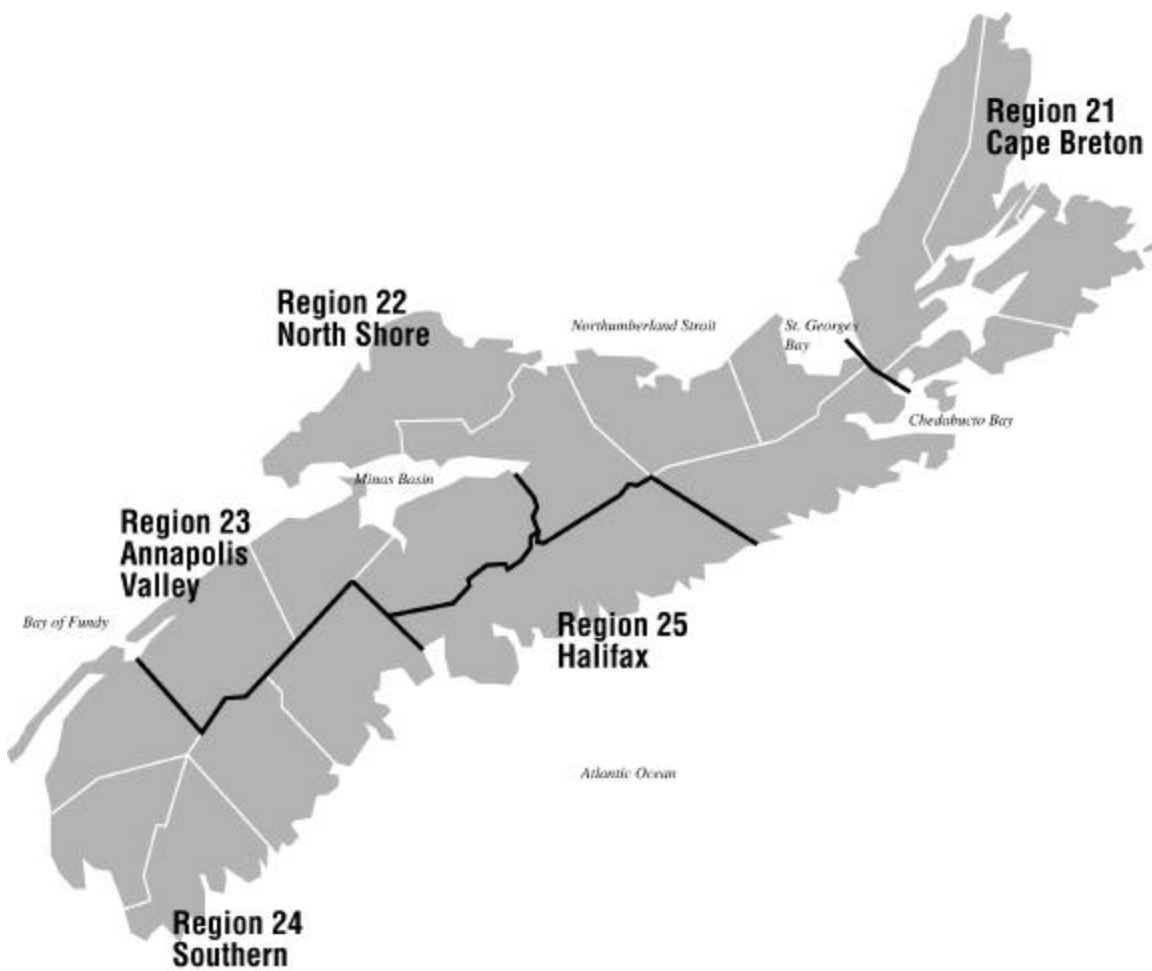


# Employment Situation February 2005



## About the Employment Situation Report

The Employment Situation Report is produced monthly by the Statistics Division of the Nova Scotia Department of Finance. It is based on the Labour Force Survey (LFS) which is a household survey carried out monthly by Statistics Canada. This publication contains summary tables of selected labour force characteristics including labour force, employment, unemployment, unemployment rate, and participation rate for Canada, the provinces, and CMAs. The publication emphasizes the Nova Scotia employment situation and includes tables for Nova Scotia, its economic regions, and the Metropolitan Halifax area. The report is available on the internet at:

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2004 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

Since its inception in 1945, the objectives of the LFS have been to divide the working-age population into three mutually exclusive classifications--employed, unemployed and not in the labour force--and to provide descriptive and explanatory data on each of these categories. Data from the survey provide information on major labour market trends such as shifts in employment across industrial sectors, hours worked, labour force participation and employment rates.

