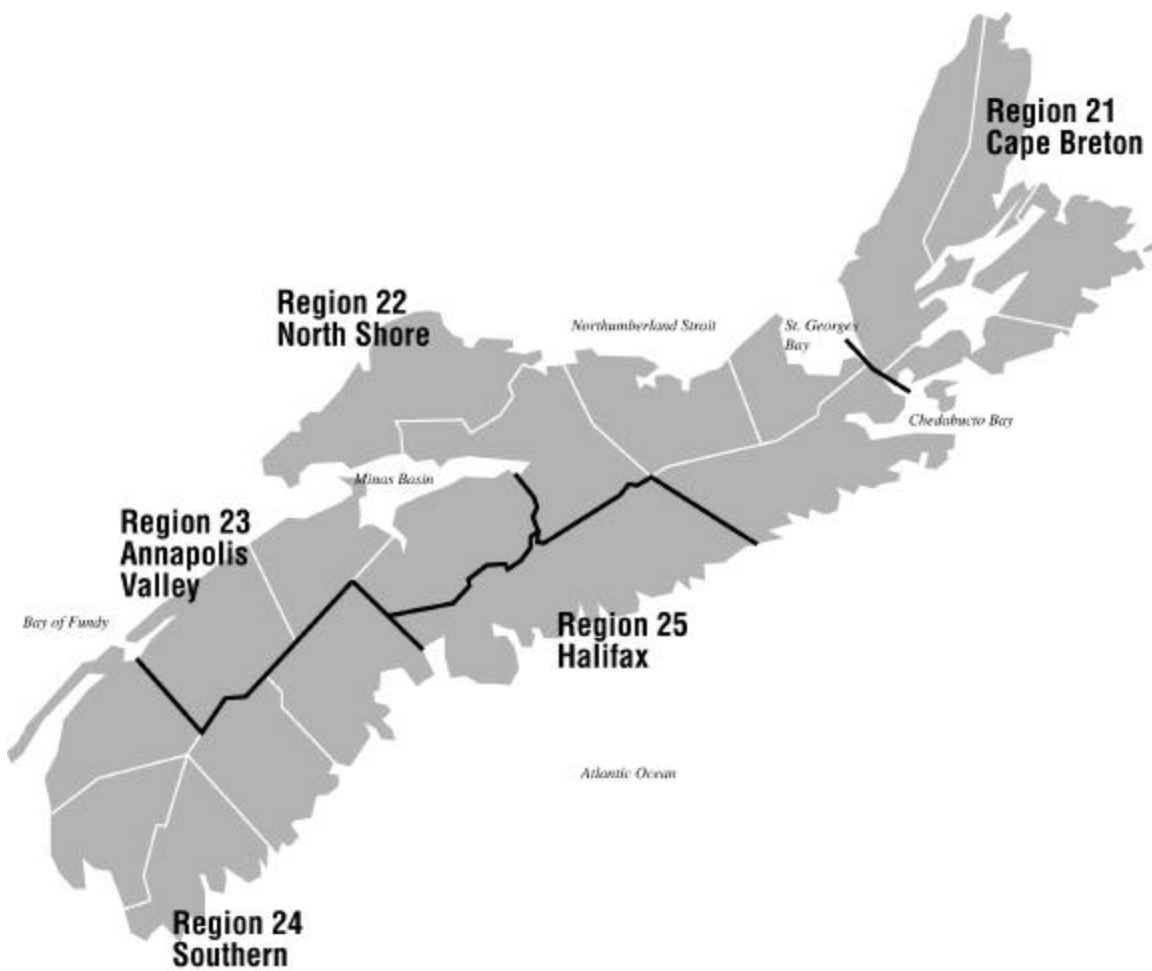
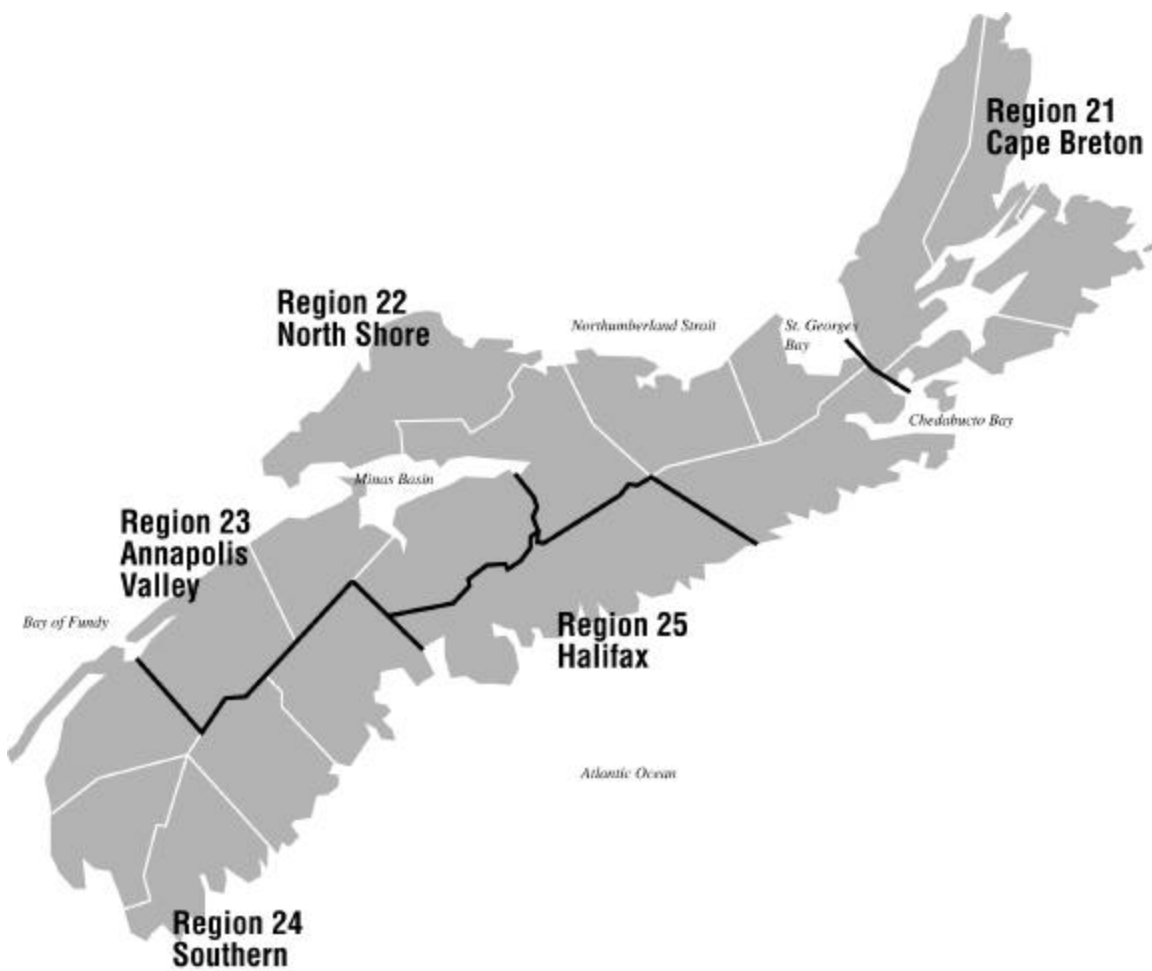


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## About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

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

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### Canada

	Actual				Annual Change	Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004			Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	25,108.2	25,403.9	25,436.0		327.8	25,108.2	25,403.9	25,436.0	327.8
Labour Force ('000)	16,611.3	17,021.5	16,909.0		297.7	16,900.3	17,187.4	17,202.4	302.1
Employment ('000)	15,266.3	15,834.0	15,564.8		298.5	15,637.1	15,920.7	15,935.6	298.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,345.0	1,187.5	1,344.2		(0.8)	1,263.2	1,266.8	1,266.9	3.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	7.0	7.9		(0.2)	7.5	7.4	7.4	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	66.2	67.0	66.5		0.3	67.3	67.7	67.6	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	60.8	62.3	61.2		0.4	62.3	62.7	62.6	0.3

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Annual Change	Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004			Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	757.9	762.0	762.6		4.7	757.9	762.0	762.6	4.7
Labour Force ('000)	465.7	477.9	472.2		6.5	478.4	482.5	485.0	6.6
Employment ('000)	417.7	438.6	421.6		3.9	433.7	439.2	438.1	4.4
Unemployed ('000)	48.0	39.3	50.6		2.6	44.7	43.3	46.9	2.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.3	8.2	10.7		0.4	9.3	9.0	9.7	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	61.4	62.7	61.9		0.5	63.1	63.3	63.6	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	55.1	57.6	55.3		0.2	57.2	57.6	57.4	0.2

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Annual Change	Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004			Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	439.1	439.4	439.6		0.5	439.1	439.4	439.6	0.5
Labour Force ('000)	250.2	254.4	250.3		0.1	264.3	262.8	263.6	(0.7)
Employment ('000)	199.6	208.9	203.3		3.7	217.6	215.6	220.1	2.5
Unemployed ('000)	50.6	45.4	47.0		(3.6)	46.8	47.2	43.6	(3.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	20.2	17.8	18.8		(1.4)	17.7	18.0	16.5	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	57.0	57.9	56.9		(0.1)	60.2	59.8	60.0	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	45.5	47.5	46.2		0.7	49.6	49.1	50.1	0.5

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Annual Change	Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004			Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	112.7	113.7	113.8		1.1	112.7	113.7	113.8	1.1
Labour Force ('000)	72.6	75.5	73.9		1.3	76.2	78.1	77.7	1.5
Employment ('000)	61.4	66.4	62.9		1.5	67.6	70.2	69.3	1.7
Unemployed ('000)	11.2	9.0	10.9		(0.3)	8.6	7.9	8.4	(0.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	15.4	11.9	14.7		(0.7)	11.3	10.1	10.8	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	64.4	66.4	64.9		0.5	67.6	68.7	68.3	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	54.5	58.4	55.3		0.8	60.0	61.7	60.9	0.9

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	608.5	610.6	610.8	2.3	608.5	610.6	610.8	2.3
Labour Force ('000)	372.6	374.8	375.3	2.7	388.6	384.2	390.4	1.8
Employment ('000)	329.7	338.7	331.2	1.5	348.6	346.1	349.7	1.1
Unemployed ('000)	42.9	36.1	44.1	1.2	40.1	38.1	40.7	0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.5	9.6	11.8	0.3	10.3	9.9	10.4	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	61.2	61.4	61.4	0.2	63.9	62.9	63.9	-
Employment Rate (%)	54.2	55.5	54.2	-	57.3	56.7	57.3	-

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	6,059.5	6,112.1	6,118.3	58.8	6,059.5	6,112.1	6,118.3	58.8
Labour Force ('000)	3,903.0	4,011.8	3,967.5	64.5	3,979.9	4,061.8	4,047.1	67.2
Employment ('000)	3,534.3	3,642.4	3,570.4	36.1	3,642.8	3,681.9	3,680.4	37.6
Unemployed ('000)	368.7	369.4	397.1	28.4	337.1	379.9	366.7	29.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.4	9.2	10.0	0.6	8.5	9.4	9.1	0.6
Participation Rate (%)	64.4	65.6	64.8	0.4	65.7	66.5	66.1	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	58.3	59.6	58.4	0.1	60.1	60.2	60.2	0.1

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	9,713.0	9,857.3	9,872.4	159.4	9,713.0	9,857.3	9,872.4	159.4
Labour Force ('000)	6,542.9	6,683.9	6,655.3	112.4	6,637.0	6,736.2	6,749.9	112.9
Employment ('000)	6,080.7	6,278.2	6,201.0	120.3	6,186.7	6,285.8	6,303.8	117.1
Unemployed ('000)	462.2	405.7	454.3	(7.9)	450.2	450.4	446.2	(4.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	6.1	6.8	(0.3)	6.8	6.7	6.6	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	67.4	67.8	67.4	-	68.3	68.3	68.4	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	62.6	63.7	62.8	0.2	63.7	63.8	63.9	0.2

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	864.9	871.9	872.7	7.8	864.9	871.9	872.7	7.8
Labour Force ('000)	586.9	597.5	594.1	7.2	595.4	600.8	602.6	7.2
Employment ('000)	555.4	568.6	560.2	4.8	566.5	570.6	571.1	4.6
Unemployed ('000)	31.5	28.9	33.9	2.4	28.9	30.3	31.4	2.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	4.8	5.7	0.3	4.9	5.0	5.2	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	67.9	68.5	68.1	0.2	68.8	68.9	69.1	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	64.2	65.2	64.2	-	65.5	65.4	65.4	(0.1)

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	757.4	756.2	756.5	(0.9)	757.4	756.2	756.5	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	508.4	509.5	506.6	(1.8)	517.3	517.8	516.4	(0.9)
Employment ('000)	475.5	482.5	474.9	(0.6)	487.7	488.4	487.4	(0.3)
Unemployed ('000)	32.9	27.0	31.7	(1.2)	29.6	29.3	29.0	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	5.3	6.3	(0.2)	5.7	5.7	5.6	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	67.1	67.4	67.0	(0.1)	68.3	68.5	68.3	-
Employment Rate (%)	62.8	63.8	62.8	-	64.4	64.6	64.4	-

### Alberta

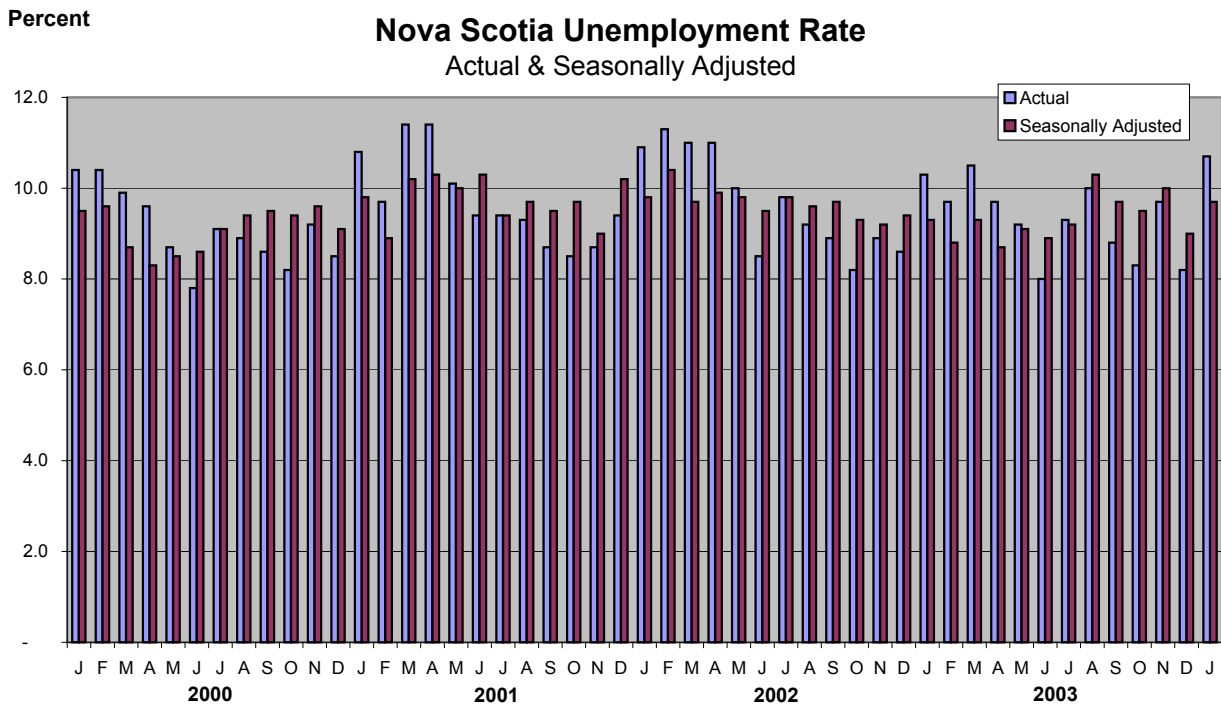
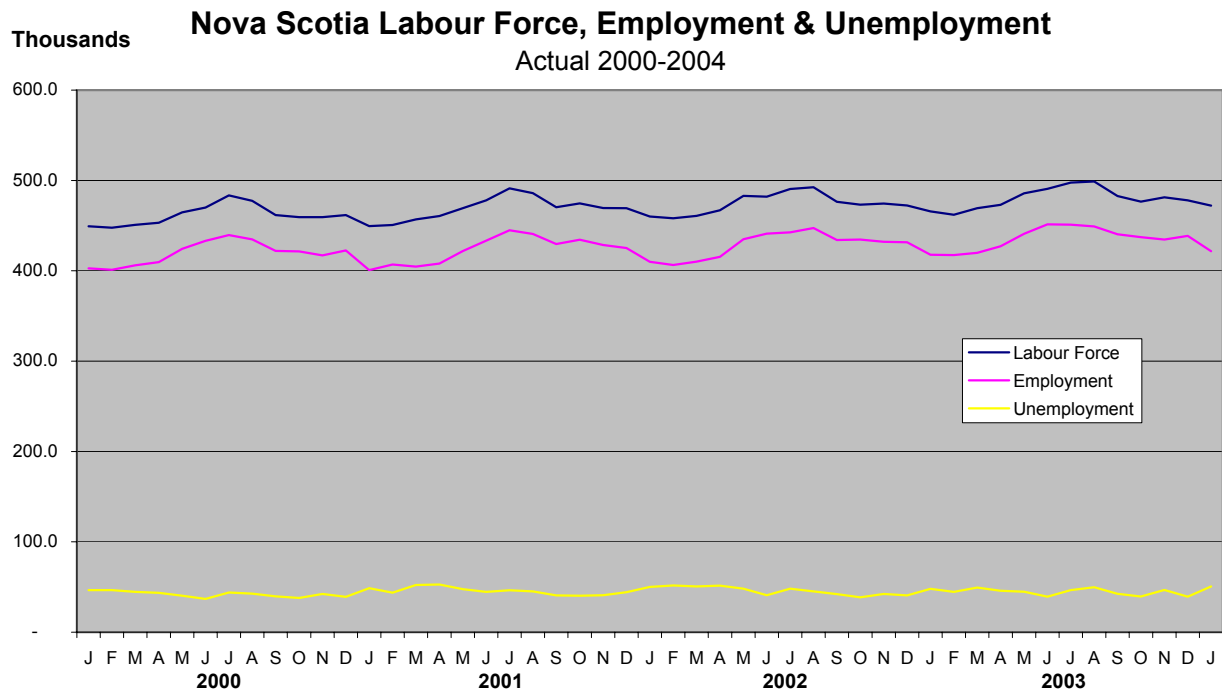
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	2,449.4	2,493.7	2,497.3	47.9	2,449.4	2,493.7	2,497.3	47.9
Labour Force ('000)	1,773.0	1,830.4	1,811.9	38.9	1,792.5	1,840.7	1,834.0	41.5
Employment ('000)	1,667.5	1,747.6	1,714.3	46.8	1,694.5	1,751.5	1,743.3	48.8
Unemployed ('000)	105.5	82.8	97.6	(7.9)	98.0	89.2	90.8	(7.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.0	4.5	5.4	(0.6)	5.5	4.8	5.0	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	72.4	73.4	72.6	0.2	73.2	73.8	73.4	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	68.1	70.1	68.6	0.5	69.2	70.2	69.8	0.6

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	
Population ('000)	3,345.8	3,386.9	3,391.9	46.1	3,345.8	3,386.9	3,391.9	46.1
Labour Force ('000)	2,136.0	2,205.8	2,201.9	65.9	2,170.7	2,222.6	2,235.7	65.0
Employment ('000)	1,944.5	2,062.0	2,025.0	80.5	1,991.5	2,071.4	2,072.4	80.9
Unemployed ('000)	191.6	143.8	176.9	(14.7)	179.2	151.1	163.3	(15.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.0	6.5	8.0	(1.0)	8.3	6.8	7.3	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	63.8	65.1	64.9	1.1	64.9	65.6	65.9	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	58.1	60.9	59.7	1.6	59.5	61.2	61.1	1.6

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**Employment Situation - January 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	<b>Canada</b>				Annual Change	<b>Nova Scotia</b>			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Jan 2003		Dec 2003	Jan 2004		
Population ('000)	25,088.0	25,378.2	25,406.5	318.5	757.7	761.7	762.1	4.4	
Labour Force ('000)	16,710.8	17,045.2	16,997.3	286.5	470.9	478.6	477.1	6.2	
Employment ('000)	15,465.2	15,853.6	15,751.9	286.7	427.2	436.8	431.6	4.4	
Unemployed ('000)	1,245.7	1,191.7	1,245.4	(0.3)	43.7	41.8	45.5	1.8	
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	7.0	7.3	(0.2)	9.3	8.7	9.5	0.2	
Participation Rate (%)	66.6	67.2	66.9	0.3	62.1	62.8	62.6	0.5	
Employment Rate (%)	61.6	62.5	62.0	0.4	56.4	57.3	56.6	0.2	

	<b>230 - Annapolis Valley</b>				Annual Change	<b>210 - Cape Breton</b>			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Jan 2003		Dec 2003	Jan 2004		
Population ('000)	101.7	102.2	102.3	0.6	120.3	119.4	119.3	(1.0)	
Labour Force ('000)	63.8	63.8	63.6	(0.2)	62.2	60.8	59.6	(2.6)	
Employment ('000)	59.0	59.3	58.5	(0.5)	53.4	49.6	48.6	(4.8)	
Unemployed ('000)	4.8	4.6	5.2	0.4	8.8	11.1	11.0	2.2	
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	7.2	8.2	0.7	14.1	18.3	18.5	4.4	
Participation Rate (%)	62.7	62.4	62.2	(0.5)	51.7	50.9	50.0	(1.7)	
Employment Rate (%)	58.0	58.0	57.2	(0.8)	44.4	41.5	40.7	(3.7)	

	<b>250 - Halifax County</b>				Annual Change	<b>Halifax Metro (CMA)</b>			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Jan 2003		Dec 2003	Jan 2004		
Population ('000)	298.2	302.1	302.5	4.3	286.1	290.0	290.4	4.3	
Labour Force ('000)	201.8	208.8	208.9	7.1	196.3	201.6	201.9	5.6	
Employment ('000)	186.3	197.4	195.9	9.6	181.4	190.8	189.5	8.1	
Unemployed ('000)	15.5	11.5	13.0	(2.5)	14.9	10.9	12.3	(2.6)	
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	5.5	6.2	(1.5)	7.6	5.4	6.1	(1.5)	
Participation Rate (%)	67.7	69.1	69.1	1.4	68.6	69.5	69.5	0.9	
Employment Rate (%)	62.5	65.3	64.8	2.3	63.4	65.8	65.3	1.9	

	<b>220 - North Shore</b>				Annual Change	<b>240 - Southern</b>			Annual Change
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Jan 2003		Dec 2003	Jan 2004		
Population ('000)	133.3	133.4	133.4	0.1	104.3	104.5	104.6	0.3	
Labour Force ('000)	79.3	80.4	80.3	1.0	63.7	64.7	64.7	1.0	
Employment ('000)	72.1	72.8	71.6	(0.5)	56.4	57.7	57.0	0.6	
Unemployed ('000)	7.3	7.6	8.7	1.4	7.3	7.0	7.7	0.4	
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.2	9.5	10.8	1.6	11.5	10.8	11.9	0.4	
Participation Rate (%)	59.5	60.3	60.2	0.7	61.1	61.9	61.9	0.8	
Employment Rate (%)	54.1	54.6	53.7	(0.4)	54.1	55.2	54.5	0.4	



## Employment Situation - January 2004 Job Tenure

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

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,637.1	15,920.7	15,935.6	298.5	12,695.2	12,917.2	12,964.0	268.8	2,942.0	3,003.4	2,971.5	29.5
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	217.6	215.6	220.1	2.5	183.0	185.2	187.1	4.1	34.6	30.4	32.9	(1.7)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	67.6	70.2	69.3	1.7	56.4	58.1	58.3	1.9	11.1	12.1	11.0	(0.1)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	433.7	439.2	438.1	4.4	350.0	351.5	353.7	3.7	83.7	87.7	84.4	0.7
<b>New Brunswick</b>	348.6	346.1	349.7	1.1	294.7	293.3	296.0	1.3	53.9	52.7	53.6	(0.3)
<b>Quebec</b>	3,642.8	3,681.9	3,680.4	37.6	3,000.1	2,973.9	2,999.4	(0.7)	642.7	708.0	681.0	38.3
<b>Ontario</b>	6,186.7	6,285.8	6,303.8	117.1	5,057.3	5,146.2	5,170.2	112.9	1,129.4	1,139.7	1,133.6	4.2
<b>Manitoba</b>	566.5	570.6	571.1	4.6	452.9	461.3	457.9	5.0	113.6	109.3	113.2	(0.4)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	487.7	488.4	487.4	(0.3)	391.5	392.4	394.9	3.4	96.2	96.1	92.5	(3.7)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,694.5	1,751.5	1,743.3	48.8	1,389.5	1,433.7	1,429.7	40.2	305.0	317.8	313.5	8.5
<b>British Columbia</b>	1,991.5	2,071.4	2,072.4	80.9	1,519.8	1,621.5	1,616.5	96.7	471.7	449.9	455.9	(15.8)

### Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,266.3	15,834.0	15,564.8	298.5	12,200.2	12,689.4	12,480.6	280.4	3,066.1	3,144.5	3,084.2	18.1
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	199.6	208.9	203.3	3.7	164.8	178.8	170.1	5.3	34.8	30.1	33.2	(1.6)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	61.4	66.4	62.9	1.5	49.4	53.6	51.2	1.8	12.1	12.9	11.8	(0.3)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	417.7	438.6	421.6	3.9	328.6	345.8	333.3	4.7	89.1	92.8	88.3	(0.8)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	329.7	338.7	331.2	1.5	272.8	284.2	274.6	1.8	56.9	54.5	56.6	(0.3)
<b>Quebec</b>	3,534.3	3,642.4	3,570.4	36.1	2,848.6	2,894.9	2,850.7	2.1	685.7	747.5	719.7	34.0
<b>Ontario</b>	6,080.7	6,278.2	6,201.0	120.3	4,917.5	5,082.1	5,035.6	118.1	1,163.2	1,196.1	1,165.4	2.2
<b>Manitoba</b>	555.4	568.6	560.2	4.8	435.9	451.7	441.6	5.7	119.5	116.8	118.6	(0.9)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	475.5	482.5	474.9	(0.6)	373.8	383.1	379.4	5.6	101.6	99.4	95.5	(6.1)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,667.5	1,747.6	1,714.3	46.8	1,344.0	1,421.4	1,385.1	41.1	323.5	326.2	329.3	5.8
<b>British Columbia</b>	1,944.5	2,062.0	2,025.0	80.5	1,464.8	1,593.8	1,559.1	94.3	479.7	468.2	465.9	(13.8)

## Employment Situation - January 2004 Youth Statistics

### 15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,774.0	2,812.2	2,806.5	32.5	2,395.3	2,418.8	2,417.5	22.2	13.7	14.0	13.9	0.2
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	42.0	39.7	39.2	(2.8)	31.3	28.2	30.4	(0.9)	25.5	29.0	22.4	(3.1)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.1	13.5	13.5	(0.6)	12.0	11.7	11.4	(0.6)	14.9	13.3	15.6	0.7
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	82.3	83.0	82.9	0.6	70.3	70.7	69.7	(0.6)	14.7	14.8	15.8	1.1
<b>New Brunswick</b>	63.3	64.2	64.2	0.9	54.1	53.7	53.2	(0.9)	14.5	16.4	17.0	2.5
<b>Quebec</b>	639.1	651.1	642.5	3.4	552.8	545.7	544.6	(8.2)	13.5	16.2	15.3	1.8
<b>Ontario</b>	1,057.4	1,078.5	1,076.8	19.4	913.4	919.5	927.3	13.9	13.6	14.7	13.9	0.3
<b>Manitoba</b>	109.9	107.0	109.5	(0.4)	99.5	97.7	98.4	(1.1)	9.5	8.7	10.1	0.6
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	96.1	93.3	93.6	(2.5)	85.9	81.7	81.9	(4.0)	10.6	12.4	12.5	1.9
<b>Alberta</b>	325.0	326.9	327.5	2.5	286.7	300.2	296.7	10.0	11.8	8.2	9.4	(2.4)
<b>British Columbia</b>	344.8	355.2	356.7	11.9	289.3	309.7	303.9	14.6	16.1	12.8	14.8	(1.3)

### 15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,588.2	2,682.6	2,620.1	31.9	2,218.4	2,345.1	2,238.3	19.9	14.3	12.6	14.6	0.3
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	36.8	35.2	34.3	(2.5)	25.9	26.1	25.5	(0.4)	29.3	25.9	25.7	(3.6)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	12.3	12.1	11.9	(0.4)	9.7	10.3	9.2	(0.5)	20.3	14.9	22.7	2.4
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	75.2	78.7	75.3	0.1	63.3	67.9	62.4	(0.9)	15.8	13.6	17.3	1.5
<b>New Brunswick</b>	56.4	59.1	57.4	1.0	47.1	49.8	46.0	(1.1)	16.7	15.7	19.9	3.2
<b>Quebec</b>	599.5	615.2	602.5	3.0	509.3	522.7	500.4	(8.9)	15.0	15.0	16.9	1.9
<b>Ontario</b>	983.5	1,027.8	1,001.9	18.4	852.0	898.4	867.6	15.6	13.4	12.6	13.4	-
<b>Manitoba</b>	102.7	104.5	102.4	(0.3)	91.9	95.8	90.8	(1.1)	10.5	8.3	11.3	0.8
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	88.6	87.9	86.4	(2.2)	78.4	78.5	74.5	(3.9)	11.4	10.7	13.8	2.4
<b>Alberta</b>	307.8	317.5	309.1	1.3	269.2	291.5	277.5	8.3	12.5	8.2	10.2	(2.3)
<b>British Columbia</b>	325.7	344.7	338.9	13.2	271.7	304.1	284.3	12.6	16.6	11.8	16.1	(0.5)



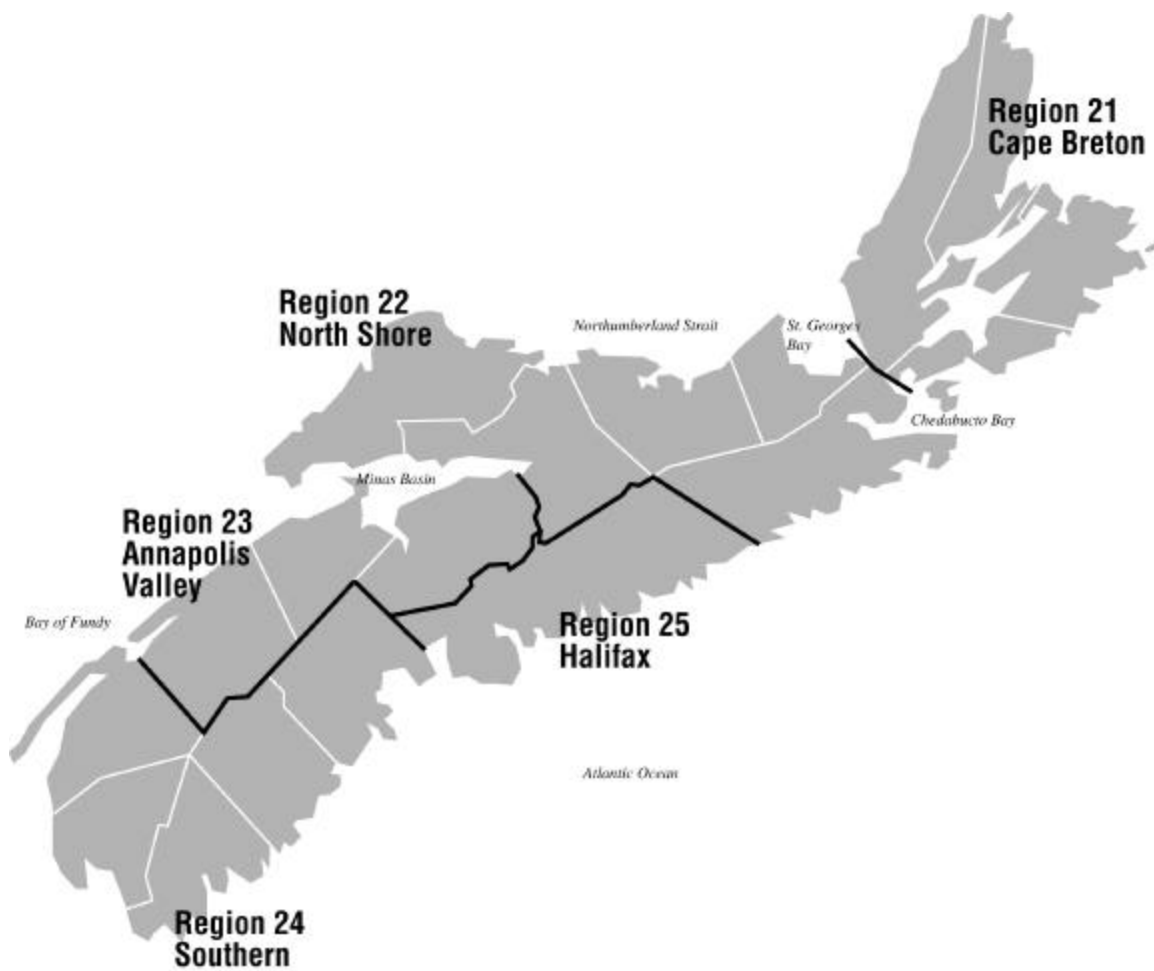
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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change	Jan 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.9	9.6	10.4	0.5	62.0	60.0	59.9	(2.1)	68.9	66.3	66.8	(2.1)
Halifax	7.6	5.4	6.1	(1.5)	63.4	65.8	65.3	1.9	68.6	69.5	69.5	0.9
Saint John, New Brunswick	7.8	7.6	8.1	0.3	60.9	58.7	58.2	(2.7)	66.1	63.6	63.4	(2.7)
Saguenay	10.6	11.5	12.3	1.7	53.7	54.2	54.8	1.1	60.1	61.3	62.4	2.3
Québec	6.8	6.8	6.6	(0.2)	61.1	60.2	59.4	(1.7)	65.5	64.5	63.6	(1.9)
Trois-Rivières	9.5	10.3	9.8	0.3	55.2	55.5	54.9	(0.3)	61.0	61.9	60.9	(0.1)
Sherbrooke	7.6	7.2	7.6	-	60.1	61.2	59.7	(0.4)	65.0	65.9	64.6	(0.4)
Montréal	8.5	8.6	8.9	0.4	62.0	62.7	62.1	0.1	67.8	68.5	68.2	0.4
Ottawa-Gatineau	7.3	6.9	6.7	(0.6)	65.1	66.0	65.4	0.3	70.2	70.8	70.1	(0.1)
Sudbury	7.9	8.9	9.4	1.5	56.3	57.0	57.7	1.4	61.2	62.7	63.7	2.5
Oshawa	5.2	4.3	4.7	(0.5)	67.2	69.1	69.1	1.9	70.9	72.2	72.5	1.6
Toronto	6.7	6.7	6.8	0.1	65.0	64.4	64.1	(0.9)	69.7	69.0	68.8	(0.9)
Hamilton	6.0	4.9	4.9	(1.1)	63.7	65.2	64.8	1.1	67.7	68.5	68.1	0.4
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.9	6.5	7.2	(0.7)	58.1	59.7	58.1	-	63.1	63.8	62.6	(0.5)
London	6.0	6.0	6.2	0.2	62.3	64.5	64.3	2.0	66.3	68.6	68.5	2.2
Windsor	7.4	7.2	7.9	0.5	62.9	61.4	61.0	(1.9)	68.0	66.1	66.2	(1.8)
Kitchener	5.3	4.7	4.5	(0.8)	66.5	66.8	66.1	(0.4)	70.2	70.2	69.2	(1.0)
Thunder Bay	5.2	6.2	7.1	1.9	63.4	62.1	61.1	(2.3)	66.8	66.1	65.7	(1.1)
Winnipeg	5.1	5.1	5.4	0.3	67.5	66.3	65.9	(1.6)	71.1	69.8	69.7	(1.4)
Regina	5.3	4.7	5.5	0.2	68.5	70.1	69.6	1.1	72.3	73.6	73.6	1.3
Saskatoon	5.8	5.5	6.1	0.3	65.7	65.2	64.8	(0.9)	69.7	68.9	69.0	(0.7)
Calgary	5.4	5.4	5.4	-	70.8	70.9	71.1	0.3	74.8	75.0	75.2	0.4
Edmonton	5.0	4.4	4.8	(0.2)	67.5	69.0	68.1	0.6	71.0	72.1	71.6	0.6
Vancouver	7.6	6.1	6.1	(1.5)	62.0	63.2	62.9	0.9	67.1	67.3	67.0	(0.1)
Victoria	6.5	4.7	5.2	(1.3)	57.8	60.8	60.3	2.5	61.8	63.8	63.6	1.8

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## About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

Since its inception in 1945, the objectives of the LFS have been to divide the working-age population into three mutually exclusive classifications--employed, unemployed and not in the labour force--and to provide descriptive

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### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	25,125.1	25,436.0	25,465.2	340.1	25,125.1	25,436.0	25,465.2	340.1
Labour Force ('000)	16,710.0	16,909.0	16,927.9	217.9	16,952.0	17,202.4	17,180.3	228.3
Employment ('000)	15,375.7	15,564.8	15,598.7	223.0	15,686.3	15,935.6	15,914.4	228.1
Unemployed ('000)	1,334.4	1,344.2	1,329.2	(5.2)	1,265.7	1,266.9	1,265.9	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	7.9	7.9	(0.1)	7.5	7.4	7.4	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	66.5	66.5	66.5	-	67.5	67.6	67.5	-
Employment Rate (%)	61.2	61.2	61.3	0.1	62.4	62.6	62.5	0.1

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	758.2	762.6	763.1	4.9	758.2	762.6	763.1	4.9
Labour Force ('000)	462.1	472.2	471.2	9.1	477.2	485.0	486.2	9.0
Employment ('000)	417.4	421.6	423.2	5.8	435.0	438.1	440.5	5.5
Unemployed ('000)	44.7	50.6	48.0	3.3	42.2	46.9	45.7	3.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.7	10.7	10.2	0.5	8.8	9.7	9.4	0.6
Participation Rate (%)	60.9	61.9	61.7	0.8	62.9	63.6	63.7	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	55.1	55.3	55.5	0.4	57.4	57.4	57.7	0.3

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	439.3	439.6	439.8	0.5	439.3	439.6	439.8	0.5
Labour Force ('000)	249.0	250.3	247.2	(1.8)	264.9	263.6	262.3	(2.6)
Employment ('000)	201.1	203.3	202.3	1.2	218.7	220.1	219.0	0.3
Unemployed ('000)	47.9	47.0	44.9	(3.0)	46.2	43.6	43.2	(3.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	19.2	18.8	18.2	(1.0)	17.4	16.5	16.5	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	56.7	56.9	56.2	(0.5)	60.3	60.0	59.6	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	45.8	46.2	46.0	0.2	49.8	50.1	49.8	-

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	112.7	113.8	114.1	1.4	112.7	113.8	114.1	1.4
Labour Force ('000)	72.7	73.9	74.3	1.6	76.7	77.7	78.0	1.3
Employment ('000)	62.1	62.9	63.1	1.0	67.8	69.3	68.9	1.1
Unemployed ('000)	10.6	10.9	11.2	0.6	8.9	8.4	9.1	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.6	14.7	15.1	0.5	11.6	10.8	11.7	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	64.5	64.9	65.1	0.6	68.1	68.3	68.4	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	55.1	55.3	55.3	0.2	60.2	60.9	60.4	0.2

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	608.5	610.8	611.1	2.6	608.5	610.8	611.1	2.6
Labour Force ('000)	378.1	375.3	372.7	(5.4)	391.3	390.4	387.7	(3.6)
Employment ('000)	329.6	331.2	331.6	2.0	349.4	349.7	350.9	1.5
Unemployed ('000)	48.5	44.1	41.1	(7.4)	41.9	40.7	36.7	(5.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	12.8	11.8	11.0	(1.8)	10.7	10.4	9.5	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	62.1	61.4	61.0	(1.1)	64.3	63.9	63.4	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	54.2	54.2	54.3	0.1	57.4	57.3	57.4	-

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	6,062.1	6,118.3	6,123.6	61.5	6,062.1	6,118.3	6,123.6	61.5
Labour Force ('000)	3,936.9	3,967.5	3,977.7	40.8	3,992.8	4,047.1	4,037.6	44.8
Employment ('000)	3,564.4	3,570.4	3,597.1	32.7	3,646.3	3,680.4	3,681.6	35.3
Unemployed ('000)	372.5	397.1	380.6	8.1	346.5	366.7	356.0	9.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.5	10.0	9.6	0.1	8.7	9.1	8.8	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	64.9	64.8	65.0	0.1	65.9	66.1	65.9	-
Employment Rate (%)	58.8	58.4	58.7	(0.1)	60.1	60.2	60.1	-

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	9,721.5	9,872.4	9,886.0	164.5	9,721.5	9,872.4	9,886.0	164.5
Labour Force ('000)	6,585.2	6,655.3	6,677.9	92.7	6,663.6	6,749.9	6,755.5	91.9
Employment ('000)	6,120.1	6,201.0	6,218.2	98.1	6,214.8	6,303.8	6,308.3	93.5
Unemployed ('000)	465.1	454.3	459.7	(5.4)	448.7	446.2	447.3	(1.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	6.8	6.9	(0.2)	6.7	6.6	6.6	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	67.7	67.4	67.5	(0.2)	68.5	68.4	68.3	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	63.0	62.8	62.9	(0.1)	63.9	63.9	63.8	(0.1)

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	864.8	872.7	873.5	8.7	864.8	872.7	873.5	8.7
Labour Force ('000)	589.6	594.1	594.4	4.8	596.6	602.6	601.9	5.3
Employment ('000)	556.6	560.2	562.9	6.3	566.7	571.1	573.0	6.3
Unemployed ('000)	33.0	33.9	31.5	(1.5)	29.9	31.4	29.0	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	5.7	5.3	(0.3)	5.0	5.2	4.8	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	68.2	68.1	68.0	(0.2)	69.0	69.1	68.9	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	64.4	64.2	64.4	-	65.5	65.4	65.6	0.1

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	757.1	756.5	756.9	(0.2)	757.1	756.5	756.9	(0.2)
Labour Force ('000)	508.1	506.6	508.4	0.3	517.5	516.4	517.8	0.3
Employment ('000)	475.5	474.9	477.0	1.5	487.1	487.4	488.4	1.3
Unemployed ('000)	32.6	31.7	31.4	(1.2)	30.4	29.0	29.3	(1.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.4	6.3	6.2	(0.2)	5.9	5.6	5.7	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	67.1	67.0	67.2	0.1	68.4	68.3	68.4	-
Employment Rate (%)	62.8	62.8	63.0	0.2	64.3	64.4	64.5	0.2

