

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

JANUARY - December 2000

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CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,625.9 | 15,822.3 | 15,869.3 | 243.4 | 15,305.7 | 15,642.9 | 15,537.7 | 232.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,388.6 | 14,747.5 | 14,791.8 | 403.2 | 13,993.8 | 14,648.4 | 14,399.2 | 405.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,237.3 | 1,074.9 | 1,077.5 | (159.8) | 1,311.9 | 994.5 | 1,138.5 | (173.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.9 | 6.8 | 6.8 | (1.1) | 8.6 | 6.4 | 7.3 | (1.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.6 | 65.6 | 65.7 | 0.1 | 64.2 | 64.9 | 64.4 | 0.2 |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|---------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 446.7 | 457.9 | 462.5 | 15.8 | 433.2 | 451.4 | 449.3 | 16.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 404.1 | 413.9 | 417.5 | 13.4 | 389.0 | 410.3 | 402.8 | 13.8 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 42.5 | 44.1 | 45.0 | 2.5 | 44.1 | 41.1 | 46.6 | 2.5 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.5 | 9.6 | 9.7 | 0.2 | 10.2 | 9.1 | 10.4 | 0.2 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.5 | 61.6 | 62.1 | 1.6 | 58.7 | 60.7 | 60.3 | 1.6 |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NEWFOUNDLAND | | | | PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|-------|-------|---------|----------------------|------|------|---------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 241.6 | 245.8 | 245.8 | 4.2 | 71.4 | 73.0 | 73.5 | 2.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 198.2 | 211.2 | 204.1 | 5.9 | 60.0 | 63.7 | 64.4 | 4.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 43.4 | 34.6 | 41.7 | (1.7) | 11.5 | 9.3 | 9.2 | (2.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 18.8 | 13.2 | 18.2 | (0.6) | 21.1 | 14.7 | 16.6 | (4.5) |
| --Actual | 18.8 | 13.2 | 18.2 | (0.6) | 21.1 | 14.7 | 16.6 | (4.5) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 18.0 | 14.1 | 17.0 | (1.0) | 16.1 | 12.7 | 12.5 | (3.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.0 | 56.0 | 55.9 | 0.9 | 66.6 | 67.2 | 67.6 | (1.0) |

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

| | NEW BRUNSWICK | | | | QUEBEC | | | |
|------------------------|---------------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 371.9 | 366.7 | 367.0 | (4.9) | 3,703.7 | 3,726.5 | 3,734.4 | 30.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 328.8 | 329.4 | 332.4 | 3.6 | 3,340.3 | 3,425.6 | 3,428.7 | 88.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 43.1 | 37.3 | 34.6 | (8.5) | 363.4 | 300.9 | 305.7 | (57.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 13.3 | 10.0 | 10.7 | (2.6) | 10.8 | 7.9 | 9.0 | (1.8) |
| --Actual | 13.3 | 10.0 | 10.7 | (2.6) | 10.8 | 7.9 | 9.0 | (1.8) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 11.6 | 10.2 | 9.4 | (2.2) | 9.8 | 8.1 | 8.2 | (1.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 62.2 | 61.0 | 61.0 | (1.2) | 63.0 | 63.0 | 63.1 | 0.1 |

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 | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | JAN | JAN | DEC | JAN | JAN |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,000.8 | 6,112.3 | 6,142.4 | 141.6 | 570.4 | 575.7 | 580.0 | 9.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,603.5 | 5,774.0 | 5,795.3 | 191.8 | 537.5 | 546.0 | 549.9 | 12.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 397.4 | 338.3 | 347.2 | (50.2) | 32.9 | 29.7 | 30.1 | (2.8) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.0 | 4.9 | 6.0 | (1.0) | 6.5 | 5.2 | 5.8 | (0.7) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.6 | 5.5 | 5.7 | (0.9) | 5.8 | 5.2 | 5.2 | (0.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.4 | 66.6 | 66.8 | 0.4 | 67.2 | 67.3 | 67.8 | 0.6 |

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | JAN | JAN | DEC | JAN | JAN |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 509.2 | 511.0 | 514.6 | 5.4 | 1,635.3 | 1,662.0 | 1,661.5 | 26.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 476.7 | 483.9 | 488.2 | 11.5 | 1,537.4 | 1,571.7 | 1,575.4 | 38.0 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 32.5 | 27.1 | 26.5 | (6.0) | 97.9 | 90.3 | 86.1 | (11.8) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.1 | 4.8 | 5.6 | (1.5) | 6.4 | 4.9 | 5.5 | (0.9) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.4 | 5.3 | 5.1 | (1.3) | 6.0 | 5.4 | 5.2 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.8 | 67.0 | 67.4 | 0.6 | 72.8 | 72.6 | 72.4 | (0.4) |

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | JAN |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,074.9 | 2,091.4 | 2,087.6 | 12.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,902.2 | 1,928.2 | 1,935.9 | 33.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 172.7 | 163.2 | 151.6 | (21.1) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 9.1 | 7.2 | 7.8 | (1.3) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.3 | 7.8 | 7.3 | (1.0) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.3 | 65.1 | 64.9 | (0.4) |

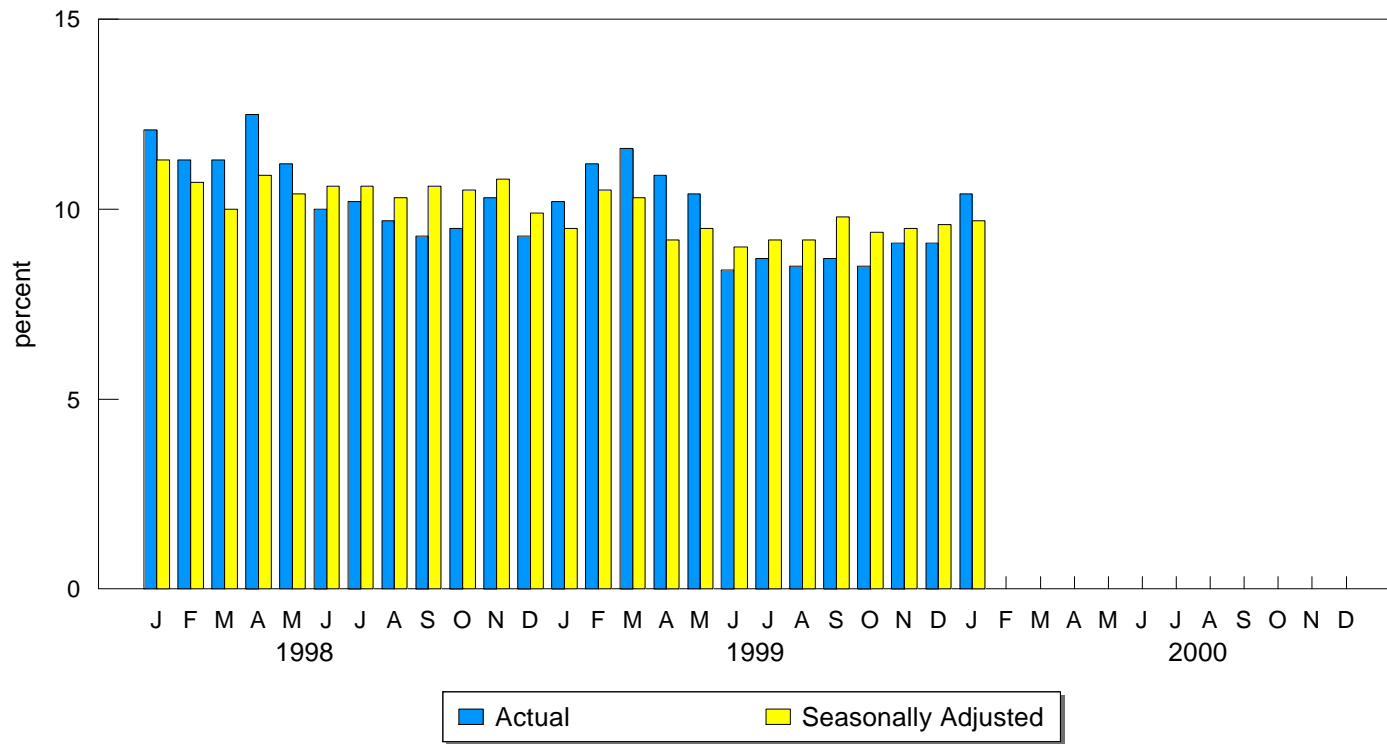
Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

Actual, 1998 - 2000



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>JAN</u> |
| | | | | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 184.1 | 190.2 | 191.3 | 7.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 172.3 | 176.8 | 178.5 | 6.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.8 | 13.3 | 12.9 | 1.1 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.4 | 7.0 | 6.7 | 0.3 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.7 | 69.2 | 69.5 | 1.8 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>JAN</u> |
| | | | | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 438.3 | 451.4 | 450.4 | 12.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 394.8 | 411.1 | 407.5 | 12.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 43.5 | 40.2 | 42.9 | (0.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.9 | 8.9 | 9.5 | (0.4) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 59.4 | 60.7 | 60.5 | 1.1 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>JAN</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>JAN</u> |
| | | | | <u>'99-'00</u> | | | | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 63.1 | 61.7 | 62.7 | (0.4) | 72.5 | 75.1 | 75.2 | 2.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 50.1 | 50.8 | 50.5 | 0.4 | 64.6 | 69.1 | 68.3 | 3.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.0 | 10.9 | 12.1 | (0.9) | 7.9 | 6.0 | 6.9 | (1.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 20.6 | 17.7 | 19.3 | (1.3) | 10.9 | 8.0 | 9.2 | (1.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 51.1 | 50.1 | 50.9 | (0.2) | 55.1 | 56.8 | 56.8 | 1.7 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>JAN</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>JAN</u> |
| | | | | <u>'99-'00</u> | | | | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 54.4 | 59.7 | 57.8 | 3.4 | 59.3 | 58.8 | 58.3 | (1.0) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 50.0 | 55.5 | 53.3 | 3.3 | 52.5 | 52.9 | 51.7 | (0.8) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 4.4 | 4.1 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 6.7 | 5.9 | 6.5 | (0.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.1 | 6.9 | 7.8 | (0.3) | 11.3 | 10.0 | 11.1 | (0.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.7 | 60.4 | 58.4 | 2.7 | 57.4 | 56.6 | 56.1 | (1.3) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | JAN | DEC | JAN | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>JAN</u> |
| | | | | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 189.1 | 196.0 | 196.5 | 7.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 177.6 | 182.8 | 183.6 | 6.0 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.5 | 13.2 | 12.9 | 1.4 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.1 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 0.5 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.6 | 67.8 | 67.2 | (0.4) |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted

| | 1998 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | DEC | JAN | DEC | JAN |
| Total | 401.6 | 404.2 | 413.9 | 417.5 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 88.4 | 89.3 | 92.4 | 93.8 |
| Agriculture | 6.7 | 5.5 | 7.9 | 7.9 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 15.7 | 15.4 | 16.4 | 18.6 |
| Utilities | 1.4 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 2.4 |
| Construction | 23.6 | 22.6 | 20.6 | 20.7 |
| Manufacturing | 41.1 | 44.4 | 45.0 | 44.2 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 313.3 | 314.9 | 321.5 | 323.8 |
| Trade | 70.1 | 70.3 | 72.4 | 73.9 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 18.9 | 20.1 | 21.7 | 19.9 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 23.8 | 23.4 | 23.3 | 23.1 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 18.1 | 17.7 | 14.8 | 14.8 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 11.8 | 12.8 | 15.0 | 15.4 |
| Educational Services | 29.8 | 29.8 | 31.7 | 31.5 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 49.5 | 49.0 | 47.5 | 49.3 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 15.0 | 14.7 | 16.3 | 17.0 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 27.6 | 28.5 | 28.8 | 27.4 |
| Other Services | 20.6 | 22.5 | 24.3 | 25.1 |
| Public Administration | 28.2 | 26.0 | 25.7 | 26.5 |

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 |
| | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| CANADA | 13,993.8 | 14,648.4 | 14,399.2 | 405.4 | 11,168.8 | 11,850.7 | 11,608.4 | 439.6 | 2,825.0 | 2,797.7 | 2,790.8 | (34.2) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 184.0 | 205.2 | 188.5 | 4.5 | 155.3 | 169.8 | 155.3 | 0.0 | 28.7 | 35.4 | 33.2 | 4.5 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 54.2 | 59.9 | 58.4 | 4.2 | 42.8 | 48.6 | 47.0 | 4.2 | 11.4 | 11.3 | 11.4 | 0.0 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 389.0 | 410.3 | 402.8 | 13.8 | 305.7 | 333.8 | 321.0 | 15.3 | 83.4 | 76.5 | 81.8 | (1.6) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 306.8 | 320.9 | 310.8 | 4.0 | 251.8 | 264.2 | 255.4 | 3.6 | 55.0 | 56.7 | 55.3 | 0.3 |
| QUEBEC | 3,228.5 | 3,390.5 | 3,317.9 | 89.4 | 2,609.8 | 2,774.8 | 2,695.8 | 86.0 | 618.7 | 615.7 | 622.0 | 3.3 |
| ONTARIO | 5,479.0 | 5,759.6 | 5,668.3 | 189.3 | 4,393.7 | 4,691.1 | 4,618.9 | 225.2 | 1,085.3 | 1,068.4 | 1,049.4 | (35.9) |
| MANITOBA | 523.9 | 542.3 | 537.1 | 13.2 | 411.0 | 433.0 | 428.9 | 17.9 | 112.9 | 109.3 | 108.2 | (4.7) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 461.8 | 479.6 | 474.2 | 12.4 | 356.4 | 374.7 | 367.9 | 11.5 | 105.4 | 104.9 | 106.4 | 1.0 |
| ALBERTA | 1,506.4 | 1,561.9 | 1,544.8 | 38.4 | 1,192.0 | 1,251.0 | 1,224.2 | 32.2 | 314.4 | 310.9 | 320.6 | 6.2 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,860.1 | 1,918.3 | 1,896.5 | 36.4 | 1,450.3 | 1,509.6 | 1,494.0 | 43.7 | 409.8 | 408.6 | 402.5 | (7.3) |

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 |
| | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 1999 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| CANADA | 2,363.3 | 2,458.4 | 2,388.7 | 25.4 | 2,005.3 | 2,176.6 | 2,075.2 | 69.9 | 15.1 | 11.5 | 13.1 | (2.0) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 31.4 | 33.3 | 32.4 | 1.0 | 21.5 | 26.8 | 23.9 | 2.4 | 31.5 | 19.5 | 26.2 | (5.3) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 11.7 | 12.3 | 12.2 | 0.5 | 8.6 | 10.3 | 9.9 | 1.3 | 27.4 | 16.3 | 18.9 | (8.5) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 67.8 | 72.2 | 70.6 | 2.8 | 54.0 | 61.9 | 58.5 | 4.5 | 20.4 | 14.3 | 17.1 | (3.3) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 58.2 | 57.6 | 55.3 | (2.9) | 47.4 | 48.9 | 45.5 | (1.9) | 18.6 | 15.1 | 17.7 | (0.9) |
| QUEBEC | 543.9 | 568.9 | 543.0 | (0.9) | 445.6 | 489.5 | 460.0 | 14.4 | 18.1 | 14.0 | 15.3 | (2.8) |
| ONTARIO | 883.7 | 922.2 | 898.4 | 14.7 | 763.9 | 833.7 | 790.9 | 27.0 | 13.6 | 9.6 | 12.0 | (1.6) |
| MANITOBA | 95.8 | 99.9 | 97.1 | 1.3 | 84.2 | 90.9 | 86.9 | 2.7 | 12.1 | 9.1 | 10.5 | (1.6) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 84.4 | 88.8 | 86.5 | 2.1 | 72.9 | 81.4 | 77.5 | 4.6 | 13.6 | 8.3 | 10.4 | (3.2) |
| ALBERTA | 279.6 | 295.3 | 291.1 | 11.5 | 247.2 | 262.9 | 256.7 | 9.5 | 11.6 | 11.0 | 11.8 | 0.2 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 306.8 | 308.0 | 302.2 | (4.6) | 260.1 | 270.2 | 265.5 | 5.4 | 15.2 | 12.3 | 12.1 | (3.1) |

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FEBRUARY 2000

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CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| | FEB | JAN | FEB | CHANGE | FEB | JAN | FEB | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | FEB '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | FEB '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,632.0 | 15,869.3 | 15,907.0 | 275.0 | 15,370.4 | 15,537.7 | 15,643.5 | 273.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,394.5 | 14,791.8 | 14,827.5 | 433.0 | 14,065.9 | 14,399.2 | 14,507.1 | 441.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,237.5 | 1,077.5 | 1,079.5 | (158.0) | 1,304.4 | 1,138.5 | 1,136.4 | (168.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.9 | 6.8 | 6.8 | (1.1) | 8.5 | 7.3 | 7.3 | (1.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.5 | 65.7 | 65.8 | 0.3 | 64.4 | 64.4 | 64.7 | 0.3 |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|-------|-------|-------------|
| | FEB | JAN | FEB | CHANGE | FEB | JAN | FEB | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | FEB '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | FEB '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 449.4 | 462.5 | 461.7 | 12.3 | 435.4 | 449.3 | 447.7 | 12.3 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 402.3 | 417.5 | 417.0 | 14.7 | 386.9 | 402.8 | 401.1 | 14.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 47.1 | 45.0 | 44.8 | (2.3) | 48.6 | 46.6 | 46.6 | (2.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 10.5 | 9.7 | 9.7 | (0.8) | 11.2 | 10.4 | 10.4 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.9 | 62.1 | 62.0 | 1.1 | 59.0 | 60.3 | 60.1 | 1.1 |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

| | FEB | JAN | FEB | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | FEB '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 239.4 | 245.8 | 247.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 200.7 | 204.1 | 203.6 | 2.9 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 38.7 | 41.7 | 43.6 | 4.9 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 16.7 | 18.2 | 18.6 | 1.9 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 16.2 | 17.0 | 17.6 | 1.4 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 54.6 | 55.9 | 56.2 | 1.6 |

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | FEB | JAN | FEB | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|------|------|-------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | FEB '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 71.4 | 73.5 | 73.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 60.5 | 64.4 | 64.8 | 4.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 10.9 | 9.2 | 8.4 | (2.5) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 19.3 | 16.6 | 14.4 | (4.9) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 15.3 | 12.5 | 11.5 | (3.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.5 | 67.6 | 67.2 | (0.7) |

NEW BRUNSWICK

| | FEB | JAN | FEB | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | FEB '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 371.9 | 367.0 | 366.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 328.8 | 332.4 | 331.3 | 2.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 43.1 | 34.6 | 35.4 | (7.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 12.9 | 10.7 | 10.7 | (2.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 11.6 | 9.4 | 9.7 | (1.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 62.2 | 61.0 | 60.9 | (1.3) |

QUEBEC

| | FEB | JAN | FEB | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | FEB '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 3,685.5 | 3,734.4 | 3,742.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 3,325.7 | 3,428.7 | 3,430.6 | 104.9 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 359.8 | 305.7 | 311.4 | (48.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 10.6 | 9.0 | 9.1 | (1.5) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 9.8 | 8.2 | 8.3 | (1.5) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 62.7 | 63.1 | 63.2 | 0.5 |

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 | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | FEB | JAN | FEB | FEB | FEB | JAN | FEB | FEB |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,015.2 | 6,142.4 | 6,156.1 | 140.9 | 570.8 | 580.0 | 580.6 | 9.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,610.8 | 5,795.3 | 5,804.2 | 193.4 | 539.5 | 549.9 | 549.6 | 10.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 404.4 | 347.2 | 351.9 | (52.5) | 31.3 | 30.1 | 31.0 | (0.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.1 | 6.0 | 6.1 | (1.0) | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.7 | (0.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.7 | 5.7 | 5.7 | (1.0) | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.3 | (0.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.5 | 66.8 | 66.9 | 0.4 | 67.2 | 67.8 | 67.9 | 0.7 |

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | FEB | JAN | FEB | FEB | FEB | JAN | FEB | FEB |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 511.3 | 514.6 | 514.0 | 2.7 | 1,640.7 | 1,661.5 | 1,667.1 | 26.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 477.1 | 488.2 | 490.2 | 13.1 | 1,544.8 | 1,575.4 | 1,585.8 | 41.0 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 34.2 | 26.5 | 23.9 | (10.3) | 95.9 | 86.1 | 81.3 | (14.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.6 | 5.6 | 5.1 | (2.5) | 6.2 | 5.5 | 5.0 | (1.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.7 | 5.1 | 4.6 | (2.1) | 5.8 | 5.2 | 4.9 | (0.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.0 | 67.4 | 67.3 | 0.3 | 72.9 | 72.4 | 72.6 | (0.3) |

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | FEB | JAN | FEB | FEB |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,076.5 | 2,087.6 | 2,098.3 | 21.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,904.3 | 1,935.9 | 1,950.4 | 46.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 172.1 | 151.6 | 147.9 | (24.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 8.9 | 7.8 | 7.5 | (1.4) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.3 | 7.3 | 7.0 | (1.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.3 | 64.9 | 65.1 | (0.2) |

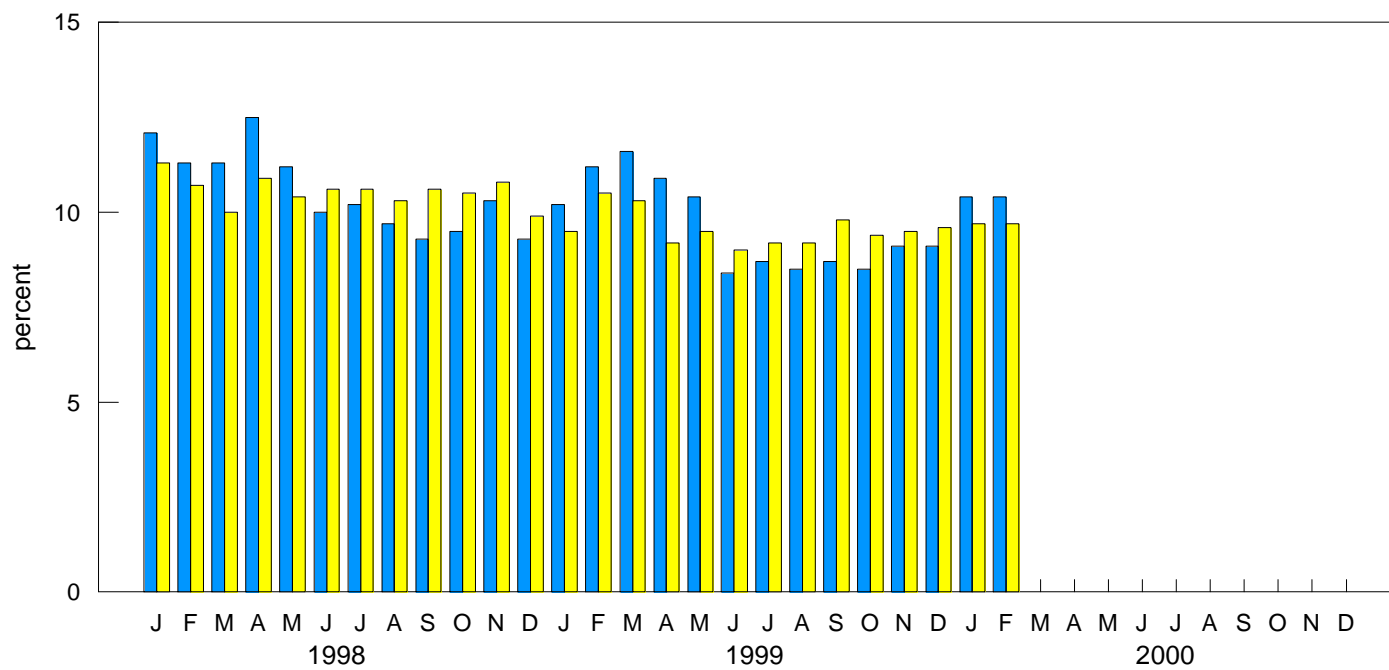
Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

Actual, 1998 - 2000



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1997-1999



■ Actual
 ■ Seasonally Adjusted

HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | FEB 1999 | JAN 2000 | FEB 2000 | FEB '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 183.8 | 191.3 | 192.4 | 8.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 171.9 | 178.5 | 179.4 | 7.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.8 | 12.9 | 13.0 | 1.2 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.4 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 0.4 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.5 | 69.5 | 69.9 | 2.4 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | FEB 1999 | JAN 2000 | FEB 2000 | FEB '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 435.8 | 450.4 | 449.5 | 13.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 391.4 | 407.5 | 404.7 | 13.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 44.4 | 42.9 | 44.8 | 0.4 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 10.2 | 9.5 | 10.0 | (0.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 59.1 | 60.5 | 60.4 | 1.3 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | FEB 1999 | JAN 2000 | FEB 2000 | CHANGE FEB '99-'00 | FEB 1999 | JAN 2000 | FEB 2000 | CHANGE FEB '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 62.4 | 62.7 | 63.4 | 1.0 | 71.2 | 75.2 | 75.8 | 4.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 50.0 | 50.5 | 50.4 | 0.4 | 62.8 | 68.3 | 68.2 | 5.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.4 | 12.1 | 12.9 | 0.5 | 8.4 | 6.9 | 7.6 | (0.8) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 19.9 | 19.3 | 20.3 | 0.4 | 11.8 | 9.2 | 10.0 | (1.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 50.6 | 50.9 | 51.5 | 0.9 | 54.1 | 56.8 | 57.2 | 3.1 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | FEB 1999 | JAN 2000 | FEB 2000 | CHANGE FEB '99-'00 | FEB 1999 | JAN 2000 | FEB 2000 | CHANGE FEB '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 54.5 | 57.8 | 56.0 | 1.5 | 59.4 | 58.3 | 57.5 | (1.9) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 49.6 | 53.3 | 51.1 | 1.5 | 52.6 | 51.7 | 51.5 | (1.1) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.9 | 0.0 | 6.9 | 6.5 | 6.0 | (0.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.0 | 7.8 | 8.8 | (0.2) | 11.6 | 11.1 | 10.4 | (1.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.8 | 58.4 | 56.6 | 0.8 | 57.4 | 56.1 | 55.3 | (2.1) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | FEB 1999 | JAN 2000 | FEB 2000 | CHANGE FEB '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 188.3 | 196.5 | 196.9 | 8.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 176.5 | 183.6 | 183.5 | 7.0 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.8 | 12.9 | 13.4 | 1.6 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.3 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 0.5 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.2 | 68.8 | 68.8 | 1.6 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | JAN | FEB | JAN | FEB |
| Total | 404.2 | 402.3 | 417.5 | 417.0 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 89.3 | 88.9 | 93.8 | 93.9 |
| Agriculture | 5.5 | 5.8 | 7.9 | 8.0 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 15.4 | 14.7 | 18.6 | 17.7 |
| Utilities | 1.4 | 1.8 | 2.4 | 2.5 |
| Construction | 22.6 | 21.5 | 20.7 | 21.6 |
| Manufacturing | 44.4 | 45.0 | 44.2 | 44.1 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 314.9 | 313.5 | 323.8 | 323.1 |
| Trade | 70.3 | 68.9 | 73.9 | 75.9 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 20.1 | 20.1 | 19.9 | 20.8 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 23.4 | 22.6 | 23.1 | 23.4 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 17.7 | 18.3 | 14.8 | 14.6 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 12.8 | 13.2 | 15.4 | 14.0 |
| Educational Services | 29.8 | 30.3 | 31.5 | 31.5 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 49.0 | 48.8 | 49.3 | 50.0 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 14.7 | 14.7 | 17.0 | 15.1 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 28.5 | 29.8 | 27.4 | 28.1 |
| Other Services | 22.5 | 21.8 | 25.1 | 24.0 |
| Public Administration | 26.0 | 25.0 | 26.5 | 25.7 |

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 |
| 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | |
| CANADA | 14,065.9 | 14,399.2 | 14,507.1 | 441.2 | 11,240.9 | 11,608.4 | 11,690.7 | 449.8 | 2,825.1 | 2,790.8 | 2,816.4 | (8.7) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 187.1 | 188.5 | 188.8 | 1.7 | 155.2 | 155.3 | 155.7 | 0.5 | 32.0 | 33.2 | 33.0 | 1.0 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 54.8 | 58.4 | 58.8 | 4.0 | 43.8 | 47.0 | 47.4 | 3.6 | 11.0 | 11.4 | 11.3 | 0.3 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 386.9 | 402.8 | 401.1 | 14.2 | 302.0 | 321.0 | 312.5 | 10.5 | 84.9 | 81.8 | 88.6 | 3.7 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 308.5 | 310.8 | 310.9 | 2.4 | 253.9 | 255.4 | 256.4 | 2.5 | 54.6 | 55.3 | 54.5 | (0.1) |
| QUEBEC | 3,233.7 | 3,317.9 | 3,339.7 | 106.0 | 2,637.0 | 2,695.8 | 2,720.0 | 83.0 | 596.7 | 622.0 | 619.7 | 23.0 |
| ONTARIO | 5,513.4 | 5,668.3 | 5,705.2 | 191.8 | 4,434.8 | 4,618.9 | 4,637.8 | 203.0 | 1,078.7 | 1,049.4 | 1,067.5 | (11.2) |
| MANITOBA | 529.7 | 537.1 | 540.0 | 10.3 | 410.4 | 428.9 | 433.1 | 22.7 | 119.3 | 108.2 | 106.8 | (12.5) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 463.3 | 474.2 | 477.1 | 13.8 | 353.1 | 367.9 | 372.6 | 19.5 | 110.2 | 106.4 | 104.5 | (5.7) |
| ALBERTA | 1,517.1 | 1,544.8 | 1,560.6 | 43.5 | 1,193.1 | 1,224.2 | 1,243.2 | 50.1 | 324.0 | 320.6 | 317.4 | (6.6) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,871.4 | 1,896.5 | 1,924.9 | 53.5 | 1,457.7 | 1,494.0 | 1,511.9 | 54.2 | 413.7 | 402.5 | 413.0 | (0.7) |

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 |
| 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | |
| CANADA | 2,366.0 | 2,388.7 | 2,414.7 | 48.7 | 2,010.4 | 2,075.2 | 2,085.8 | 75.4 | 15.0 | 13.1 | 13.6 | (1.4) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 30.8 | 32.4 | 32.2 | 1.4 | 22.1 | 23.9 | 23.1 | 1.0 | 28.2 | 26.2 | 28.3 | 0.1 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 11.6 | 12.2 | 12.1 | 0.5 | 8.9 | 9.9 | 10.3 | 1.4 | 23.3 | 18.9 | 14.9 | (8.4) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 68.0 | 70.6 | 70.3 | 2.3 | 53.3 | 58.5 | 59.2 | 5.9 | 21.6 | 17.1 | 15.6 | (6.0) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 58.9 | 55.3 | 54.7 | (4.2) | 47.3 | 45.5 | 45.5 | (1.8) | 19.9 | 17.7 | 16.8 | (3.1) |
| QUEBEC | 535.9 | 543.0 | 548.0 | 12.1 | 448.6 | 460.0 | 459.0 | 10.4 | 16.3 | 15.3 | 16.2 | (0.1) |
| ONTARIO | 893.4 | 898.4 | 909.0 | 15.6 | 761.9 | 790.9 | 793.3 | 31.4 | 14.7 | 12.0 | 12.7 | (2.0) |
| MANITOBA | 96.5 | 97.1 | 99.5 | 3.0 | 87.0 | 86.9 | 87.5 | 0.5 | 9.8 | 10.5 | 12.1 | 2.3 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 87.5 | 86.5 | 86.9 | (0.6) | 75.2 | 77.5 | 78.3 | 3.1 | 14.1 | 10.4 | 9.9 | (4.2) |
| ALBERTA | 279.3 | 291.1 | 293.6 | 14.3 | 250.3 | 256.7 | 261.7 | 11.4 | 10.4 | 11.8 | 10.9 | 0.5 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 304.1 | 302.2 | 308.5 | 4.4 | 255.7 | 265.5 | 267.8 | 12.1 | 15.9 | 12.1 | 13.2 | (2.7) |