### Release Dates - 2005:

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### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	25,294.8	25,623.3	25,655.2	360.4	25,294.8	25,623.3	25,655.2	360.4
Labour Force ('000)	16,851.4	16,971.8	17,051.8	200.4	17,094.1	17,263.8	17,292.5	198.4
Employment ('000)	15,541.3	15,695.5	15,784.5	243.2	15,844.4	16,057.4	16,084.0	239.6
Unemployed ('000)	1,310.1	1,276.4	1,267.3	(42.8)	1,249.7	1,206.4	1,208.5	(41.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	7.5	7.4	(0.4)	7.3	7.0	7.0	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	66.6	66.2	66.5	(0.1)	67.6	67.4	67.4	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	61.4	61.3	61.5	0.1	62.6	62.7	62.7	0.1

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	755.5	759.3	759.6	4.1	755.5	759.3	759.6	4.1
Labour Force ('000)	464.8	473.7	476.2	11.4	479.5	486.8	490.9	11.4
Employment ('000)	419.7	427.1	425.6	5.9	436.5	444.6	442.8	6.3
Unemployed ('000)	45.1	46.7	50.6	5.5	43.0	42.2	48.1	5.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.7	9.9	10.6	0.9	9.0	8.7	9.8	0.8
Participation Rate (%)	61.5	62.4	62.7	1.2	63.5	64.1	64.6	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	55.6	56.2	56.0	0.4	57.8	58.6	58.3	0.5

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	429.7	430.2	430.3	0.6	429.7	430.2	430.3	0.6
Labour Force ('000)	241.4	239.0	238.2	(3.2)	256.2	252.4	252.2	(4.0)
Employment ('000)	199.2	199.8	197.2	(2.0)	215.5	216.0	213.9	(1.6)
Unemployed ('000)	42.2	39.3	40.9	(1.3)	40.7	36.3	38.3	(2.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	17.5	16.4	17.2	(0.3)	15.9	14.4	15.2	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	56.2	55.6	55.4	(0.8)	59.6	58.7	58.6	(1.0)
Employment Rate (%)	46.4	46.4	45.8	(0.6)	50.2	50.2	49.7	(0.5)

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	110.5	111.2	111.3	0.8	110.5	111.2	111.3	0.8
Labour Force ('000)	71.2	72.9	72.5	1.3	74.6	76.5	76.5	1.9
Employment ('000)	60.5	62.6	63.0	2.5	65.9	68.5	68.7	2.8
Unemployed ('000)	10.7	10.3	9.5	(1.2)	8.7	8.0	7.8	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	15.0	14.1	13.1	(1.9)	11.7	10.5	10.2	(1.5)
Participation Rate (%)	64.4	65.6	65.1	0.7	67.5	68.8	68.7	1.2
Employment Rate (%)	54.8	56.3	56.6	1.8	59.6	61.6	61.7	2.1

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	606.4	609.0	609.3	2.9	606.4	609.0	609.3	2.9
Labour Force ('000)	370.8	374.3	372.6	1.8	386.1	388.1	387.7	1.6
Employment ('000)	331.9	332.4	333.3	1.4	350.4	350.3	351.2	0.8
Unemployed ('000)	38.9	41.9	39.3	0.4	35.6	37.8	36.5	0.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.5	11.2	10.5	-	9.2	9.7	9.4	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	61.1	61.5	61.2	0.1	63.7	63.7	63.6	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	54.7	54.6	54.7	-	57.8	57.5	57.6	(0.2)

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	6,084.3	6,149.1	6,154.7	70.4	6,084.3	6,149.1	6,154.7	70.4
Labour Force ('000)	3,951.1	3,987.1	3,982.7	31.6	4,008.0	4,062.5	4,041.2	33.2
Employment ('000)	3,571.5	3,611.1	3,631.8	60.3	3,655.2	3,719.6	3,716.2	61.0
Unemployed ('000)	379.6	376.0	350.9	(28.7)	352.7	342.9	325.1	(27.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.6	9.4	8.8	(0.8)	8.8	8.4	8.0	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	64.9	64.8	64.7	(0.2)	65.9	66.1	65.7	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	58.7	58.7	59.0	0.3	60.1	60.5	60.4	0.3