### Alberta

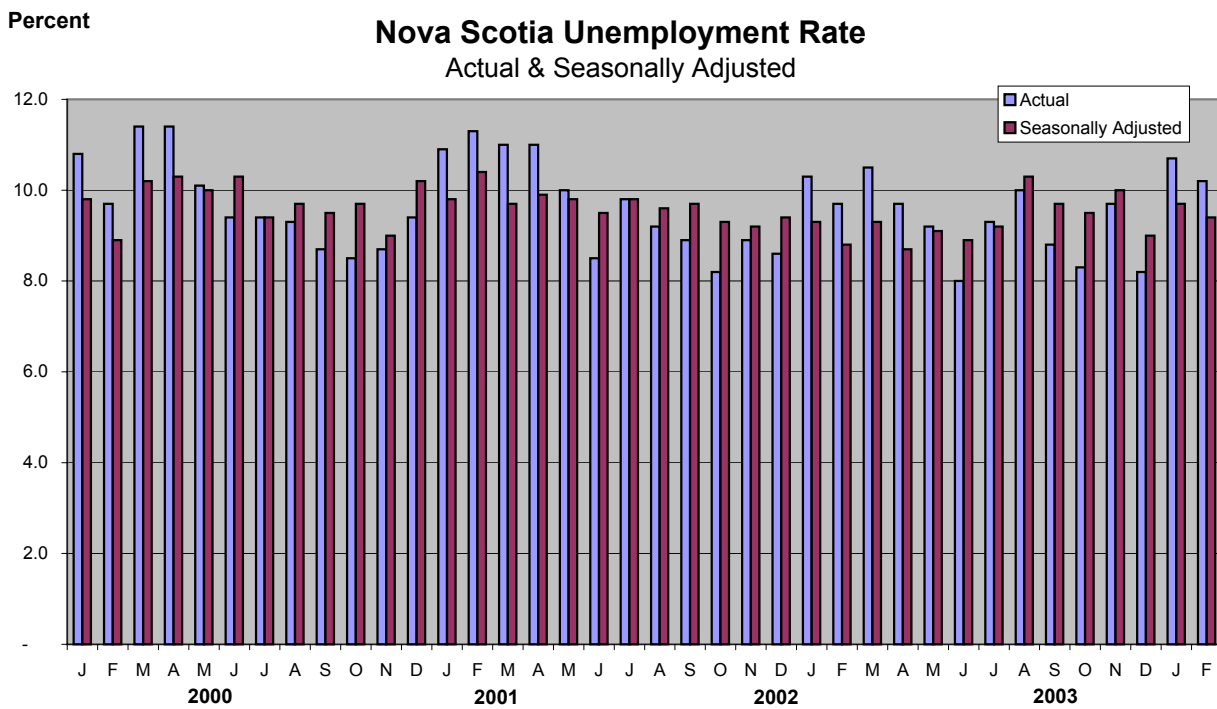
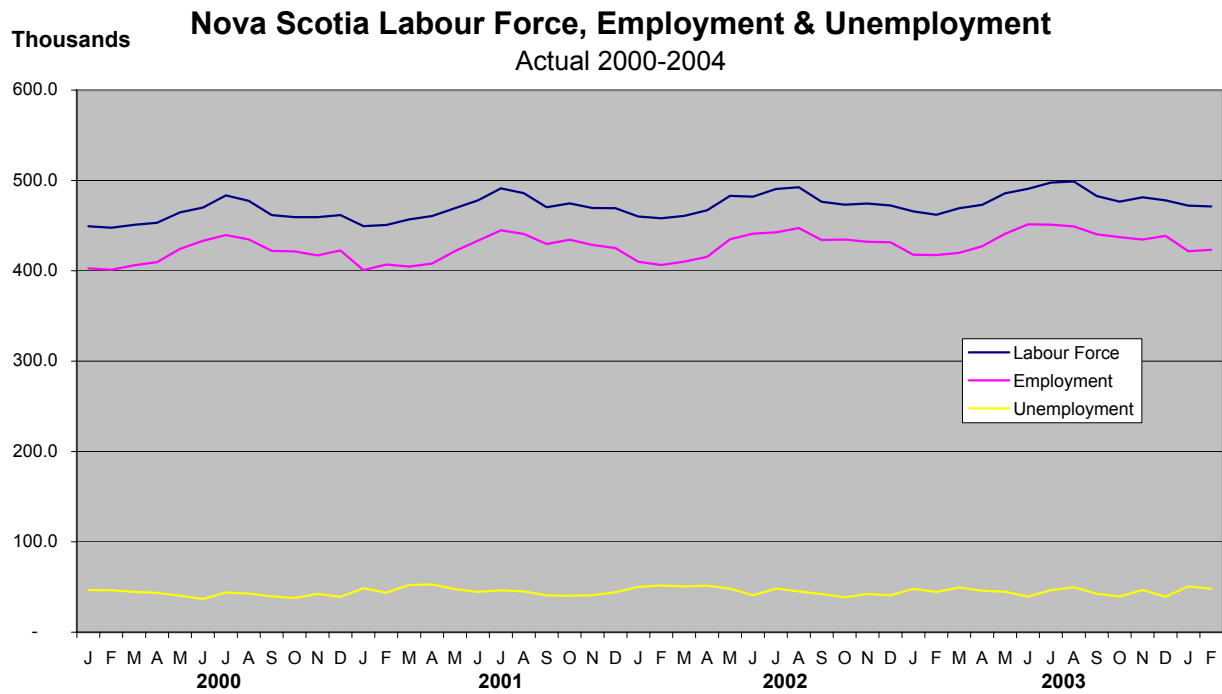
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	2,453.1	2,497.3	2,500.6	47.5	2,453.1	2,497.3	2,500.6	47.5
Labour Force ('000)	1,770.2	1,811.9	1,819.8	49.6	1,791.3	1,834.0	1,842.9	51.6
Employment ('000)	1,677.4	1,714.3	1,722.4	45.0	1,700.0	1,743.3	1,747.7	47.7
Unemployed ('000)	92.8	97.6	97.4	4.6	91.3	90.8	95.1	3.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	5.4	5.4	0.2	5.1	5.0	5.2	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	72.2	72.6	72.8	0.6	73.0	73.4	73.7	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	68.4	68.6	68.9	0.5	69.3	69.8	69.9	0.6

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	
Population ('000)	3,347.9	3,391.9	3,396.5	48.6	3,347.9	3,391.9	3,396.5	48.6
Labour Force ('000)	2,158.1	2,201.9	2,184.3	26.2	2,180.1	2,235.7	2,210.5	30.4
Employment ('000)	1,971.3	2,025.0	2,000.8	29.5	2,000.4	2,072.4	2,036.0	35.6
Unemployed ('000)	186.8	176.9	183.4	(3.4)	179.7	163.3	174.4	(5.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	8.0	8.4	(0.3)	8.2	7.3	7.9	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	64.5	64.9	64.3	(0.2)	65.1	65.9	65.1	-
Employment Rate (%)	58.9	59.7	58.9	-	59.8	61.1	59.9	0.1

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**Employment Situation - February 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	<b>Canada</b>				<b>Nova Scotia</b>			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,106.9	25,406.5	25,435.0	328.1	757.9	762.1	762.6	4.7
Labour Force ('000)	16,688.5	16,997.3	16,952.8	264.3	466.7	477.1	473.8	7.1
Employment ('000)	15,396.9	15,751.9	15,665.9	269.0	422.2	431.6	427.8	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	1,291.5	1,245.4	1,286.9	(4.6)	44.5	45.5	45.9	1.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	7.3	7.6	(0.1)	9.5	9.5	9.7	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	66.5	66.9	66.7	0.2	61.6	62.6	62.1	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	61.3	62.0	61.6	0.3	55.7	56.6	56.1	0.4

	<b>230 - Annapolis Valley</b>				<b>210 - Cape Breton</b>			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	101.7	102.3	102.4	0.7	120.2	119.3	119.3	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	62.3	63.6	63.2	0.9	61.6	59.6	59.3	(2.3)
Employment ('000)	56.5	58.5	57.3	0.8	52.4	48.6	48.9	(3.5)
Unemployed ('000)	5.9	5.2	5.8	(0.1)	9.1	11.0	10.4	1.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.5	8.2	9.2	(0.3)	14.8	18.5	17.5	2.7
Participation Rate (%)	61.3	62.2	61.7	0.4	51.2	50.0	49.7	(1.5)
Employment Rate (%)	55.6	57.2	56.0	0.4	43.6	40.7	41.0	(2.6)

	<b>250 - Halifax County</b>				<b>Halifax Metro (CMA)</b>			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	298.5	302.5	302.9	4.4	286.5	290.4	290.8	4.3
Labour Force ('000)	201.4	208.9	207.6	6.2	195.7	201.9	200.8	5.1
Employment ('000)	186.2	195.9	193.9	7.7	181.1	189.5	187.8	6.7
Unemployed ('000)	15.1	13.0	13.7	(1.4)	14.7	12.3	13.0	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	6.2	6.6	(0.9)	7.5	6.1	6.5	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	67.5	69.1	68.5	1.0	68.3	69.5	69.1	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	62.4	64.8	64.0	1.6	63.2	65.3	64.6	1.4

	<b>220 - North Shore</b>				<b>240 - Southern</b>			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.2	133.4	133.4	0.2	104.3	104.6	104.6	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	78.8	80.3	79.9	1.1	62.7	64.7	63.7	1.0
Employment ('000)	71.2	71.6	71.0	(0.2)	55.9	57.0	56.7	0.8
Unemployed ('000)	7.5	8.7	8.9	1.4	6.8	7.7	7.0	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.5	10.8	11.1	1.6	10.8	11.9	11.0	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	59.2	60.2	59.9	0.7	60.1	61.9	60.9	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	53.5	53.7	53.2	(0.3)	53.6	54.5	54.2	0.6

## Employment Situation - February 2004 Job Tenure

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

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,686.3	15,935.6	15,914.4	228.1	12,727.1	12,964.0	12,975.4	248.3	2,959.2	2,971.5	2,939.0	(20.2)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	218.7	220.1	219.0	0.3	182.9	187.1	186.7	3.8	35.8	32.9	32.3	(3.5)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	67.8	69.3	68.9	1.1	57.3	58.3	57.9	0.6	10.4	11.0	11.0	0.6
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	435.0	438.1	440.5	5.5	352.0	353.7	359.9	7.9	83.1	84.4	80.6	(2.5)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	349.4	349.7	350.9	1.5	294.1	296.0	295.9	1.8	55.2	53.6	55.1	(0.1)
<b>Quebec</b>	3,646.3	3,680.4	3,681.6	35.3	2,985.7	2,999.4	2,994.9	9.2	660.6	681.0	686.7	26.1
<b>Ontario</b>	6,214.8	6,303.8	6,308.3	93.5	5,078.7	5,170.2	5,183.5	104.8	1,136.1	1,133.6	1,124.8	(11.3)
<b>Manitoba</b>	566.7	571.1	573.0	6.3	454.3	457.9	462.9	8.6	112.4	113.2	110.0	(2.4)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	487.1	487.4	488.4	1.3	391.1	394.9	396.4	5.3	96.1	92.5	92.1	(4.0)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,700.0	1,743.3	1,747.7	47.7	1,398.1	1,429.7	1,438.4	40.3	301.9	313.5	309.4	7.5
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,000.4	2,072.4	2,036.0	35.6	1,531.9	1,616.5	1,598.6	66.7	468.5	455.9	437.5	(31.0)

### Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,375.7	15,564.8	15,598.7	223.0	12,258.9	12,480.6	12,523.7	264.8	3,116.8	3,084.2	3,075.0	(41.8)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	201.1	203.3	202.3	1.2	164.0	170.1	168.9	4.9	37.2	33.2	33.4	(3.8)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	62.1	62.9	63.1	1.0	50.6	51.2	51.1	0.5	11.5	11.8	12.1	0.6
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	417.4	421.6	423.2	5.8	327.3	333.3	334.9	7.6	90.1	88.3	88.3	(1.8)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	329.6	331.2	331.6	2.0	271.3	274.6	273.6	2.3	58.3	56.6	58.0	(0.3)
<b>Quebec</b>	3,564.4	3,570.4	3,597.1	32.7	2,851.7	2,850.7	2,874.0	22.3	712.8	719.7	723.1	10.3
<b>Ontario</b>	6,120.1	6,201.0	6,218.2	98.1	4,936.6	5,035.6	5,046.5	109.9	1,183.5	1,165.4	1,171.7	(11.8)
<b>Manitoba</b>	556.6	560.2	562.9	6.3	436.1	441.6	445.5	9.4	120.5	118.6	117.4	(3.1)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	475.5	474.9	477.0	1.5	372.5	379.4	379.7	7.2	103.0	95.5	97.3	(5.7)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,677.4	1,714.3	1,722.4	45.0	1,356.3	1,385.1	1,395.3	39.0	321.1	329.3	327.1	6.0
<b>British Columbia</b>	1,971.3	2,025.0	2,000.8	29.5	1,492.5	1,559.1	1,554.3	61.8	478.8	465.9	446.6	(32.2)

**Employment Situation - February 2004**  
**Youth Statistics**

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

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,787.6	2,806.5	2,781.3	(6.3)	2,419.0	2,417.5	2,389.3	(29.7)	13.2	13.9	14.1	0.9
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	42.9	39.2	39.5	(3.4)	31.6	30.4	29.3	(2.3)	26.3	22.4	25.8	(0.5)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.0	13.5	13.3	(0.7)	11.9	11.4	11.2	(0.7)	15.0	15.6	15.8	0.8
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	82.6	82.9	81.7	(0.9)	71.1	69.7	69.4	(1.7)	13.9	15.8	15.1	1.2
<b>New Brunswick</b>	63.3	64.2	63.1	(0.2)	54.9	53.2	52.4	(2.5)	13.4	17.0	17.0	3.6
<b>Quebec</b>	645.2	642.5	636.2	(9.0)	553.1	544.6	539.7	(13.4)	14.3	15.3	15.2	0.9
<b>Ontario</b>	1,075.1	1,076.8	1,076.0	0.9	931.4	927.3	920.1	(11.3)	13.4	13.9	14.5	1.1
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.8	109.5	107.1	(1.7)	98.8	98.4	97.1	(1.7)	9.2	10.1	9.3	0.1
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	97.6	93.6	92.5	(5.1)	87.3	81.9	81.1	(6.2)	10.6	12.5	12.3	1.7
<b>Alberta</b>	318.9	327.5	331.1	12.2	288.8	296.7	298.9	10.1	9.4	9.4	9.7	0.3
<b>British Columbia</b>	339.2	356.7	340.7	1.5	290.1	303.9	290.0	(0.1)	14.5	14.8	14.9	0.4

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,611.2	2,620.1	2,600.5	(10.7)	2,245.8	2,238.3	2,213.8	(32.0)	14.0	14.6	14.9	0.9
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	36.7	34.3	34.3	(2.4)	26.8	25.5	25.0	(1.8)	27.0	25.7	27.1	0.1
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	12.3	11.9	11.7	(0.6)	9.9	9.2	9.3	(0.6)	19.5	22.7	20.5	1.0
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	74.2	75.3	72.8	(1.4)	63.2	62.4	61.6	(1.6)	14.8	17.3	15.4	0.6
<b>New Brunswick</b>	56.6	57.4	56.1	(0.5)	48.2	46.0	45.5	(2.7)	14.8	19.9	18.9	4.1
<b>Quebec</b>	607.3	602.5	596.8	(10.5)	512.1	500.4	496.5	(15.6)	15.7	16.9	16.8	1.1
<b>Ontario</b>	1,004.0	1,001.9	1,006.4	2.4	863.5	867.6	856.4	(7.1)	14.0	13.4	14.9	0.9
<b>Manitoba</b>	103.0	102.4	100.7	(2.3)	92.2	90.8	90.4	(1.8)	10.5	11.3	10.2	(0.3)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	90.9	86.4	85.9	(5.0)	80.9	74.5	74.9	(6.0)	11.0	13.8	12.8	1.8
<b>Alberta</b>	300.7	309.1	311.7	11.0	272.2	277.5	280.3	8.1	9.5	10.2	10.1	0.6
<b>British Columbia</b>	325.5	338.9	324.0	(1.5)	276.7	284.3	273.9	(2.8)	15.0	16.1	15.5	0.5



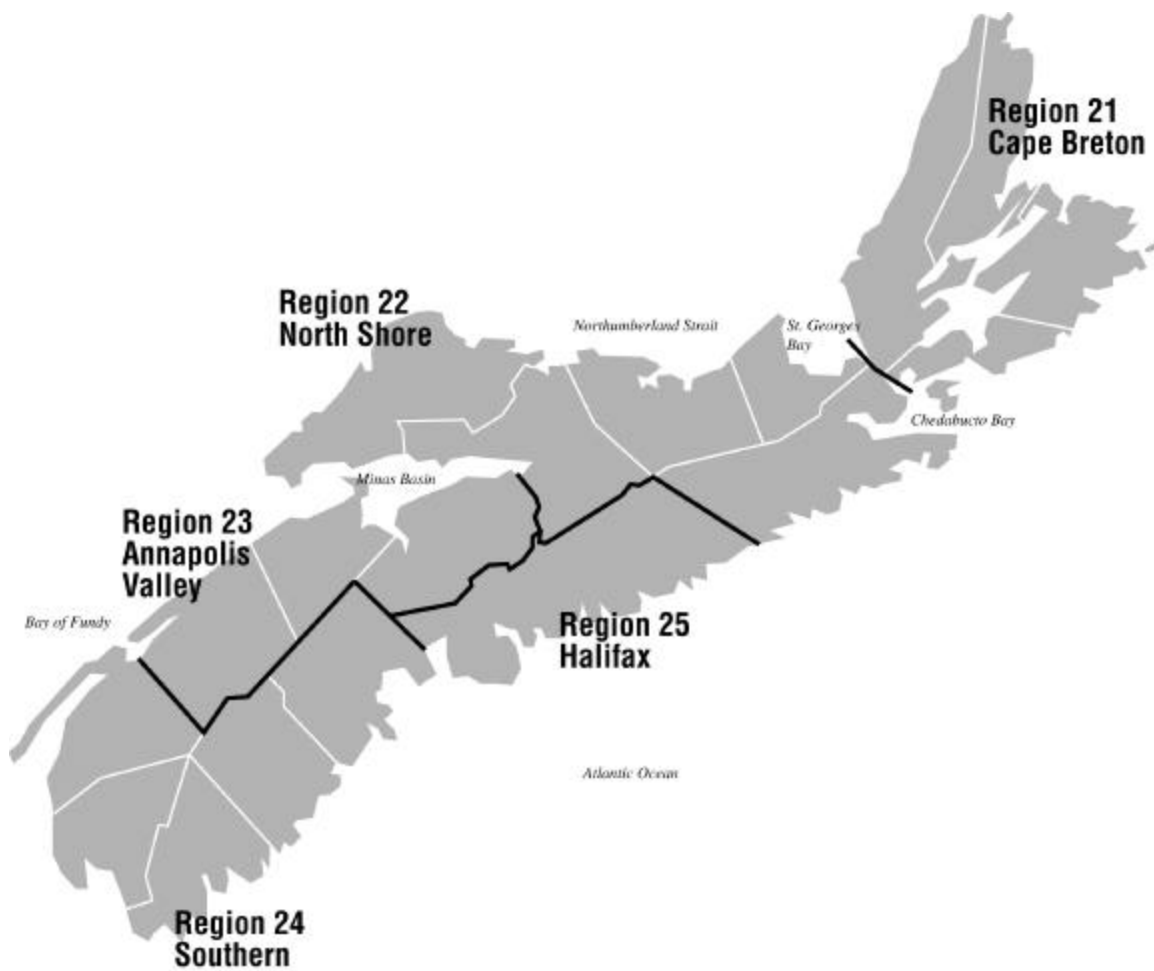
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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change	Feb 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	10.0	10.4	10.6	0.6	61.5	59.9	59.4	(2.1)	68.3	66.8	66.5	(1.8)
Halifax	7.5	6.1	6.5	(1.0)	63.2	65.3	64.6	1.4	68.3	69.5	69.1	0.8
Saint John, New Brunswick	9.4	8.1	8.2	(1.2)	59.9	58.2	58.4	(1.5)	66.2	63.4	63.7	(2.5)
Saguenay	11.7	12.3	13.7	2.0	53.0	54.8	54.8	1.8	60.0	62.4	63.5	3.5
Québec	8.0	6.6	7.6	(0.4)	60.5	59.4	58.5	(2.0)	65.7	63.6	63.3	(2.4)
Trois-Rivières	9.9	9.8	9.8	(0.1)	55.3	54.9	54.5	(0.8)	61.3	60.9	60.4	(0.9)
Sherbrooke	7.7	7.6	8.1	0.4	60.2	59.7	59.0	(1.2)	65.2	64.6	64.2	(1.0)
Montréal	8.8	8.9	8.9	0.1	61.8	62.1	61.4	(0.4)	67.7	68.2	67.4	(0.3)
Ottawa-Gatineau	7.2	6.7	6.7	(0.5)	65.0	65.4	65.2	0.2	70.1	70.1	69.9	(0.2)
Sudbury	8.8	9.4	8.8	-	55.5	57.7	58.3	2.8	60.7	63.7	63.9	3.2
Oshawa	5.3	4.7	4.9	(0.4)	67.4	69.1	68.8	1.4	71.2	72.5	72.3	1.1
Toronto	7.0	6.8	6.9	(0.1)	64.7	64.1	64.1	(0.6)	69.6	68.8	68.8	(0.8)
Hamilton	6.1	4.9	6.1	-	63.6	64.8	63.2	(0.4)	67.7	68.1	67.3	(0.4)
St. Catharines - Niagara	8.4	7.2	8.0	(0.4)	57.5	58.1	56.7	(0.8)	62.8	62.6	61.7	(1.1)
London	6.6	6.2	6.8	0.2	61.5	64.3	64.1	2.6	65.8	68.5	68.8	3.0
Windsor	7.9	7.9	7.9	-	62.5	61.0	60.5	(2.0)	67.8	66.2	65.6	(2.2)
Kitchener	6.3	4.5	5.5	(0.8)	66.1	66.1	65.4	(0.7)	70.6	69.2	69.2	(1.4)
Thunder Bay	4.7	7.1	7.6	2.9	64.2	61.1	60.7	(3.5)	67.4	65.7	65.7	(1.7)
Winnipeg	5.5	5.4	5.5	-	66.8	65.9	65.9	(0.9)	70.7	69.7	69.7	(1.0)
Regina	5.8	5.5	5.7	(0.1)	67.5	69.6	69.5	2.0	71.7	73.6	73.6	1.9
Saskatoon	5.8	6.1	6.5	0.7	64.7	64.8	63.7	(1.0)	68.7	69.0	68.3	(0.4)
Calgary	5.3	5.4	5.5	0.2	70.5	71.1	71.3	0.8	74.5	75.2	75.4	0.9
Edmonton	5.1	4.8	5.2	0.1	67.3	68.1	68.0	0.7	71.0	71.6	71.7	0.7
Vancouver	7.6	6.1	6.5	(1.1)	61.5	62.9	62.3	0.8	66.6	67.0	66.6	-
Victoria	6.4	5.2	5.4	(1.0)	58.3	60.3	59.1	0.8	62.3	63.6	62.5	0.2

# Employment Situation March 2004





## About the Employment Situation Report

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

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/publish/pub19.htm>

The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

Since its inception in 1945, the objectives of the LFS have been to divide the working-age population into three mutually exclusive classifications--employed, unemployed and not in the labour force--and to provide descriptive

and explanatory data on each of these categories. Data from the survey provide information on major labour market trends such as shifts in employment across industrial sectors, hours worked, labour force participation and unemployment rates.

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## Employment Situation - March 2004 Canada/Provinces

### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	25,145.9	25,465.2	25,492.9	347.0	25,145.9	25,465.2	25,492.9	347.0
Labour Force ('000)	16,743.3	16,927.9	16,981.9	238.6	16,951.2	17,180.3	17,188.1	236.9
Employment ('000)	15,424.0	15,598.7	15,624.2	200.2	15,694.3	15,914.4	15,901.1	206.8
Unemployed ('000)	1,319.3	1,329.2	1,357.6	38.3	1,256.9	1,265.9	1,287.0	30.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	7.9	8.0	0.1	7.4	7.4	7.5	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	66.6	66.5	66.6	-	67.4	67.5	67.4	-
Employment Rate (%)	61.3	61.3	61.3	-	62.4	62.5	62.4	-

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	758.5	763.1	763.4	4.9	758.5	763.1	763.4	4.9
Labour Force ('000)	469.3	471.2	480.0	10.7	479.1	486.2	487.6	8.5
Employment ('000)	419.9	423.2	428.5	8.6	434.6	440.5	442.7	8.1
Unemployed ('000)	49.4	48.0	51.5	2.1	44.4	45.7	44.9	0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.5	10.2	10.7	0.2	9.3	9.4	9.2	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	61.9	61.7	62.9	1.0	63.2	63.7	63.9	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	55.4	55.5	56.1	0.7	57.3	57.7	58.0	0.7

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	439.4	439.8	439.9	0.5	439.4	439.8	439.9	0.5
Labour Force ('000)	250.0	247.2	252.0	2.0	263.0	262.3	264.4	1.4
Employment ('000)	202.6	202.3	206.7	4.1	218.6	219.0	223.3	4.7
Unemployed ('000)	47.4	44.9	45.3	(2.1)	44.4	43.2	41.1	(3.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	19.0	18.2	18.0	(1.0)	16.9	16.5	15.5	(1.4)
Participation Rate (%)	56.9	56.2	57.3	0.4	59.9	59.6	60.1	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	46.1	46.0	47.0	0.9	49.7	49.8	50.8	1.1

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	112.8	114.1	114.2	1.4	112.8	114.1	114.2	1.4
Labour Force ('000)	74.0	74.3	74.9	0.9	77.1	78.0	78.2	1.1
Employment ('000)	62.3	63.1	63.6	1.3	67.4	68.9	68.8	1.4
Unemployed ('000)	11.8	11.2	11.3	(0.5)	9.7	9.1	9.4	(0.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	15.9	15.1	15.1	(0.8)	12.6	11.7	12.0	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	65.1	65.6	-	68.4	68.4	68.5	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	55.2	55.3	55.7	0.5	59.8	60.4	60.2	0.4

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

Annual Change is in thousands or percentage points as shown in row headings.

## Employment Situation - March 2004 Canada/Provinces

### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	608.5	611.1	611.3	2.8	608.5	611.1	611.3	2.8
Labour Force ('000)	375.0	372.7	376.5	1.5	388.5	387.7	388.8	0.3
Employment ('000)	331.4	331.6	332.9	1.5	350.0	350.9	350.2	0.2
Unemployed ('000)	43.6	41.1	43.6	-	38.5	36.7	38.6	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.6	11.0	11.6	-	9.9	9.5	9.9	-
Participation Rate (%)	61.6	61.0	61.6	-	63.8	63.4	63.6	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	54.5	54.3	54.5	-	57.5	57.4	57.3	(0.2)

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	6,065.4	6,123.6	6,128.4	63.0	6,065.4	6,123.6	6,128.4	63.0
Labour Force ('000)	3,938.6	3,977.7	3,984.9	46.3	3,987.6	4,037.6	4,033.0	45.4
Employment ('000)	3,557.9	3,597.1	3,615.3	57.4	3,629.9	3,681.6	3,686.1	56.2
Unemployed ('000)	380.7	380.6	369.6	(11.1)	357.7	356.0	346.9	(10.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.7	9.6	9.3	(0.4)	9.0	8.8	8.6	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	64.9	65.0	65.0	0.1	65.7	65.9	65.8	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	58.7	58.7	59.0	0.3	59.8	60.1	60.1	0.3

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	9,731.7	9,886.0	9,899.9	168.2	9,731.7	9,886.0	9,899.9	168.2
Labour Force ('000)	6,594.1	6,677.9	6,691.7	97.6	6,666.3	6,755.5	6,763.3	97.0
Employment ('000)	6,134.7	6,218.2	6,190.7	56.0	6,226.0	6,308.3	6,283.8	57.8
Unemployed ('000)	459.4	459.7	500.9	41.5	440.3	447.3	479.5	39.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.0	6.9	7.5	0.5	6.6	6.6	7.1	0.5
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	67.5	67.6	(0.2)	68.5	68.3	68.3	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	63.0	62.9	62.5	(0.5)	64.0	63.8	63.5	(0.5)

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	865.3	873.5	874.3	9.0	865.3	873.5	874.3	9.0
Labour Force ('000)	590.5	594.4	597.5	7.0	596.2	601.9	601.4	5.2
Employment ('000)	559.7	562.9	566.2	6.5	567.2	573.0	571.7	4.5
Unemployed ('000)	30.8	31.5	31.3	0.5	29.0	29.0	29.8	0.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	5.3	5.2	-	4.9	4.8	5.0	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	68.2	68.0	68.3	0.1	68.9	68.9	68.8	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	64.7	64.4	64.8	0.1	65.5	65.6	65.4	(0.1)

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	756.7	756.9	757.0	0.3	756.7	756.9	757.0	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	506.8	508.4	510.1	3.3	516.4	517.8	518.8	2.4
Employment ('000)	477.1	477.0	477.3	0.2	487.1	488.4	487.5	0.4
Unemployed ('000)	29.7	31.4	32.8	3.1	29.3	29.3	31.4	2.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	6.2	6.4	0.5	5.7	5.7	6.1	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	67.0	67.2	67.4	0.4	68.2	68.4	68.5	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	63.1	63.0	63.1	-	64.4	64.5	64.4	-

### Alberta

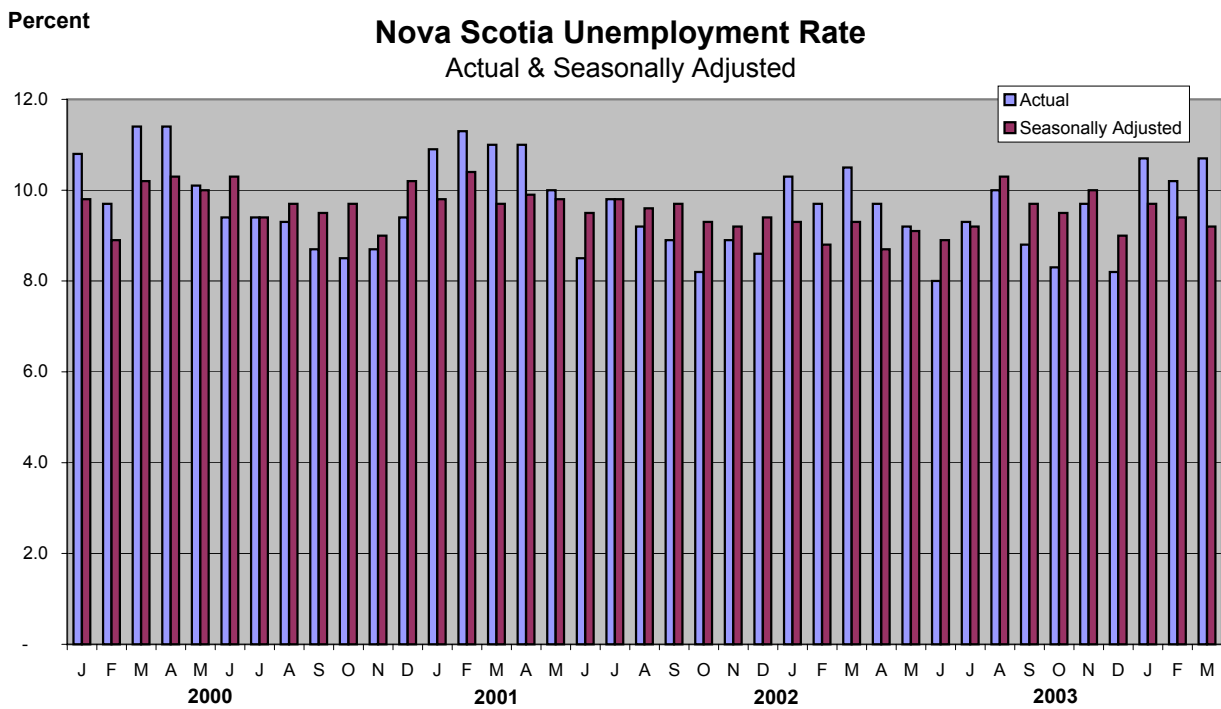
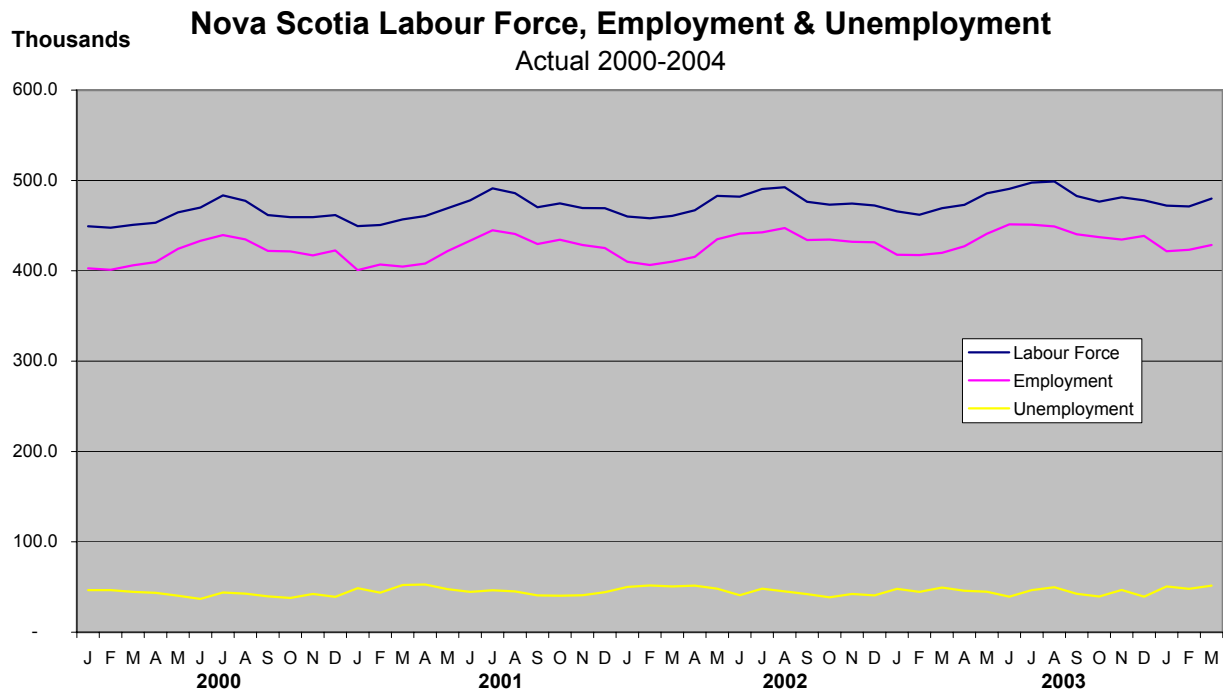
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	2,456.5	2,500.6	2,504.2	47.7	2,456.5	2,500.6	2,504.2	47.7
Labour Force ('000)	1,776.0	1,819.8	1,820.1	44.1	1,790.5	1,842.9	1,837.6	47.1
Employment ('000)	1,680.2	1,722.4	1,725.3	45.1	1,697.8	1,747.7	1,746.0	48.2
Unemployed ('000)	95.8	97.4	94.8	(1.0)	92.7	95.1	91.6	(1.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	5.4	5.2	(0.2)	5.2	5.2	5.0	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	72.3	72.8	72.7	0.4	72.9	73.7	73.4	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	68.4	68.9	68.9	0.5	69.1	69.9	69.7	0.6

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	
Population ('000)	3,351.0	3,396.5	3,400.2	49.2	3,351.0	3,396.5	3,400.2	49.2
Labour Force ('000)	2,169.0	2,184.3	2,194.2	25.2	2,186.4	2,210.5	2,215.0	28.6
Employment ('000)	1,998.2	2,000.8	2,017.8	19.6	2,015.7	2,036.0	2,041.1	25.4
Unemployed ('000)	170.7	183.4	176.5	5.8	170.7	174.4	173.9	3.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	8.4	8.0	0.1	7.8	7.9	7.9	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	64.7	64.3	64.5	(0.2)	65.2	65.1	65.1	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	59.6	58.9	59.3	(0.3)	60.2	59.9	60.0	(0.2)

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**Employment Situation - March 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,126.4	25,435.0	25,464.7	338.3	758.2	762.6	763.0	4.8
Labour Force ('000)	16,688.2	16,952.8	16,939.6	251.4	465.7	473.8	474.5	8.8
Employment ('000)	15,355.3	15,665.9	15,595.9	240.6	418.3	427.8	424.5	6.2
Unemployed ('000)	1,332.9	1,286.9	1,343.6	10.7	47.4	45.9	50.0	2.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	7.6	7.9	(0.1)	10.2	9.7	10.5	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	66.4	66.7	66.5	0.1	61.4	62.1	62.2	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	61.1	61.6	61.2	0.1	55.2	56.1	55.6	0.4

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	101.8	102.4	102.5	0.7	120.1	119.3	119.2	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	61.8	63.2	62.9	1.1	60.4	59.3	59.8	(0.6)
Employment ('000)	55.5	57.3	56.4	0.9	51.2	48.9	48.7	(2.5)
Unemployed ('000)	6.3	5.8	6.4	0.1	9.2	10.4	11.0	1.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.2	9.2	10.2	-	15.2	17.5	18.4	3.2
Participation Rate (%)	60.7	61.7	61.4	0.7	50.3	49.7	50.2	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	54.5	56.0	55.0	0.5	42.6	41.0	40.9	(1.7)

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	298.8	302.9	303.3	4.5	286.8	290.8	291.2	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	202.7	207.6	208.5	5.8	197.1	200.8	201.7	4.6
Employment ('000)	186.6	193.9	193.3	6.7	181.5	187.8	187.4	5.9
Unemployed ('000)	16.0	13.7	15.2	(0.8)	15.6	13.0	14.3	(1.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	6.6	7.3	(0.6)	7.9	6.5	7.1	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	68.5	68.7	0.9	68.7	69.1	69.3	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	62.4	64.0	63.7	1.3	63.3	64.6	64.4	1.1

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.2	133.4	133.4	0.2	104.3	104.6	104.6	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	79.1	79.9	80.5	1.4	61.7	63.7	62.9	1.2
Employment ('000)	70.7	71.0	70.9	0.2	54.4	56.7	55.0	0.6
Unemployed ('000)	8.4	8.9	9.6	1.2	7.4	7.0	7.8	0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.6	11.1	11.9	1.3	12.0	11.0	12.4	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	59.4	59.9	60.3	0.9	59.2	60.9	60.1	0.9
Employment Rate (%)	53.1	53.2	53.1	-	52.2	54.2	52.6	0.4

**Employment Situation - March 2004**  
**Job Tenure**

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

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,694.3	15,914.4	15,901.1	206.8	12,735.5	12,975.4	12,978.3	242.8	2,958.9	2,939.0	2,922.9	(36.0)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	218.6	219.0	223.3	4.7	183.2	186.7	187.4	4.2	35.4	32.3	36.0	0.6
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	67.4	68.9	68.8	1.4	56.9	57.9	57.3	0.4	10.5	11.0	11.4	0.9
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	434.6	440.5	442.7	8.1	353.8	359.9	361.1	7.3	80.9	80.6	81.5	0.6
<b>New Brunswick</b>	350.0	350.9	350.2	0.2	293.1	295.9	294.9	1.8	56.9	55.1	55.3	(1.6)
<b>Quebec</b>	3,629.9	3,681.6	3,686.1	56.2	2,967.6	2,994.9	2,995.8	28.2	662.3	686.7	690.3	28.0
<b>Ontario</b>	6,226.0	6,308.3	6,283.8	57.8	5,083.4	5,183.5	5,167.4	84.0	1,142.6	1,124.8	1,116.4	(26.2)
<b>Manitoba</b>	567.2	573.0	571.7	4.5	451.6	462.9	464.1	12.5	115.6	110.0	107.5	(8.1)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	487.1	488.4	487.5	0.4	395.9	396.4	392.9	(3.0)	91.2	92.1	94.6	3.4
<b>Alberta</b>	1,697.8	1,747.7	1,746.0	48.2	1,387.9	1,438.4	1,440.3	52.4	309.8	309.4	305.7	(4.1)
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,015.7	2,036.0	2,041.1	25.4	1,561.7	1,598.6	1,616.7	55.0	453.9	437.5	424.4	(29.5)

**Employment - Actual (000's)**

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,424.0	15,598.7	15,624.2	200.2	12,347.7	12,523.7	12,605.2	257.5	3,076.3	3,075.0	3,019.0	(57.3)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	202.6	202.3	206.7	4.1	165.1	168.9	168.5	3.4	37.6	33.4	38.2	0.6
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	62.3	63.1	63.6	1.3	50.7	51.1	51.1	0.4	11.6	12.1	12.5	0.9
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	419.9	423.2	428.5	8.6	334.6	334.9	343.6	9.0	85.3	88.3	84.9	(0.4)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	331.4	331.6	332.9	1.5	272.5	273.6	274.9	2.4	59.0	58.0	58.0	(1.0)
<b>Quebec</b>	3,557.9	3,597.1	3,615.3	57.4	2,862.7	2,874.0	2,892.9	30.2	695.2	723.1	722.4	27.2
<b>Ontario</b>	6,134.7	6,218.2	6,190.7	56.0	4,960.1	5,046.5	5,050.1	90.0	1,174.6	1,171.7	1,140.6	(34.0)
<b>Manitoba</b>	559.7	562.9	566.2	6.5	438.0	445.5	453.6	15.6	121.7	117.4	112.6	(9.1)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	477.1	477.0	477.3	0.2	381.1	379.7	378.2	(2.9)	96.0	97.3	99.1	3.1
<b>Alberta</b>	1,680.2	1,722.4	1,725.3	45.1	1,348.8	1,395.3	1,400.7	51.9	331.4	327.1	324.5	(6.9)
<b>British Columbia</b>	1,998.2	2,000.8	2,017.8	19.6	1,534.1	1,554.3	1,591.6	57.5	464.1	446.6	426.1	(38.0)

**Employment Situation - March 2004**  
**Youth Statistics**

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

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,777.6	2,781.3	2,781.8	4.2	2,422.9	2,389.3	2,383.0	(39.9)	12.8	14.1	14.3	1.5
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	41.7	39.5	39.5	(2.2)	31.7	29.3	29.7	(2.0)	24.0	25.8	24.8	0.8
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.2	13.3	13.6	(0.6)	11.7	11.2	11.5	(0.2)	17.6	15.8	15.4	(2.2)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	83.3	81.7	84.2	0.9	71.0	69.4	70.4	(0.6)	14.9	15.1	16.4	1.5
<b>New Brunswick</b>	63.1	63.1	63.9	0.8	53.1	52.4	53.0	(0.1)	15.8	17.0	17.1	1.3
<b>Quebec</b>	646.9	636.2	632.0	(14.9)	554.3	539.7	538.7	(15.6)	14.3	15.2	14.8	0.5
<b>Ontario</b>	1,066.3	1,076.0	1,074.3	8.0	929.7	920.1	909.1	(20.6)	12.8	14.5	15.4	2.6
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.0	107.1	104.9	(3.1)	98.1	97.1	94.5	(3.6)	9.3	9.3	9.9	0.6
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	97.4	92.5	95.2	(2.2)	86.5	81.1	82.9	(3.6)	11.2	12.3	12.8	1.6
<b>Alberta</b>	320.2	331.1	329.8	9.6	290.9	298.9	298.8	7.9	9.2	9.7	9.4	0.2
<b>British Columbia</b>	336.3	340.7	344.3	8.0	295.8	290.0	294.4	(1.4)	12.0	14.9	14.5	2.5

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,611.5	2,600.5	2,611.8	0.3	2,268.3	2,213.8	2,225.5	(42.8)	13.1	14.9	14.8	1.7
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	35.8	34.3	34.1	(1.7)	27.0	25.0	25.6	(1.4)	24.6	27.1	24.9	0.3
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	12.5	11.7	11.8	(0.7)	9.7	9.3	9.5	(0.2)	22.4	20.5	18.6	(3.8)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	76.4	72.8	77.8	1.4	64.6	61.6	64.3	(0.3)	15.4	15.4	17.4	2.0
<b>New Brunswick</b>	56.4	56.1	57.6	1.2	46.3	45.5	46.7	0.4	17.9	18.9	18.9	1.0
<b>Quebec</b>	609.6	596.8	593.2	(16.4)	516.0	496.5	499.5	(16.5)	15.4	16.8	15.8	0.4
<b>Ontario</b>	1,003.1	1,006.4	1,011.4	8.3	873.7	856.4	853.0	(20.7)	12.9	14.9	15.7	2.8
<b>Manitoba</b>	104.0	100.7	100.6	(3.4)	93.3	90.4	89.6	(3.7)	10.3	10.2	10.9	0.6
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	89.8	85.9	88.4	(1.4)	80.5	74.9	77.2	(3.3)	10.5	12.8	12.6	2.1
<b>Alberta</b>	303.8	311.7	311.1	7.3	275.5	280.3	281.2	5.7	9.3	10.1	9.6	0.3
<b>British Columbia</b>	320.3	324.0	325.8	5.5	281.9	273.9	278.8	(3.1)	12.0	15.5	14.4	2.4





