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Total Income Benefits

	New Claims ¹				Average Weekly Benefit ²				Amount Paid ²						
	2003/ 2004 (000's)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$M)	Percentage Change			
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98
Province/Territory															
Newfoundland and Labrador	98	2.0	6.2	4.4	-5.9	306	2.5	1.2	2.6	-3.0	752.0	4.5	6.9	10.7	-6.3
Prince Edward Island	25	0.0	-3.0	7.4	-2.6	295	1.2	4.0	3.2	-3.5	175.4	5.1	5.4	6.7	-6.6
Nova Scotia	90	0.4	1.3	2.1	-11.8	294	2.5	0.6	3.3	-1.2	601.3	3.3	7.2	10.2	-16.7
New Brunswick	96	4.3	-3.2	2.1	-8.6	295	2.4	2.1	2.2	-3.3	666.7	3.9	2.2	15.4	-15.1
Quebec	616	6.0	-3.5	8.0	-11.1	305	1.8	1.9	2.7	0.5	3,816.3	8.1	2.0	19.6	-16.3
Ontario	561	7.4	-5.9	16.5	-19.3	324	0.6	1.5	1.6	0.4	3,904.2	8.6	9.2	39.3	-15.9
Manitoba	61	6.3	-3.8	8.9	-15.2	297	1.7	2.9	1.4	1.1	362.8	5.4	8.1	20.9	-16.8
Saskatchewan	48	6.9	0.7	3.8	-17.7	305	1.6	2.2	1.7	3.2	301.2	6.4	12.0	10.0	-19.4
Alberta	143	2.5	4.8	11.2	-21.4	326	0.4	2.0	3.9	1.7	982.3	5.6	22.9	21.3	-32.1
British Columbia	228	6.9	-7.2	11.5	10.0	318	0.4	0.2	3.2	0.0	1,577.2	6.2	5.6	28.4	-11.5
Nunavut	1	28.0	-18.3	12.9	N/A	338	1.3	1.5	-2.8	N/A	11.7	18.6	-1.8	23.2	N/A
Northwest Territories	3	4.8	14.0	2.3	-14.6	368	0.0	-0.2	8.0	2.2	24.8	-5.5	45.4	3.7	-13.7
Yukon	3	-14.1	29.1	-6.0	3.3	349	-0.2	1.1	1.2	3.8	23.1	-1.8	22.8	-5.0	0.8
Sex															
Men	1,070	5.2	-3.6	10.3	-13.9	340	1.0	1.0	2.3	-0.8	6,931.0	5.9	1.6	19.0	-17.8
Women	903	6.1	-2.7	9.7	-13.9	278	1.9	2.4	3.1	1.3	6,268.0	8.2	13.7	30.7	-13.6
Age															
Under 25	250	4.8	-5.7	7.8	-20.9	262	2.4	1.8	3.8	2.0	1,359.3	7.6	2.8	26.4	-22.8
25 to 44	1,097	3.7	-4.3	9.6	-15.2	322	1.2	1.5	2.7	-0.5	8,067.1	5.2	8.0	26.7	-17.5
45 to 54	404	7.8	-1.9	11.4	-6.3	319	1.1	1.2	2.1	-1.1	2,403.0	8.5	4.9	18.0	-9.3
55 and Over	222	12.3	3.9	12.9	-8.1	308	1.1	1.5	1.5	-0.6	1,368.5	14.8	8.5	16.2	-11.6
EI History³															
First-time Claimants	833	8.0	-5.4	19.5	-10.0	302	1.3	1.3	4.1	1.8	6,094.5	8.2	13.7	39.4	-11.0
Occasional Claimants	582	3.9	-2.6	7.6	-20.2	303	1.2	1.4	2.7	0.9	3,551.5	6.0	3.0	21.6	-21.4
Frequent Claimants	559	3.9	-0.7	0.5	-11.7	336	1.5	1.7	1.8	-2.6	3,553.1	6.0	0.8	8.0	-16.3
NATIONAL	1,973	5.6	-3.2	10.0	-13.9	312	1.3	1.5	2.6	0.0	13,199.0	7.0	6.9	23.9	-16.1

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

- Includes claims on which at least \$1 of EI benefits was paid.
- Takes into account benefit payments under regular, fishing, special (sickness, maternity, parental, compassionate), employment (section 25 of the *Employment Insurance Act*) and work sharing benefits. Payments under Part II of the *Employment Insurance Act* are not included. Dollar figures encompass Family Supplement top-ups paid.
- First-time claimants are defined as individuals who did not have a claim in the five years prior to their current claim. Occasional claimants are defined as individuals who have had fewer than three active claims in the five years prior to their current claim. Frequent claimants are defined as individuals who have had three or more active claims in the five years prior to their current claim.

Total Income Benefits by Industry

	2003/04 (\$M)	Percentage Change			
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98
Primary					
Agriculture	261	9.7	7.6	7.7	-17.2
Fishing and Trapping	144	3.6	6.4	15.0	-12.9
Fish Harvesting (Self-Employed) ¹	298	8.7	9.6	-0.5	1.2
Logging and Forestry	299	7.8	-4.8	11.2	-5.9
Mining	176	-5.4	0.5	17.1	-10.3
Manufacturing	2,212	4.3	-4.0	35.9	-18.8
Construction	1,679	7.6	2.4	11.6	-21.4
Transportation, Storage and Communications					
Transportation and Storage	494	9.8	2.1	25.9	-8.3
Communications	214	-4.2	15.6	37.2	-2.9
Trade and Commerce					
Wholesale Trade ²	668	3.5	4.4	25.4	8.2
Retail Trade	857	8.3	8.9	13.0	-22.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate					
Finance and Insurance	387	5.7	18.3	33.3	2.5
Real Estate	160	9.0	13.4	17.6	-18.7
Community, Business and Personal Services					
Business Services	1,121	3.6	11.8	50.4	-11.0
Education	743	12.1	15.1	25.0	-13.6
Health and Social Services	830	6.8	22.7	31.1	-14.5
Accommodation, Food and Beverage Services	582	11.9	6.8	13.0	-10.6
Other Services	827	9.3	7.7	18.5	-15.2
Public Administration					
Government Services ²	873	4.6	16.3	19.2	-46.7
Unclassified	374	31.4	27.2	54.7	-4.0
ALL INDUSTRIES	13,199	7.0	6.9	23.9	-16.1

Source: EI Administrative Data

1. Includes fishing benefits paid to self-employed fishers as well as other types of benefits collected by these claimants, such as special benefits. Employment Benefits (Part II) are excluded.
2. There were changes to the process for assigning classification codes in 1999/00 to these sectors that affect results reported.

