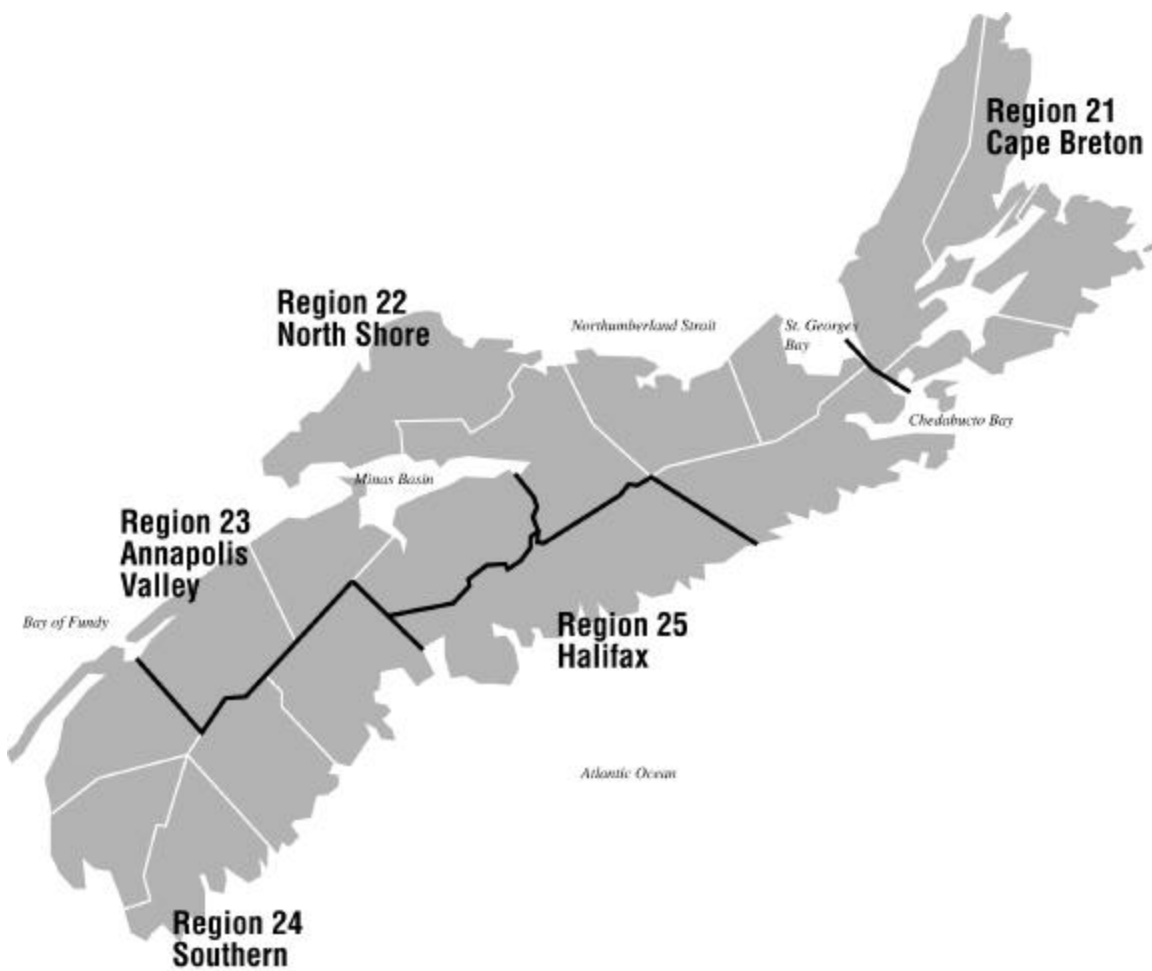
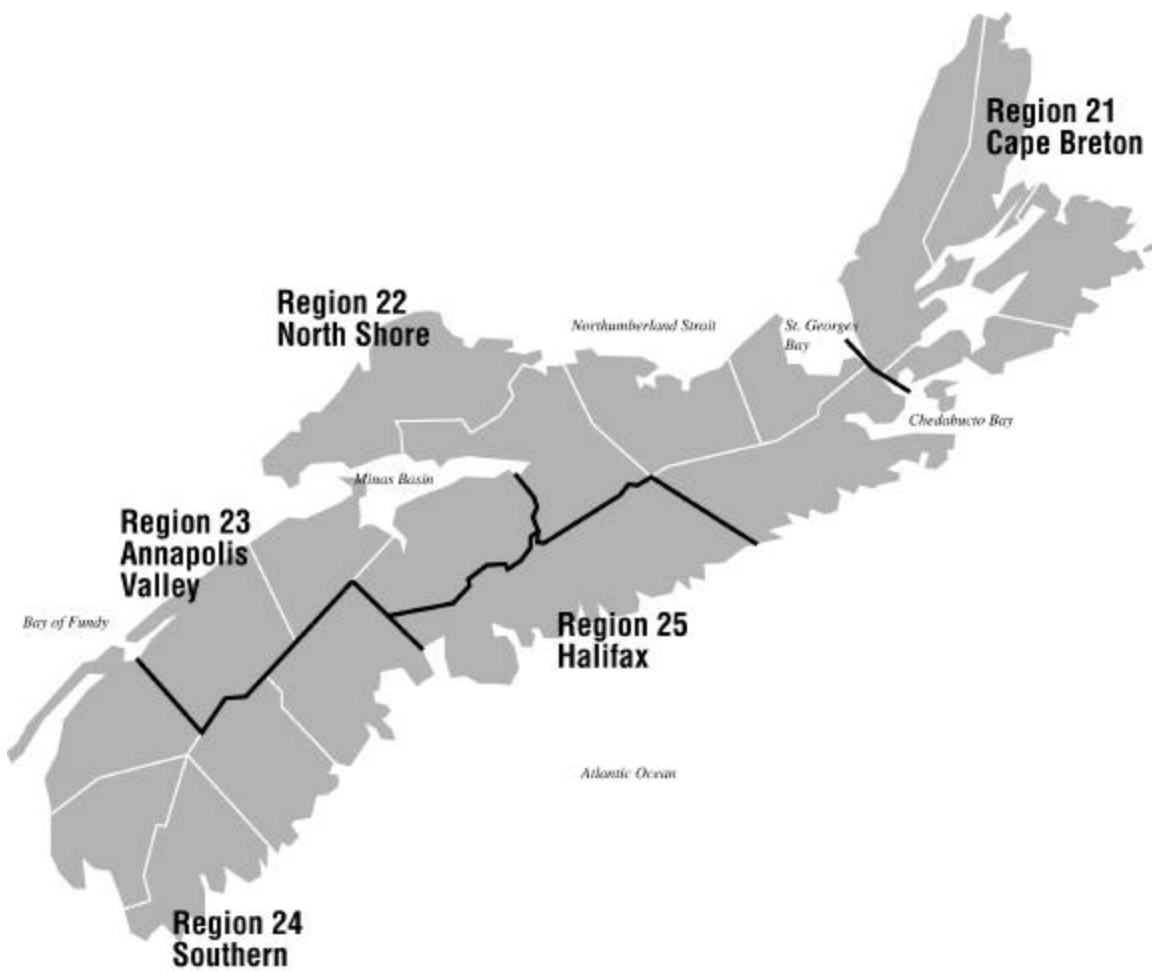


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About the Employment Situation Report

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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 2003 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
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	25,267.6	25,596.8	25,623.3	355.7	25,267.6	25,596.8	25,623.3	355.7
Labour Force ('000)	16,802.1	17,130.7	16,971.8	169.7	17,083.3	17,280.0	17,263.8	180.5
Employment ('000)	15,468.9	15,989.6	15,695.5	226.6	15,829.9	16,063.1	16,057.4	227.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,333.3	1,141.1	1,276.4	(56.9)	1,253.4	1,216.9	1,206.4	(47.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	6.7	7.5	(0.4)	7.3	7.0	7.0	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	66.5	66.9	66.2	(0.3)	67.6	67.5	67.4	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	61.2	62.5	61.3	0.1	62.6	62.8	62.7	0.1

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	755.3	758.8	759.3	4.0	755.3	758.8	759.3	4.0
Labour Force ('000)	466.9	482.5	473.7	6.8	479.6	486.6	486.8	7.2
Employment ('000)	418.2	442.6	427.1	8.9	435.4	443.4	444.6	9.2
Unemployed ('000)	48.7	39.8	46.7	(2.0)	44.2	43.2	42.2	(2.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.4	8.2	9.9	(0.5)	9.2	8.9	8.7	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	61.8	63.6	62.4	0.6	63.5	64.1	64.1	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	55.4	58.3	56.2	0.8	57.6	58.4	58.6	1.0

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	429.9	430.4	430.2	0.3	429.9	430.4	430.2	0.3
Labour Force ('000)	243.9	245.0	239.0	(4.9)	256.4	252.2	252.4	(4.0)
Employment ('000)	199.1	208.9	199.8	0.7	215.3	216.0	216.0	0.7
Unemployed ('000)	44.8	36.1	39.3	(5.5)	41.1	36.2	36.3	(4.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	18.4	14.7	16.4	(2.0)	16.0	14.4	14.4	(1.6)
Participation Rate (%)	56.7	56.9	55.6	(1.1)	59.6	58.6	58.7	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	46.3	48.5	46.4	0.1	50.1	50.2	50.2	0.1

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	110.4	111.2	111.2	0.8	110.4	111.2	111.2	0.8
Labour Force ('000)	71.1	74.3	72.9	1.8	74.5	76.7	76.5	2.0
Employment ('000)	60.3	65.6	62.6	2.3	66.2	68.7	68.5	2.3
Unemployed ('000)	10.7	8.7	10.3	(0.4)	8.3	8.0	8.0	(0.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	15.0	11.7	14.1	(0.9)	11.1	10.4	10.5	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	64.4	66.8	65.6	1.2	67.5	69.0	68.8	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	54.6	59.0	56.3	1.7	60.0	61.8	61.6	1.6

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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	606.0	608.6	609.0	3.0	606.0	608.6	609.0	3.0
Labour Force ('000)	373.3	380.6	374.3	1.0	387.4	389.4	388.1	0.7
Employment ('000)	330.8	346.1	332.4	1.6	348.3	352.9	350.3	2.0
Unemployed ('000)	42.6	34.5	41.9	(0.7)	39.0	36.5	37.8	(1.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.4	9.1	11.2	(0.2)	10.1	9.4	9.7	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	61.6	62.5	61.5	(0.1)	63.9	64.0	63.7	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	54.6	56.9	54.6	-	57.5	58.0	57.5	-

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	6,080.0	6,143.8	6,149.1	69.1	6,080.0	6,143.8	6,149.1	69.1
Labour Force ('000)	3,928.8	4,009.0	3,987.1	58.3	4,005.9	4,052.5	4,062.5	56.6
Employment ('000)	3,536.3	3,665.0	3,611.1	74.8	3,648.4	3,703.9	3,719.6	71.2
Unemployed ('000)	392.6	344.0	376.0	(16.6)	357.5	348.6	342.9	(14.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.0	8.6	9.4	(0.6)	8.9	8.6	8.4	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	64.6	65.3	64.8	0.2	65.9	66.0	66.1	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	58.2	59.7	58.7	0.5	60.0	60.3	60.5	0.5

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	9,817.1	9,972.0	9,984.1	167.0	9,817.1	9,972.0	9,984.1	167.0
Labour Force ('000)	6,631.4	6,766.7	6,676.5	45.1	6,721.2	6,819.0	6,780.6	59.4
Employment ('000)	6,177.9	6,345.8	6,223.7	45.8	6,272.8	6,353.5	6,325.2	52.4
Unemployed ('000)	453.5	420.9	452.8	(0.7)	448.4	465.5	455.4	7.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	6.2	6.8	-	6.7	6.8	6.7	-
Participation Rate (%)	67.5	67.9	66.9	(0.6)	68.5	68.4	67.9	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	62.9	63.6	62.3	(0.6)	63.9	63.7	63.4	(0.5)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	877.7	885.0	885.6	7.9	877.7	885.0	885.6	7.9
Labour Force ('000)	596.3	607.8	601.4	5.1	605.3	611.1	610.9	5.6
Employment ('000)	562.0	578.2	567.8	5.8	573.8	580.3	579.7	5.9
Unemployed ('000)	34.2	29.6	33.6	(0.6)	31.5	30.8	31.1	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.7	4.9	5.6	(0.1)	5.2	5.0	5.1	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	67.9	68.7	67.9	-	69.0	69.1	69.0	-
Employment Rate (%)	64.0	65.3	64.1	0.1	65.4	65.6	65.5	0.1

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Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	744.3	746.9	747.3	3.0	744.3	746.9	747.3	3.0
Labour Force ('000)	494.4	508.1	502.5	8.1	504.1	514.0	512.3	8.2
Employment ('000)	463.4	481.4	474.2	10.8	476.0	486.9	487.4	11.4
Unemployed ('000)	31.0	26.7	28.3	(2.7)	28.1	27.1	25.0	(3.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	5.3	5.6	(0.7)	5.6	5.3	4.9	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	66.4	68.0	67.2	0.8	67.7	68.8	68.6	0.9
Employment Rate (%)	62.3	64.5	63.5	1.2	64.0	65.2	65.2	1.2

Alberta

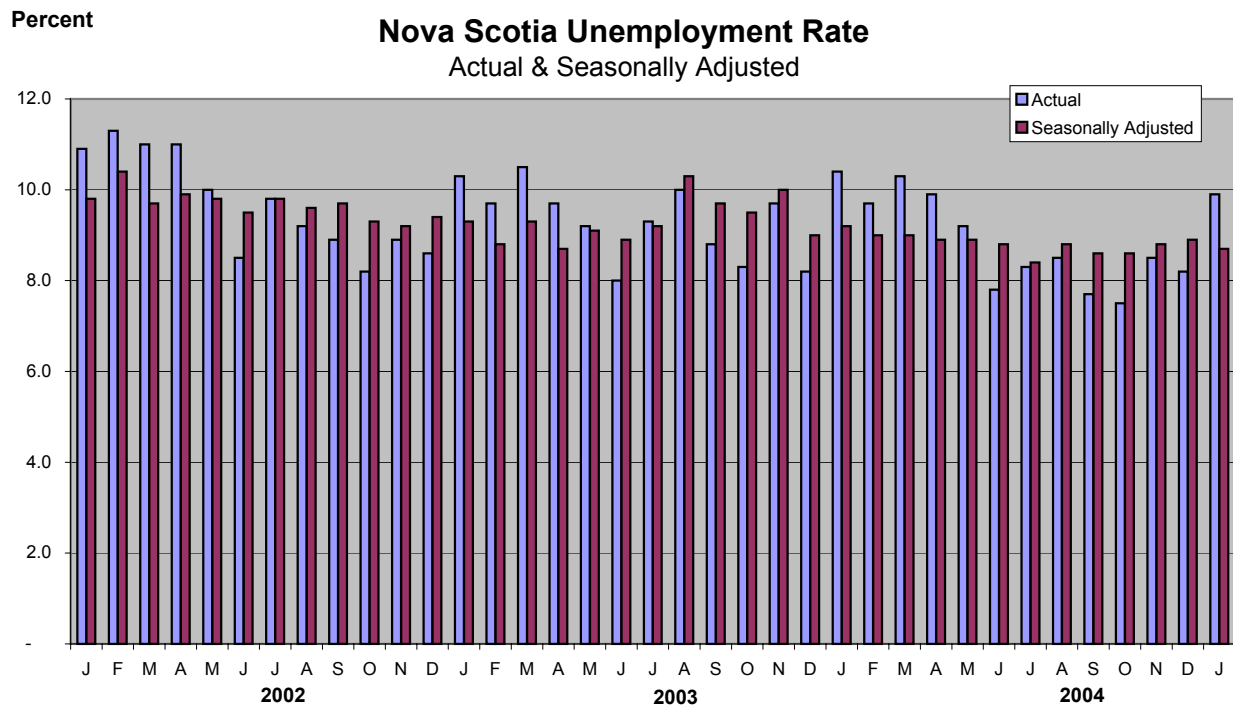
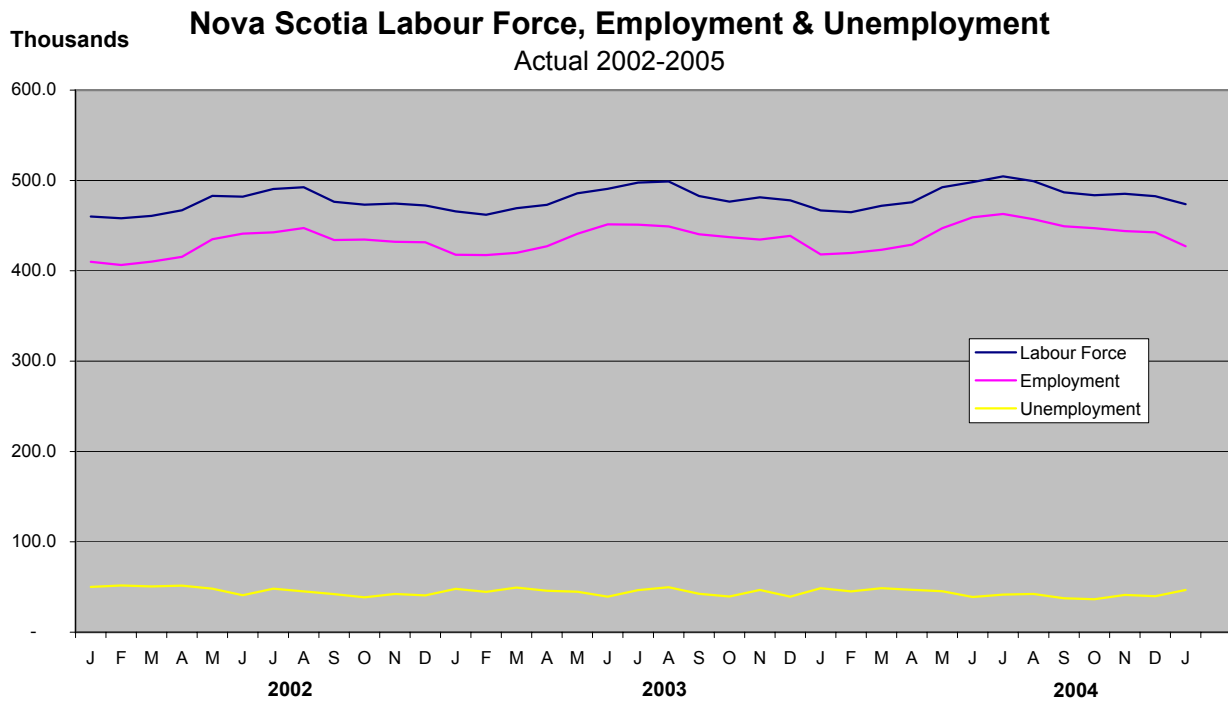
	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	2,482.5	2,526.0	2,529.6	47.1	2,482.5	2,526.0	2,529.6	47.1
Labour Force ('000)	1,805.6	1,842.7	1,832.6	27.0	1,828.8	1,850.3	1,856.8	28.0
Employment ('000)	1,708.7	1,766.3	1,743.6	34.9	1,738.9	1,768.1	1,774.5	35.6
Unemployed ('000)	96.9	76.4	89.0	(7.9)	90.0	82.3	82.3	(7.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	4.1	4.9	(0.5)	4.9	4.4	4.4	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	72.7	72.9	72.4	(0.3)	73.7	73.3	73.4	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	68.8	69.9	68.9	0.1	70.0	70.0	70.1	0.1

British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	3,364.5	3,414.1	3,418.1	53.6	3,364.5	3,414.1	3,418.1	53.6
Labour Force ('000)	2,190.5	2,214.1	2,211.9	21.4	2,220.2	2,228.2	2,236.9	16.7
Employment ('000)	2,012.2	2,089.7	2,053.3	41.1	2,054.9	2,089.5	2,091.7	36.8
Unemployed ('000)	178.3	124.4	158.6	(19.7)	165.2	138.8	145.3	(19.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	5.6	7.2	(0.9)	7.4	6.2	6.5	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	65.1	64.9	64.7	(0.4)	66.0	65.3	65.4	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	59.8	61.2	60.1	0.3	61.1	61.2	61.2	0.1

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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,243.5	25,571.4	25,597.4	353.9	755.0	758.5	758.8	3.8
Labour Force ('000)	16,907.8	17,183.8	17,104.5	196.7	473.2	483.8	480.5	7.3
Employment ('000)	15,668.6	16,041.4	15,906.9	238.3	429.2	444.6	437.9	8.7
Unemployed ('000)	1,239.2	1,142.3	1,197.6	(41.6)	44.0	39.2	42.6	(1.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.3	6.6	7.0	(0.3)	9.3	8.1	8.9	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	67.0	67.2	66.8	(0.2)	62.7	63.8	63.3	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	62.1	62.7	62.1	-	56.8	58.6	57.7	0.9

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.6	99.0	99.0	0.4	117.7	116.9	116.9	(0.8)
Labour Force ('000)	61.6	64.8	63.4	1.8	58.6	57.2	56.8	(1.8)
Employment ('000)	56.8	60.6	58.3	1.5	48.1	48.5	48.0	(0.1)
Unemployed ('000)	4.8	4.2	5.1	0.3	10.5	8.7	8.8	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	6.5	8.0	0.2	17.9	15.2	15.5	(2.4)
Participation Rate (%)	62.5	65.5	64.0	1.5	49.8	48.9	48.6	(1.2)
Employment Rate (%)	57.6	61.2	58.9	1.3	40.9	41.5	41.1	0.2

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2003	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Annual Change
Population ('000)	305.2	309.2	309.6	4.4	290.0	293.8	294.1	4.1
Labour Force ('000)	211.2	217.3	217.5	6.3	201.6	208.1	208.9	7.3
Employment ('000)	198.3	205.1	203.9	5.6	190.8	196.8	197.3	6.5
Unemployed ('000)	12.9	12.2	13.6	0.7	10.9	11.2	11.6	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1	5.6	6.3	0.2	5.4	5.4	5.6	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	69.2	70.3	70.3	1.1	69.5	70.8	71.0	1.5
Employment Rate (%)	65.0	66.3	65.9	0.9	65.8	67.0	67.1	1.3

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.4	130.3	130.3	(0.1)	103.1	103.1	103.1	-
Labour Force ('000)	78.6	80.2	79.5	0.9	63.2	64.3	63.3	0.1
Employment ('000)	70.3	72.2	70.9	0.6	55.7	58.1	56.8	1.1
Unemployed ('000)	8.4	8.0	8.6	0.2	7.5	6.2	6.4	(1.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.7	10.0	10.8	0.1	11.9	9.6	10.1	(1.8)
Participation Rate (%)	60.3	61.6	61.0	0.7	61.3	62.4	61.4	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	53.9	55.4	54.4	0.5	54.0	56.4	55.1	1.1

Employment Situation - January 2005 Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Canada	15,829.9	16,063.1	16,057.4	227.5	12,877.9	13,098.7	13,096.6	218.7	2,952.0	2,964.4	2,960.8	8.8
Newfoundland and Labrador	215.3	216.0	216.0	0.7	182.1	183.2	182.7	0.6	33.1	32.7	33.3	0.2
Prince Edward Island	66.2	68.7	68.5	2.3	55.6	57.5	57.3	1.7	10.6	11.2	11.2	0.6
Nova Scotia	435.4	443.4	444.6	9.2	352.1	358.9	362.9	10.8	83.3	84.5	81.7	(1.6)
New Brunswick	348.3	352.9	350.3	2.0	293.6	297.1	297.0	3.4	54.8	55.8	53.2	(1.6)
Quebec	3,648.4	3,703.9	3,719.6	71.2	2,975.3	3,046.5	3,064.2	88.9	673.1	657.4	655.5	(17.6)
Ontario	6,272.8	6,353.5	6,325.2	52.4	5,136.9	5,183.2	5,132.0	(4.9)	1,135.9	1,170.3	1,193.2	57.3
Manitoba	573.8	580.3	579.7	5.9	460.6	470.8	471.5	10.9	113.1	109.5	108.3	(4.8)
Saskatchewan	476.0	486.9	487.4	11.4	385.3	391.4	390.1	4.8	90.7	95.5	97.2	6.5
Alberta	1,738.9	1,768.1	1,774.5	35.6	1,426.6	1,445.5	1,457.9	31.3	312.2	322.6	316.6	4.4
British Columbia	2,054.9	2,089.5	2,091.7	36.8	1,609.7	1,663.9	1,680.7	71.0	445.3	425.6	410.9	(34.4)

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Canada	15,468.9	15,989.6	15,695.5	226.6	12,391.8	12,875.3	12,614.3	222.5	3,077.1	3,114.3	3,081.2	4.1
Newfoundland and Labrador	199.1	208.9	199.8	0.7	165.6	176.5	166.1	0.5	33.5	32.4	33.7	0.2
Prince Edward Island	60.3	65.6	62.6	2.3	49.1	53.7	50.7	1.6	11.3	11.9	11.8	0.5
Nova Scotia	418.2	442.6	427.1	8.9	329.6	352.0	340.5	10.9	88.6	90.6	86.5	(2.1)
New Brunswick	330.8	346.1	332.4	1.6	272.8	287.7	276.2	3.4	57.9	58.4	56.1	(1.8)
Quebec	3,536.3	3,665.0	3,611.1	74.8	2,824.0	2,966.2	2,921.6	97.6	712.3	698.7	689.5	(22.8)
Ontario	6,177.9	6,345.8	6,223.7	45.8	5,003.6	5,115.2	4,988.9	(14.7)	1,174.3	1,230.6	1,234.8	60.5
Manitoba	562.0	578.2	567.8	5.8	443.2	463.3	454.1	10.9	118.8	115.0	113.7	(5.1)
Saskatchewan	463.4	481.4	474.2	10.8	370.4	381.0	374.7	4.3	93.0	100.4	99.6	6.6
Alberta	1,708.7	1,766.3	1,743.6	34.9	1,379.3	1,433.9	1,412.5	33.2	329.4	332.4	331.1	1.7
British Columbia	2,012.2	2,089.7	2,053.3	41.1	1,554.2	1,645.8	1,629.0	74.8	458.0	443.9	424.3	(33.7)

Employment Situation - January 2005
Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,825.1	2,845.4	2,827.4	2.3	2,435.4	2,484.9	2,464.1	28.7	13.8	12.7	12.8	(1.0)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.3	38.5	38.9	(0.4)	30.9	31.2	31.3	0.4	21.1	19.0	19.5	(1.6)
Prince Edward Island	12.9	13.5	13.2	0.3	10.9	11.3	11.0	0.1	16.3	16.3	16.7	0.4
Nova Scotia	81.5	84.5	83.2	1.7	69.4	71.2	68.2	(1.2)	14.7	15.7	18.0	3.3
New Brunswick	64.9	63.7	61.7	(3.2)	54.1	54.8	53.6	(0.5)	16.6	14.0	13.1	(3.5)
Quebec	638.0	643.3	644.4	6.4	542.5	555.2	560.6	18.1	15.0	13.7	13.0	(2.0)
Ontario	1,090.0	1,092.5	1,083.7	(6.3)	934.9	938.7	928.5	(6.4)	14.2	14.1	14.3	0.1
Manitoba	112.3	108.2	109.4	(2.9)	101.3	96.9	96.8	(4.5)	9.8	10.4	11.6	1.8
Saskatchewan	93.2	97.0	95.7	2.5	82.1	87.9	88.7	6.6	11.9	9.4	7.3	(4.6)
Alberta	332.9	345.6	342.6	9.7	302.0	319.2	314.7	12.7	9.3	7.6	8.1	(1.2)
British Columbia	360.2	358.6	354.7	(5.5)	307.2	318.5	310.8	3.6	14.7	11.2	12.4	(2.3)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,644.6	2,713.8	2,640.7	(3.9)	2,262.2	2,410.6	2,284.8	22.6	14.5	11.2	13.5	(1.0)
Newfoundland and Labrador	34.5	34.8	33.8	(0.7)	26.3	28.9	26.6	0.3	23.8	17.0	21.3	(2.5)
Prince Edward Island	11.6	12.2	11.9	0.3	8.9	10.0	9.0	0.1	23.3	18.0	24.4	1.1
Nova Scotia	74.6	80.4	76.0	1.4	62.5	68.4	60.7	(1.8)	16.1	14.9	20.3	4.2
New Brunswick	58.8	59.5	55.2	(3.6)	47.7	51.8	47.0	(0.7)	18.9	12.9	14.9	(4.0)
Quebec	599.5	604.2	604.2	4.7	498.5	529.6	516.5	18.0	16.9	12.3	14.5	(2.4)
Ontario	1,014.8	1,037.9	1,006.7	(8.1)	876.6	913.5	868.2	(8.4)	13.6	12.0	13.8	0.2
Manitoba	105.4	105.8	103.2	(2.2)	94.0	94.9	89.8	(4.2)	10.8	10.3	12.9	2.1
Saskatchewan	86.0	92.1	88.1	2.1	74.3	84.1	80.5	6.2	13.6	8.7	8.6	(5.0)
Alberta	314.0	338.1	322.0	8.0	282.6	312.5	292.4	9.8	10.0	7.6	9.2	(0.8)
British Columbia	345.2	348.8	339.7	(5.5)	290.8	316.7	294.1	3.3	15.8	9.2	13.4	(2.4)

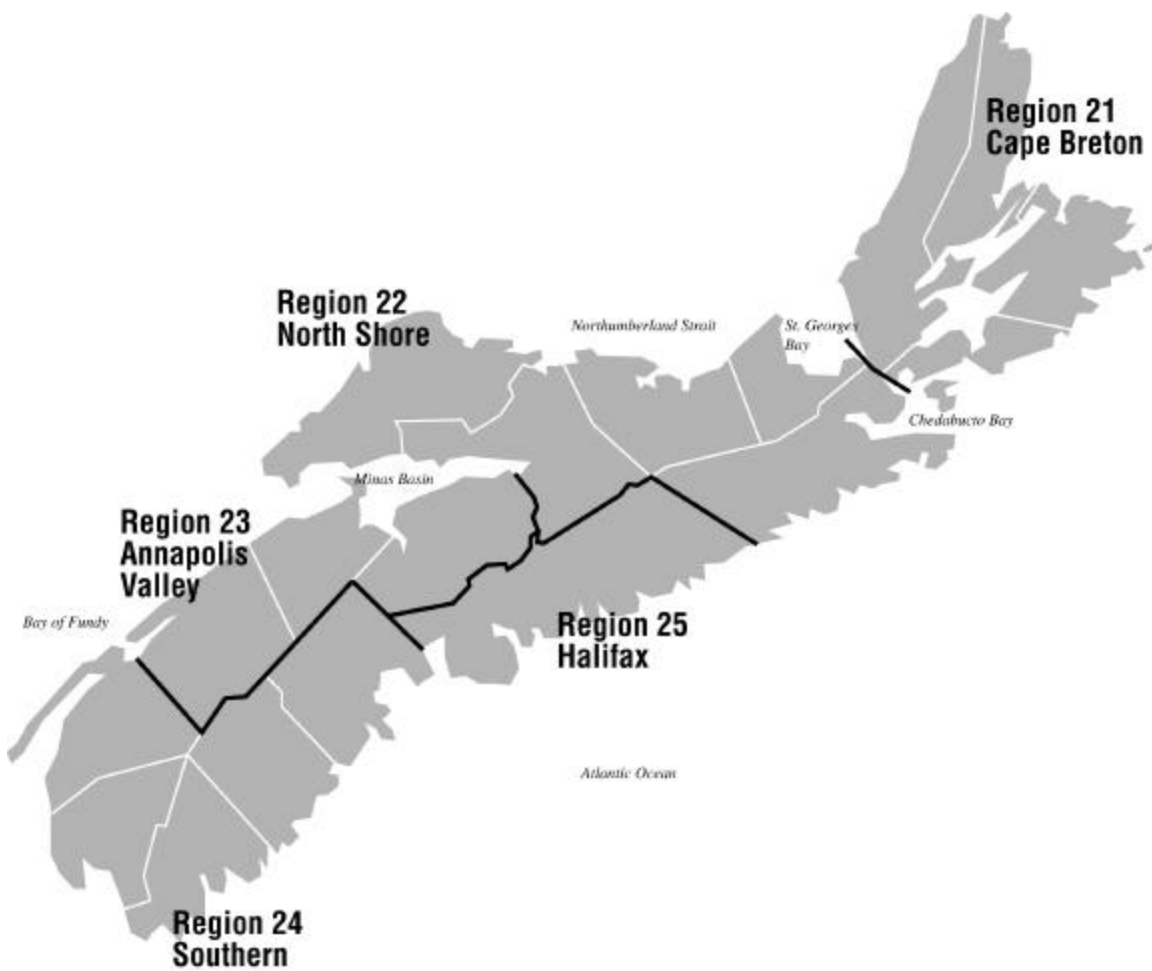
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CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	10.5	7.9	8.1	(2.4)	59.9	60.5	60.6	0.7	66.8	65.7	66.0	(0.8)
Halifax	6.1	5.6	6.3	0.2	65.0	66.3	65.9	0.9	69.2	70.3	70.3	1.1
Saint John, New Brunswick	8.0	6.2	6.7	(1.3)	58.1	60.7	60.2	2.1	63.3	64.7	64.5	1.2
Saguenay	12.2	10.6	10.9	(1.3)	54.7	56.0	54.4	(0.3)	62.3	62.6	61.0	(1.3)
Québec	6.8	5.1	6.4	(0.4)	59.2	62.2	61.7	2.5	63.6	65.5	65.9	2.3
Trois-Rivières	10.1	9.7	10.1	-	54.4	55.2	55.8	1.4	60.4	61.1	62.1	1.7
Sherbrooke	7.9	6.8	7.3	(0.6)	59.5	61.4	61.7	2.2	64.6	66.0	66.6	2.0
Montreal	8.9	8.8	8.9	-	61.9	61.4	61.2	(0.7)	67.9	67.4	67.2	(0.7)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.8	6.1	6.2	(0.6)	65.5	67.4	67.0	1.5	70.3	71.8	71.4	1.1
Greater Sudbury	9.5	7.3	7.8	(1.7)	57.6	61.3	61.4	3.8	63.8	66.1	66.6	2.8
Oshawa	4.7	5.2	6.0	1.3	69.0	66.0	66.3	(2.7)	72.4	69.6	70.5	(1.9)
Toronto	7.0	7.1	7.0	-	64.1	64.2	63.8	(0.3)	68.9	69.1	68.6	(0.3)
Hamilton	5.1	5.4	5.5	0.4	64.9	64.9	63.4	(1.5)	68.4	68.6	67.1	(1.3)
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.3	6.1	6.7	(0.6)	58.0	60.6	60.2	2.2	62.5	64.5	64.5	2.0
London	6.1	6.1	6.1	-	65.3	65.2	65.1	(0.2)	69.6	69.4	69.4	(0.2)
Windsor	7.7	9.2	9.9	2.2	61.9	61.4	60.3	(1.6)	67.0	67.7	66.9	(0.1)
Kitchener	4.6	3.5	3.7	(0.9)	66.6	67.2	67.5	0.9	69.7	69.6	70.1	0.4
Thunder Bay	7.2	7.7	8.1	0.9	61.5	61.7	61.7	0.2	66.2	66.7	67.2	1.0
Winnipeg	5.4	4.9	4.9	(0.5)	65.5	67.3	66.6	1.1	69.2	70.7	70.0	0.8
Regina	5.7	4.6	5.1	(0.6)	68.9	68.9	68.6	(0.3)	73.2	72.3	72.4	(0.8)
Saskatoon	6.3	5.1	5.0	(1.3)	63.9	66.9	67.1	3.2	68.3	70.4	70.6	2.3
Calgary	5.2	4.6	4.8	(0.4)	71.7	70.7	70.2	(1.5)	75.6	74.1	73.7	(1.9)
Edmonton	4.9	5.0	5.1	0.2	67.9	69.3	68.5	0.6	71.4	72.9	72.2	0.8
Vancouver	6.1	6.0	6.0	(0.1)	63.2	62.9	62.9	(0.3)	67.4	66.9	66.9	(0.5)
Victoria	5.6	5.2	5.1	(0.5)	60.1	59.5	59.8	(0.3)	63.6	62.8	63.0	(0.6)

Employment Situation February 2005



About the Employment Situation Report

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

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

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

Release Dates - 2005:

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January 2005	February 4, 2005
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July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

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Canada

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

Nova Scotia

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

Newfoundland and Labrador

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

Prince Edward Island

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

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New Brunswick

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

Quebec

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

Ontario

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

Manitoba

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

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Saskatchewan

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

Alberta

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

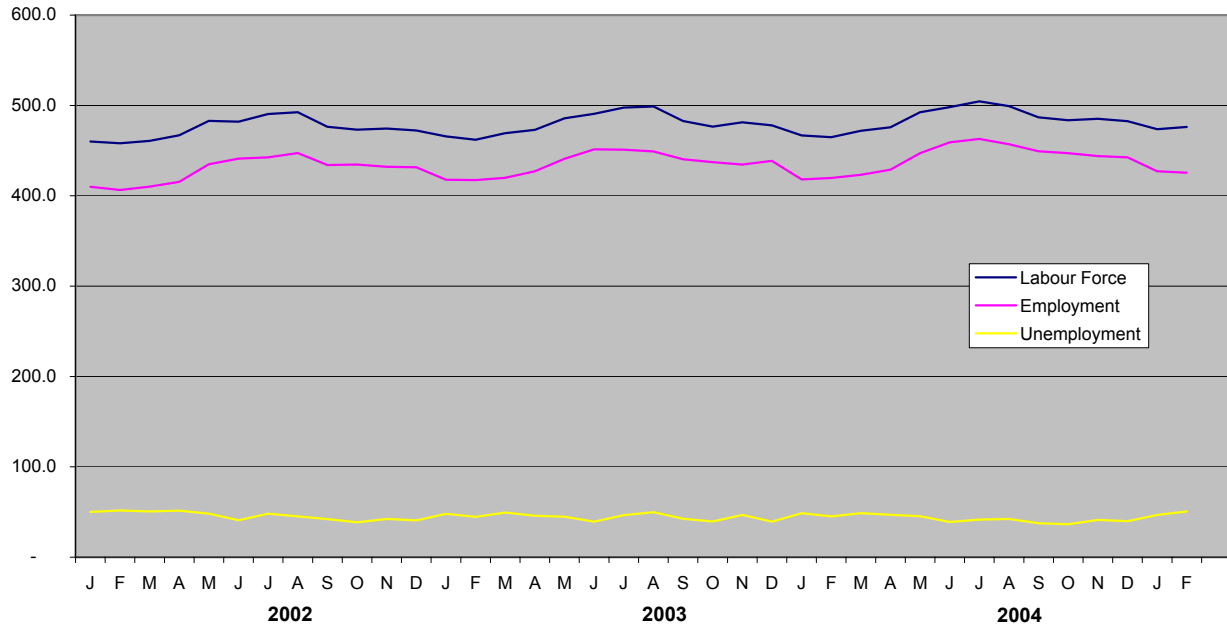
British Columbia

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

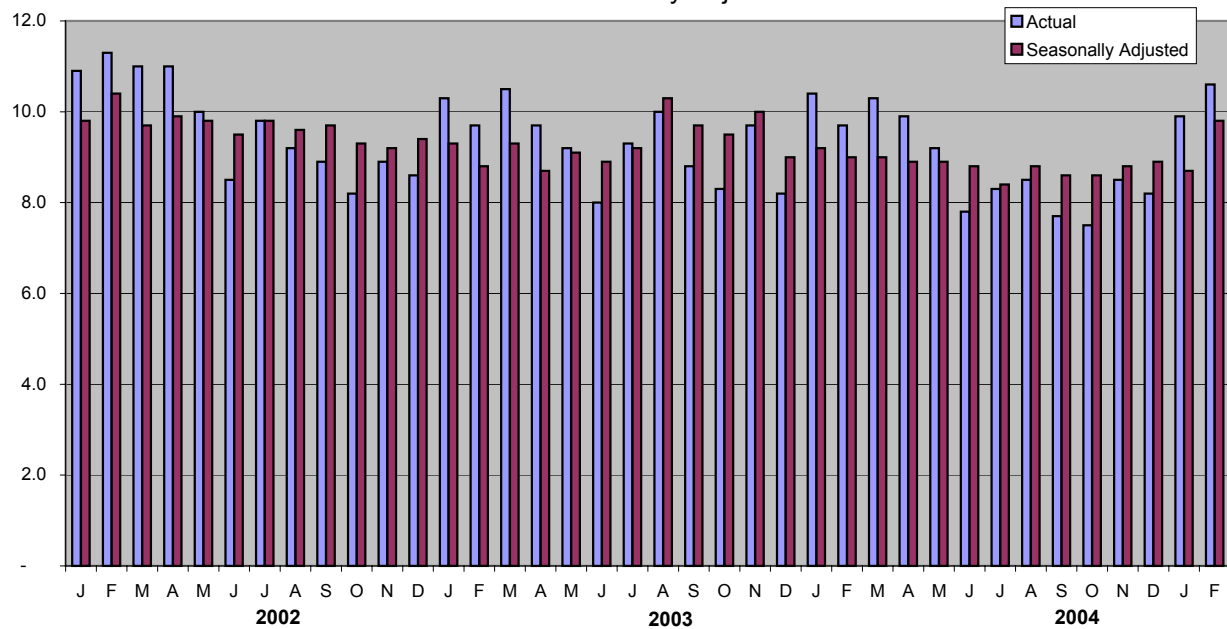
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

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

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

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

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

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(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

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

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Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

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

Employment - Actual (000's)

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

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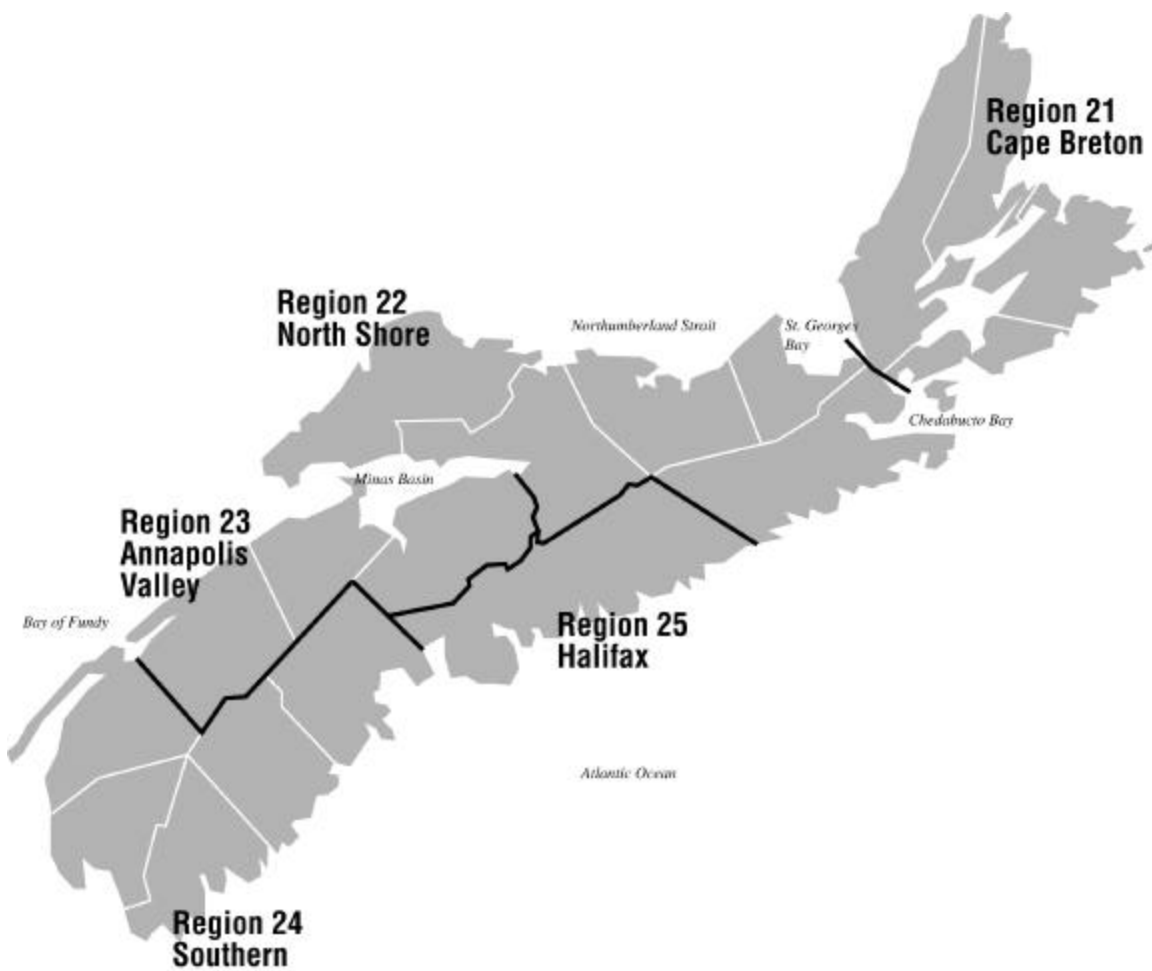
15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

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

15-24 Age Group - Actual

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

Employment Situation March 2005



About the Employment Situation Report

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

<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 2004 Nova Scotia's sample size was 3,557.