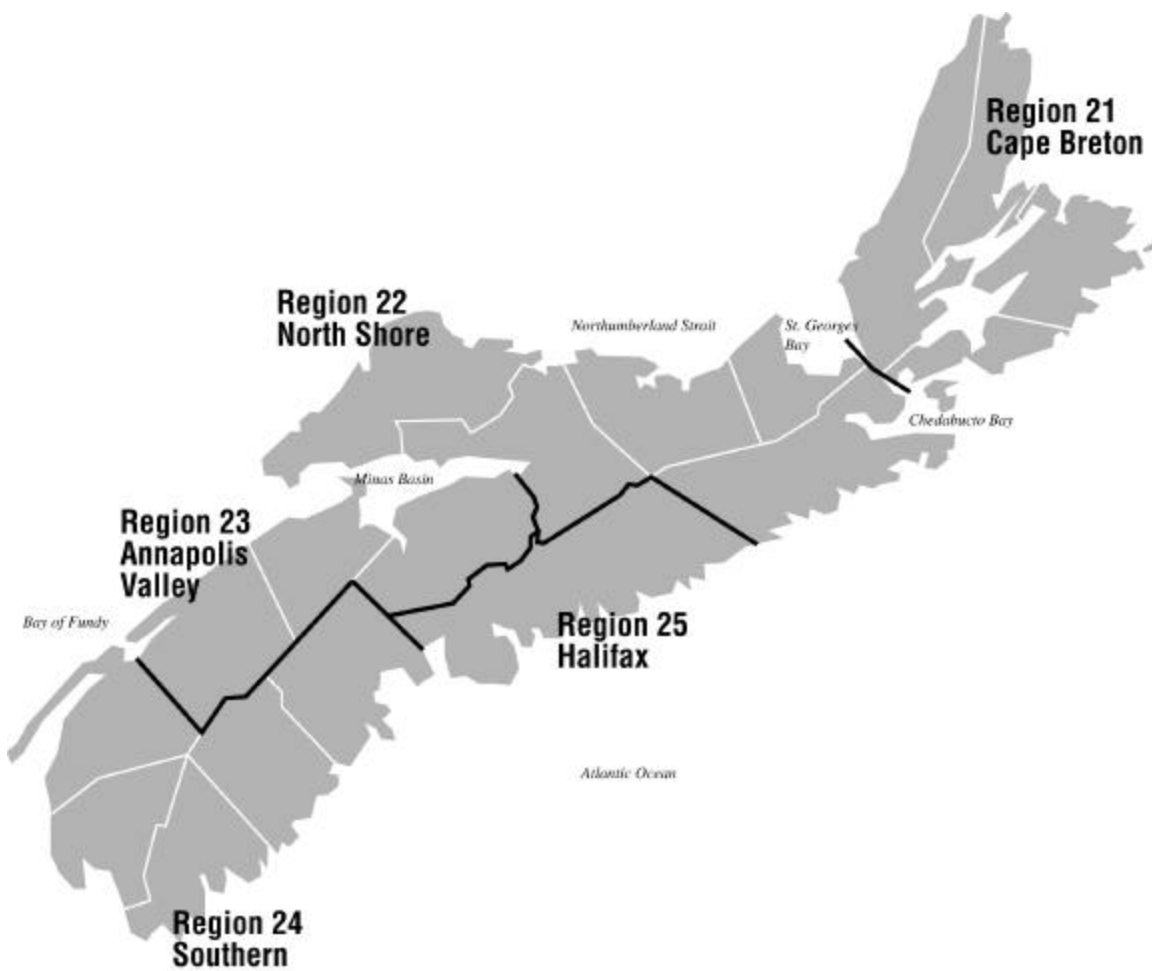
## Employment Situation - March 2004

### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change	Mar 2003	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	10.0	10.6	9.4	(0.6)	61.3	59.4	59.1	(2.2)	68.1	66.5	65.2	(2.9)
Halifax	<b>7.9</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>(0.8)</b>	<b>63.3</b>	<b>64.6</b>	<b>64.4</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>68.7</b>	<b>69.1</b>	<b>69.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Saint John, New Brunswick	10.2	8.2	9.2	(1.0)	59.4	58.4	58.8	(0.6)	66.1	63.7	64.8	(1.3)
Saguenay	12.1	13.7	13.6	1.5	52.0	54.8	55.2	3.2	59.2	63.5	63.9	4.7
Québec	8.7	7.6	7.4	(1.3)	60.3	58.5	58.9	(1.4)	66.0	63.3	63.6	(2.4)
Trois-Rivières	9.9	9.8	10.5	0.6	56.4	54.5	53.7	(2.7)	62.6	60.4	60.1	(2.5)
Sherbrooke	7.8	8.1	7.6	(0.2)	60.5	59.0	58.9	(1.6)	65.5	64.2	63.8	(1.7)
Montréal	9.5	8.9	9.0	(0.5)	61.3	61.4	60.9	(0.4)	67.7	67.4	66.9	(0.8)
Ottawa-Gatineau	7.1	6.7	6.7	(0.4)	65.4	65.2	64.9	(0.5)	70.3	69.9	69.6	(0.7)
Sudbury	8.6	8.8	8.4	(0.2)	55.9	58.3	58.7	2.8	61.0	63.9	64.0	3.0
Oshawa	5.2	4.9	5.5	0.3	68.0	68.8	68.0	-	71.7	72.3	72.0	0.3
Toronto	7.2	6.9	7.4	0.2	64.5	64.1	63.8	(0.7)	69.6	68.8	69.0	(0.6)
Hamilton	6.2	6.1	7.6	1.4	63.6	63.2	62.4	(1.2)	67.8	67.3	67.5	(0.3)
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.7	8.0	9.1	1.4	58.1	56.7	55.7	(2.4)	62.9	61.7	61.3	(1.6)
London	6.9	6.8	6.4	(0.5)	61.5	64.1	64.0	2.5	66.1	68.8	68.3	2.2
Windsor	8.2	7.9	8.0	(0.2)	61.7	60.5	59.8	(1.9)	67.2	65.6	65.1	(2.1)
Kitchener	6.5	5.5	5.9	(0.6)	65.5	65.4	65.0	(0.5)	70.0	69.2	69.1	(0.9)
Thunder Bay	5.5	7.6	7.5	2.0	64.7	60.7	60.5	(4.2)	68.5	65.7	65.4	(3.1)
Winnipeg	5.8	5.5	5.6	(0.2)	66.1	65.9	65.9	(0.2)	70.2	69.7	69.8	(0.4)
Regina	6.4	5.7	5.7	(0.7)	66.7	69.5	69.0	2.3	71.3	73.6	73.1	1.8
Saskatoon	6.2	6.5	7.3	1.1	64.7	63.7	63.1	(1.6)	69.0	68.3	68.1	(0.9)
Calgary	6.0	5.5	5.8	(0.2)	69.8	71.3	70.8	1.0	74.3	75.4	75.2	0.9
Edmonton	5.4	5.2	5.5	0.1	67.1	68.0	68.1	1.0	70.9	71.7	72.1	1.2
Vancouver	7.4	6.5	7.1	(0.3)	61.4	62.3	62.0	0.6	66.3	66.6	66.7	0.4
Victoria	6.0	5.4	5.4	(0.6)	58.7	59.1	59.0	0.3	62.5	62.5	62.3	(0.2)

# Employment Situation April 2004



## About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

Since its inception in 1945, the objectives of the LFS have been to divide the working-age population into three mutually exclusive classifications--employed, unemployed and not in the labour force--and to provide descriptive

and explanatory data on each of these categories. Data from the survey provide information on major labour market trends such as shifts in employment across industrial sectors, hours worked, labour force participation and unemployment rates.

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## Employment Situation - April 2004 Canada/Provinces

### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	25,178.1	25,492.9	25,524.1	346.0	25,178.1	25,492.9	25,524.1	346.0
Labour Force ('000)	16,819.2	16,981.9	17,030.4	211.2	16,983.1	17,188.1	17,205.0	221.9
Employment ('000)	15,478.7	15,624.2	15,735.7	257.0	15,689.1	15,901.1	15,950.7	261.6
Unemployed ('000)	1,340.5	1,357.6	1,294.7	(45.8)	1,294.0	1,287.0	1,254.3	(39.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	8.0	7.6	(0.4)	7.6	7.5	7.3	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	66.8	66.6	66.7	(0.1)	67.5	67.4	67.4	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	61.5	61.3	61.7	0.2	62.3	62.4	62.5	0.2

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	759.0	763.4	763.7	4.7	759.0	763.4	763.7	4.7
Labour Force ('000)	473.0	480.0	483.4	10.4	480.1	487.6	489.3	9.2
Employment ('000)	427.2	428.5	435.2	8.0	438.2	442.7	445.5	7.3
Unemployed ('000)	45.8	51.5	48.2	2.4	41.9	44.9	43.8	1.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.7	10.7	10.0	0.3	8.7	9.2	9.0	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	62.3	62.9	63.3	1.0	63.3	63.9	64.1	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	56.3	56.1	57.0	0.7	57.7	58.0	58.3	0.6

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	439.4	439.9	439.9	0.5	439.4	439.9	439.9	0.5
Labour Force ('000)	254.9	252.0	254.9	-	262.2	264.4	262.4	0.2
Employment ('000)	205.1	206.7	206.8	1.7	217.7	223.3	219.3	1.6
Unemployed ('000)	49.8	45.3	48.1	(1.7)	44.5	41.1	43.2	(1.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	19.5	18.0	18.9	(0.6)	17.0	15.5	16.5	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	58.0	57.3	57.9	(0.1)	59.7	60.1	59.6	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	46.7	47.0	47.0	0.3	49.5	50.8	49.9	0.4

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	113.0	114.2	114.3	1.3	113.0	114.2	114.3	1.3
Labour Force ('000)	75.9	74.9	76.6	0.7	77.3	78.2	77.6	0.3
Employment ('000)	63.3	63.6	63.2	(0.1)	67.8	68.8	67.9	0.1
Unemployed ('000)	12.7	11.3	13.4	0.7	9.6	9.4	9.8	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	16.7	15.1	17.5	0.8	12.4	12.0	12.6	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	67.2	65.6	67.0	(0.2)	68.4	68.5	67.9	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	56.0	55.7	55.3	(0.7)	60.0	60.2	59.4	(0.6)

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	608.6	611.3	611.6	3.0	608.6	611.3	611.6	3.0
Labour Force ('000)	377.5	376.5	379.3	1.8	385.7	388.8	387.5	1.8
Employment ('000)	330.4	332.9	333.5	3.1	345.3	350.2	348.6	3.3
Unemployed ('000)	47.1	43.6	45.8	(1.3)	40.4	38.6	38.9	(1.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	12.5	11.6	12.1	(0.4)	10.5	9.9	10.0	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	62.0	61.6	62.0	-	63.4	63.6	63.4	-
Employment Rate (%)	54.3	54.5	54.5	0.2	56.7	57.3	57.0	0.3

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	6,070.9	6,128.4	6,134.7	63.8	6,070.9	6,128.4	6,134.7	63.8
Labour Force ('000)	3,983.7	3,984.9	4,032.2	48.5	4,007.2	4,033.0	4,055.4	48.2
Employment ('000)	3,595.5	3,615.3	3,673.0	77.5	3,643.1	3,686.1	3,714.5	71.4
Unemployed ('000)	388.2	369.6	359.2	(29.0)	364.1	346.9	340.9	(23.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.7	9.3	8.9	(0.8)	9.1	8.6	8.4	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	65.0	65.7	0.1	66.0	65.8	66.1	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	59.2	59.0	59.9	0.7	60.0	60.1	60.5	0.5

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	9,747.5	9,899.9	9,914.7	167.2	9,747.5	9,899.9	9,914.7	167.2
Labour Force ('000)	6,591.1	6,691.7	6,683.6	92.5	6,664.8	6,763.3	6,760.6	95.8
Employment ('000)	6,142.9	6,190.7	6,230.5	87.6	6,204.4	6,283.8	6,298.1	93.7
Unemployed ('000)	448.2	500.9	453.1	4.9	460.5	479.5	462.5	2.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	7.5	6.8	-	6.9	7.1	6.8	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	67.6	67.6	67.4	(0.2)	68.4	68.3	68.2	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	63.0	62.5	62.8	(0.2)	63.7	63.5	63.5	(0.2)

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	866.2	874.3	875.2	9.0	866.2	874.3	875.2	9.0
Labour Force ('000)	592.8	597.5	603.8	11.0	596.8	601.4	606.8	10.0
Employment ('000)	564.4	566.2	568.7	4.3	570.5	571.7	574.2	3.7
Unemployed ('000)	28.5	31.3	35.1	6.6	26.3	29.8	32.6	6.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	5.2	5.8	1.0	4.4	5.0	5.4	1.0
Participation Rate (%)	68.4	68.3	69.0	0.6	68.9	68.8	69.3	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	65.2	64.8	65.0	(0.2)	65.9	65.4	65.6	(0.3)

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	756.3	757.0	757.3	1.0	756.3	757.0	757.3	1.0
Labour Force ('000)	508.2	510.1	513.2	5.0	515.0	518.8	521.6	6.6
Employment ('000)	477.2	477.3	483.0	5.8	487.3	487.5	493.5	6.2
Unemployed ('000)	31.0	32.8	30.2	(0.8)	27.7	31.4	28.1	0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1	6.4	5.9	(0.2)	5.4	6.1	5.4	-
Participation Rate (%)	67.2	67.4	67.8	0.6	68.1	68.5	68.9	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	63.1	63.1	63.8	0.7	64.4	64.4	65.2	0.8

### Alberta

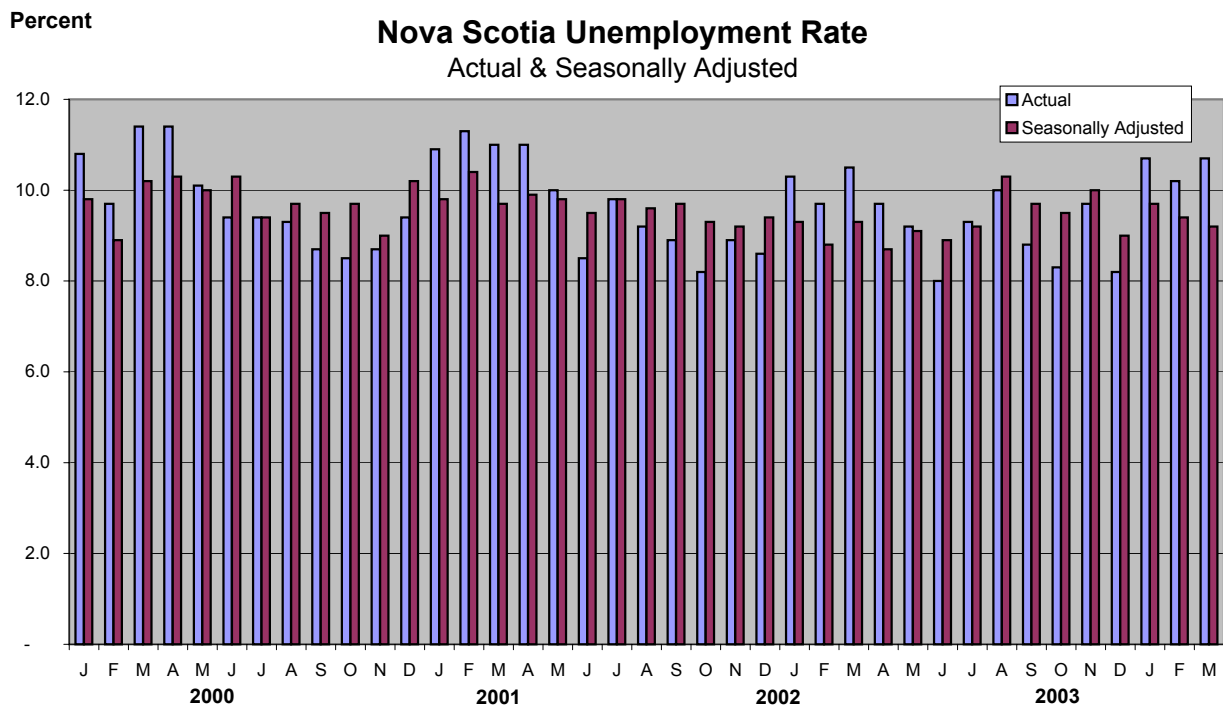
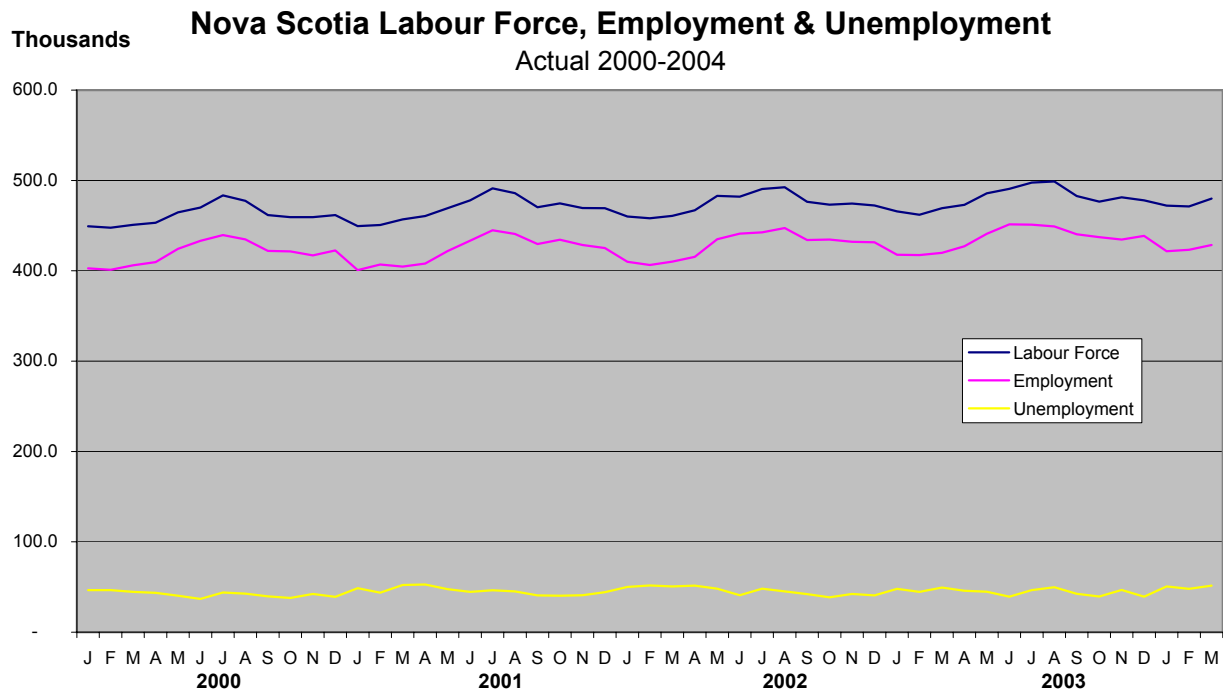
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	2,461.6	2,504.2	2,508.2	46.6	2,461.6	2,504.2	2,508.2	46.6
Labour Force ('000)	1,786.7	1,820.1	1,813.7	27.0	1,802.7	1,837.6	1,834.5	31.8
Employment ('000)	1,678.9	1,725.3	1,725.0	46.1	1,703.7	1,746.0	1,751.1	47.4
Unemployed ('000)	107.8	94.8	88.7	(19.1)	99.0	91.6	83.4	(15.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.0	5.2	4.9	(1.1)	5.5	5.0	4.5	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	72.6	72.7	72.3	(0.3)	73.2	73.4	73.1	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	68.2	68.9	68.8	0.6	69.2	69.7	69.8	0.6

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	
Population ('000)	3,355.7	3,400.2	3,404.5	48.8	3,355.7	3,400.2	3,404.5	48.8
Labour Force ('000)	2,175.4	2,194.2	2,189.8	14.4	2,191.3	2,215.0	2,209.1	17.8
Employment ('000)	1,993.9	2,017.8	2,016.8	22.9	2,011.3	2,041.1	2,037.9	26.6
Unemployed ('000)	181.5	176.5	173.0	(8.5)	180.0	173.9	171.2	(8.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.3	8.0	7.9	(0.4)	8.2	7.9	7.7	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	64.8	64.5	64.3	(0.5)	65.3	65.1	64.9	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	59.4	59.3	59.2	(0.2)	59.9	60.0	59.9	-

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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**Employment Situation - April 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,149.7	25,464.7	25,494.1	344.4	758.6	763.0	763.4	4.8
Labour Force ('000)	16,757.5	16,939.6	16,980.1	222.6	468.2	474.5	478.2	10.0
Employment ('000)	15,426.1	15,595.9	15,652.9	226.8	421.5	424.5	429.0	7.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,331.4	1,343.6	1,327.2	(4.2)	46.7	50.0	49.2	2.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	7.9	7.8	(0.1)	10.0	10.5	10.3	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	66.6	66.5	66.6	-	61.7	62.2	62.6	0.9
Employment Rate (%)	61.3	61.2	61.4	0.1	55.6	55.6	56.2	0.6

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	101.9	102.5	102.5	0.6	120.0	119.2	119.1	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	62.1	62.9	63.0	0.9	60.9	59.8	62.1	1.2
Employment ('000)	55.9	56.4	55.9	-	51.2	48.7	51.4	0.2
Unemployed ('000)	6.1	6.4	7.1	1.0	9.7	11.0	10.7	1.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.8	10.2	11.3	1.5	15.9	18.4	17.2	1.3
Participation Rate (%)	60.9	61.4	61.5	0.6	50.8	50.2	52.1	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	54.9	55.0	54.5	(0.4)	42.7	40.9	43.2	0.5

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	299.2	303.3	303.6	4.4	287.2	291.2	291.5	4.3
Labour Force ('000)	202.4	208.5	210.0	7.6	196.9	201.7	203.4	6.5
Employment ('000)	187.5	193.3	195.4	7.9	182.3	187.4	189.6	7.3
Unemployed ('000)	15.0	15.2	14.6	(0.4)	14.6	14.3	13.7	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	7.3	7.0	(0.4)	7.4	7.1	6.7	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	67.6	68.7	69.2	1.6	68.6	69.3	69.8	1.2
Employment Rate (%)	62.7	63.7	64.4	1.7	63.5	64.4	65.0	1.5

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.2	133.4	133.4	0.2	104.3	104.6	104.7	0.4
Labour Force ('000)	79.8	80.5	80.2	0.4	62.9	62.9	62.8	(0.1)
Employment ('000)	71.5	70.9	71.1	(0.4)	55.3	55.0	55.2	(0.1)
Unemployed ('000)	8.3	9.6	9.1	0.8	7.5	7.8	7.7	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.4	11.9	11.3	0.9	11.9	12.4	12.3	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	59.9	60.3	60.1	0.2	60.3	60.1	60.0	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	53.7	53.1	53.3	(0.4)	53.0	52.6	52.7	(0.3)

**Employment Situation - April 2004**  
**Job Tenure**

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

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,689.1	15,901.1	15,950.7	261.6	12,752.9	12,978.3	13,033.9	281.0	2,936.3	2,922.9	2,916.7	(19.6)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	217.7	223.3	219.3	1.6	180.8	187.4	187.5	6.7	36.8	36.0	31.8	(5.0)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	67.8	68.8	67.9	0.1	57.1	57.3	56.4	(0.7)	10.7	11.4	11.5	0.8
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	438.2	442.7	445.5	7.3	355.5	361.1	361.7	6.2	82.7	81.5	83.8	1.1
<b>New Brunswick</b>	345.3	350.2	348.6	3.3	291.9	294.9	294.4	2.5	53.4	55.3	54.2	0.8
<b>Quebec</b>	3,643.1	3,686.1	3,714.5	71.4	2,977.9	2,995.8	3,040.1	62.2	665.2	690.3	674.4	9.2
<b>Ontario</b>	6,204.4	6,283.8	6,298.1	93.7	5,072.6	5,167.4	5,185.2	112.6	1,131.8	1,116.4	1,113.0	(18.8)
<b>Manitoba</b>	570.5	571.7	574.2	3.7	456.0	464.1	463.6	7.6	114.4	107.5	110.5	(3.9)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	487.3	487.5	493.5	6.2	390.5	392.9	397.5	7.0	96.8	94.6	96.0	(0.8)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,703.7	1,746.0	1,751.1	47.4	1,404.6	1,440.3	1,439.6	35.0	299.2	305.7	311.6	12.4
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,011.3	2,041.1	2,037.9	26.6	1,565.9	1,616.7	1,607.9	42.0	445.4	424.4	430.0	(15.4)

**Employment - Actual (000's)**

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,478.7	15,624.2	15,735.7	257.0	12,479.9	12,605.2	12,767.9	288.0	2,998.8	3,019.0	2,967.8	(31.0)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	205.1	206.7	206.8	1.7	167.7	168.5	174.9	7.2	37.4	38.2	31.9	(5.5)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	63.3	63.6	63.2	(0.1)	52.2	51.1	51.3	(0.9)	11.1	12.5	11.9	0.8
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	427.2	428.5	435.2	8.0	344.6	343.6	351.6	7.0	82.6	84.9	83.6	1.0
<b>New Brunswick</b>	330.4	332.9	333.5	3.1	275.3	274.9	277.7	2.4	55.1	58.0	55.8	0.7
<b>Quebec</b>	3,595.5	3,615.3	3,673.0	77.5	2,905.3	2,892.9	2,974.1	68.8	690.2	722.4	698.9	8.7
<b>Ontario</b>	6,142.9	6,190.7	6,230.5	87.6	4,997.9	5,050.1	5,112.0	114.1	1,145.0	1,140.6	1,118.5	(26.5)
<b>Manitoba</b>	564.4	566.2	568.7	4.3	446.4	453.6	455.8	9.4	117.9	112.6	112.9	(5.0)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	477.2	477.3	483.0	5.8	379.5	378.2	386.2	6.7	97.7	99.1	96.8	(0.9)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,678.9	1,725.3	1,725.0	46.1	1,367.7	1,400.7	1,400.8	33.1	311.2	324.5	324.2	13.0
<b>British Columbia</b>	1,993.9	2,017.8	2,016.8	22.9	1,543.3	1,591.6	1,583.5	40.2	450.6	426.1	433.3	(17.3)

**Employment Situation - April 2004**  
**Youth Statistics**

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

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,784.0	2,781.8	2,792.8	8.8	2,404.7	2,383.0	2,403.6	(1.1)	13.6	14.3	13.9	0.3
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	41.8	39.5	39.2	(2.6)	31.3	29.7	29.1	(2.2)	25.1	24.8	25.8	0.7
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.1	13.6	12.9	(1.2)	11.9	11.5	10.7	(1.2)	15.6	15.4	17.1	1.5
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	82.7	84.2	81.4	(1.3)	70.3	70.4	69.0	(1.3)	15.0	16.4	15.4	0.4
<b>New Brunswick</b>	63.3	63.9	61.6	(1.7)	52.2	53.0	50.8	(1.4)	17.5	17.1	17.5	-
<b>Quebec</b>	641.7	632.0	648.3	6.6	551.8	538.7	547.5	(4.3)	14.0	14.8	15.5	1.5
<b>Ontario</b>	1,066.9	1,074.3	1,072.9	6.0	913.6	909.1	922.2	8.6	14.4	15.4	14.0	(0.4)
<b>Manitoba</b>	107.3	104.9	109.1	1.8	98.1	94.5	96.2	(1.9)	8.6	9.9	11.8	3.2
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	95.3	95.2	97.9	2.6	86.6	82.9	87.7	1.1	9.1	12.8	10.4	1.3
<b>Alberta</b>	329.1	329.8	328.1	(1.0)	297.3	298.8	300.0	2.7	9.7	9.4	8.6	(1.1)
<b>British Columbia</b>	341.7	344.3	341.3	(0.4)	291.7	294.4	290.4	(1.3)	14.6	14.5	14.9	0.3

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,624.9	2,611.8	2,631.3	6.4	2,252.7	2,225.5	2,249.4	(3.3)	14.2	14.8	14.5	0.3
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	37.0	34.1	34.6	(2.4)	27.1	25.6	25.3	(1.8)	26.5	24.9	27.2	0.7
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	12.7	11.8	11.8	(0.9)	10.1	9.5	9.0	(1.1)	20.5	18.6	23.7	3.2
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	76.7	77.8	75.7	(1.0)	64.3	64.3	63.2	(1.1)	16.2	17.4	16.5	0.3
<b>New Brunswick</b>	57.9	57.6	55.8	(2.1)	46.5	46.7	44.7	(1.8)	19.5	18.9	19.9	0.4
<b>Quebec</b>	605.4	593.2	613.4	8.0	517.9	499.5	513.7	(4.2)	14.4	15.8	16.3	1.9
<b>Ontario</b>	1,000.0	1,011.4	1,003.8	3.8	850.4	853.0	858.6	8.2	15.0	15.7	14.5	(0.5)
<b>Manitoba</b>	102.4	100.6	104.5	2.1	92.8	89.6	90.8	(2.0)	9.4	10.9	13.1	3.7
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	89.0	88.4	90.9	1.9	79.8	77.2	80.6	0.8	10.3	12.6	11.3	1.0
<b>Alberta</b>	313.3	311.1	312.0	(1.3)	281.0	281.2	283.6	2.6	10.3	9.6	9.1	(1.2)
<b>British Columbia</b>	330.7	325.8	328.7	(2.0)	282.7	278.8	280.0	(2.7)	14.5	14.4	14.8	0.3



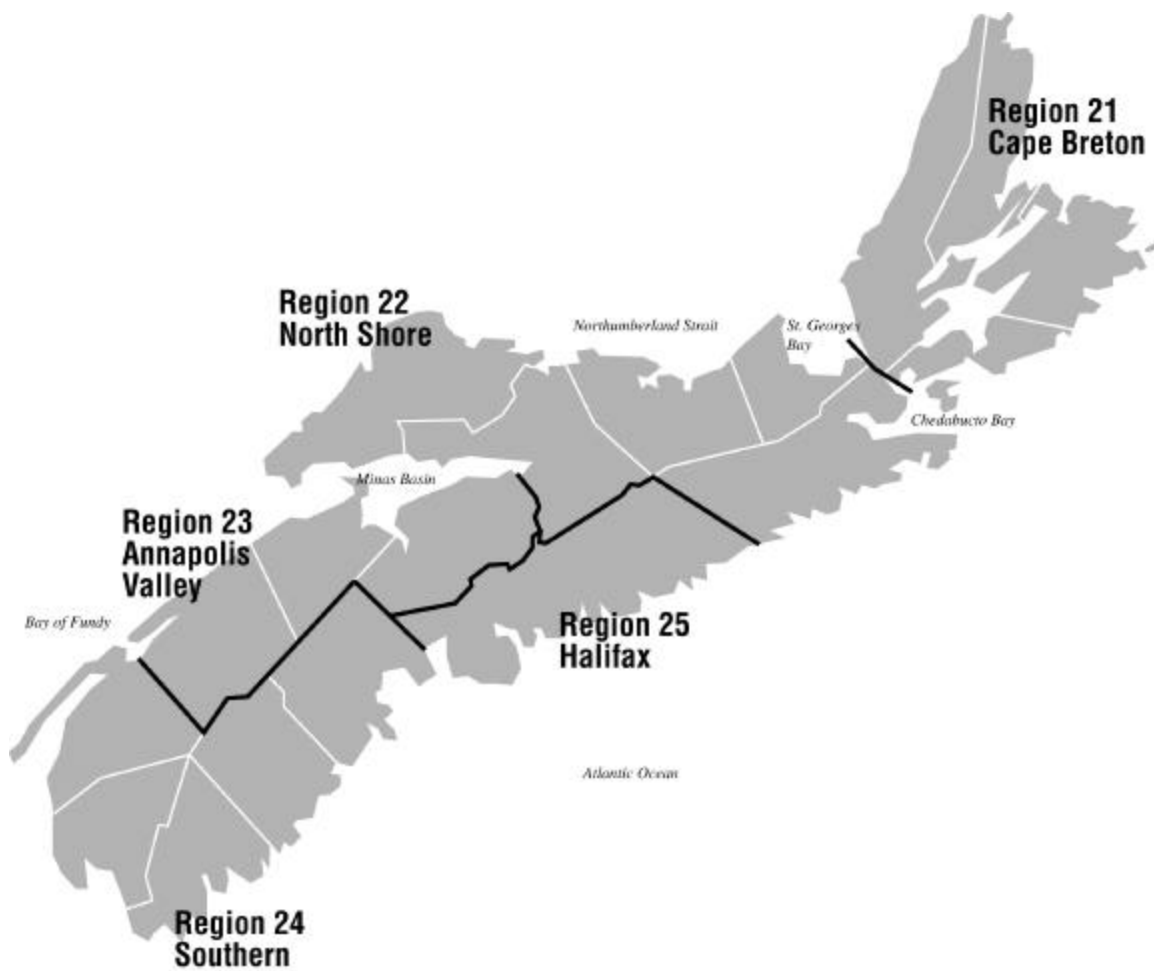
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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change	Apr 2003	Mar 2004	Apr 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.3	9.4	8.3	(1.0)	62.3	59.1	59.7	(2.6)	68.6	65.2	65.2	(3.4)
Halifax	7.4	7.1	6.7	(0.7)	63.5	64.4	65.0	1.5	68.6	69.3	69.8	1.2
Saint John, New Brunswick	10.6	9.2	9.1	(1.5)	58.6	58.8	59.2	0.6	65.6	64.8	65.1	(0.5)
Saguenay	12.8	13.6	12.6	(0.2)	52.1	55.2	55.8	3.7	59.8	63.9	63.9	4.1
Québec	8.3	7.4	7.5	(0.8)	61.3	58.9	60.1	(1.2)	66.8	63.6	65.0	(1.8)
Trois-Rivières	10.2	10.5	11.0	0.8	56.3	53.7	54.0	(2.3)	62.8	60.1	60.7	(2.1)
Sherbrooke	7.3	7.6	7.3	-	60.3	58.9	60.0	(0.3)	65.1	63.8	64.7	(0.4)
Montréal	9.7	9.0	8.6	(1.1)	61.1	60.9	61.4	0.3	67.7	66.9	67.2	(0.5)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.5	6.7	6.6	0.1	66.1	64.9	64.8	(1.3)	70.8	69.6	69.4	(1.4)
Sudbury	8.0	8.4	8.4	0.4	57.2	58.7	58.7	1.5	62.1	64.0	64.1	2.0
Oshawa	5.2	5.5	5.7	0.5	68.6	68.0	67.8	(0.8)	72.3	72.0	71.8	(0.5)
Toronto	7.3	7.4	7.4	0.1	64.6	63.8	64.2	(0.4)	69.7	69.0	69.3	(0.4)
Hamilton	5.6	7.6	8.0	2.4	63.3	62.4	62.2	(1.1)	67.0	67.5	67.6	0.6
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.2	9.1	8.9	1.7	58.2	55.7	55.5	(2.7)	62.8	61.3	60.9	(1.9)
London	7.1	6.4	6.0	(1.1)	61.6	64.0	64.3	2.7	66.3	68.3	68.5	2.2
Windsor	8.3	8.0	8.0	(0.3)	61.4	59.8	59.9	(1.5)	66.9	65.1	65.1	(1.8)
Kitchener	6.4	5.9	5.8	(0.6)	65.5	65.0	65.0	(0.5)	70.0	69.1	69.0	(1.0)
Thunder Bay	6.1	7.5	7.5	1.4	63.9	60.5	60.5	(3.4)	68.1	65.4	65.4	(2.7)
Winnipeg	5.5	5.6	5.4	(0.1)	66.3	65.9	66.3	-	70.2	69.8	70.1	(0.1)
Regina	5.8	5.7	5.3	(0.5)	66.7	69.0	69.1	2.4	70.8	73.1	72.9	2.1
Saskatoon	6.2	7.3	7.2	1.0	65.0	63.1	63.4	(1.6)	69.2	68.1	68.2	(1.0)
Calgary	5.8	5.8	5.6	(0.2)	70.0	70.8	70.8	0.8	74.3	75.2	75.0	0.7
Edmonton	5.5	5.5	5.2	(0.3)	67.2	68.1	68.5	1.3	71.1	72.1	72.3	1.2
Vancouver	7.3	7.1	7.3	-	61.7	62.0	61.7	-	66.5	66.7	66.6	0.1
Victoria	5.8	5.4	4.4	(1.4)	58.9	59.0	59.8	0.9	62.4	62.3	62.5	0.1

# Employment Situation May 2004



## About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

Since its inception in 1945, the objectives of the LFS have been to divide the working-age population into three mutually exclusive classifications--employed, unemployed and not in the labour force--and to provide descriptive

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## Employment Situation - May 2004 Canada/Provinces

### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	25,206.3	25,524.1	25,555.1	348.8	25,206.3	25,524.1	25,555.1	348.8
Labour Force ('000)	17,178.2	17,030.4	17,395.6	217.4	17,021.5	17,205.0	17,247.0	225.5
Employment ('000)	15,799.6	15,735.7	16,117.7	318.1	15,682.1	15,950.7	16,006.8	324.7
Unemployed ('000)	1,378.6	1,294.7	1,277.9	(100.7)	1,339.3	1,254.3	1,240.2	(99.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	7.6	7.3	(0.7)	7.9	7.3	7.2	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	68.2	66.7	68.1	(0.1)	67.5	67.4	67.5	-
Employment Rate (%)	62.7	61.7	63.1	0.4	62.2	62.5	62.6	0.4

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	759.4	763.7	763.9	4.5	759.4	763.7	763.9	4.5
Labour Force ('000)	485.7	483.4	499.9	14.2	480.1	489.3	492.9	12.8
Employment ('000)	440.9	435.2	454.8	13.9	436.5	445.5	449.2	12.7
Unemployed ('000)	44.8	48.2	45.1	0.3	43.6	43.8	43.8	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.2	10.0	9.0	(0.2)	9.1	9.0	8.9	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	64.0	63.3	65.4	1.4	63.2	64.1	64.5	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	58.1	57.0	59.5	1.4	57.5	58.3	58.8	1.3

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	439.2	439.9	439.7	0.5	439.2	439.9	439.7	0.5
Labour Force ('000)	267.7	254.9	274.4	6.7	260.6	262.4	266.5	5.9
Employment ('000)	220.5	206.8	225.3	4.8	218.1	219.3	222.6	4.5
Unemployed ('000)	47.2	48.1	49.1	1.9	42.6	43.2	43.9	1.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	17.6	18.9	17.9	0.3	16.3	16.5	16.5	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	61.0	57.9	62.4	1.4	59.3	59.6	60.6	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	50.2	47.0	51.2	1.0	49.7	49.9	50.6	0.9

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	113.2	114.3	114.6	1.4	113.2	114.3	114.6	1.4
Labour Force ('000)	79.6	76.6	80.7	1.1	77.2	77.6	78.8	1.6
Employment ('000)	71.4	63.2	71.9	0.5	68.0	67.9	68.9	0.9
Unemployed ('000)	8.2	13.4	8.8	0.6	9.2	9.8	9.9	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.3	17.5	10.9	0.6	11.9	12.6	12.6	0.7
Participation Rate (%)	70.3	67.0	70.4	0.1	68.2	67.9	68.8	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	63.1	55.3	62.7	(0.4)	60.1	59.4	60.1	-

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	609.0	611.6	612.1	3.1	609.0	611.6	612.1	3.1
Labour Force ('000)	390.4	379.3	399.1	8.7	383.2	387.5	391.6	8.4
Employment ('000)	338.9	333.5	354.6	15.7	337.3	348.6	352.5	15.2
Unemployed ('000)	51.5	45.8	44.5	(7.0)	45.8	38.9	39.1	(6.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	13.2	12.1	11.2	(2.0)	12.0	10.0	10.0	(2.0)
Participation Rate (%)	64.1	62.0	65.2	1.1	62.9	63.4	64.0	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	55.6	54.5	57.9	2.3	55.4	57.0	57.6	2.2

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	6,075.1	6,134.7	6,140.4	65.3	6,075.1	6,134.7	6,140.4	65.3
Labour Force ('000)	4,042.8	4,032.2	4,058.8	16.0	4,006.2	4,055.4	4,028.9	22.7
Employment ('000)	3,663.6	3,673.0	3,739.8	76.2	3,632.8	3,714.5	3,708.0	75.2
Unemployed ('000)	379.2	359.2	318.9	(60.3)	373.4	340.9	320.9	(52.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.4	8.9	7.9	(1.5)	9.3	8.4	8.0	(1.3)
Participation Rate (%)	66.5	65.7	66.1	(0.4)	65.9	66.1	65.6	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	60.3	59.9	60.9	0.6	59.8	60.5	60.4	0.6

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	9,762.1	9,914.7	9,929.5	167.4	9,762.1	9,914.7	9,929.5	167.4
Labour Force ('000)	6,748.1	6,683.6	6,863.5	115.4	6,688.5	6,760.6	6,801.7	113.2
Employment ('000)	6,251.3	6,230.5	6,366.9	115.6	6,209.2	6,298.1	6,328.9	119.7
Unemployed ('000)	496.8	453.1	496.6	(0.2)	479.3	462.5	472.8	(6.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	6.8	7.2	(0.2)	7.2	6.8	7.0	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	67.4	69.1	-	68.5	68.2	68.5	-
Employment Rate (%)	64.0	62.8	64.1	0.1	63.6	63.5	63.7	0.1

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	866.8	875.2	876.1	9.3	866.8	875.2	876.1	9.3
Labour Force ('000)	602.4	603.8	610.9	8.5	599.0	606.8	607.8	8.8
Employment ('000)	577.3	568.7	581.1	3.8	571.8	574.2	575.8	4.0
Unemployed ('000)	25.1	35.1	29.9	4.8	27.1	32.6	32.0	4.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	5.8	4.9	0.7	4.5	5.4	5.3	0.8
Participation Rate (%)	69.5	69.0	69.7	0.2	69.1	69.3	69.4	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	66.6	65.0	66.3	(0.3)	66.0	65.6	65.7	(0.3)

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	755.9	757.3	757.4	1.5	755.9	757.3	757.4	1.5
Labour Force ('000)	524.1	513.2	523.3	(0.8)	516.1	521.6	516.5	0.4
Employment ('000)	493.7	483.0	497.4	3.7	487.8	493.5	491.7	3.9
Unemployed ('000)	30.4	30.2	25.9	(4.5)	28.3	28.1	24.8	(3.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.8	5.9	4.9	(0.9)	5.5	5.4	4.8	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	69.3	67.8	69.1	(0.2)	68.3	68.9	68.2	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	65.3	63.8	65.7	0.4	64.5	65.2	64.9	0.4