Regular Benefits

	New Claims ¹					Average Weekly Benefit ²					Amount Paid ²					
	2003/ 2004 (000's)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$M)	Percentage Change				
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98	
Province/Territory																
Newfoundland and Labrador	75	0.5	3.0	3.5	-10.0	291	2.7	0.2	3.6	-2.7	540.3	2.1	5.2	12.0	-10.0	
Prince Edward Island	19	-0.4	-3.8	1.8	-1.8	280	1.3	4.5	1.9	-2.2	118.5	3.0	1.7	3.1	-7.0	
Nova Scotia	71	-0.5	0.2	0.4	-14.1	289	2.1	0.1	3.3	-0.3	435.4	2.5	2.8	7.0	-19.0	
New Brunswick	80	3.3	-3.8	1.0	-11.1	294	2.0	2.5	1.7	-3.1	517.3	1.0	0.8	12.8	-17.0	
Quebec	502	5.4	-4.1	5.4	-14.0	306	1.6	2.0	2.7	0.8	2,789.4	8.6	-2.5	14.4	-17.0	
Ontario	400	6.9	-5.8	14.9	-23.7	326	0.3	1.6	1.2	1.1	2,326.3	10.3	3.4	30.8	-19.0	
Manitoba	43	6.9	-4.3	5.2	-20.0	299	0.6	3.1	1.3	1.8	210.2	4.1	3.4	10.4	-22.0	
Saskatchewan	35	5.1	0.1	1.9	-22.6	311	1.2	2.0	1.7	5.2	191.3	6.4	6.3	-0.5	-24.0	
Alberta	95	-1.5	6.5	9.7	-29.8	334	-0.1	1.8	4.5	3.1	557.5	3.4	23.6	6.0	-41.0	
British Columbia	169	5.0	-7.1	11.0	-13.0	320	0.6	-0.2	3.2	0.4	1,041.2	5.8	2.6	22.6	-13.0	
Nunavut	1	32.4	-21.3	4.4	N/A	335	-0.2	-0.3	1.0	N/A	7.6	24.5	-13.7	15.8	N/A	
Northwest Territories	2	7.0	17.1	-3.1	-23.2	368	-0.6	-1.1	10.3	3.1	16.2	-3.6	35.6	-0.1	-19.2	
Yukon	2	-9.8	23.3	-5.1	2.2	351	-1.0	1.3	2.0	4.7	17.7	-3.4	18.1	-4.6	0.7	
Sex																
Men	900	4.0	-4.1	8.6	-16.2	340	0.8	1.1	2.2	-0.7	5,852.5	5.8	0.8	19.0	-19.0	
Women	593	5.4	-2.7	6.9	-19.5	271	1.8	2.6	3.3	2.0	2,916.4	9.0	6.1	13.4	-18.0	
Age																
Under 25	184	5.5	-7.7	6.4	-27.2	268	2.2	1.8	4.3	3.1	845.9	7.3	-2.8	20.2	-28.0	
25 to 44	782	1.9	-5.2	6.6	-19.3	321	1.0	1.3	2.7	-0.1	4,685.7	4.1	1.0	16.3	-21.0	
45 to 54	342	6.5	-1.1	10.5	-8.0	319	1.0	1.4	2.1	-1.1	2,058.3	8.6	5.2	18.8	-10.0	
55 and Over	186	11.8	4.7	11.3	-9.6	309	1.1	1.6	1.5	-0.2	1,178.3	15.1	8.7	15.7	-12.0	
EI History³																
First-time Claimants	499	5.8	-6.7	17.6	-16.9	297	0.7	1.3	4.5	3.6	3,082.7	7.8	6.8	29.0	-15.0	
Occasional Claimants	485	4.3	-2.3	7.6	-23.7	305	1.0	1.4	3.0	1.1	2,642.9	7.4	0.9	18.2	-24.0	
Frequent Claimants	510	3.6	-1.5	-0.1	-12.7	334	1.5	1.5	1.8	-2.4	3,043.3	5.5	-0.3	7.3	-17.0	
NATIONAL	1,493	4.6	-3.5	7.9	-17.6	312	1.1	1.5	2.7	0.5	8,768.9	6.9	2.5	17.2	-19.0	

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. Includes claims on which at least \$1 of regular benefits was paid.
2. Takes into account Family Supplement top-ups paid to regular claimants.
3. First-time claimants are defined as individuals who did not have a claim in the five years prior to their current claim. Occasional claimants are defined as individuals who have had fewer than three active claims in the five years prior to their current claim. Frequent claimants are defined as individuals who have had three or more active claims in the five years prior to their current claim.

Distribution of Claims for Regular Benefits by Duration of Insured Employment

	New Claims ¹ 2003/04			Percentage Change 2002/03–2003/04			Percentage Change 2001/02–2002/03			Percentage Change 2000/01–2001/02			Percentage Change 1995/96–1997/98		
	Short Spells ²	Medium Spells ³	Long Spells ⁴	Short Spells ²	Medium Spells ³	Long Spells ⁴	Short Spells ²	Medium Spells ³	Long Spells ⁴	Short Spells ²	Medium Spells ³	Long Spells ⁴	Short Spells ²	Medium Spells ³	Long Spells ⁴
Province/Territory															
Newfoundland and Labrador	7,800	45,780	21,090	-7.5	1.7	1.2	9.8	3.3	-0.2	-2.7	4.5	4.0	-56.4	6.3	11.2
Prince Edward Island	2,060	11,590	5,670	3.0	1.2	-4.5	-11.1	-4.7	0.7	21.6	-0.7	0.7	-66.0	19.5	52.8
Nova Scotia	5,510	41,160	24,690	5.2	0.7	-3.6	8.5	2.9	-5.3	-4.5	-1.5	4.2	-59.4	-11.9	8.0
New Brunswick	4,920	48,710	26,160	-4.3	0.4	10.8	-1.3	-1.3	-9.0	19.2	-0.1	0.1	-70.8	4.7	22.7
Quebec	23,730	278,070	199,840	0.4	0.9	13.1	-0.3	-1.3	-8.5	-5.4	4.9	7.7	-47.2	-14.6	-5.0
Ontario	12,040	191,360	196,120	4.7	8.5	5.5	0.0	-4.7	-7.2	3.9	10.4	20.2	-41.7	-27.0	-17.8
Manitoba	1,940	23,650	16,990	19.8	4.3	9.4	-4.7	-2.2	-7.2	-4.5	5.6	5.7	-52.0	-20.2	-14.1
Saskatchewan	1,320	19,980	13,860	22.2	3.6	5.9	-14.3	1.8	-0.9	9.6	2.3	0.6	-62.1	-27.3	-7.2
Alberta	2,780	46,800	45,880	-1.1	5.7	-7.8	25.4	2.4	9.5	1.8	3.9	16.3	-52.1	-32.4	-23.8
British Columbia	6,330	88,730	73,430	1.3	3.7	6.9	-4.1	-1.0	-14.0	-3.0	1.9	24.6	-36.2	-14.5	-6.9
Nunavut	50	540	390	0.0	38.5	30.0	66.7	-27.8	-18.9	0.0	-1.8	15.6	N/A	N/A	N/A
Northwest Territories	50	1,150	780	-58.3	27.8	-6.0	300.0	15.4	7.8	-40.0	-17.0	20.3	-42.3	-27.3	-10.7
Yukon	180	1,360	750	50.0	-9.3	-18.5	33.3	13.6	41.5	-25.0	-0.8	-9.7	-54.2	-8.3	38.8
Sex															
Men	38,150	454,410	407,530	-1.3	3.1	5.5	3.1	-1.4	-7.6	2.9	5.8	12.3	-56.3	-21.8	5.2
Women	30,560	344,470	218,120	4.1	3.8	8.2	-0.7	-1.3	-5.0	-4.4	3.6	14.5	-45.9	-10.4	-25.5
Age															
Under 25	8,030	110,420	65,040	-4.1	5.5	6.8	1.3	-6.2	-11.4	4.6	3.7	11.3	-58.0	-29.2	-14.1
25 to 44	34,490	400,430	346,840	-1.8	0.7	3.8	2.7	-3.0	-8.3	-3.3	2.9	12.2	-53.4	-19.2	-11.3
45 to 54	15,210	182,430	144,100	3.0	5.1	8.7	3.5	0.7	-3.8	-4.2	8.3	15.3	-45.8	-6.1	-1.8
55 and Over	10,980	105,540	69,600	12.6	9.2	15.8	-5.4	8.1	1.4	12.2	9.1	14.6	-50.2	-5.7	-3.7
EI History⁵															
First-time Claimants	8,750	208,210	281,850	-0.1	5.0	6.7	15.3	-7.1	-7.1	0.9	9.6	25.1	-30.8	-17.2	-16.3
Occasional Claimants	28,690	258,570	197,270	-1.9	4.4	5.1	1.1	1.3	-7.1	1.4	6.0	10.5	-41.9	-23.8	-20.1
Frequent Claimants	31,270	332,100	146,530	4.3	1.8	7.8	-1.7	0.4	-5.6	-2.5	1.2	-2.5	-58.8	-13.0	25.2
NATIONAL	68,710	798,880	625,650	1.0	3.4	6.5	1.4	-1.4	-6.7	-0.5	4.9	13.0	-52.4	-17.4	-9.2

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. Includes claims on which at least \$1 of regular benefits was paid.
2. Short spells - duration of insured employment is at the minimum entrance requirement or up to two weeks above the minimum entrance requirement.
3. Medium spells - duration of insured employment is at least three weeks greater than the minimum entrance requirement but less than or equal to six months.
4. Long spells - duration of insured employment is more than six months longer than the minimum entrance requirement.
5. First-time claimants are defined as individuals who did not have a claim in the five years prior to their current claim. Occasional claimants are defined as individuals who have had fewer than three active claims in the five years prior to their current claim. Frequent claimants are defined as individuals who have had three or more active claims in the five years prior to their current claim.