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for February for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>Jan2000</u> | <u>Feb 2000</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Hamilton | 3.6 | 4.1 |
| Regina | 4.5 | 4.9 |
| Saskatoon | 5.0 | 4.9 |
| Kitchener | 4.6 | 5.0 |
| Edmonton | 4.8 | 5.0 |
| Oshawa | 4.7 | 5.1 |
| Calgary | 5.5 | 5.1 |
| Toronto | 5.1 | 5.2 |
| Thunder Bay | 5.2 | 5.3 |
| London | 5.0 | 5.5 |
| Winnipeg | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| Ottawa-Hull | 5.7 | 6.2 |
| Victoria | 5.9 | 6.2 |
| St. Catharines - Niagara | 7.0 | 6.4 |
| Windsor | 6.4 | 6.4 |
| Halifax | 6.3 | 6.5 |
| Vancouver | 6.8 | 6.5 |
| Montréal | 6.7 | 7.0 |
| Saint John N.B. | 8.2 | 8.2 |
| Sudbury | 8.4 | 8.8 |
| Québec | 9.1 | 9.0 |
| Sherbrooke | 9.2 | 9.2 |
| St-John's Nfld. | 9.6 | 9.8 |
| Trois-Rivières | 9.6 | 10.1 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 11.2 | 10.9 |

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

MARCH 2000

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - MARCH 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,634.5 | 15,907.0 | 15,944.1 | 309.6 | 15,394.8 | 15,643.5 | 15,691.9 | 297.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,401.9 | 14,827.5 | 14,857.8 | 455.9 | 14,096.9 | 14,507.1 | 14,550.5 | 453.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,232.7 | 1,079.5 | 1,086.3 | (146.4) | 1,297.9 | 1,136.4 | 1,141.3 | (156.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.9 | 6.8 | 6.8 | (1.1) | 8.4 | 7.3 | 7.3 | (1.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.5 | 65.8 | 65.9 | 0.4 | 64.5 | 64.7 | 64.9 | 0.4 |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|---------|--------|-------|-------|---------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 449.8 | 461.7 | 461.8 | 12.0 | 438.8 | 447.7 | 450.8 | 12.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 403.4 | 417.0 | 420.9 | 17.5 | 388.0 | 401.1 | 406.1 | 18.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 46.4 | 44.8 | 40.9 | (5.5) | 50.8 | 46.6 | 44.6 | (6.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 10.3 | 9.7 | 8.9 | (1.4) | 11.6 | 10.4 | 9.9 | (1.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.9 | 62.0 | 61.9 | 1.0 | 59.4 | 60.1 | 60.5 | 1.1 |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 242.6 | 247.2 | 249.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 198.6 | 203.6 | 205.3 | 6.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 44.0 | 43.6 | 44.4 | 0.4 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 19.6 | 18.6 | 19.2 | (0.4) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 18.1 | 17.6 | 17.8 | (0.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.4 | 56.2 | 56.7 | 1.3 |

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|------|------|---------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 71.4 | 73.2 | 74.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 60.2 | 64.8 | 65.5 | 5.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.2 | 8.4 | 8.6 | (2.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 19.9 | 14.4 | 14.7 | (5.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 15.7 | 11.5 | 11.6 | (4.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.5 | 67.2 | 67.9 | (1.4) |

NEW BRUNSWICK

| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 368.4 | 366.7 | 369.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 328.9 | 331.3 | 331.4 | 2.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 39.5 | 35.4 | 38.4 | (1.1) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 12.2 | 10.7 | 11.8 | (0.4) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 10.7 | 9.7 | 10.4 | (0.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.6 | 60.9 | 61.4 | (0.2) |

QUEBEC

| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 3,667.2 | 3,742.0 | 3,746.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 3,310.8 | 3,430.6 | 3,425.2 | 114.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 356.4 | 311.4 | 320.8 | (35.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 10.2 | 9.1 | 9.0 | (1.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 9.7 | 8.3 | 8.6 | (1.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 62.4 | 63.2 | 63.2 | 0.8 |

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 | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | MAR | MAR | FEB | MAR | MAR |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,034.0 | 6,156.1 | 6,178.5 | 144.5 | 572.4 | 580.6 | 583.2 | 10.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,638.6 | 5,804.2 | 5,832.3 | 193.7 | 541.1 | 549.6 | 550.6 | 9.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 395.4 | 351.9 | 346.1 | (49.3) | 31.3 | 31.0 | 32.6 | 1.3 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.1 | 6.1 | 6.1 | (1.0) | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.9 | 0.1 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.6 | 5.7 | 5.6 | (1.0) | 5.5 | 5.3 | 5.6 | 0.1 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.6 | 66.9 | 67.0 | 0.4 | 67.3 | 67.9 | 68.1 | 0.8 |

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | MAR | MAR | FEB | MAR | MAR |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 509.2 | 514.0 | 515.0 | 5.8 | 1,638.2 | 1,667.1 | 1,671.9 | 33.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 476.6 | 490.2 | 491.2 | 14.6 | 1,541.7 | 1,585.8 | 1,588.3 | 46.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 32.5 | 23.9 | 23.8 | (8.7) | 96.5 | 81.3 | 83.6 | (12.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.3 | 5.1 | 5.2 | (2.1) | 6.1 | 5.0 | 5.0 | (1.1) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.4 | 4.6 | 4.6 | (1.8) | 5.9 | 4.9 | 5.0 | (0.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.7 | 67.3 | 67.4 | 0.7 | 72.6 | 72.6 | 72.7 | 0.1 |

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | MAR |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,081.3 | 2,098.3 | 2,094.1 | 12.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,901.9 | 1,950.4 | 1,947.1 | 45.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 179.4 | 147.9 | 147.0 | (32.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 9.2 | 7.5 | 7.4 | (1.8) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.6 | 7.0 | 7.0 | (1.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.4 | 65.1 | 64.9 | (0.5) |

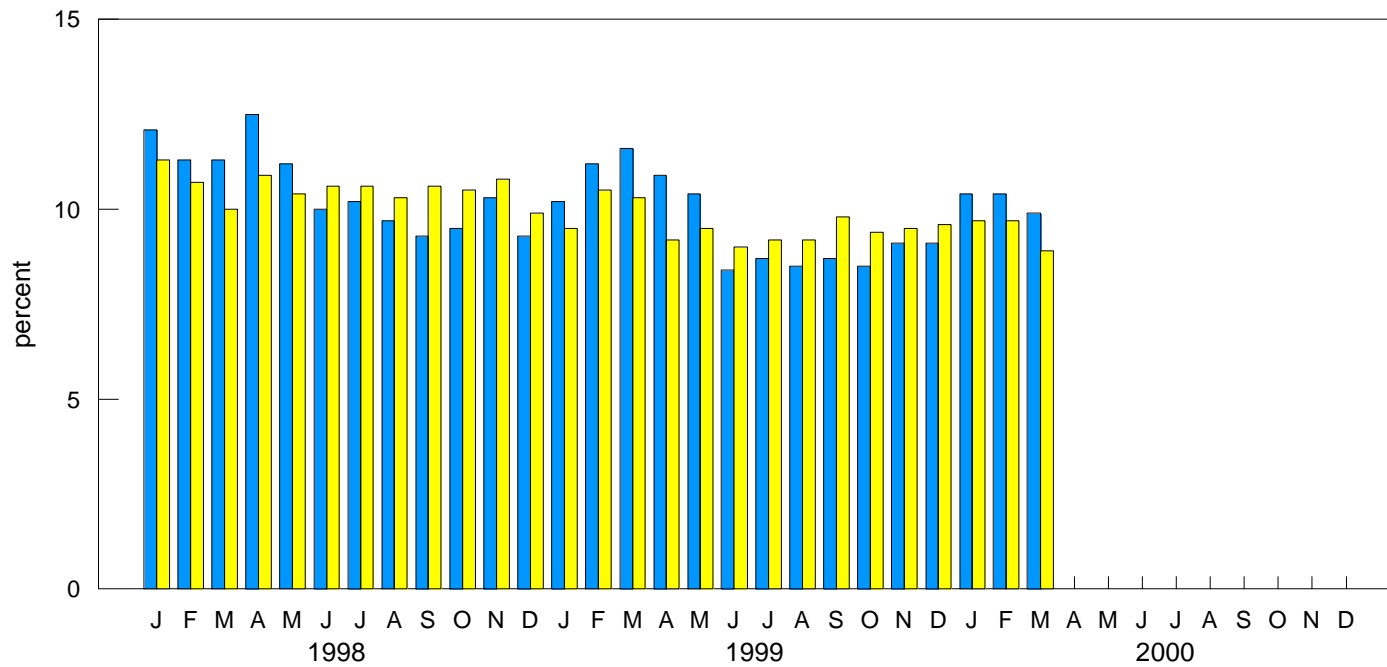
Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

Actual, 1998 - 2000



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



Actual Seasonally Adjusted

HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | MAR |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 185.1 | 192.4 | 193.0 | 7.9 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 172.5 | 179.4 | 180.8 | 8.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.6 | 13.0 | 12.2 | (0.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.3 | (0.5) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.0 | 69.9 | 70.0 | 2.0 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | MAR |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 435.8 | 449.5 | 449.3 | 13.5 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 388.0 | 404.7 | 403.3 | 15.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 47.8 | 44.8 | 45.9 | (1.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 11.0 | 10.0 | 10.2 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 59.0 | 60.4 | 60.3 | 1.3 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 61.2 | 63.4 | 63.1 | 1.9 | 70.3 | 75.8 | 76.1 | 5.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 49.1 | 50.4 | 50.5 | 1.4 | 61.3 | 68.2 | 67.8 | 6.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.1 | 12.9 | 12.6 | 0.5 | 9.0 | 7.6 | 8.3 | (0.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 19.8 | 20.3 | 20.0 | 0.2 | 12.8 | 10.0 | 10.9 | (1.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 49.6 | 51.5 | 51.3 | 1.7 | 53.4 | 57.2 | 57.4 | 4.0 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 54.5 | 56.0 | 55.4 | 0.9 | 59.9 | 57.5 | 56.7 | (3.2) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 49.0 | 51.1 | 49.9 | 0.9 | 52.2 | 51.5 | 50.6 | (1.6) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 5.6 | 4.9 | 5.5 | (0.1) | 7.7 | 6.0 | 6.1 | (1.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 10.3 | 8.8 | 9.9 | (0.4) | 12.9 | 10.4 | 10.8 | (2.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.7 | 56.6 | 56.0 | 0.3 | 57.9 | 55.3 | 54.6 | (3.3) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAR | FEB | MAR | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 189.8 | 196.9 | 198.0 | 8.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 176.5 | 183.5 | 184.6 | 8.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.4 | 13.4 | 13.4 | 0.0 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.1 | 6.8 | 6.8 | (0.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.8 | 68.8 | 69.1 | 2.3 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | FEB | MAR | FEB | MAR |
| Total | 402.3 | 403.4 | 417.0 | 420.9 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 88.9 | 89.7 | 93.9 | 93.1 |
| Agriculture | 5.8 | 6.4 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 14.7 | 15.1 | 17.7 | 17.3 |
| Utilities | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 3.0 |
| Construction | 21.5 | 21.2 | 21.6 | 21.9 |
| Manufacturing | 45.0 | 45.4 | 44.1 | 43.0 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 313.5 | 313.7 | 323.1 | 327.7 |
| Trade | 68.9 | 69.1 | 75.9 | 75.2 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 20.1 | 20.7 | 20.8 | 20.8 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 22.6 | 23.2 | 23.4 | 23.1 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 18.3 | 18.4 | 14.6 | 14.9 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 13.2 | 12.9 | 14.0 | 16.3 |
| Educational Services | 30.3 | 30.7 | 31.5 | 31.8 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 48.8 | 48.4 | 50.0 | 50.2 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 14.7 | 13.9 | 15.1 | 15.9 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 29.8 | 28.8 | 28.1 | 28.0 |
| Other Services | 21.8 | 22.2 | 24.0 | 24.1 |
| Public Administration | 25.0 | 25.3 | 25.7 | 27.2 |

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 |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| CANADA | 14,096.9 | 14,507.1 | 14,550.5 | 453.6 | 11,335.2 | 11,690.7 | 11,780.4 | 445.2 | 2,761.7 | 2,816.4 | 2,770.1 | 8.4 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 184.7 | 188.8 | 190.1 | 5.4 | 153.4 | 155.7 | 156.4 | 3.0 | 31.2 | 33.0 | 33.7 | 2.5 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 54.6 | 58.8 | 59.7 | 5.1 | 43.5 | 47.4 | 47.0 | 3.5 | 11.1 | 11.3 | 12.7 | 1.6 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 388.0 | 401.1 | 406.1 | 18.1 | 303.2 | 312.5 | 317.1 | 13.9 | 84.9 | 88.6 | 89.0 | 4.1 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 309.1 | 310.9 | 311.2 | 2.1 | 254.3 | 256.4 | 258.4 | 4.1 | 54.8 | 54.5 | 52.8 | (2.0) |
| QUEBEC | 3,237.4 | 3,339.7 | 3,346.8 | 109.4 | 2,659.4 | 2,720.0 | 2,753.7 | 94.3 | 578.0 | 619.7 | 593.1 | 15.1 |
| ONTARIO | 5,532.7 | 5,705.2 | 5,727.9 | 195.2 | 4,486.7 | 4,637.8 | 4,684.7 | 198.0 | 1,046.0 | 1,067.5 | 1,043.2 | (2.8) |
| MANITOBA | 533.1 | 540.0 | 543.1 | 10.0 | 418.2 | 433.1 | 433.7 | 15.5 | 114.9 | 106.8 | 109.4 | (5.5) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 463.1 | 477.1 | 478.1 | 15.0 | 358.1 | 372.6 | 375.2 | 17.1 | 105.0 | 104.5 | 103.0 | (2.0) |
| ALBERTA | 1,522.4 | 1,560.6 | 1,569.7 | 47.3 | 1,206.8 | 1,243.2 | 1,250.6 | 43.8 | 315.6 | 317.4 | 319.2 | 3.6 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,871.9 | 1,924.9 | 1,917.8 | 45.9 | 1,451.6 | 1,511.9 | 1,503.7 | 52.1 | 420.3 | 413.0 | 414.1 | (6.2) |

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 |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| CANADA | 2,380.3 | 2,414.7 | 2,429.3 | 49.0 | 2,029.4 | 2,085.8 | 2,100.6 | 71.2 | 14.7 | 13.6 | 13.5 | (1.2) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 29.9 | 32.2 | 33.1 | 3.2 | 21.1 | 23.1 | 23.3 | 2.2 | 29.4 | 28.3 | 29.6 | 0.2 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 12.4 | 12.1 | 12.6 | 0.2 | 9.1 | 10.3 | 10.6 | 1.5 | 26.6 | 14.9 | 16.7 | (9.9) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 68.7 | 70.3 | 73.4 | 4.7 | 54.0 | 59.2 | 61.6 | 7.6 | 21.4 | 15.6 | 16.1 | (5.3) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 57.0 | 54.7 | 54.8 | (2.2) | 47.2 | 45.5 | 45.0 | (2.2) | 17.2 | 16.8 | 17.9 | 0.7 |
| QUEBEC | 530.9 | 548.0 | 540.7 | 9.8 | 446.9 | 459.0 | 454.8 | 7.9 | 15.8 | 16.2 | 15.9 | 0.1 |
| ONTARIO | 905.5 | 909.0 | 925.1 | 19.6 | 774.9 | 793.3 | 811.5 | 36.6 | 14.4 | 12.7 | 12.3 | (2.1) |
| MANITOBA | 99.4 | 99.5 | 101.7 | 2.3 | 89.7 | 87.5 | 89.6 | (0.1) | 9.8 | 12.1 | 11.9 | 2.1 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 86.6 | 86.9 | 88.3 | 1.7 | 73.9 | 78.3 | 78.6 | 4.7 | 14.7 | 9.9 | 11.0 | (3.7) |
| ALBERTA | 277.8 | 293.6 | 295.3 | 17.5 | 247.2 | 261.7 | 261.0 | 13.8 | 11.0 | 10.9 | 11.6 | 0.6 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 312.0 | 308.5 | 304.3 | (7.7) | 265.3 | 267.8 | 264.8 | (0.5) | 15.0 | 13.2 | 13.0 | (2.0) |

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for March for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>Feb 2000</u> | <u>March 2000</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Calgary | 5.1 | 4.7 |
| Regina | 4.9 | 4.8 |
| Hamilton | 4.1 | 5.3 |
| Saskatoon | 4.9 | 5.3 |
| Kitchener | 5.0 | 5.5 |
| Edmonton | 5.0 | 5.5 |
| Oshawa | 5.1 | 5.5 |
| Toronto | 5.2 | 5.6 |
| London | 5.5 | 5.9 |
| Winnipeg | 5.7 | 5.9 |
| Windsor | 6.4 | 6.0 |
| Thunder Bay | 5.3 | 6.1 |
| Ottawa-Hull | 6.2 | 6.1 |
| St. Catharines - Niagara | 6.4 | 6.3 |
| Vancouver | 6.5 | 6.4 |
| Victoria | 6.2 | 6.4 |
| Halifax | 6.5 | 6.5 |
| Montréal | 7.0 | 7.6 |
| Saint John N.B. | 8.2 | 7.7 |
| Sudbury | 8.8 | 9.0 |
| Sherbrooke | 9.2 | 9.1 |
| Québec | 9.0 | 9.2 |
| St-John's Nfld. | 9.8 | 10.2 |
| Trois-Rivières | 10.1 | 10.8 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 10.9 | 11.0 |

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

APRIL 2000

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - APRIL 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE APR '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE APR '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | APR | MAR | APR | | | APR | MAR | APR | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,731.0 | 15,944.1 | 15,941.9 | 210.9 | 15,551.5 | 15,691.9 | 15,753.2 | 201.7 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,448.8 | 14,857.8 | 14,862.6 | 413.8 | 14,222.3 | 14,550.5 | 14,628.8 | 406.5 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,282.2 | 1,086.3 | 1,079.3 | (202.9) | 1,329.2 | 1,141.3 | 1,124.4 | (204.8) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.2 | 6.8 | 6.8 | (1.4) | 8.5 | 7.3 | 7.1 | (1.4) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.8 | 65.9 | 65.8 | 0.0 | 65.1 | 64.9 | 65.1 | 0.0 | |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE APR '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE APR '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | APR | MAR | APR | | | APR | MAR | APR | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 451.1 | 461.8 | 462.0 | 10.9 | 443.7 | 450.8 | 453.2 | 9.5 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 409.4 | 420.9 | 423.0 | 13.6 | 395.4 | 406.1 | 409.7 | 14.3 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 41.7 | 40.9 | 39.0 | (2.7) | 48.3 | 44.6 | 43.5 | (4.8) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.2 | 8.9 | 8.4 | (0.8) | 10.9 | 9.9 | 9.6 | (1.3) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.0 | 61.9 | 61.9 | 0.9 | 60.0 | 60.5 | 60.7 | 0.7 | |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NEWFOUNDLAND | | | | CHANGE APR '99-'00 | PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | | | CHANGE APR '99-'00 |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | APR | MAR | APR | | | APR | MAR | APR | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 244.8 | 249.8 | 247.6 | 2.8 | 72.1 | 74.1 | 74.3 | 2.2 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 198.5 | 205.3 | 206.1 | 7.6 | 61.0 | 65.5 | 65.7 | 4.7 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 46.3 | 44.4 | 41.5 | (4.8) | 11.1 | 8.6 | 8.6 | (2.5) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 21.2 | 19.2 | 18.7 | (2.5) | 20.1 | 14.7 | 15.4 | (4.7) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 18.9 | 17.8 | 16.8 | (2.1) | 15.4 | 11.6 | 11.6 | (3.8) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.9 | 56.7 | 56.3 | 0.4 | 67.0 | 67.9 | 68.1 | (1.1) | |

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

| | NEW BRUNSWICK | | | | CHANGE APR '99-'00 | QUEBEC | | | CHANGE APR '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | APR | MAR | APR | | | APR | MAR | APR | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 367.1 | 369.8 | 372.2 | 5.1 | 3,709.0 | 3,746.0 | 3,765.1 | 56.1 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 327.7 | 331.4 | 333.1 | 5.4 | 3,334.6 | 3,425.2 | 3,435.1 | 100.5 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 39.4 | 38.4 | 39.1 | (0.3) | 374.4 | 320.8 | 330.0 | (44.4) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 13.0 | 11.8 | 12.8 | (0.2) | 10.3 | 9.0 | 9.1 | (1.2) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 10.7 | 10.4 | 10.5 | (0.2) | 10.1 | 8.6 | 8.8 | (1.3) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.3 | 61.4 | 61.7 | 0.4 | 63.0 | 63.2 | 63.5 | 0.5 | |

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>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,080.3 | 6,178.5 | 6,173.1 | 92.8 | 573.6 | 583.2 | 585.2 | 11.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,657.0 | 5,832.3 | 5,834.6 | 177.6 | 540.5 | 550.6 | 555.9 | 15.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 423.3 | 346.1 | 338.4 | (84.9) | 33.1 | 32.6 | 29.3 | (3.8) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.2 | 6.1 | 5.7 | (1.5) | 6.2 | 5.9 | 5.3 | (0.9) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 7.0 | 5.6 | 5.5 | (1.5) | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.0 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.0 | 67.0 | 66.9 | (0.1) | 67.4 | 68.1 | 68.3 | 0.9 |

SASKATCHEWAN

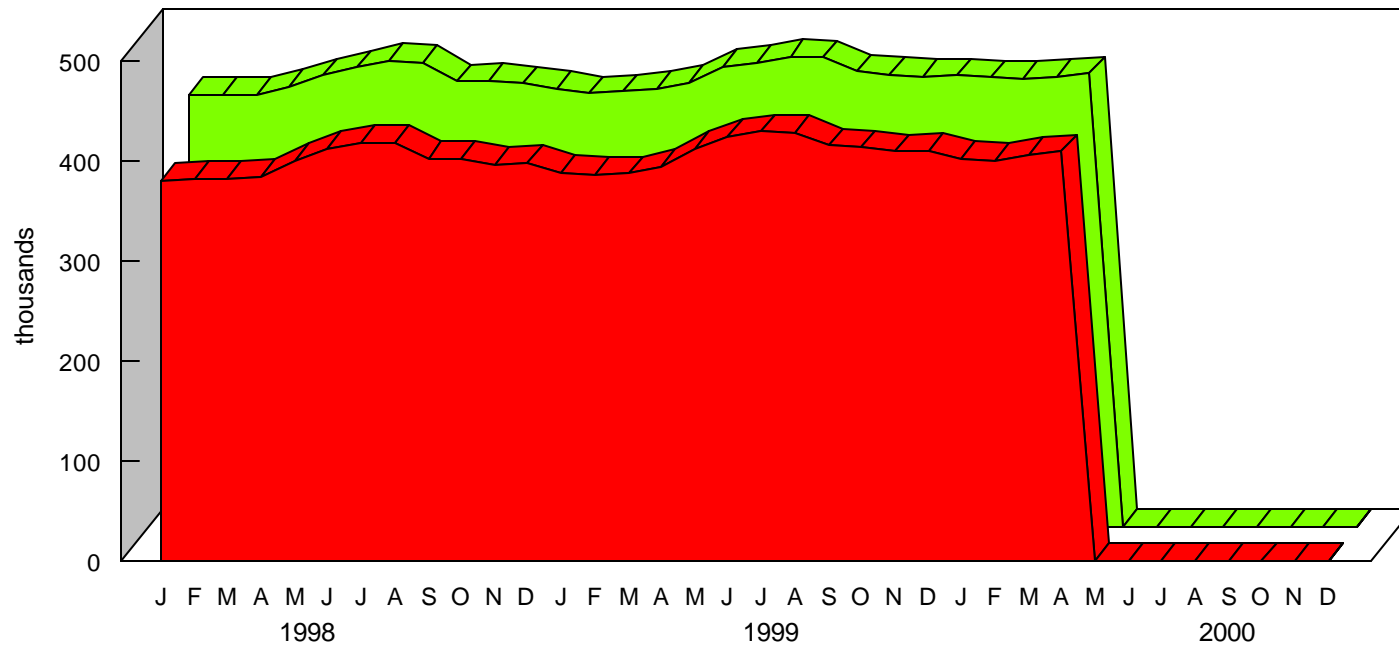
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | APR | MAR | APR | APR | APR | MAR | APR | APR |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 509.8 | 515.0 | 512.6 | 2.8 | 1,640.7 | 1,671.9 | 1,669.1 | 28.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 477.4 | 491.2 | 488.0 | 10.6 | 1,543.5 | 1,588.3 | 1,583.6 | 40.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 32.4 | 23.8 | 24.6 | (7.8) | 97.2 | 83.6 | 85.5 | (11.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.2 | 5.2 | 5.4 | (1.8) | 6.1 | 5.0 | 5.2 | (0.9) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.4 | 4.6 | 4.8 | (1.6) | 5.9 | 5.0 | 5.1 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.8 | 67.4 | 67.1 | 0.3 | 72.6 | 72.7 | 72.4 | (0.2) |

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | APR | MAR | APR | APR |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,082.6 | 2,094.1 | 2,080.7 | (1.9) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,899.2 | 1,947.1 | 1,937.5 | 38.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 183.4 | 147.0 | 143.2 | (40.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 9.2 | 7.4 | 7.2 | (2.0) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.8 | 7.0 | 6.9 | (1.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.4 | 64.9 | 64.5 | (0.9) |

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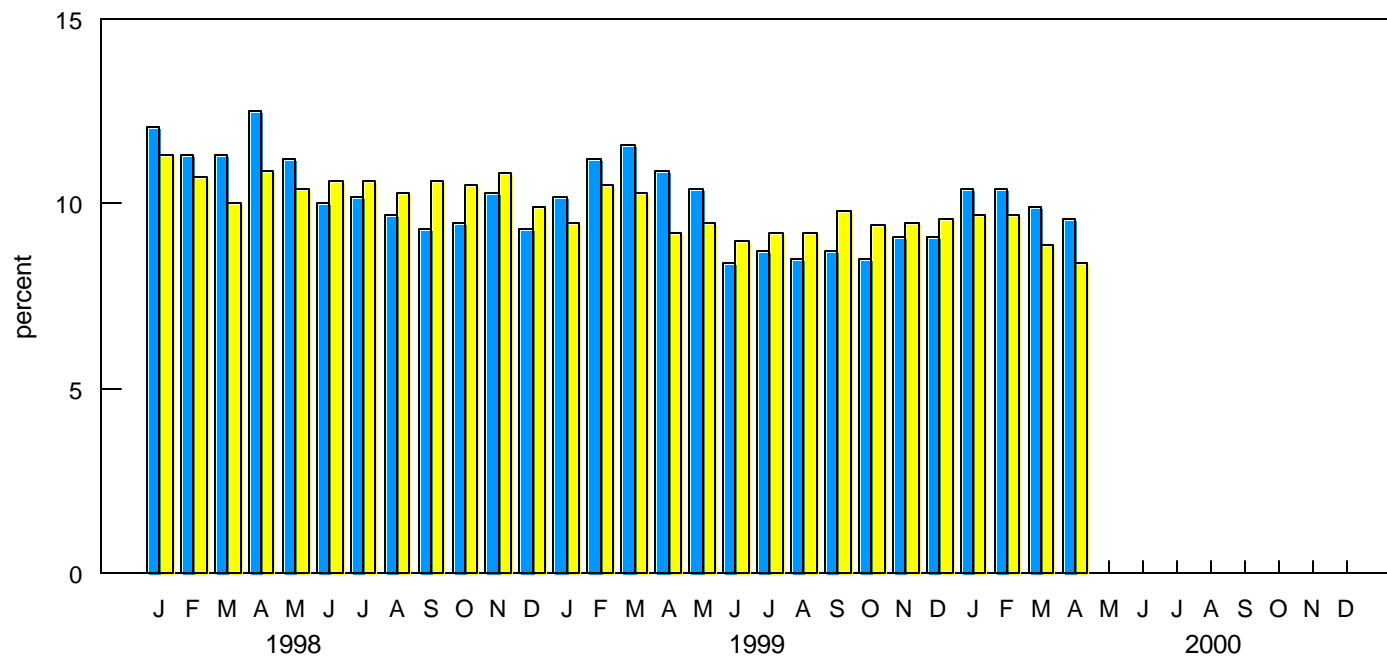
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



Actual Seasonally Adjusted

HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | APR <u>1999</u> | MAR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 186.3 | 193.0 | 193.2 | 6.9 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 173.6 | 180.8 | 181.5 | 7.9 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.7 | 12.2 | 11.7 | (1.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.8 | 6.3 | 6.1 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.3 | 70.0 | 70.0 | 1.7 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | APR <u>1999</u> | MAR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 439.3 | 449.3 | 450.6 | 11.3 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 390.1 | 403.3 | 405.6 | 15.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 49.2 | 45.9 | 44.9 | (4.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 11.2 | 10.2 | 10.0 | (1.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 59.5 | 60.3 | 60.4 | 0.9 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | APR <u>1999</u> | MAR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>2000</u> | CHANGE APR <u>'99-'00</u> | APR <u>1999</u> | MAR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>2000</u> | CHANGE APR <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 60.9 | 63.1 | 62.1 | 1.2 | 70.8 | 76.1 | 77.0 | 6.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 49.8 | 50.5 | 50.6 | 0.8 | 61.1 | 67.8 | 68.5 | 7.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.1 | 12.6 | 11.5 | 0.4 | 9.8 | 8.3 | 8.4 | (1.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 18.2 | 20.0 | 18.5 | 0.3 | 13.8 | 10.9 | 10.9 | (2.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 49.4 | 51.3 | 50.5 | 1.1 | 53.8 | 57.4 | 58.1 | 4.3 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | APR <u>1999</u> | MAR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>2000</u> | CHANGE APR <u>'99-'00</u> | APR <u>1999</u> | MAR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>2000</u> | CHANGE APR <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 54.7 | 55.4 | 56.5 | 1.8 | 61.3 | 56.7 | 56.7 | (4.6) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 48.7 | 49.9 | 50.7 | 2.0 | 52.9 | 50.6 | 50.6 | (2.3) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 6.0 | 5.5 | 5.8 | (0.2) | 8.4 | 6.1 | 6.1 | (2.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 11.0 | 9.9 | 10.3 | (0.7) | 13.7 | 10.8 | 10.8 | (2.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.9 | 56.0 | 57.0 | 1.1 | 59.3 | 54.6 | 54.6 | (4.7) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | APR <u>1999</u> | MAR <u>2000</u> | APR <u>2000</u> | CHANGE APR <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 191.6 | 198.0 | 198.3 | 6.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 177.7 | 184.6 | 185.2 | 7.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.9 | 13.4 | 13.0 | (0.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.3 | 6.8 | 6.6 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.3 | 69.1 | 69.1 | 1.8 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | MAR | APR | MAR | APR |
| Total | 403.4 | 409.4 | 420.9 | 423.0 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 89.7 | 94.5 | 93.1 | 94.7 |
| Agriculture | 6.4 | 6.7 | 8.0 | 7.2 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 15.1 | 16.2 | 17.3 | 17.5 |
| Utilities | 1.7 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 3.2 |
| Construction | 21.2 | 24.2 | 21.9 | 24.3 |
| Manufacturing | 45.4 | 45.4 | 43.0 | 42.6 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 313.7 | 314.9 | 327.7 | 328.2 |
| Trade | 69.1 | 70.5 | 75.2 | 75.6 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 20.7 | 20.4 | 20.8 | 19.7 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 23.2 | 22.6 | 23.1 | 23.1 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 18.4 | 19.1 | 14.9 | 16.1 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 12.9 | 13.7 | 16.3 | 15.2 |
| Educational Services | 30.7 | 31.1 | 31.8 | 31.9 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 48.4 | 47.8 | 50.2 | 50.9 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 13.9 | 14.6 | 15.9 | 17.1 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 28.8 | 27.9 | 28.0 | 28.2 |
| Other Services | 22.2 | 22.1 | 24.1 | 23.3 |
| Public Administration | 25.3 | 25.2 | 27.2 | 27.1 |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 14,222.3 | 14,550.5 | 14,628.8 | 406.5 | 11,497.1 | 11,780.4 | 11,846.0 | 348.9 | 2,725.2 | 2,770.1 | 2,782.9 | 57.7 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 185.5 | 190.1 | 192.5 | 7.0 | 157.0 | 156.4 | 160.8 | 3.8 | 28.5 | 33.7 | 31.7 | 3.2 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 56.3 | 59.7 | 60.9 | 4.6 | 44.8 | 47.0 | 49.3 | 4.5 | 11.6 | 12.7 | 11.6 | 0.0 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 395.4 | 406.1 | 409.7 | 14.3 | 312.1 | 317.1 | 328.8 | 16.7 | 83.4 | 89.0 | 80.9 | (2.5) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 311.1 | 311.2 | 316.4 | 5.3 | 257.5 | 258.4 | 262.4 | 4.9 | 53.6 | 52.8 | 54.0 | 0.4 |
| QUEBEC | 3,276.0 | 3,346.8 | 3,373.2 | 97.2 | 2,720.8 | 2,753.7 | 2,767.5 | 46.7 | 555.3 | 593.1 | 605.7 | 50.4 |
| ONTARIO | 5,592.6 | 5,727.9 | 5,768.1 | 175.5 | 4,535.3 | 4,684.7 | 4,702.1 | 166.8 | 1,057.3 | 1,043.2 | 1,066.0 | 8.7 |
| MANITOBA | 533.9 | 543.1 | 550.6 | 16.7 | 424.3 | 433.7 | 440.3 | 16.0 | 109.7 | 109.4 | 110.3 | 0.6 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 468.1 | 478.1 | 478.0 | 9.9 | 369.5 | 375.2 | 379.0 | 9.5 | 98.6 | 103.0 | 99.0 | 0.4 |
| ALBERTA | 1,522.6 | 1,569.7 | 1,563.1 | 40.5 | 1,211.1 | 1,250.6 | 1,247.2 | 36.1 | 311.5 | 319.2 | 315.9 | 4.4 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,880.7 | 1,917.8 | 1,916.3 | 35.6 | 1,464.8 | 1,503.7 | 1,508.6 | 43.8 | 415.9 | 414.1 | 407.7 | (8.2) |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 2,421.7 | 2,429.3 | 2,439.9 | 18.2 | 2,033.5 | 2,100.6 | 2,108.7 | 75.2 | 16.0 | 13.5 | 13.6 | (2.4) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 32.2 | 33.1 | 33.4 | 1.2 | 22.0 | 23.3 | 24.3 | 2.3 | 31.4 | 29.6 | 27.2 | (4.2) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 12.7 | 12.6 | 12.4 | (0.3) | 9.5 | 10.6 | 10.7 | 1.2 | 25.2 | 16.7 | 13.7 | (11.5) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 71.2 | 73.4 | 72.6 | 1.4 | 54.3 | 61.6 | 59.7 | 5.4 | 23.7 | 16.1 | 17.8 | (5.9) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 58.5 | 54.8 | 55.5 | (3.0) | 47.1 | 45.0 | 46.2 | (0.9) | 19.5 | 17.9 | 16.9 | (2.6) |
| QUEBEC | 532.8 | 540.7 | 546.0 | 13.2 | 439.6 | 454.8 | 455.9 | 16.3 | 17.5 | 15.9 | 16.5 | (1.0) |
| ONTARIO | 933.9 | 925.1 | 925.0 | (8.9) | 784.5 | 811.5 | 816.2 | 31.7 | 16.0 | 12.3 | 11.8 | (4.2) |
| MANITOBA | 99.6 | 101.7 | 102.5 | 2.9 | 88.9 | 89.6 | 91.0 | 2.1 | 10.7 | 11.9 | 11.2 | 0.5 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 87.8 | 88.3 | 89.7 | 1.9 | 75.9 | 78.6 | 79.6 | 3.7 | 13.6 | 11.0 | 11.3 | (2.3) |
| ALBERTA | 277.1 | 295.3 | 295.2 | 18.1 | 245.9 | 261.0 | 259.5 | 13.6 | 11.3 | 11.6 | 12.1 | 0.8 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 315.8 | 304.3 | 307.5 | (8.3) | 265.8 | 264.8 | 265.7 | (0.1) | 15.8 | 13.0 | 13.6 | (2.2) |