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

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January 2005	February 4, 2005
February 2005	March 11, 2005
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July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

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Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	25,320.6	25,655.2	25,683.6	363.0	25,320.6	25,655.2	25,683.6	363.0
Labour Force ('000)	16,882.5	17,051.8	17,053.3	170.8	17,091.5	17,292.5	17,281.0	189.5
Employment ('000)	15,560.3	15,784.5	15,800.8	240.5	15,839.1	16,084.0	16,088.4	249.3
Unemployed ('000)	1,322.2	1,267.3	1,252.5	(69.7)	1,252.3	1,208.5	1,192.7	(59.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	7.4	7.3	(0.5)	7.3	7.0	6.9	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	66.7	66.5	66.4	(0.3)	67.5	67.4	67.3	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	61.5	61.5	61.5	-	62.6	62.7	62.6	-

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	755.7	759.6	759.9	4.2	755.7	759.6	759.9	4.2
Labour Force ('000)	471.9	476.2	474.1	2.2	481.2	490.9	484.6	3.4
Employment ('000)	423.3	425.6	428.0	4.7	437.8	442.8	443.1	5.3
Unemployed ('000)	48.7	50.6	46.0	(2.7)	43.4	48.1	41.6	(1.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.3	10.6	9.7	(0.6)	9.0	9.8	8.6	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	62.4	62.7	62.4	-	63.7	64.6	63.8	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	56.0	56.0	56.3	0.3	57.9	58.3	58.3	0.4

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	429.6	430.3	430.3	0.7	429.6	430.3	430.3	0.7
Labour Force ('000)	244.2	238.2	242.2	(2.0)	256.7	252.2	254.3	(2.4)
Employment ('000)	201.5	197.2	201.5	-	216.6	213.9	216.5	(0.1)
Unemployed ('000)	42.7	40.9	40.7	(2.0)	40.0	38.3	37.8	(2.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	17.5	17.2	16.8	(0.7)	15.6	15.2	14.9	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	56.8	55.4	56.3	(0.5)	59.8	58.6	59.1	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	46.9	45.8	46.8	(0.1)	50.4	49.7	50.3	(0.1)

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	110.7	111.3	111.4	0.7	110.7	111.3	111.4	0.7
Labour Force ('000)	71.4	72.5	72.9	1.5	74.4	76.5	76.3	1.9
Employment ('000)	61.1	63.0	63.4	2.3	65.8	68.7	68.4	2.6
Unemployed ('000)	10.3	9.5	9.5	(0.8)	8.6	7.8	7.9	(0.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.4	13.1	13.0	(1.4)	11.6	10.2	10.4	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	64.5	65.1	65.4	0.9	67.2	68.7	68.5	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	55.2	56.6	56.9	1.7	59.4	61.7	61.4	2.0

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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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	606.5	609.3	609.6	3.1	606.5	609.3	609.6	3.1
Labour Force ('000)	375.4	372.6	372.8	(2.6)	388.0	387.7	385.9	(2.1)
Employment ('000)	334.4	333.3	333.3	(1.1)	350.7	351.2	349.6	(1.1)
Unemployed ('000)	41.1	39.3	39.5	(1.6)	37.3	36.5	36.4	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.9	10.5	10.6	(0.3)	9.6	9.4	9.4	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	61.9	61.2	61.2	(0.7)	64.0	63.6	63.3	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	55.1	54.7	54.7	(0.4)	57.8	57.6	57.3	(0.5)

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	6,088.9	6,154.7	6,159.6	70.7	6,088.9	6,154.7	6,159.6	70.7
Labour Force ('000)	3,952.8	3,982.7	3,983.9	31.1	4,004.0	4,041.2	4,041.2	37.2
Employment ('000)	3,589.9	3,631.8	3,632.6	42.7	3,666.6	3,716.2	3,710.8	44.2
Unemployed ('000)	362.8	350.9	351.3	(11.5)	337.5	325.1	330.5	(7.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.2	8.8	8.8	(0.4)	8.4	8.0	8.2	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	64.9	64.7	64.7	(0.2)	65.8	65.7	65.6	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	59.0	59.0	59.0	-	60.2	60.4	60.2	-

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	9,842.7	9,999.3	10,011.6	168.9	9,842.7	9,999.3	10,011.6	168.9
Labour Force ('000)	6,668.1	6,732.7	6,747.2	79.1	6,739.6	6,805.6	6,819.1	79.5
Employment ('000)	6,179.7	6,265.3	6,256.3	76.6	6,271.7	6,344.3	6,351.4	79.7
Unemployed ('000)	488.4	467.4	490.9	2.5	467.9	461.3	467.7	(0.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.3	6.9	7.3	-	6.9	6.8	6.9	-
Participation Rate (%)	67.7	67.3	67.4	(0.3)	68.5	68.1	68.1	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	62.8	62.7	62.5	(0.3)	63.7	63.4	63.4	(0.3)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	879.3	886.2	887.0	7.7	879.3	886.2	887.0	7.7
Labour Force ('000)	597.9	606.3	602.8	4.9	602.5	613.3	608.9	6.4
Employment ('000)	566.0	573.1	568.8	2.8	572.2	582.5	576.5	4.3
Unemployed ('000)	31.8	33.1	34.0	2.2	30.2	30.8	32.4	2.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.3	5.5	5.6	0.3	5.0	5.0	5.3	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	68.0	68.4	68.0	-	68.5	69.2	68.6	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	64.4	64.7	64.1	(0.3)	65.1	65.7	65.0	(0.1)

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
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	744.8	747.8	748.1	3.3	744.8	747.8	748.1	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	498.6	504.5	507.6	9.0	506.2	513.6	516.4	10.2
Employment ('000)	466.3	476.7	479.5	13.2	476.2	488.3	489.6	13.4
Unemployed ('000)	32.3	27.8	28.1	(4.2)	30.0	25.3	26.9	(3.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	5.5	5.5	(1.0)	5.9	4.9	5.2	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	66.9	67.5	67.9	1.0	68.0	68.7	69.0	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	62.6	63.7	64.1	1.5	63.9	65.3	65.4	1.5

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	2,490.4	2,533.4	2,536.9	46.5	2,490.4	2,533.4	2,536.9	46.5
Labour Force ('000)	1,820.0	1,827.6	1,824.1	4.1	1,835.1	1,853.4	1,846.0	10.9
Employment ('000)	1,727.5	1,751.1	1,760.2	32.7	1,748.0	1,776.3	1,781.6	33.6
Unemployed ('000)	92.5	76.5	64.0	(28.5)	87.1	77.1	64.4	(22.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.1	4.2	3.5	(1.6)	4.7	4.2	3.5	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	73.1	72.1	71.9	(1.2)	73.7	73.2	72.8	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	69.4	69.1	69.4	-	70.2	70.1	70.2	-

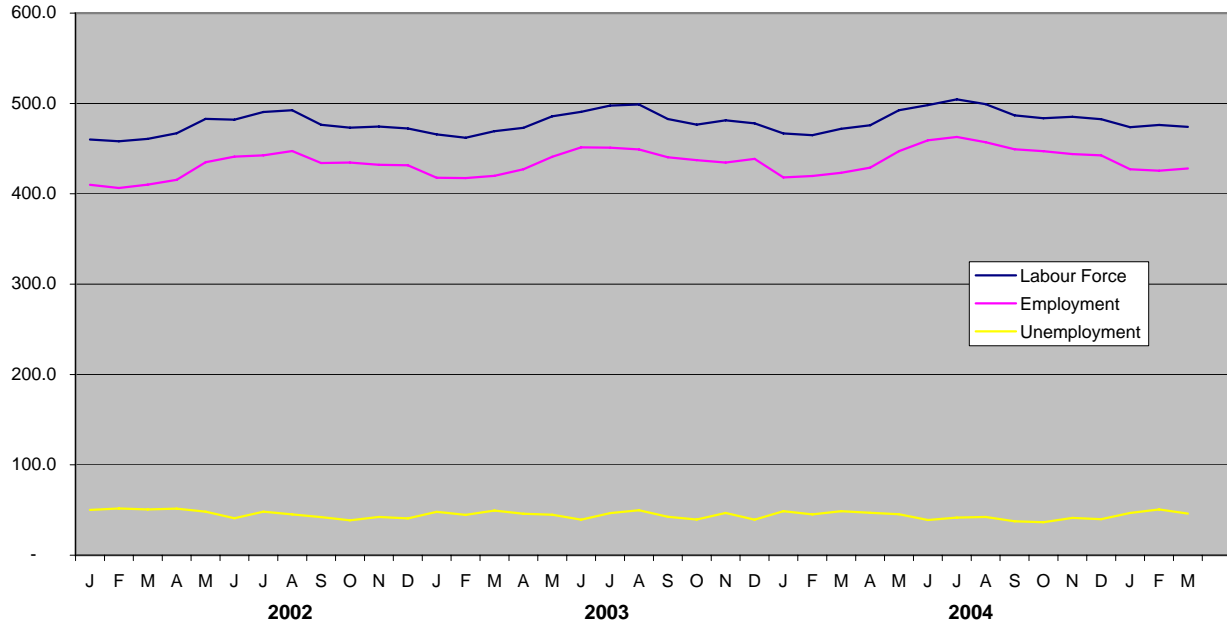
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	
Population ('000)	3,372.0	3,423.2	3,429.1	57.1	3,372.0	3,423.2	3,429.1	57.1
Labour Force ('000)	2,182.3	2,238.6	2,225.7	43.4	2,203.6	2,258.1	2,248.2	44.6
Employment ('000)	2,010.7	2,067.3	2,077.3	66.6	2,033.5	2,099.8	2,101.0	67.5
Unemployed ('000)	171.6	171.3	148.4	(23.2)	170.1	158.2	147.2	(22.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	7.7	6.7	(1.2)	7.7	7.0	6.5	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	64.7	65.4	64.9	0.2	65.3	66.0	65.6	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	59.6	60.4	60.6	1.0	60.3	61.3	61.3	1.0

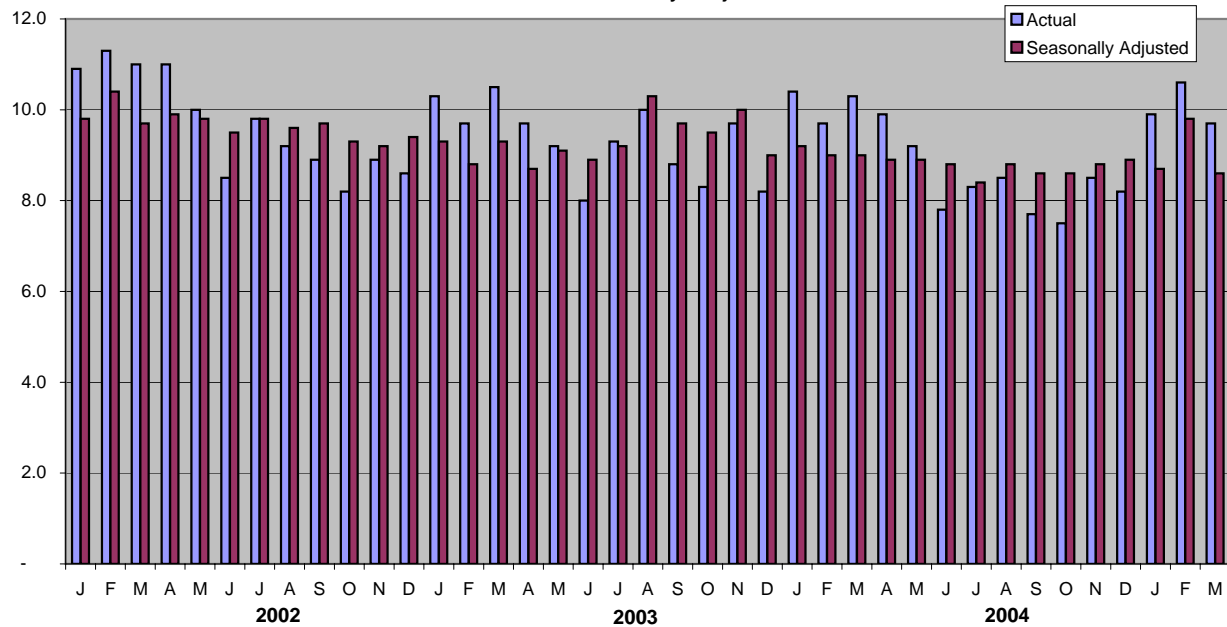
Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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

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



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,294.3	25,625.1	25,654.1	359.8	755.5	759.2	759.6	4.1
Labour Force ('000)	16,845.3	17,051.5	17,025.6	180.3	467.9	477.5	474.7	6.8
Employment ('000)	15,523.5	15,823.2	15,760.3	236.8	420.4	431.8	426.9	6.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,321.9	1,228.3	1,265.4	(56.5)	47.5	45.7	47.8	0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	7.2	7.4	(0.4)	10.2	9.6	10.1	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	66.6	66.5	66.4	(0.2)	61.9	62.9	62.5	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	61.4	61.7	61.4	-	55.6	56.9	56.2	0.6

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.6	99.0	99.1	0.5	117.5	116.8	116.7	(0.8)
Labour Force ('000)	60.7	62.5	61.9	1.2	58.2	57.4	58.0	(0.2)
Employment ('000)	54.6	56.6	55.8	1.2	47.8	48.1	48.2	0.4
Unemployed ('000)	6.1	5.9	6.0	(0.1)	10.4	9.3	9.8	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.0	9.4	9.7	(0.3)	17.9	16.2	16.9	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	61.6	63.1	62.5	0.9	49.5	49.1	49.7	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	55.4	57.2	56.3	0.9	40.7	41.2	41.3	0.6

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	305.9	310.0	310.4	4.5	305.2	309.2	309.6	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	210.5	216.8	216.5	6.0	211.2	217.3	217.5	6.3
Employment ('000)	196.0	201.7	201.4	5.4	198.3	205.1	203.9	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	14.5	15.1	15.1	0.6	12.9	12.2	13.6	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.9	7.0	7.0	0.1	6.1	5.6	6.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	68.8	69.9	69.7	0.9	69.2	70.3	70.3	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	64.1	65.1	64.9	0.8	65.0	66.3	65.9	0.9

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.4	130.3	130.3	(0.1)	103.1	103.1	103.1	-
Labour Force ('000)	77.6	79.3	78.5	0.9	60.9	61.5	59.8	(1.1)
Employment ('000)	68.8	70.4	69.1	0.3	53.2	55.0	52.4	(0.8)
Unemployed ('000)	8.8	8.9	9.4	0.6	7.7	6.5	7.4	(0.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.3	11.2	12.0	0.7	12.6	10.6	12.4	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	59.5	60.9	60.2	0.7	59.1	59.7	58.0	(1.1)
Employment Rate (%)	52.8	54.0	53.0	0.2	51.6	53.3	50.8	(0.8)

Employment Situation - March 2005
Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
Canada	15,839.1	16,084.0	16,088.4	249.3	12,911.1	13,117.8	13,088.3	177.2	2,928.0	2,966.1	3,000.0	72.0
Newfoundland and Labrador	216.6	213.9	216.5	(0.1)	181.1	180.5	182.9	1.8	35.5	33.4	33.6	(1.9)
Prince Edward Island	65.8	68.7	68.4	2.6	54.8	56.2	57.7	2.9	10.9	12.5	10.8	(0.1)
Nova Scotia	437.8	442.8	443.1	5.3	357.8	368.3	365.0	7.2	80.1	74.5	78.1	(2.0)
New Brunswick	350.7	351.2	349.6	(1.1)	293.6	294.8	291.1	(2.5)	57.1	56.5	58.5	1.4
Quebec	3,666.6	3,716.2	3,710.8	44.2	2,986.5	3,044.0	3,056.4	69.9	680.1	672.2	654.4	(25.7)
Ontario	6,271.7	6,344.3	6,351.4	79.7	5,136.5	5,173.9	5,142.7	6.2	1,135.2	1,170.4	1,208.6	73.4
Manitoba	572.2	582.5	576.5	4.3	465.8	468.1	460.3	(5.5)	106.4	114.4	116.3	9.9
Saskatchewan	476.2	488.3	489.6	13.4	383.4	391.7	393.8	10.4	92.9	96.6	95.7	2.8
Alberta	1,748.0	1,776.3	1,781.6	33.6	1,437.3	1,465.6	1,467.0	29.7	310.6	310.7	314.6	4.0
British Columbia	2,033.5	2,099.8	2,101.0	67.5	1,613.4	1,674.5	1,671.2	57.8	420.1	425.4	429.8	9.7

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
Canada	15,560.3	15,784.5	15,800.8	240.5	12,535.7	12,674.0	12,698.9	163.2	3,024.6	3,110.5	3,101.9	77.3
Newfoundland and Labrador	201.5	197.2	201.5	-	163.7	163.6	166.1	2.4	37.7	33.7	35.5	(2.2)
Prince Edward Island	61.1	63.0	63.4	2.3	49.2	49.7	51.9	2.7	11.9	13.2	11.5	(0.4)
Nova Scotia	423.3	425.6	428.0	4.7	339.9	345.5	347.1	7.2	83.4	80.1	80.9	(2.5)
New Brunswick	334.4	333.3	333.3	(1.1)	275.3	273.1	271.5	(3.8)	59.1	60.3	61.8	2.7
Quebec	3,589.9	3,631.8	3,632.6	42.7	2,877.2	2,909.6	2,943.1	65.9	712.7	722.3	689.4	(23.3)
Ontario	6,179.7	6,265.3	6,256.3	76.6	5,019.6	5,051.1	5,017.8	(1.8)	1,160.1	1,214.1	1,238.5	78.4
Manitoba	566.0	573.1	568.8	2.8	454.8	450.0	447.1	(7.7)	111.2	123.1	121.7	10.5
Saskatchewan	466.3	476.7	479.5	13.2	369.4	376.2	380.0	10.6	96.8	100.6	99.5	2.7
Alberta	1,727.5	1,751.1	1,760.2	32.7	1,398.8	1,425.8	1,429.1	30.3	328.7	325.3	331.1	2.4
British Columbia	2,010.7	2,067.3	2,077.3	66.6	1,587.7	1,629.5	1,645.3	57.6	423.0	437.8	432.0	9.0

Employment Situation - March 2005
Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,816.3	2,821.5	2,807.8	(8.5)	2,421.9	2,474.4	2,453.8	31.9	14.0	12.3	12.6	(1.4)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.4	38.3	38.1	(1.3)	29.9	30.3	31.7	1.8	24.1	20.9	16.8	(7.3)
Prince Edward Island	13.1	12.9	13.2	0.1	11.1	10.7	11.0	(0.1)	15.3	17.1	16.7	1.4
Nova Scotia	82.4	85.7	83.6	1.2	69.4	70.0	70.0	0.6	15.8	18.3	16.4	0.6
New Brunswick	65.5	62.9	64.2	(1.3)	54.7	53.4	54.0	(0.7)	16.5	15.3	15.9	(0.6)
Quebec	632.8	631.2	637.3	4.5	540.9	560.3	545.8	4.9	14.5	11.2	14.4	(0.1)
Ontario	1,090.3	1,076.8	1,068.0	(22.3)	926.8	930.5	927.3	0.5	15.0	13.6	13.2	(1.8)
Manitoba	107.4	111.0	107.7	0.3	96.7	98.0	94.6	(2.1)	10.0	11.7	12.2	2.2
Saskatchewan	95.2	96.8	97.6	2.4	83.7	88.7	86.9	3.2	12.1	8.4	11.0	(1.1)
Alberta	335.7	341.8	337.7	2.0	305.3	314.0	315.9	10.6	9.1	8.1	6.5	(2.6)
British Columbia	354.5	364.2	360.3	5.8	303.6	318.5	316.7	13.1	14.4	12.5	12.1	(2.3)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,647.8	2,647.1	2,629.9	(17.9)	2,263.6	2,305.0	2,284.9	21.3	14.5	12.9	13.1	(1.4)
Newfoundland and Labrador	33.8	33.6	32.3	(1.5)	25.5	25.9	27.1	1.6	24.3	22.9	16.4	(7.9)
Prince Edward Island	11.3	11.4	11.5	0.2	9.3	8.8	9.1	(0.2)	17.7	22.8	20.9	3.2
Nova Scotia	76.2	77.7	77.5	1.3	63.6	63.5	64.3	0.7	16.5	18.3	16.9	0.4
New Brunswick	58.7	55.8	57.8	(0.9)	48.2	46.6	47.6	(0.6)	17.7	16.5	17.6	(0.1)
Quebec	593.5	593.6	596.8	3.3	501.2	519.3	503.0	1.8	15.6	12.5	15.7	0.1
Ontario	1,027.0	1,010.2	1,001.7	(25.3)	867.9	870.7	864.6	(3.3)	15.5	13.8	13.7	(1.8)
Manitoba	103.1	106.0	102.6	(0.5)	92.0	92.5	89.1	(2.9)	10.8	12.8	13.1	2.3
Saskatchewan	88.6	89.7	89.8	1.2	77.7	81.6	80.4	2.7	12.3	8.9	10.5	(1.8)
Alberta	319.2	321.2	318.3	(0.9)	288.8	293.8	297.8	9.0	9.5	8.5	6.4	(3.1)
British Columbia	336.5	347.9	341.8	5.3	289.3	302.3	301.9	12.6	14.0	13.1	11.7	(2.3)

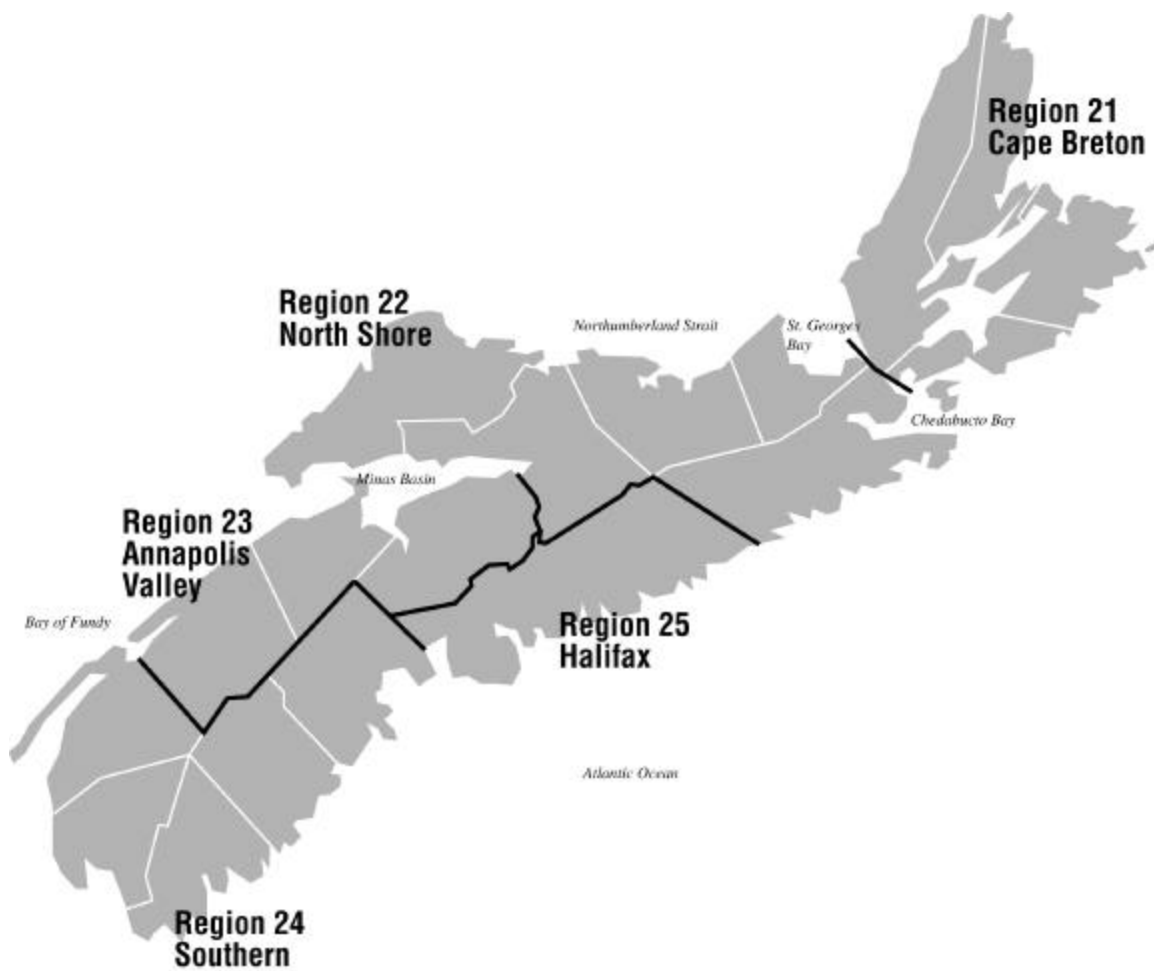
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CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change	Mar 2004	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.4	8.6	8.7	(0.7)	59.3	60.5	60.8	1.5	65.5	66.1	66.5	1.0
Halifax	6.9	7.0	7.0	0.1	64.1	65.1	64.9	0.8	68.8	69.9	69.7	0.9
Saint John, New Brunswick	8.8	6.8	7.1	(1.7)	58.7	60.7	60.7	2.0	64.3	65.0	65.5	1.2
Saguenay	13.3	10.6	10.5	(2.8)	55.1	53.6	52.7	(2.4)	63.5	60.0	58.9	(4.6)
Québec	7.5	6.3	6.5	(1.0)	59.0	62.6	63.2	4.2	63.8	66.8	67.6	3.8
Trois-Rivières	11.0	10.5	10.7	(0.3)	53.0	56.1	56.7	3.7	59.5	62.8	63.4	3.9
Sherbrooke	7.8	7.5	8.0	0.2	59.3	61.2	60.1	0.8	64.3	66.1	65.3	1.0
Montreal	9.0	8.6	8.5	(0.5)	60.8	61.0	61	0.2	66.8	66.7	66.7	(0.1)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.8	6.5	6.9	0.1	64.9	66.3	65.6	0.7	69.7	70.9	70.5	0.8
Greater Sudbury	8.5	7.8	8.0	(0.5)	58.7	60.7	59.8	1.1	64.1	65.8	65	0.9
Oshawa	5.5	6.3	7.7	2.2	68.0	66.9	67.2	(0.8)	71.9	71.4	72.8	0.9
Toronto	7.3	7.2	7.3	-	64.0	63.2	63.1	(0.9)	69.0	68.1	68.1	(0.9)
Hamilton	7.5	5.1	5.6	(1.9)	62.6	63.1	61	(1.6)	67.7	66.5	64.6	(3.1)
St. Catharines - Niagara	9.1	6.7	7.5	(1.6)	55.9	59.9	59	3.1	61.5	64.2	63.7	2.2
London	6.3	6.1	6.8	0.5	65.2	65.3	65	(0.2)	69.6	69.5	69.7	0.1
Windsor	8.0	9.4	9.4	1.4	60.6	59.5	59	(1.6)	65.9	65.6	65.1	(0.8)
Kitchener	6.0	4.4	5.8	(0.2)	65.2	67.8	68	2.8	69.4	71.0	72.2	2.8
Thunder Bay	7.5	8.0	8.1	0.6	61.3	61.6	61.3	-	66.2	67.0	66.8	0.6
Winnipeg	5.6	4.9	5.2	(0.4)	65.5	66.2	65.6	0.1	69.4	69.7	69.2	(0.2)
Regina	6.0	5.2	5.0	(1.0)	68.1	68.2	68.3	0.2	72.4	72.0	71.9	(0.5)
Saskatoon	7.0	5.1	5.1	(1.9)	62.6	67.1	67.4	4.8	67.3	70.7	71	3.7
Calgary	5.6	4.6	4.4	(1.2)	71.1	69.7	69.6	(1.5)	75.3	73.1	72.7	(2.6)
Edmonton	5.4	5.0	4.8	(0.6)	68.4	67.6	67	(1.4)	72.3	71.2	70.3	(2.0)
Vancouver	7.0	6.3	6.6	(0.4)	62.4	63.1	63	0.6	67.1	67.3	67.5	0.4
Victoria	5.5	5.3	5.5	-	58.9	59.9	60	1.1	62.4	63.2	63.5	1.1

Employment Situation APRIL 2005



About the Employment Situation Report

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

<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. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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

Release Dates - 2005:

Data for:	Release date:
January 2005	February 4, 2005
February 2005	March 11, 2005
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June 2005	July 8, 2005
July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

Employment Situation - April 2005 Canada/Provinces

Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	25,346.1	25,683.6	25,714.7	368.6	25,346.1	25,683.6	25,714.7	368.6
Labour Force ('000)	16,958.2	17,053.3	17,099.8	141.6	17,139.5	17,281.0	17,290.1	150.6
Employment ('000)	15,684.4	15,800.8	15,898.9	214.5	15,903.5	16,088.4	16,117.7	214.2
Unemployed ('000)	1,273.8	1,252.5	1,200.9	(72.9)	1,236.0	1,192.7	1,172.4	(63.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	7.3	7.0	(0.5)	7.2	6.9	6.8	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	66.9	66.4	66.5	(0.4)	67.6	67.3	67.2	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	61.9	61.5	61.8	(0.1)	62.7	62.6	62.7	-

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	755.9	759.9	760.0	4.1	755.9	759.9	760.0	4.1
Labour Force ('000)	475.8	474.1	478.5	2.7	482.5	484.6	485.7	3.2
Employment ('000)	428.9	428.0	434.3	5.4	439.5	443.1	444.9	5.4
Unemployed ('000)	46.9	46.0	44.2	(2.7)	43.0	41.6	40.9	(2.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.9	9.7	9.2	(0.7)	8.9	8.6	8.4	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	62.9	62.4	63.0	0.1	63.8	63.8	63.9	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	56.7	56.3	57.1	0.4	58.1	58.3	58.5	0.4

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	428.8	430.3	430.3	1.5	428.8	430.3	430.3	1.5
Labour Force ('000)	247.6	242.2	246.3	(1.3)	254.5	254.3	252.9	(1.6)
Employment ('000)	201.7	201.5	200.0	(1.7)	213.2	216.5	212.2	(1.0)
Unemployed ('000)	45.9	40.7	46.3	0.4	41.3	37.8	40.7	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	18.5	16.8	18.8	0.3	16.2	14.9	16.1	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	57.7	56.3	57.2	(0.5)	59.4	59.1	58.8	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	47.0	46.8	46.5	(0.5)	49.7	50.3	49.3	(0.4)

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	110.8	111.4	111.4	0.6	110.8	111.4	111.4	0.6
Labour Force ('000)	73.1	72.9	74.5	1.4	74.1	76.3	76.0	1.9
Employment ('000)	60.9	63.4	63.2	2.3	65.3	68.4	68.1	2.8
Unemployed ('000)	12.3	9.5	11.3	(1.0)	8.8	7.9	7.9	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	16.8	13.0	15.2	(1.6)	11.9	10.4	10.4	(1.5)
Participation Rate (%)	66.0	65.4	66.9	0.9	66.9	68.5	68.2	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	55.0	56.9	56.7	1.7	58.9	61.4	61.1	2.2

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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	606.6	609.6	610.0	3.4	606.6	609.6	610.0	3.4
Labour Force ('000)	377.5	372.8	378.7	1.2	385.4	385.9	386.8	1.4
Employment ('000)	333.0	333.3	336.2	3.2	347.6	349.6	350.9	3.3
Unemployed ('000)	44.5	39.5	42.5	(2.0)	37.8	36.4	35.9	(1.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.8	10.6	11.2	(0.6)	9.8	9.4	9.3	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	62.2	61.2	62.1	(0.1)	63.5	63.3	63.4	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	54.9	54.7	55.1	0.2	57.3	57.3	57.5	0.2

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	6,093.2	6,159.6	6,165.7	72.5	6,093.2	6,159.6	6,165.7	72.5
Labour Force ('000)	4,003.8	3,983.9	3,990.3	(13.5)	4,030.0	4,041.2	4,021.6	(8.4)
Employment ('000)	3,644.3	3,632.6	3,656.6	12.3	3,691.6	3,710.8	3,704.9	13.3
Unemployed ('000)	359.5	351.3	333.7	(25.8)	338.4	330.5	316.7	(21.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.0	8.8	8.4	(0.6)	8.4	8.2	7.9	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	65.7	64.7	64.7	(1.0)	66.1	65.6	65.2	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	59.8	59.0	59.3	(0.5)	60.6	60.2	60.1	(0.5)

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	9,853.8	10,011.6	10,027.1	173.3	9,853.8	10,011.6	10,027.1	173.3
Labour Force ('000)	6,678.4	6,747.2	6,762.3	83.9	6,759.5	6,819.1	6,842.3	82.8
Employment ('000)	6,230.9	6,256.3	6,312.7	81.8	6,297.7	6,351.4	6,377.5	79.8
Unemployed ('000)	447.6	490.9	449.6	2.0	461.8	467.7	464.7	2.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	7.3	6.6	(0.1)	6.8	6.9	6.8	-
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	67.4	67.4	(0.4)	68.6	68.1	68.2	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	63.2	62.5	63.0	(0.2)	63.9	63.4	63.6	(0.3)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	879.1	887.0	887.7	8.6	879.1	887.0	887.7	8.6
Labour Force ('000)	603.3	602.8	601.3	(2.0)	606.5	608.9	605.2	(1.3)
Employment ('000)	569.5	568.8	570.1	0.6	574.9	576.5	575.9	1.0
Unemployed ('000)	33.8	34.0	31.1	(2.7)	31.7	32.4	29.3	(2.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	5.6	5.2	(0.4)	5.2	5.3	4.8	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	68.6	68.0	67.7	(0.9)	69.0	68.6	68.2	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	64.8	64.1	64.2	(0.6)	65.4	65.0	64.9	(0.5)

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Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	744.1	748.1	748.5	4.4	744.1	748.1	748.5	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	501.3	507.6	504.1	2.8	508.5	516.4	510.8	2.3
Employment ('000)	471.9	479.5	476.2	4.3	481.1	489.6	485.2	4.1
Unemployed ('000)	29.4	28.1	27.9	(1.5)	27.3	26.9	25.6	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	5.5	5.5	(0.4)	5.4	5.2	5.0	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	67.4	67.9	67.3	(0.1)	68.3	69.0	68.2	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	63.4	64.1	63.6	0.2	64.7	65.4	64.8	0.1

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	2,496.1	2,536.9	2,540.5	44.4	2,496.1	2,536.9	2,540.5	44.4
Labour Force ('000)	1,819.3	1,824.1	1,835.6	16.3	1,839.3	1,846.0	1,857.8	18.5
Employment ('000)	1,734.9	1,760.2	1,758.9	24.0	1,759.3	1,781.6	1,783.8	24.5
Unemployed ('000)	84.4	64.0	76.7	(7.7)	80.0	64.4	74.0	(6.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	3.5	4.2	(0.4)	4.3	3.5	4.0	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	72.9	71.9	72.3	(0.6)	73.7	72.8	73.1	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	69.5	69.4	69.2	(0.3)	70.5	70.2	70.2	(0.3)

