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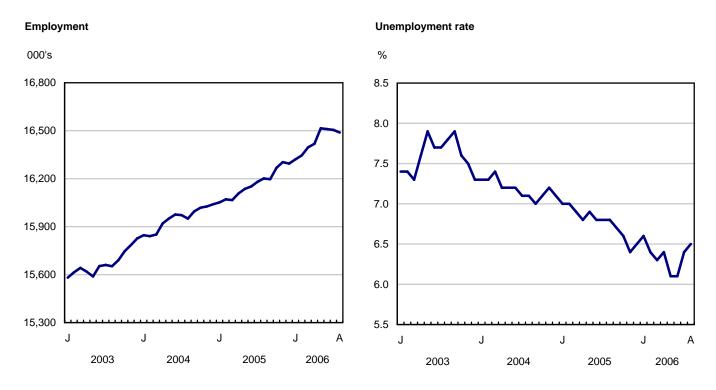
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# **Highlights**

#### August 2006

Employment was little changed for the third consecutive month in August, marking the longest stretch without gains since the end of 2001. The unemployment rate edged up 0.1 percentage points to 6.5%—still among the lowest in 30 years.

Chart 1
Employment and unemployment rates, Canada, seasonally adjusted



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The pause in employment growth over the last three months follows a period of very strong gains. So far this year, employment is up 194,000 (+1.2%), due entirely to increases in full time.

In August, full-time work jumped 47,000, but was more than offset by losses in part time (-63,000), especially for adult women and youth aged 15 to 24 years. Employment gains among adult women so far this year (+2.1%) have exceeded that for adult men (+0.6%).

The goods-producing industries have continued to be affected by waning foreign demand. Manufacturing employment declined in August, bringing losses to 87,000 for the first eight months of 2006.

The service-producing side of the economy has fared much better in recent months. However, in August there were losses in education, and public administration. Only professional, scientific and technical services posted a large employment increase.

Average hourly wages increased 3.7% from August of last year, remaining above the most recent year-over-year gain of 2.4% in the Consumer Price Index. Hourly earnings in Alberta were up 8.3% over the previous 12 months.

When adjusted for comparability to U.S. definitions, employment growth in Canada paralleled that of the United States over the first eight months of the year (+1.3%). The unemployment rate also declined by a similar amount during this period.

#### **Employment in goods-producing industries weakens**

Manufacturing has been shedding workers since 2002, with August marking the lowest level of employment this industry has seen since March 1998. Since the start of 2006, manufacturing declines have been widespread, with the largest decreases in food and motor vehicle and parts manufacturing.

While manufacturing losses have impacted men and women equally, women have fared better with the expansion of the service sector so far this year. The latest GDP estimates for the second quarter of 2006 indicate continued strength in the service industries and weakening in the goods industries.

Employment in educational services declined by 20,000 in August, mainly in primary and secondary schools. The trend since the start of the year has been flat, after showing strong growth in 2005.

Employment also fell in public administration in August (-21,000), offsetting an increase of similar magnitude in the previous month; part of the decline may be attributed to a winding down of Census 2006 activities. The industry has been keeping pace with overall employment since 2003.

Professional, scientific and technical services posted a large increase in employment for August (+19,000); more workers were added in architectural, engineering and design services. Despite August's growth, this industry has remained virtually flat since the start of 2006.

#### Alberta responsible for hefty share of country's employment gains

Alberta was responsible for 78,000 or 40% of all employment added in Canada since the start of 2006; this eclipses even Ontario's gain (+68,000 and 35%) during the first eight months of the year. This share is considerable, especially coming from a province that accounts for only 10% of the country's working-age population.

In August, employment edged up in Alberta (+8,000), but an increase in the number of people searching for work boosted the unemployment rate to 4.2%, an increase of 0.6 percentage points from July.

Although employment was little changed in Ontario for August, so far this year, its 1.1% gain closely follows the national rate of growth. In comparison, Quebec's employment growth has been much slower over the first eight months of the year (+0.3%). Setbacks in manufacturing have hindered employment growth in both provinces, although for Ontario, strong gains in the service sector have more than counterbalanced the declines.

A large jump in full-time employment in Newfoundland and Labrador pushed the employment rate to a near-record high of 50.5% in August. The gains were spread across several industries.

New Brunswick posted an employment decline in August of 5,000, bringing employment to about the same level as twelve months ago.

#### Self-employment rallies

Following large declines early in the year, self-employment rebounded in August (+27,000), mainly due to gains in construction, trade, as well as business, building and other support services.

#### Students have best August in three summers

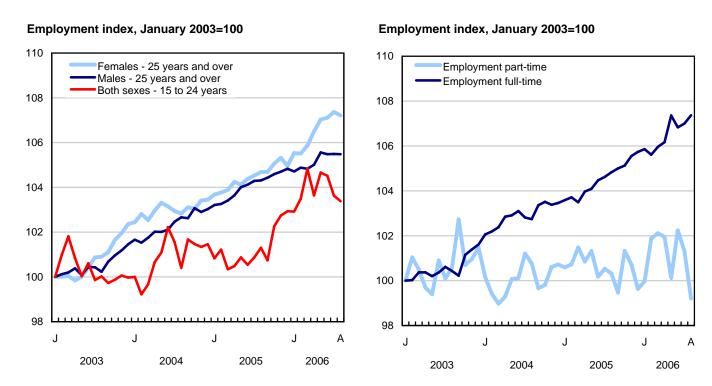
Older students (aged 20 to 24) experienced their best August for summer employment in three years. Their employment rate was 72.0%, up 2.6 percentage points from the previous year. Among those who were employed, nearly seventy percent had full-time work. Their unemployment rate was a low 5.5%, compared to 6.6% in the same month of last year.

Teens 17-to-19 years also fared well this August with 62.7% employed, the highest rate in three years. About half of these working teens were employed full time.

For the summer as a whole (average of May to August), students 17-to-19 years had the largest employment increase from the previous summer. Their employment rate increase of 2.3 percentage points was nearly twice that for students in their early twenties.

(Note: From May to August, the Labour Force Survey collects labour market information about young people aged 15 to 24 who were attending school full-time in March and intend to return to school in the fall. The published estimates are not seasonally adjusted. Therefore, comparisons can only be made on a year-over-year basis.)

Chart 2
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



#### Employment index, January 2003=100

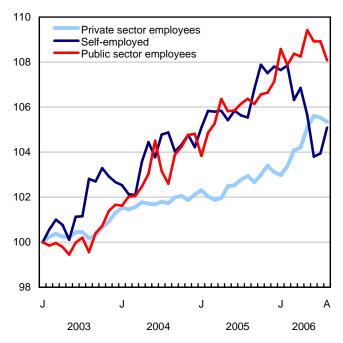
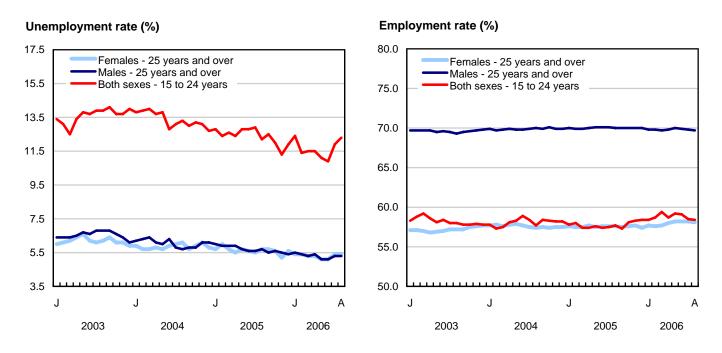


Chart 3
Employment and unemployment indicators, Canada, seasonally adjusted



#### Participation rate (%)

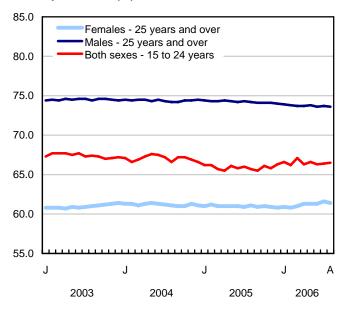


Chart 4 Index of employment by industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted, January, 2003=100

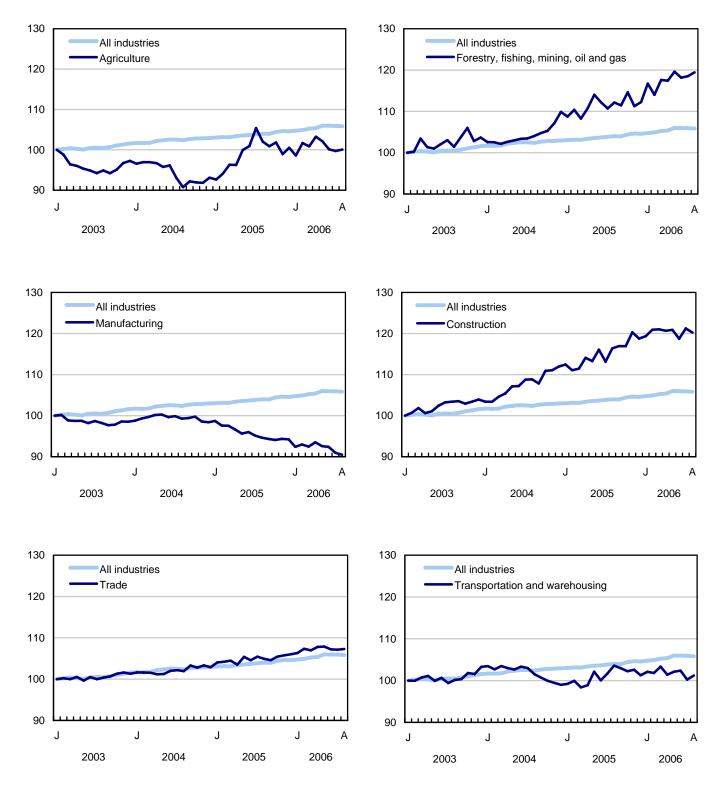


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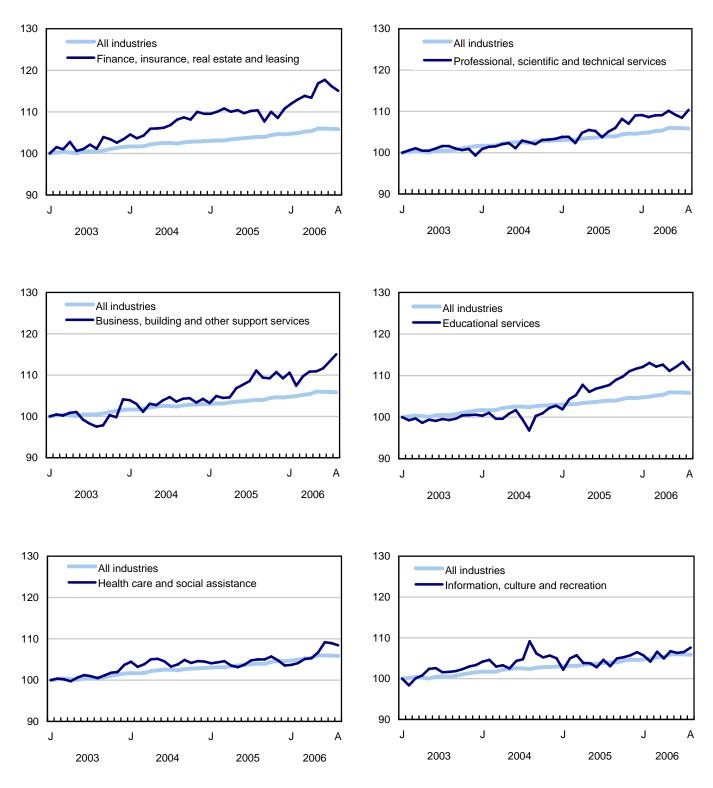
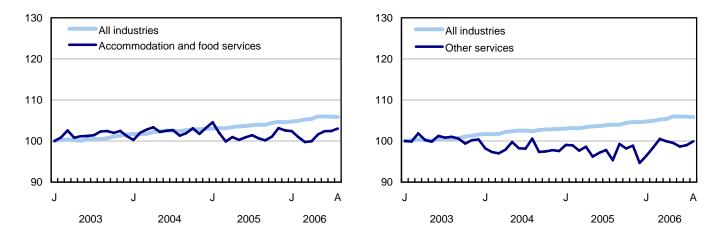
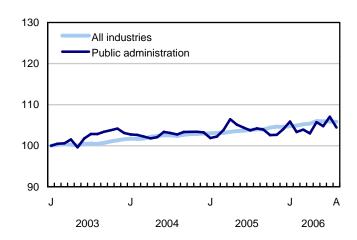


