.4	<b>2,444.8</b>	16.1	<b>-6.6</b>	-6.6	2.0	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.1
Employment full-time	1,248.2	<b>1,234.2</b>	19.8	<b>-14.0</b>	-14.0	-69.0	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-5.3
Employment part-time	1,203.2	<b>1,210.6</b>	20.8	<b>7.4</b>	7.4	71.0	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	6.2
Unemployment	352.0	<b>374.6</b>	14.6	<b>22.6</b>	22.6	7.7	<b>6.4</b>	6.4	2.1
Participation rate	64.2	<b>64.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.6	<b>13.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.1	<b>56.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.1	<b>49.5</b>	0.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	2.9	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, men</b>									
Population	12,401.2	<b>12,414.7</b>	...	<b>13.5</b>	13.5	170.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.4
Labour force	8,862.2	<b>8,871.6</b>	15.6	<b>9.4</b>	9.4	75.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.9
Employment	8,297.1	<b>8,337.8</b>	16.6	<b>40.7</b>	40.7	134.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.6
Employment full-time	7,567.8	<b>7,605.3</b>	22.6	<b>37.5</b>	37.5	64.1	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.8
Employment part-time	729.3	<b>732.5</b>	18.3	<b>3.2</b>	3.2	70.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	10.6
Unemployment	565.1	<b>533.8</b>	15.1	<b>-31.3</b>	-31.3	-69.2	<b>-5.5</b>	-5.5	-10.0
Participation rate	71.5	<b>71.5</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	<b>6.0</b>	0.2	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.9	<b>67.2</b>	0.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.8	<b>8.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.7	...	...	...
<b>25 years and over, women</b>									
Population	12,950.8	<b>12,966.0</b>	...	<b>15.2</b>	15.2	178.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.4
Labour force	7,901.0	<b>7,906.7</b>	17.2	<b>5.7</b>	5.7	127.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.6
Employment	7,476.5	<b>7,490.7</b>	17.2	<b>14.2</b>	14.2	139.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.9
Employment full-time	5,861.7	<b>5,854.1</b>	26.6	<b>-7.6</b>	-7.6	91.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.6
Employment part-time	1,614.8	<b>1,636.6</b>	25.1	<b>21.8</b>	21.8	48.6	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	3.1
Unemployment	424.5	<b>416.0</b>	13.6	<b>-8.5</b>	-8.5	-12.1	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	-2.8
Participation rate	61.0	<b>61.0</b>	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	<b>5.3</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.7	<b>57.8</b>	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.6	<b>21.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, both sexes</b>									
Population	14,639.3	<b>14,636.9</b>	...	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	33.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2
Labour force	12,700.9	<b>12,729.4</b>	22.4	<b>28.5</b>	28.5	71.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.6
Employment	11,962.1	<b>12,019.5</b>	24.4	<b>57.4</b>	57.4	145.6	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.2
Employment full-time	738.9	<b>710.0</b>	18.8	<b>-28.9</b>	-28.9	-74.1	<b>-3.9</b>	-3.9	-9.5
Employment part-time	86.8	<b>87.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment	5.8	<b>5.6</b>	0.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Participation rate	81.7	<b>82.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
<b>25 to 54 years, men</b>									
Population	7,287.3	<b>7,285.5</b>	...	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	14.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2
Labour force	6,626.3	<b>6,637.6</b>	14.3	<b>11.3</b>	11.3	12.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.2
Employment	6,217.8	<b>6,248.2</b>	16.4	<b>30.4</b>	30.4	69.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.1
Employment full-time	408.5	<b>389.4</b>	13.7	<b>-19.1</b>	-19.1	-57.3	<b>-4.7</b>	-4.7	-12.8
Employment part-time	90.9	<b>91.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment	6.2	<b>5.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Participation rate	85.3	<b>85.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.8	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.



Table 1 – continued

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>25 to 54 years, women</b>									
Population	7,352.0	<b>7,351.4</b>	...	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	19.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	6,074.7	<b>6,091.8</b>	16.6	<b>17.1</b>	17.1	59.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.0
Employment	5,744.3	<b>5,771.3</b>	17.2	<b>27.0</b>	27.0	76.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.3
Unemployment	330.4	<b>320.6</b>	12.6	<b>-9.8</b>	-9.8	-16.8	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	-5.0
Participation rate	82.6	<b>82.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	<b>5.3</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	78.1	<b>78.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, both sexes</b>									
Population	10,712.7	<b>10,743.8</b>	...	<b>31.1</b>	31.1	314.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	3.0
Labour force	4,062.3	<b>4,048.9</b>	19.0	<b>-13.4</b>	-13.4	131.5	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	3.4
Employment	3,811.6	<b>3,809.1</b>	18.9	<b>-2.5</b>	-2.5	128.7	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	3.5
Unemployment	250.7	<b>239.9</b>	10.2	<b>-10.8</b>	-10.8	2.9	<b>-4.3</b>	-4.3	1.2
Participation rate	37.9	<b>37.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	<b>5.9</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	35.6	<b>35.5</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, men</b>									
Population	5,113.9	<b>5,129.2</b>	...	<b>15.3</b>	15.3	155.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	3.1
Labour force	2,236.0	<b>2,234.0</b>	12.5	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	63.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	2.9
Employment	2,079.4	<b>2,089.6</b>	12.5	<b>10.2</b>	10.2	65.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	3.2
Unemployment	156.6	<b>144.4</b>	7.6	<b>-12.2</b>	-12.2	-1.9	<b>-7.8</b>	-7.8	-1.3
Participation rate	43.7	<b>43.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	<b>6.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	40.7	<b>40.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
<b>55 years and over, women</b>									
Population	5,598.9	<b>5,614.6</b>	...	<b>15.7</b>	15.7	158.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	2.9
Labour force	1,826.4	<b>1,814.9</b>	13.1	<b>-11.5</b>	-11.5	68.3	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	3.9
Employment	1,732.2	<b>1,719.5</b>	13.1	<b>-12.7</b>	-12.7	63.6	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	3.8
Unemployment	94.1	<b>95.4</b>	6.6	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	4.7	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	5.2
Participation rate	32.6	<b>32.3</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	30.9	<b>30.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...

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**

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands									
<b>Class of worker</b>									
Employees	15,487.1	<b>15,527.1</b>	35.8	<b>40.0</b>	40.0	324.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	2.1
Self-employed <sup>2</sup>	2,738.0	<b>2,746.2</b>	25.3	<b>8.2</b>	8.2	-48.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-1.7
<b>Public/private sector employees</b>									
Public sector employees	3,673.2	<b>3,680.9</b>	20.2	<b>7.7</b>	7.7	67.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.9
Private sector employees	11,813.9	<b>11,846.3</b>	35.8	<b>32.4</b>	32.4	256.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	2.2
<b>Industry</b>	18,225.0	<b>18,273.3</b>	29.5	<b>48.3</b>	48.3	276.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.5
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>	3,825.9	<b>3,831.5</b>	16.4	<b>5.6</b>	5.6	-22.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.6
Agriculture	283.4	<b>284.9</b>	5.5	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	0.9	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>3</sup>	322.7	<b>325.2</b>	5.0	<b>2.5</b>	2.5	-25.1	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	-7.2
Utilities	140.3	<b>137.3</b>	2.6	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	1.6	<b>-2.1</b>	-2.1	1.2
Construction	1,396.9	<b>1,402.1</b>	11.2	<b>5.2</b>	5.2	37.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	2.8
Manufacturing	1,682.6	<b>1,682.0</b>	10.9	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-37.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-2.2
<b>Services-producing sector</b>	14,399.2	<b>14,441.8</b>	28.1	<b>42.6</b>	42.6	298.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	2.1
Wholesale and retail trade	2,762.3	<b>2,759.6</b>	14.8	<b>-2.7</b>	-2.7	25.9	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.9
Transportation and warehousing	911.5	<b>922.9</b>	8.3	<b>11.4</b>	11.4	22.7	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	2.5
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	1,149.4	<b>1,169.9</b>	8.7	<b>20.5</b>	20.5	59.3	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	5.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,413.3	<b>1,411.5</b>	11.0	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	26.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.9
Business, building and other support services	751.9	<b>768.3</b>	10.5	<b>16.4</b>	16.4	3.9	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	0.5
Educational services	1,280.7	<b>1,283.0</b>	10.7	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	13.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.1
Health care and social assistance	2,350.9	<b>2,358.8</b>	11.0	<b>7.9</b>	7.9	16.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.7
Information, culture and recreation	800.0	<b>787.5</b>	10.4	<b>-12.5</b>	-12.5	21.2	<b>-1.6</b>	-1.6	2.8
Accommodation and food services	1,219.5	<b>1,218.4</b>	11.4	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	29.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	2.5
Other services (except public administration)	804.1	<b>798.3</b>	8.3	<b>-5.8</b>	-5.8	27.5	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	3.6
Public administration	955.7	<b>963.5</b>	7.4	<b>7.8</b>	7.8	51.9	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	5.7

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**

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>									
Population	445.0	<b>445.2</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4
Labour force	267.6	<b>265.9</b>	2.1	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	-3.9	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-1.4
Employment	227.1	<b>229.3</b>	2.2	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	-2.2	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-1.0
Employment full-time	188.9	<b>191.2</b>	2.6	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	-3.0	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	-1.5
Employment part-time	38.2	<b>38.2</b>	2.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	2.1
Unemployment	40.5	<b>36.6</b>	2.1	<b>-3.9</b>	-3.9	-1.6	<b>-9.6</b>	-9.6	-4.2
Participation rate	60.1	<b>59.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.1	<b>13.8</b>	0.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.0	<b>51.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>									
Population	122.4	<b>122.6</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.2
Labour force	80.6	<b>80.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Employment	72.1	<b>72.7</b>	0.7	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	0.7
Employment full-time	59.0	<b>61.5</b>	0.8	<b>2.5</b>	2.5	1.0	<b>4.2</b>	4.2	1.7
Employment part-time	13.1	<b>11.3</b>	0.7	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	-0.4	<b>-13.7</b>	-13.7	-3.4
Unemployment	8.5	<b>7.9</b>	0.6	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	0.2	<b>-7.1</b>	-7.1	2.6
Participation rate	65.8	<b>65.8</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	<b>9.8</b>	0.7	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.9	<b>59.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
<b>Nova Scotia</b>									
Population	790.0	<b>790.3</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	3.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4
Labour force	488.9	<b>490.5</b>	2.5	<b>1.6</b>	1.6	6.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.2
Employment	448.5	<b>452.7</b>	2.7	<b>4.2</b>	4.2	9.8	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	2.2
Employment full-time	355.1	<b>363.5</b>	3.5	<b>8.4</b>	8.4	-1.3	<b>2.4</b>	2.4	-0.4
Employment part-time	93.4	<b>89.2</b>	3.2	<b>-4.2</b>	-4.2	11.2	<b>-4.5</b>	-4.5	14.4
Unemployment	40.4	<b>37.9</b>	2.3	<b>-2.5</b>	-2.5	-3.7	<b>-6.2</b>	-6.2	-8.9
Participation rate	61.9	<b>62.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	<b>7.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.8	<b>57.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.0	...	...	...
<b>New Brunswick</b>									
Population	623.9	<b>624.0</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	391.5	<b>386.6</b>	2.2	<b>-4.9</b>	-4.9	-0.8	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-0.2
Employment	354.9	<b>351.9</b>	2.2	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	0.2
Employment full-time	299.0	<b>300.2</b>	2.8	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	4.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	1.5
Employment part-time	56.0	<b>51.7</b>	2.4	<b>-4.3</b>	-4.3	-3.7	<b>-7.7</b>	-7.7	-6.7
Unemployment	36.6	<b>34.6</b>	2.1	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	-1.5	<b>-5.5</b>	-5.5	-4.2
Participation rate	62.8	<b>62.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	<b>8.9</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.9	<b>56.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
<b>Quebec</b>									
Population	6,905.9	<b>6,909.7</b>	...	<b>3.8</b>	3.8	43.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6
Labour force	4,493.3	<b>4,482.1</b>	14.8	<b>-11.2</b>	-11.2	39.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.9
Employment	4,199.2	<b>4,202.6</b>	15.5	<b>3.4</b>	3.4	97.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.4
Employment full-time	3,396.1	<b>3,390.5</b>	21.6	<b>-5.6</b>	-5.6	62.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.9
Employment part-time	803.1	<b>812.1</b>	19.5	<b>9.0</b>	9.0	34.3	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	4.4
Unemployment	294.1	<b>279.5</b>	13.3	<b>-14.6</b>	-14.6	-57.3	<b>-5.0</b>	-5.0	-17.0
Participation rate	65.1	<b>64.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	<b>6.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	<b>60.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.0	...	...	...
<b>Ontario</b>									
Population	11,591.4	<b>11,604.3</b>	...	<b>12.9</b>	12.9	149.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Labour force	7,525.6	<b>7,559.9</b>	20.7	<b>34.3</b>	34.3	71.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.0
Employment	7,046.4	<b>7,075.2</b>	19.7	<b>28.8</b>	28.8	90.1	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	1.3
Employment full-time	5,690.1	<b>5,695.4</b>	26.6	<b>5.3</b>	5.3	6.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1
Employment part-time	1,356.3	<b>1,379.8</b>	25.2	<b>23.5</b>	23.5	84.0	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	6.5
Unemployment	479.2	<b>484.8</b>	16.4	<b>5.6</b>	5.6	-18.8	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	-3.7
Participation rate	64.9	<b>65.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	<b>6.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	<b>61.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.0	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

## Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Manitoba</b>									
Population	1,004.4	<b>1,006.1</b>	...	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	13.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.3
Labour force	675.3	<b>675.6</b>	2.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	6.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.9
Employment	633.0	<b>634.3</b>	2.6	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	5.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.9
Employment full-time	509.4	<b>513.1</b>	3.6	<b>3.7</b>	3.7	5.6	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	1.1
Employment part-time	123.6	<b>121.2</b>	3.3	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	0.2	<b>-1.9</b>	-1.9	0.2
Unemployment	42.3	<b>41.3</b>	2.0	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	0.4	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	1.0
Participation rate	67.2	<b>67.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	<b>6.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.0	<b>63.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
<b>Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	872.5	<b>872.7</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	7.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.9
Labour force	608.1	<b>606.3</b>	2.6	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	-0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.0
Employment	568.2	<b>567.5</b>	2.6	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-4.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.8
Employment full-time	466.6	<b>463.6</b>	3.4	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	-8.3	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-1.8
Employment part-time	101.6	<b>103.9</b>	3.1	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	3.4	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	3.4
Unemployment	39.9	<b>38.8</b>	2.2	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	4.6	<b>-2.8</b>	-2.8	13.5
Participation rate	69.7	<b>69.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	<b>6.4</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	<b>65.0</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.1	...	...	...
<b>Alberta</b>									
Population	3,409.6	<b>3,411.4</b>	...	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	29.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.9
Labour force	2,479.2	<b>2,487.8</b>	9.4	<b>8.6</b>	8.6	33.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4
Employment	2,267.4	<b>2,267.6</b>	10.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-3.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1
Employment full-time	1,846.1	<b>1,821.8</b>	13.7	<b>-24.3</b>	-24.3	-30.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-1.7
Employment part-time	421.2	<b>445.8</b>	12.4	<b>24.6</b>	24.6	27.6	<b>5.8</b>	5.8	6.6
Unemployment	211.9	<b>220.1</b>	8.8	<b>8.2</b>	8.2	36.2	<b>3.9</b>	3.9	19.7
Participation rate	72.7	<b>72.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	<b>8.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.5	<b>66.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
<b>British Columbia</b>									
Population	3,952.8	<b>3,955.7</b>	...	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	49.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Labour force	2,556.4	<b>2,562.3</b>	10.6	<b>5.9</b>	5.9	60.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.4
Employment	2,408.2	<b>2,419.4</b>	10.4	<b>11.2</b>	11.2	82.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	3.5
Employment full-time	1,867.4	<b>1,892.8</b>	14.6	<b>25.4</b>	25.4	49.7	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	2.7
Employment part-time	540.8	<b>526.6</b>	14.0	<b>-14.2</b>	-14.2	32.6	<b>-2.6</b>	-2.6	6.6
Unemployment	148.2	<b>142.9</b>	9.0	<b>-5.3</b>	-5.3	-22.1	<b>-3.6</b>	-3.6	-13.4
Participation rate	64.7	<b>64.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	<b>5.6</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	<b>61.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4	...	...	...

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**

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	445.0	<b>445.2</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4
Labour force	267.6	<b>265.9</b>	2.1	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	-3.9	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-1.4
Employment	227.1	<b>229.3</b>	2.2	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	-2.2	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-1.0
Employment full-time	188.9	<b>191.2</b>	2.6	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	-3.0	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	-1.5
Unemployment	40.5	<b>36.6</b>	2.1	<b>-3.9</b>	-3.9	-1.6	<b>-9.6</b>	-9.6	-4.2
Participation rate	60.1	<b>59.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.1	<b>13.8</b>	0.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	51.0	<b>51.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.8	<b>16.7</b>	0.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	55.0	<b>55.0</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-1.1
Labour force	37.0	<b>35.0</b>	1.0	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	-2.7	<b>-5.4</b>	-5.4	-7.2
Employment	28.7	<b>28.1</b>	1.0	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-2.7	<b>-2.1</b>	-2.1	-8.8
Unemployment	8.3	<b>6.9</b>	0.9	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.4	0.0	<b>-16.9</b>	-16.9	0.0
Participation rate	67.3	<b>63.6</b>	1.8	<b>-3.7</b>	-3.7	-4.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	22.4	<b>19.7</b>	2.5	<b>-2.7</b>	-2.7	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.2	<b>51.1</b>	1.7	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-4.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.1	<b>44.5</b>	3.5	<b>-4.6</b>	-4.6	-7.8	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	190.0	<b>190.1</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6
Labour force	119.4	<b>120.0</b>	1.2	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	-2.1	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-1.7
Employment	98.8	<b>100.5</b>	1.4	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	-1.9	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	-1.9
Unemployment	20.6	<b>19.4</b>	1.4	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	-0.3	<b>-5.8</b>	-5.8	-1.5
Participation rate	62.8	<b>63.1</b>	0.7	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.3	<b>16.2</b>	1.1	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.0	<b>52.9</b>	0.8	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	-1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.7	<b>7.7</b>	1.0	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	3.5	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	199.9	<b>200.0</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7
Labour force	111.2	<b>110.9</b>	1.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	1.0	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.9
Employment	99.6	<b>100.7</b>	1.2	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	2.4	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	2.4
Unemployment	11.6	<b>10.3</b>	1.1	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-1.4	<b>-11.2</b>	-11.2	-12.0
Participation rate	55.6	<b>55.5</b>	0.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.4	<b>9.3</b>	0.9	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.8	<b>50.4</b>	0.6	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.7	<b>17.8</b>	1.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
	227.1	<b>229.3</b>	2.2	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	-2.2	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-1.0
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	46.5	<b>48.3</b>	1.5	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	-2.5	<b>3.9</b>	3.9	-4.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	1.1	<b>0.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.2	<b>-18.2</b>	-18.2	-18.2
Utilities	12.4	<b>13.7</b>	0.8	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	-1.6	<b>10.5</b>	10.5	-10.5
Construction	2.7	<b>2.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1	<b>3.7</b>	3.7	3.7
Manufacturing	21.2	<b>21.7</b>	1.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.8	<b>2.4</b>	2.4	3.8
	9.0	<b>9.1</b>	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-1.8	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	-16.5
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Wholesale and retail trade	180.6	<b>181.0</b>	1.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.1
Transportation and warehousing	41.3	<b>41.5</b>	1.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-2.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-5.0
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	10.0	<b>10.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.8	<b>3.0</b>	3.0	8.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	7.6	<b>7.3</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-1.4	<b>-3.9</b>	-3.9	-16.1
Business, building and other support services	10.9	<b>10.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.1	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	-0.9
Educational services	6.5	<b>6.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-1.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-15.6
Health care and social assistance	15.1	<b>14.6</b>	0.6	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	0.7	<b>-3.3</b>	-3.3	5.0
Information, culture and recreation	39.8	<b>40.5</b>	0.8	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	1.9	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	4.9
Accommodation and food services	7.4	<b>8.0</b>	0.6	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	1.2	<b>8.1</b>	8.1	17.6
Other services (except public administration)	14.9	<b>14.8</b>	0.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.1	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-0.7
Public administration	11.7	<b>11.8</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.7	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	-5.6
	15.4	<b>15.1</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	1.5	<b>-1.9</b>	-1.9	11.0

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	122.4	<b>122.6</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.2
Labour force	80.6	<b>80.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Employment	72.1	<b>72.7</b>	0.7	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	0.7
Employment full-time	59.0	<b>61.5</b>	0.8	<b>2.5</b>	2.5	1.0	<b>4.2</b>	4.2	1.7
Unemployment	8.5	<b>7.9</b>	0.6	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	0.2	<b>-7.1</b>	-7.1	2.6
Participation rate	65.8	<b>65.8</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	<b>9.8</b>	0.7	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.9	<b>59.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	<b>15.5</b>	1.0	<b>-2.6</b>	-2.6	-0.7	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	17.7	<b>17.7</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-1.7
Labour force	12.4	<b>12.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.0	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	0.0
Employment	10.7	<b>10.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.3	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	-2.7
Unemployment	1.7	<b>1.7</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	21.4
Participation rate	70.1	<b>70.6</b>	1.9	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.7	<b>13.6</b>	2.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	<b>61.0</b>	2.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.7	<b>44.4</b>	3.6	<b>-2.3</b>	-2.3	3.9	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	50.2	<b>50.3</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.8
Labour force	35.3	<b>35.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	1.1
Employment	30.9	<b>31.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.3	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	1.0
Unemployment	4.4	<b>4.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	0.2	<b>-9.1</b>	-9.1	5.3
Participation rate	70.3	<b>70.0</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.5	<b>11.4</b>	1.1	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	<b>62.0</b>	0.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.4	<b>5.8</b>	1.1	<b>-2.6</b>	-2.6	-1.4	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	54.5	<b>54.6</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.5
Labour force	32.9	<b>32.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6
Employment	30.5	<b>30.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.6	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	2.0
Unemployment	2.4	<b>2.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.3	<b>-8.3</b>	-8.3	-12.0
Participation rate	60.4	<b>60.3</b>	0.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	<b>6.7</b>	1.0	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	<b>56.4</b>	0.7	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.0	<b>14.9</b>	1.5	<b>-3.1</b>	-3.1	-1.6	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	72.1	<b>72.7</b>	0.7	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	0.5	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	0.7
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Goods-producing sector	16.2	<b>16.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	0.3	<b>4.3</b>	4.3	1.8
Agriculture	2.9	<b>3.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.3	<b>13.8</b>	13.8	10.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	2.3	<b>2.1</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.1	<b>-8.7</b>	-8.7	-4.5
Utilities	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.2	<b>-33.3</b>	-33.3	-50.0
Construction	4.8	<b>5.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.3	<b>4.2</b>	4.2	6.4
Manufacturing	6.0	<b>6.2</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.0	<b>3.3</b>	3.3	0.0
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Services-producing sector	55.9	<b>55.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.4
Wholesale and retail trade	10.4	<b>10.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.0	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	0.0
Transportation and warehousing	2.8	<b>2.9</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.3	<b>3.6</b>	3.6	11.5
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	2.8	<b>2.7</b>	0.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.2	<b>-3.6</b>	-3.6	8.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	3.3	<b>3.1</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.4	<b>-6.1</b>	-6.1	-11.4
Business, building and other support services	2.3	<b>2.2</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.2	<b>-4.3</b>	-4.3	-8.3
Educational services	5.5	<b>5.6</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.2	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	3.7
Health care and social assistance	10.1	<b>10.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.1	<b>2.0</b>	2.0	1.0
Information, culture and recreation	2.9	<b>2.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.7	<b>-6.9</b>	-6.9	35.0
Accommodation and food services	5.6	<b>5.6</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-11.1
Other services (except public administration)	3.5	<b>3.2</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.1	<b>-8.6</b>	-8.6	-3.0
Public administration	6.7	<b>6.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.0	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	0.0

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	790.0	<b>790.3</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	3.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4
Labour force	488.9	<b>490.5</b>	2.5	<b>1.6</b>	1.6	6.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.2
Employment	448.5	<b>452.7</b>	2.7	<b>4.2</b>	4.2	9.8	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	2.2
Employment full-time	355.1	<b>363.5</b>	3.5	<b>8.4</b>	8.4	-1.3	<b>2.4</b>	2.4	-0.4
Unemployment	40.4	<b>37.9</b>	2.3	<b>-2.5</b>	-2.5	-3.7	<b>-6.2</b>	-6.2	-8.9
Participation rate	61.9	<b>62.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	<b>7.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.8	<b>57.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.8	<b>19.7</b>	0.7	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	2.1	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	109.1	<b>108.9</b>	...	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.5	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.4
Labour force	67.9	<b>68.2</b>	1.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-3.1	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-4.3
Employment	57.1	<b>57.2</b>	1.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-3.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-5.6
Unemployment	10.7	<b>10.9</b>	1.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.2	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	1.9
Participation rate	62.2	<b>62.6</b>	1.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.8	<b>16.0</b>	1.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.3	<b>52.5</b>	1.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-2.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.0	<b>48.8</b>	2.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	5.7	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	326.3	<b>326.5</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8
Labour force	214.5	<b>214.6</b>	1.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	5.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	2.5
Employment	194.2	<b>196.3</b>	1.6	<b>2.1</b>	2.1	5.5	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	2.9
Unemployment	20.2	<b>18.3</b>	1.5	<b>-1.9</b>	-1.9	-0.2	<b>-9.4</b>	-9.4	-1.1
Participation rate	65.7	<b>65.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	<b>8.5</b>	0.7	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	<b>60.1</b>	0.5	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.2	<b>8.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	0.9	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	354.7	<b>354.8</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6
Labour force	206.6	<b>207.8</b>	1.4	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	4.0	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	2.0
Employment	197.2	<b>199.1</b>	1.5	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	7.7	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	4.0
Unemployment	9.4	<b>8.6</b>	1.2	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-3.8	<b>-8.5</b>	-8.5	-30.6
Participation rate	58.2	<b>58.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.5	<b>4.1</b>	0.6	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.6	<b>56.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.0	<b>22.3</b>	1.1	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	2.8	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	448.5	<b>452.7</b>	2.7	<b>4.2</b>	4.2	9.8	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	2.2
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Goods-producing sector	80.7	<b>83.0</b>	1.6	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	1.0	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	1.2
Agriculture	4.8	<b>4.8</b>	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	29.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	11.6	<b>12.5</b>	0.8	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	0.8	<b>7.8</b>	7.8	6.8
Utilities	3.4	<b>3.7</b>	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.3	<b>8.8</b>	8.8	8.8
Construction	33.3	<b>34.6</b>	1.1	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	2.1	<b>3.9</b>	3.9	6.5
Manufacturing	27.8	<b>27.3</b>	0.8	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-3.4	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	-11.1
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Services-producing sector	367.8	<b>369.7</b>	2.5	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	8.8	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	2.4
Wholesale and retail trade	74.0	<b>75.1</b>	1.3	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	6.2	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	9.0
Transportation and warehousing	20.1	<b>20.4</b>	0.7	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-0.1	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	-0.5
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	23.6	<b>22.5</b>	0.7	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-1.5	<b>-4.7</b>	-4.7	-6.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	28.3	<b>29.8</b>	0.9	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	2.9	<b>5.3</b>	5.3	10.8
Business, building and other support services	17.2	<b>16.9</b>	0.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.5	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	3.0
Educational services	36.2	<b>34.2</b>	1.0	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	-3.5	<b>-5.5</b>	-5.5	-9.3
Health care and social assistance	75.9	<b>76.8</b>	1.1	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	3.6	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	4.9
Information, culture and recreation	15.5	<b>16.2</b>	0.9	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	0.5	<b>4.5</b>	4.5	3.2
Accommodation and food services	28.1	<b>29.1</b>	1.1	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-2.0	<b>3.6</b>	3.6	-6.4
Other services (except public administration)	20.8	<b>19.9</b>	0.8	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	0.9	<b>-4.3</b>	-4.3	4.7
Public administration	28.0	<b>28.8</b>	0.8	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	1.2	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	4.3