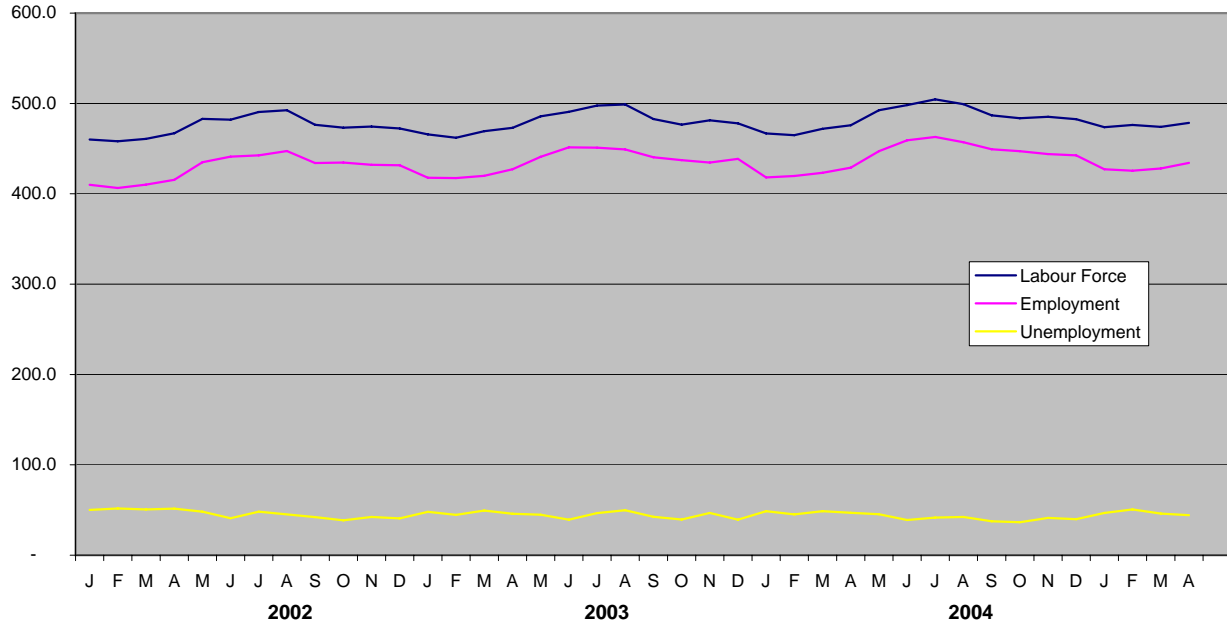
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	
Population ('000)	3,377.6	3,429.1	3,433.4	55.8	3,377.6	3,429.1	3,433.4	55.8
Labour Force ('000)	2,178.0	2,225.7	2,228.1	50.1	2,199.1	2,248.2	2,251.0	51.9
Employment ('000)	2,008.4	2,077.3	2,090.6	82.2	2,033.2	2,101.0	2,114.3	81.1
Unemployed ('000)	169.6	148.4	137.5	(32.1)	165.9	147.2	136.8	(29.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	6.7	6.2	(1.6)	7.5	6.5	6.1	(1.4)
Participation Rate (%)	64.5	64.9	64.9	0.4	65.1	65.6	65.6	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	59.5	60.6	60.9	1.4	60.2	61.3	61.6	1.4

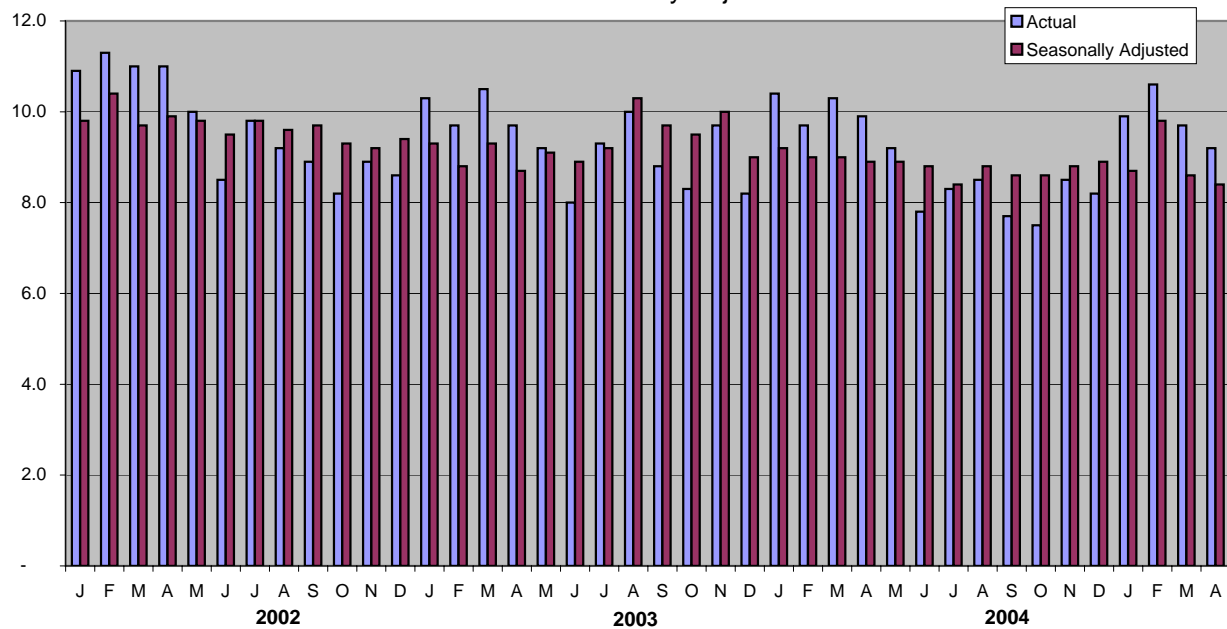
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,320.5	25,654.1	25,684.5	364.0	755.7	759.6	759.9	4.2
Labour Force ('000)	16,897.4	17,025.6	17,068.3	170.9	470.8	474.7	476.3	5.5
Employment ('000)	15,595.4	15,760.3	15,828.1	232.7	424.0	426.9	429.3	5.3
Unemployed ('000)	1,302.0	1,265.4	1,240.2	(61.8)	46.9	47.8	46.9	-
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	7.4	7.3	(0.4)	10.0	10.1	9.8	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	66.7	66.4	66.5	(0.2)	62.3	62.5	62.7	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	61.6	61.4	61.6	-	56.1	56.2	56.5	0.4

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.7	99.1	99.1	0.4	117.4	116.7	116.7	(0.7)
Labour Force ('000)	60.8	61.9	61.2	0.4	60.2	58.0	59.6	(0.6)
Employment ('000)	54.0	55.8	55.8	1.8	50.2	48.2	49.5	(0.7)
Unemployed ('000)	6.8	6.0	5.4	(1.4)	10.0	9.8	10.1	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.2	9.7	8.8	(2.4)	16.6	16.9	16.9	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	61.6	62.5	61.8	0.2	51.3	49.7	51.1	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	54.7	56.3	56.3	1.6	42.8	41.3	42.4	(0.4)

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	306.2	310.4	310.7	4.5	305.2	309.2	309.6	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	211.7	216.5	216.5	4.8	211.2	217.3	217.5	6.3
Employment ('000)	197.6	201.4	202.4	4.8	198.3	205.1	203.9	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	14.0	15.1	14.1	0.1	12.9	12.2	13.6	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	7.0	6.5	(0.1)	6.1	5.6	6.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	69.7	69.7	0.6	69.2	70.3	70.3	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	64.5	64.9	65.1	0.6	65.0	66.3	65.9	0.9

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.3	130.3	130.3	-	103.0	103.1	103.1	0.1
Labour Force ('000)	77.4	78.5	79.0	1.6	60.8	59.8	60.0	(0.8)
Employment ('000)	68.9	69.1	69.5	0.6	53.3	52.4	52.1	(1.2)
Unemployed ('000)	8.5	9.4	9.5	1.0	7.5	7.4	7.8	0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.0	12.0	12.0	1.0	12.3	12.4	13.0	0.7
Participation Rate (%)	59.4	60.2	60.6	1.2	59.0	58.0	58.2	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	52.9	53.0	53.3	0.4	51.7	50.8	50.5	(1.2)

Employment Situation - April 2005
Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change
Canada	15,903.5	16,088.4	16,117.7	214.2	12,970.1	13,088.3	13,137.9	167.8	2,933.5	3,000.0	2,979.9	46.4
Newfoundland and Labrador	213.2	216.5	212.2	(1.0)	182.9	182.9	179.5	(3.4)	30.3	33.6	32.7	2.4
Prince Edward Island	65.3	68.4	68.1	2.8	54.2	57.7	56.0	1.8	11.1	10.8	12.1	1.0
Nova Scotia	439.5	443.1	444.9	5.4	357.3	365.0	359.6	2.3	82.3	78.1	85.3	3.0
New Brunswick	347.6	349.6	350.9	3.3	292.7	291.1	291.7	(1.0)	54.9	58.5	59.2	4.3
Quebec	3,691.6	3,710.8	3,704.9	13.3	3,020.9	3,056.4	3,045.9	25.0	670.6	654.4	659.0	(11.6)
Ontario	6,297.7	6,351.4	6,377.5	79.8	5,168.0	5,142.7	5,201.2	33.2	1,129.8	1,208.6	1,176.3	46.5
Manitoba	574.9	576.5	575.9	1.0	466.1	460.3	462.9	(3.2)	108.8	116.3	113.0	4.2
Saskatchewan	481.1	489.6	485.2	4.1	386.3	393.8	393.0	6.7	94.8	95.7	92.2	(2.6)
Alberta	1,759.3	1,781.6	1,783.8	24.5	1,441.7	1,467.0	1,466.6	24.9	317.7	314.6	317.2	(0.5)
British Columbia	2,033.2	2,101.0	2,114.3	81.1	1,600.3	1,671.2	1,681.3	81.0	432.9	429.8	433.0	0.1

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change
Canada	15,684.4	15,800.8	15,898.9	214.5	12,704.6	12,698.9	12,876.5	171.9	2,979.8	3,101.9	3,022.4	42.6
Newfoundland and Labrador	201.7	201.5	200.0	(1.7)	171.2	166.1	166.8	(4.4)	30.5	35.5	33.2	2.7
Prince Edward Island	60.9	63.4	63.2	2.3	49.5	51.9	50.7	1.2	11.4	11.5	12.6	1.2
Nova Scotia	428.9	428.0	434.3	5.4	346.6	347.1	348.2	1.6	82.3	80.9	86.1	3.8
New Brunswick	333.0	333.3	336.2	3.2	276.8	271.5	275.3	(1.5)	56.2	61.8	60.9	4.7
Quebec	3,644.3	3,632.6	3,656.6	12.3	2,947.9	2,943.1	2,974.1	26.2	696.4	689.4	682.5	(13.9)
Ontario	6,230.9	6,256.3	6,312.7	81.8	5,097.7	5,017.8	5,139.5	41.8	1,133.2	1,238.5	1,173.3	40.1
Manitoba	569.5	568.8	570.1	0.6	457.5	447.1	454.5	(3.0)	112.0	121.7	115.6	3.6
Saskatchewan	471.9	479.5	476.2	4.3	376.8	380.0	384.4	7.6	95.1	99.5	91.8	(3.3)
Alberta	1,734.9	1,760.2	1,758.9	24.0	1,406.9	1,429.1	1,430.5	23.6	328.0	331.1	328.4	0.4
British Columbia	2,008.4	2,077.3	2,090.6	82.2	1,573.7	1,645.3	1,652.6	78.9	434.7	432.0	438.0	3.3

Employment Situation - April 2005
Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,837.9	2,807.8	2,799.7	(38.2)	2,450.2	2,453.8	2,455.2	5.0	13.7	12.6	12.3	(1.4)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.3	38.1	39.1	(0.2)	29.7	31.7	30.7	1.0	24.2	16.8	21.5	(2.7)
Prince Edward Island	12.4	13.2	12.8	0.4	10.3	11.0	10.7	0.4	17.7	16.7	15.6	(2.1)
Nova Scotia	80.1	83.6	83.3	3.2	68.1	70.0	70.0	1.9	15.0	16.4	16.0	1.0
New Brunswick	63.1	64.2	63.8	0.7	52.7	54.0	54.6	1.9	16.5	15.9	14.4	(2.1)
Quebec	648.4	637.3	626.2	(22.2)	550.1	545.8	546.1	(4.0)	15.2	14.4	12.8	(2.4)
Ontario	1,099.7	1,068.0	1,074.2	(25.5)	946.7	927.3	933.1	(13.6)	13.9	13.2	13.1	(0.8)
Manitoba	111.4	107.7	108.9	(2.5)	98.7	94.6	98.6	(0.1)	11.4	12.2	9.5	(1.9)
Saskatchewan	97.0	97.6	96.2	(0.8)	87.0	86.9	86.0	(1.0)	10.3	11.0	10.6	0.3
Alberta	338.0	337.7	341.5	3.5	309.3	315.9	311.8	2.5	8.5	6.5	8.7	0.2
British Columbia	348.5	360.3	353.8	5.3	297.6	316.7	313.4	15.8	14.6	12.1	11.4	(3.2)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,673.1	2,629.9	2,631.2	(41.9)	2,292.8	2,284.9	2,296.7	3.9	14.2	13.1	12.7	(1.5)
Newfoundland and Labrador	34.1	32.3	34.2	0.1	25.3	27.1	26.0	0.7	25.8	16.4	24.0	(1.8)
Prince Edward Island	11.2	11.5	11.5	0.3	8.6	9.1	9.0	0.4	23.2	20.9	21.7	(1.5)
Nova Scotia	74.3	77.5	76.9	2.6	62.2	64.3	64.1	1.9	16.3	16.9	16.6	0.3
New Brunswick	57.4	57.8	58.2	0.8	46.5	47.6	48.5	2.0	18.8	17.6	16.7	(2.1)
Quebec	612.6	596.8	588.6	(24.0)	513.6	503.0	508.7	(4.9)	16.1	15.7	13.6	(2.5)
Ontario	1,029.0	1,001.7	1,004.9	(24.1)	882.6	864.6	871.8	(10.8)	14.2	13.7	13.2	(1.0)
Manitoba	106.5	102.6	104.4	(2.1)	93.3	89.1	94.0	0.7	12.4	13.1	10.0	(2.4)
Saskatchewan	90.8	89.8	90.7	(0.1)	80.9	80.4	80.1	(0.8)	10.9	10.5	11.7	0.8
Alberta	320.6	318.3	322.9	2.3	292.3	297.8	293.3	1.0	8.8	6.4	9.2	0.4
British Columbia	336.6	341.8	338.9	2.3	287.4	301.9	301.1	13.7	14.6	11.7	11.2	(3.4)

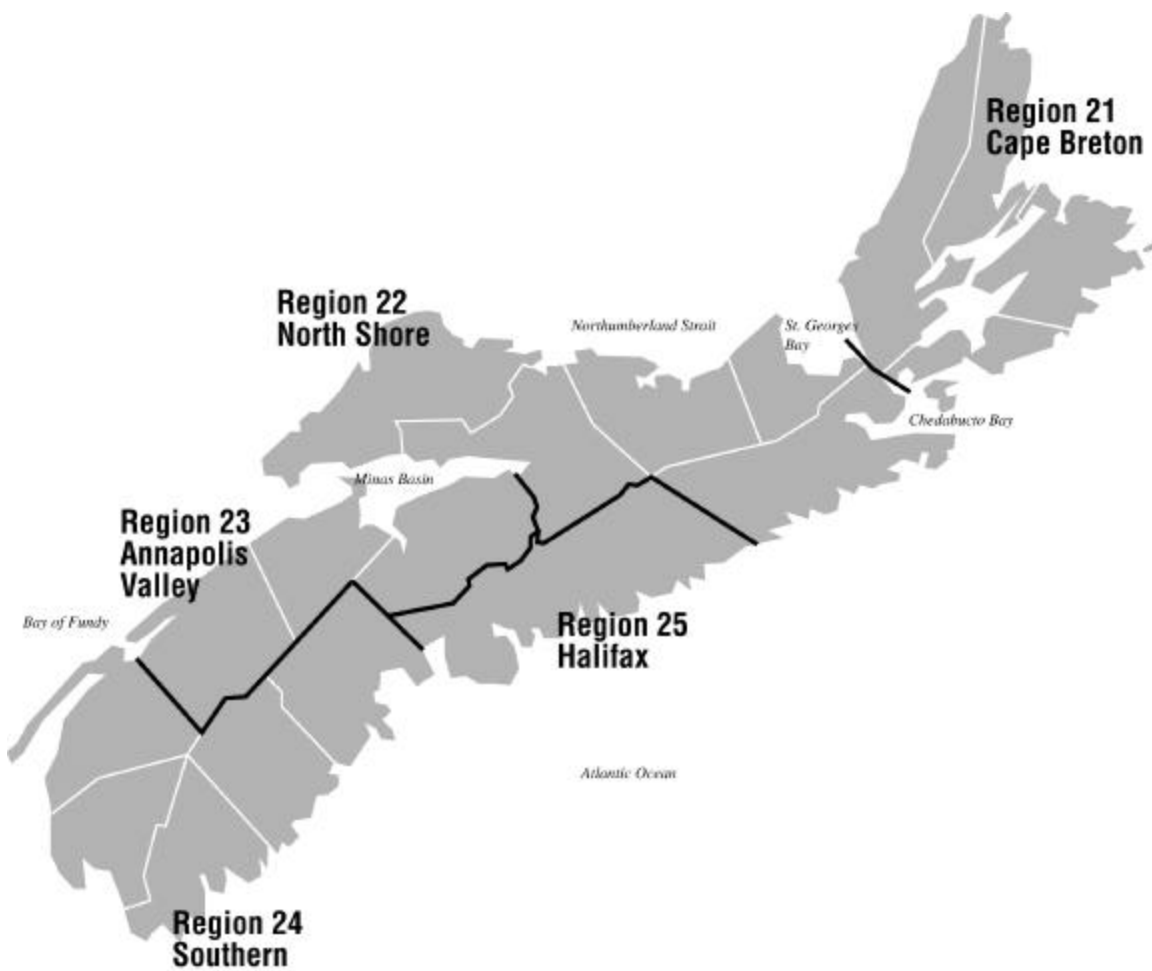
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CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change	Apr 2004	Mar 2005	Apr 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	8.3	8.7	9.1	0.8	59.7	60.8	60.6	0.9	65.2	66.5	66.7	1.5
Halifax	6.7	7.0	6.5	(0.2)	65.0	64.9	65.1	0.1	69.8	69.7	69.7	(0.1)
Saint John, New Brunswick	9.1	7.1	7.0	(2.1)	59.2	60.7	61.3	2.1	65.1	65.5	65.9	0.8
Saguenay	12.6	10.5	9.4	(3.2)	55.8	52.7	52.8	(3.0)	63.9	58.9	58.2	(5.7)
Québec	7.5	6.5	6.2	(1.3)	60.1	63.2	63.9	3.8	65.0	67.6	68.1	3.1
Trois-Rivières	11.0	10.7	10.6	(0.4)	54.0	56.7	57.7	3.7	60.7	63.4	64.6	3.9
Sherbrooke	7.3	8.0	7.9	0.6	60.0	60.1	60.0	-	64.7	65.3	65.2	0.5
Montréal	8.6	8.5	8.3	(0.3)	61.4	61.0	60.9	(0.5)	67.2	66.7	66.4	(0.8)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.6	6.9	6.9	0.3	64.8	65.6	65.7	0.9	69.4	70.5	70.6	1.2
Sudbury	8.4	8.0	7.5	(0.9)	58.7	59.8	59.3	0.6	64.1	65.0	64.1	-
Oshawa	5.7	7.7	7.5	1.8	67.8	67.2	67.8	-	71.8	72.8	73.3	1.5
Toronto	7.4	7.3	7.4	-	64.2	63.1	63.3	(0.9)	69.3	68.1	68.4	(0.9)
Hamilton	8.0	5.6	5.6	(2.4)	62.2	61.0	61.2	(1.0)	67.6	64.6	64.8	(2.8)
St. Catharines - Niagara	8.9	7.5	8.0	(0.9)	55.5	59.0	58.4	2.9	60.9	63.7	63.5	2.6
London	6.0	6.8	7.0	1.0	64.3	65.0	65.1	0.8	68.5	69.7	69.9	1.4
Windsor	8.0	9.4	8.2	0.2	59.9	59.0	59.9	-	65.1	65.1	65.2	0.1
Kitchener	5.8	5.8	6.2	0.4	65.0	68.0	68.4	3.4	69.0	72.2	72.9	3.9
Thunder Bay	7.5	8.1	8.1	0.6	60.5	61.3	61.8	1.3	65.4	66.8	67.3	1.9
Winnipeg	5.4	5.2	5.1	(0.3)	66.3	65.6	65.4	(0.9)	70.1	69.2	69.0	(1.1)
Regina	5.3	5.0	4.6	(0.7)	69.1	68.3	68.2	(0.9)	72.9	71.9	71.5	(1.4)
Saskatoon	7.2	5.1	5.3	(1.9)	63.4	67.4	67.4	4.0	68.2	71.0	71.2	3.0
Calgary	5.6	4.4	3.7	(1.9)	70.8	69.6	70.3	(0.5)	75.0	72.7	73.0	(2.0)
Edmonton	5.2	4.8	4.7	(0.5)	68.5	67.0	66.5	(2.0)	72.3	70.3	69.7	(2.6)
Vancouver	7.3	6.6	6.3	(1.0)	61.7	63.0	63.2	1.5	66.6	67.5	67.4	0.8
Victoria	4.4	5.5	4.9	0.5	59.8	60.0	60.9	1.1	62.5	63.5	64.1	1.6

Employment Situation MAY 2005



About the Employment Situation Report

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

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The LFS survey is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the survey's coverage are residents of the territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2% of the population aged 15 or over. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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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January 2005	February 4, 2005
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July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

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Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	25,372.3	25,714.7	25,754.7	382.4	25,372.3	25,714.7	25,754.7	382.4
Labour Force ('000)	17,312.9	17,099.8	17,506.7	193.8	17,164.7	17,290.1	17,331.2	166.5
Employment ('000)	16,039.1	15,898.9	16,289.7	250.6	15,938.2	16,117.7	16,153.1	214.9
Unemployed ('000)	1,273.7	1,200.9	1,217.0	(56.7)	1,226.5	1,172.4	1,178.1	(48.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	7.0	7.0	(0.4)	7.1	6.8	6.8	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	68.2	66.5	68.0	(0.2)	67.7	67.2	67.3	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	63.2	61.8	63.2	-	62.8	62.7	62.7	(0.1)

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	756.2	760.0	760.2	4.0	756.2	760.0	760.2	4.0
Labour Force ('000)	492.5	478.5	492.6	0.1	486.6	485.7	485.6	(1.0)
Employment ('000)	447.2	434.3	454.4	7.2	443.1	444.9	448.1	5.0
Unemployed ('000)	45.3	44.2	38.3	(7.0)	43.5	40.9	37.5	(6.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.2	9.2	7.8	(1.4)	8.9	8.4	7.7	(1.2)
Participation Rate (%)	65.1	63.0	64.8	(0.3)	64.3	63.9	63.9	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	59.1	57.1	59.8	0.7	58.6	58.5	58.9	0.3

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	429.1	430.3	429.9	0.8	429.1	430.3	429.9	0.8
Labour Force ('000)	265.3	246.3	257.6	(7.7)	257.1	252.9	249.8	(7.3)
Employment ('000)	218.8	200.0	214.8	(4.0)	216.2	212.2	211.8	(4.4)
Unemployed ('000)	46.5	46.3	42.9	(3.6)	40.9	40.7	38.0	(2.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	17.5	18.8	16.7	(0.8)	15.9	16.1	15.2	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	61.8	57.2	59.9	(1.9)	59.9	58.8	58.1	(1.8)
Employment Rate (%)	51.0	46.5	50.0	(1.0)	50.4	49.3	49.3	(1.1)

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	110.9	111.4	111.4	0.5	110.9	111.4	111.4	0.5
Labour Force ('000)	76.9	74.5	77.9	1.0	74.9	76.0	75.6	0.7
Employment ('000)	68.8	63.2	70.4	1.6	65.8	68.1	67.5	1.7
Unemployed ('000)	8.1	11.3	7.5	(0.6)	9.1	7.9	8.2	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.5	15.2	9.6	(0.9)	12.1	10.4	10.8	(1.3)
Participation Rate (%)	69.3	66.9	69.9	0.6	67.5	68.2	67.9	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	62.0	56.7	63.2	1.2	59.3	61.1	60.6	1.3

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	606.9	610.0	610.2	3.3	606.9	610.0	610.2	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	396.4	378.7	397.0	0.6	389.4	386.8	388.8	(0.6)
Employment ('000)	352.9	336.2	359.0	6.1	351.1	350.9	354.6	3.5
Unemployed ('000)	43.5	42.5	38.1	(5.4)	38.3	35.9	34.2	(4.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.0	11.2	9.6	(1.4)	9.8	9.3	8.8	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	65.3	62.1	65.1	(0.2)	64.2	63.4	63.7	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	58.1	55.1	58.8	0.7	57.9	57.5	58.1	0.2

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	6,098.2	6,165.7	6,173.2	75.0	6,098.2	6,165.7	6,173.2	75.0
Labour Force ('000)	4,041.7	3,990.3	4,045.2	3.5	4,013.3	4,021.6	4,017.2	3.9
Employment ('000)	3,718.6	3,656.6	3,707.7	(10.9)	3,688.2	3,704.9	3,677.6	(10.6)
Unemployed ('000)	323.1	333.7	337.5	14.4	325.1	316.7	339.5	14.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	8.4	8.3	0.3	8.1	7.9	8.5	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	66.3	64.7	65.5	(0.8)	65.8	65.2	65.1	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	61.0	59.3	60.1	(0.9)	60.5	60.1	59.6	(0.9)

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	9,866.5	10,027.1	10,046.8	180.3	9,866.5	10,027.1	10,046.8	180.3
Labour Force ('000)	6,845.0	6,762.3	6,960.1	115.1	6,781.1	6,842.3	6,882.3	101.2
Employment ('000)	6,347.7	6,312.7	6,459.9	112.2	6,313.0	6,377.5	6,409.7	96.7
Unemployed ('000)	497.3	449.6	500.2	2.9	468.1	464.7	472.6	4.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.3	6.6	7.2	(0.1)	6.9	6.8	6.9	-
Participation Rate (%)	69.4	67.4	69.3	(0.1)	68.7	68.2	68.5	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	64.3	63.0	64.3	-	64.0	63.6	63.8	(0.2)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	879.9	887.7	888.3	8.4	879.9	887.7	888.3	8.4
Labour Force ('000)	611.9	601.3	615.6	3.7	607.7	605.2	609.9	2.2
Employment ('000)	582.2	570.1	586.9	4.7	575.6	575.9	578.6	3.0
Unemployed ('000)	29.7	31.1	28.8	(0.9)	32.1	29.3	31.3	(0.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.2	4.7	(0.2)	5.3	4.8	5.1	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	69.5	67.7	69.3	(0.2)	69.1	68.2	68.7	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	66.2	64.2	66.1	(0.1)	65.4	64.9	65.1	(0.3)

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Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	744.6	748.5	748.5	3.9	744.6	748.5	748.5	3.9
Labour Force ('000)	510.9	504.1	516.9	6.0	504.3	510.8	507.9	3.6
Employment ('000)	486.1	476.2	494.2	8.1	479.6	485.2	484.9	5.3
Unemployed ('000)	24.9	27.9	22.7	(2.2)	24.7	25.6	23.0	(1.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.5	4.4	(0.5)	4.9	5.0	4.5	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	68.6	67.3	69.1	0.5	67.7	68.2	67.9	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	65.3	63.6	66.0	0.7	64.4	64.8	64.8	0.4

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	2,498.8	2,540.5	2,546.8	48.0	2,498.8	2,540.5	2,546.8	48.0
Labour Force ('000)	1,850.1	1,835.6	1,869.5	19.4	1,835.7	1,857.8	1,852.6	16.9
Employment ('000)	1,767.5	1,758.9	1,801.8	34.3	1,757.3	1,783.8	1,788.3	31.0
Unemployed ('000)	82.6	76.7	67.7	(14.9)	78.4	74.0	64.2	(14.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	4.2	3.6	(0.9)	4.3	4.0	3.5	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	74.0	72.3	73.4	(0.6)	73.5	73.1	72.7	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	70.7	69.2	70.7	-	70.3	70.2	70.2	(0.1)

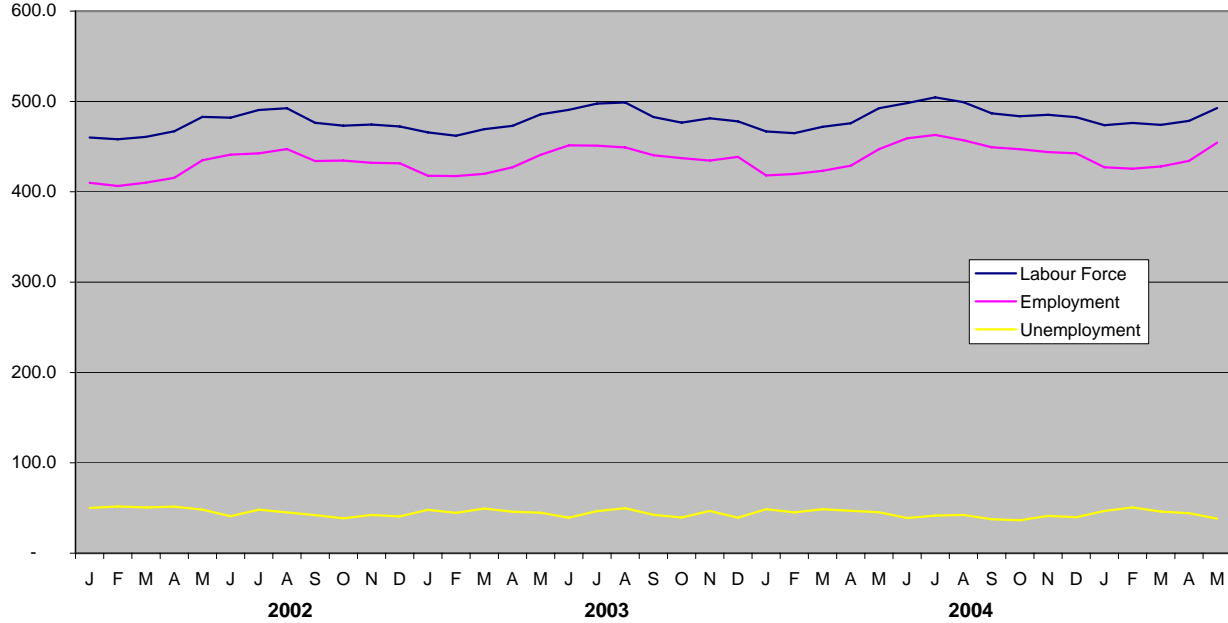
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	
Population ('000)	3,381.3	3,433.4	3,439.4	58.1	3,381.3	3,433.4	3,439.4	58.1
Labour Force ('000)	2,222.3	2,228.1	2,274.3	52.0	2,214.6	2,251.0	2,261.4	46.8
Employment ('000)	2,049.4	2,090.6	2,140.8	91.4	2,048.3	2,114.3	2,132.0	83.7
Unemployed ('000)	172.9	137.5	133.4	(39.5)	166.2	136.8	129.5	(36.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	6.2	5.9	(1.9)	7.5	6.1	5.7	(1.8)
Participation Rate (%)	65.7	64.9	66.1	0.4	65.5	65.6	65.7	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	60.6	60.9	62.2	1.6	60.6	61.6	62.0	1.4

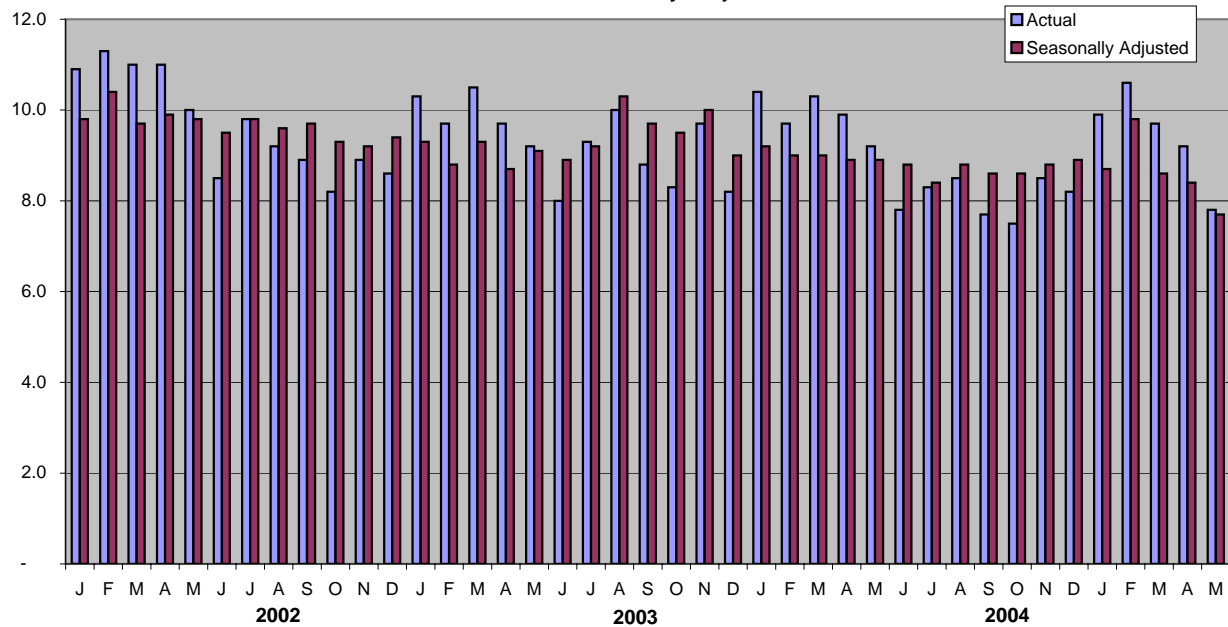
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,346.3	25,684.5	25,717.7	371.4	756.0	759.9	760.1	4.1
Labour Force ('000)	17,051.2	17,068.3	17,219.9	168.7	480.0	476.3	481.7	1.7
Employment ('000)	15,761.3	15,828.1	15,996.5	235.2	433.1	429.3	438.9	5.8
Unemployed ('000)	1,289.9	1,240.2	1,223.5	(66.4)	46.9	46.9	42.8	(4.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.6	7.3	7.1	(0.5)	9.8	9.8	8.9	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	67.3	66.5	67.0	(0.3)	63.5	62.7	63.4	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	62.2	61.6	62.2	-	57.3	56.5	57.7	0.4

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.7	99.1	99.1	0.4	117.4	116.7	116.6	(0.8)
Labour Force ('000)	61.1	61.2	60.9	(0.2)	63.2	59.6	62.1	(1.1)
Employment ('000)	54.3	55.8	56.1	1.8	53.2	49.5	53.3	0.1
Unemployed ('000)	6.8	5.4	4.9	(1.9)	10.0	10.1	8.8	(1.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.1	8.8	8.0	(3.1)	15.8	16.9	14.2	(1.6)
Participation Rate (%)	61.9	61.8	61.5	(0.4)	53.8	51.1	53.3	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	55.0	56.3	56.6	1.6	45.3	42.4	45.7	0.4

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	306.5	310.7	311.0	4.5	305.2	309.2	309.6	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	216.1	216.5	218.1	2.0	211.2	217.3	217.5	6.3
Employment ('000)	201.7	202.4	204.7	3.0	198.3	205.1	203.9	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	14.4	14.1	13.3	(1.1)	12.9	12.2	13.6	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	6.5	6.1	(0.6)	6.1	5.6	6.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	70.5	69.7	70.1	(0.4)	69.2	70.3	70.3	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	65.8	65.1	65.8	-	65.0	66.3	65.9	0.9

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.3	130.3	130.3	-	103.0	103.1	103.1	0.1
Labour Force ('000)	78.3	79.0	80.5	2.2	61.4	60.0	60.1	(1.3)
Employment ('000)	69.3	69.5	71.6	2.3	54.7	52.1	53.2	(1.5)
Unemployed ('000)	9.0	9.5	8.9	(0.1)	6.7	7.8	6.9	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.5	12.0	11.1	(0.4)	10.9	13.0	11.5	0.6
Participation Rate (%)	60.1	60.6	61.8	1.7	59.6	58.2	58.3	(1.3)
Employment Rate (%)	53.2	53.3	55.0	1.8	53.1	50.5	51.6	(1.5)

Employment Situation - May 2005
Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
Canada	15,938.2	16,117.7	16,153.1	214.9	12,981.8	13,137.9	13,161.2	179.4	2,956.4	2,979.9	2,991.9	35.5
Newfoundland and Labrador	216.2	212.2	211.8	(4.4)	184.1	179.5	182.1	(2.0)	32.1	32.7	29.7	(2.4)
Prince Edward Island	65.8	68.1	67.5	1.7	55.4	56.0	55.6	0.2	10.3	12.1	11.9	1.6
Nova Scotia	443.1	444.9	448.1	5.0	358.7	359.6	360.6	1.9	84.4	85.3	87.5	3.1
New Brunswick	351.1	350.9	354.6	3.5	295.7	291.7	295.1	(0.6)	55.4	59.2	59.5	4.1
Quebec	3,688.2	3,704.9	3,677.6	(10.6)	3,007.8	3,045.9	3,013.9	6.1	680.4	659.0	663.8	(16.6)
Ontario	6,313.0	6,377.5	6,409.7	96.7	5,172.6	5,201.2	5,231.6	59.0	1,140.3	1,176.3	1,178.1	37.8
Manitoba	575.6	575.9	578.6	3.0	467.7	462.9	461.3	(6.4)	107.9	113.0	117.3	9.4
Saskatchewan	479.6	485.2	484.9	5.3	388.6	393.0	390.8	2.2	91.0	92.2	94.1	3.1
Alberta	1,757.3	1,783.8	1,788.3	31.0	1,442.5	1,466.6	1,466.5	24.0	314.8	317.2	321.8	7.0
British Columbia	2,048.3	2,114.3	2,132.0	83.7	1,608.7	1,681.3	1,704.1	95.4	439.6	433.0	427.8	(11.8)

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
Canada	16,039.1	15,898.9	16,289.7	250.6	13,088.1	12,876.5	13,320.0	231.9	2,951.0	3,022.4	2,969.8	18.8
Newfoundland and Labrador	218.8	200.0	214.8	(4.0)	185.1	166.8	183.8	(1.3)	33.7	33.2	30.9	(2.8)
Prince Edward Island	68.8	63.2	70.4	1.6	58.1	50.7	58.2	0.1	10.6	12.6	12.2	1.6
Nova Scotia	447.2	434.3	454.4	7.2	365.9	348.2	369.3	3.4	81.2	86.1	85.1	3.9
New Brunswick	352.9	336.2	359.0	6.1	297.0	275.3	298.9	1.9	55.9	60.9	60.1	4.2
Quebec	3,718.6	3,656.6	3,707.7	(10.9)	3,038.1	2,974.1	3,044.7	6.6	680.4	682.5	663.0	(17.4)
Ontario	6,347.7	6,312.7	6,459.9	112.2	5,208.0	5,139.5	5,291.7	83.7	1,139.8	1,173.3	1,168.2	28.4
Manitoba	582.2	570.1	586.9	4.7	473.9	454.5	469.1	(4.8)	108.3	115.6	117.8	9.5
Saskatchewan	486.1	476.2	494.2	8.1	397.0	384.4	401.5	4.5	89.1	91.8	92.7	3.6
Alberta	1,767.5	1,758.9	1,801.8	34.3	1,455.8	1,430.5	1,485.9	30.1	311.6	328.4	315.9	4.3
British Columbia	2,049.4	2,090.6	2,140.8	91.4	1,609.1	1,652.6	1,716.8	107.7	440.3	438.0	424.0	(16.3)