Fishing Benefits

	New Claims ¹				Average Weekly Benefit ²				Amount Paid ²								
	2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$M)	Percentage Change					
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		
Province/Territory																	
Newfoundland and Labrador	17,251	3.4	27.8	6.2	29.1	381	1.1	0.3	-1.1	-13.1	137.2	10.8	13.7	0.5	17.9		
Prince Edward Island	3,445	4.4	9.4	23.9	-18.2	397	-0.1	0.6	2.2	-6.6	28.4	5.6	8.6	19.7	-18.2		
Nova Scotia	5,576	7.1	16.0	7.4	-1.8	391	0.7	-0.7	4.2	-9.3	44.2	8.3	12.4	9.0	-9.9		
New Brunswick	3,212	2.1	9.6	4.4	2.0	397	-0.3	0.2	3.7	-6.1	24.9	8.6	3.0	3.4	-13.5		
Quebec	1,854	-7.8	2.3	5.5	10.2	384	-0.1	0.3	1.1	-10.9	12.6	-4.5	-0.4	6.4	-6.0		
Ontario	115	4.5	-3.5	4.6	-10.3	350	3.4	1.1	-0.2	-4.3	1.0	5.6	-5.7	-18.5	-30.9		
Manitoba	1,053	18.2	5.4	27.5	-7.3	350	-1.6	2.1	-3.4	-8.2	8.2	7.4	8.7	2.3	6.2		
Saskatchewan	204	12.7	17.5	20.3	50.9	295	-3.9	0.0	-2.3	-14.5	1.0	17.0	-15.4	18.3	6.5		
Alberta	56	36.6	-4.7	-17.3	66.7	375	4.1	-1.5	8.2	-16.0	0.5	22.3	-1.9	33.9	123.4		
British Columbia	4,403	3.1	7.8	6.6	6.0	360	-2.1	0.4	0.2	-3.0	35.1	5.5	5.3	6.2	-3.6		
Nunavut	24	166.7	-10.0	0.0	N/A	352	-5.7	11.5	-13.5	N/A	0.2	N/A	N/A	-100.0	N/A		
Northwest Territories	22	-24.1	-3.3	25.0	17.6	314	-4.5	-0.1	-2.6	-1.3	0.1	-74.1	-48.1	51.3	163.5		
Yukon	1	0.0	-50.0	-60.0	-20.0	413	0.0	31.1	-7.0	-11.0	0.0	N/A	N/A	-100.0	-11.1		
Sex																	
Men	30,987	3.3	16.9	7.8	-3.9	386	0.3	-0.1	1.0	-9.5	246.7	8.4	8.5	4.7	-1.0		
Women	6,229	6.1	20.5	10.8	15.9	357	0.0	1.8	-1.0	-10.4	46.6	7.4	16.3	5.3	-7.0		
Age																	
Under 25	2,634	0.3	12.4	0.4	-57.3	363	1.0	0.8	-2.4	-5.2	21.0	4.2	4.9	-4.7	-6.6		
25 to 44	17,811	-0.1	17.7	5.2	363.9	383	0.4	0.0	0.8	-9.6	138.9	4.4	8.2	2.2	-3.2		
45 to 54	10,263	5.9	16.3	11.0	-74.3	384	0.1	0.3	0.6	-10.6	82.1	11.6	10.2	7.3	2.8		
55 and Over	6,508	13.3	21.0	18.3	-83.7	380	-0.1	0.1	2.1	-10.7	51.3	16.6	16.4	15.4	0.1		
EI History³																	
First-time Claimants	1,057	-13.1	-11.9	1.0	-91.8	348	0.0	1.6	-2.8	-5.8	9.1	-6.4	-10.8	-15.1	93.5		
Occasional Claimants	3,742	-12.8	6.3	-20.7	350.8	352	-0.6	1.2	-3.3	-9.2	26.6	-12.4	-8.4	-16.9	35.8		
Frequent Claimants	32,417	6.7	20.8	15.5	492.7	386	0.1	-0.3	1.1	-8.7	257.7	11.6	13.8	10.9	-8.5		
NATIONAL	37,216	3.7	17.4	8.2	7.8	381	0.3	0.2	0.7	-9.4	293.4	8.3	9.7	4.8	-1.7		

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

- Includes claims on which at least \$1 of fishing benefits was paid.
- Takes into account Family Supplement top-ups paid to fishing claimants.
- First-time claimants are defined as individuals who did not have a claim in the five years prior to their current claim. Occasional claimants are defined as individuals who have had fewer than three active claims in the five years prior to their current claim. Frequent claimants are defined as individuals who have had three or more active claims in the five years prior to their current claim.

Frequent Claimants¹

	New Claims ²					Average Weekly Benefit ³					Amount Paid ³					
	2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$M)	Percentage Change				
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98	
Province/Territory																
Newfoundland and Labrador	62,345	5.4	10.3	9.7	-10.7	331	1.3	1.0	2.1	-4.1	491.7	7.4	11.1	15.2	-11.1	
Prince Edward Island	15,821	1.3	0.4	6.1	-6.7	317	2.1	3.4	3.0	-6.5	109.8	4.2	4.8	6.3	-11.5	
Nova Scotia	39,707	1.9	0.4	-0.3	-9.3	324	2.2	1.2	2.4	-4.0	268.5	4.4	1.1	5.5	-18.0	
New Brunswick	49,582	1.0	0.6	-1.3	-7.9	318	1.6	1.6	2.1	-4.4	357.9	0.7	2.4	10.5	-15.6	
Quebec	196,251	3.8	-3.0	0.0	-9.3	334	1.6	1.7	1.9	-2.4	1,112.4	6.1	-4.2	6.6	-14.7	
Ontario	87,265	7.2	-1.8	-1.9	-17.9	355	1.2	1.9	1.5	-1.3	424.9	10.4	-2.0	3.4	-17.3	
Manitoba	13,349	6.1	0.4	-1.7	-17.9	331	1.3	3.8	0.7	0.0	69.4	9.5	2.5	0.3	-21.8	
Saskatchewan	11,690	4.4	4.7	-2.2	-22.2	342	2.2	1.9	0.7	1.0	67.6	10.0	6.5	-3.9	-27.2	
Alberta	17,683	-2.2	5.9	-4.7	-28.9	367	0.4	1.3	2.1	-0.3	101.6	2.6	14.1	-3.5	-42.7	
British Columbia	47,063	2.2	-5.0	1.2	-12.4	351	0.8	0.7	2.0	-2.3	284.4	5.0	-1.9	13.7	-15.7	
Nunavut	164	39.0	-52.0	56.7	N/A	370	-5.8	12.1	1.1	N/A	1.3	-13.0	-3.0	-6.7	N/A	
Northwest Territories	557	5.9	12.4	26.8	-5.3	372	-4.9	2.2	-0.9	-2.9	4.9	4.3	5.6	22.3	-4.7	
Yukon	840	-2.3	8.9	-6.2	-11.4	389	1.1	-1.2	4.1	-3.6	6.7	-0.7	-1.6	1.0	-23.2	
Sex																
Men	366,130	3.6	-0.4	1.4	-12.4	365	1.1	1.0	1.2	-3.3	2,517.1	5.4	-0.3	8.1	-16.6	
Women	176,187	4.0	-0.4	-1.3	-13.0	279	2.5	3.1	3.0	-0.9	784.0	7.7	4.0	5.5	-17.0	
Age																
Under 25	16,702	10.1	0.4	1.6	-29.3	331	2.0	1.9	2.9	-2.5	102.7	10.2	2.4	8.5	-34.8	
25 to 44	266,236	-0.1	-3.3	-3.0	-16.4	344	1.6	1.5	2.1	-2.3	1,645.7	1.8	-2.6	4.5	-19.9	
45 to 54	162,349	5.9	1.3	3.8	-3.2	335	1.6	1.8	1.6	-3.5	964.9	9.2	2.5	11.4	-7.6	
55 and Over	97,010	10.5	5.7	7.0	-3.9	322	1.3	1.8	1.8	-3.0	587.5	12.3	8.5	11.4	-9.7	
Seasonality⁴																
Seasonal	442,847	3.4	2.0	0.9	-11.2	339	1.5	1.5	2.0	-2.5	2,645.7	6.6	1.9	5.8	-16.6	
Non-Seasonal	99,470	5.4	-10.1	-1.2	-17.0	328	1.4	1.5	1.3	-3.3	655.3	3.2	-3.8	14.4	-16.9	
NATIONAL	542,317	3.8	-0.4	0.5	-12.6	337	1.5	1.6	1.8	-2.7	3,301.0	5.9	0.7	7.5	-16.7	