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	623.9	<b>624.0</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3
Labour force	391.5	<b>386.6</b>	2.2	<b>-4.9</b>	-4.9	-0.8	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-0.2
Employment	354.9	<b>351.9</b>	2.2	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	0.2
Employment full-time	299.0	<b>300.2</b>	2.8	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	4.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	1.5
Unemployment	36.6	<b>34.6</b>	2.1	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	-1.5	<b>-5.5</b>	-5.5	-4.2
Participation rate	62.8	<b>62.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	<b>8.9</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.9	<b>56.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.8	<b>14.7</b>	0.7	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	82.4	<b>82.3</b>	...	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.6
Labour force	54.9	<b>53.8</b>	1.2	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	0.9	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	1.7
Employment	47.0	<b>45.3</b>	1.2	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	1.3	<b>-3.6</b>	-3.6	3.0
Unemployment	7.9	<b>8.5</b>	1.1	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	-0.3	<b>7.6</b>	7.6	-3.4
Participation rate	66.6	<b>65.4</b>	1.5	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.4	<b>15.8</b>	1.9	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	<b>55.0</b>	1.4	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	2.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.4	<b>38.4</b>	2.7	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-4.8	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	262.1	<b>262.2</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.5
Labour force	174.9	<b>172.2</b>	1.3	<b>-2.7</b>	-2.7	-1.4	<b>-1.5</b>	-1.5	-0.8
Employment	155.2	<b>155.2</b>	1.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1
Unemployment	19.6	<b>17.1</b>	1.4	<b>-2.5</b>	-2.5	-1.3	<b>-12.8</b>	-12.8	-7.1
Participation rate	66.7	<b>65.7</b>	0.5	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	<b>9.9</b>	0.8	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	<b>59.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.8	<b>5.6</b>	0.7	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	-2.1	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	279.4	<b>279.5</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6
Labour force	161.8	<b>160.6</b>	1.2	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	-0.3	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-0.2
Employment	152.7	<b>151.5</b>	1.2	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	-0.5	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-0.3
Unemployment	9.1	<b>9.1</b>	1.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	2.2
Participation rate	57.9	<b>57.5</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>5.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.7	<b>54.2</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.6	<b>16.9</b>	1.1	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	0.8	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	354.9	<b>351.9</b>	2.2	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	0.2
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Goods-producing sector	72.6	<b>72.7</b>	1.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-2.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-3.1
Agriculture	6.2	<b>5.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	1.1	<b>-14.5</b>	-14.5	26.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	8.7	<b>9.6</b>	0.7	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	-1.5	<b>10.3</b>	10.3	-13.5
Utilities	4.1	<b>4.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	24.2
Construction	22.7	<b>24.1</b>	1.0	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	-2.1	<b>6.2</b>	6.2	-8.0
Manufacturing	30.8	<b>29.5</b>	0.9	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-0.7	<b>-4.2</b>	-4.2	-2.3
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Services-producing sector	282.4	<b>279.3</b>	2.0	<b>-3.1</b>	-3.1	3.0	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	1.1
Wholesale and retail trade	58.4	<b>56.9</b>	1.0	<b>-1.5</b>	-1.5	0.8	<b>-2.6</b>	-2.6	1.4
Transportation and warehousing	17.6	<b>17.5</b>	0.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-2.7	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-13.4
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	17.7	<b>17.5</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.9	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	12.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	14.7	<b>15.1</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.8	<b>2.7</b>	2.7	5.6
Business, building and other support services	14.9	<b>15.0</b>	0.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-2.7	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	-15.3
Educational services	26.1	<b>25.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	0.5	<b>-1.9</b>	-1.9	2.0
Health care and social assistance	55.4	<b>54.8</b>	0.9	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	2.1	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	4.0
Information, culture and recreation	13.0	<b>12.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.3	<b>-1.5</b>	-1.5	11.3
Accommodation and food services	23.2	<b>23.0</b>	0.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.7	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-3.0
Other services (except public administration)	17.6	<b>17.1</b>	0.6	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	0.9	<b>-2.8</b>	-2.8	5.6
Public administration	23.9	<b>24.0</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	3.4

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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



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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	6,905.9	<b>6,909.7</b>	...	<b>3.8</b>	3.8	43.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6
Labour force	4,493.3	<b>4,482.1</b>	14.8	<b>-11.2</b>	-11.2	39.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.9
Employment	4,199.2	<b>4,202.6</b>	15.5	<b>3.4</b>	3.4	97.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.4
Employment full-time	3,396.1	<b>3,390.5</b>	21.6	<b>-5.6</b>	-5.6	62.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.9
Unemployment	294.1	<b>279.5</b>	13.3	<b>-14.6</b>	-14.6	-57.3	<b>-5.0</b>	-5.0	-17.0
Participation rate	65.1	<b>64.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	<b>6.2</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	<b>60.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.1	<b>19.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	925.7	<b>923.5</b>	...	<b>-2.2</b>	-2.2	-23.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-2.5
Labour force	634.5	<b>619.5</b>	8.5	<b>-15.0</b>	-15.0	-20.9	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	-3.3
Employment	563.6	<b>553.7</b>	8.0	<b>-9.9</b>	-9.9	-6.2	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	-1.1
Unemployment	70.8	<b>65.8</b>	7.4	<b>-5.0</b>	-5.0	-14.7	<b>-7.1</b>	-7.1	-18.3
Participation rate	68.5	<b>67.1</b>	0.9	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	<b>10.6</b>	1.1	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	<b>60.0</b>	0.9	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	54.9	<b>54.8</b>	1.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	4.2	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	2,949.6	<b>2,952.5</b>	...	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	33.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1
Labour force	2,041.9	<b>2,041.6</b>	8.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	15.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.8
Employment	1,905.6	<b>1,920.2</b>	9.0	<b>14.6</b>	14.6	46.2	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	2.5
Unemployment	136.3	<b>121.4</b>	8.3	<b>-14.9</b>	-14.9	-30.4	<b>-10.9</b>	-10.9	-20.0
Participation rate	69.2	<b>69.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	<b>5.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	<b>65.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.8	<b>8.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	3,030.7	<b>3,033.6</b>	...	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	34.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1
Labour force	1,816.9	<b>1,821.0</b>	8.3	<b>4.1</b>	4.1	45.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.5
Employment	1,730.0	<b>1,728.7</b>	8.8	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	57.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	3.4
Unemployment	86.9	<b>92.3</b>	7.1	<b>5.4</b>	5.4	-12.2	<b>6.2</b>	6.2	-11.7
Participation rate	59.9	<b>60.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	<b>5.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.1	<b>57.0</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.8	<b>19.7</b>	0.7	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	4,199.2	<b>4,202.6</b>	15.5	<b>3.4</b>	3.4	97.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.4
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Goods-producing sector	841.9	<b>839.8</b>	8.6	<b>-2.1</b>	-2.1	-4.7	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.6
Agriculture	52.4	<b>56.8</b>	2.7	<b>4.4</b>	4.4	-1.9	<b>8.4</b>	8.4	-3.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	34.9	<b>35.2</b>	1.8	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	4.5	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	14.7
Utilities	27.9	<b>25.6</b>	1.2	<b>-2.3</b>	-2.3	-3.2	<b>-8.2</b>	-8.2	-11.1
Construction	234.6	<b>237.5</b>	5.6	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	7.2	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	3.1
Manufacturing	492.1	<b>484.8</b>	6.2	<b>-7.3</b>	-7.3	-11.2	<b>-1.5</b>	-1.5	-2.3
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Services-producing sector	3,357.3	<b>3,362.9</b>	14.7	<b>5.6</b>	5.6	101.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	3.1
Wholesale and retail trade	672.9	<b>671.7</b>	7.8	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	25.5	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	3.9
Transportation and warehousing	196.4	<b>197.0</b>	4.2	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	3.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	223.6	<b>230.8</b>	4.1	<b>7.2</b>	7.2	21.1	<b>3.2</b>	3.2	10.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	311.7	<b>313.0</b>	5.7	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	-2.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-0.8
Business, building and other support services	171.8	<b>183.7</b>	5.6	<b>11.9</b>	11.9	0.7	<b>6.9</b>	6.9	0.4
Educational services	300.4	<b>297.4</b>	5.4	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	29.7	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	11.1
Health care and social assistance	573.0	<b>574.0</b>	5.9	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-13.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-2.2
Information, culture and recreation	196.4	<b>185.1</b>	5.4	<b>-11.3</b>	-11.3	11.2	<b>-5.8</b>	-5.8	6.4
Accommodation and food services	276.3	<b>276.4</b>	5.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-4.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-1.5
Other services (except public administration)	180.7	<b>179.6</b>	4.2	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	14.4	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	8.7
Public administration	254.1	<b>254.1</b>	3.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	15.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	6.5

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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**

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	11,591.4	<b>11,604.3</b>	...	<b>12.9</b>	12.9	149.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Labour force	7,525.6	<b>7,559.9</b>	20.7	<b>34.3</b>	34.3	71.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.0
Employment	7,046.4	<b>7,075.2</b>	19.7	<b>28.8</b>	28.8	90.1	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	1.3
Employment full-time	5,690.1	<b>5,695.4</b>	26.6	<b>5.3</b>	5.3	6.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1
Unemployment	479.2	<b>484.8</b>	16.4	<b>5.6</b>	5.6	-18.8	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	-3.7
Participation rate	64.9	<b>65.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	<b>6.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	<b>61.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.2	<b>19.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.0	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	1,782.7	<b>1,782.0</b>	...	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-7.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.4
Labour force	1,081.2	<b>1,095.3</b>	12.2	<b>14.1</b>	14.1	19.7	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	1.8
Employment	927.9	<b>924.5</b>	10.9	<b>-3.4</b>	-3.4	-5.8	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.6
Unemployment	153.4	<b>170.8</b>	9.8	<b>17.4</b>	17.4	25.5	<b>11.3</b>	11.3	17.5
Participation rate	60.6	<b>61.5</b>	0.7	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.2	<b>15.6</b>	0.8	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.1	<b>51.9</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.6	<b>50.0</b>	1.3	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	1.9	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	4,734.2	<b>4,740.7</b>	...	<b>6.5</b>	6.5	78.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.7
Labour force	3,365.7	<b>3,387.6</b>	10.2	<b>21.9</b>	21.9	21.9	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	0.7
Employment	3,201.9	<b>3,227.1</b>	10.5	<b>25.2</b>	25.2	56.1	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	1.8
Unemployment	163.8	<b>160.4</b>	9.3	<b>-3.4</b>	-3.4	-34.3	<b>-2.1</b>	-2.1	-17.6
Participation rate	71.1	<b>71.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	<b>4.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.6	<b>68.1</b>	0.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	9.0	<b>8.8</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.0	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	5,074.5	<b>5,081.6</b>	...	<b>7.1</b>	7.1	78.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.6
Labour force	3,078.7	<b>3,077.0</b>	12.0	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	29.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.0
Employment	2,916.6	<b>2,923.6</b>	11.6	<b>7.0</b>	7.0	39.9	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.4
Unemployment	162.1	<b>153.5</b>	9.2	<b>-8.6</b>	-8.6	-10.1	<b>-5.3</b>	-5.3	-6.2
Participation rate	60.7	<b>60.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	<b>5.0</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.5	<b>57.5</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.2	<b>21.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	0.8	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>	<b>7,046.4</b>	<b>7,075.2</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>28.8</b>	<b>28.8</b>	<b>90.1</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	1,423.3	<b>1,441.4</b>	10.2	<b>18.1</b>	18.1	25.0	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	1.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	71.9	<b>73.7</b>	2.9	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	-6.5	<b>2.5</b>	2.5	-8.1
Utilities	34.2	<b>32.9</b>	1.6	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-8.6	<b>-3.8</b>	-3.8	-20.7
Utilities	51.3	<b>51.7</b>	1.7	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	4.2	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	8.8
Construction	520.3	<b>523.4</b>	6.7	<b>3.1</b>	3.1	30.1	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	6.1
Manufacturing	745.6	<b>759.6</b>	7.3	<b>14.0</b>	14.0	5.7	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	0.8
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Wholesale and retail trade	5,623.1	<b>5,633.8</b>	18.9	<b>10.7</b>	10.7	65.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.2
Transportation and warehousing	1,024.9	<b>1,019.4</b>	9.8	<b>-5.5</b>	-5.5	-22.5	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-2.2
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	324.2	<b>327.2</b>	5.4	<b>3.0</b>	3.0	-4.4	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	-1.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	562.3	<b>570.5</b>	6.2	<b>8.2</b>	8.2	17.4	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	3.1
Business, building and other support services	606.5	<b>599.6</b>	7.5	<b>-6.9</b>	-6.9	4.2	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	0.7
Educational services	328.2	<b>326.9</b>	7.4	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	1.1	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	0.3
Health care and social assistance	499.8	<b>501.7</b>	7.2	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	-12.7	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-2.5
Information, culture and recreation	850.7	<b>858.2</b>	7.0	<b>7.5</b>	7.5	30.3	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	3.7
Accommodation and food services	323.7	<b>317.3</b>	6.8	<b>-6.4</b>	-6.4	11.3	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	3.7
Other services (except public administration)	459.8	<b>464.5</b>	7.6	<b>4.7</b>	4.7	10.4	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	2.3
Public administration	281.7	<b>280.0</b>	5.3	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	7.4	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	2.7
Public administration	361.3	<b>368.4</b>	5.2	<b>7.1</b>	7.1	22.5	<b>2.0</b>	2.0	6.5