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Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,849.2	2,799.7	2,821.2	(28.0)	2,460.1	2,455.2	2,467.5	7.4	13.7	12.3	12.5	(1.2)
Newfoundland and Labrador	40.2	39.1	38.0	(2.2)	30.9	30.7	30.3	(0.6)	23.1	21.5	20.0	(3.1)
Prince Edward Island	13.1	12.8	13.3	0.2	10.7	10.7	10.9	0.2	18.3	15.6	18.0	(0.3)
Nova Scotia	82.1	83.3	82.1	-	69.8	70.0	71.9	2.1	15.0	16.0	12.4	(2.6)
New Brunswick	66.4	63.8	63.1	(3.3)	56.0	54.6	54.3	(1.7)	15.7	14.4	13.8	(1.9)
Quebec	641.5	626.2	610.0	(31.5)	552.3	546.1	534.3	(18.0)	13.9	12.8	12.4	(1.5)
Ontario	1,110.6	1,074.2	1,101.4	(9.2)	948.7	933.1	933.0	(15.7)	14.6	13.1	15.3	0.7
Manitoba	110.4	108.9	111.2	0.8	98.0	98.6	100.0	2.0	11.2	9.5	10.1	(1.1)
Saskatchewan	94.3	96.2	94.7	0.4	85.6	86.0	85.3	(0.3)	9.3	10.6	9.9	0.6
Alberta	332.6	341.5	339.0	6.4	303.4	311.8	319.2	15.8	8.8	8.7	5.8	(3.0)
British Columbia	358.0	353.8	368.4	10.4	305.0	313.4	328.2	23.2	14.8	11.4	10.9	(3.9)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,936.0	2,631.2	2,939.2	3.2	2,480.6	2,296.7	2,522.3	41.7	15.5	12.7	14.2	(1.3)
Newfoundland and Labrador	41.7	34.2	39.2	(2.5)	28.9	26.0	29.1	0.2	30.5	24.0	25.8	(4.7)
Prince Edward Island	13.8	11.5	14.1	0.3	11.2	9.0	11.5	0.3	18.8	21.7	18.4	(0.4)
Nova Scotia	84.6	76.9	85.2	0.6	69.4	64.1	73.0	3.6	18.0	16.6	14.3	(3.7)
New Brunswick	68.9	58.2	67.1	(1.8)	55.7	48.5	55.9	0.2	19.3	16.7	16.7	(2.6)
Quebec	648.1	588.6	620.0	(28.1)	552.4	508.7	538.2	(14.2)	14.8	13.6	13.2	(1.6)
Ontario	1,161.2	1,004.9	1,166.9	5.7	962.0	871.8	958.8	(3.2)	17.2	13.2	17.8	0.6
Manitoba	112.6	104.4	115.0	2.4	100.0	94.0	104.0	4.0	11.2	10.0	9.5	(1.7)
Saskatchewan	98.1	90.7	100.5	2.4	87.4	80.1	89.5	2.1	10.9	11.7	10.9	-
Alberta	341.4	322.9	349.9	8.5	306.4	293.3	325.1	18.7	10.3	9.2	7.1	(3.2)
British Columbia	365.6	338.9	381.4	15.8	307.2	301.1	337.1	29.9	16.0	11.2	11.6	(4.4)

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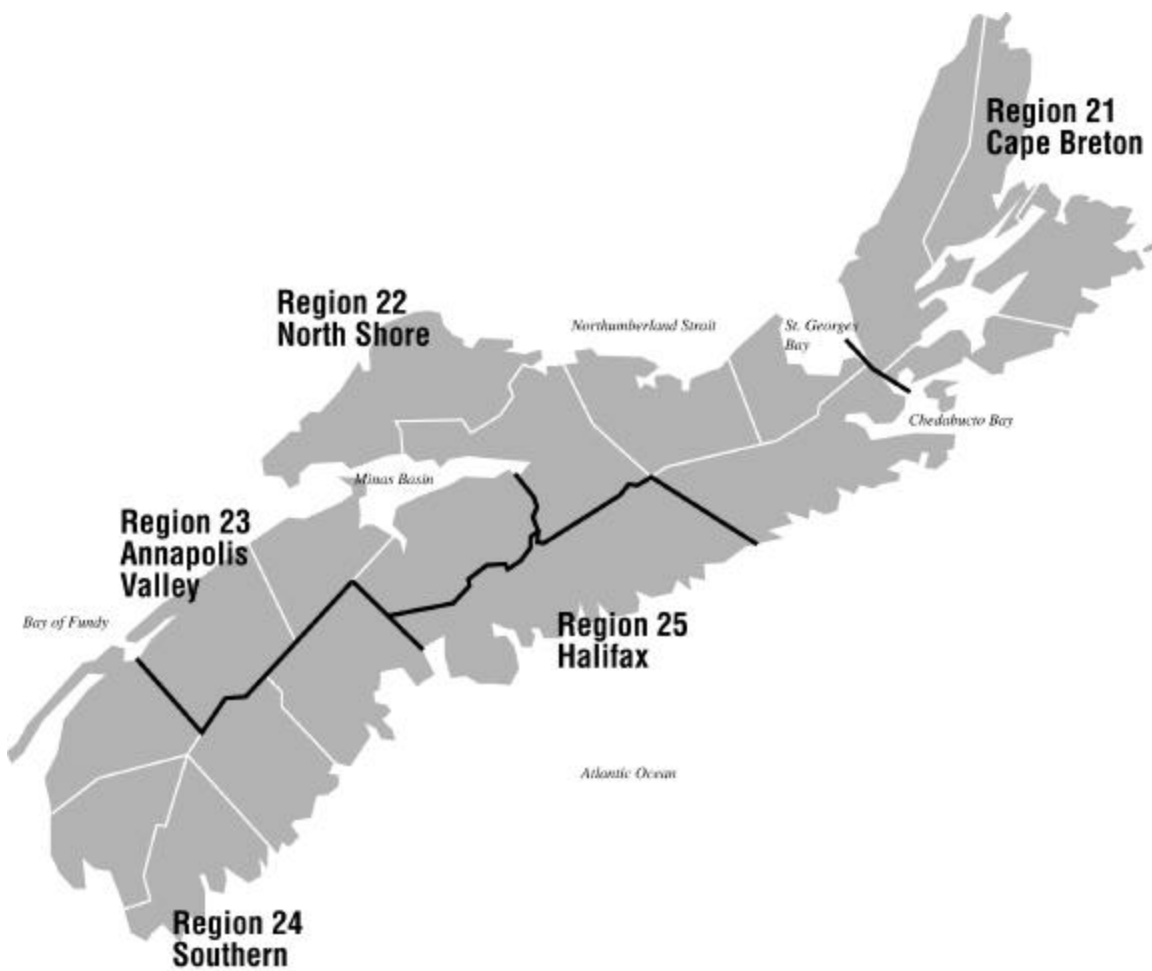
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(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change	May 2004	Apr 2005	May 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	8.3	9.1	9.5	1.2	60.6	60.6	60.6	-	66.1	66.7	66.9	0.8
Halifax	6.5	6.5	6.1	(0.4)	66.5	65.1	65.8	(0.7)	71.2	69.7	70.1	(1.1)
Saint John, New Brunswick	9.2	7.0	7.2	(2.0)	59.5	61.3	61.4	1.9	65.5	65.9	66.2	0.7
Saguenay	11.7	9.4	9.0	(2.7)	57.3	52.8	53.4	(3.9)	65.0	58.2	58.7	(6.3)
Québec	6.1	6.2	6.0	(0.1)	61.8	63.9	64.7	2.9	65.8	68.1	68.8	3.0
Trois-Rivières	11.4	10.6	10.4	(1.0)	54.2	57.7	59.1	4.9	61.1	64.6	65.9	4.8
Sherbrooke	6.2	7.9	7.8	1.6	61.8	60.0	61.0	(0.8)	65.8	65.2	66.1	0.3
Montréal	8.2	8.3	8.5	0.3	61.9	60.9	61.0	(0.9)	67.4	66.4	66.6	(0.8)
Ottawa-Gatineau	7.1	6.9	7.2	0.1	65.3	65.7	66.0	0.7	70.3	70.6	71.1	0.8
Sudbury	8.9	7.5	7.4	(1.5)	58.9	59.3	58.9	-	64.7	64.1	63.8	(0.9)
Oshawa	5.5	7.5	6.8	1.3	68.1	67.8	67.7	(0.4)	72.1	73.3	72.7	0.6
Toronto	7.7	7.4	7.5	(0.2)	64.5	63.3	64.1	(0.4)	69.9	68.4	69.3	(0.6)
Hamilton	7.6	5.6	5.6	(2.0)	63.7	61.2	61.7	(2.0)	68.9	64.8	65.4	(3.5)
St. Catharines - Niagara	8.6	8.0	7.6	(1.0)	56.1	58.4	58.4	2.3	61.4	63.5	63.3	1.9
London	5.7	7.0	7.3	1.6	64.2	65.1	65.3	1.1	68.2	69.9	70.4	2.2
Windsor	8.1	8.2	8.4	0.3	60.2	59.9	60.1	(0.1)	65.5	65.2	65.6	0.1
Kitchener	5.6	6.2	6.4	0.8	65.0	68.4	69.4	4.4	68.9	72.9	74.1	5.2
Thunder Bay	8.2	8.1	8.2	-	60.7	61.8	62.0	1.3	66.1	67.3	67.6	1.5
Winnipeg	5.2	5.1	5.1	(0.1)	67.0	65.4	65.5	(1.5)	70.7	69.0	69.0	(1.7)
Regina	5.1	4.6	4.5	(0.6)	69.4	68.2	68.4	(1.0)	73.3	71.5	71.7	(1.6)
Saskatoon	6.7	5.3	4.9	(1.8)	64.6	67.4	68.2	3.6	69.2	71.2	71.7	2.5
Calgary	5.1	3.7	3.4	(1.7)	71.2	70.3	71.2	-	75.0	73.0	73.7	(1.3)
Edmonton	4.9	4.7	4.6	(0.3)	68.9	66.5	66.9	(2.0)	72.4	69.7	70.1	(2.3)
Vancouver	7.2	6.3	6.0	(1.2)	62.6	63.2	63.4	0.8	67.4	67.4	67.5	0.1
Victoria	4.4	4.9	4.0	(0.4)	60.7	60.9	62.2	1.5	63.5	64.1	64.8	1.3

Employment Situation

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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:

<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. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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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January 2005	February 4, 2005
February 2005	March 11, 2005
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July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

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Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	
Population ('000)	25,405.7	25,754.7	25,786.5	380.8	25,405.7	25,754.7	25,786.5	380.8
Labour Force ('000)	17,474.4	17,506.7	17,606.5	132.1	17,189.4	17,331.2	17,329.4	140.0
Employment ('000)	16,300.3	16,289.7	16,499.3	199.0	15,956.9	16,153.1	16,167.3	210.4
Unemployed ('000)	1,174.0	1,217.0	1,107.1	(66.9)	1,232.6	1,178.1	1,162.1	(70.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	7.0	6.3	(0.4)	7.2	6.8	6.7	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	68.8	68.0	68.3	(0.5)	67.7	67.3	67.2	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	64.2	63.2	64.0	(0.2)	62.8	62.7	62.7	(0.1)

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	
Population ('000)	756.5	760.2	760.4	3.9	756.5	760.2	760.4	3.9
Labour Force ('000)	498.2	492.6	496.0	(2.2)	487.2	485.6	485.0	(2.2)
Employment ('000)	459.2	454.4	457.7	(1.5)	444.4	448.1	443.2	(1.2)
Unemployed ('000)	39.0	38.3	38.3	(0.7)	42.7	37.5	41.8	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	7.8	7.7	(0.1)	8.8	7.7	8.6	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	65.9	64.8	65.2	(0.7)	64.4	63.9	63.8	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	60.7	59.8	60.2	(0.5)	58.7	58.9	58.3	(0.4)

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	
Population ('000)	429.3	429.9	429.5	0.2	429.3	429.9	429.5	0.2
Labour Force ('000)	272.2	257.6	266.4	(5.8)	256.5	249.8	250.5	(6.0)
Employment ('000)	233.5	214.8	233.1	(0.4)	216.2	211.8	215.6	(0.6)
Unemployed ('000)	38.7	42.9	33.3	(5.4)	40.3	38.0	34.9	(5.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.2	16.7	12.5	(1.7)	15.7	15.2	13.9	(1.8)
Participation Rate (%)	63.4	59.9	62.0	(1.4)	59.7	58.1	58.3	(1.4)
Employment Rate (%)	54.4	50.0	54.3	(0.1)	50.4	49.3	50.2	(0.2)

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	
Population ('000)	111.0	111.4	111.5	0.5	111.0	111.4	111.5	0.5
Labour Force ('000)	77.2	77.9	79.5	2.3	73.6	75.6	76.2	2.6
Employment ('000)	71.6	70.4	73.3	1.7	65.2	67.5	67.1	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	5.5	7.5	6.2	0.7	8.3	8.2	9.1	0.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	9.6	7.8	0.7	11.3	10.8	11.9	0.6
Participation Rate (%)	69.5	69.9	71.3	1.8	66.3	67.9	68.3	2.0
Employment Rate (%)	64.5	63.2	65.7	1.2	58.7	60.6	60.2	1.5

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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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	
Population ('000)	607.1	610.2	610.1	3.0	607.1	610.2	610.1	3.0
Labour Force ('000)	402.5	397.0	399.5	(3.0)	387.7	388.8	386.0	(1.7)
Employment ('000)	366.7	359.0	363.5	(3.2)	349.7	354.6	348.4	(1.3)
Unemployed ('000)	35.8	38.1	36.0	0.2	38.0	34.2	37.6	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.9	9.6	9.0	0.1	9.8	8.8	9.7	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	66.3	65.1	65.5	(0.8)	63.9	63.7	63.3	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	60.4	58.8	59.6	(0.8)	57.6	58.1	57.1	(0.5)

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	
Population ('000)	6,104.8	6,173.2	6,178.7	73.9	6,104.8	6,173.2	6,178.7	73.9
Labour Force ('000)	4,086.7	4,045.2	4,103.5	16.8	4,000.1	4,017.2	4,024.5	24.4
Employment ('000)	3,773.1	3,707.7	3,801.6	28.5	3,671.7	3,677.6	3,703.4	31.7
Unemployed ('000)	313.6	337.5	301.9	(11.7)	328.4	339.5	321.2	(7.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	8.3	7.4	(0.3)	8.2	8.5	8.0	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	66.9	65.5	66.4	(0.5)	65.5	65.1	65.1	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	61.8	60.1	61.5	(0.3)	60.1	59.6	59.9	(0.2)

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	
Population ('000)	9,882.7	10,046.8	10,062.4	179.7	9,882.7	10,046.8	10,062.4	179.7
Labour Force ('000)	6,876.1	6,960.1	6,962.3	86.2	6,794.1	6,882.3	6,879.7	85.6
Employment ('000)	6,420.4	6,459.9	6,508.0	87.6	6,325.1	6,409.7	6,416.6	91.5
Unemployed ('000)	455.7	500.2	454.3	(1.4)	469.0	472.6	463.1	(5.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	7.2	6.5	(0.1)	6.9	6.9	6.7	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	69.6	69.3	69.2	(0.4)	68.7	68.5	68.4	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	65.0	64.3	64.7	(0.3)	64.0	63.8	63.8	(0.2)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	
Population ('000)	881.0	888.3	888.8	7.8	881.0	888.3	888.8	7.8
Labour Force ('000)	616.8	615.6	615.1	(1.7)	609.7	609.9	607.6	(2.1)
Employment ('000)	586.2	586.9	588.7	2.5	575.6	578.6	578.3	2.7
Unemployed ('000)	30.6	28.8	26.4	(4.2)	34.1	31.3	29.4	(4.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.0	4.7	4.3	(0.7)	5.6	5.1	4.8	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	70.0	69.3	69.2	(0.8)	69.2	68.7	68.4	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	66.5	66.1	66.2	(0.3)	65.3	65.1	65.1	(0.2)

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			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	745.2	748.5	748.5	3.3	745.2	748.5	748.5	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	514.7	516.9	519.4	4.7	505.7	507.9	510.2	4.5
Employment ('000)	491.9	494.2	497.7	5.8	479.2	484.9	485.6	6.4
Unemployed ('000)	22.8	22.7	21.7	(1.1)	26.5	23.0	24.5	(2.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.4	4.2	(0.2)	5.2	4.5	4.8	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	69.1	69.4	0.3	67.9	67.9	68.2	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	66.0	66.0	66.5	0.5	64.3	64.8	64.9	0.6

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	2,502.4	2,546.8	2,552.1	49.7	2,502.4	2,546.8	2,552.1	49.7
Labour Force ('000)	1,868.9	1,869.5	1,881.4	12.5	1,840.9	1,852.6	1,852.9	12.0
Employment ('000)	1,792.4	1,801.8	1,816.6	24.2	1,758.6	1,788.3	1,782.9	24.3
Unemployed ('000)	76.5	67.7	64.7	(11.8)	82.3	64.2	70.0	(12.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	3.6	3.4	(0.7)	4.5	3.5	3.8	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	74.7	73.4	73.7	(1.0)	73.6	72.7	72.6	(1.0)
Employment Rate (%)	71.6	70.7	71.2	(0.4)	70.3	70.2	69.9	(0.4)

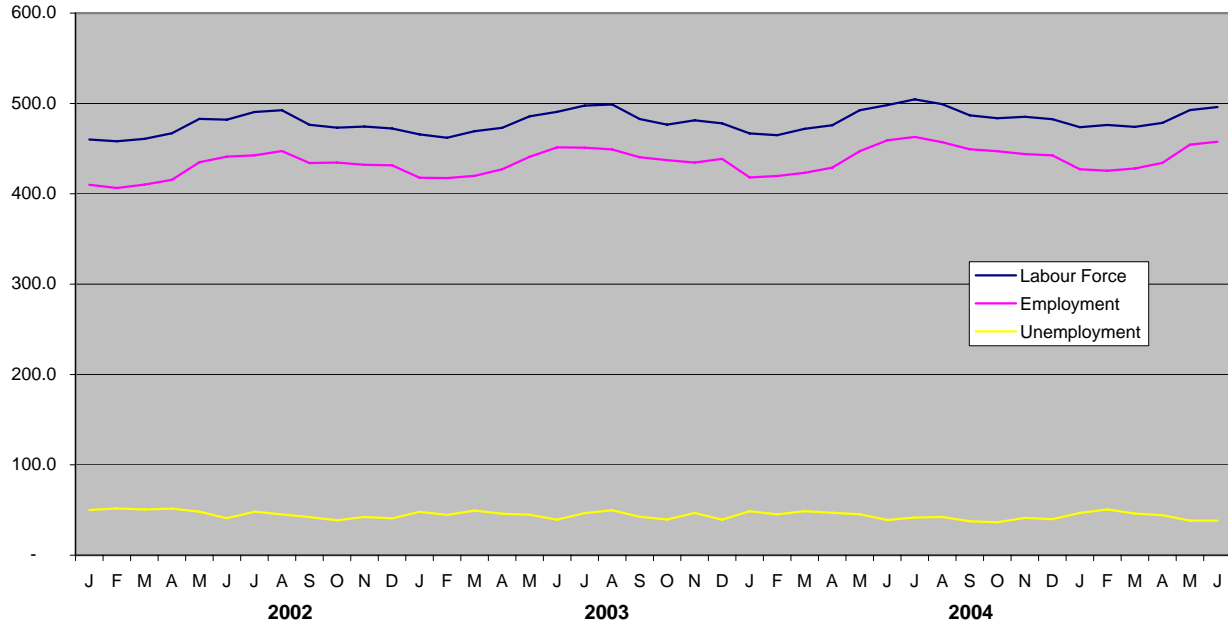
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	3,385.8	3,439.4	3,444.5	58.7	3,385.8	3,439.4	3,444.5	58.7
Labour Force ('000)	2,261.0	2,274.3	2,283.4	22.4	2,234.1	2,261.4	2,256.7	22.6
Employment ('000)	2,105.4	2,140.8	2,159.0	53.6	2,071.1	2,132.0	2,126.2	55.1
Unemployed ('000)	155.6	133.4	124.3	(31.3)	163.0	129.5	130.5	(32.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.9	5.9	5.4	(1.5)	7.3	5.7	5.8	(1.5)
Participation Rate (%)	66.8	66.1	66.3	(0.5)	66.0	65.7	65.5	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	62.2	62.2	62.7	0.5	61.2	62.0	61.7	0.5

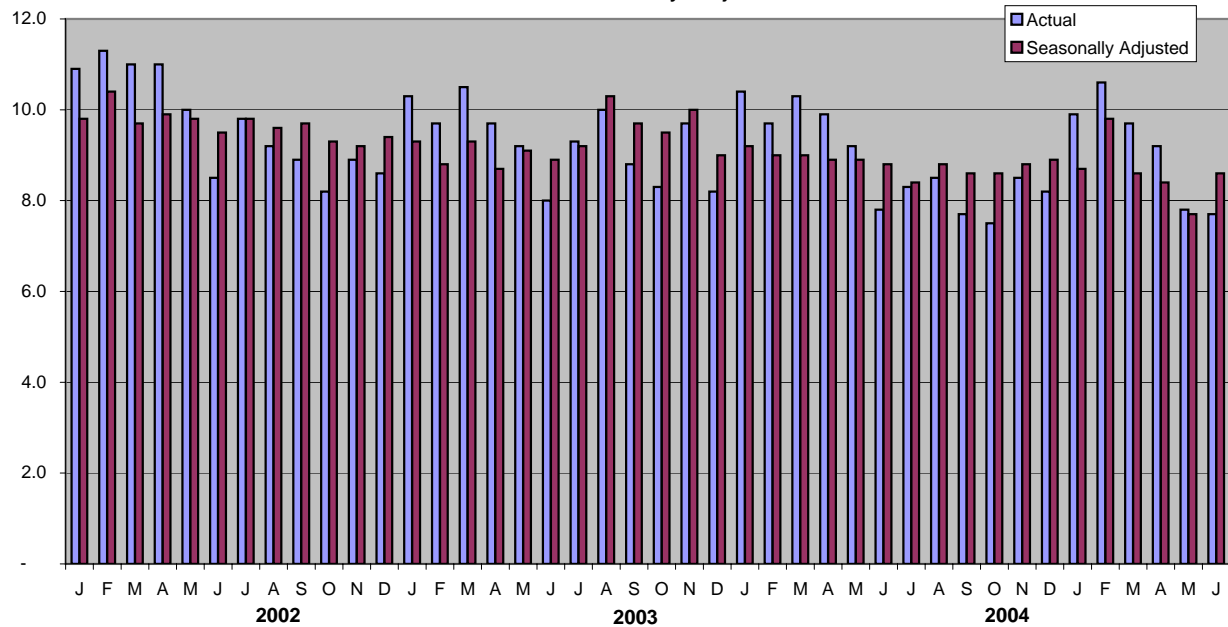
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,374.7	25,717.7	25,752.0	377.3	756.2	760.1	760.2	4.0
Labour Force ('000)	17,248.5	17,219.9	17,404.3	155.8	488.8	481.7	489.1	0.3
Employment ('000)	16,008.0	15,996.5	16,229.3	221.3	445.1	438.9	448.8	3.7
Unemployed ('000)	1,240.5	1,223.5	1,175.0	(65.5)	43.7	42.8	40.2	(3.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	7.1	6.8	(0.4)	8.9	8.9	8.2	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	68.0	67.0	67.6	(0.4)	64.6	63.4	64.3	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	63.1	62.2	63.0	(0.1)	58.9	57.7	59.0	0.1

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.7	99.1	99.1	0.4	117.3	116.6	116.5	(0.8)
Labour Force ('000)	62.0	60.9	60.9	(1.1)	65.1	62.1	65.7	0.6
Employment ('000)	55.8	56.1	56.2	0.4	56.2	53.3	57.1	0.9
Unemployed ('000)	6.3	4.9	4.7	(1.6)	8.9	8.8	8.6	(0.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.2	8.0	7.7	(2.5)	13.7	14.2	13.1	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	62.8	61.5	61.5	(1.3)	55.5	53.3	56.4	0.9
Employment Rate (%)	56.5	56.6	56.7	0.2	47.9	45.7	49.0	1.1

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	306.9	311.0	311.3	4.4	305.2	309.2	309.6	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	218.0	218.1	219.5	1.5	211.2	217.3	217.5	6.3
Employment ('000)	204.2	204.7	206.2	2.0	198.3	205.1	203.9	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	13.7	13.3	13.3	(0.4)	12.9	12.2	13.6	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	6.1	6.1	(0.2)	6.1	5.6	6.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	71.0	70.1	70.5	(0.5)	69.2	70.3	70.3	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	66.5	65.8	66.2	(0.3)	65.0	66.3	65.9	0.9

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.3	130.3	130.2	(0.1)	103.0	103.1	103.1	0.1
Labour Force ('000)	80.8	80.5	82.1	1.3	62.8	60.1	60.8	(2.0)
Employment ('000)	72.7	71.6	74.9	2.2	56.2	53.2	54.4	(1.8)
Unemployed ('000)	8.1	8.9	7.3	(0.8)	6.7	6.9	6.5	(0.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.0	11.1	8.9	(1.1)	10.7	11.5	10.7	-
Participation Rate (%)	62.0	61.8	63.1	1.1	61.0	58.3	59.0	(2.0)
Employment Rate (%)	55.8	55.0	57.5	1.7	54.6	51.6	52.8	(1.8)

Employment Situation - June 2005
Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Canada	15,956.9	16,153.1	16,167.3	210.4	13,018.6	13,161.2	13,213.4	194.8	2,938.2	2,991.9	2,953.9	15.7
Newfoundland and Labrador	216.2	211.8	215.6	(0.6)	181.0	182.1	186.9	5.9	35.2	29.7	28.7	(6.5)
Prince Edward Island	65.2	67.5	67.1	1.9	55.1	55.6	55.3	0.2	10.1	11.9	11.9	1.8
Nova Scotia	444.4	448.1	443.2	(1.2)	360.6	360.6	355.1	(5.5)	83.8	87.5	88.1	4.3
New Brunswick	349.7	354.6	348.4	(1.3)	293.5	295.1	289.9	(3.6)	56.2	59.5	58.5	2.3
Quebec	3,671.7	3,677.6	3,703.4	31.7	2,992.6	3,013.9	3,064.1	71.5	679.1	663.8	639.3	(39.8)
Ontario	6,325.1	6,409.7	6,416.6	91.5	5,207.9	5,231.6	5,246.2	38.3	1,117.2	1,178.1	1,170.4	53.2
Manitoba	575.6	578.6	578.3	2.7	463.9	461.3	466.9	3.0	111.8	117.3	111.3	(0.5)
Saskatchewan	479.2	484.9	485.6	6.4	384.4	390.8	392.5	8.1	94.8	94.1	93.1	(1.7)
Alberta	1,758.6	1,788.3	1,782.9	24.3	1,437.1	1,466.5	1,485.1	48.0	321.5	321.8	297.8	(23.7)
British Columbia	2,071.1	2,132.0	2,126.2	55.1	1,642.8	1,704.1	1,672.2	29.4	428.3	427.8	454.0	25.7

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Canada	16,300.3	16,289.7	16,499.3	199.0	13,452.4	13,320.0	13,642.8	190.4	2,848.0	2,969.8	2,856.5	8.5
Newfoundland and Labrador	233.5	214.8	233.1	(0.4)	197.3	183.8	203.5	6.2	36.2	30.9	29.6	(6.6)
Prince Edward Island	71.6	70.4	73.3	1.7	61.6	58.2	61.4	(0.2)	10.0	12.2	11.9	1.9
Nova Scotia	459.2	454.4	457.7	(1.5)	378.7	369.3	372.3	(6.4)	80.5	85.1	85.4	4.9
New Brunswick	366.7	359.0	363.5	(3.2)	312.9	298.9	307.6	(5.3)	53.8	60.1	55.9	2.1
Quebec	3,773.1	3,707.7	3,801.6	28.5	3,127.2	3,044.7	3,199.9	72.7	645.8	663.0	601.8	(44.0)
Ontario	6,420.4	6,459.9	6,508.0	87.6	5,331.5	5,291.7	5,367.3	35.8	1,088.9	1,168.2	1,140.7	51.8
Manitoba	586.2	586.9	588.7	2.5	477.6	469.1	481.0	3.4	108.6	117.8	107.7	(0.9)
Saskatchewan	491.9	494.2	497.7	5.8	398.8	401.5	405.4	6.6	93.0	92.7	92.3	(0.7)
Alberta	1,792.4	1,801.8	1,816.6	24.2	1,474.8	1,485.9	1,524.3	49.5	317.7	315.9	292.3	(25.4)
British Columbia	2,105.4	2,140.8	2,159.0	53.6	1,691.9	1,716.8	1,720.0	28.1	413.5	424.0	439.0	25.5

Employment Situation - June 2005
Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,856.3	2,821.2	2,819.0	(37.3)	2,481.6	2,467.5	2,458.7	(22.9)	13.1	12.5	12.8	(0.3)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.5	38.0	37.6	(1.9)	30.7	30.3	29.7	(1.0)	22.3	20.0	21.0	(1.3)
Prince Edward Island	12.4	13.3	13.9	1.5	10.0	10.9	11.0	1.0	19.4	18.0	21.6	2.2
Nova Scotia	83.6	82.1	83.6	-	70.5	71.9	69.0	(1.5)	15.8	12.4	17.5	1.7
New Brunswick	66.7	63.1	60.0	(6.7)	56.9	54.3	51.0	(5.9)	14.8	13.8	15.0	0.2
Quebec	632.2	610.0	614.5	(17.7)	548.6	534.3	535.6	(13.0)	13.2	12.4	12.8	(0.4)
Ontario	1,126.1	1,101.4	1,100.6	(25.5)	966.9	933.0	938.1	(28.8)	14.1	15.3	14.8	0.7
Manitoba	109.4	111.2	109.7	0.3	96.5	100.0	99.4	2.9	11.7	10.1	9.4	(2.3)
Saskatchewan	94.2	94.7	95.5	1.3	84.9	85.3	86.5	1.6	9.9	9.9	9.5	(0.4)
Alberta	329.4	339.0	328.4	(1.0)	304.5	319.2	303.9	(0.6)	7.6	5.8	7.5	(0.1)
British Columbia	362.7	368.4	375.2	12.5	312.1	328.2	334.7	22.6	13.9	10.9	10.8	(3.1)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
Canada	3,044.4	2,939.2	3,005.7	(38.7)	2,673.1	2,522.3	2,642.3	(30.8)	12.2	14.2	12.1	(0.1)
Newfoundland and Labrador	45.3	39.2	42.4	(2.9)	35.5	29.1	33.4	(2.1)	21.6	25.8	21.2	(0.4)
Prince Edward Island	14.0	14.1	15.4	1.4	12.2	11.5	13.1	0.9	12.9	18.4	14.9	2.0
Nova Scotia	88.7	85.2	88.5	(0.2)	76.8	73.0	74.8	(2.0)	13.4	14.3	15.5	2.1
New Brunswick	74.2	67.1	67.1	(7.1)	63.6	55.9	57.1	(6.5)	14.4	16.7	14.9	0.5
Quebec	689.1	620.0	667.1	(22.0)	603.3	538.2	586.7	(16.6)	12.5	13.2	12.1	(0.4)
Ontario	1,194.5	1,166.9	1,171.2	(23.3)	1,034.7	958.8	1,002.3	(32.4)	13.4	17.8	14.4	1.0
Manitoba	114.2	115.0	114.9	0.7	102.0	104.0	105.0	3.0	10.7	9.5	8.6	(2.1)
Saskatchewan	101.2	100.5	102.4	1.2	92.2	89.5	93.6	1.4	8.9	10.9	8.6	(0.3)
Alberta	349.4	349.9	347.2	(2.2)	327.0	325.1	325.4	(1.6)	6.4	7.1	6.3	(0.1)
British Columbia	373.7	381.4	389.5	15.8	325.9	337.1	350.8	24.9	12.8	11.6	9.9	(2.9)

Employment Situation - June 2005

CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change	Jun 2004	May 2005	Jun 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.6	9.5	10.3	0.7	61.2	60.6	59.4	(1.8)	67.6	66.9	66.2	(1.4)
Halifax	6.2	6.1	6.1	(0.1)	67.3	65.8	66.2	(1.1)	71.7	70.1	70.5	(1.2)
Saint John, New Brunswick	9.2	7.2	7.7	(1.5)	59.4	61.4	60.9	1.5	65.5	66.2	65.9	0.4
Saguenay	10.9	9.0	9.0	(1.9)	58.1	53.4	54.2	(3.9)	65.2	58.7	59.5	(5.7)
Québec	5.5	6.0	5.7	0.2	63.5	64.7	65.1	1.6	67.2	68.8	69.0	1.8
Trois-Rivières	10.7	10.4	9.6	(1.1)	54.6	59.1	60.9	6.3	61.0	65.9	67.5	6.5
Sherbrooke	5.9	7.8	7.4	1.5	62.7	61.0	61.7	(1.0)	66.7	66.1	66.6	(0.1)
Montréal	7.9	8.5	8.3	0.4	62.5	61.0	61.5	(1.0)	67.9	66.6	67.1	(0.8)
Ottawa-Gatineau	7.0	7.2	6.7	(0.3)	66.0	66.0	66.2	0.2	70.9	71.1	71.0	0.1
Sudbury	8.8	7.4	7.4	(1.4)	59.6	58.9	58.2	(1.4)	65.3	63.8	62.8	(2.5)
Oshawa	5.2	6.8	5.9	0.7	68.5	67.7	67.4	(1.1)	72.3	72.7	71.6	(0.7)
Toronto	7.4	7.5	7.5	0.1	65.2	64.1	64.8	(0.4)	70.4	69.3	70.1	(0.3)
Hamilton	7.0	5.6	5.5	(1.5)	65.0	61.7	63.3	(1.7)	69.9	65.4	67.0	(2.9)
St. Catharines - Niagara	8.2	7.6	6.7	(1.5)	56.7	58.4	59.6	2.9	61.8	63.3	63.8	2.0
London	5.3	7.3	6.8	1.5	65.8	65.3	65.9	0.1	69.5	70.4	70.7	1.2
Windsor	8.3	8.4	8.3	-	60.5	60.1	59.9	(0.6)	66.0	65.6	65.3	(0.7)
Kitchener	5.4	6.4	5.9	0.5	65.9	69.4	70.2	4.3	69.7	74.1	74.6	4.9
Thunder Bay	8.7	8.2	7.9	(0.8)	61.1	62.0	63.0	1.9	66.9	67.6	68.4	1.5
Winnipeg	5.4	5.1	4.8	(0.6)	67.5	65.5	66.0	(1.5)	71.3	69.0	69.3	(2.0)
Regina	4.7	4.5	4.5	(0.2)	69.8	68.4	68.7	(1.1)	73.2	71.7	71.9	(1.3)
Saskatoon	6.1	4.9	4.3	(1.8)	66.2	68.2	69.1	2.9	70.6	71.7	72.1	1.5
Calgary	4.9	3.4	3.2	(1.7)	71.9	71.2	72.2	0.3	75.7	73.7	74.6	(1.1)
Edmonton	4.3	4.6	4.7	0.4	69.3	66.9	67.4	(1.9)	72.5	70.1	70.7	(1.8)
Vancouver	7.1	6.0	5.9	(1.2)	63.2	63.4	63.6	0.4	68.1	67.5	67.6	(0.5)
Victoria	5.2	4.0	3.5	(1.7)	60.7	62.2	63.0	2.3	64.0	64.8	65.2	1.2

Employment Situation

JULY 2005



About the Employment Situation Report

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

<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. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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

Release Dates - 2005:

Data for:	Release date:
January 2005	February 4, 2005
February 2005	March 11, 2005
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April 2005	May 6, 2005
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June 2005	July 8, 2005
July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

Employment Situation - July 2005 Canada/Provinces

Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	25,461.1	25,786.5	25,819.8	358.7	25,461.1	25,786.5	25,819.8	358.7
Labour Force ('000)	17,618.0	17,606.5	17,758.8	140.8	17,195.7	17,329.4	17,346.8	151.1
Employment ('000)	16,342.7	16,499.3	16,528.7	186.0	15,979.7	16,167.3	16,173.2	193.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,275.3	1,107.1	1,230.2	(45.1)	1,215.9	1,162.1	1,173.5	(42.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	6.3	6.9	(0.3)	7.1	6.7	6.8	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	69.2	68.3	68.8	(0.4)	67.5	67.2	67.2	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	64.2	64.0	64.0	(0.2)	62.8	62.7	62.6	(0.2)

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	757.2	760.4	760.5	3.3	757.2	760.4	760.5	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	504.6	496.0	496.2	(8.4)	486.5	485.0	479.3	(7.2)
Employment ('000)	462.9	457.7	458.3	(4.6)	445.8	443.2	441.4	(4.4)
Unemployed ('000)	41.7	38.3	37.9	(3.8)	40.7	41.8	37.8	(2.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.3	7.7	7.6	(0.7)	8.4	8.6	7.9	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	66.6	65.2	65.2	(1.4)	64.2	63.8	63.0	(1.2)
Employment Rate (%)	61.1	60.2	60.3	(0.8)	58.9	58.3	58.0	(0.9)

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	429.4	429.5	429.4	-	429.4	429.5	429.4	-
Labour Force ('000)	280.4	266.4	275.8	(4.6)	256.7	250.5	254.1	(2.6)
Employment ('000)	245.6	233.1	242.5	(3.1)	219.6	215.6	217.6	(2.0)
Unemployed ('000)	34.8	33.3	33.4	(1.4)	37.1	34.9	36.5	(0.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	12.4	12.5	12.1	(0.3)	14.5	13.9	14.4	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	65.3	62.0	64.2	(1.1)	59.8	58.3	59.2	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	57.2	54.3	56.5	(0.7)	51.1	50.2	50.7	(0.4)

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	111.0	111.5	111.7	0.7	111.0	111.5	111.7	0.7
Labour Force ('000)	79.7	79.5	81.3	1.6	75.1	76.2	76.4	1.3
Employment ('000)	72.4	73.3	73.9	1.5	66.5	67.1	67.9	1.4
Unemployed ('000)	7.3	6.2	7.4	0.1	8.5	9.1	8.4	(0.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.2	7.8	9.1	(0.1)	11.3	11.9	11.0	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	71.8	71.3	72.8	1.0	67.7	68.3	68.4	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	65.2	65.7	66.2	1.0	59.9	60.2	60.8	0.9

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 - July 2005 Canada/Provinces

New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	607.8	610.1	610.3	2.5	607.8	610.1	610.3	2.5
Labour Force ('000)	408.0	399.5	405.7	(2.3)	389.8	386.0	386.9	(2.9)
Employment ('000)	369.9	363.5	368.1	(1.8)	351.1	348.4	349.5	(1.6)
Unemployed ('000)	38.1	36.0	37.6	(0.5)	38.7	37.6	37.4	(1.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.3	9.0	9.3	-	9.9	9.7	9.7	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	67.1	65.5	66.5	(0.6)	64.1	63.3	63.4	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	60.9	59.6	60.3	(0.6)	57.8	57.1	57.3	(0.5)

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	6,115.0	6,178.7	6,184.7	69.7	6,115.0	6,178.7	6,184.7	69.7
Labour Force ('000)	4,133.2	4,103.5	4,171.5	38.3	4,022.0	4,024.5	4,057.4	35.4
Employment ('000)	3,803.6	3,801.6	3,837.0	33.4	3,685.9	3,703.4	3,718.7	32.8
Unemployed ('000)	329.6	301.9	334.5	4.9	336.2	321.2	338.8	2.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	7.4	8.0	-	8.4	8.0	8.4	-
Participation Rate (%)	67.6	66.4	67.4	(0.2)	65.8	65.1	65.6	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	62.2	61.5	62.0	(0.2)	60.3	59.9	60.1	(0.2)