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. This includes both regular and fishing claims.
2. Includes claims on which at least \$1 of regular or fishing benefits was paid.
3. Takes into account Family Supplement top-ups paid to frequent claimants.
4. The current claim starts at about the same time of the year as have previous claims.

Special Benefits¹

	New Claims ²					Amount Paid ³				
	2003/04	Percentage Change				2003/04 (\$M)	Percentage Change			
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98
Province/Territory										
Newfoundland and Labrador	10,130	17.2	2.0	14.8	5.3	52.0	17.0	14.9	42.4	3.1
Prince Edward Island	4,140	23.2	16.7	-1.4	18.2	21.0	28.7	27.7	33.9	38.8
Nova Scotia	19,030	8.4	4.0	8.6	-4.6	103.7	6.2	26.5	41.3	-2.5
New Brunswick	20,340	14.3	4.7	8.5	6.8	101.8	19.5	20.8	44.2	7.7
Quebec	147,910	6.4	7.0	10.3	-3.7	894.2	8.0	23.3	49.2	-4.3
Ontario	170,990	6.6	0.5	9.4	-4.0	1,480.5	7.2	21.9	56.6	-2.9
Manitoba	16,990	3.5	0.1	9.2	-1.8	121.9	8.7	19.7	57.3	-0.2
Saskatchewan	12,220	5.9	2.2	6.3	2.4	94.7	4.9	28.3	50.1	1.3
Alberta	44,710	4.9	1.7	11.1	5.3	368.9	9.2	24.9	64.1	8.9
British Columbia	65,700	13.2	-3.8	8.1	-5.4	455.4	8.4	15.7	53.4	0.8
Nunavut	370	-2.6	11.8	21.4	N/A	3.3	-5.5	30.9	53.9	N/A
Northwest Territories	590	-9.2	8.3	1.7	0.0	6.3	-12.5	79.9	18.5	1.6
Yukon	390	-39.1	93.9	-15.4	8.6	4.1	10.7	60.3	-16.3	24.8
Sex										
Men	154,560	10.3	7.3	12.0	-3.9	540.1	9.4	15.5	31.5	3.1
Women	358,950	6.6	0.5	8.6	-2.1	3,167.8	8.0	23.1	58.4	-1.7
Age										
Under 25	59,290	3.0	0.5	8.2	8.4	370.6	10.2	20.6	64.6	8.4
25 to 44	336,820	6.8	2.2	9.7	-4.2	2,994.8	7.8	24.1	59.4	-2.3
45 to 54	73,160	11.6	2.6	7.6	-1.3	214.1	8.1	6.2	13.7	5.4
55 and Over	44,210	14.5	6.5	13.3	-4.4	128.1	10.8	9.0	16.4	-3.1
NATIONAL	513,510	7.6	2.4	9.5	-2.5	3,707.9	8.2	22.0	53.6	-1.0

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. For a breakdown of maternity, parental and sickness benefits, please see Tables 2.8, 2.9, 2.10 and 2.11.
2. Includes claims on which at least \$1 of maternity, parental, sickness or compassionate care benefits was paid.
3. Takes into account Family Supplement top-ups paid to claimants with special benefits.

Maternity Benefits

	New Claims ¹					Average Number of Weeks Paid					Average Weekly Benefit ²					Amount Paid ²				
	2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$M)	Percentage Change			
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98
Province/Territory																				
Newfoundland and Labrador	2,800	17.2	-5.2	12.5	12.0	14.1	-2.9	1.0	-1.0	-0.7	269	-0.6	1.5	1.7	-7.3	10.9	22.9	-12.1	13.3	8.7
Prince Edward Island	1,040	8.3	17.1	-10.9	51.5	14.7	1.0	1.4	1.7	-1.7	278	3.3	-8.3	19.9	-5.4	4.2	12.9	7.0	4.5	51.8
Nova Scotia	5,540	7.6	-3.9	3.3	8.3	14.4	1.7	-1.2	-0.2	-1.6	284	3.0	3.8	4.2	-8.7	22.6	6.9	6.0	4.0	-4.9
New Brunswick	4,700	6.1	-1.6	15.1	18.5	14.5	0.6	0.1	-0.3	1.0	285	3.8	3.6	8.3	-5.2	20.4	15.6	4.3	22.9	8.2
Quebec	47,390	4.4	0.8	10.2	-6.7	14.5	-0.1	0.1	0.4	-0.6	302	2.9	2.4	1.6	-3.4	211.5	9.1	0.5	15.0	-8.5
Ontario	81,440	5.1	-2.3	10.6	0.1	14.6	0.3	-0.5	0.1	-0.9	321	2.0	2.0	2.2	-3.6	383.9	7.9	-2.6	16.5	-4.0
Manitoba	6,780	-0.3	-2.6	10.6	3.4	14.5	-0.3	-0.5	0.4	-0.1	289	4.7	3.2	2.2	-4.3	29.5	7.7	-1.4	17.0	-2.0
Saskatchewan	5,720	3.8	-2.7	7.2	4.3	14.6	0.0	0.5	-0.4	0.0	285	2.7	2.7	2.5	-6.5	24.4	7.1	1.4	10.1	-1.0
Alberta	22,150	8.5	2.9	11.1	6.7	14.5	0.0	0.1	-0.3	-0.3	299	3.2	2.0	3.7	-5.7	96.0	11.5	4.0	20.2	5.4
British Columbia	23,300	8.7	-4.1	8.6	1.6	14.5	0.5	-0.7	0.4	-0.6	303	0.0	2.3	3.8	-5.7	103.3	8.0	-2.6	16.2	-0.4
Nunavut	250	31.6	0.0	5.6	N/A	14.4	1.0	-1.9	0.2	N/A	341	3.2	-3.9	-1.5	N/A	1.2	36.1	1.4	1.4	N/A
Northwest Territories	300	-14.3	12.9	-11.4	1.8	14.7	1.1	0.8	2.6	-4.8	377	10.6	1.6	2.4	-3.4	1.6	-22.1	60.1	-20.5	2.8
Yukon	200	-9.1	46.7	-37.5	31.3	14.1	-3.1	5.6	-7.2	-0.5	333	0.2	13.7	-10.9	-4.5	0.9	-13.6	50.4	-43.9	44.3
Age																				
Under 25	31,930	1.7	0.3	7.9	24.6	14.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	-1.0	211	2.5	3.9	2.4	-10.0	101.0	8.3	-0.5	16.3	10.6
25 and Over	169,680	6.5	-1.5	10.3	-2.9	14.6	0.1	-0.3	0.2	-0.5	325	1.9	2.1	2.5	-2.6	809.5	8.8	-0.7	15.8	-4.3
NATIONAL	201,610	5.7	-1.2	9.9	0.4	14.5	0.2	-0.3	0.1	-0.6	307	2.2	2.2	2.6	-4.4	910.6	8.8	-0.7	15.8	-3.1

