

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

JANUARY - December 1998

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CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JAN	DEC	JAN	CHANGE	JAN	DEC	JAN	CHANGE
	1997	1997	1998	JAN '97-'98	1997	1997	1998	JAN '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,240.1	15,436.1	15,490.2	250.1	14,919.8	15,219.6	15,163.2	243.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	13,764.1	14,114.8	14,114.5	350.4	13,341.6	13,979.3	13,684.9	343.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,476.1	1,321.3	1,375.7	(100.4)	1,578.2	1,240.3	1,478.3	(99.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.7	8.6	8.9	(0.8)	10.6	8.1	9.7	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.7	64.8	64.9	0.2	63.4	63.9	63.6	0.2

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JAN	DEC	JAN	CHANGE	JAN	DEC	JAN	CHANGE
	1997	1997	1998	JAN '97-'98	1997	1997	1998	JAN '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	447.1	449.7	453.5	6.4	432.7	442.7	439.7	7.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	388.8	397.5	402.6	13.8	371.9	396.7	387.0	15.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	58.4	52.2	50.9	(7.5)	60.7	45.9	52.7	(8.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.1	11.6	11.2	(1.9)	14.0	10.4	12.0	(2.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.5	60.4	60.9	0.4	58.5	59.5	59.0	0.5

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	NEWFOUNDLAND				PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
	JAN	DEC	JAN	CHANGE	JAN	DEC	JAN	CHANGE
	1997	1997	1998	JAN '97-'98	1997	1997	1998	JAN '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	239.4	238.1	237.8	(1.6)	71.1	70.9	70.1	(1.0)
EMPLOYED ('000)	191.2	196.3	196.0	4.8	59.5	60.8	59.9	0.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	48.2	41.8	41.9	(6.3)	11.6	10.1	10.3	(1.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	21.4	16.2	18.9	(2.5)	20.0	16.1	18.4	2.1
--Seasonally Adjusted	20.1	17.6	17.6	(2.5)	16.3	14.2	14.7	(1.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	53.0	53.1	53.1	0.1	66.4	66.1	65.5	0.9

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	NEW BRUNSWICK				QUEBEC			
	JAN	DEC	JAN	CHANGE	JAN	DEC	JAN	CHANGE
	1997	1997	1998	JAN '97-'98	1997	1997	1998	JAN '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	359.2	369.1	368.1	8.9	3,662.8	3,685.6	3,669.7	6.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	312.3	323.1	320.4	8.1	3,217.6	3,302.2	3,256.1	38.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	46.8	45.9	47.7	0.9	445.2	383.4	413.6	(31.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	14.5	12.1	14.6	0.1	13.5	10.5	12.7	(0.8)
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.0	12.4	13.0	0.0	12.2	10.4	11.3	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.7	61.1	60.9	1.2	62.1	62.0	61.7	(0.4)

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ONTARIO

CHANGE

	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	JAN <u>'97-'98</u>	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	JAN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,854.7	5,959.6	6,011.1	156.4	581.7	577.5	575.2	(6.5)
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,324.9	5,493.9	5,533.0	208.1	540.9	542.6	542.4	1.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	529.8	465.6	478.1	(51.7)	40.8	34.9	32.8	(8.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	9.6	7.1	8.5	(1.1)	8.2	5.8	6.6	(1.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.0	7.8	8.0	(1.0)	7.0	6.0	5.7	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.7	65.9	66.4	0.7	67.7	67.1	66.8	(0.9)

MANITOBA

CHANGE

SASKATCHEWAN

CHANGE

	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	JAN <u>'97-'98</u>	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	JAN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	493.6	505.0	510.8	17.2	1,532.9	1,570.1	1,589.1	56.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	461.9	479.3	482.4	20.5	1,429.3	1,481.8	1,503.6	74.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	31.1	25.7	28.4	(2.7)	103.6	88.2	85.4	(18.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	7.2	4.8	6.2	(1.0)	7.4	5.2	5.8	(1.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.4	5.1	5.6	(0.8)	6.8	5.6	5.4	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.2	66.3	67.0	1.8	71.8	71.8	72.5	0.7

ALBERTA

CHANGE

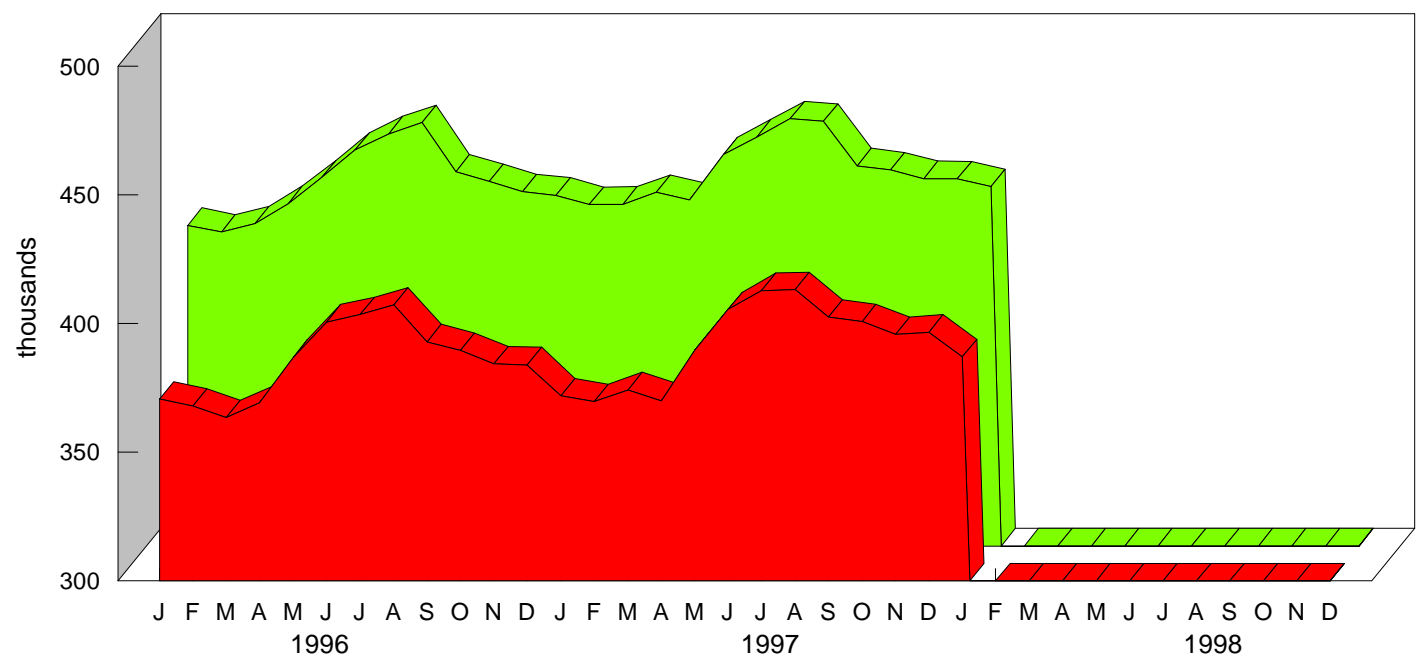
BRITISH COLUMBIA

CHANGE

	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	JAN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,997.6	2,010.6	2,004.9	7.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,837.6	1,837.2	1,818.2	(19.4)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	159.9	173.4	186.6	26.7
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.0	8.3	10.6	1.6
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.0	8.6	9.3	1.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.1	64.2	64.0	(1.1)

Nova Scotia Labour Force & Employment

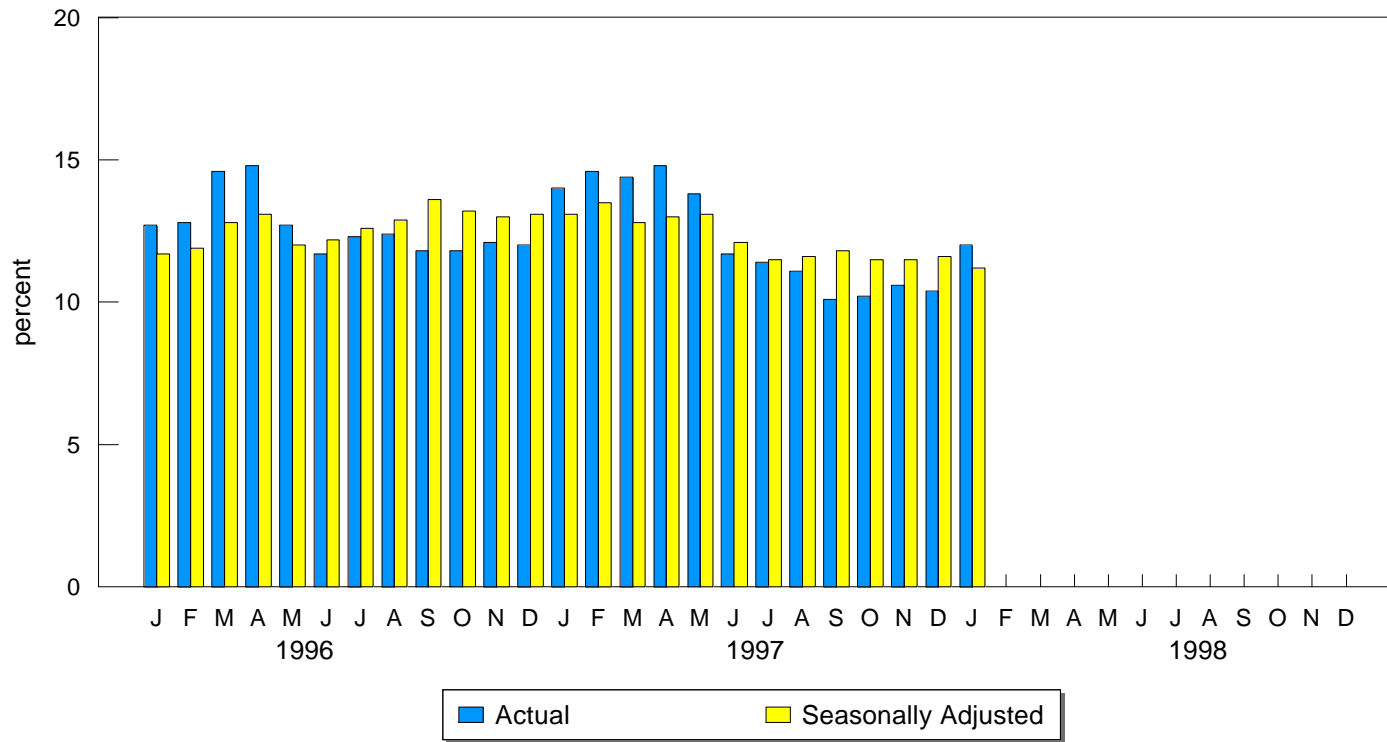
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JAN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	187.2	186.8	188.0	0.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	170.4	169.6	171.2	0.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	16.8	17.2	16.8	0.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.0	9.2	8.9	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.5	67.8	68.2	(0.3)

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JAN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	435.5	443.9	441.7	6.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	380.1	397.7	393.1	13.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	55.4	46.1	48.6	(6.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.7	10.4	11.0	(1.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.0	59.7	59.3	0.3

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JAN <u>'97-'98</u>	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JAN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	65.3	64.3	64.5	(0.8)	74.2	74.9	74.2	0.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	48.3	55.6	54.6	6.3	64.2	65.4	64.6	0.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.0	8.7	9.8	(7.2)	9.9	9.6	9.6	(0.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	26.0	13.5	15.2	(10.8)	13.3	12.8	12.9	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.9	51.0	51.1	(0.8)	56.4	56.7	56.1	(0.3)

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JAN <u>'97-'98</u>	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JAN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	51.6	55.5	54.5	2.9	54.9	58.5	57.6	2.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	45.2	50.0	48.5	3.3	48.5	51.9	50.3	1.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.3	5.5	6.0	(0.3)	6.4	6.5	7.3	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.2	9.9	11.0	(1.2)	11.7	11.1	12.7	1.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.2	54.3	55.6	(1.6)	52.9	53.7	55.4	2.5

	HALIFAX			
	JAN <u>1997</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	JAN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JAN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	189.6	190.7	191.0	1.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	173.8	174.8	175.1	1.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	15.7	15.9	15.8	0.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.3	8.3	8.3	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.6	67.2	67.3	(0.3)

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1996	1997	1997	1998
	DEC	JAN	DEC	JAN
Total Employment	394.5	385.9	396.1	398.4
Total Goods Producing Sectors	84.6	84.2	96.4	96.8
Agriculture	7.1	7.8	6.7	6.5
Other Primary	15.1	15.0	15.6	16.2
Utilities	3.6	3.3	3.2	3.0
Manufacturing	38.0	39.0	48.3	48.0
Construction	20.7	20.1	22.6	23.1
Total Service Producing Sectors	299.9	300.8	299.7	301.6
Transportation, Storage & Communication	25.8	25.6	24.9	25.2
Trade	73.7	73.1	73.0	73.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	19.0	19.1	18.7	19.2
Community, Business & Personal Services	151.3	153.1	155.2	155.6
Public Administration	30.0	29.8	27.8	27.7

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	JAN	DEC	JAN	JAN	JAN	DEC	JAN	JAN	JAN	DEC	JAN	JAN
	1997	1997	1998	'97-'98	1997	1997	1998	'97-'98	1997	1997	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	13,341.6	13,979.3	13,684.9	343.3	10,613.7	11,233.0	10,965.2	351.5	2,727.9	2,746.3	2,719.8	(8.1)
NEWFOUNDLAND	177.1	190.8	182.0	4.9	145.7	155.7	147.8	2.1	31.4	35.1	34.2	2.8
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	54.3	57.4	54.6	0.3	42.2	46.1	42.9	0.7	12.1	11.3	11.6	(0.5)
NOVA SCOTIA	371.9	396.7	387.0	15.1	285.9	311.9	303.4	17.5	0.0	84.8	83.6	83.6
NEW BRUNSWICK	289.4	311.0	296.4	7.0	228.0	260.1	246.3	18.3	61.4	50.9	50.1	(11.3)
QUEBEC	3,106.7	3,244.2	3,131.6	24.9	2,498.0	2,635.7	2,536.1	38.1	608.7	608.4	595.5	(13.2)
ONTARIO	5,191.5	5,482.8	5,402.2	210.7	4,162.4	4,411.2	4,355.2	192.8	1,029.1	1,071.6	1,047.0	17.9
MANITOBA	526.2	538.6	528.2	2.0	402.8	426.3	413.0	10.2	123.5	112.2	115.1	(8.4)
SASKATCHEWAN	447.6	472.4	466.8	19.2	344.1	367.7	363.6	19.5	0.0	104.8	103.2	103.2
ALBERTA	1,392.6	1,474.7	1,471.1	78.5	1,110.8	1,193.5	1,183.0	72.2	281.8	281.2	288.1	6.3
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,784.2	1,810.7	1,765.2	(19.0)	1,393.7	1,424.8	1,373.9	(19.8)	390.5	385.9	391.3	0.8

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	JAN	DEC	JAN	JAN	JAN	DEC	JAN	JAN	JAN	DEC	JAN	JAN
	1997	1997	1998	'97-'98	1997	1997	1998	'97-'98	1997	1997	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,244.8	2,279.2	2,227.7	(17.1)	1,830.5	1,952.9	1,823.8	(6.7)	18.5	14.3	18.1	(0.4)
NEWFOUNDLAND	32.3	30.0	28.1	(4.2)	22.1	23.1	20.3	(1.8)	31.6	23.0	20.0	(11.6)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.3	11.4	11.5	(0.8)	9.3	9.1	9.2	(0.1)	24.4	19.3	24.2	(0.2)
NOVA SCOTIA	65.4	71.0	70.3	4.9	52.8	56.9	53.3	0.5	19.3	19.9	22.7	3.4
NEW BRUNSWICK	52.6	52.9	51.1	(1.5)	41.1	44.0	39.5	(1.6)	21.9	16.8	22.3	0.4
QUEBEC	504.8	497.2	485.6	(19.2)	393.7	403.3	377.2	(16.5)	22.0	18.9	17.0	(5.0)
ONTARIO	847.7	877.6	853.6	5.9	690.0	765.9	708.4	18.4	18.6	12.7	13.2	(5.4)
MANITOBA	102.7	99.3	96.9	(5.8)	88.7	88.6	84.0	(4.7)	13.6	10.8	10.6	(3.0)
SASKATCHEWAN	77.6	87.9	83.7	6.1	64.8	79.6	74.8	10.0	16.5	9.6	11.7	(4.8)
ALBERTA	251.3	260.0	257.9	6.6	220.0	234.7	227.7	7.7	12.5	9.7	20.6	8.1
BRITISH COLUMBIA	298.2	291.9	289.0	(9.2)	248.0	247.7	229.4	(18.6)	16.8	15.2	10.6	(6.2)

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

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CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	FEB '97-'98	1997	1998	1998	FEB '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,219.2	15,490.2	15,534.2	315.0	14,942.0	15,163.2	15,245.3	303.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	13,748.5	14,114.5	14,196.2	447.7	13,375.8	13,684.9	13,822.9	447.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,470.7	1,375.7	1,338.0	(132.7)	1,566.3	1,478.3	1,422.3	(144.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.7	8.9	8.6	(1.1)	10.5	9.7	9.3	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.6	64.9	65.0	0.4	63.4	63.6	63.8	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	FEB '97-'98	1997	1998	1998	FEB '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	449.1	453.5	458.0	8.9	432.8	439.7	441.5	8.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	388.3	402.6	410.0	21.7	369.6	387.0	391.6	22.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	60.8	50.9	48.0	(12.8)	63.2	52.7	49.9	(13.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.5	11.2	10.5	(3.0)	14.6	12.0	11.3	(3.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.7	60.9	61.4	0.7	58.5	59.0	59.2	0.7

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	FEB '97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	237.2	237.8	237.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	190.2	196.0	195.6	5.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	47.0	41.9	41.5	(5.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	20.9	18.9	18.8	(2.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	19.8	17.6	17.5	(2.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.5	53.1	52.9	0.4

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	FEB '97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	70.3	70.1	69.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	59.2	59.9	60.4	1.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.2	10.3	9.5	(1.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	20.5	18.4	18.0	2.1
--Seasonally Adjusted	15.9	14.7	13.6	(2.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.6	65.5	65.3	0.3

NEW BRUNSWICK

	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	FEB '97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	369.5	368.1	368.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	311.6	320.4	322.0	10.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	47.8	47.7	46.9	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	14.7	14.6	14.2	(0.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.3	13.0	12.7	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.7	60.9	61.0	1.3

QUEBEC

	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	FEB '97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,658.5	3,669.7	3,680.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,226.0	3,256.1	3,290.8	64.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	432.4	413.6	390.1	(42.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	13.0	12.7	11.5	(1.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	11.8	11.3	10.6	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.9	61.7	61.8	(0.1)

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	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,834.5	6,011.1	6,026.9	192.4	578.0	575.2	574.7	(3.3)
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,308.3	5,533.0	5,568.4	260.1	539.2	542.4	541.1	1.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	526.2	478.1	458.5	(67.7)	38.8	32.8	33.5	(5.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	9.7	8.5	8.2	(1.5)	7.4	6.6	6.4	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.0	8.0	7.6	(1.4)	6.7	5.7	5.8	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.4	66.4	66.5	1.1	67.3	66.8	66.7	(0.6)

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

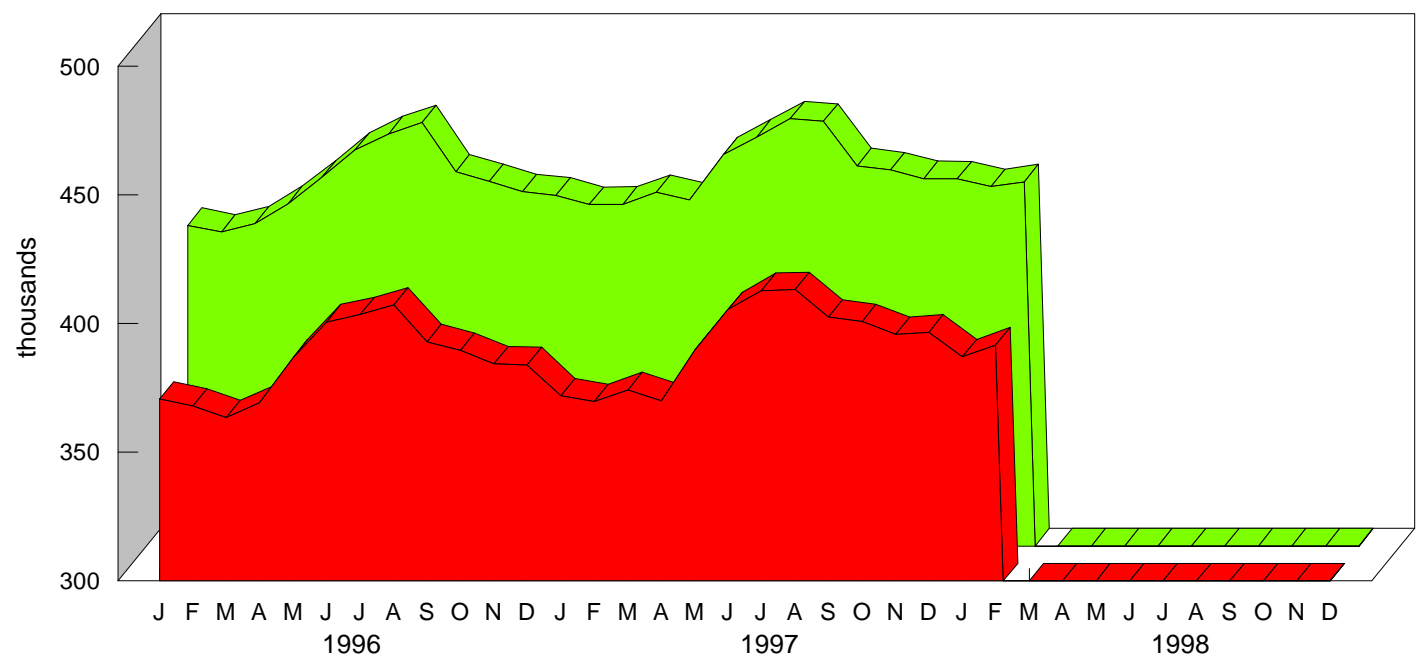
	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	498.1	510.8	510.6	12.5	1,532.3	1,589.1	1,583.8	51.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	467.5	482.4	482.5	15.0	1,429.2	1,503.6	1,498.7	69.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	30.6	28.4	28.0	(2.6)	103.1	85.4	85.1	(18.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	7.0	6.2	6.1	(0.9)	7.2	5.8	5.8	(1.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.1	5.6	5.5	(0.6)	6.7	5.4	5.4	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.7	67.0	67.0	1.3	71.7	72.5	72.0	0.3

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

	CHANGE			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,001.8	2,004.9	2,023.4	21.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,828.9	1,818.2	1,826.8	(2.1)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	172.8	186.6	196.6	23.8
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.4	10.6	10.7	1.3
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.6	9.3	9.7	1.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.1	64.0	64.5	(0.6)