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	9,912.0	10,062.4	10,078.6	166.6	9,912.0	10,062.4	10,078.6	166.6
Labour Force ('000)	6,946.2	6,962.3	6,997.4	51.2	6,790.9	6,879.7	6,852.4	61.5
Employment ('000)	6,436.0	6,508.0	6,486.3	50.3	6,337.2	6,416.6	6,397.5	60.3
Unemployed ('000)	510.2	454.3	511.1	0.9	453.6	463.1	455.0	1.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.3	6.5	7.3	-	6.7	6.7	6.6	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	70.1	69.2	69.4	(0.7)	68.5	68.4	68.0	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	64.9	64.7	64.4	(0.5)	63.9	63.8	63.5	(0.4)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	882.2	888.8	889.3	7.1	882.2	888.8	889.3	7.1
Labour Force ('000)	613.7	615.1	617.4	3.7	606.7	607.6	609.9	3.2
Employment ('000)	578.9	588.7	588.6	9.7	572.9	578.3	581.3	8.4
Unemployed ('000)	34.8	26.4	28.7	(6.1)	33.8	29.4	28.6	(5.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.7	4.3	4.6	(1.1)	5.6	4.8	4.7	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	69.6	69.2	69.4	(0.2)	68.8	68.4	68.6	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	65.6	66.2	66.2	0.6	64.9	65.1	65.4	0.5

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
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	746.1	748.5	748.7	2.6	746.1	748.5	748.7	2.6
Labour Force ('000)	517.9	519.4	522.1	4.2	504.1	510.2	508.7	4.6
Employment ('000)	490.1	497.7	496.8	6.7	477.8	485.6	484.9	7.1
Unemployed ('000)	27.8	21.7	25.4	(2.4)	26.2	24.5	23.7	(2.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	4.2	4.9	(0.5)	5.2	4.8	4.7	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	69.4	69.4	69.7	0.3	67.6	68.2	67.9	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	65.7	66.5	66.4	0.7	64.0	64.9	64.8	0.8

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	2,508.0	2,552.1	2,556.8	48.8	2,508.0	2,552.1	2,556.8	48.8
Labour Force ('000)	1,867.9	1,881.4	1,886.5	18.6	1,837.7	1,852.9	1,856.1	18.4
Employment ('000)	1,779.6	1,816.6	1,817.2	37.6	1,752.6	1,782.9	1,789.2	36.6
Unemployed ('000)	88.4	64.7	69.4	(19.0)	85.2	70.0	66.9	(18.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.7	3.4	3.7	(1.0)	4.6	3.8	3.6	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	74.5	73.7	73.8	(0.7)	73.3	72.6	72.6	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	71.0	71.2	71.1	0.1	69.9	69.9	70.0	0.1

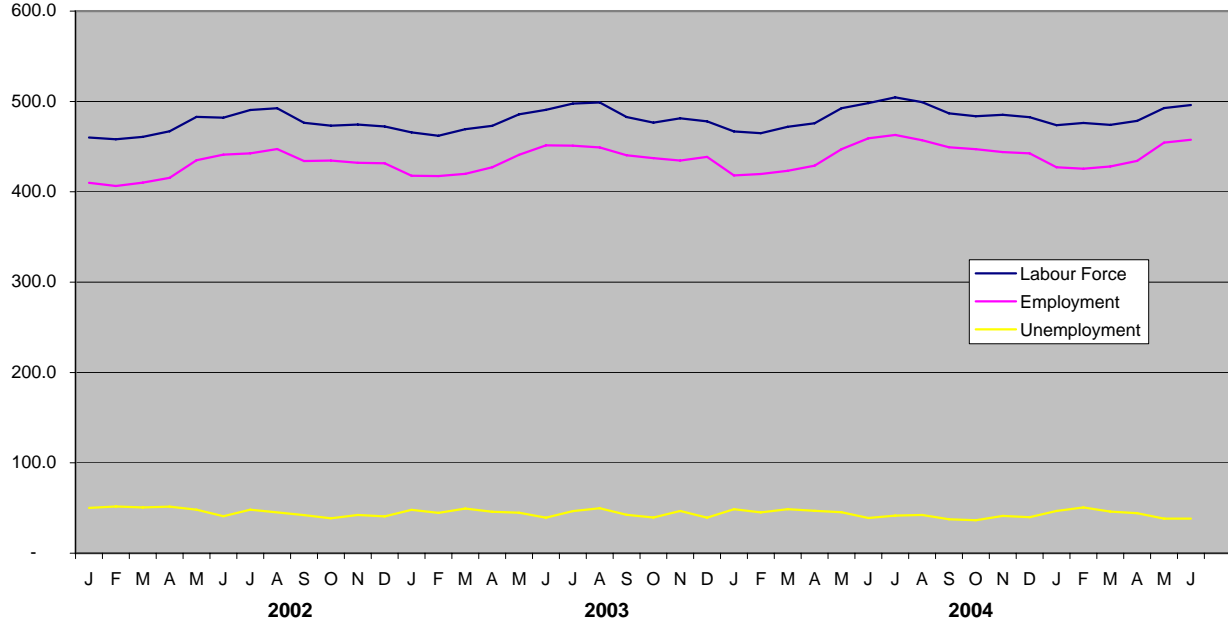
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	3,392.5	3,444.5	3,449.8	57.3	3,392.5	3,444.5	3,449.8	57.3
Labour Force ('000)	2,266.4	2,283.4	2,304.9	38.5	2,226.3	2,256.7	2,265.6	39.3
Employment ('000)	2,103.7	2,159.0	2,160.1	56.4	2,070.3	2,126.2	2,125.2	54.9
Unemployed ('000)	162.7	124.3	144.8	(17.9)	156.0	130.5	140.4	(15.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	5.4	6.3	(0.9)	7.0	5.8	6.2	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	66.8	66.3	66.8	-	65.6	65.5	65.7	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	62.0	62.7	62.6	0.6	61.0	61.7	61.6	0.6

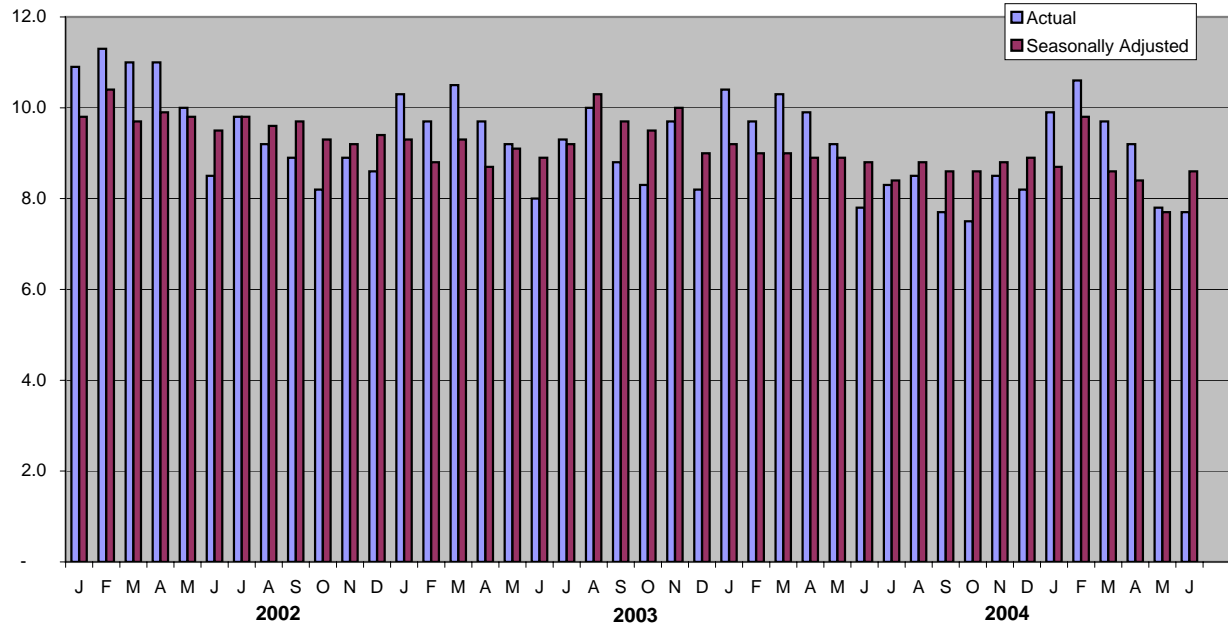
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	25,413.0	25,752.0	25,787.0	374.0	756.6	760.2	760.4	3.8
Labour Force ('000)	17,468.4	17,404.3	17,624.0	155.6	498.4	489.1	495.0	(3.4)
Employment ('000)	16,227.4	16,229.3	16,439.2	211.8	456.4	448.8	456.8	0.4
Unemployed ('000)	1,241.0	1,175.0	1,184.8	(56.2)	42.0	40.2	38.2	(3.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	6.8	6.7	(0.4)	8.4	8.2	7.7	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	68.7	67.6	68.3	(0.4)	65.9	64.3	65.1	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	63.9	63.0	63.7	(0.2)	60.3	59.0	60.1	(0.2)

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	98.8	99.1	99.1	0.3	117.2	116.5	116.4	(0.8)
Labour Force ('000)	64.1	60.9	61.6	(2.5)	66.8	65.7	68.2	1.4
Employment ('000)	58.4	56.2	56.9	(1.5)	57.5	57.1	60.3	2.8
Unemployed ('000)	5.6	4.7	4.7	(0.9)	9.3	8.6	7.9	(1.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	7.7	7.6	(1.1)	13.9	13.1	11.6	(2.3)
Participation Rate (%)	64.9	61.5	62.2	(2.7)	57.0	56.4	58.6	1.6
Employment Rate (%)	59.1	56.7	57.4	(1.7)	49.1	49.0	51.8	2.7

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jan 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	
Population ('000)	307.3	311.3	311.6	4.3	305.2	309.2	309.6	4.4
Labour Force ('000)	220.2	219.5	220.2	-	211.2	217.3	217.5	6.3
Employment ('000)	207.2	206.2	207.2	-	198.3	205.1	203.9	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	13.0	13.3	13.0	-	12.9	12.2	13.6	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	6.1	5.9	-	6.1	5.6	6.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	71.7	70.5	70.7	(1.0)	69.2	70.3	70.3	1.1
Employment Rate (%)	67.4	66.2	66.5	(0.9)	65.0	66.3	65.9	0.9

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			Annual Change
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	
Population ('000)	130.3	130.2	130.2	(0.1)	103.0	103.1	103.0	-
Labour Force ('000)	82.5	82.1	82.6	0.1	64.9	60.8	62.3	(2.6)
Employment ('000)	74.9	74.9	76.6	1.7	58.4	54.4	55.8	(2.6)
Unemployed ('000)	7.6	7.3	6.0	(1.6)	6.5	6.5	6.5	-
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.2	8.9	7.3	(1.9)	10.0	10.7	10.4	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	63.3	63.1	63.4	0.1	63.0	59.0	60.5	(2.5)
Employment Rate (%)	57.5	57.5	58.8	1.3	56.7	52.8	54.2	(2.5)

Employment Situation - July 2005
Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
Canada	15,979.7	16,167.3	16,173.2	193.5	12,995.3	13,213.4	13,210.9	215.6	2,984.4	2,953.9	2,962.4	(22.0)
Newfoundland and Labrador	219.6	215.6	217.6	(2.0)	186.7	186.9	183.6	(3.1)	32.9	28.7	34.0	1.1
Prince Edward Island	66.5	67.1	67.9	1.4	55.0	55.3	55.9	0.9	11.5	11.9	12.1	0.6
Nova Scotia	445.8	443.2	441.4	(4.4)	360.4	355.1	357.3	(3.1)	85.4	88.1	84.1	(1.3)
New Brunswick	351.1	348.4	349.5	(1.6)	295.2	289.9	293.2	(2.0)	55.9	58.5	56.3	0.4
Quebec	3,685.9	3,703.4	3,718.7	32.8	3,008.5	3,064.1	3,014.4	5.9	677.3	639.3	704.3	27.0
Ontario	6,337.2	6,416.6	6,397.5	60.3	5,177.4	5,246.2	5,261.9	84.5	1,159.9	1,170.4	1,135.6	(24.3)
Manitoba	572.9	578.3	581.3	8.4	459.6	466.9	465.7	6.1	113.2	111.3	115.7	2.5
Saskatchewan	477.8	485.6	484.9	7.1	381.7	392.5	392.3	10.6	96.1	93.1	92.6	(3.5)
Alberta	1,752.6	1,782.9	1,789.2	36.6	1,444.7	1,485.1	1,490.7	46.0	307.8	297.8	298.4	(9.4)
British Columbia	2,070.3	2,126.2	2,125.2	54.9	1,625.9	1,672.2	1,695.9	70.0	444.4	454.0	429.3	(15.1)

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
Canada	16,342.7	16,499.3	16,528.7	186.0	13,679.8	13,642.8	13,886.0	206.2	2,663.0	2,856.5	2,642.7	(20.3)
Newfoundland and Labrador	245.6	233.1	242.5	(3.1)	214.9	203.5	210.6	(4.3)	30.7	29.6	31.8	1.1
Prince Edward Island	72.4	73.3	73.9	1.5	62.9	61.4	63.6	0.7	9.5	11.9	10.4	0.9
Nova Scotia	462.9	457.7	458.3	(4.6)	387.2	372.3	383.9	(3.3)	75.7	85.4	74.4	(1.3)
New Brunswick	369.9	363.5	368.1	(1.8)	321.2	307.6	319.0	(2.2)	48.8	55.9	49.0	0.2
Quebec	3,803.6	3,801.6	3,837.0	33.4	3,240.4	3,199.9	3,237.8	(2.6)	563.2	601.8	599.2	36.0
Ontario	6,436.0	6,508.0	6,486.3	50.3	5,377.1	5,367.3	5,455.1	78.0	1,058.9	1,140.7	1,031.2	(27.7)
Manitoba	578.9	588.7	588.6	9.7	482.9	481.0	488.1	5.2	96.0	107.7	100.5	4.5
Saskatchewan	490.1	497.7	496.8	6.7	403.3	405.4	412.2	8.9	86.8	92.3	84.5	(2.3)
Alberta	1,779.6	1,816.6	1,817.2	37.6	1,505.8	1,524.3	1,557.9	52.1	273.7	292.3	259.2	(14.5)
British Columbia	2,103.7	2,159.0	2,160.1	56.4	1,684.2	1,720.0	1,757.7	73.5	419.6	439.0	402.3	(17.3)

Employment Situation - July 2005
Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,851.4	2,819.0	2,824.2	(27.2)	2,474.2	2,458.7	2,461.3	(12.9)	13.2	12.8	12.8	(0.4)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.1	37.6	36.0	(3.1)	31.2	29.7	28.3	(2.9)	20.2	21.0	21.4	1.2
Prince Edward Island	13.5	13.9	14.1	0.6	10.4	11.0	11.5	1.1	23.7	21.6	18.4	(5.3)
Nova Scotia	83.0	83.6	78.5	(4.5)	71.4	69.0	68.2	(3.2)	14.0	17.5	13.1	(0.9)
New Brunswick	63.5	60.0	64.1	0.6	55.1	51.0	53.3	(1.8)	13.2	15.0	16.8	3.6
Quebec	641.4	614.5	628.1	(13.3)	549.9	535.6	533.4	(16.5)	14.3	12.8	15.1	0.8
Ontario	1,115.1	1,100.6	1,085.3	(29.8)	958.6	938.1	928.9	(29.7)	14.0	14.8	14.4	0.4
Manitoba	108.6	109.7	111.6	3.0	95.8	99.4	101.0	5.2	11.8	9.4	9.5	(2.3)
Saskatchewan	95.3	95.5	94.6	(0.7)	86.0	86.5	86.0	-	9.8	9.5	9.1	(0.7)
Alberta	332.9	328.4	335.3	2.4	305.4	303.9	314.2	8.8	8.3	7.5	6.3	(2.0)
British Columbia	358.9	375.2	376.7	17.8	310.4	334.7	336.5	26.1	13.5	10.8	10.7	(2.8)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
Canada	3,318.0	3,005.7	3,283.6	(34.4)	2,857.8	2,642.3	2,839.0	(18.8)	13.9	12.1	13.5	(0.4)
Newfoundland and Labrador	55.7	42.4	50.3	(5.4)	45.7	33.4	40.8	(4.9)	18.0	21.2	18.9	0.9
Prince Edward Island	17.0	15.4	18.1	1.1	14.3	13.1	15.5	1.2	15.9	14.9	13.8	(2.1)
Nova Scotia	101.2	88.5	96.2	(5.0)	86.3	74.8	83.2	(3.1)	14.7	15.5	13.5	(1.2)
New Brunswick	78.8	67.1	79.9	1.1	69.8	57.1	68.0	(1.8)	11.5	14.9	15.0	3.5
Quebec	757.8	667.1	744.5	(13.3)	652.5	586.7	634.7	(17.8)	13.9	12.1	14.7	0.8
Ontario	1,304.6	1,171.2	1,267.3	(37.3)	1,102.1	1,002.3	1,064.8	(37.3)	15.5	14.4	16.0	0.5
Manitoba	120.3	114.9	123.8	3.5	107.0	105.0	112.8	5.8	11.1	8.6	8.9	(2.2)
Saskatchewan	110.9	102.4	109.8	(1.1)	98.8	93.6	98.7	(0.1)	10.9	8.6	10.1	(0.8)
Alberta	369.5	347.2	372.6	3.1	339.4	325.4	350.1	10.7	8.2	6.3	6.0	(2.2)
British Columbia	402.2	389.5	421.0	18.8	342.0	350.8	370.3	28.3	15.0	9.9	12.0	(3.0)

Employment Situation - July 2005

CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.6	10.3	9.9	0.3	61.8	59.4	60.2	(1.6)	68.5	66.2	66.8	(1.7)
Halifax	5.7	6.1	5.9	0.2	68.2	66.2	66.5	(1.7)	72.3	70.5	70.7	(1.6)
Saint John, New Brunswick	9.3	7.7	7.8	(1.5)	60.7	60.9	60.0	(0.7)	67.0	65.9	65.1	(1.9)
Saguenay	9.4	9.0	9.6	0.2	59.4	54.2	55.1	(4.3)	65.5	59.5	61.0	(4.5)
Québec	4.7	5.7	6.2	1.5	64.3	65.1	65.0	0.7	67.5	69.0	69.3	1.8
Trois-Rivières	10.6	9.6	8.4	(2.2)	54.8	60.9	62.1	7.3	61.3	67.5	67.7	6.4
Sherbrooke	6.0	7.4	6.8	0.8	64.1	61.7	62.2	(1.9)	68.2	66.6	66.7	(1.5)
Montréal	8.1	8.3	8.4	0.3	62.7	61.5	62.3	(0.4)	68.2	67.1	68.0	(0.2)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.8	6.7	7.0	0.2	67.0	66.2	66.2	(0.8)	71.9	71.0	71.2	(0.7)
Sudbury	8.5	7.4	5.7	(2.8)	59.9	58.2	67.8	7.9	65.4	62.8	71.8	6.4
Oshawa	4.9	5.9	7.4	2.5	68.0	67.4	65.7	(2.3)	71.5	71.6	70.9	(0.6)
Toronto	7.9	7.5	6.6	(1.3)	65.5	64.8	62.2	(3.3)	71.2	70.1	66.6	(4.6)
Hamilton	6.6	5.5	8.2	1.6	66.5	63.3	57.3	(9.2)	71.2	67.0	62.3	(8.9)
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.9	6.7	6.0	(1.9)	57.9	59.6	66.6	8.7	62.8	63.8	70.8	8.0
London	5.3	6.8	7.9	2.6	67.6	65.9	65.4	(2.2)	71.4	70.7	71.1	(0.3)
Windsor	9.1	8.3	5.2	(3.9)	60.2	59.9	63.6	3.4	66.2	65.3	67.1	0.9
Kitchener	5.7	5.9	6.5	0.8	67.0	70.2	60.5	(6.5)	71.1	74.6	64.7	(6.4)
Thunder Bay	8.8	7.9	6.8	(2.0)	61.3	63.0	66.4	5.1	67.2	68.4	71.3	4.1
Winnipeg	5.6	4.8	8.8	3.2	67.5	66.0	59.7	(7.8)	71.5	69.3	65.4	(6.1)
Regina	4.6	4.5	6.1	1.5	70.0	68.7	69.8	(0.2)	73.3	71.9	74.3	1.0
Saskatoon	6.2	4.3	7.6	1.4	67.3	69.1	62.9	(4.4)	71.7	72.1	68.1	(3.6)
Calgary	4.9	3.2	5.0	0.1	72.4	72.2	66.4	(6.0)	76.1	74.6	69.9	(6.2)
Edmonton	4.5	4.7	4.7	0.2	69.6	67.4	69.2	(0.4)	72.8	70.7	72.6	(0.2)
Vancouver	7.0	5.9	4.0	(3.0)	63.7	63.6	70.0	6.3	68.5	67.6	73.0	4.5
Victoria	5.7	3.5	3.1	(2.6)	60.9	63.0	72.6	11.7	64.5	65.2	74.9	10.4

Employment Situation

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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:

<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. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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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January 2005	February 4, 2005
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July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

Employment Situation - August 2005 Canada/Provinces

Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	25,492.3	25,819.8	25,858.8	366.5	25,492.3	25,819.8	25,858.8	366.5
Labour Force ('000)	17,574.1	17,758.8	17,774.6	200.5	17,193.9	17,346.8	17,377.6	183.7
Employment ('000)	16,268.3	16,528.7	16,507.3	239.0	15,967.1	16,173.2	16,200.7	233.6
Unemployed ('000)	1,305.8	1,230.2	1,267.3	(38.5)	1,226.8	1,173.5	1,176.9	(49.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	6.9	7.1	(0.3)	7.1	6.8	6.8	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	68.9	68.8	68.7	(0.2)	67.4	67.2	67.2	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	63.8	64.0	63.8	-	62.6	62.6	62.7	0.1

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	757.7	760.5	761.2	3.5	757.7	760.5	761.2	3.5
Labour Force ('000)	499.3	496.2	496.4	(2.9)	484.8	479.3	481.0	(3.8)
Employment ('000)	457.1	458.3	462.0	4.9	441.9	441.4	446.3	4.4
Unemployed ('000)	42.3	37.9	34.4	(7.9)	42.9	37.8	34.8	(8.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.5	7.6	6.9	(1.6)	8.8	7.9	7.2	(1.6)
Participation Rate (%)	65.9	65.2	65.2	(0.7)	64.0	63.0	63.2	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	60.3	60.3	60.7	0.4	58.3	58.0	58.6	0.3

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	429.8	429.4	429.3	(0.5)	429.8	429.4	429.3	(0.5)
Labour Force ('000)	269.1	275.8	267.5	(1.6)	254.7	254.1	254.6	(0.1)
Employment ('000)	231.3	242.5	226.8	(4.5)	214.6	217.6	212.2	(2.4)
Unemployed ('000)	37.8	33.4	40.7	2.9	40.0	36.5	42.4	2.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.0	12.1	15.2	1.2	15.7	14.4	16.7	1.0
Participation Rate (%)	62.6	64.2	62.3	(0.3)	59.3	59.2	59.3	-
Employment Rate (%)	53.8	56.5	52.8	(1.0)	49.9	50.7	49.4	(0.5)

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	111.1	111.7	111.7	0.6	111.1	111.7	111.7	0.6
Labour Force ('000)	79.7	81.3	80.8	1.1	75.0	76.4	76.2	1.2
Employment ('000)	73.0	73.9	73.8	0.8	66.7	67.9	67.6	0.9
Unemployed ('000)	6.7	7.4	7.0	0.3	8.3	8.4	8.6	0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.4	9.1	8.7	0.3	11.1	11.0	11.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	71.7	72.8	72.3	0.6	67.5	68.4	68.2	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	65.7	66.2	66.1	0.4	60.0	60.8	60.5	0.5

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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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	607.9	610.3	610.7	2.8	607.9	610.3	610.7	2.8
Labour Force ('000)	409.8	405.7	404.9	(4.9)	391.7	386.9	386.2	(5.5)
Employment ('000)	371.3	368.1	367.6	(3.7)	352.2	349.5	349.1	(3.1)
Unemployed ('000)	38.5	37.6	37.3	(1.2)	39.5	37.4	37.1	(2.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.4	9.3	9.2	(0.2)	10.1	9.7	9.6	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	67.4	66.5	66.3	(1.1)	64.4	63.4	63.2	(1.2)
Employment Rate (%)	61.1	60.3	60.2	(0.9)	57.9	57.3	57.2	(0.7)

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	6,121.9	6,184.7	6,191.6	69.7	6,121.9	6,184.7	6,191.6	69.7
Labour Force ('000)	4,082.4	4,171.5	4,156.1	73.7	4,012.6	4,057.4	4,076.0	63.4
Employment ('000)	3,760.5	3,837.0	3,810.2	49.7	3,689.9	3,718.7	3,735.6	45.7
Unemployed ('000)	321.9	334.5	345.9	24.0	322.7	338.8	340.4	17.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	8.0	8.3	0.4	8.0	8.4	8.4	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	66.7	67.4	67.1	0.4	65.5	65.6	65.8	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	61.4	62.0	61.5	0.1	60.3	60.1	60.3	-

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	9,925.3	10,078.6	10,097.6	172.3	9,925.3	10,078.6	10,097.6	172.3
Labour Force ('000)	6,936.1	6,997.4	7,023.7	87.6	6,781.9	6,852.4	6,861.8	79.9
Employment ('000)	6,418.1	6,486.3	6,510.0	91.9	6,318.8	6,397.5	6,407.1	88.3
Unemployed ('000)	518.0	511.1	513.8	(4.2)	463.0	455.0	454.8	(8.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	7.3	7.3	(0.2)	6.8	6.6	6.6	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	69.9	69.4	69.6	(0.3)	68.3	68.0	68.0	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	64.7	64.4	64.5	(0.2)	63.7	63.5	63.5	(0.2)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	882.6	889.3	889.7	7.1	882.6	889.3	889.7	7.1
Labour Force ('000)	621.5	617.4	620.4	(1.1)	610.5	609.9	608.7	(1.8)
Employment ('000)	582.0	588.6	587.0	5.0	575.9	581.3	580.4	4.5
Unemployed ('000)	39.5	28.7	33.5	(6.0)	34.7	28.6	28.3	(6.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.4	4.6	5.4	(1.0)	5.7	4.7	4.6	(1.1)
Participation Rate (%)	70.4	69.4	69.7	(0.7)	69.2	68.6	68.4	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	65.9	66.2	66.0	0.1	65.3	65.4	65.2	(0.1)

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Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	746.3	748.7	748.8	2.5	746.3	748.7	748.8	2.5
Labour Force ('000)	517.9	522.1	521.7	3.8	503.9	508.7	508.5	4.6
Employment ('000)	489.7	496.8	492.2	2.5	477.9	484.9	482.2	4.3
Unemployed ('000)	28.3	25.4	29.5	1.2	25.9	23.7	26.3	0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	4.9	5.7	0.2	5.1	4.7	5.2	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	69.4	69.7	69.7	0.3	67.5	67.9	67.9	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	65.6	66.4	65.7	0.1	64.0	64.8	64.4	0.4

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	2,512.3	2,556.8	2,562.2	49.9	2,512.3	2,556.8	2,562.2	49.9
Labour Force ('000)	1,882.0	1,886.5	1,891.6	9.6	1,851.3	1,856.1	1,859.6	8.3
Employment ('000)	1,792.2	1,817.2	1,811.9	19.7	1,767.1	1,789.2	1,787.2	20.1
Unemployed ('000)	89.8	69.4	79.8	(10.0)	84.2	66.9	72.5	(11.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	3.7	4.2	(0.6)	4.5	3.6	3.9	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	74.9	73.8	73.8	(1.1)	73.7	72.6	72.6	(1.1)
Employment Rate (%)	71.3	71.1	70.7	(0.6)	70.3	70.0	69.8	(0.5)

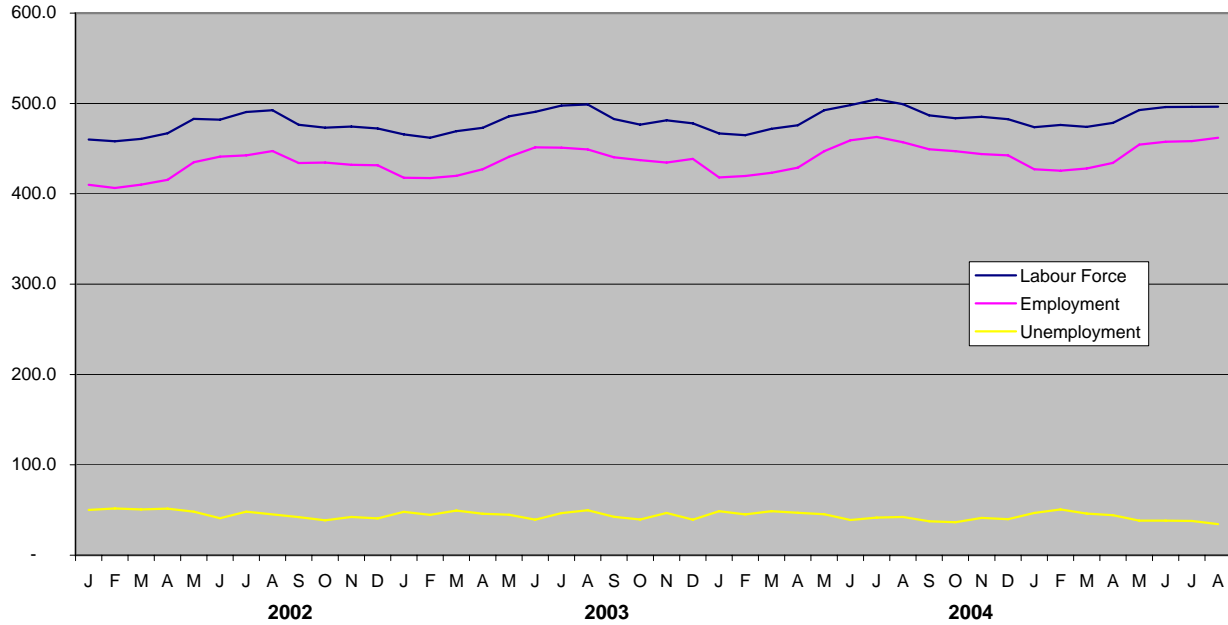
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	
Population ('000)	3,397.4	3,449.8	3,456.0	58.6	3,397.4	3,449.8	3,456.0	58.6
Labour Force ('000)	2,276.2	2,304.9	2,311.4	35.2	2,227.6	2,265.6	2,264.9	37.3
Employment ('000)	2,093.2	2,160.1	2,165.9	72.7	2,062.1	2,125.2	2,132.9	70.8
Unemployed ('000)	183.0	144.8	145.5	(37.5)	165.5	140.4	132.0	(33.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	6.3	6.3	(1.7)	7.4	6.2	5.8	(1.6)
Participation Rate (%)	67.0	66.8	66.9	(0.1)	65.6	65.7	65.5	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	61.6	62.6	62.7	1.1	60.7	61.6	61.7	1.0

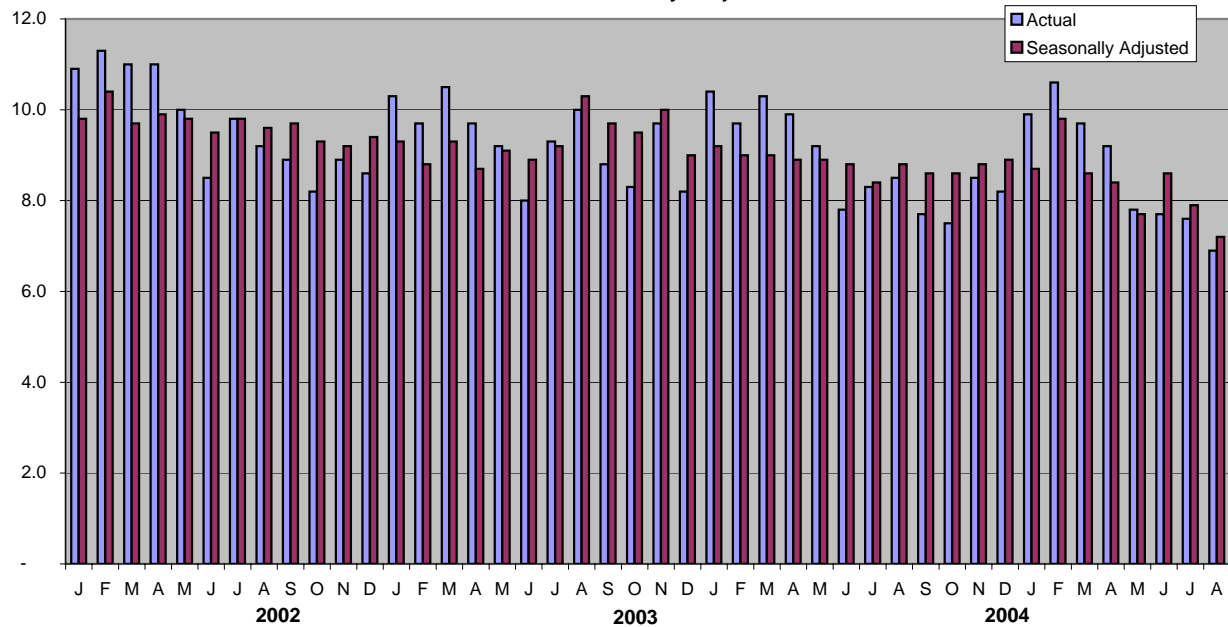
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,453.0	25,787.0	25,821.7	368.7	757.1	760.4	760.7	3.6
Labour Force ('000)	17,555.5	17,624.0	17,713.3	157.8	500.7	495.0	496.2	(4.5)
Employment ('000)	16,303.8	16,439.2	16,511.8	208.0	459.7	456.8	459.3	(0.4)
Unemployed ('000)	1,251.7	1,184.8	1,201.5	(50.2)	41.0	38.2	36.9	(4.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	6.7	6.8	(0.3)	8.2	7.7	7.4	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	69.0	68.3	68.6	(0.4)	66.1	65.1	65.2	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	64.1	63.7	63.9	(0.2)	60.7	60.1	60.4	(0.3)

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.8	99.1	99.1	0.3	117.2	116.4	116.3	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	65.7	61.6	61.8	(3.9)	66.1	68.2	69.0	2.9
Employment ('000)	60.2	56.9	57.3	(2.9)	56.3	60.3	60.4	4.1
Unemployed ('000)	5.5	4.7	4.5	(1.0)	9.8	7.9	8.6	(1.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.4	7.6	7.3	(1.1)	14.8	11.6	12.5	(2.3)
Participation Rate (%)	66.5	62.2	62.4	(4.1)	56.4	58.6	59.3	2.9
Employment Rate (%)	60.9	57.4	57.8	(3.1)	48.0	51.8	51.9	3.9

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	307.7	311.6	312.0	4.3	292.9	311.6	312.0	19.1
Labour Force ('000)	220.7	220.2	219.8	(0.9)	211.8	220.2	219.8	8.0
Employment ('000)	208.5	207.2	208.2	(0.3)	200.3	207.2	208.2	7.9
Unemployed ('000)	12.2	13.0	11.6	(0.6)	11.5	13.0	11.6	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.9	5.3	(0.2)	5.4	5.9	5.3	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	71.7	70.7	70.4	(1.3)	72.3	70.7	70.4	(1.9)
Employment Rate (%)	67.8	66.5	66.7	(1.1)	68.4	66.5	66.7	(1.7)

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.3	130.2	130.2	(0.1)	103.0	103.0	103.0	-
Labour Force ('000)	82.4	82.6	81.7	(0.7)	65.8	62.3	63.9	(1.9)
Employment ('000)	75.2	76.6	76.4	1.2	59.5	55.8	57.0	(2.5)
Unemployed ('000)	7.2	6.0	5.3	(1.9)	6.2	6.5	6.9	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	7.3	6.5	(2.2)	9.4	10.4	10.8	1.4
Participation Rate (%)	63.2	63.4	62.7	(0.5)	63.9	60.5	62.0	(1.9)
Employment Rate (%)	57.7	58.8	58.7	1.0	57.8	54.2	55.3	(2.5)

Employment Situation - August 2005 Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
Canada	15,967.1	16,173.2	16,200.7	233.6	13,004.2	13,210.9	13,246.4	242.2	2,962.9	2,962.4	2,954.3	(8.6)
Newfoundland and Labrador	214.6	217.6	212.2	(2.4)	184.3	183.6	182.4	(1.9)	30.3	34.0	29.9	(0.4)
Prince Edward Island	66.7	67.9	67.6	0.9	55.5	55.9	56.0	0.5	11.2	12.1	11.7	0.5
Nova Scotia	441.9	441.4	446.3	4.4	361.0	357.3	360.8	(0.2)	80.8	84.1	85.5	4.7
New Brunswick	352.2	349.5	349.1	(3.1)	293.6	293.2	291.9	(1.7)	58.6	56.3	57.2	(1.4)
Quebec	3,689.9	3,718.7	3,735.6	45.7	3,026.4	3,014.4	3,050.7	24.3	663.6	704.3	684.9	21.3
Ontario	6,318.8	6,397.5	6,407.1	88.3	5,165.7	5,261.9	5,282.4	116.7	1,153.1	1,135.6	1,124.6	(28.5)
Manitoba	575.9	581.3	580.4	4.5	468.0	465.7	466.3	(1.7)	107.8	115.7	114.1	6.3
Saskatchewan	477.9	484.9	482.2	4.3	382.8	392.3	390.0	7.2	95.1	92.6	92.2	(2.9)
Alberta	1,767.1	1,789.2	1,787.2	20.1	1,443.7	1,490.7	1,480.3	36.6	323.4	298.4	306.8	(16.6)
British Columbia	2,062.1	2,125.2	2,132.9	70.8	1,624.0	1,695.9	1,685.9	61.9	438.1	429.3	447.0	8.9

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
Canada	16,268.3	16,528.7	16,507.3	239.0	13,667.9	13,886.0	13,921.6	253.7	2,600.4	2,642.7	2,585.7	(14.7)
Newfoundland and Labrador	231.3	242.5	226.8	(4.5)	204.4	210.6	200.0	(4.4)	26.9	31.8	26.8	(0.1)
Prince Edward Island	73.0	73.9	73.8	0.8	64.3	63.6	64.6	0.3	8.8	10.4	9.2	0.4
Nova Scotia	457.1	458.3	462.0	4.9	388.0	383.9	389.2	1.2	69.0	74.4	72.9	3.9
New Brunswick	371.3	368.1	367.6	(3.7)	321.1	319.0	318.8	(2.3)	50.2	49.0	48.7	(1.5)
Quebec	3,760.5	3,837.0	3,810.2	49.7	3,202.9	3,237.8	3,234.4	31.5	557.6	599.2	575.7	18.1
Ontario	6,418.1	6,486.3	6,510.0	91.9	5,394.9	5,455.1	5,515.6	120.7	1,023.2	1,031.2	994.4	(28.8)
Manitoba	582.0	588.6	587.0	5.0	490.4	488.1	489.6	(0.8)	91.5	100.5	97.4	5.9
Saskatchewan	489.7	496.8	492.2	2.5	405.4	412.2	411.2	5.8	84.3	84.5	80.9	(3.4)
Alberta	1,792.2	1,817.2	1,811.9	19.7	1,511.4	1,557.9	1,549.2	37.8	280.8	259.2	262.7	(18.1)
British Columbia	2,093.2	2,160.1	2,165.9	72.7	1,685.0	1,757.7	1,749.0	64.0	408.2	402.3	416.9	8.7