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. Includes claims on which at least \$1 of maternity benefits was paid.
2. Takes into account Family Supplement top-ups paid to claimants with maternity benefits.

Parental Benefits (Biological)

	New Claims ¹					Average Number of Weeks Paid ²					Average Weekly Benefit ³					Amount Paid ³					
	2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$M)	Percentage Change				
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98	
Province/Territory																					
Newfoundland and Labrador	2,860	15.3	-4.2	24.5	13.6	21.7	-1.1	-7.6	139.5	-1.9	284	0.5	1.3	0.6	-4.8	23.3	22.4	27.5	162.7	10.1	
Prince Edward Island	1,060	1.0	16.7	1.1	31.3	23.4	11.2	6.3	110.9	-2.9	287	0.5	-5.2	20.5	-1.4	9.0	25.4	40.2	151.1	65.1	
Nova Scotia	6,040	8.1	0.4	10.1	1.4	21.5	1.9	-1.4	121.2	-2.4	302	3.3	4.3	3.8	-4.7	46.2	1.5	52.9	137.2	-7.9	
New Brunswick	5,260	8.5	-3.8	29.9	16.3	22.3	3.2	6.4	112.6	-4.1	304	4.5	4.1	7.7	-5.3	45.0	21.6	47.8	189.2	5.6	
Quebec	57,750	5.8	6.9	20.2	-9.0	20.4	0.6	-3.9	124.0	-4.0	319	2.5	3.4	2.9	-1.6	449.8	8.0	45.8	153.9	-10.0	
Ontario	90,000	6.1	0.0	16.4	-2.6	23.1	0.4	-1.2	137.5	-2.3	332	1.9	2.3	2.3	-2.1	853.1	7.3	44.0	163.6	-2.8	
Manitoba	7,400	-0.5	-0.3	15.7	3.8	23.3	4.7	-3.9	137.3	-1.3	301	4.7	2.4	3.2	-2.6	65.4	8.4	39.9	171.0	-0.3	
Saskatchewan	6,180	4.4	0.2	13.0	5.6	24.1	4.6	-0.3	131.1	0.2	297	2.7	3.2	3.7	-6.1	53.3	3.3	51.2	148.2	0.9	
Alberta	23,060	7.8	4.1	16.0	5.4	23.9	1.5	1.6	134.0	-2.4	309	2.3	2.2	4.3	-3.3	204.5	9.6	45.7	195.0	11.5	
British Columbia	25,230	9.2	-4.5	16.7	-0.8	23.2	0.8	0.6	128.6	-3.2	316	0.2	2.2	4.2	-4.2	230.1	5.1	38.8	190.2	4.2	
Nunavut	240	9.1	29.4	6.3	N/A	20.0	3.3	2.7	90.5	N/A	348	2.7	-0.5	-4.6	N/A	1.4	-21.8	51.0	146.1	N/A	
Northwest Territories	350	-18.6	30.3	0.0	0.0	22.3	-2.2	8.3	116.4	-5.7	383	8.8	3.3	3.4	-2.5	3.6	-13.3	128.5	78.7	4.1	
Yukon	190	-17.4	53.3	-37.5	20.0	21.8	-13.2	-2.9	161.4	2.0	340	2.8	7.7	-11.2	-11.5	2.3	36.2	64.0	10.0	47.1	
Sex																					
Men	32,150	10.5	25.9	77.8	-4.5	14.0	-1.6	-1.4	79.1	3.4	372	1.1	1.5	0.7	-3.0	170.3	12.2	47.5	208.4	2.0	
Women	193,470	5.7	-1.4	12.4	-1.9	23.8	1.5	-0.3	138.7	-3.0	312	2.2	2.1	2.4	-2.6	1,816.8	7.3	43.9	163.0	-2.2	
Age																					
Under 25	31,600	1.2	0.4	14.3	18.0	22.7	3.2	-1.0	129.3	-3.7	225	1.5	3.3	4.0	-5.2	212.5	10.5	38.7	191.6	6.1	
25 and Over	194,010	7.3	1.9	17.7	-4.6	22.4	0.7	-1.5	131.9	-2.4	336	1.9	2.4	2.8	-1.5	1,774.4	7.3	44.9	163.4	-2.7	
NATIONAL	225,620	6.4	1.6	17.2	-2.0	22.4	1.0	-1.4	131.4	-2.8	320	2.1	2.6	3.1	-2.7	1,987.1	7.7	44.2	166.2	-2.0	

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. Includes claims on which at least \$1 of parental benefits (biological) was paid.
2. As of December 31, 2000, the number of weeks of entitlement for parental benefits was increased from 10 to 35. Since not all claims commencing during the reporting period were completed in the period, the average number of weeks paid is underestimated.
3. Takes into account Family Supplement top-ups paid to claimants with parental benefits (biological).

Parental Benefits (Adoptive)