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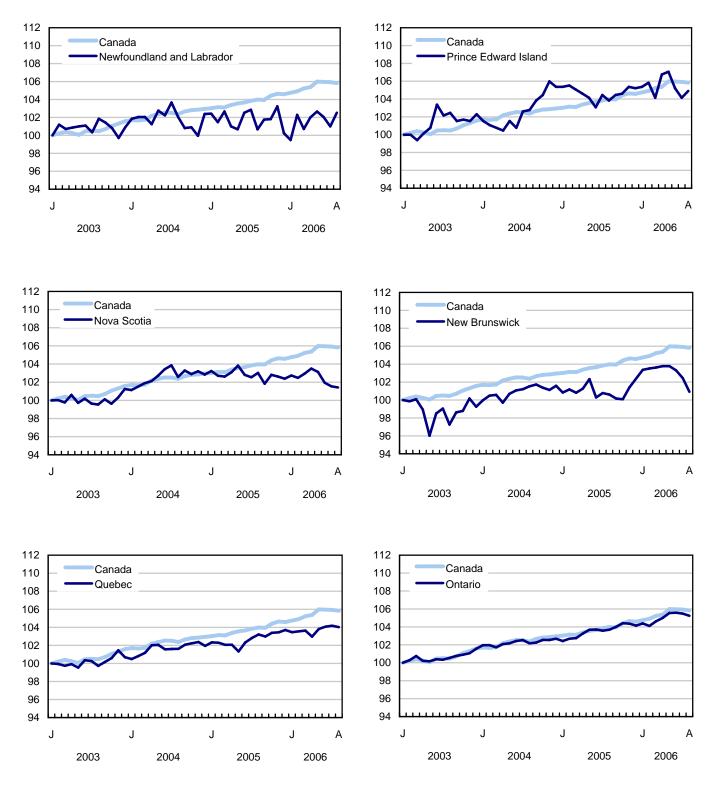
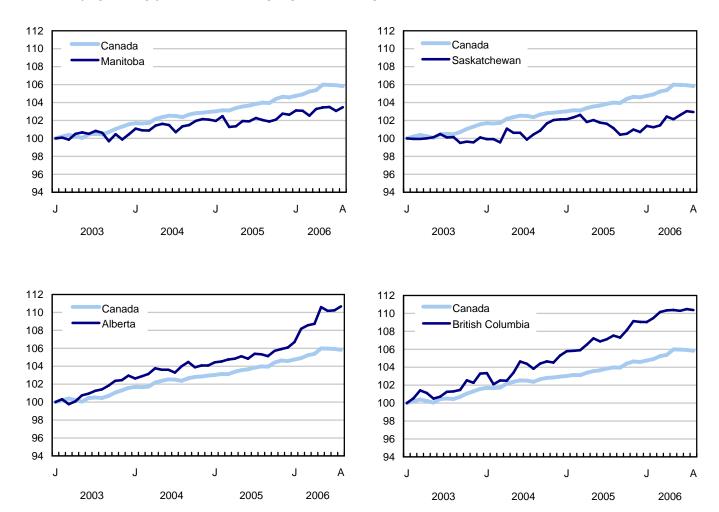


Chart 8
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Table 1 Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	July	August 2006	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
	2006		2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December
		in thous							
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	26,196.9	26,232.5		35.6	245.6	373.7	0.1	0.9	1.4
Labour force	17,641.5	17,629.7	27.4	-11.8	199.8	250.9	-0.1 -0.1	1.1	1.4
Employment Employment full-time	16,504.8 13,518.5	16,488.8 13,565.1	27.2 36.0	-16.0 46.6	194.1 206.8	287.7 320.7	0.3	1.2 1.5	1.8 2.4
Employment part-time	2.986.3	2,923.7	32.5	-62.6	-12.7	-33.0	-2.1	-0.4	-1.1
Unemployment	1,136.7	1,140.9	23.0	4.2	5.7	-36.8	0.4	0.5	-3.1
Participation rate	67.3	67.2	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.0			
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.5	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.3			
Employment rate	63.0	62.9	0.1	-0.1	0.2	0.2			
Part-time rate	18.1	17.7	0.2	-0.4	-0.3	-0.5			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	4 220 0	4,324.6		3.7	22.6	38.5	0.1	0.5	0.0
Population Labour force	4,320.9 2,871.0	4,324.6 2,876.8	 16.5	5.7 5.8	26.2	59.8	0.1	0.5	0.9 2.1
Employment	2,529.5	2,570.6	15.7	-5.9	11.1	50.9	-0.2	0.9	2.1
Employment full-time	1,416.6	1,435.0	18.0	18.4	28.6	54.0	1.3	2.0	3.9
Employment part-time	1,112.8	1,088.7	18.7	-24.1	-17.4	-2.9	-2.2	-1.6	-0.3
Unemployment	341.6	353.1	13.6	11.5	14.9	8.7	3.4	4.4	2.5
Participation rate	66.4	66.5	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.8			
Unemployment rate	11.9	12.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.1			
Employment rate	58.5	58.4	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.7			
Part-time rate	44.0	43.1	0.7	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0	•••		•••
Men, 25 years and over	40,000,0	40.000.4		45.0	444.0	407.0	0.4	4.4	4.0
Population	10,683.3	10,699.1	110	15.8 -4.8	111.2 41.5	167.3	0.1 -0.1	1.1	1.6
Labour force Employment	7,877.0 7,455.9	7,872.2 7,455.7	14.0 15.2	-4.8 -0.2	46.2	53.8 83.0	0.0	0.5 0.6	0.7 1.1
Employment full-time	6,981.5	6,972.6	19.6	-8.9	43.8	65.9	-0.1	0.6	1.0
Employment part-time	474.4	483.1	15.3	8.7	2.4	17.1	1.8	0.5	3.7
Unemployment	421.2	416.5	13.0	-4.7	-4.7	-29.2	-1.1	-1.1	-6.6
Participation rate	73.7	73.6	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.6			
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.3	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.4			
Employment rate	69.8	69.7	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3			
Part-time rate	6.4	6.5	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2			
Women, 25 years and over	44 400 0	44 000 0		40.0	444.0	407.0	0.4	4.0	4.5
Population Labour force	11,192.6 6,893.4	11,208.8 6.880.7	 15.9	16.2 -12.7	111.9 132.2	167.8 137.4	0.1 -0.2	1.0 2.0	1.5 2.0
Employment	6,519.4	6.509.5	15.4	-9.9	136.8	157.4	-0.2	2.0	2.4
Employment full-time	5,120.4	5,157.6	23.0	37.2	134.5	200.9	0.7	2.7	4.1
Employment part-time	1,399.0	1,351.9	21.3	-47.1	2.3	-47.2	-3.4	0.2	-3.4
Unemployment	374.0	371.2	12.6	-2.8	-4.7	-16.4	-0.7	-1.3	-4.2
Participation rate	61.6	61.4	0.1	-0.2	0.6	0.3			
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.4	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	58.2 21.5	58.1 20.8	0.1 0.3	-0.1 -0.7	0.7 -0.4	0.5 -1.2	•••		•••
	21.5	20.0	0.5	-0.7	-0.4	-1.2			
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years Population	14 226 6	14,244.6		8.0	646	104.4	0.1	0.5	0.7
Labour force	14,236.6 12,283.6	14,244.6	20.9	-13.9	64.6 52.4	70.5	-0.1	0.5	0.7
Employment	11,629.4	11,629.8	20.9	0.4	91.3	146.3	0.0	0.4	1.3
Unemployment	654.1	639.9	17.3	-14.2	-38.9	-75.8	-2.2	-5.7	-10.6
Participation rate	86.3	86.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2			
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7			
Employment rate	81.7	81.6	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.4			

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 2 Employment by class of worker and industry, Canada, seasonally adjusted

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
	2006	2006 2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		i	n thous	ands					
Class of worker Employees Self-employed <sup>2</sup>	14,048.0 2,456.8	14,004.8 2,484.0	32.0 22.0	-43.2 27.2	258.1 -64.0	298.3 -10.6	-0.3 1.1	1.9 -2.5	2.2 -0.4
Public/private sector employees Public sector employees Private sector employees	3,211.5 10,836.5	3,186.9 10,817.8	20.8 33.2	-24.6 -18.7	28.2 229.9	50.6 247.6	-0.8 -0.2	0.9 2.2	1.6 2.3
Industry	16,504.8	16,488.8	27.2	-16.0	194.1	287.7	-0.1	1.2	1.8
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	3,967.8 345.0 325.9 125.6 1,073.9 2,097.4	3,949.9 346.2 328.5 124.0 1,065.0 2,086.1	24.0 7.1 6.2 3.8 14.3 19.0	-17.9 1.2 2.6 -1.6 -8.9 -11.3	-56.0 -1.5 19.8 -0.6 12.9 -86.7	-54.9 -6.8 20.1 -6.0 33.9 -96.1	-0.5 0.3 0.8 -1.3 -0.8 -0.5	-1.4 -0.4 6.4 -0.5 1.2 -4.0	-1.4 -1.9 6.5 -4.6 3.3 -4.4
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical services Business, building and other support services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services	12,536.9 2,630.3 786.8 1,044.8 1,080.7 689.7 1,167.1 1,811.3 750.0 1,014.3 702.6	12,538.9 2,634.3 794.5 1,034.7 1,099.5 700.3 1,147.6 1,802.5 757.6 1,020.3 709.2	31.1 21.0 12.0 13.8 14.6 12.8 13.8 15.4 12.6 14.1 11.6	2.0 4.0 7.7 -10.1 18.8 10.6 -19.5 -8.8 7.6 6.0 6.6	250.1 31.4 -0.5 38.5 13.4 35.4 -2.7 81.4 8.0 4.7 37.3	342.5 58.4 -18.6 42.1 51.8 23.9 37.6 57.0 32.3 23.8 32.5	0.0 0.2 1.0 -1.0 1.7 1.5 -1.7 -0.5 1.0 0.6 0.9	2.0 1.2 -0.1 3.9 1.2 5.3 -0.2 4.7 1.1 0.5 5.6	2.8 2.3 -2.3 4.2 4.9 3.5 3.4 3.3 4.5 4.5 4.8

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Includes both incorporated and unincorporated working owners, self-employed persons who do not have a business and persons working in a family business without pay.

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0088, 282-0089

Table 3 Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	nge from		Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)					
Newfoundland and Labrador Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	427.4 248.7 212.5 178.6 34.0 36.2 58.2 14.6 49.7	427.3 254.1 215.7 188.5 27.2 38.4 59.5 15.1 50.5	2.4 2.4 2.5 1.9 2.2 0.6 0.8 0.6	-0.1 5.4 3.2 9.9 -6.8 2.2 1.3 0.5 0.8	-1.9 4.7 4.8 12.4 -7.6 -0.1 1.4 -0.3 1.4	-2.0 0.0 3.9 6.4 -2.5 -3.9 0.3 -1.5	0.0 2.2 1.5 5.5 -20.0 6.1 	-0.4 1.9 2.3 7.0 -21.8 -0.3 	-0.5 0.0 1.8 3.5 -8.4 -9.2 	
Prince Edward Island Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	112.4 76.6 67.9 58.2 9.7 8.6 68.1 11.2 60.4	112.4 76.8 68.4 57.8 10.6 8.4 68.3 10.9 60.9	0.6 0.7 0.8 0.7 0.6 0.5 0.8	0.0 0.2 0.5 -0.4 0.9 -0.2 0.2 -0.3	0.4 -0.4 -0.2 -0.4 0.2 -0.2 -0.6 -0.2 -0.4	0.7 0.5 0.7 1.6 -0.9 -0.2 0.0 -0.4 0.3	0.0 0.3 0.7 -0.7 9.3 -2.3	0.4 -0.5 -0.3 -0.7 1.9 -2.3	0.6 0.7 1.0 2.8 -7.8 -2.3	
Nova Scotia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	762.7 477.4 437.7 354.9 82.8 39.7 62.6 8.3 57.4	763.1 477.2 437.1 356.3 80.8 40.0 62.5 8.4 57.3	2.8 3.0 3.6 3.2 2.5 0.4 0.5 0.4	0.4 -0.2 -0.6 1.4 -2.0 0.3 -0.1 0.1	1.1 -5.1 -4.2 -4.6 0.4 -1.0 -0.8 -0.1 -0.6	1.9 -2.8 -6.9 -3.5 -3.4 4.0 -0.6 0.9 -1.0	0.1 0.0 -0.1 0.4 -2.4 0.8	0.1 -1.1 -1.0 -1.3 0.5 -2.4 	0.2 -0.6 -1.6 -1.0 -4.0 11.1	
New Brunswick Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	611.4 390.3 355.5 299.4 56.1 34.8 63.8 8.9 58.1	611.3 385.2 350.2 294.6 55.7 35.0 63.0 9.1 57.3	2.3 2.4 3.0 2.5 2.2 0.4 0.5 0.4	-0.1 -5.1 -5.3 -4.8 -0.4 0.2 -0.8 0.2 -0.8	-0.1 -7.9 -5.1 0.0 -5.1 -2.8 -1.3 -0.5	0.6 -1.5 1.1 2.7 -1.4 -2.6 -0.3 -0.6 0.1	0.0 -1.3 -1.5 -1.6 -0.7 0.6	0.0 -2.0 -1.4 0.0 -8.4 -7.4	0.1 -0.4 0.3 0.9 -2.5 -6.9	
Quebec Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	6,254.0 4,105.3 3,772.2 3,070.3 701.8 333.2 65.6 8.1 60.3	6,260.5 4,091.4 3,766.4 3,089.8 676.6 325.0 65.4 7.9 60.2	 14.9 14.7 19.8 17.6 13.4 0.2 0.3 0.2	6.5 -13.9 -5.8 19.5 -25.2 -8.2 -0.2 -0.2	44.6 1.0 11.4 15.7 -4.3 -10.3 -0.4 -0.3 -0.2	68.8 14.7 29.2 40.5 -11.3 -14.6 -0.4 -0.4	0.1 -0.3 -0.2 0.6 -3.6 -2.5	0.7 0.0 0.3 0.5 -0.6 -3.1 	1.1 0.4 0.8 1.3 -1.6 -4.3 	

See footnotes at the end of the table.