### Alberta

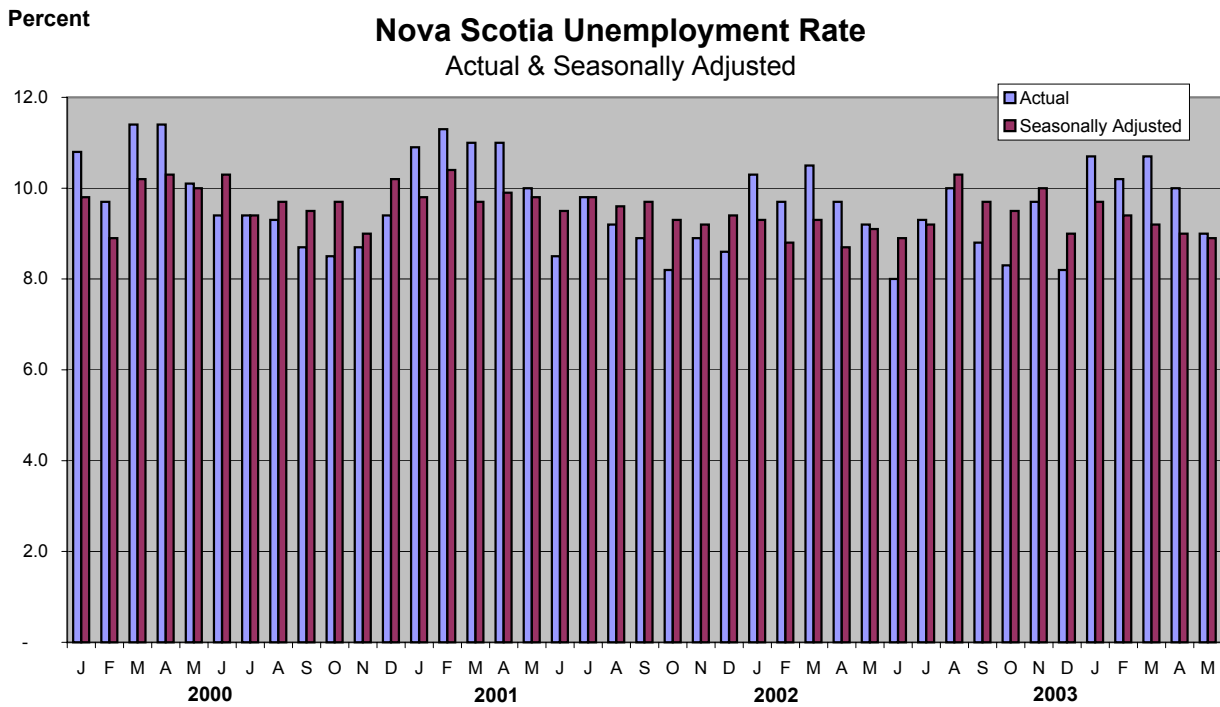
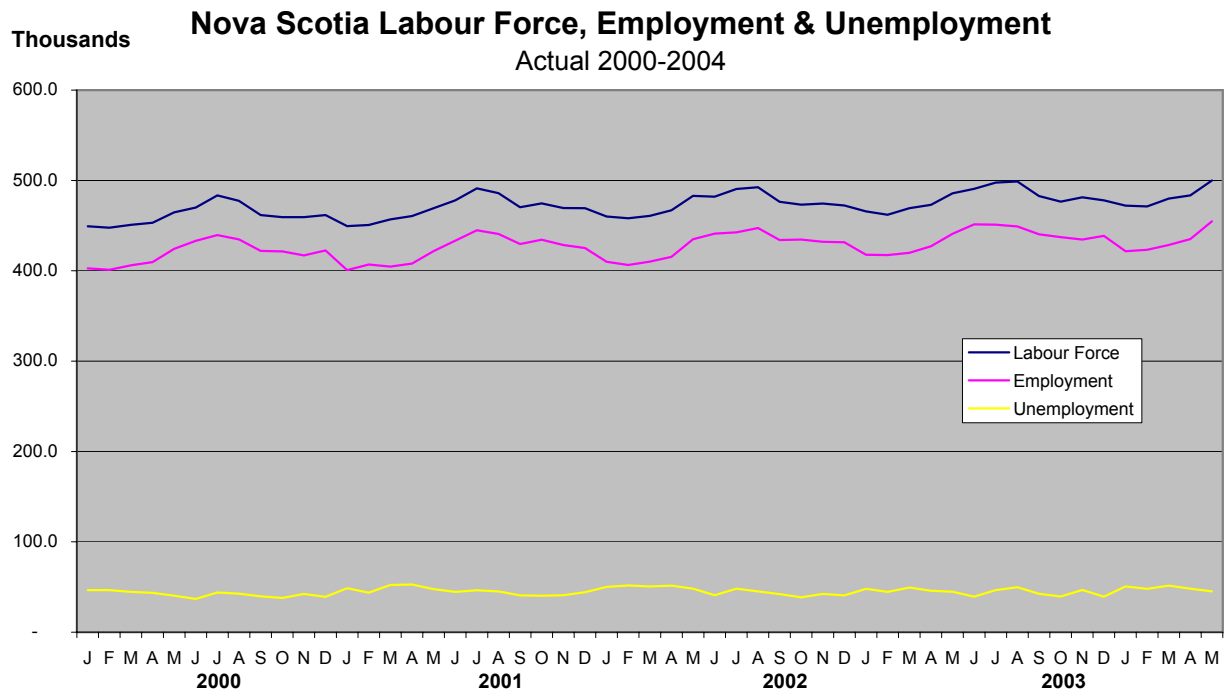
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	2,465.9	2,508.2	2,512.2	46.3	2,465.9	2,508.2	2,512.2	46.3
Labour Force ('000)	1,832.1	1,813.7	1,847.0	14.9	1,816.6	1,834.5	1,835.7	19.1
Employment ('000)	1,726.4	1,725.0	1,763.7	37.3	1,716.2	1,751.1	1,756.1	39.9
Unemployed ('000)	105.7	88.7	83.4	(22.3)	100.5	83.4	79.6	(20.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.8	4.9	4.5	(1.3)	5.5	4.5	4.3	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	74.3	72.3	73.5	(0.8)	73.7	73.1	73.1	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	70.0	68.8	70.2	0.2	69.6	69.8	69.9	0.3

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	
Population ('000)	3,359.8	3,404.5	3,409.2	49.4	3,359.8	3,404.5	3,409.2	49.4
Labour Force ('000)	2,205.2	2,189.8	2,238.0	32.8	2,193.9	2,209.1	2,226.6	32.7
Employment ('000)	2,015.6	2,016.8	2,062.2	46.6	2,004.4	2,037.9	2,053.1	48.7
Unemployed ('000)	189.6	173.0	175.8	(13.8)	189.6	171.2	173.5	(16.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.6	7.9	7.9	(0.7)	8.6	7.7	7.8	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	64.3	65.6	-	65.3	64.9	65.3	-
Employment Rate (%)	60.0	59.2	60.5	0.5	59.7	59.9	60.2	0.5

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**Employment Situation - May 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,176.8	25,494.1	25,524.0	347.2	759.0	763.4	763.7	4.7
Labour Force ('000)	16,913.6	16,980.1	17,136.0	222.4	476.0	478.2	487.8	11.8
Employment ('000)	15,567.4	15,652.9	15,825.9	258.5	429.3	429.0	439.5	10.2
Unemployed ('000)	1,346.1	1,327.2	1,310.1	(36.0)	46.7	49.2	48.3	1.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	7.8	7.6	(0.4)	9.8	10.3	9.9	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	67.2	66.6	67.1	(0.1)	62.7	62.6	63.9	1.2
Employment Rate (%)	61.8	61.4	62.0	0.2	56.6	56.2	57.5	0.9

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	101.9	102.5	102.5	0.6	119.9	119.1	119.1	(0.8)
Labour Force ('000)	62.4	63.0	63.5	1.1	62.6	62.1	65.2	2.6
Employment ('000)	56.5	55.9	56.5	-	52.5	51.4	54.6	2.1
Unemployed ('000)	5.9	7.1	6.9	1.0	10.1	10.7	10.6	0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.5	11.3	10.9	1.4	16.1	17.2	16.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	61.2	61.5	62.0	0.8	52.2	52.1	54.7	2.5
Employment Rate (%)	55.4	54.5	55.1	(0.3)	43.8	43.2	45.8	2.0

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	299.5	303.6	303.9	4.4	287.5	291.5	291.8	4.3
Labour Force ('000)	205.0	210.0	214.1	9.1	199.1	203.4	207.7	8.6
Employment ('000)	190.3	195.4	199.7	9.4	184.7	189.6	194.1	9.4
Unemployed ('000)	14.7	14.6	14.4	(0.3)	14.4	13.7	13.6	(0.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	7.0	6.7	(0.5)	7.2	6.7	6.5	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	68.4	69.2	70.5	2.1	69.3	69.8	71.2	1.9
Employment Rate (%)	63.5	64.4	65.7	2.2	64.2	65.0	66.5	2.3

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.2	133.4	133.5	0.3	104.3	104.7	104.7	0.4
Labour Force ('000)	81.5	80.2	81.5	-	64.4	62.8	63.5	(0.9)
Employment ('000)	72.9	71.1	72.0	(0.9)	57.1	55.2	56.7	(0.4)
Unemployed ('000)	8.7	9.1	9.5	0.8	7.3	7.7	6.8	(0.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.7	11.3	11.7	1.0	11.3	12.3	10.7	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	61.2	60.1	61.0	(0.2)	61.7	60.0	60.6	(1.1)
Employment Rate (%)	54.7	53.3	53.9	(0.8)	54.7	52.7	54.2	(0.5)

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**Job Tenure**

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

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,682.1	15,950.7	16,006.8	324.7	12,741.9	13,033.9	13,071.1	329.2	2,940.2	2,916.7	2,935.7	(4.5)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	218.1	219.3	222.6	4.5	183.8	187.5	190.1	6.3	34.3	31.8	32.5	(1.8)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	68.0	67.9	68.9	0.9	56.9	56.4	58.2	1.3	11.1	11.5	10.6	(0.5)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	436.5	445.5	449.2	12.7	356.9	361.7	363.4	6.5	79.6	83.8	85.8	6.2
<b>New Brunswick</b>	337.3	348.6	352.5	15.2	284.9	294.4	297.7	12.8	52.5	54.2	54.8	2.3
<b>Quebec</b>	3,632.8	3,714.5	3,708.0	75.2	2,965.1	3,040.1	3,025.3	60.2	667.7	674.4	682.7	15.0
<b>Ontario</b>	6,209.2	6,298.1	6,328.9	119.7	5,058.8	5,185.2	5,215.2	156.4	1,150.4	1,113.0	1,113.8	(36.6)
<b>Manitoba</b>	571.8	574.2	575.8	4.0	457.2	463.6	468.2	11.0	114.6	110.5	107.7	(6.9)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	487.8	493.5	491.7	3.9	390.4	397.5	398.4	8.0	97.4	96.0	93.3	(4.1)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,716.2	1,751.1	1,756.1	39.9	1,408.0	1,439.6	1,443.5	35.5	308.2	311.6	312.7	4.5
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,004.4	2,037.9	2,053.1	48.7	1,580.1	1,607.9	1,611.8	31.7	424.3	430.0	441.2	16.9

**Employment - Actual (000's)**

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,799.6	15,735.7	16,117.7	318.1	12,855.5	12,767.9	13,172.0	316.5	2,944.1	2,967.8	2,945.7	1.6
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	220.5	206.8	225.3	4.8	184.7	174.9	191.0	6.3	35.8	31.9	34.3	(1.5)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	71.4	63.2	71.9	0.5	59.7	51.3	60.8	1.1	11.7	11.9	11.0	(0.7)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	440.9	435.2	454.8	13.9	364.8	351.6	372.2	7.4	76.1	83.6	82.6	6.5
<b>New Brunswick</b>	338.9	333.5	354.6	15.7	285.5	277.7	298.4	12.9	53.4	55.8	56.2	2.8
<b>Quebec</b>	3,663.6	3,673.0	3,739.8	76.2	2,995.7	2,974.1	3,053.6	57.9	667.9	698.9	686.3	18.4
<b>Ontario</b>	6,251.3	6,230.5	6,366.9	115.6	5,097.6	5,112.0	5,245.7	148.1	1,153.7	1,118.5	1,121.2	(32.5)
<b>Manitoba</b>	577.3	568.7	581.1	3.8	462.1	455.8	472.8	10.7	115.2	112.9	108.2	(7.0)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	493.7	483.0	497.4	3.7	398.0	386.2	406.2	8.2	95.7	96.8	91.2	(4.5)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,726.4	1,725.0	1,763.7	37.3	1,420.3	1,400.8	1,453.0	32.7	306.1	324.2	310.7	4.6
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,015.6	2,016.8	2,062.2	46.6	1,587.0	1,583.5	1,618.2	31.2	428.6	433.3	444.0	15.4

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**Youth Statistics**

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

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,791.9	2,792.8	2,811.8	19.9	2,402.4	2,403.6	2,418.4	16.0	14.0	13.9	14.0	-
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	40.7	39.2	41.2	0.5	31.5	29.1	31.2	(0.3)	22.6	25.8	24.3	1.7
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.2	12.9	13.8	(0.4)	11.8	10.7	11.4	(0.4)	16.9	17.1	17.4	0.5
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	82.0	81.4	83.5	1.5	68.6	69.0	70.9	2.3	16.3	15.4	15.1	(1.2)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	59.6	61.6	64.5	4.9	49.2	50.8	53.9	4.7	17.3	17.5	16.4	(0.9)
<b>Quebec</b>	637.6	648.3	637.2	(0.4)	546.9	547.5	549.6	2.7	14.2	15.5	13.7	(0.5)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,075.2	1,072.9	1,087.3	12.1	919.4	922.2	923.8	4.4	14.5	14.0	15.0	0.5
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.7	109.1	108.6	(0.1)	98.2	96.2	96.0	(2.2)	9.7	11.8	11.6	1.9
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	96.4	97.9	93.4	(3.0)	85.6	87.7	85.1	(0.5)	11.2	10.4	8.9	(2.3)
<b>Alberta</b>	339.5	328.1	327.8	(11.7)	303.4	300.0	298.1	(5.3)	10.6	8.6	9.0	(1.6)
<b>British Columbia</b>	338.0	341.3	354.6	16.6	287.7	290.4	298.4	10.7	14.9	14.9	15.8	0.9

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,880.7	2,631.3	2,895.4	14.7	2,436.8	2,249.4	2,446.3	9.5	15.4	14.5	15.5	0.1
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	41.7	34.6	42.4	0.7	30.0	25.3	29.5	(0.5)	28.1	27.2	30.4	2.3
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	15.1	11.8	14.4	(0.7)	12.5	9.0	11.8	(0.7)	17.9	23.7	17.4	(0.5)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	84.5	75.7	86.0	1.5	68.5	63.2	70.9	2.4	18.9	16.5	17.6	(1.3)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	61.9	55.8	67.0	5.1	49.2	44.7	54.2	5.0	20.5	19.9	19.1	(1.4)
<b>Quebec</b>	648.0	613.4	644.3	(3.7)	548.3	513.7	551.6	3.3	15.4	16.3	14.4	(1.0)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,122.0	1,003.8	1,135.8	13.8	938.1	858.6	940.3	2.2	16.4	14.5	17.2	0.8
<b>Manitoba</b>	110.7	104.5	110.5	(0.2)	100.5	90.8	97.6	(2.9)	9.2	13.1	11.6	2.4
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	101.1	90.9	97.6	(3.5)	87.8	80.6	87.1	(0.7)	13.2	11.3	10.8	(2.4)
<b>Alberta</b>	349.6	312.0	335.1	(14.5)	308.8	283.6	300.7	(8.1)	11.7	9.1	10.2	(1.5)
<b>British Columbia</b>	346.1	328.7	362.5	16.4	293.2	280.0	302.5	9.3	15.3	14.8	16.6	1.3



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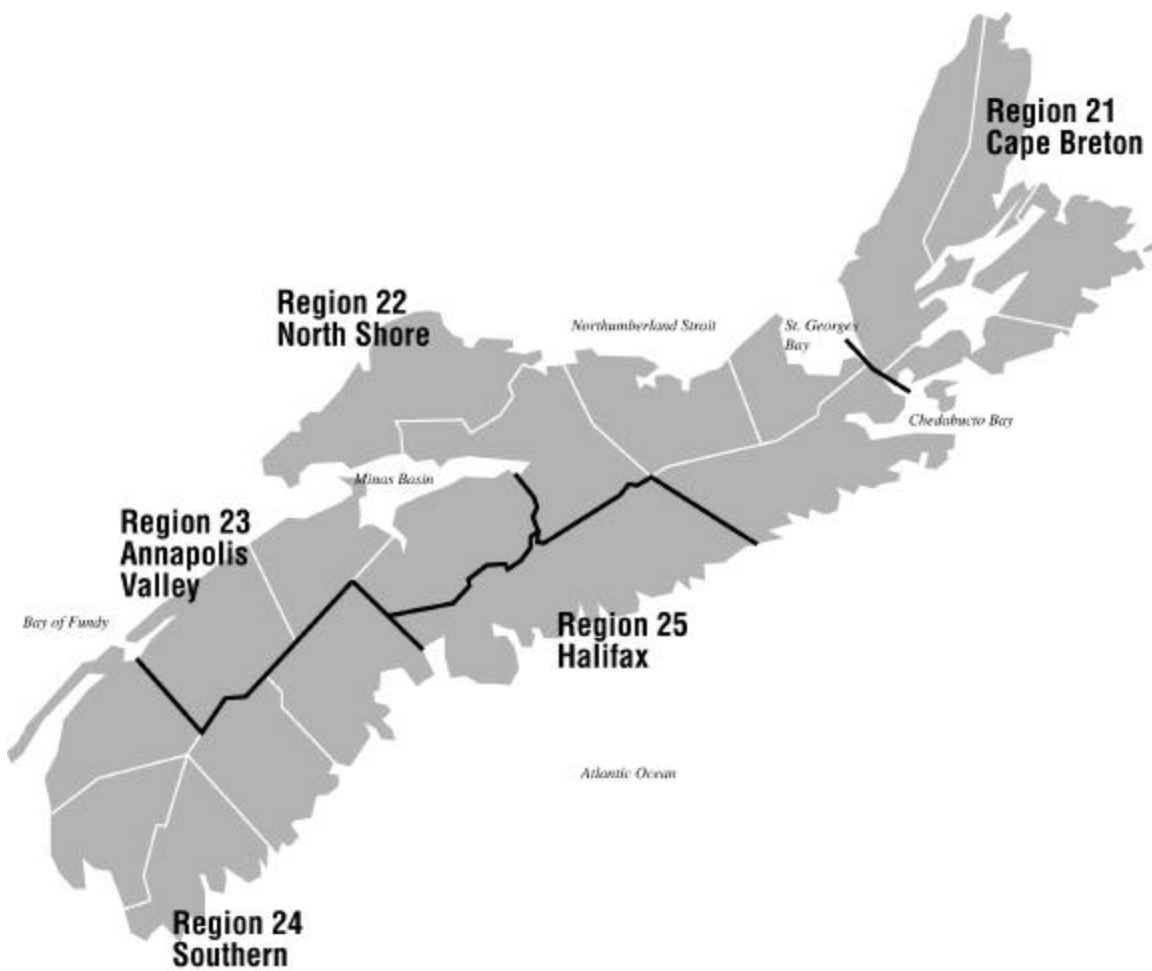
### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change	May 2003	Apr 2004	May 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.1	8.3	8.3	(0.8)	62.6	59.7	60.6	(2.0)	68.9	65.2	66.1	(2.8)
Halifax	7.2	6.7	6.5	(0.7)	64.2	65.0	66.5	2.3	69.3	69.8	71.2	1.9
Saint John, New Brunswick	10.8	9.1	9.2	(1.6)	58.0	59.2	59.5	1.5	65.1	65.1	65.5	0.4
Saguenay	12.6	12.6	11.7	(0.9)	52.6	55.8	57.3	4.7	60.1	63.9	65.0	4.9
Québec	7.5	7.5	6.1	(1.4)	62.5	60.1	61.8	(0.7)	67.5	65.0	65.8	(1.7)
Trois-Rivières	10.0	11.0	11.4	1.4	57.2	54.0	54.2	(3.0)	63.6	60.7	61.1	(2.5)
Sherbrooke	6.3	7.3	6.2	(0.1)	60.8	60.0	61.8	1.0	64.9	64.7	65.8	0.9
Montréal	10.1	8.6	8.2	(1.9)	61.1	61.4	61.9	0.8	68.0	67.2	67.4	(0.6)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.4	6.6	7.1	0.7	67.2	64.8	65.3	(1.9)	71.8	69.4	70.3	(1.5)
Sudbury	7.5	8.4	8.9	1.4	58.1	58.7	58.9	0.8	62.8	64.1	64.7	1.9
Oshawa	5.3	5.7	5.5	0.2	69.6	67.8	68.1	(1.5)	73.5	71.8	72.1	(1.4)
Toronto	7.7	7.4	7.7	-	64.5	64.2	64.5	-	69.9	69.3	69.9	-
Hamilton	5.9	8.0	7.6	1.7	63.2	62.2	63.7	0.5	67.2	67.6	68.9	1.7
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.5	8.9	8.6	2.1	59.4	55.5	56.1	(3.3)	63.5	60.9	61.4	(2.1)
London	7.6	6.0	5.7	(1.9)	62.2	64.3	64.2	2.0	67.3	68.5	68.2	0.9
Windsor	7.5	8.0	8.1	0.6	61.7	59.9	60.2	(1.5)	66.6	65.1	65.5	(1.1)
Kitchener	6.1	5.8	5.6	(0.5)	66.2	65.0	65.0	(1.2)	70.5	69.0	68.9	(1.6)
Thunder Bay	6.8	7.5	8.2	1.4	63.9	60.5	60.7	(3.2)	68.7	65.4	66.1	(2.6)
Winnipeg	4.8	5.4	5.2	0.4	67.1	66.3	67.0	(0.1)	70.4	70.1	70.7	0.3
Regina	5.7	5.3	5.1	(0.6)	67.2	69.1	69.4	2.2	71.3	72.9	73.3	2.0
Saskatoon	6.1	7.2	6.7	0.6	66.2	63.4	64.6	(1.6)	70.4	68.2	69.2	(1.2)
Calgary	5.9	5.6	5.1	(0.8)	70.4	70.8	71.2	0.8	74.8	75.0	75.0	0.2
Edmonton	5.8	5.2	4.9	(0.9)	67.7	68.5	68.9	1.2	71.9	72.3	72.4	0.5
Vancouver	7.2	7.3	7.2	-	61.7	61.7	62.6	0.9	66.5	66.6	67.4	0.9
Victoria	6.2	4.4	4.4	(1.8)	58.9	59.8	60.7	1.8	62.8	62.5	63.5	0.7



# Employment Situation June 2004



## About the Employment Situation Report

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

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/publish/pub19.htm>

The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

Since its inception in 1945, the objectives of the LFS have been to divide the working-age population into three mutually exclusive classifications--employed, unemployed and not in the labour force--and to provide descriptive

and explanatory data on each of these categories. Data from the survey provide information on major labour market trends such as shifts in employment across industrial sectors, hours worked, labour force participation and unemployment rates.

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## Employment Situation - June 2004 Canada/Provinces

### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	
Population ('000)	25,239.6	25,555.1	25,592.7	353.1	25,239.6	25,555.1	25,592.7	353.1
Labour Force ('000)	17,319.3	17,395.6	17,567.3	248.0	17,041.4	17,247.0	17,286.1	244.7
Employment ('000)	16,074.6	16,117.7	16,376.6	302.0	15,729.0	16,006.8	16,031.5	302.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,244.7	1,277.9	1,190.7	(54.0)	1,312.3	1,240.2	1,254.6	(57.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	7.3	6.8	(0.4)	7.7	7.2	7.3	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	68.6	68.1	68.6	-	67.5	67.5	67.5	-
Employment Rate (%)	63.7	63.1	64.0	0.3	62.3	62.6	62.6	0.3

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	
Population ('000)	759.6	763.9	764.2	4.6	759.6	763.9	764.2	4.6
Labour Force ('000)	490.7	499.9	503.4	12.7	480.7	492.9	491.6	10.9
Employment ('000)	451.4	454.8	463.3	11.9	437.9	449.2	448.1	10.2
Unemployed ('000)	39.3	45.1	40.2	0.9	42.8	43.8	43.5	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	9.0	8.0	-	8.9	8.9	8.8	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	64.6	65.4	65.9	1.3	63.3	64.5	64.3	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	59.4	59.5	60.6	1.2	57.6	58.8	58.6	1.0

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	
Population ('000)	438.7	439.7	439.5	0.8	438.7	439.7	439.5	0.8
Labour Force ('000)	275.7	274.4	281.1	5.4	257.5	266.5	265.2	7.7
Employment ('000)	238.0	225.3	239.6	1.6	217.6	222.6	221.2	3.6
Unemployed ('000)	37.7	49.1	41.5	3.8	39.9	43.9	44.1	4.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	13.7	17.9	14.8	1.1	15.5	16.5	16.6	1.1
Participation Rate (%)	62.8	62.4	64.0	1.2	58.7	60.6	60.3	1.6
Employment Rate (%)	54.3	51.2	54.5	0.2	49.6	50.6	50.3	0.7

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	
Population ('000)	113.3	114.6	114.7	1.4	113.3	114.6	114.7	1.4
Labour Force ('000)	82.2	80.7	80.9	(1.3)	77.6	78.8	77.3	(0.3)
Employment ('000)	77.3	71.9	74.9	(2.4)	70.2	68.9	68.0	(2.2)
Unemployed ('000)	4.9	8.8	6.1	1.2	7.4	9.9	9.3	1.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.0	10.9	7.5	1.5	9.5	12.6	12.0	2.5
Participation Rate (%)	72.6	70.4	70.5	(2.1)	68.5	68.8	67.4	(1.1)
Employment Rate (%)	68.2	62.7	65.3	(2.9)	62.0	60.1	59.3	(2.7)

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

Annual Change is in thousands or percentage points as shown in row headings.

## Employment Situation - June 2004 Canada/Provinces

### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	609.3	612.1	612.4	3.1	609.3	612.1	612.4	3.1
Labour Force ('000)	400.1	399.1	406.1	6.0	384.1	391.6	390.9	6.8
Employment ('000)	362.1	354.6	369.2	7.1	343.5	352.5	351.8	8.3
Unemployed ('000)	38.0	44.5	36.9	(1.1)	40.6	39.1	39.1	(1.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.5	11.2	9.1	(0.4)	10.6	10.0	10.0	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	65.7	65.2	66.3	0.6	63.0	64.0	63.8	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	59.4	57.9	60.3	0.9	56.4	57.6	57.4	1.0

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	6,080.6	6,140.4	6,146.6	66.0	6,080.6	6,140.4	6,146.6	66.0
Labour Force ('000)	4,096.9	4,058.8	4,107.6	10.7	4,006.1	4,028.9	4,021.2	15.1
Employment ('000)	3,753.3	3,739.8	3,797.4	44.1	3,646.0	3,708.0	3,692.9	46.9
Unemployed ('000)	343.7	318.9	310.2	(33.5)	360.1	320.9	328.4	(31.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.4	7.9	7.6	(0.8)	9.0	8.0	8.2	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	67.4	66.1	66.8	(0.6)	65.9	65.6	65.4	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	61.7	60.9	61.8	0.1	60.0	60.4	60.1	0.1

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	9,778.4	9,929.5	9,947.8	169.4	9,778.4	9,929.5	9,947.8	169.4
Labour Force ('000)	6,786.0	6,863.5	6,898.4	112.4	6,717.5	6,801.7	6,820.9	103.4
Employment ('000)	6,312.2	6,366.9	6,436.7	124.5	6,223.8	6,328.9	6,346.6	122.8
Unemployed ('000)	473.8	496.6	461.7	(12.1)	493.7	472.8	474.3	(19.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.0	7.2	6.7	(0.3)	7.3	7.0	7.0	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	69.4	69.1	69.3	(0.1)	68.7	68.5	68.6	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	64.6	64.1	64.7	0.1	63.6	63.7	63.8	0.2

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	867.8	876.1	877.2	9.4	867.8	876.1	877.2	9.4
Labour Force ('000)	604.6	610.9	616.9	12.3	597.0	607.8	609.9	12.9
Employment ('000)	579.9	581.1	586.2	6.3	569.1	575.8	575.4	6.3
Unemployed ('000)	24.6	29.9	30.7	6.1	27.9	32.0	34.5	6.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.9	5.0	0.9	4.7	5.3	5.7	1.0
Participation Rate (%)	69.7	69.7	70.3	0.6	68.8	69.4	69.5	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	66.8	66.3	66.8	-	65.6	65.7	65.6	-

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

Annual Change is in thousands or percentage points as shown in row headings.

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	
Population ('000)	755.9	757.4	757.8	1.9	755.9	757.4	757.8	1.9
Labour Force ('000)	527.0	523.3	526.8	(0.2)	516.2	516.5	516.6	0.4
Employment ('000)	501.5	497.4	503.0	1.5	488.0	491.7	489.8	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	25.6	25.9	23.8	(1.8)	28.2	24.8	26.8	(1.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	4.9	4.5	(0.4)	5.5	4.8	5.2	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	69.7	69.1	69.5	(0.2)	68.3	68.2	68.2	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	66.3	65.7	66.4	0.1	64.6	64.9	64.6	-

### Alberta

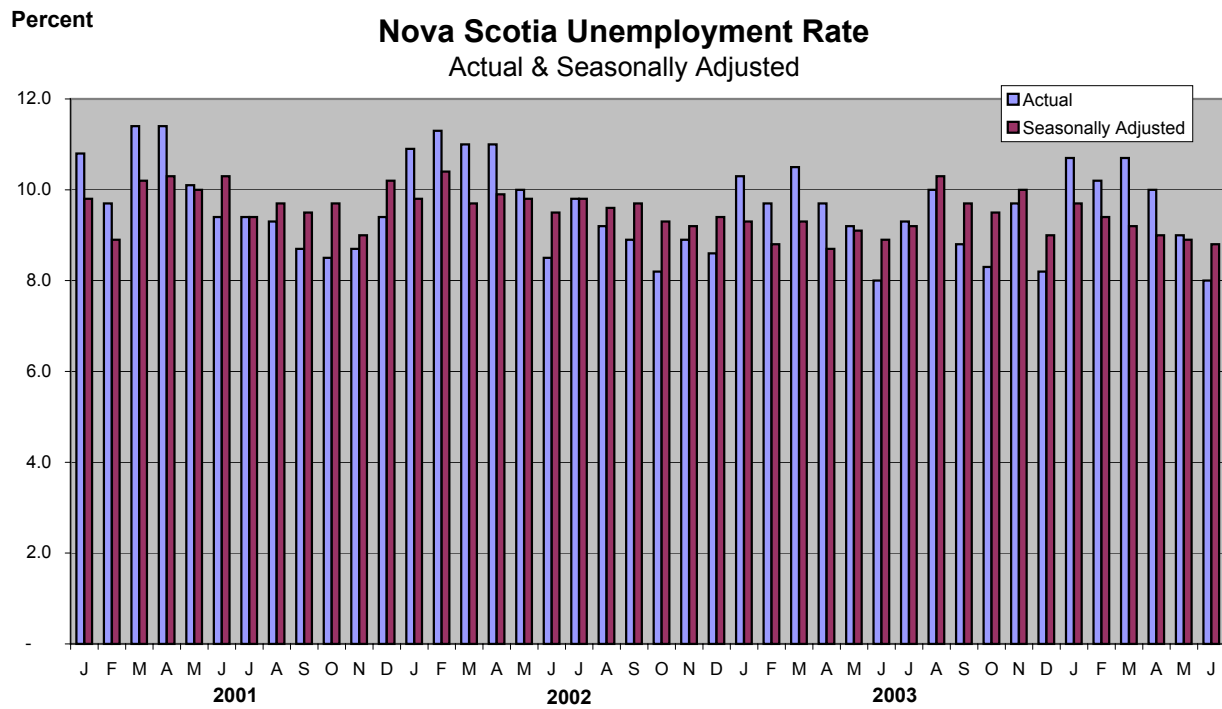
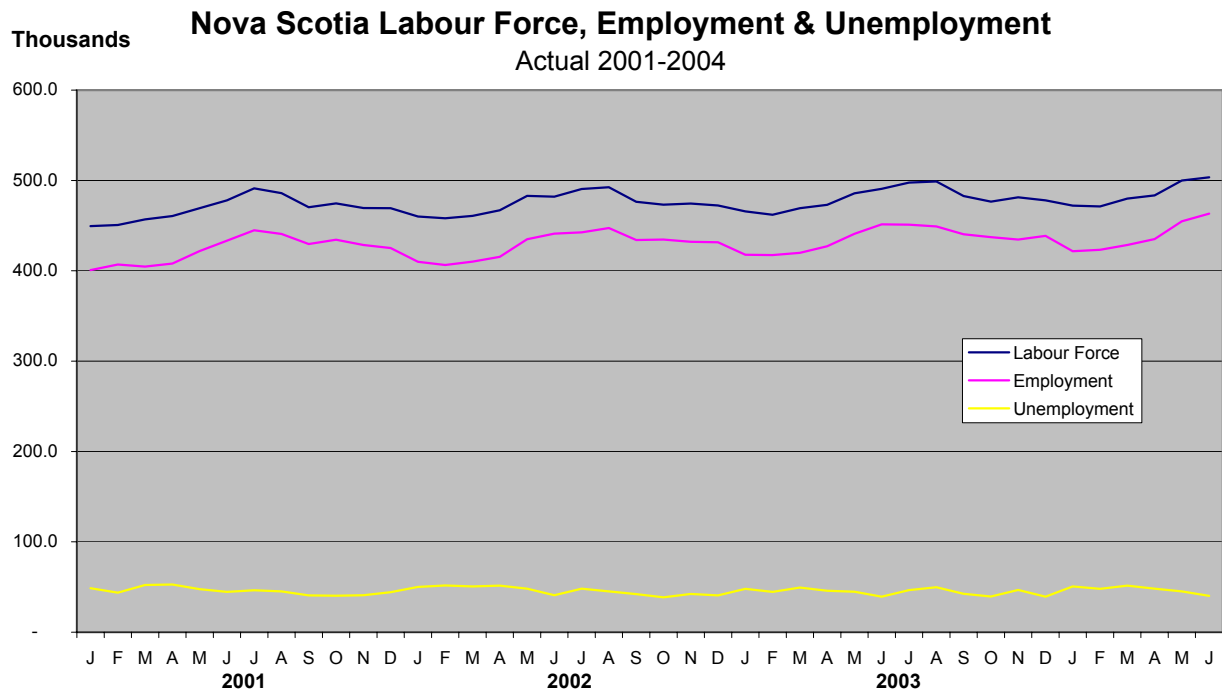
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	
Population ('000)	2,471.7	2,512.2	2,517.0	45.3	2,471.7	2,512.2	2,517.0	45.3
Labour Force ('000)	1,842.9	1,847.0	1,869.5	26.6	1,815.4	1,835.7	1,843.1	27.7
Employment ('000)	1,756.3	1,763.7	1,789.2	32.9	1,723.0	1,756.1	1,757.5	34.5
Unemployed ('000)	86.6	83.4	80.4	(6.2)	92.5	79.6	85.5	(7.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.7	4.5	4.3	(0.4)	5.1	4.3	4.6	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	74.6	73.5	74.3	(0.3)	73.4	73.1	73.2	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	71.1	70.2	71.1	-	69.7	69.9	69.8	0.1

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	
Population ('000)	3,364.3	3,409.2	3,415.6	51.3	3,364.3	3,409.2	3,415.6	51.3
Labour Force ('000)	2,213.1	2,238.0	2,276.5	63.4	2,189.3	2,226.6	2,249.4	60.1
Employment ('000)	2,042.5	2,062.2	2,117.1	74.6	2,010.0	2,053.1	2,080.3	70.3
Unemployed ('000)	170.6	175.8	159.4	(11.2)	179.4	173.5	169.1	(10.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	7.9	7.0	(0.7)	8.2	7.8	7.5	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	65.8	65.6	66.7	0.9	65.1	65.3	65.9	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	60.7	60.5	62.0	1.3	59.7	60.2	60.9	1.2

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**Employment Situation - June 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,208.0	25,524.0	25,557.3	349.3	759.3	763.7	763.9	4.6
Labour Force ('000)	17,105.6	17,136.0	17,331.1	225.5	483.1	487.8	495.6	12.5
Employment ('000)	15,784.3	15,825.9	16,076.7	292.4	439.8	439.5	451.1	11.3
Unemployed ('000)	1,321.3	1,310.1	1,254.4	(66.9)	43.3	48.3	44.5	1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	7.6	7.2	(0.5)	9.0	9.9	9.0	-
Participation Rate (%)	67.9	67.1	67.8	(0.1)	63.6	63.9	64.9	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	62.6	62.0	62.9	0.3	57.9	57.5	59.1	1.2

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	102.0	102.5	102.6	0.6	119.9	119.1	119.0	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	62.3	63.5	64.5	2.2	65.0	65.2	67.3	2.3
Employment ('000)	56.7	56.5	58.0	1.3	55.1	54.6	58.0	2.9
Unemployed ('000)	5.6	6.9	6.5	0.9	9.8	10.6	9.3	(0.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.0	10.9	10.1	1.1	15.1	16.3	13.8	(1.3)
Participation Rate (%)	61.1	62.0	62.9	1.8	54.2	54.7	56.6	2.4
Employment Rate (%)	55.6	55.1	56.5	0.9	46.0	45.8	48.7	2.7

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	299.9	303.9	304.2	4.3	287.9	291.8	292.2	4.3
Labour Force ('000)	207.5	214.1	215.6	8.1	201.0	207.7	209.5	8.5
Employment ('000)	194.5	199.7	202.2	7.7	188.2	194.1	196.6	8.4
Unemployed ('000)	13.0	14.4	13.4	0.4	12.8	13.6	12.9	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	6.7	6.2	(0.1)	6.4	6.5	6.2	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	69.2	70.5	70.9	1.7	69.8	71.2	71.7	1.9
Employment Rate (%)	64.9	65.7	66.5	1.6	65.4	66.5	67.3	1.9

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.2	133.5	133.4	0.2	104.3	104.7	104.7	0.4
Labour Force ('000)	82.4	81.5	83.6	1.2	66.0	63.5	64.6	(1.4)
Employment ('000)	74.4	72.0	75.2	0.8	59.1	56.7	57.8	(1.3)
Unemployed ('000)	8.0	9.5	8.4	0.4	6.8	6.8	6.8	-
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.7	11.7	10.0	0.3	10.3	10.7	10.5	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	61.9	61.0	62.7	0.8	63.3	60.6	61.7	(1.6)
Employment Rate (%)	55.9	53.9	56.4	0.5	56.7	54.2	55.2	(1.5)

**Employment Situation - June 2004**  
**Job Tenure**

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

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,729.0	16,006.8	16,031.5	302.5	12,752.6	13,071.1	13,098.2	345.6	2,976.4	2,935.7	2,933.2	(43.2)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	217.6	222.6	221.2	3.6	185.5	190.1	184.9	(0.6)	32.1	32.5	36.3	4.2
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	70.2	68.9	68.0	(2.2)	58.1	58.2	57.7	(0.4)	12.1	10.6	10.3	(1.8)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	437.9	449.2	448.1	10.2	356.1	363.4	364.6	8.5	81.8	85.8	83.5	1.7
<b>New Brunswick</b>	343.5	352.5	351.8	8.3	290.0	297.7	295.2	5.2	53.5	54.8	56.6	3.1
<b>Quebec</b>	3,646.0	3,708.0	3,692.9	46.9	2,975.0	3,025.3	3,008.8	33.8	671.0	682.7	684.1	13.1
<b>Ontario</b>	6,223.8	6,328.9	6,346.6	122.8	5,058.0	5,215.2	5,243.6	185.6	1,165.8	1,113.8	1,103.0	(62.8)
<b>Manitoba</b>	569.1	575.8	575.4	6.3	458.3	468.2	464.5	6.2	110.8	107.7	110.9	0.1
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	488.0	491.7	489.8	1.8	387.1	398.4	393.2	6.1	100.9	93.3	96.6	(4.3)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,723.0	1,756.1	1,757.5	34.5	1,403.6	1,443.5	1,438.5	34.9	319.4	312.7	319.0	(0.4)
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,010.0	2,053.1	2,080.3	70.3	1,580.5	1,611.8	1,647.0	66.5	429.5	441.2	433.3	3.8

**Employment - Actual (000's)**

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	16,074.6	16,117.7	16,376.6	302.0	13,201.9	13,172.0	13,531.5	329.6	2,872.7	2,945.7	2,845.1	(27.6)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	238.0	225.3	239.6	1.6	205.9	191.0	202.6	(3.3)	32.1	34.3	37.0	4.9
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	77.3	71.9	74.9	(2.4)	65.4	60.8	64.6	(0.8)	11.9	11.0	10.3	(1.6)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	451.4	454.8	463.3	11.9	374.1	372.2	383.7	9.6	77.3	82.6	79.6	2.3
<b>New Brunswick</b>	362.1	354.6	369.2	7.1	311.9	298.4	314.6	2.7	50.2	56.2	54.6	4.4
<b>Quebec</b>	3,753.3	3,739.8	3,797.4	44.1	3,119.6	3,053.6	3,150.0	30.4	633.7	686.3	647.4	13.7
<b>Ontario</b>	6,312.2	6,366.9	6,436.7	124.5	5,177.3	5,245.7	5,359.2	181.9	1,135.0	1,121.2	1,077.5	(57.5)
<b>Manitoba</b>	579.9	581.1	586.2	6.3	473.6	472.8	477.3	3.7	106.4	108.2	108.9	2.5
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	501.5	497.4	503.0	1.5	403.9	406.2	407.9	4.0	97.6	91.2	95.2	(2.4)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,756.3	1,763.7	1,789.2	32.9	1,444.4	1,453.0	1,472.7	28.3	311.9	310.7	316.5	4.6
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,042.5	2,062.2	2,117.1	74.6	1,625.8	1,618.2	1,698.9	73.1	416.7	444.0	418.2	1.5



**Employment Situation - June 2004  
Youth Statistics**

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

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,798.0	2,811.8	2,826.0	28.0	2,407.3	2,418.4	2,450.6	43.3	14.0	14.0	13.3	(0.7)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	38.3	41.2	39.4	1.1	30.2	31.2	30.1	(0.1)	21.1	24.3	23.6	2.5
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.3	13.8	12.8	(1.5)	12.4	11.4	10.4	(2.0)	13.3	17.4	19.5	6.2
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	83.0	83.5	84.4	1.4	69.1	70.9	71.4	2.3	16.9	15.1	15.4	(1.5)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	63.1	64.5	65.3	2.2	50.8	53.9	55.4	4.6	19.7	16.4	15.2	(4.5)
<b>Quebec</b>	649.4	637.2	633.8	(15.6)	559.9	549.6	550.4	(9.5)	13.8	13.7	13.2	(0.6)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,079.4	1,087.3	1,107.4	28.0	907.9	923.8	951.7	43.8	15.9	15.0	14.1	(1.8)
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.0	108.6	107.9	(0.1)	98.1	96.0	95.4	(2.7)	9.1	11.6	11.5	2.4
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	95.5	93.4	92.7	(2.8)	85.2	85.1	83.2	(2.0)	10.8	8.9	10.1	(0.7)
<b>Alberta</b>	338.2	327.8	325.7	(12.5)	308.4	298.1	297.9	(10.5)	8.8	9.0	8.5	(0.3)
<b>British Columbia</b>	328.8	354.6	356.6	27.8	285.5	298.4	304.6	19.1	13.2	15.8	14.6	1.4

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,990.4	2,895.4	3,018.6	28.2	2,595.2	2,446.3	2,643.0	47.8	13.2	15.5	12.4	(0.8)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	45.4	42.4	45.4	-	36.3	29.5	35.0	(1.3)	20.0	30.4	22.9	2.9
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	16.5	14.4	14.6	(1.9)	15.1	11.8	12.7	(2.4)	9.1	17.4	13.0	3.9
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	87.8	86.0	90.4	2.6	75.0	70.9	78.3	3.3	14.6	17.6	13.4	(1.2)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	71.1	67.0	72.8	1.7	58.0	54.2	62.4	4.4	18.6	19.1	14.4	(4.2)
<b>Quebec</b>	713.9	644.3	691.1	(22.8)	616.5	551.6	606.0	(10.5)	13.6	14.4	12.3	(1.3)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,141.3	1,135.8	1,177.0	35.7	967.8	940.3	1,016.9	49.1	15.2	17.2	13.6	(1.6)
<b>Manitoba</b>	112.8	110.5	113.0	0.2	103.8	97.6	101.1	(2.7)	8.0	11.6	10.5	2.5
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	103.1	97.6	100.1	(3.0)	92.8	87.1	90.8	(2.0)	10.0	10.8	9.3	(0.7)
<b>Alberta</b>	358.2	335.1	345.3	(12.9)	330.4	300.7	319.6	(10.8)	7.8	10.2	7.4	(0.4)
<b>British Columbia</b>	340.2	362.5	368.8	28.6	299.6	302.5	320.4	20.8	12.0	16.6	13.1	1.1