	New Claims ¹					Average Number of Weeks Paid ²					Average Weekly Benefit ³					Amount Paid ³				
	2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$M)	Percentage Change			
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98
Province/Territory																				
Newfoundland and Labrador	60	200.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	25.7	25.2	-37.9	120.0	36.4	308	14.7	11.9	-42.0	-7.2	0.24	5.8	277.1	-1.4	9.8
Prince Edward Island	30	N/A	-100.0	N/A	200.0	34.3	N/A	N/A	N/A	-6.7	313	N/A	N/A	N/A	29.2	0.30	549.1	-63.9	N/A	1,035.2
Nova Scotia	120	71.4	-41.7	500.0	0.0	20.9	-15.9	-6.2	76.7	108.3	350	16.2	-20.6	-3.3	-13.4	0.65	-30.4	6.6	650.7	105.6
New Brunswick	50	-58.3	100.0	500.0	100.0	26.2	-1.4	-12.9	117.9	2.4	322	13.7	-11.3	-22.8	14.3	0.45	-46.2	65.7	765.7	52.2
Quebec	930	13.4	49.1	66.7	-40.0	26.0	0.6	-5.8	116.8	3.0	379	3.7	3.6	13.8	-3.5	9.22	18.5	88.4	194.7	-22.1
Ontario	1,060	7.1	-5.7	98.1	19.4	25.3	4.4	-9.4	106.3	0.9	374	-0.6	3.6	-1.0	3.6	10.40	8.0	3.4	350.5	15.4
Manitoba	100	-9.1	10.0	0.0	120.0	27.4	13.7	-5.9	120.7	0.9	265	-5.1	-16.3	6.9	-30.0	0.71	-5.4	-14.0	149.4	21.4
Saskatchewan	100	66.7	0.0	200.0	66.7	32.3	13.3	19.6	138.3	0.0	378	16.8	-12.2	23.3	-21.5	1.08	70.3	58.4	570.8	85.6
Alberta	290	11.5	4.0	13.6	-18.2	26.9	2.8	-1.5	147.9	3.4	373	3.8	14.7	-1.9	-13.0	2.73	5.9	69.9	93.1	-11.8
British Columbia	390	56.0	-21.9	39.1	-40.9	27.3	12.3	-16.6	141.9	29.8	361	0.1	0.5	0.5	15.2	3.41	54.6	-28.7	249.0	-32.3
Nunavut	40	-33.3	20.0	150.0	N/A	22.5	-15.6	-2.7	291.4	N/A	316	-4.1	24.7	-36.0	N/A	0.38	-22.0	83.3	143.3	N/A
Northwest Territories	20	N/A	0.0	-100.0	-100.0	19.5	N/A	N/A	N/A	-100.0	413	N/A	N/A	N/A	-100.0	0.11	N/A	N/A	-100.0	-49.1
Yukon	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sex																				
Men	580	1.8	21.3	147.4	-34.8	17.0	4.3	-14.0	96.1	-11.7	384	3.4	-1.5	1.1	-3.7	3.10	-25.2	39.7	309.1	-22.7
Women	2,610	19.2	2.8	62.6	-9.8	28.1	2.3	-5.4	130.2	7.2	363	2.5	2.4	1.9	-2.5	26.58	21.0	20.8	250.1	-1.3
Age																				
Under 25	40	300.0	-80.0	66.7	-66.7	27.3	354.2	-78.9	184.0	0.0	286	28.3	12.5	4.5	-34.2	0.25	222.3	-70.9	194.9	-55.5
25 and Over	3,150	14.5	7.8	73.5	-12.5	26.1	3.3	-7.3	121.6	5.7	368	2.7	1.0	2.3	-3.1	29.43	13.1	24.7	258.3	-3.3
NATIONAL	3,190	15.6	6.2	73.3	-13.5	26.1	3.6	-7.6	122.6	5.7	367	2.6	1.8	2.3	-3.2	29.68	13.7	23.5	257.3	-3.9

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

- Includes claims on which at least \$1 of parental benefits (adoptive) was paid.
- As of December 31, 2000, the number of weeks of entitlement for parental benefits was increased from 10 to 35. Since not all claims commencing during the reporting period were completed in the period, the average number of weeks paid is underestimated.
- Takes into account Family Supplement top-ups paid to claimants with parental benefits (adoptive).

Sickness Benefits

	New Claims ¹					Average Number of Weeks Paid					Average Weekly Benefit ²					Amount Paid ²				
	2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$)	Percentage Change				2003/ 2004 (\$M)	Percentage Change			
		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98		2002/03 2003/04	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1995/96 1997/98
Province/Territory																				
Newfoundland and Labrador	7,690	15.6	11.8	4.6	5.8	8.9	-4.1	3.1	0.6	-12.1	259	3.4	1.2	-1.4	-5.1	17.6	7.7	19.8	8.7	-6.6
Prince Edward Island	3,210	28.4	25.6	-5.7	12.1	8.6	-1.9	14.2	-9.0	-5.5	267	1.9	5.3	1.0	-3.5	7.5	39.4	32.7	-2.8	13.2
Nova Scotia	13,630	9.8	9.2	4.1	-4.8	9.1	-4.3	2.6	4.3	1.9	265	2.4	2.4	2.6	-0.2	34.2	13.6	13.2	16.8	2.7
New Brunswick	15,660	16.3	10.9	0.5	4.3	8.3	-3.1	-3.5	1.1	2.6	274	5.4	2.8	2.0	-3.5	35.9	20.7	5.8	6.2	8.0
Quebec	90,130	7.0	8.5	3.7	0.4	8.9	-2.2	1.2	2.3	0.7	276	2.8	2.9	0.4	1.0	223.4	6.5	11.1	12.0	9.2
Ontario	82,860	7.3	3.9	-0.9	-4.7	9.7	-2.1	0.7	2.5	0.9	289	1.3	1.0	0.8	-1.4	232.4	5.1	7.0	4.1	-0.8
Manitoba	9,740	5.9	3.3	1.3	-5.2	9.8	-0.4	4.6	1.0	-1.0	267	0.8	4.1	0.0	-0.5	26.3	10.7	7.8	12.2	2.3
Saskatchewan	6,360	9.1	7.2	-2.7	1.2	9.7	2.2	0.1	2.7	-2.3	261	-1.8	3.1	0.7	-2.3	15.8	3.9	14.2	5.4	5.2
Alberta	22,240	0.8	2.6	3.9	10.7	10.1	-2.4	5.1	3.6	1.0	283	0.6	2.0	2.4	1.0	65.4	4.4	7.7	12.3	12.7
British Columbia	41,950	15.6	-1.4	1.0	-7.5	9.8	-0.8	1.5	0.2	0.0	287	-0.7	1.9	2.0	-1.2	118.1	14.4	-0.6	7.3	0.3
Nunavut	80	-20.0	0.0	25.0	N/A	9.0	-7.2	1.0	-4.0	N/A	337	8.2	20.4	-30.5	N/A	0.3	-5.1	-9.6	18.4	N/A
Northwest Territories	230	4.5	-18.5	12.5	13.3	10.3	-8.2	34.0	12.7	25.0	343	-8.1	0.7	18.7	-9.4	0.9	1.1	4.7	26.6	2.2
Yukon	210	-50.0	133.3	20.0	-5.3	7.6	-8.6	-15.2	-15.7	5.6	318	-4.9	7.3	2.6	-8.4	0.9	-8.4	65.0	-2.2	-22.6
Sex																				
Men	122,040	9.9	3.2	3.6	-3.7	9.1	-2.4	2.2	-0.7	0.9	320	1.0	1.5	1.2	-0.7	366.0	8.4	5.0	10.5	3.3
Women	171,950	7.8	7.1	0.1	-0.4	9.5	-1.8	0.7	3.8	-0.2	252	1.8	2.8	0.5	0.1	412.4	8.1	10.5	6.5	3.5
Age																				
Under 25	30,630	7.7	5.2	-1.0	3.0	8.2	-0.5	2.9	5.0	1.2	221	2.1	2.0	3.0	-1.6	56.8	12.3	9.6	12.1	6.8
25 to 44	148,150	6.5	6.7	-3.3	-2.0	9.1	-2.8	1.5	2.6	1.1	286	1.5	2.3	0.9	-0.6	391.2	7.3	8.1	4.8	4.4
45 to 54	71,440	10.8	2.5	7.3	-1.5	9.8	-1.3	1.4	-0.4	0.2	292	1.5	1.6	0.5	1.0	203.8	7.9	6.2	10.3	5.0
55 and Over	43,750	13.5	6.4	13.4	-4.8	10.3	-2.5	0.0	-0.3	-1.7	284	1.4	1.6	0.1	-1.1	126.6	9.9	9.1	16.1	-3.5
NATIONAL	293,990	8.7	5.5	1.5	-1.8	9.4	-2.1	1.3	2.1	0.3	280	1.6	2.0	1.0	-0.5	778.5	8.2	7.8	8.4	3.4

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. Includes claims on which at least \$1 of sickness benefits was paid.
2. Takes into account Family Supplement top-ups paid to claimants with sickness benefits.