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	1,004.4	<b>1,006.1</b>	...	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	13.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.3
Labour force	675.3	<b>675.6</b>	2.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	6.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.9
Employment	633.0	<b>634.3</b>	2.6	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	5.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.9
Employment full-time	509.4	<b>513.1</b>	3.6	<b>3.7</b>	3.7	5.6	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	1.1
Unemployment	42.3	<b>41.3</b>	2.0	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	0.4	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	1.0
Participation rate	67.2	<b>67.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	<b>6.1</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.0	<b>63.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.5	<b>19.1</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	163.5	<b>163.7</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.5
Labour force	109.6	<b>108.5</b>	1.5	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	1.7	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	1.6
Employment	95.3	<b>94.2</b>	1.4	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	1.4	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	1.5
Unemployment	14.4	<b>14.3</b>	1.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.3	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	2.1
Participation rate	67.0	<b>66.3</b>	0.9	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.1	<b>13.2</b>	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	<b>57.5</b>	0.9	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.7	<b>42.8</b>	1.8	<b>-1.9</b>	-1.9	-1.8	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	412.2	<b>413.0</b>	...	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	6.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.5
Labour force	302.3	<b>302.6</b>	1.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6
Employment	286.6	<b>286.5</b>	1.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2
Unemployment	15.7	<b>16.1</b>	1.2	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	1.1	<b>2.5</b>	2.5	7.3
Participation rate	73.3	<b>73.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.5	<b>69.4</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	8.8	<b>8.4</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	1.0	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	428.7	<b>429.4</b>	...	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	6.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.5
Labour force	263.4	<b>264.4</b>	1.5	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	2.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	1.0
Employment	251.2	<b>253.5</b>	1.5	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	3.6	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	1.4
Unemployment	12.3	<b>10.9</b>	1.0	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.4	-1.1	<b>-11.4</b>	-11.4	-9.2
Participation rate	61.4	<b>61.6</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	<b>4.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	<b>59.0</b>	0.3	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.2	<b>22.4</b>	0.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-1.0	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Population	633.0	<b>634.3</b>	2.6	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	5.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.9
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	149.2	<b>150.2</b>	1.7	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-0.2	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	-0.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	23.3	<b>24.4</b>	0.9	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	0.8	<b>4.7</b>	4.7	3.4
Utilities	6.5	<b>7.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	0.9	<b>12.3</b>	12.3	14.1
Utilities	9.9	<b>9.8</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.5	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	5.4
Construction	45.5	<b>45.1</b>	1.1	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-1.7	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-3.6
Manufacturing	64.0	<b>63.7</b>	0.9	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.8	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-1.2
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Wholesale and retail trade	483.8	<b>484.1</b>	2.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	6.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Transportation and warehousing	87.1	<b>88.6</b>	1.2	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	0.9	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	1.0
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	35.6	<b>36.7</b>	0.8	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	1.0	<b>3.1</b>	3.1	2.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	36.0	<b>36.3</b>	0.7	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	5.1	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	16.3
Business, building and other support services	28.5	<b>28.4</b>	0.7	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.8	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	6.8
Educational services	19.1	<b>18.1</b>	0.7	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-0.9	<b>-5.2</b>	-5.2	-4.7
Health care and social assistance	49.7	<b>49.4</b>	1.0	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-1.4	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-2.8
Information, culture and recreation	101.9	<b>103.0</b>	1.2	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	1.7	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	1.7
Accommodation and food services	24.7	<b>23.5</b>	0.8	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	0.6	<b>-4.9</b>	-4.9	2.6
Other services (except public administration)	39.9	<b>39.1</b>	1.0	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-0.9	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	-2.3
Public administration	27.8	<b>27.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-2.4	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-8.0
Public administration	33.5	<b>33.5</b>	0.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.8

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	872.5	<b>872.7</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	7.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.9
Labour force	608.1	<b>606.3</b>	2.6	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	-0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.0
Employment	568.2	<b>567.5</b>	2.6	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-4.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.8
Employment full-time	466.6	<b>463.6</b>	3.4	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	-8.3	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-1.8
Unemployment	39.9	<b>38.8</b>	2.2	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	4.6	<b>-2.8</b>	-2.8	13.5
Participation rate	69.7	<b>69.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	<b>6.4</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	<b>65.0</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.9	<b>18.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	0.7	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	134.3	<b>134.0</b>	...	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-1.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.0
Labour force	86.6	<b>88.7</b>	1.4	<b>2.1</b>	2.1	-3.5	<b>2.4</b>	2.4	-3.8
Employment	77.9	<b>78.9</b>	1.4	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-3.4	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	-4.1
Unemployment	8.7	<b>9.8</b>	1.2	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	-0.1	<b>12.6</b>	12.6	-1.0
Participation rate	64.5	<b>66.2</b>	1.0	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	<b>11.0</b>	1.3	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	<b>58.9</b>	1.1	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	-1.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.2	<b>41.3</b>	1.9	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	5.2	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	369.4	<b>369.8</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	4.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.2
Labour force	287.3	<b>283.9</b>	1.4	<b>-3.4</b>	-3.4	2.7	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	1.0
Employment	268.2	<b>266.5</b>	1.5	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	-0.4	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.1
Unemployment	19.1	<b>17.3</b>	1.3	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	3.1	<b>-9.4</b>	-9.4	21.8
Participation rate	77.8	<b>76.8</b>	0.4	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	<b>6.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.6	<b>72.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.9	<b>7.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	368.8	<b>368.8</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	4.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.2
Labour force	234.2	<b>233.7</b>	1.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.2
Employment	222.1	<b>222.1</b>	1.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-1.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.4
Unemployment	12.1	<b>11.6</b>	1.1	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	1.5	<b>-4.1</b>	-4.1	14.9
Participation rate	63.5	<b>63.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	<b>60.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.7	<b>23.7</b>	0.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.0	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	568.2	<b>567.5</b>	2.6	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-4.8	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.8
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Goods-producing sector	149.5	<b>147.8</b>	1.8	<b>-1.7</b>	-1.7	-6.4	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-4.2
Agriculture	39.8	<b>39.5</b>	1.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-2.2	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-5.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	24.9	<b>23.9</b>	0.7	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-1.8	<b>-4.0</b>	-4.0	-7.0
Utilities	6.8	<b>6.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.2	<b>-1.5</b>	-1.5	3.1
Construction	50.8	<b>50.3</b>	1.2	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-3.8	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-7.0
Manufacturing	27.1	<b>27.4</b>	0.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.2	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	4.6
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Services-producing sector	418.8	<b>419.8</b>	2.4	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	1.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.4
Wholesale and retail trade	90.8	<b>91.9</b>	1.3	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	6.6	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	7.7
Transportation and warehousing	28.4	<b>29.0</b>	0.8	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	1.3	<b>2.1</b>	2.1	4.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	26.8	<b>26.7</b>	0.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-4.2	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-13.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	31.0	<b>31.2</b>	0.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	4.3	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	16.0
Business, building and other support services	13.1	<b>13.2</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.8	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	-5.7
Educational services	41.1	<b>41.2</b>	1.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.7
Health care and social assistance	77.0	<b>76.0</b>	1.1	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-3.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-4.6
Information, culture and recreation	20.6	<b>21.2</b>	0.8	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	-0.3	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	-1.4
Accommodation and food services	36.6	<b>35.4</b>	1.0	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	-2.9	<b>-3.3</b>	-3.3	-7.6
Other services (except public administration)	23.5	<b>24.5</b>	0.8	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-0.5	<b>4.3</b>	4.3	-2.0
Public administration	29.9	<b>29.5</b>	0.7	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	1.4	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	5.0

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	3,409.6	<b>3,411.4</b>	...	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	29.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.9
Labour force	2,479.2	<b>2,487.8</b>	9.4	<b>8.6</b>	8.6	33.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4
Employment	2,267.4	<b>2,267.6</b>	10.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-3.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1
Employment full-time	1,846.1	<b>1,821.8</b>	13.7	<b>-24.3</b>	-24.3	-30.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-1.7
Unemployment	211.9	<b>220.1</b>	8.8	<b>8.2</b>	8.2	36.2	<b>3.9</b>	3.9	19.7
Participation rate	72.7	<b>72.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	<b>8.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.5	<b>66.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.6	<b>19.7</b>	0.5	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	1.2	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	512.8	<b>511.8</b>	...	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-8.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.6
Labour force	347.4	<b>353.4</b>	5.4	<b>6.0</b>	6.0	5.8	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	1.7
Employment	303.7	<b>305.7</b>	5.3	<b>2.0</b>	2.0	0.9	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	0.3
Unemployment	43.6	<b>47.7</b>	4.9	<b>4.1</b>	4.1	5.0	<b>9.4</b>	9.4	11.7
Participation rate	67.7	<b>69.1</b>	1.1	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	2.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.6	<b>13.5</b>	1.3	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	<b>59.7</b>	1.0	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.7	<b>45.8</b>	2.0	<b>4.1</b>	4.1	4.6	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,463.0	<b>1,464.1</b>	...	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	16.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.2
Labour force	1,179.9	<b>1,180.2</b>	5.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	19.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.6
Employment	1,078.1	<b>1,075.0</b>	6.0	<b>-3.1</b>	-3.1	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	0.1
Unemployment	101.8	<b>105.2</b>	5.5	<b>3.4</b>	3.4	18.4	<b>3.3</b>	3.3	21.2
Participation rate	80.6	<b>80.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	<b>8.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	73.7	<b>73.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.9	<b>8.7</b>	0.6	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	0.9	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,433.8	<b>1,435.6</b>	...	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	21.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.5
Labour force	952.0	<b>954.1</b>	5.7	<b>2.1</b>	2.1	8.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.9
Employment	885.5	<b>886.9</b>	5.8	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	-4.6	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.5
Unemployment	66.5	<b>67.2</b>	4.7	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	12.9	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	23.8
Participation rate	66.4	<b>66.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	<b>7.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	<b>61.8</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.7	<b>24.0</b>	0.9	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
	2,267.4	<b>2,267.6</b>	10.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-3.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.1
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	570.3	<b>559.0</b>	6.5	<b>-11.3</b>	-11.3	-47.4	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	-7.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	51.4	<b>50.5</b>	2.4	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	0.2	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	0.4
Utilities	140.6	<b>141.0</b>	3.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-13.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-8.7
Construction	21.1	<b>19.7</b>	1.0	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.4	-0.7	<b>-6.6</b>	-6.6	-3.4
Manufacturing	247.5	<b>242.1</b>	4.8	<b>-5.4</b>	-5.4	-12.9	<b>-2.2</b>	-2.2	-5.1
	109.6	<b>105.7</b>	2.8	<b>-3.9</b>	-3.9	-20.6	<b>-3.6</b>	-3.6	-16.3
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
	1,697.1	<b>1,708.7</b>	9.1	<b>11.6</b>	11.6	44.3	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	2.7
Wholesale and retail trade	325.3	<b>331.3</b>	4.8	<b>6.0</b>	6.0	7.2	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	2.2
Transportation and warehousing	134.0	<b>138.4</b>	2.9	<b>4.4</b>	4.4	8.9	<b>3.3</b>	3.3	6.9
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	101.8	<b>100.7</b>	2.5	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-3.2	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-3.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	182.0	<b>183.2</b>	3.7	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	8.7	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	5.0
Business, building and other support services	77.7	<b>80.2</b>	2.9	<b>2.5</b>	2.5	1.7	<b>3.2</b>	3.2	2.2
Educational services	152.4	<b>155.3</b>	3.5	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	7.3	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	4.9
Health care and social assistance	276.7	<b>278.2</b>	3.5	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	6.9	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	2.5
Information, culture and recreation	72.9	<b>72.1</b>	3.2	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-7.6	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-9.5
Accommodation and food services	147.0	<b>143.8</b>	3.9	<b>-3.2</b>	-3.2	6.0	<b>-2.2</b>	-2.2	4.4
Other services (except public administration)	124.9	<b>123.6</b>	3.1	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	3.3	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	2.7
Public administration	102.5	<b>101.9</b>	2.3	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	5.1	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	5.3