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	9,830.3	9,984.1	9,999.3	169.0	9,830.3	9,984.1	9,999.3	169.0
Labour Force ('000)	6,665.7	6,676.5	6,732.7	67.0	6,740.3	6,780.6	6,805.6	65.3
Employment ('000)	6,211.7	6,223.7	6,265.3	53.6	6,294.8	6,325.2	6,344.3	49.5
Unemployed ('000)	454.0	452.8	467.4	13.4	445.5	455.4	461.3	15.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	6.8	6.9	0.1	6.6	6.7	6.8	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	66.9	67.3	(0.5)	68.6	67.9	68.1	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	63.2	62.3	62.7	(0.5)	64.0	63.4	63.4	(0.6)

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	878.5	885.6	886.2	7.7	878.5	885.6	886.2	7.7
Labour Force ('000)	595.3	601.4	606.3	11.0	602.3	610.9	613.3	11.0
Employment ('000)	563.5	567.8	573.1	9.6	573.4	579.7	582.5	9.1
Unemployed ('000)	31.8	33.6	33.1	1.3	28.9	31.1	30.8	1.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.3	5.6	5.5	0.2	4.8	5.1	5.0	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	67.9	68.4	0.6	68.6	69.0	69.2	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	64.1	64.1	64.7	0.6	65.3	65.5	65.7	0.4

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	744.6	747.3	747.8	3.2	744.6	747.3	747.8	3.2
Labour Force ('000)	495.5	502.5	504.5	9.0	504.9	512.3	513.6	8.7
Employment ('000)	465.3	474.2	476.7	11.4	476.7	487.4	488.3	11.6
Unemployed ('000)	30.2	28.3	27.8	(2.4)	28.2	25.0	25.3	(2.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1	5.6	5.5	(0.6)	5.6	4.9	4.9	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	66.5	67.2	67.5	1.0	67.8	68.6	68.7	0.9
Employment Rate (%)	62.5	63.5	63.7	1.2	64.0	65.2	65.3	1.3

### Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	2,486.7	2,529.6	2,533.4	46.7	2,486.7	2,529.6	2,533.4	46.7
Labour Force ('000)	1,817.8	1,832.6	1,827.6	9.8	1,840.2	1,856.8	1,853.4	13.2
Employment ('000)	1,721.2	1,743.6	1,751.1	29.9	1,745.8	1,774.5	1,776.3	30.5
Unemployed ('000)	96.7	89.0	76.5	(20.2)	94.4	82.3	77.1	(17.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.3	4.9	4.2	(1.1)	5.1	4.4	4.2	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	73.1	72.4	72.1	(1.0)	74.0	73.4	73.2	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	69.2	68.9	69.1	(0.1)	70.2	70.1	70.1	(0.1)