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for April for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>March 2000</u> | <u>April 2000</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Regina | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| Calgary | 4.8 | 4.7 |
| Saskatoon | 4.8 | 4.9 |
| Hamilton | 4.6 | 5.1 |
| Edmonton | 5.2 | 5.3 |
| Kitchener | 5.2 | 5.3 |
| Thunder Bay | 5.7 | 5.3 |
| Toronto | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| Oshawa | 5.6 | 5.4 |
| Ottawa-Hull | 5.9 | 6.4 |
| Saint John N.B. | 6.6 | 5.4 |
| St. Catharines - Niagara | 5.8 | 5.6 |
| Winnipeg | 5.7 | 5.7 |
| London | 5.7 | 5.7 |
| Vancouver | 6.2 | 5.7 |
| Windsor | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| Halifax | 6.3 | 6.1 |
| Victoria | 5.8 | 6.1 |
| Montréal | 7.1 | 7.4 |
| Québec | 8.5 | 8.3 |
| Sudbury | 8.6 | 8.5 |
| Sherbrooke | 8.8 | 8.6 |
| St-John's Nfld. | 10.0 | 9.7 |
| Trois-Rivières | 9.9 | 9.9 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 10.3 | 10.1 |

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION

MAY 2000

EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - MAY 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE MAY '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE MAY '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | | | MAY | APR | MAY | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,730.5 | 15,941.9 | 15,961.5 | 231.0 | 15,863.8 | 15,753.2 | 16,107.3 | 243.5 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,492.3 | 14,862.6 | 14,904.9 | 412.6 | 14,583.7 | 14,628.8 | 15,016.7 | 433.0 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,238.2 | 1,079.3 | 1,056.6 | (181.6) | 1,280.2 | 1,124.4 | 1,090.6 | (189.6) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.9 | 6.8 | 6.6 | (1.3) | 8.1 | 7.1 | 6.8 | (1.3) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.8 | 65.8 | 65.8 | 0.0 | 66.3 | 65.1 | 66.4 | 0.1 | |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE MAY '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE MAY '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | | | MAY | APR | MAY | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 453.9 | 462.0 | 457.7 | 3.8 | 459.8 | 453.2 | 464.7 | 4.9 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 410.5 | 423.0 | 420.3 | 9.8 | 412.2 | 409.7 | 424.3 | 12.1 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 43.3 | 39.0 | 37.5 | (5.8) | 47.6 | 43.5 | 40.4 | (7.2) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.5 | 8.4 | 8.2 | (1.3) | 10.4 | 9.6 | 8.7 | (1.7) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.4 | 61.9 | 61.3 | (0.1) | 62.2 | 60.7 | 62.2 | 0.0 | |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NEWFOUNDLAND | | | | CHANGE MAY '99-'00 | PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | | | CHANGE MAY '99-'00 |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | | | MAY | APR | MAY | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 252.5 | 247.6 | 247.0 | (5.5) | 71.2 | 74.3 | 73.3 | 2.1 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 208.7 | 206.1 | 207.3 | (1.4) | 60.6 | 65.7 | 65.6 | 5.0 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 43.8 | 41.5 | 39.7 | (4.1) | 10.6 | 8.6 | 7.7 | (2.9) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 19.7 | 18.7 | 18.0 | (1.7) | 13.4 | 15.4 | 9.1 | (4.3) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 17.3 | 16.8 | 16.1 | (1.2) | 14.9 | 11.6 | 10.5 | (4.4) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 57.7 | 56.3 | 56.1 | (1.6) | 66.2 | 68.1 | 67.1 | (0.9) | |

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

| | NEW BRUNSWICK | | | | CHANGE MAY '99-'00 | QUEBEC | | | CHANGE MAY '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-----|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | | | MAY | APR | MAY | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 364.8 | 372.2 | 369.2 | 4.4 | 3,694.6 | 3,765.1 | 3,775.0 | 80.4 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 327.7 | 333.1 | 331.4 | 3.7 | 3,342.9 | 3,435.1 | 3,452.5 | 109.6 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 37.1 | 39.1 | 37.8 | 0.7 | 351.7 | 330.0 | 322.5 | (29.2) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 10.9 | 12.8 | 11.1 | 0.2 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 8.4 | (0.9) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 10.2 | 10.5 | 10.2 | 0.0 | 9.5 | 8.8 | 8.5 | (1.0) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.9 | 61.7 | 61.2 | 0.3 | 62.8 | 63.5 | 63.7 | 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 | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,092.8 | 6,173.1 | 6,176.9 | 84.1 | 573.3 | 585.2 | 581.3 | 8.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,682.5 | 5,834.6 | 5,838.7 | 156.2 | 543.0 | 555.9 | 554.5 | 11.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 410.2 | 338.4 | 338.2 | (72.0) | 30.3 | 29.3 | 26.8 | (3.5) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.1 | 5.7 | 5.7 | (1.4) | 5.1 | 5.3 | 4.3 | (0.8) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.7 | 5.5 | 5.5 | (1.2) | 5.3 | 5.0 | 4.6 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.0 | 66.9 | 66.8 | (0.2) | 67.4 | 68.3 | 67.7 | 0.3 |

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

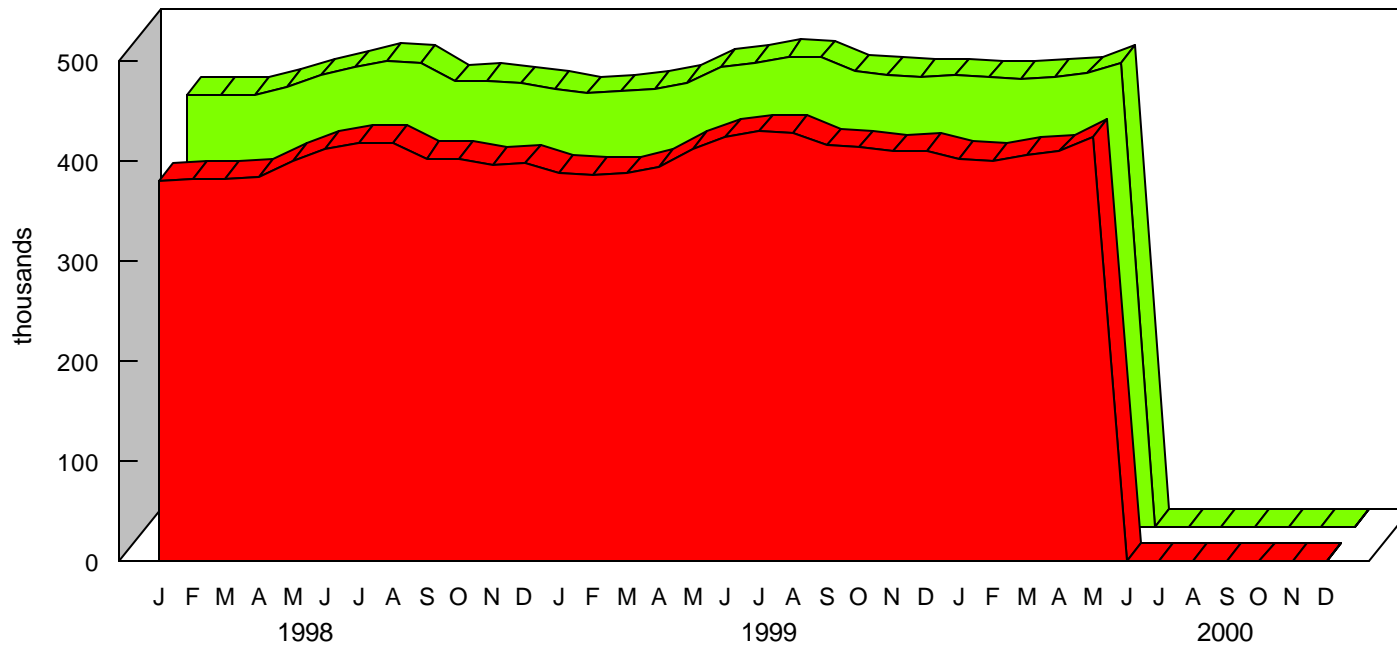
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 511.7 | 512.6 | 515.6 | 3.9 | 1,648.8 | 1,669.1 | 1,670.3 | 21.5 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 475.0 | 488.0 | 489.9 | 14.9 | 1,545.5 | 1,583.6 | 1,591.1 | 45.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 36.7 | 24.6 | 25.7 | (11.0) | 103.3 | 85.5 | 79.2 | (24.1) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.1 | 5.4 | 5.2 | (1.9) | 6.5 | 5.2 | 4.9 | (1.6) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 7.2 | 4.8 | 5.0 | (2.2) | 6.3 | 5.1 | 4.7 | (1.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.1 | 67.1 | 67.5 | 0.4 | 72.8 | 72.4 | 72.3 | (0.5) |

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,067.0 | 2,080.7 | 2,095.1 | 28.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,895.8 | 1,937.5 | 1,953.6 | 57.8 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 171.2 | 143.2 | 141.5 | (29.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 8.4 | 7.2 | 6.9 | (1.5) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.3 | 6.9 | 6.8 | (1.5) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 64.9 | 64.5 | 64.8 | (0.1) |

Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

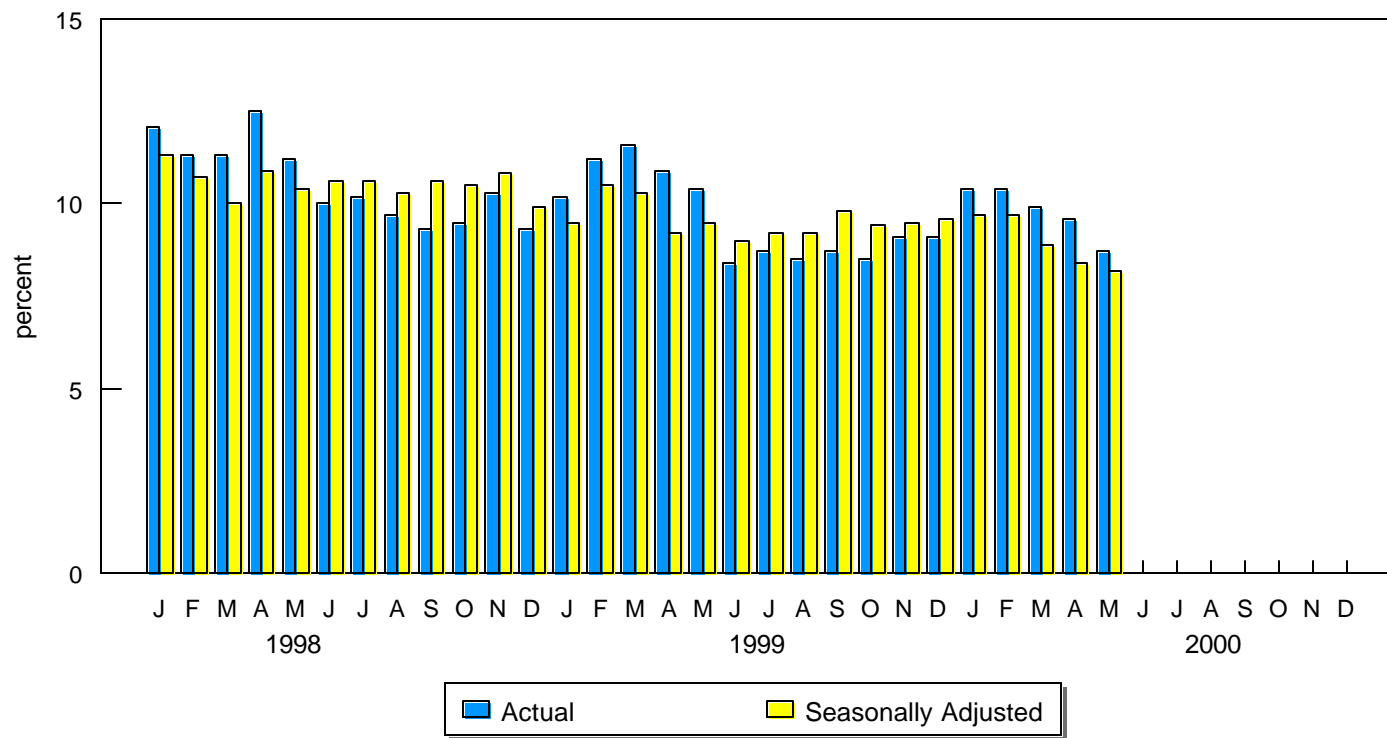
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 186.9 | 193.2 | 193.9 | 7.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 174.5 | 181.5 | 182.8 | 8.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.4 | 11.7 | 11.1 | (1.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.6 | 6.1 | 5.7 | (0.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.5 | 70.0 | 70.2 | 1.7 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 447.5 | 450.6 | 456.2 | 8.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 398.5 | 405.6 | 413.4 | 14.9 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 48.9 | 44.9 | 42.9 | (6.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 10.9 | 10.0 | 9.4 | (1.5) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.5 | 60.4 | 61.1 | 0.6 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
| | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 62.4 | 62.1 | 62.3 | (0.1) | 73.7 | 77.0 | 79.2 | 5.5 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 51.3 | 50.6 | 51.8 | 0.5 | 63.6 | 68.5 | 70.8 | 7.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.1 | 11.5 | 10.5 | (0.6) | 10.1 | 8.4 | 8.4 | (1.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 17.8 | 18.5 | 16.9 | (0.9) | 13.7 | 10.9 | 10.6 | (3.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 50.6 | 50.5 | 50.7 | 0.1 | 56.0 | 58.1 | 59.7 | 3.7 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
| | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 55.5 | 56.5 | 57.4 | 1.9 | 62.8 | 56.7 | 57.6 | (5.2) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 49.7 | 50.7 | 51.7 | 2.0 | 54.8 | 50.6 | 51.9 | (2.9) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.7 | (0.1) | 8.0 | 6.1 | 5.7 | (2.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 10.5 | 10.3 | 9.9 | (0.6) | 12.7 | 10.8 | 9.9 | (2.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 56.7 | 57.0 | 57.9 | 1.2 | 60.7 | 54.6 | 55.4 | (5.3) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | CHANGE | | | |
| | MAY | APR | MAY | MAY |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 193.1 | 198.3 | 199.7 | 6.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 179.2 | 185.2 | 187.1 | 7.9 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.9 | 13.0 | 12.6 | (1.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.2 | 6.6 | 6.3 | (0.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.8 | 69.1 | 69.5 | 1.7 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | APR | MAY | APR | MAY |
| Total | 409.4 | 410.5 | 423.0 | 420.3 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 94.5 | 93.2 | 94.7 | 90.4 |
| Agriculture | 6.7 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 6.6 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 16.2 | 14.8 | 17.5 | 15.7 |
| Utilities | 1.9 | 1.9 | 3.2 | 3.0 |
| Construction | 24.2 | 23.7 | 24.3 | 23.2 |
| Manufacturing | 45.4 | 45.9 | 42.6 | 42.0 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 314.9 | 317.3 | 328.2 | 329.9 |
| Trade | 70.5 | 71.9 | 75.6 | 76.5 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 20.4 | 21.1 | 19.7 | 20.2 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 22.6 | 22.6 | 23.1 | 23.2 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 19.1 | 18.4 | 16.1 | 16.3 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 13.7 | 14.0 | 15.2 | 15.4 |
| Educational Services | 31.1 | 30.3 | 31.9 | 32.6 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 47.8 | 47.6 | 50.9 | 51.4 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 14.6 | 13.9 | 17.1 | 18.8 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 27.9 | 27.9 | 28.2 | 28.0 |
| Other Services | 22.1 | 23.0 | 23.3 | 20.7 |
| Public Administration | 25.2 | 26.6 | 27.1 | 26.7 |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 14,583.7 | 14,628.8 | 15,016.7 | 433.0 | 11,932.2 | 11,846.0 | 12,351.5 | 419.3 | 2,651.5 | 2,782.9 | 2,665.2 | 13.7 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 205.8 | 192.5 | 205.7 | (0.1) | 173.7 | 160.8 | 175.7 | 2.0 | 32.0 | 31.7 | 30.0 | (2.0) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 63.5 | 60.9 | 68.8 | 5.3 | 52.5 | 49.3 | 57.8 | 5.3 | 11.0 | 11.6 | 11.0 | 0.0 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 412.2 | 409.7 | 424.3 | 12.1 | 331.5 | 328.8 | 347.6 | 16.1 | 80.7 | 80.9 | 76.7 | (4.0) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 332.7 | 316.4 | 335.8 | 3.1 | 279.8 | 262.4 | 284.7 | 4.9 | 52.9 | 54.0 | 51.1 | (1.8) |
| QUEBEC | 3,360.2 | 3,373.2 | 3,473.3 | 113.1 | 2,808.9 | 2,767.5 | 2,901.2 | 92.3 | 551.4 | 605.7 | 572.1 | 20.7 |
| ONTARIO | 5,719.9 | 5,768.1 | 5,887.0 | 167.1 | 4,708.0 | 4,702.1 | 4,853.6 | 145.6 | 1,011.9 | 1,066.0 | 1,033.4 | 21.5 |
| MANITOBA | 548.4 | 550.6 | 560.6 | 12.2 | 441.4 | 440.3 | 454.5 | 13.1 | 107.0 | 110.3 | 106.1 | (0.9) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 481.5 | 478.0 | 496.1 | 14.6 | 387.3 | 379.0 | 405.9 | 18.6 | 94.2 | 99.0 | 90.2 | (4.0) |
| ALBERTA | 1,557.1 | 1,563.1 | 1,603.6 | 46.5 | 1,255.1 | 1,247.2 | 1,310.8 | 55.7 | 302.0 | 315.9 | 292.8 | (9.2) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,902.4 | 1,916.3 | 1,961.6 | 59.2 | 1,494.0 | 1,508.6 | 1,559.8 | 65.8 | 408.4 | 407.7 | 401.8 | (6.6) |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 2,658.2 | 2,439.9 | 2,695.9 | 37.7 | 2,217.4 | 2,108.7 | 2,321.8 | 104.4 | 16.6 | 13.6 | 13.9 | (2.7) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 39.7 | 33.4 | 40.3 | 0.6 | 26.5 | 24.3 | 27.1 | 0.6 | 33.2 | 27.2 | 32.8 | (0.4) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 14.5 | 12.4 | 14.7 | 0.2 | 11.7 | 10.7 | 12.9 | 1.2 | 19.3 | 13.7 | 12.2 | (7.1) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 83.4 | 72.6 | 80.5 | (2.9) | 62.3 | 59.7 | 66.4 | 4.1 | 25.2 | 17.8 | 17.5 | (7.7) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 65.8 | 55.5 | 62.5 | (3.3) | 52.9 | 46.2 | 51.4 | (1.5) | 19.6 | 16.9 | 17.9 | (1.7) |
| QUEBEC | 573.3 | 546.0 | 603.9 | 30.6 | 476.2 | 455.9 | 510.9 | 34.7 | 17.0 | 16.5 | 15.4 | (1.6) |
| ONTARIO | 1,039.4 | 925.0 | 1,029.8 | (9.6) | 868.1 | 816.2 | 891.3 | 23.2 | 16.5 | 11.8 | 13.4 | (3.1) |
| MANITOBA | 106.6 | 102.5 | 106.8 | 0.2 | 96.1 | 91.0 | 98.3 | 2.2 | 9.8 | 11.2 | 8.0 | (1.8) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 97.2 | 89.7 | 101.1 | 3.9 | 82.1 | 79.6 | 88.9 | 6.8 | 15.5 | 11.3 | 12.1 | (3.4) |
| ALBERTA | 312.6 | 295.2 | 317.2 | 4.6 | 266.3 | 259.5 | 283.4 | 17.1 | 14.8 | 12.1 | 10.7 | (4.1) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 325.7 | 307.5 | 339.1 | 13.4 | 275.1 | 265.7 | 291.2 | 16.1 | 15.5 | 13.6 | 14.1 | (1.4) |

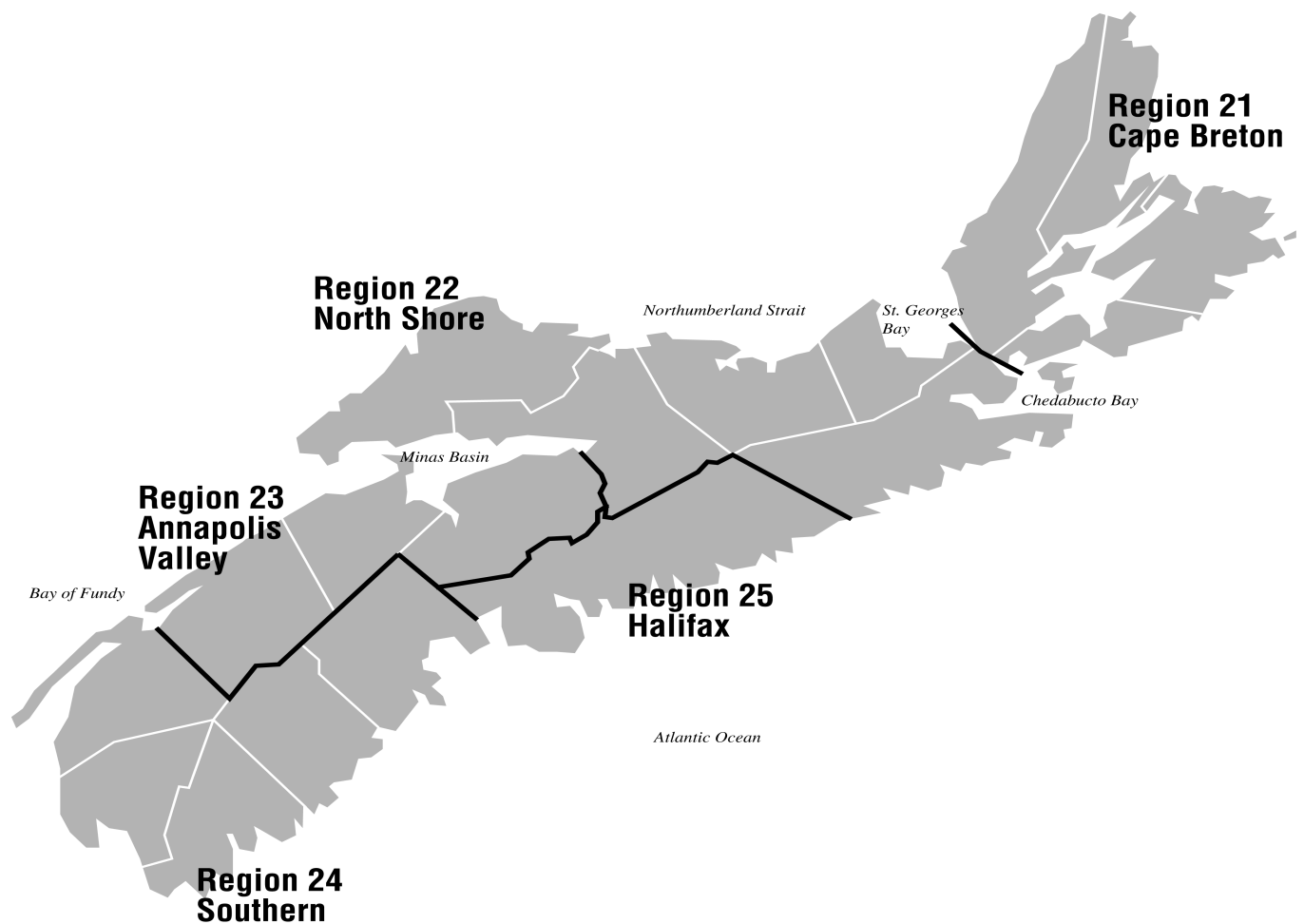
Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for May for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>April 2000</u> | <u>May 2000</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Regina | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| Calgary | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| Kitchener | 5.3 | 4.7 |
| Ottawa-Hull | 5.4 | 5.1 |
| Hamilton | 5.1 | 5.2 |
| Thunder Bay | 5.3 | 5.2 |
| Edmonton | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| Toronto | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| Saskatoon | 4.9 | 5.4 |
| Vancouver | 5.7 | 5.4 |
| Oshawa | 5.4 | 5.5 |
| Saint John N.B. | 5.4 | 5.6 |
| St. Catharines - Niagara | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| Winnipeg | 5.7 | 5.6 |
| Halifax | 6.1 | 5.7 |
| Windsor | 6.0 | 5.8 |
| London | 5.7 | 6.0 |
| Victoria | 6.1 | 6.2 |
| Sudbury | 8.5 | 7.5 |
| Montréal | 7.4 | 7.7 |
| Québec | 8.3 | 8.1 |
| Sherbrooke | 8.6 | 8.9 |
| St-John's Nfld. | 9.7 | 9.1 |
| Trois-Rivières | 9.9 | 10.1 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 10.1 | 10.3 |

Employment Situation

June 2000



EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - JUNE 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE JUN '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE JUN '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN | | JUN | MAY | JUN | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,681.5 | 15,961.5 | 15,942.0 | 260.5 | 15,993.1 | 16,107.3 | 16,233.2 | 240.1 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,510.7 | 14,904.9 | 14,890.8 | 380.1 | 14,843.3 | 15,016.7 | 15,205.1 | 361.8 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,170.8 | 1,056.6 | 1,051.2 | (119.6) | 1,149.7 | 1,090.6 | 1,028.2 | (121.5) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.5 | 6.6 | 6.6 | (0.9) | 7.2 | 6.8 | 6.3 | (0.9) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.5 | 65.8 | 65.7 | 0.2 | 66.8 | 66.4 | 66.9 | 0.1 | |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE JUN '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE JUN '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN | | JUN | MAY | JUN | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 451.3 | 457.7 | 458.5 | 7.2 | 463.5 | 464.7 | 470.1 | 6.6 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 410.6 | 420.3 | 419.8 | 9.2 | 424.4 | 424.3 | 433.2 | 8.8 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 40.8 | 37.5 | 38.7 | (2.1) | 39.1 | 40.4 | 36.9 | (2.2) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.0 | 8.2 | 8.4 | (0.6) | 8.4 | 8.7 | 7.8 | (0.6) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.0 | 61.3 | 61.3 | 0.3 | 62.6 | 62.2 | 62.9 | 0.3 | |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NEWFOUNDLAND | | | | CHANGE JUN '99-'00 | PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | | | CHANGE JUN '99-'00 |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN | | JUN | MAY | JUN | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 247.4 | 247.0 | 243.1 | (4.3) | 71.1 | 73.3 | 72.2 | 1.1 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 205.1 | 207.3 | 205.6 | 0.5 | 61.3 | 65.6 | 63.8 | 2.5 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 42.2 | 39.7 | 37.5 | (4.7) | 9.8 | 7.7 | 8.3 | (1.5) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 17.4 | 18.0 | 15.5 | (1.9) | 9.3 | 9.1 | 7.9 | (1.4) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 17.1 | 16.1 | 15.4 | (1.7) | 13.8 | 10.5 | 11.5 | (2.3) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 56.5 | 56.1 | 55.3 | (1.2) | 66.0 | 67.1 | 66.0 | 0.0 | |

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

| | NEW BRUNSWICK | | | | CHANGE JUN '99-'00 | QUEBEC | | | CHANGE JUN '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN | | JUN | MAY | JUN | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 356.4 | 369.2 | 368.8 | 12.4 | 3,684.2 | 3,775.0 | 3,762.5 | 78.3 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 325.2 | 331.4 | 331.2 | 6.0 | 3,338.6 | 3,452.5 | 3,446.1 | 107.5 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 31.3 | 37.8 | 37.6 | 6.3 | 345.6 | 322.5 | 316.4 | (29.2) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 8.2 | 11.1 | 9.6 | 1.4 | 9.0 | 8.4 | 8.0 | (1.0) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.8 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 1.4 | 9.4 | 8.5 | 8.4 | (1.0) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 59.5 | 61.2 | 61.1 | 1.6 | 62.5 | 63.7 | 63.4 | 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

| JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

MANITOBA

CHANGE

| JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,048.4 | 6,176.9 | 6,180.9 | 132.5 | 576.8 | 581.3 | 581.0 | 4.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,679.7 | 5,838.7 | 5,846.7 | 167.0 | 544.2 | 554.5 | 555.3 | 11.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 368.8 | 338.2 | 334.2 | (34.6) | 32.6 | 26.8 | 25.8 | (6.8) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 6.0 | 5.7 | 5.3 | (0.7) | 5.1 | 4.3 | 3.9 | (1.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.1 | 5.5 | 5.4 | (0.7) | 5.7 | 4.6 | 4.4 | (1.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.4 | 66.8 | 66.7 | 0.3 | 67.7 | 67.7 | 67.7 | 0.0 |

SASKATCHEWAN

CHANGE

| JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

ALBERTA

CHANGE

| JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 510.1 | 515.6 | 514.1 | 4.0 | 1,651.4 | 1,670.3 | 1,668.6 | 17.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 481.3 | 489.9 | 485.5 | 4.2 | 1,560.9 | 1,591.1 | 1,585.3 | 24.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 28.7 | 25.7 | 28.6 | (0.1) | 90.4 | 79.2 | 83.3 | (7.1) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 4.9 | 4.9 | 4.5 | (0.4) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.6 | 5.0 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 5.5 | 4.7 | 5.0 | (0.5) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.9 | 67.5 | 67.3 | 0.4 | 72.7 | 72.3 | 72.1 | (0.6) |