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Both sexes, 15 years and over</b>									
Population	3,952.8	<b>3,955.7</b>	...	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	49.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Labour force	2,556.4	<b>2,562.3</b>	10.6	<b>5.9</b>	5.9	60.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.4
Employment	2,408.2	<b>2,419.4</b>	10.4	<b>11.2</b>	11.2	82.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	3.5
Employment full-time	1,867.4	<b>1,892.8</b>	14.6	<b>25.4</b>	25.4	49.7	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	2.7
Unemployment	148.2	<b>142.9</b>	9.0	<b>-5.3</b>	-5.3	-22.1	<b>-3.6</b>	-3.6	-13.4
Participation rate	64.7	<b>64.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	<b>5.6</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	<b>61.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.5	<b>21.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	0.6	...	...	...
<b>Both sexes, 15 to 24 years</b>									
Population	582.9	<b>582.1</b>	...	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-2.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.4
Labour force	372.0	<b>384.4</b>	6.2	<b>12.4</b>	12.4	11.6	<b>3.3</b>	3.3	3.1
Employment	339.5	<b>346.4</b>	6.0	<b>6.9</b>	6.9	20.3	<b>2.0</b>	2.0	6.2
Unemployment	32.5	<b>38.1</b>	5.1	<b>5.6</b>	5.6	-8.6	<b>17.2</b>	17.2	-18.4
Participation rate	63.8	<b>66.0</b>	1.1	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	<b>9.9</b>	1.3	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	-2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	<b>59.5</b>	1.0	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	3.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	52.3	<b>49.0</b>	2.1	<b>-3.3</b>	-3.3	4.1	...	...	...
<b>Men, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,644.1	<b>1,645.5</b>	...	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	24.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.5
Labour force	1,141.1	<b>1,133.7</b>	5.8	<b>-7.4</b>	-7.4	12.0	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	1.1
Employment	1,077.5	<b>1,079.2</b>	5.8	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	27.6	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.6
Unemployment	63.7	<b>54.5</b>	5.4	<b>-9.2</b>	-9.2	-15.6	<b>-14.4</b>	-14.4	-22.3
Participation rate	69.4	<b>68.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	<b>4.8</b>	0.5	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.5	<b>65.6</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	10.0	<b>10.2</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6	...	...	...
<b>Women, 25 years and over</b>									
Population	1,725.9	<b>1,728.1</b>	...	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	27.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.6
Labour force	1,043.3	<b>1,044.2</b>	5.9	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	36.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	3.6
Employment	991.3	<b>993.9</b>	6.0	<b>2.6</b>	2.6	34.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	3.6
Unemployment	52.1	<b>50.3</b>	4.7	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	2.1	<b>-3.5</b>	-3.5	4.4
Participation rate	60.4	<b>60.4</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	<b>4.8</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	<b>57.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	25.7	<b>24.9</b>	0.9	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-0.9	...	...	...
<b>Industry</b>									
Industry	2,408.2	<b>2,419.4</b>	10.4	<b>11.2</b>	11.2	82.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	3.5
<b>Goods-producing sector</b>									
Agriculture	475.6	<b>477.8</b>	5.9	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	12.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	2.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction <sup>2</sup>	29.7	<b>27.4</b>	2.3	<b>-2.3</b>	-2.3	8.9	<b>-7.7</b>	-7.7	48.1
Utilities	47.0	<b>49.4</b>	2.2	<b>2.4</b>	2.4	-3.1	<b>5.1</b>	5.1	-5.9
Construction	13.2	<b>13.1</b>	0.7	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.1	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-7.7
Manufacturing	215.5	<b>217.6</b>	4.1	<b>2.1</b>	2.1	14.9	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	7.4
	170.3	<b>170.5</b>	3.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-6.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-3.9
<b>Services-producing sector</b>									
Wholesale and retail trade	1,932.6	<b>1,941.6</b>	10.3	<b>9.0</b>	9.0	69.9	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	3.7
Transportation and warehousing	375.0	<b>375.3</b>	5.6	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	10.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	143.4	<b>142.3</b>	3.2	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	13.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	10.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	144.5	<b>147.7</b>	3.3	<b>3.2</b>	3.2	20.0	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	15.7
Business, building and other support services	193.5	<b>194.4</b>	4.3	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	7.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	4.0
Educational services	98.5	<b>103.8</b>	3.8	<b>5.3</b>	5.3	3.3	<b>5.4</b>	5.4	3.3
Health care and social assistance	160.0	<b>163.8</b>	3.9	<b>3.8</b>	3.8	-4.8	<b>2.4</b>	2.4	-2.8
Information, culture and recreation	292.9	<b>287.1</b>	4.2	<b>-5.8</b>	-5.8	-11.4	<b>-2.0</b>	-2.0	-3.8
Accommodation and food services	125.6	<b>127.4</b>	4.1	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	2.2	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	1.8
Other services (except public administration)	187.3	<b>184.3</b>	4.5	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	20.4	<b>-1.6</b>	-1.6	12.4
Public administration	110.3	<b>113.5</b>	3.2	<b>3.2</b>	3.2	5.5	<b>2.9</b>	2.9	5.1
	101.5	<b>102.1</b>	2.6	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	3.7	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	3.8

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

2. Also referred to as Natural resources.

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

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador</b>									
Population	182.5	<b>182.8</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	3.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.7
Labour force	126.4	<b>126.2</b>	0.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	4.0	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	3.3
Employment	114.0	<b>114.1</b>	1.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.1
Unemployment	12.4	<b>12.1</b>	0.5	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	4.1	<b>-2.4</b>	-2.4	51.3
Participation rate	69.3	<b>69.0</b>	0.5	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	<b>9.6</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	3.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	<b>62.4</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.2	...	...	...
<b>Halifax, Nova Scotia</b>									
Population	355.8	<b>356.2</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	5.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.5
Labour force	240.5	<b>240.4</b>	1.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6
Employment	225.8	<b>226.1</b>	1.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	2.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.2
Unemployment	14.7	<b>14.3</b>	0.8	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-1.1	<b>-2.7</b>	-2.7	-7.1
Participation rate	67.6	<b>67.5</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>5.9</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	<b>63.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
<b>Moncton, New Brunswick</b>									
Population	126.3	<b>126.4</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.6
Labour force	83.3	<b>82.2</b>	0.7	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-1.7	<b>-1.3</b>	-1.3	-2.0
Employment	76.8	<b>75.6</b>	0.8	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	-3.0	<b>-1.6</b>	-1.6	-3.8
Unemployment	6.5	<b>6.6</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	24.5
Participation rate	66.0	<b>65.0</b>	0.6	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	<b>8.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.8	<b>59.8</b>	0.6	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-3.4	...	...	...
<b>Saint John, New Brunswick</b>									
Population	105.4	<b>105.4</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.0	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.0
Labour force	71.5	<b>72.2</b>	0.7	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	4.7	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	7.0
Employment	65.7	<b>66.6</b>	0.7	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	4.5	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	7.2
Unemployment	5.8	<b>5.6</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.1	<b>-3.4</b>	-3.4	1.8
Participation rate	67.8	<b>68.5</b>	0.6	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	4.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	<b>7.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.3	<b>63.2</b>	0.6	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	4.3	...	...	...
<b>Saguenay, Quebec</b>									
Population	135.0	<b>134.9</b>	...	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	78.4	<b>78.9</b>	0.8	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-3.4	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	-4.1
Employment	72.7	<b>72.9</b>	0.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-3.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-4.1
Unemployment	5.7	<b>6.0</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-0.4	<b>5.3</b>	5.3	-6.3
Participation rate	58.1	<b>58.5</b>	0.6	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	<b>7.6</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.9	<b>54.0</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-2.3	...	...	...
<b>Québec, Quebec</b>									
Population	677.5	<b>677.8</b>	...	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	5.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.8
Labour force	465.5	<b>466.7</b>	3.5	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	2.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.5
Employment	445.3	<b>446.6</b>	3.5	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	6.0	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.4
Unemployment	20.1	<b>20.1</b>	1.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-3.8	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-15.9
Participation rate	68.7	<b>68.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	<b>4.3</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	<b>65.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
<b>Sherbrooke, Quebec</b>									
Population	182.2	<b>182.3</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.2
Labour force	114.3	<b>113.2</b>	1.0	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	0.0	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	0.0
Employment	108.1	<b>107.0</b>	1.1	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	1.5	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	1.4
Unemployment	6.2	<b>6.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-1.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-18.4
Participation rate	62.7	<b>62.1</b>	0.6	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	<b>5.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.3	<b>58.7</b>	0.6	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	0.2	...	...	...

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Trois-Rivières, Quebec</b>									
Population	133.5	<b>133.5</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.5
Labour force	81.1	<b>80.2</b>	0.9	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-0.5	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	-0.6
Employment	75.2	<b>74.5</b>	0.9	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-0.3	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-0.4
Unemployment	5.9	<b>5.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.2	<b>-3.4</b>	-3.4	-3.4
Participation rate	60.7	<b>60.1</b>	0.7	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	<b>7.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	<b>55.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
<b>Montréal, Quebec</b>									
Population	3,400.3	<b>3,402.6</b>	...	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	33.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Labour force	2,264.2	<b>2,274.4</b>	8.4	<b>10.2</b>	10.2	37.2	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	1.7
Employment	2,113.4	<b>2,125.4</b>	8.6	<b>12.0</b>	12.0	81.3	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	4.0
Unemployment	150.8	<b>149.0</b>	5.1	<b>-1.8</b>	-1.8	-44.1	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	-22.8
Participation rate	66.6	<b>66.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	<b>6.6</b>	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	<b>62.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.8	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	1,116.3	<b>1,117.4</b>	...	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	14.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Labour force	768.6	<b>768.9</b>	4.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	10.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.4
Employment	721.7	<b>725.1</b>	4.2	<b>3.4</b>	3.4	15.7	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	2.2
Unemployment	46.9	<b>43.7</b>	2.0	<b>-3.2</b>	-3.2	-5.2	<b>-6.8</b>	-6.8	-10.6
Participation rate	68.9	<b>68.8</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>5.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.7	<b>64.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.6	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	274.7	<b>274.8</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6
Labour force	186.9	<b>185.9</b>	1.3	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-4.7	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-2.5
Employment	175.7	<b>175.6</b>	1.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-2.9	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.6
Unemployment	11.3	<b>10.3</b>	0.6	<b>-1.0</b>	-1.0	-1.8	<b>-8.8</b>	-8.8	-14.9
Participation rate	68.0	<b>67.6</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	<b>5.5</b>	0.3	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	<b>63.9</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.4	...	...	...
<b>Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec</b>									
Population	841.5	<b>842.5</b>	...	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	12.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.5
Labour force	581.7	<b>583.0</b>	3.9	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	15.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.7
Employment	546.1	<b>549.5</b>	4.0	<b>3.4</b>	3.4	18.6	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	3.5
Unemployment	35.6	<b>33.4</b>	1.9	<b>-2.2</b>	-2.2	-3.3	<b>-6.2</b>	-6.2	-9.0
Participation rate	69.1	<b>69.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	<b>5.7</b>	0.3	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.9	<b>65.2</b>	0.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	1.2	...	...	...
<b>Kingston, Ontario</b>									
Population	140.1	<b>140.2</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Labour force	89.7	<b>89.1</b>	0.8	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.8	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-0.9
Employment	84.6	<b>83.8</b>	0.8	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-0.3	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-0.4
Unemployment	5.1	<b>5.2</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.6	<b>2.0</b>	2.0	-10.3
Participation rate	64.0	<b>63.6</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	<b>5.8</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	<b>59.8</b>	0.6	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-0.8	...	...	...
<b>Peterborough, Ontario</b>									
Population	104.7	<b>104.7</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1
Labour force	65.8	<b>65.9</b>	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	3.6
Employment	62.2	<b>62.4</b>	1.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.9	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	4.9
Unemployment	3.6	<b>3.5</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.6	<b>-2.8</b>	-2.8	-14.6
Participation rate	62.8	<b>62.9</b>	1.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	<b>5.3</b>	0.7	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	<b>59.6</b>	1.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.7	...	...	...

See notes at the end of the table.