Table 3 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	ites)				
Ontario Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	10,235.6 6,969.0 6,516.4 5,371.9 1,144.5 452.6 68.1 6.5 63.7	10,248.4 6,947.8 6,501.2 5,363.8 1,137.3 446.6 67.8 6.4 63.4	 18.2 18.1 23.4 21.2 15.5 0.2 0.2	12.8 -21.2 -15.2 -8.1 -7.2 -6.0 -0.3 -0.1	95.6 88.2 67.8 51.2 16.5 20.4 0.2 0.2	150.9 85.5 95.8 84.0 11.7 -10.3 -0.2 -0.3 0.0	0.1 -0.3 -0.2 -0.2 -0.6 -1.3	0.9 1.3 1.1 1.0 1.5 4.8 	1.5 1.2 1.5 1.6 1.0 -2.3
Manitoba Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	892.6 614.9 586.0 469.7 116.3 28.9 68.9 4.7 65.7	892.9 616.0 588.4 470.2 118.2 27.6 69.0 4.5 65.9	2.8 2.8 4.0 3.7 2.2 0.3 0.3	0.3 1.1 2.4 0.5 1.9 -1.3 0.1 -0.2	3.0 6.7 4.8 6.3 -1.5 1.9 0.5 0.3	3.1 7.9 8.2 3.6 4.6 -0.3 0.7 -0.1 0.7	0.0 0.2 0.4 0.1 1.6 -4.5	0.3 1.1 0.8 1.4 -1.3 7.4 	0.3 1.3 1.4 0.8 4.0 -1.1
Saskatchewan Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	745.9 514.8 490.8 402.1 88.8 24.0 69.0 4.7 65.8	746.1 518.1 490.3 405.9 84.4 27.8 69.4 5.4 65.7	2.4 2.4 3.3 3.0 1.9 0.3 0.4 0.3	0.2 3.3 -0.5 3.8 -4.4 3.8 0.4 0.7 -0.1	-2.1 11.8 10.6 16.6 -6.0 1.2 1.7 0.1	-2.7 9.6 8.5 16.5 -8.0 1.1 1.5 0.1	0.0 0.6 -0.1 0.9 -5.0 15.8	-0.3 2.3 2.2 4.3 -6.6 4.5	-0.4 1.9 1.8 4.2 -8.7 4.1 
Alberta Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	2,641.3 1,940.5 1,870.0 1,566.9 303.1 70.4 73.5 3.6 70.8	2,651.4 1,959.0 1,877.7 1,577.6 300.1 81.3 73.9 4.2 70.8	8.3 8.1 10.9 9.9 5.7 0.3 0.3	10.1 18.5 7.7 10.7 -3.0 10.9 0.4 0.6 0.0	64.2 79.5 77.9 79.0 -1.2 1.6 1.3 0.0	89.3 99.5 90.7 97.3 -6.6 8.8 1.3 0.3	0.4 1.0 0.4 0.7 -1.0 15.5	2.5 4.2 4.3 5.3 -0.4 2.0 	3.5 5.4 5.1 6.6 -2.2 12.1 
British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Employment part-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	3,513.7 2,303.9 2,195.6 1,746.8 448.8 108.3 65.6 4.7 62.5	3,519.2 2,304.1 2,193.4 1,760.6 432.8 110.8 65.5 4.8 62.3	9.8 9.9 13.2 12.5 7.2 0.3 0.3	5.5 0.2 -2.2 13.8 -16.0 2.5 -0.1 0.1 -0.2	40.9 21.2 26.3 31.0 -4.7 -5.0 -0.1 -0.3 0.0	63.2 37.5 56.4 71.4 -15.0 -18.9 -0.1 -0.9 0.5	0.2 0.0 -0.1 0.8 -3.6 2.3	1.2 0.9 1.2 1.8 -1.1 -4.3 	1.8 1.7 2.6 4.2 -3.3 -14.6 

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 4-1 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Newfoundland and Labrador

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
<u> </u>		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	407.4	407.0		0.4	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.5
Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	427.4 248.7 212.5 178.6 36.2 58.2 14.6	427.3 254.1 215.7 188.5 38.4 59.5 15.1	2.4 2.4 2.5 2.2 0.6 0.8	-0.1 5.4 3.2 9.9 2.2 1.3 0.5	-1.9 4.7 4.8 12.4 -0.1 1.4 -0.3	-2.0 0.0 3.9 6.4 -3.9 0.3 -1.5	0.0 2.2 1.5 5.5 6.1	-0.4 1.9 2.3 7.0 -0.3	-0.5 0.0 1.8 3.5 -9.2
Employment rate Part-time rate	49.7 16.0	50.5 12.6	0.6 0.8	0.8 -3.4	1.4 -3.9	1.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	66.7 34.4 27.1 7.3 51.6 21.2 40.6	66.4 37.0 28.1 8.9 55.7 24.1 42.3	1.3 1.2 1.1 1.9 2.8 1.7	-0.3 2.6 1.0 1.6 4.1 2.9 1.7	-1.5 0.4 -0.5 0.9 1.8 2.2 0.2	-2.2 0.6 0.7 -0.1 2.6 -0.6 2.4	-0.4 7.6 3.7 21.9	-2.2 1.1 -1.7 11.2 	-3.2 1.6 2.6 -1.1 
Employment rate Part-time rate	40.8	42.3 28.5	3.6	-11.8	-17.7	-6.2			
Men, 25 years and over Population	174.6	174.7		0.1	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.1
Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	110.7 94.1 16.6 63.4 15.0	112.2 95.2 17.0 64.2 15.2	1.3 1.4 1.4 0.8 1.1	1.5 1.1 0.4 0.8 0.2	1.0 1.6 -0.6 0.7 -0.6	-0.6 -0.7 0.1 -0.3 0.2	1.4 1.2 2.4	0.9 1.7 -3.4 	-0.5 -0.7 0.6 
Employment rate Part-time rate	53.9 7.7	54.5 5.5	0.8 0.8	0.6 -2.2	1.0 1.3	-0.4 0.5			
Women, 25 years and over Population	186.1	186.2	 1.3	0.1 1.3	0.0 3.3	0.3	0.1 1.3	0.0	0.2
Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate	103.6 91.4 12.3 55.7	104.9 92.4 12.5 56.3	1.3 1.2 0.7	1.0 0.2 0.6	3.7 -0.4 1.7	0.1 3.9 -3.8 -0.1	1.1 1.6 	3.2 4.2 -3.1	0.1 4.4 -23.3
Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	11.9 49.1 17.4	11.9 49.6 15.0	1.1 0.7 1.3	0.0 0.5 -2.4	-0.8 2.0 -4.9	-3.7 2.0 -2.4		 	
Industry	212.5	215.7	2.4	3.2	4.8	3.9	1.5	2.3	1.8
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction	46.3 1.6 15.6 2.0 12.6	47.0 1.7 14.9 2.3 13.0	2.0 0.4 1.0 0.3 1.0	0.7 0.1 -0.7 0.3 0.4	-2.8 -0.5 -0.3 -0.3	-3.5 -0.9 -0.4 -0.3 -0.1	1.5 6.2 -4.5 15.0 3.2	-5.6 -22.7 -2.0 -11.5 9.2	-6.9 -34.6 -2.6 -11.5 -0.8
Manufacturing Services-producing sector	14.5 166.2	15.1 168.7	1.2 2.1	0.6 2.5	-2.7 7.6	-1.8 7.4	4.1 1.5	-15.2 4.7	-10.7 4.6
Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	39.0 11.4 5.4	38.3 11.6 5.9	1.3 0.8 0.6	-0.7 0.2 0.5	-0.2 -0.1 -1.2	0.3 0.2 -1.3	-1.8 1.8 9.3	-0.5 -0.9 -16.9	0.8 1.8 -18.1
services Business, building and other support	7.2	6.7	0.6	-0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-6.9	-4.3	-4.3
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	8.9 15.2 29.5 8.9 14.1 12.1 14.7	8.8 16.3 30.3 9.7 14.2 11.6 15.3	0.8 0.9 1.1 0.7 1.0 0.9 0.9	-0.1 1.1 0.8 0.8 0.1 -0.5 0.6	2.2 0.2 2.5 2.9 0.6 1.1 0.0	1.2 -1.7 1.5 4.0 2.1 -0.5 1.8	-1.1 7.2 2.7 9.0 0.7 -4.1 4.1	33.3 1.2 9.0 42.6 4.4 10.5 0.0	15.8 -9.4 5.2 70.2 17.4 -4.1 13.3

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-2
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Prince Edward Island

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	440.4	440.4		0.0	0.4	0.7	0.0	0.4	0.0
Population Labour force	112.4 76.6	112.4 76.8	0.6	0.0 0.2	0.4 -0.4	0.7 0.5	0.0 0.3	0.4 -0.5	0.6 0.7
Employment	67.9	68.4	0.7	0.5	-0.2	0.7	0.7	-0.3	1.0
Employment full-time Unemployment	58.2 8.6	57.8 8.4	0.8 0.6	-0.4 -0.2	-0.4 -0.2	1.6 -0.2	-0.7 -2.3	-0.7 -2.3	2.8 -2.3
Participation rate	68.1	68.3	0.5	0.2	-0.6	0.0	-2.5	-2.5	-2.5
Unemployment rate	11.2	10.9	8.0	-0.3	-0.2	-0.4			
Employment rate Part-time rate	60.4 14.3	60.9 15.5	0.6 0.9	0.5 1.2	-0.4 0.3	0.3 -1.5			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.9	19.9		0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.5	1.0
Labour force Employment	13.6 11.6	13.5 11.6	0.4 0.4	-0.1 0.0	0.1 0.2	-0.3 0.0	-0.7 0.0	0.7 1.8	-2.2 0.0
Unemployment	2.0	1.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	<b>-5.0</b>	-9.5	-13.6
Participation rate	68.3	67.8	2.0	-0.5	0.1	-2.3			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	14.7 58.3	14.1 58.3	2.3 1.9	-0.6 0.0	-1.6 0.7	-1.8 -0.6			
Part-time rate	36.2	39.7	3.3	3.4	3.7	0.9			
Men, 25 years and over	44.4	44.4		0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.7
Population Labour force	44.4 32.3	44.4 32.6	0.3	0.0 0.3	0.2 -0.4	0.3 0.5	0.0 0.9	0.5 -1.2	0.7 1.6
Employment	28.8	28.9	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.3	-0.3	2.1
Unemployment	3.6	3.7	0.4	0.1	-0.3	0.0	2.8	-7.5	0.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	72.7 11.1	73.4 11.3	0.8 1.1	0.7 0.2	-1.3 -0.8	0.6 -0.2			
Employment rate Part-time rate	64.9 4.2	65.1 4.8	0.9	0.2 0.7	-0.5 -1.0	0.9 -1.2			
Women, 25 years and over	40.4	40.4		0.0	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.4
Population Labour force	48.1 30.6	48.1 30.7	0.3	0.0 0.1	0.1 0.0	0.2 0.3	0.0 0.3	0.2 0.0	0.4 1.0
Employment	27.6	27.9	0.4	0.3	-0.4	0.1	1.1	-1.4	0.4
Unemployment Participation rate	3.0	2.8	0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.2	-6.7	12.0	7.7
Participation rate Unemployment rate	63.6 9.8	63.8 9.1	0.6 1.0	0.2 -0.7	-0.2 1.0	0.3 0.5			
Employment rate	57.4	58.0	0.8	0.6	-1.0	0.0			
Part-time rate	15.6	16.1	1.5	0.5	-0.5	-2.6			
Industry	67.9	68.4	0.7	0.5	-0.2	0.7	0.7	-0.3	1.0
Goods-producing sector	19.2	18.7	0.6	-0.5	-0.1	0.4	-2.6	-0.5	2.2
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	3.9 2.4	3.9 2.3	0.3 0.2	0.0 -0.1	0.1 0.1	0.1 -0.1	0.0 -4.2	2.6 4.5	2.6 -4.2
Utilities	0.3	2.3 0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1 -0.1	0.0	-25.0	-4.2 -25.0
Construction	5.9	5.8	0.3	-0.1	0.5	1.0	-1.7	9.4	20.8
Manufacturing	6.7	6.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.6	-0.5	-3.0	-8.5	-7.1
Services-producing sector Trade	48.7 10.1	49.7 9.9	0.7 0.4	1.0 -0.2	-0.2 0.7	0.3 0.7	2.1 -2.0	-0.4 7.6	0.6 7.6
Transportation and warehousing	1.9	2.0	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.4	5.3	-4.8	-16.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	2.2	2.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	4.5	15.0	9.5
services Business, building and other support	2.9	2.9	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.0	11.5	20.8
services	3.0	3.1	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	3.3	10.7	6.9
Educational services Health care and social assistance	4.3 7.6	4.6 7.7	0.3	0.3 0.1	-0.1 0.0	-0.1 -0.2	7.0 1.3	-2.1 0.0	-2.1 -2.5
Information, culture and recreation	2.4	2.6	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	8.3	-10.3	-10.3
Accommodation and food services	5.1	5.5	0.4	0.4	-0.6	0.0	7.8	-9.8	0.0
Other services Public administration	2.9 6.3	2.6 6.5	0.2 0.3	-0.3 0.2	-0.8 0.3	-0.2 0.0	-10.3 3.2	-23.5 4.8	-7.1 0.0
	0.0	0.0	0.0	V. <u> </u>	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.0	