Employment Situation - August 2005 Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,825.8	2,824.2	2,818.9	(6.9)	2,451.7	2,461.3	2,474.3	22.6	13.2	12.8	12.2	(1.0)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.0	36.0	36.3	(2.7)	30.4	28.3	27.3	(3.1)	22.1	21.4	24.8	2.7
Prince Edward Island	13.2	14.1	14.0	0.8	11.0	11.5	11.7	0.7	16.7	18.4	16.4	(0.3)
Nova Scotia	82.9	78.5	80.3	(2.6)	70.4	68.2	69.6	(0.8)	15.1	13.1	13.3	(1.8)
New Brunswick	63.1	64.1	62.6	(0.5)	54.0	53.3	54.1	0.1	14.4	16.8	13.6	(0.8)
Quebec	647.1	628.1	631.3	(15.8)	553.7	533.4	540.3	(13.4)	14.4	15.1	14.4	-
Ontario	1,093.7	1,085.3	1,085.7	(8.0)	941.3	928.9	942.6	1.3	13.9	14.4	13.2	(0.7)
Manitoba	110.3	111.6	111.2	0.9	97.1	101.0	100.8	3.7	12.1	9.5	9.4	(2.7)
Saskatchewan	94.0	94.6	93.7	(0.3)	84.5	86.0	83.8	(0.7)	10.1	9.1	10.6	0.5
Alberta	338.2	335.3	330.5	(7.7)	307.9	314.2	308.6	0.7	9.0	6.3	6.6	(2.4)
British Columbia	344.3	376.7	373.3	29.0	301.4	336.5	335.4	34.0	12.5	10.7	10.2	(2.3)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
Canada	3,172.6	3,283.6	3,165.1	(7.5)	2,775.2	2,839.0	2,802.3	27.1	12.5	13.5	11.5	(1.0)
Newfoundland and Labrador	49.4	50.3	45.0	(4.4)	40.4	40.8	35.6	(4.8)	18.2	18.9	21.1	2.9
Prince Edward Island	16.4	18.1	17.3	0.9	14.7	15.5	15.6	0.9	11.0	13.8	10.4	(0.6)
Nova Scotia	96.7	96.2	94.2	(2.5)	84.5	83.2	83.5	(1.0)	12.6	13.5	11.4	(1.2)
New Brunswick	75.7	79.9	75.2	(0.5)	66.7	68.0	66.8	0.1	12.0	15.0	11.0	(1.0)
Quebec	709.6	744.5	700.3	(9.3)	618.3	634.7	607.7	(10.6)	12.9	14.7	13.2	0.3
Ontario	1,245.7	1,267.3	1,235.5	(10.2)	1,072.5	1,064.8	1,079.0	6.5	13.9	16.0	12.7	(1.2)
Manitoba	119.8	123.8	120.9	1.1	107.1	112.8	111.1	4.0	10.6	8.9	8.1	(2.5)
Saskatchewan	107.8	109.8	106.6	(1.2)	98.0	98.7	95.8	(2.2)	9.2	10.1	10.0	0.8
Alberta	370.7	372.6	362.0	(8.7)	340.6	350.1	340.8	0.2	8.1	6.0	5.9	(2.2)
British Columbia	380.6	421.0	408.2	27.6	332.5	370.3	366.5	34.0	12.7	12.0	10.2	(2.5)

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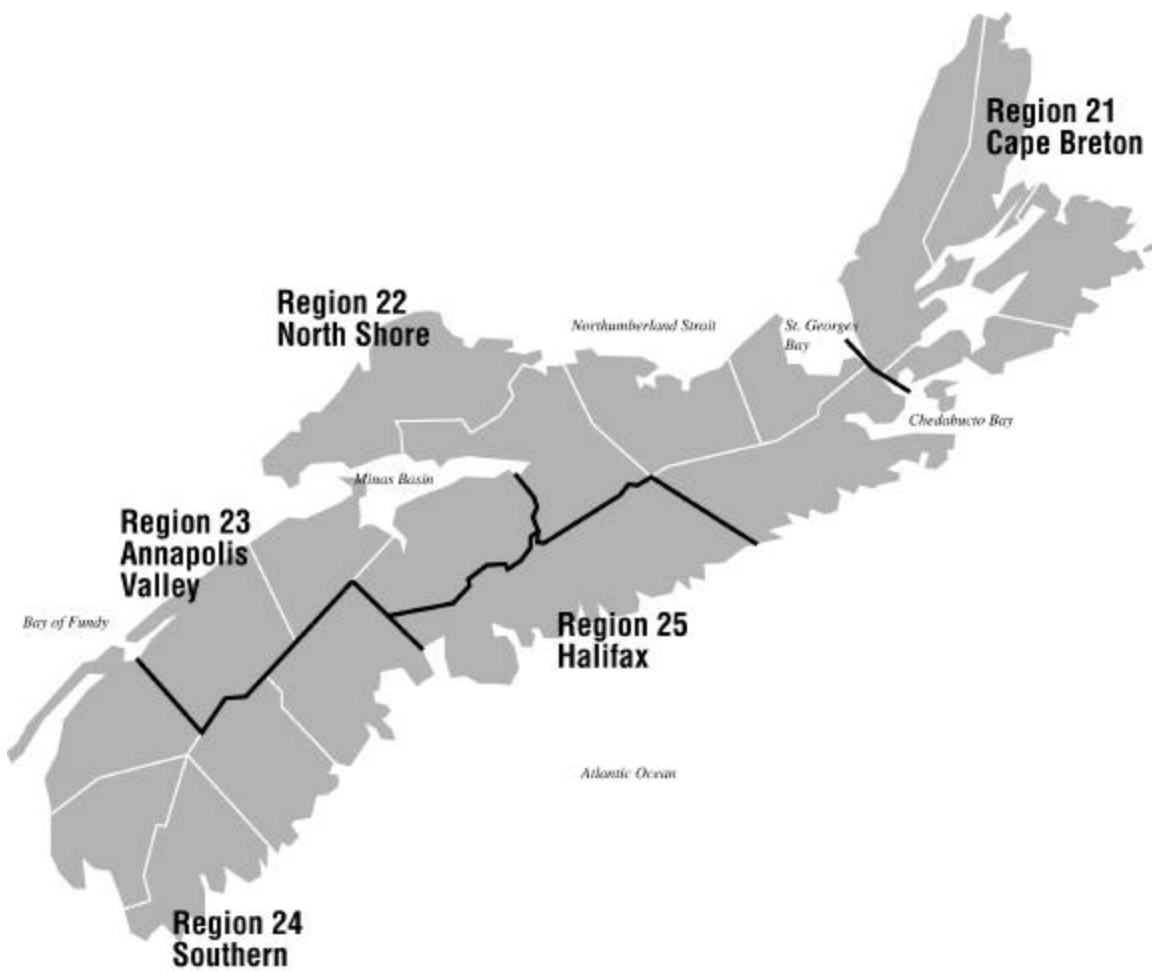
CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change	Aug 2004	Jul 2005	Aug 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.3	9.9	9.4	0.1	62.0	60.2	60.8	(1.2)	68.4	66.8	67.1	(1.3)
Halifax	5.4	5.9	5.3	(0.1)	68.4	66.5	66.7	(1.7)	72.3	70.7	70.4	(1.9)
Saint John, New Brunswick	8.5	7.8	8.4	(0.1)	61.5	60.0	59.2	(2.3)	67.3	65.1	64.7	(2.6)
Saguenay	9.0	9.6	9.7	0.7	59.2	55.1	55.5	(3.7)	65.1	61.0	61.4	(3.7)
Québec	4.7	6.2	6.5	1.8	64.2	65.0	64.3	0.1	67.3	69.3	68.8	1.5
Trois-Rivières	10.7	8.4	7.8	(2.9)	55.0	62.1	61.9	6.9	61.6	67.7	67.3	5.7
Sherbrooke	6.4	6.8	6.8	0.4	64.2	62.2	62.1	(2.1)	68.5	66.7	66.7	(1.8)
Montréal	8.4	8.4	8.5	0.1	62.6	62.3	62.8	0.2	68.4	68.0	68.6	0.2
Ottawa-Gatineau	7.0	7.0	7.4	0.4	66.4	66.2	66.1	(0.3)	71.4	71.2	71.4	-
Sudbury	8.1	8.2	8.3	0.2	59.9	57.3	56.5	(3.4)	65.2	62.3	61.6	(3.6)
Oshawa	5.4	6.0	6.7	1.3	66.6	66.6	66.0	(0.6)	70.4	70.8	70.8	0.4
Toronto	8.2	7.9	7.7	(0.5)	65.6	65.4	65.6	-	71.5	71.1	71.1	(0.4)
Hamilton	6.3	5.2	5.7	(0.6)	66.8	63.6	63.5	(3.3)	71.2	67.1	67.3	(3.9)
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.3	6.5	7.5	0.2	58.6	60.5	60.5	1.9	63.1	64.7	65.4	2.3
London	5.3	6.8	6.8	1.5	68.4	66.4	66.3	(2.1)	72.2	71.3	71.2	(1.0)
Windsor	9.8	8.8	8.2	(1.6)	60.5	59.7	59.9	(0.6)	67.0	65.4	65.2	(1.8)
Kitchener	6.0	6.1	6.2	0.2	67.3	69.8	69.3	2.0	71.6	74.3	73.9	2.3
Thunder Bay	8.8	7.6	7.1	(1.7)	61.2	62.9	63.1	1.9	67.1	68.1	68.0	0.9
Winnipeg	6.1	5.0	5.3	(0.8)	67.3	66.4	66.2	(1.1)	71.6	69.9	69.9	(1.7)
Regina	4.4	4.7	5.1	0.7	69.5	69.2	68.7	(0.8)	72.7	72.6	72.4	(0.3)
Saskatoon	6.1	4.0	4.8	(1.3)	68.2	70.0	69.6	1.4	72.7	73.0	73.0	0.3
Calgary	5.1	3.1	3.3	(1.8)	72.4	72.6	72.3	(0.1)	76.2	74.9	74.8	(1.4)
Edmonton	4.7	4.6	4.7	-	69.5	68.4	68.5	(1.0)	72.9	71.7	71.8	(1.1)
Vancouver	7.2	6.2	6.4	(0.8)	63.6	63.7	63.5	(0.1)	68.5	67.9	67.9	(0.6)
Victoria	6.1	3.6	4.1	(2.0)	60.9	63.4	63.6	2.7	64.8	65.8	66.3	1.5

Employment Situation

SEPTEMBER 2005



About the Employment Situation Report

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

<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. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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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January 2005	February 4, 2005
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July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

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Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	25,517.3	25,858.8	25,894.3	377.0	25,517.3	25,858.8	25,894.3	377.0
Labour Force ('000)	17,176.2	17,774.6	17,345.3	169.1	17,211.2	17,377.6	17,370.2	159.0
Employment ('000)	16,067.0	16,507.3	16,266.1	199.1	16,003.4	16,200.7	16,198.4	195.0
Unemployed ('000)	1,109.2	1,267.3	1,079.3	(29.9)	1,207.9	1,176.9	1,171.8	(36.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	7.1	6.2	(0.3)	7.0	6.8	6.7	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	67.3	68.7	67.0	(0.3)	67.4	67.2	67.1	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	63.0	63.8	62.8	(0.2)	62.7	62.7	62.6	(0.1)

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	757.8	761.2	761.5	3.7	757.8	761.2	761.5	3.7
Labour Force ('000)	486.9	496.4	482.0	(4.9)	486.4	481.0	480.9	(5.5)
Employment ('000)	449.3	462.0	444.6	(4.7)	444.6	446.3	440.5	(4.1)
Unemployed ('000)	37.6	34.4	37.4	(0.2)	41.7	34.8	40.4	(1.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.7	6.9	7.8	0.1	8.6	7.2	8.4	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	64.3	65.2	63.3	(1.0)	64.2	63.2	63.2	(1.0)
Employment Rate (%)	59.3	60.7	58.4	(0.9)	58.7	58.6	57.8	(0.9)

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	430.0	429.3	429.3	(0.7)	430.0	429.3	429.3	(0.7)
Labour Force ('000)	255.0	267.5	255.7	0.7	253.7	254.6	254.0	0.3
Employment ('000)	220.3	226.8	222.2	1.9	213.5	212.2	215.1	1.6
Unemployed ('000)	34.7	40.7	33.5	(1.2)	40.2	42.4	38.9	(1.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	13.6	15.2	13.1	(0.5)	15.8	16.7	15.3	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	59.3	62.3	59.6	0.3	59.0	59.3	59.2	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	51.2	52.8	51.8	0.6	49.7	49.4	50.1	0.4

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	111.1	111.7	111.7	0.6	111.1	111.7	111.7	0.6
Labour Force ('000)	76.3	80.8	77.2	0.9	75.4	76.2	76.5	1.1
Employment ('000)	70.1	73.8	70.8	0.7	67.0	67.6	67.9	0.9
Unemployed ('000)	6.2	7.0	6.3	0.1	8.4	8.6	8.6	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	8.7	8.2	0.1	11.1	11.3	11.2	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	68.7	72.3	69.1	0.4	67.9	68.2	68.5	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	63.1	66.1	63.4	0.3	60.3	60.5	60.8	0.5

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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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	608.0	610.7	611.1	3.1	608.0	610.7	611.1	3.1
Labour Force ('000)	392.5	404.9	390.3	(2.2)	389.2	386.2	387.6	(1.6)
Employment ('000)	362.0	367.6	357.2	(4.8)	351.4	349.1	347.3	(4.1)
Unemployed ('000)	30.5	37.3	33.1	2.6	37.8	37.1	40.3	2.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	9.2	8.5	0.7	9.7	9.6	10.4	0.7
Participation Rate (%)	64.6	66.3	63.9	(0.7)	64.0	63.2	63.4	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	59.5	60.2	58.5	(1.0)	57.8	57.2	56.8	(1.0)

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	6,127.7	6,191.6	6,198.1	70.4	6,127.7	6,191.6	6,198.1	70.4
Labour Force ('000)	4,039.9	4,156.1	4,069.7	29.8	4,047.1	4,076.0	4,069.2	22.1
Employment ('000)	3,735.7	3,810.2	3,757.0	21.3	3,706.5	3,735.6	3,727.8	21.3
Unemployed ('000)	304.2	345.9	312.7	8.5	340.6	340.4	341.4	0.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	8.3	7.7	0.2	8.4	8.4	8.4	-
Participation Rate (%)	65.9	67.1	65.7	(0.2)	66.0	65.8	65.7	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	61.0	61.5	60.6	(0.4)	60.5	60.3	60.1	(0.4)

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	9,936.5	10,097.6	10,113.6	177.1	9,936.5	10,097.6	10,113.6	177.1
Labour Force ('000)	6,732.7	7,023.7	6,836.1	103.4	6,761.9	6,861.8	6,863.1	101.2
Employment ('000)	6,307.6	6,510.0	6,417.5	109.9	6,323.0	6,407.1	6,424.4	101.4
Unemployed ('000)	425.1	513.8	418.6	(6.5)	438.9	454.8	438.7	(0.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	7.3	6.1	(0.2)	6.5	6.6	6.4	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	67.8	69.6	67.6	(0.2)	68.1	68.0	67.9	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	63.5	64.5	63.5	-	63.6	63.5	63.5	(0.1)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	883.1	889.7	890.1	7.0	883.1	889.7	890.1	7.0
Labour Force ('000)	612.2	620.4	608.7	(3.5)	612.1	608.7	608.1	(4.0)
Employment ('000)	580.4	587.0	581.9	1.5	577.3	580.4	578.9	1.6
Unemployed ('000)	31.7	33.5	26.8	(4.9)	34.9	28.3	29.2	(5.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	5.4	4.4	(0.8)	5.7	4.6	4.8	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	69.3	69.7	68.4	(0.9)	69.3	68.4	68.3	(1.0)
Employment Rate (%)	65.7	66.0	65.4	(0.3)	65.4	65.2	65.0	(0.4)

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Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	746.3	748.8	748.8	2.5	746.3	748.8	748.8	2.5
Labour Force ('000)	508.1	521.7	507.7	(0.4)	508.6	508.5	508.8	0.2
Employment ('000)	483.0	492.2	479.7	(3.3)	479.4	482.2	478.1	(1.3)
Unemployed ('000)	25.1	29.5	28.0	2.9	29.1	26.3	30.6	1.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.7	5.5	0.6	5.7	5.2	6.0	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	68.1	69.7	67.8	(0.3)	68.1	67.9	67.9	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	64.7	65.7	64.1	(0.6)	64.2	64.4	63.8	(0.4)

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	2,515.5	2,562.2	2,567.7	52.2	2,515.5	2,562.2	2,567.7	52.2
Labour Force ('000)	1,853.1	1,891.6	1,856.7	3.6	1,858.1	1,859.6	1,859.5	1.4
Employment ('000)	1,775.8	1,811.9	1,788.4	12.6	1,771.1	1,787.2	1,783.9	12.8
Unemployed ('000)	77.3	79.8	68.3	(9.0)	87.0	72.5	75.7	(11.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	4.2	3.7	(0.5)	4.7	3.9	4.1	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	73.7	73.8	72.3	(1.4)	73.9	72.6	72.4	(1.5)
Employment Rate (%)	70.6	70.7	69.6	(1.0)	70.4	69.8	69.5	(0.9)

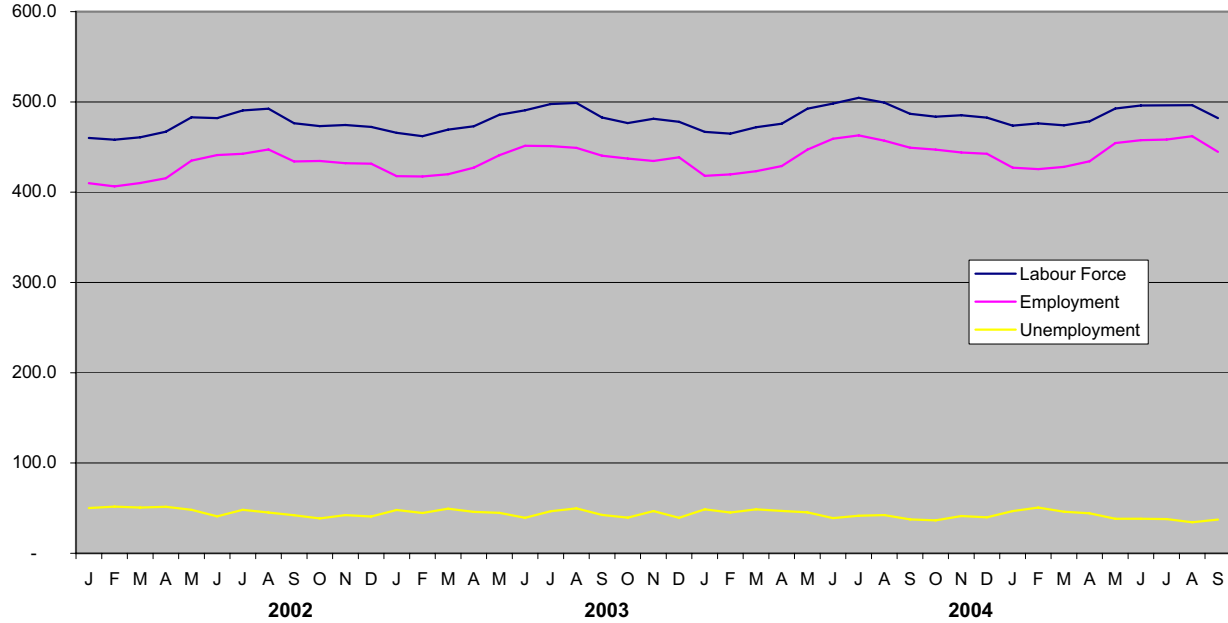
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	
Population ('000)	3,401.1	3,456.0	3,462.2	61.1	3,401.1	3,456.0	3,462.2	61.1
Labour Force ('000)	2,219.6	2,311.4	2,261.3	41.7	2,218.7	2,264.9	2,262.5	43.8
Employment ('000)	2,082.7	2,165.9	2,146.8	64.1	2,069.5	2,132.9	2,134.5	65.0
Unemployed ('000)	136.8	145.5	114.4	(22.4)	149.2	132.0	127.9	(21.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	6.3	5.1	(1.1)	6.7	5.8	5.7	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	65.3	66.9	65.3	-	65.2	65.5	65.3	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	61.2	62.7	62.0	0.8	60.8	61.7	61.7	0.9

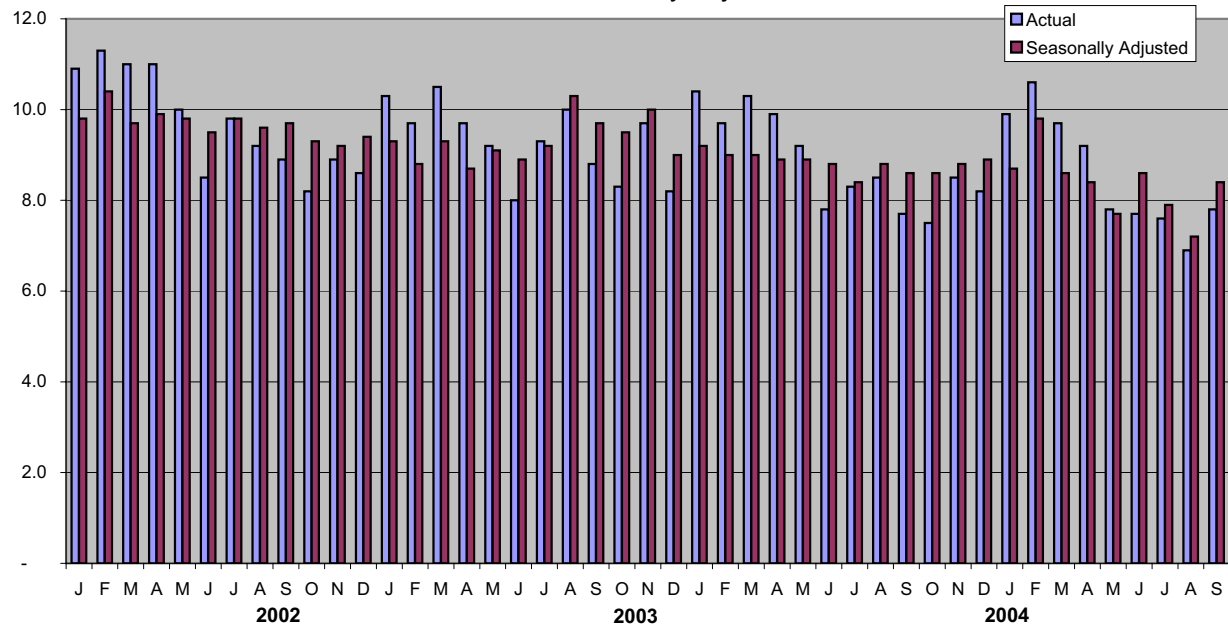
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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Economic Regions/CMA

(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,490.2	25,821.7	25,857.6	367.4	757.6	760.7	761.1	3.5
Labour Force ('000)	17,456.1	17,713.3	17,626.3	170.2	497.0	496.2	491.5	(5.5)
Employment ('000)	16,226.0	16,511.8	16,434.0	208.0	456.4	459.3	455.0	(1.4)
Unemployed ('000)	1,230.1	1,201.5	1,192.3	(37.8)	40.5	36.9	36.6	(3.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.0	6.8	6.8	(0.2)	8.1	7.4	7.4	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	68.5	68.6	68.2	(0.3)	65.6	65.2	64.6	(1.0)
Employment Rate (%)	63.7	63.9	63.6	(0.1)	60.2	60.4	59.8	(0.4)

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.9	99.1	99.3	0.4	117.1	116.3	116.6	(0.5)
Labour Force ('000)	66.4	61.8	62.1	(4.3)	64.4	69.0	68.5	4.1
Employment ('000)	61.0	57.3	57.2	(3.8)	54.2	60.4	59.4	5.2
Unemployed ('000)	5.4	4.5	5.0	(0.4)	10.2	8.6	9.1	(1.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.1	7.3	8.1	-	15.8	12.5	13.3	(2.5)
Participation Rate (%)	67.1	62.4	62.5	(4.6)	55.0	59.3	58.7	3.7
Employment Rate (%)	61.7	57.8	57.6	(4.1)	46.3	51.9	50.9	4.6

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	308.1	312.0	311.3	3.2	293.2	312.0	311.3	18.1
Labour Force ('000)	219.7	219.8	216.8	(2.9)	210.3	219.8	216.8	6.5
Employment ('000)	207.7	208.2	206.4	(1.3)	199.1	208.2	206.4	7.3
Unemployed ('000)	12.0	11.6	10.4	(1.6)	11.2	11.6	10.4	(0.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.3	4.8	(0.7)	5.3	5.3	4.8	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	71.3	70.4	69.6	(1.7)	71.7	70.4	69.6	(2.1)
Employment Rate (%)	67.4	66.7	66.3	(1.1)	67.9	66.7	66.3	(1.6)

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change	Sep 2004	Aug 2005	Sep 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.3	130.2	130.5	0.2	103.1	103.0	103.3	0.2
Labour Force ('000)	81.3	81.7	80.3	(1.0)	65.3	63.9	63.8	(1.5)
Employment ('000)	74.0	76.4	75.0	1.0	59.6	57.0	57.0	(2.6)
Unemployed ('000)	7.2	5.3	5.3	(1.9)	5.6	6.9	6.8	1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.9	6.5	6.6	(2.3)	8.6	10.8	10.7	2.1
Participation Rate (%)	62.4	62.7	61.5	(0.9)	63.3	62.0	61.8	(1.5)
Employment Rate (%)	56.8	58.7	57.5	0.7	57.8	55.3	55.2	(2.6)

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Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
Canada	15,979.7	16,167.3	16,173.2	193.5	12,995.3	13,213.4	13,210.9	215.6	2,984.4	2,953.9	2,962.4	(22.0)
Newfoundland and Labrador	219.6	215.6	217.6	(2.0)	186.7	186.9	183.6	(3.1)	32.9	28.7	34.0	1.1
Prince Edward Island	66.5	67.1	67.9	1.4	55.0	55.3	55.9	0.9	11.5	11.9	12.1	0.6
Nova Scotia	445.8	443.2	441.4	(4.4)	360.4	355.1	357.3	(3.1)	85.4	88.1	84.1	(1.3)
New Brunswick	351.1	348.4	349.5	(1.6)	295.2	289.9	293.2	(2.0)	55.9	58.5	56.3	0.4
Quebec	3,685.9	3,703.4	3,718.7	32.8	3,008.5	3,064.1	3,014.4	5.9	677.3	639.3	704.3	27.0
Ontario	6,337.2	6,416.6	6,397.5	60.3	5,177.4	5,246.2	5,261.9	84.5	1,159.9	1,170.4	1,135.6	(24.3)
Manitoba	572.9	578.3	581.3	8.4	459.6	466.9	465.7	6.1	113.2	111.3	115.7	2.5
Saskatchewan	477.8	485.6	484.9	7.1	381.7	392.5	392.3	10.6	96.1	93.1	92.6	(3.5)
Alberta	1,752.6	1,782.9	1,789.2	36.6	1,444.7	1,485.1	1,490.7	46.0	307.8	297.8	298.4	(9.4)
British Columbia	2,070.3	2,126.2	2,125.2	54.9	1,625.9	1,672.2	1,695.9	70.0	444.4	454.0	429.3	(15.1)

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
Canada	16,342.7	16,499.3	16,528.7	186.0	13,679.8	13,642.8	13,886.0	206.2	2,663.0	2,856.5	2,642.7	(20.3)
Newfoundland and Labrador	245.6	233.1	242.5	(3.1)	214.9	203.5	210.6	(4.3)	30.7	29.6	31.8	1.1
Prince Edward Island	72.4	73.3	73.9	1.5	62.9	61.4	63.6	0.7	9.5	11.9	10.4	0.9
Nova Scotia	462.9	457.7	458.3	(4.6)	387.2	372.3	383.9	(3.3)	75.7	85.4	74.4	(1.3)
New Brunswick	369.9	363.5	368.1	(1.8)	321.2	307.6	319.0	(2.2)	48.8	55.9	49.0	0.2
Quebec	3,803.6	3,801.6	3,837.0	33.4	3,240.4	3,199.9	3,237.8	(2.6)	563.2	601.8	599.2	36.0
Ontario	6,436.0	6,508.0	6,486.3	50.3	5,377.1	5,367.3	5,455.1	78.0	1,058.9	1,140.7	1,031.2	(27.7)
Manitoba	578.9	588.7	588.6	9.7	482.9	481.0	488.1	5.2	96.0	107.7	100.5	4.5
Saskatchewan	490.1	497.7	496.8	6.7	403.3	405.4	412.2	8.9	86.8	92.3	84.5	(2.3)
Alberta	1,779.6	1,816.6	1,817.2	37.6	1,505.8	1,524.3	1,557.9	52.1	273.7	292.3	259.2	(14.5)
British Columbia	2,103.7	2,159.0	2,160.1	56.4	1,684.2	1,720.0	1,757.7	73.5	419.6	439.0	402.3	(17.3)

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Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,851.4	2,819.0	2,824.2	(27.2)	2,474.2	2,458.7	2,461.3	(12.9)	13.2	12.8	12.8	(0.4)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.1	37.6	36.0	(3.1)	31.2	29.7	28.3	(2.9)	20.2	21.0	21.4	1.2
Prince Edward Island	13.5	13.9	14.1	0.6	10.4	11.0	11.5	1.1	23.7	21.6	18.4	(5.3)
Nova Scotia	83.0	83.6	78.5	(4.5)	71.4	69.0	68.2	(3.2)	14.0	17.5	13.1	(0.9)
New Brunswick	63.5	60.0	64.1	0.6	55.1	51.0	53.3	(1.8)	13.2	15.0	16.8	3.6
Quebec	641.4	614.5	628.1	(13.3)	549.9	535.6	533.4	(16.5)	14.3	12.8	15.1	0.8
Ontario	1,115.1	1,100.6	1,085.3	(29.8)	958.6	938.1	928.9	(29.7)	14.0	14.8	14.4	0.4
Manitoba	108.6	109.7	111.6	3.0	95.8	99.4	101.0	5.2	11.8	9.4	9.5	(2.3)
Saskatchewan	95.3	95.5	94.6	(0.7)	86.0	86.5	86.0	-	9.8	9.5	9.1	(0.7)
Alberta	332.9	328.4	335.3	2.4	305.4	303.9	314.2	8.8	8.3	7.5	6.3	(2.0)
British Columbia	358.9	375.2	376.7	17.8	310.4	334.7	336.5	26.1	13.5	10.8	10.7	(2.8)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
Canada	3,318.0	3,005.7	3,283.6	(34.4)	2,857.8	2,642.3	2,839.0	(18.8)	13.9	12.1	13.5	(0.4)
Newfoundland and Labrador	55.7	42.4	50.3	(5.4)	45.7	33.4	40.8	(4.9)	18.0	21.2	18.9	0.9
Prince Edward Island	17.0	15.4	18.1	1.1	14.3	13.1	15.5	1.2	15.9	14.9	13.8	(2.1)
Nova Scotia	101.2	88.5	96.2	(5.0)	86.3	74.8	83.2	(3.1)	14.7	15.5	13.5	(1.2)
New Brunswick	78.8	67.1	79.9	1.1	69.8	57.1	68.0	(1.8)	11.5	14.9	15.0	3.5
Quebec	757.8	667.1	744.5	(13.3)	652.5	586.7	634.7	(17.8)	13.9	12.1	14.7	0.8
Ontario	1,304.6	1,171.2	1,267.3	(37.3)	1,102.1	1,002.3	1,064.8	(37.3)	15.5	14.4	16.0	0.5
Manitoba	120.3	114.9	123.8	3.5	107.0	105.0	112.8	5.8	11.1	8.6	8.9	(2.2)
Saskatchewan	110.9	102.4	109.8	(1.1)	98.8	93.6	98.7	(0.1)	10.9	8.6	10.1	(0.8)
Alberta	369.5	347.2	372.6	3.1	339.4	325.4	350.1	10.7	8.2	6.3	6.0	(2.2)
British Columbia	402.2	389.5	421.0	18.8	342.0	350.8	370.3	28.3	15.0	9.9	12.0	(3.0)

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CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	9.6	10.3	9.9	0.3	61.8	59.4	60.2	(1.6)	68.5	66.2	66.8	(1.7)
Halifax	5.7	6.1	5.9	0.2	68.2	66.2	66.5	(1.7)	72.3	70.5	70.7	(1.6)
Saint John, New Brunswick	9.3	7.7	7.8	(1.5)	60.7	60.9	60.0	(0.7)	67.0	65.9	65.1	(1.9)
Saguenay	9.4	9.0	9.6	0.2	59.4	54.2	55.1	(4.3)	65.5	59.5	61.0	(4.5)
Québec	4.7	5.7	6.2	1.5	64.3	65.1	65.0	0.7	67.5	69.0	69.3	1.8
Trois-Rivières	10.6	9.6	8.4	(2.2)	54.8	60.9	62.1	7.3	61.3	67.5	67.7	6.4
Sherbrooke	6.0	7.4	6.8	0.8	64.1	61.7	62.2	(1.9)	68.2	66.6	66.7	(1.5)
Montréal	8.1	8.3	8.4	0.3	62.7	61.5	62.3	(0.4)	68.2	67.1	68.0	(0.2)
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.8	6.7	7.0	0.2	67.0	66.2	66.2	(0.8)	71.9	71.0	71.2	(0.7)
Sudbury	8.5	7.4	8.2	(0.3)	59.9	58.2	57.3	(2.6)	65.4	62.8	62.3	(3.1)
Oshawa	4.9	5.9	6.0	1.1	68.0	67.4	66.6	(1.4)	71.5	71.6	70.8	(0.7)
Toronto	7.9	7.5	7.9	-	65.5	64.8	65.4	(0.1)	71.2	70.1	71.1	(0.1)
Hamilton	6.6	5.5	5.2	(1.4)	66.5	63.3	63.6	(2.9)	71.2	67.0	67.1	(4.1)
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.9	6.7	6.5	(1.4)	57.9	59.6	60.5	2.6	62.8	63.8	64.7	1.9
London	5.3	6.8	6.8	1.5	67.6	65.9	66.4	(1.2)	71.4	70.7	71.3	(0.1)
Windsor	9.1	8.3	8.8	(0.3)	60.2	59.9	59.7	(0.5)	66.2	65.3	65.4	(0.8)
Kitchener	5.7	5.9	6.1	0.4	67.0	70.2	69.8	2.8	71.1	74.6	74.3	3.2
Thunder Bay	8.8	7.9	7.6	(1.2)	61.3	63.0	62.9	1.6	67.2	68.4	68.1	0.9
Winnipeg	5.6	4.8	5.0	(0.6)	67.5	66.0	66.4	(1.1)	71.5	69.3	69.9	(1.6)
Regina	4.6	4.5	4.7	0.1	70.0	68.7	69.2	(0.8)	73.3	71.9	72.6	(0.7)
Saskatoon	6.2	4.3	4.0	(2.2)	67.3	69.1	70.0	2.7	71.7	72.1	73.0	1.3
Calgary	4.9	3.2	3.1	(1.8)	72.4	72.2	72.6	0.2	76.1	74.6	74.9	(1.2)
Edmonton	4.5	4.7	4.6	0.1	69.6	67.4	68.4	(1.2)	72.8	70.7	71.7	(1.1)
Vancouver	7.0	5.9	6.2	(0.8)	63.7	63.6	63.7	-	68.5	67.6	67.9	(0.6)
Victoria	5.7	3.5	3.6	(2.1)	60.9	63.0	63.4	2.5	64.5	65.2	65.8	1.3

Employment Situation

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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:

<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. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	25,545.4	25,894.3	25,928.5	383.1	25,545.4	25,894.3	25,928.5	383.1
Labour Force ('000)	17,209.6	17,345.3	17,389.4	179.8	17,264.2	17,370.2	17,423.1	158.9
Employment ('000)	16,099.2	16,266.1	16,330.3	231.1	16,046.8	16,198.4	16,267.1	220.3
Unemployed ('000)	1,110.5	1,079.3	1,059.1	(51.4)	1,217.4	1,171.8	1,155.9	(61.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	6.2	6.1	(0.4)	7.1	6.7	6.6	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	67.4	67.0	67.1	(0.3)	67.6	67.1	67.2	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	63.0	62.8	63.0	-	62.8	62.6	62.7	(0.1)

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	758.2	761.5	761.7	3.5	758.2	761.5	761.7	3.5
Labour Force ('000)	483.6	482.0	485.1	1.5	484.9	480.9	486.3	1.4
Employment ('000)	447.2	444.6	448.5	1.3	443.3	440.5	445.2	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	36.4	37.4	36.7	0.3	41.6	40.4	41.2	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.5	7.8	7.6	0.1	8.6	8.4	8.5	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	63.8	63.3	63.7	(0.1)	64.0	63.2	63.8	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	59.0	58.4	58.9	(0.1)	58.5	57.8	58.4	(0.1)

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	430.3	429.3	429.4	(0.9)	430.3	429.3	429.4	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	249.3	255.7	250.8	1.5	252.3	254.0	253.3	1.0
Employment ('000)	214.4	222.2	215.9	1.5	213.4	215.1	214.8	1.4
Unemployed ('000)	34.9	33.5	35.0	0.1	38.9	38.9	38.5	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.0	13.1	14.0	-	15.4	15.3	15.2	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	57.9	59.6	58.4	0.5	58.6	59.2	59.0	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	49.8	51.8	50.3	0.5	49.6	50.1	50.0	0.4

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	111.1	111.7	111.8	0.7	111.1	111.7	111.8	0.7
Labour Force ('000)	76.0	77.2	76.6	0.6	76.2	76.5	76.6	0.4
Employment ('000)	68.9	70.8	69.6	0.7	67.5	67.9	68.1	0.6
Unemployed ('000)	7.1	6.3	7.0	(0.1)	8.6	8.6	8.5	(0.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.3	8.2	9.1	(0.2)	11.3	11.2	11.1	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	68.4	69.1	68.5	0.1	68.6	68.5	68.5	(0.1)
Employment Rate (%)	62.0	63.4	62.3	0.3	60.8	60.8	60.9	0.1

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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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	608.1	611.1	611.3	3.2	608.1	611.1	611.3	3.2
Labour Force ('000)	388.0	390.3	389.1	1.1	388.9	387.6	390.0	1.1
Employment ('000)	355.6	357.2	351.6	(4.0)	350.5	347.3	347.0	(3.5)
Unemployed ('000)	32.3	33.1	37.5	5.2	38.4	40.3	43.0	4.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.3	8.5	9.6	1.3	9.9	10.4	11.0	1.1
Participation Rate (%)	63.8	63.9	63.7	(0.1)	64.0	63.4	63.8	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	58.5	58.5	57.5	(1.0)	57.6	56.8	56.8	(0.8)

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	6,133.5	6,198.1	6,204.5	71.0	6,133.5	6,198.1	6,204.5	71.0
Labour Force ('000)	4,043.6	4,069.7	4,071.5	27.9	4,062.9	4,069.2	4,083.5	20.6
Employment ('000)	3,729.2	3,757.0	3,757.3	28.1	3,716.3	3,727.8	3,743.9	27.6
Unemployed ('000)	314.4	312.7	314.2	(0.2)	346.6	341.4	339.7	(6.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.8	7.7	7.7	(0.1)	8.5	8.4	8.3	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	65.9	65.7	65.6	(0.3)	66.2	65.7	65.8	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	60.8	60.6	60.6	(0.2)	60.6	60.1	60.3	(0.3)

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	9,949.3	10,113.6	10,128.7	179.4	9,949.3	10,113.6	10,128.7	179.4
Labour Force ('000)	6,772.9	6,836.1	6,873.6	100.7	6,794.8	6,863.1	6,887.1	92.3
Employment ('000)	6,362.9	6,417.5	6,466.8	103.9	6,348.4	6,424.4	6,445.6	97.2
Unemployed ('000)	410.0	418.6	406.8	(3.2)	446.4	438.7	441.5	(4.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1	6.1	5.9	(0.2)	6.6	6.4	6.4	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	68.1	67.6	67.9	(0.2)	68.3	67.9	68.0	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	64.0	63.5	63.8	(0.2)	63.8	63.5	63.6	(0.2)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	883.9	890.1	890.1	6.2	883.9	890.1	890.1	6.2
Labour Force ('000)	612.1	608.7	607.7	(4.4)	612.4	608.1	607.3	(5.1)
Employment ('000)	582.1	581.9	583.1	1.0	579.6	578.9	580.3	0.7
Unemployed ('000)	30.0	26.8	24.6	(5.4)	32.8	29.2	27.0	(5.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	4.4	4.0	(0.9)	5.4	4.8	4.4	(1.0)
Participation Rate (%)	69.2	68.4	68.3	(0.9)	69.3	68.3	68.2	(1.1)
Employment Rate (%)	65.9	65.4	65.5	(0.4)	65.6	65.0	65.2	(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.