Table 5-1 – continued

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Oshawa, Ontario</b>									
Population	329.2	<b>329.6</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	5.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.7
Labour force	228.7	<b>228.3</b>	1.7	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	7.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	3.2
Employment	216.9	<b>216.6</b>	1.8	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	9.7	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	4.7
Unemployment	11.8	<b>11.7</b>	0.9	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-2.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-18.2
Participation rate	69.5	<b>69.3</b>	0.5	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	<b>5.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.9	<b>65.7</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.8	...	...	...
<b>Toronto, Ontario</b>									
Population	5,231.8	<b>5,239.5</b>	...	<b>7.7</b>	7.7	93.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.8
Labour force	3,445.1	<b>3,457.4</b>	10.6	<b>12.3</b>	12.3	-15.9	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-0.5
Employment	3,209.4	<b>3,216.7</b>	10.5	<b>7.3</b>	7.3	-9.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.3
Unemployment	235.8	<b>240.6</b>	6.2	<b>4.8</b>	4.8	-6.5	<b>2.0</b>	2.0	-2.6
Participation rate	65.8	<b>66.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	<b>7.0</b>	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	<b>61.4</b>	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-1.3	...	...	...
<b>Hamilton, Ontario</b>									
Population	653.4	<b>654.0</b>	...	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	8.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Labour force	423.1	<b>423.3</b>	3.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	14.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	3.6
Employment	398.6	<b>398.5</b>	3.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	16.7	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	4.4
Unemployment	24.5	<b>24.8</b>	1.5	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-1.8	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	-6.8
Participation rate	64.8	<b>64.7</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	<b>5.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	<b>60.9</b>	0.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.8	...	...	...
<b>St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario</b>									
Population	346.1	<b>346.3</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7
Labour force	219.7	<b>216.7</b>	2.1	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	-7.7	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.4	-3.4
Employment	205.6	<b>202.8</b>	2.2	<b>-2.8</b>	-2.8	-2.3	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.4	-1.1
Unemployment	14.1	<b>13.9</b>	0.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-5.5	<b>-1.4</b>	-1.4	-28.4
Participation rate	63.5	<b>62.6</b>	0.6	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	<b>6.4</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-2.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	<b>58.6</b>	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-1.0	...	...	...
<b>Kitchener-Cambridge-Waterloo, Ontario</b>									
Population	428.2	<b>428.6</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	5.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.2
Labour force	293.8	<b>294.2</b>	2.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-5.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-1.9
Employment	279.1	<b>278.8</b>	2.4	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-1.9	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.7
Unemployment	14.7	<b>15.4</b>	1.1	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	-3.8	<b>4.8</b>	4.8	-19.8
Participation rate	68.6	<b>68.6</b>	0.6	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	<b>5.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.2	<b>65.0</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.3	...	...	...
<b>Brantford, Ontario</b>									
Population	113.7	<b>113.8</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.3
Labour force	77.2	<b>78.2</b>	0.9	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	6.1	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	8.5
Employment	73.6	<b>74.9</b>	0.9	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	7.0	<b>1.8</b>	1.8	10.3
Unemployment	3.6	<b>3.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.9	<b>-8.3</b>	-8.3	-21.4
Participation rate	67.9	<b>68.7</b>	0.8	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	4.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	<b>4.2</b>	0.4	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.7	<b>65.8</b>	0.8	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	5.3	...	...	...
<b>Guelph, Ontario</b>									
Population	131.2	<b>131.3</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.4
Labour force	95.3	<b>95.4</b>	1.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-3.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-3.5
Employment	91.0	<b>90.2</b>	1.2	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-4.7	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-5.0
Unemployment	4.2	<b>5.2</b>	0.5	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	1.2	<b>23.8</b>	23.8	30.0
Participation rate	72.6	<b>72.7</b>	0.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-3.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	<b>5.5</b>	0.5	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.4	<b>68.7</b>	0.9	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	-4.6	...	...	...

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Table 5-1 – continued

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>London, Ontario</b>									
Population	428.1	<b>428.5</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	4.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1
Labour force	259.3	<b>258.4</b>	2.5	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	-12.0	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-4.4
Employment	241.2	<b>240.6</b>	2.6	<b>-0.6</b>	-0.6	-14.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-5.5
Unemployment	18.0	<b>17.8</b>	1.1	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	2.1	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	13.4
Participation rate	60.6	<b>60.3</b>	0.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-3.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>6.9</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	<b>56.1</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-4.0	...	...	...
<b>Windsor, Ontario</b>									
Population	283.2	<b>283.4</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Labour force	171.4	<b>171.6</b>	1.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.1
Employment	161.8	<b>162.3</b>	1.5	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	5.9	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	3.8
Unemployment	9.7	<b>9.3</b>	0.8	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-5.9	<b>-4.1</b>	-4.1	-38.8
Participation rate	60.5	<b>60.6</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	<b>5.4</b>	0.5	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.1	<b>57.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.6	...	...	...
<b>Barrie, Ontario</b>									
Population	171.2	<b>171.4</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.7
Labour force	110.4	<b>112.3</b>	1.8	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	-2.3	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	-2.0
Employment	102.2	<b>103.9</b>	1.9	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	-3.4	<b>1.7</b>	1.7	-3.2
Unemployment	8.2	<b>8.4</b>	0.8	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.1	<b>2.4</b>	2.4	15.1
Participation rate	64.5	<b>65.5</b>	1.0	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	-2.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	<b>7.5</b>	0.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	<b>60.6</b>	1.1	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	-3.1	...	...	...
<b>Greater Sudbury, Ontario</b>									
Population	140.3	<b>140.3</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.1
Labour force	89.8	<b>88.7</b>	0.8	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	2.3	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.2	2.7
Employment	82.3	<b>81.6</b>	0.8	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	2.6	<b>-0.9</b>	-0.9	3.3
Unemployment	7.5	<b>7.1</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.4	<b>-5.3</b>	-5.3	-5.3
Participation rate	64.0	<b>63.2</b>	0.6	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	1.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	<b>8.0</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	<b>58.2</b>	0.6	<b>-0.5</b>	-0.5	1.8	...	...	...
<b>Thunder Bay, Ontario</b>									
Population	104.8	<b>104.8</b>	...	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.2
Labour force	63.3	<b>63.1</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.6	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-2.5
Employment	59.4	<b>59.2</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.1	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-1.8
Unemployment	3.9	<b>3.9</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-9.3
Participation rate	60.4	<b>60.2</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	<b>6.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.7	<b>56.5</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
<b>Winnipeg, Manitoba</b>									
Population	667.0	<b>667.9</b>	...	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	10.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.6
Labour force	457.3	<b>456.5</b>	1.3	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	4.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.0
Employment	425.7	<b>425.9</b>	1.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.6
Unemployment	31.6	<b>30.5</b>	0.8	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	1.7	<b>-3.5</b>	-3.5	5.9
Participation rate	68.6	<b>68.3</b>	0.2	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	<b>6.7</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.8	<b>63.8</b>	0.2	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.6	...	...	...
<b>Regina, Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	202.7	<b>202.9</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	2.9	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.5
Labour force	147.4	<b>147.5</b>	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.8
Employment	139.4	<b>139.4</b>	0.9	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.2
Unemployment	8.0	<b>8.1</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.5	<b>1.3</b>	1.3	22.7
Participation rate	72.7	<b>72.7</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	<b>5.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.8	<b>68.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-1.2	...	...	...

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Table 5-1 – continued

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

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Saskatoon, Saskatchewan</b>									
Population	259.5	<b>259.9</b>	...	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	4.7	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.8
Labour force	184.0	<b>183.8</b>	1.0	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	3.5	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.9
Employment	170.1	<b>170.0</b>	1.1	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.9	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.5
Unemployment	13.8	<b>13.7</b>	0.6	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	2.5	<b>-0.7</b>	-0.7	22.3
Participation rate	70.9	<b>70.7</b>	0.4	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	<b>7.5</b>	0.3	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.5	<b>65.4</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
<b>Calgary, Alberta</b>									
Population	1,210.3	<b>1,211.4</b>	...	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	18.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.5
Labour force	907.2	<b>907.3</b>	4.2	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	44.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	5.1
Employment	815.7	<b>818.0</b>	4.4	<b>2.3</b>	2.3	20.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	2.6
Unemployment	91.5	<b>89.2</b>	2.7	<b>-2.3</b>	-2.3	23.9	<b>-2.5</b>	-2.5	36.6
Participation rate	75.0	<b>74.9</b>	0.4	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	2.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.1	<b>9.8</b>	0.3	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	2.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	<b>67.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.7	...	...	...
<b>Edmonton, Alberta</b>									
Population	1,127.4	<b>1,128.3</b>	...	<b>0.9</b>	0.9	15.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.4
Labour force	807.6	<b>813.3</b>	3.9	<b>5.7</b>	5.7	-19.0	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	-2.3
Employment	747.3	<b>747.7</b>	4.1	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-29.7	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-3.8
Unemployment	60.3	<b>65.6</b>	2.4	<b>5.3</b>	5.3	10.7	<b>8.8</b>	8.8	19.5
Participation rate	71.6	<b>72.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	<b>8.1</b>	0.3	<b>0.6</b>	0.6	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	<b>66.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	-3.6	...	...	...
<b>Kelowna, British Columbia</b>									
Population	157.1	<b>157.3</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	3.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.3
Labour force	102.8	<b>104.0</b>	1.4	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	5.7	<b>1.2</b>	1.2	5.8
Employment	93.9	<b>95.3</b>	1.4	<b>1.4</b>	1.4	4.6	<b>1.5</b>	1.5	5.1
Unemployment	8.9	<b>8.6</b>	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	1.0	<b>-3.4</b>	-3.4	13.2
Participation rate	65.4	<b>66.1</b>	0.9	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	<b>8.3</b>	0.7	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	<b>60.6</b>	0.9	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	1.6	...	...	...
<b>Abbotsford-Mission, British Columbia</b>									
Population	148.4	<b>148.5</b>	...	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	2.3	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.6
Labour force	100.0	<b>100.4</b>	0.8	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	3.5	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	3.6
Employment	94.1	<b>94.2</b>	0.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	4.4	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	4.9
Unemployment	5.9	<b>6.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-0.9	<b>5.1</b>	5.1	-12.7
Participation rate	67.4	<b>67.6</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	<b>6.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	<b>63.4</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	2.0	...	...	...
<b>Vancouver, British Columbia</b>									
Population	2,177.2	<b>2,179.1</b>	...	<b>1.9</b>	1.9	30.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.4
Labour force	1,432.3	<b>1,429.0</b>	5.8	<b>-3.3</b>	-3.3	7.9	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.6
Employment	1,359.4	<b>1,358.3</b>	5.8	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.1	18.7	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	1.4
Unemployment	72.9	<b>70.7</b>	3.1	<b>-2.2</b>	-2.2	-10.8	<b>-3.0</b>	-3.0	-13.3
Participation rate	65.8	<b>65.6</b>	0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	<b>4.9</b>	0.2	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	<b>62.3</b>	0.3	<b>-0.1</b>	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
<b>Victoria, British Columbia</b>									
Population	308.6	<b>308.8</b>	...	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	3.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.1
Labour force	196.5	<b>196.2</b>	1.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-0.3	2.8	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	1.4
Employment	186.6	<b>187.1</b>	1.7	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	4.9	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	2.7
Unemployment	9.9	<b>9.1</b>	0.7	<b>-0.8</b>	-0.8	-2.1	<b>-8.1</b>	-8.1	-18.8
Participation rate	63.7	<b>63.5</b>	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	<b>4.6</b>	0.4	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	<b>60.6</b>	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.9	...	...	...

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**

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Montréal, Quebec</b>									
Population	3,402.2	<b>3,405.3</b>	...	<b>3.1</b>	3.1	34.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.0
Labour force	2,281.9	<b>2,291.9</b>	16.6	<b>10.0</b>	10.0	54.2	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	2.4
Employment	2,127.2	<b>2,144.2</b>	17.0	<b>17.0</b>	17.0	97.6	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	4.8
Unemployment	154.7	<b>147.7</b>	11.9	<b>-7.0</b>	-7.0	-43.4	<b>-4.5</b>	-4.5	-22.7
Participation rate	67.1	<b>67.3</b>	0.5	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	<b>6.4</b>	0.5	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.4	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	<b>63.0</b>	0.5	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	2.3	...	...	...
<b>Toronto, Ontario</b>									
Population	5,238.7	<b>5,248.1</b>	...	<b>9.4</b>	9.4	95.0	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	1.8
Labour force	3,454.4	<b>3,479.9</b>	22.1	<b>25.5</b>	25.5	-4.5	<b>0.7</b>	0.7	-0.1
Employment	3,212.0	<b>3,228.7</b>	21.4	<b>16.7</b>	16.7	-6.7	<b>0.5</b>	0.5	-0.2
Unemployment	242.4	<b>251.2</b>	14.3	<b>8.8</b>	8.8	2.1	<b>3.6</b>	3.6	0.8
Participation rate	65.9	<b>66.3</b>	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.4	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	<b>7.2</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	<b>61.5</b>	0.4	<b>0.2</b>	0.2	-1.3	...	...	...
<b>Vancouver, British Columbia</b>									
Population	2,179.0	<b>2,181.2</b>	...	<b>2.2</b>	2.2	30.0	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.4
Labour force	1,429.9	<b>1,432.0</b>	11.7	<b>2.1</b>	2.1	8.8	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	0.6
Employment	1,361.4	<b>1,362.4</b>	11.4	<b>1.0</b>	1.0	23.6	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	1.8
Unemployment	68.5	<b>69.6</b>	7.8	<b>1.1</b>	1.1	-14.8	<b>1.6</b>	1.6	-17.5
Participation rate	65.6	<b>65.7</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	<b>4.9</b>	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	0.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	<b>62.5</b>	0.5	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	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, <sup>1</sup> unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in January 2016 and January 2017