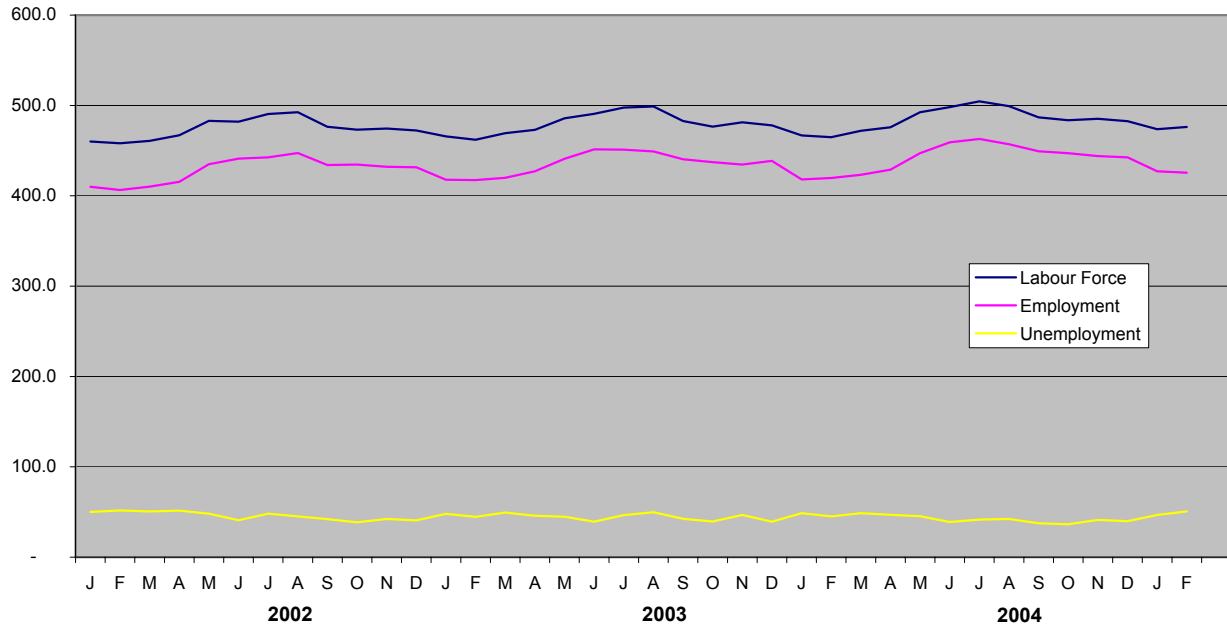
### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	3,368.3	3,418.1	3,423.2	54.9	3,368.3	3,418.1	3,423.2	54.9
Labour Force ('000)	2,177.8	2,211.9	2,238.6	60.8	2,202.0	2,236.9	2,258.1	56.1
Employment ('000)	1,997.0	2,053.3	2,067.3	70.3	2,030.1	2,091.7	2,099.8	69.7
Unemployed ('000)	180.8	158.6	171.3	(9.5)	171.9	145.3	158.2	(13.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.3	7.2	7.7	(0.6)	7.8	6.5	7.0	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	64.7	64.7	65.4	0.7	65.4	65.4	66.0	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	59.3	60.1	60.4	1.1	60.3	61.2	61.3	1.0

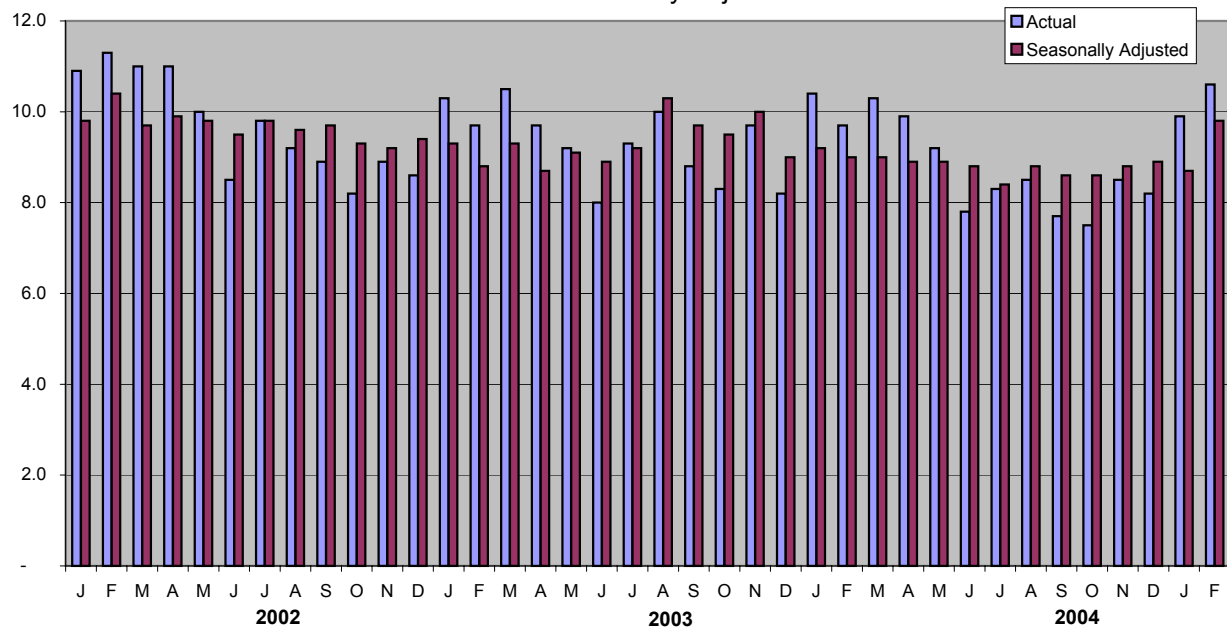
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**Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment**  
 Actual 2002-2005



**Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate**  
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



**Employment Situation - February 2005**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	25,268.2	25,597.4	25,625.1	356.9	755.2	758.8	759.2	4.0
Labour Force ('000)	16,862.7	17,104.5	17,051.5	188.8	468.9	480.5	477.5	8.6
Employment ('000)	15,590.0	15,906.9	15,823.2	233.2	424.8	437.9	431.8	7.0
Unemployed ('000)	1,272.6	1,197.6	1,228.3	(44.3)	44.1	42.6	45.7	1.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	7.0	7.2	(0.3)	9.4	8.9	9.6	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	66.7	66.8	66.5	(0.2)	62.1	63.3	62.9	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	61.7	62.1	61.7	-	56.3	57.7	56.9	0.6

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	98.6	99.0	99.0	0.4	117.6	116.9	116.8	(0.8)
Labour Force ('000)	61.1	63.4	62.5	1.4	57.8	56.8	57.4	(0.4)
Employment ('000)	55.6	58.3	56.6	1.0	47.9	48.0	48.1	0.2
Unemployed ('000)	5.4	5.1	5.9	0.5	9.9	8.8	9.3	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.8	8.0	9.4	0.6	17.1	15.5	16.2	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	62.0	64.0	63.1	1.1	49.1	48.6	49.1	-
Employment Rate (%)	56.4	58.9	57.2	0.8	40.7	41.1	41.2	0.5

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	305.5	309.6	310.0	4.5	305.2	309.2	309.6	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	209.9	217.5	216.8	6.9	211.2	217.3	217.5	6.3
Employment ('000)	196.4	203.9	201.7	5.3	198.3	205.1	203.9	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	13.5	13.6	15.1	1.6	12.9	12.2	13.6	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.4	6.3	7.0	0.6	6.1	5.6	6.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	68.7	70.3	69.9	1.2	69.2	70.3	70.3	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	64.3	65.9	65.1	0.8	65.0	66.3	65.9	0.9

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			Annual Change
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	
Population ('000)	130.4	130.3	130.3	(0.1)	103.1	103.1	103.1	-
Labour Force ('000)	77.8	79.5	79.3	1.5	62.3	63.3	61.5	(0.8)
Employment ('000)	69.5	70.9	70.4	0.9	55.3	56.8	55.0	(0.3)
Unemployed ('000)	8.3	8.6	8.9	0.6	7.0	6.4	6.5	(0.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.7	10.8	11.2	0.5	11.2	10.1	10.6	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	59.7	61.0	60.9	1.2	60.4	61.4	59.7	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	53.3	54.4	54.0	0.7	53.6	55.1	53.3	(0.3)