Nova Scotia Labour Force & Employment

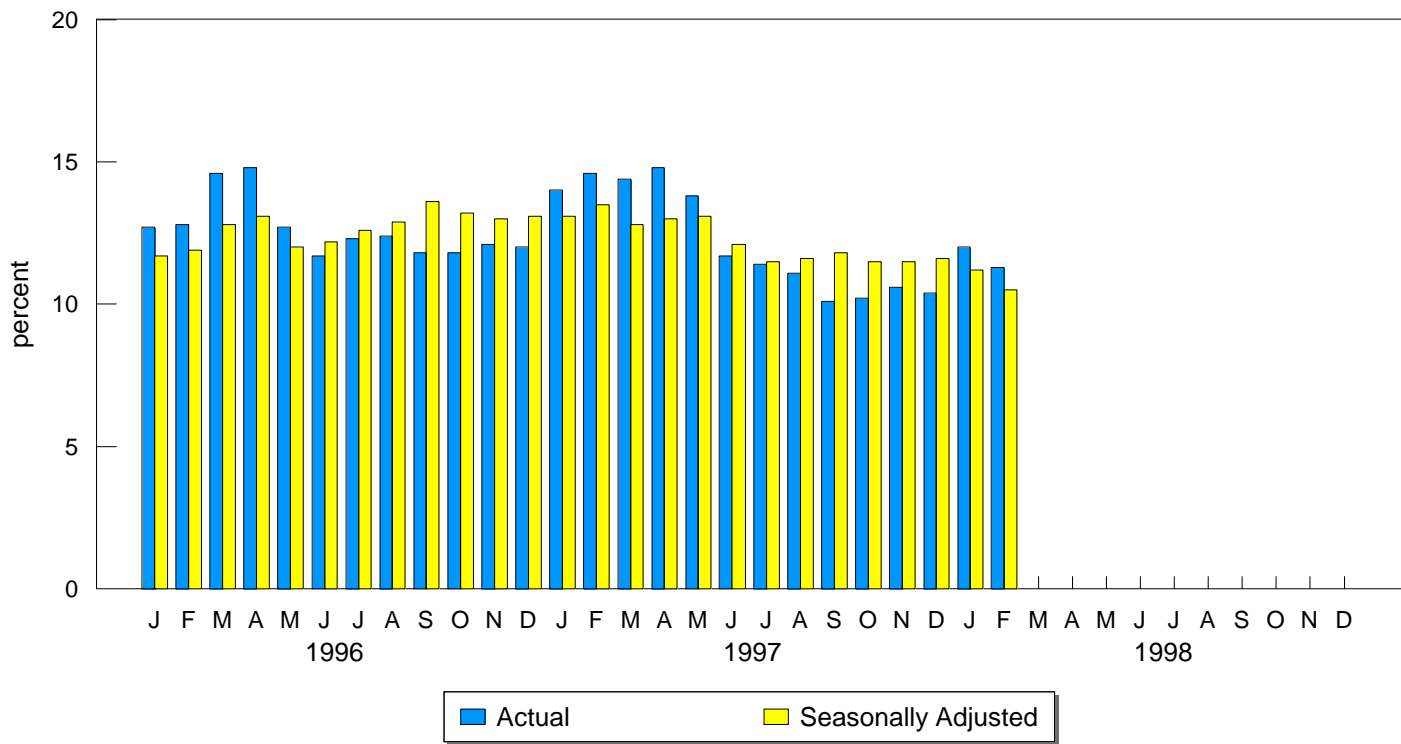
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■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	CHANGE			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.0	188.0	189.8	3.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	168.7	171.2	174.4	5.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.4	16.8	15.4	(2.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.4	8.9	8.1	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.2	68.2	68.8	0.6

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CHANGE			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	433.9	441.7	441.3	7.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	375.2	393.1	391.7	16.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	58.8	48.6	49.5	(9.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.6	11.0	11.2	(2.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	58.7	59.3	59.2	0.5

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	65.2	64.5	64.4	(0.8)	74.1	74.2	73.7	(0.4)
EMPLOYED ('000)	47.5	54.6	53.2	5.7	64.0	64.6	64.4	0.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.7	9.8	11.3	(6.4)	10.2	9.6	9.3	(0.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	27.1	15.2	17.5	(9.6)	13.8	12.9	12.6	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.8	51.1	51.0	(0.8)	56.3	56.1	55.7	(0.6)

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	52.1	54.5	53.8	1.7	54.3	57.6	56.7	2.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	45.0	48.5	47.1	2.1	47.6	50.3	49.1	1.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.1	6.0	6.7	(0.4)	6.7	7.3	7.6	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.6	11.0	12.5	(1.1)	12.3	12.7	13.4	1.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	53.7	55.6	54.8	1.1	52.4	55.4	54.5	2.1

	HALIFAX			
	FEB	JAN	FEB	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	188.3	191.0	192.6	4.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	171.2	175.1	177.9	6.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.1	15.8	14.7	(2.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.1	8.3	7.6	(1.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.0	67.3	67.7	0.7

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	JAN	FEB	JAN	FEB
Total Employment	385.9	387.5	398.4	403.3
Total Goods Producing Sectors	84.2	85.6	96.8	98.1
Agriculture	7.8	7.9	6.5	6.6
Other Primary	15.0	14.5	16.2	17.6
Utilities	3.3	3.0	3.0	2.8
Manufacturing	39.0	40.5	48.0	47.4
Construction	20.1	19.7	23.1	23.7
Total Service Producing Sectors	300.8	301.9	301.6	305.2
Transportation, Storage & Communication	25.6	25.5	25.2	25.6
Trade	73.1	72.6	73.9	76.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	19.1	19.4	19.2	19.2
Community, Business & Personal Services	153.1	154.2	155.6	156.2
Public Administration	29.8	30.2	27.7	27.8

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	13,375.8	13,684.9	13,822.9	447.1	10,596.8	10,965.2	11,064.5	467.7	2,779.0	2,719.8	2,758.5	(20.5)
NEWFOUNDLAND	177.0	182.0	181.3	4.3	147.5	147.8	146.8	(0.7)	29.4	34.2	34.6	5.2
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	53.3	54.6	54.1	0.8	42.3	42.9	42.8	0.5	11.0	11.6	11.3	0.3
NOVA SCOTIA	369.6	387.0	391.6	22.0	283.2	303.4	306.1	22.9	86.4	83.6	85.5	(0.9)
NEW BRUNSWICK	289.9	296.4	298.8	8.9	230.8	246.3	247.4	16.6	59.1	50.1	51.4	(7.7)
QUEBEC	3,136.8	3,131.6	3,201.9	65.1	2,520.5	2,536.1	2,599.9	79.4	616.3	595.5	602.0	(14.3)
ONTARIO	5,186.9	5,402.2	5,449.4	262.5	4,128.2	4,355.2	4,372.4	244.2	1,058.7	1,047.0	1,077.1	18.4
MANITOBA	529.0	528.2	531.2	2.2	407.6	413.0	416.9	9.3	121.3	115.1	114.3	(7.0)
SASKATCHEWAN	453.3	466.8	468.2	14.9	348.5	363.6	361.3	12.8	104.8	103.2	106.9	2.1
ALBERTA	1,398.4	1,471.1	1,468.4	70.0	1,112.3	1,183.0	1,180.3	68.0	286.1	288.1	288.1	2.0
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,781.6	1,765.2	1,777.9	(3.7)	1,375.7	1,373.9	1,390.4	14.7	405.9	391.3	387.5	(18.4)

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB	FEB	JAN	FEB	FEB
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,240.2	2,227.7	2,256.3	16.1	1,828.7	1,823.8	1,881.4	52.7	18.4	18.1	16.6	(1.8)
NEWFOUNDLAND	30.5	28.1	29.8	(0.7)	21.1	20.3	21.1	0.0	30.8	20.0	29.2	(1.6)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	11.5	11.5	10.7	(0.8)	8.7	9.2	8.8	0.1	24.3	24.2	18.7	(5.6)
NOVA SCOTIA	65.5	70.3	70.0	4.5	51.7	53.3	53.7	2.0	21.1	22.7	23.3	2.2
NEW BRUNSWICK	52.6	51.1	51.1	(1.5)	40.7	39.5	41.4	0.7	22.6	22.3	19.0	(3.6)
QUEBEC	502.7	485.6	503.1	0.4	395.6	377.2	406.3	10.7	21.3	17.0	19.2	(2.1)
ONTARIO	842.6	853.6	853.0	10.4	683.1	708.4	721.8	38.7	18.9	13.2	15.4	(3.5)
MANITOBA	101.7	96.9	96.2	(5.5)	87.9	84.0	84.5	(3.4)	13.6	10.6	12.3	(1.3)
SASKATCHEWAN	79.2	83.7	85.0	5.8	68.7	74.8	74.9	6.2	13.3	11.7	11.9	(1.4)
ALBERTA	254.3	257.9	261.8	7.5	221.1	227.7	237.0	15.9	13.1	20.6	9.5	(3.6)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	299.6	289.0	295.5	(4.1)	250.1	229.4	231.9	(18.2)	16.5	10.6	21.5	5.0

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

MARCH 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - MARCH 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,226.9	15,534.2	15,527.1	300.2	15,017.3	15,245.3	15,289.3	272.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	13,808.8	14,196.2	14,214.5	405.7	13,487.3	13,822.9	13,890.1	402.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,418.2	1,338.0	1,312.6	(105.6)	1,530.0	1,422.3	1,399.1	(130.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.3	8.6	8.5	(0.8)	10.2	9.3	9.2	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.6	65.0	64.9	0.3	63.7	63.8	63.9	0.2

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	447.1	458.0	449.9	2.8	437.5	441.5	438.7	1.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	390.4	410.0	404.9	14.5	374.3	391.6	388.1	13.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	56.7	48.0	45.1	(11.6)	63.2	49.9	50.5	(12.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.8	10.5	10.0	(2.8)	14.4	11.3	11.5	(2.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.4	61.4	60.3	(0.1)	59.1	59.2	58.8	(0.3)

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	NEWFOUNDLAND				PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	234.7	237.1	235.8	1.1	71.9	69.9	69.8	(2.1)
EMPLOYED ('000)	190.2	195.6	194.2	4.0	60.4	60.4	60.7	0.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.4	41.5	41.6	(2.8)	11.5	9.5	9.2	(2.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	20.3	18.8	19.0	(1.3)	20.6	18.0	17.5	1.5
--Seasonally Adjusted	18.9	17.5	17.6	(1.3)	16.0	13.6	13.2	(2.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.0	52.9	52.6	0.6	67.1	65.3	65.1	2.0

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	NEW BRUNSWICK				QUEBEC			
	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	355.5	368.9	364.6	9.1	3,657.5	3,680.9	3,684.4	26.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	307.3	322.0	317.7	10.4	3,248.4	3,290.8	3,310.4	62.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	48.2	46.9	46.9	(1.3)	409.0	390.1	373.9	(35.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	15.4	14.2	14.6	(0.8)	12.4	11.5	10.8	(1.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.6	12.7	12.9	(0.7)	11.2	10.6	10.1	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.0	61.0	60.2	1.2	61.9	61.8	61.9	0.0

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.

Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.

Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.

Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997.

ONTARIO

CHANGE

	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,866.8	6,026.9	6,017.2	150.4	575.0	574.7	573.7	(1.3)
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,352.7	5,568.4	5,571.7	219.0	535.0	541.1	543.9	8.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	514.1	458.5	445.5	(68.6)	40.0	33.5	29.7	(10.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	9.6	8.2	8.1	(1.5)	7.7	6.4	5.7	(2.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.8	7.6	7.4	(1.4)	7.0	5.8	5.2	(1.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.7	66.5	66.3	0.6	66.9	66.7	66.6	(0.3)

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

CHANGE

	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	496.9	510.6	508.0	11.1	1,530.9	1,583.8	1,580.1	49.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	466.0	482.5	480.6	14.6	1,436.2	1,498.7	1,489.6	53.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	30.9	28.0	27.4	(3.5)	94.6	85.1	90.5	(4.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	7.4	6.1	6.3	(1.1)	6.4	5.8	6.0	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.2	5.5	5.4	(0.8)	6.2	5.4	5.7	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.5	67.0	66.6	1.1	71.5	72.0	71.7	0.2

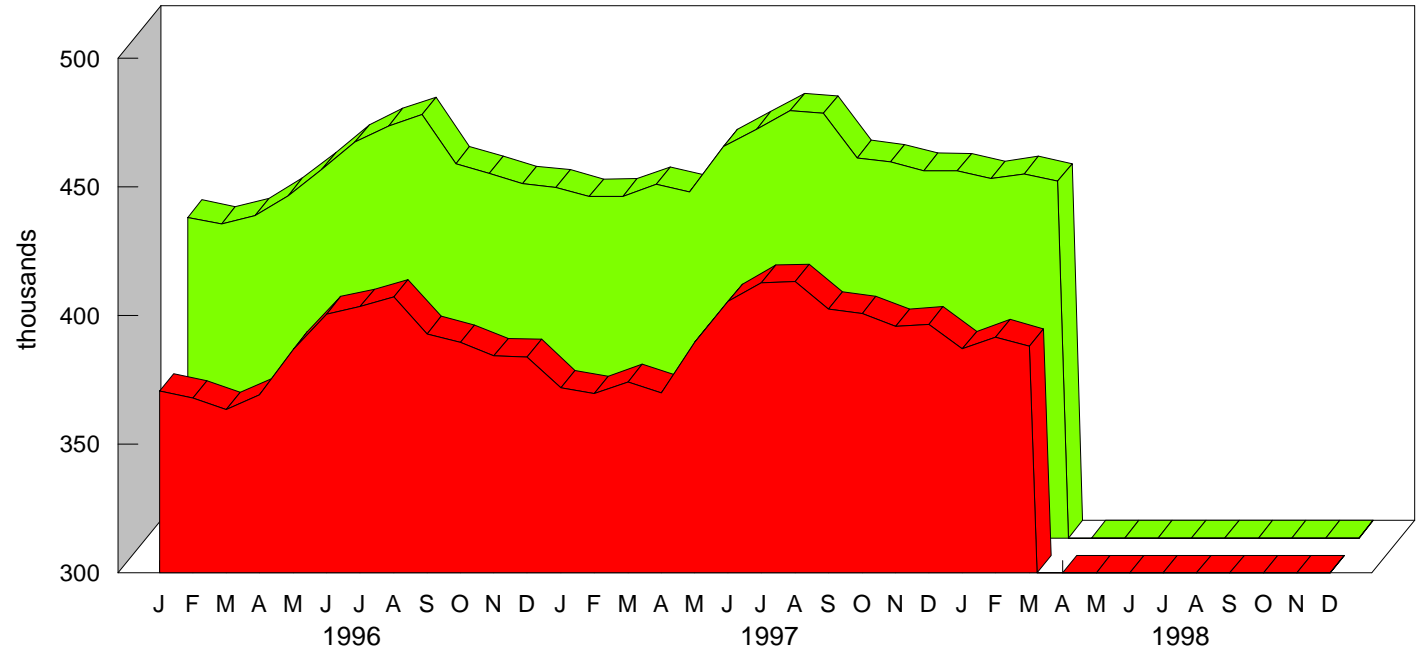
ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

CHANGE

	MAR	FEB	MAR	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	1,990.7	2,023.4	2,043.7	53.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,822.0	1,826.8	1,840.8	18.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	168.6	196.6	203.0	34.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.8	10.7	10.4	1.6
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.5	9.7	9.9	1.4
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.7	64.5	65.0	0.3

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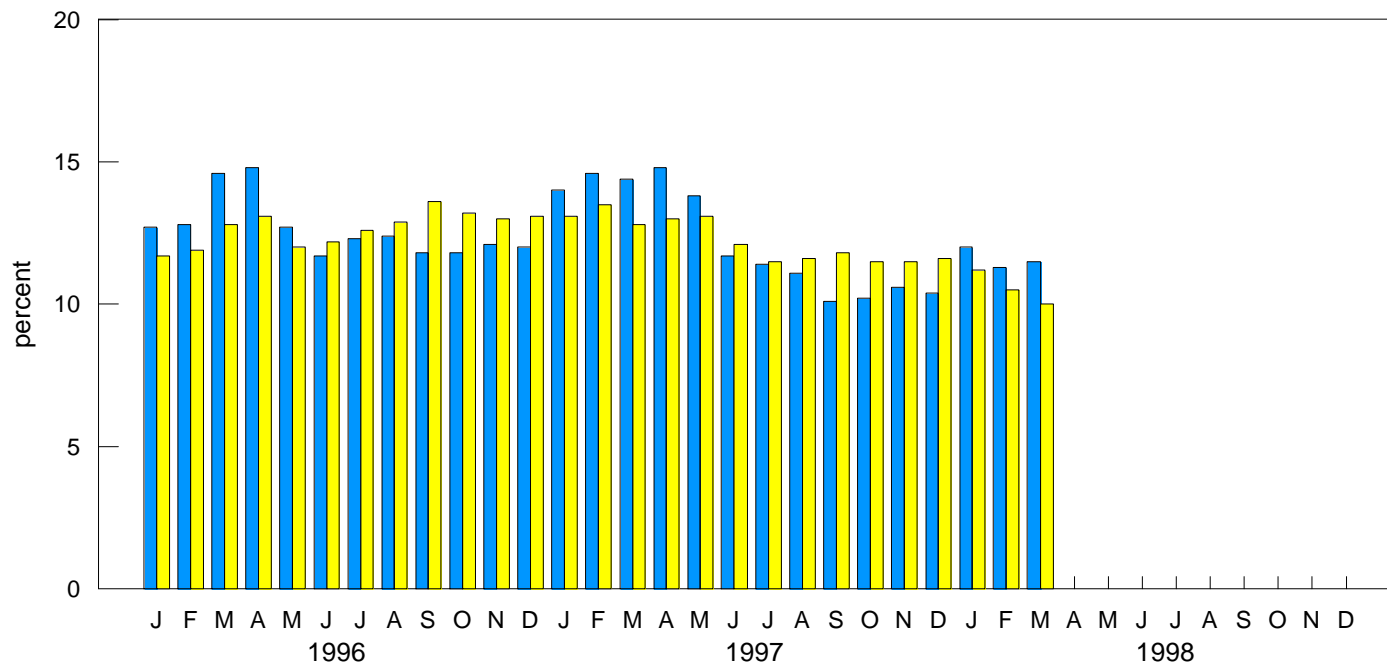
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



■ Actual
 ■ Seasonally Adjusted

HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

				CHANGE
	MAR <u>1997</u>	FEB <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.4	189.8	189.7	3.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	169.1	174.4	175.3	6.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.3	15.4	14.4	(2.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.3	8.1	7.6	(1.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.3	68.8	68.7	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

				CHANGE
	MAR <u>1997</u>	FEB <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	434.3	441.3	440.0	5.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	372.0	391.7	388.9	16.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	62.4	49.5	51.1	(11.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.4	11.2	11.6	(2.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	58.7	59.2	59.0	0.3

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	MAR <u>1997</u>	FEB <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAR <u>'97-'98</u>	MAR <u>1997</u>	FEB <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	64.5	64.4	63.8	(0.7)	73.9	73.7	74.2	0.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	46.8	53.2	52.1	5.3	62.9	64.4	65.0	2.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.7	11.3	11.7	(6.0)	11.0	9.3	9.2	(1.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	27.4	17.5	18.3	(9.1)	14.9	12.6	12.4	(2.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.2	51.0	50.6	(0.6)	56.1	55.7	56.1	0.0

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	MAR <u>1997</u>	FEB <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAR <u>'97-'98</u>	MAR <u>1997</u>	FEB <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	52.9	53.8	53.6	0.7	54.0	56.7	55.4	1.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	45.3	47.1	46.4	1.1	46.5	49.1	47.4	0.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.6	6.7	7.3	(0.3)	7.5	7.6	8.0	0.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.4	12.5	13.6	(0.8)	13.9	13.4	14.4	0.5
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	54.5	54.8	54.6	0.1	52.1	54.5	53.2	1.1

	HALIFAX			CHANGE
	MAR <u>1997</u>	FEB <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	MAR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	189.0	192.6	192.9	3.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	170.5	177.9	177.9	7.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	18.5	14.7	14.9	(3.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.8	7.6	7.7	(2.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.2	67.7	67.8	0.6

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	FEB	MAR	FEB	MAR
Total Employment	387.5	389.2	403.3	405.8
Total Goods Producing Sectors	85.6	87.0	98.1	97.9
Agriculture	7.9	7.9	6.6	6.8
Other Primary	14.5	14.3	17.6	18.4
Utilities	3.0	2.8	2.8	2.8
Manufacturing	40.5	41.7	47.4	46.2
Construction	19.7	20.2	23.7	23.8
Total Service Producing Sectors	301.9	302.2	305.2	307.9
Transportation, Storage & Communication	25.5	24.8	25.6	26.1
Trade	72.6	73.2	76.4	78.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	19.4	19.0	19.2	19.6
Community, Business & Personal Services	154.2	154.6	156.2	156.3
Public Administration	30.2	30.6	27.8	28.0

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	13,487.3	13,822.9	13,890.1	402.8	10,708.0	11,064.5	11,139.6	431.6	2,779.2	2,758.5	2,750.5	(28.7)
NEWFOUNDLAND	177.4	181.3	180.5	3.1	145.7	146.8	146.5	0.8	31.7	34.6	34.0	2.3
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	54.5	54.1	54.7	0.2	42.9	42.8	43.0	0.1	11.7	11.3	11.6	(0.1)
NOVA SCOTIA	374.3	391.6	388.1	13.8	289.2	306.1	306.6	17.4	85.1	85.5	81.5	(3.6)
NEW BRUNSWICK	287.3	298.8	295.3	8.0	229.8	247.4	245.5	15.7	57.5	51.4	49.8	(7.7)
QUEBEC	3,173.6	3,201.9	3,244.0	70.4	2,560.7	2,599.9	2,629.7	69.0	612.8	602.0	614.3	1.5
ONTARIO	5,236.4	5,449.4	5,452.8	216.4	4,167.7	4,372.4	4,396.6	228.9	1,068.7	1,077.1	1,056.1	(12.6)
MANITOBA	524.8	531.2	534.2	9.4	404.4	416.9	419.1	14.7	120.4	114.3	115.0	(5.4)
SASKATCHEWAN	452.3	468.2	466.6	14.3	351.1	361.3	363.3	12.2	101.3	106.9	103.3	2.0
ALBERTA	1,417.7	1,468.4	1,466.5	48.8	1,117.5	1,180.3	1,181.1	63.6	300.1	288.1	285.3	(14.8)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,788.9	1,777.9	1,807.6	18.7	1,399.0	1,390.4	1,408.0	9.0	389.9	387.5	399.6	9.7

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR	MAR	FEB	MAR	MAR
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,253.8	2,256.3	2,280.9	27.1	1,857.2	1,881.4	1,906.0	48.8	17.6	16.6	16.4	(1.2)
NEWFOUNDLAND	29.6	29.8	29.5	(0.1)	20.3	21.1	21.4	1.1	31.4	29.2	27.1	(4.3)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	11.2	10.7	10.9	(0.3)	8.6	8.8	8.7	0.1	23.2	18.7	20.2	(3.0)
NOVA SCOTIA	68.5	70.0	68.7	0.2	53.9	53.7	54.3	0.4	21.3	23.3	21.0	(0.3)
NEW BRUNSWICK	51.7	51.1	51.5	(0.2)	37.7	41.4	38.5	0.8	26.9	19.0	25.2	(1.7)
QUEBEC	502.3	503.1	517.1	14.8	402.2	406.3	423.2	21.0	19.9	19.2	18.2	(1.7)
ONTARIO	854.2	853.0	859.3	5.1	700.1	721.8	727.1	27.0	18.0	15.4	15.4	(2.6)
MANITOBA	99.1	96.2	96.6	(2.5)	85.9	84.5	85.1	(0.8)	13.3	12.3	11.9	(1.4)
SASKATCHEWAN	80.8	85.0	83.2	2.4	71.3	74.9	71.8	0.5	11.8	11.9	13.8	2.0
ALBERTA	251.1	261.8	260.0	8.9	220.8	237.0	232.1	11.3	12.1	9.5	10.7	(1.4)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	305.4	295.5	304.1	(1.3)	256.4	231.9	243.8	(12.6)	16.0	21.5	19.9	3.9

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

APRIL 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - APRIL 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE APR '97-'98	Actual			
	APR	MAR	APR	CHANGE APR '97-'98		APR	MAR	APR	CHANGE APR '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,301.0	15,527.1	15,590.8	289.8	15,076.9	15,289.3	15,360.0	283.1	
EMPLOYED ('000)	13,834.4	14,214.5	14,286.2	451.8	13,583.5	13,890.1	14,031.4	447.9	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,457.6	1,312.6	1,304.6	(153.0)	1,493.3	1,399.1	1,328.6	(164.7)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.5	8.5	8.4	(1.1)	9.9	9.2	8.6	(1.3)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.8	64.9	65.1	0.3	63.8	63.9	64.2	0.4	

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE APR '97-'98	Actual			
	APR	MAR	APR	CHANGE APR '97-'98		APR	MAR	APR	CHANGE APR '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	443.9	449.9	455.3	11.4	434.4	438.7	444.7	10.3	
EMPLOYED ('000)	386.4	404.9	406.2	19.8	370.0	388.1	388.2	18.2	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	57.5	45.1	49.1	(8.4)	64.4	50.5	56.5	(7.9)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.0	10.0	10.8	(2.2)	14.8	11.5	12.7	(2.1)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.9	60.3	61.0	1.1	58.7	58.8	59.6	0.9	

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	APR	MAR	APR	CHANGE APR '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998	
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	233.9	235.8	
EMPLOYED ('000)	189.3	194.2	198.5	9.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.7	41.6	41.5	(3.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	21.2	19.0	19.3	(1.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	19.1	17.6	17.3	(1.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.8	52.6	53.6	1.8

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	APR	MAR	APR	CHANGE APR '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998	
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	71.7	69.8	
EMPLOYED ('000)	60.3	60.7	60.8	0.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.4	9.2	10.4	(1.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	20.7	17.5	19.7	3.8
--Seasonally Adjusted	15.9	13.2	14.6	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.9	65.1	66.5	0.4

NEW BRUNSWICK

	APR	MAR	APR	CHANGE APR '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998	
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	363.9	364.6	
EMPLOYED ('000)	314.9	317.7	323.3	8.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	49.0	46.9	50.4	1.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	15.6	14.6	15.8	0.2
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.5	12.9	13.5	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.4	60.2	61.7	1.3

QUEBEC

	APR	MAR	APR	CHANGE APR '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998	
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,673.6	3,684.4	
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,251.9	3,310.4	3,313.4	61.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	421.7	373.9	387.5	(34.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	11.9	10.8	10.7	(1.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	11.5	10.1	10.5	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.1	61.9	62.1	0.0

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.

Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.

Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.

Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997.

ONTARIO

	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	APR	MAR	APR	APR	APR	MAR	APR	APR
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,893.6	6,017.2	6,028.0	134.4	574.4	573.7	576.8	2.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,366.8	5,571.7	5,594.2	227.4	536.6	543.9	545.3	8.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	526.8	445.5	433.8	(93.0)	37.8	29.7	31.5	(6.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	9.0	8.1	7.2	(1.8)	7.3	5.7	6.0	(1.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.9	7.4	7.2	(1.7)	6.6	5.2	5.5	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.9	66.3	66.3	0.4	66.7	66.6	66.9	0.2

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

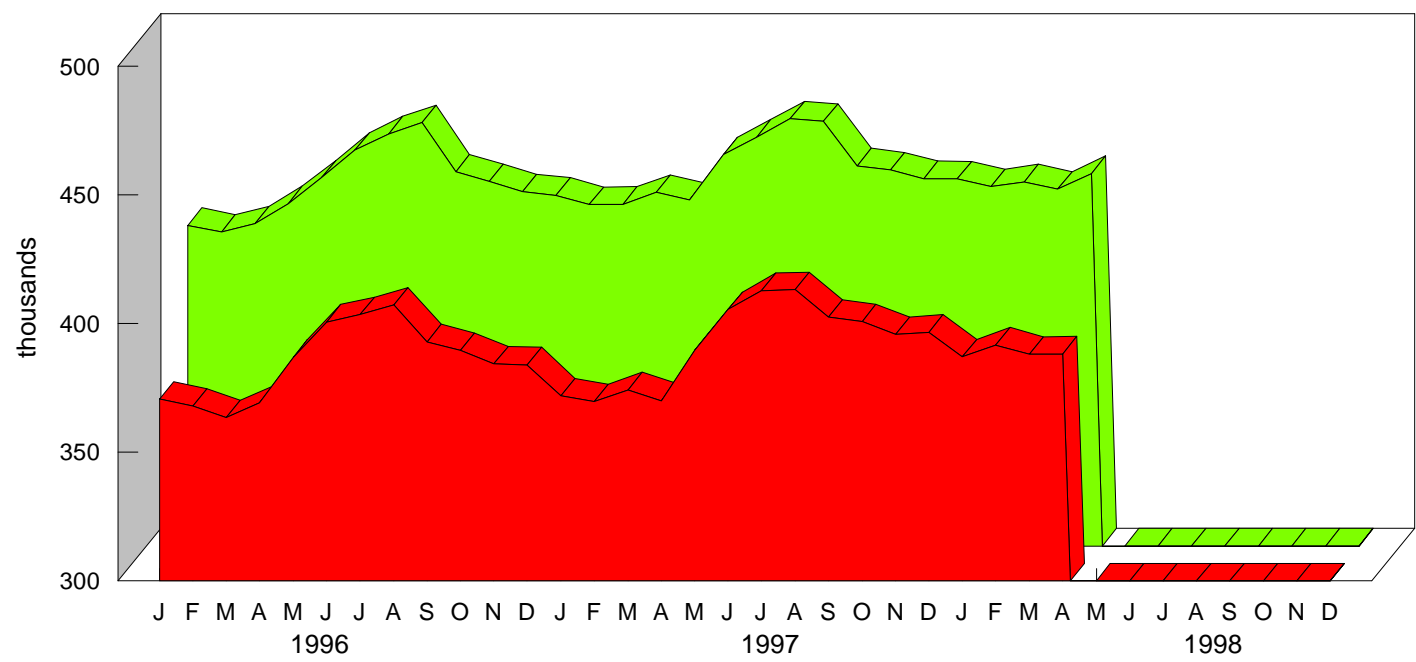
	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	APR	MAR	APR	APR	APR	MAR	APR	APR
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	504.3	508.0	508.6	4.3	1,534.8	1,580.1	1,601.1	66.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	473.0	480.6	479.1	6.1	1,440.1	1,489.6	1,518.6	78.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	31.3	27.4	29.6	(1.7)	94.7	90.5	82.5	(12.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	7.1	6.3	6.6	(0.5)	6.5	6.0	5.4	(1.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.2	5.4	5.8	(0.4)	6.2	5.7	5.2	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.5	66.6	66.7	0.2	71.5	71.7	72.5	1.0

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

	CHANGE			
	APR	MAR	APR	APR
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,006.8	2,043.7	2,035.3	28.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,824.1	1,840.8	1,846.8	22.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	182.7	203.0	188.4	5.7
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.3	10.4	9.3	0.0
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.1	9.9	9.3	0.2
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.0	65.0	64.7	(0.3)

Nova Scotia Labour Force & Employment

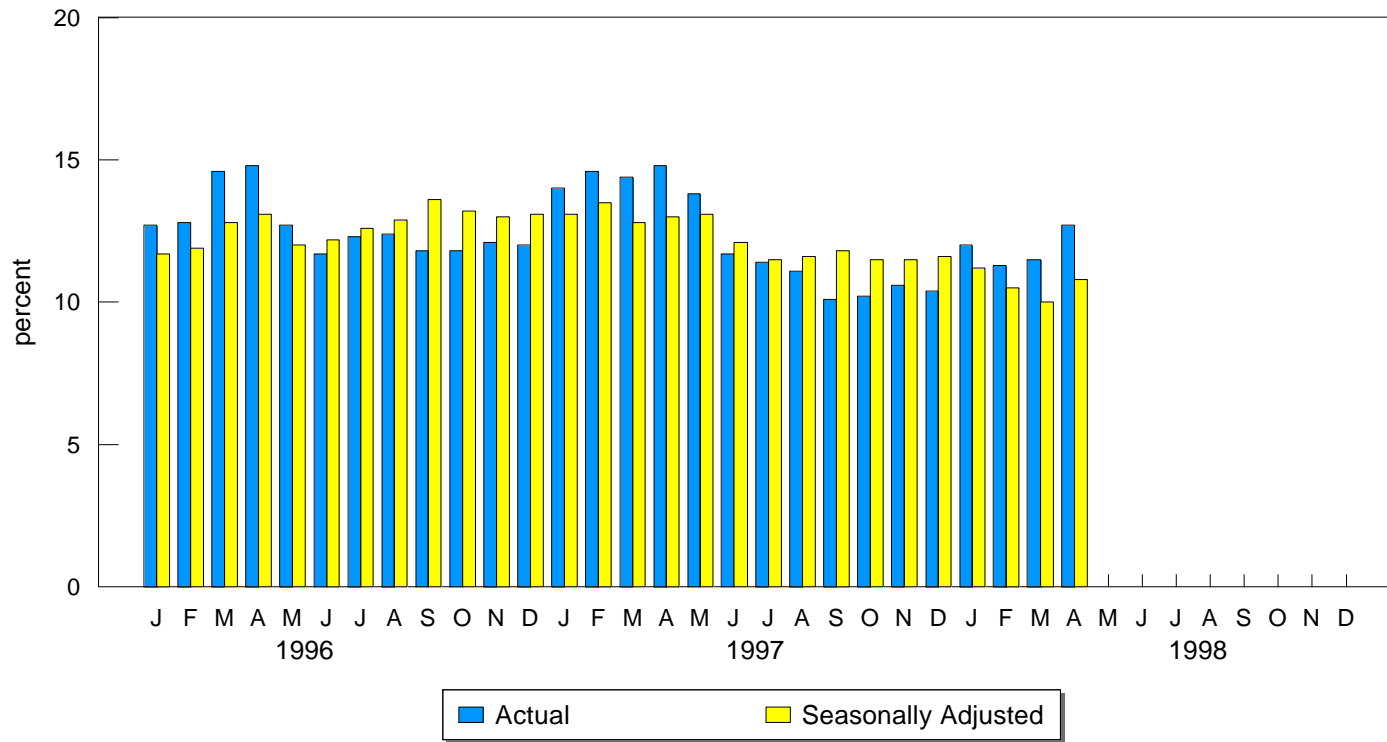
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	APR <u>1997</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE APR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.2	189.7	189.7	3.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	168.8	175.3	175.2	6.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.4	14.4	14.4	(3.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.3	7.6	7.6	(1.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.2	68.7	68.6	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	APR <u>1997</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE APR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	434.9	440.0	441.6	6.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	371.3	388.9	389.3	18.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	63.6	51.1	52.3	(11.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.6	11.6	11.8	(2.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	58.8	59.0	59.2	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	APR <u>1997</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE APR <u>'97-'98</u>	APR <u>1997</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE APR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	63.9	63.8	64.3	0.4	72.4	74.2	75.0	2.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	46.7	52.1	52.2	5.5	61.5	65.0	65.6	4.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.3	11.7	12.1	(5.2)	10.9	9.2	9.5	(1.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	27.1	18.3	18.8	(8.3)	15.1	12.4	12.7	(2.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	50.7	50.6	51.0	0.3	55.0	56.1	56.6	1.6

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	APR <u>1997</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE APR <u>'97-'98</u>	APR <u>1997</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE APR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	54.9	53.6	54.0	(0.9)	54.7	55.4	55.5	0.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	47.0	46.4	46.9	(0.1)	46.4	47.4	47.4	1.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.9	7.3	7.1	(0.8)	8.3	8.0	8.2	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.4	13.6	13.1	(1.3)	15.2	14.4	14.8	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.5	54.6	54.9	(1.6)	52.7	53.2	53.4	0.7

	HALIFAX			
	APR <u>1997</u>	MAR <u>1998</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	CHANGE APR <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	189.0	192.9	192.7	3.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	169.8	177.9	177.2	7.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	19.1	14.9	15.5	(3.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.1	7.7	8.0	(2.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.1	67.8	67.6	0.5

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	MAR	APR	MAR	APR
Total Employment	389.2	388.4	405.8	407.0
Total Goods Producing Sectors	87.0	88.1	97.9	98.3
Agriculture	7.9	7.8	6.8	7.5
Other Primary	14.3	14.1	18.4	19.0
Utilities	2.8	2.5	2.8	2.8
Manufacturing	41.7	43.2	46.2	45.1
Construction	20.2	20.5	23.8	23.9
Total Service Producing Sectors	302.2	300.3	307.9	308.7
Transportation, Storage & Communication	24.8	23.6	26.1	26.9
Trade	73.2	74.0	78.0	78.8
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	19.0	18.9	19.6	19.3
Community, Business & Personal Services	154.6	152.2	156.3	155.7
Public Administration	30.6	31.6	28.0	28.0

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	APR	MAR	APR	APR	APR	MAR	APR	APR	APR	MAR	APR	APR
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	13,583.5	13,890.1	14,031.4	447.9	10,864.7	11,139.6	11,263.7	399.0	2,718.8	2,750.5	2,767.7	48.9
NEWFOUNDLAND	176.0	180.5	185.3	9.3	146.4	146.5	149.9	3.5	29.6	34.0	35.4	5.8
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	54.7	54.7	55.1	0.4	44.1	43.0	44.4	0.3	10.6	11.6	10.6	0.0
NOVA SCOTIA	370.0	388.1	388.2	18.2	288.4	306.6	306.9	18.5	81.6	81.5	81.3	(0.3)
NEW BRUNSWICK	295.1	295.3	303.2	8.1	237.0	245.5	250.3	13.3	58.1	49.8	52.8	(5.3)
QUEBEC	3,185.3	3,244.0	3,252.9	67.6	2,581.3	2,629.7	2,640.8	59.5	604.1	614.3	612.2	8.1
ONTARIO	5,291.5	5,452.8	5,517.2	225.7	4,246.5	4,396.6	4,465.6	219.1	1,045.0	1,056.1	1,051.5	6.5
MANITOBA	527.8	534.2	536.5	8.7	415.0	419.1	426.4	11.4	112.8	115.0	110.1	(2.7)
SASKATCHEWAN	463.3	466.6	468.7	5.4	362.8	363.3	373.2	10.4	100.5	103.3	95.5	(5.0)
ALBERTA	1,413.3	1,466.5	1,494.1	80.8	1,131.7	1,181.1	1,195.9	64.2	281.7	285.3	298.2	16.5
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,806.5	1,807.6	1,830.2	23.7	1,411.6	1,408.0	1,410.2	(1.4)	394.8	399.6	420.0	25.2

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	APR	MAR	APR	APR	APR	MAR	APR	APR	APR	MAR	APR	APR
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,243.3	2,280.9	2,307.2	63.9	1,852.8	1,906.0	1,937.2	84.4	17.4	16.4	16.0	(1.4)
NEWFOUNDLAND	29.4	29.5	31.7	2.3	21.0	21.4	22.9	1.9	28.6	27.1	27.8	(0.8)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	11.8	10.9	11.4	(0.4)	8.7	8.7	8.2	(0.5)	26.3	20.2	28.1	1.8
NOVA SCOTIA	66.8	68.7	71.3	4.5	49.9	54.3	54.4	4.5	25.3	21.0	23.7	(1.6)
NEW BRUNSWICK	54.5	51.5	57.0	2.5	41.3	38.5	42.9	1.6	24.2	25.2	24.7	0.5
QUEBEC	486.6	517.1	526.0	39.4	397.2	423.2	433.8	36.6	18.4	18.2	17.5	(0.9)
ONTARIO	847.8	859.3	850.9	3.1	696.9	727.1	720.0	23.1	17.8	15.4	15.4	(2.4)
MANITOBA	97.5	96.6	99.2	1.7	84.5	85.1	86.3	1.8	13.2	11.9	13.0	(0.2)
SASKATCHEWAN	86.8	83.2	85.2	(1.6)	76.2	71.8	74.4	(1.8)	12.3	13.8	12.7	0.4
ALBERTA	251.1	260.0	272.7	21.6	217.6	232.1	245.5	27.9	13.3	10.7	10.0	(3.3)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	311.0	304.1	301.8	(9.2)	259.3	243.8	248.8	(10.5)	16.6	19.9	17.6	1.0

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

MAY 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - MAY 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE MAY '97-'98	Actual			
	MAY	APR	MAY	CHANGE MAY '97-'98		MAY	APR	MAY	CHANGE MAY '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,340.2	15,590.8	15,585.9	245.7	15,472.1	15,360.0	15,713.2	241.1	
EMPLOYED ('000)	13,894.0	14,286.2	14,278.9	384.9	14,003.2	14,031.4	14,386.5	383.3	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,446.2	1,304.6	1,307.0	(139.2)	1,468.9	1,328.6	1,326.7	(142.2)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.4	8.4	8.4	(1.0)	9.5	8.6	8.4	(1.1)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.9	65.1	65.1	0.2	65.4	64.2	65.6	0.2	

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE MAY '97-'98	Actual			
	MAY	APR	MAY	CHANGE MAY '97-'98		MAY	APR	MAY	CHANGE MAY '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	447.5	455.3	455.1	7.6	452.2	444.7	459.3	7.1	
EMPLOYED ('000)	388.9	406.2	407.7	18.8	389.6	388.2	408.5	18.9	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	58.6	49.1	47.4	(11.2)	62.6	56.5	50.8	(11.8)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.1	10.8	10.4	(2.7)	13.8	12.7	11.1	(2.7)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.4	61.0	61.0	0.6	61.0	59.6	61.6	0.6	

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	MAY	APR	MAY	CHANGE MAY '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998	
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	235.9	240.0	
EMPLOYED ('000)	187.9	198.5	199.5	11.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	48.0	41.5	40.3	(7.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	23.3	19.3	19.4	(3.9)
--Actual	23.3	19.3	19.4	(3.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	20.3	17.3	16.8	(3.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.3	53.6	53.7	1.4

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	MAY	APR	MAY	CHANGE MAY '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998	
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	70.8	71.2	
EMPLOYED ('000)	59.8	60.8	62.0	2.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.0	10.4	9.7	(1.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.7	19.7	11.3	(4.2)
--Actual	13.7	19.7	11.3	(4.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	15.5	14.6	13.5	(2.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.0	66.5	66.9	(0.9)

NEW BRUNSWICK

	MAY	APR	MAY	CHANGE MAY '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998	
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	359.6	373.7	
EMPLOYED ('000)	310.5	323.3	321.1	10.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	49.1	50.4	46.7	(2.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.2	15.8	13.2	(1.0)
--Actual	14.2	15.8	13.2	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.7	13.5	12.7	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.6	61.7	60.7	1.1

QUEBEC

	MAY	APR	MAY	CHANGE MAY '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998	
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,703.9	3,700.9	
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,257.6	3,313.4	3,299.7	42.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	446.3	387.5	386.9	(59.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.5	10.7	10.1	(1.4)
--Actual	11.5	10.7	10.1	(1.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	12.0	10.5	10.5	(1.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.6	62.1	61.8	(0.8)

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ONTARIO

	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,902.5	6,028.0	6,037.3	134.8	574.4	576.8	573.4	(1.0)
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,402.4	5,594.2	5,607.5	205.1	536.0	545.3	543.1	7.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	500.2	433.8	429.7	(70.5)	38.3	31.5	30.3	(8.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	8.8	7.2	7.3	(1.5)	6.7	6.0	5.3	(1.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.5	7.2	7.1	(1.4)	6.7	5.5	5.3	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.9	66.3	66.3	0.4	66.7	66.9	66.5	(0.2)

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

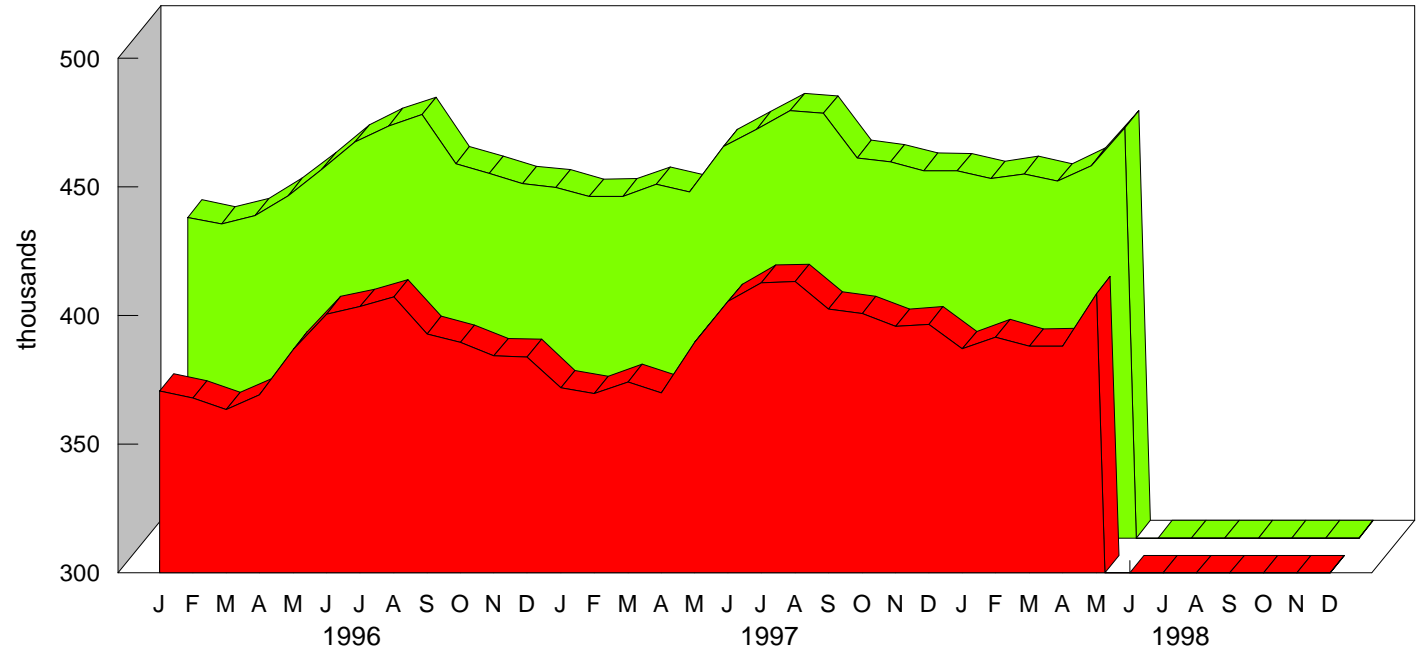
	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	504.5	508.6	503.7	(0.8)	1,538.2	1,601.1	1,603.0	64.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	475.6	479.1	476.6	1.0	1,449.0	1,518.6	1,511.9	62.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	22.8	29.6	27.1	4.3	89.2	82.5	91.0	1.8
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	5.6	6.6	5.3	(0.3)	6.0	5.4	5.9	(0.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.7	5.8	5.4	(0.3)	5.8	5.2	5.7	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.4	66.7	66.0	(0.4)	71.5	72.5	72.4	0.9

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

	CHANGE			
	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,002.9	2,035.3	2,047.7	44.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,826.3	1,846.8	1,849.8	23.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	176.6	188.4	197.9	21.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.7	9.3	9.6	0.9
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.6	9.3	9.7	1.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.8	64.7	65.1	0.3