BRITISH COLUMBIA

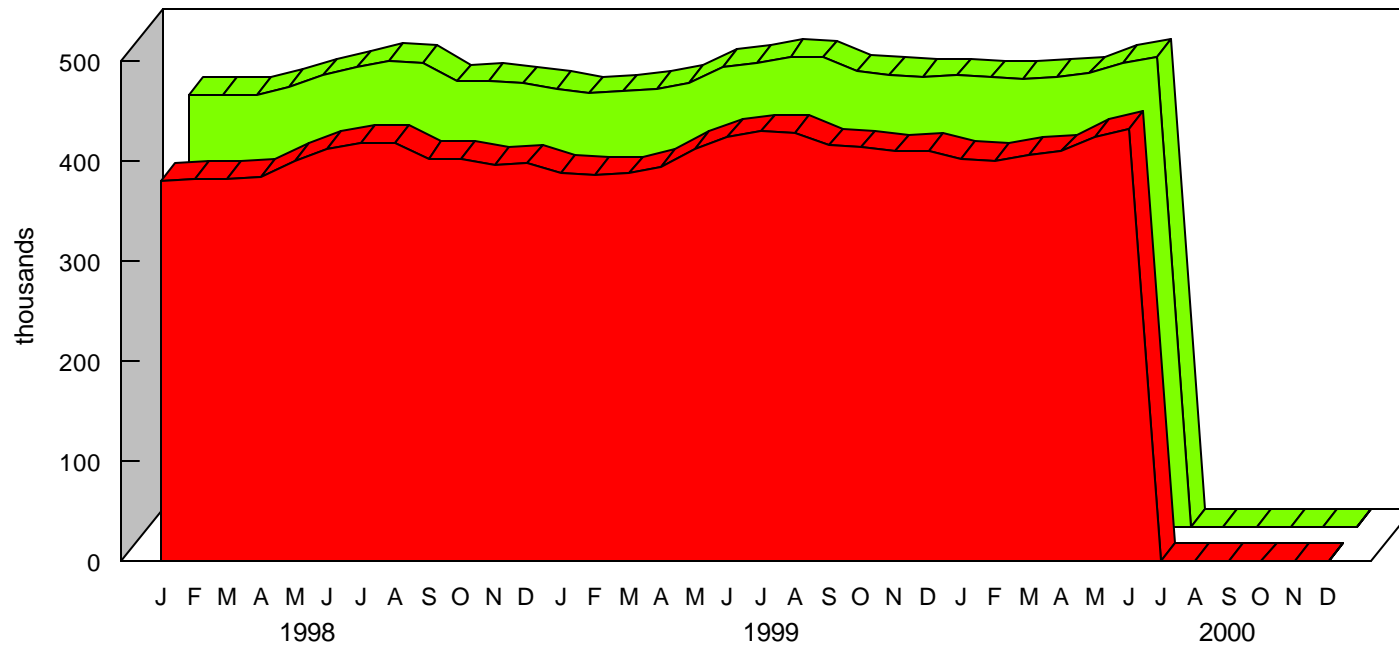
CHANGE

| JUN | MAY | JUN | JUN |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,084.4 | 2,095.1 | 2,092.4 | 8.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,903.9 | 1,953.6 | 1,951.5 | 47.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 180.5 | 141.5 | 140.9 | (39.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 8.4 | 6.9 | 6.6 | (1.8) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.7 | 6.8 | 6.7 | (2.0) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.3 | 64.8 | 64.7 | (0.6) |

Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

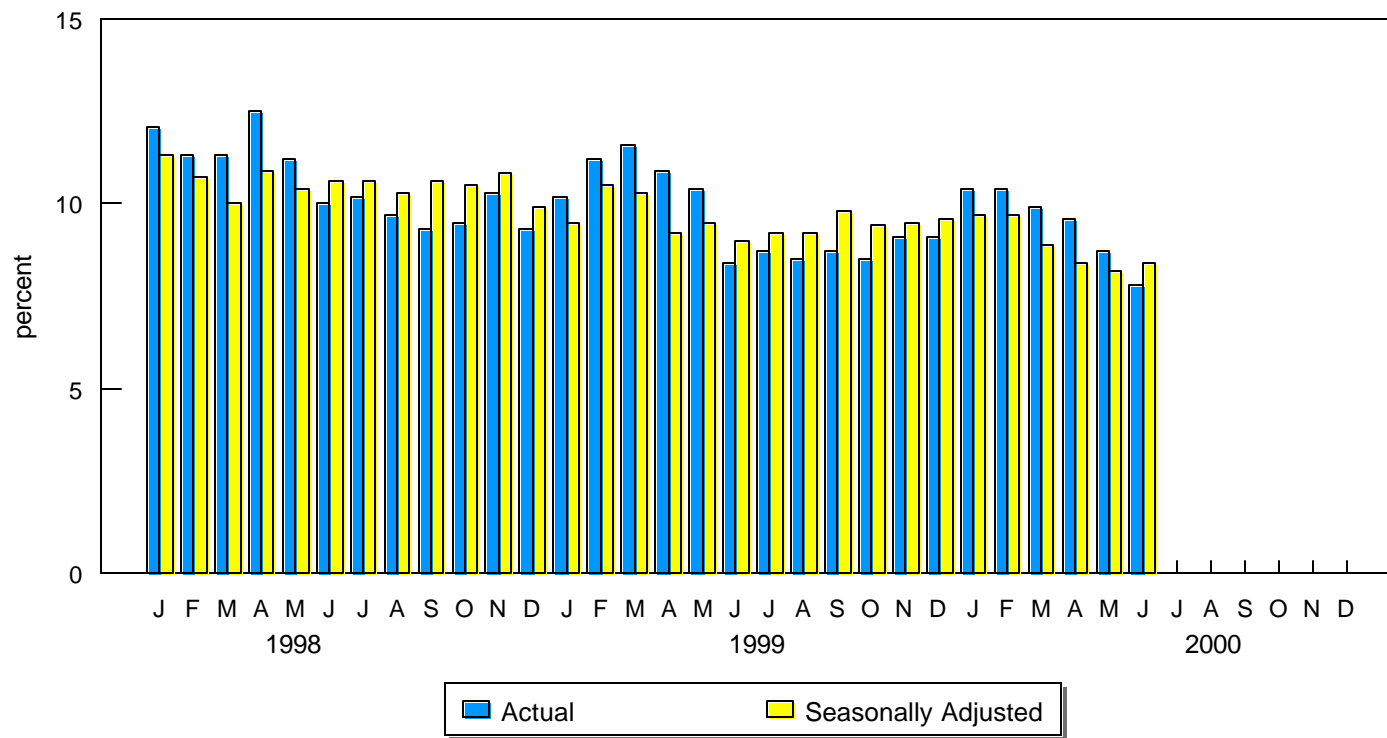
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | JUN <u>1999</u> | MAY <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 186.9 | 193.9 | 194.7 | 7.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 174.6 | 182.8 | 184.0 | 9.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.3 | 11.1 | 10.6 | (1.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.6 | 5.7 | 5.4 | (1.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.4 | 70.2 | 70.3 | 1.9 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | JUN <u>1999</u> | MAY <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 455.7 | 456.2 | 462.7 | 7.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 410.7 | 413.4 | 422.4 | 11.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 45.0 | 42.9 | 40.3 | (4.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.9 | 9.4 | 8.7 | (1.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.6 | 61.1 | 62.0 | 0.4 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
| | JUN <u>1999</u> | MAY <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>'99-'00</u> | JUN <u>1999</u> | MAY <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 65.3 | 62.3 | 63.6 | (1.7) | 77.0 | 79.2 | 80.8 | 3.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 55.0 | 51.8 | 53.5 | (1.5) | 68.0 | 70.8 | 73.0 | 5.0 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 10.3 | 10.5 | 10.2 | (0.1) | 9.0 | 8.4 | 7.8 | (1.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 15.8 | 16.9 | 16.0 | 0.2 | 11.7 | 10.6 | 9.7 | (2.0) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 53.0 | 50.7 | 51.7 | (1.3) | 58.4 | 59.7 | 60.9 | 2.5 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
| | JUN <u>1999</u> | MAY <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>'99-'00</u> | JUN <u>1999</u> | MAY <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 56.6 | 57.4 | 58.8 | 2.2 | 62.7 | 57.6 | 58.2 | (4.5) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 51.4 | 51.7 | 53.6 | 2.2 | 56.1 | 51.9 | 53.1 | (3.0) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 5.2 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 0.0 | 6.6 | 5.7 | 5.2 | (1.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.2 | 9.9 | 8.8 | (0.4) | 10.5 | 9.9 | 8.9 | (1.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 57.8 | 57.9 | 59.2 | 1.4 | 60.6 | 55.4 | 56.0 | (4.6) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | CHANGE | | | |
| | JUN <u>1999</u> | MAY <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>2000</u> | JUN <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 194.0 | 199.7 | 201.2 | 7.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 180.1 | 187.1 | 189.2 | 9.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.9 | 12.6 | 12.0 | (1.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.2 | 6.3 | 6.0 | (1.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.3 | 69.5 | 69.9 | 1.6 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | MAY | JUN | MAY | JUN |
| Total | 410.5 | 410.6 | 420.3 | 419.8 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 93.2 | 92.8 | 90.4 | 91.1 |
| Agriculture | 6.9 | 7.7 | 6.6 | 6.6 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 14.8 | 14.1 | 15.7 | 15.3 |
| Utilities | 1.9 | 2.3 | 3.0 | 2.8 |
| Construction | 23.7 | 22.6 | 23.2 | 25.0 |
| Manufacturing | 45.9 | 46.1 | 42.0 | 41.3 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 317.3 | 317.8 | 329.9 | 328.7 |
| Trade | 71.9 | 70.9 | 76.5 | 73.0 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 21.1 | 21.0 | 20.2 | 21.6 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 22.6 | 22.9 | 23.2 | 23.6 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 18.4 | 18.2 | 16.3 | 17.0 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 14.0 | 14.0 | 15.4 | 16.3 |
| Educational Services | 30.3 | 30.2 | 32.6 | 33.5 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 47.6 | 47.4 | 51.4 | 50.7 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 13.9 | 16.2 | 18.8 | 18.0 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 27.9 | 28.9 | 28.0 | 27.6 |
| Other Services | 23.0 | 23.0 | 20.7 | 21.0 |
| Public Administration | 26.6 | 25.1 | 26.7 | 26.5 |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 14,843.3 | 15,016.7 | 15,205.1 | 361.8 | 12,242.8 | 12,351.5 | 12,576.2 | 333.4 | 2,600.6 | 2,665.2 | 2,628.9 | 28.3 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 217.2 | 205.7 | 215.1 | (2.1) | 184.7 | 175.7 | 185.0 | 0.3 | 32.5 | 30.0 | 30.1 | (2.4) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 67.9 | 68.8 | 70.4 | 2.5 | 58.0 | 57.8 | 60.0 | 2.0 | 9.9 | 11.0 | 10.4 | 0.5 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 424.4 | 424.3 | 433.2 | 8.8 | 344.7 | 347.6 | 359.8 | 15.1 | 79.7 | 76.7 | 73.4 | (6.3) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 345.5 | 335.8 | 349.5 | 4.0 | 293.2 | 284.7 | 298.7 | 5.5 | 52.3 | 51.1 | 50.8 | (1.5) |
| QUEBEC | 3,436.3 | 3,473.3 | 3,537.9 | 101.6 | 2,923.1 | 2,901.2 | 3,013.3 | 90.2 | 513.2 | 572.1 | 524.5 | 11.3 |
| ONTARIO | 5,775.6 | 5,887.0 | 5,942.0 | 166.4 | 4,772.8 | 4,853.6 | 4,896.3 | 123.5 | 1,002.9 | 1,033.4 | 1,045.7 | 42.8 |
| MANITOBA | 556.4 | 560.6 | 566.8 | 10.4 | 453.0 | 454.5 | 467.0 | 14.0 | 103.4 | 106.1 | 99.8 | (3.6) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 494.5 | 496.1 | 497.3 | 2.8 | 398.2 | 405.9 | 403.5 | 5.3 | 96.4 | 90.2 | 93.8 | (2.6) |
| ALBERTA | 1,589.8 | 1,603.6 | 1,611.0 | 21.2 | 1,295.6 | 1,310.8 | 1,324.6 | 29.0 | 294.2 | 292.8 | 286.5 | (7.7) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,935.7 | 1,961.6 | 1,981.8 | 46.1 | 1,519.5 | 1,559.8 | 1,568.0 | 48.5 | 416.2 | 401.8 | 413.9 | (2.3) |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 2,772.2 | 2,695.9 | 2,779.5 | 7.3 | 2,392.1 | 2,321.8 | 2,447.5 | 55.4 | 13.7 | 13.9 | 11.9 | (1.8) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 43.6 | 40.3 | 41.5 | (2.1) | 32.3 | 27.1 | 32.1 | (0.2) | 26.1 | 32.8 | 22.9 | (3.2) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 15.3 | 14.7 | 15.5 | 0.2 | 13.6 | 12.9 | 13.8 | 0.2 | 10.5 | 12.2 | 10.3 | (0.2) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 84.5 | 80.5 | 81.6 | (2.9) | 68.3 | 66.4 | 71.4 | 3.1 | 19.2 | 17.5 | 12.6 | (6.6) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 69.0 | 62.5 | 67.3 | (1.7) | 60.4 | 51.4 | 57.1 | (3.3) | 12.5 | 17.9 | 15.2 | 2.7 |
| QUEBEC | 644.3 | 603.9 | 647.6 | 3.3 | 534.6 | 510.9 | 550.2 | 15.6 | 17.0 | 15.4 | 15.0 | (2.0) |
| ONTARIO | 1,045.2 | 1,029.8 | 1,054.4 | 9.2 | 914.1 | 891.3 | 940.6 | 26.5 | 12.6 | 13.4 | 10.8 | (1.8) |
| MANITOBA | 112.1 | 106.8 | 109.6 | (2.5) | 101.7 | 98.3 | 102.1 | 0.4 | 9.3 | 8.0 | 6.8 | (2.5) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 101.1 | 101.1 | 102.3 | 1.2 | 90.2 | 88.9 | 91.0 | 0.8 | 10.8 | 12.1 | 11.0 | 0.2 |
| ALBERTA | 319.3 | 317.2 | 320.4 | 1.1 | 290.8 | 283.4 | 290.0 | (0.8) | 8.9 | 10.7 | 9.5 | 0.6 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 337.9 | 339.1 | 339.3 | 1.4 | 286.2 | 291.2 | 299.2 | 13.0 | 15.3 | 14.1 | 11.8 | (3.5) |

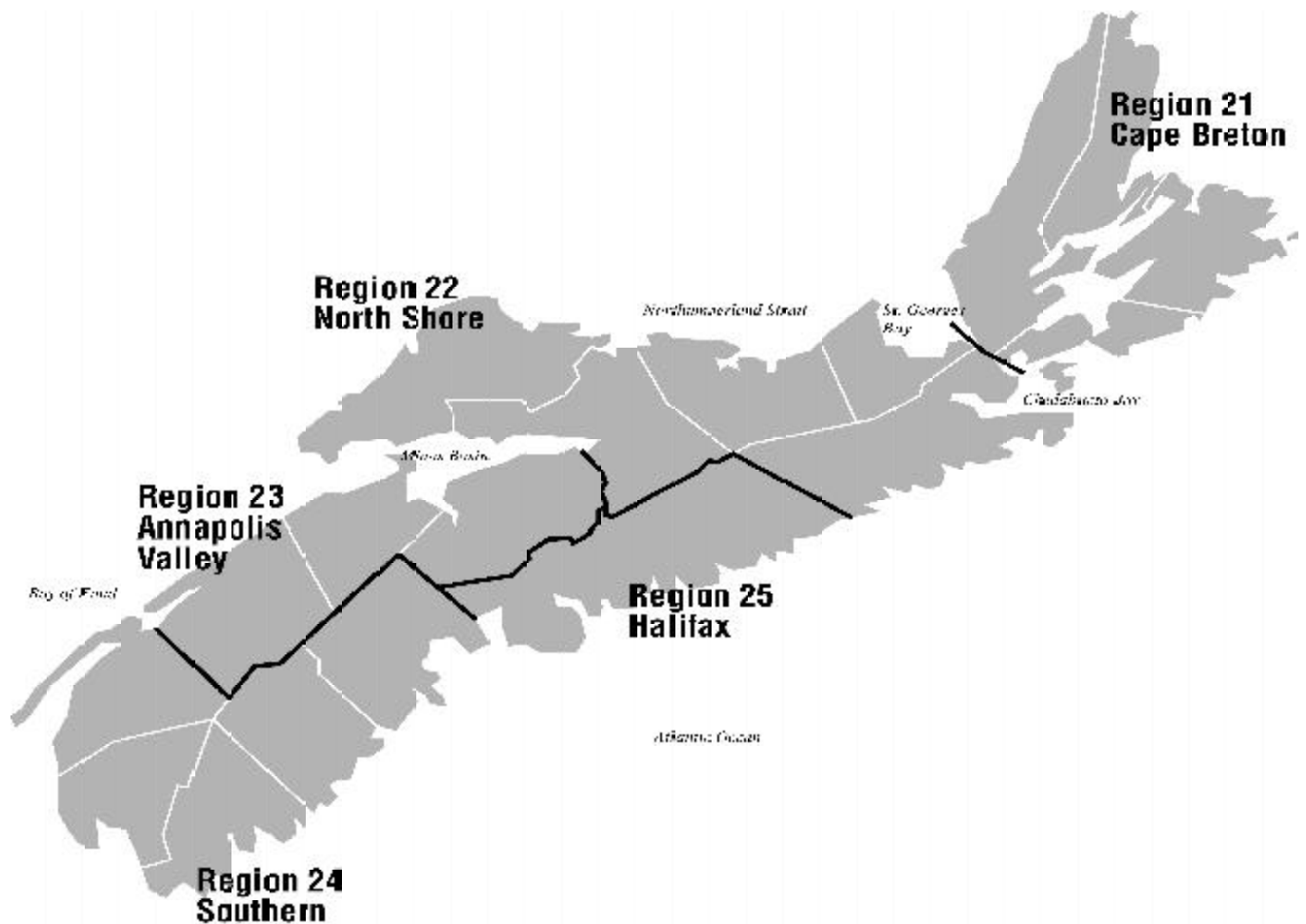
Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for June for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>May 2000</u> | <u>June 2000</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Kitchener | 4.7 | 4.7 |
| Hamilton | 5.2 | 4.7 |
| Regina | 4.4 | 5.0 |
| Calgary | 4.7 | 5.0 |
| Edmonton | 5.3 | 5.0 |
| Ottawa-Hull | 5.1 | 5.3 |
| Thunder Bay | 5.2 | 5.3 |
| Toronto | 5.4 | 5.3 |
| Winnipeg | 5.6 | 5.3 |
| Windsor | 5.8 | 5.3 |
| Vancouver | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| Halifax | 5.7 | 5.4 |
| Oshawa | 5.5 | 5.7 |
| St. Catharines - Niagara | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| Saskatoon | 5.4 | 6.1 |
| London | 6.0 | 6.3 |
| Victoria | 6.2 | 6.4 |
| Saint John, NB | 5.6 | 6.7 |
| Sudbury | 7.5 | 6.9 |
| Montréal | 7.7 | 7.7 |
| Québec | 8.1 | 8.2 |
| Sherbrooke | 8.9 | 8.6 |
| St-John's, NF | 9.1 | 9.0 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 10.3 | 9.6 |
| Trois-Rivières | 10.1 | 10.8 |

Employment Situation

July 2000



EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - JULY 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE JUL '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE JUL '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | | | JUL | JUN | JUL | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,735.0 | 15,942.0 | 15,950.6 | 215.6 | 16,204.2 | 16,233.2 | 16,419.1 | 214.9 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,544.2 | 14,890.8 | 14,873.5 | 329.3 | 14,950.6 | 15,205.1 | 15,269.5 | 318.9 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,190.8 | 1,051.2 | 1,077.1 | (113.7) | 1,253.6 | 1,028.2 | 1,149.6 | (104.0) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.6 | 6.6 | 6.8 | (0.8) | 7.7 | 6.3 | 7.0 | (0.7) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.6 | 65.7 | 65.6 | 0.0 | 67.6 | 66.9 | 67.6 | 0.0 | |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE JUL '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE JUL '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | | | JUL | JUN | JUL | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 449.8 | 458.5 | 462.2 | 12.4 | 470.7 | 470.1 | 483.5 | 12.8 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 408.5 | 419.8 | 419.7 | 11.2 | 429.6 | 433.2 | 439.5 | 9.9 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 41.3 | 38.7 | 42.5 | 1.2 | 41.1 | 36.9 | 44.0 | 2.9 | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.2 | 8.4 | 9.2 | 0.0 | 8.7 | 7.8 | 9.1 | 0.4 | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.7 | 61.3 | 61.8 | 1.1 | 63.5 | 62.9 | 64.6 | 1.1 | |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NEWFOUNDLAND | | | | CHANGE JUL '99-'00 | PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | | | CHANGE JUL '99-'00 |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | | | JUL | JUN | JUL | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 249.4 | 243.1 | 240.2 | (9.2) | 71.2 | 72.2 | 72.9 | 1.7 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 206.7 | 205.6 | 201.5 | (5.2) | 61.6 | 63.8 | 63.9 | 2.3 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 42.6 | 37.5 | 38.7 | (3.9) | 9.6 | 8.3 | 9.0 | (0.6) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 16.5 | 15.5 | 15.8 | (0.7) | 11.0 | 7.9 | 10.3 | (0.7) | |
| --Actual | 17.1 | 15.4 | 16.1 | (1.0) | 13.5 | 11.5 | 12.3 | (1.2) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 56.9 | 55.3 | 54.6 | (2.3) | 66.0 | 66.0 | 66.5 | (0.5) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

| | NEW BRUNSWICK | | | | CHANGE JUL '99-'00 | QUEBEC | | | CHANGE JUL '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-----|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | | | JUL | JUN | JUL | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 362.0 | 368.8 | 371.5 | 9.5 | 3,702.2 | 3,762.5 | 3,771.8 | 69.6 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 327.8 | 331.2 | 333.4 | 5.6 | 3,358.7 | 3,446.1 | 3,440.4 | 81.7 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 34.3 | 37.6 | 38.2 | 3.9 | 343.6 | 316.4 | 331.4 | (12.2) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.5 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 0.8 | 9.3 | 8.4 | 8.8 | (0.5) | |
| --Actual | 8.6 | 9.6 | 9.2 | 0.6 | 9.0 | 8.0 | 8.6 | (0.4) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 60.4 | 61.1 | 61.5 | 1.1 | 62.8 | 63.4 | 63.5 | 0.7 | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |

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 | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,085.8 | 6,180.9 | 6,203.5 | 117.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,699.4 | 5,846.7 | 5,876.1 | 176.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 386.4 | 334.2 | 327.4 | (59.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 6.8 | 5.3 | 5.7 | (1.1) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.3 | 5.4 | 5.3 | (1.0) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.8 | 66.7 | 66.8 | 0.0 |

MANITOBA

CHANGE

| | JUL | JUN | JUL | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 574.6 | 581.0 | 583.9 | 9.3 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 541.0 | 555.3 | 554.3 | 13.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 33.6 | 25.8 | 29.6 | (4.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 5.9 | 3.9 | 5.3 | (0.6) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.8 | 4.4 | 5.1 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.4 | 67.7 | 67.9 | 0.5 |

SASKATCHEWAN

CHANGE

| | JUL | JUN | JUL | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 511.0 | 514.1 | 510.9 | (0.1) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 481.3 | 485.5 | 483.8 | 2.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 29.7 | 28.6 | 27.1 | (2.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 6.2 | 5.2 | 5.8 | (0.4) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.3 | (0.5) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.0 | 67.3 | 66.9 | (0.1) |

ALBERTA

CHANGE

| | JUL | JUN | JUL | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 1,653.5 | 1,668.6 | 1,657.1 | 3.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,560.7 | 1,585.3 | 1,571.4 | 10.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 92.8 | 83.3 | 85.7 | (7.1) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 6.2 | 4.5 | 5.9 | (0.3) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.6 | 5.0 | 5.2 | (0.4) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 72.7 | 72.1 | 71.5 | (1.2) |

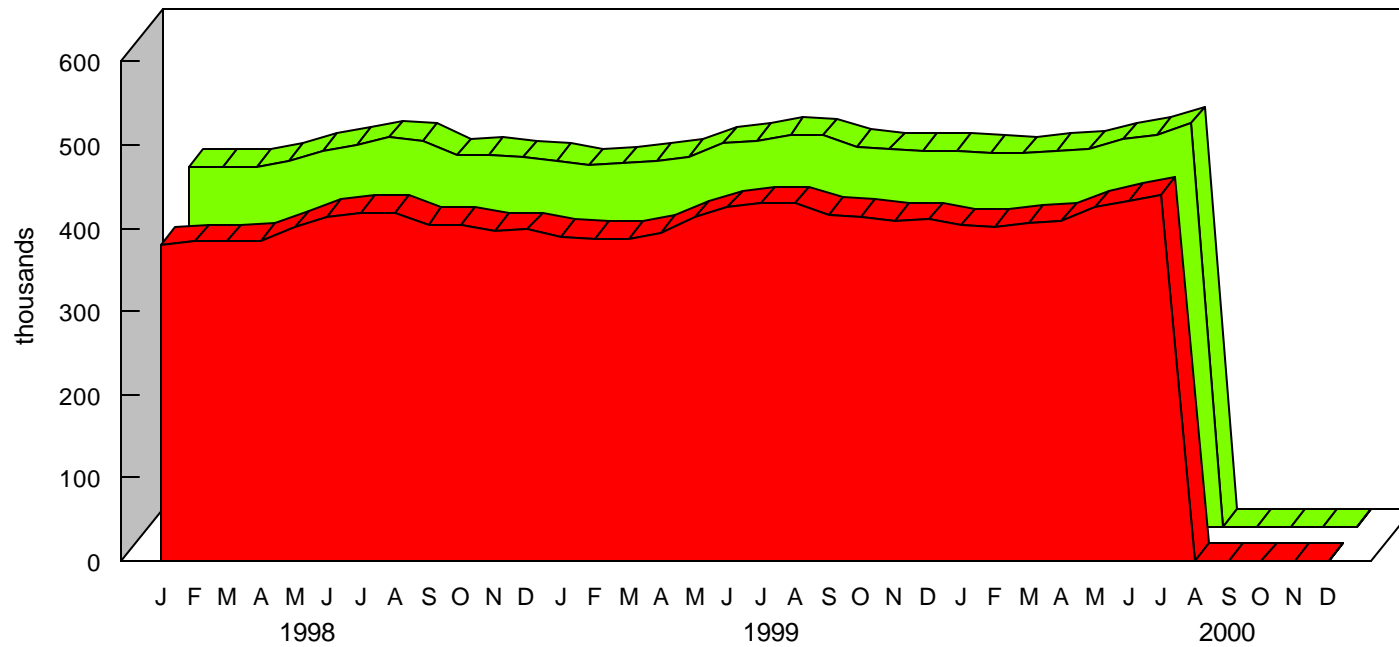
BRITISH COLUMBIA

CHANGE

| | JUL | JUN | JUL | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,075.5 | 2,092.4 | 2,076.5 | 1.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,898.7 | 1,951.5 | 1,929.0 | 30.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 176.8 | 140.9 | 147.5 | (29.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 8.7 | 6.6 | 7.5 | (1.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.5 | 6.7 | 7.1 | (1.4) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.0 | 64.7 | 64.1 | (0.9) |

Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

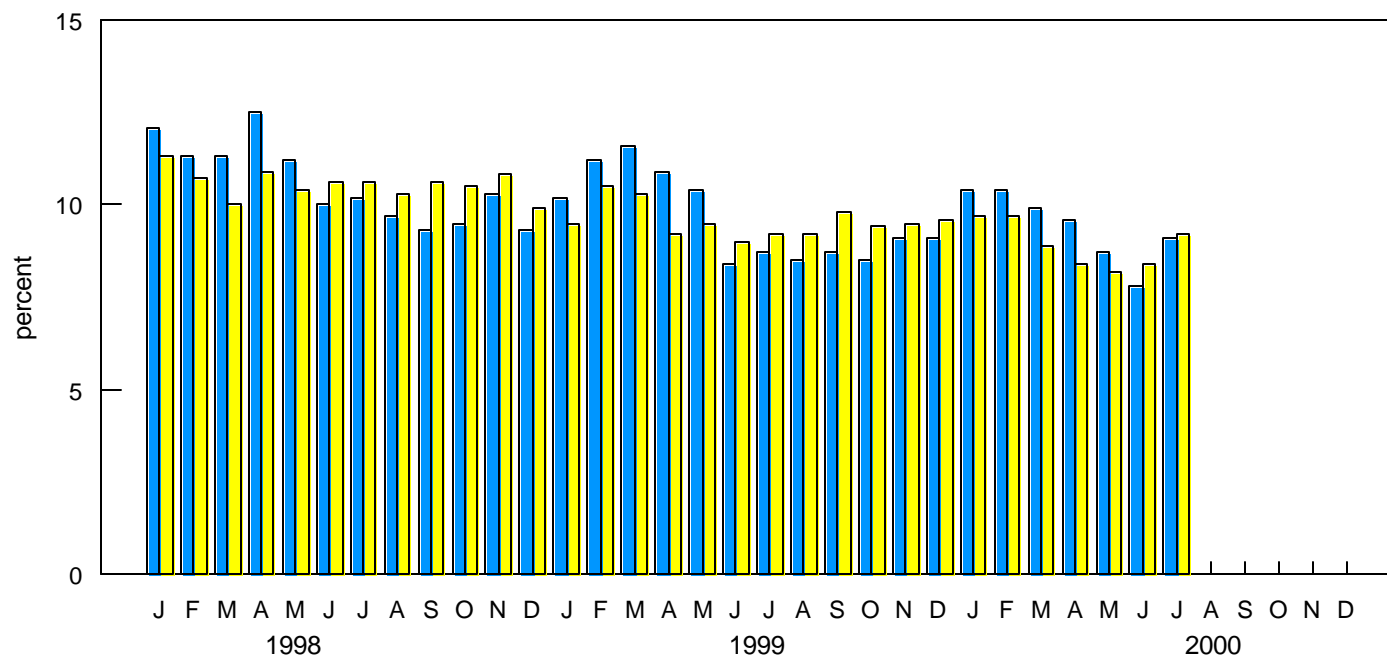
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