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Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	746.6	748.8	748.9	2.3	746.6	748.8	748.9	2.3
Labour Force ('000)	507.4	507.7	503.0	(4.4)	507.7	508.8	505.0	(2.7)
Employment ('000)	485.7	479.7	479.5	(6.2)	483.2	478.1	478.5	(4.7)
Unemployed ('000)	21.7	28.0	23.6	1.9	24.5	30.6	26.5	2.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.3	5.5	4.7	0.4	4.8	6.0	5.2	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	68.0	67.8	67.2	(0.8)	68.0	67.9	67.4	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	65.1	64.1	64.0	(1.1)	64.7	63.8	63.9	(0.8)

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	2,519.1	2,567.7	2,574.0	54.9	2,519.1	2,567.7	2,574.0	54.9
Labour Force ('000)	1,843.8	1,856.7	1,863.0	19.2	1,852.9	1,859.5	1,869.2	16.3
Employment ('000)	1,761.5	1,788.4	1,792.3	30.8	1,765.1	1,783.9	1,794.9	29.8
Unemployed ('000)	82.3	68.3	70.7	(11.6)	87.7	75.7	74.4	(13.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	3.7	3.8	(0.7)	4.7	4.1	4.0	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	73.2	72.3	72.4	(0.8)	73.6	72.4	72.6	(1.0)
Employment Rate (%)	69.9	69.6	69.6	(0.3)	70.1	69.5	69.7	(0.4)

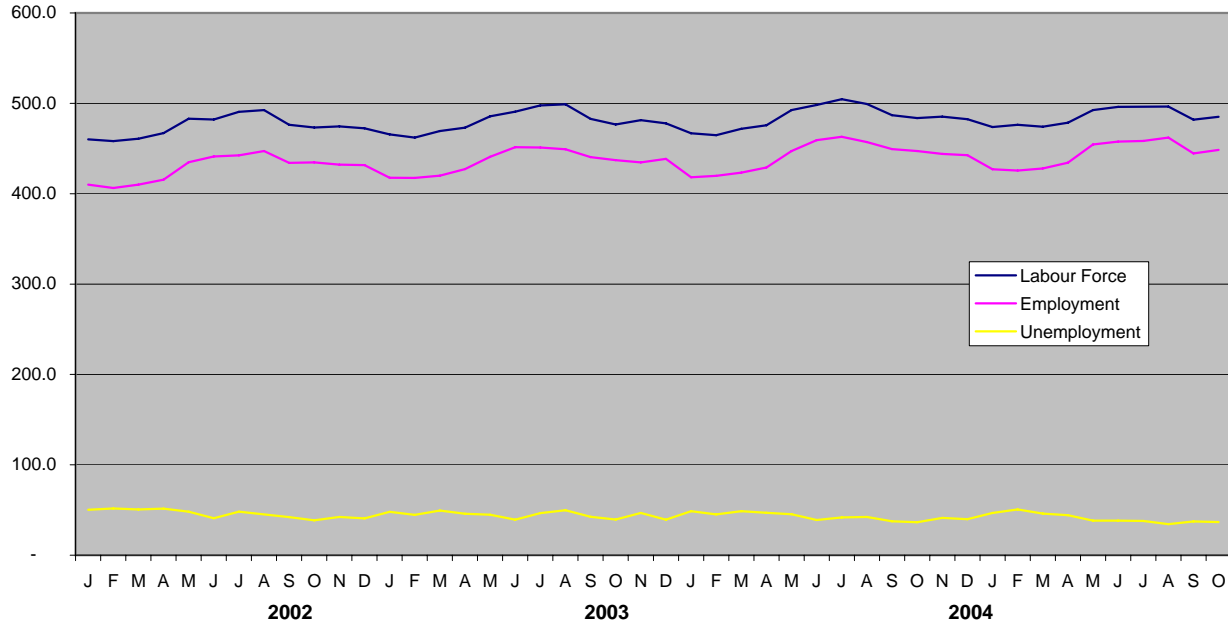
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	
Population ('000)	3,405.2	3,462.2	3,468.0	62.8	3,405.2	3,462.2	3,468.0	62.8
Labour Force ('000)	2,232.9	2,261.3	2,268.9	36.0	2,231.2	2,262.5	2,264.6	33.4
Employment ('000)	2,091.6	2,146.8	2,165.9	74.3	2,079.4	2,134.5	2,148.9	69.5
Unemployed ('000)	141.2	114.4	103.0	(38.2)	151.8	127.9	115.7	(36.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	5.1	4.5	(1.8)	6.8	5.7	5.1	(1.7)
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	65.3	65.4	(0.2)	65.5	65.3	65.3	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	61.4	62.0	62.5	1.1	61.1	61.7	62.0	0.9

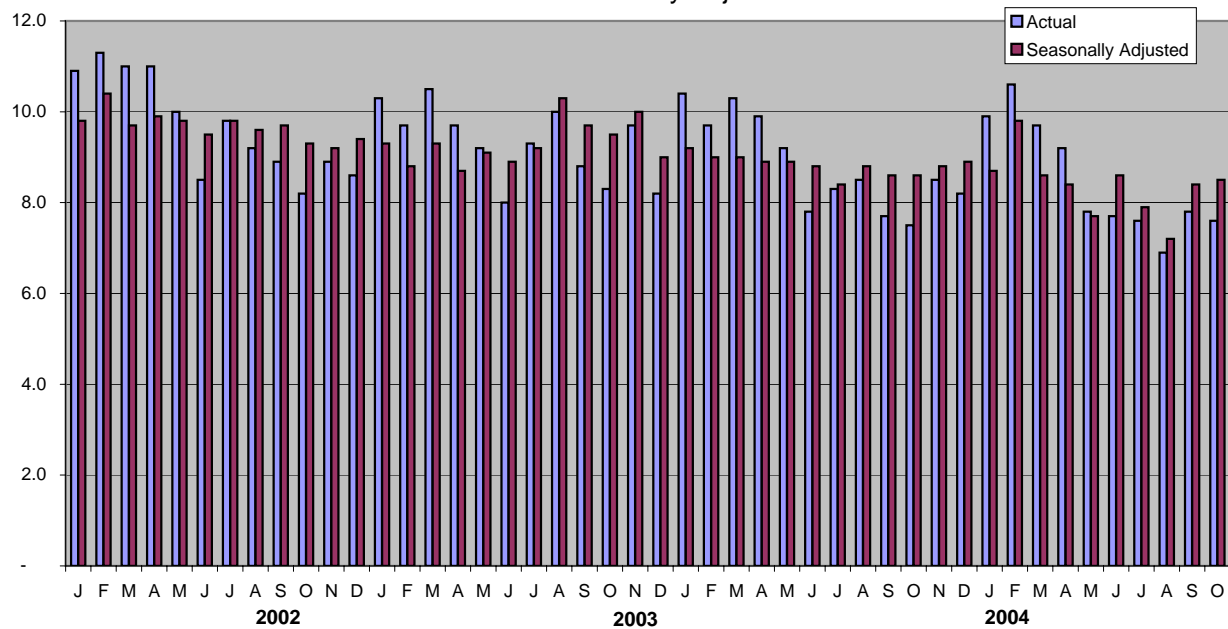
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,518.3	25,857.6	25,893.8	375.5	757.9	761.1	761.4	3.5
Labour Force ('000)	17,320.0	17,626.3	17,503.1	183.1	489.9	491.5	487.8	(2.1)
Employment ('000)	16,144.8	16,434.0	16,367.9	223.1	451.2	455.0	451.7	0.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,175.2	1,192.3	1,135.2	(40.0)	38.8	36.6	36.1	(2.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	6.8	6.5	(0.3)	7.9	7.4	7.4	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	67.9	68.2	67.6	(0.3)	64.6	64.6	64.1	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	63.3	63.6	63.2	(0.1)	59.5	59.8	59.3	(0.2)

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.9	99.3	99.3	0.4	117.1	116.6	116.6	(0.5)
Labour Force ('000)	65.9	62.1	62.0	(3.9)	61.1	68.5	68.0	6.9
Employment ('000)	61.0	57.2	57.3	(3.7)	51.5	59.4	58.4	6.9
Unemployed ('000)	4.8	5.0	4.7	(0.1)	9.6	9.1	9.5	(0.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.3	8.1	7.6	0.3	15.7	13.3	14.0	(1.7)
Participation Rate (%)	66.6	62.5	62.4	(4.2)	52.2	58.7	58.3	6.1
Employment Rate (%)	61.7	57.6	57.7	(4.0)	44.0	50.9	50.1	6.1

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	308.5	311.3	311.8	3.3	308.5	311.3	311.8	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	218.6	216.8	215.5	(3.1)	218.6	216.8	215.5	(3.1)
Employment ('000)	206.6	206.4	205.3	(1.3)	206.6	206.4	205.3	(1.3)
Unemployed ('000)	12.0	10.4	10.2	(1.8)	12.0	10.4	10.2	(1.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	4.8	4.7	(0.8)	5.5	4.8	4.7	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	70.9	69.6	69.1	(1.8)	70.9	69.6	69.1	(1.8)
Employment Rate (%)	67.0	66.3	65.8	(1.2)	67.0	66.3	65.8	(1.2)

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.3	130.5	130.5	0.2	103.1	103.3	103.3	0.2
Labour Force ('000)	80.6	80.3	79.8	(0.8)	63.8	63.8	62.6	(1.2)
Employment ('000)	73.5	75.0	74.5	1.0	58.5	57.0	56.2	(2.3)
Unemployed ('000)	7.2	5.3	5.3	(1.9)	5.2	6.8	6.4	1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.9	6.6	6.6	(2.3)	8.2	10.7	10.2	2.0
Participation Rate (%)	61.9	61.5	61.1	(0.8)	61.9	61.8	60.6	(1.3)
Employment Rate (%)	56.4	57.5	57.1	0.7	56.7	55.2	54.4	(2.3)

Employment Situation - October 2005 Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
Canada	16,046.8	16,198.4	16,267.1	220.3	13,089.2	13,265.6	13,275.1	185.9	2,957.5	2,932.9	2,992.0	34.5
Newfoundland and Labrador	213.4	215.1	214.8	1.4	184.8	184.4	184.0	(0.8)	28.6	30.7	30.9	2.3
Prince Edward Island	67.5	67.9	68.1	0.6	56.3	56.6	57.3	1.0	11.3	11.3	10.7	(0.6)
Nova Scotia	443.3	440.5	445.2	1.9	360.0	354.9	361.6	1.6	83.4	85.6	83.6	0.2
New Brunswick	350.5	347.3	347.0	(3.5)	296.2	292.6	290.4	(5.8)	54.2	54.7	56.6	2.4
Quebec	3,716.3	3,727.8	3,743.9	27.6	3,055.6	3,049.0	3,057.8	2.2	660.7	678.8	686.1	25.4
Ontario	6,348.4	6,424.4	6,445.6	97.2	5,168.0	5,291.4	5,297.7	129.7	1,180.4	1,132.9	1,148.0	(32.4)
Manitoba	579.6	578.9	580.3	0.7	465.4	473.7	466.1	0.7	114.2	105.1	114.1	(0.1)
Saskatchewan	483.2	478.1	478.5	(4.7)	388.4	385.5	382.6	(5.8)	94.8	92.6	95.9	1.1
Alberta	1,765.1	1,783.9	1,794.9	29.8	1,442.3	1,487.3	1,479.1	36.8	322.8	296.6	315.7	(7.1)
British Columbia	2,079.4	2,134.5	2,148.9	69.5	1,672.8	1,690.0	1,698.9	26.1	406.5	444.6	450.0	43.5

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
Canada	16,099.2	16,266.1	16,330.3	231.1	13,056.5	13,369.1	13,244.4	187.9	3,042.7	2,896.9	3,085.9	43.2
Newfoundland and Labrador	214.4	222.2	215.9	1.5	185.2	191.9	184.8	(0.4)	29.2	30.4	31.1	1.9
Prince Edward Island	68.9	70.8	69.6	0.7	57.3	59.6	58.8	1.5	11.5	11.2	10.8	(0.7)
Nova Scotia	447.2	444.6	448.5	1.3	361.6	359.2	363.6	2.0	85.6	85.4	84.9	(0.7)
New Brunswick	355.6	357.2	351.6	(4.0)	300.0	303.5	293.9	(6.1)	55.6	53.6	57.7	2.1
Quebec	3,729.2	3,757.0	3,757.3	28.1	3,037.3	3,085.7	3,037.1	(0.2)	691.9	671.3	720.2	28.3
Ontario	6,362.9	6,417.5	6,466.8	103.9	5,147.1	5,310.0	5,283.7	136.6	1,215.8	1,107.5	1,183.1	(32.7)
Manitoba	582.1	581.9	583.1	1.0	466.7	476.4	467.2	0.5	115.5	105.5	115.9	0.4
Saskatchewan	485.7	479.7	479.5	(6.2)	388.8	386.4	381.0	(7.8)	96.9	93.4	98.4	1.5
Alberta	1,761.5	1,788.4	1,792.3	30.8	1,436.1	1,495.4	1,469.1	33.0	325.4	293.0	323.2	(2.2)
British Columbia	2,091.6	2,146.8	2,165.9	74.3	1,676.3	1,701.0	1,705.2	28.9	415.3	445.8	460.7	45.4

Employment Situation - October 2005 Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,861.6	2,816.8	2,834.1	(27.5)	2,484.4	2,459.8	2,491.8	7.4	13.2	12.7	12.1	(1.1)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.1	36.2	36.0	(3.1)	30.4	28.5	27.4	(3.0)	22.3	21.3	23.9	1.6
Prince Edward Island	13.7	13.5	13.4	(0.3)	11.2	11.7	11.2	-	18.2	13.3	16.4	(1.8)
Nova Scotia	84.0	80.9	81.0	(3.0)	71.6	68.2	69.8	(1.8)	14.9	15.7	13.8	(1.1)
New Brunswick	62.6	62.1	63.9	1.3	53.6	53.5	52.8	(0.8)	14.4	13.8	17.4	3.0
Quebec	661.1	630.5	623.1	(38.0)	559.6	535.0	540.2	(19.4)	15.4	15.1	13.3	(2.1)
Ontario	1,098.5	1,085.0	1,095.4	(3.1)	949.3	935.2	944.1	(5.2)	13.6	13.8	13.8	0.2
Manitoba	109.4	107.3	108.4	(1.0)	96.1	96.8	99.9	3.8	12.2	9.9	7.7	(4.5)
Saskatchewan	94.9	94.6	94.5	(0.4)	86.0	83.9	84.5	(1.5)	9.4	11.2	10.6	1.2
Alberta	342.2	333.9	337.6	(4.6)	314.2	306.9	313.3	(0.9)	8.2	8.1	7.2	(1.0)
British Columbia	356.2	372.7	380.9	24.7	312.4	340.0	348.6	36.2	12.3	8.7	8.5	(3.8)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,766.1	2,729.8	2,749.6	(16.5)	2,416.6	2,390.4	2,429.2	12.6	12.6	12.4	11.7	(0.9)
Newfoundland and Labrador	35.5	33.8	33.0	(2.5)	28.1	26.7	25.0	(3.1)	20.8	21.0	24.2	3.4
Prince Edward Island	13.1	13.2	12.9	(0.2)	10.7	11.7	10.7	-	18.3	11.4	17.1	(1.2)
Nova Scotia	81.2	77.8	78.2	(3.0)	69.0	65.2	67.3	(1.7)	14.9	16.2	13.9	(1.0)
New Brunswick	59.6	59.7	60.7	1.1	51.5	52.3	50.3	(1.2)	13.8	12.2	17.1	3.3
Quebec	638.7	613.6	604.1	(34.6)	545.1	524.1	525.0	(20.1)	14.7	14.6	13.1	(1.6)
Ontario	1,057.2	1,042.2	1,059.4	2.2	921.8	896.7	919.0	(2.8)	12.8	14.0	13.3	0.5
Manitoba	107.2	105.8	106.3	(0.9)	94.4	95.7	98.1	3.7	11.8	9.5	7.8	(4.0)
Saskatchewan	91.7	92.8	90.7	(1.0)	83.9	82.0	81.9	(2.0)	8.5	11.6	9.7	1.2
Alberta	334.4	328.8	330.7	(3.7)	306.5	304.6	306.9	0.4	8.3	7.4	7.2	(1.1)
British Columbia	347.6	362.0	373.6	26.0	305.6	331.3	345.1	39.5	12.1	8.5	7.6	(4.5)

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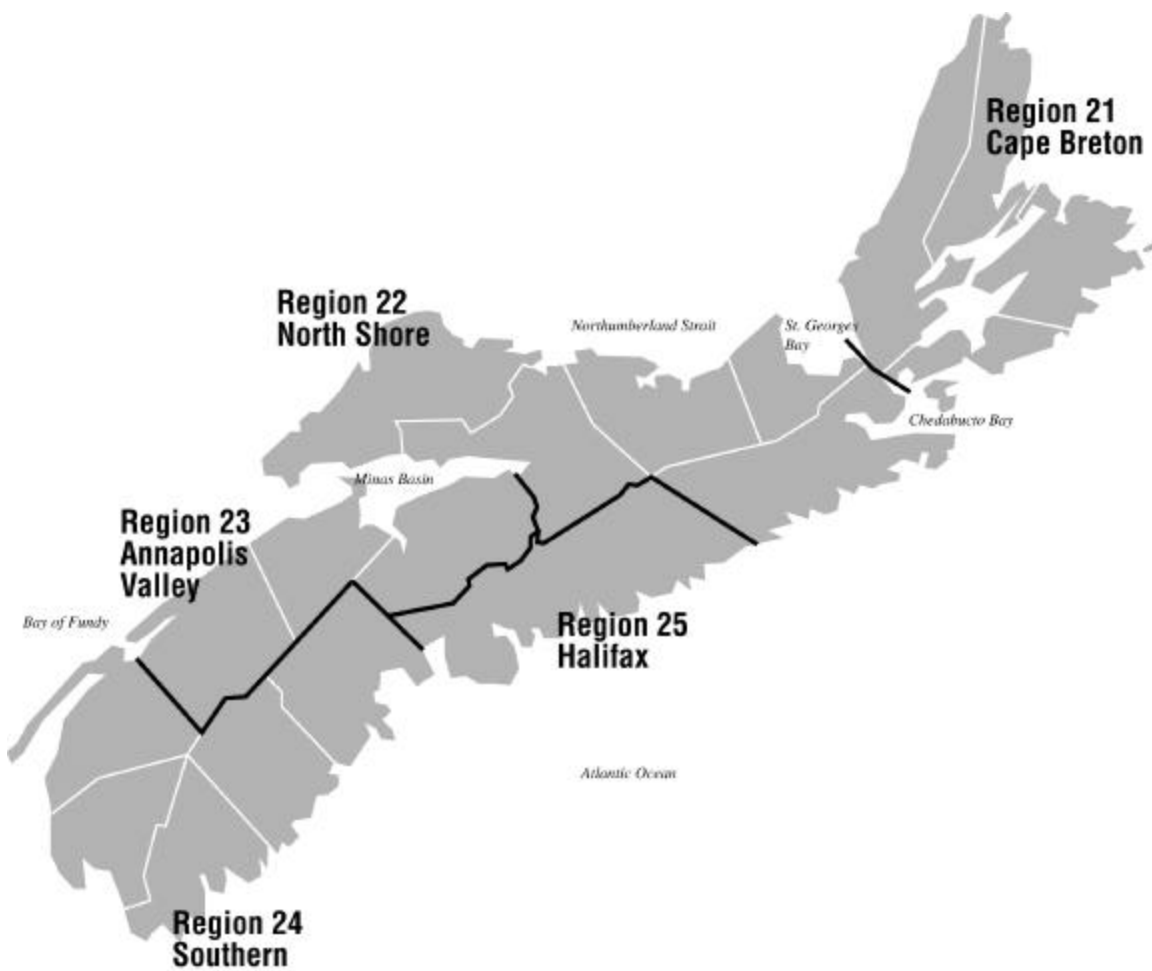
CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change	Oct 2004	Sep 2005	Oct 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	8.5	8.8	8.2	(0.3)	60.5	60.6	59.6	(0.9)	66.1	66.5	64.9	(1.2)
Halifax	5.4	4.8	4.7	(0.7)	67.4	66.3	65.8	(1.6)	71.3	69.6	69.1	(2.2)
Saint John, New Brunswick	7.0	8.0	7.6	0.6	62.0	58.3	57.7	(4.3)	66.6	63.3	62.4	(4.2)
Saguenay	10.4	9.8	10.4	-	57.1	55.2	54.5	(2.6)	63.7	61.3	60.9	(2.8)
Québec	3.9	6.0	4.8	0.9	63.2	64.2	63.6	0.4	65.7	68.3	66.8	1.1
Trois-Rivières	10.9	7.4	8.0	(2.9)	54.5	60.0	58.1	3.6	61.1	64.8	63.2	2.1
Sherbrooke	6.3	6.8	7.1	0.8	62.3	60.9	60.2	(2.1)	66.5	65.4	64.7	(1.8)
Montréal	8.5	8.7	8.8	0.3	61.8	62.3	61.9	0.1	67.5	68.3	67.8	0.3
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.6	7.6	6.9	0.3	66.3	65.8	66.2	(0.1)	70.9	71.2	71.1	0.2
Sudbury	7.8	8.3	7.7	(0.1)	59.8	56.5	56.5	(3.3)	64.9	61.6	61.3	(3.6)
Oshawa	5.6	6.2	6.0	0.4	64.6	65.4	65.1	0.5	68.4	69.7	69.2	0.8
Toronto	7.8	7.4	6.7	(1.1)	64.5	65.3	65.3	0.8	69.9	70.5	70.0	0.1
Hamilton	5.5	5.8	5.9	0.4	66.2	63.1	63.2	(3.0)	70.0	67.0	67.2	(2.8)
St. Catharines - Niagara	5.6	7.5	6.8	1.2	59.7	59.9	59.2	(0.5)	63.2	64.8	63.5	0.3
London	6.2	6.6	6.5	0.3	65.1	65.7	64.7	(0.4)	69.4	70.4	69.2	(0.2)
Windsor	9.0	7.6	6.6	(2.4)	61.6	60.6	61.0	(0.6)	67.7	65.6	65.3	(2.4)
Kitchener	5.3	6.2	6.0	0.7	66.3	68.4	68.3	2.0	69.9	72.9	72.6	2.7
Thunder Bay	8.3	6.5	5.9	(2.4)	60.8	62.0	61.4	0.6	66.3	66.3	65.2	(1.1)
Winnipeg	5.7	5.4	5.1	(0.6)	67.7	65.8	65.6	(2.1)	71.8	69.6	69.1	(2.7)
Regina	4.5	5.3	5.1	0.6	68.9	67.6	66.9	(2.0)	72.2	71.4	70.5	(1.7)
Saskatoon	6.0	5.4	5.8	(0.2)	67.2	68.1	66.5	(0.7)	71.5	72.1	70.6	(0.9)
Calgary	4.9	3.7	4.1	(0.8)	71.0	71.3	70.3	(0.7)	74.7	74.0	73.3	(1.4)
Edmonton	4.7	4.5	4.2	(0.5)	69.6	68.3	67.9	(1.7)	73.0	71.5	70.8	(2.2)
Vancouver	6.9	6.1	5.4	(1.5)	62.9	63.1	62.9	-	67.6	67.2	66.5	(1.1)
Victoria	6.0	4.6	4.7	(1.3)	58.9	63.3	63.3	4.4	62.6	66.4	66.4	3.8

Employment Situation

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About the Employment Situation Report

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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. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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

Release Dates - 2005:

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January 2005	February 4, 2005
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July 2005	August 5, 2005
August 2005	September 9, 2005
September 2005	October 7, 2005
October 2005	November 4, 2005
November 2005	December 2, 2005

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Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	25,572.1	25,928.5	25,959.7	387.6	25,571.9	25,928.5	25,959.7	387.8
Labour Force ('000)	17,211.0	17,389.4	17,331.0	120.0	17,292.2	17,423.1	17,403.4	111.2
Employment ('000)	16,035.6	16,330.3	16,295.0	259.4	16,048.0	16,267.1	16,297.7	249.7
Unemployed ('000)	1,175.4	1,059.1	1,036.0	(139.4)	1,244.2	1,155.9	1,105.7	(138.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	6.1	6.0	(0.8)	7.2	6.6	6.4	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	67.3	67.1	66.8	(0.5)	67.6	67.2	67.0	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	62.7	63.0	62.8	0.1	62.8	62.7	62.8	-

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	758.4	761.7	761.7	3.3	758.4	761.7	761.7	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	485.2	485.1	480.7	(4.5)	487.0	486.3	482.4	(4.6)
Employment ('000)	444.0	448.5	442.1	(1.9)	444.4	445.2	442.8	(1.6)
Unemployed ('000)	41.3	36.7	38.6	(2.7)	42.7	41.2	39.6	(3.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.5	7.6	8.0	(0.5)	8.8	8.5	8.2	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	64.0	63.7	63.1	(0.9)	64.2	63.8	63.3	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	58.5	58.9	58.0	(0.5)	58.6	58.4	58.1	(0.5)

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	430.3	429.4	429.3	(1.0)	430.3	429.4	429.3	(1.0)
Labour Force ('000)	246.5	250.8	251.0	4.5	252.1	253.3	255.9	3.8
Employment ('000)	207.8	215.9	214.2	6.4	212.0	214.8	217.6	5.6
Unemployed ('000)	38.8	35.0	36.8	(2.0)	40.2	38.5	38.3	(1.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	15.7	14.0	14.7	(1.0)	15.9	15.2	15.0	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	57.3	58.4	58.5	1.2	58.6	59.0	59.6	1.0
Employment Rate (%)	48.3	50.3	49.9	1.6	49.3	50.0	50.7	1.4

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	111.2	111.8	111.9	0.7	111.2	111.8	111.9	0.7
Labour Force ('000)	75.0	76.6	75.0	-	76.8	76.6	76.6	(0.2)
Employment ('000)	66.9	69.6	67.0	0.1	68.9	68.1	68.5	(0.4)
Unemployed ('000)	8.1	7.0	8.0	(0.1)	8.0	8.5	8.1	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.8	9.1	10.7	(0.1)	10.4	11.1	10.6	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	67.4	68.5	67.0	(0.4)	69.1	68.5	68.5	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	60.2	62.3	59.9	(0.3)	62.0	60.9	61.2	(0.8)

Population is for those 15 years of age and over.

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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	608.4	611.3	611.5	3.1	608.4	611.3	611.5	3.1
Labour Force ('000)	384.9	389.1	385.3	0.4	388.4	390.0	388.2	(0.2)
Employment ('000)	350.0	351.6	352.2	2.2	350.5	347.0	351.5	1.0
Unemployed ('000)	34.9	37.5	33.1	(1.8)	37.9	43.0	36.7	(1.2)
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.1	9.6	8.6	(0.5)	9.8	11.0	9.5	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	63.3	63.7	63.0	(0.3)	63.8	63.8	63.5	(0.3)
Employment Rate (%)	57.5	57.5	57.6	0.1	57.6	56.8	57.5	(0.1)

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	6,139.1	6,204.5	6,211.1	72.0	6,139.1	6,204.5	6,211.1	72.0
Labour Force ('000)	4,056.8	4,071.5	4,051.9	(4.9)	4,076.9	4,083.5	4,069.7	(7.2)
Employment ('000)	3,703.7	3,757.3	3,735.1	31.4	3,715.3	3,743.9	3,745.1	29.8
Unemployed ('000)	353.2	314.2	316.8	(36.4)	361.6	339.7	324.6	(37.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	7.7	7.8	(0.9)	8.9	8.3	8.0	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	66.1	65.6	65.2	(0.9)	66.4	65.8	65.5	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	60.3	60.6	60.1	(0.2)	60.5	60.3	60.3	(0.2)

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	9,960.9	10,128.7	10,141.9	181.0	9,960.6	10,128.7	10,141.9	181.3
Labour Force ('000)	6,784.3	6,873.6	6,834.6	50.3	6,812.9	6,887.1	6,864.0	51.1
Employment ('000)	6,357.4	6,466.8	6,458.8	101.4	6,346.3	6,445.6	6,447.0	100.7
Unemployed ('000)	426.9	406.8	375.8	(51.1)	466.6	441.5	417.1	(49.5)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	5.9	5.5	(0.8)	6.8	6.4	6.1	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	68.1	67.9	67.4	(0.7)	68.4	68.0	67.7	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	63.8	63.8	63.7	(0.1)	63.7	63.6	63.6	(0.1)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	884.5	890.1	890.1	5.6	884.5	890.1	890.1	5.6
Labour Force ('000)	610.1	607.7	606.5	(3.6)	612.6	607.3	608.6	(4.0)
Employment ('000)	580.8	583.1	583.1	2.3	581.7	580.3	583.4	1.7
Unemployed ('000)	29.4	24.6	23.4	(6.0)	31.0	27.0	25.3	(5.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	4.0	3.9	(0.9)	5.1	4.4	4.2	(0.9)
Participation Rate (%)	69.0	68.3	68.1	(0.9)	69.3	68.2	68.4	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	65.7	65.5	65.5	(0.2)	65.8	65.2	65.5	(0.3)

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Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	746.8	748.9	748.6	1.8	746.8	748.9	748.6	1.8
Labour Force ('000)	508.9	503.0	503.2	(5.7)	512.2	505.0	507.0	(5.2)
Employment ('000)	484.6	479.5	478.8	(5.8)	485.9	478.5	480.3	(5.6)
Unemployed ('000)	24.3	23.6	24.4	0.1	26.3	26.5	26.6	0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	4.7	4.8	-	5.1	5.2	5.2	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	68.1	67.2	67.2	(0.9)	68.6	67.4	67.7	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	64.9	64.0	64.0	(0.9)	65.1	63.9	64.2	(0.9)

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	2,522.6	2,574.0	2,580.5	57.9	2,522.6	2,574.0	2,580.5	57.9
Labour Force ('000)	1,849.5	1,863.0	1,870.6	21.1	1,852.2	1,869.2	1,872.0	19.8
Employment ('000)	1,767.5	1,792.3	1,795.6	28.1	1,766.3	1,794.9	1,795.1	28.8
Unemployed ('000)	81.9	70.7	75.0	(6.9)	85.9	74.4	76.9	(9.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	3.8	4.0	(0.4)	4.6	4.0	4.1	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	73.3	72.4	72.5	(0.8)	73.4	72.6	72.5	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	70.1	69.6	69.6	(0.5)	70.0	69.7	69.6	(0.4)

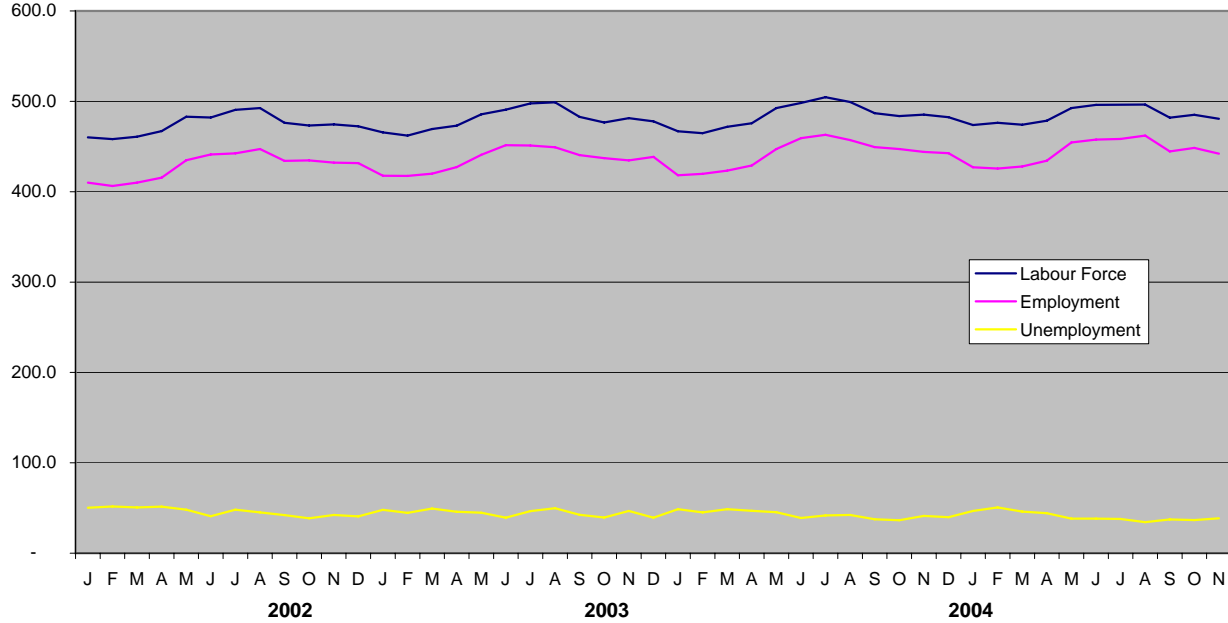
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	
Population ('000)	3,410.0	3,468.0	3,473.2	63.2	3,410.0	3,468.0	3,473.2	63.2
Labour Force ('000)	2,209.7	2,268.9	2,272.2	62.5	2,220.9	2,264.6	2,278.9	58.0
Employment ('000)	2,072.9	2,165.9	2,168.0	95.1	2,076.8	2,148.9	2,166.5	89.7
Unemployed ('000)	136.8	103.0	104.1	(32.7)	144.2	115.7	112.4	(31.8)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	4.5	4.6	(1.6)	6.5	5.1	4.9	(1.6)
Participation Rate (%)	64.8	65.4	65.4	0.6	65.1	65.3	65.6	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	60.8	62.5	62.4	1.6	60.9	62.0	62.4	1.5

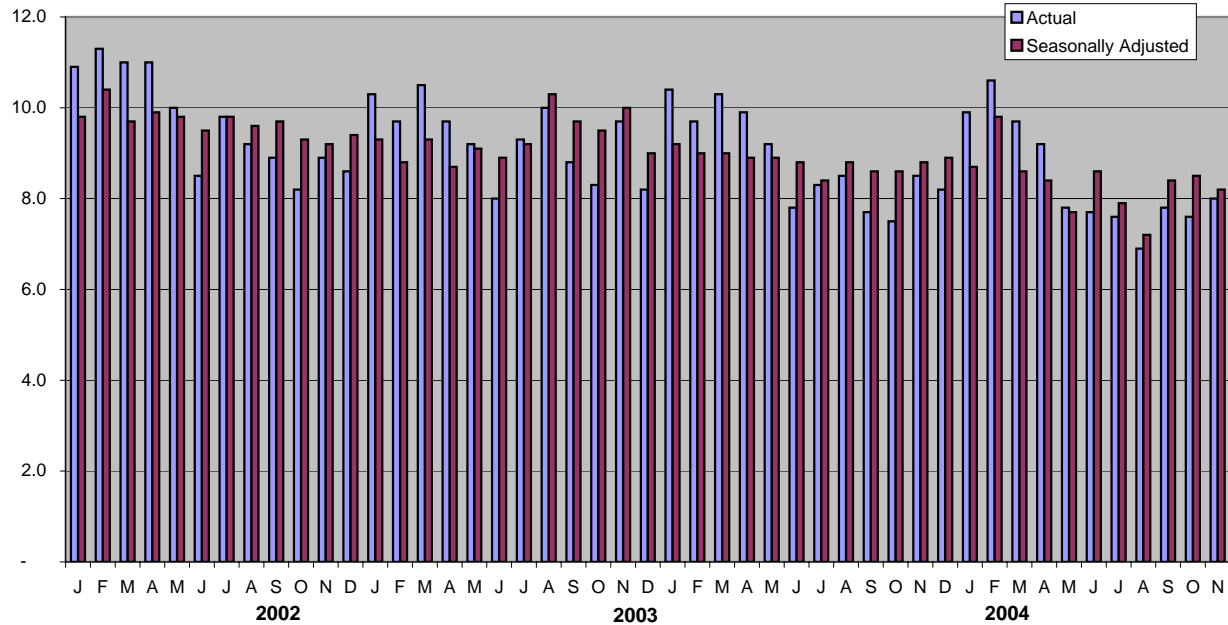
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



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

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,544.9	25,893.8	25,927.5	382.6	758.2	761.4	761.6	3.4
Labour Force ('000)	17,199.0	17,503.1	17,355.3	156.3	485.2	487.8	482.6	(2.6)
Employment ('000)	16,067.3	16,367.9	16,297.1	229.8	446.8	451.7	445.1	(1.7)
Unemployed ('000)	1,131.7	1,135.2	1,058.1	(73.6)	38.4	36.1	37.5	(0.9)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	6.5	6.1	(0.5)	7.9	7.4	7.8	(0.1)
Participation Rate (%)	67.3	67.6	66.9	(0.4)	64.0	64.1	63.4	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	62.9	63.2	62.9	-	58.9	59.3	58.4	(0.5)

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	98.9	99.3	99.3	0.4	117.0	116.6	116.5	(0.5)
Labour Force ('000)	65.5	62.0	61.8	(3.7)	58.8	68.0	66.4	7.6
Employment ('000)	61.2	57.3	57.0	(4.2)	49.7	58.4	56.6	6.9
Unemployed ('000)	4.3	4.7	4.8	0.5	9.1	9.5	9.8	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	7.6	7.8	1.2	15.5	14.0	14.8	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	66.2	62.4	62.2	(4.0)	50.3	58.3	57.0	6.7
Employment Rate (%)	61.9	57.7	57.4	(4.5)	42.5	50.1	48.6	6.1

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	308.8	311.8	312.1	3.3	308.8	311.8	312.1	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	217.2	215.5	213.8	(3.4)	217.2	215.5	213.8	(3.4)
Employment ('000)	205.4	205.3	203.2	(2.2)	205.4	205.3	203.2	(2.2)
Unemployed ('000)	11.7	10.2	10.6	(1.1)	11.7	10.2	10.6	(1.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	4.7	5.0	(0.4)	5.4	4.7	5.0	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	70.3	69.1	68.5	(1.8)	70.3	69.1	68.5	(1.8)
Employment Rate (%)	66.5	65.8	65.1	(1.4)	66.5	65.8	65.1	(1.4)

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.3	130.5	130.5	0.2	103.1	103.3	103.3	0.2
Labour Force ('000)	80.4	79.8	79.9	(0.5)	63.5	62.6	60.6	(2.9)
Employment ('000)	73.2	74.5	74.8	1.6	57.3	56.2	53.5	(3.8)
Unemployed ('000)	7.1	5.3	5.1	(2.0)	6.2	6.4	7.2	1.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.8	6.6	6.4	(2.4)	9.8	10.2	11.9	2.1
Participation Rate (%)	61.7	61.1	61.2	(0.5)	61.6	60.6	58.7	(2.9)
Employment Rate (%)	56.2	57.1	57.3	1.1	55.6	54.4	51.8	(3.8)