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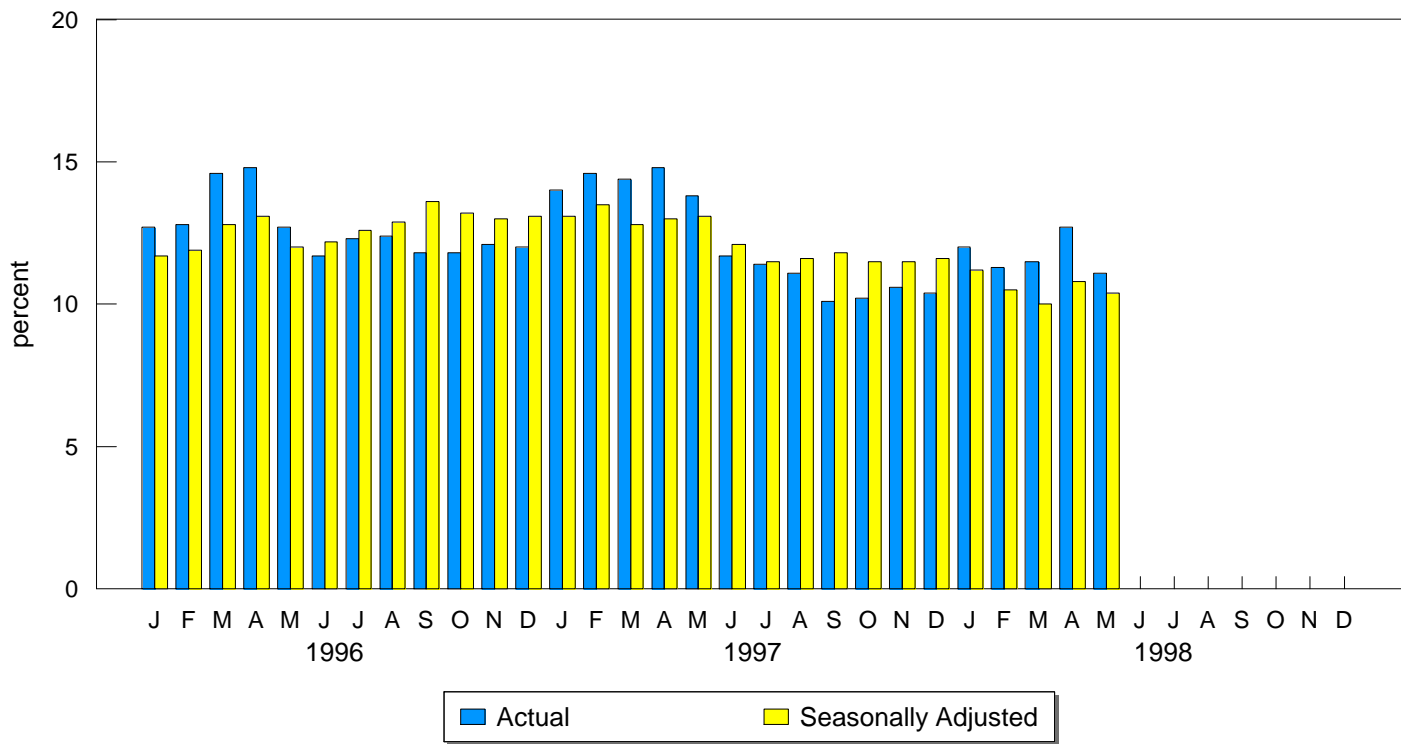
Actual, 1996 - 1998



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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	CHANGE			
	MAY <u>1997</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.8	189.7	189.0	2.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	169.5	175.2	174.6	5.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.3	14.4	14.5	(2.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.3	7.6	7.7	(1.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.4	68.6	68.3	(0.1)

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CHANGE			
	MAY <u>1997</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	441.4	441.6	447.5	6.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	378.0	389.3	394.9	16.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	63.4	52.3	52.6	(10.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.4	11.8	11.8	(2.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.6	59.2	60.0	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	MAY <u>1997</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAY <u>'97-'98</u>	MAY <u>1997</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAY <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	65.0	64.3	65.9	0.9	72.7	75.0	76.9	4.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	48.3	52.2	53.8	5.5	61.8	65.6	67.3	5.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	16.7	12.1	12.0	(4.7)	11.0	9.5	9.6	(1.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	25.7	18.8	18.2	(7.5)	15.1	12.7	12.5	(2.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.6	51.0	52.3	0.7	55.2	56.6	58.1	2.9

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	MAY <u>1997</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAY <u>'97-'98</u>	MAY <u>1997</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAY <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	56.2	54.0	55.0	(1.2)	57.0	55.5	56.6	(0.4)
EMPLOYED ('000)	48.5	46.9	48.4	(0.1)	48.4	47.4	48.6	0.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.7	7.1	6.6	(1.1)	8.6	8.2	8.0	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.7	13.1	12.0	(1.7)	15.1	14.8	14.1	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.8	54.9	56.0	(1.8)	54.9	53.4	54.4	(0.5)

	HALIFAX			
	MAY <u>1997</u>	APR <u>1998</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	CHANGE MAY <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	190.5	192.7	193.1	2.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	171.0	177.2	176.7	5.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	19.5	15.5	16.4	(3.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.2	8.0	8.5	(1.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.6	67.6	67.7	0.1

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	APR	MAY	APR	MAY
Total Employment	388.4	388.6	407.0	406.3
Total Goods Producing Sectors	88.1	89.6	98.3	98.1
Agriculture	7.8	8.4	7.5	8.1
Other Primary	14.1	14.4	19.0	19.1
Utilities	2.5	2.1	2.8	2.6
Manufacturing	43.2	43.6	45.1	44.7
Construction	20.5	21.1	23.9	23.6
Total Service Producing Sectors	300.3	298.9	308.7	308.2
Transportation, Storage & Communication	23.6	23.5	26.9	27.5
Trade	74.0	73.6	78.8	77.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	18.9	18.7	19.3	19.8
Community, Business & Personal Services	152.2	151.2	155.7	156.0
Public Administration	31.6	32.0	28.0	27.4

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	14,003.2	14,031.4	14,386.5	383.3	11,352.3	11,263.7	11,729.1	376.8	2,650.9	2,767.7	2,657.4	6.5
NEWFOUNDLAND	183.3	185.3	194.8	11.5	155.1	149.9	159.4	4.3	28.2	35.4	35.3	7.1
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	62.4	55.1	64.9	2.5	52.2	44.4	53.8	1.6	10.1	10.6	11.1	1.0
NOVA SCOTIA	389.6	388.2	408.5	18.9	307.1	306.9	331.9	24.8	82.5	81.3	76.6	(5.9)
NEW BRUNSWICK	316.7	303.2	327.3	10.6	262.0	250.3	272.6	10.6	54.7	52.8	54.7	0.0
QUEBEC	3,293.7	3,252.9	3,336.0	42.3	2,716.3	2,640.8	2,760.1	43.8	577.3	612.2	575.9	(1.4)
ONTARIO	5,424.2	5,517.2	5,631.9	207.7	4,396.3	4,465.6	4,612.9	216.6	1,027.9	1,051.5	1,019.0	(8.9)
MANITOBA	541.1	536.5	546.8	5.7	437.2	426.4	444.8	7.6	103.9	110.1	102.0	(1.9)
SASKATCHEWAN	485.1	468.7	485.4	0.3	383.6	373.2	393.3	9.7	101.5	95.5	92.1	(9.4)
ALBERTA	1,463.4	1,494.1	1,525.6	62.2	1,188.6	1,195.9	1,243.5	54.9	274.8	298.2	282.1	7.3
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,843.6	1,830.2	1,865.5	21.9	1,453.8	1,410.2	1,456.9	3.1	389.8	420.0	408.6	18.8

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY	MAY	APR	MAY	MAY
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,477.8	2,307.2	2,537.3	59.5	2,029.9	1,937.2	2,116.2	86.3	18.1	16.0	16.6	(1.5)
NEWFOUNDLAND	37.2	31.7	37.2	0.0	22.9	22.9	24.0	1.1	38.4	27.8	35.5	(2.9)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	13.6	11.4	13.5	(0.1)	11.2	8.2	11.7	0.5	17.6	28.1	12.6	(5.0)
NOVA SCOTIA	78.9	71.3	78.2	(0.7)	56.2	54.4	61.3	5.1	28.6	23.7	21.6	(7.0)
NEW BRUNSWICK	63.2	57.0	66.3	3.1	49.3	42.9	52.4	3.1	22.0	24.7	21.0	(1.0)
QUEBEC	533.8	526.0	562.4	28.6	430.2	433.8	463.5	33.3	19.4	17.5	17.6	(1.8)
ONTARIO	943.8	850.9	959.1	15.3	765.4	720.0	795.6	30.2	18.9	15.4	17.0	(1.9)
MANITOBA	108.5	99.2	102.5	(6.0)	95.2	86.3	91.4	(3.8)	12.2	13.0	10.8	(1.4)
SASKATCHEWAN	96.8	85.2	93.0	(3.8)	87.2	74.4	82.2	(5.0)	9.9	12.7	11.6	1.7
ALBERTA	277.0	272.7	302.2	25.2	241.4	245.5	268.6	27.2	12.9	10.0	11.1	(1.8)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	325.2	301.8	323.1	(2.1)	271.0	248.8	265.5	(5.5)	16.7	17.6	17.8	1.1

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

JUNE 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - JUNE 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE JUN '97-'98	Actual			CHANGE JUN '97-'98
	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE JUN '97-'98		JUN	MAY	JUN	
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,337.8	15,585.9	15,544.8	207.0	15,726.9	15,713.2	15,919.4	192.5	
EMPLOYED ('000)	13,942.3	14,278.9	14,243.0	300.7	14,349.3	14,386.5	14,639.3	290.0	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,395.4	1,307.0	1,301.9	(93.5)	1,377.6	1,326.7	1,280.1	(97.5)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.1	8.4	8.4	(0.7)	8.8	8.4	8.0	(0.8)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.8	65.1	64.8	0.0	66.4	65.6	66.4	0.0	

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE JUN '97-'98	Actual			CHANGE JUN '97-'98
	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE JUN '97-'98		JUN	MAY	JUN	
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	444.7	455.1	450.3	5.6	458.9	459.3	464.5	5.6	
EMPLOYED ('000)	391.0	407.7	403.2	12.2	405.4	408.5	418.2	12.8	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	53.7	47.4	47.1	(6.6)	53.5	50.8	46.4	(7.1)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.1	10.4	10.5	(1.6)	11.7	11.1	10.0	(1.7)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.0	61.0	60.4	0.4	61.9	61.6	62.3	0.4	

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	NEWFOUNDLAND				CHANGE JUN '97-'98	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			CHANGE JUN '97-'98
	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE JUN '97-'98		JUN	MAY	JUN	
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	233.3	239.8	242.6	9.3	70.9	71.7	71.5	0.6	
EMPLOYED ('000)	189.6	199.5	202.4	12.8	60.4	62.0	62.1	1.7	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.8	40.3	40.3	(3.5)	10.4	9.7	9.4	(1.0)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)									
--Actual	19.6	19.4	17.4	(2.2)	10.4	11.3	9.2	(1.2)	
--Seasonally Adjusted	18.8	16.8	16.6	(2.2)	14.7	13.5	13.1	(1.6)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.8	53.7	54.4	2.6	66.1	66.9	66.8	(0.7)	

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	NEW BRUNSWICK				CHANGE JUN '97-'98	QUEBEC			CHANGE JUN '97-'98
	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE JUN '97-'98		JUN	MAY	JUN	
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	364.0	367.8	364.9	0.9	3,685.7	3,686.6	3,681.5	(4.2)	
EMPLOYED ('000)	317.1	321.1	320.1	3.0	3,274.9	3,299.7	3,291.7	16.8	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	46.9	46.7	44.8	(2.1)	410.8	386.9	389.8	(21.0)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)									
--Actual	12.5	13.2	11.6	(0.9)	10.4	10.1	9.9	(0.5)	
--Seasonally Adjusted	12.9	12.7	12.3	(0.6)	11.1	10.5	10.6	(0.5)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.3	60.7	60.3	0.0	62.2	61.8	61.7	(0.5)	

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ONTARIO

CHANGE

	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,916.6	6,037.3	6,021.1	104.5	576.5	573.4	572.2	(4.3)
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,415.6	5,607.5	5,593.2	177.6	537.4	543.1	539.7	2.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	501.0	429.7	427.9	(73.1)	39.1	30.3	32.5	(6.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	8.5	7.3	7.1	(1.4)	6.2	5.3	5.2	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.5	7.1	7.1	(1.4)	6.8	5.3	5.7	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.9	66.3	66.1	0.2	66.9	66.5	66.3	(0.6)

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

CHANGE

	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	505.7	503.7	505.0	(0.7)	1,537.8	1,603.0	1,594.3	56.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	475.4	476.6	474.7	(0.7)	1,450.5	1,511.9	1,506.7	56.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	30.2	27.1	30.3	0.1	87.3	91.0	87.6	0.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	5.2	5.3	5.5	0.3	5.3	5.9	5.1	(0.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.0	5.4	6.0	0.0	5.7	5.7	5.5	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.5	66.0	66.2	(0.3)	71.3	72.4	71.7	0.4

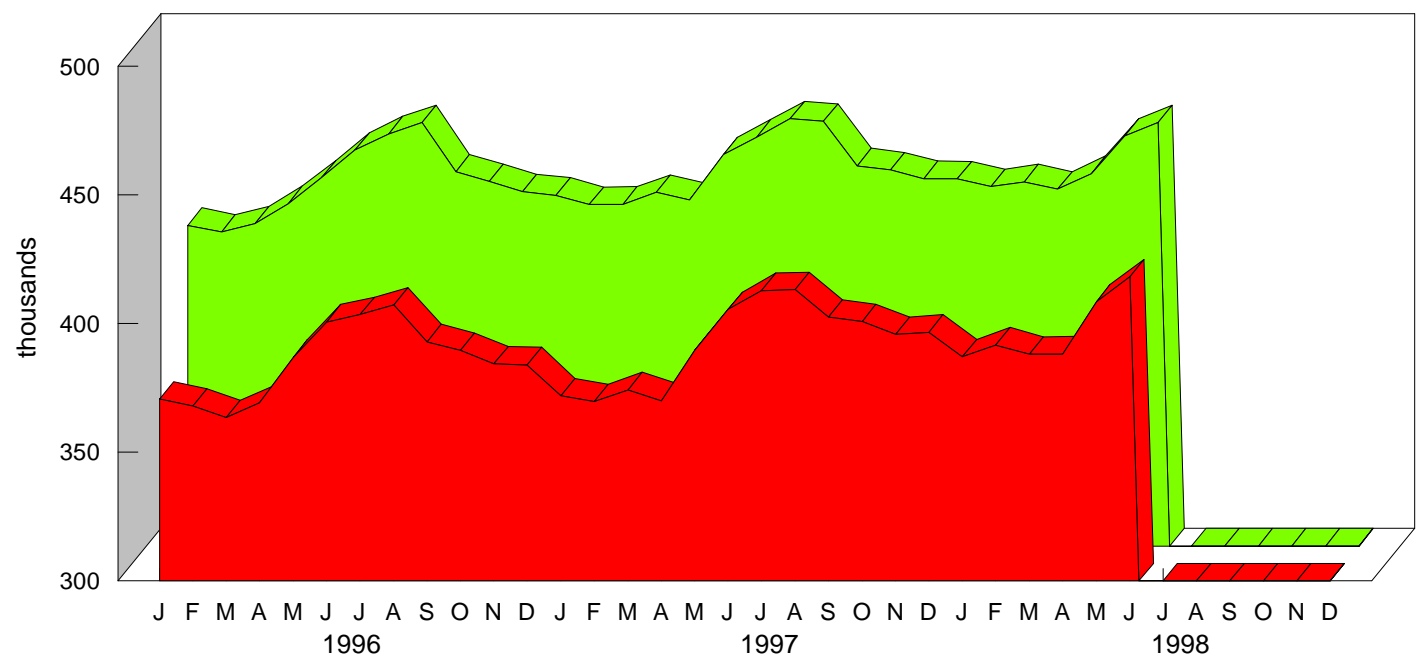
ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

CHANGE

	JUN	MAY	JUN	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,002.5	2,047.7	2,041.4	38.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,830.4	1,849.8	1,849.2	18.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	172.1	197.9	192.2	20.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.1	9.6	8.9	0.8
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.6	9.7	9.4	0.8
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.6	65.1	64.8	0.2

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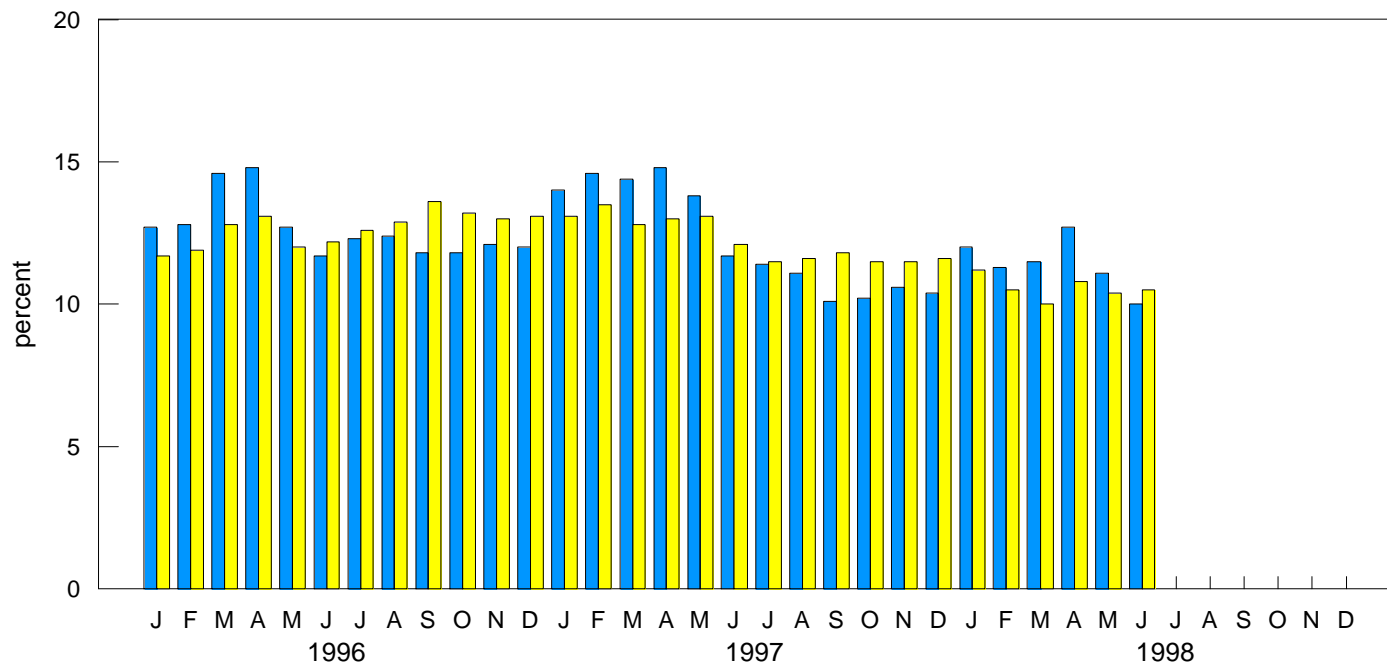
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



Actual Seasonally Adjusted

HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	CHANGE			
	JUN <u>1997</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.9	189.0	189.8	2.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	169.3	174.6	175.3	6.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.6	14.5	14.5	(3.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.4	7.7	7.6	(1.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.4	68.3	68.6	0.2

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CHANGE			
	JUN <u>1997</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	448.5	447.5	456.2	7.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	388.4	394.9	405.0	16.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	60.1	52.6	51.2	(8.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.4	11.8	11.2	(2.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.5	60.0	61.2	0.7

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	JUN <u>1997</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUN <u>'97-'98</u>	JUN <u>1997</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	66.7	65.9	68.1	1.4	73.8	76.9	78.4	4.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	51.6	53.8	55.7	4.1	63.9	67.3	69.2	5.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	15.2	12.0	12.3	(2.9)	9.8	9.6	9.2	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	22.8	18.2	18.1	(4.7)	13.3	12.5	11.7	(1.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.9	52.3	54.0	1.1	56.0	58.1	59.2	3.2

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	JUN <u>1997</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUN <u>'97-'98</u>	JUN <u>1997</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	57.5	55.0	56.0	(1.5)	59.1	56.6	58.9	(0.2)
EMPLOYED ('000)	49.9	48.4	50.1	0.2	51.1	48.6	51.4	0.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.6	6.6	5.9	(1.7)	8.0	8.0	7.5	(0.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.2	12.0	10.5	(2.7)	13.5	14.1	12.7	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.1	56.0	56.9	(2.2)	56.9	54.4	56.6	(0.3)

	HALIFAX			
	JUN <u>1997</u>	MAY <u>1998</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUN <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	191.4	193.1	194.7	3.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	171.8	176.7	178.4	6.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	19.6	16.4	16.3	(3.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.2	8.5	8.4	(1.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.9	67.7	68.3	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	MAY	JUN	MAY	JUN
Total Employment	388.6	388.8	406.3	405.6
Total Goods Producing Sectors	89.6	91.3	98.1	97.5
Agriculture	8.4	8.5	8.1	8.7
Other Primary	14.4	14.8	19.1	18.6
Utilities	2.1	2.0	2.6	2.6
Manufacturing	43.6	44.1	44.7	45.2
Construction	21.1	22.0	23.6	22.4
Total Service Producing Sectors	298.9	297.4	308.2	308.1
Transportation, Storage & Communication	23.5	23.2	27.5	26.0
Trade	73.6	73.0	77.4	76.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	18.7	18.3	19.8	20.4
Community, Business & Personal Services	151.2	151.1	156.0	156.8
Public Administration	32.0	31.8	27.4	28.2

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	JUN	MAY	JUN	JUN	JUN	MAY	JUN	JUN	JUN	MAY	JUN	JUN
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	14,349.3	14,386.5	14,639.3	290.0	11,833.2	11,729.1	12,063.9	230.7	2,516.1	2,657.4	2,575.4	59.3
NEWFOUNDLAND	199.4	194.8	212.6	13.2	168.7	159.4	178.6	9.9	30.7	35.3	34.0	3.3
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	66.5	64.9	68.4	1.9	57.1	53.8	57.6	0.5	9.5	11.1	10.8	1.3
NOVA SCOTIA	405.4	408.5	418.2	12.8	329.4	331.9	343.9	14.5	76.0	76.6	74.2	(1.8)
NEW BRUNSWICK	341.3	327.3	343.9	2.6	289.9	272.6	290.5	0.6	51.4	54.7	53.4	2.0
QUEBEC	3,403.7	3,336.0	3,415.6	11.9	2,873.4	2,760.1	2,868.4	(5.0)	530.4	575.9	547.2	16.8
ONTARIO	5,530.6	5,631.9	5,708.6	178.0	4,543.0	4,612.9	4,700.0	157.0	987.6	1,019.0	1,008.5	20.9
MANITOBA	550.7	546.8	551.4	0.7	450.1	444.8	450.9	0.8	100.6	102.0	100.5	(0.1)
SASKATCHEWAN	491.8	485.4	489.1	(2.7)	396.2	393.3	403.4	7.2	95.6	92.1	85.7	(9.9)
ALBERTA	1,484.5	1,525.6	1,538.9	54.4	1,217.5	1,243.5	1,260.3	42.8	267.0	282.1	278.6	11.6
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,875.4	1,865.5	1,892.7	17.3	1,508.0	1,456.9	1,510.3	2.3	367.3	408.6	382.4	15.1

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	JUN	MAY	JUN	JUN	JUN	MAY	JUN	JUN	JUN	MAY	JUN	JUN
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,704.5	2,537.3	2,697.9	(6.6)	2,230.9	2,116.2	2,263.9	33.0	17.5	16.6	16.1	(1.4)
NEWFOUNDLAND	41.8	37.2	44.1	2.3	28.5	24.0	30.6	2.1	31.8	35.5	30.8	(1.0)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	15.1	13.5	15.0	(0.1)	12.8	11.7	13.2	0.4	15.9	12.6	12.0	(3.9)
NOVA SCOTIA	82.2	78.2	83.2	1.0	64.8	61.3	70.1	5.3	21.2	21.6	15.7	(5.5)
NEW BRUNSWICK	78.2	66.3	74.4	(3.8)	59.2	52.4	59.5	0.3	24.3	21.0	20.0	(4.3)
QUEBEC	635.5	562.4	634.5	(1.0)	498.9	463.5	515.6	16.7	21.5	17.6	18.7	(2.8)
ONTARIO	1,026.3	959.1	1,006.8	(19.5)	842.1	795.6	845.9	3.8	17.9	17.0	16.0	(1.9)
MANITOBA	110.7	102.5	106.6	(4.1)	96.8	91.4	95.9	(0.9)	12.6	10.8	10.0	(2.6)
SASKATCHEWAN	101.2	93.0	97.3	(3.9)	93.4	82.2	87.1	(6.3)	7.7	11.6	10.5	2.8
ALBERTA	286.4	302.2	308.4	22.0	255.3	268.6	280.5	25.2	10.9	11.1	9.0	(1.9)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	327.0	323.1	327.7	0.7	278.9	265.5	265.5	(13.4)	14.7	17.8	19.0	4.3

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

JULY 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - JULY 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JUL	JUN	JUL	CHANGE	JUL	JUN	JUL	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,350.9	15,544.8	15,580.0	229.1	15,849.7	15,919.4	16,084.2	234.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	13,969.7	14,243.0	14,269.6	299.9	14,418.5	14,639.3	14,725.0	306.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,381.1	1,301.9	1,310.5	(70.6)	1,431.2	1,280.1	1,359.2	(72.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.0	8.4	8.4	(0.6)	9.0	8.0	8.5	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.8	64.8	64.9	0.1	66.9	66.4	67.0	0.1

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	JUL	JUN	JUL	CHANGE	JUL	JUN	JUL	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	443.2	450.3	448.7	5.5	466.0	464.5	470.5	4.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	392.2	403.2	401.3	9.1	412.8	418.2	421.3	8.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	51.0	47.1	47.5	(3.5)	53.2	46.4	49.2	(4.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.5	10.5	10.6	(0.9)	11.4	10.0	10.5	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.7	60.4	60.1	0.4	62.8	62.3	63.1	0.3

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	NEWFOUNDLAND				PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
	JUL	JUN	JUL	CHANGE	JUL	JUN	JUL	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	233.5	242.6	239.3	5.8	71.7	71.5	71.2	(0.5)
EMPLOYED ('000)	189.2	202.4	197.4	8.2	61.3	62.1	62.4	1.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.4	40.3	41.9	(2.5)	10.3	9.4	8.8	(1.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	18.4	17.4	17.4	(1.0)	12.3	9.2	10.1	(2.2)
--Actual								
--Seasonally Adjusted	19.0	16.6	17.5	(1.5)	14.4	13.1	12.4	(2.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.9	54.4	53.8	1.9	66.8	66.8	66.5	0.3

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	NEW BRUNSWICK				QUEBEC			
	JUL	JUN	JUL	CHANGE	JUL	JUN	JUL	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	362.4	364.9	358.7	(3.7)	3,670.6	3,681.5	3,716.3	45.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	317.9	320.1	318.4	0.5	3,259.2	3,291.7	3,310.3	51.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.5	44.8	40.3	(4.2)	411.4	389.8	406.1	(5.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.4	11.6	10.1	(1.3)	10.5	9.9	10.4	(0.1)
--Actual								
--Seasonally Adjusted	12.3	12.3	11.2	(1.1)	11.2	10.6	10.9	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.1	60.3	59.2	(0.9)	61.9	61.7	62.3	0.4

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.

Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.

Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.

Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997.

ONTARIO

CHANGE

JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL
<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>

MANITOBA

CHANGE

JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL
<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>

LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,913.0	6,021.1	6,022.0	109.0	571.7	572.2	577.7	6.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,427.9	5,593.2	5,590.0	162.1	533.4	539.7	547.1	13.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	485.1	427.9	432.0	(53.1)	38.3	32.5	30.7	(7.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	8.7	7.1	7.6	(1.1)	6.5	5.2	5.3	(1.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.2	7.1	7.2	(1.0)	6.7	5.7	5.3	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.8	66.1	66.0	0.2	66.3	66.3	67.0	0.7

SASKATCHEWAN

CHANGE

JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL
<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>

ALBERTA

CHANGE

JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL
<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>

LABOUR FORCE ('000)	506.3	505.0	506.6	0.3	1,550.1	1,594.3	1,599.6	49.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	476.8	474.7	476.0	(0.8)	1,459.8	1,506.7	1,513.2	53.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	29.4	30.3	30.5	1.1	90.3	87.6	86.3	(4.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	6.1	5.5	6.4	0.3	6.5	5.1	6.0	(0.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	6.0	6.0	0.2	5.8	5.5	5.4	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.6	66.2	66.4	(0.2)	71.7	71.7	71.8	0.1

BRITISH COLUMBIA

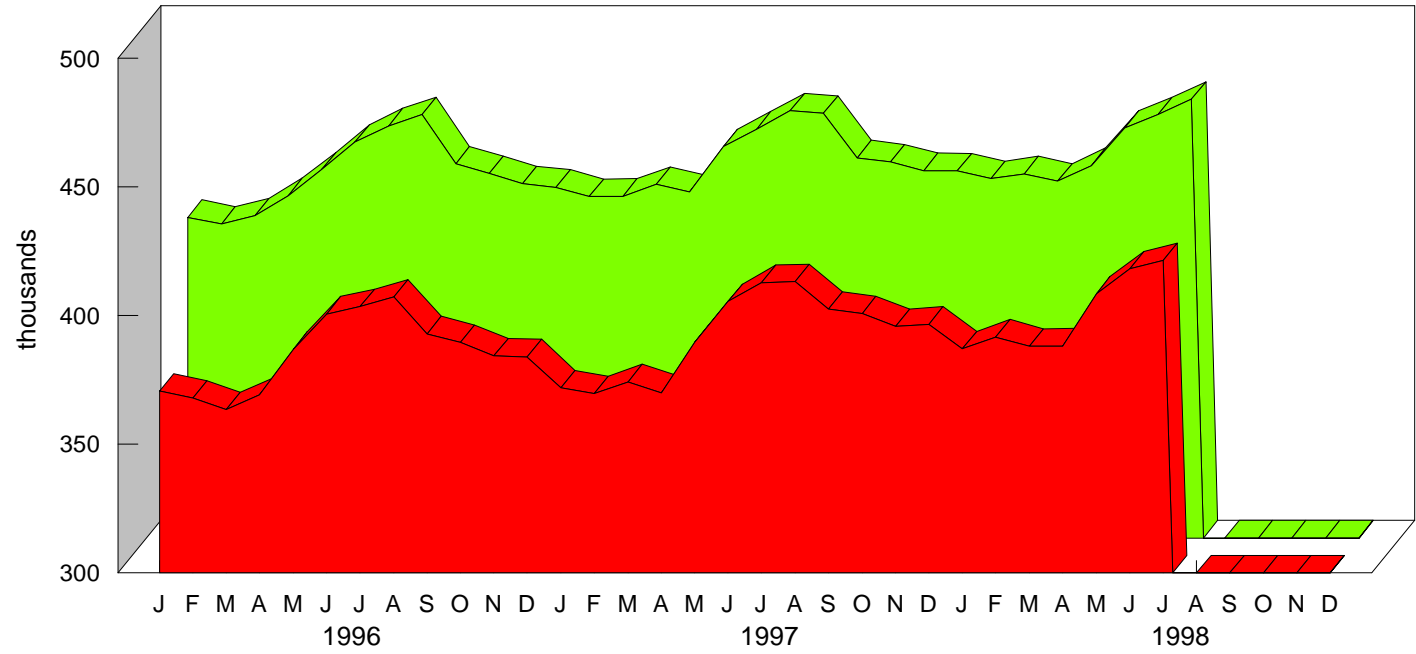
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JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL
<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>

LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,028.4	2,041.4	2,040.0	11.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,852.0	1,849.2	1,853.5	1.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	176.4	192.2	186.5	10.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.6	8.9	8.9	0.3
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.7	9.4	9.1	0.4
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.4	64.8	64.7	(0.7)

Nova Scotia Labour Force & Employment

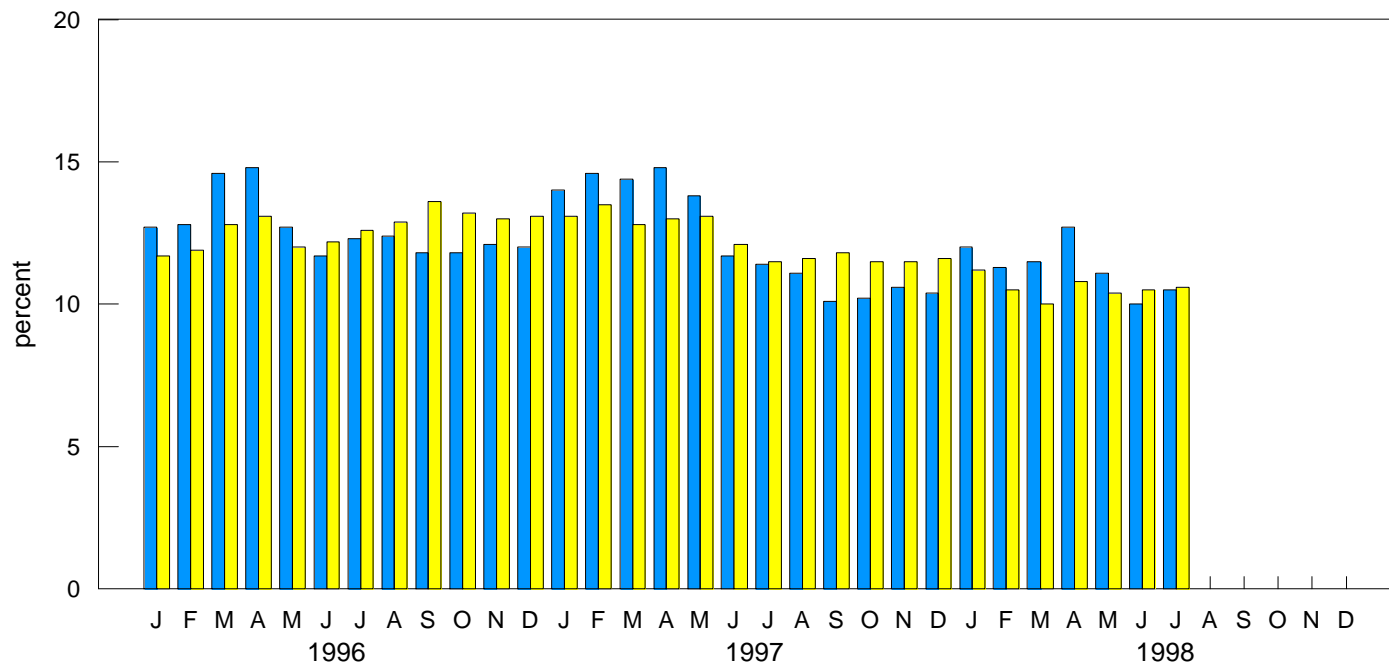
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



■ Actual
 ■ Seasonally Adjusted

HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

				CHANGE
	JUL <u>1997</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.8	189.8	189.1	2.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	169.4	175.3	175.6	6.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.3	14.5	13.4	(3.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.3	7.6	7.1	(2.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.4	68.6	68.3	(0.1)

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

				CHANGE
	JUL <u>1997</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	459.0	456.2	464.8	5.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	402.6	405.0	416.0	13.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	56.4	51.2	48.8	(7.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.3	11.2	10.5	(1.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.9	61.2	62.3	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	JUL <u>1997</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUL <u>'97-'98</u>	JUL <u>1997</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUL <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	68.4	68.1	69.6	1.2	76.9	78.4	80.1	3.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	55.3	55.7	57.9	2.6	67.4	69.2	71.3	3.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	13.1	12.3	11.7	(1.4)	9.5	9.2	8.8	(0.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	19.2	18.1	16.8	(2.4)	12.4	11.7	11.0	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	54.2	54.0	55.3	1.1	58.3	59.2	60.5	2.2

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	JUL <u>1997</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUL <u>'97-'98</u>	JUL <u>1997</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>1998</u>	CHANGE JUL <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.1	56.0	57.7	(1.4)	60.8	58.9	60.9	0.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	52.1	50.1	51.8	(0.3)	53.4	51.4	53.9	0.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	7.0	5.9	5.9	(1.1)	7.4	7.5	7.0	(0.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.8	10.5	10.2	(1.6)	12.2	12.7	11.5	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.7	56.9	58.6	(2.1)	58.5	56.6	58.6	0.1

	HALIFAX			CHANGE
	JUL <u>1997</u>	JUN <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>1998</u>	JUL <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	193.9	194.7	196.5	2.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	174.5	178.4	181.1	6.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	19.5	16.3	15.4	(4.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.1	8.4	7.8	(2.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.7	68.3	68.9	0.2

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	JUN	JUL	JUN	JUL
Total Employment	388.8	390.7	405.6	404.0
Total Goods Producing Sectors	91.3	92.3	97.5	96.5
Agriculture	8.5	8.4	8.7	8.8
Other Primary	14.8	15.1	18.6	17.9
Utilities	2.0	2.2	2.6	2.6
Manufacturing	44.1	44.1	45.2	46.2
Construction	22.0	22.5	22.4	21.0
Total Service Producing Sectors	297.4	298.3	308.1	307.5
Transportation, Storage & Communication	23.2	23.6	26.0	24.8
Trade	73.0	71.7	76.6	76.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	18.3	18.2	20.4	20.6
Community, Business & Personal Services	151.1	152.3	156.8	157.3
Public Administration	31.8	32.5	28.2	28.7

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL	JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL	JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	14,418.5	14,639.3	14,725.0	306.5	12,003.0	12,063.9	12,297.0	294.0	2,415.4	2,575.4	2,428.0	12.6
NEWFOUNDLAND	212.2	212.6	219.8	7.6	183.0	178.6	192.0	9.0	29.1	34.0	27.8	(1.3)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	67.1	68.4	68.3	1.2	59.3	57.6	59.6	0.3	7.8	10.8	8.8	1.0
NOVA SCOTIA	412.8	418.2	421.3	8.5	342.0	343.9	352.2	10.2	70.7	74.2	69.1	(1.6)
NEW BRUNSWICK	343.6	343.9	344.6	1.0	295.5	290.5	297.0	1.5	48.1	53.4	47.6	(0.5)
QUEBEC	3,392.5	3,415.6	3,442.8	50.3	2,890.0	2,868.4	2,937.4	47.4	502.4	547.2	505.4	3.0
ONTARIO	5,555.9	5,708.6	5,724.7	168.8	4,578.3	4,700.0	4,770.6	192.3	977.6	1,008.5	954.1	(23.5)
MANITOBA	545.4	551.4	559.9	14.5	451.3	450.9	469.8	18.5	94.1	100.5	90.1	(4.0)
SASKATCHEWAN	493.8	489.1	491.8	(2.0)	406.0	403.4	409.7	3.7	87.8	85.7	82.2	(5.6)
ALBERTA	1,489.4	1,538.9	1,545.0	55.6	1,252.9	1,260.3	1,288.6	35.7	236.5	278.6	256.4	19.9
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,906.0	1,892.7	1,906.8	0.8	1,544.6	1,510.3	1,520.3	(24.3)	361.4	382.4	386.4	25.0

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL	JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL	JUL	JUN	JUL	JUL
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,909.1	2,697.9	2,935.9	26.8	2,410.8	2,263.9	2,471.9	61.1	17.1	16.1	15.8	(1.3)
NEWFOUNDLAND	51.3	44.1	53.8	2.5	38.1	30.6	39.3	1.2	25.7	30.8	27.0	1.3
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	17.1	15.0	16.9	(0.2)	14.7	13.2	14.5	(0.2)	14.0	12.0	13.6	(0.4)
NOVA SCOTIA	95.4	83.2	93.8	(1.6)	77.0	70.1	77.0	0.0	19.3	15.7	17.9	(1.4)
NEW BRUNSWICK	78.5	74.4	77.3	(1.2)	63.8	59.5	65.1	1.3	18.7	20.0	15.7	(3.0)
QUEBEC	665.8	634.5	689.7	23.9	538.7	515.6	562.2	23.5	19.1	18.7	18.5	(0.6)
ONTARIO	1,101.6	1,006.8	1,095.8	(5.8)	899.6	845.9	928.7	29.1	18.3	16.0	15.2	(3.1)
MANITOBA	117.0	106.6	117.0	0.0	102.7	95.9	106.0	3.3	12.2	10.0	9.4	(2.8)
SASKATCHEWAN	111.2	97.3	105.4	(5.8)	100.0	87.1	92.7	(7.3)	10.1	10.5	12.1	2.0
ALBERTA	312.5	308.4	330.7	18.2	270.2	280.5	294.4	24.2	13.5	9.0	11.0	(2.5)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	358.8	327.7	355.5	(3.3)	306.2	265.5	291.9	(14.3)	14.7	19.0	17.9	3.2

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

AUGUST 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - AUGUST 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,410.1	15,580.0	15,605.0	194.9	15,852.4	16,084.2	16,064.6	212.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,023.3	14,269.6	14,306.4	283.1	14,458.2	14,725.0	14,766.3	308.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,386.8	1,310.5	1,298.7	(88.1)	1,394.2	1,359.2	1,298.3	(95.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.0	8.4	8.3	(0.7)	8.8	8.5	8.1	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.0	64.9	64.9	(0.1)	66.8	67.0	66.9	0.1

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	443.9	448.7	449.9	6.0	465.0	470.5	471.0	6.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	392.4	401.3	402.1	9.7	413.2	421.3	423.1	9.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	51.5	47.5	47.8	(3.7)	51.8	49.2	48.0	(3.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.6	10.6	10.6	(1.0)	11.1	10.5	10.2	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.8	60.1	60.3	0.5	62.6	63.1	63.1	0.5

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	NEWFOUNDLAND				PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	236.9	239.3	234.8	(2.1)	71.0	71.2	70.2	(0.8)
EMPLOYED ('000)	193.7	197.4	190.4	(3.3)	61.1	62.4	60.7	(0.4)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.2	41.9	44.4	1.2	10.0	8.8	9.4	(0.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	17.2	17.4	18.1	0.9	10.5	10.1	9.9	(0.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	18.2	17.5	18.9	0.7	14.1	12.4	13.4	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.7	53.8	52.8	0.1	66.1	66.5	65.5	0.6

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

	NEW BRUNSWICK				QUEBEC			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	360.6	358.7	364.7	4.1	3,680.3	3,716.3	3,732.1	51.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	316.0	318.4	321.2	5.2	3,257.5	3,310.3	3,340.8	83.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	44.5	40.3	43.5	(1.0)	422.8	406.1	391.4	(31.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	11.0	10.1	10.4	(0.6)	10.9	10.4	10.0	(0.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	12.3	11.2	11.9	(0.4)	11.5	10.9	10.5	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.8	59.2	60.2	0.4	62.2	62.3	62.5	0.3

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ONTARIO

	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,947.9	6,022.0	6,003.5	55.6	573.9	577.7	582.3	8.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,462.4	5,590.0	5,572.5	110.1	533.4	547.1	549.6	16.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	485.5	432.0	431.0	(54.5)	35.5	30.7	32.8	(2.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	8.2	7.6	7.1	(1.1)	6.3	5.3	5.8	(0.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.2	7.2	7.2	(1.0)	6.2	5.3	5.6	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.1	66.0	65.7	(0.4)	66.6	67.0	67.5	0.9

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

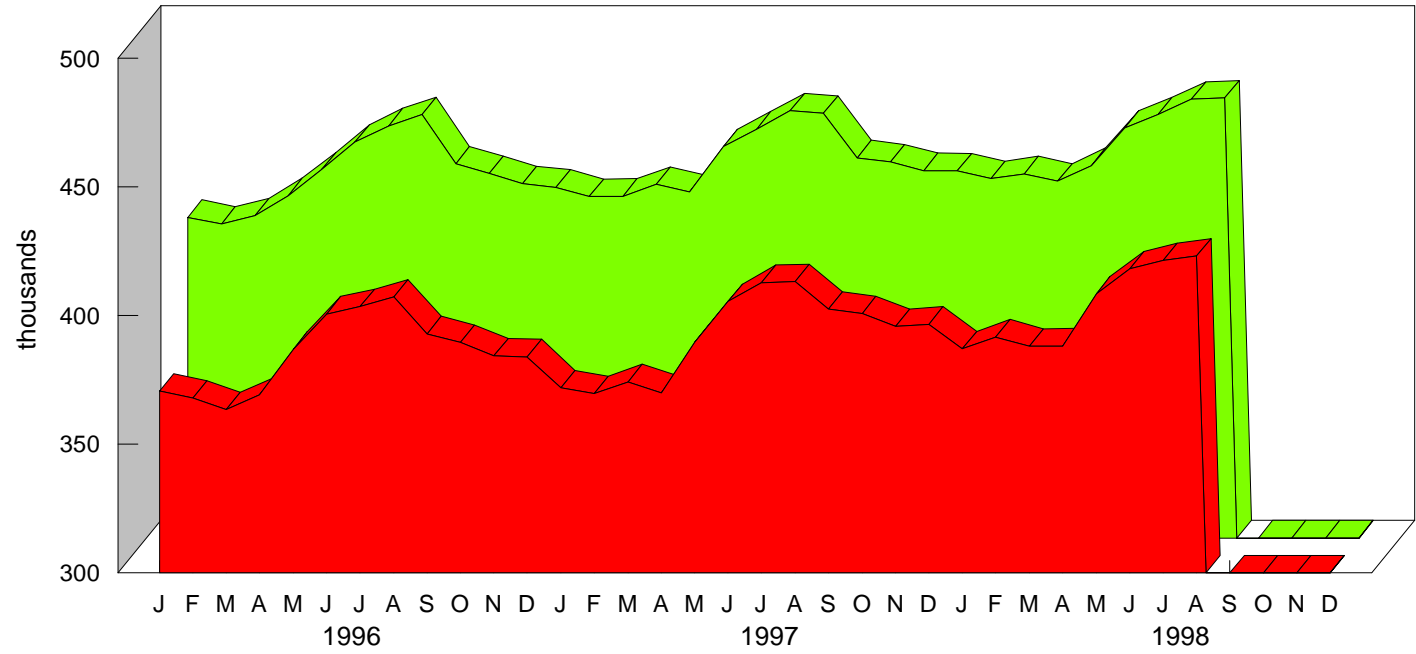
	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	506.1	506.6	511.3	5.2	1,560.0	1,599.6	1,616.1	56.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	477.5	476.0	478.0	0.5	1,470.2	1,513.2	1,527.3	57.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	28.6	30.5	33.3	4.7	89.8	86.3	88.8	(1.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	5.5	6.4	6.4	0.9	6.0	6.0	5.8	(0.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.7	6.0	6.5	0.8	5.8	5.4	5.5	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.5	66.4	66.9	0.4	72.1	71.8	72.3	0.2

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

	CHANGE			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,029.4	2,040.0	2,040.1	10.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,853.9	1,853.5	1,863.8	9.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	175.5	186.5	176.4	0.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.3	8.9	8.2	(0.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.6	9.1	8.6	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.3	64.7	64.7	(0.6)

Nova Scotia Labour Force & Employment

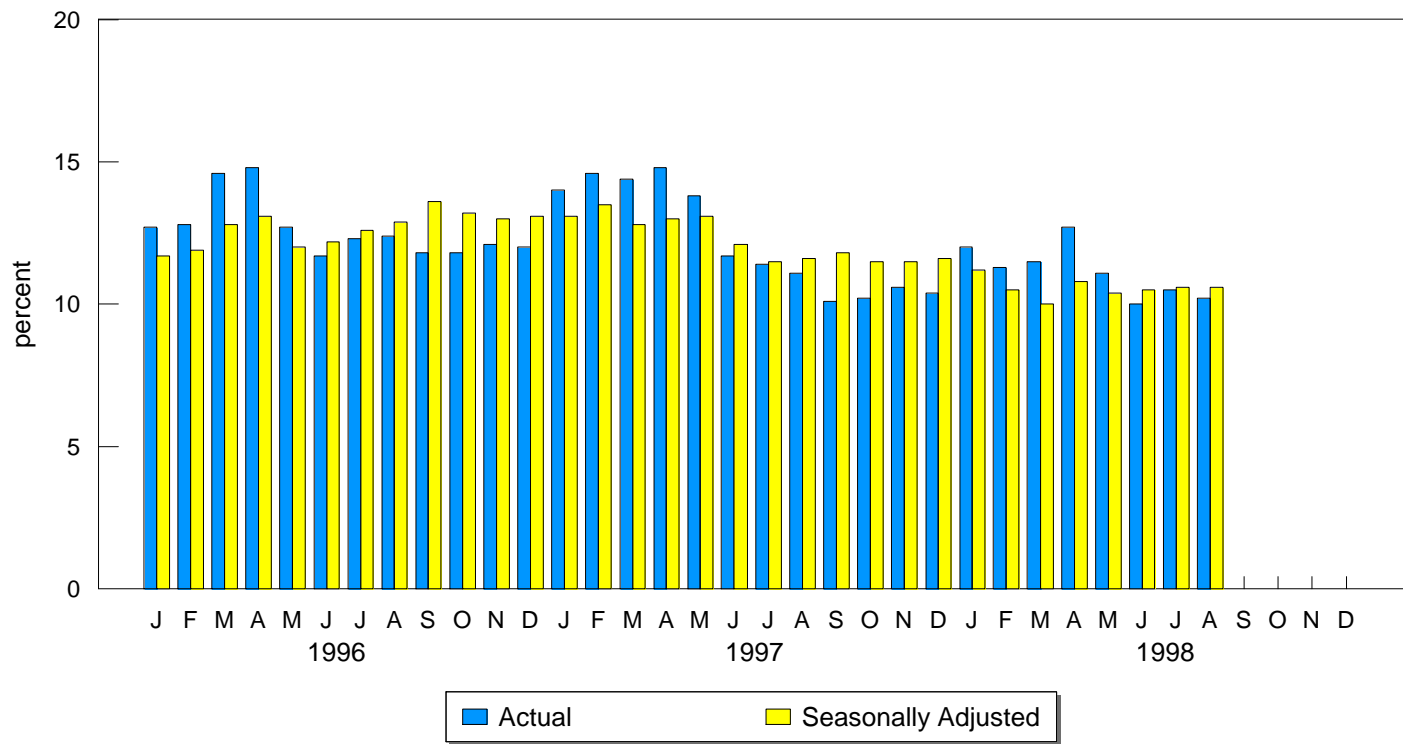
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	185.2	189.1	188.5	3.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	168.8	175.6	175.3	6.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	16.4	13.4	13.2	(3.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.9	7.1	7.0	(1.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.7	68.3	68.0	0.3