Actual Seasonally Adjusted

HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | JUL |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 186.7 | 194.7 | 196.9 | 10.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 174.5 | 184.0 | 185.6 | 11.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.2 | 10.6 | 11.3 | (0.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.5 | 5.4 | 5.7 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.3 | 70.3 | 71.0 | 2.7 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | JUL |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 464.7 | 462.7 | 472.8 | 8.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 422.1 | 422.4 | 432.3 | 10.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 42.6 | 40.3 | 40.4 | (2.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.2 | 8.7 | 8.5 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 62.8 | 62.0 | 63.3 | 0.5 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | JUL | JUL | JUN | JUL | JUL |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 67.7 | 63.6 | 64.7 | (3.0) | 79.9 | 80.8 | 82.4 | 2.5 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 57.6 | 53.5 | 54.4 | (3.2) | 71.2 | 73.0 | 74.4 | 3.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 10.1 | 10.2 | 10.3 | 0.2 | 8.6 | 7.8 | 8.0 | (0.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 14.9 | 16.0 | 15.9 | 1.0 | 10.8 | 9.7 | 9.7 | (1.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.0 | 51.7 | 52.7 | (2.3) | 60.6 | 60.9 | 62.1 | 1.5 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | JUL | JUL | JUN | JUL | JUL |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 58.7 | 58.8 | 60.4 | 1.7 | 62.9 | 58.2 | 59.7 | (3.2) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 53.8 | 53.6 | 55.7 | 1.9 | 57.5 | 53.1 | 54.8 | (2.7) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 4.9 | 5.2 | 4.7 | (0.2) | 5.4 | 5.2 | 4.8 | (0.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.3 | 8.8 | 7.8 | (0.5) | 8.6 | 8.9 | 8.0 | (0.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 59.8 | 59.2 | 60.7 | 0.9 | 60.7 | 56.0 | 57.4 | (3.3) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | CHANGE | | | |
| | JUL | JUN | JUL | JUL |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 195.5 | 201.2 | 205.6 | 10.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 181.9 | 189.2 | 193.0 | 11.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.6 | 12.0 | 12.6 | (1.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.0 | 6.0 | 6.1 | (0.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.5 | 69.9 | 71.3 | 2.8 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | JUN | JUL | JUN | JUL |
| Total | 410.6 | 408.5 | 419.8 | 419.7 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 92.8 | 89.6 | 91.1 | 91.8 |
| Agriculture | 7.7 | 6.2 | 6.6 | 6.3 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 14.1 | 14.0 | 15.3 | 14.3 |
| Utilities | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 2.6 |
| Construction | 22.6 | 21.8 | 25.0 | 25.4 |
| Manufacturing | 46.1 | 45.4 | 41.3 | 43.3 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 317.8 | 318.9 | 328.7 | 327.9 |
| Trade | 70.9 | 71.0 | 73.0 | 72.5 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 21.0 | 21.2 | 21.6 | 21.4 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 22.9 | 23.4 | 23.6 | 22.2 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 18.2 | 17.9 | 17.0 | 18.3 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 14.0 | 13.9 | 16.3 | 19.3 |
| Educational Services | 30.2 | 30.8 | 33.5 | 32.1 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 47.4 | 47.8 | 50.7 | 50.4 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 16.2 | 15.0 | 18.0 | 17.2 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 28.9 | 28.8 | 27.6 | 27.2 |
| Other Services | 23.0 | 23.3 | 21.0 | 22.2 |
| Public Administration | 25.1 | 25.7 | 26.5 | 25.1 |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 14,950.6 | 15,205.1 | 15,269.5 | 318.9 | 12,521.8 | 12,576.2 | 12,853.6 | 331.8 | 2,428.8 | 2,628.9 | 2,415.9 | (12.9) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 231.7 | 215.1 | 224.4 | (7.3) | 198.2 | 185.0 | 198.8 | 0.6 | 33.4 | 30.1 | 25.6 | (7.8) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 67.9 | 70.4 | 70.5 | 2.6 | 59.9 | 60.0 | 62.1 | 2.2 | 8.0 | 10.4 | 8.3 | 0.3 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 429.6 | 433.2 | 439.5 | 9.9 | 359.6 | 359.8 | 374.1 | 14.5 | 69.9 | 73.4 | 65.4 | (4.5) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 351.6 | 349.5 | 357.0 | 5.4 | 302.9 | 298.7 | 311.8 | 8.9 | 48.7 | 50.8 | 45.2 | (3.5) |
| QUEBEC | 3,481.0 | 3,537.9 | 3,565.2 | 84.2 | 3,012.3 | 3,013.3 | 3,067.4 | 55.1 | 468.7 | 524.5 | 497.8 | 29.1 |
| ONTARIO | 5,812.5 | 5,942.0 | 5,993.6 | 181.1 | 4,874.7 | 4,896.3 | 5,024.0 | 149.3 | 937.9 | 1,045.7 | 969.6 | 31.7 |
| MANITOBA | 551.3 | 566.8 | 563.9 | 12.6 | 459.8 | 467.0 | 477.1 | 17.3 | 91.5 | 99.8 | 86.8 | (4.7) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 496.8 | 497.3 | 498.6 | 1.8 | 405.5 | 403.5 | 410.9 | 5.4 | 91.4 | 93.8 | 87.8 | (3.6) |
| ALBERTA | 1,592.4 | 1,611.0 | 1,599.4 | 7.0 | 1,326.3 | 1,324.6 | 1,343.8 | 17.5 | 266.1 | 286.5 | 255.6 | (10.5) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,935.8 | 1,981.8 | 1,957.4 | 21.6 | 1,522.6 | 1,568.0 | 1,583.6 | 61.0 | 413.2 | 413.9 | 373.8 | (39.4) |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 3,038.3 | 2,779.5 | 3,072.6 | 34.3 | 2,590.2 | 2,447.5 | 2,657.5 | 67.3 | 14.7 | 11.9 | 13.5 | (1.2) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 56.0 | 41.5 | 53.2 | (2.8) | 42.1 | 32.1 | 39.3 | (2.8) | 25.0 | 22.9 | 26.1 | 1.1 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 17.5 | 15.5 | 17.6 | 0.1 | 15.0 | 13.8 | 15.0 | 0.0 | 14.3 | 10.3 | 14.8 | 0.5 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 94.4 | 81.6 | 97.2 | 2.8 | 80.0 | 71.4 | 81.2 | 1.2 | 15.3 | 12.6 | 16.6 | 1.3 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 80.7 | 67.3 | 79.3 | (1.4) | 68.9 | 57.1 | 66.1 | (2.8) | 14.5 | 15.2 | 16.6 | 2.1 |
| QUEBEC | 704.9 | 647.6 | 729.3 | 24.4 | 591.8 | 550.2 | 626.3 | 34.5 | 16.0 | 15.0 | 14.1 | (1.9) |
| ONTARIO | 1,149.2 | 1,054.4 | 1,161.2 | 12.0 | 979.0 | 940.6 | 1,018.7 | 39.7 | 14.8 | 10.8 | 12.3 | (2.5) |
| MANITOBA | 118.6 | 109.6 | 118.3 | (0.3) | 106.9 | 102.1 | 106.8 | (0.1) | 9.9 | 6.8 | 9.7 | (0.2) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 110.6 | 102.3 | 111.9 | 1.3 | 97.3 | 91.0 | 99.4 | 2.1 | 11.9 | 11.0 | 11.2 | (0.7) |
| ALBERTA | 349.4 | 320.4 | 343.2 | (6.2) | 306.3 | 290.0 | 295.6 | (10.7) | 12.3 | 9.5 | 13.9 | 1.6 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 357.0 | 339.3 | 361.4 | 4.4 | 302.7 | 299.2 | 309.1 | 6.4 | 15.2 | 11.8 | 14.5 | (0.7) |

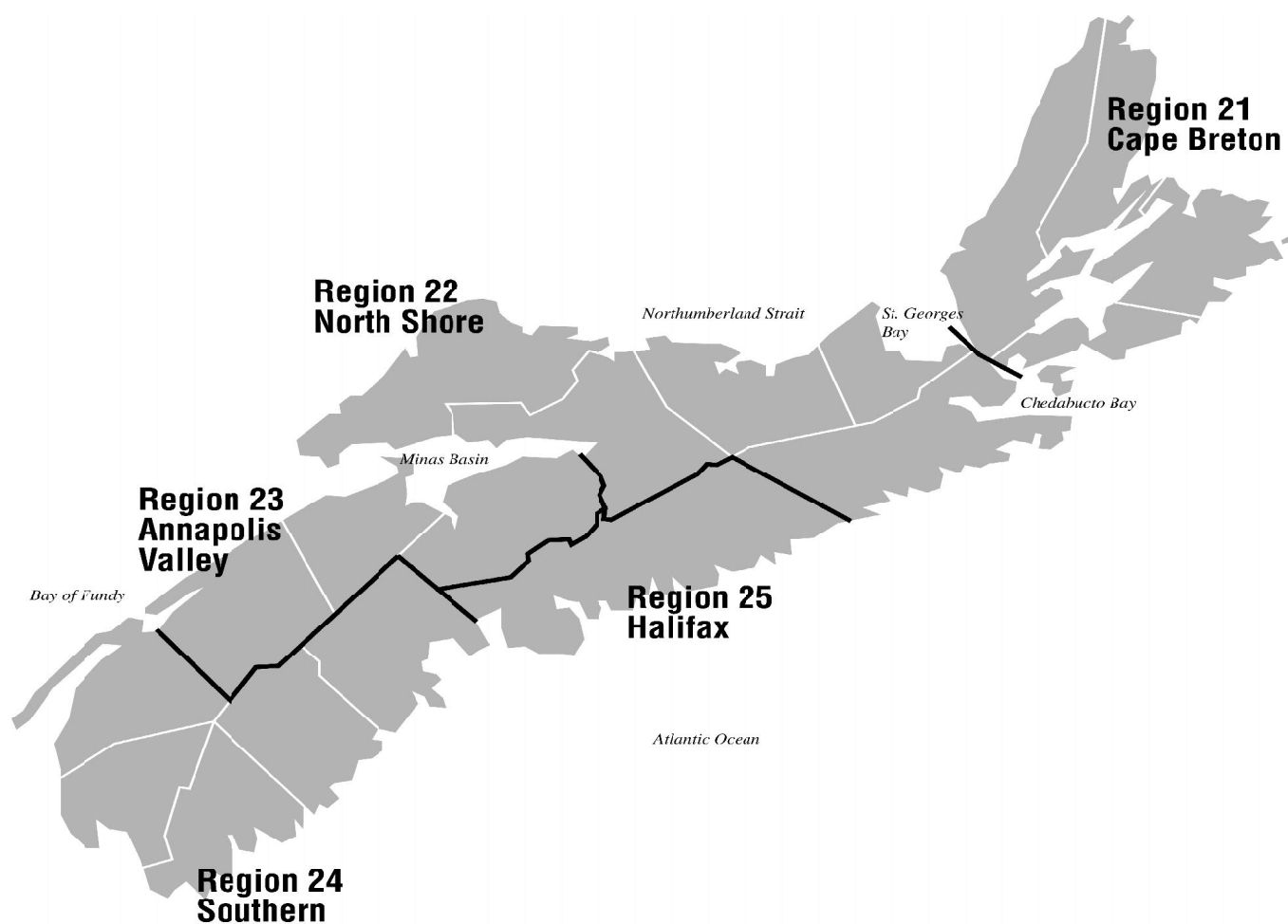
Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for July for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>June 2000</u> | <u>July 2000</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Hamilton | 4.7 | 4.4 |
| Kitchener | 4.7 | 4.8 |
| Windsor | 5.3 | 5.8 |
| Calgary | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Regina | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Toronto | 5.3 | 5.0 |
| Winnipeg | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara | 5.7 | 5.3 |
| Vancouver | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| Ottawa - Hull | 5.3 | 5.5 |
| Edmonton | 5.0 | 5.6 |
| Halifax | 5.4 | 5.7 |
| Oshawa | 5.7 | 6.1 |
| Thunder Bay | 5.3 | 6.5 |
| Saskatoon | 6.1 | 6.5 |
| London | 6.3 | 6.5 |
| Sudbury | 6.9 | 6.8 |
| Victoria | 6.4 | 6.9 |
| St. John NB | 6.7 | 7.8 |
| Montréal | 7.7 | 8.0 |
| Sherbrooke | 8.6 | 8.0 |
| Québec | 8.2 | 8.5 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquière | 9.6 | 8.7 |
| St. John's NF | 9.0 | 9.2 |
| Trois-Rivières | 10.8 | 10.8 |

Employment Situation

August 2000



EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - AUGUST 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE AUG '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE AUG '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|--------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | AUG | JUL | AUG | | | AUG | JUL | AUG | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,761.7 | 15,950.6 | 16,036.5 | 274.8 | 16,147.6 | 16,419.1 | 16,451.9 | 304.3 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,546.3 | 14,873.5 | 14,900.8 | 354.5 | 14,919.2 | 15,269.5 | 15,271.8 | 352.6 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,215.4 | 1,077.1 | 1,135.7 | (79.7) | 1,228.3 | 1,149.6 | 1,180.1 | (48.2) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.7 | 6.8 | 7.1 | (0.6) | 7.6 | 7.0 | 7.2 | (0.4) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.6 | 65.6 | 65.9 | 0.3 | 67.3 | 67.6 | 67.6 | 0.3 | |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE AUG '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE AUG '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-----|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | AUG | JUL | AUG | | | AUG | JUL | AUG | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 451.7 | 462.2 | 459.9 | 8.2 | 469.1 | 483.5 | 477.4 | 8.3 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 410.1 | 419.7 | 416.3 | 6.2 | 429.0 | 439.5 | 434.7 | 5.7 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 41.6 | 42.5 | 43.6 | 2.0 | 40.1 | 44.0 | 42.7 | 2.6 | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.2 | 9.2 | 9.5 | 0.3 | 8.5 | 9.1 | 8.9 | 0.4 | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.9 | 61.8 | 61.4 | 0.5 | 63.3 | 64.6 | 63.8 | 0.5 | |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NEWFOUNDLAND | | | | CHANGE AUG '99-'00 | PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | | | CHANGE AUG '99-'00 |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | AUG | JUL | AUG | | | AUG | JUL | AUG | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 246.1 | 240.2 | 241.3 | (4.8) | 70.5 | 72.9 | 73.1 | 2.6 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 204.2 | 201.5 | 203.5 | (0.7) | 61.0 | 63.9 | 63.8 | 2.8 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 41.9 | 38.7 | 37.8 | (4.1) | 9.5 | 9.0 | 9.3 | (0.2) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 16.2 | 15.8 | 15.1 | (1.1) | 9.8 | 10.3 | 9.4 | (0.4) | |
| --Actual | 17.0 | 16.1 | 15.7 | (1.3) | 13.5 | 12.3 | 12.7 | (0.8) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 56.2 | 54.6 | 54.9 | (1.3) | 65.2 | 66.5 | 66.5 | (1.3) | |

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

| | NEW BRUNSWICK | | | | CHANGE AUG '99-'00 | QUEBEC | | | CHANGE AUG '99-'00 |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | AUG | JUL | AUG | | | AUG | JUL | AUG | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 361.8 | 371.5 | 374.4 | 12.6 | 3,711.0 | 3,771.8 | 3,756.9 | 45.9 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 328.8 | 333.4 | 336.1 | 7.3 | 3,345.8 | 3,440.4 | 3,441.0 | 95.2 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 33.0 | 38.2 | 38.3 | 5.3 | 365.1 | 331.4 | 315.8 | (49.3) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.0 | 9.2 | 9.0 | 1.0 | 9.6 | 8.6 | 8.3 | (1.3) | |
| --Actual | 9.1 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 1.1 | 9.8 | 8.8 | 8.4 | (1.4) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 60.3 | 61.5 | 62.0 | 1.7 | 62.9 | 63.5 | 63.2 | 0.3 | |

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

| AUG | JUL | AUG | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,079.2 | 6,203.5 | 6,256.9 | 177.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,708.3 | 5,876.1 | 5,880.9 | 172.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 370.9 | 327.4 | 375.9 | 5.0 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 6.2 | 5.7 | 6.2 | 0.0 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.1 | 5.3 | 6.0 | (0.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.6 | 66.8 | 67.3 | 0.7 |

MANITOBA

CHANGE

| AUG | JUL | AUG | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 580.3 | 583.9 | 588.1 | 7.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 544.0 | 554.3 | 558.2 | 14.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 36.3 | 29.6 | 29.9 | (6.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 6.5 | 5.3 | 5.4 | (1.1) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.3 | 5.1 | 5.1 | (1.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.0 | 67.9 | 68.4 | 0.4 |

SASKATCHEWAN

CHANGE

| AUG | JUL | AUG | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 512.5 | 510.9 | 509.5 | (3.0) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 481.7 | 483.8 | 479.5 | (2.2) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 30.8 | 27.1 | 30.1 | (0.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 6.0 | 5.8 | 6.2 | 0.2 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.0 | 5.3 | 5.9 | (0.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.2 | 66.9 | 66.7 | (0.5) |

ALBERTA

CHANGE

| AUG | JUL | AUG | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 1,656.8 | 1,657.1 | 1,666.2 | 9.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,555.9 | 1,571.4 | 1,577.6 | 21.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 100.8 | 85.7 | 88.6 | (12.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 6.3 | 5.9 | 5.7 | (0.6) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.1 | 5.2 | 5.3 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 72.7 | 71.5 | 71.8 | (0.9) |

BRITISH COLUMBIA

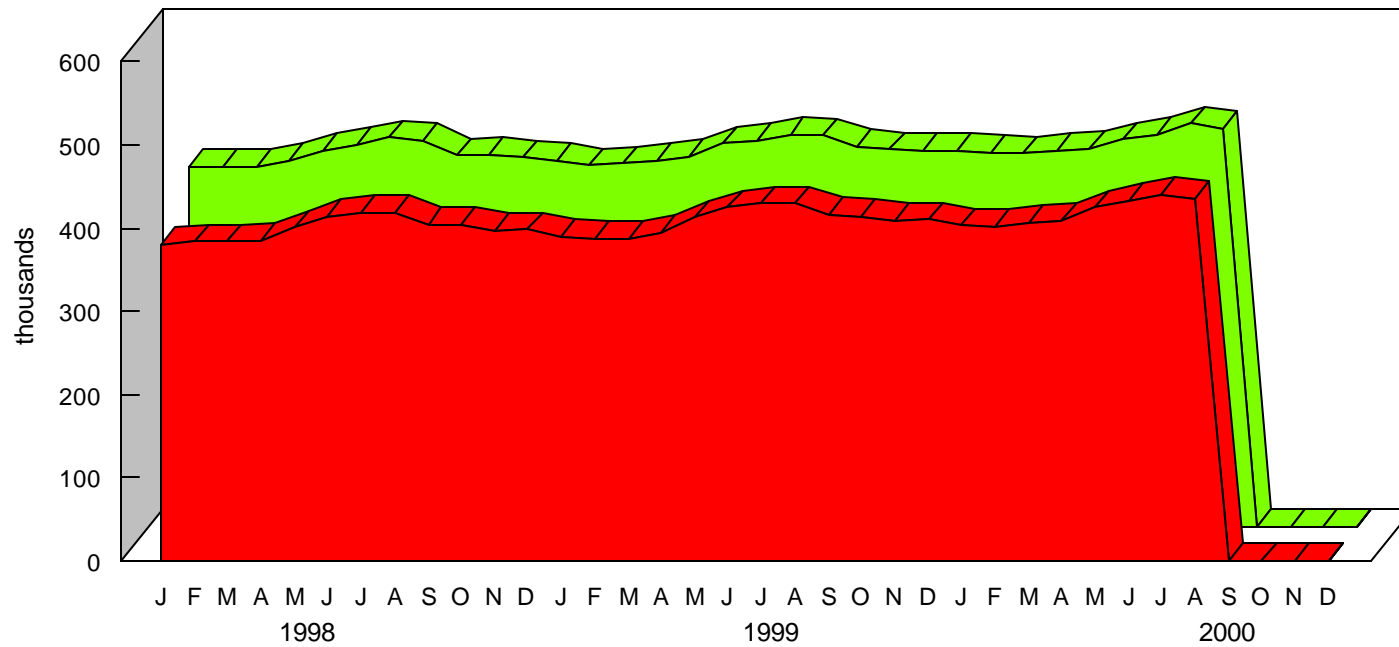
CHANGE

| AUG | JUL | AUG | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,091.7 | 2,076.5 | 2,110.1 | 18.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,906.3 | 1,929.0 | 1,943.9 | 37.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 185.4 | 147.5 | 166.3 | (19.1) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 8.7 | 7.5 | 8.0 | (0.7) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.9 | 7.1 | 7.9 | (1.0) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.4 | 64.1 | 65.1 | (0.3) |

Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

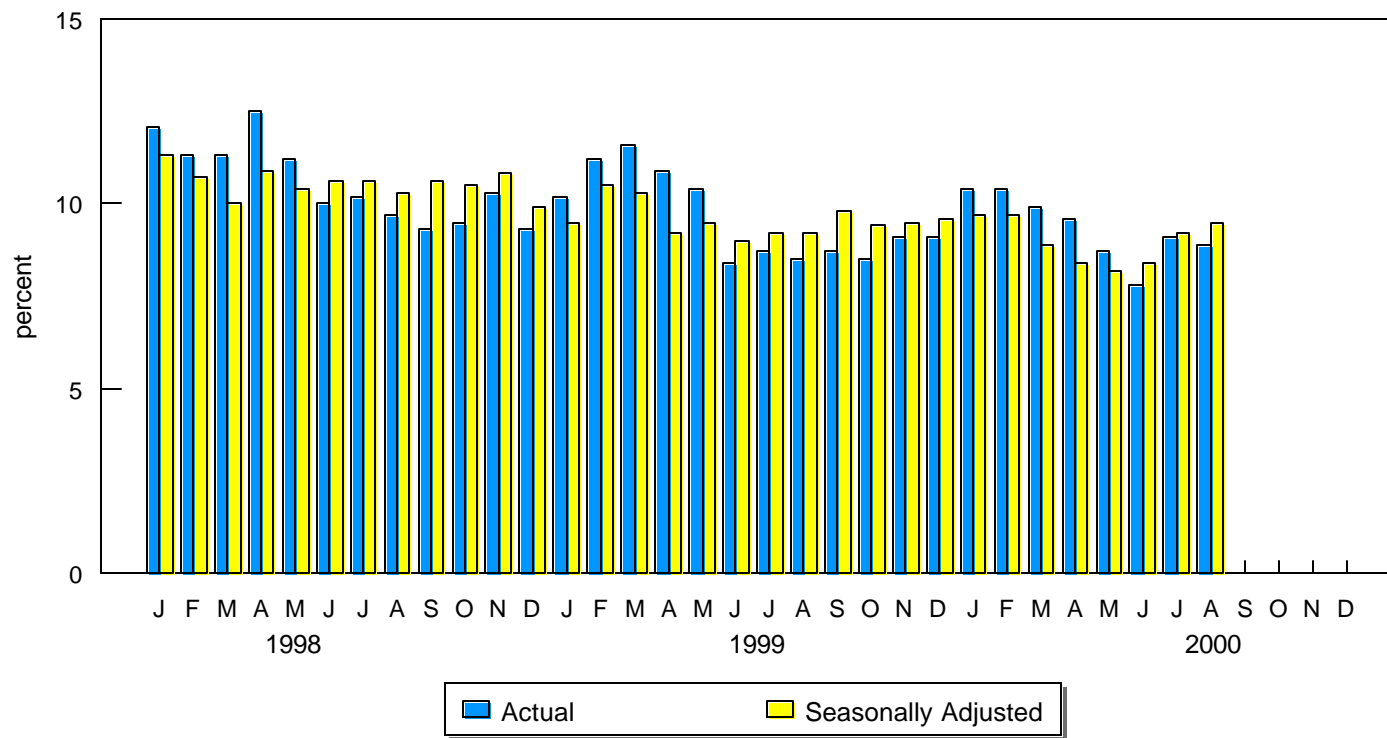
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | AUG <u>1999</u> | JUL <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 186.5 | 196.9 | 197.9 | 11.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 174.0 | 185.6 | 186.4 | 12.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.5 | 11.3 | 11.6 | (0.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.7 | 5.7 | 5.9 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.2 | 71.0 | 71.3 | 3.1 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | AUG <u>1999</u> | JUL <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 467.8 | 472.8 | 477.0 | 9.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 427.7 | 432.3 | 435.8 | 8.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 40.1 | 40.4 | 41.2 | 1.1 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.6 | 8.5 | 8.6 | 0.0 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 63.1 | 63.3 | 63.8 | 0.7 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | AUG <u>1999</u> | JUL <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>2000</u> | CHANGE AUG <u>'99-'00</u> | AUG <u>1999</u> | JUL <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>2000</u> | CHANGE AUG <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 68.2 | 64.7 | 65.4 | (2.8) | 82.3 | 82.4 | 82.4 | 0.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 58.6 | 54.4 | 54.5 | (4.1) | 74.3 | 74.4 | 74.5 | 0.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 9.6 | 10.3 | 10.9 | 1.3 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 7.9 | (0.1) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 14.1 | 15.9 | 16.7 | 2.6 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.6 | (0.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 55.4 | 52.7 | 53.3 | (2.1) | 62.3 | 62.1 | 62.0 | (0.3) |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | AUG <u>1999</u> | JUL <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>2000</u> | CHANGE AUG <u>'99-'00</u> | AUG <u>1999</u> | JUL <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>2000</u> | CHANGE AUG <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 59.9 | 60.4 | 61.6 | 1.7 | 62.3 | 59.7 | 60.5 | (1.8) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 55.3 | 55.7 | 56.7 | 1.4 | 57.4 | 54.8 | 55.5 | (1.9) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 0.3 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 5.0 | 0.1 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.7 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 0.3 | 7.9 | 8.0 | 8.3 | 0.4 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.9 | 60.7 | 61.8 | 0.9 | 60.1 | 57.4 | 58.2 | (1.9) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | AUG <u>1999</u> | JUL <u>2000</u> | AUG <u>2000</u> | CHANGE AUG <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 195.0 | 205.6 | 207.1 | 12.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 182.0 | 193.0 | 194.7 | 12.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.0 | 12.6 | 12.4 | (0.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.7 | 6.1 | 6.0 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.7 | 71.3 | 71.7 | 3.0 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | JUL | AUG | JUL | AUG |
| Total | 408.5 | 410.1 | 419.7 | 416.3 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 89.6 | 91.2 | 91.8 | 89.1 |
| Agriculture | 6.2 | 6.9 | 6.3 | 5.8 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 14.0 | 14.7 | 14.3 | 14.0 |
| Utilities | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| Construction | 21.8 | 22.3 | 25.4 | 24.3 |
| Manufacturing | 45.4 | 45.0 | 43.3 | 42.4 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 318.9 | 318.9 | 327.9 | 327.2 |
| Trade | 71.0 | 70.7 | 72.5 | 73.9 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 21.2 | 21.3 | 21.4 | 20.7 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 23.4 | 23.0 | 22.2 | 21.9 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 17.9 | 17.8 | 18.3 | 18.7 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 13.9 | 14.7 | 19.3 | 20.1 |
| Educational Services | 30.8 | 30.3 | 32.1 | 31.1 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 47.8 | 48.3 | 50.4 | 51.7 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 15.0 | 14.4 | 17.2 | 16.9 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 28.8 | 28.9 | 27.2 | 26.8 |
| Other Services | 23.3 | 24.0 | 22.2 | 21.6 |
| Public Administration | 25.7 | 25.5 | 25.1 | 23.7 |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 14,919.2 | 15,269.5 | 15,271.8 | 352.6 | 12,532.6 | 12,853.6 | 12,881.5 | 348.9 | 2,386.6 | 2,415.9 | 2,390.3 | 3.7 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 220.0 | 224.4 | 218.3 | (1.7) | 191.6 | 198.8 | 195.2 | 3.6 | 28.4 | 25.6 | 23.1 | (5.3) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 67.9 | 70.5 | 70.6 | 2.7 | 60.1 | 62.1 | 62.2 | 2.1 | 7.8 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 0.6 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 429.0 | 439.5 | 434.7 | 5.7 | 361.3 | 374.1 | 366.9 | 5.6 | 67.7 | 65.4 | 67.8 | 0.1 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 352.5 | 357.0 | 360.6 | 8.1 | 306.3 | 311.8 | 317.1 | 10.8 | 46.2 | 45.2 | 43.5 | (2.7) |
| QUEBEC | 3,432.2 | 3,565.2 | 3,527.2 | 95.0 | 2,956.2 | 3,067.4 | 3,024.9 | 68.7 | 476.1 | 497.8 | 502.3 | 26.2 |
| ONTARIO | 5,838.5 | 5,993.6 | 6,014.5 | 176.0 | 4,911.0 | 5,024.0 | 5,056.8 | 145.8 | 927.5 | 969.6 | 957.7 | 30.2 |
| MANITOBA | 552.8 | 563.9 | 567.5 | 14.7 | 458.3 | 477.1 | 478.9 | 20.6 | 94.5 | 86.8 | 88.5 | (6.0) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 496.0 | 498.6 | 492.5 | (3.5) | 412.1 | 410.9 | 411.2 | (0.9) | 83.9 | 87.8 | 81.3 | (2.6) |
| ALBERTA | 1,584.8 | 1,599.4 | 1,605.2 | 20.4 | 1,319.6 | 1,343.8 | 1,357.5 | 37.9 | 265.2 | 255.6 | 247.7 | (17.5) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,945.6 | 1,957.4 | 1,980.7 | 35.1 | 1,556.2 | 1,583.6 | 1,610.6 | 54.4 | 389.4 | 373.8 | 370.1 | (19.3) |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 2,877.5 | 3,072.6 | 2,978.5 | 101.0 | 2,530.3 | 2,657.5 | 2,626.9 | 96.6 | 12.1 | 13.5 | 11.8 | (0.3) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 46.3 | 53.2 | 48.3 | 2.0 | 36.6 | 39.3 | 36.6 | 0.0 | 21.0 | 26.1 | 24.2 | 3.2 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 16.5 | 17.6 | 17.0 | 0.5 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 15.2 | 0.4 | 10.3 | 14.8 | 10.6 | 0.3 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 91.0 | 97.2 | 93.8 | 2.8 | 77.8 | 81.2 | 82.0 | 4.2 | 14.5 | 16.6 | 12.6 | (1.9) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 75.7 | 79.3 | 77.1 | 1.4 | 65.6 | 66.1 | 67.8 | 2.2 | 13.3 | 16.6 | 12.1 | (1.2) |
| QUEBEC | 638.6 | 729.3 | 655.0 | 16.4 | 548.8 | 626.3 | 578.4 | 29.6 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 11.7 | (2.4) |
| ONTARIO | 1,095.8 | 1,161.2 | 1,163.8 | 68.0 | 980.6 | 1,018.7 | 1,034.2 | 53.6 | 10.5 | 12.3 | 11.1 | 0.6 |
| MANITOBA | 114.9 | 118.3 | 119.0 | 4.1 | 104.3 | 106.8 | 108.3 | 4.0 | 9.2 | 9.7 | 9.0 | (0.2) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 108.8 | 111.9 | 108.8 | 0.0 | 97.3 | 99.4 | 95.6 | (1.7) | 10.6 | 11.2 | 12.1 | 1.5 |
| ALBERTA | 335.7 | 343.2 | 330.9 | (4.8) | 295.4 | 295.6 | 297.7 | 2.3 | 12.0 | 13.9 | 10.0 | (2.0) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 354.2 | 361.4 | 364.8 | 10.6 | 309.2 | 309.1 | 311.1 | 1.9 | 12.7 | 14.5 | 14.7 | 2.0 |