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-3 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Nova Scotia

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population Labour force	762.7 477.4	763.1 477.2	 2.8	0.4 -0.2	1.1 -5.1	1.9 -2.8	0.1 0.0	0.1 -1.1	0.2 -0.6
Employment Employment full-time Unemployment	437.7 354.9 39.7	437.1 356.3 40.0	3.0 3.6 2.5	-0.6 1.4 0.3	-4.2 -4.6 -1.0	-6.9 -3.5 4.0	-0.1 0.4 0.8	-1.0 -1.3 -2.4	-1.6 -1.0 11.1
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	62.6 8.3 57.4 18.9	62.5 8.4 57.3 18.5	0.4 0.5 0.4 0.7	-0.1 0.1 -0.1 -0.4	-0.8 -0.1 -0.6 0.3	-0.6 0.9 -1.0 -0.5		  	  
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment	123.2 80.6 69.1 11.5	123.1 80.5 70.0 10.5	1.8 1.7 1.5	-0.1 -0.1 0.9 -1.0	-0.5 -0.9 -0.7 -0.3	-0.6 1.0 1.5 -0.5	-0.1 -0.1 1.3 -8.7	-0.4 -1.1 -1.0 -2.8	-0.5 1.3 2.2 -4.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	65.4 14.3 56.1 46.5	65.4 13.0 56.9 41.7	1.4 1.7 1.4 2.3	0.0 -1.3 0.8 -4.7	-0.5 -0.3 -0.3 -2.4	1.1 -0.8 1.5 -3.1			
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment	305.4 206.2 189.2 16.9	305.6 204.9 189.2 15.8	 1.5 1.7 1.5	0.2 -1.3 0.0 -1.1	0.6 -4.7 -4.0 -0.6	0.9 -4.8 -7.0 2.3	0.1 -0.6 0.0 -6.5	0.2 -2.2 -2.1 -3.7	0.3 -2.3 -3.6 17.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	67.5 8.2 62.0 6.0	67.0 7.7 61.9 7.1	0.5 0.7 0.5 0.7	-0.5 -0.5 -0.1 1.1	-1.7 -0.1 -1.4 0.9	-1.8 1.3 -2.5 0.4			
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment	334.1 190.6 179.4	334.4 191.7 178.0	 1.5 1.5	0.3 1.1 -1.4	1.0 0.4 0.6	1.6 0.9 -1.3	0.1 0.6 -0.8	0.3 0.2 0.3	0.5 0.5 -0.7
Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	11.3 57.0 5.9 53.7	13.7 57.3 7.1 53.2	1.2 0.4 0.6 0.5	2.4 0.3 1.2 -0.5	-0.1 -0.1 -0.1 0.0	2.2 0.0 1.1 -0.7	21.2  	-0.7  	19.1  
Part-time rate	21.9	21.4	1.1	-0.4	0.4	-1.1			
Goods-producing sector Agriculture	437.7 83.5 4.5	437.1 82.1 5.1	3.0 2.3 0.7	-0.6 -1.4 0.6	-4.2 -7.0 0.3	-6.9 -10.4 -0.5	-0.1 -1.7 13.3	-1.0 -7.9 6.2	-1.6 -11.2 -8.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	12.3 1.7 27.0 38.0	12.4 1.8 26.3 36.5	1.2 0.3 1.4 1.5	0.1 0.1 -0.7 -1.5	-2.9 0.5 -1.0 -3.9	-3.7 -0.8 -1.6 -3.7	0.8 5.9 -2.6 -3.9	-19.0 38.5 -3.7 -9.7	-23.0 -30.8 -5.7 -9.2
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing	354.2 76.5 18.5	355.0 78.7 18.2	3.0 1.9 1.1	0.8 2.2 -0.3	2.7 2.3 -2.4	3.4 0.2 -4.2	0.2 2.9 -1.6	0.8 3.0 -11.7	1.0 0.3 -18.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical services	20.4 18.2	20.7 17.5	1.1 1.1	0.3 -0.7	-2.5 -2.2	0.8 -3.6	1.5 -3.8	-10.8 -11.2	4.0
Business, building and other support services	28.7	29.2	1.4	0.5	5.1	3.3	1.7	21.2	12.7
Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	33.2 58.7 19.3 29.2 20.5 30.9	33.0 58.1 17.6 31.1 20.2 30.7	1.3 1.5 1.1 1.5 1.2 1.1	-0.2 -0.6 -1.7 1.9 -0.3 -0.2	-2.2 -0.1 3.2 0.7 -0.8 1.7	-0.7 2.4 2.4 0.4 -0.1 2.5	-0.6 -1.0 -8.8 6.5 -1.5	-6.2 -0.2 22.2 2.3 -3.8 5.9	-2.1 4.3 15.8 1.3 -0.5 8.9

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-4
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — New Brunswick

-	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	611.4	644.2		-0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.1
Population Labour force	390.3	611.3 385.2	2.3	-5.1	-7.9	0.6 -1.5	-1.3	-2.0	-0.4
Employment Employment full-time	355.5 299.4	350.2 294.6	2.4 3.0	-5.3 -4.8	-5.1 0.0	1.1 2.7	-1.5 -1.6	-1.4 0.0	0.3 0.9
Unemployment	34.8	35.0	2.2	0.2	-2.8	-2.6	0.6	-7.4	-6.9
Participation rate Unemployment rate	63.8 8.9	63.0 9.1	0.4 0.5	-0.8 0.2	-1.3 -0.5	-0.3 -0.6			
Employment rate	58.1	57.3	0.3	-0.8	-0.8	0.1			
Part-time rate	15.8	15.9	0.7	0.1	-1.2	-0.5			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	00.0	05.0		0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5
Population Labour force	96.0 64.5	95.8 63.6	1.3	-0.2 -0.9	-0.3 0.3	-0.5 0.9	-0.2 -1.4	-0.3 0.5	-0.5 1.4
Employment	55.4	53.6	1.4	-1.8	-0.7	-0.4	-3.2	-1.3	-0.7
Unemployment Participation rate	9.0 67.2	10.0 66.4	1.2 1.4	1.0 -0.8	1.0 0.5	1.3 1.3	11.1	11.1	14.9
Unemployment rate	14.0	15.7	1.7	1.7	1.5	1.8			
Employment rate Part-time rate	57.7 39.5	55.9 38.1	1.4 2.5	-1.8 -1.5	-0.6 -2.6	-0.2 -1.8			
	39.5	30.1	2.5	-1.5	-2.0	-1.0			
Men, 25 years and over Population	249.1	249.2		0.1	0.3	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.3
Labour force	171.1	169.5	1.3	-1.6	-2.5	-0.7	-0.9	-1.5	-0.4
Employment Unemployment	154.7 16.4	153.9 15.5	1.5 1.4	-0.8 -0.9	-1.8 -0.8	1.5 -2.4	-0.5 -5.5	-1.2 -4.9	1.0 -13.4
Participation rate	68.7	68.0	0.5	-0.7	-1.1	-0.5	-3.3	-4.5	
Unemployment rate Employment rate	9.6 62.1	9.1 61.8	0.8 0.6	-0.5 -0.3	-0.4 -0.8	-1.4 0.4	•••		•••
Part-time rate	4.5	4.9	0.7	0.5	-1.0	0.4			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	266.3	266.3		0.0	-0.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1
Labour force Employment	154.7 145.3	152.1 142.7	1.2 1.3	-2.6 -2.6	-5.7 -2.7	-1.6 0.0	-1.7 -1.8	-3.6 -1.9	-1.0 0.0
Unemployment	9.4	9.4	1.1	0.0	-3.0	-1.6	0.0	-24.2	-14.5
Participation rate Unemployment rate	58.1 6.1	57.1 6.2	0.5 0.7	-1.0 0.1	-2.1 -1.7	-0.7 -1.0			
Employment rate	54.6	53.6	0.7	-1.0	-1.0	0.0			
Part-time rate	18.7	19.4	1.1	0.7	-0.7	-0.4			
Industry	355.5	350.2	2.4	-5.3	-5.1	1.1	-1.5	-1.4	0.3
Goods-producing sector	75.7	72.4	2.0	-3.3	-5.7	-2.4	-4.4	-7.3	-3.2
Agriculture	5.3	5.3 9.5	0.7 0.9	0.0 -0.4	-2.9 -1.5	-2.2 -1.7	0.0 -4.0	-35.4 -13.6	-29.3 -15.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	9.9 2.9	3.3	0.9	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	13.8	-13.6	-15.2
Construction	21.6	20.3	1.1	-1.3	1.2	2.3	-6.0	6.3	12.8
Manufacturing	35.9	34.1	1.4	-1.8	-2.4	-0.4	-5.0	-6.6	-1.2
Services-producing sector Trade	279.7 54.9	277.8 54.5	2.4 1.6	-1.9 -0.4	0.6 -3.2	3.6 -5.7	-0.7 -0.7	0.2 -5.5	1.3 -9.5
Transportation and warehousing	19.5	20.3	1.0	0.8	0.2	0.6	4.1	1.0	3.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	16.9	17.8	0.8	0.9	3.5	5.1	5.3	24.5	40.2
services Business, building and other support	15.2	15.1	0.9	-0.1	0.9	-1.3	-0.7	6.3	-7.9
services	22.9	21.0	1.1	-1.9	-0.3	-0.1	-8.3	-1.4	-0.5
Educational services Health care and social assistance	27.9 45.0	28.6 45.2	1.0 1.2	0.7 0.2	1.7 -0.7	2.4 -2.3	2.5 0.4	6.3 -1.5	9.2 -4.8
Information, culture and recreation	11.2	12.4	0.8	1.2	-0.7	-2.3 -0.1	10.7	-1.5 -2.4	-0.8
Accommodation and food services	26.0	23.7	1.2	-2.3	-1.2	1.2	-8.8	-4.8	5.3
Other services Public administration	16.8 23.4	16.7 22.4	1.0 0.9	-0.1 -1.0	-0.2 0.2	2.3 1.5	-0.6 -4.3	-1.2 0.9	16.0 7.2
	20.7		5.5	7.0	0.2	1.5	7.0	0.0	1.2

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-5 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Quebec

