

Labour Market Profiles

In 2004, 24 of 53 occupational groups in Alberta had a unemployment rate of less than 3.0 per cent indicating a skill shortage. There have been several major impacts to Alberta's labour force, including:

- Alberta's strong economic growth over the last 10 years
- low birthrates
- an aging workforce
- other government initiatives encouraging immigration and migration to the province.

These factors have dramatically impacted the composition of the labour force, creating new challenges for us all.

Governments, educators, employers and other key stakeholders must work together to find ways to develop and fully use the talents of all Albertans. This is particularly true for target groups who may face barriers to employment, such as:

- youth
- older workers
- Aboriginal people
- people with disabilities
- immigrants.

For information on Alberta's labour market, the following documents are available online:

Older Workers in the Labour Force:
www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lmi/pdf/OlderWorkers_Profile1.pdf

Youth in the Labour Force:
www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lmi/pdf/Youth_Profile1.pdf

Immigration and Migration in the Labour Force
www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lmi/pdf/Immigration_MigrationProfile.pdf

Aboriginal People in the Labour Force:
www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lmi/pdf/aboriginal_profile1.pdf

Persons with Disabilities in the Labour Force
www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lmi/pdf/pdd_profile1.pdf

Regional Labour Market Bulletins are available:
www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lmi/lmnews.asp

Monthly Labour Force Statistics are available:
www.gov.ab.ca/hre/lfstats