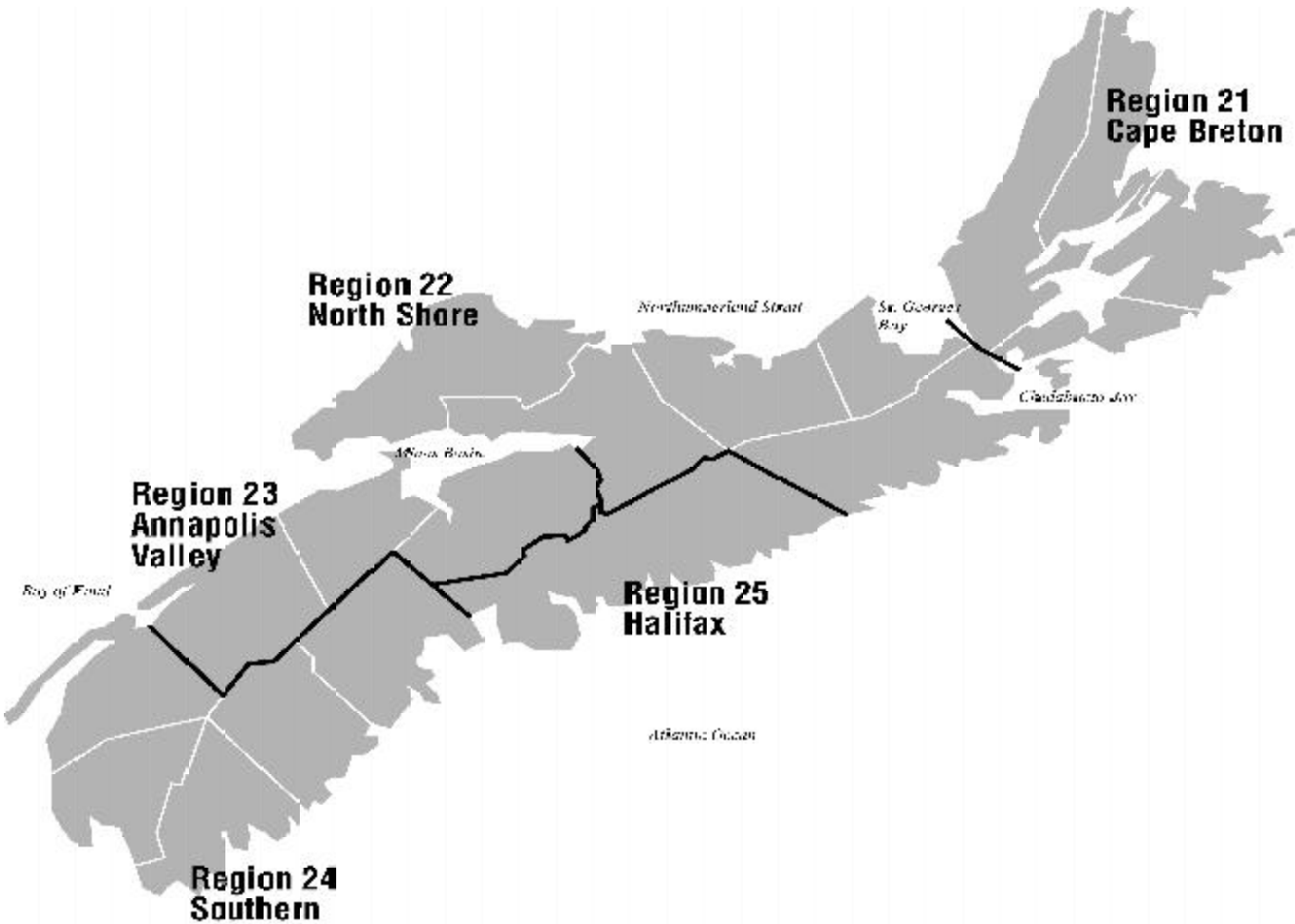
Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for August for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>July 2000</u> | <u>August 2000</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Hamilton | 4.4 | 4.3 |
| Windsor | 4.8 | 4.3 |
| Calgary | 5.0 | 4.8 |
| Regina | 5.0 | 5.2 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara | 5.3 | 5.2 |
| Toronto | 5.0 | 5.3 |
| Winnipeg | 5.3 | 5.3 |
| Kitchener | 4.8 | 5.5 |
| Vancouver | 5.4 | 5.7 |
| Oshawa | 6.1 | 5.8 |
| Halifax | 5.7 | 5.9 |
| Edmonton | 5.6 | 6.0 |
| Ottawa - Hull | 5.5 | 6.0 |
| London | 6.5 | 6.4 |
| Saskatoon | 6.5 | 6.5 |
| Thunder Bay | 6.5 | 7.0 |
| Sudbury | 6.8 | 7.4 |
| Victoria | 6.9 | 7.4 |
| Montréal | 8.0 | 7.8 |
| Sherbrooke | 8.0 | 7.8 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 8.7 | 8.2 |
| St. John NB | 7.8 | 8.2 |
| Québec | 8.5 | 8.7 |
| St. John's NF | 9.2 | 9.3 |
| Trois-Rivières | 10.8 | 11.2 |

Employment Situation

September 2000



EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - SEPTEMBER 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE SEP '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE SEP '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|--------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | SEP | AUG | SEP | | | SEP | AUG | SEP | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,764.5 | 16,036.5 | 16,055.8 | 291.3 | 15,765.0 | 16,451.9 | 16,057.8 | 292.8 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,596.3 | 14,900.8 | 14,957.1 | 360.8 | 14,695.6 | 15,271.8 | 15,047.0 | 351.4 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,168.1 | 1,135.7 | 1,098.8 | (69.3) | 1,069.4 | 1,180.1 | 1,010.8 | (58.6) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.4 | 7.1 | 6.8 | (0.6) | 6.8 | 7.2 | 6.3 | (0.5) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.6 | 65.9 | 65.9 | 0.3 | 65.6 | 67.6 | 65.9 | 0.3 | |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | CHANGE SEP '99-'00 | Actual | | | CHANGE SEP '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | SEP | AUG | SEP | | | SEP | AUG | SEP | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 454.9 | 459.9 | 461.7 | 6.8 | 455.4 | 477.4 | 461.7 | 6.3 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 410.3 | 416.3 | 417.6 | 7.3 | 415.7 | 434.7 | 422.0 | 6.3 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 44.6 | 43.6 | 44.1 | (0.5) | 39.6 | 42.7 | 39.6 | 0.0 | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.8 | 9.5 | 9.6 | (0.2) | 8.7 | 8.9 | 8.6 | (0.1) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.3 | 61.4 | 61.6 | 0.3 | 61.4 | 63.8 | 61.6 | 0.2 | |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NEWFOUNDLAND | | | | CHANGE SEP '99-'00 | PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | | | CHANGE SEP '99-'00 |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | SEP | AUG | SEP | | | SEP | AUG | SEP | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 248.2 | 241.3 | 246.1 | (2.1) | 70.5 | 73.1 | 73.5 | 3.0 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 206.6 | 203.5 | 206.2 | (0.4) | 60.7 | 63.8 | 65.2 | 4.5 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 41.6 | 37.8 | 40.0 | (1.6) | 9.7 | 9.3 | 8.3 | (1.4) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 15.0 | 15.1 | 14.6 | (0.4) | 10.5 | 9.4 | 8.4 | (2.1) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 16.8 | 15.7 | 16.3 | (0.5) | 13.8 | 12.7 | 11.3 | (2.5) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 56.6 | 54.9 | 56.0 | (0.6) | 65.2 | 66.5 | 66.8 | (1.6) | |

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

| | NEW BRUNSWICK | | | | CHANGE SEP '99-'00 | QUEBEC | | | CHANGE SEP '99-'00 |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | SEP | AUG | SEP | | | SEP | AUG | SEP | |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | | | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 365.0 | 374.4 | 373.4 | 8.4 | 3,697.8 | 3,756.9 | 3,754.8 | 57.0 | |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 328.5 | 336.1 | 337.0 | 8.5 | 3,367.0 | 3,441.0 | 3,447.9 | 80.9 | |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 36.5 | 38.3 | 36.4 | (0.1) | 330.8 | 315.8 | 306.9 | (23.9) | |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 8.3 | 9.0 | 7.9 | (0.4) | 8.3 | 8.3 | 7.6 | (0.7) | |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 10.0 | 10.2 | 9.7 | (0.3) | 8.9 | 8.4 | 8.2 | (0.7) | |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.8 | 62.0 | 61.8 | 1.0 | 62.7 | 63.2 | 63.2 | 0.5 | |

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

| SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

MANITOBA

CHANGE

| SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,102.6 | 6,256.9 | 6,263.7 | 161.1 | 578.5 | 588.1 | 584.9 | 6.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,719.2 | 5,880.9 | 5,899.0 | 179.8 | 545.0 | 558.2 | 558.7 | 13.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 383.4 | 375.9 | 364.7 | (18.7) | 33.4 | 29.9 | 26.2 | (7.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 5.8 | 6.2 | 5.4 | (0.4) | 5.3 | 5.4 | 4.0 | (1.3) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.3 | 6.0 | 5.8 | (0.5) | 5.8 | 5.1 | 4.5 | (1.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.7 | 67.3 | 67.3 | 0.6 | 67.8 | 68.4 | 68.0 | 0.2 |

SASKATCHEWAN

CHANGE

| SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

ALBERTA

CHANGE

| SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|--------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 511.2 | 509.5 | 509.3 | (1.9) | 1,650.9 | 1,666.2 | 1,669.9 | 19.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 483.7 | 479.5 | 480.8 | (2.9) | 1,555.9 | 1,577.6 | 1,589.6 | 33.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 27.5 | 30.1 | 28.5 | 1.0 | 95.0 | 88.6 | 80.3 | (14.7) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 4.5 | 6.2 | 4.8 | 0.3 | 5.4 | 5.7 | 4.5 | (0.9) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.4 | 5.9 | 5.6 | 0.2 | 5.8 | 5.3 | 4.8 | (1.0) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.0 | 66.7 | 66.7 | (0.3) | 72.4 | 71.8 | 71.8 | (0.6) |

BRITISH COLUMBIA

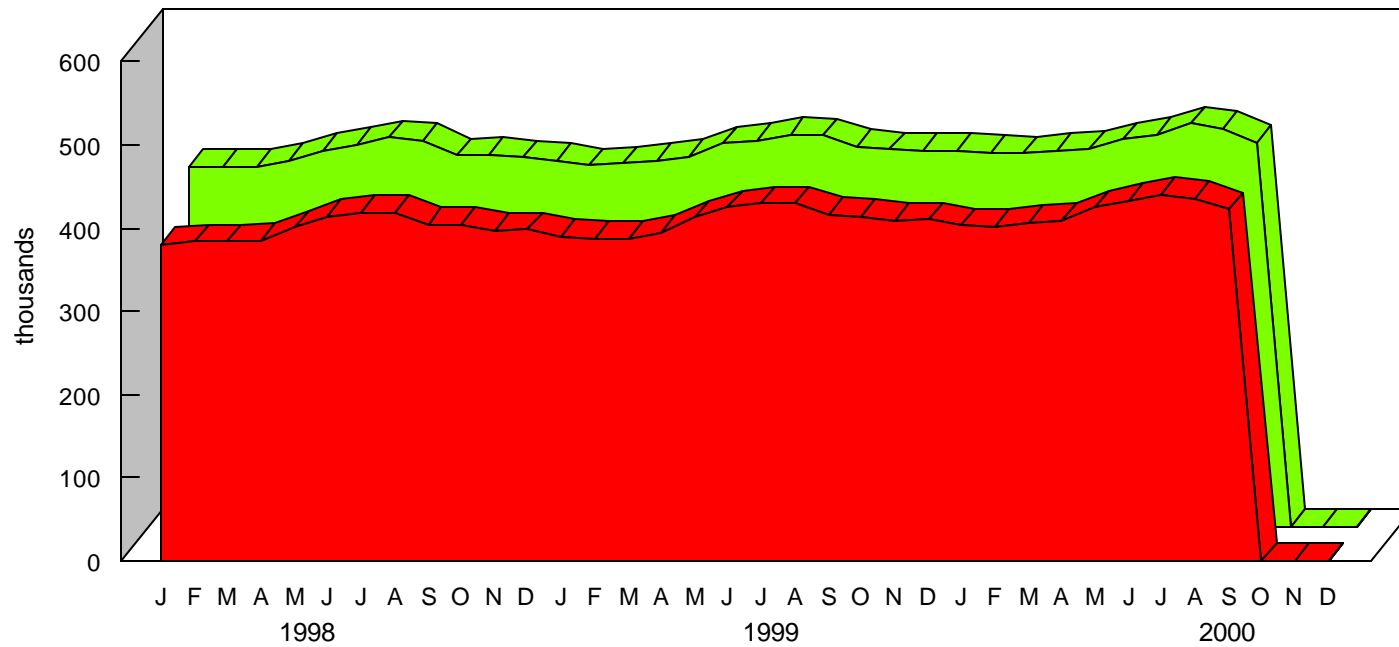
CHANGE

| SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,084.8 | 2,110.1 | 2,118.4 | 33.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,919.4 | 1,943.9 | 1,954.9 | 35.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 165.5 | 166.3 | 163.5 | (2.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.1 | 8.0 | 7.1 | 0.0 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 7.9 | 7.9 | 7.7 | (0.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.1 | 65.1 | 65.3 | 0.2 |

Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

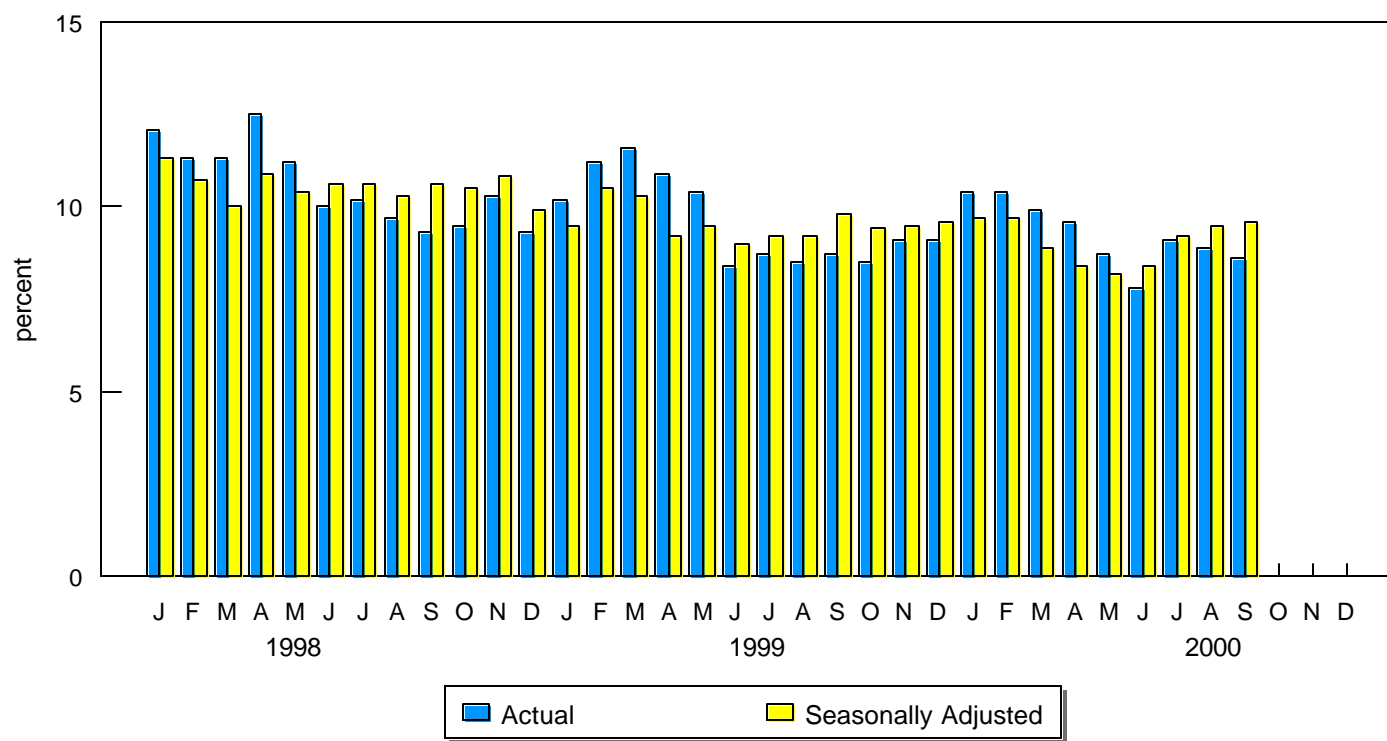
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 187.0 | 197.9 | 198.8 | 11.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 175.1 | 186.4 | 186.6 | 11.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.9 | 11.6 | 12.2 | 0.3 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.4 | 5.9 | 6.1 | (0.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.3 | 71.3 | 71.5 | 3.2 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 465.0 | 477.0 | 474.2 | 9.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 424.8 | 435.8 | 432.1 | 7.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 40.3 | 41.2 | 42.1 | 1.8 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.7 | 8.6 | 8.9 | 0.2 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 62.7 | 63.8 | 63.3 | 0.6 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE | SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 67.1 | 65.4 | 64.4 | (2.7) | 81.6 | 82.4 | 82.0 | 0.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 55.8 | 54.5 | 53.2 | (2.6) | 73.8 | 74.5 | 73.9 | 0.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.3 | 10.9 | 11.3 | 0.0 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 0.3 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 16.8 | 16.7 | 17.5 | 0.7 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 9.9 | 0.3 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 54.5 | 53.3 | 52.5 | (2.0) | 61.8 | 62.0 | 61.7 | (0.1) |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE | SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 60.6 | 61.6 | 60.8 | 0.2 | 61.8 | 60.5 | 60.9 | (0.9) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 56.1 | 56.7 | 56.1 | 0.0 | 56.8 | 55.5 | 55.3 | (1.5) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 4.5 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 0.2 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.6 | 0.6 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.4 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 0.3 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 9.2 | 1.1 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.6 | 61.8 | 60.9 | (0.7) | 59.6 | 58.2 | 58.5 | (1.1) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | SEP | AUG | SEP | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 194.0 | 207.1 | 206.1 | 12.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 182.2 | 194.7 | 193.6 | 11.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.7 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 0.7 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.0 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 0.0 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.2 | 71.7 | 71.2 | 3.0 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | AUG | SEP | AUG | SEP |
| Total | 410.1 | 410.3 | 416.3 | 417.6 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 91.2 | 88.3 | 89.1 | 92.1 |
| Agriculture | 6.9 | 7.2 | 5.8 | 6.5 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 14.7 | 14.4 | 14.0 | 13.4 |
| Utilities | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.9 |
| Construction | 22.3 | 20.0 | 24.3 | 25.6 |
| Manufacturing | 45.0 | 44.4 | 42.4 | 43.7 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 318.9 | 322.0 | 327.2 | 325.5 |
| Trade | 70.7 | 70.9 | 73.9 | 76.9 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 21.3 | 20.9 | 20.7 | 21.6 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 23.0 | 23.3 | 21.9 | 20.3 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 17.8 | 17.2 | 18.7 | 18.8 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 14.7 | 15.2 | 20.1 | 19.0 |
| Educational Services | 30.3 | 31.0 | 31.1 | 32.7 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 48.3 | 48.5 | 51.7 | 52.0 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 14.4 | 15.8 | 16.9 | 16.6 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 28.9 | 28.6 | 26.8 | 25.2 |
| Other Services | 24.0 | 24.4 | 21.6 | 19.6 |
| Public Administration | 25.5 | 26.1 | 23.7 | 22.9 |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 14,695.6 | 15,271.8 | 15,047.0 | 351.4 | 12,029.5 | 12,881.5 | 12,319.7 | 290.2 | 2,666.0 | 2,390.3 | 2,727.3 | 61.3 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 214.8 | 218.3 | 214.0 | (0.8) | 180.8 | 195.2 | 185.0 | 4.2 | 34.0 | 23.1 | 29.0 | (5.0) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 63.7 | 70.6 | 68.4 | 4.7 | 53.9 | 62.2 | 57.9 | 4.0 | 9.7 | 8.4 | 10.5 | 0.8 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 415.7 | 434.7 | 422.0 | 6.3 | 344.3 | 366.9 | 342.2 | (2.1) | 71.5 | 67.8 | 79.8 | 8.3 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 339.6 | 360.6 | 348.8 | 9.2 | 283.6 | 317.1 | 297.5 | 13.9 | 56.0 | 43.5 | 51.3 | (4.7) |
| QUEBEC | 3,399.5 | 3,527.2 | 3,477.3 | 77.8 | 2,805.7 | 3,024.9 | 2,874.3 | 68.6 | 593.8 | 502.3 | 602.9 | 9.1 |
| ONTARIO | 5,725.5 | 6,014.5 | 5,901.5 | 176.0 | 4,727.3 | 5,056.8 | 4,837.1 | 109.8 | 998.2 | 957.7 | 1,064.4 | 66.2 |
| MANITOBA | 548.2 | 567.5 | 561.9 | 13.7 | 441.9 | 478.9 | 455.7 | 13.8 | 106.2 | 88.5 | 106.2 | 0.0 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 490.4 | 492.5 | 487.0 | (3.4) | 397.4 | 411.2 | 397.5 | 0.1 | 93.0 | 81.3 | 89.5 | (3.5) |
| ALBERTA | 1,564.6 | 1,605.2 | 1,597.6 | 33.0 | 1,274.6 | 1,357.5 | 1,304.1 | 29.5 | 289.9 | 247.7 | 293.5 | 3.6 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,933.6 | 1,980.7 | 1,968.5 | 34.9 | 1,520.0 | 1,610.6 | 1,568.2 | 48.2 | 413.7 | 370.1 | 400.3 | (13.4) |

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 |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 2,502.1 | 2,978.5 | 2,576.3 | 74.2 | 2,166.9 | 2,626.9 | 2,265.6 | 98.7 | 13.4 | 11.8 | 12.1 | (1.3) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 36.8 | 48.3 | 37.7 | 0.9 | 26.6 | 36.6 | 28.6 | 2.0 | 27.7 | 24.2 | 24.1 | (3.6) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 12.8 | 17.0 | 13.3 | 0.5 | 10.8 | 15.2 | 11.5 | 0.7 | 15.6 | 10.6 | 12.8 | (2.8) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 75.5 | 93.8 | 74.9 | (0.6) | 64.0 | 82.0 | 63.5 | (0.5) | 15.2 | 12.6 | 15.2 | 0.0 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 60.2 | 77.1 | 60.1 | (0.1) | 50.0 | 67.8 | 52.5 | 2.5 | 16.9 | 12.1 | 12.6 | (4.3) |
| QUEBEC | 567.3 | 655.0 | 582.9 | 15.6 | 484.0 | 578.4 | 513.9 | 29.9 | 14.7 | 11.7 | 11.8 | (2.9) |
| ONTARIO | 937.1 | 1,163.8 | 980.1 | 43.0 | 819.5 | 1,034.2 | 866.1 | 46.6 | 12.5 | 11.1 | 11.6 | (0.9) |
| MANITOBA | 101.8 | 119.0 | 107.3 | 5.5 | 90.4 | 108.3 | 98.0 | 7.6 | 11.2 | 9.0 | 8.7 | (2.5) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 94.4 | 108.8 | 95.7 | 1.3 | 84.5 | 95.6 | 85.3 | 0.8 | 10.5 | 12.1 | 11.0 | 0.5 |
| ALBERTA | 296.8 | 330.9 | 298.7 | 1.9 | 258.1 | 297.7 | 271.2 | 13.1 | 13.0 | 10.0 | 9.2 | (3.8) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 319.4 | 364.8 | 325.7 | 6.3 | 279.0 | 311.1 | 274.9 | (4.1) | 12.6 | 14.7 | 15.6 | 3.0 |

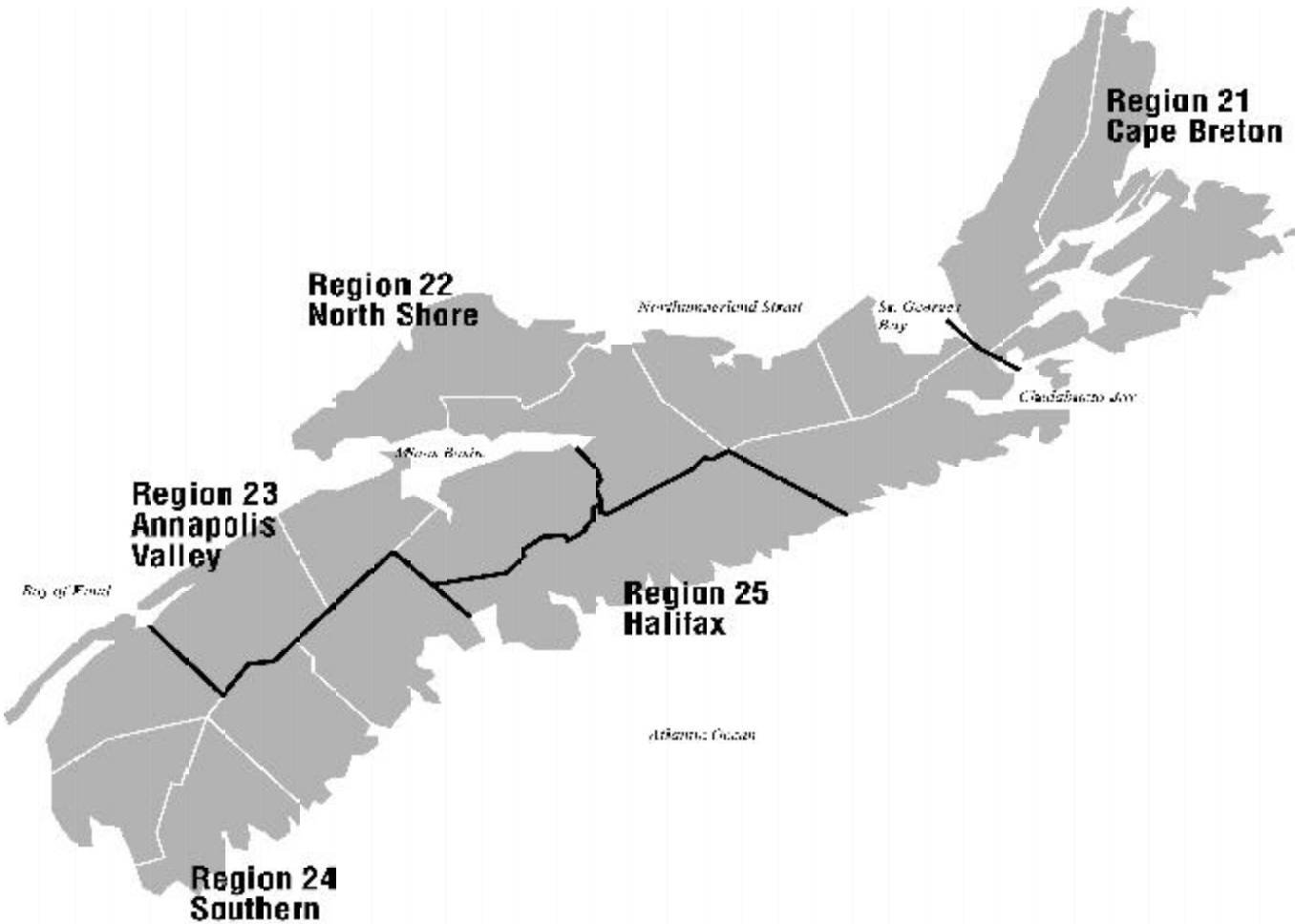
Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for September for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>Aug 2000</u> | <u>Sept 2000</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Calgary | 4.8 | 4.4 |
| Hamilton | 4.3 | 4.5 |
| Windsor | 4.3 | 4.5 |
| Regina | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| Winnipeg | 5.3 | 5.2 |
| Toronto | 5.3 | 5.4 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara | 5.2 | 5.5 |
| Oshawa | 5.8 | 5.8 |
| Kitchener | 5.5 | 5.9 |
| Ottawa - Hull | 6.0 | 5.9 |
| Vancouver | 5.7 | 6.0 |
| Saskatoon | 6.5 | 6.0 |
| Halifax | 5.9 | 6.1 |
| Edmonton | 6.0 | 6.1 |
| London | 6.4 | 6.1 |
| Thunder Bay | 7.0 | 7.4 |
| Sherbrooke | 7.8 | 7.4 |
| Victoria | 7.4 | 7.7 |
| Montréal | 7.8 | 7.8 |
| St. John NB | 8.2 | 7.9 |
| Sudbury | 7.4 | 8.3 |
| Québec | 8.7 | 8.7 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquière | 8.2 | 9.0 |
| St. John's NF | 9.3 | 9.3 |
| Trois-Rivières | 11.2 | 11.4 |

Employment Situation

October 2000



EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - OCTOBER 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,759.2 | 16,055.8 | 16,090.6 | 331.4 | 15,735.5 | 16,057.8 | 16,060.9 | 325.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,633.6 | 14,957.1 | 14,977.3 | 343.7 | 14,704.5 | 15,047.0 | 15,041.1 | 336.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,125.6 | 1,098.8 | 1,113.3 | (12.3) | 1,031.0 | 1,010.8 | 1,019.8 | (11.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.1 | 6.8 | 6.9 | (0.2) | 6.6 | 6.3 | 6.3 | (0.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.5 | 65.9 | 66.0 | 0.5 | 65.4 | 65.9 | 65.9 | 0.5 |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 452.7 | 461.7 | 461.5 | 8.8 | 452.2 | 461.7 | 459.4 | 7.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 410.3 | 417.6 | 418.4 | 8.1 | 413.7 | 422.0 | 421.5 | 7.8 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 42.4 | 44.1 | 43.1 | 0.7 | 38.5 | 39.6 | 37.9 | (0.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.4 | 9.6 | 9.3 | (0.1) | 8.5 | 8.6 | 8.2 | (0.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.9 | 61.6 | 61.5 | 0.6 | 60.9 | 61.6 | 61.3 | 0.4 |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NEWFOUNDLAND | | | | PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 248.5 | 246.1 | 246.5 | (2.0) | 71.5 | 73.5 | 74.0 | 2.5 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 207.7 | 206.2 | 205.7 | (2.0) | 61.9 | 65.2 | 64.0 | 2.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 40.7 | 40.0 | 40.8 | 0.1 | 9.6 | 8.3 | 10.0 | 0.4 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 14.8 | 14.6 | 14.9 | 0.1 | 10.5 | 8.4 | 10.6 | 0.1 |
| --Actual | 14.8 | 14.6 | 14.9 | 0.1 | 10.5 | 8.4 | 10.6 | 0.1 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 16.4 | 16.3 | 16.6 | 0.2 | 13.4 | 11.3 | 13.5 | 0.1 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 56.7 | 56.0 | 56.0 | (0.7) | 66.0 | 66.8 | 67.3 | (1.3) |

NEW BRUNSWICK

QUEBEC

| | NEW BRUNSWICK | | | | QUEBEC | | | |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 363.0 | 373.4 | 373.6 | 10.6 | 3,723.0 | 3,754.8 | 3,744.9 | 21.9 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 327.7 | 337.0 | 337.3 | 9.6 | 3,391.1 | 3,447.9 | 3,428.3 | 37.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 35.3 | 36.4 | 36.4 | 1.1 | 331.9 | 306.9 | 316.6 | (15.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 8.9 | 8.2 | 8.5 | (0.4) |
| --Actual | 8.4 | 7.9 | 8.2 | (0.2) | 8.5 | 7.6 | 8.0 | (0.5) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 0.0 | 8.9 | 8.2 | 8.5 | (0.4) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.4 | 61.8 | 61.8 | 1.4 | 63.0 | 63.2 | 63.0 | 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

| OCT | SEP | OCT | OCT |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

MANITOBA

CHANGE

| OCT | SEP | OCT | OCT |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,101.7 | 6,263.7 | 6,296.6 | 194.9 | 574.7 | 584.9 | 582.7 | 8.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,743.6 | 5,899.0 | 5,926.4 | 182.8 | 543.6 | 558.7 | 555.7 | 12.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 358.1 | 364.7 | 370.2 | 12.1 | 31.1 | 26.2 | 27.0 | (4.1) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 0.1 | 4.8 | 4.0 | 4.1 | (0.7) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.9 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 4.5 | 4.6 | (0.8) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.6 | 67.3 | 67.5 | 0.9 | 67.3 | 68.0 | 67.7 | 0.4 |

SASKATCHEWAN

CHANGE

| OCT | SEP | OCT | OCT |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

ALBERTA

CHANGE

| OCT | SEP | OCT | OCT |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 513.9 | 509.3 | 512.3 | (1.6) | 1,645.6 | 1,669.9 | 1,675.9 | 30.3 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 483.3 | 480.8 | 484.2 | 0.9 | 1,559.6 | 1,589.6 | 1,597.5 | 37.9 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 30.6 | 28.5 | 28.1 | (2.5) | 85.9 | 80.3 | 78.3 | (7.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 5.0 | 4.8 | 4.6 | (0.4) | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.4 | (0.4) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 6.0 | 5.6 | 5.5 | (0.5) | 5.2 | 4.8 | 4.7 | (0.5) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.4 | 66.7 | 67.1 | (0.3) | 72.0 | 71.8 | 71.9 | (0.1) |