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	463.3	464.8	468.7	5.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	410.5	416.0	420.8	10.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	52.8	48.8	47.9	(4.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.4	10.5	10.2	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	62.4	62.3	62.8	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	69.3	69.6	69.9	0.6	79.1	80.1	81.2	2.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	57.6	57.9	58.1	0.5	69.4	71.3	72.3	2.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	11.6	11.7	11.8	0.2	9.7	8.8	8.9	(0.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	16.7	16.8	16.9	0.2	12.3	11.0	11.0	(1.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	55.0	55.3	55.5	0.5	59.9	60.5	61.3	1.4

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.7	57.7	58.8	(0.9)	61.4	60.9	62.0	0.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	52.9	51.8	52.9	0.0	54.8	53.9	55.2	0.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.9	5.9	5.8	(1.1)	6.7	7.0	6.9	0.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.6	10.2	9.9	(1.7)	10.9	11.5	11.1	0.2
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.2	58.6	59.8	(1.4)	59.1	58.6	59.7	0.6

	HALIFAX			
	AUG	JUL	AUG	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	193.7	196.5	196.8	3.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	175.8	181.1	182.4	6.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.9	15.4	14.4	(3.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.2	7.8	7.3	(1.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.6	68.9	68.9	0.3

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	JUL	AUG	JUL	AUG
Total Employment	390.7	391.9	404.0	402.2
Total Goods Producing Sectors	92.3	92.6	96.5	94.8
Agriculture	8.4	7.8	8.8	8.6
Other Primary	15.1	15.1	17.9	16.3
Utilities	2.2	2.5	2.6	3.0
Manufacturing	44.1	44.6	46.2	47.0
Construction	22.5	22.6	21.0	19.9
Total Service Producing Sectors	298.3	299.3	307.5	307.4
Transportation, Storage & Communication	23.6	23.9	24.8	23.7
Trade	71.7	71.3	76.1	75.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	18.2	18.6	20.6	20.2
Community, Business & Personal Services	152.3	153.4	157.3	159.7
Public Administration	32.5	32.2	28.7	28.9

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	14,458.2	14,725.0	14,766.3	308.1	12,068.9	12,297.0	12,387.9	319.0	2,389.3	2,428.0	2,378.4	(10.9)
NEWFOUNDLAND	213.7	219.8	208.8	(4.9)	186.5	192.0	183.2	(3.3)	27.1	27.8	25.5	(1.6)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	68.9	68.3	68.5	(0.4)	60.5	59.6	60.5	0.0	8.3	8.8	7.9	(0.4)
NOVA SCOTIA	413.2	421.3	423.1	9.9	341.5	352.2	356.0	14.5	71.7	69.1	67.0	(4.7)
NEW BRUNSWICK	342.8	344.6	349.0	6.2	297.4	297.0	302.5	5.1	45.4	47.6	46.5	1.1
QUEBEC	3,360.1	3,442.8	3,455.3	95.2	2,851.5	2,937.4	2,956.6	105.1	508.6	505.4	498.7	(9.9)
ONTARIO	5,608.1	5,724.7	5,727.6	119.5	4,645.7	4,770.6	4,785.1	139.4	962.5	954.1	942.5	(20.0)
MANITOBA	547.7	559.9	560.5	12.8	457.6	469.8	472.8	15.2	90.1	90.1	87.6	(2.5)
SASKATCHEWAN	494.4	491.8	494.5	0.1	409.1	409.7	413.0	3.9	85.2	82.2	81.4	(3.8)
ALBERTA	1,501.6	1,545.0	1,562.3	60.7	1,268.8	1,288.6	1,315.5	46.7	232.8	256.4	246.8	14.0
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,907.8	1,906.8	1,916.9	9.1	1,550.2	1,520.3	1,542.4	(7.8)	357.6	386.4	374.4	16.8

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG	AUG	JUL	AUG	AUG
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,823.9	2,935.9	2,853.3	29.4	2,397.3	2,471.9	2,480.4	83.1	15.1	15.8	13.1	(2.0)
NEWFOUNDLAND	47.5	53.8	44.7	(2.8)	36.4	39.3	34.2	(2.2)	23.4	27.0	23.5	0.1
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	16.8	16.9	16.5	(0.3)	15.0	14.5	14.6	(0.4)	11.3	13.6	10.9	(0.4)
NOVA SCOTIA	92.5	93.8	90.4	(2.1)	75.2	77.0	76.3	1.1	18.7	17.9	15.6	(3.1)
NEW BRUNSWICK	73.3	77.3	77.9	4.6	61.3	65.1	67.1	5.8	16.4	15.7	13.7	(2.7)
QUEBEC	620.0	689.7	649.1	29.1	499.2	562.2	557.1	57.9	19.5	18.5	14.2	(5.3)
ONTARIO	1,093.8	1,095.8	1,085.4	(8.4)	927.5	928.7	944.6	17.1	15.2	15.2	13.0	(2.2)
MANITOBA	114.4	117.0	115.5	1.1	103.1	106.0	106.7	3.6	9.9	9.4	7.6	(2.3)
SASKATCHEWAN	109.1	105.4	106.8	(2.3)	98.7	92.7	96.0	(2.7)	9.5	12.1	10.1	0.6
ALBERTA	306.5	330.7	324.6	18.1	279.8	294.4	293.6	13.8	8.7	11.0	9.6	0.9
BRITISH COLUMBIA	350.3	355.5	342.4	(7.9)	301.2	291.9	290.1	(11.1)	14.0	17.9	15.3	1.3

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION
SEPTEMBER 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - SEPTEMBER 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	SEP	AUG	SEP	CHANGE	SEP	AUG	SEP	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	SEP '97-'98	1997	1998	1998	SEP '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,414.5	15,605.0	15,680.5	266.0	15,432.7	16,064.6	15,705.3	272.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,029.9	14,306.4	14,379.2	349.3	14,174.2	14,766.3	14,520.3	346.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,384.6	1,298.7	1,301.2	(83.4)	1,258.5	1,298.3	1,185.0	(73.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.0	8.3	8.3	(0.7)	8.2	8.1	7.5	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.9	64.9	65.2	0.3	65.0	66.9	65.3	0.3

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	SEP	AUG	SEP	CHANGE	SEP	AUG	SEP	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	SEP '97-'98	1997	1998	1998	SEP '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	446.9	449.9	451.7	4.8	447.8	471.0	452.5	4.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	394.0	402.1	400.3	6.3	402.6	423.1	408.0	5.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	52.9	47.8	51.3	(1.6)	45.2	48.0	44.5	(0.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.8	10.6	11.4	(0.4)	10.1	10.2	9.8	(0.3)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.1	60.3	60.5	0.4	60.3	63.1	60.6	0.3

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	SEP	AUG	SEP	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	SEP '97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	235.1	234.8	239.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	193.3	190.4	194.6	1.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	41.8	44.4	44.4	2.6
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	15.4	18.1	16.4	1.0
--Seasonally Adjusted	17.8	18.9	18.6	0.8
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.3	52.8	53.8	1.5

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	SEP	AUG	SEP	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	SEP '97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	70.8	70.2	71.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	61.2	60.7	61.1	(0.1)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.6	9.4	10.0	0.4
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	10.3	9.9	10.6	0.3
--Seasonally Adjusted	13.6	13.4	14.1	0.5
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.9	65.5	66.4	(0.5)

NEW BRUNSWICK

	SEP	AUG	SEP	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	SEP '97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	360.7	364.7	366.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	318.3	321.2	324.3	6.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	42.5	43.5	42.6	0.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	10.1	10.4	9.7	(0.4)
--Seasonally Adjusted	11.8	11.9	11.6	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.8	60.2	60.6	0.8

QUEBEC

	SEP	AUG	SEP	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	SEP '97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,677.3	3,732.1	3,724.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,262.1	3,340.8	3,342.6	80.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	415.2	391.4	381.7	(33.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	10.5	10.0	9.6	(0.9)
--Seasonally Adjusted	11.3	10.5	10.2	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.9	62.5	62.3	0.4

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ONTARIO

	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,946.6	6,003.5	6,068.0	121.4	577.8	582.3	582.8	5.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,462.8	5,572.5	5,634.6	171.8	539.6	549.6	547.3	7.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	483.8	431.0	433.4	(50.4)	38.2	32.8	35.6	(2.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	7.4	7.1	6.5	(0.9)	5.7	5.8	5.4	(0.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.1	7.2	7.1	(1.0)	6.6	5.6	6.1	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.0	65.7	66.3	0.3	67.0	67.5	67.5	0.5

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

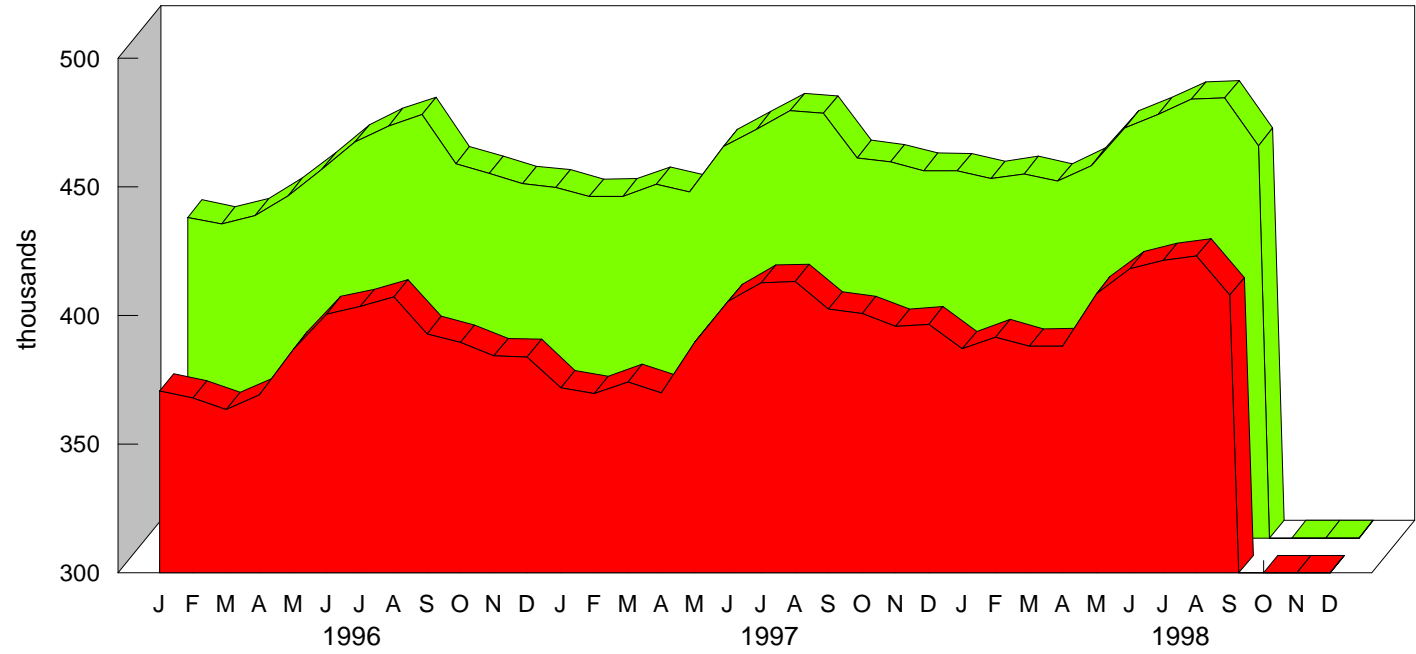
	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	506.1	511.3	508.2	2.1	1,560.2	1,616.1	1,624.1	63.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	476.1	478.0	476.4	0.3	1,472.4	1,527.3	1,522.6	50.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	30.0	33.3	31.7	1.7	87.8	88.8	101.5	13.7
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	5.0	6.4	5.1	0.1	4.9	5.8	5.7	0.8
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.9	6.5	6.2	0.3	5.6	5.5	6.2	0.6
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.5	66.9	66.5	0.0	71.9	72.3	72.4	0.5

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

	CHANGE			
	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,033.0	2,040.1	2,044.4	11.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,850.2	1,863.8	1,875.4	25.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	182.8	176.4	169.0	(13.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.2	8.2	7.4	(0.8)
--Seasonally Adjusted	9.0	8.6	8.3	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.3	64.7	64.7	(0.6)

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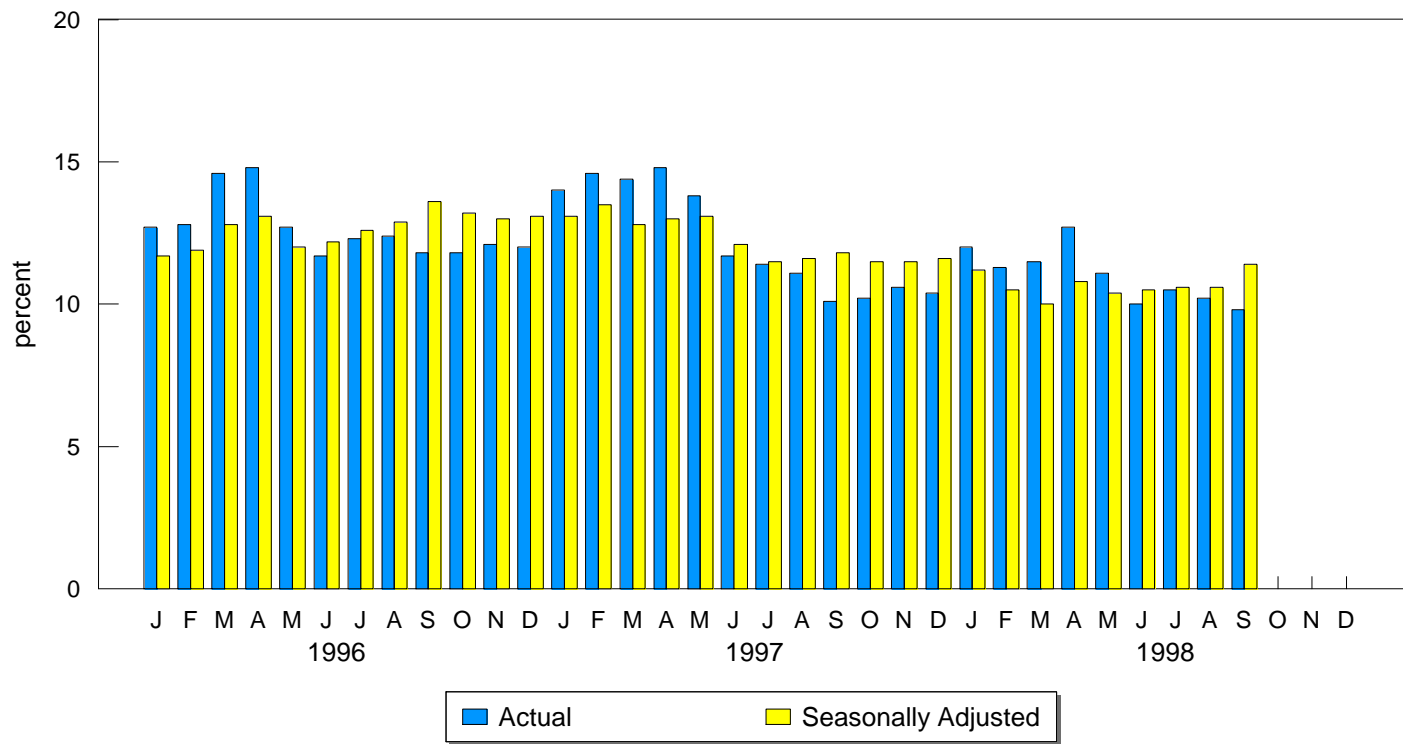
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	CHANGE			
	SEP <u>1997</u>	AUG <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.4	188.5	188.7	2.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	170.5	175.3	174.9	4.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	15.9	13.2	13.8	(2.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.5	7.0	7.3	(1.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.9	68.0	68.1	0.2

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CHANGE			
	SEP <u>1997</u>	AUG <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	459.6	468.7	464.7	5.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	409.5	420.8	417.4	7.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	50.1	47.9	47.3	(2.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.9	10.2	10.2	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.9	62.8	62.3	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	SEP <u>1997</u>	AUG <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>1998</u>	CHANGE SEP <u>'97-'98</u>	SEP <u>1997</u>	AUG <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>1998</u>	CHANGE SEP <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	67.7	69.9	69.4	1.7	78.9	81.2	79.9	1.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	57.3	58.1	57.7	0.4	68.6	72.3	71.0	2.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	10.4	11.8	11.8	1.4	10.3	8.9	8.8	(1.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	15.4	16.9	17.0	1.6	13.1	11.0	11.0	(2.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	53.6	55.5	55.2	1.6	59.8	61.3	60.3	0.5

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	SEP <u>1997</u>	AUG <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>1998</u>	CHANGE SEP <u>'97-'98</u>	SEP <u>1997</u>	AUG <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>1998</u>	CHANGE SEP <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	59.0	58.8	58.6	(0.4)	61.1	62.0	61.4	0.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	52.4	52.9	52.9	0.5	54.9	55.2	55.1	0.2
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.6	5.8	5.7	(0.9)	6.3	6.9	6.3	0.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.2	9.9	9.7	(1.5)	10.3	11.1	10.3	0.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.5	59.8	59.5	(1.0)	58.8	59.7	59.2	0.4

	HALIFAX			
	SEP <u>1997</u>	AUG <u>1998</u>	SEP <u>1998</u>	CHANGE SEP <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	192.9	196.8	195.4	2.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	176.4	182.4	180.7	4.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	16.6	14.4	14.7	(1.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.6	7.3	7.5	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.2	68.9	68.4	0.2

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	AUG	SEP	AUG	SEP
Total Employment	391.9	392.9	402.2	401.2
Total Goods Producing Sectors	92.6	93.0	94.8	93.2
Agriculture	7.8	7.6	8.6	8.1
Other Primary	15.1	14.9	16.3	15.7
Utilities	2.5	2.8	3.0	3.0
Manufacturing	44.6	45.4	47.0	46.9
Construction	22.6	22.2	19.9	19.6
Total Service Producing Sectors	299.3	299.9	307.4	308.0
Transportation, Storage & Communication	23.9	24.4	23.7	24.0
Trade	71.3	71.0	75.0	74.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	18.6	19.0	20.2	19.6
Community, Business & Personal Services	153.4	153.7	159.7	161.2
Public Administration	32.2	31.8	28.9	28.7

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	14,174.2	14,766.3	14,520.3	346.1	12,570.8	12,387.9	11,833.5	(737.3)	2,603.4	2,378.4	2,686.9	83.5
NEWFOUNDLAND	204.5	208.8	205.8	1.3	172.0	183.2	178.1	6.1	32.5	25.5	27.7	(4.8)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	64.7	68.5	64.7	0.0	54.4	60.5	54.1	(0.3)	10.4	7.9	10.6	0.2
NOVA SCOTIA	402.6	423.1	408.0	5.4	322.8	356.0	329.2	6.4	79.8	67.0	78.8	(1.0)
NEW BRUNSWICK	332.2	349.0	339.0	6.8	282.7	302.5	286.1	3.4	49.5	46.5	52.9	3.4
QUEBEC	3,305.3	3,455.3	3,384.0	78.7	2,732.7	2,956.6	2,800.0	67.3	572.6	498.7	584.0	11.4
ONTARIO	5,481.2	5,727.6	5,650.6	169.4	4,466.9	4,785.1	4,609.2	142.3	1,014.3	942.5	1,041.3	27.0
MANITOBA	545.5	560.5	552.9	7.4	439.7	472.8	449.6	9.9	105.7	87.6	103.3	(2.4)
SASKATCHEWAN	483.1	494.5	482.8	(0.3)	388.0	413.0	391.8	3.8	95.1	81.4	91.1	(4.0)
ALBERTA	1,484.4	1,562.3	1,532.0	47.6	1,216.9	1,315.5	1,237.1	20.2	267.5	246.8	294.9	27.4
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,870.8	1,916.9	1,900.6	29.8	1,494.6	1,542.4	1,498.4	3.8	376.2	374.4	402.2	26.0

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP	SEP	AUG	SEP	SEP
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,352.7	2,853.3	2,423.6	70.9	1,987.9	2,480.4	2,086.0	98.1	15.5	13.1	13.9	(1.6)
NEWFOUNDLAND	32.8	44.7	32.9	0.1	24.6	34.2	23.9	(0.7)	24.7	23.5	27.4	2.7
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.8	16.5	12.5	(0.3)	11.0	14.6	10.2	(0.8)	14.1	10.9	18.4	4.3
NOVA SCOTIA	74.6	90.4	70.6	(4.0)	59.6	76.3	56.9	(2.7)	20.1	15.6	19.4	(0.7)
NEW BRUNSWICK	57.4	77.9	60.5	3.1	47.4	67.1	51.6	4.2	17.4	13.7	14.7	(2.7)
QUEBEC	517.3	649.1	558.2	40.9	422.7	557.1	473.6	50.9	18.3	14.2	15.2	(3.1)
ONTARIO	899.1	1,085.4	915.3	16.2	762.9	944.6	792.2	29.3	15.1	13.0	13.4	(1.7)
MANITOBA	103.2	115.5	101.7	(1.5)	90.8	106.7	91.0	0.2	9.9	7.6	10.5	0.6
SASKATCHEWAN	94.7	106.8	87.4	(7.3)	85.3	96.0	79.5	(5.8)	9.9	10.1	9.0	(0.9)
ALBERTA	265.1	324.6	282.2	17.1	237.7	293.6	250.1	12.4	10.4	9.6	11.4	1.0
BRITISH COLUMBIA	295.6	342.4	302.2	6.6	245.8	290.1	256.8	11.0	16.8	15.3	15.0	(1.8)

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

OCTOBER 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - OCTOBER 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	OCT	SEP	OCT	CHANGE	OCT	SEP	OCT	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	OCT '97-'98	1997	1998	1998	OCT '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,432.3	15,680.5	15,701.5	269.2	15,405.4	15,705.3	15,691.8	286.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,029.5	14,379.2	14,436.4	406.9	14,105.6	14,520.3	14,526.1	420.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,402.8	1,301.2	1,265.0	(137.8)	1,299.8	1,185.0	1,165.6	(134.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.1	8.3	8.1	(1.0)	8.4	7.5	7.4	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.9	65.2	65.2	0.3	64.8	65.3	65.2	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	OCT	SEP	OCT	CHANGE	OCT	SEP	OCT	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	OCT '97-'98	1997	1998	1998	OCT '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	447.1	451.7	452.3	5.2	446.1	452.5	451.2	5.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	395.5	400.3	404.0	8.5	400.7	408.0	408.5	7.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	51.6	51.3	48.4	(3.2)	45.5	44.5	42.6	(2.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.5	11.4	10.7	(0.8)	10.2	9.8	9.4	(0.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.1	60.5	60.5	0.4	60.0	60.6	60.4	0.4

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	NEWFOUNDLAND				PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
	OCT	SEP	OCT	CHANGE	OCT	SEP	OCT	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	OCT '97-'98	1997	1998	1998	OCT '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	236.6	239.0	249.6	13.0	70.1	71.1	69.7	(0.4)
EMPLOYED ('000)	194.9	194.6	204.5	9.6	60.9	61.1	59.9	(1.0)
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	41.7	44.4	45.1	3.4	9.2	10.0	9.8	0.6
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	15.8	16.4	16.4	0.6	10.2	10.6	11.0	0.8
--Seasonally Adjusted	17.6	18.6	18.1	0.5	13.1	14.1	14.1	1.0
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.7	53.8	56.2	3.5	65.2	66.4	65.1	0.1

NEW BRUNSWICK

	NEW BRUNSWICK				QUEBEC			
	OCT	SEP	OCT	CHANGE	OCT	SEP	OCT	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	OCT '97-'98	1997	1998	1998	OCT '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	363.7	366.9	370.7	7.0	3,690.4	3,724.3	3,715.6	25.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	319.7	324.3	328.5	8.8	3,275.4	3,342.6	3,355.1	79.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	43.9	42.6	42.1	(1.8)	415.1	381.7	360.4	(54.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	10.8	9.7	9.8	(1.0)	10.9	9.6	9.3	(1.6)
--Seasonally Adjusted	12.1	11.6	11.4	(0.7)	11.2	10.2	9.7	(1.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.3	60.6	61.2	0.9	62.1	62.3	62.1	0.0

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.

Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.

Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.

Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997.

ONTARIO

	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,954.3	6,068.0	6,091.8	137.5	576.7	582.8	581.3	4.6
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,452.8	5,634.6	5,667.2	214.4	538.6	547.3	546.2	7.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	501.4	433.4	424.5	(76.9)	38.1	35.6	35.2	(2.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	7.7	6.5	6.4	(1.3)	5.6	5.4	5.3	(0.3)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.4	7.1	7.0	(1.4)	6.6	6.1	6.1	(0.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.0	66.3	66.5	0.5	66.9	67.5	67.3	0.4

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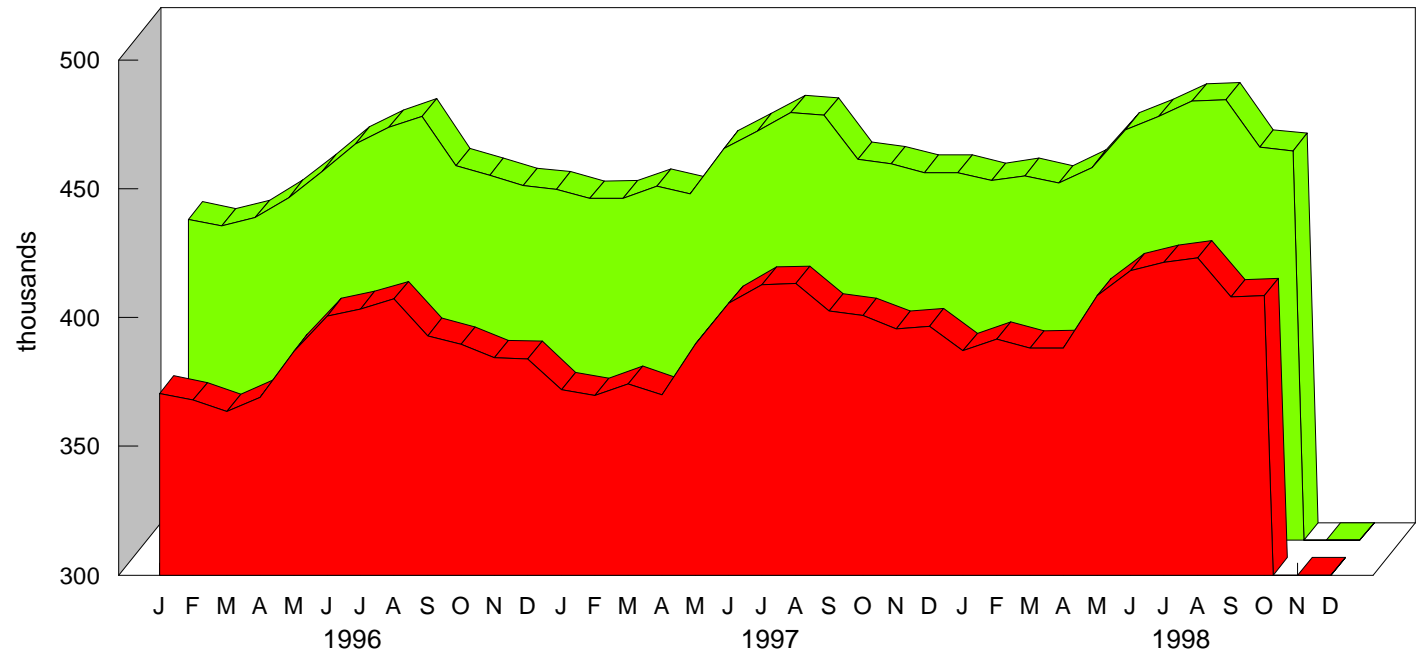
	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	507.8	508.2	508.3	0.5	1,568.1	1,624.1	1,615.6	47.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	475.8	476.4	475.9	0.1	1,478.1	1,522.6	1,512.2	34.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	32.0	31.7	32.4	0.4	90.1	101.5	103.3	13.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	5.2	5.1	5.2	0.0	5.2	5.7	6.0	0.8
--Seasonally Adjusted	6.3	6.2	6.4	0.1	5.7	6.2	6.4	0.7
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.7	66.5	66.4	(0.3)	72.0	72.4	71.9	(0.1)

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

	CHANGE			
	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,017.7	2,044.4	2,046.7	29.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,837.9	1,875.4	1,882.9	45.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	179.8	169.0	163.8	(16.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.6	7.4	7.5	(1.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.9	8.3	8.0	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.7	64.7	64.8	0.1

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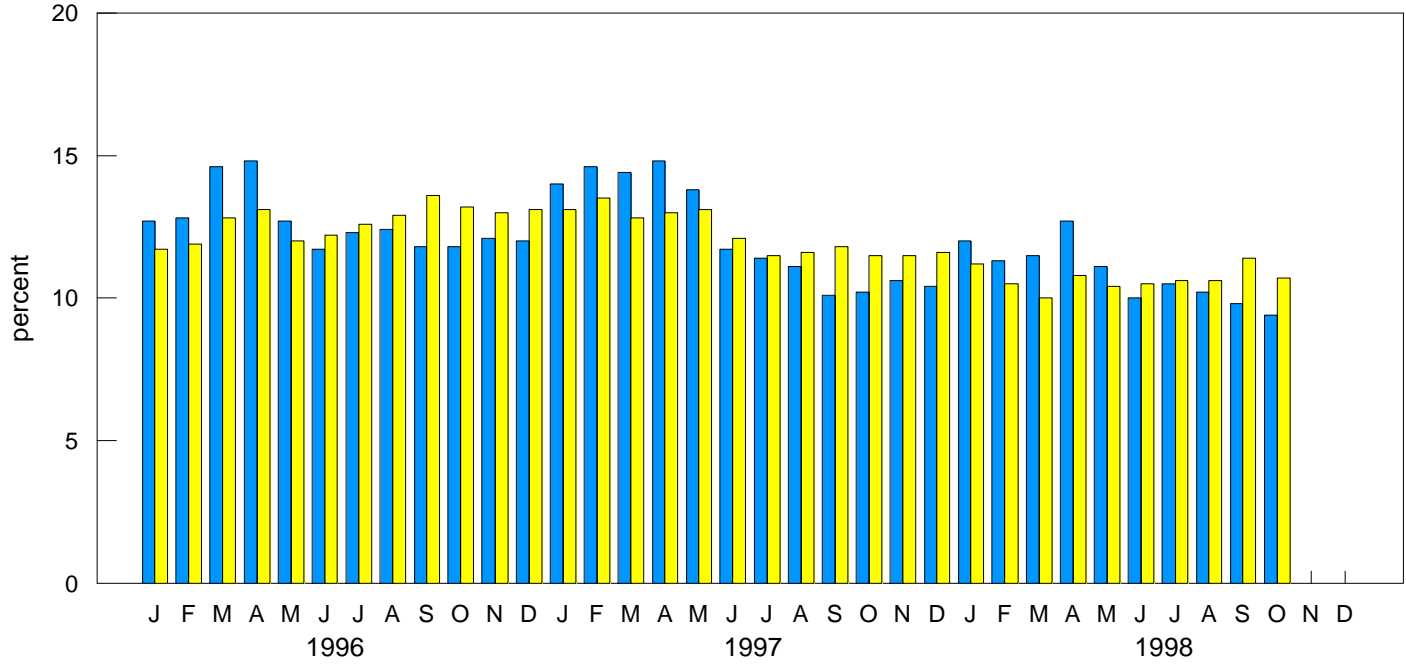
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



■ Actual
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HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	CHANGE			
	OCT 1997	SEP 1998	OCT 1998	OCT '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	187.3	188.7	189.3	2.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	171.2	174.9	174.9	3.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	16.1	13.8	14.4	(1.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.6	7.3	7.6	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.2	68.1	68.2	0.0

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CHANGE			
	OCT 1997	SEP 1998	OCT 1998	OCT '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	453.0	464.7	458.2	5.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	405.5	417.4	413.2	7.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	47.5	47.3	45.0	(2.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.5	10.2	9.8	(0.7)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.0	62.3	61.4	0.4

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	OCT 1997	SEP 1998	OCT 1998	CHANGE OCT '97-'98	OCT 1997	SEP 1998	OCT 1998	CHANGE OCT '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	66.1	69.4	67.6	1.5	77.5	79.9	77.9	0.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	56.5	57.7	56.0	(0.5)	67.2	71.0	69.6	2.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	9.6	11.8	11.6	2.0	10.2	8.8	8.3	(1.9)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	14.5	17.0	17.2	2.7	13.2	11.0	10.7	(2.5)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.4	55.2	53.7	1.3	58.7	60.3	58.8	0.1

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	OCT 1997	SEP 1998	OCT 1998	CHANGE OCT '97-'98	OCT 1997	SEP 1998	OCT 1998	CHANGE OCT '97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	57.1	58.6	57.6	0.5	60.1	61.4	60.6	0.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	50.8	52.9	52.7	1.9	54.5	55.1	54.5	0.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	6.3	5.7	4.9	(1.4)	5.6	6.3	6.1	0.5
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.0	9.7	8.5	(2.5)	9.3	10.3	10.1	0.8
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	58.4	59.5	58.5	0.1	57.8	59.2	58.4	0.6

	HALIFAX			
	OCT 1997	SEP 1998	OCT 1998	CHANGE OCT '97-'98
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EMPLOYED ('000)	176.5	180.7	180.3	3.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	15.8	14.7	14.2	(1.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.2	7.5	7.3	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.9	68.4	68.0	0.1

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	SEP	OCT	SEP	OCT
Total Employment	392.9	394.0	401.2	402.2
Total Goods Producing Sectors	93.0	94.3	93.2	91.2
Agriculture	7.6	7.4	8.1	7.4
Other Primary	14.9	14.8	15.7	14.9
Utilities	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.2
Manufacturing	45.4	46.8	46.9	46.3
Construction	22.2	22.2	19.6	19.3
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Trade	71.0	71.2	74.6	75.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	19.0	19.1	19.6	19.5
Community, Business & Personal Services	153.7	154.8	161.2	164.3
Public Administration	31.8	30.1	28.7	27.8

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	14,105.6	14,520.3	14,526.1	420.5	11,391.8	11,833.5	11,767.3	375.5	2,713.8	2,686.9	2,758.8	45.0
NEWFOUNDLAND	197.3	205.8	208.0	10.7	161.1	178.1	175.0	13.9	36.2	27.7	33.0	(3.2)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	63.5	64.7	62.3	(1.2)	52.1	54.1	51.3	(0.8)	11.4	10.6	11.0	(0.4)
NOVA SCOTIA	400.7	408.0	408.5	7.8	318.5	329.2	325.8	7.3	82.2	78.8	82.7	0.5
NEW BRUNSWICK	326.5	339.0	337.0	10.5	275.6	286.1	284.8	9.2	50.9	52.9	52.3	1.4
QUEBEC	3,288.1	3,384.0	3,373.4	85.3	2,681.5	2,800.0	2,781.0	99.5	606.6	584.0	592.5	(14.1)
ONTARIO	5,475.8	5,650.6	5,691.5	215.7	4,419.9	4,609.2	4,629.1	209.2	1,055.9	1,041.3	1,062.4	6.5
MANITOBA	544.0	552.9	551.1	7.1	439.5	449.6	447.2	7.7	104.5	103.3	103.9	(0.6)
SASKATCHEWAN	478.6	482.8	478.6	0.0	379.8	391.8	381.4	1.6	98.8	91.1	97.1	(1.7)
ALBERTA	1,485.4	1,532.0	1,516.6	31.2	1,215.0	1,237.1	1,207.4	(7.6)	270.5	294.9	309.2	38.7
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,845.6	1,900.6	1,899.1	53.5	1,448.7	1,498.4	1,484.3	35.6	396.8	402.2	414.8	18.0

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT	OCT	SEP	OCT	OCT
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,335.6	2,423.6	2,398.2	62.6	1,978.0	2,086.0	2,069.1	91.1	15.3	13.9	13.7	(1.6)
NEWFOUNDLAND	31.8	32.9	33.4	1.6	24.9	23.9	23.4	(1.5)	21.7	27.4	29.9	8.2
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	12.0	12.5	11.7	(0.3)	10.6	10.2	10.0	(0.6)	10.8	18.4	15.4	4.6
NOVA SCOTIA	73.6	70.6	71.2	(2.4)	59.9	56.9	58.6	(1.3)	18.6	19.4	17.8	(0.8)
NEW BRUNSWICK	55.3	60.5	60.4	5.1	45.4	51.6	50.9	5.5	17.9	14.7	15.7	(2.2)
QUEBEC	519.9	558.2	537.5	17.6	420.1	473.6	458.1	38.0	19.2	15.2	14.8	(4.4)
ONTARIO	893.4	915.3	914.5	21.1	763.4	792.2	794.6	31.2	14.6	13.4	13.1	(1.5)
MANITOBA	99.9	101.7	100.3	0.4	87.4	91.0	90.2	2.8	12.5	10.5	10.1	(2.4)
SASKATCHEWAN	91.6	87.4	87.4	(4.2)	83.1	79.5	78.8	(4.3)	9.3	9.0	10.0	0.7
ALBERTA	263.6	282.2	277.3	13.7	236.7	250.1	241.5	4.8	10.2	11.4	12.9	2.7
BRITISH COLUMBIA	294.5	302.2	304.3	9.8	246.4	256.8	263.0	16.6	16.3	15.0	13.6	(2.7)

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

NOVEMBER 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - NOVEMBER 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,449.7	15,701.5	15,807.6	357.9	15,333.5	15,691.8	15,708.6	375.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,066.4	14,436.4	14,539.8	473.4	14,010.3	14,526.1	14,493.4	483.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,383.4	1,265.0	1,267.8	(115.6)	1,323.2	1,165.6	1,215.2	(108.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.0	8.1	8.0	(1.0)	8.6	7.4	7.7	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.9	65.2	65.6	0.7	64.4	65.2	65.2	0.8

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				Actual			
	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	446.6	452.3	453.7	7.1	442.8	451.2	449.1	6.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	395.2	404.0	403.7	8.5	395.7	408.5	402.4	6.7
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	51.4	48.4	49.9	(1.5)	47.0	42.6	46.7	(0.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.5	10.7	11.0	(0.5)	10.6	9.4	10.4	(0.2)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.0	60.5	60.7	0.7	59.5	60.4	60.1	0.6

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	236.5	249.6	248.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	195.5	204.5	202.8	7.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	40.9	45.1	45.2	4.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	15.9	16.4	16.7	0.8
--Seasonally Adjusted	17.3	18.1	18.2	0.9
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	52.7	56.2	55.9	3.2

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	71.2	69.7	70.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	60.5	59.9	60.5	0.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	10.7	9.8	9.9	(0.8)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	15.4	11.0	14.9	(0.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	15.0	14.1	14.1	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.3	65.1	65.6	0.7

NEW BRUNSWICK

	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	367.3	370.7	375.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	321.4	328.5	332.5	11.1
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	45.9	42.1	42.9	(3.0)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	12.0	9.8	10.9	(1.1)
--Seasonally Adjusted	12.5	11.4	11.4	(1.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.8	61.2	61.9	1.1

QUEBEC

	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
	LABOUR FORCE ('000)	3,680.0	3,715.6	3,756.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	3,278.6	3,355.1	3,386.4	107.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	401.4	360.4	370.2	(31.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	11.0	9.3	10.0	(1.0)
--Seasonally Adjusted	10.9	9.7	9.9	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.9	62.1	62.8	0.9

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.

Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.

Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.

Revisions to historic labour force data were released in February 1997.

ONTARIO

	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,961.6	6,091.8	6,112.4	150.8	578.2	581.3	584.4	6.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,465.6	5,667.2	5,688.2	222.6	541.1	546.2	552.4	11.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	495.9	424.5	424.2	(71.7)	37.1	35.2	32.0	(5.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	7.7	6.4	6.4	(1.3)	6.1	5.3	5.3	(0.8)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.3	7.0	6.9	(1.4)	6.4	6.1	5.5	(0.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.0	66.5	66.6	0.6	67.1	67.3	67.6	0.5

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

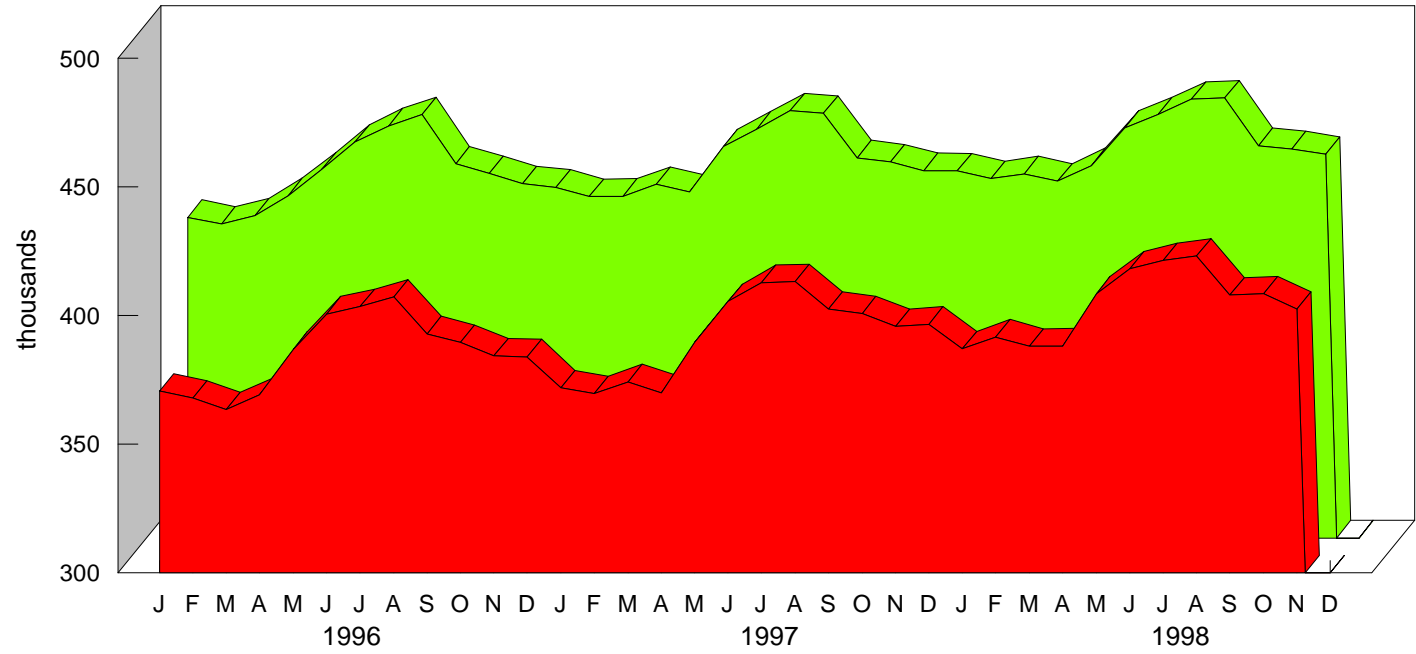
	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	511.4	508.3	512.9	1.5	1,570.8	1,615.6	1,628.2	57.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	481.7	475.9	482.4	0.7	1,480.6	1,512.2	1,527.9	47.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	29.7	32.4	30.5	0.8	90.2	103.3	100.4	10.2
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	5.5	5.2	5.6	0.1	5.5	6.0	5.9	0.4
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.8	6.4	5.9	0.1	5.7	6.4	6.2	0.5
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.1	66.4	67.0	(0.1)	72.0	71.9	72.3	0.3

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

	CHANGE			
	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,026.3	2,046.7	2,065.2	38.9
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,846.1	1,882.9	1,902.9	56.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	180.1	163.8	162.4	(17.7)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	9.0	7.5	7.8	(1.2)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.9	8.0	7.9	(1.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.8	64.8	65.3	0.5

Nova Scotia Labour Force & Employment

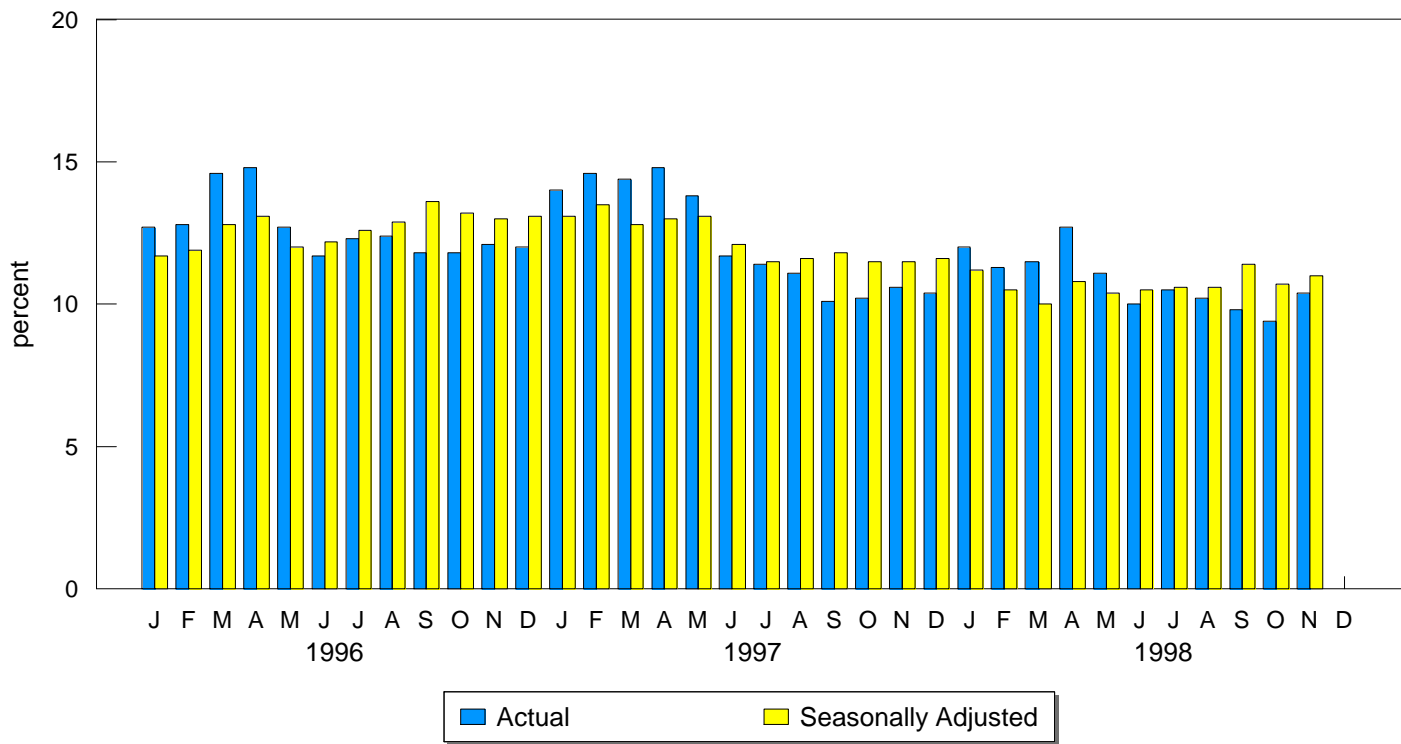
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	188.1	189.3	190.6	2.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	171.0	174.9	176.0	5.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.1	14.4	14.7	(2.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.1	7.6	7.7	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.4	68.2	68.6	0.2