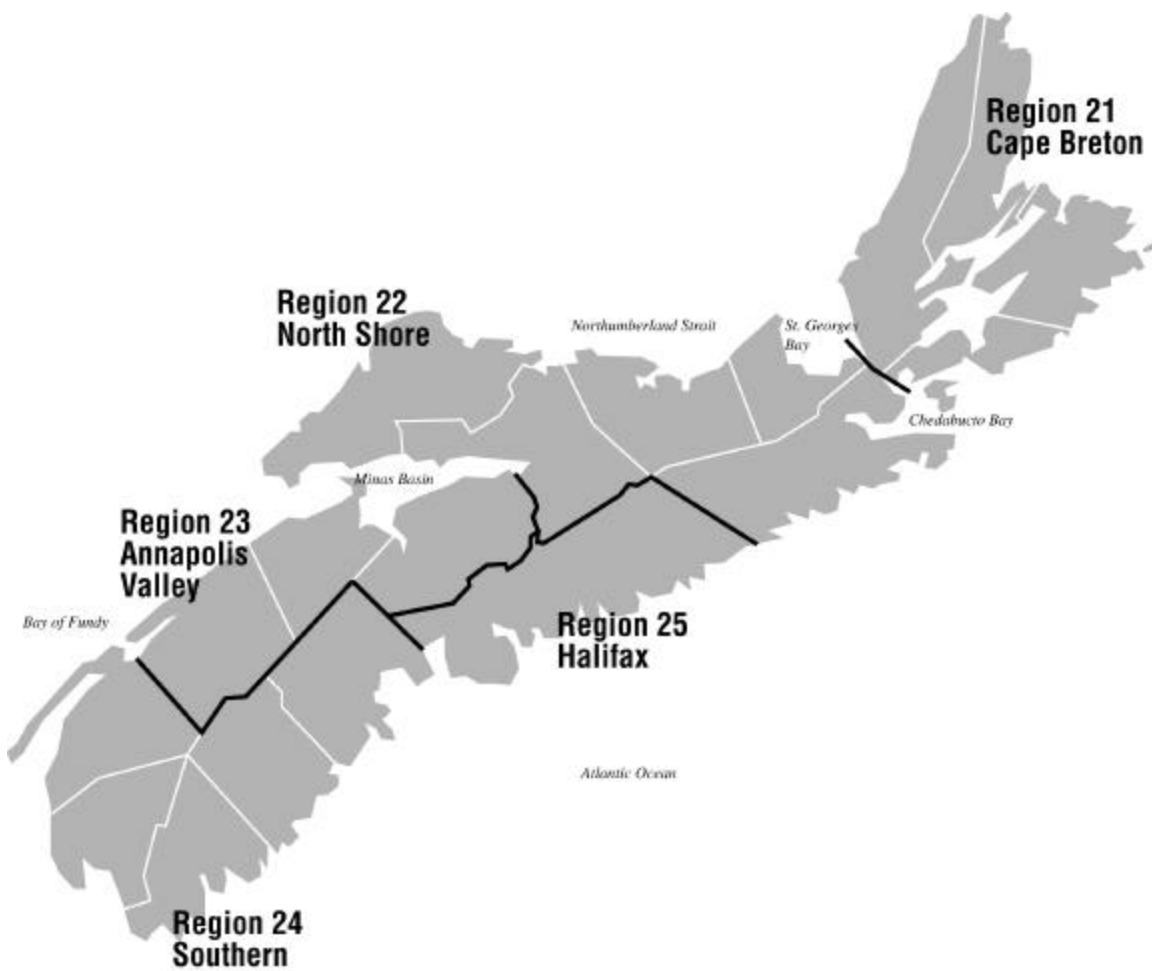
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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change	Jun 2003	May 2004	Jun 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.2	8.3	9.6	0.4	63.1	60.6	61.2	(1.9)	69.5	66.1	67.6	(1.9)
Halifax	<b>6.4</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>	<b>65.4</b>	<b>66.5</b>	<b>67.3</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>69.8</b>	<b>71.2</b>	<b>71.7</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Saint John, New Brunswick	10.5	9.2	9.2	(1.3)	58.1	59.5	59.4	1.3	65.0	65.5	65.5	0.5
Saguenay	11.9	11.7	10.9	(1.0)	53.7	57.3	58.1	4.4	60.9	65.0	65.2	4.3
Québec	6.2	6.1	5.5	(0.7)	64.3	61.8	63.5	(0.8)	68.6	65.8	67.2	(1.4)
Trois-Rivières	10.1	11.4	10.7	0.6	56.8	54.2	54.6	(2.2)	63.1	61.1	61.0	(2.1)
Sherbrooke	6.4	6.2	5.9	(0.5)	61.5	61.8	62.7	1.2	65.7	65.8	66.7	1.0
Montréal	9.9	8.2	7.9	(2.0)	61.6	61.9	62.5	0.9	68.4	67.4	67.9	(0.5)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.3	7.1	7.0	0.7	67.8	65.3	66.0	(1.8)	72.4	70.3	70.9	(1.5)
Sudbury	7.4	8.9	8.8	1.4	58.4	58.9	59.6	1.2	63.0	64.7	65.3	2.3
Oshawa	5.4	5.5	5.2	(0.2)	70.4	68.1	68.5	(1.9)	74.4	72.1	72.3	(2.1)
Toronto	8.1	7.7	7.4	(0.7)	64.6	64.5	65.2	0.6	70.3	69.9	70.4	0.1
Hamilton	5.8	7.6	7.0	1.2	63.7	63.7	65.0	1.3	67.7	68.9	69.9	2.2
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.5	8.6	8.2	1.7	60.1	56.1	56.7	(3.4)	64.3	61.4	61.8	(2.5)
London	7.4	5.7	5.3	(2.1)	63.0	64.2	65.8	2.8	68.0	68.2	69.5	1.5
Windsor	6.9	8.1	8.3	1.4	62.0	60.2	60.5	(1.5)	66.6	65.5	66.0	(0.6)
Kitchener	6.1	5.6	5.4	(0.7)	66.4	65.0	65.9	(0.5)	70.7	68.9	69.7	(1.0)
Thunder Bay	6.3	8.2	8.7	2.4	64.0	60.7	61.1	(2.9)	68.2	66.1	66.9	(1.3)
Winnipeg	4.4	5.2	5.4	1.0	67.7	67.0	67.5	(0.2)	70.8	70.7	71.3	0.5
Regina	5.3	5.1	4.7	(0.6)	67.9	69.4	69.8	1.9	71.6	73.3	73.2	1.6
Saskatoon	5.9	6.7	6.1	0.2	67.7	64.6	66.2	(1.5)	71.9	69.2	70.6	(1.3)
Calgary	5.2	5.1	4.9	(0.3)	71.4	71.2	71.9	0.5	75.3	75.0	75.7	0.4
Edmonton	5.8	4.9	4.3	(1.5)	68.4	68.9	69.3	0.9	72.6	72.4	72.5	(0.1)
Vancouver	7.2	7.2	7.1	(0.1)	62.2	62.6	63.2	1.0	67.0	67.4	68.1	1.1
Victoria	7.1	4.4	5.2	(1.9)	58.3	60.7	60.7	2.4	62.7	63.5	64.0	1.3

# Employment Situation July 2004



## About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

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

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### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	25,263.9	25,592.7	25,619.9	356.0	25,263.9	25,592.7	25,619.9	356.0
Labour Force ('000)	17,465.9	17,567.3	17,695.8	229.9	17,044.5	17,286.1	17,275.7	231.2
Employment ('000)	16,090.4	16,376.6	16,407.3	316.9	15,723.7	16,031.5	16,040.2	316.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,375.4	1,190.7	1,288.5	(86.9)	1,320.8	1,254.6	1,235.5	(85.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	6.8	7.3	(0.6)	7.7	7.3	7.2	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	68.6	69.1	-	67.5	67.5	67.4	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	63.7	64.0	64.0	0.3	62.2	62.6	62.6	0.4

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	760.1	764.2	764.6	4.5	760.1	764.2	764.6	4.5
Labour Force ('000)	497.6	503.4	508.5	10.9	477.7	491.6	490.4	12.7
Employment ('000)	451.1	463.3	466.2	15.1	433.6	448.1	449.2	15.6
Unemployed ('000)	46.5	40.2	42.3	(4.2)	44.1	43.5	41.3	(2.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.3	8.0	8.3	(1.0)	9.2	8.8	8.4	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	65.5	65.9	66.5	1.0	62.8	64.3	64.1	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	59.3	60.6	61.0	1.7	57.0	58.6	58.7	1.7

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	438.5	439.5	439.4	0.9	438.5	439.5	439.4	0.9
Labour Force ('000)	282.3	281.1	290.0	7.7	258.8	265.2	266.4	7.6
Employment ('000)	242.4	239.6	253.4	11.0	217.6	221.2	226.5	8.9
Unemployed ('000)	39.9	41.5	36.6	(3.3)	41.2	44.1	39.9	(1.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.1	14.8	12.6	(1.5)	15.9	16.6	15.0	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	64.4	64.0	66.0	1.6	59.0	60.3	60.6	1.6
Employment Rate (%)	55.3	54.5	57.7	2.4	49.6	50.3	51.5	1.9

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	113.4	114.7	114.7	1.3	113.4	114.7	114.7	1.3
Labour Force ('000)	83.0	80.9	83.6	0.6	77.6	77.3	78.3	0.7
Employment ('000)	75.7	74.9	75.9	0.2	69.5	68.0	69.5	-
Unemployed ('000)	7.3	6.1	7.7	0.4	8.1	9.3	8.8	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.8	7.5	9.2	0.4	10.4	12.0	11.2	0.8
Participation Rate (%)	73.2	70.5	72.9	(0.3)	68.4	67.4	68.3	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	66.8	65.3	66.2	(0.6)	61.3	59.3	60.6	(0.7)

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	609.7	612.4	612.7	3.0	609.7	612.4	612.7	3.0
Labour Force ('000)	404.6	406.1	412.6	8.0	384.5	390.9	393.4	8.9
Employment ('000)	365.7	369.2	374.1	8.4	344.7	351.8	354.1	9.4
Unemployed ('000)	38.8	36.9	38.5	(0.3)	39.8	39.1	39.3	(0.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.6	9.1	9.3	(0.3)	10.4	10.0	10.0	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	66.4	66.3	67.3	0.9	63.1	63.8	64.2	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	60.0	60.3	61.1	1.1	56.5	57.4	57.8	1.3

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	6,084.6	6,146.6	6,151.1	66.5	6,084.6	6,146.6	6,151.1	66.5
Labour Force ('000)	4,116.3	4,107.6	4,142.7	26.4	4,008.2	4,021.2	4,033.1	24.9
Employment ('000)	3,755.4	3,797.4	3,817.2	61.8	3,636.9	3,692.9	3,702.5	65.6
Unemployed ('000)	360.9	310.2	325.5	(35.4)	371.2	328.4	330.6	(40.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.8	7.6	7.9	(0.9)	9.3	8.2	8.2	(1.1)
Participation Rate (%)	67.7	66.8	67.3	(0.4)	65.9	65.4	65.6	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	61.7	61.8	62.1	0.4	59.8	60.1	60.2	0.4

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	9,790.3	9,947.8	9,961.3	171.0	9,790.3	9,947.8	9,961.3	171.0
Labour Force ('000)	6,841.7	6,898.4	6,971.9	130.2	6,696.0	6,820.9	6,822.0	126.0
Employment ('000)	6,309.0	6,436.7	6,453.1	144.1	6,215.3	6,346.6	6,355.2	139.9
Unemployed ('000)	532.7	461.7	518.8	(13.9)	480.7	474.3	466.9	(13.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	6.7	7.4	(0.4)	7.2	7.0	6.8	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	69.9	69.3	70.0	0.1	68.4	68.6	68.5	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	64.4	64.7	64.8	0.4	63.5	63.8	63.8	0.3

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	868.4	877.2	877.9	9.5	868.4	877.2	877.9	9.5
Labour Force ('000)	610.8	616.9	613.6	2.8	601.2	609.9	604.5	3.3
Employment ('000)	579.1	586.2	578.6	(0.5)	570.4	575.4	570.8	0.4
Unemployed ('000)	31.7	30.7	35.1	3.4	30.7	34.5	33.7	3.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	5.0	5.7	0.5	5.1	5.7	5.6	0.5
Participation Rate (%)	70.3	70.3	69.9	(0.4)	69.2	69.5	68.9	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	66.7	66.8	65.9	(0.8)	65.7	65.6	65.0	(0.7)

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	755.8	757.8	758.0	2.2	755.8	757.8	758.0	2.2
Labour Force ('000)	530.6	526.8	528.9	(1.7)	515.1	516.6	513.6	(1.5)
Employment ('000)	500.3	503.0	499.9	(0.4)	486.7	489.8	486.8	0.1
Unemployed ('000)	30.3	23.8	29.0	(1.3)	28.5	26.8	26.8	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.7	4.5	5.5	(0.2)	5.5	5.2	5.2	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	70.2	69.5	69.8	(0.4)	68.2	68.2	67.8	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	66.2	66.4	65.9	(0.3)	64.4	64.6	64.2	(0.2)

### Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	2,475.4	2,517.0	2,520.1	44.7	2,475.4	2,517.0	2,520.1	44.7
Labour Force ('000)	1,847.6	1,869.5	1,860.0	12.4	1,816.1	1,843.1	1,829.3	13.2
Employment ('000)	1,756.0	1,789.2	1,772.0	16.0	1,728.1	1,757.5	1,744.2	16.1
Unemployed ('000)	91.6	80.4	88.0	(3.6)	88.0	85.5	85.1	(2.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.0	4.3	4.7	(0.3)	4.8	4.6	4.7	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	74.6	74.3	73.8	(0.8)	73.4	73.2	72.6	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	70.9	71.1	70.3	(0.6)	69.8	69.8	69.2	(0.6)

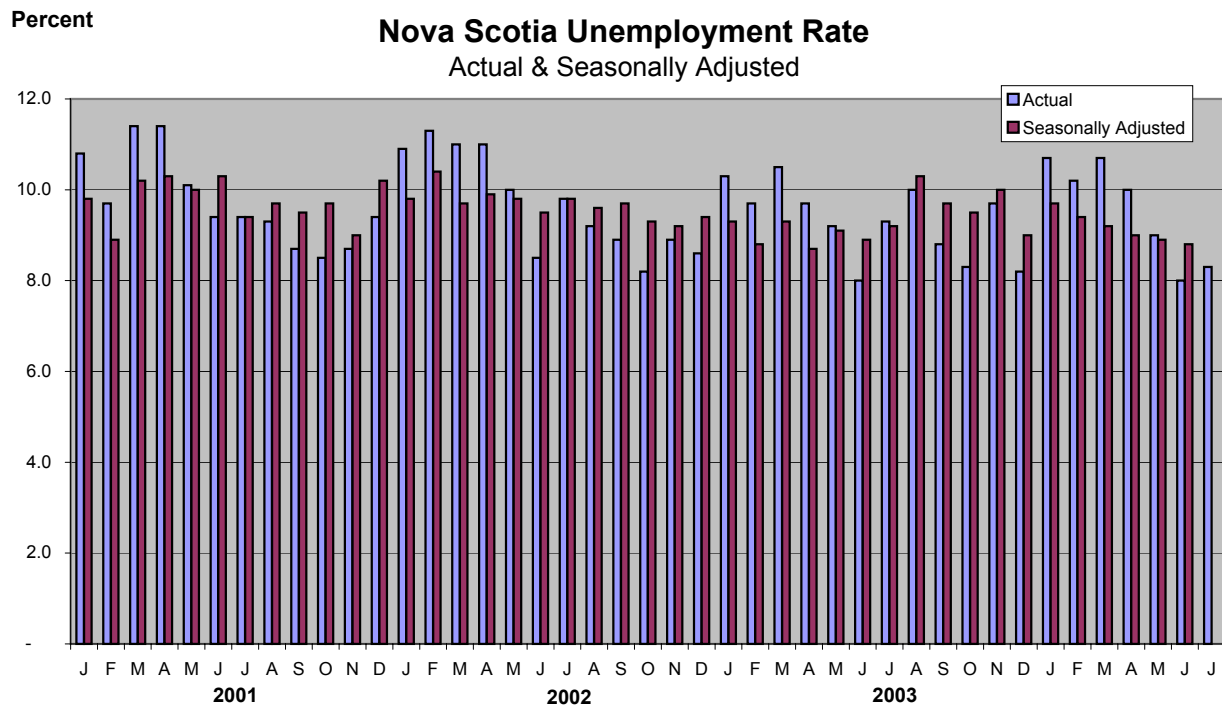
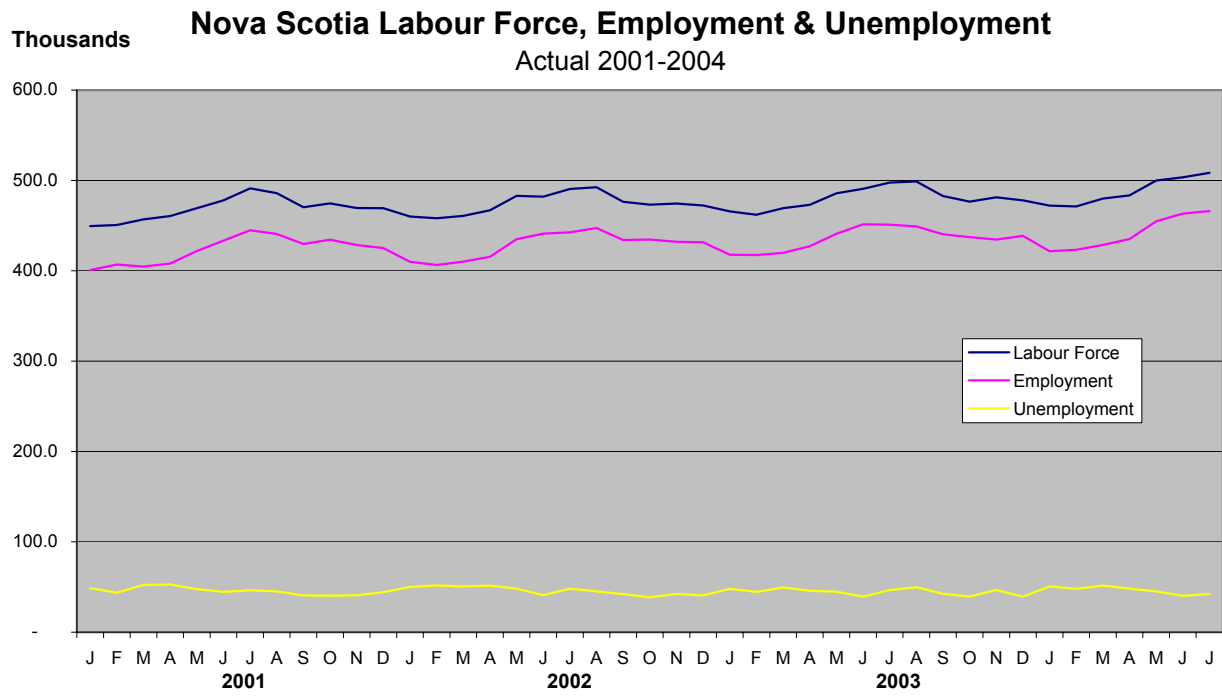
### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	
Population ('000)	3,367.8	3,415.6	3,420.1	52.3	3,367.8	3,415.6	3,420.1	52.3
Labour Force ('000)	2,251.4	2,276.5	2,284.0	32.6	2,209.3	2,249.4	2,244.9	35.6
Employment ('000)	2,055.8	2,117.1	2,116.9	61.1	2,021.0	2,080.3	2,081.5	60.5
Unemployed ('000)	195.7	159.4	167.0	(28.7)	188.3	169.1	163.3	(25.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	7.0	7.3	(1.4)	8.5	7.5	7.3	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	66.9	66.7	66.8	(0.1)	65.6	65.9	65.6	-
Employment Rate (%)	61.0	62.0	61.9	0.9	60.0	60.9	60.9	0.9

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**Employment Situation - July 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	<b>Canada</b>				<b>Nova Scotia</b>			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,236.6	25,557.3	25,589.2	352.6	759.7	763.9	764.2	4.5
Labour Force ('000)	17,321.1	17,331.1	17,552.9	231.8	491.3	495.6	504.0	12.7
Employment ('000)	15,988.2	16,076.7	16,300.5	312.3	447.8	451.1	461.4	13.6
Unemployed ('000)	1,332.9	1,254.4	1,252.4	(80.5)	43.5	44.5	42.5	(1.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	7.2	7.1	(0.6)	8.9	9.0	8.4	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	68.6	67.8	68.6	-	64.7	64.9	66.0	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	63.4	62.9	63.7	0.3	58.9	59.1	60.4	1.5

	<b>230 - Annapolis Valley</b>				<b>210 - Cape Breton</b>			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	102.0	102.6	102.6	0.6	119.8	119.0	118.9	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	62.8	64.5	66.5	3.7	66.1	67.3	68.9	2.8
Employment ('000)	57.0	58.0	60.7	3.7	56.1	58.0	59.4	3.3
Unemployed ('000)	5.8	6.5	5.8	-	9.9	9.3	9.5	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.2	10.1	8.7	(0.5)	15.0	13.8	13.8	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	61.6	62.9	64.8	3.2	55.2	56.6	57.9	2.7
Employment Rate (%)	55.9	56.5	59.2	3.3	46.8	48.7	50.0	3.2

	<b>250 - Halifax County</b>				<b>Halifax Metro (CMA)</b>			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	300.2	304.2	304.6	4.4	288.2	292.2	292.5	4.3
Labour Force ('000)	211.6	215.6	217.2	5.6	204.8	209.5	211.5	6.7
Employment ('000)	198.2	202.2	204.7	6.5	191.7	196.6	199.5	7.8
Unemployed ('000)	13.4	13.4	12.5	(0.9)	13.0	12.9	12.0	(1.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	6.2	5.8	(0.5)	6.3	6.2	5.7	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	70.5	70.9	71.3	0.8	71.1	71.7	72.3	1.2
Employment Rate (%)	66.0	66.5	67.2	1.2	66.5	67.3	68.2	1.7

	<b>220 - North Shore</b>				<b>240 - Southern</b>			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.3	133.4	133.4	0.1	104.4	104.7	104.7	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	83.8	83.6	85.1	1.3	67.1	64.6	66.3	(0.8)
Employment ('000)	75.9	75.2	76.9	1.0	60.6	57.8	59.7	(0.9)
Unemployed ('000)	7.9	8.4	8.2	0.3	6.5	6.8	6.6	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.4	10.0	9.6	0.2	9.7	10.5	10.0	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	62.9	62.7	63.8	0.9	64.3	61.7	63.3	(1.0)
Employment Rate (%)	56.9	56.4	57.6	0.7	58.0	55.2	57.0	(1.0)

**Employment Situation - July 2004**  
**Job Tenure**

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

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,723.7	16,031.5	16,040.2	316.5	12,764.1	13,098.2	13,059.3	295.2	2,959.5	2,933.2	2,980.9	21.4
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	217.6	221.2	226.5	8.9	186.1	184.9	192.3	6.2	31.5	36.3	34.2	2.7
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	69.5	68.0	69.5	-	57.9	57.7	57.5	(0.4)	11.6	10.3	12.0	0.4
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	433.6	448.1	449.2	15.6	350.9	364.6	363.3	12.4	82.7	83.5	85.8	3.1
<b>New Brunswick</b>	344.7	351.8	354.1	9.4	291.0	295.2	297.7	6.7	53.7	56.6	56.4	2.7
<b>Quebec</b>	3,636.9	3,692.9	3,702.5	65.6	2,990.2	3,008.8	3,022.2	32.0	646.7	684.1	680.3	33.6
<b>Ontario</b>	6,215.3	6,346.6	6,355.2	139.9	5,061.6	5,243.6	5,206.9	145.3	1,153.7	1,103.0	1,148.3	(5.4)
<b>Manitoba</b>	570.4	575.4	570.8	0.4	456.8	464.5	457.3	0.5	113.7	110.9	113.5	(0.2)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	486.7	489.8	486.8	0.1	386.4	393.2	389.2	2.8	100.3	96.6	97.7	(2.6)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,728.1	1,757.5	1,744.2	16.1	1,412.8	1,438.5	1,435.9	23.1	315.3	319.0	308.3	(7.0)
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,021.0	2,080.3	2,081.5	60.5	1,571.0	1,647.0	1,636.9	65.9	449.9	433.3	444.6	(5.3)

**Employment - Actual (000's)**

	<b>Total</b>				<b>Full-Time</b>				<b>Part-time</b>			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	16,090.4	16,376.6	16,407.3	316.9	13,449.9	13,531.5	13,744.1	294.2	2,640.6	2,845.1	2,663.2	22.6
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	242.4	239.6	253.4	11.0	212.9	202.6	221.4	8.5	29.5	37.0	32.1	2.6
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	75.7	74.9	75.9	0.2	66.4	64.6	66.1	(0.3)	9.3	10.3	9.8	0.5
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	451.1	463.3	466.2	15.1	378.6	383.7	390.7	12.1	72.4	79.6	75.5	3.1
<b>New Brunswick</b>	365.7	369.2	374.1	8.4	319.3	314.6	325.2	5.9	46.4	54.6	48.9	2.5
<b>Quebec</b>	3,755.4	3,797.4	3,817.2	61.8	3,209.0	3,150.0	3,248.8	39.8	546.4	647.4	568.4	22.0
<b>Ontario</b>	6,309.0	6,436.7	6,453.1	144.1	5,263.9	5,359.2	5,403.9	140.0	1,045.1	1,077.5	1,049.2	4.1
<b>Manitoba</b>	579.1	586.2	578.6	(0.5)	483.1	477.3	482.3	(0.8)	96.1	108.9	96.3	0.2
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	500.3	503.0	499.9	(0.4)	409.8	407.9	410.5	0.7	90.5	95.2	89.4	(1.1)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,756.0	1,789.2	1,772.0	16.0	1,476.6	1,472.7	1,498.5	21.9	279.5	316.5	273.5	(6.0)
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,055.8	2,117.1	2,116.9	61.1	1,630.3	1,698.9	1,696.8	66.5	425.4	418.2	420.1	(5.3)

**Employment Situation - July 2004**  
**Youth Statistics**

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

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,787.6	2,826.0	2,814.9	27.3	2,393.4	2,450.6	2,436.9	43.5	14.1	13.3	13.4	(0.7)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	39.3	39.4	39.3	-	30.5	30.1	30.9	0.4	22.4	23.6	21.4	(1.0)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.1	12.8	13.8	(0.3)	12.3	10.4	10.8	(1.5)	12.8	19.5	21.7	8.9
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	82.4	84.4	83.5	1.1	68.3	71.4	71.7	3.4	17.1	15.4	14.1	(3.0)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	62.1	65.3	62.6	0.5	51.9	55.4	54.3	2.4	16.4	15.2	13.3	(3.1)
<b>Quebec</b>	642.1	633.8	631.2	(10.9)	556.0	550.4	543.2	(12.8)	13.4	13.2	13.9	0.5
<b>Ontario</b>	1,053.8	1,107.4	1,099.0	45.2	894.5	951.7	942.5	48.0	15.1	14.1	14.2	(0.9)
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.0	107.9	106.9	(1.1)	97.4	95.4	93.9	(3.5)	9.8	11.5	12.2	2.4
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	93.0	92.7	94.0	1.0	83.0	83.2	84.1	1.1	10.8	10.1	10.5	(0.3)
<b>Alberta</b>	343.8	325.7	327.9	(15.9)	309.4	297.9	300.4	(9.0)	10.0	8.5	8.4	(1.6)
<b>British Columbia</b>	349.0	356.6	356.8	7.8	290.1	304.6	305.1	15.0	16.9	14.6	14.5	(2.4)

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	3,254.7	3,018.6	3,277.0	22.3	2,773.4	2,643.0	2,818.8	45.4	14.8	12.4	14.0	(0.8)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	56.5	45.4	55.5	(1.0)	44.5	35.0	45.2	0.7	21.2	22.9	18.6	(2.6)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	18.3	14.6	17.7	(0.6)	16.6	12.7	14.9	(1.7)	9.3	13.0	15.3	6.0
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	101.8	90.4	102.5	0.7	83.5	78.3	87.3	3.8	18.0	13.4	14.8	(3.2)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	79.0	72.8	78.1	(0.9)	67.3	62.4	68.8	1.5	14.8	14.4	11.8	(3.0)
<b>Quebec</b>	761.8	691.1	747.3	(14.5)	660.7	606.0	645.5	(15.2)	13.3	12.3	13.6	0.3
<b>Ontario</b>	1,235.1	1,177.0	1,283.6	48.5	1,029.4	1,016.9	1,082.5	53.1	16.7	13.6	15.7	(1.0)
<b>Manitoba</b>	121.0	113.0	119.2	(1.8)	109.6	101.1	105.6	(4.0)	9.4	10.5	11.5	2.1
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	108.4	100.1	110.1	1.7	95.6	90.8	97.1	1.5	11.8	9.3	11.7	(0.1)
<b>Alberta</b>	381.3	345.3	365.2	(16.1)	343.5	319.6	335.2	(8.3)	9.9	7.4	8.2	(1.7)
<b>British Columbia</b>	391.4	368.8	397.9	6.5	322.7	320.4	336.6	13.9	17.6	13.1	15.4	(2.2)



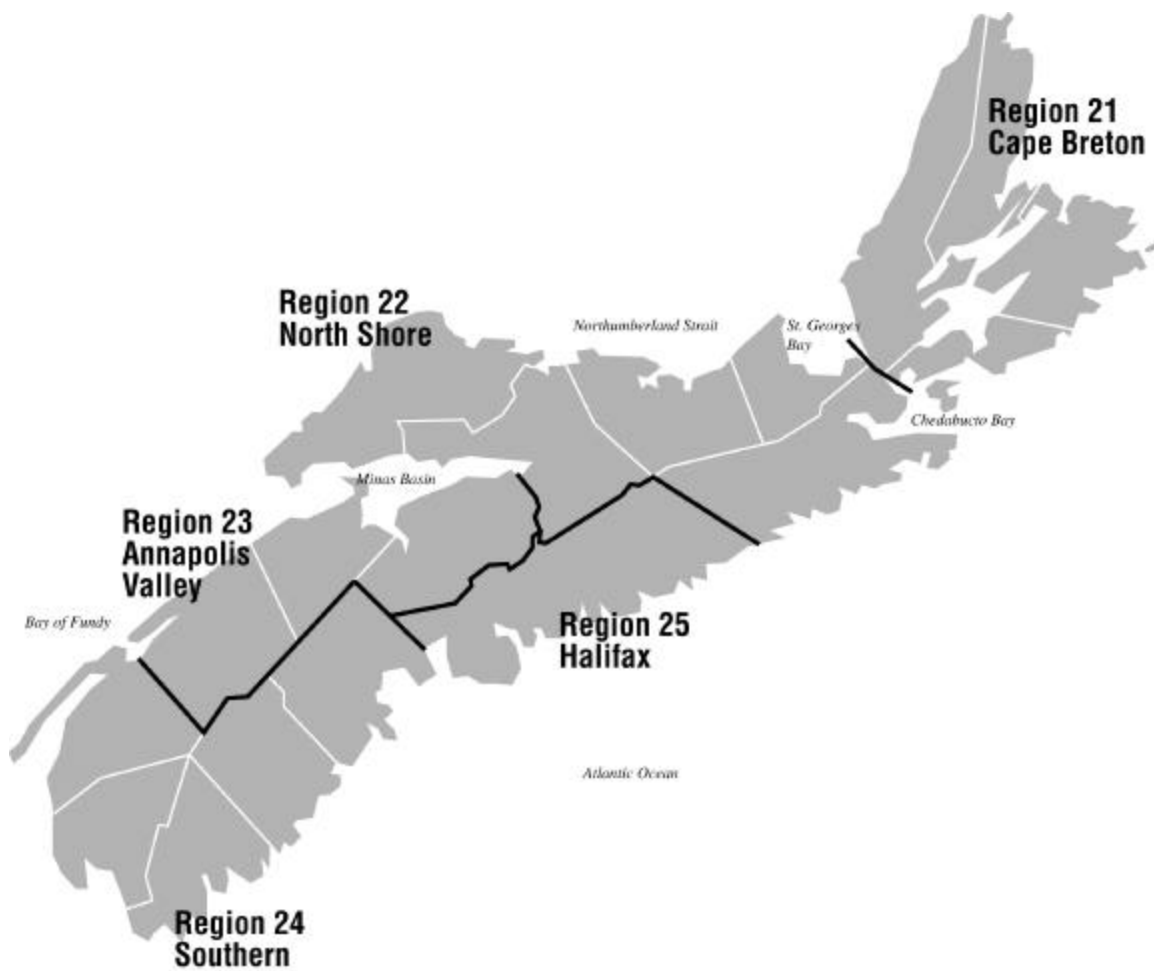
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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change	Jul 2003	Jun 2004	Jul 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.5	9.6	9.6	0.1	63.3	61.2	61.8	(1.5)	69.9	67.6	68.5	(1.4)
Halifax	<b>6.3</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>(0.6)</b>	<b>66.5</b>	<b>67.3</b>	<b>68.2</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>71.1</b>	<b>71.7</b>	<b>72.3</b>	<b>1.2</b>
Saint John, New Brunswick	10.0	9.2	9.3	(0.7)	58.8	59.4	60.7	1.9	65.3	65.5	67.0	1.7
Saguenay	9.9	10.9	9.4	(0.5)	55.4	58.1	59.4	4.0	61.6	65.2	65.5	3.9
Québec	5.2	5.5	4.7	(0.5)	65.8	63.5	64.3	(1.5)	69.4	67.2	67.5	(1.9)
Trois-Rivières	10.7	10.7	10.6	(0.1)	56.7	54.6	54.8	(1.9)	63.5	61.0	61.3	(2.2)
Sherbrooke	6.9	5.9	6.0	(0.9)	62.7	62.7	64.1	1.4	67.4	66.7	68.2	0.8
Montréal	9.9	7.9	8.1	(1.8)	62.1	62.5	62.7	0.6	68.8	67.9	68.2	(0.6)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.6	7.0	6.8	0.2	68.3	66.0	67.0	(1.3)	73.1	70.9	71.9	(1.2)
Sudbury	8.0	8.8	8.5	0.5	58.1	59.6	59.9	1.8	63.1	65.3	65.4	2.3
Oshawa	5.8	5.2	4.9	(0.9)	70.7	68.5	68.0	(2.7)	75.1	72.3	71.5	(3.6)
Toronto	8.6	7.4	7.9	(0.7)	64.8	65.2	65.5	0.7	70.8	70.4	71.2	0.4
Hamilton	6.4	7.0	6.6	0.2	64.6	65.0	66.5	1.9	69.1	69.9	71.2	2.1
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.3	8.2	7.9	1.6	61.6	56.7	57.9	(3.7)	65.8	61.8	62.8	(3.0)
London	7.2	5.3	5.3	(1.9)	63.5	65.8	67.6	4.1	68.4	69.5	71.4	3.0
Windsor	7.4	8.3	9.1	1.7	62.3	60.5	60.2	(2.1)	67.2	66.0	66.2	(1.0)
Kitchener	6.5	5.4	5.7	(0.8)	66.3	65.9	67.0	0.7	71.0	69.7	71.1	0.1
Thunder Bay	5.8	8.7	8.8	3.0	65.0	61.1	61.3	(3.7)	69.0	66.9	67.2	(1.8)
Winnipeg	4.7	5.4	5.6	0.9	68.1	67.5	67.5	(0.6)	71.5	71.3	71.5	-
Regina	5.8	4.7	4.6	(1.2)	68.1	69.8	70.0	1.9	72.2	73.2	73.3	1.1
Saskatoon	5.9	6.1	6.2	0.3	68.4	66.2	67.3	(1.1)	72.7	70.6	71.7	(1.0)
Calgary	4.9	4.9	4.9	-	72.4	71.9	72.4	-	76.1	75.7	76.1	-
Edmonton	5.3	4.3	4.5	(0.8)	69.5	69.3	69.6	0.1	73.4	72.5	72.8	(0.6)
Vancouver	7.7	7.1	7.0	(0.7)	62.5	63.2	63.7	1.2	67.7	68.1	68.5	0.8
Victoria	7.2	5.2	5.7	(1.5)	59.1	60.7	60.9	1.8	63.7	64.0	64.5	0.8

# Employment Situation August 2004



## About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

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

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### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,285.8	25,619.9	25,653.4	367.6	25,285.8	25,619.9	25,653.4	367.6
Labour Force ('000)	17,486.0	17,695.8	17,660.4	174.4	17,073.1	17,275.7	17,279.2	206.1
Employment ('000)	16,048.7	16,407.3	16,337.8	289.1	15,715.6	16,040.2	16,033.2	317.6
Unemployed ('000)	1,437.3	1,288.5	1,322.6	(114.7)	1,357.5	1,235.5	1,246.0	(111.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.2	7.3	7.5	(0.7)	8.0	7.2	7.2	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	69.2	69.1	68.8	(0.4)	67.5	67.4	67.4	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	63.5	64.0	63.7	0.2	62.2	62.6	62.5	0.3

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	760.7	764.6	765.1	4.4	760.7	764.6	765.1	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	498.9	508.5	505.6	6.7	483.3	490.4	489.6	6.3
Employment ('000)	449.2	466.2	463.0	13.8	433.3	449.2	446.7	13.4
Unemployed ('000)	49.7	42.3	42.6	(7.1)	50.0	41.3	42.9	(7.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.0	8.3	8.4	(1.6)	10.3	8.4	8.8	(1.5)
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	66.5	66.1	0.5	63.5	64.1	64.0	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	59.1	61.0	60.5	1.4	57.0	58.7	58.4	1.4

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	438.6	439.4	439.4	0.8	438.6	439.4	439.4	0.8
Labour Force ('000)	275.8	290.0	278.0	2.2	260.4	266.4	264.0	3.6
Employment ('000)	236.6	253.4	238.2	1.6	219.4	226.5	221.2	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	39.2	36.6	39.7	0.5	41.0	39.9	42.8	1.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.2	12.6	14.3	0.1	15.7	15.0	16.2	0.5
Participation Rate (%)	62.9	66.0	63.3	0.4	59.4	60.6	60.1	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	53.9	57.7	54.2	0.3	50.0	51.5	50.3	0.3

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	113.4	114.7	114.7	1.3	113.4	114.7	114.7	1.3
Labour Force ('000)	83.1	83.6	83.3	0.2	77.8	78.3	78.2	0.4
Employment ('000)	76.5	75.9	76.2	(0.3)	69.8	69.5	69.4	(0.4)
Unemployed ('000)	6.6	7.7	7.0	0.4	8.1	8.8	8.8	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	9.2	8.4	0.5	10.4	11.2	11.3	0.9
Participation Rate (%)	73.3	72.9	72.6	(0.7)	68.6	68.3	68.2	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	67.5	66.2	66.4	(1.1)	61.6	60.6	60.5	(1.1)

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	
Population ('000)	610.0	612.7	613.2	3.2	610.0	612.7	613.2	3.2
Labour Force ('000)	401.2	412.6	415.4	14.2	381.5	393.4	397.4	15.9
Employment ('000)	360.3	374.1	376.5	16.2	339.4	354.1	355.7	16.3
Unemployed ('000)	41.0	38.5	38.9	(2.1)	42.0	39.3	41.7	(0.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.2	9.3	9.4	(0.8)	11.0	10.0	10.5	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	65.8	67.3	67.7	1.9	62.5	64.2	64.8	2.3
Employment Rate (%)	59.1	61.1	61.4	2.3	55.6	57.8	58.0	2.4

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	
Population ('000)	6,088.1	6,151.1	6,157.6	69.5	6,088.1	6,151.1	6,157.6	69.5
Labour Force ('000)	4,113.2	4,142.7	4,105.0	(8.2)	4,023.3	4,033.1	4,041.1	17.8
Employment ('000)	3,710.3	3,817.2	3,779.1	68.8	3,624.5	3,702.5	3,717.0	92.5
Unemployed ('000)	402.9	325.5	325.9	(77.0)	398.9	330.6	324.1	(74.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.8	7.9	7.9	(1.9)	9.9	8.2	8.0	(1.9)
Participation Rate (%)	67.6	67.3	66.7	(0.9)	66.1	65.6	65.6	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	60.9	62.1	61.4	0.5	59.5	60.2	60.4	0.9

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	
Population ('000)	9,800.9	9,961.3	9,977.2	176.3	9,800.9	9,961.3	9,977.2	176.3
Labour Force ('000)	6,854.7	6,971.9	6,961.3	106.6	6,692.5	6,822.0	6,801.7	109.2
Employment ('000)	6,326.3	6,453.1	6,441.4	115.1	6,218.2	6,355.2	6,336.4	118.2
Unemployed ('000)	528.3	518.8	519.8	(8.5)	474.4	466.9	465.3	(9.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	7.4	7.5	(0.2)	7.1	6.8	6.8	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	69.9	70.0	69.8	(0.1)	68.3	68.5	68.2	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	64.5	64.8	64.6	0.1	63.4	63.8	63.5	0.1

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	
Population ('000)	868.8	877.9	878.6	9.8	868.8	877.9	878.6	9.8
Labour Force ('000)	612.1	613.6	620.4	8.3	600.6	604.5	609.2	8.6
Employment ('000)	578.5	578.6	581.0	2.5	571.0	570.8	574.3	3.3
Unemployed ('000)	33.6	35.1	39.4	5.8	29.6	33.7	34.9	5.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.7	6.4	0.9	4.9	5.6	5.7	0.8
Participation Rate (%)	70.5	69.9	70.6	0.1	69.1	68.9	69.3	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	66.6	65.9	66.1	(0.5)	65.7	65.0	65.4	(0.3)

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	
Population ('000)	755.8	758.0	758.2	2.4	755.8	758.0	758.2	2.4
Labour Force ('000)	531.8	528.9	528.1	(3.7)	515.7	513.6	515.2	(0.5)
Employment ('000)	499.3	499.9	498.5	(0.8)	486.6	486.8	487.6	1.0
Unemployed ('000)	32.5	29.0	29.5	(3.0)	29.1	26.8	27.6	(1.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1	5.5	5.6	(0.5)	5.6	5.2	5.4	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	70.4	69.8	69.7	(0.7)	68.2	67.8	68.0	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	66.1	65.9	65.7	(0.4)	64.4	64.2	64.3	(0.1)