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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	10.6	8.1	8.6	(2.0)	59.8	60.6	60.5	0.7	66.9	66.0	66.1	(0.8)
Halifax	6.4	6.3	7.0	0.6	64.3	65.9	65.1	0.8	68.7	70.3	69.9	1.2
Saint John, New Brunswick	7.9	6.7	6.8	(1.1)	58.3	60.2	60.7	2.4	63.3	64.5	65.0	1.7
Saguenay	13.5	10.9	10.6	(2.9)	54.5	54.4	53.6	(0.9)	63.0	61.0	60.0	(3.0)
Québec	7.7	6.4	6.3	(1.4)	58.5	61.7	62.6	4.1	63.4	65.9	66.8	3.4
Trois-Rivières	10.0	10.1	10.5	0.5	53.9	55.8	56.1	2.2	59.9	62.1	62.8	2.9
Sherbrooke	8.4	7.3	7.5	(0.9)	59.1	61.7	61.2	2.1	64.5	66.6	66.1	1.6
Montreal	8.9	8.9	8.6	(0.3)	61.3	61.2	61.0	(0.3)	67.2	67.2	66.7	(0.5)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.8	6.2	6.5	(0.3)	65.1	67.0	66.3	1.2	69.9	71.4	70.9	1.0
Greater Sudbury	8.7	7.8	7.8	(0.9)	58.4	61.4	60.7	2.3	64.0	66.6	65.8	1.8
Oshawa	4.8	6.0	6.3	1.5	68.7	66.3	66.9	(1.8)	72.1	70.5	71.4	(0.7)
Toronto	6.9	7.0	7.2	0.3	64.2	63.8	63.2	(1.0)	68.9	68.6	68.1	(0.8)
Hamilton	6.1	5.5	5.1	(1.0)	63.5	63.4	63.1	(0.4)	67.6	67.1	66.5	(1.1)
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.9	6.7	6.7	(1.2)	56.9	60.2	59.9	3.0	61.9	64.5	64.2	2.3
London	6.7	6.1	6.1	(0.6)	65.2	65.1	65.3	0.1	69.8	69.4	69.5	(0.3)
Windsor	7.8	9.9	9.4	1.6	61.1	60.3	59.5	(1.6)	66.3	66.9	65.6	(0.7)
Kitchener	5.6	3.7	4.4	(1.2)	65.7	67.5	67.8	2.1	69.6	70.1	71.0	1.4
Thunder Bay	7.7	8.1	8.0	0.3	61.3	61.7	61.6	0.3	66.4	67.2	67.0	0.6
Winnipeg	5.5	4.9	4.9	(0.6)	65.5	66.6	66.2	0.7	69.3	70.0	69.7	0.4
Regina	5.8	5.1	5.2	(0.6)	68.6	68.6	68.2	(0.4)	72.8	72.4	72.0	(0.8)
Saskatoon	6.5	5.0	5.1	(1.4)	62.9	67.1	67.1	4.2	67.4	70.6	70.7	3.3
Calgary	5.4	4.8	4.6	(0.8)	71.6	70.2	69.7	(1.9)	75.7	73.7	73.1	(2.6)
Edmonton	5.2	5.1	5.0	(0.2)	68.1	68.5	67.6	(0.5)	71.9	72.2	71.2	(0.7)
Vancouver	6.5	6.0	6.3	(0.2)	62.8	62.9	63.1	0.3	67.1	66.9	67.3	0.2
Victoria	5.6	5.1	5.3	(0.3)	58.9	59.8	59.9	1.0	62.4	63.0	63.2	0.8





## Employment Situation - February 2005 Job Tenure

### Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,844.4	16,057.4	16,084.0	239.6	12,903.2	13,096.6	13,117.8	214.6	2,941.1	2,960.8	2,966.1	25.0
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	215.5	216.0	213.9	(1.6)	183.3	182.7	180.5	(2.8)	32.2	33.3	33.4	1.2
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	65.9	68.5	68.7	2.8	55.1	57.3	56.2	1.1	10.8	11.2	12.5	1.7
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	436.5	444.6	442.8	6.3	355.5	362.9	368.3	12.8	81.0	81.7	74.5	(6.5)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	350.4	350.3	351.2	0.8	295.0	297.0	294.8	(0.2)	55.4	53.2	56.5	1.1
<b>Quebec</b>	3,655.2	3,719.6	3,716.2	61.0	2,974.6	3,064.2	3,044.0	69.4	680.6	655.5	672.2	(8.4)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,294.8	6,325.2	6,344.3	49.5	5,161.4	5,132.0	5,173.9	12.5	1,133.5	1,193.2	1,170.4	36.9
<b>Manitoba</b>	573.4	579.7	582.5	9.1	465.3	471.5	468.1	2.8	108.1	108.3	114.4	6.3
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	476.7	487.4	488.3	11.6	386.1	390.1	391.7	5.6	90.6	97.2	96.6	6.0
<b>Alberta</b>	1,745.8	1,774.5	1,776.3	30.5	1,432.0	1,457.9	1,465.6	33.6	313.8	316.6	310.7	(3.1)
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,030.1	2,091.7	2,099.8	69.7	1,594.1	1,680.7	1,674.5	80.4	436.0	410.9	425.4	(10.6)

### Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,541.3	15,695.5	15,784.5	243.2	12,459.1	12,614.3	12,674.0	214.9	3,082.2	3,081.2	3,110.5	28.3
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	199.2	199.8	197.2	(2.0)	166.3	166.1	163.6	(2.7)	32.8	33.7	33.7	0.9
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	60.5	62.6	63.0	2.5	48.8	50.7	49.7	0.9	11.6	11.8	13.2	1.6
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	419.7	427.1	425.6	5.9	331.2	340.5	345.5	14.3	88.5	86.5	80.1	(8.4)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	331.9	332.4	333.3	1.4	273.3	276.2	273.1	(0.2)	58.6	56.1	60.3	1.7
<b>Quebec</b>	3,571.5	3,611.1	3,631.8	60.3	2,846.8	2,921.6	2,909.6	62.8	724.7	689.5	722.3	(2.4)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,211.7	6,223.7	6,265.3	53.6	5,031.9	4,988.9	5,051.1	19.2	1,179.8	1,234.8	1,214.1	34.3
<b>Manitoba</b>	563.5	567.8	573.1	9.6	447.4	454.1	450.0	2.6	116.0	113.7	123.1	7.1
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	465.3	474.2	476.7	11.4	370.3	374.7	376.2	5.9	95.0	99.6	100.6	5.6
<b>Alberta</b>	1,721.2	1,743.6	1,751.1	29.9	1,389.9	1,412.5	1,425.8	35.9	331.3	331.1	325.3	(6.0)
<b>British Columbia</b>	1,997.0	2,053.3	2,067.3	70.3	1,553.2	1,629.0	1,629.5	76.3	443.8	424.3	437.8	(6.0)

**Employment Situation - February 2005**  
**Youth Statistics**

**15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change
	<b>Canada</b>	2,823.6	2,827.4	2,821.5	(2.1)	2,430.4	2,464.1	2,474.4	44.0	13.9	12.8	12.3
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	40.4	38.9	38.3	(2.1)	30.8	31.3	30.3	(0.5)	23.8	19.5	20.9	(2.9)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	12.8	13.2	12.9	0.1	10.8	11.0	10.7	(0.1)	16.4	16.7	17.1	0.7
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	79.9	83.2	85.7	5.8	68.0	68.2	70.0	2.0	14.9	18.0	18.3	3.4
<b>New Brunswick</b>	64.3	61.7	62.9	(1.4)	54.3	53.6	53.4	(0.9)	15.6	13.1	15.3	(0.3)
<b>Quebec</b>	637.6	644.4	631.2	(6.4)	542.8	560.6	560.3	17.5	14.9	13.0	11.2	(3.7)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,097.3	1,083.7	1,076.8	(20.5)	938.7	928.5	930.5	(8.2)	14.5	14.3	13.6	(0.9)
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.8	109.4	111.0	2.2	99.0	96.8	98.0	(1.0)	9.0	11.6	11.7	2.7
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	93.2	95.7	96.8	3.6	82.0	88.7	88.7	6.7	12.0	7.3	8.4	(3.6)
<b>Alberta</b>	338.8	342.6	341.8	3.0	305.2	314.7	314.0	8.8	9.9	8.1	8.1	(1.8)
<b>British Columbia</b>	350.5	354.7	364.2	13.7	299.0	310.8	318.5	19.5	14.7	12.4	12.5	(2.2)

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change	Feb 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Annual Change
	<b>Canada</b>	2,645.7	2,640.7	2,647.1	1.4	2,258.3	2,284.8	2,305.0	46.7	14.6	13.5	12.9
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	35.4	33.8	33.6	(1.8)	26.4	26.6	25.9	(0.5)	25.4	21.3	22.9	(2.5)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	11.4	11.9	11.4	-	9.0	9.0	8.8	(0.2)	20.2	24.4	22.8	2.6
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	71.8	76.0	77.7	5.9	61.3	60.7	63.5	2.2	14.6	20.3	18.3	3.7
<b>New Brunswick</b>	57.2	55.2	55.8	(1.4)	47.6	47.0	46.6	(1.0)	17.0	14.9	16.5	(0.5)
<b>Quebec</b>	600.6	604.2	593.6	(7.0)	501.2	516.5	519.3	18.1	16.6	14.5	12.5	(4.1)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,028.5	1,006.7	1,010.2	(18.3)	876.0	868.2	870.7	(5.3)	14.8	13.8	13.8	(1.0)
<b>Manitoba</b>	103.0	103.2	106.0	3.0	92.7	89.8	92.5	(0.2)	9.9	12.9	12.8	2.9
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	86.0	88.1	89.7	3.7	75.2	80.5	81.6	6.4	12.6	8.6	8.9	(3.7)
<b>Alberta</b>	318.6	322.0	321.2	2.6	286.4	292.4	293.8	7.4	10.1	9.2	8.5	(1.6)
<b>British Columbia</b>	333.2	339.7	347.9	14.7	282.5	294.1	302.3	19.8	15.2	13.4	13.1	(2.1)