BRITISH COLUMBIA

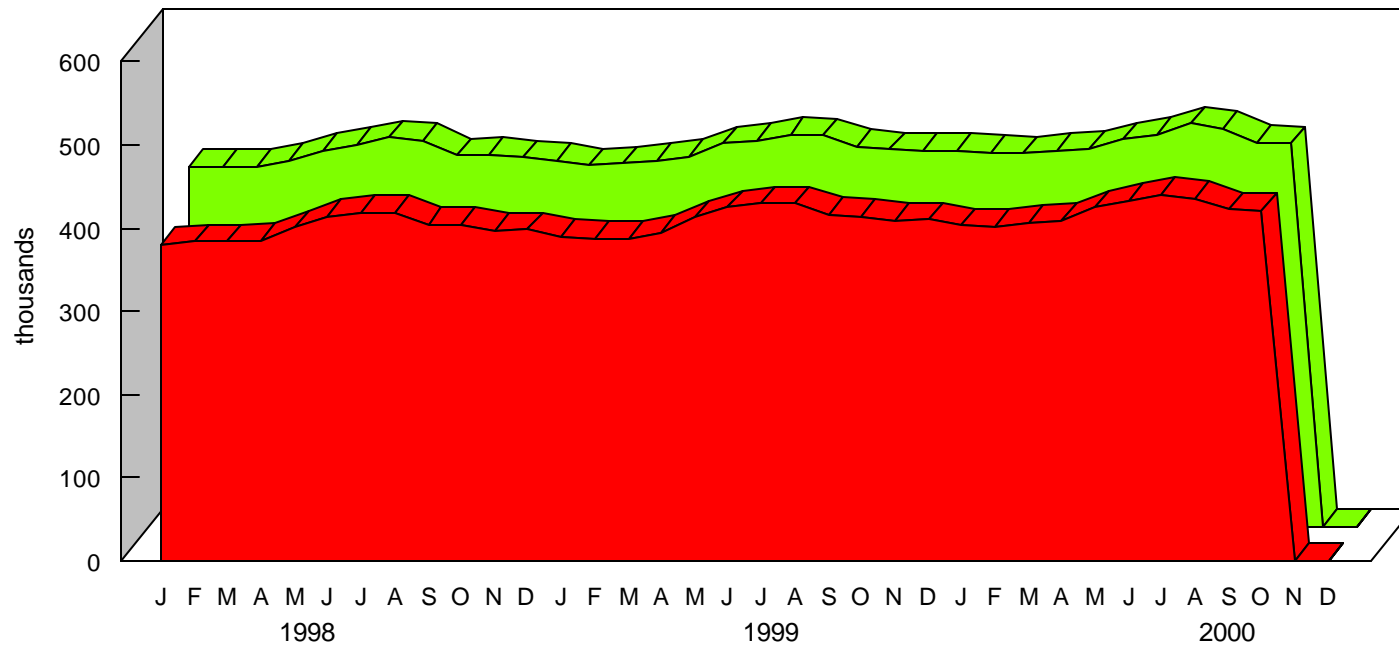
CHANGE

| OCT | SEP | OCT | OCT |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |

| | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,064.7 | 2,118.4 | 2,122.6 | 57.9 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,904.8 | 1,954.9 | 1,959.8 | 55.0 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 159.9 | 163.5 | 162.7 | 2.8 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.1 | 7.1 | 6.9 | (0.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 0.0 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 64.4 | 65.3 | 65.3 | 0.9 |

Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

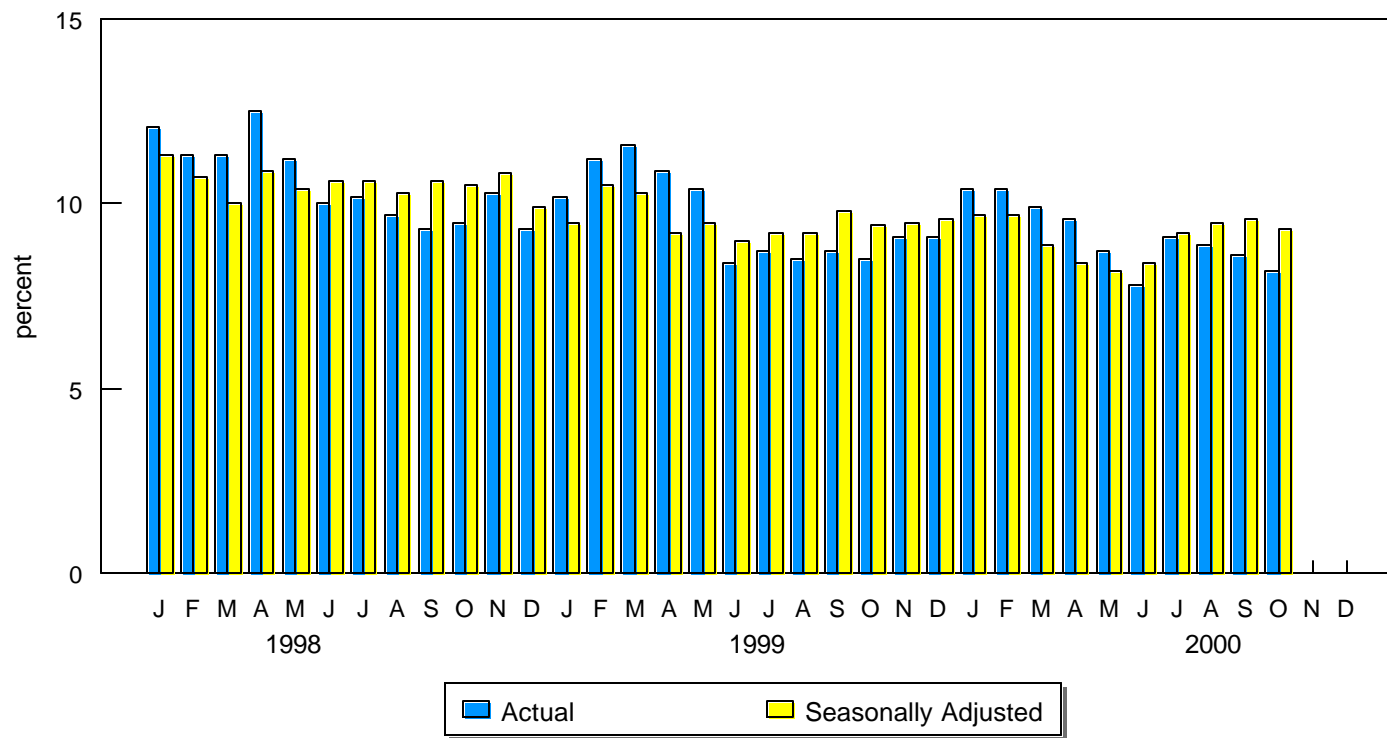
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | OCT <u>1999</u> | SEP <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 188.2 | 198.8 | 197.4 | 9.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 175.4 | 186.6 | 185.9 | 10.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.7 | 12.2 | 11.5 | (1.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.7 | 6.1 | 5.8 | (0.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.6 | 71.5 | 71.0 | 2.4 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | OCT <u>1999</u> | SEP <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 458.9 | 474.2 | 466.1 | 7.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 419.5 | 432.1 | 426.1 | 6.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 39.4 | 42.1 | 40.1 | 0.7 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.6 | 8.9 | 8.6 | 0.0 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.8 | 63.3 | 62.2 | 0.4 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | OCT <u>1999</u> | SEP <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>2000</u> | CHANGE OCT <u>'99-'00</u> | OCT <u>1999</u> | SEP <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>2000</u> | CHANGE OCT <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 64.9 | 64.4 | 63.3 | (1.6) | 79.4 | 82.0 | 80.4 | 1.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 53.4 | 53.2 | 52.5 | (0.9) | 72.8 | 73.9 | 73.0 | 0.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.5 | 11.3 | 10.7 | (0.8) | 6.6 | 8.1 | 7.5 | 0.9 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 17.7 | 17.5 | 16.9 | (0.8) | 8.3 | 9.9 | 9.3 | 1.0 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 52.7 | 52.5 | 51.6 | (1.1) | 60.1 | 61.7 | 60.5 | 0.4 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | OCT <u>1999</u> | SEP <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>2000</u> | CHANGE OCT <u>'99-'00</u> | OCT <u>1999</u> | SEP <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>2000</u> | CHANGE OCT <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 60.3 | 60.8 | 59.2 | (1.1) | 60.4 | 60.9 | 60.0 | (0.4) |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 56.2 | 56.1 | 54.6 | (1.6) | 55.7 | 55.3 | 54.4 | (1.3) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 4.1 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 0.5 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 0.9 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.8 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 1.0 | 7.8 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 1.5 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.2 | 60.9 | 59.3 | (1.9) | 58.2 | 58.5 | 57.6 | (0.6) |

| | HALIFAX | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | OCT <u>1999</u> | SEP <u>2000</u> | OCT <u>2000</u> | CHANGE OCT <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 193.9 | 206.1 | 203.2 | 9.3 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 181.4 | 193.6 | 191.6 | 10.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.5 | 12.4 | 11.7 | (0.8) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.4 | 6.0 | 5.8 | (0.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.1 | 71.2 | 70.1 | 2.0 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | SEP | OCT | SEP | OCT |
| Total | 410.3 | 410.3 | 417.6 | 418.4 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 88.3 | 88.9 | 92.1 | 92.8 |
| Agriculture | 7.2 | 7.4 | 6.5 | 6.6 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 14.4 | 15.2 | 13.4 | 13.6 |
| Utilities | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.9 | 2.8 |
| Construction | 20.0 | 20.9 | 25.6 | 26.3 |
| Manufacturing | 44.4 | 43.3 | 43.7 | 43.5 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 322.0 | 321.3 | 325.5 | 325.5 |
| Trade | 70.9 | 70.9 | 76.9 | 75.6 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 20.9 | 21.8 | 21.6 | 20.2 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 23.3 | 22.8 | 20.3 | 21.3 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 17.2 | 16.5 | 18.8 | 18.9 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 15.2 | 14.9 | 19.0 | 18.7 |
| Educational Services | 31.0 | 31.8 | 32.7 | 32.7 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 48.5 | 47.6 | 52.0 | 51.8 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 15.8 | 17.0 | 16.6 | 15.7 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 28.6 | 28.4 | 25.2 | 26.1 |
| Other Services | 24.4 | 24.7 | 19.6 | 21.4 |
| Public Administration | 26.1 | 25.0 | 22.9 | 23.2 |

EMPLOYMENT - ACTUAL - 000's

| | <u>Total</u> | | | | <u>Full-Time</u> | | | | <u>Part-Time</u> | | | |
|----------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 14,704.5 | 15,047.0 | 15,041.1 | 336.6 | 11,953.4 | 12,319.7 | 12,257.6 | 304.2 | 2,751.2 | 2,727.3 | 2,783.5 | 32.3 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 211.4 | 214.0 | 209.8 | (1.6) | 177.8 | 185.0 | 176.6 | (1.2) | 33.6 | 29.0 | 32.3 | (1.3) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 64.0 | 68.4 | 65.7 | 1.7 | 53.4 | 57.9 | 54.8 | 1.4 | 10.6 | 10.5 | 10.9 | 0.3 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 413.7 | 422.0 | 421.5 | 7.8 | 336.3 | 342.2 | 343.4 | 7.1 | 77.4 | 79.8 | 78.1 | 0.7 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 334.0 | 348.8 | 344.1 | 10.1 | 279.5 | 297.5 | 294.4 | 14.9 | 54.5 | 51.3 | 49.7 | (4.8) |
| QUEBEC | 3,415.7 | 3,477.3 | 3,448.3 | 32.6 | 2,810.2 | 2,874.3 | 2,839.3 | 29.1 | 605.6 | 602.9 | 609.0 | 3.4 |
| ONTARIO | 5,760.7 | 5,901.5 | 5,943.0 | 182.3 | 4,712.5 | 4,837.1 | 4,844.4 | 131.9 | 1,048.3 | 1,064.4 | 1,098.6 | 50.3 |
| MANITOBA | 546.5 | 561.9 | 557.5 | 11.0 | 442.0 | 455.7 | 447.2 | 5.2 | 104.5 | 106.2 | 110.3 | 5.8 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 485.9 | 487.0 | 486.1 | 0.2 | 389.8 | 397.5 | 391.4 | 1.6 | 96.1 | 89.5 | 94.8 | (1.3) |
| ALBERTA | 1,560.9 | 1,597.6 | 1,597.5 | 36.6 | 1,254.7 | 1,304.1 | 1,304.3 | 49.6 | 306.2 | 293.5 | 293.2 | (13.0) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,911.7 | 1,968.5 | 1,967.6 | 55.9 | 1,497.2 | 1,568.2 | 1,560.9 | 63.7 | 414.5 | 400.3 | 406.7 | (7.8) |

15-24 AGE GROUP - ACTUAL

| | <u>Labour Force - 000's</u> | | | | <u>Employment - 000's</u> | | | | <u>Unemployment - %</u> | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE | OCT | SEP | OCT | CHANGE |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| CANADA | 2,484.0 | 2,576.3 | 2,569.5 | 85.5 | 2,163.8 | 2,265.6 | 2,261.2 | 97.4 | 12.9 | 12.1 | 12.0 | (0.9) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 36.3 | 37.7 | 37.0 | 0.7 | 26.1 | 28.6 | 28.3 | 2.2 | 27.8 | 24.1 | 23.5 | (4.3) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 12.9 | 13.3 | 12.4 | (0.5) | 10.8 | 11.5 | 10.6 | (0.2) | 16.3 | 12.8 | 14.5 | (1.8) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 74.2 | 74.9 | 75.5 | 1.3 | 63.9 | 63.5 | 62.6 | (1.3) | 13.9 | 15.2 | 17.1 | 3.2 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 59.0 | 60.1 | 58.7 | (0.3) | 50.1 | 52.5 | 50.2 | 0.1 | 15.1 | 12.6 | 14.5 | (0.6) |
| QUEBEC | 575.2 | 582.9 | 573.0 | (2.2) | 488.9 | 513.9 | 507.7 | 18.8 | 15.0 | 11.8 | 11.4 | (3.6) |
| ONTARIO | 938.0 | 980.1 | 998.0 | 60.0 | 828.7 | 866.1 | 881.5 | 52.8 | 11.7 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 0.0 |
| MANITOBA | 100.6 | 107.3 | 103.0 | 2.4 | 89.6 | 98.0 | 94.3 | 4.7 | 10.9 | 8.7 | 8.4 | (2.5) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 91.8 | 95.7 | 94.7 | 2.9 | 82.4 | 85.3 | 85.9 | 3.5 | 10.2 | 11.0 | 9.3 | (0.9) |
| ALBERTA | 296.8 | 298.7 | 298.7 | 1.9 | 261.0 | 271.2 | 267.8 | 6.8 | 12.1 | 9.2 | 10.4 | (1.7) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 299.3 | 325.7 | 318.5 | 19.2 | 262.4 | 274.9 | 272.5 | 10.1 | 12.3 | 15.6 | 14.4 | 2.1 |

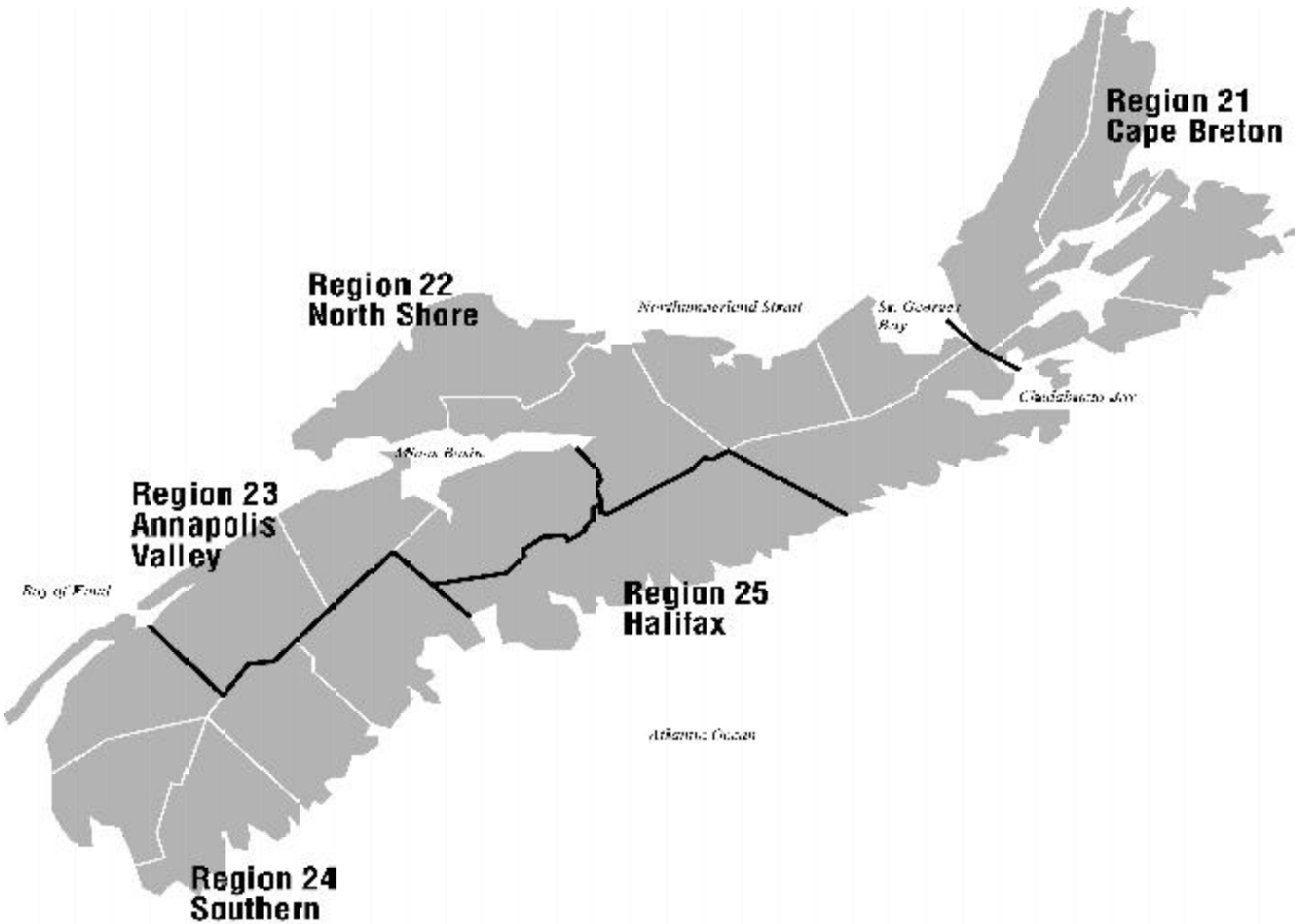
Jobless by City

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| | <u>Sept 2000</u> | <u>Oct 2000</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Calgary | 4.4 | 4.1 |
| Hamilton | 4.5 | 4.8 |
| Windsor | 4.5 | 4.8 |
| Winnipeg | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| Regina | 5.2 | 5.3 |
| Oshawa | 5.8 | 5.6 |
| Saskatoon | 6.0 | 5.8 |
| Edmonton | 6.1 | 5.7 |
| Toronto | 5.4 | 5.8 |
| Halifax | 6.1 | 5.8 |
| Ottawa - Hull | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara | 5.5 | 6.2 |
| Kitchener | 5.9 | 6.2 |
| London | 6.1 | 6.2 |
| Vancouver | 6.0 | 6.4 |
| Thunder Bay | 7.4 | 6.8 |
| St. John NB | 7.9 | 7.2 |
| Victoria | 7.7 | 7.7 |
| Montréal | 7.8 | 7.8 |
| Sherbrooke | 7.4 | 7.9 |
| Québec | 8.7 | 7.9 |
| Sudbury | 8.3 | 8.8 |
| St. John's NF | 9.3 | 9.1 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 9.0 | 9.8 |
| Trois-Rivières | 11.4 | 11.7 |

Employment Situation

November 2000



EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - NOVEMBER 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|
| | NOV | OCT | NOV | CHANGE | NOV | OCT | NOV | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | NOV '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,780.4 | 16,090.6 | 16,148.4 | 368.0 | 15,680.4 | 16,060.9 | 16,044.6 | 364.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,687.4 | 14,977.3 | 15,035.6 | 348.2 | 14,649.7 | 15,041.1 | 15,004.8 | 355.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,093.0 | 1,113.3 | 1,112.8 | 19.8 | 1,030.7 | 1,019.8 | 1,039.9 | 9.2 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 6.6 | 6.3 | 6.5 | (0.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.5 | 66.0 | 66.2 | 0.7 | 65.1 | 65.9 | 65.7 | 0.6 |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|----------------|--------|-------|-------|----------------|
| | NOV | OCT | NOV | CHANGE | NOV | OCT | NOV | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | NOV '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 454.8 | 461.5 | 464.1 | 9.3 | 450.5 | 459.4 | 459.4 | 8.9 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 411.6 | 418.4 | 420.2 | 8.6 | 409.5 | 421.5 | 417.1 | 7.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 43.2 | 43.1 | 43.9 | 0.7 | 41.0 | 37.9 | 42.3 | 1.3 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.5 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 0.0 | 9.1 | 8.2 | 9.2 | 0.1 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.2 | 61.5 | 61.8 | 0.6 | 60.6 | 61.3 | 61.2 | 0.6 |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

| | NOV | OCT | NOV | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|----------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 250.7 | 246.5 | 249.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 211.4 | 205.7 | 205.4 | (6.0) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 39.3 | 40.8 | 43.8 | 4.5 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 14.4 | 14.9 | 15.8 | 1.4 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 15.7 | 16.6 | 17.6 | 1.9 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 57.1 | 56.0 | 56.6 | (0.5) |

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | NOV | OCT | NOV | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|------|------|----------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 72.6 | 74.0 | 73.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 62.9 | 64.0 | 63.5 | 0.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 9.6 | 10.0 | 10.2 | 0.6 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 13.9 | 10.6 | 14.6 | 0.7 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 13.2 | 13.5 | 13.8 | 0.6 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.9 | 67.3 | 67.0 | (0.1) |

NEW BRUNSWICK

| | NOV | OCT | NOV | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|----------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 366.6 | 373.6 | 378.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 331.2 | 337.3 | 338.9 | 7.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 35.3 | 36.4 | 39.8 | 4.5 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 9.1 | 8.2 | 9.9 | 0.8 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 9.6 | 9.7 | 10.5 | 0.9 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.0 | 61.8 | 62.6 | 1.6 |

QUEBEC

| | NOV | OCT | NOV | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|----------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 3,723.0 | 3,744.9 | 3,749.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 3,413.7 | 3,428.3 | 3,437.5 | 23.8 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 309.3 | 316.6 | 311.6 | 2.3 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 8.2 | 8.0 | 8.1 | (0.1) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.3 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 0.0 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 63.0 | 63.0 | 63.0 | 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.

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ONTARIO

| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | NOV | OCT | NOV | NOV | NOV | OCT | NOV | NOV |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,090.5 | 6,296.6 | 6,340.6 | 250.1 | 577.3 | 582.7 | 583.3 | 6.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,746.2 | 5,926.4 | 5,961.8 | 215.6 | 547.1 | 555.7 | 555.0 | 7.9 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 344.3 | 370.2 | 378.8 | 34.5 | 30.2 | 27.0 | 28.3 | (1.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 5.1 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 0.3 | 5.0 | 4.1 | 4.7 | (0.3) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.7 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 0.3 | 5.2 | 4.6 | 4.9 | (0.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.4 | 67.5 | 67.9 | 1.5 | 67.6 | 67.7 | 67.8 | 0.2 |

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

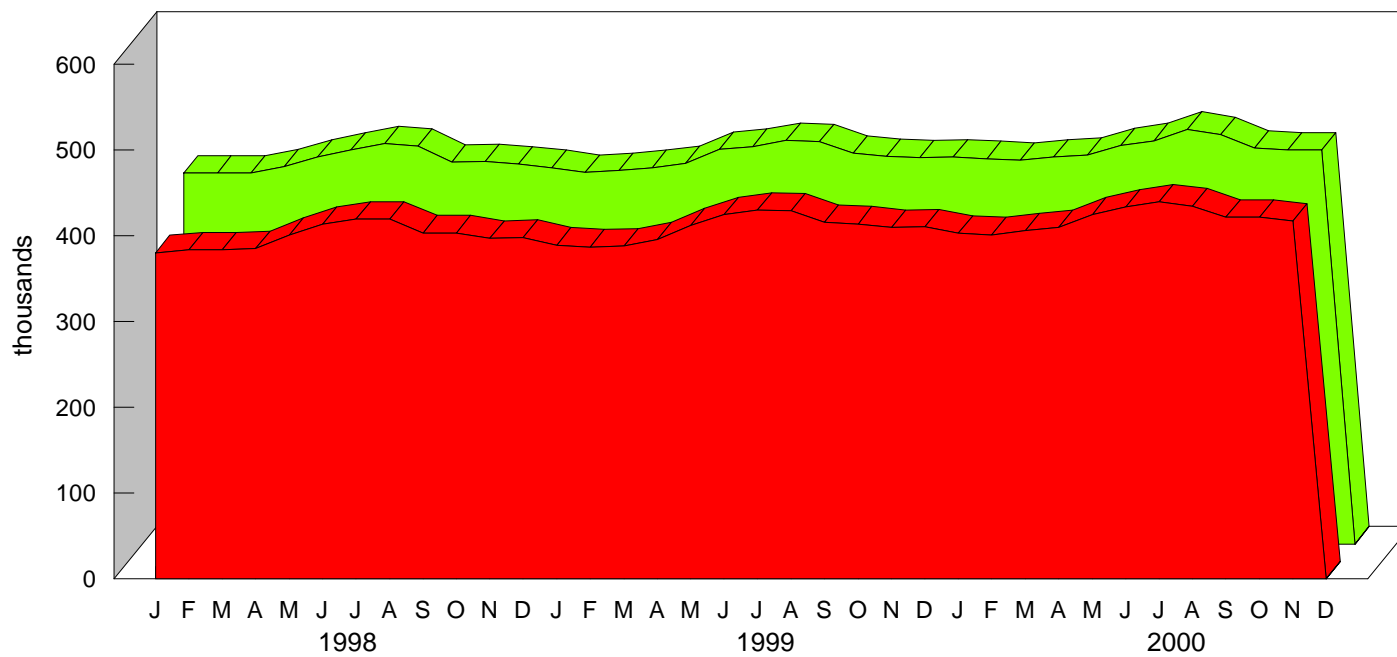
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | NOV | OCT | NOV | NOV | NOV | OCT | NOV | NOV |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 510.9 | 512.3 | 510.8 | (0.1) | 1,651.7 | 1,675.9 | 1,687.8 | 36.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 483.6 | 484.2 | 484.8 | 1.2 | 1,562.9 | 1,597.5 | 1,604.5 | 41.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 27.3 | 28.1 | 26.0 | (1.3) | 88.7 | 78.3 | 83.3 | (5.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 4.8 | 4.6 | 4.5 | (0.3) | 5.1 | 4.4 | 4.8 | (0.3) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.3 | 5.5 | 5.1 | (0.2) | 5.4 | 4.7 | 4.9 | (0.5) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.0 | 67.1 | 66.9 | (0.1) | 72.2 | 71.9 | 72.3 | 0.1 |

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | NOV | OCT | NOV | NOV |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,082.4 | 2,122.6 | 2,111.2 | 28.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,916.8 | 1,959.8 | 1,964.1 | 47.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 165.6 | 162.7 | 147.1 | (18.5) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.8 | 6.9 | 6.7 | (1.1) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.0 | 7.7 | 7.0 | (1.0) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 64.9 | 65.3 | 64.9 | 0.0 |

Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

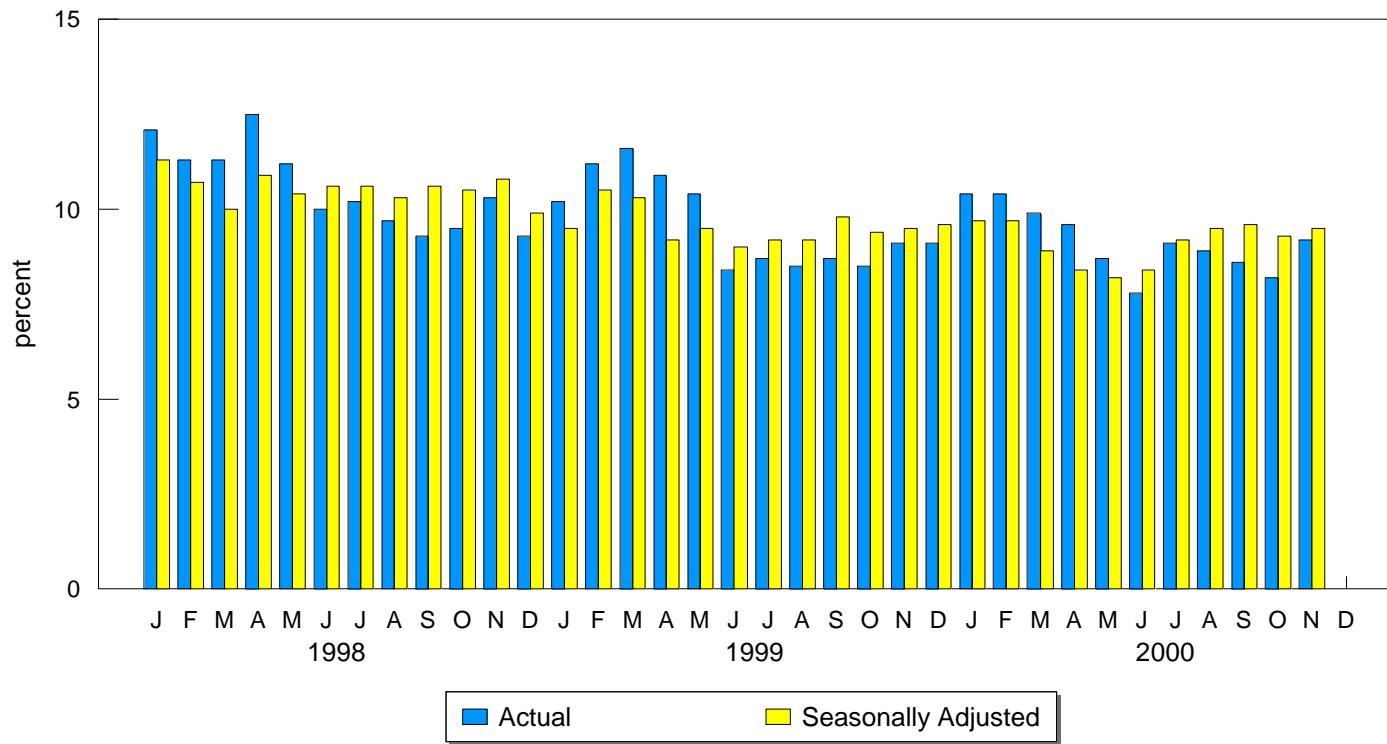
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | | | CHANGE | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | NOV 1999 | OCT 2000 | NOV 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 189.1 | 197.4 | 196.7 | 7.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 176.6 | 185.9 | 185.0 | 8.4 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.5 | 11.5 | 11.6 | (0.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.6 | 5.8 | 5.9 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.9 | 71.0 | 70.6 | 1.7 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | | | CHANGE | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | NOV 1999 | OCT 2000 | NOV 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 452.7 | 466.1 | 460.1 | 7.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 413.0 | 426.1 | 420.2 | 7.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 39.7 | 40.1 | 39.9 | 0.2 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.8 | 8.6 | 8.7 | (0.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.9 | 62.2 | 61.4 | 0.5 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | NOV 1999 | OCT 2000 | NOV 2000 | CHANGE NOV '99-'00 | NOV 1999 | OCT 2000 | NOV 2000 | CHANGE NOV '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 62.7 | 63.3 | 62.3 | (0.4) | 75.9 | 80.4 | 78.1 | 2.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 51.3 | 52.5 | 51.7 | 0.4 | 69.9 | 73.0 | 71.1 | 1.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 11.5 | 10.7 | 10.6 | (0.9) | 6.0 | 7.5 | 7.0 | 1.0 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 18.3 | 16.9 | 17.0 | (1.3) | 7.9 | 9.3 | 9.0 | 1.1 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 50.9 | 51.6 | 50.8 | (0.1) | 57.4 | 60.5 | 58.7 | 1.3 |

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY**SOUTHERN**

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| | NOV 1999 | OCT 2000 | NOV 2000 | CHANGE NOV '99-'00 | NOV 1999 | OCT 2000 | NOV 2000 | CHANGE NOV '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 60.3 | 59.2 | 57.9 | (2.4) | 59.0 | 60.0 | 59.9 | 0.9 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 56.4 | 54.6 | 53.7 | (2.7) | 53.3 | 54.4 | 53.5 | 0.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 3.9 | 4.6 | 4.1 | 0.2 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 6.4 | 0.7 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.5 | 7.8 | 7.1 | 0.6 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 10.7 | 1.0 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.2 | 59.3 | 57.8 | (3.4) | 56.8 | 57.6 | 57.5 | 0.7 |