Family Supplement¹

	New Claims ² with Supplement	% of all Claims with Supplement	Average Weekly Top-up (\$)	Average Weekly Benefit (\$)	Amount Paid					
					Amount Paid (\$000's)	Share of Total Amount (%)	% Change 2002/03 2003/04	% Change 2001/02 2002/03	% Change 2000/01 2001/02	% Change 1995/96 1997/98
Province/Territory										
Newfoundland and Labrador	7,680	7.8	37	258	8,024	4.3	-6.2	-0.8	-15.6	18.1
Prince Edward Island	2,760	10.9	43	255	2,960	1.6	6.7	-4.8	-12.5	-7.3
Nova Scotia	9,160	10.1	43	245	10,026	5.4	5.2	8.2	0.2	-3.7
New Brunswick	10,030	10.4	41	255	10,329	5.5	2.0	-5.0	-5.0	7.9
Quebec	53,020	8.6	41	260	52,217	27.9	1.1	-1.2	7.0	-9.1
Ontario	49,650	8.8	43	266	50,600	27.1	2.9	8.5	33.5	-10.9
Manitoba	7,580	12.5	49	267	8,920	4.8	7.0	-2.0	15.7	-2.1
Saskatchewan	5,700	11.9	48	260	6,548	3.5	-2.7	17.0	10.5	13.7
Alberta	13,470	9.4	43	255	14,916	8.0	10.0	10.9	19.4	-13.4
British Columbia	21,440	9.4	43	263	21,938	11.7	2.4	6.7	13.8	18.5
Nunavut	160	11.7	44	287	179	0.1	55.9	-41.4	43.4	N/A
Northwest Territories	210	8.0	44	309	221	0.1	-12.0	43.6	-26.5	84.1
Yukon	220	8.4	38	266	162	0.1	-40.1	31.8	-0.3	72.8
Sex										
Men	47,520	4.4	43	302	44,064	23.6	0.9	-9.9	-8.7	54.8
Women	133,560	14.8	42	246	142,975	76.4	3.0	9.1	22.0	-21.2
Age										
Under 25	26,310	10.5	38	219	30,355	16.2	6.6	9.6	47.5	-4.5
25 to 44	132,740	12.1	44	267	140,774	75.3	1.3	3.4	7.3	-0.8
45 to 54	19,730	4.9	38	271	14,292	7.6	5.2	-1.8	5.8	-13.6
55 and Over	2,280	1.0	35	271	1,599	0.9	10.1	-7.8	6.3	-43.2
EI History³										
First-time Claimants	91,780	11.0	43	248	103,491	55.3	4.3	8.9	33.1	-5.5
Occasional Claimants	57,540	9.9	43	264	56,556	30.2	1.2	0.8	6.9	-12.0
Frequent Claimants	31,760	5.7	40	292	26,993	14.4	-1.3	-6.2	-21.2	12.2
NATIONAL	181,080	9.2	42	261	187,039	100.0	2.5	3.8	11.7	-3.4

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. Includes all claim types (regular, fishing and special).
2. Includes claims on which at least \$1 of EI benefits was paid.
3. First-time claimants are defined as individuals who did not have a claim in the five years prior to their current claim. Occasional claimants are defined as individuals who have had fewer than three active claims in the five years prior to their current claim. Frequent claimants are defined as individuals who have had three or more active claims in the five years prior to their current claim.

Working While on Claim¹

	New Regular Claims				Percentage Change			As % of New Regular Claims			
	2002/03 ²	2001/02	2000/01	1996/97	2001/02 2002/03	2000/01 2001/02	1996/97 1997/98	2002/03	2001/02	2000/01	1996/97
Province/Territory											
Newfoundland and Labrador	50,510	51,550	50,780	50,520	-2.0	1.5	-0.8	67.6	70.8	73.0	72.1
Prince Edward Island	12,200	13,170	13,130	14,040	-7.4	0.3	2.6	62.8	64.9	67.5	68.3
Nova Scotia	43,760	46,500	46,460	53,150	-5.9	0.1	-4.8	60.4	64.3	65.6	70.1
New Brunswick	52,440	56,940	56,330	62,280	-7.9	1.1	0.0	67.3	70.3	71.4	69.6
Quebec	280,430	306,930	294,370	369,110	-8.6	4.3	-7.7	58.1	61.0	61.7	67.9
Ontario	176,640	191,790	176,970	231,710	-7.9	8.4	-11.3	46.1	47.0	49.6	53.7
Manitoba	18,720	21,440	20,580	24,940	-12.7	4.2	-6.4	46.3	50.6	51.0	55.1
Saskatchewan	17,500	17,050	16,970	20,600	2.6	0.5	-6.2	51.7	50.3	51.3	58.0
Alberta	49,690	46,130	42,370	61,430	7.7	8.9	-14.4	50.3	49.6	50.1	59.4
British Columbia	91,750	101,340	92,290	120,270	-9.5	9.8	-1.6	56.2	57.6	58.4	61.4
Nunavut	290	480	540	0	-39.6	-11.1	N/A	37.7	50.5	56.3	N/A
Northwest Territories	1,050	840	980	1,800	25.0	-14.3	-13.3	55.6	51.2	60.1	62.5
Yukon	1,550	1,280	1,200	1,570	21.1	6.7	14.6	60.3	62.4	54.8	57.3
Sex											
Men	476,830	519,490	491,600	590,650	-8.2	5.7	-4.1	54.2	56.5	58.2	62.8
Women	319,700	335,950	321,370	420,770	-4.8	4.5	-11.1	55.9	57.1	58.5	62.2
Age											
Under 25	93,190	102,800	99,070	132,760	-9.3	3.8	-11.2	52.8	53.8	55.2	62.3
25 to 44	434,030	470,600	452,240	615,600	-7.8	4.1	-8.4	55.7	57.2	58.7	64.3
45 to 54	190,270	200,010	186,970	190,600	-4.9	7.0	-0.7	58.3	60.4	62.6	64.0
55 and Over	79,000	82,030	74,690	72,460	-3.7	9.8	-4.2	46.7	50.6	51.4	48.5
Benefit Levels											
Less than \$50	290	470	570	410	-38.3	-17.5	197.6	42.0	48.5	47.1	51.9
\$50 – \$100	7,530	9,380	10,630	26,390	-19.7	-11.8	-4.3	49.5	53.1	55.9	57.9
\$101 – \$150	42,820	51,650	56,080	101,580	-17.1	-7.9	-5.4	55.1	57.5	57.7	59.5
\$151 – \$200	88,360	98,180	102,730	147,670	-10.0	-4.4	-6.0	53.9	55.0	55.8	59.6
Greater than \$201	657,530	695,760	642,960	735,370	-5.5	8.2	-7.7	55.1	57.0	58.9	63.8
NATIONAL	796,530	855,440	812,970	1,011,420	-6.9	5.2	-7.0	54.9	56.8	58.3	62.6

Source: EI Administrative Data

N/A: not applicable

1. The definition of working while on claim includes all claimants who earned income during their EI benefit period.
2. The data are lagged by one year to ensure that claims are completed.

Benefit Repayment Provision

	People Who Repaid Benefits				Amount Repaid			
	2002	% Change 2001–2002	% Change 2000–2001	% Change 1997–1998	2002 (\$M)	% Change 2001–2002	% Change 2000–2001	% Change 1997–1998
Province/Territory								
Newfoundland and Labrador	3,135	2.6	0.9	57.5	4.7	18.4	0.2	106.4
Prince Edward Island	716	-3.5	49.9	89.4	2.1	-4.2	163.7	143.1
Nova Scotia	4,999	12.5	7.0	77.7	8.2	18.7	15.5	143.7
New Brunswick	2,334	21.6	-22.2	80.5	3.8	44.8	-2.3	132.3
Quebec	22,254	25.7	-3.4	67.4	19.7	21.7	13.5	108.6
Ontario	39,978	31.3	34.7	41.6	26.6	21.8	32.6	47.8
Manitoba	1,261	18.2	0.6	30.9	1.2	22.1	0.3	67.3
Saskatchewan	2,299	29.4	12.3	29.1	2.1	30.9	10.6	79.1
Alberta	12,037	13.1	18.9	29.6	11.8	31.5	24.8	75.8
British Columbia	13,639	15.8	5.9	25.4	12.4	23.6	10.9	59.0
Nunavut	3	200.0	N/A	N/A	0.0	223.6	N/A	N/A
Northwest Territories	237	7.7	-3.5	30.9	0.2	21.1	-6.2	63.5
Yukon	186	14.8	7.3	12.8	0.2	16.5	15.5	61.0
NATIONAL¹	103,090	22.8	13.2	44.7	92.9	22.9	19.7	76.1