### Alberta

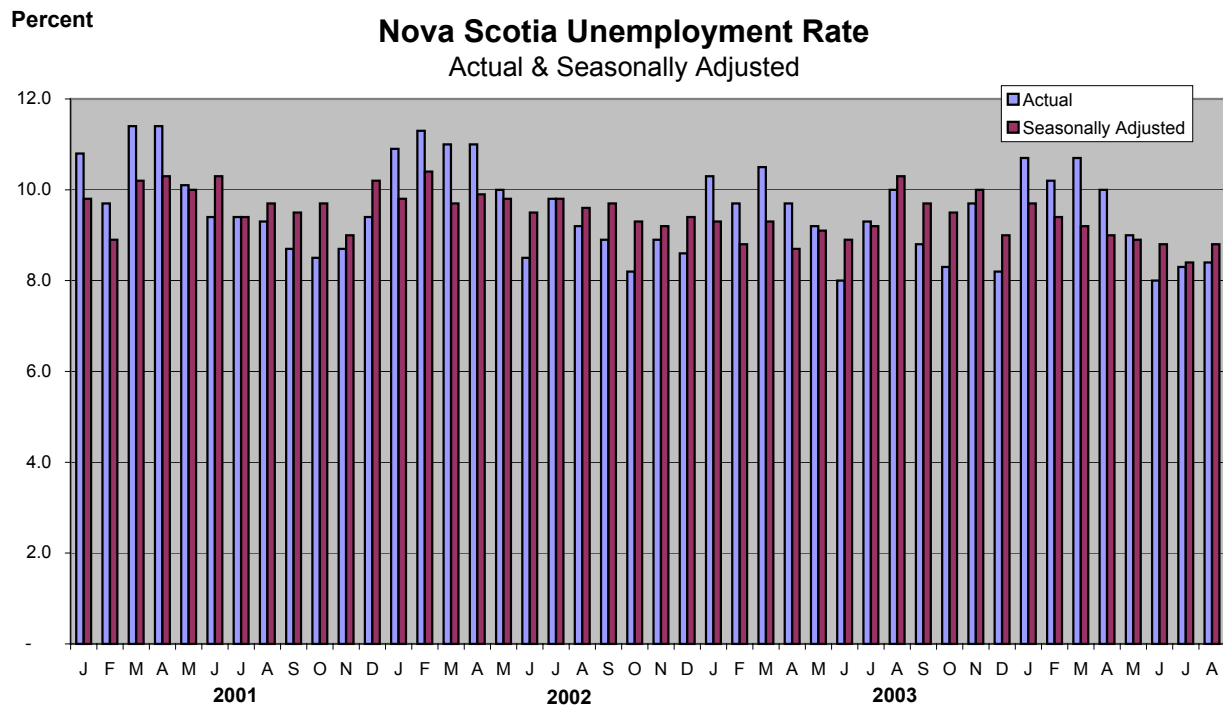
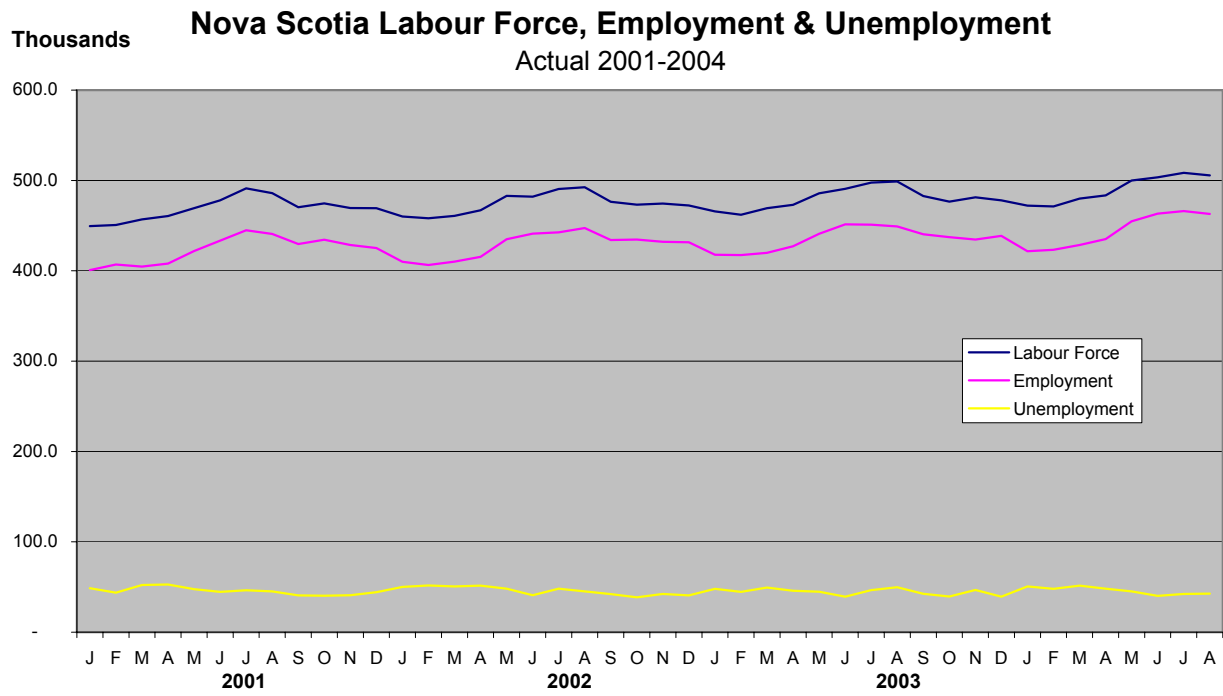
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	
Population ('000)	2,478.6	2,520.1	2,524.3	45.7	2,478.6	2,520.1	2,524.3	45.7
Labour Force ('000)	1,853.2	1,860.0	1,872.3	19.1	1,819.8	1,829.3	1,843.7	23.9
Employment ('000)	1,751.9	1,772.0	1,781.6	29.7	1,725.9	1,744.2	1,757.9	32.0
Unemployed ('000)	101.3	88.0	90.7	(10.6)	93.9	85.1	85.8	(8.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	4.7	4.8	(0.7)	5.2	4.7	4.7	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	74.8	73.8	74.2	(0.6)	73.4	72.6	73.0	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	70.7	70.3	70.6	(0.1)	69.6	69.2	69.6	-

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	
Population ('000)	3,370.9	3,420.1	3,425.3	54.4	3,370.9	3,420.1	3,425.3	54.4
Labour Force ('000)	2,262.0	2,284.0	2,291.1	29.1	2,218.1	2,244.9	2,239.1	21.0
Employment ('000)	2,059.9	2,116.9	2,102.2	42.3	2,027.5	2,081.5	2,067.0	39.5
Unemployed ('000)	202.2	167.0	189.0	(13.2)	190.6	163.3	172.1	(18.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.9	7.3	8.2	(0.7)	8.6	7.3	7.7	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	67.1	66.8	66.9	(0.2)	65.8	65.6	65.4	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	61.1	61.9	61.4	0.3	60.1	60.9	60.3	0.2

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**Employment Situation - August 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	<b>Canada</b>				<b>Nova Scotia</b>			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,263.1	25,589.2	25,622.0	358.9	760.1	764.2	764.6	4.5
Labour Force ('000)	17,423.7	17,552.9	17,641.2	217.5	495.7	504.0	505.8	10.1
Employment ('000)	16,071.3	16,300.5	16,373.9	302.6	450.5	461.4	464.2	13.7
Unemployed ('000)	1,352.5	1,252.4	1,267.3	(85.2)	45.2	42.5	41.7	(3.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	7.1	7.2	(0.6)	9.1	8.4	8.2	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	69.0	68.6	68.9	(0.1)	65.2	66.0	66.2	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	63.6	63.7	63.9	0.3	59.3	60.4	60.7	1.4

	<b>230 - Annapolis Valley</b>				<b>210 - Cape Breton</b>			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	102.1	102.6	102.7	0.6	119.7	118.9	118.8	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	63.7	66.5	68.1	4.4	67.3	68.9	68.6	1.3
Employment ('000)	58.0	60.7	62.6	4.6	56.5	59.4	58.8	2.3
Unemployed ('000)	5.7	5.8	5.6	(0.1)	10.8	9.5	9.8	(1.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.9	8.7	8.2	(0.7)	16.0	13.8	14.3	(1.7)
Participation Rate (%)	62.4	64.8	66.3	3.9	56.2	57.9	57.7	1.5
Employment Rate (%)	56.8	59.2	61.0	4.2	47.2	50.0	49.5	2.3

	<b>250 - Halifax County</b>				<b>Halifax Metro (CMA)</b>			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	300.6	304.6	305.0	4.4	288.6	292.5	292.9	4.3
Labour Force ('000)	213.5	217.2	217.6	4.1	206.9	211.5	211.8	4.9
Employment ('000)	198.9	204.7	205.6	6.7	192.8	199.5	200.3	7.5
Unemployed ('000)	14.6	12.5	12.0	(2.6)	14.1	12.0	11.5	(2.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	5.8	5.5	(1.3)	6.8	5.7	5.4	(1.4)
Participation Rate (%)	71.0	71.3	71.3	0.3	71.7	72.3	72.3	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	66.2	67.2	67.4	1.2	66.8	68.2	68.4	1.6

	<b>220 - North Shore</b>				<b>240 - Southern</b>			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.3	133.4	133.5	0.2	104.4	104.7	104.7	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	84.2	85.1	84.7	0.5	67.1	66.3	66.7	(0.4)
Employment ('000)	76.6	76.9	77.0	0.4	60.6	59.7	60.3	(0.3)
Unemployed ('000)	7.7	8.2	7.7	-	6.5	6.6	6.5	-
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.1	9.6	9.1	-	9.7	10.0	9.7	-
Participation Rate (%)	63.2	63.8	63.4	0.2	64.3	63.3	63.7	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	57.5	57.6	57.7	0.2	58.0	57.0	57.6	(0.4)

## Employment Situation - August 2004 Job Tenure

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

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,715.6	16,040.2	16,033.2	317.6	12,755.9	13,059.3	13,074.7	318.8	2,959.7	2,980.9	2,958.5	(1.2)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	219.4	226.5	221.2	1.8	189.3	192.3	190.2	0.9	30.2	34.2	31.0	0.8
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	69.8	69.5	69.4	(0.4)	58.7	57.5	57.7	(1.0)	11.0	12.0	11.6	0.6
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	433.3	449.2	446.7	13.4	349.9	363.3	366.5	16.6	83.4	85.8	80.2	(3.2)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	339.4	354.1	355.7	16.3	287.3	297.7	296.9	9.6	52.1	56.4	58.9	6.8
<b>Quebec</b>	3,624.5	3,702.5	3,717.0	92.5	2,971.5	3,022.2	3,044.3	72.8	652.9	680.3	672.6	19.7
<b>Ontario</b>	6,218.2	6,355.2	6,336.4	118.2	5,072.5	5,206.9	5,205.6	133.1	1,145.7	1,148.3	1,130.9	(14.8)
<b>Manitoba</b>	571.0	570.8	574.3	3.3	458.1	457.3	465.8	7.7	113.0	113.5	108.5	(4.5)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	486.6	486.8	487.6	1.0	388.2	389.2	389.5	1.3	98.3	97.7	98.0	(0.3)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,725.9	1,744.2	1,757.9	32.0	1,415.4	1,435.9	1,434.9	19.5	310.4	308.3	323.0	12.6
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,027.5	2,081.5	2,067.0	39.5	1,565.6	1,636.9	1,623.3	57.7	462.0	444.6	443.7	(18.3)

### Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	16,048.7	16,407.3	16,337.8	289.1	13,443.8	13,744.1	13,745.5	301.7	2,604.9	2,663.2	2,592.3	(12.6)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	236.6	253.4	238.2	1.6	209.9	221.4	210.8	0.9	26.6	32.1	27.5	0.9
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	76.5	75.9	76.2	(0.3)	68.1	66.1	67.1	(1.0)	8.4	9.8	9.1	0.7
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	449.2	466.2	463.0	13.8	376.8	390.7	394.3	17.5	72.4	75.5	68.7	(3.7)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	360.3	374.1	376.5	16.2	315.9	325.2	326.1	10.2	44.4	48.9	50.4	6.0
<b>Quebec</b>	3,710.3	3,817.2	3,779.1	68.8	3,157.6	3,248.8	3,219.7	62.1	552.7	568.4	559.4	6.7
<b>Ontario</b>	6,326.3	6,453.1	6,441.4	115.1	5,300.3	5,403.9	5,434.4	134.1	1,026.0	1,049.2	1,007.0	(19.0)
<b>Manitoba</b>	578.5	578.6	581.0	2.5	482.6	482.3	489.2	6.6	95.9	96.3	91.7	(4.2)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	499.3	499.9	498.5	(0.8)	413.3	410.5	412.8	(0.5)	86.1	89.4	85.7	(0.4)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,751.9	1,772.0	1,781.6	29.7	1,487.2	1,498.5	1,501.4	14.2	264.7	273.5	280.2	15.5
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,059.9	2,116.9	2,102.2	42.3	1,632.1	1,696.8	1,689.6	57.5	427.7	420.1	412.5	(15.2)

## Employment Situation - August 2004 Youth Statistics

### 15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,792.7	2,814.9	2,790.1	(2.6)	2,391.3	2,436.9	2,409.0	17.7	14.4	13.4	13.7	(0.7)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	40.3	39.3	39.2	(1.1)	31.1	30.9	29.9	(1.2)	22.8	21.4	23.7	0.9
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.3	13.8	13.5	(0.8)	12.7	10.8	11.0	(1.7)	11.2	21.7	18.5	7.3
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	82.1	83.5	83.3	1.2	65.6	71.7	70.9	5.3	20.1	14.1	14.9	(5.2)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	60.7	62.6	62.3	1.6	48.7	54.3	53.2	4.5	19.8	13.3	14.6	(5.2)
<b>Quebec</b>	651.1	631.2	643.2	(7.9)	555.5	543.2	550.7	(4.8)	14.7	13.9	14.4	(0.3)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,055.0	1,099.0	1,074.0	19.0	895.6	942.5	920.6	25.0	15.1	14.2	14.3	(0.8)
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.1	106.9	108.8	0.7	97.7	93.9	95.4	(2.3)	9.6	12.2	12.3	2.7
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	93.6	94.0	93.8	0.2	83.9	84.1	83.6	(0.3)	10.4	10.5	11.0	0.6
<b>Alberta</b>	338.0	327.9	333.3	(4.7)	308.0	300.4	302.4	(5.6)	8.9	8.4	9.3	0.4
<b>British Columbia</b>	349.4	356.8	338.6	(10.8)	292.5	305.1	291.4	(1.1)	16.3	14.5	14.0	(2.3)

### 15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	3,168.7	3,277.0	3,136.4	(32.3)	2,740.5	2,818.8	2,735.6	(4.9)	13.5	14.0	12.8	(0.7)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	51.1	55.5	49.5	(1.6)	41.4	45.2	39.8	(1.6)	19.0	18.6	19.6	0.6
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	18.0	17.7	16.9	(1.1)	16.7	14.9	15.0	(1.7)	6.7	15.3	11.2	4.5
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	96.7	102.5	98.8	2.1	80.4	87.3	86.4	6.0	16.8	14.8	12.6	(4.2)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	74.3	78.1	75.4	1.1	62.6	68.8	66.4	3.8	15.7	11.8	11.8	(3.9)
<b>Quebec</b>	727.6	747.3	701.7	(25.9)	632.2	645.5	607.5	(24.7)	13.1	13.6	13.4	0.3
<b>Ontario</b>	1,214.1	1,283.6	1,225.8	11.7	1,033.9	1,082.5	1,056.4	22.5	14.8	15.7	13.8	(1.0)
<b>Manitoba</b>	118.2	119.2	118.4	0.2	108.7	105.6	105.8	(2.9)	8.0	11.5	10.6	2.6
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	108.2	110.1	106.8	(1.4)	97.8	97.1	96.3	(1.5)	9.7	11.7	9.8	0.1
<b>Alberta</b>	373.9	365.2	366.6	(7.3)	342.4	335.2	335.7	(6.7)	8.5	8.2	8.4	(0.1)
<b>British Columbia</b>	386.6	397.9	376.5	(10.1)	324.4	336.6	326.2	1.8	16.1	15.4	13.4	(2.7)





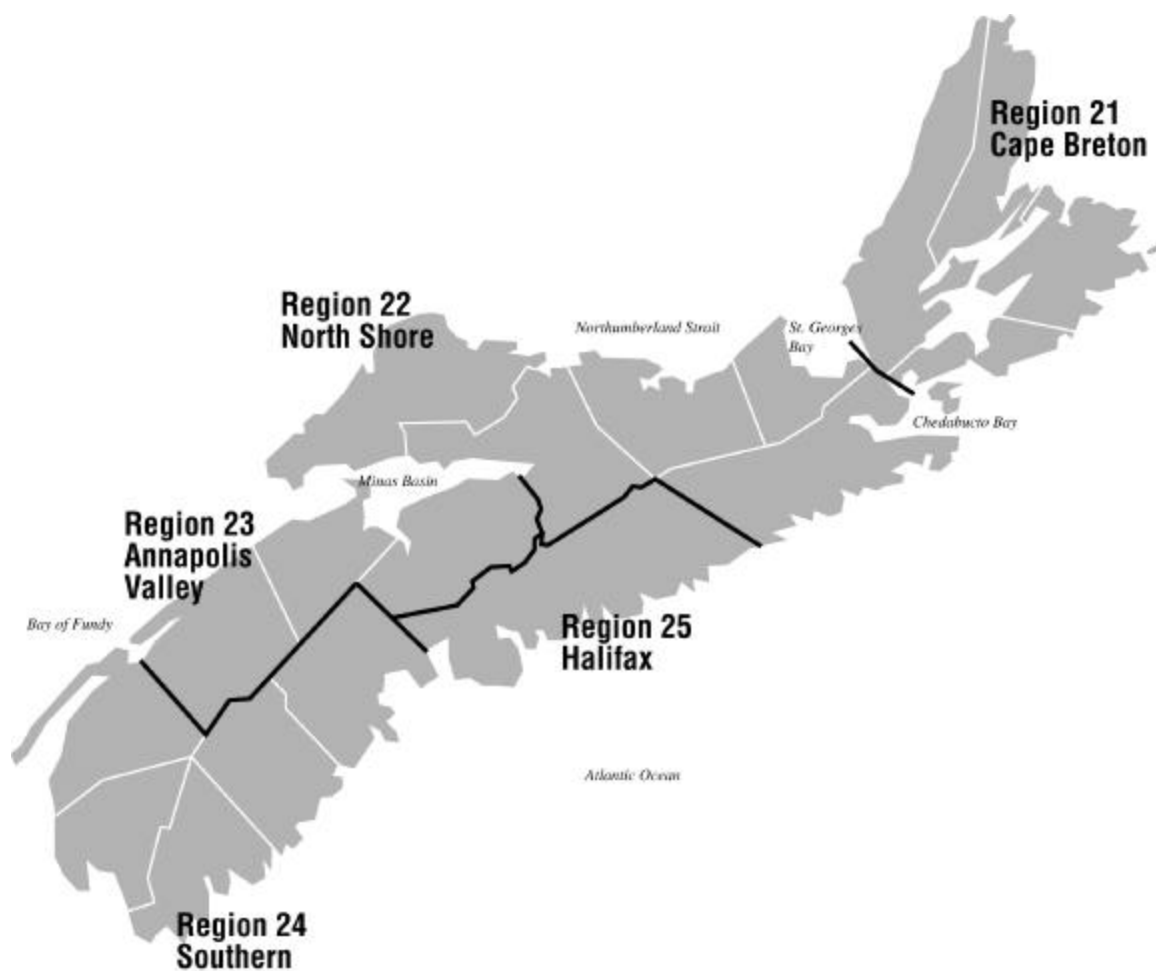
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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change	Aug 2003	Jul 2004	Aug 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.3	9.6	9.3	-	63.5	61.8	62.0	(1.5)	70.0	68.5	68.4	(1.6)
Halifax	<b>6.8</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>(1.4)</b>	<b>66.8</b>	<b>68.2</b>	<b>68.4</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>71.7</b>	<b>72.3</b>	<b>72.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Saint John, New Brunswick	9.3	9.3	8.5	(0.8)	58.8	60.7	61.5	2.7	64.8	67.0	67.3	2.5
Saguenay	9.5	9.4	9.0	(0.5)	57.0	59.4	59.2	2.2	62.9	65.5	65.1	2.2
Québec	5.5	4.7	4.7	(0.8)	65.9	64.3	64.2	(1.7)	69.7	67.5	67.3	(2.4)
Trois-Rivières	11.2	10.6	10.7	(0.5)	56.0	54.8	55.0	(1.0)	63.1	61.3	61.6	(1.5)
Sherbrooke	7.8	6.0	6.4	(1.4)	63.4	64.1	64.2	0.8	68.7	68.2	68.5	(0.2)
Montréal	10.1	8.1	8.4	(1.7)	62.0	62.7	62.6	0.6	69.0	68.2	68.4	(0.6)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.6	6.8	7.0	0.4	68.2	67.0	66.4	(1.8)	73.0	71.9	71.4	(1.6)
Sudbury	9.0	8.5	8.1	(0.9)	58.2	59.9	59.9	1.7	63.9	65.4	65.2	1.3
Oshawa	5.7	4.9	5.4	(0.3)	70.7	68.0	66.6	(4.1)	74.9	71.5	70.4	(4.5)
Toronto	8.9	7.9	8.2	(0.7)	64.8	65.5	65.6	0.8	71.1	71.2	71.5	0.4
Hamilton	6.6	6.6	6.3	(0.3)	65.4	66.5	66.8	1.4	70.0	71.2	71.2	1.2
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.3	7.9	7.3	1.0	62.6	57.9	58.6	(4.0)	66.7	62.8	63.1	(3.6)
London	7.2	5.3	5.3	(1.9)	64.0	67.6	68.4	4.4	69.0	71.4	72.2	3.2
Windsor	7.4	9.1	9.8	2.4	62.9	60.2	60.5	(2.4)	67.8	66.2	67.0	(0.8)
Kitchener	6.5	5.7	6.0	(0.5)	66.2	67.0	67.3	1.1	70.8	71.1	71.6	0.8
Thunder Bay	5.6	8.8	8.8	3.2	64.9	61.3	61.2	(3.7)	68.8	67.2	67.1	(1.7)
Winnipeg	5.1	5.6	6.1	1.0	68.0	67.5	67.3	(0.7)	71.6	71.5	71.6	-
Regina	6.2	4.6	4.4	(1.8)	68.3	70.0	69.5	1.2	72.8	73.3	72.7	(0.1)
Saskatoon	6.0	6.2	6.1	0.1	68.6	67.3	68.2	(0.4)	73.0	71.7	72.7	(0.3)
Calgary	4.9	4.9	5.1	0.2	72.7	72.4	72.4	(0.3)	76.4	76.1	76.2	(0.2)
Edmonton	5.1	4.5	4.7	(0.4)	69.7	69.6	69.5	(0.2)	73.4	72.8	72.9	(0.5)
Vancouver	8.0	7.0	7.2	(0.8)	63.2	63.7	63.6	0.4	68.7	68.5	68.5	(0.2)
Victoria	7.2	5.7	6.1	(1.1)	59.8	60.9	60.9	1.1	64.4	64.5	64.8	0.4

# Employment Situation September 2004



## About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

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

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## Employment Situation - September 2004 Canada/Provinces

### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	
Population ('000)	25,321.2	25,653.4	25,681.3	360.1	25,321.2	25,653.4	25,681.3	360.1
Labour Force ('000)	17,092.8	17,660.4	17,277.9	185.1	17,120.5	17,279.2	17,297.8	177.3
Employment ('000)	15,832.6	16,337.8	16,144.1	311.5	15,760.6	16,033.2	16,076.4	315.8
Unemployed ('000)	1,260.1	1,322.6	1,133.7	(126.4)	1,359.9	1,246.0	1,221.4	(138.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	7.5	6.6	(0.8)	7.9	7.2	7.1	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	67.5	68.8	67.3	(0.2)	67.6	67.4	67.4	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	62.5	63.7	62.9	0.4	62.2	62.5	62.6	0.4

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	
Population ('000)	761.0	765.1	765.4	4.4	761.0	765.1	765.4	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	482.8	505.6	489.7	6.9	482.8	489.6	490.0	7.2
Employment ('000)	440.4	463.0	450.3	9.9	436.1	446.7	446.9	10.8
Unemployed ('000)	42.5	42.6	39.3	(3.2)	46.7	42.9	43.1	(3.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.8	8.4	8.0	(0.8)	9.7	8.8	8.8	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	63.4	66.1	64.0	0.6	63.4	64.0	64.0	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	57.9	60.5	58.8	0.9	57.3	58.4	58.4	1.1

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	
Population ('000)	438.7	439.4	439.8	1.1	438.7	439.4	439.8	1.1
Labour Force ('000)	265.6	278.0	263.6	(2.0)	263.5	264.0	261.0	(2.5)
Employment ('000)	228.1	238.2	227.9	(0.2)	219.7	221.2	219.5	(0.2)
Unemployed ('000)	37.5	39.7	35.7	(1.8)	43.8	42.8	41.5	(2.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.1	14.3	13.5	(0.6)	16.6	16.2	15.9	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	60.5	63.3	59.9	(0.6)	60.1	60.1	59.3	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	52.0	54.2	51.8	(0.2)	50.1	50.3	49.9	(0.2)

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	
Population ('000)	113.5	114.7	114.8	1.3	113.5	114.7	114.8	1.3
Labour Force ('000)	78.1	83.3	79.3	1.2	77.0	78.2	78.1	1.1
Employment ('000)	72.3	76.2	72.8	0.5	69.0	69.4	69.3	0.3
Unemployed ('000)	5.8	7.0	6.5	0.7	8.0	8.8	8.8	0.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	8.4	8.2	0.8	10.4	11.3	11.3	0.9
Participation Rate (%)	68.8	72.6	69.1	0.3	67.8	68.2	68.0	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	63.7	66.4	63.4	(0.3)	60.8	60.5	60.4	(0.4)

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

Annual Change is in thousands or percentage points as shown in row headings.

## Employment Situation - September 2004 Canada/Provinces

### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	
Population ('000)	610.2	613.2	613.6	3.4	610.2	613.2	613.6	3.4
Labour Force ('000)	386.3	415.4	398.4	12.1	384.1	397.4	394.5	10.4
Employment ('000)	354.1	376.5	367.8	13.7	343.5	355.7	356.7	13.2
Unemployed ('000)	32.2	38.9	30.7	(1.5)	40.6	41.7	37.9	(2.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.3	9.4	7.7	(0.6)	10.6	10.5	9.6	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	63.3	67.7	64.9	1.6	62.9	64.8	64.3	1.4
Employment Rate (%)	58.0	61.4	59.9	1.9	56.3	58.0	58.1	1.8

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	
Population ('000)	6,095.2	6,157.6	6,163.1	67.9	6,095.2	6,157.6	6,163.1	67.9
Labour Force ('000)	3,999.8	4,105.0	4,059.2	59.4	4,017.3	4,041.1	4,071.7	54.4
Employment ('000)	3,656.5	3,779.1	3,752.2	95.7	3,633.6	3,717.0	3,732.5	98.9
Unemployed ('000)	343.2	325.9	307.1	(36.1)	383.6	324.1	339.2	(44.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.6	7.9	7.6	(1.0)	9.5	8.0	8.3	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	66.7	65.9	0.3	65.9	65.6	66.1	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	60.0	61.4	60.9	0.9	59.6	60.4	60.6	1.0

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	
Population ('000)	9,819.2	9,977.2	9,991.2	172.0	9,819.2	9,977.2	9,991.2	172.0
Labour Force ('000)	6,723.6	6,961.3	6,767.8	44.2	6,735.6	6,801.7	6,780.5	44.9
Employment ('000)	6,249.3	6,441.4	6,334.5	85.2	6,251.8	6,336.4	6,341.1	89.3
Unemployed ('000)	474.3	519.8	433.4	(40.9)	483.8	465.3	439.4	(44.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	7.5	6.4	(0.7)	7.2	6.8	6.5	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	68.5	69.8	67.7	(0.8)	68.6	68.2	67.9	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	63.6	64.6	63.4	(0.2)	63.7	63.5	63.5	(0.2)

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	
Population ('000)	869.6	878.6	879.0	9.4	869.6	878.6	879.0	9.4
Labour Force ('000)	597.9	620.4	612.2	14.3	598.3	609.2	612.0	13.7
Employment ('000)	567.3	581.0	581.1	13.8	563.7	574.3	577.8	14.1
Unemployed ('000)	30.6	39.4	31.1	0.5	34.6	34.9	34.2	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.1	6.4	5.1	-	5.8	5.7	5.6	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	68.8	70.6	69.6	0.8	68.8	69.3	69.6	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	65.2	66.1	66.1	0.9	64.8	65.4	65.7	0.9

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	756.0	758.2	758.3	2.3	756.0	758.2	758.3	2.3
Labour Force ('000)	513.3	528.1	519.8	6.5	512.0	515.2	518.2	6.2
Employment ('000)	488.2	498.5	493.4	5.2	482.8	487.6	488.3	5.5
Unemployed ('000)	25.1	29.5	26.4	1.3	29.2	27.6	29.9	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.6	5.1	0.2	5.7	5.4	5.8	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	67.9	69.7	68.5	0.6	67.7	68.0	68.3	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	64.6	65.7	65.1	0.5	63.9	64.3	64.4	0.5

### Alberta

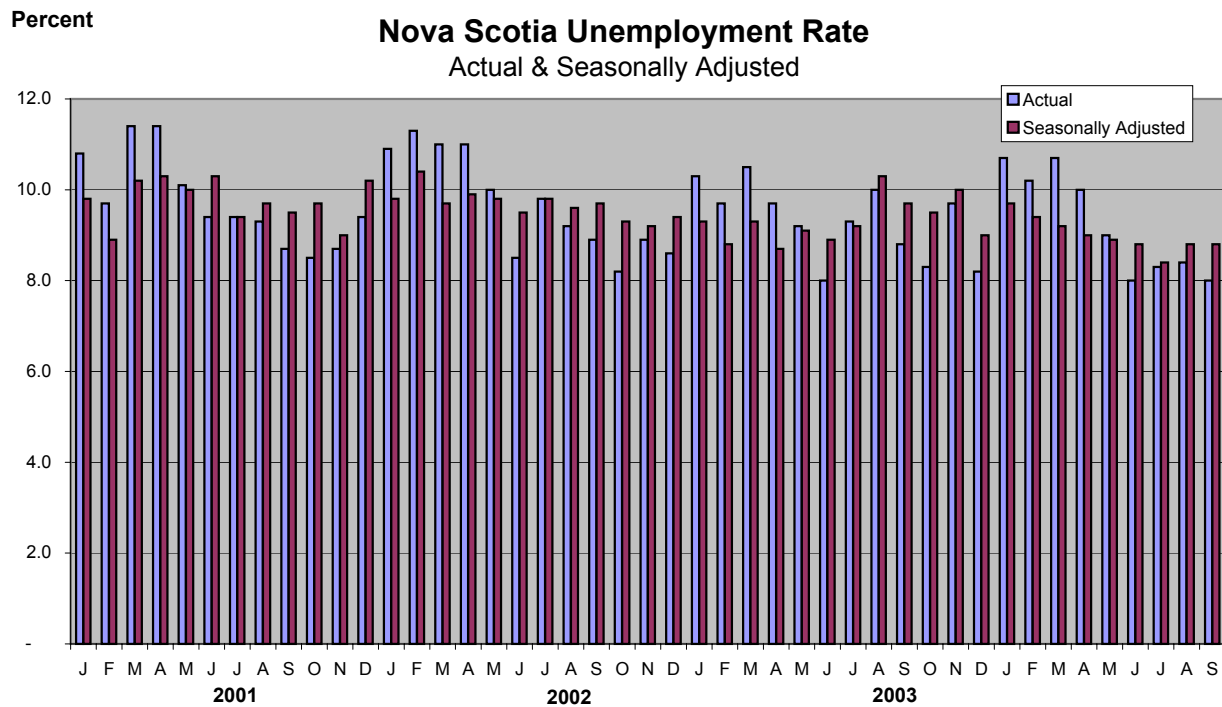
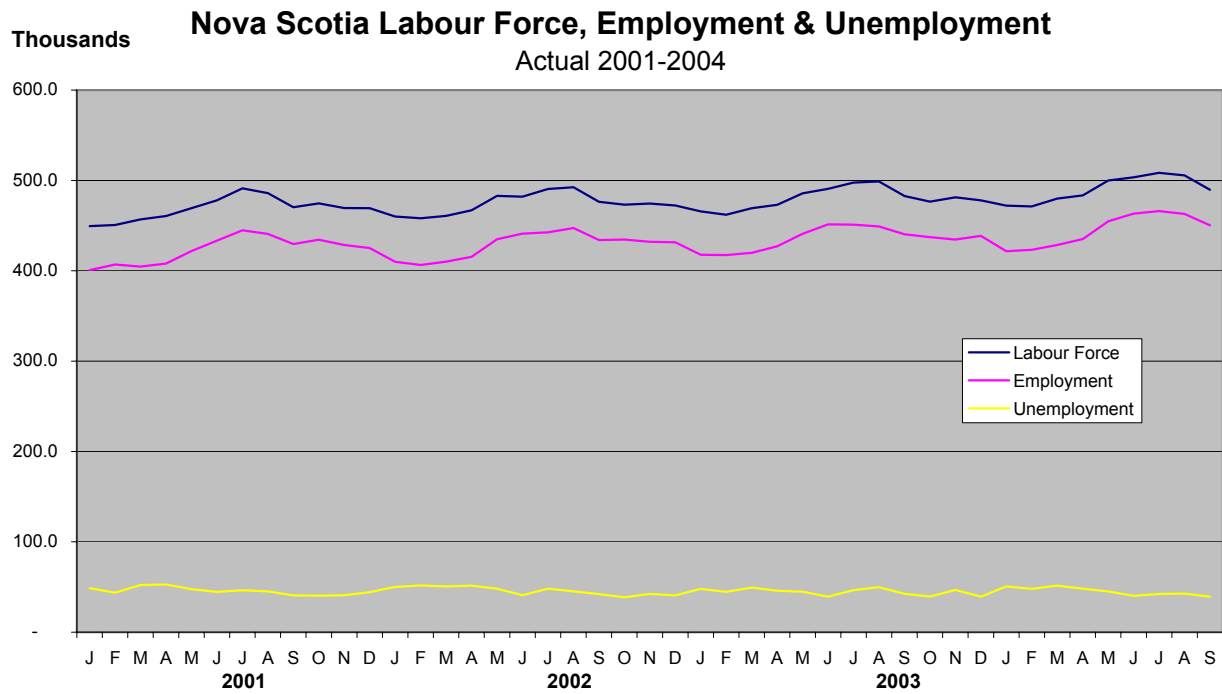
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	2,483.6	2,524.3	2,528.1	44.5	2,483.6	2,524.3	2,528.1	44.5
Labour Force ('000)	1,819.5	1,872.3	1,848.9	29.4	1,826.4	1,843.7	1,853.9	27.5
Employment ('000)	1,739.5	1,781.6	1,769.5	30.0	1,735.2	1,757.9	1,764.4	29.2
Unemployed ('000)	80.0	90.7	79.4	(0.6)	91.2	85.8	89.5	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.8	4.3	(0.1)	5.0	4.7	4.8	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	73.3	74.2	73.1	(0.2)	73.5	73.0	73.3	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	70.0	70.6	70.0	-	69.9	69.6	69.8	(0.1)

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	3,374.2	3,425.3	3,428.0	53.8	3,374.2	3,425.3	3,428.0	53.8
Labour Force ('000)	2,226.0	2,291.1	2,238.9	12.9	2,223.6	2,239.1	2,237.9	14.3
Employment ('000)	2,037.1	2,102.2	2,094.7	57.6	2,025.2	2,067.0	2,079.9	54.7
Unemployed ('000)	188.8	189.0	144.2	(44.6)	198.3	172.1	157.9	(40.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.5	8.2	6.4	(2.1)	8.9	7.7	7.1	(1.8)
Participation Rate (%)	66.0	66.9	65.3	(0.7)	65.9	65.4	65.3	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	60.4	61.4	61.1	0.7	60.0	60.3	60.7	0.7

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**Employment Situation - September 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	<b>Canada</b>				<b>Nova Scotia</b>			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,290.3	25,622.0	25,651.5	361.2	760.6	764.6	765.0	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	17,348.2	17,641.2	17,544.7	196.5	493.1	505.8	501.3	8.2
Employment ('000)	15,990.6	16,373.9	16,296.4	305.8	446.9	464.2	459.8	12.9
Unemployed ('000)	1,357.6	1,267.3	1,248.3	(109.3)	46.2	41.7	41.4	(4.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	7.2	7.1	(0.7)	9.4	8.2	8.3	(1.1)
Participation Rate (%)	68.6	68.9	68.4	(0.2)	64.8	66.2	65.5	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	63.2	63.9	63.5	0.3	58.8	60.7	60.1	1.3

	<b>230 - Annapolis Valley</b>				<b>210 - Cape Breton</b>			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	102.1	102.7	102.7	0.6	119.7	118.8	118.7	(1.0)
Labour Force ('000)	63.9	68.1	68.8	4.9	65.6	68.6	66.7	1.1
Employment ('000)	58.5	62.6	63.3	4.8	54.8	58.8	56.3	1.5
Unemployed ('000)	5.4	5.6	5.5	0.1	10.8	9.8	10.4	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.5	8.2	8.0	(0.5)	16.5	14.3	15.6	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	62.6	66.3	67.0	4.4	54.8	57.7	56.2	1.4
Employment Rate (%)	57.3	61.0	61.6	4.3	45.8	49.5	47.4	1.6

	<b>250 - Halifax County</b>				<b>Halifax Metro (CMA)</b>			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	301.0	305.0	305.3	4.3	289.0	292.9	293.2	4.2
Labour Force ('000)	212.7	217.6	216.1	3.4	206.2	211.8	210.3	4.1
Employment ('000)	197.4	205.6	204.1	6.7	191.7	200.3	199.1	7.4
Unemployed ('000)	15.3	12.0	12.0	(3.3)	14.5	11.5	11.2	(3.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	5.5	5.6	(1.6)	7.0	5.4	5.3	(1.7)
Participation Rate (%)	70.7	71.3	70.8	0.1	71.3	72.3	71.7	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	65.6	67.4	66.9	1.3	66.3	68.4	67.9	1.6

	<b>220 - North Shore</b>				<b>240 - Southern</b>			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.3	133.5	133.5	0.2	104.5	104.7	104.8	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	84.3	84.7	83.4	(0.9)	66.7	66.7	66.3	(0.4)
Employment ('000)	75.9	77.0	75.7	(0.2)	60.2	60.3	60.4	0.2
Unemployed ('000)	8.3	7.7	7.7	(0.6)	6.5	6.5	5.9	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.8	9.1	9.2	(0.6)	9.7	9.7	8.9	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	63.2	63.4	62.5	(0.7)	63.8	63.7	63.3	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	56.9	57.7	56.7	(0.2)	57.6	57.6	57.6	-



## Employment Situation - September 2004 Job Tenure

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

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,760.6	16,033.2	16,076.4	315.8	12,787.2	13,074.7	13,146.5	359.3	2,973.4	2,958.5	2,929.9	(43.5)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	219.7	221.2	219.5	(0.2)	188.5	190.2	187.6	(0.9)	31.2	31.0	31.9	0.7
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	69.0	69.4	69.3	0.3	57.2	57.7	57.1	(0.1)	11.8	11.6	12.2	0.4
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	436.1	446.7	446.9	10.8	351.8	366.5	365.3	13.5	84.3	80.2	81.6	(2.7)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	343.5	355.7	356.7	13.2	291.5	296.9	300.1	8.6	52.0	58.9	56.6	4.6
<b>Quebec</b>	3,633.6	3,717.0	3,732.5	98.9	2,959.5	3,044.3	3,071.3	111.8	674.1	672.6	661.2	(12.9)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,251.8	6,336.4	6,341.1	89.3	5,119.6	5,205.6	5,222.9	103.3	1,132.1	1,130.9	1,118.1	(14.0)
<b>Manitoba</b>	563.7	574.3	577.8	14.1	452.0	465.8	462.6	10.6	111.7	108.5	115.1	3.4
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	482.8	487.6	488.3	5.5	380.5	389.5	391.0	10.5	102.3	98.0	97.3	(5.0)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,735.2	1,757.9	1,764.4	29.2	1,420.8	1,434.9	1,439.9	19.1	314.3	323.0	324.5	10.2
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,025.2	2,067.0	2,079.9	54.7	1,565.9	1,623.3	1,648.6	82.7	459.4	443.7	431.3	(28.1)

### Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,832.6	16,337.8	16,144.1	311.5	12,879.3	13,745.5	13,242.5	363.2	2,953.3	2,592.3	2,901.6	(51.7)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	228.1	238.2	227.9	(0.2)	197.2	210.8	196.2	(1.0)	30.9	27.5	31.7	0.8
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	72.3	76.2	72.8	0.5	60.9	67.1	60.7	(0.2)	11.4	9.1	12.1	0.7
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	440.4	463.0	450.3	9.9	356.0	394.3	368.7	12.7	84.3	68.7	81.6	(2.7)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	354.1	376.5	367.8	13.7	302.6	326.1	312.4	9.8	51.4	50.4	55.4	4.0
<b>Quebec</b>	3,656.5	3,779.1	3,752.2	95.7	2,988.1	3,219.7	3,102.3	114.2	668.4	559.4	649.8	(18.6)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,249.3	6,441.4	6,334.5	85.2	5,126.6	5,434.4	5,231.2	104.6	1,122.7	1,007.0	1,103.3	(19.4)
<b>Manitoba</b>	567.3	581.0	581.1	13.8	455.1	489.2	464.3	9.2	112.2	91.7	116.8	4.6
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	488.2	498.5	493.4	5.2	386.2	412.8	395.1	8.9	102.0	85.7	98.3	(3.7)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,739.5	1,781.6	1,769.5	30.0	1,426.5	1,501.4	1,444.0	17.5	313.0	280.2	325.4	12.4
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,037.1	2,102.2	2,094.7	57.6	1,580.2	1,689.6	1,667.6	87.4	456.9	412.5	427.1	(29.8)

## Employment Situation - September 2004 Youth Statistics

### 15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,803.6	2,790.1	2,816.0	12.4	2,398.0	2,409.0	2,434.8	36.8	14.5	13.7	13.5	(1.0)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	40.8	39.2	38.6	(2.2)	31.8	29.9	29.6	(2.2)	22.1	23.7	23.3	1.2
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	13.7	13.5	13.2	(0.5)	12.0	11.0	11.0	(1.0)	12.4	18.5	16.7	4.3
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	82.9	83.3	84.2	1.3	69.6	70.9	71.5	1.9	16.2	14.9	15.1	(1.1)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	64.0	62.3	62.7	(1.3)	51.5	53.2	54.3	2.8	19.5	14.6	13.6	(5.9)
<b>Quebec</b>	641.9	643.2	655.1	13.2	547.0	550.7	554.8	7.8	14.8	14.4	15.3	0.5
<b>Ontario</b>	1,076.7	1,074.0	1,067.1	(9.6)	912.3	920.6	919.9	7.6	15.3	14.3	13.8	(1.5)
<b>Manitoba</b>	107.8	108.8	109.9	2.1	95.4	95.4	97.2	1.8	11.5	12.3	11.6	0.1
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	89.4	93.8	94.9	5.5	79.2	83.6	85.1	5.9	11.4	11.0	10.4	(1.0)
<b>Alberta</b>	338.1	333.3	342.2	4.1	306.0	302.4	312.4	6.4	9.5	9.3	8.7	(0.8)
<b>British Columbia</b>	348.2	338.6	348.0	(0.2)	293.1	291.4	299.1	6.0	15.8	14.0	14.1	(1.7)

### 15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,722.5	3,136.4	2,735.4	12.9	2,337.1	2,735.6	2,372.9	35.8	14.2	12.8	13.3	(0.9)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	38.7	49.5	36.6	(2.1)	30.2	39.8	28.1	(2.1)	22.0	19.6	23.5	1.5
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	13.5	16.9	13.0	(0.5)	12.0	15.0	11.1	(0.9)	11.1	11.2	14.6	3.5
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	79.8	98.8	80.8	1.0	66.8	86.4	68.2	1.4	16.3	12.6	15.6	(0.7)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	60.9	75.4	60.6	(0.3)	50.1	66.4	52.9	2.8	17.7	11.8	12.7	(5.0)
<b>Quebec</b>	620.9	701.7	632.9	12.0	536.5	607.5	542.6	6.1	13.6	13.4	14.3	0.7
<b>Ontario</b>	1,041.8	1,225.8	1,027.9	(13.9)	879.3	1,056.4	882.8	3.5	15.6	13.8	14.1	(1.5)
<b>Manitoba</b>	106.6	118.4	109.2	2.6	94.6	105.8	96.6	2.0	11.3	10.6	11.5	0.2
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	87.8	106.8	93.6	5.8	78.3	96.3	84.3	6.0	10.9	9.8	9.9	(1.0)
<b>Alberta</b>	330.7	366.6	337.7	7.0	302.1	335.7	311.5	9.4	8.6	8.4	7.8	(0.8)
<b>British Columbia</b>	341.7	376.5	343.1	1.4	287.2	326.2	295.1	7.9	15.9	13.4	14.0	(1.9)