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over  Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	6,254.0 4,105.3 3,772.2 3,070.3 333.2 65.6 8.1 60.3 18.6	6,260.5 4,091.4 3,766.4 3,089.8 325.0 65.4 7.9 60.2 18.0	 14.9 14.7 19.8 13.4 0.2 0.3 0.2 0.5	6.5 -13.9 -5.8 19.5 -8.2 -0.2 -0.2 -0.1 -0.6	44.6 1.0 11.4 15.7 -10.3 -0.4 -0.3 -0.2	68.8 14.7 29.2 40.5 -14.6 -0.4 -0.4 -0.2	0.1 -0.3 -0.2 0.6 -2.5	0.7 0.0 0.3 0.5 -3.1 	1.1 0.4 0.8 1.3 -4.3 
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years  Population    Labour force    Employment    Unemployment  Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	950.6 628.7 539.2 89.5 66.1 14.2 56.7 49.1	950.7 630.3 541.1 89.2 66.3 14.2 56.9 47.1	8.5 8.3 7.5 0.9 1.1 0.9 1.6	0.1 1.6 1.9 -0.3 0.2 0.0 0.2 -1.9	0.5 -5.0 -9.8 4.8 -0.6 0.9 -1.1	0.7 -2.7 -1.0 -1.7 -0.3 -0.2 -0.2	0.0 0.3 0.4 -0.3 	0.1 -0.8 -1.8 5.7 	0.1 -0.4 -0.2 -1.9 
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	2,589.5 1,862.8 1,728.3 134.5 71.9 7.2 66.7 6.6	2,592.8 1,853.0 1,722.9 130.0 71.5 7.0 66.4 6.6	8.0 8.6 8.0 0.3 0.4 0.3	3.3 -9.8 -5.4 -4.5 -0.4 -0.2 -0.3 0.0	22.5 -3.2 -4.1 0.7 -0.7 0.0 -0.8	34.9 -10.3 9.3 -19.8 -1.3 -1.0 -0.6	0.1 -0.5 -0.3 -3.3 	0.9 -0.2 -0.2 0.5 	1.4 -0.6 0.5 -13.2 
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	2,713.9 1,613.8 1,504.7 109.2 59.5 6.8 55.4 21.5	2,717.0 1,608.2 1,502.4 105.8 59.2 6.6 55.3 20.5	8.9 8.3 7.5 0.3 0.5 0.3	3.1 -5.6 -2.3 -3.4 -0.3 -0.2 -0.1 -1.0	21.5 9.3 25.3 -15.9 -0.1 -1.0 0.5 -0.1	33.2 27.8 20.9 6.9 0.3 0.3 0.1 -0.8	0.1 -0.3 -0.2 -3.1 	0.8 0.6 1.7 -13.1 	1.2 1.8 1.4 7.0 
Industry	3,772.2	3,766.4	14.7	-5.8	11.4	29.2	-0.2	0.3	0.8
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	897.3 66.2 38.1 31.7 190.9 570.4	891.0 66.2 37.9 29.7 187.2 569.9	13.0 3.8 2.5 2.0 7.2 10.8	-6.3 0.0 -0.2 -2.0 -3.7 -0.5	-32.5 1.9 -2.1 -2.3 1.9 -31.9	-43.7 -2.0 1.5 -3.6 -2.1 -37.6	-0.7 0.0 -0.5 -6.3 -1.9 -0.1	-3.5 3.0 -5.2 -7.2 1.0 -5.3	-4.7 -2.9 4.1 -10.8 -1.1 -6.2
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2,874.8 629.8 159.0 221.2	2,875.4 623.1 159.9 218.6	16.7 11.8 6.6 6.9	0.6 -6.7 0.9 -2.6	43.8 -19.4 3.6 14.6	72.9 8.7 -14.3 15.0	0.0 -1.1 0.6 -1.2	1.5 -3.0 2.3 7.2	2.6 1.4 -8.2 7.4
Professional, scientific and technical services Business, building and other support	238.4	249.4	7.7	11.0	10.6	28.2	4.6	4.4	12.7
services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	137.7 265.3 462.4 157.6 222.3 161.7 219.2	142.8 260.6 454.3 164.9 221.9 162.8 216.9	6.8 7.6 9.0 7.1 7.4 6.4 6.2	5.1 -4.7 -8.1 7.3 -0.4 1.1 -2.3	11.4 4.6 3.9 1.9 7.3 3.1 2.0	-2.0 12.2 2.2 1.6 5.0 12.0 4.4	3.7 -1.8 -1.8 4.6 -0.2 0.7 -1.0	8.7 1.8 0.9 1.2 3.4 1.9 0.9	-1.4 4.9 0.5 1.0 2.3 8.0 2.1

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-6
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Ontario

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	ands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	10.005.0	40.040.4		40.0	05.0	450.0	0.4	0.0	4.5
Population Labour force	10,235.6 6,969.0	10,248.4 6,947.8	 18.2	12.8 -21.2	95.6 88.2	150.9 85.5	0.1 -0.3	0.9 1.3	1.5 1.2
Employment	6,516.4	6,501.2	18.1	-15.2	67.8	95.8	-0.2	1.1	1.5
Employment full-time	5,371.9	5,363.8	23.4	-8.1	51.2	84.0	-0.2	1.0	1.6
Unemployment Participation rate	452.6 68.1	446.6 67.8	15.5 0.2	-6.0 -0.3	20.4 0.2	-10.3 -0.2	-1.3 	4.8	-2.3 
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.4	0.2	-0.1	0.2	-0.3			
Employment rate Part-time rate	63.7 17.6	63.4 17.5	0.2 0.3	-0.3 -0.1	0.0 0.1	0.0 -0.1			
	17.0	17.3	0.3	-0.1	0.1	-0.1			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population	1,704.8	1,706.6		1.8	12.3	21.6	0.1	0.7	1.3
Labour force	1,103.4	1,099.7	11.4	-3.7	2.2	15.3	-0.3	0.2	1.4
Employment	960.3	946.1	10.5	-14.2	-4.3	7.0	-1.5	-0.5	0.7
Unemployment Participation rate	143.1 64.7	153.5 64.4	9.6 0.7	10.4 -0.3	6.4 -0.4	8.1 0.0	7.3	4.4	5.6
Unemployment rate	13.0	14.0	0.7	1.0	0.6	0.6			
Employment rate	56.3	55.4	0.6	-0.9	-0.7	-0.3			
Part-time rate	46.5	47.5	1.2	1.0	0.5	-0.4			
Men, 25 years and over	4.450.0	4 455 7		4.0	00.4	00.0	0.4	0.0	4.5
Population Labour force	4,150.8 3,101.7	4,155.7 3,094.0	8.9	4.9 -7.7	38.1 9.8	60.2 8.6	0.1 -0.2	0.9 0.3	1.5 0.3
Employment	2,948.6	2,943.7	10.0	-4.9	7.0	10.0	-0.2	0.2	0.3
Unemployment	153.1	150.3	8.3	-2.8	2.8	-1.4	-1.8	1.9	-0.9
Participation rate	74.7	74.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.4	-0.8			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	4.9 71.0	4.9 70.8	0.3 0.2	0.0 -0.2	0.1 -0.5	0.0 -0.8			
Part-time rate	6.4	6.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.9			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,380.0	4,386.1		6.1	45.2	69.1	0.1	1.0	1.6
Labour force Employment	2,763.9 2,607.5	2,754.1 2,611.3	10.2 10.0	-9.8 3.8	76.2 65.0	61.6 78.6	-0.4 0.1	2.8 2.6	2.3 3.1
Unemployment	156.4	142.8	8.1	-13.6	11.2	-17.0	-8.7	8.5	-10.6
Participation rate	63.1	62.8	0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.4			
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.2	0.3	-0.5	0.3	-0.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	59.5 19.5	59.5 19.0	0.2 0.5	0.0 -0.5	0.8 -0.2	0.8 -1.2			
Tan timo rato	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	0.2		•••	•••	•••
Industry	6,516.4	6,501.2	18.1	-15.2	67.8	95.8	-0.2	1.1	1.5
Goods-producing sector	1,592.1	1,595.8	15.9	3.7	-39.6	-37.8	0.2	-2.4	-2.3
Agriculture	96.7	101.7 39.1	3.9 2.2	5.0 1.0	2.9 3.5	4.6	5.2	2.9 9.8	4.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities	38.1 50.0	48.0	2.2	-2.0	-2.5	3.0 -1.9	2.6 -4.0	-5.0	8.3 -3.8
Construction	399.1	403.4	9.4	4.3	-1.8	10.5	1.1	-0.4	2.7
Manufacturing	1,008.1	1,003.6	13.5	-4.5	-41.7	-54.1	-0.4	-4.0	-5.1
Services-producing sector	4,924.3	4,905.3	20.9	-19.0	107.3	133.5	-0.4	2.2	2.8
Trade Transportation and warehousing	1,020.9 292.1	1,024.6 302.9	13.7 7.8	3.7 10.8	39.0 4.9	20.3 11.1	0.4 3.7	4.0 1.6	2.0 3.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	488.2	475.3	10.2	-12.9	16.6	16.3	-2.6	3.6	3.6
Professional, scientific and technical	452.2	112 1	10.1	.0.0	10.6	O F	. 2 2	2 0	0.6
services Business, building and other support	452.2	442.4	10.1	-9.8	-13.6	2.5	-2.2	-3.0	0.6
services	297.8	296.2	9.0	-1.6	-1.6	6.3	-0.5	-0.5	2.2
Educational services	447.7	428.6	9.3	-19.1	-28.3	13.3	-4.3	-6.2	3.2
Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation	641.8 325.1	650.4 326.9	9.7 8.3	8.6 1.8	41.5 16.9	26.4 27.4	1.3 0.6	6.8 5.5	4.2 9.1
Accommodation and food services	325.1 376.4	326.9 374.9	9.1	-1.5	6.2	27.4 15.0	-0.4	5.5 1.7	4.2
Other services	265.8	268.0	7.6	2.2	30.9	10.6	8.0	13.0	4.1
Public administration	316.4	315.3	7.4	-1.1	-5.0	-15.5	-0.3	-1.6	-4.7

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-7 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Manitoba

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over Population	892.6	892.9		0.3	3.0	3.1	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	614.9	616.0	2.8	1.1	6.7	7.9	0.2	1.1	1.3
Employment full time	586.0 469.7	588.4 470.2	2.8 4.0	2.4 0.5	4.8 6.3	8.2 3.6	0.4 0.1	0.8 1.4	1.4 0.8
Employment full-time Unemployment	469.7 28.9	470.2 27.6	2.2	-1.3	1.9	-0.3	-4.5	7.4	-1.1
Participation rate	68.9	69.0	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.7			
Unemployment rate	4.7 65.7	4.5 65.9	0.3	-0.2 0.2	0.3 0.3	-0.1 0.7			
Employment rate Part-time rate	19.8	20.1	0.6	0.2	-0.4	0.7			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years	455.0	455.0			0.4			0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	155.9 110.6	155.9 112.4	 1.7	0.0 1.8	0.4 2.9	0.3 1.9	0.0 1.6	0.3 2.6	0.2 1.7
Employment	99.4	101.9	1.7	2.5	1.5	1.5	2.5	1.5	1.5
Unemployment	11.2	10.6	1.4	-0.6	1.5	0.5	-5.4	16.5	5.0
Participation rate Unemployment rate	70.9 10.1	72.1 9.4	1.1 1.2	1.2 -0.7	1.7 1.1	1.1 0.3			
Employment rate	63.8	65.4	1.1	1.6	0.8	0.9			
Part-time rate	45.2	45.2	2.0	0.1	-0.9	0.1			
Men, 25 years and over Population	359.6	359.7		0.1	1.7	2.0	0.0	0.5	0.6
Labour force	269.8	270.0	1.4	0.2	0.6	2.7	0.1	0.2	1.0
Employment	260.8	260.9	1.5	0.1	1.0	2.3	0.0	0.4	0.9
Unemployment Participation rate	9.1 75.0	9.1 75.1	1.2 0.4	0.0 0.1	-0.4 -0.2	0.4 0.4	0.0	-4.2 	4.6
Unemployment rate	3.4	3.4	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	72.5 6.3	72.5 6.1	0.4 0.6	0.0 -0.2	-0.1 -0.4	0.2 0.5			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	377.1	377.3		0.2	0.9	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force Employment	234.5 225.9	233.6 225.7	1.6 1.6	-0.9 -0.2	3.1 2.4	3.2 4.5	-0.4 -0.1	1.3 1.1	1.4 2.0
Unemployment	8.6	7.9	1.1	-0.7	0.8	-1.3	-8.1	11.3	-14.1
Participation rate	62.2	61.9	0.4	-0.3	0.7	0.7			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	3.7 59.9	3.4 59.8	0.5 0.4	-0.3 -0.1	0.3 0.5	-0.6 1.0			
Part-time rate	24.3	24.9	1.1	0.6	-0.4	0.5			
Industry	586.0	588.4	2.8	2.4	4.8	8.2	0.4	0.8	1.4
Goods-producing sector	137.8	139.7	2.5	1.9	-1.8	0.5	1.4	-1.3	0.4
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	28.9 6.0	29.7 6.2	1.3 0.6	0.8 0.2	-2.5 0.0	0.2 0.5	2.8 3.3	-7.8 0.0	0.7 8.8
Utilities	6.1	5.3	0.5	-0.8	-1.3	-1.9	-13.1	-19.7	-26.4
Construction	30.3	30.5	1.4	0.2	0.5	2.4	0.7	1.7	8.5
Manufacturing	66.5	68.0	1.9	1.5	1.5	-0.8	2.3	2.3	-1.2
Services-producing sector Trade	448.2 92.5	448.7 90.8	3.3 2.2	0.5 -1.7	6.6 5.1	7.7 11.0	0.1 -1.8	1.5 6.0	1.7 13.8
Transportation and warehousing	34.1	33.1	1.3	-1.0	-2.7	-1.4	-2.9	-7.5	-4.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	35.7	33.9	1.4	-1.8	-1.6	-0.8	-5.0	-4.5	-2.3
services Business, building and other support	24.2	24.4	1.3	0.2	2.2	-1.2	8.0	9.9	-4.7
services	17.8	19.1	1.2	1.3	0.5	-0.2	7.3	2.7	-1.0
Educational services Health care and social assistance	41.9 78.7	43.5 78.7	1.6 1.8	1.6 0.0	-1.9 4.3	-7.1 6.1	3.8 0.0	-4.2 5.8	-14.0 8.4
Information, culture and recreation	23.6	26.2	1.3	2.6	3.1	0.6	11.0	13.4	2.3
Accommodation and food services	37.1	36.7	1.7	-0.4	-3.4	-1.0	-1.1	-8.5	-2.7
Other services Public administration	26.0 36.8	25.9 36.3	1.3 1.3	-0.1 -0.5	-0.1 0.9	-2.3 3.9	-0.4 -1.4	-0.4 2.5	-8.2 12.0
	50.0				0.0	0.0			