Source: Benefit Repayment Administrative File (September 2004)

N/A: not applicable

1. Provincial figures do not add up to the national total because non-residents are included.

Contributors to the Program, 2002¹

	EI Premiums				Employment Income			Workers			
	Total		Employers ²	Employees	Total Employment Income		Total EI Insurable Earnings	Number of Workers		Emp. Income per Worker	Insurable Earnings per Worker
	(\$000,000's)	% of National Total	(\$000,000's)	(\$000,000's)	(\$000,000's)	% of National Total	(\$000,000's)		% of National Total	(\$)	(\$)
Province/Territory of Employer											
Newfoundland and Labrador	234	1.2	136	97	5,709	1.1	4,416	234,575	1.5	24,339	18,824
Prince Edward Island	70	0.4	41	29	1,628	0.3	1,322	75,874	0.5	21,451	17,427
Nova Scotia	505	2.7	294	210	12,635	2.4	9,547	463,935	2.9	27,235	20,577
New Brunswick	403	2.1	235	168	9,763	1.9	7,620	386,672	2.4	25,249	19,706
Quebec	4,403	23.2	2,568	1,834	111,544	21.2	83,310	3,798,469	23.7	29,366	21,933
Ontario	7,714	40.6	4,500	3,214	223,744	42.5	145,987	6,196,966	38.6	36,105	23,558
Manitoba	657	3.5	383	274	16,438	3.1	12,428	583,190	3.6	28,187	21,311
Saskatchewan	511	2.7	298	213	13,373	2.5	9,663	468,548	2.9	28,542	20,622
Alberta	2,104	11.1	1,227	877	64,249	12.2	39,812	1,782,788	11.1	36,038	22,332
British Columbia	2,305	12.1	1,345	961	63,952	12.2	43,605	1,974,150	12.3	32,395	22,088
Northwest Territories and Nunavut	78	0.4	45	32	2,547	0.5	1,476	62,665	0.4	40,651	23,557
Yukon	23	0.1	13	10	620	0.1	433	19,105	0.1	32,452	22,684
Industry											
Agriculture	147	0.8	86	61	4,158	0.8	2,784	241,091	1.5	17,248	11,547
Fishing and Trapping	21	0.1	12	9	565	0.1	397	24,771	0.2	22,824	16,033
Logging and Forestry	113	0.6	66	47	3,114	0.6	2,133	99,643	0.6	31,251	21,409
Mining	278	1.5	162	116	11,046	2.1	5,297	165,011	1.0	66,940	32,103
Manufacturing	3,313	17.4	1,932	1,380	92,207	17.5	62,682	2,321,828	14.5	39,713	26,997
Construction	987	5.2	575	411	28,654	5.4	18,621	846,133	5.3	33,865	22,007
Transportation and Storage	737	3.9	430	307	20,443	3.9	13,942	535,203	3.3	38,196	26,049
Communications	686	3.6	400	286	19,799	3.8	13,007	424,117	2.6	46,683	30,669
Wholesale Trade	1,191	6.3	695	496	36,118	6.9	22,527	936,639	5.8	38,561	24,051
Retail Trade	1,543	8.1	900	643	38,111	7.2	29,170	1,904,068	11.9	20,016	15,320
Finance and Insurance	903	4.7	527	376	32,625	6.2	17,092	632,686	3.9	51,565	27,015
Real Estate	276	1.5	161	115	9,378	1.8	5,212	253,144	1.6	37,048	20,590
Business Services	1,571	8.3	916	655	49,354	9.4	29,683	1,385,451	8.6	35,623	21,425
Government Services	1,986	10.4	1,158	827	52,447	10.0	37,688	1,288,258	8.0	40,712	29,255
Education	1,549	8.2	904	645	38,785	7.4	29,312	1,133,131	7.1	34,229	25,868
Health and Social Services	1,699	8.9	991	708	40,026	7.6	32,150	1,275,419	7.9	31,383	25,207
Accomm., Food & Beverage Serv.	629	3.3	367	262	13,856	2.6	11,895	1,165,850	7.3	11,885	10,203
Other Services	948	5.0	553	395	23,690	4.5	17,886	1,082,029	6.7	21,894	16,530
Unclassified	430	2.3	251	179	11,827	2.2	8,141	332,465	2.1	35,575	24,488
NATIONAL	19,006	100.0	11,087	7,919	526,204	100.0	359,620	16,046,937	100.0	32,792	22,410

Source: Canada Revenue Agency, 2002 T4s with employment income

1. As premium payments are administered through the tax system, the most recent data available are for the 2002 taxation year.

2. Employer contributions are 1.4 times employee contributions.

Benefits to Contributions Ratios (Regular and Fishing Benefits), 2002¹

	Total EI Premiums		Regular and Fishing Benefits in 2002		Reg. and Fishing Benefits to Contributions Ratios ²
	(\$000,000's)	% of National Total	(\$000,000's)	% of National Total	Canada = 1
Province/Territory³					
Newfoundland and Labrador	234	1.2	647	7.6	6.16
Prince Edward Island	70	0.4	140	1.6	4.47
Nova Scotia	505	2.7	464	5.4	2.04
New Brunswick	403	2.1	538	6.3	2.97
Quebec	4,403	23.2	2,618	30.6	1.32
Ontario	7,714	40.6	2,131	25.0	0.61
Manitoba	657	3.5	212	2.5	0.72
Saskatchewan	511	2.7	180	2.1	0.79
Alberta	2,104	11.1	531	6.2	0.56
British Columbia	2,305	12.1	1,041	12.2	1.00
Northwest Territories and Nunavut	78	0.4	23	0.3	0.64
Yukon	23	0.1	17	0.2	1.63
Industry³					
Agriculture	147	0.8	194	2.3	2.93
Fishing and Trapping	21	0.1	166	1.9	17.52
Logging and Forestry	113	0.6	273	3.2	5.38
Mining	278	1.5	167	2.0	1.34
Manufacturing	3,313	17.4	1,764	20.7	1.19
Construction	987	5.2	1,394	16.3	3.14
Transportation and Storage	737	3.9	361	4.2	1.09
Communications	686	3.6	128	1.5	0.41
Wholesale Trade	1,191	6.3	526	6.2	0.98
Retail Trade	1,543	8.1	456	5.3	0.66
Finance and Insurance	903	4.7	162	1.9	0.40
Real Estate	276	1.5	79	0.9	0.64
Business Services	1,571	8.3	736	8.6	1.04
Government Services	1,986	10.4	486	5.7	0.54
Education	1,549	8.2	343	4.0	0.49
Health and Social Services	1,699	8.9	239	2.8	0.31
Accommodation, Food & Beverage Serv.	629	3.3	353	4.1	1.25
Other Services	948	5.0	527	6.2	1.24
Unclassified	430	2.3	186	2.2	0.96
NATIONAL	19,006	100.0	8,541	100.0	1.00

Source: Canada Revenue Agency, 2002 T4s with employment income; EI Administrative Data

1. As premium payments are administered through the tax system, the most recent data available are for the 2002 taxation year.
2. For ease of analysis, the benefits to contributions ratios have been adjusted so the national figure equals one. In the absence of this adjustment, the ratio for Canada would be lower than one, mostly because the numerator does not include all EI expenses.
3. Province, territory and industry are determined by the location of the employer for premiums, and of the claimant for benefits.