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
<b>Canada</b>							
2016	29,420.0	19,188.7	17,856.7	1,332.0	65.2	6.9	60.7
2017	29,720.1	19,376.0	18,089.6	1,286.3	65.2	6.6	60.9
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>							
2016	443.1	265.8	227.0	38.9	60.0	14.6	51.2
2017	445.0	262.8	222.1	40.7	59.1	15.5	49.9
<i>Avalon Peninsula [1010]</i>							
2016	233.6	147.9	133.4	14.6	63.3	9.9	57.1
2017	236.1	153.3	134.8	18.5	64.9	12.1	57.1
<i>South Coast-Burin Peninsula and Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay [1020, 1040]</i>							
2016	122.4	64.8	51.1	13.6	52.9	21.0	41.7
2017	121.9	60.9	47.0	13.8	50.0	22.7	38.6
<i>West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador [1030]</i>							
2016	87.1	53.1	42.5	10.6	61.0	20.0	48.8
2017	87.0	48.6	40.2	8.4	55.9	17.3	46.2
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>							
2016	121.2	78.9	69.7	9.2	65.1	11.7	57.5
2017	122.4	78.8	69.6	9.2	64.4	11.7	56.9
<b>Nova Scotia</b>							
2016	787.0	481.2	439.2	41.9	61.1	8.7	55.8
2017	790.1	481.8	443.5	38.3	61.0	7.9	56.1
<i>Cape Breton [1210]</i>							
2016	106.6	52.7	43.6	9.1	49.4	17.3	40.9
2017	105.5	54.8	47.1	7.7	51.9	14.1	44.6
<i>North Shore [1220]</i>							
2016	128.6	77.0	70.3	6.7	59.9	8.7	54.7
2017	128.0	76.9	70.6	6.3	60.1	8.2	55.2
<i>Annapolis Valley [1230]</i>							
2016	102.7	58.7	54.2	4.5	57.2	7.7	52.8
2017	102.7	57.7	53.3	4.5	56.2	7.8	51.9
<i>Southern [1240]</i>							
2016	98.1	54.0	47.8	6.2	55.0	11.5	48.7
2017	97.6	52.5	46.7	5.9	53.8	11.2	47.8
<i>Halifax [1250]</i>							
2016	351.0	238.8	223.3	15.5	68.0	6.5	63.6
2017	356.2	239.9	225.8	14.0	67.3	5.8	63.4
<b>New Brunswick</b>							
2016	622.0	379.3	344.7	34.6	61.0	9.1	55.4
2017	623.9	380.8	347.2	33.7	61.0	8.8	55.6
<i>Campbellton-Miramichi [1310]</i>							
2016	128.7	71.0	60.4	10.6	55.2	14.9	46.9
2017	128.1	68.1	57.5	10.5	53.2	15.4	44.9
<i>Moncton-Richibucto [1320]</i>							
2016	177.2	110.3	101.9	8.3	62.2	7.5	57.5
2017	179.2	111.8	101.8	9.9	62.4	8.9	56.8
<i>Saint John-St. Stephen [1330]</i>							
2016	141.9	87.6	80.5	7.1	61.7	8.1	56.7
2017	141.8	91.4	84.6	6.8	64.5	7.4	59.7
<i>Fredericton-Oromocto [1340]</i>							
2016	110.4	71.6	66.4	5.2	64.9	7.3	60.1
2017	111.4	72.2	68.1	4.1	64.8	5.7	61.1

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, <sup>1</sup> unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in January 2016 and January 2017

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
<b>Edmundston-Woodstock [1350]</b>							
2016	63.8	38.9	35.6	3.3	61.0	8.5	55.8
2017	63.4	37.4	35.1	2.3	59.0	6.1	55.4
<b>Quebec</b>							
2016	6,862.5	4,395.9	4,061.8	334.1	64.1	7.6	59.2
2017	6,906.7	4,434.7	4,150.5	284.2	64.2	6.4	60.1
<b>Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410]</b>							
2016	77.7	42.6	35.2	7.4	54.8	17.4	45.3
2017	77.0	40.9	34.8	6.1	53.1	14.9	45.2
<b>Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415]</b>							
2016	169.6	94.2	85.7	8.6	55.5	9.1	50.5
2017	168.8	94.2	84.4	9.8	55.8	10.4	50.0
<b>Capitale-Nationale [2420]</b>							
2016	619.0	420.8	400.2	20.6	68.0	4.9	64.7
2017	623.5	431.1	410.8	20.3	69.1	4.7	65.9
<b>Chaudière-Appalaches [2425]</b>							
2016	349.4	228.3	215.6	12.8	65.3	5.6	61.7
2017	350.2	221.8	211.1	10.7	63.3	4.8	60.3
<b>Estrie [2430]</b>							
2016	269.9	163.6	153.0	10.6	60.6	6.5	56.7
2017	271.6	160.5	153.2	7.3	59.1	4.5	56.4
<b>Centre-du-Québec [2433]</b>							
2016	200.7	116.5	108.7	7.8	58.0	6.7	54.2
2017	201.4	130.3	122.5	7.8	64.7	6.0	60.8
<b>Montérégie [2435]</b>							
2016	1,254.6	834.1	787.3	46.8	66.5	5.6	62.8
2017	1,263.5	817.7	776.4	41.3	64.7	5.1	61.4
<b>Montréal [2440]</b>							
2016	1,671.9	1,072.3	957.5	114.8	64.1	10.7	57.3
2017	1,687.8	1,111.2	1,025.2	86.1	65.8	7.7	60.7
<b>Laval [2445]</b>							
2016	353.1	214.8	196.3	18.5	60.8	8.6	55.6
2017	356.5	231.6	211.1	20.5	65.0	8.9	59.2
<b>Lanaudière [2450]</b>							
2016	412.9	269.2	249.7	19.5	65.2	7.2	60.5
2017	416.0	258.8	239.3	19.5	62.2	7.5	57.5
<b>Laurentides [2455]</b>							
2016	495.0	324.8	308.5	16.3	65.6	5.0	62.3
2017	500.7	327.7	313.1	14.6	65.4	4.5	62.5
<b>Outaouais [2460]</b>							
2016	319.1	216.9	201.9	15.0	68.0	6.9	63.3
2017	321.3	209.2	197.2	12.1	65.1	5.8	61.4
<b>Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465]</b>							
2016	120.5	76.2	71.7	4.6	63.2	6.0	59.5
2017	120.5	79.8	74.8	5.0	66.2	6.3	62.1
<b>Mauricie [2470]</b>							
2016	225.4	128.6	114.6	14.0	57.1	10.9	50.8
2017	225.3	122.4	114.2	8.1	54.3	6.6	50.7
<b>Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean [2475]</b>							
2016	231.8	136.0	124.8	11.2	58.7	8.2	53.8
2017	231.2	138.9	127.8	11.1	60.1	8.0	55.3

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, <sup>1</sup> unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in January 2016 and January 2017

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
<b>Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490]</b>							
2016	91.9	56.8	51.2	5.6	61.8	9.9	55.7
2017	91.6	58.7	54.7	4.0	64.1	6.8	59.7
<b>Ontario</b>							
2016	11,445.0	7,394.0	6,919.2	474.9	64.6	6.4	60.5
2017	11,592.4	7,463.2	7,018.6	444.5	64.4	6.0	60.5
<b>Ottawa [3510]</b>							
2016	1,101.9	724.4	681.7	42.6	65.7	5.9	61.9
2017	1,113.9	742.1	703.9	38.2	66.6	5.1	63.2
<b>Kingston-Pembroke [3515]</b>							
2016	377.5	209.8	195.7	14.1	55.6	6.7	51.8
2017	379.1	232.1	222.7	9.4	61.2	4.0	58.7
<b>Muskoka-Kawartha [3520]</b>							
2016	327.1	165.2	156.7	8.5	50.5	5.1	47.9
2017	329.2	198.2	187.9	10.3	60.2	5.2	57.1
<b>Toronto [3530]</b>							
2016	5,398.4	3,603.3	3,363.2	240.1	66.7	6.7	62.3
2017	5,491.5	3,600.5	3,366.5	234.0	65.6	6.5	61.3
<b>Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540]</b>							
2016	1,083.2	755.3	715.8	39.5	69.7	5.2	66.1
2017	1,099.5	733.2	695.3	37.9	66.7	5.2	63.2
<b>Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula [3550]</b>							
2016	1,203.4	764.1	711.0	53.1	63.5	6.9	59.1
2017	1,217.1	777.1	732.8	44.3	63.8	5.7	60.2
<b>London [3560]</b>							
2016	555.4	347.1	329.9	17.2	62.5	5.0	59.4
2017	560.9	342.9	324.0	18.9	61.1	5.5	57.8
<b>Windsor-Sarnia [3570]</b>							
2016	524.5	311.9	286.5	25.3	59.5	8.1	54.6
2017	526.5	313.4	295.2	18.2	59.5	5.8	56.1
<b>Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580]</b>							
2016	245.9	148.0	139.6	8.4	60.2	5.7	56.8
2017	246.4	159.2	150.9	8.3	64.6	5.2	61.2
<b>Northeast [3590]</b>							
2016	456.5	259.0	239.5	19.6	56.7	7.6	52.5
2017	456.0	258.9	240.4	18.5	56.8	7.1	52.7
<b>Northwest [3595]</b>							
2016	171.2	106.0	99.5	6.5	61.9	6.1	58.1
2017	172.2	105.6	99.0	6.6	61.3	6.3	57.5
<b>Manitoba</b>							
2016	992.1	667.3	629.0	38.3	67.3	5.7	63.4
2017	1,004.7	669.4	630.2	39.3	66.6	5.9	62.7
<b>Southeast [4610]</b>							
2016	90.0	60.5	57.1	3.4	67.2	5.6	63.4
2017	91.8	62.2	59.6	2.6	67.8	4.2	64.9
<b>South Central and North Central [4620, 4640]</b>							
2016	85.0	55.3	53.2	2.0	65.1	3.6	62.6
2017	85.8	55.5	53.8	1.7	64.7	3.1	62.7
<b>Southwest [4630]</b>							
2016	88.1	59.1	55.4	3.7	67.1	6.3	62.9
2017	88.8	56.0	53.1	2.9	63.1	5.2	59.8

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 January 2016 and January 2017**

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
<b>Winnipeg [4650]</b>							
2016	598.1	405.8	380.7	25.1	67.8	6.2	63.7
2017	607.2	409.5	382.1	27.5	67.4	6.7	62.9
<b>Interlake [4660]</b>							
2016	75.2	49.4	47.0	2.4	65.7	4.9	62.5
2017	75.7	48.4	45.8	2.7	63.9	5.6	60.5
<b>Parklands and Northern [4670, 4680]</b>							
2016	55.6	37.3	35.6	1.7	67.1	4.6	64.0
2017	55.4	37.8	35.9	1.9	68.2	5.0	64.8
<b>Saskatchewan</b>							
2016	865.0	603.2	570.7	32.5	69.7	5.4	66.0
2017	872.3	602.8	563.1	39.7	69.1	6.6	64.6
<b>Regina-Moose Mountain [4710]</b>							
2016	264.7	193.1	185.4	7.8	73.0	4.0	70.0
2017	267.5	191.3	180.9	10.3	71.5	5.4	67.6
<b>Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720]</b>							
2016	82.4	54.4	52.5	1.9	66.0	3.5	63.7
2017	81.8	54.6	52.8	1.8	66.7	3.3	64.5
<b>Saskatoon-Biggar [4730]</b>							
2016	297.7	208.8	196.6	12.1	70.1	5.8	66.0
2017	302.1	210.6	195.5	15.1	69.7	7.2	64.7
<b>Yorkton-Melville [4740]</b>							
2016	62.2	38.4	35.9	2.5	61.7	6.5	57.7
2017	61.5	40.8	38.1	2.7	66.3	6.6	62.0
<b>Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760]</b>							
2016	158.0	108.6	100.2	8.3	68.7	7.6	63.4
2017	159.4	105.6	95.8	9.8	66.2	9.3	60.1
<b>Alberta</b>							
2016	3,379.2	2,439.5	2,269.8	169.7	72.2	7.0	67.2
2017	3,409.8	2,461.5	2,251.5	210.1	72.2	8.5	66.0
<b>Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810]</b>							
2016	230.3	157.8	148.8	9.1	68.5	5.8	64.6
2017	229.7	156.0	145.4	10.6	67.9	6.8	63.3
<b>Camrose-Drumheller [4820]</b>							
2016	161.9	108.7	101.9	6.7	67.1	6.2	62.9
2017	160.7	109.2	99.5	9.7	68.0	8.9	61.9
<b>Calgary [4830]</b>							
2016	1,279.6	921.5	851.7	69.8	72.0	7.6	66.6
2017	1,297.1	963.5	871.8	91.7	74.3	9.5	67.2
<b>Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House and Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4840, 4870]</b>							
2016	277.4	198.1	182.3	15.7	71.4	7.9	65.7
2017	276.2	194.6	180.8	13.9	70.5	7.1	65.5
<b>Red Deer [4850]</b>							
2016	171.5	118.6	110.7	7.9	69.2	6.7	64.5
2017	172.7	123.4	112.0	11.4	71.5	9.2	64.9
<b>Edmonton [4860]</b>							
2016	1,140.5	843.6	791.4	52.2	74.0	6.2	69.4
2017	1,154.9	825.1	760.5	64.6	71.4	7.8	65.8
<b>Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]</b>							
2016	118.1	91.3	83.0	8.2	77.3	9.0	70.3
2017	118.4	89.7	81.5	8.2	75.8	9.1	68.8

See notes at the end of the table.