HALIFAX

| | | | CHANGE | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | NOV 1999 | OCT 2000 | NOV 2000 | NOV '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 194.7 | 203.2 | 202.0 | 7.3 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 182.1 | 191.6 | 190.2 | 8.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 12.6 | 11.7 | 11.8 | (0.8) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.5 | 5.8 | 5.8 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.3 | 70.1 | 69.6 | 1.3 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | OCT | NOV | OCT | NOV |
| Total | 410.3 | 411.6 | 418.4 | 420.2 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 88.9 | 90.8 | 92.8 | 95.4 |
| Agriculture | 7.4 | 7.8 | 6.6 | 7.2 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 15.2 | 15.3 | 13.6 | 13.1 |
| Utilities | 2.1 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 2.7 |
| Construction | 20.9 | 20.7 | 26.3 | 27.2 |
| Manufacturing | 43.3 | 44.6 | 43.5 | 45.3 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 321.3 | 320.8 | 325.5 | 324.7 |
| Trade | 70.9 | 71.5 | 75.6 | 76.5 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 21.8 | 21.8 | 20.2 | 20.0 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 22.8 | 22.8 | 21.3 | 20.3 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 16.5 | 15.0 | 18.9 | 17.8 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 14.9 | 15.0 | 18.7 | 18.0 |
| Educational Services | 31.8 | 31.1 | 32.7 | 33.4 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 47.6 | 47.8 | 51.8 | 50.8 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 17.0 | 17.4 | 15.7 | 15.4 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 28.4 | 29.1 | 26.1 | 26.1 |
| Other Services | 24.7 | 23.6 | 21.4 | 21.4 |
| Public Administration | 25.0 | 25.7 | 23.2 | 25.0 |

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 |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| CANADA | 14,649.7 | 15,041.1 | 15,004.8 | 355.1 | 11,885.9 | 12,257.6 | 12,210.5 | 324.6 | 2,763.8 | 2,783.5 | 2,794.3 | 30.5 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 211.7 | 209.8 | 207.9 | (3.8) | 178.2 | 176.6 | 176.8 | (1.4) | 33.6 | 32.3 | 31.1 | (2.5) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 60.7 | 65.7 | 61.0 | 0.3 | 49.5 | 54.8 | 50.8 | 1.3 | 11.2 | 10.9 | 10.2 | (1.0) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 409.5 | 421.5 | 417.1 | 7.6 | 330.4 | 343.4 | 339.4 | 9.0 | 79.1 | 78.1 | 77.7 | (1.4) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 328.8 | 344.1 | 337.5 | 8.7 | 273.6 | 294.4 | 284.3 | 10.7 | 55.2 | 49.7 | 53.2 | (2.0) |
| QUEBEC | 3,398.1 | 3,448.3 | 3,423.7 | 25.6 | 2,781.5 | 2,839.3 | 2,833.9 | 52.4 | 616.6 | 609.0 | 589.8 | (26.8) |
| ONTARIO | 5,747.2 | 5,943.0 | 5,966.5 | 219.3 | 4,718.4 | 4,844.4 | 4,858.4 | 140.0 | 1,028.8 | 1,098.6 | 1,108.0 | 79.2 |
| MANITOBA | 545.6 | 557.5 | 552.5 | 6.9 | 436.3 | 447.2 | 438.7 | 2.4 | 109.3 | 110.3 | 113.8 | 4.5 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 479.7 | 486.1 | 481.1 | 1.4 | 375.9 | 391.4 | 382.9 | 7.0 | 103.8 | 94.8 | 98.2 | (5.6) |
| ALBERTA | 1,559.3 | 1,597.5 | 1,601.8 | 42.5 | 1,251.7 | 1,304.3 | 1,303.6 | 51.9 | 307.5 | 293.2 | 298.3 | (9.2) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,909.2 | 1,967.6 | 1,955.6 | 46.4 | 1,490.4 | 1,560.9 | 1,541.7 | 51.3 | 418.8 | 406.7 | 414.0 | (4.8) |

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 |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| CANADA | 2,466.3 | 2,569.5 | 2,550.4 | 84.1 | 2,160.4 | 2,261.2 | 2,247.7 | 87.3 | 12.4 | 12.0 | 11.9 | (0.5) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 35.6 | 37.0 | 35.3 | (0.3) | 26.9 | 28.3 | 27.3 | 0.4 | 24.4 | 23.5 | 22.4 | (2.0) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 12.3 | 12.4 | 12.0 | (0.3) | 10.2 | 10.6 | 9.4 | (0.8) | 17.1 | 14.5 | 20.8 | 3.7 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 73.0 | 75.5 | 74.4 | 1.4 | 62.7 | 62.6 | 62.8 | 0.1 | 14.0 | 17.1 | 15.6 | 1.6 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 58.5 | 58.7 | 59.8 | 1.3 | 49.7 | 50.2 | 50.0 | 0.3 | 15.0 | 14.5 | 16.4 | 1.4 |
| QUEBEC | 567.6 | 573.0 | 570.6 | 3.0 | 487.3 | 507.7 | 500.8 | 13.5 | 14.2 | 11.4 | 12.2 | (2.0) |
| ONTARIO | 921.7 | 998.0 | 990.3 | 68.6 | 826.3 | 881.5 | 878.5 | 52.2 | 10.3 | 11.7 | 11.3 | 1.0 |
| MANITOBA | 101.6 | 103.0 | 103.9 | 2.3 | 91.5 | 94.3 | 95.4 | 3.9 | 9.9 | 8.4 | 8.1 | (1.8) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 89.4 | 94.7 | 92.8 | 3.4 | 81.4 | 85.9 | 84.9 | 3.5 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 8.5 | (0.4) |
| ALBERTA | 299.0 | 298.7 | 298.4 | (0.6) | 258.2 | 267.8 | 269.3 | 11.1 | 13.7 | 10.4 | 9.8 | (3.9) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 307.7 | 318.5 | 313.0 | 5.3 | 266.1 | 272.5 | 269.2 | 3.1 | 13.5 | 14.4 | 14.0 | 0.5 |

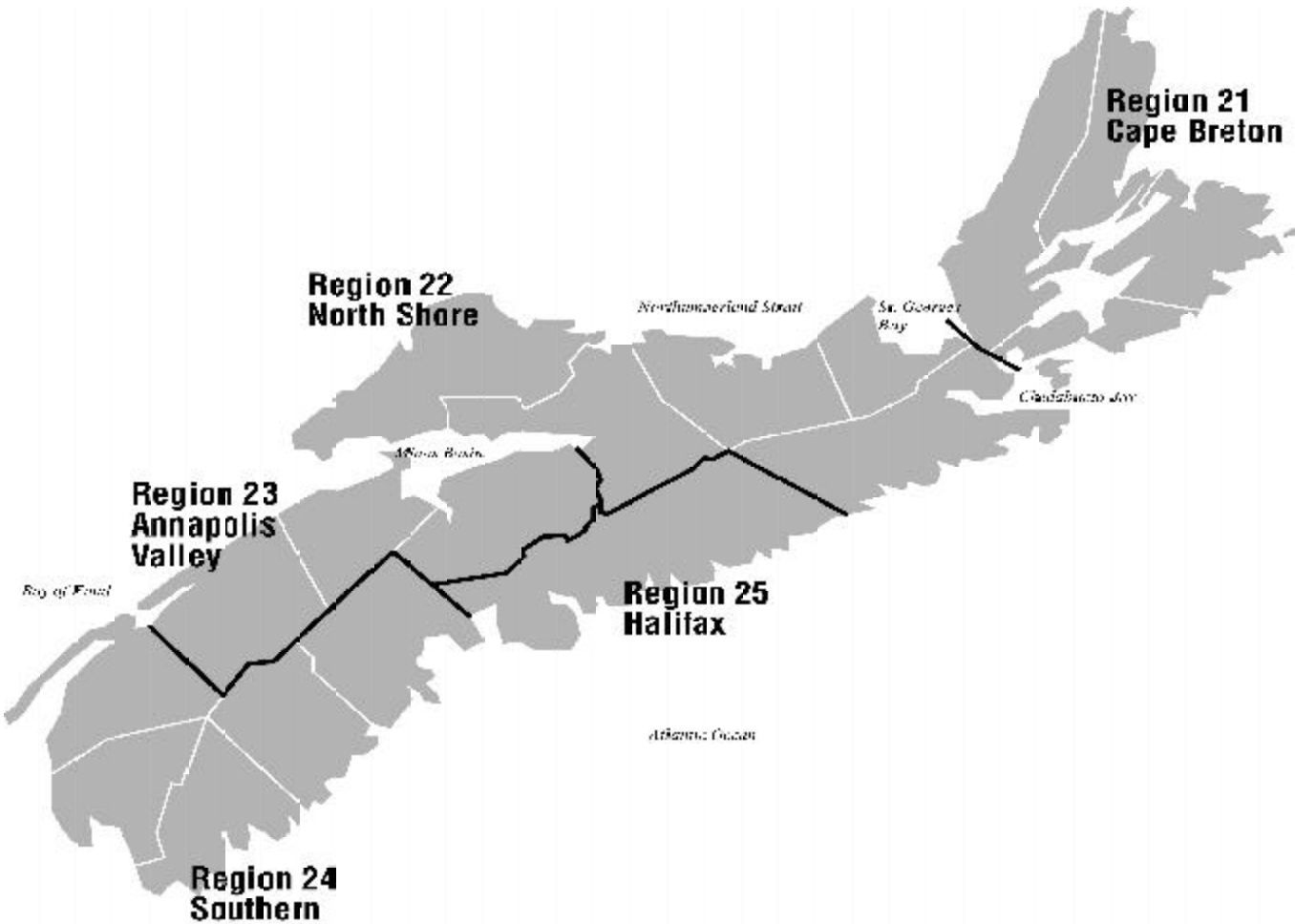
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| | <u>Oct 2000</u> | <u>Nov 2000</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Calgary | 4.1 | 3.9 |
| Winnipeg | 5.0 | 4.9 |
| Regina | 5.3 | 5.0 |
| Windsor | 4.8 | 5.1 |
| Ottawa - Hull | 5.9 | 5.4 |
| Hamilton | 4.8 | 5.5 |
| Saskatoon | 5.6 | 5.5 |
| Edmonton | 5.7 | 5.6 |
| Toronto | 5.8 | 5.6 |
| Halifax | 5.8 | 5.9 |
| London | 6.2 | 5.9 |
| Oshawa | 5.6 | 6.0 |
| Vancouver | 6.4 | 6.1 |
| Kitchener | 6.2 | 6.3 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara | 6.2 | 6.3 |
| Thunder Bay | 6.8 | 6.9 |
| Victoria | 7.7 | 7.3 |
| St. John NB | 7.2 | 7.4 |
| Québec | 7.9 | 7.5 |
| Montréal | 7.8 | 7.8 |
| Sherbrooke | 7.9 | 7.8 |
| Sudbury | 8.8 | 9.1 |
| St. John's NF | 9.1 | 9.1 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 9.8 | 10.0 |
| Trois-Rivières | 11.7 | 11.3 |

Employment Situation

December 2000



EMPLOYMENT SITUATION - DECEMBER 2000

CANADA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| | DEC | NOV | DEC | CHANGE | DEC | NOV | DEC | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | DEC '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | DEC '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 15,822.3 | 16,148.4 | 16,170.4 | 348.1 | 15,642.9 | 16,044.6 | 15,989.8 | 346.9 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 14,747.5 | 15,035.6 | 15,066.7 | 319.2 | 14,648.4 | 15,004.8 | 14,974.5 | 326.1 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 1,074.9 | 1,112.8 | 1,103.7 | 28.8 | 994.5 | 1,039.9 | 1,015.3 | 20.8 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 0.0 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.3 | (0.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.6 | 66.2 | 66.2 | 0.6 | 64.9 | 65.7 | 65.4 | 0.5 |

NOVA SCOTIA

| | Seasonally Adjusted | | | | Actual | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|-------|-------|-------------|
| | DEC | NOV | DEC | CHANGE | DEC | NOV | DEC | CHANGE |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | DEC '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | DEC '99-'00 |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 457.9 | 464.1 | 467.4 | 9.5 | 451.4 | 459.4 | 461.6 | 10.2 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 413.9 | 420.2 | 425.6 | 11.7 | 410.3 | 417.1 | 422.5 | 12.2 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 44.1 | 43.9 | 41.8 | (2.3) | 41.1 | 42.3 | 39.2 | (1.9) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 9.6 | 9.5 | 8.9 | (0.7) | 9.1 | 9.2 | 8.5 | (0.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.6 | 61.8 | 62.3 | 0.7 | 60.7 | 61.2 | 61.5 | 0.8 |

Seasonally Adjusted

NEWFOUNDLAND

| | DEC | NOV | DEC | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | DEC '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 245.8 | 249.2 | 248.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 211.2 | 205.4 | 204.7 | (6.5) |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 34.6 | 43.8 | 43.9 | 9.3 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 13.2 | 15.8 | 16.7 | 3.5 |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 14.1 | 17.6 | 17.7 | 3.6 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 56.0 | 56.6 | 56.5 | 0.5 |

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

| | DEC | NOV | DEC | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|------|------|-------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | DEC '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 73.0 | 73.7 | 74.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 63.7 | 63.5 | 65.3 | 1.6 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 9.3 | 10.2 | 8.7 | (0.6) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 14.7 | 14.6 | 13.7 | (1.0) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 12.7 | 13.8 | 11.8 | (0.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.2 | 67.0 | 67.2 | 0.0 |

NEW BRUNSWICK

| | DEC | NOV | DEC | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | DEC '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 366.7 | 378.7 | 375.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 329.4 | 338.9 | 338.3 | 8.9 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 37.3 | 39.8 | 37.4 | 0.1 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 10.0 | 9.9 | 9.8 | (0.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 10.2 | 10.5 | 10.0 | (0.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 61.0 | 62.6 | 62.1 | 1.1 |

QUEBEC

| | DEC | NOV | DEC | CHANGE |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | DEC '99-'00 |
| | LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 3,726.5 | 3,749.1 | 3,753.3 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 3,425.6 | 3,437.5 | 3,451.4 | 25.8 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 300.9 | 311.6 | 301.9 | 1.0 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.9 | 8.1 | 7.7 | (0.2) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.0 | (0.1) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 63.0 | 63.0 | 63.0 | 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 | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | DEC | NOV | DEC | DEC | DEC | NOV | DEC | DEC |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 6,112.3 | 6,340.6 | 6,342.8 | 230.5 | 575.7 | 583.3 | 584.8 | 9.1 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 5,774.0 | 5,961.8 | 5,960.4 | 186.4 | 546.0 | 555.0 | 556.3 | 10.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 338.3 | 378.8 | 382.3 | 44.0 | 29.7 | 28.3 | 28.5 | (1.2) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 4.9 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 0.5 | 5.2 | 4.7 | 4.9 | (0.3) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.5 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 0.5 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.9 | (0.3) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 66.6 | 67.9 | 67.8 | 1.2 | 67.3 | 67.8 | 68.0 | 0.7 |

MANITOBA**SASKATCHEWAN**

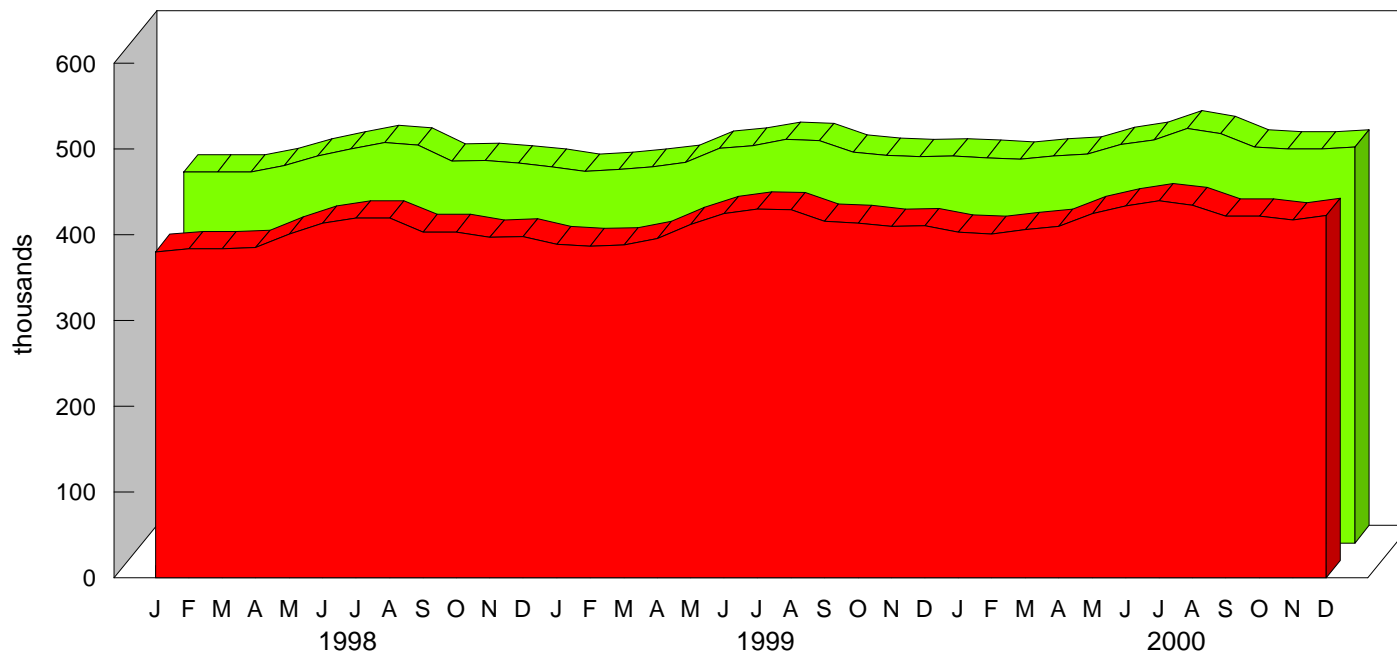
| | CHANGE | | | | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | DEC | NOV | DEC | DEC | DEC | NOV | DEC | DEC |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 511.0 | 510.8 | 506.1 | (4.9) | 1,662.0 | 1,687.8 | 1,695.0 | 33.0 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 483.9 | 484.8 | 479.2 | (4.7) | 1,571.7 | 1,604.5 | 1,613.0 | 41.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 27.1 | 26.0 | 26.9 | (0.2) | 90.3 | 83.3 | 82.0 | (8.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | | | | | |
| --Actual | 4.8 | 4.5 | 4.9 | 0.1 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.4 | (0.5) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 5.3 | 5.1 | 5.3 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 4.9 | 4.8 | (0.6) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 67.0 | 66.9 | 66.3 | (0.7) | 72.6 | 72.3 | 72.5 | (0.1) |

ALBERTA**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

| | CHANGE | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| | DEC | NOV | DEC | DEC |
| | <u>1999</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 2,091.4 | 2,111.2 | 2,122.8 | 31.4 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 1,928.2 | 1,964.1 | 1,972.5 | 44.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 163.2 | 147.1 | 150.2 | (13.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | | | | |
| --Actual | 7.2 | 6.7 | 6.5 | (0.7) |
| --Seasonally Adjusted | 7.8 | 7.0 | 7.1 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 65.1 | 64.9 | 65.2 | 0.1 |

Nova Scotia Labour Force and Employment

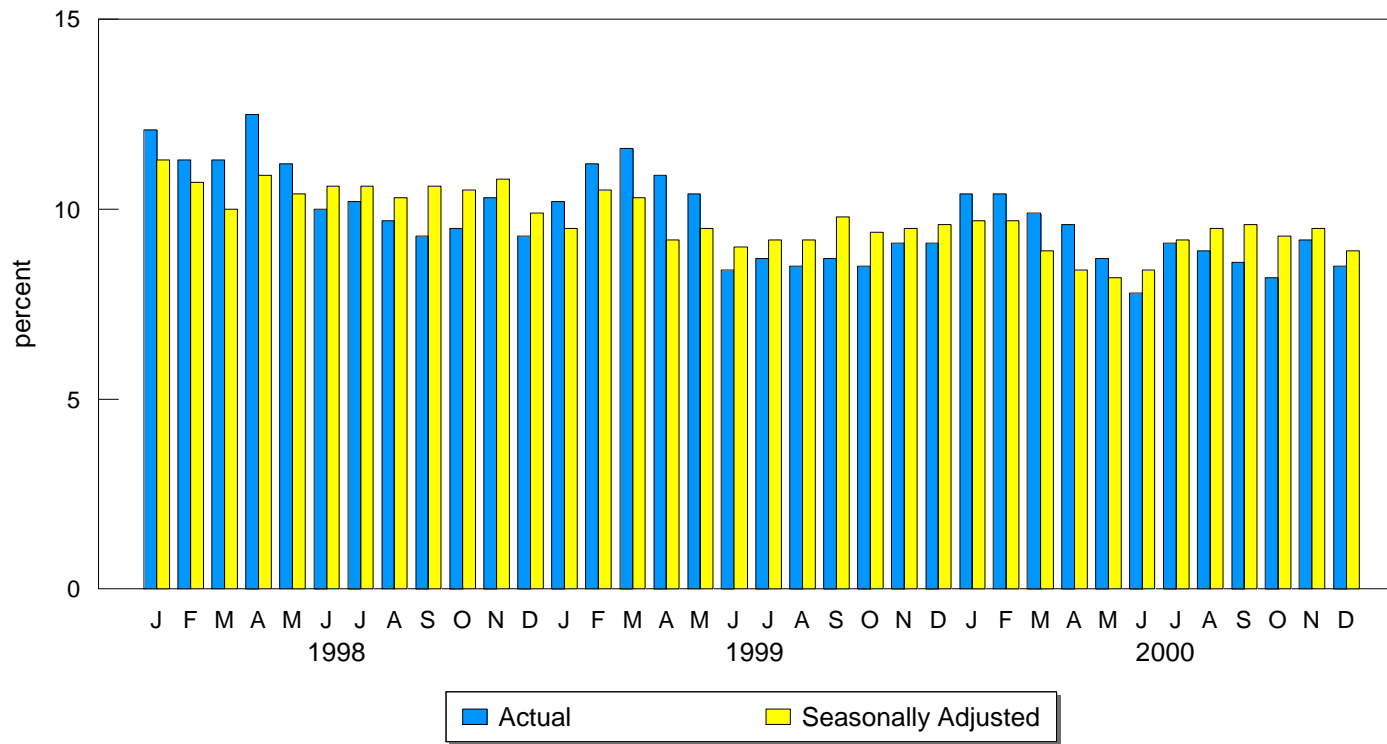
Actual, 1998 - 2000



■ Employment ■ Labour Force

Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate

Actual & Seasonally Adjusted, 1998-2000



HALIFAX METRO

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | | | | CHANGE |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | DEC <u>1999</u> | NOV <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 190.2 | 196.7 | 196.5 | 6.3 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 176.8 | 185.0 | 184.5 | 7.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.3 | 11.6 | 12.0 | (1.3) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 7.0 | 5.9 | 6.1 | (0.9) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 69.2 | 70.6 | 70.5 | 1.3 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | | | | CHANGE |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | DEC <u>1999</u> | NOV <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 451.4 | 460.1 | 460.1 | 8.7 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 411.1 | 420.2 | 420.4 | 9.3 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 40.2 | 39.9 | 39.8 | (0.4) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 8.9 | 8.7 | 8.7 | (0.2) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.7 | 61.4 | 61.3 | 0.6 |

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Unadjusted - 3-month moving average estimate

| | CAPE BRETON | | | | NORTH SHORE | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | DEC <u>1999</u> | NOV <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>2000</u> | CHANGE DEC <u>'99-'00</u> | DEC <u>1999</u> | NOV <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>2000</u> | CHANGE DEC <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 61.7 | 62.3 | 62.9 | 1.2 | 75.1 | 78.1 | 76.7 | 1.6 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 50.8 | 51.7 | 52.5 | 1.7 | 69.1 | 71.1 | 69.9 | 0.8 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 10.9 | 10.6 | 10.4 | (0.5) | 6.0 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 0.9 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 17.7 | 17.0 | 16.5 | (1.2) | 8.0 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 1.0 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 50.1 | 50.8 | 51.3 | 1.2 | 56.8 | 58.7 | 57.7 | 0.9 |

| | ANNAPOLIS VALLEY | | | | SOUTHERN | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| | DEC <u>1999</u> | NOV <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>2000</u> | CHANGE DEC <u>'99-'00</u> | DEC <u>1999</u> | NOV <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>2000</u> | CHANGE DEC <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 59.7 | 57.9 | 58.1 | (1.6) | 58.8 | 59.9 | 59.7 | 0.9 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 55.5 | 53.7 | 54.1 | (1.4) | 52.9 | 53.5 | 53.4 | 0.5 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.0 | (0.1) | 5.9 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 0.4 |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.9 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 0.0 | 10.0 | 10.7 | 10.6 | 0.6 |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 60.4 | 57.8 | 58.0 | (2.4) | 56.6 | 57.5 | 57.3 | 0.7 |

| | HALIFAX | | | CHANGE |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | DEC <u>1999</u> | NOV <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>2000</u> | DEC <u>'99-'00</u> |
| LABOUR FORCE ('000) | 196.0 | 202.0 | 202.8 | 6.8 |
| EMPLOYED ('000) | 182.8 | 190.2 | 190.5 | 7.7 |
| UNEMPLOYED ('000) | 13.2 | 11.8 | 12.2 | (1.0) |
| UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%) | 6.7 | 5.8 | 6.0 | (0.7) |
| PARTICIPATION RATE (%) | 68.7 | 69.6 | 69.8 | 1.1 |

NOVA SCOTIA EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR ('000)

Seasonally Adjusted - 3-month moving average

| | 1999 | | 2000 | |
|---|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | NOV | DEC | NOV | DEC |
| Total | 411.6 | 413.9 | 420.2 | 425.6 |
| Goods-Producing Sector | 90.8 | 92.4 | 95.4 | 96.8 |
| Agriculture | 7.8 | 7.9 | 7.2 | 7.6 |
| Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas | 15.3 | 16.4 | 13.1 | 13.4 |
| Utilities | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.8 |
| Construction | 20.7 | 20.6 | 27.2 | 27.1 |
| Manufacturing | 44.6 | 45.0 | 45.3 | 45.9 |
| Services-Producing Sector | 320.8 | 321.5 | 324.7 | 328.7 |
| Trade | 71.5 | 72.4 | 76.5 | 78.6 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 21.8 | 21.7 | 20.0 | 20.4 |
| Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing | 22.8 | 23.3 | 20.3 | 21.1 |
| Professional, Scientific and Technical Services | 15.0 | 14.8 | 17.8 | 18.6 |
| Management, Administrative and Other Support | 15.0 | 15.0 | 18.0 | 18.8 |
| Educational Services | 31.1 | 31.7 | 33.4 | 32.1 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 47.8 | 47.5 | 50.8 | 50.1 |
| Information, Culture and Recreation | 17.4 | 16.3 | 15.4 | 16.3 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 29.1 | 28.8 | 26.1 | 26.0 |
| Other Services | 23.6 | 24.3 | 21.4 | 20.8 |
| Public Administration | 25.7 | 25.7 | 25.0 | 26.0 |

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 |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| CANADA | 14,648.4 | 15,004.8 | 14,974.5 | 326.1 | 11,850.7 | 12,210.5 | 12,121.3 | 270.6 | 2,797.7 | 2,794.3 | 2,853.1 | 55.4 |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 205.2 | 207.9 | 199.5 | (5.7) | 169.8 | 176.8 | 169.2 | (0.6) | 35.4 | 31.1 | 30.4 | (5.0) |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 59.9 | 61.0 | 61.3 | 1.4 | 48.6 | 50.8 | 50.5 | 1.9 | 11.3 | 10.2 | 10.8 | (0.5) |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 410.3 | 417.1 | 422.5 | 12.2 | 333.8 | 339.4 | 341.5 | 7.7 | 76.5 | 77.7 | 80.9 | 4.4 |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 320.9 | 337.5 | 330.7 | 9.8 | 264.2 | 284.3 | 277.6 | 13.4 | 56.7 | 53.2 | 53.1 | (3.6) |
| QUEBEC | 3,390.5 | 3,423.7 | 3,422.4 | 31.9 | 2,774.8 | 2,833.9 | 2,785.6 | 10.8 | 615.7 | 589.8 | 636.8 | 21.1 |
| ONTARIO | 5,759.6 | 5,966.5 | 5,947.5 | 187.9 | 4,691.1 | 4,858.4 | 4,843.5 | 152.4 | 1,068.4 | 1,108.0 | 1,104.0 | 35.6 |
| MANITOBA | 542.3 | 552.5 | 551.6 | 9.3 | 433.0 | 438.7 | 430.4 | (2.6) | 109.3 | 113.8 | 121.1 | 11.8 |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 479.6 | 481.1 | 474.1 | (5.5) | 374.7 | 382.9 | 376.3 | 1.6 | 104.9 | 98.2 | 97.8 | (7.1) |
| ALBERTA | 1,561.9 | 1,601.8 | 1,604.5 | 42.6 | 1,251.0 | 1,303.6 | 1,293.1 | 42.1 | 310.9 | 298.3 | 311.4 | 0.5 |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 1,918.3 | 1,955.6 | 1,960.3 | 42.0 | 1,509.6 | 1,541.7 | 1,553.5 | 43.9 | 408.6 | 414.0 | 406.8 | (1.8) |

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 |
| | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 | 1999 | 2000 | 2000 | '99-'00 |
| CANADA | 2,458.4 | 2,550.4 | 2,551.1 | 92.7 | 2,176.6 | 2,247.7 | 2,271.4 | 94.8 | 11.5 | 11.9 | 11.0 | (0.5) |
| NEWFOUNDLAND | 33.3 | 35.3 | 33.7 | 0.4 | 26.8 | 27.3 | 26.7 | (0.1) | 19.5 | 22.4 | 20.8 | 1.3 |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 12.3 | 12.0 | 12.0 | (0.3) | 10.3 | 9.4 | 9.4 | (0.9) | 16.3 | 20.8 | 21.7 | 5.4 |
| NOVA SCOTIA | 72.2 | 74.4 | 76.0 | 3.8 | 61.9 | 62.8 | 65.4 | 3.5 | 14.3 | 15.6 | 13.9 | (0.4) |
| NEW BRUNSWICK | 57.6 | 59.8 | 58.5 | 0.9 | 48.9 | 50.0 | 49.1 | 0.2 | 15.1 | 16.4 | 16.2 | 1.1 |
| QUEBEC | 568.9 | 570.6 | 572.7 | 3.8 | 489.5 | 500.8 | 504.8 | 15.3 | 14.0 | 12.2 | 11.9 | (2.1) |
| ONTARIO | 922.2 | 990.3 | 984.2 | 62.0 | 833.7 | 878.5 | 881.5 | 47.8 | 9.6 | 11.3 | 10.4 | 0.8 |
| MANITOBA | 99.9 | 103.9 | 106.2 | 6.3 | 90.9 | 95.4 | 97.9 | 7.0 | 9.1 | 8.1 | 7.8 | (1.3) |
| SASKATCHEWAN | 88.8 | 92.8 | 92.3 | 3.5 | 81.4 | 84.9 | 83.5 | 2.1 | 8.3 | 8.5 | 9.5 | 1.2 |
| ALBERTA | 295.3 | 298.4 | 297.1 | 1.8 | 262.9 | 269.3 | 273.6 | 10.7 | 11.0 | 9.8 | 7.9 | (3.1) |
| BRITISH COLUMBIA | 308.0 | 313.0 | 318.3 | 10.3 | 270.2 | 269.2 | 279.5 | 9.3 | 12.3 | 14.0 | 12.2 | (0.1) |

Jobless by City

Statistics Canada also released seasonally adjusted three-month moving average unemployment rates for major cities but cautioned that figures may fluctuate widely because they are based on small statistical samples. The rates for December for the following metropolitan areas are shown in ascending order.

| | <u>Nov 2000</u> | <u>Dec 2000</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Calgary | 3.9 | 4.0 |
| Regina | 5.0 | 4.8 |
| Winnipeg | 4.9 | 4.9 |
| Ottawa - Hull | 5.4 | 5.1 |
| Saskatoon | 5.5 | 5.3 |
| Windsor | 5.1 | 5.6 |
| Edmonton | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| Oshawa | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| Toronto | 5.6 | 5.8 |
| London | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| Hamilton | 5.5 | 5.9 |
| Vancouver | 6.1 | 5.9 |
| Halifax | 5.9 | 6.1 |
| Kitchener | 6.3 | 6.3 |
| St. Catharines-Niagara | 6.3 | 6.6 |
| Québec | 7.5 | 6.7 |
| Victoria | 7.3 | 6.8 |
| Thunder Bay | 6.9 | 6.9 |
| St. John NB | 7.4 | 7.7 |
| Sherbrooke | 7.8 | 7.7 |
| Montréal | 7.8 | 7.9 |
| Sudbury | 9.1 | 8.4 |
| St. John's NF | 9.1 | 8.9 |
| Trois-Rivières | 11.3 | 10.0 |
| Chicoutimi - Jonquiére | 10.0 | 10.2 |