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-8
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Saskatchewan

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change from			Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Both sexes, 15 years and over	745.0	740.4			0.4	0.7		0.0	0.4
Population Labour force	745.9 514.8	746.1 518.1	2.4	0.2 3.3	-2.1 11.8	-2.7 9.6	0.0 0.6	-0.3 2.3	-0.4 1.9
Employment	490.8	490.3	2.4	-0.5	10.6	8.5	-0.1	2.2	1.8
Employment full-time Unemployment	402.1 24.0	405.9 27.8	3.3 1.9	3.8 3.8	16.6 1.2	16.5 1.1	0.9 15.8	4.3 4.5	4.2 4.1
Participation rate	69.0	69.4	0.3	0.4	1.7	1.5		4.5	
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.4	0.4	0.7	0.1	0.1			
Employment rate Part-time rate	65.8 18.1	65.7 17.2	0.3 0.6	-0.1 -0.9	1.6 -1.6	1.4 -2.0			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	137.9	137.8		-0.1	-0.4	-0.9	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6
Labour force Employment	98.7 90.7	98.5 90.4	1.5 1.5	-0.2 -0.3	3.9 7.2	4.5 6.6	-0.2 -0.3	4.1 8.7	4.8 7.9
Unemployment	8.0	8.1	1.2	0.1	-3.3	-2.1	1.2	-28.9	-20.6
Participation rate	71.6	71.5	1.1	-0.1	3.0	3.7			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	8.1 65.8	8.2 65.6	1.2 1.1	0.1 -0.2	-3.9 5.4	-2.7 5.2			
Part-time rate	39.4	35.4	1.8	-4.0	-5.0	-3.5			
Men, 25 years and over	000 5	222 7			0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0
Population Labour force	296.5 222.7	296.7 223.4	1.2	0.2 0.7	-0.6 2.3	-0.6 -0.7	0.1 0.3	-0.2 1.0	-0.2 -0.3
Employment	213.7	213.1	1.3	-0.6	0.2	-1.9	-0.3	0.1	-0.9
Unemployment	9.1	10.3	1.1	1.2	2.1	1.3	13.2	25.6	14.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	75.1 4.1	75.3 4.6	0.4 0.5	0.2 0.5	0.9 0.9	-0.1 0.6			
Employment rate Part-time rate	72.1 5.2	71.8 5.6	0.4 0.6	-0.3 0.4	0.2 -0.7	-0.5 -1.3			
Women, 25 years and over	311.5	311.6		0.1	1.1	-1.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.4
Population Labour force	193.4	196.1	1.3	2.7	-1.1 5.5	5.7	1.4	2.9	3.0
Employment	186.5	186.7	1.4	0.2	3.1	3.7	0.1	1.7	2.0
Unemployment	7.0 62.1	9.4 62.9	0.9 0.4	2.4 0.8	2.4 1.9	1.9 2.0	34.3	34.3	25.3
Participation rate Unemployment rate	3.6	4.8	0.4	1.2	1.9	0.9			
Employment rate	59.9	59.9	0.4	0.0	1.2	1.4			
Part-time rate	22.5	21.6	1.0	-0.9	-2.0	-2.9			
Industry	490.8	490.3	2.4	-0.5	10.6	8.5	-0.1	2.2	1.8
Goods-producing sector	133.6	133.4	2.4	-0.2	6.6	3.9	-0.1	5.2	3.0
Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	47.9 21.3	48.5 21.7	1.7 1.0	0.6 0.4	3.9 1.3	1.0 2.5	1.3 1.9	8.7 6.4	2.1 13.0
Utilities	4.8	5.0	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.2	4.2	8.7	4.2
Construction Manufacturing	29.9 29.7	29.2 28.9	1.2 1.2	-0.7 -0.8	2.2 -1.2	3.0 -3.0	-2.3 -2.7	8.1 -4.0	11.5 -9.4
Services-producing sector	357.2	356.9	2.8	-0.3	4.0	4.6	-0.1	1.1	1.3
Trade	78.0	77.0	1.9	-0.3 -1.0	3.3	-1.0	-0.1 -1.3	4.5	-1.3
Transportation and warehousing	25.6	24.7	1.1	-0.9	-2.3	-0.7	-3.5	-8.5	-2.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	24.1	25.1	1.0	1.0	-1.0	-1.9	4.1	-3.8	-7.0
services Business, building and other support	18.9	20.1	0.9	1.2	2.2	2.5	6.3	12.3	14.2
services	13.1 36.5	13.0	0.9	-0.1 -0.5	0.7	-0.5	-0.8 -1.4	5.7	-3.7
Educational services Health care and social assistance	36.5 62.5	36.0 59.2	1.3 1.4	-0.5 -3.3	-3.2 0.8	0.8 1.0	-1.4 -5.3	-8.2 1.4	2.3 1.7
Information, culture and recreation	20.2	21.5	1.0	1.3	1.7	0.9	6.4	8.6	4.4
Accommodation and food services	29.2 21.8	29.5 23.5	1.3	0.3 1.7	0.2 1.9	1.4 2.2	1.0	0.7 8.8	5.0
Other services Public administration	21.8 27.5	23.5 27.2	1.1 1.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.3	7.8 -1.1	8.8 -1.8	10.3 -1.1

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-9 Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — Alberta

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous							
Both sexes, 15 years and over	0.644.0	0 CE4 4		40.4	64.0	00.0	0.4	2.5	2.5
Population Labour force Employment Employment full-time Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	2,641.3 1,940.5 1,870.0 1,566.9 70.4 73.5 3.6 70.8	2,651.4 1,959.0 1,877.7 1,577.6 81.3 73.9 4.2 70.8	8.3 8.1 10.9 5.7 0.3 0.3	10.1 18.5 7.7 10.7 10.9 0.4 0.6 0.0	64.2 79.5 77.9 79.0 1.6 1.3 0.0	89.3 99.5 90.7 97.3 8.8 1.3 0.3 1.1	0.4 1.0 0.4 0.7 15.5	2.5 4.2 4.3 5.3 2.0 	3.5 5.4 5.1 6.6 12.1 
Part-time rate	16.2	16.0	0.5	-0.2	-0.8	-1.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	489.6 354.3 327.2 27.1 72.4 7.6 66.8 32.8	491.8 360.8 330.7 30.0 73.4 8.3 67.2 32.7	5.0 4.9 3.4 1.0 1.0 1.7	2.2 6.5 3.5 2.9 1.0 0.7 0.4 -0.1	9.9 20.2 16.0 4.1 2.7 0.7 1.9 -2.2	14.6 30.3 21.6 8.6 4.1 1.8 2.4 -1.8	0.4 1.8 1.1 10.7 	2.1 5.9 5.1 15.8  	3.1 9.2 7.0 40.2 
Men, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Part-time rate Part-time rate	1,078.4 876.6 852.1 24.5 81.3 2.8 79.0 4.7	1,082.5 883.8 859.3 24.6 81.6 2.8 79.4 4.8	3.8 4.1 3.1 0.4 0.4 0.4 0.5	4.1 7.2 7.2 0.1 0.3 0.0 0.4 0.1	28.9 31.2 34.3 -3.0 0.7 -0.4 1.1 -0.7	39.3 38.2 40.0 -1.8 0.5 -0.3 0.9 -0.6	0.4 0.8 0.8 0.4 	2.7 3.7 4.2 -10.9 	3.8 4.5 4.9 -6.8 
Women, 25 years and over Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate Part-time rate	1,073.3 709.5 690.7 18.8 66.1 2.6 64.4 22.6	1,077.1 714.4 687.7 26.7 66.3 3.7 63.8 21.9	5.0 4.8 3.2 0.5 0.5 0.5	3.8 4.9 -3.0 7.9 0.2 1.1 -0.6 -0.6	25.4 28.1 27.6 0.5 1.0 -0.1 1.0	35.4 31.0 29.1 1.9 0.7 0.1 0.6 -1.7	0.4 0.7 -0.4 42.0	2.4 4.1 4.2 1.9 	3.4 4.5 4.4 7.7 
Industry	1,870.0	1,877.7	8.1	7.7	77.9	90.7	0.4	4.3	5.1
Goods-producing sector Agriculture Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas Utilities Construction Manufacturing	517.9 52.8 142.5 16.8 171.8 133.9	511.8 49.7 140.3 19.2 166.9 135.7	7.2 2.6 3.9 1.2 4.9 4.4	-6.1 -3.1 -2.2 2.4 -4.9 1.8	29.3 -1.4 15.9 3.3 5.9 5.6	23.7 -4.6 11.3 4.7 3.5 8.8	-1.2 -5.9 -1.5 14.3 -2.9 1.3	6.1 -2.7 12.8 20.8 3.7 4.3	4.9 -8.5 8.8 32.4 2.1 6.9
Services-producing sector Trade Transportation and warehousing Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,352.2 279.4 109.4 91.9	1,365.9 284.3 108.5 91.6	9.2 6.2 3.7 3.5	13.7 4.9 -0.9 -0.3	48.6 3.8 3.5 -4.2	67.0 12.3 0.2 -2.9	1.0 1.8 -0.8 -0.3	3.7 1.4 3.3 -4.4	5.2 4.5 0.2 -3.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	141.6	150.3	4.5	8.7	6.7	14.8	6.1	4.7	10.9
Business, building and other support services Educational services Health care and social assistance Information, culture and recreation Accommodation and food services Other services Public administration	58.0 124.2 193.1 69.5 112.7 88.2 84.2	63.2 131.8 183.0 66.5 114.1 90.4 82.2	3.4 3.9 4.6 3.3 4.3 3.3 2.8	5.2 7.6 -10.1 -3.0 1.4 2.2 -2.0	-0.4 4.1 11.3 -1.0 5.2 6.7 12.7	4.5 13.3 1.4 -3.5 4.9 6.7 15.2	9.0 6.1 -5.2 -4.3 1.2 2.5 -2.4	-0.6 3.2 6.6 -1.5 4.8 8.0 18.3	7.7 11.2 0.8 -5.0 4.5 8.0 22.7

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 4-10
Selected labour force characteristics (seasonally adjusted) — British Columbia