Table 6-1 – continued

**Labour force characteristics by province and economic region, <sup>1</sup> unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in January 2016 and January 2017**

	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
	in thousands			percent			
<b>British Columbia</b>							
2016	3,903.0	2,483.6	2,325.7	157.9	63.6	6.4	59.6
2017	3,952.9	2,540.0	2,393.4	146.6	64.3	5.8	60.5
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]							
2016	657.9	388.0	360.3	27.7	59.0	7.1	54.8
2017	665.0	401.4	380.0	21.4	60.4	5.3	57.1
Lower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2016	2,439.5	1,591.6	1,502.2	89.4	65.2	5.6	61.6
2017	2,475.0	1,608.2	1,528.5	79.6	65.0	4.9	61.8
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2016	433.2	263.6	241.6	22.0	60.8	8.3	55.8
2017	438.9	274.1	250.5	23.6	62.5	8.6	57.1
Kootenay [5940]							
2016	122.1	71.0	65.4	5.6	58.1	7.9	53.6
2017	122.6	79.5	73.4	6.1	64.8	7.7	59.9
Cariboo [5950]							
2016	127.6	82.8	76.3	6.5	64.9	7.9	59.8
2017	127.9	88.2	80.3	7.8	69.0	8.8	62.8
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2016	66.6	43.0	40.0	3.0	64.6	7.0	60.1
2017	67.1	44.1	40.7	3.3	65.7	7.5	60.7
Northeast [5980]							
2016	56.1	43.7	40.0	3.7	77.9	8.5	71.3
2017	56.5	44.6	39.9	4.7	78.9	10.5	70.6

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. As a result of the wildfire affecting northern Alberta, LFS data for the census agglomeration of Wood Buffalo were not collected from May to July 2016. Data collection resumed in August 2016. Estimates for the economic region of Wood Buffalo–Cold Lake are not available for June, July, August, and September 2016.

**Table 6-2**  
**Labour force characteristics by territory (seasonally adjusted) - 3 month moving average**

	December 2016	January 2017	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
in thousands (except rates)									
<b>Yukon <sup>2</sup></b>									
Population	28.4	28.4	...	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.7
Labour force	21.9	21.7	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	1.0	-0.9	-0.9	4.8
Employment	20.9	20.7	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	1.2	-1.0	-1.0	6.2
Unemployment	1.0	0.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-10.0	-10.0	-25.0
Participation rate	77.1	76.4	0.9	-0.7	-0.7	3.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.1	0.7	-0.5	-0.5	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	73.6	72.9	0.9	-0.7	-0.7	3.8	...	...	...
<b>Northwest Territories <sup>3</sup></b>									
Population	32.4	32.4	...	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.9
Labour force	23.7	22.8	0.3	-0.9	-0.9	-1.9	-3.8	-3.8	-7.7
Employment	22.1	21.2	0.3	-0.9	-0.9	-1.2	-4.1	-4.1	-5.4
Unemployment	1.6	1.6	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.7	0.0	0.0	-30.4
Participation rate	73.1	70.4	0.9	-2.7	-2.7	-6.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	7.0	0.7	0.2	0.2	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.2	65.4	1.0	-2.8	-2.8	-4.4	...	...	...
<b>Nunavut <sup>4</sup></b>									
Population	24.2	24.2	...	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4
Labour force	15.7	15.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-2.5	-2.5	-1.9
Employment	13.5	13.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.4	-0.7	-0.7	3.1
Unemployment	2.2	1.9	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.6	-13.6	-13.6	-24.0
Participation rate	64.8	63.2	0.8	-1.6	-1.6	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.0	12.5	1.0	-1.5	-1.5	-3.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.7	55.3	0.9	-0.4	-0.4	1.2	...	...	...

1. Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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
<b>January 2017</b>										
15 years and over	15,245.4	34.8	941.16	25.97	12,241.7	39.2	1,094.06	3,003.7	17.0	318.00
15 to 24 years	2,210.0	25.1	408.34	15.11	970.8	38.5	682.88	1,239.1	14.5	193.25
25 years and over	13,035.5	36.4	1,031.49	27.81	11,270.9	39.2	1,129.48	1,764.6	18.7	405.61
Males	7,586.5	37.1	1,070.32	27.90	6,596.5	40.3	1,187.91	990.0	16.2	286.79
Females	7,659.0	32.4	813.22	24.05	5,645.3	37.8	984.40	2,013.7	17.3	333.35
<b>Union coverage</b>										
Union coverage	4,682.8	35.4	1,067.56	29.69	3,958.7	38.4	1,177.01	724.1	18.8	469.17
No union coverage	10,562.6	34.5	885.12	24.32	8,283.0	39.5	1,054.41	2,279.6	16.4	269.98
<b>Job permanency</b>										
Permanent	13,389.4	35.8	983.31	26.58	11,245.0	39.2	1,106.49	2,144.4	18.0	337.34
Temporary	1,856.0	27.7	637.10	21.51	996.8	39.1	953.79	859.3	14.4	269.73
<b>Occupation</b>										
Management occupations	1,004.8	39.6	1,632.70	41.32	977.4	40.2	1,663.91	27.4	17.2	517.23
Business, finance and administration occupations	2,639.4	35.4	931.89	25.86	2,257.9	38.3	1,024.93	381.5	18.2	381.18
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	1,205.6	38.1	1,363.36	35.50	1,152.8	39.1	1,404.27	52.7	16.9	469.33
Health occupations	1,127.8	33.4	978.08	29.07	850.6	37.8	1,116.04	277.1	19.9	554.61
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	1,888.5	33.3	1,088.34	31.87	1,485.5	37.9	1,264.12	403.0	16.4	440.32
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	352.7	27.6	706.33	23.07	207.2	39.0	1,063.70	145.4	11.4	197.14
Sales and service occupations	3,976.4	30.2	534.94	16.61	2,474.8	38.4	722.51	1,501.7	16.7	225.82
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	2,037.2	39.5	1,037.69	25.86	1,881.3	41.4	1,095.17	155.9	17.4	343.99
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	225.5	42.5	1,142.79	25.75	201.3	45.7	1,246.85	24.2	15.7	277.01
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	787.7	39.2	886.64	22.41	752.9	40.1	912.23	34.8	19.5	333.42
<b>January 2016</b>										
15 years and over	14,888.5	35.0	934.49	25.66	12,054.9	39.2	1,079.79	2,833.6	17.2	316.34
15 to 24 years	2,195.1	26.2	413.92	14.66	1,045.7	38.5	661.61	1,149.5	15.0	188.60
25 years and over	12,693.4	36.5	1,024.51	27.56	11,009.2	39.3	1,119.51	1,684.2	18.8	403.53
Males	7,427.7	37.4	1,065.11	27.63	6,507.9	40.4	1,176.46	919.8	16.4	277.24
Females	7,460.8	32.6	804.44	23.70	5,547.0	37.8	966.37	1,913.9	17.7	335.13
<b>Union coverage</b>										
Union coverage	4,576.5	35.6	1,057.36	29.29	3,876.7	38.5	1,163.06	699.8	19.2	471.76
No union coverage	10,312.0	34.8	879.95	24.05	8,178.2	39.5	1,040.31	2,133.9	16.6	265.38
<b>Job permanency</b>										
Permanent	13,158.0	36.0	976.90	26.31	11,124.1	39.2	1,093.69	2,033.9	18.3	338.11
Temporary	1,730.5	27.6	612.02	20.68	930.8	38.6	913.65	799.8	14.6	261.00
<b>Occupation</b>										
Management occupations	980.6	39.6	1,563.28	39.51	948.9	40.2	1,597.19	31.7	18.8	547.46
Business, finance and administration occupations	2,559.8	35.3	924.19	25.68	2,202.4	38.2	1,015.67	357.4	17.6	360.54
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	1,244.5	38.3	1,361.86	35.49	1,204.2	38.9	1,389.25	40.3	18.7	543.51
Health occupations	1,128.7	33.5	990.67	29.31	853.1	37.9	1,128.55	275.6	20.2	563.78
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	1,842.0	33.7	1,068.23	30.89	1,465.5	38.0	1,233.08	376.5	16.9	426.58
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	311.4	29.2	728.59	22.88	199.3	38.8	1,022.70	112.1	12.0	205.42
Sales and service occupations	3,852.4	30.4	533.65	16.46	2,410.7	38.4	717.69	1,441.7	17.0	225.89
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	1,978.6	39.9	1,031.81	25.54	1,837.9	41.6	1,084.86	140.6	17.9	338.53
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	213.6	41.4	1,081.97	24.86	187.5	45.1	1,200.06	26.2	15.3	235.50
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	777.0	39.5	873.13	21.87	745.3	40.4	896.96	31.7	18.4	312.24

**Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0167.

**Table 8**  
**Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance program, <sup>1</sup> seasonally adjusted, 3-month moving average**

Region	Effective from February 12, 2017 to March 11, 2017
	percent
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	
01. St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.6
02. Newfoundland and Labrador <sup>2</sup>	18.6
<b>Prince Edward Island <sup>3</sup></b>	
03. Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island	7.6
04. Prince Edward Island <sup>4</sup>	13.3
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	
05. Eastern Nova Scotia	14.4
06. Western Nova Scotia	9.1
07. Halifax, Nova Scotia	6.0
<b>New Brunswick</b>	
08. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John, New Brunswick	7.8
09. Madawaska-Charlotte, New Brunswick	7.2
10. Restigouche-Albert, New Brunswick	13.6
<b>Quebec</b>	
11. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine, Quebec	15.5
12. Quebec, Quebec	4.3
13. Trois-Rivières, Quebec	7.0
14. South Central Quebec	4.9
15. Sherbrooke, Quebec	5.5
16. Montérégie, Quebec	6.5
17. Montreal, Quebec	6.7
18. Central Quebec	7.1
19. North Western Quebec	8.4
20. Lower Saint Lawrence and North Shore, Quebec	9.9
21. Hull, Quebec	5.5
22. Chicoutimi-Jonquière, Quebec	7.7
<b>Ontario</b>	
23. Ottawa, Ontario	5.7
24. Eastern Ontario	6.0
25. Kingston, Ontario	5.7
26. Central Ontario	6.5
27. Oshawa, Ontario	5.3
28. Toronto, Ontario	7.0
29. Hamilton, Ontario	6.0
30. St. Catharines, Ontario	6.6
31. London, Ontario	7.3
32. Niagara, Ontario	7.2
33. Windsor, Ontario	6.3
34. Kitchener, Ontario	5.4
35. Huron, Ontario	6.7
36. South Central Ontario	4.6
37. Sudbury, Ontario	7.8
38. Thunder Bay, Ontario	5.8
39. Northern Ontario	12.1
<b>Manitoba</b>	
40. Winnipeg, Manitoba	6.6
41. Southern Manitoba	6.9
42. Northern Manitoba	31.2
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	
43. Regina, Saskatchewan	5.2
44. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	7.4
45. Southern Saskatchewan	7.9
46. Northern Saskatchewan	20.3

See notes at the end of the table.

Table 8 – continued

**Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance program, <sup>1</sup> seasonally adjusted, 3-month moving average**

Region	Effective from February 12, 2017 to March 11, 2017
	percent
<b>Alberta</b>	
47. Calgary, Alberta	10.2
48. Edmonton, Alberta	8.2
49. Northern Alberta	12.7
50. Southern Alberta	8.6
<b>British Columbia</b>	
51. Southern Interior British Columbia	9.3
52. Abbotsford, British Columbia	6.4
53. Vancouver, British Columbia	5.0
54. Victoria, British Columbia	5.5
55. Southern Coastal British Columbia	7.0
56. Northern British Columbia	12.8
<b>Territories <sup>3, 5</sup></b>	
57. Whitehorse, Yukon <sup>6</sup>	5.4
58. Yukon	9.2
59. Yellowknife, Northwest Territories	5.1
60. Northwest Territories <sup>7</sup>	10.2
61. Iqaluit, Nunavut	4.6
62. Nunavut <sup>8</sup>	18.9

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):** Related CANSIM table 282-0168. 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

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## 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 at a job or business;
- (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 but had a new job to start within four weeks 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 (for example, age, sex, or marital status) is the number unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

The **participation rate** represents the total labour force expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The participation rate for a particular group (for example, women aged 25 years and over) is the labour force in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

The **employment rate** represents the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The employment rate for a particular group (for example, age, sex, marital status, or province) 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 (for example, age or sex) is the number of persons 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 (68%) of the time, 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 standard error in order to ensure that change is real.

Movements in estimates that are smaller than the standard 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 standard 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 18,000,000. The associated standard error for the movement estimate is 29,500. 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 -13,500 to +45,500 (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 -31,200 to +63,200 (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 -43,000 to +75,000 (16,000 + or – two standard errors).

For more detailed explanations on the 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 (LFS) 3701
- *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)*
- *Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (71-526-X)*
- *LFS geographical maps*