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	445.6	458.2	450.9	5.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	399.7	413.2	406.3	6.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	45.9	45.0	44.6	(1.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.3	9.8	9.9	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.9	61.4	60.4	0.5

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	64.1	67.6	66.0	1.9	75.4	77.9	74.6	(0.8)
EMPLOYED ('000)	55.8	56.0	53.7	(2.1)	65.7	69.6	67.1	1.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	8.3	11.6	12.2	3.9	9.7	8.3	7.5	(2.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	12.9	17.2	18.5	5.6	12.9	10.7	10.1	(2.8)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	50.8	53.7	52.5	1.7	57.1	58.8	56.3	(0.8)

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	56.1	57.6	56.0	(0.1)	58.7	60.6	59.8	1.1
EMPLOYED ('000)	50.5	52.7	51.4	0.9	52.8	54.5	53.6	0.8
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.6	4.9	4.6	(1.0)	5.9	6.1	6.2	0.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.0	8.5	8.2	(1.8)	10.1	10.1	10.4	0.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	57.3	58.5	56.8	(0.5)	56.4	58.4	57.6	1.2

	HALIFAX			
	NOV	OCT	NOV	CHANGE
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	191.3	194.5	194.6	3.3
EMPLOYED ('000)	174.9	180.3	180.4	5.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	16.4	14.2	14.1	(2.3)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.6	7.3	7.2	(1.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.5	68.0	68.0	0.5

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	OCT	NOV	OCT	NOV
Total Employment	394.0	394.9	402.1	402.7
Total Goods Producing Sectors	94.3	95.5	91.2	90.3
Agriculture	7.4	7.0	7.4	6.8
Other Primary	14.8	14.8	14.9	14.2
Utilities	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.4
Manufacturing	46.8	48.1	46.3	45.5
Construction	22.2	22.3	19.3	20.4
Total Service Producing Sectors	299.7	299.4	311.0	312.3
Transportation, Storage & Communication	24.5	24.3	23.9	23.8
Trade	71.2	72.3	75.4	76.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	19.1	19.1	19.5	19.4
Community, Business & Personal Services	154.8	154.7	164.3	165.4
Public Administration	30.1	29.1	27.8	27.5

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	14,010.3	14,526.1	14,493.4	483.1	11,259.3	11,767.3	11,655.7	396.4	2,751.0	2,758.8	2,837.6	86.6
NEWFOUNDLAND	193.9	208.0	202.5	8.6	158.3	175.0	170.4	12.1	35.6	33.0	32.1	(3.5)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	58.8	62.3	58.4	(0.4)	47.1	51.3	48.1	1.0	11.7	11.0	10.3	(1.4)
NOVA SCOTIA	395.7	408.5	402.4	6.7	312.4	325.8	320.5	8.1	83.4	82.7	81.9	(1.5)
NEW BRUNSWICK	317.3	337.0	330.1	12.8	267.7	284.8	274.6	6.9	49.5	52.3	55.5	6.0
QUEBEC	3,233.8	3,373.4	3,346.9	113.1	2,634.7	2,781.0	2,735.2	100.5	599.1	592.5	611.7	12.6
ONTARIO	5,489.3	5,691.5	5,709.0	219.7	4,409.4	4,629.1	4,615.2	205.8	1,079.9	1,062.4	1,093.8	13.9
MANITOBA	538.3	551.1	550.8	12.5	425.8	447.2	438.6	12.8	112.5	103.9	112.1	(0.4)
SASKATCHEWAN	474.5	478.6	476.8	2.3	370.8	381.4	372.6	1.8	103.7	97.1	104.2	0.5
ALBERTA	1,477.4	1,516.6	1,522.6	45.2	1,195.4	1,207.4	1,214.4	19.0	282.0	309.2	308.1	26.1
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,831.3	1,899.1	1,893.9	62.6	1,437.7	1,484.3	1,466.1	28.4	393.6	414.8	427.8	34.2

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV	NOV	OCT	NOV	NOV
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,310.8	2,398.2	2,436.0	125.2	1,947.9	2,069.1	2,092.8	144.9	15.7	13.7	14.1	(1.6)
NEWFOUNDLAND	30.1	33.4	32.4	2.3	24.1	23.4	22.9	(1.2)	19.6	29.9	29.3	9.7
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	11.5	11.7	11.2	(0.3)	9.4	10.0	9.5	0.1	18.3	15.4	16.1	(2.2)
NOVA SCOTIA	72.1	71.2	71.0	(1.1)	57.8	58.6	57.9	0.1	20.0	17.8	18.5	(1.5)
NEW BRUNSWICK	55.7	60.4	59.4	3.7	44.8	50.9	50.5	5.7	19.6	15.7	15.2	(4.4)
QUEBEC	500.5	537.5	559.3	58.8	397.3	458.1	466.0	68.7	20.6	14.8	16.7	(3.9)
ONTARIO	895.7	914.5	925.0	29.3	769.4	794.6	804.9	35.5	14.1	13.1	13.0	(1.1)
MANITOBA	101.5	100.3	100.7	(0.8)	88.5	90.2	90.9	2.4	12.8	10.1	9.8	(3.0)
SASKATCHEWAN	89.2	87.4	86.8	(2.4)	80.1	78.8	78.4	(1.7)	10.1	10.0	9.7	(0.4)
ALBERTA	264.0	277.3	278.0	14.0	236.7	241.5	246.1	9.4	10.3	12.9	11.4	1.1
BRITISH COLUMBIA	290.5	304.3	312.1	21.6	239.7	263.0	265.7	26.0	17.5	13.6	14.9	(2.6)

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

DECEMBER 1998

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - DECEMBER 1998

CANADA

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE DEC '97-'98	Actual			
	DEC	NOV	DEC	CHANGE DEC '97-'98		DEC	NOV	DEC	CHANGE DEC '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	15,436.1	15,807.6	15,837.0	400.9	15,219.6	15,708.6	15,632.6	413.0	
EMPLOYED ('000)	14,114.8	14,539.8	14,564.2	449.4	13,979.3	14,493.4	14,430.3	451.0	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	1,321.3	1,267.8	1,272.8	(48.5)	1,240.3	1,215.2	1,202.4	(37.9)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.6	8.0	8.0	(0.6)	8.1	7.7	7.7	(0.4)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.8	65.6	65.6	0.8	63.9	65.2	64.8	0.9	

NOVA SCOTIA

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE DEC '97-'98	Actual			
	DEC	NOV	DEC	CHANGE DEC '97-'98		DEC	NOV	DEC	CHANGE DEC '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	449.7	453.7	449.4	(0.3)	442.7	449.1	442.7	0.0	
EMPLOYED ('000)	397.5	403.7	401.8	4.3	396.7	402.4	400.0	3.3	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	52.2	49.9	47.6	(4.6)	45.9	46.7	42.7	(3.2)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	11.6	11.0	10.6	(1.0)	10.4	10.4	9.6	(0.8)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	60.4	60.7	60.1	(0.3)	59.5	60.1	59.2	(0.3)	

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE DEC '97-'98	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			
	DEC	NOV	DEC	CHANGE DEC '97-'98		DEC	NOV	DEC	CHANGE DEC '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	238.1	248.1	245.2	7.1	70.9	70.4	71.0	0.1	
EMPLOYED ('000)	196.3	202.8	199.4	3.1	60.8	60.5	60.2	(0.6)	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	41.8	45.2	45.9	4.1	10.1	9.9	10.9	0.8	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)									
--Actual	16.2	16.7	17.5	1.3	16.1	14.9	17.6	1.5	
--Seasonally Adjusted	17.6	18.2	18.7	1.1	14.2	14.1	15.4	1.2	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	53.1	55.9	55.2	2.1	66.1	65.6	66.2	(0.1)	

NEW BRUNSWICK

	Seasonally Adjusted				CHANGE DEC '97-'98	QUEBEC			
	DEC	NOV	DEC	CHANGE DEC '97-'98		DEC	NOV	DEC	CHANGE DEC '97-'98
	1997	1998	1998			1997	1998	1998	
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	369.1	375.5	380.5	11.4	3,685.6	3,756.7	3,771.4	85.8	
EMPLOYED ('000)	323.1	332.5	336.2	13.1	3,302.2	3,386.4	3,398.4	96.2	
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	45.9	42.9	44.3	(1.6)	383.4	370.2	373.0	(10.4)	
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)									
--Actual	12.1	10.9	11.2	(0.9)	10.5	10.0	10.0	(0.5)	
--Seasonally Adjusted	12.4	11.4	11.6	(0.8)	10.4	9.9	9.9	(0.5)	
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	61.1	61.9	62.7	1.6	62.0	62.8	63.0	1.0	

NOTE: For regional unemployment rates, see page 5.

Participation rate is the labour force as a % of the population 15 years and over.

Non-civilian and inmate population are not included in labour force data.

ONTARIO

	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	5,959.6	6,112.4	6,129.9	170.3	577.5	584.4	588.2	10.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	5,493.9	5,688.2	5,707.0	213.1	542.6	552.4	553.5	10.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	465.6	424.2	423.0	(42.6)	34.9	32.0	34.7	(0.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	7.1	6.4	6.3	(0.8)	5.8	5.3	5.8	0.0
--Seasonally Adjusted	7.8	6.9	6.9	(0.9)	6.0	5.5	5.9	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	65.9	66.6	66.8	0.9	67.1	67.6	68.0	0.9

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

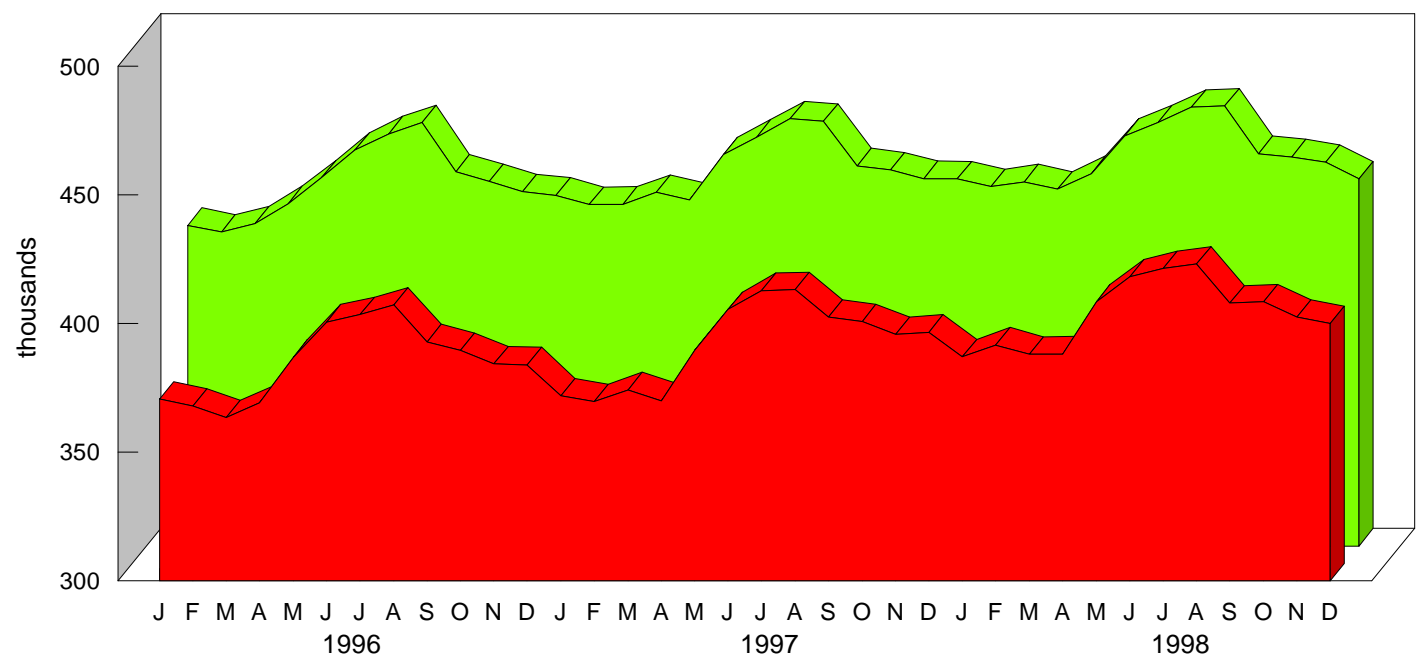
	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	505.0	512.9	513.0	8.0	1,570.1	1,628.2	1,625.6	55.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	479.3	482.4	480.9	1.6	1,481.8	1,527.9	1,532.4	50.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	25.7	30.5	32.1	6.4	88.2	100.4	93.2	5.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)								
--Actual	4.8	5.6	6.0	1.2	5.2	5.9	5.2	0.0
--Seasonally Adjusted	5.1	5.9	6.3	1.2	5.6	6.2	5.7	0.1
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	66.3	67.0	67.0	0.7	71.8	72.3	72.1	0.3

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

	CHANGE			
	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC
	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	2,010.6	2,065.2	2,062.6	52.0
EMPLOYED ('000)	1,837.2	1,902.9	1,894.5	57.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	173.4	162.4	168.2	(5.2)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)				
--Actual	8.3	7.8	7.8	(0.5)
--Seasonally Adjusted	8.6	7.9	8.2	(0.4)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	64.2	65.3	65.2	1.0

Nova Scotia Labour Force & Employment

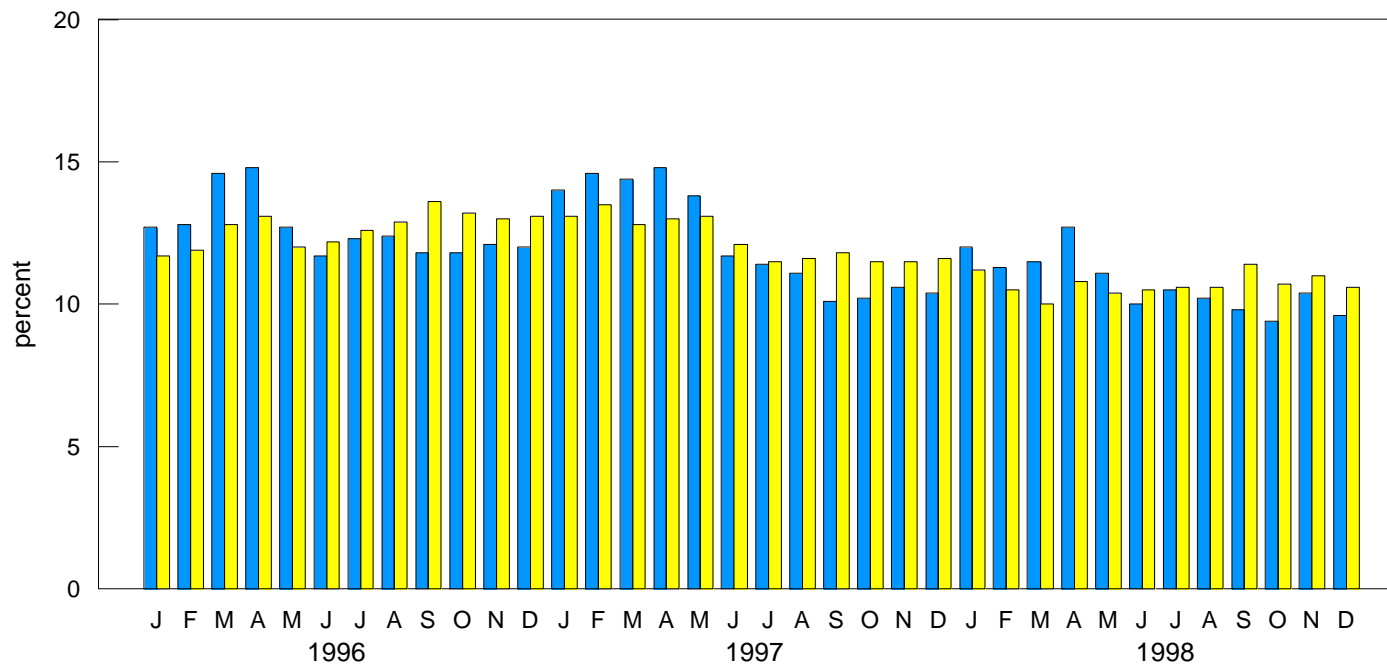
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Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1996-1998



■ Actual ■ Seasonally Adjusted

HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

				CHANGE
	DEC <u>1997</u>	NOV <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	186.8	190.6	190.0	3.2
EMPLOYED ('000)	169.6	176.0	176.2	6.6
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	17.2	14.7	13.8	(3.4)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.2	7.7	7.3	(1.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.8	68.6	68.3	0.5

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

				CHANGE
	DEC <u>1997</u>	NOV <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	443.9	450.9	447.7	3.8
EMPLOYED ('000)	397.7	406.3	403.6	5.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	46.1	44.6	44.0	(2.1)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	10.4	9.9	9.8	(0.6)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	59.7	60.4	59.9	0.2

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

	CAPE BRETON				NORTH SHORE			
	DEC <u>1997</u>	NOV <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>1998</u>	CHANGE DEC <u>'97-'98</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	NOV <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>1998</u>	CHANGE DEC <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	64.3	66.0	64.2	(0.1)	74.9	74.6	73.9	(1.0)
EMPLOYED ('000)	55.6	53.7	51.6	(4.0)	65.4	67.1	65.9	0.5
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	8.7	12.2	12.5	3.8	9.6	7.5	8.0	(1.6)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	13.5	18.5	19.5	6.0	12.8	10.1	10.8	(2.0)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	51.0	52.5	51.1	0.1	56.7	56.3	55.7	(1.0)

	ANNAPOLIS VALLEY				SOUTHERN			
	DEC <u>1997</u>	NOV <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>1998</u>	CHANGE DEC <u>'97-'98</u>	DEC <u>1997</u>	NOV <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>1998</u>	CHANGE DEC <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	55.5	56.0	55.5	0.0	58.5	59.8	59.9	1.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	50.0	51.4	51.0	1.0	51.9	53.6	53.3	1.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	5.5	4.6	4.5	(1.0)	6.5	6.2	6.6	0.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	9.9	8.2	8.1	(1.8)	11.1	10.4	11.0	(0.1)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	56.6	56.8	56.2	(0.4)	56.3	57.6	57.7	1.4

	HALIFAX			CHANGE
	DEC <u>1997</u>	NOV <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>1998</u>	DEC <u>'97-'98</u>
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	190.7	194.6	194.2	3.5
EMPLOYED ('000)	174.8	180.4	181.8	7.0
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	15.9	14.1	12.4	(3.5)
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	8.3	7.2	6.4	(1.9)
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	67.2	68.0	67.8	0.6

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

	1997		1998	
	NOV	DEC	NOV	DEC
Total Employment	394.9	396.1	402.7	403.2
Total Goods Producing Sectors	95.5	96.4	90.3	92.4
Agriculture	7.0	6.7	6.8	6.6
Other Primary	14.8	15.6	14.2	14.1
Utilities	3.2	3.2	3.4	3.5
Manufacturing	48.1	48.3	45.5	45.9
Construction	22.3	22.6	20.4	22.3
Total Service Producing Sectors	299.4	299.7	312.3	310.8
Transportation, Storage & Communication	24.3	24.9	23.8	24.2
Trade	72.3	73.0	76.3	76.2
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	19.1	18.7	19.4	19.3
Community, Business & Personal Services	154.7	155.2	165.4	164.4
Public Administration	29.1	27.8	27.5	26.6

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-Time</u>				<u>Part-Time</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	13,979.3	14,493.4	14,430.3	451.0	11,233.0	11,655.7	11,541.3	308.3	2,746.3	2,837.6	2,888.9	142.6
NEWFOUNDLAND	190.8	202.5	193.9	3.1	155.7	170.4	164.2	8.5	35.1	32.1	29.7	(5.4)
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	57.4	58.4	56.7	(0.7)	46.1	48.1	45.2	(0.9)	11.3	10.3	11.5	0.2
NOVA SCOTIA	396.7	402.4	400.0	3.3	311.9	320.5	314.8	2.9	84.8	81.9	85.2	0.4
NEW BRUNSWICK	311.0	330.1	326.2	15.2	260.1	274.6	268.3	8.2	50.9	55.5	57.8	6.9
QUEBEC	3,244.2	3,346.9	3,345.5	101.3	2,635.7	2,735.2	2,702.3	66.6	608.4	611.7	643.3	34.9
ONTARIO	5,482.8	5,709.0	5,689.9	207.1	4,411.2	4,615.2	4,575.8	164.6	1,071.6	1,093.8	1,114.1	42.5
MANITOBA	538.6	550.8	550.0	11.4	426.3	438.6	428.8	2.5	112.2	112.1	121.2	9.0
SASKATCHEWAN	472.4	476.8	474.2	1.8	367.7	372.6	365.9	(1.8)	104.8	104.2	108.3	3.5
ALBERTA	1,474.7	1,522.6	1,524.9	50.2	1,193.5	1,214.4	1,212.6	19.1	281.2	308.1	312.3	31.1
BRITISH COLUMBIA	1,810.7	1,893.9	1,869.0	58.3	1,424.8	1,466.1	1,463.5	38.7	385.9	427.8	405.5	19.6

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

	<u>Labour Force - 000's</u>				<u>Employment - 000's</u>				<u>Unemployment - %</u>			
				CHANGE				CHANGE				CHANGE
	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC	DEC	NOV	DEC	DEC
	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98	1997	1998	1998	'97-'98
CANADA	2,279.2	2,436.0	2,405.5	126.3	1,952.9	2,092.8	2,094.2	141.3	14.3	14.1	12.9	(1.4)
NEWFOUNDLAND	30.0	32.4	30.6	0.6	23.1	22.9	22.1	(1.0)	23.0	29.3	27.8	4.8
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	11.4	11.2	11.7	0.3	9.1	9.5	9.4	0.3	19.3	16.1	19.7	0.4
NOVA SCOTIA	71.0	71.0	69.5	(1.5)	56.9	57.9	57.9	1.0	19.9	18.5	16.7	(3.2)
NEW BRUNSWICK	52.9	59.4	59.0	6.1	44.0	50.5	49.2	5.2	16.8	15.2	16.6	(0.2)
QUEBEC	497.2	559.3	553.6	56.4	403.3	466.0	471.0	67.7	18.9	16.7	14.9	(4.0)
ONTARIO	877.6	925.0	920.4	42.8	765.9	804.9	812.0	46.1	12.7	13.0	11.8	(0.9)
MANITOBA	99.3	100.7	103.5	4.2	88.6	90.9	93.6	5.0	10.8	9.8	9.6	(1.2)
SASKATCHEWAN	87.9	86.8	85.5	(2.4)	79.6	78.4	76.0	(3.6)	9.6	9.7	11.2	1.6
ALBERTA	260.0	278.0	270.9	10.9	234.7	246.1	246.3	11.6	9.7	11.4	9.1	(0.6)
BRITISH COLUMBIA	291.9	312.1	300.6	8.7	247.7	265.7	256.7	9.0	15.2	14.9	14.6	(0.6)