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
_		in thous							
Both sexes, 15 years and over	0.540.7				40.0	00.0		4.0	4.0
Population Labour force	3,513.7 2,303.9	3,519.2 2,304.1	9.8	5.5 0.2	40.9 21.2	63.2 37.5	0.2 0.0	1.2 0.9	1.8 1.7
Employment	2,195.6	2,193.4	9.9	-2.2	26.3	56.4	-0.1	1.2	2.6
Employment full-time	1,746.8	1,760.6	13.2	13.8	31.0	71.4	0.8	1.8	4.2
Unemployment Participation rate	108.3 65.6	110.8 65.5	7.2 0.3	2.5 -0.1	-5.0 -0.1	-18.9 -0.1	2.3	-4.3	-14.6
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.8	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.1			
Employment rate	62.5	62.3	0.3	-0.2	0.0	0.5		•••	
Part-time rate	20.4	19.7	0.6	-0.7	-0.5	-1.2			
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population Labour force	576.4	576.7	 5 7	0.3 -1.6	2.2	5.4	0.1	0.4	0.9
Labour force Employment	382.2 349.5	380.6 350.2	5.7 5.7	0.7	2.2 2.3	8.5 13.6	-0.4 0.2	0.6 0.7	2.3 4.0
Unemployment	32.7	30.4	4.1	-2.3	-0.1	-5.1	-7.0	-0.3	-14.4
Participation rate	66.3	66.0	1.0	-0.3	0.1	0.9			
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.0	1.0	-0.6	-0.1	-1.5			
Employment rate Part-time rate	60.6 41.2	60.7 38.7	1.0 1.8	0.1 -2.5	0.1 -4.5	1.8 -3.3			
Men, 25 years and over Population	1,435.1	1,437.8		2.7	19.8	29.6	0.2	1.4	2.1
Labour force	1,023.1	1,028.8	5.2	5.7	7.4	20.9	0.6	0.7	2.1
Employment	985.6	988.5	5.3	2.9	11.8	28.8	0.3	1.2	3.0
Unemployment	37.5	40.3	4.3	2.8	-4.4	-7.9	7.5	-9.8	-16.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	71.3 3.7	71.6 3.9	0.4 0.4	0.3 0.2	-0.4 -0.5	0.0 -0.9			
Employment rate	68.7	68.8	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.6			
Part-time rate	7.9	8.3	0.6	0.4	1.5	0.0			
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,502.2	1,504.8		2.6	19.0	28.3	0.2	1.3	1.9
Labour force	898.7 860.6	894.8	5.8	-3.9 -5.9	11.8	8.2	-0.4	1.3 1.4	0.9
Employment Unemployment	38.1	854.7 40.1	5.7 4.2	-5.9 2.0	12.2 -0.5	14.1 -5.9	-0.7 5.2	-1.2	1.7 -12.8
Participation rate	59.8	59.5	0.4	-0.3	0.1	-0.5		-1.2	-12.0
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.5	0.5	0.3	-0.1	-0.7			
Employment rate	57.3	56.8	0.4	-0.5	0.1	-0.1			
Part-time rate	26.4	25.2	1.0	-1.2	-1.0	-1.8			
Industry	2,195.6	2,193.4	9.9	-2.2	26.3	56.4	-0.1	1.2	2.6
Goods-producing sector	463.6	459.1	8.5	-4.5	2.1	11.5	-1.0	0.5	2.6
Agriculture	34.1	33.6	2.8	-0.5	-6.0	-4.3	-1.5	-15.2	-11.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	40.2 9.2	44.6 9.0	2.7 1.2	4.4 -0.2	8.2 1.7	7.5 -2.2	10.9 -2.2	22.5 23.3	20.2 -19.6
Utilities Construction	183.6	183.5	5.7	-0.2 -0.1	3.1	-2.2 14.7	-2.2 -0.1	23.3 1.7	8.7
Manufacturing	196.4	188.4	5.7	-8.0	-5.0	-4.2	-4.1	-2.6	-2.2
Services-producing sector	1,732.1	1,734.3	11.1	2.2	24.3	44.9	0.1	1.4	2.7
Trade	349.1	347.9	7.5	-1.2	-3.5	9.5	-0.3	-1.0	2.8
Transportation and warehousing	114.7	115.1	4.5	0.4	-3.3	-7.8	0.3	-2.8	-6.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing Professional, scientific and technical	141.7	145.1	4.5	3.4	14.0	8.1	2.4	10.7	5.9
services	162.3	174.0	5.2	11.7	9.5	9.7	7.2	5.8	5.9
Business, building and other support	** -			<b>-</b> -					
services	96.9	102.7	4.4	5.8	16.4	12.2	6.0	19.0	13.5
Educational services Health care and social assistance	160.2 245.4	155.5 242.1	4.8 5.5	-4.7 -3.3	9.4 23.9	6.0 21.9	-2.9 -1.3	6.4 11.0	4.0 9.9
Information, culture and recreation	113.0	108.4	4.7	-3.3 -4.6	-20.6	1.4	-1.3 -4.1	-16.0	1.3
Accommodation and food services	165.1	168.7	5.6	3.6	-12.7	-5.6	2.2	-7.0	-3.2
Other services	90.4	92.3	4.3	1.9	2.5	3.2	2.1	2.8	3.6
Public administration	93.3	82.4	3.7	-10.9	-11.4	-13.8	-11.7	-12.2	-14.3

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 5-1 Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	July	,	S.E.1		Change from			Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
_		in thous								
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador										
Population	151.3	151.4		0.1	0.6	1.0	0.1	0.4	0.7	
Labour force	101.8	102.4	0.8	0.6	4.5	4.1	0.6	4.6	4.2	
Employment	93.8	94.2 8.2	0.8	0.4 0.2	4.2	4.9	0.4 2.5	4.7	5.5	
Unemployment Participation rate	8.0 67.3	67.6	0.5 0.5	0.2	0.2 2.7	-0.8 2.2	_	2.5	-8.9	
Unemployment rate	7.9	8.0	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-1.2				
Employment rate	62.0	62.2	0.5	0.2	2.5	2.8				
Halifax, Nova Scotia										
Population	311.1	311.3		0.2	1.2	2.3	0.1	0.4	0.7	
Labour force	216.3	216.4	1.1	0.1	3.3	2.6	0.0	1.5	1.2	
Employment Unemployment	205.0 11.3	204.9 11.5	1.1 0.6	-0.1 0.2	3.8 -0.5	3.0 -0.5	0.0 1.8	1.9 -4.2	1.5 -4.2	
Participation rate	69.5	69.5	0.6	0.2	0.8	0.3	1.0	-4.2		
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.3	0.4	0.0	-0.3	-0.3				
Employment rate	65.9	65.8	0.4	-0.1	0.9	0.5				
Saint John, New Brunswick										
Population	103.5	103.5		0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.3	
Labour force	65.5	65.4	0.7	-0.1	-0.8	-0.6	-0.2	-1.2	-0.9	
Employment Unemployment	61.4 4.1	61.1 4.2	0.7 0.3	-0.3 0.1	-0.6 -0.3	0.5 -1.2	-0.5 2.4	-1.0 -6.7	0.8 -22.2	
Participation rate	63.3	63.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.8	2.4	-0.7		
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.4	0.7	0.1	-0.4	-1.8				
Employment rate	59.3	59.0	0.7	-0.3	-0.7	0.3				
Saguenay, Quebec										
Population	126.0	126.0		0.0	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	
Labour force	78.9	78.2	8.0	-0.7 -0.7	2.1	2.1	-0.9 -1.0	2.8 3.4	2.8	
Employment Unemployment	71.6 7.3	70.9 7.3	0.8 0.4	-0.7 0.0	2.3 -0.1	3.1 -1.0	0.0	-1.4	4.6 -12.0	
Participation rate	62.6	62.1	0.4	-0.5	1.8	1.8	0.0	-1.4	-12.0	
Unemployment rate	9.3	9.3	0.5	0.0	-0.4	-1.6				
Employment rate	56.8	56.3	0.7	-0.5	2.0	2.6				
Québec, Quebec										
Population	598.9	599.6		0.7	4.5	7.1	0.1	0.8	1.2	
Labour force	397.9	395.6	3.2	-2.3	-2.2	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.2	
Employment Unemployment	380.0 17.8	377.5 18.1	3.4 1.5	-2.5 0.3	-1.5 -0.7	7.8 -8.4	-0.7 1.7	-0.4 -3.7	2.1 -31.7	
Participation rate	66.4	66.0	0.5	-0.4	-0.7	-0.4	1.7	-5.7	-31. <i>1</i>	
Unemployment rate	4.5	4.6	0.4	0.1	-0.1	-2.1				
Employment rate	63.4	63.0	0.6	-0.4	-0.7	0.6				
Trois-Rivières, Quebec		_								
Population	119.3	119.4		0.1	0.9	1.3	0.1	0.8	1.1	
Labour force	71.6	71.6	0.6	0.0	-4.0	-5.5	0.0	-5.3	-7.1 7.2	
Employment Unemployment	66.0 5.7	65.8 5.8	0.7 0.4	-0.2 0.1	-3.2 -0.8	-5.1 -0.4	-0.3 1.8	-4.6 -12.1	-7.2 -6.5	
Unemployment Participation rate	60.0	60.0	0.4	0.1	-0.8 -3.8	-0.4 -5.3	1.0	-12.1	-6.5	
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.1	0.5	0.0	-0.6	0.1				
Employment rate	55.3	55.1	0.6	-0.2	-3.1	-4.9				
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Table 5-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population Labour force	135.1 88.5	135.3 88.6	0.7	0.2 0.1	1.1 1.5	1.8 2.3	0.1 0.1	0.8 1.7	1.3 2.7
Employment	81.5	81.6	0.7	0.1	0.3	1.3	0.1	0.4	1.6
Unemployment Participation rate	7.0 65.5	7.0 65.5	0.4 0.5	0.0 0.0	1.1 0.6	0.9 0.9	0.0	18.6	14.8
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.9	0.3	0.0	1.1	0.8			
Employment rate	60.3	60.3	0.6	0.0	-0.3	0.2			
Montréal, Quebec	0.000.0	0.005.5			04.0	07.0	0.4	0.0	4.0
Population Labour force	3,002.2 2,019.1	3,005.5 2,024.9	7.3	3.3 5.8	24.0 12.4	37.6 18.6	0.1 0.3	0.8 0.6	1.3 0.9
Employment	1,853.8	1,857.6	7.5	3.8	32.4	20.9	0.2	1.8	1.1
Unemployment	165.3	167.3	4.9	2.0	-20.0	-2.3	1.2	-10.7	-1.4
Participation rate Unemployment rate	67.3 8.2	67.4 8.3	0.2 0.2	0.1 0.1	-0.1 -1.0	-0.2 -0.2			
Employment rate	61.7	61.8	0.3	0.1	0.6	-0.1			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	943.2	944.0		0.8	6.0	11.1	0.1	0.6	1.2
Labour force Employment	684.2 650.9	684.4 651.6	3.3 3.5	0.2 0.7	14.0 18.0	26.7 40.7	0.0 0.1	2.1 2.8	4.1 6.7
Unemployment	33.3	32.7	1.7	-0.6	-4.1	-14.0	-1.8	-11.1	-30.0
Participation rate	72.5	72.5	0.4	0.0	1.0	2.0			
Unemployment rate Employment rate	4.9 69.0	4.8 69.0	0.3 0.4	-0.1 0.0	-0.7 1.5	-2.3 3.5			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part,									
Ontario/Quebec	005.5								
Population Labour force	235.5 166.7	235.8 167.1	 1.1	0.3 0.4	2.8 -5.3	5.0 2.0	0.1 0.2	1.2 -3.1	2.2 1.2
Employment	158.0	159.5	1.2	1.5	-2.8	4.9	0.9	-1.7	3.2
Unemployment	8.7	7.6	0.6	-1.1	-2.6	-2.9	-12.6	-25.5	-27.6
Participation rate Unemployment rate	70.8 5.2	70.9 4.5	0.5 0.3	0.1 -0.7	-3.1 -1.4	-0.6 -1.9			
Employment rate	67.1	67.6	0.5	0.5	-2.1	0.6			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	707.8	708.2		0.4	3.2	6.1	0.1	0.5	0.9
Labour force	517.5	517.2	3.1	-0.3	19.3	24.7	-0.1	3.9	5.0
Employment Unemployment	492.9 24.6	492.1 25.2	3.3 1.6	-0.8 0.6	20.8 -1.4	35.8 -11.0	-0.2 2.4	4.4 -5.3	7.8 -30.4
Participation rate	73.1	73.0	0.4	-0.1	2.4	2.9			
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.9	0.3	0.1	-0.4	-2.5			
Employment rate	69.6	69.5	0.5	-0.1	2.6	4.5	•••		
Kingston, Ontario Population	125.8	126.0		0.2	0.5	1.1	0.2	0.4	0.9
Labour force	84.6	83.9	0.8	-0.7	4.4	2.5	-0.8	5.5	3.1
Employment	78.4	78.1	8.0	-0.3	2.1	2.7	-0.4	2.8	3.6
Unemployment Participation rate	6.2 67.2	5.8 66.6	0.3 0.6	-0.4 -0.6	2.3 3.3	-0.3 1.4	-6.5 	65.7 	-4.9 
Unemployment rate	7.3	6.9	0.4	-0.4	2.5	-0.6			
Employment rate	62.3	62.0	0.6	-0.3	1.4	1.6			