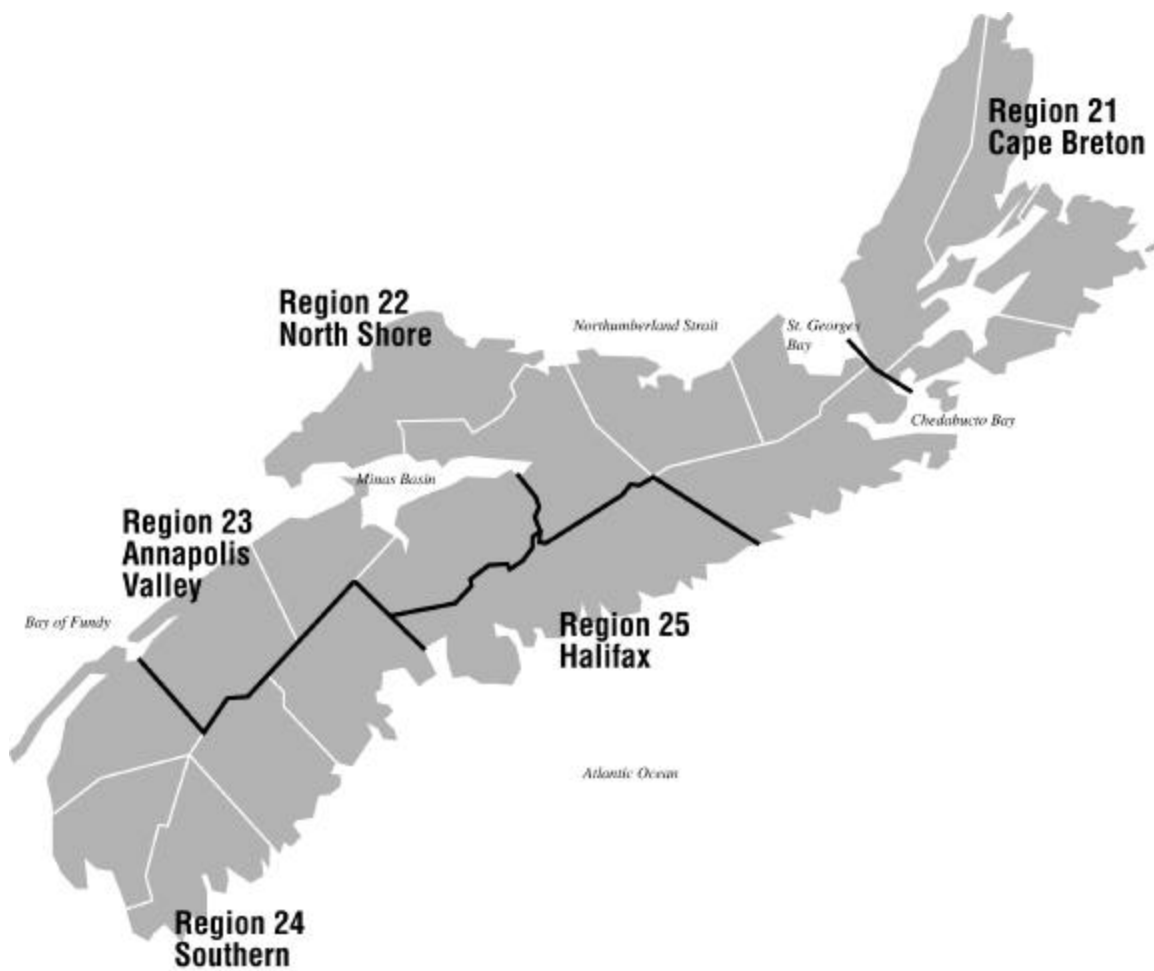
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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change	Sep 2003	Aug 2004	Sep 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.5	9.3	8.6	(0.9)	62.6	62.0	61.4	(1.2)	69.2	68.4	67.2	(2.0)
Halifax	7.0	5.4	5.3	(1.7)	66.3	68.4	67.9	1.6	71.3	72.3	71.7	0.4
Saint John, New Brunswick	8.8	8.5	7.8	(1.0)	58.3	61.5	62.3	4.0	64.0	67.3	67.5	3.5
Saguenay	9.6	9.0	9.3	(0.3)	56.9	59.2	58.3	1.4	62.9	65.1	64.3	1.4
Québec	5.8	4.7	4.4	(1.4)	64.1	64.2	63.6	(0.5)	68.0	67.3	66.5	(1.5)
Trois-Rivières	11.5	10.7	11.3	(0.2)	55.6	55.0	55.3	(0.3)	62.8	61.6	62.2	(0.6)
Sherbrooke	7.8	6.4	6.4	(1.4)	63.2	64.2	64.1	0.9	68.6	68.5	68.5	(0.1)
Montréal	10.1	8.4	8.5	(1.6)	61.8	62.6	62.2	0.4	68.7	68.4	67.9	(0.8)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.9	7.0	6.9	-	67.4	66.4	66.3	(1.1)	72.4	71.4	71.2	(1.2)
Sudbury	9.3	8.1	8.2	(1.1)	57.1	59.9	59.4	2.3	63.0	65.2	64.7	1.7
Oshawa	5.6	5.4	5.9	0.3	70.0	66.6	65.0	(5.0)	74.2	70.4	69.1	(5.1)
Toronto	8.8	8.2	8.2	(0.6)	64.5	65.6	64.9	0.4	70.7	71.5	70.8	0.1
Hamilton	7.1	6.3	5.6	(1.5)	65.1	66.8	66.9	1.8	70.1	71.2	70.9	0.8
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.1	7.3	6.3	0.2	62.7	58.6	59.2	(3.5)	66.8	63.1	63.1	(3.7)
London	7.5	5.3	6.1	(1.4)	64.3	68.4	66.8	2.5	69.5	72.2	71.1	1.6
Windsor	7.2	9.8	9.4	2.2	62.9	60.5	61.2	(1.7)	67.7	67.0	67.5	(0.2)
Kitchener	6.6	6.0	5.8	(0.8)	66.1	67.3	66.7	0.6	70.8	71.6	70.8	-
Thunder Bay	5.5	8.8	9.0	3.5	64.4	61.2	60.4	(4.0)	68.2	67.1	66.4	(1.8)
Winnipeg	5.5	6.1	6.1	0.6	67.2	67.3	67.4	0.2	71.1	71.6	71.8	0.7
Regina	6.1	4.4	4.6	(1.5)	68.5	69.5	69.1	0.6	73.0	72.7	72.4	(0.6)
Saskatoon	6.1	6.1	6.6	0.5	67.4	68.2	67.6	0.2	71.7	72.7	72.4	0.7
Calgary	5.0	5.1	5.0	-	72.1	72.4	71.7	(0.4)	75.9	76.2	75.5	(0.4)
Edmonton	4.8	4.7	4.8	-	69.6	69.5	69.2	(0.4)	73.1	72.9	72.7	(0.4)
Vancouver	8.6	7.2	7.1	(1.5)	63.2	63.6	63.2	-	69.1	68.5	68.0	(1.1)
Victoria	6.8	6.1	5.9	(0.9)	60.0	60.9	60.0	-	64.4	64.8	63.7	(0.7)

# Employment Situation October 2004



## About the Employment Situation Report

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

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/publish/pub19.htm>

The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

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

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## Employment Situation - October 2004 Canada/Provinces

### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	
Population ('000)	25,351.2	25,681.3	25,712.3	361.1	25,351.2	25,681.3	25,712.3	361.1
Labour Force ('000)	17,052.9	17,277.9	17,284.9	232.0	17,126.3	17,297.8	17,341.2	214.9
Employment ('000)	15,870.0	16,144.1	16,165.0	295.0	15,822.0	16,076.4	16,110.7	288.7
Unemployed ('000)	1,182.9	1,133.7	1,119.9	(63.0)	1,304.3	1,221.4	1,230.6	(73.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.9	6.6	6.5	(0.4)	7.6	7.1	7.1	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	67.3	67.3	67.2	(0.1)	67.6	67.4	67.4	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	62.6	62.9	62.9	0.3	62.4	62.6	62.7	0.3

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	
Population ('000)	761.4	765.4	765.8	4.4	761.4	765.4	765.8	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	476.6	489.7	487.1	10.5	477.7	490.0	489.7	12.0
Employment ('000)	437.2	450.3	450.0	12.8	432.5	446.9	446.7	14.2
Unemployed ('000)	39.5	39.3	37.1	(2.4)	45.2	43.1	43.0	(2.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.3	8.0	7.6	(0.7)	9.5	8.8	8.8	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	62.6	64.0	63.6	1.0	62.7	64.0	63.9	1.2
Employment Rate (%)	57.4	58.8	58.8	1.4	56.8	58.4	58.3	1.5

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	
Population ('000)	439.1	439.8	440.3	1.2	439.1	439.8	440.3	1.2
Labour Force ('000)	257.1	263.6	257.4	0.3	259.0	261.0	260.8	1.8
Employment ('000)	218.5	227.9	220.7	2.2	215.8	219.5	219.6	3.8
Unemployed ('000)	38.7	35.7	36.7	(2.0)	43.1	41.5	41.3	(1.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	15.1	13.5	14.3	(0.8)	16.6	15.9	15.8	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	58.6	59.9	58.5	(0.1)	59.0	59.3	59.2	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	49.8	51.8	50.1	0.3	49.1	49.9	49.9	0.8

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	
Population ('000)	113.5	114.8	114.8	1.3	113.5	114.8	114.8	1.3
Labour Force ('000)	77.0	79.3	79.2	2.2	77.1	78.1	79.1	2.0
Employment ('000)	70.4	72.8	71.7	1.3	68.9	69.3	69.8	0.9
Unemployed ('000)	6.6	6.5	7.5	0.9	8.2	8.8	9.3	1.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.6	8.2	9.5	0.9	10.6	11.3	11.8	1.2
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	69.1	69.0	1.2	67.9	68.0	68.9	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	62.0	63.4	62.5	0.5	60.7	60.4	60.8	0.1

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	610.4	613.6	613.8	3.4	610.4	613.6	613.8	3.4
Labour Force ('000)	384.2	398.4	392.5	8.3	385.9	394.5	393.3	7.4
Employment ('000)	350.9	367.8	359.8	8.9	344.3	356.7	353.7	9.4
Unemployed ('000)	33.2	30.7	32.7	(0.5)	41.6	37.9	39.6	(2.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.6	7.7	8.3	(0.3)	10.8	9.6	10.1	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	62.9	64.9	63.9	1.0	63.2	64.3	64.1	0.9
Employment Rate (%)	57.5	59.9	58.6	1.1	56.4	58.1	57.6	1.2

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	6,101.2	6,163.1	6,169.0	67.8	6,101.2	6,163.1	6,169.0	67.8
Labour Force ('000)	4,008.0	4,059.2	4,048.8	40.8	4,032.4	4,071.7	4,069.8	37.4
Employment ('000)	3,671.9	3,752.2	3,730.8	58.9	3,658.8	3,732.5	3,720.7	61.9
Unemployed ('000)	336.2	307.1	318.0	(18.2)	373.6	339.2	349.1	(24.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.4	7.6	7.9	(0.5)	9.3	8.3	8.6	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	65.7	65.9	65.6	(0.1)	66.1	66.1	66.0	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	60.2	60.9	60.5	0.3	60.0	60.6	60.3	0.3

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	9,833.6	9,991.2	10,005.7	172.1	9,833.6	9,991.2	10,005.7	172.1
Labour Force ('000)	6,698.2	6,767.8	6,801.2	103.0	6,724.0	6,780.5	6,820.1	96.1
Employment ('000)	6,268.4	6,334.5	6,389.1	120.7	6,257.6	6,341.1	6,373.9	116.3
Unemployed ('000)	429.8	433.4	412.1	(17.7)	466.5	439.4	446.2	(20.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.4	6.4	6.1	(0.3)	6.9	6.5	6.5	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	68.1	67.7	68.0	(0.1)	68.4	67.9	68.2	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	63.7	63.4	63.9	0.2	63.6	63.5	63.7	0.1

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	870.4	879.0	879.9	9.5	870.4	879.0	879.9	9.5
Labour Force ('000)	601.1	612.2	610.2	9.1	602.0	612.0	610.4	8.4
Employment ('000)	571.6	581.1	581.2	9.6	569.7	577.8	579.0	9.3
Unemployed ('000)	29.5	31.1	28.9	(0.6)	32.2	34.2	31.4	(0.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.1	4.7	(0.2)	5.3	5.6	5.1	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	69.6	69.3	0.2	69.2	69.6	69.4	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	65.7	66.1	66.1	0.4	65.5	65.7	65.8	0.3

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	755.8	758.3	758.6	2.8	755.8	758.3	758.6	2.8
Labour Force ('000)	511.2	519.8	518.9	7.7	513.7	518.2	520.3	6.6
Employment ('000)	486.6	493.4	495.5	8.9	484.9	488.3	493.2	8.3
Unemployed ('000)	24.6	26.4	23.3	(1.3)	28.9	29.9	27.2	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	5.1	4.5	(0.3)	5.6	5.8	5.2	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	67.6	68.5	68.4	0.8	68.0	68.3	68.6	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	64.4	65.1	65.3	0.9	64.2	64.4	65.0	0.8

### Alberta

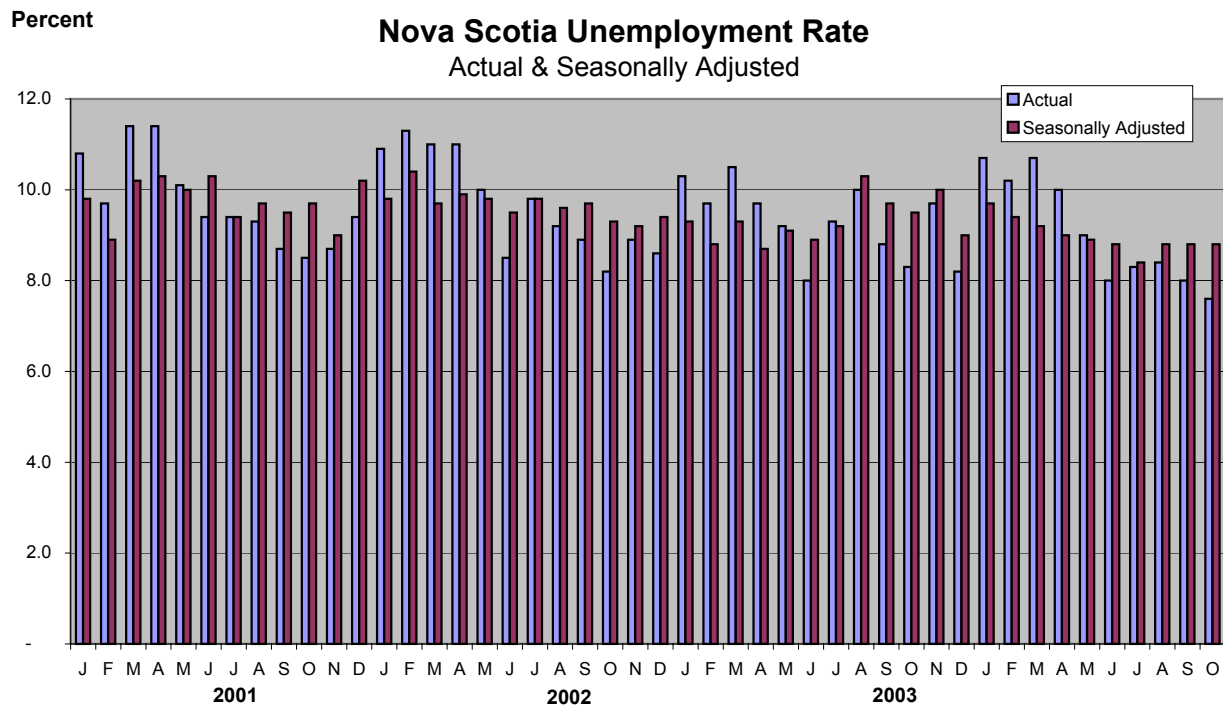
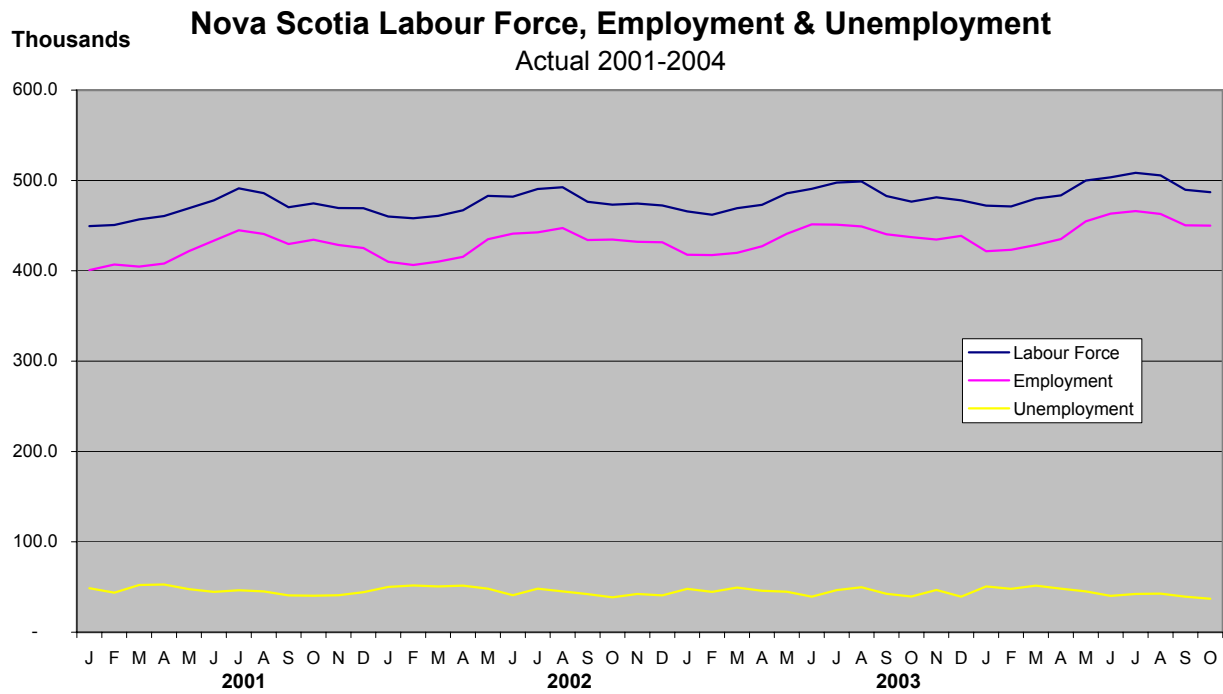
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	2,487.1	2,528.1	2,531.4	44.3	2,487.1	2,528.1	2,531.4	44.3
Labour Force ('000)	1,821.3	1,848.9	1,842.7	21.4	1,831.4	1,853.9	1,850.2	18.8
Employment ('000)	1,736.8	1,769.5	1,760.2	23.4	1,739.3	1,764.4	1,762.4	23.1
Unemployed ('000)	84.5	79.4	82.4	(2.1)	92.1	89.5	87.8	(4.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.3	4.5	(0.1)	5.0	4.8	4.7	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	73.2	73.1	72.8	(0.4)	73.6	73.3	73.1	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	69.8	70.0	69.5	(0.3)	69.9	69.8	69.6	(0.3)

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	3,378.7	3,428.0	3,433.0	54.3	3,378.7	3,428.0	3,433.0	54.3
Labour Force ('000)	2,218.1	2,238.9	2,247.1	29.0	2,223.0	2,237.9	2,247.4	24.4
Employment ('000)	2,057.7	2,094.7	2,106.0	48.3	2,050.2	2,079.9	2,091.7	41.5
Unemployed ('000)	160.4	144.2	141.1	(19.3)	172.9	157.9	155.7	(17.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	6.4	6.3	(0.9)	7.8	7.1	6.9	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	65.3	65.5	(0.1)	65.8	65.3	65.5	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	60.9	61.1	61.3	0.4	60.7	60.7	60.9	0.2

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**Employment Situation - October 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	<b>Canada</b>				<b>Nova Scotia</b>			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,319.4	25,651.5	25,682.3	362.9	761.0	765.0	765.4	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	17,210.6	17,544.7	17,407.7	197.1	486.1	501.3	494.1	8.0
Employment ('000)	15,917.1	16,296.4	16,215.7	298.6	442.2	459.8	454.4	12.2
Unemployed ('000)	1,293.4	1,248.3	1,192.1	(101.3)	43.9	41.4	39.7	(4.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	7.1	6.8	(0.7)	9.0	8.3	8.0	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	68.0	68.4	67.8	(0.2)	63.9	65.5	64.6	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	62.9	63.5	63.1	0.2	58.1	60.1	59.4	1.3

	<b>230 - Annapolis Valley</b>				<b>210 - Cape Breton</b>			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	102.2	102.7	102.8	0.6	119.6	118.7	118.6	(1.0)
Labour Force ('000)	63.9	68.8	68.2	4.3	63.5	66.7	63.1	(0.4)
Employment ('000)	59.2	63.3	63.4	4.2	52.8	56.3	53.2	0.4
Unemployed ('000)	4.7	5.5	4.7	-	10.7	10.4	9.9	(0.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	8.0	6.9	(0.5)	16.9	15.6	15.7	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	62.5	67.0	66.3	3.8	53.1	56.2	53.2	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	57.9	61.6	61.7	3.8	44.1	47.4	44.9	0.8

	<b>250 - Halifax County</b>				<b>Halifax Metro (CMA)</b>			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	301.4	305.3	305.6	4.2	289.3	293.2	293.5	4.2
Labour Force ('000)	210.6	216.1	215.0	4.4	203.9	210.3	209.2	5.3
Employment ('000)	196.4	204.1	203.0	6.6	190.4	199.1	197.9	7.5
Unemployed ('000)	14.3	12.0	12.0	(2.3)	13.5	11.2	11.3	(2.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	5.6	5.6	(1.2)	6.6	5.3	5.4	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	69.9	70.8	70.4	0.5	70.5	71.7	71.3	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	65.2	66.9	66.4	1.2	65.8	67.9	67.4	1.6

	<b>220 - North Shore</b>				<b>240 - Southern</b>			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.4	133.5	133.6	0.2	104.5	104.8	104.8	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	82.9	83.4	82.8	(0.1)	65.2	66.3	65.0	(0.2)
Employment ('000)	74.8	75.7	75.3	0.5	59.0	60.4	59.5	0.5
Unemployed ('000)	8.1	7.7	7.5	(0.6)	6.1	5.9	5.5	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.8	9.2	9.1	(0.7)	9.4	8.9	8.5	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	62.1	62.5	62.0	(0.1)	62.4	63.3	62.0	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	56.1	56.7	56.4	0.3	56.5	57.6	56.8	0.3

## Employment Situation - October 2004 Job Tenure

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

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,822.0	16,076.4	16,110.7	288.7	12,843.0	13,146.5	13,159.7	316.7	2,979.0	2,929.9	2,951.0	(28.0)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	215.8	219.5	219.6	3.8	184.7	187.6	190.3	5.6	31.1	31.9	29.3	(1.8)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	68.9	69.3	69.8	0.9	57.0	57.1	58.2	1.2	11.9	12.2	11.5	(0.4)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	432.5	446.9	446.7	14.2	352.3	365.3	365.2	12.9	80.2	81.6	81.6	1.4
<b>New Brunswick</b>	344.3	356.7	353.7	9.4	291.3	300.1	299.2	7.9	53.1	56.6	54.5	1.4
<b>Quebec</b>	3,658.8	3,732.5	3,720.7	61.9	2,964.9	3,071.3	3,061.5	96.6	693.8	661.2	659.2	(34.6)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,257.6	6,341.1	6,373.9	116.3	5,138.7	5,222.9	5,208.8	70.1	1,118.9	1,118.1	1,165.1	46.2
<b>Manitoba</b>	569.7	577.8	579.0	9.3	457.9	462.6	464.2	6.3	111.8	115.1	114.8	3.0
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	484.9	488.3	493.2	8.3	387.3	391.0	395.9	8.6	97.5	97.3	97.3	(0.2)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,739.3	1,764.4	1,762.4	23.1	1,419.7	1,439.9	1,436.5	16.8	319.6	324.5	326.0	6.4
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,050.2	2,079.9	2,091.7	41.5	1,589.2	1,648.6	1,680.0	90.8	461.0	431.3	411.7	(49.3)

### Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,870.0	16,144.1	16,165.0	295.0	12,816.1	13,242.5	13,118.8	302.7	3,053.9	2,901.6	3,046.2	(7.7)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	218.5	227.9	220.7	2.2	186.3	196.2	190.9	4.6	32.2	31.7	29.8	(2.4)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	70.4	72.8	71.7	1.3	58.2	60.7	59.8	1.6	12.2	12.1	11.9	(0.3)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	437.2	450.3	450.0	12.8	353.8	368.7	365.0	11.2	83.4	81.6	85.0	1.6
<b>New Brunswick</b>	350.9	367.8	359.8	8.9	296.6	312.4	304.1	7.5	54.4	55.4	55.7	1.3
<b>Quebec</b>	3,671.9	3,752.2	3,730.8	58.9	2,944.8	3,102.3	3,035.7	90.9	727.1	649.8	695.1	(32.0)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,268.4	6,334.5	6,389.1	120.7	5,124.5	5,231.2	5,184.8	60.3	1,143.9	1,103.3	1,204.3	60.4
<b>Manitoba</b>	571.6	581.1	581.2	9.6	459.0	464.3	465.0	6.0	112.6	116.8	116.3	3.7
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	486.6	493.4	495.5	8.9	388.1	395.1	396.4	8.3	98.5	98.3	99.1	0.6
<b>Alberta</b>	1,736.8	1,769.5	1,760.2	23.4	1,415.1	1,444.0	1,429.9	14.8	321.7	325.4	330.3	8.6
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,057.7	2,094.7	2,106.0	48.3	1,589.7	1,667.6	1,687.3	97.6	468.0	427.1	418.8	(49.2)

## Employment Situation - October 2004 Youth Statistics

### 15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,785.7	2,816.0	2,823.1	37.4	2,397.6	2,434.8	2,445.3	47.7	13.9	13.5	13.4	(0.5)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	38.3	38.6	39.1	0.8	28.9	29.6	29.3	0.4	24.5	23.3	24.8	0.3
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	13.9	13.2	13.9	-	11.9	11.0	11.3	(0.6)	13.7	16.7	19.4	5.7
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	79.2	84.2	85.5	6.3	65.2	71.5	72.2	7.0	17.7	15.1	15.6	(2.1)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	63.4	62.7	62.8	(0.6)	52.3	54.3	53.1	0.8	17.5	13.6	15.4	(2.1)
<b>Quebec</b>	634.0	655.1	652.1	18.1	538.1	554.8	551.7	13.6	15.1	15.3	15.4	0.3
<b>Ontario</b>	1,070.6	1,067.1	1,077.7	7.1	912.2	919.9	933.0	20.8	14.8	13.8	13.4	(1.4)
<b>Manitoba</b>	111.1	109.9	107.4	(3.7)	98.3	97.2	94.7	(3.6)	11.4	11.6	11.8	0.4
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	90.1	94.9	94.4	4.3	80.7	85.1	84.8	4.1	10.4	10.4	10.2	(0.2)
<b>Alberta</b>	333.0	342.2	339.1	6.1	305.4	312.4	310.4	5.0	8.3	8.7	8.5	0.2
<b>British Columbia</b>	352.3	348.0	351.1	(1.2)	304.5	299.1	304.8	0.3	13.5	14.1	13.2	(0.3)

### 15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,680.4	2,735.4	2,721.1	40.7	2,325.1	2,372.9	2,375.1	50.0	13.3	13.3	12.7	(0.6)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	35.3	36.6	35.2	(0.1)	26.9	28.1	27.1	0.2	23.8	23.5	23.3	(0.5)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	13.2	13.0	13.4	0.2	11.4	11.1	10.9	(0.5)	12.9	14.6	18.7	5.8
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	76.1	80.8	82.1	6.0	63.2	68.2	69.6	6.4	17.0	15.6	15.2	(1.8)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	59.7	60.6	59.5	(0.2)	50.4	52.9	51.0	0.6	15.6	12.7	14.3	(1.3)
<b>Quebec</b>	607.8	632.9	627.8	20.0	523.3	542.6	536.0	12.7	13.9	14.3	14.6	0.7
<b>Ontario</b>	1,028.1	1,027.9	1,033.9	5.8	881.7	882.8	902.5	20.8	14.2	14.1	12.7	(1.5)
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.4	109.2	104.9	(3.5)	96.4	96.6	92.6	(3.8)	11.0	11.5	11.7	0.7
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	86.4	93.6	90.3	3.9	78.3	84.3	82.1	3.8	9.4	9.9	9.1	(0.3)
<b>Alberta</b>	323.3	337.7	331.2	7.9	296.7	311.5	303.5	6.8	8.3	7.8	8.4	0.1
<b>British Columbia</b>	342.1	343.1	342.8	0.7	296.8	295.1	300.0	3.2	13.2	14.0	12.5	(0.7)



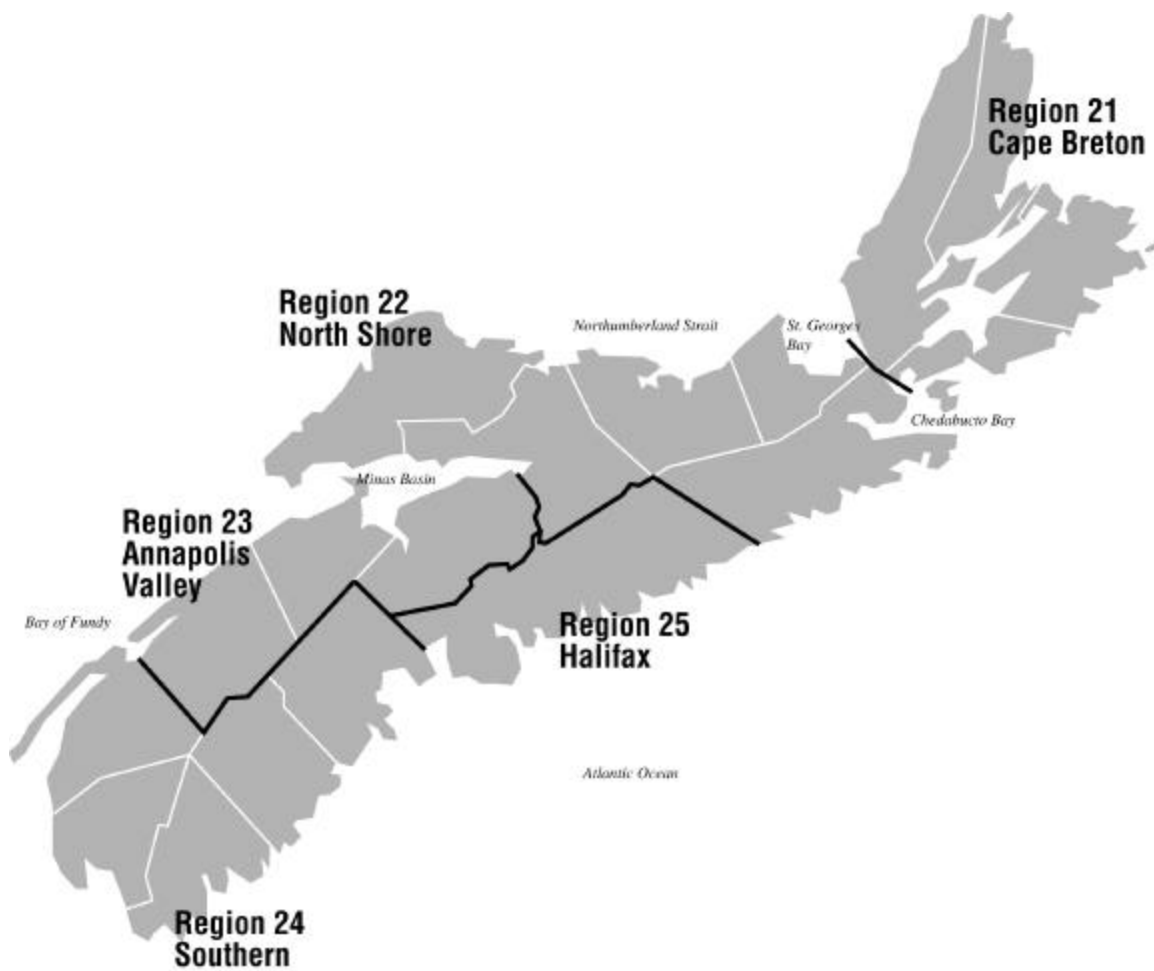
## Employment Situation - October 2004

### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change	Oct 2003	Sep 2004	Oct 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.2	8.6	8.5	(0.7)	61.2	61.4	60.5	(0.7)	67.4	67.2	66.1	(1.3)
Halifax	<b>6.6</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>(1.2)</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>67.9</b>	<b>67.4</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>71.7</b>	<b>71.3</b>	<b>0.8</b>
Saint John, New Brunswick	8.1	7.8	7.0	(1.1)	58.2	62.3	62.0	3.8	63.4	67.5	66.6	3.2
Saguenay	10.9	9.3	10.4	(0.5)	55.2	58.3	57.1	1.9	61.9	64.3	63.7	1.8
Québec	6.6	4.4	3.9	(2.7)	62.0	63.6	63.2	1.2	66.4	66.5	65.7	(0.7)
Trois-Rivières	11.5	11.3	10.9	(0.6)	55.6	55.3	54.5	(1.1)	62.8	62.2	61.1	(1.7)
Sherbrooke	7.7	6.4	6.3	(1.4)	62.8	64.1	62.3	(0.5)	68.0	68.5	66.5	(1.5)
Montréal	9.6	8.5	8.5	(1.1)	61.9	62.2	61.8	(0.1)	68.5	67.9	67.5	(1.0)
Ottawa-Gatineau	7.0	6.9	6.6	(0.4)	66.9	66.3	66.3	(0.6)	71.9	71.2	70.9	(1.0)
Sudbury	8.7	8.2	7.8	(0.9)	56.9	59.4	59.8	2.9	62.4	64.7	64.9	2.5
Oshawa	4.8	5.9	5.6	0.8	69.5	65.0	64.6	(4.9)	73.0	69.1	68.4	(4.6)
Toronto	8.1	8.2	7.8	(0.3)	64.3	64.9	64.5	0.2	70.0	70.8	69.9	(0.1)
Hamilton	6.7	5.6	5.5	(1.2)	65.2	66.9	66.2	1.0	69.8	70.9	70.0	0.2
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.3	6.3	5.6	(0.7)	62.1	59.2	59.7	(2.4)	66.3	63.1	63.2	(3.1)
London	7.2	6.1	6.2	(1.0)	64.4	66.8	65.1	0.7	69.4	71.1	69.4	-
Windsor	6.4	9.4	9.0	2.6	62.7	61.2	61.6	(1.1)	67.0	67.5	67.7	0.7
Kitchener	6.5	5.8	5.3	(1.2)	66.4	66.7	66.3	(0.1)	71.1	70.8	69.9	(1.2)
Thunder Bay	5.5	9.0	8.3	2.8	63.6	60.4	60.8	(2.8)	67.3	66.4	66.3	(1.0)
Winnipeg	5.4	6.1	5.7	0.3	66.7	67.4	67.7	1.0	70.5	71.8	71.8	1.3
Regina	5.3	4.6	4.5	(0.8)	69.2	69.1	68.9	(0.3)	73.1	72.4	72.2	(0.9)
Saskatoon	5.9	6.6	6.0	0.1	66.6	67.6	67.2	0.6	70.7	72.4	71.5	0.8
Calgary	5.3	5.0	4.9	(0.4)	71.4	71.7	71.0	(0.4)	75.3	75.5	74.7	(0.6)
Edmonton	4.7	4.8	4.7	-	69.4	69.2	69.6	0.2	72.8	72.7	73.0	0.2
Vancouver	8.0	7.1	6.9	(1.1)	63.4	63.2	62.9	(0.5)	68.9	68.0	67.6	(1.3)
Victoria	6.5	5.9	6.0	(0.5)	59.7	60.0	58.9	(0.8)	63.9	63.7	62.6	(1.3)

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## About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

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

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## Employment Situation - November 2004 Canada/Provinces

### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	25,379.5	25,712.3	25,738.6	359.1	25,379.5	25,712.3	25,738.6	359.1
Labour Force ('000)	17,061.4	17,284.9	17,285.7	224.3	17,166.3	17,341.2	17,377.0	210.7
Employment ('000)	15,856.8	16,165.0	16,103.9	247.1	15,880.8	16,110.7	16,115.3	234.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,204.6	1,119.9	1,181.9	(22.7)	1,285.5	1,230.6	1,261.7	(23.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	6.5	6.8	(0.3)	7.5	7.1	7.3	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	67.2	67.2	67.2	-	67.6	67.4	67.5	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	62.5	62.9	62.6	0.1	62.6	62.7	62.6	-

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	761.7	765.8	766.1	4.4	761.7	765.8	766.1	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	481.3	487.1	488.9	7.6	484.7	489.7	492.3	7.6
Employment ('000)	434.6	450.0	446.3	11.7	436.3	446.7	448.0	11.7
Unemployed ('000)	46.7	37.1	42.6	(4.1)	48.4	43.0	44.3	(4.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.7	7.6	8.7	(1.0)	10.0	8.8	9.0	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	63.2	63.6	63.8	0.6	63.6	63.9	64.3	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	57.1	58.8	58.3	1.2	57.3	58.3	58.5	1.2

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	439.3	440.3	439.9	0.6	439.3	440.3	439.9	0.6
Labour Force ('000)	254.0	257.4	253.1	(0.9)	259.0	260.8	259.3	0.3
Employment ('000)	211.9	220.7	212.3	0.4	213.6	219.6	216.6	3.0
Unemployed ('000)	42.2	36.7	40.8	(1.4)	45.4	41.3	42.7	(2.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	16.6	14.3	16.1	(0.5)	17.5	15.8	16.5	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	57.8	58.5	57.5	(0.3)	59.0	59.2	58.9	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	48.2	50.1	48.3	0.1	48.6	49.9	49.2	0.6

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	113.7	114.8	114.8	1.1	113.7	114.8	114.8	1.1
Labour Force ('000)	76.1	79.2	78.2	2.1	78.3	79.1	80.2	1.9
Employment ('000)	67.0	71.7	69.9	2.9	69.6	69.8	71.8	2.2
Unemployed ('000)	9.1	7.5	8.4	(0.7)	8.6	9.3	8.4	(0.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	12.0	9.5	10.7	(1.3)	11.0	11.8	10.5	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	66.9	69.0	68.1	1.2	68.9	68.9	69.9	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	58.9	62.5	60.9	2.0	61.2	60.8	62.5	1.3

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### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	610.5	613.8	614.2	3.7	610.5	613.8	614.2	3.7
Labour Force ('000)	384.6	392.5	389.6	5.0	387.7	393.3	393.1	5.4
Employment ('000)	348.4	359.8	354.2	5.8	348.3	353.7	354.2	5.9
Unemployed ('000)	36.2	32.7	35.3	(0.9)	39.4	39.6	38.8	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.4	8.3	9.1	(0.3)	10.2	10.1	9.9	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	63.0	63.9	63.4	0.4	63.5	64.1	64.0	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	57.1	58.6	57.7	0.6	57.1	57.6	57.7	0.6

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	6,106.8	6,169.0	6,174.4	67.6	6,106.8	6,169.0	6,174.4	67.6
Labour Force ('000)	4,047.5	4,048.8	4,058.6	11.1	4,080.8	4,069.8	4,086.1	5.3
Employment ('000)	3,693.6	3,730.8	3,707.6	14.0	3,709.4	3,720.7	3,722.5	13.1
Unemployed ('000)	353.9	318.0	351.0	(2.9)	371.4	349.1	363.7	(7.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	7.9	8.6	(0.1)	9.1	8.6	8.9	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	66.3	65.6	65.7	(0.6)	66.8	66.0	66.2	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	60.5	60.5	60.0	(0.5)	60.7	60.3	60.3	(0.4)

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	9,846.5	10,005.7	10,017.6	171.1	9,846.5	10,005.7	10,017.6	171.1
Labour Force ('000)	6,679.9	6,801.2	6,815.9	136.0	6,710.0	6,820.1	6,847.7	137.7
Employment ('000)	6,268.8	6,389.1	6,384.8	116.0	6,256.1	6,373.9	6,371.7	115.6
Unemployed ('000)	411.1	412.1	431.0	19.9	453.9	446.2	476.0	22.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	6.1	6.3	0.1	6.8	6.5	7.0	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	68.0	68.0	0.2	68.1	68.2	68.4	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	63.7	63.9	63.7	-	63.5	63.7	63.6	0.1

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	871.1	879.9	880.6	9.5	871.1	879.9	880.6	9.5
Labour Force ('000)	596.6	610.2	608.8	12.2	600.2	610.4	611.0	10.8
Employment ('000)	565.5	581.2	578.7	13.2	568.0	579.0	579.9	11.9
Unemployed ('000)	31.1	28.9	30.1	(1.0)	32.1	31.4	31.1	(1.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	4.7	4.9	(0.3)	5.3	5.1	5.1	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	68.5	69.3	69.1	0.6	68.9	69.4	69.4	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	64.9	66.1	65.7	0.8	65.2	65.8	65.9	0.7

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	756.1	758.6	758.6	2.5	756.1	758.6	758.6	2.5
Labour Force ('000)	510.3	518.9	519.4	9.1	515.2	520.3	522.8	7.6
Employment ('000)	483.9	495.5	493.6	9.7	486.3	493.2	494.6	8.3
Unemployed ('000)	26.4	23.3	25.8	(0.6)	29.0	27.2	28.2	(0.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	4.5	5.0	(0.2)	5.6	5.2	5.4	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	67.5	68.4	68.5	1.0	68.1	68.6	68.9	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	64.0	65.3	65.1	1.1	64.3	65.0	65.2	0.9

### Alberta

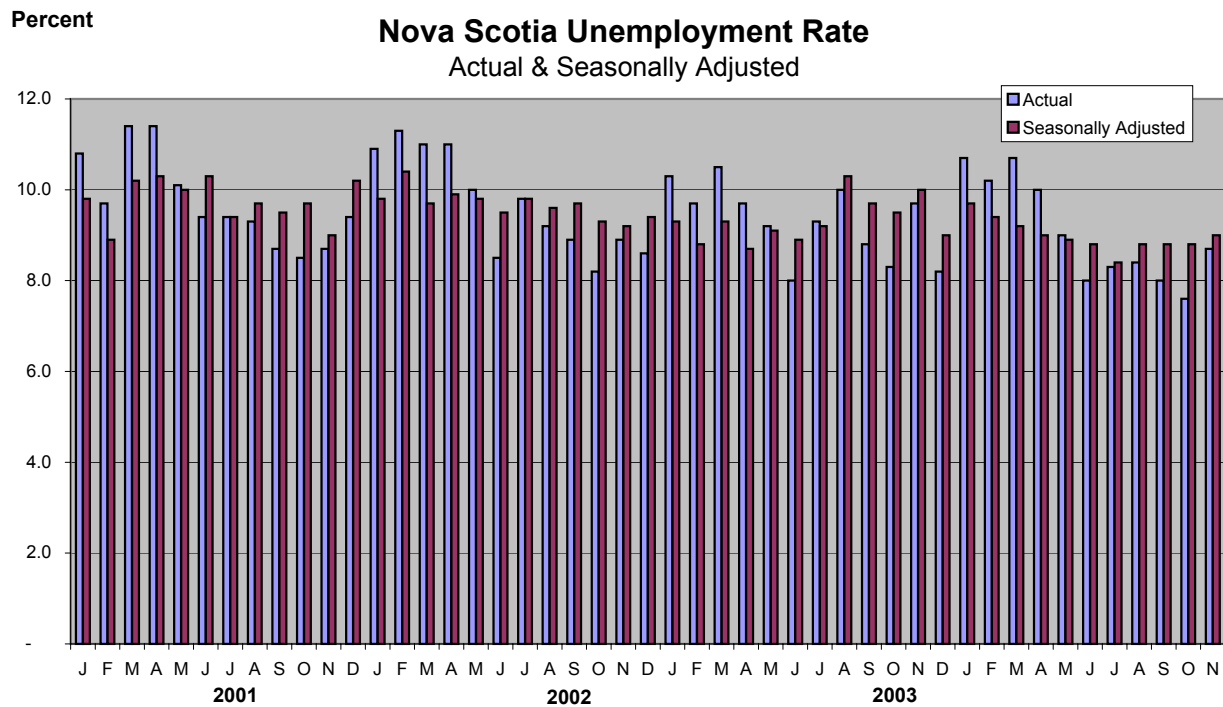
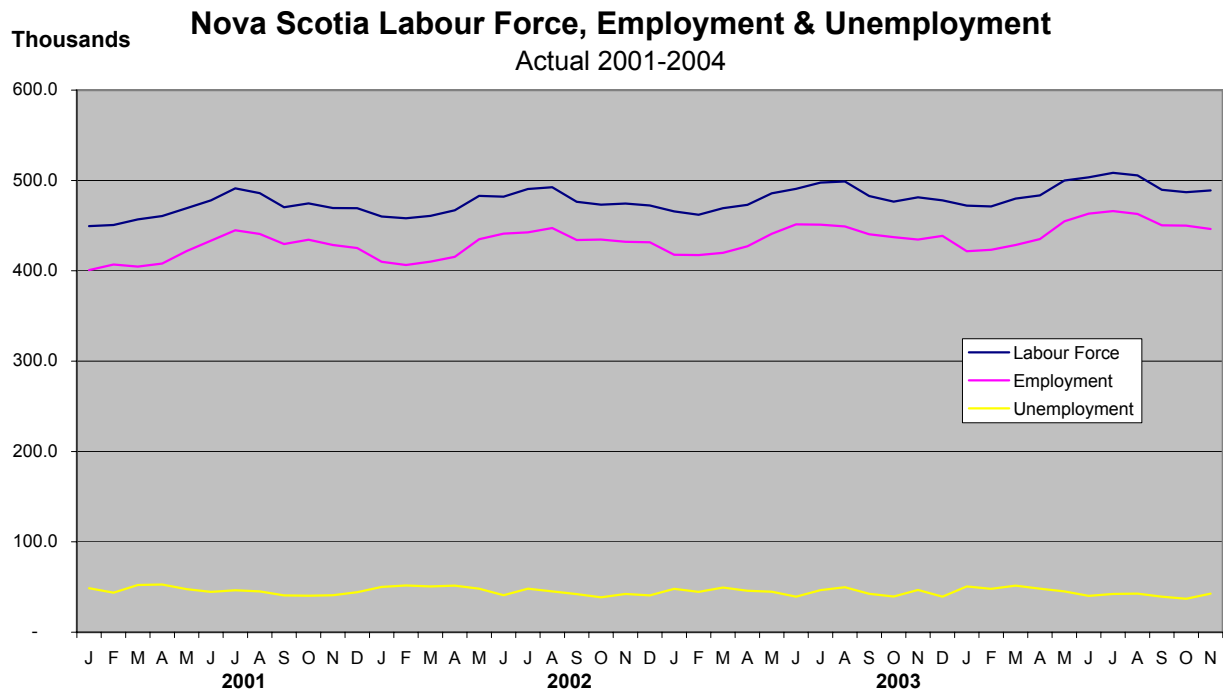
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	2,490.8	2,531.4	2,534.7	43.9	2,490.8	2,531.4	2,534.7	43.9
Labour Force ('000)	1,825.8	1,842.7	1,845.1	19.3	1,832.1	1,850.2	1,847.7	15.6
Employment ('000)	1,741.4	1,760.2	1,765.1	23.7	1,741.7	1,762.4	1,763.2	21.5
Unemployed ('000)	84.4	82.4	80.0	(4.4)	90.3	87.8	84.5	(5.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.5	4.3	(0.3)	4.9	4.7	4.6	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	73.3	72.8	72.8	(0.5)	73.6	73.1	72.9	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	69.9	69.5	69.6	(0.3)	69.9	69.6	69.6	(0.3)