Employment Situation - November 2005 Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
Canada	16,048.0	16,267.1	16,297.7	249.7	13,077.7	13,275.1	13,325.3	247.6	2,970.3	2,992.0	2,972.4	2.1
Newfoundland and Labrador	212.0	214.8	217.6	5.6	180.2	184.0	183.5	3.3	31.7	30.9	34.0	2.3
Prince Edward Island	68.9	68.1	68.5	(0.4)	57.5	57.3	57.1	(0.4)	11.4	10.7	11.4	-
Nova Scotia	444.4	445.2	442.8	(1.6)	360.8	361.6	360.2	(0.6)	83.5	83.6	82.6	(0.9)
New Brunswick	350.5	347.0	351.5	1.0	296.5	290.4	296.3	(0.2)	54.0	56.6	55.3	1.3
Quebec	3,715.3	3,743.9	3,745.1	29.8	3,052.6	3,057.8	3,047.8	(4.8)	662.7	686.1	697.3	34.6
Ontario	6,346.3	6,445.6	6,447.0	100.7	5,178.5	5,297.7	5,299.6	121.1	1,167.8	1,148.0	1,147.3	(20.5)
Manitoba	581.7	580.3	583.4	1.7	470.9	466.1	469.5	(1.4)	110.8	114.1	113.9	3.1
Saskatchewan	485.9	478.5	480.3	(5.6)	392.2	382.6	387.4	(4.8)	93.7	95.9	93.0	(0.7)
Alberta	1,766.3	1,794.9	1,795.1	28.8	1,444.3	1,479.1	1,499.6	55.3	322.1	315.7	295.4	(26.7)
British Columbia	2,076.8	2,148.9	2,166.5	89.7	1,644.5	1,698.9	1,724.3	79.8	432.3	450.0	442.3	10.0

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
Canada	16,035.6	16,330.3	16,295.0	259.4	12,929.8	13,244.4	13,188.1	258.3	3,105.8	3,085.9	3,106.9	1.1
Newfoundland and Labrador	207.8	215.9	214.2	6.4	176.6	184.8	180.7	4.1	31.2	31.1	33.5	2.3
Prince Edward Island	66.9	69.6	67.0	0.1	55.1	58.8	55.2	0.1	11.8	10.8	11.8	-
Nova Scotia	444.0	448.5	442.1	(1.9)	356.0	363.6	355.2	(0.8)	88.0	84.9	86.9	(1.1)
New Brunswick	350.0	351.6	352.2	2.2	292.7	293.9	294.4	1.7	57.3	57.7	57.8	0.5
Quebec	3,703.7	3,757.3	3,735.1	31.4	3,003.3	3,037.1	2,993.1	(10.2)	700.3	720.2	742.0	41.7
Ontario	6,357.4	6,466.8	6,458.8	101.4	5,135.3	5,283.7	5,262.5	127.2	1,222.2	1,183.1	1,196.3	(25.9)
Manitoba	580.8	583.1	583.1	2.3	465.4	467.2	465.0	(0.4)	115.4	115.9	118.2	2.8
Saskatchewan	484.6	479.5	478.8	(5.8)	386.2	381.0	382.3	(3.9)	98.4	98.4	96.5	(1.9)
Alberta	1,767.5	1,792.3	1,795.6	28.1	1,434.0	1,469.1	1,487.9	53.9	333.6	323.2	307.7	(25.9)
British Columbia	2,072.9	2,165.9	2,168.0	95.1	1,625.1	1,705.2	1,711.7	86.6	447.8	460.7	456.3	8.5

Employment Situation - November 2005
Youth Statistics

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,848.2	2,834.1	2,825.3	(22.9)	2,483.2	2,491.8	2,502.8	19.6	12.8	12.1	11.4	(1.4)
Newfoundland and Labrador	39.0	36.0	38.7	(0.3)	29.8	27.4	30.4	0.6	23.6	23.9	21.4	(2.2)
Prince Edward Island	13.8	13.4	13.4	(0.4)	11.4	11.2	11.6	0.2	17.4	16.4	13.4	(4.0)
Nova Scotia	84.0	81.0	80.4	(3.6)	71.2	69.8	70.0	(1.2)	15.2	13.8	12.9	(2.3)
New Brunswick	63.3	63.9	62.8	(0.5)	53.6	52.8	54.3	0.7	15.2	17.4	13.5	(1.7)
Quebec	655.7	623.1	625.6	(30.1)	563.8	540.2	545.9	(17.9)	14.0	13.3	12.7	(1.3)
Ontario	1,091.7	1,095.4	1,091.1	(0.6)	938.7	944.1	945.9	7.2	14.0	13.8	13.3	(0.7)
Manitoba	108.4	108.4	108.6	0.2	96.9	99.9	100.4	3.5	10.6	7.7	7.6	(3.0)
Saskatchewan	95.2	94.5	93.7	(1.5)	86.5	84.5	83.3	(3.2)	9.1	10.6	11.1	2.0
Alberta	339.8	337.6	337.6	(2.2)	313.6	313.3	313.2	(0.4)	7.7	7.2	7.2	(0.5)
British Columbia	357.4	380.9	373.4	16.0	317.6	348.6	347.8	30.2	11.1	8.5	6.9	(4.2)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,749.1	2,749.6	2,733.6	(15.5)	2,414.4	2,429.2	2,445.2	30.8	12.2	11.7	10.6	(1.6)
Newfoundland and Labrador	35.5	33.0	36.0	0.5	27.4	25.0	28.5	1.1	23.1	24.2	21.1	(2.0)
Prince Edward Island	12.6	12.9	12.4	(0.2)	10.3	10.7	10.7	0.4	18.3	17.1	13.7	(4.6)
Nova Scotia	80.8	78.2	77.5	(3.3)	68.6	67.3	68.0	(0.6)	15.0	13.9	12.3	(2.7)
New Brunswick	60.0	60.7	60.0	-	50.8	50.3	52.1	1.3	15.3	17.1	13.2	(2.1)
Quebec	635.2	604.1	607.5	(27.7)	547.4	525.0	532.5	(14.9)	13.8	13.1	12.3	(1.5)
Ontario	1,046.0	1,059.4	1,047.0	1.0	912.5	919.0	922.3	9.8	12.8	13.3	11.9	(0.9)
Manitoba	106.1	106.3	106.2	0.1	94.9	98.1	98.3	3.4	10.6	7.8	7.4	(3.2)
Saskatchewan	91.8	90.7	89.5	(2.3)	83.9	81.9	80.2	(3.7)	8.6	9.7	10.4	1.8
Alberta	332.9	330.7	331.7	(1.2)	307.2	306.9	307.9	0.7	7.7	7.2	7.2	(0.5)
British Columbia	348.2	373.6	365.8	17.6	311.5	345.1	344.6	33.1	10.6	7.6	5.8	(4.8)

Employment Situation - November 2005

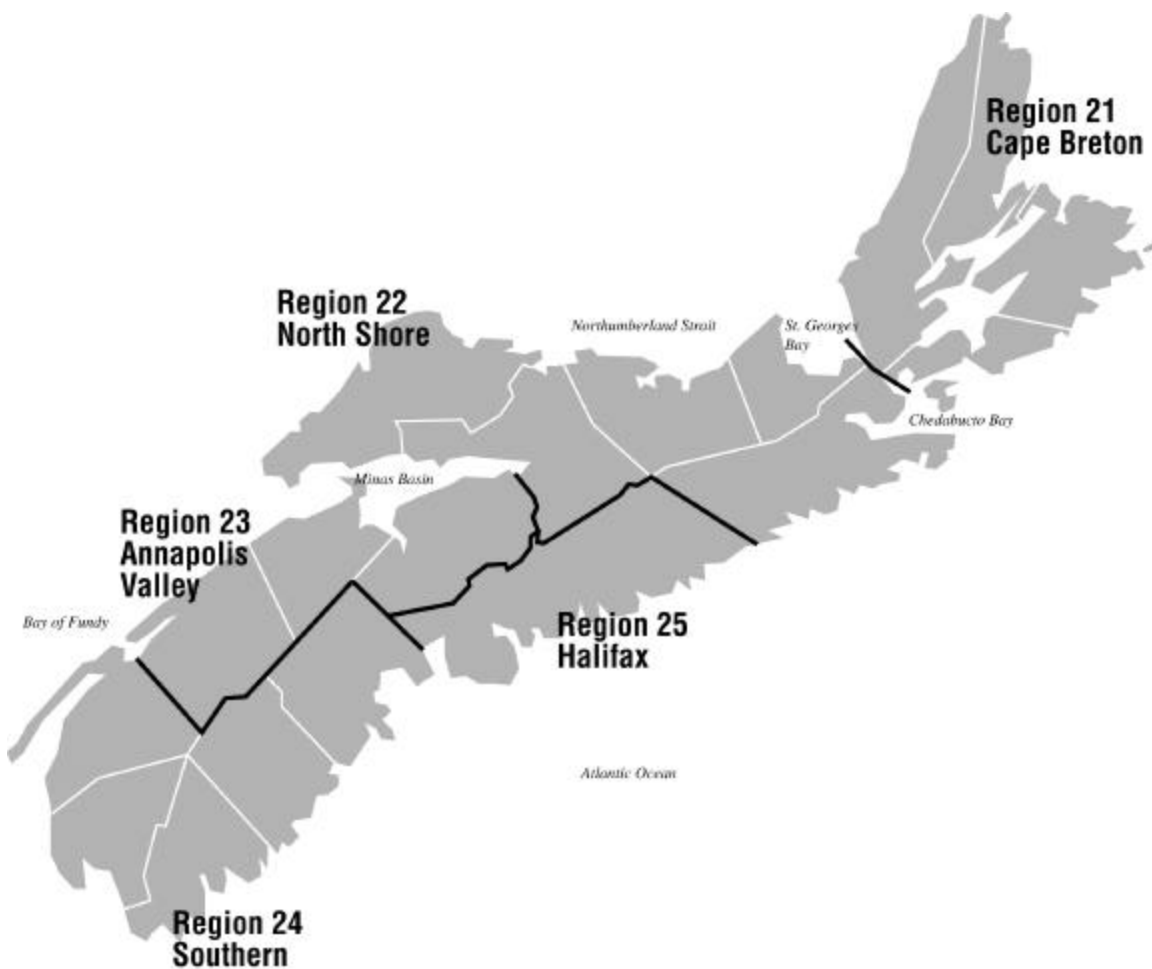
CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change	Nov 2004	Oct 2005	Nov 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	8.1	8.2	7.5	(0.6)	59.8	59.6	59.3	(0.5)	65.1	64.9	64.1	(1.0)
Halifax	5.4	4.7	5.0	(0.4)	67.0	65.8	65.1	(1.9)	70.8	69.1	68.5	(2.3)
Saint John, New Brunswick	6.8	7.6	6.5	(0.3)	61.3	57.7	58.3	(3.0)	65.7	62.4	62.3	(3.4)
Saguenay	10.7	10.4	10.9	0.2	56.1	54.5	53.9	(2.2)	62.8	60.9	60.4	(2.4)
Québec	4.5	4.8	3.8	(0.7)	62.2	63.6	63.4	1.2	65.2	66.8	65.9	0.7
Trois-Rivières	10.1	8.0	8.2	(1.9)	54.2	58.1	57.6	3.4	60.3	63.2	62.7	2.4
Sherbrooke	6.4	7.1	7.0	0.6	61.2	60.2	59.5	(1.7)	65.4	64.7	64.1	(1.3)
Montréal	8.7	8.8	8.8	0.1	61.5	61.9	61.4	(0.1)	67.3	67.8	67.3	-
Ottawa-Gatineau	5.9	6.9	5.8	(0.1)	66.7	66.2	66.5	(0.2)	70.8	71.1	70.6	(0.2)
Sudbury	7.5	7.7	7.5	-	61.0	56.5	56.9	(4.1)	65.9	61.3	61.5	(4.4)
Oshawa	5.5	6.0	5.7	0.2	65.1	65.1	64.9	(0.2)	68.9	69.2	68.9	-
Toronto	7.2	6.7	6.0	(1.2)	64.1	65.3	65.1	1.0	69.0	70.0	69.3	0.3
Hamilton	5.5	5.9	5.4	(0.1)	65.3	63.2	63.6	(1.7)	69.1	67.2	67.2	(1.9)
St. Catharines - Niagara	5.6	6.8	6.0	0.4	60.0	59.2	58.6	(1.4)	63.5	63.5	62.4	(1.1)
London	6.3	6.5	6.5	0.2	64.7	64.7	63.8	(0.9)	69.0	69.2	68.3	(0.7)
Windsor	9.1	6.6	6.5	(2.6)	61.6	61.0	60.9	(0.7)	67.7	65.3	65.1	(2.6)
Kitchener	4.2	6.0	5.3	1.1	66.4	68.3	67.7	1.3	69.3	72.6	71.5	2.2
Thunder Bay	8.0	5.9	5.4	(2.6)	60.9	61.4	59.9	(1.0)	66.2	65.2	63.3	(2.9)
Winnipeg	5.2	5.1	4.3	(0.9)	67.6	65.6	65.6	(2.0)	71.4	69.1	68.6	(2.8)
Regina	4.4	5.1	4.7	0.3	69.2	66.9	66.5	(2.7)	72.3	70.5	69.8	(2.5)
Saskatoon	5.6	5.8	5.3	(0.3)	66.9	66.5	65.6	(1.3)	70.8	70.6	69.3	(1.5)
Calgary	4.9	4.1	4.4	(0.5)	70.3	70.3	70.1	(0.2)	73.9	73.3	73.3	(0.6)
Edmonton	4.6	4.2	3.9	(0.7)	69.7	67.9	67.1	(2.6)	73.0	70.8	69.8	(3.2)
Vancouver	6.4	5.4	4.4	(2.0)	62.6	62.9	63.3	0.7	66.9	66.5	66.2	(0.7)
Victoria	5.7	4.7	4.4	(1.3)	58.4	63.3	62.4	4.0	62.0	66.4	65.3	3.3

Employment Situation

DECEMBER 2005



About the Employment Situation Report

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

<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. As of April 2005 the sample size has been approximately 51,072 households across Canada and 2,873 in Nova Scotia.

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/Provinces

Canada

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	
Population ('000)	25,596.8	25,959.7	25,986.6	389.8	25,596.8	25,959.7	25,986.6	389.8
Labour Force ('000)	17,130.7	17,331.0	17,286.6	155.9	17,280.0	17,403.4	17,425.1	145.1
Employment ('000)	15,989.6	16,295.0	16,231.5	241.9	16,063.1	16,297.7	16,295.6	232.5
Unemployed ('000)	1,141.1	1,036.0	1,055.2	(85.9)	1,216.9	1,105.7	1,129.5	(87.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	6.0	6.1	(0.6)	7.0	6.4	6.5	(0.5)
Participation Rate (%)	66.9	66.8	66.5	(0.4)	67.5	67.0	67.1	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	62.5	62.8	62.5	-	62.8	62.8	62.7	(0.1)

Nova Scotia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	
Population ('000)	758.8	761.7	762.0	3.2	758.8	761.7	762.0	3.2
Labour Force ('000)	482.5	480.7	478.5	(4.0)	486.6	482.4	482.5	(4.1)
Employment ('000)	442.6	442.1	440.4	(2.2)	443.4	442.8	441.5	(1.9)
Unemployed ('000)	39.8	38.6	38.1	(1.7)	43.2	39.6	40.9	(2.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.2	8.0	8.0	(0.2)	8.9	8.2	8.5	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	63.6	63.1	62.8	(0.8)	64.1	63.3	63.3	(0.8)
Employment Rate (%)	58.3	58.0	57.8	(0.5)	58.4	58.1	57.9	(0.5)

Newfoundland and Labrador

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	
Population ('000)	430.4	429.3	429.1	(1.3)	430.4	429.3	429.1	(1.3)
Labour Force ('000)	245.0	251.0	242.3	(2.7)	252.2	255.9	249.8	(2.4)
Employment ('000)	208.9	214.2	203.9	(5.0)	216.0	217.6	211.1	(4.9)
Unemployed ('000)	36.1	36.8	38.4	2.3	36.2	38.3	38.7	2.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.7	14.7	15.8	1.1	14.4	15.0	15.5	1.1
Participation Rate (%)	56.9	58.5	56.5	(0.4)	58.6	59.6	58.2	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	48.5	49.9	47.5	(1.0)	50.2	50.7	49.2	(1.0)

Prince Edward Island

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	
Population ('000)	111.2	111.9	112.0	0.8	111.2	111.9	112.0	0.8
Labour Force ('000)	74.3	75.0	74.8	0.5	76.7	76.6	76.8	0.1
Employment ('000)	65.6	67.0	65.8	0.2	68.7	68.5	68.4	(0.3)
Unemployed ('000)	8.7	8.0	9.1	0.4	8.0	8.1	8.4	0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.7	10.7	12.2	0.5	10.4	10.6	10.9	0.5
Participation Rate (%)	66.8	67.0	66.8	-	69.0	68.5	68.6	(0.4)
Employment Rate (%)	59.0	59.9	58.8	(0.2)	61.8	61.2	61.1	(0.7)

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New Brunswick

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	608.6	611.5	611.3	2.7	608.6	611.5	611.3	2.7
Labour Force ('000)	380.6	385.3	386.0	5.4	389.4	388.2	394.1	4.7
Employment ('000)	346.1	352.2	350.8	4.7	352.9	351.5	356.2	3.3
Unemployed ('000)	34.5	33.1	35.1	0.6	36.5	36.7	37.8	1.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.1	8.6	9.1	-	9.4	9.5	9.6	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	62.5	63.0	63.1	0.6	64.0	63.5	64.5	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	56.9	57.6	57.4	0.5	58.0	57.5	58.3	0.3

Quebec

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	6,143.8	6,211.1	6,215.9	72.1	6,143.8	6,211.1	6,215.9	72.1
Labour Force ('000)	4,009.0	4,051.9	4,056.2	47.2	4,052.5	4,069.7	4,090.3	37.8
Employment ('000)	3,665.0	3,735.1	3,721.0	56.0	3,703.9	3,745.1	3,755.3	51.4
Unemployed ('000)	344.0	316.8	335.2	(8.8)	348.6	324.6	335.0	(13.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.6	7.8	8.3	(0.3)	8.6	8.0	8.2	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	65.3	65.2	65.3	-	66.0	65.5	65.8	(0.2)
Employment Rate (%)	59.7	60.1	59.9	0.2	60.3	60.3	60.4	0.1

Ontario

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	9,972.0	10,141.9	10,152.8	180.8	9,972.0	10,141.9	10,152.8	180.8
Labour Force ('000)	6,766.7	6,834.6	6,797.1	30.4	6,819.0	6,864.0	6,852.5	33.5
Employment ('000)	6,345.8	6,458.8	6,421.2	75.4	6,353.5	6,447.0	6,429.3	75.8
Unemployed ('000)	420.9	375.8	375.8	(45.1)	465.5	417.1	423.2	(42.3)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	5.5	5.5	(0.7)	6.8	6.1	6.2	(0.6)
Participation Rate (%)	67.9	67.4	66.9	(1.0)	68.4	67.7	67.5	(0.9)
Employment Rate (%)	63.6	63.7	63.2	(0.4)	63.7	63.6	63.3	(0.4)

Manitoba

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	885.0	890.1	889.9	4.9	885.0	890.1	889.9	4.9
Labour Force ('000)	607.8	606.5	607.9	0.1	611.1	608.6	610.3	(0.8)
Employment ('000)	578.2	583.1	582.8	4.6	580.3	583.4	584.4	4.1
Unemployed ('000)	29.6	23.4	25.1	(4.5)	30.8	25.3	25.8	(5.0)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	3.9	4.1	(0.8)	5.0	4.2	4.2	(0.8)
Participation Rate (%)	68.7	68.1	68.3	(0.4)	69.1	68.4	68.6	(0.5)
Employment Rate (%)	65.3	65.5	65.5	0.2	65.6	65.5	65.7	0.1

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Saskatchewan

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	
Population ('000)	746.9	748.6	748.3	1.4	746.9	748.6	748.3	1.4
Labour Force ('000)	508.1	503.2	499.2	(8.9)	514.0	507.0	506.2	(7.8)
Employment ('000)	481.4	478.8	474.5	(6.9)	486.9	480.3	479.5	(7.4)
Unemployed ('000)	26.7	24.4	24.7	(2.0)	27.1	26.6	26.7	(0.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.3	4.8	4.9	(0.4)	5.3	5.2	5.3	-
Participation Rate (%)	68.0	67.2	66.7	(1.3)	68.8	67.7	67.6	(1.2)
Employment Rate (%)	64.5	64.0	63.4	(1.1)	65.2	64.2	64.1	(1.1)

Alberta

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	
Population ('000)	2,526.0	2,580.5	2,587.2	61.2	2,526.0	2,580.5	2,587.2	61.2
Labour Force ('000)	1,842.7	1,870.6	1,873.5	30.8	1,850.3	1,872.0	1,877.4	27.1
Employment ('000)	1,766.3	1,795.6	1,799.5	33.2	1,768.1	1,795.1	1,800.7	32.6
Unemployed ('000)	76.4	75.0	74.0	(2.4)	82.3	76.9	76.7	(5.6)
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.0	3.9	(0.2)	4.4	4.1	4.1	(0.3)
Participation Rate (%)	72.9	72.5	72.4	(0.5)	73.3	72.5	72.6	(0.7)
Employment Rate (%)	69.9	69.6	69.6	(0.3)	70.0	69.6	69.6	(0.4)

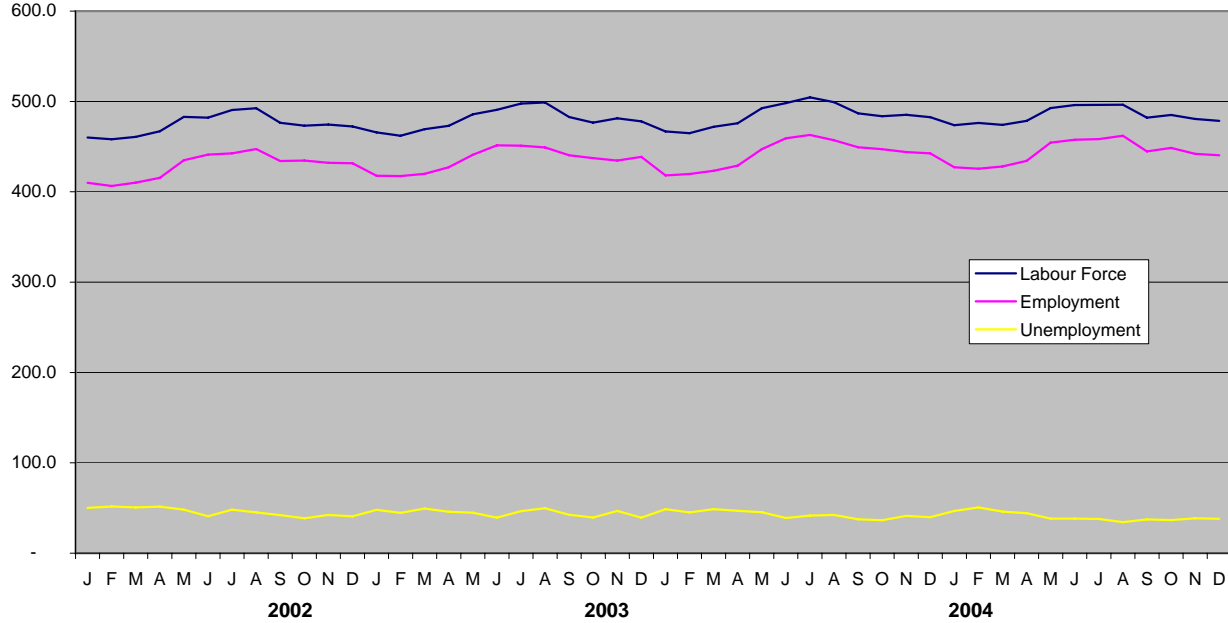
British Columbia

	Actual				Seasonally Adjusted			Annual Change
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	
Population ('000)	3,414.1	3,473.2	3,478.3	64.2	3,414.1	3,473.2	3,478.3	64.2
Labour Force ('000)	2,214.1	2,272.2	2,271.1	57.0	2,228.2	2,278.9	2,285.2	57.0
Employment ('000)	2,089.7	2,168.0	2,171.5	81.8	2,089.5	2,166.5	2,169.2	79.7
Unemployed ('000)	124.4	104.1	99.6	(24.8)	138.8	112.4	116.1	(22.7)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	4.6	4.4	(1.2)	6.2	4.9	5.1	(1.1)
Participation Rate (%)	64.9	65.4	65.3	0.4	65.3	65.6	65.7	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	61.2	62.4	62.4	1.2	61.2	62.4	62.4	1.2

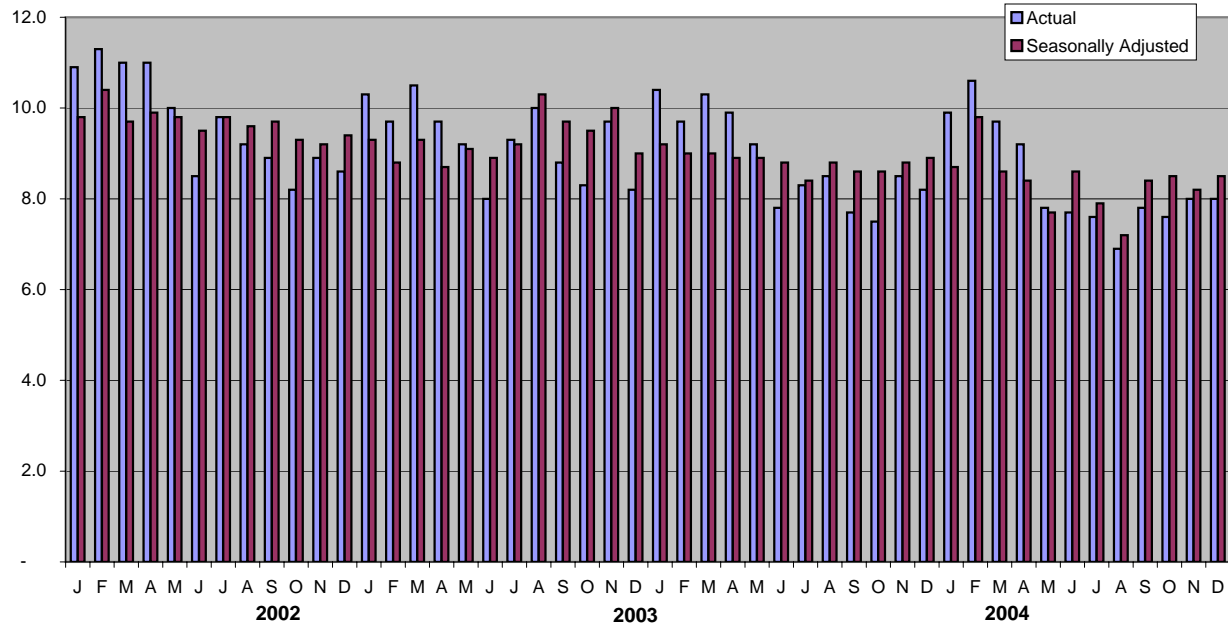
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Nova Scotia Labour Force, Employment & Unemployment
 Actual 2002-2005



Nova Scotia Unemployment Rate
 Actual & Seasonally Adjusted



Employment Situation - December 2005
Economic Regions/CMA

(unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Canada				Nova Scotia			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	25,571.4	25,927.5	25,958.3	386.9	758.5	761.6	761.8	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	17,183.8	17,355.3	17,335.7	151.9	483.8	482.6	481.5	(2.3)
Employment ('000)	16,041.4	16,297.1	16,285.6	244.2	444.6	445.1	443.7	(0.9)
Unemployed ('000)	1,142.3	1,058.1	1,050.1	(92.2)	39.2	37.5	37.8	(1.4)
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.6	6.1	6.1	(0.5)	8.1	7.8	7.9	(0.2)
Participation Rate (%)	67.2	66.9	66.8	(0.4)	63.8	63.4	63.2	(0.6)
Employment Rate (%)	62.7	62.9	62.7	-	58.6	58.4	58.2	(0.4)

	230 - Annapolis Valley				210 - Cape Breton			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	99.0	99.3	99.3	0.3	116.9	116.5	116.0	(0.9)
Labour Force ('000)	64.8	61.8	62.5	(2.3)	57.2	66.4	64.8	7.6
Employment ('000)	60.6	57.0	57.5	(3.1)	48.5	56.6	55.4	6.9
Unemployed ('000)	4.2	4.8	5.0	0.8	8.7	9.8	9.4	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	7.8	8.0	1.5	15.2	14.8	14.5	(0.7)
Participation Rate (%)	65.5	62.2	62.9	(2.6)	48.9	57.0	55.9	7.0
Employment Rate (%)	61.2	57.4	57.9	(3.3)	41.5	48.6	47.8	6.3

	250 - Halifax County				Halifax Metro (CMA)			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	309.2	312.1	313.5	4.3	308.8	311.8	312.1	3.3
Labour Force ('000)	217.3	213.8	214.3	(3.0)	217.2	215.5	213.8	(3.4)
Employment ('000)	205.1	203.2	203.2	(1.9)	205.4	205.3	203.2	(2.2)
Unemployed ('000)	12.2	10.6	11.1	(1.1)	11.7	10.2	10.6	(1.1)
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	5.0	5.2	(0.4)	5.4	4.7	5.0	(0.4)
Participation Rate (%)	70.3	68.5	68.4	(1.9)	70.3	69.1	68.5	(1.8)
Employment Rate (%)	66.3	65.1	64.8	(1.5)	66.5	65.8	65.1	(1.4)

	220 - North Shore				240 - Southern			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Population ('000)	130.3	130.5	130.1	(0.2)	103.1	103.3	103.0	(0.1)
Labour Force ('000)	80.2	79.9	80.3	0.1	64.3	60.6	59.6	(4.7)
Employment ('000)	72.2	74.8	74.5	2.3	58.1	53.5	53.0	(5.1)
Unemployed ('000)	8.0	5.1	5.8	(2.2)	6.2	7.2	6.6	0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.0	6.4	7.2	(2.8)	9.6	11.9	11.1	1.5
Participation Rate (%)	61.6	61.2	61.7	0.1	62.4	58.7	57.9	(4.5)
Employment Rate (%)	55.4	57.3	57.3	1.9	56.4	51.8	51.5	(4.9)

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Job Tenure

Employment - Seasonally Adjusted (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
Canada	16,063.1	16,297.7	16,295.6	232.5	13,098.7	13,325.3	13,361.0	262.3	2,964.4	2,972.4	2,934.6	(29.8)
Newfoundland and Labrador	216.0	217.6	211.1	(4.9)	183.2	183.5	176.3	(6.9)	32.7	34.0	34.8	2.1
Prince Edward Island	68.7	68.5	68.4	(0.3)	57.5	57.1	57.9	0.4	11.2	11.4	10.5	(0.7)
Nova Scotia	443.4	442.8	441.5	(1.9)	358.9	360.2	361.2	2.3	84.5	82.6	80.4	(4.1)
New Brunswick	352.9	351.5	356.2	3.3	297.1	296.3	295.0	(2.1)	55.8	55.3	61.2	5.4
Quebec	3,703.9	3,745.1	3,755.3	51.4	3,046.5	3,047.8	3,076.0	29.5	657.4	697.3	679.3	21.9
Ontario	6,353.5	6,447.0	6,429.3	75.8	5,183.2	5,299.6	5,310.0	126.8	1,170.3	1,147.3	1,119.3	(51.0)
Manitoba	580.3	583.4	584.4	4.1	470.8	469.5	464.2	(6.6)	109.5	113.9	120.2	10.7
Saskatchewan	486.9	480.3	479.5	(7.4)	391.4	387.4	389.3	(2.1)	95.5	93.0	90.2	(5.3)
Alberta	1,768.1	1,795.1	1,800.7	32.6	1,445.5	1,499.6	1,499.0	53.5	322.6	295.4	301.6	(21.0)
British Columbia	2,089.5	2,166.5	2,169.2	79.7	1,663.9	1,724.3	1,731.3	67.4	425.6	442.3	437.8	12.2

Employment - Actual (000's)

	Total				Full-Time				Part-time			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual
				Change				Change				Change
Canada	15,989.6	16,295.0	16,231.5	241.9	12,875.3	13,188.1	13,151.1	275.8	3,114.3	3,106.9	3,080.4	(33.9)
Newfoundland and Labrador	208.9	214.2	203.9	(5.0)	176.5	180.7	169.3	(7.2)	32.4	33.5	34.6	2.2
Prince Edward Island	65.6	67.0	65.8	0.2	53.7	55.2	54.6	0.9	11.9	11.8	11.1	(0.8)
Nova Scotia	442.6	442.1	440.4	(2.2)	352.0	355.2	354.1	2.1	90.6	86.9	86.2	(4.4)
New Brunswick	346.1	352.2	350.8	4.7	287.7	294.4	286.6	(1.1)	58.4	57.8	64.3	5.9
Quebec	3,665.0	3,735.1	3,721.0	56.0	2,966.2	2,993.1	3,000.0	33.8	698.7	742.0	721.0	22.3
Ontario	6,345.8	6,458.8	6,421.2	75.4	5,115.2	5,262.5	5,247.7	132.5	1,230.6	1,196.3	1,173.5	(57.1)
Manitoba	578.2	583.1	582.8	4.6	463.3	465.0	455.9	(7.4)	115.0	118.2	126.9	11.9
Saskatchewan	481.4	478.8	474.5	(6.9)	381.0	382.3	380.8	(0.2)	100.4	96.5	93.7	(6.7)
Alberta	1,766.3	1,795.6	1,799.5	33.2	1,433.9	1,487.9	1,486.4	52.5	332.4	307.7	313.1	(19.3)
British Columbia	2,089.7	2,168.0	2,171.5	81.8	1,645.8	1,711.7	1,715.6	69.8	443.9	456.3	455.8	11.9

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Youth Statistics**

15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,845.4	2,825.3	2,849.6	4.2	2,484.9	2,502.8	2,512.4	27.5	12.7	11.4	11.8	(0.9)
Newfoundland and Labrador	38.5	38.7	36.4	(2.1)	31.2	30.4	28.3	(2.9)	19.0	21.4	22.3	3.3
Prince Edward Island	13.5	13.4	13.4	(0.1)	11.3	11.6	11.4	0.1	16.3	13.4	14.9	(1.4)
Nova Scotia	84.5	80.4	81.1	(3.4)	71.2	70.0	70.4	(0.8)	15.7	12.9	13.3	(2.4)
New Brunswick	63.7	62.8	63.8	0.1	54.8	54.3	54.7	(0.1)	14.0	13.5	14.3	0.3
Quebec	643.3	625.6	635.0	(8.3)	555.2	545.9	550.7	(4.5)	13.7	12.7	13.3	(0.4)
Ontario	1,092.5	1,091.1	1,098.3	5.8	938.7	945.9	950.6	11.9	14.1	13.3	13.4	(0.7)
Manitoba	108.2	108.6	110.1	1.9	96.9	100.4	101.0	4.1	10.4	7.6	8.3	(2.1)
Saskatchewan	97.0	93.7	94.2	(2.8)	87.9	83.3	82.6	(5.3)	9.4	11.1	12.2	2.8
Alberta	345.6	337.6	338.5	(7.1)	319.2	313.2	314.5	(4.7)	7.6	7.2	7.1	(0.5)
British Columbia	358.6	373.4	378.8	20.2	318.5	347.8	348.2	29.7	11.2	6.9	8.1	(3.1)

15-24 Age Group - Actual

	Labour Force - 000's				Employment - 000's				Unemployment - %			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
Canada	2,713.8	2,733.6	2,731.3	17.5	2,410.6	2,445.2	2,449.2	38.6	11.2	10.6	10.3	(0.9)
Newfoundland and Labrador	34.8	36.0	32.8	(2.0)	28.9	28.5	26.4	(2.5)	17.0	21.1	19.8	2.8
Prince Edward Island	12.2	12.4	12.1	(0.1)	10.0	10.7	10.2	0.2	18.0	13.7	15.7	(2.3)
Nova Scotia	80.4	77.5	77.8	(2.6)	68.4	68.0	68.4	-	14.9	12.3	12.1	(2.8)
New Brunswick	59.5	60.0	59.8	0.3	51.8	52.1	52.3	0.5	12.9	13.2	12.7	(0.2)
Quebec	604.2	607.5	601.3	(2.9)	529.6	532.5	527.2	(2.4)	12.3	12.3	12.3	-
Ontario	1,037.9	1,047.0	1,046.6	8.7	913.5	922.3	929.1	15.6	12.0	11.9	11.2	(0.8)
Manitoba	105.8	106.2	107.9	2.1	94.9	98.3	98.9	4.0	10.3	7.4	8.3	(2.0)
Saskatchewan	92.1	89.5	88.4	(3.7)	84.1	80.2	79.0	(5.1)	8.7	10.4	10.5	1.8
Alberta	338.1	331.7	333.1	(5.0)	312.5	307.9	309.2	(3.3)	7.6	7.2	7.2	(0.4)
British Columbia	348.8	365.8	371.4	22.6	316.7	344.6	348.4	31.7	9.2	5.8	6.2	(3.0)

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CMA Data

(Unadjusted - three month moving average)

	Unemployment Rate - %				Employment Rate - %				Participation Rate - %			
	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change	Dec 2004	Nov 2005	Dec 2005	Annual Change
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	8.2	7.5	7.6	(0.6)	60.7	59.3	59.3	(1.4)	66.3	64.1	64.2	(2.1)
Halifax	5.6	5.0	5.2	(0.4)	67.1	65.1	64.8	(2.3)	71.0	68.5	68.4	(2.6)
Saint John, New Brunswick	6.2	6.5	5.5	(0.7)	61.4	58.3	59.9	(1.5)	65.4	62.3	63.4	(2.0)
Saguenay	10.6	10.9	10.1	(0.5)	55.9	53.9	54.3	(1.6)	62.5	60.4	60.4	(2.1)
Québec	5.0	3.8	4.0	(1.0)	61.7	63.4	62.8	1.1	65.0	65.9	65.4	0.4
Trois-Rivières	9.4	8.2	8.8	(0.6)	54.6	57.6	57.7	3.1	60.3	62.7	63.2	2.9
Sherbrooke	7.0	7.0	6.7	(0.3)	61.3	59.5	60.0	(1.3)	65.9	64.1	64.4	(1.5)
Montréal	8.8	8.8	9.1	0.3	61.3	61.4	61.2	(0.1)	67.2	67.3	67.4	0.2
Ottawa-Gatineau	5.7	5.8	7.2	1.5	67.6	66.5	57.1	(10.5)	71.7	70.6	61.6	(10.1)
Sudbury	7.0	7.5	6.0	(1.0)	62.0	56.9	65.1	3.1	66.7	61.5	69.3	2.6
Oshawa	5.1	5.7	5.7	0.6	65.9	64.9	64.9	(1.0)	69.5	68.9	68.8	(0.7)
Toronto	7.1	6.0	5.3	(1.8)	64.1	65.1	64.1	-	68.9	69.3	67.7	(1.2)
Hamilton	5.3	5.4	6.4	1.1	64.7	63.6	57.8	(6.9)	68.3	67.2	61.8	(6.5)
St. Catharines - Niagara	6.1	6.0	6.3	0.2	60.3	58.6	63.4	3.1	64.2	62.4	67.7	3.5
London	6.2	6.5	6.4	0.2	65.3	63.8	61.3	(4.0)	69.6	68.3	65.5	(4.1)
Windsor	9.2	6.5	5.0	(4.2)	61.3	60.9	67.9	6.6	67.5	65.1	71.5	4.0
Kitchener	3.6	5.3	5.6	2.0	67.1	67.7	59.7	(7.4)	69.7	71.5	63.2	(6.5)
Thunder Bay	7.8	5.4	3.9	(3.9)	61.6	59.9	66.0	4.4	66.8	63.3	68.7	1.9
Winnipeg	4.9	4.3	4.8	(0.1)	67.5	65.6	66.3	(1.2)	71.0	68.6	69.7	(1.3)
Regina	4.6	4.7	5.1	0.5	69.4	66.5	65.3	(4.1)	72.7	69.8	68.8	(3.9)
Saskatoon	5.3	5.3	4.5	(0.8)	67.3	65.6	70.6	3.3	71.1	69.3	73.9	2.8
Calgary	4.7	4.4	4.1	(0.6)	69.9	70.1	66.2	(3.7)	73.3	73.3	69.0	(4.3)
Edmonton	4.6	3.9	4.1	(0.5)	69.6	67.1	63.7	(5.9)	73.0	69.8	66.4	(6.6)
Vancouver	5.9	4.4	4.1	(1.8)	62.8	63.3	61.7	(1.1)	66.8	66.2	64.3	(2.5)
Victoria	5.2	4.4	-	(5.2)	59.3	62.4	-	(59.3)	62.5	65.3	-	(62.5)