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	
Population ('000)	3,383.0	3,433.0	3,437.8	54.8	3,383.0	3,433.0	3,437.8	54.8
Labour Force ('000)	2,205.2	2,247.1	2,228.2	23.0	2,218.4	2,247.4	2,236.8	18.4
Employment ('000)	2,041.7	2,106.0	2,091.4	49.7	2,051.5	2,091.7	2,092.9	41.4
Unemployed ('000)	163.6	141.1	136.8	(26.8)	166.9	155.7	143.9	(23.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	6.3	6.1	(1.3)	7.5	6.9	6.4	(1.1)
Participation Rate (%)	65.2	65.5	64.8	(0.4)	65.6	65.5	65.1	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	60.4	61.3	60.8	0.4	60.6	60.9	60.9	0.3

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**Employment Situation - November 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,350.6	25,682.3	25,710.7	360.1	761.4	765.4	765.7	4.3
Labour Force ('000)	17,069.0	17,407.7	17,282.8	213.8	480.2	494.1	488.5	8.3
Employment ('000)	15,853.1	16,215.7	16,137.7	284.6	437.4	454.4	448.9	11.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,215.9	1,192.1	1,145.2	(70.7)	42.9	39.7	39.7	(3.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	6.8	6.6	(0.5)	8.9	8.0	8.1	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	67.3	67.8	67.2	(0.1)	63.1	64.6	63.8	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	62.5	63.1	62.8	0.3	57.4	59.4	58.6	1.2

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	102.2	102.8	102.8	0.6	119.5	118.6	118.6	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	63.8	68.2	67.4	3.6	60.6	63.1	60.2	(0.4)
Employment ('000)	59.3	63.4	63.1	3.8	49.9	53.2	50.4	0.5
Unemployed ('000)	4.5	4.7	4.3	(0.2)	10.6	9.9	9.7	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	6.9	6.4	(0.7)	17.5	15.7	16.1	(1.4)
Participation Rate (%)	62.4	66.3	65.6	3.2	50.7	53.2	50.8	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	58.0	61.7	61.4	3.4	41.8	44.9	42.5	0.7

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	301.8	305.6	305.9	4.1	289.7	293.5	293.8	4.1
Labour Force ('000)	209.1	215.0	213.1	4.0	201.9	209.2	208.1	6.2
Employment ('000)	196.8	203.0	201.3	4.5	190.3	197.9	196.8	6.5
Unemployed ('000)	12.3	12.0	11.8	(0.5)	11.6	11.3	11.2	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	5.6	5.5	(0.4)	5.7	5.4	5.4	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	69.3	70.4	69.7	0.4	69.7	71.3	70.8	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	65.2	66.4	65.8	0.6	65.7	67.4	67.0	1.3

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.4	133.6	133.6	0.2	104.5	104.8	104.8	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	82.0	82.8	82.7	0.7	64.8	65.0	65.2	0.4
Employment ('000)	73.9	75.3	75.3	1.4	57.5	59.5	58.7	1.2
Unemployed ('000)	8.1	7.5	7.4	(0.7)	7.4	5.5	6.5	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.9	9.1	8.9	(1.0)	11.4	8.5	10.0	(1.4)
Participation Rate (%)	61.5	62.0	61.9	0.4	62.0	62.0	62.2	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	55.4	56.4	56.4	1.0	55.0	56.8	56.0	1.0

## Employment Situation - November 2004 Job Tenure

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

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,880.8	16,110.7	16,115.3	234.5	12,880.9	13,159.7	13,134.4	253.5	2,999.9	2,951.0	2,981.0	(18.9)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	213.6	219.6	216.6	3.0	183.4	190.3	184.7	1.3	30.1	29.3	31.9	1.8
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	69.6	69.8	71.8	2.2	56.9	58.2	59.6	2.7	12.8	11.5	12.1	(0.7)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	436.3	446.7	448.0	11.7	349.8	365.2	365.3	15.5	86.5	81.6	82.7	(3.8)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	348.3	353.7	354.2	5.9	294.7	299.2	299.4	4.7	53.5	54.5	54.8	1.3
<b>Quebec</b>	3,709.4	3,720.7	3,722.5	13.1	3,004.1	3,061.5	3,053.7	49.6	705.3	659.2	668.8	(36.5)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,256.1	6,373.9	6,371.7	115.6	5,125.8	5,208.8	5,210.7	84.9	1,130.3	1,165.1	1,161.0	30.7
<b>Manitoba</b>	568.0	579.0	579.9	11.9	458.3	464.2	467.9	9.6	109.8	114.8	111.9	2.1
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	486.3	493.2	494.6	8.3	388.9	395.9	399.0	10.1	97.4	97.3	95.6	(1.8)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,741.7	1,762.4	1,763.2	21.5	1,420.7	1,436.5	1,436.6	15.9	321.0	326.0	326.6	5.6
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,051.5	2,091.7	2,092.9	41.4	1,598.7	1,680.0	1,657.4	58.7	452.8	411.7	435.5	(17.3)

### Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,856.8	16,165.0	16,103.9	247.1	12,750.6	13,118.8	12,989.7	239.1	3,106.2	3,046.2	3,114.2	8.0
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	211.9	220.7	212.3	0.4	182.1	190.9	180.8	(1.3)	29.7	29.8	31.5	1.8
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	67.0	71.7	69.9	2.9	54.0	59.8	57.3	3.3	13.0	11.9	12.6	(0.4)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	434.6	450.0	446.3	11.7	344.4	365.0	358.5	14.1	90.2	85.0	87.8	(2.4)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	348.4	359.8	354.2	5.8	291.4	304.1	296.1	4.7	57.0	55.7	58.1	1.1
<b>Quebec</b>	3,693.6	3,730.8	3,707.6	14.0	2,959.8	3,035.7	3,001.9	42.1	733.8	695.1	705.7	(28.1)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,268.8	6,389.1	6,384.8	116.0	5,094.9	5,184.8	5,171.7	76.8	1,173.9	1,204.3	1,213.1	39.2
<b>Manitoba</b>	565.5	581.2	578.7	13.2	450.3	465.0	462.0	11.7	115.2	116.3	116.8	1.6
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	483.9	495.5	493.6	9.7	382.2	396.4	392.9	10.7	101.7	99.1	100.7	(1.0)
<b>Alberta</b>	1,741.4	1,760.2	1,765.1	23.7	1,411.6	1,429.9	1,426.8	15.2	329.8	330.3	338.3	8.5
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,041.7	2,106.0	2,091.4	49.7	1,579.7	1,687.3	1,641.8	62.1	462.0	418.8	449.6	(12.4)

## Employment Situation - November 2004 Youth Statistics

### 15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,795.2	2,823.1	2,813.3	18.1	2,423.2	2,445.3	2,441.7	18.5	13.3	13.4	13.2	(0.1)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	38.6	39.1	38.8	0.2	28.3	29.3	28.6	0.3	26.4	24.8	26.3	(0.1)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	14.2	13.9	14.4	0.2	11.9	11.3	11.8	(0.1)	16.2	19.4	18.1	1.9
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	85.4	85.5	85.5	0.1	70.8	72.2	72.1	1.3	17.1	15.6	15.8	(1.3)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	65.8	62.8	63.1	(2.7)	54.9	53.1	52.9	(2.0)	16.6	15.4	16.2	(0.4)
<b>Quebec</b>	653.1	652.1	647.5	(5.6)	559.1	551.7	554.2	(4.9)	14.4	15.4	14.4	-
<b>Ontario</b>	1,054.5	1,077.7	1,078.3	23.8	905.9	933.0	923.1	17.2	14.1	13.4	14.4	0.3
<b>Manitoba</b>	108.3	107.4	106.5	(1.8)	96.2	94.7	95.1	(1.1)	11.2	11.8	10.6	(0.6)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	91.6	94.4	94.1	2.5	80.6	84.8	84.7	4.1	12.0	10.2	10.0	(2.0)
<b>Alberta</b>	333.8	339.1	335.0	1.2	310.1	310.4	309.0	(1.1)	7.1	8.5	7.8	0.7
<b>British Columbia</b>	350.1	351.1	350.0	(0.1)	305.4	304.8	310.1	4.7	12.8	13.2	11.4	(1.4)

### 15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,687.7	2,721.1	2,703.1	15.4	2,344.5	2,375.1	2,369.6	25.1	12.8	12.7	12.3	(0.5)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	34.6	35.2	34.8	0.2	25.9	27.1	26.1	0.2	24.9	23.3	25.0	0.1
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	12.8	13.4	13.0	0.2	10.5	10.9	10.7	0.2	17.2	18.7	17.7	0.5
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	81.6	82.1	81.8	0.2	67.8	69.6	69.1	1.3	17.0	15.2	15.4	(1.6)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	62.4	59.5	59.7	(2.7)	52.1	51.0	50.4	(1.7)	16.3	14.3	15.6	(0.7)
<b>Quebec</b>	626.6	627.8	621.5	(5.1)	538.8	536.0	536.9	(1.9)	14.0	14.6	13.6	(0.4)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,009.3	1,033.9	1,026.2	16.9	878.8	902.5	892.4	13.6	12.9	12.7	13.0	0.1
<b>Manitoba</b>	106.1	104.9	104.5	(1.6)	93.8	92.6	93.1	(0.7)	11.7	11.7	10.9	(0.8)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	87.9	90.3	90.3	2.4	78.0	82.1	82.0	4.0	11.4	9.1	9.2	(2.2)
<b>Alberta</b>	327.5	331.2	329.3	1.8	304.4	303.5	304.4	-	7.1	8.4	7.6	0.5
<b>British Columbia</b>	338.9	342.8	341.9	3.0	294.4	300.0	304.4	10.0	13.1	12.5	11.0	(2.1)





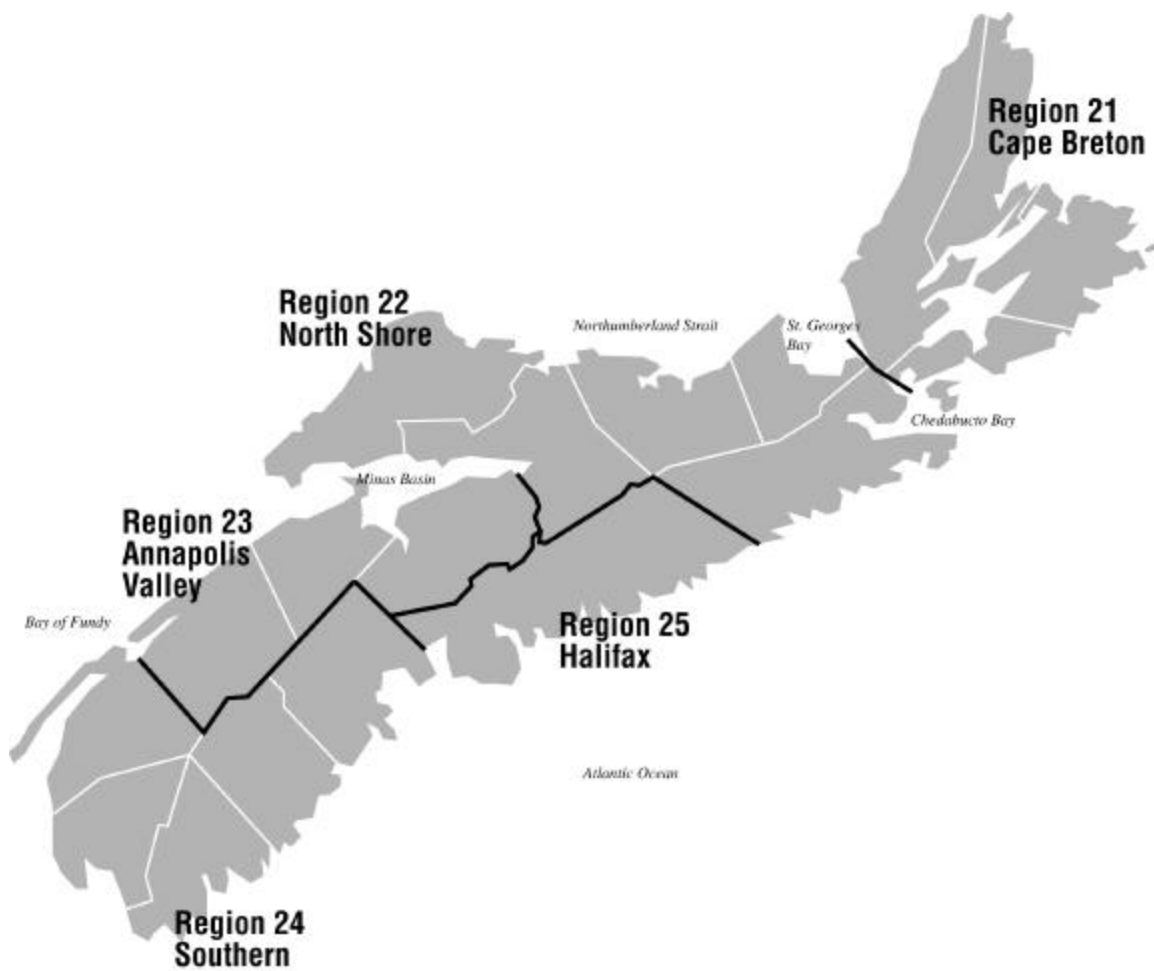
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### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change	Nov 2003	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.6	8.5	8.1	(1.5)	60.3	60.5	59.8	(0.5)	66.7	66.1	65.1	(1.6)
Halifax	5.7	5.4	5.4	(0.3)	65.7	67.4	67.0	1.3	69.7	71.3	70.8	1.1
Saint John, New Brunswick	8.0	7.0	6.8	(1.2)	58.3	62.0	61.3	3.0	63.4	66.6	65.7	2.3
Saguenay	11.0	10.4	10.7	(0.3)	53.8	57.1	56.1	2.3	60.4	63.7	62.8	2.4
Québec	6.3	3.9	4.5	(1.8)	61.0	63.2	62.2	1.2	65.1	65.7	65.2	0.1
Trois-Rivières	10.8	10.9	10.1	(0.7)	55.4	54.5	54.2	(1.2)	62.2	61.1	60.3	(1.9)
Sherbrooke	7.3	6.3	6.4	(0.9)	61.7	62.3	61.2	(0.5)	66.6	66.5	65.4	(1.2)
Montréal	8.7	8.5	8.7	-	62.5	61.8	61.5	(1.0)	68.5	67.5	67.3	(1.2)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.9	6.6	5.9	(1.0)	66.3	66.3	66.7	0.4	71.3	70.9	70.8	(0.5)
Sudbury	8.7	7.8	7.5	(1.2)	56.3	59.8	61.0	4.7	61.6	64.9	65.9	4.3
Oshawa	4.6	5.6	5.5	0.9	68.8	64.6	65.1	(3.7)	72.1	68.4	68.9	(3.2)
Toronto	7.3	7.8	7.2	(0.1)	64.2	64.5	64.1	(0.1)	69.2	69.9	69.0	(0.2)
Hamilton	5.9	5.5	5.5	(0.4)	65.0	66.2	65.3	0.3	69.1	70.0	69.1	-
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.5	5.6	5.6	(0.9)	60.5	59.7	60.0	(0.5)	64.7	63.2	63.5	(1.2)
London	6.3	6.2	6.3	-	64.6	65.1	64.7	0.1	68.9	69.4	69.0	0.1
Windsor	6.5	9.0	9.1	2.6	61.8	61.6	61.6	(0.2)	66.1	67.7	67.7	1.6
Kitchener	5.3	5.3	4.2	(1.1)	66.9	66.3	66.4	(0.5)	70.7	69.9	69.3	(1.4)
Thunder Bay	5.4	8.3	8.0	2.6	62.6	60.8	60.9	(1.7)	66.2	66.3	66.2	-
Winnipeg	5.3	5.7	5.2	(0.1)	66.2	67.7	67.6	1.4	69.9	71.8	71.4	1.5
Regina	4.6	4.5	4.4	(0.2)	69.8	68.9	69.2	(0.6)	73.2	72.2	72.3	(0.9)
Saskatoon	5.8	6.0	5.6	(0.2)	65.4	67.2	66.9	1.5	69.5	71.5	70.8	1.3
Calgary	5.2	4.9	4.9	(0.3)	70.7	71.0	70.3	(0.4)	74.6	74.7	73.9	(0.7)
Edmonton	4.3	4.7	4.6	0.3	69.2	69.6	69.7	0.5	72.4	73.0	73.0	0.6
Vancouver	7.2	6.9	6.4	(0.8)	63.2	62.9	62.6	(0.6)	68.1	67.6	66.9	(1.2)
Victoria	5.5	6.0	5.7	0.2	59.9	58.9	58.4	(1.5)	63.5	62.6	62.0	(1.5)

# Employment Situation December 2004



## About the Employment Situation Report

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

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/publish/pub19.htm>

The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. Since July 1995 the sample size has been approximately 54,000 households across Canada. As of April 2002 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

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

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August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

## Employment Situation - December 2004 Canada/Provinces

### Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	
Population ('000)	25,403.9	25,738.6	25,765.5	361.6	25,403.9	25,738.6	25,765.5	361.6
Labour Force ('000)	17,021.5	17,285.7	17,214.0	192.5	17,187.4	17,377.0	17,372.8	185.4
Employment ('000)	15,834.0	16,103.9	16,069.8	235.8	15,920.7	16,115.3	16,148.8	228.1
Unemployed ('000)	1,187.5	1,181.9	1,144.2	(43.3)	1,266.8	1,261.7	1,224.0	(42.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.0	6.8	6.6	(0.4)	7.4	7.3	7.0	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	67.0	67.2	66.8	(0.2)	67.7	67.5	67.4	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	62.3	62.6	62.4	0.1	62.7	62.6	62.7	-

### Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	
Population ('000)	762.0	766.1	766.4	4.4	762.0	766.1	766.4	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	477.9	488.9	486.6	8.7	482.5	492.3	491.8	9.3
Employment ('000)	438.6	446.3	446.1	7.5	439.2	448.0	447.7	8.5
Unemployed ('000)	39.3	42.6	40.4	1.1	43.3	44.3	44.1	0.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.2	8.7	8.3	0.1	9.0	9.0	9.0	-
Participation Rate (%)	62.7	63.8	63.5	0.8	63.3	64.3	64.2	0.9
Employment Rate (%)	57.6	58.3	58.2	0.6	57.6	58.5	58.4	0.8

### Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	
Population ('000)	439.4	439.9	440.0	0.6	439.4	439.9	440.0	0.6
Labour Force ('000)	254.4	253.1	252.2	(2.2)	262.8	259.3	261.2	(1.6)
Employment ('000)	208.9	212.3	213.0	4.1	215.6	216.6	221.2	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	45.4	40.8	39.2	(6.2)	47.2	42.7	40.0	(7.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	17.8	16.1	15.5	(2.3)	18.0	16.5	15.3	(2.7)
Participation Rate (%)	57.9	57.5	57.3	(0.6)	59.8	58.9	59.4	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	47.5	48.3	48.4	0.9	49.1	49.2	50.3	1.2

### Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	
Population ('000)	113.7	114.8	114.9	1.2	113.7	114.8	114.9	1.2
Labour Force ('000)	75.5	78.2	77.5	2.0	78.1	80.2	80.1	2.0
Employment ('000)	66.4	69.9	68.5	2.1	70.2	71.8	71.7	1.5
Unemployed ('000)	9.0	8.4	8.9	(0.1)	7.9	8.4	8.4	0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.9	10.7	11.5	(0.4)	10.1	10.5	10.5	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	66.4	68.1	67.4	1.0	68.7	69.9	69.7	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	58.4	60.9	59.6	1.2	61.7	62.5	62.4	0.7

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

Annual Change is in thousands or percentage points as shown in row headings.

## Employment Situation - December 2004 Canada/Provinces

### New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	
Population ('000)	610.6	614.2	614.4	3.8	610.6	614.2	614.4	3.8
Labour Force ('000)	374.8	389.6	385.5	10.7	384.2	393.1	394.9	10.7
Employment ('000)	338.7	354.2	350.3	11.6	346.1	354.2	357.3	11.2
Unemployed ('000)	36.1	35.3	35.2	(0.9)	38.1	38.8	37.6	(0.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.6	9.1	9.1	(0.5)	9.9	9.9	9.5	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	61.4	63.4	62.7	1.3	62.9	64.0	64.3	1.4
Employment Rate (%)	55.5	57.7	57.0	1.5	56.7	57.7	58.2	1.5

### Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	
Population ('000)	6,112.1	6,174.4	6,179.5	67.4	6,112.1	6,174.4	6,179.5	67.4
Labour Force ('000)	4,011.8	4,058.6	4,019.3	7.5	4,061.8	4,086.1	4,064.5	2.7
Employment ('000)	3,642.4	3,707.6	3,679.2	36.8	3,681.9	3,722.5	3,718.9	37.0
Unemployed ('000)	369.4	351.0	340.1	(29.3)	379.9	363.7	345.6	(34.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.2	8.6	8.5	(0.7)	9.4	8.9	8.5	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	65.7	65.0	(0.6)	66.5	66.2	65.8	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	59.6	60.0	59.5	(0.1)	60.2	60.3	60.2	-

### Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	
Population ('000)	9,857.3	10,017.6	10,030.0	172.7	9,857.3	10,017.6	10,030.0	172.7
Labour Force ('000)	6,683.9	6,815.9	6,792.6	108.7	6,736.2	6,847.7	6,848.9	112.7
Employment ('000)	6,278.2	6,384.8	6,371.2	93.0	6,285.8	6,371.7	6,380.3	94.5
Unemployed ('000)	405.7	431.0	421.4	15.7	450.4	476.0	468.6	18.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1	6.3	6.2	0.1	6.7	7.0	6.8	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	68.0	67.7	(0.1)	68.3	68.4	68.3	-
Employment Rate (%)	63.7	63.7	63.5	(0.2)	63.8	63.6	63.6	(0.2)

### Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	
Population ('000)	871.9	880.6	881.3	9.4	871.9	880.6	881.3	9.4
Labour Force ('000)	597.5	608.8	606.8	9.3	600.8	611.0	610.5	9.7
Employment ('000)	568.6	578.7	576.5	7.9	570.6	579.9	578.9	8.3
Unemployed ('000)	28.9	30.1	30.3	1.4	30.3	31.1	31.5	1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	4.9	5.0	0.2	5.0	5.1	5.2	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	68.5	69.1	68.9	0.4	68.9	69.4	69.3	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	65.2	65.7	65.4	0.2	65.4	65.9	65.7	0.3

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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### Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	756.2	758.6	758.9	2.7	756.2	758.6	758.9	2.7
Labour Force ('000)	509.5	519.4	518.5	9.0	517.8	522.8	524.8	7.0
Employment ('000)	482.5	493.6	490.3	7.8	488.4	494.6	495.6	7.2
Unemployed ('000)	27.0	25.8	28.2	1.2	29.3	28.2	29.2	(0.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.3	5.0	5.4	0.1	5.7	5.4	5.6	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	67.4	68.5	68.3	0.9	68.5	68.9	69.2	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	63.8	65.1	64.6	0.8	64.6	65.2	65.3	0.7

### Alberta

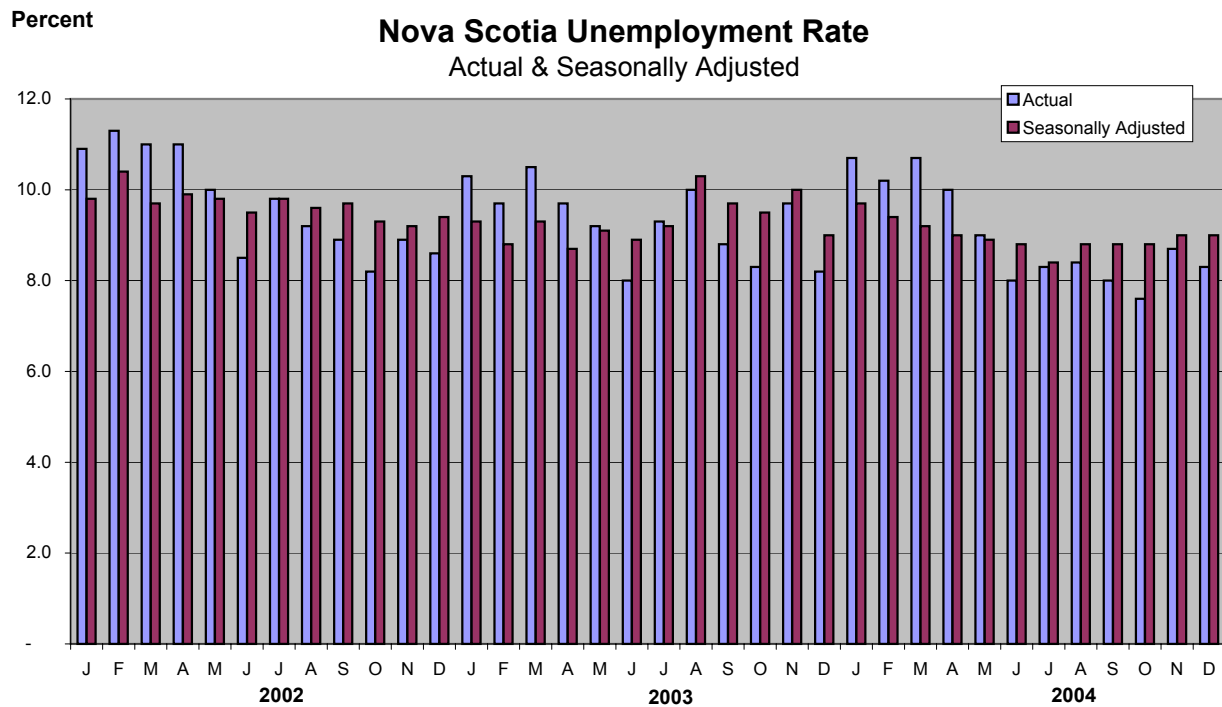
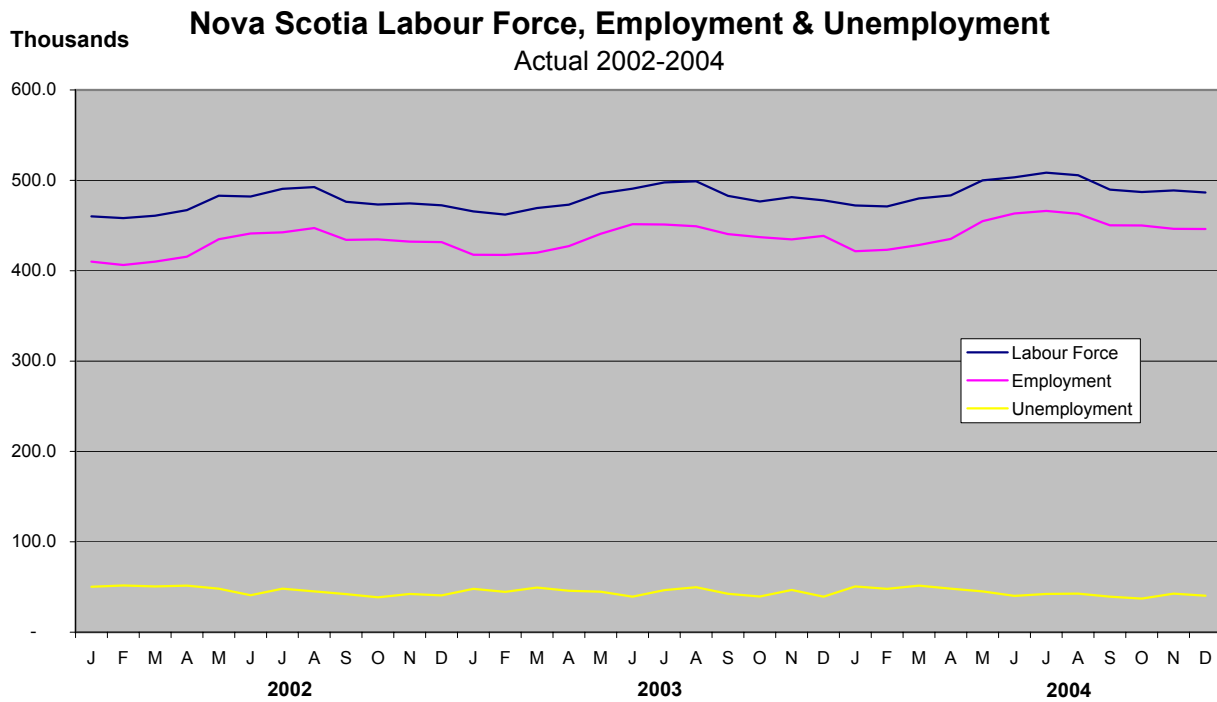
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	2,493.7	2,534.7	2,538.2	44.5	2,493.7	2,534.7	2,538.2	44.5
Labour Force ('000)	1,830.4	1,845.1	1,841.7	11.3	1,840.7	1,847.7	1,849.9	9.2
Employment ('000)	1,747.6	1,765.1	1,765.0	17.4	1,751.5	1,763.2	1,766.9	15.4
Unemployed ('000)	82.8	80.0	76.6	(6.2)	89.2	84.5	83.0	(6.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	4.3	4.2	(0.3)	4.8	4.6	4.5	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	73.4	72.8	72.6	(0.8)	73.8	72.9	72.9	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	70.1	69.6	69.5	(0.6)	70.2	69.6	69.6	(0.6)

### British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	3,386.9	3,437.8	3,441.8	54.9	3,386.9	3,437.8	3,441.8	54.9
Labour Force ('000)	2,205.8	2,228.2	2,233.4	27.6	2,222.6	2,236.8	2,246.2	23.6
Employment ('000)	2,062.0	2,091.4	2,109.6	47.6	2,071.4	2,092.9	2,110.2	38.8
Unemployed ('000)	143.8	136.8	123.8	(20.0)	151.1	143.9	136.0	(15.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	6.1	5.5	(1.0)	6.8	6.4	6.1	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	65.1	64.8	64.9	(0.2)	65.6	65.1	65.3	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	60.9	60.8	61.3	0.4	61.2	60.9	61.3	0.1

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**Employment Situation - December 2004**  
**Economic Regions/CMA**  
(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,378.2	25,710.7	25,738.9	360.7	761.7	765.7	766.1	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	17,045.2	17,282.8	17,261.5	216.3	478.6	488.5	487.5	8.9
Employment ('000)	15,853.6	16,137.7	16,112.9	259.3	436.8	448.9	447.5	10.7
Unemployed ('000)	1,191.7	1,145.2	1,148.6	(43.1)	41.8	39.7	40.1	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.0	6.6	6.7	(0.3)	8.7	8.1	8.2	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	67.2	67.2	67.1	(0.1)	62.8	63.8	63.6	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	62.5	62.8	62.6	0.1	57.3	58.6	58.4	1.1

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	102.2	102.8	102.8	0.6	119.4	118.6	118.5	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	63.8	67.4	66.6	2.8	60.8	60.2	58.4	(2.4)
Employment ('000)	59.3	63.1	62.4	3.1	49.6	50.4	49.1	(0.5)
Unemployed ('000)	4.6	4.3	4.2	(0.4)	11.1	9.7	9.4	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	6.4	6.3	(0.9)	18.3	16.1	16.1	(2.2)
Participation Rate (%)	62.4	65.6	64.8	2.4	50.9	50.8	49.3	(1.6)
Employment Rate (%)	58.0	61.4	60.7	2.7	41.5	42.5	41.4	(0.1)

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	302.1	305.9	306.2	4.1	290.0	293.8	294.1	4.1
Labour Force ('000)	208.8	213.1	213.7	4.9	201.6	208.1	208.9	7.3
Employment ('000)	197.4	201.3	201.8	4.4	190.8	196.8	197.3	6.5
Unemployed ('000)	11.5	11.8	11.9	0.4	10.9	11.2	11.6	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.5	5.6	0.1	5.4	5.4	5.6	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	69.7	69.8	0.7	69.5	70.8	71.0	1.5
Employment Rate (%)	65.3	65.8	65.9	0.6	65.8	67.0	67.1	1.3

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	133.4	133.6	133.6	0.2	104.5	104.8	104.9	0.4
Labour Force ('000)	80.4	82.7	82.7	2.3	64.7	65.2	66.1	1.4
Employment ('000)	72.8	75.3	74.5	1.7	57.7	58.7	59.6	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	7.6	7.4	8.2	0.6	7.0	6.5	6.4	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.5	8.9	9.9	0.4	10.8	10.0	9.7	(1.1)
Participation Rate (%)	60.3	61.9	61.9	1.6	61.9	62.2	63.0	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	54.6	56.4	55.8	1.2	55.2	56.0	56.8	1.6

## Employment Situation - December 2004 Job Tenure

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

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
				Annual				Annual				Annual
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,920.7	16,115.3	16,148.8	228.1	12,917.2	13,134.4	13,175.6	258.4	3,003.4	2,981.0	2,973.2	(30.2)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	215.6	216.6	221.2	5.6	185.2	184.7	188.6	3.4	30.4	31.9	32.7	2.3
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	70.2	71.8	71.7	1.5	58.1	59.6	60.1	2.0	12.1	12.1	11.6	(0.5)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	439.2	448.0	447.7	8.5	351.5	365.3	362.7	11.2	87.7	82.7	85.0	(2.7)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	346.1	354.2	357.3	11.2	293.3	299.4	299.9	6.6	52.7	54.8	57.5	4.8
<b>Quebec</b>	3,681.9	3,722.5	3,718.9	37.0	2,973.9	3,053.7	3,063.6	89.7	708.0	668.8	655.3	(52.7)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,285.8	6,371.7	6,380.3	94.5	5,146.2	5,210.7	5,215.0	68.8	1,139.7	1,161.0	1,165.3	25.6
<b>Manitoba</b>	570.6	579.9	578.9	8.3	461.3	467.9	469.0	7.7	109.3	111.9	109.9	0.6
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	488.4	494.6	495.6	7.2	392.4	399.0	397.9	5.5	96.1	95.6	97.7	1.6
<b>Alberta</b>	1,751.5	1,763.2	1,766.9	15.4	1,433.7	1,436.6	1,437.8	4.1	317.8	326.6	329.1	11.3
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,071.4	2,092.9	2,110.2	38.8	1,621.5	1,657.4	1,680.7	59.2	449.9	435.5	429.6	(20.3)

### Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
				Annual				Annual				Annual
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Change
<b>Canada</b>	15,834.0	16,103.9	16,069.8	235.8	12,689.4	12,989.7	12,938.5	249.1	3,144.5	3,114.2	3,131.3	(13.2)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	208.9	212.3	213.0	4.1	178.8	180.8	180.8	2.0	30.1	31.5	32.2	2.1
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	66.4	69.9	68.5	2.1	53.6	57.3	56.3	2.7	12.9	12.6	12.2	(0.7)
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	438.6	446.3	446.1	7.5	345.8	358.5	354.2	8.4	92.8	87.8	92.0	(0.8)
<b>New Brunswick</b>	338.7	354.2	350.3	11.6	284.2	296.1	290.4	6.2	54.5	58.1	60.0	5.5
<b>Quebec</b>	3,642.4	3,707.6	3,679.2	36.8	2,894.9	3,001.9	2,979.8	84.9	747.5	705.7	699.4	(48.1)
<b>Ontario</b>	6,278.2	6,384.8	6,371.2	93.0	5,082.1	5,171.7	5,144.0	61.9	1,196.1	1,213.1	1,227.2	31.1
<b>Manitoba</b>	568.6	578.7	576.5	7.9	451.7	462.0	460.4	8.7	116.8	116.8	116.1	(0.7)
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	482.5	493.6	490.3	7.8	383.1	392.9	387.6	4.5	99.4	100.7	102.7	3.3
<b>Alberta</b>	1,747.6	1,765.1	1,765.0	17.4	1,421.4	1,426.8	1,424.4	3.0	326.2	338.3	340.7	14.5
<b>British Columbia</b>	2,062.0	2,091.4	2,109.6	47.6	1,593.8	1,641.8	1,660.7	66.9	468.2	449.6	448.8	(19.4)

**Employment Situation - December 2004**  
**Youth Statistics**

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

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,812.2	2,813.3	2,802.8	(9.4)	2,418.8	2,441.7	2,445.1	26.3	14.0	13.2	12.8	(1.2)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	39.7	38.8	38.8	(0.9)	28.2	28.6	30.8	2.6	29.0	26.3	20.6	(8.4)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	13.5	14.4	13.9	0.4	11.7	11.8	11.6	(0.1)	13.3	18.1	17.3	4.0
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	83.0	85.5	85.6	2.6	70.7	72.1	71.9	1.2	14.8	15.8	16.0	1.2
<b>New Brunswick</b>	64.2	63.1	63.4	(0.8)	53.7	52.9	54.1	0.4	16.4	16.2	14.7	(1.7)
<b>Quebec</b>	651.1	647.5	634.0	(17.1)	545.7	554.2	549.1	3.4	16.2	14.4	13.4	(2.8)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,078.5	1,078.3	1,069.2	(9.3)	919.5	923.1	918.0	(1.5)	14.7	14.4	14.1	(0.6)
<b>Manitoba</b>	107.0	106.5	107.1	0.1	97.7	95.1	95.3	(2.4)	8.7	10.6	11.0	2.3
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	93.3	94.1	95.8	2.5	81.7	84.7	86.2	4.5	12.4	10.0	10.0	(2.4)
<b>Alberta</b>	326.9	335.0	342.3	15.4	300.2	309.0	315.3	15.1	8.2	7.8	7.9	(0.3)
<b>British Columbia</b>	355.2	350.0	352.7	(2.5)	309.7	310.1	312.9	3.2	12.8	11.4	11.3	(1.5)

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
<b>Canada</b>	2,682.6	2,703.1	2,668.4	(14.2)	2,345.1	2,369.6	2,369.9	24.8	12.6	12.3	11.2	(1.4)
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	35.2	34.8	34.2	(1.0)	26.1	26.1	28.1	2.0	25.9	25.0	18.1	(7.8)
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	12.1	13.0	12.5	0.4	10.3	10.7	10.3	-	14.9	17.7	18.4	3.5
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	78.7	81.8	81.0	2.3	67.9	69.1	69.0	1.1	13.6	15.4	14.8	1.2
<b>New Brunswick</b>	59.1	59.7	59.1	-	49.8	50.4	51.2	1.4	15.7	15.6	13.4	(2.3)
<b>Quebec</b>	615.2	621.5	594.7	(20.5)	522.7	536.9	523.8	1.1	15.0	13.6	11.9	(3.1)
<b>Ontario</b>	1,027.8	1,026.2	1,013.7	(14.1)	898.4	892.4	892.6	(5.8)	12.6	13.0	11.9	(0.7)
<b>Manitoba</b>	104.5	104.5	104.7	0.2	95.8	93.1	93.6	(2.2)	8.3	10.9	10.6	2.3
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	87.9	90.3	90.7	2.8	78.5	82.0	82.8	4.3	10.7	9.2	8.7	(2.0)
<b>Alberta</b>	317.5	329.3	334.7	17.2	291.5	304.4	308.6	17.1	8.2	7.6	7.8	(0.4)
<b>British Columbia</b>	344.7	341.9	343.0	(1.7)	304.1	304.4	310.1	6.0	11.8	11.0	9.6	(2.2)



## Employment Situation - December 2004

### CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.6	8.1	8.2	(1.4)	60.0	59.8	60.7	0.7	66.3	65.1	66.3	-
Halifax	<b>5.4</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>67.0</b>	<b>67.1</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>69.5</b>	<b>70.8</b>	<b>71.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Saint John, New Brunswick	7.6	6.8	6.2	(1.4)	58.7	61.3	61.4	2.7	63.6	65.7	65.4	1.8
Saguenay	11.5	10.7	10.6	(0.9)	54.2	56.1	55.9	1.7	61.3	62.8	62.5	1.2
Québec	6.8	4.5	5.0	(1.8)	60.2	62.2	61.7	1.5	64.5	65.2	65.0	0.5
Trois-Rivières	10.3	10.1	9.4	(0.9)	55.5	54.2	54.6	(0.9)	61.9	60.3	60.3	(1.6)
Sherbrooke	7.2	6.4	7.0	(0.2)	61.2	61.2	61.3	0.1	65.9	65.4	65.9	-
Montréal	8.6	8.7	8.8	0.2	62.7	61.5	61.3	(1.4)	68.5	67.3	67.2	(1.3)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.9	5.9	5.7	(1.2)	66.0	66.7	67.6	1.6	70.8	70.8	71.7	0.9
Sudbury	8.9	7.5	7.0	(1.9)	57.0	61.0	62.0	5.0	62.7	65.9	66.7	4.0
Oshawa	4.3	5.5	5.1	0.8	69.1	65.1	65.9	(3.2)	72.2	68.9	69.5	(2.7)
Toronto	6.7	7.2	7.1	0.4	64.4	64.1	64.1	(0.3)	69.0	69.0	68.9	(0.1)
Hamilton	4.9	5.5	5.3	0.4	65.2	65.3	64.7	(0.5)	68.5	69.1	68.3	(0.2)
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.5	5.6	6.1	(0.4)	59.7	60.0	60.3	0.6	63.8	63.5	64.2	0.4
London	6.0	6.3	6.2	0.2	64.5	64.7	65.3	0.8	68.6	69.0	69.6	1.0
Windsor	7.2	9.1	9.2	2.0	61.4	61.6	61.3	(0.1)	66.1	67.7	67.5	1.4
Kitchener	4.7	4.2	3.6	(1.1)	66.8	66.4	67.1	0.3	70.2	69.3	69.7	(0.5)
Thunder Bay	6.2	8.0	7.8	1.6	62.1	60.9	61.6	(0.5)	66.1	66.2	66.8	0.7
Winnipeg	5.1	5.2	4.9	(0.2)	66.3	67.6	67.5	1.2	69.8	71.4	71.0	1.2
Regina	4.7	4.4	4.6	(0.1)	70.1	69.2	69.4	(0.7)	73.6	72.3	72.7	(0.9)
Saskatoon	5.5	5.6	5.3	(0.2)	65.2	66.9	67.3	2.1	68.9	70.8	71.1	2.2
Calgary	5.4	4.9	4.7	(0.7)	70.9	70.3	69.9	(1.0)	75.0	73.9	73.3	(1.7)
Edmonton	4.4	4.6	4.6	0.2	69.0	69.7	69.6	0.6	72.1	73.0	73.0	0.9
Vancouver	6.1	6.4	5.9	(0.2)	63.2	62.6	62.8	(0.4)	67.3	66.9	66.8	(0.5)
Victoria	4.7	5.7	5.2	0.5	60.8	58.4	59.3	(1.5)	63.8	62.0	62.5	(1.3)