Table 5-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

_	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,370.5 2,997.2 2,811.7 185.5 68.6 6.2 64.3	4,377.8 2,995.3 2,805.5 189.8 68.4 6.3 64.1	9.0 9.3 5.5 0.2 0.2	7.3 -1.9 -6.2 4.3 -0.2 0.1 -0.2	56.6 0.9 0.6 0.3 -0.9 0.0	91.2 7.2 27.7 -20.5 -1.3 -0.7	0.2 -0.1 -0.2 2.3 	1.3 0.0 0.0 0.2 	2.1 0.2 1.0 -9.7 
Hamilton, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	587.7 398.4 375.9 22.5 67.8 5.6 64.0	588.2 396.9 372.5 24.4 67.5 6.1 63.3	3.0 3.0 1.3 0.5 0.3 0.5	0.5 -1.5 -3.4 1.9 -0.3 0.5 -0.7	3.9 1.9 1.2 0.8 -0.1 0.1	6.8 11.4 7.8 3.5 1.2 0.7 0.6	0.1 -0.4 -0.9 8.4 	0.7 0.5 0.3 3.4 	1.2 3.0 2.1 16.7 
Kitchener, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	370.9 260.4 248.0 12.5 70.2 4.8 66.9	371.5 261.4 248.5 12.9 70.4 4.9 66.9	1.9 1.9 0.9 0.5 0.3	0.6 1.0 0.5 0.4 0.2 0.1	4.5 -3.0 -0.9 -2.1 -1.6 -0.8 -1.1	6.8 -4.5 -1.8 -2.7 -2.5 -1.0 -1.7	0.2 0.4 0.2 3.2	1.2 -1.1 -0.4 -14.0 	1.9 -1.7 -0.7 -17.3 
London, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	378.0 259.8 244.0 15.8 68.7 6.1 64.6	378.3 258.4 240.4 18.0 68.3 7.0 63.5	1.8 1.9 0.9 0.5 0.3	0.3 -1.4 -3.6 2.2 -0.4 0.9 -1.1	2.7 1.4 1.1 0.3 -0.1 0.1 -0.2	4.2 -2.0 -2.7 0.7 -1.3 0.4 -1.5	0.1 -0.5 -1.5 13.9 	0.7 0.5 0.5 1.7 	1.1 -0.8 -1.1 4.0 
Oshawa, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate Employment rate	274.2 192.6 180.2 12.3 70.2 6.4 65.7	274.9 193.9 181.4 12.5 70.5 6.4 66.0	1.5 1.6 0.7 0.5 0.4 0.6	0.7 1.3 1.2 0.2 0.3 0.0 0.3	5.6 5.6 5.6 0.0 0.6 -0.2 0.7	8.5 6.3 6.1 0.2 0.1 -0.2	0.3 0.7 0.7 1.6 	2.1 3.0 3.2 0.0 	3.2 3.4 3.5 1.6 
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	326.9 205.8 193.8 11.9 63.0 5.8 59.3	327.1 207.8 195.4 12.5 63.5 6.0 59.7	1.6 1.6 0.8 0.5 0.4 0.5	0.2 2.0 1.6 0.6 0.5 0.2	1.2 6.7 8.4 -1.5 1.8 -1.0 2.3	2.1 -0.6 3.8 -4.4 -0.6 -2.1 0.7	0.1 1.0 0.8 5.0 	0.4 3.3 4.5 -10.7 	0.6 -0.3 2.0 -26.0 

Table 5-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	July	July August S 2006 2006	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Per	Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago	
		in thous								
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury, Ontario										
Population	132.6	132.6		0.0	0.3	0.6	0.0	0.2	0.5	
Labour force Employment	84.8 79.3	86.3 79.9	0.8 0.8	1.5 0.6	5.6 5.1	5.2 5.6	1.8 0.8	6.9 6.8	6.4 7.5	
Unemployment	5.5	6.4	0.4	0.9	0.5	-0.4	16.4	8.5	-5.9	
Participation rate	64.0	65.1	0.6	1.1	4.1	3.7				
Unemployment rate	6.5	7.4	0.4	0.9	0.1	-1.0				
Employment rate	59.8	60.3	0.6	0.5	3.8	4.0				
Thunder Bay, Ontario										
Population	104.3	104.3		0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.4	
Labour force	67.5 62.2	67.7 62.1	0.6 0.7	0.2 -0.1	1.2 -0.2	-1.6 -2.2	0.3 -0.2	1.8 -0.3	-2.3 -3.4	
Employment Unemployment	5.3	5.6	0.7	0.3	-0.2 1.4	0.6	-0.2 5.7	33.3	12.0	
Participation rate	64.7	64.9	0.6	0.2	1.1	-1.8				
Unemployment rate	7.9	_8.3	0.5	0.4	2.0	1.1				
Employment rate	59.6	59.5	0.6	-0.1	-0.3	-2.4				
Windsor, Ontario										
Population	270.4	270.6		0.2	1.3	2.6	0.1	0.5	1.0	
Labour force	183.0	186.3	1.4	3.3	10.6	12.7	1.8	6.0	7.3	
Employment Unemployment	167.3 15.7	170.2 16.1	1.5 0.8	2.9 0.4	6.5 4.1	10.1 2.6	1.7 2.5	4.0 34.2	6.3 19.3	
Participation rate	67.7	68.8	0.5	1.1	3.6	4.0	2.5	34.2		
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.6	0.4	0.0	1.8	0.8	•••			
Employment rate	61.9	62.9	0.6	1.0	2.1	3.2				
Winnipeg, Manitoba										
Population	571.5	571.9		0.4	2.1	2.9	0.1	0.4	0.5	
Labour force	399.9 383.0	400.7 383.6	1.4 1.4	0.8 0.6	8.5	8.0 10.9	0.2 0.2	2.2 2.2	2.0	
Employment Unemployment	363.0 16.9	363.6 17.1	0.8	0.6	8.3 0.2	-2.9	1.2	1.2	2.9 -14.5	
Participation rate	70.0	70.1	0.2	0.1	1.3	1.1				
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.8				
Employment rate	67.0	67.1	0.2	0.1	1.2	1.6				
Regina, Saskatchewan										
Population	160.8	160.9		0.1	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.3	
Labour force	114.6 108.8	116.2 110.5	0.7	1.6 1.7	4.3 4.3	1.2 1.2	1.4 1.6	3.8 4.0	1.0	
Employment Unemployment	5.8	5.7	0.7 0.3	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-1.7	0.0	1.1 -1.7	
Participation rate	71.3	72.2	0.4	0.9	2.6	0.5				
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.9	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1				
Employment rate	67.7	68.7	0.5	1.0	2.6	0.6				
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan										
Population	188.0	188.2		0.2	0.4	0.8	0.1	0.2	0.4	
Labour force	133.1 126.6	132.7 126.1	8.0	-0.4 -0.5	1.0	0.8 0.4	-0.3 -0.4	0.8	0.6 0.3	
Employment Unemployment	6.5	6.5	0.8 0.4	-0.5 0.0	1.7 -0.9	0.4	-0.4 0.0	1.4 -12.2	0.3 4.8	
Participation rate	70.8	70.5	0.4	-0.3	0.4	0.1		-12.2		
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	0.3	0.0	-0.7	0.2				
Employment rate	67.3	67.0	0.4	-0.3	0.8	-0.1				

Table 5-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — 3 month moving average

	July	August	S.E.1		Change from	1	Per	cent change	from
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Calgary, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate	885.1 673.1 648.5 24.6 76.0 3.7	887.9 676.2 651.8 24.3 76.2 3.6	3.2 3.2 1.4 0.4 0.2	2.8 3.1 3.3 -0.3 0.2 -0.1	22.6 34.4 38.7 -4.4 2.0 -0.9	31.7 46.3 43.6 2.7 2.6 0.2	0.3 0.5 0.5 -1.2	2.6 5.4 6.3 -15.3 	3.7 7.4 7.2 12.5 
Employment rate	73.3	73.4	0.4	0.1	2.5	2.4			
Edmonton, Alberta Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	835.7 584.8 562.5 22.4 70.0 3.8 67.3	838.0 588.6 563.4 25.2 70.2 4.3 67.2	3.2 3.2 1.4 0.4 0.2 0.4	2.3 3.8 0.9 2.8 0.2 0.5 -0.1	18.0 20.2 20.1 0.1 0.9 -0.1 0.9	24.7 15.5 17.4 -1.9 -0.3 -0.4 0.1	0.3 0.6 0.2 12.5 	2.2 3.6 3.7 0.4 	3.0 2.7 3.2 -7.0 
Abbotsford, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	128.1 84.4 80.3 4.1 65.9 4.9 62.7	128.4 84.4 81.1 3.3 65.7 3.9 63.2	0.8 0.8 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.6	0.3 0.0 0.8 -0.8 -0.2 -1.0	2.6 -1.0 0.5 -1.5 -2.2 -1.7 -0.9	3.4 3.3 3.7 -0.4 0.8 -0.7 1.3	0.2 0.0 1.0 -19.5 	2.1 -1.2 0.6 -31.2 	2.7 4.1 4.8 -10.8 
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,861.0 1,242.8 1,191.8 51.0 66.8 4.1 64.0	1,864.0 1,246.8 1,197.6 49.2 66.9 3.9 64.2	 4.7 4.7 2.4 0.3 0.2 0.3	3.0 4.0 5.8 -1.8 0.1 -0.2	23.7 19.0 27.8 -8.8 0.2 -0.8 0.6	38.0 26.5 49.6 -23.1 0.1 -2.0 1.3	0.2 0.3 0.5 -3.5 	1.3 1.5 2.4 -15.2 	2.1 2.2 4.3 -32.0 
Victoria, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	278.1 181.8 175.4 6.4 65.4 3.5 63.1	278.6 181.4 176.0 5.4 65.1 3.0 63.2	1.4 1.5 0.6 0.5 0.3	0.5 -0.4 0.6 -1.0 -0.3 -0.5	3.7 4.4 6.7 -2.2 0.7 -1.3 1.6	5.3 3.3 4.3 -0.9 -0.1 -0.5 0.4	0.2 -0.2 0.3 -15.6 	1.3 2.5 4.0 -28.9 	1.9 1.9 2.5 -14.3 

<sup>1.</sup> Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations). **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0090

Table 5-2 Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area (seasonally adjusted) — Monthly

	July	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>		Change from	1	Percent change from		
	2006	2006		last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
		in thous	sands (e	except ra	tes)				
Montréal, Quebec Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	3,005.3 2,033.6 1,861.6 172.0 67.7 8.5 61.9	3,008.6 2,012.9 1,850.4 162.5 66.9 8.1 61.5	15.3 15.2 11.6 0.5 0.6 0.5	3.3 -20.7 -11.2 -9.5 -0.8 -0.4 -0.4	24.4 -5.5 26.8 -32.3 -0.7 -1.6 0.4	37.1 -1.0 11.2 -12.2 -0.9 -0.6 -0.4	0.1 -1.0 -0.6 -5.5	0.8 -0.3 1.5 -16.6 	1.2 0.0 0.6 -7.0 
Toronto, Ontario Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	4,377.3 3,008.6 2,814.2 194.4 68.7 6.5 64.3	4,385.1 2,985.9 2,792.9 193.0 68.1 6.5 63.7	18.7 18.9 13.2 0.4 0.4 0.4	7.8 -22.7 -21.3 -1.4 -0.6 0.0 -0.6	57.0 14.6 9.1 5.4 -0.6 0.2 -0.6	88.8 4.3 7.4 -3.0 -1.3 -0.1 -1.1	0.2 -0.8 -0.8 -0.7 	1.3 0.5 0.3 2.9 	2.1 0.1 0.3 -1.5 
Vancouver, British Columbia Population Labour force Employment Unemployment Participation rate Unemployment rate Employment rate	1,863.8 1,252.7 1,202.3 50.5 67.2 4.0 64.5	1,866.9 1,251.9 1,204.0 47.8 67.1 3.8 64.5	9.9 9.9 5.8 0.5 0.5	3.1 -0.8 1.7 -2.7 -0.1 -0.2 0.0	23.5 21.2 32.8 -11.7 0.3 -1.0 1.0	37.3 35.0 58.7 -23.8 0.6 -2.1 1.9	0.2 -0.1 0.1 -5.3 	1.3 1.7 2.8 -19.7 	2.0 2.9 5.1 -33.2 

Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0091

Table 6-1 Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2005 and August 2006

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation	Unemployment	
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands	_			
<b>Canada</b> <sup>2</sup> 2005 2006	25,821.9 26,199.5	17,712.5 17,981.1	16,509.0 16,834.5	1,203.5 1,146.6	68.6 68.6	6.8 6.4	63.9 64.3
Newfoundland and Labrador 2005 2006	429.4 427.4	269.4 267.4	233.6 232.8	35.8 34.6	62.7 62.6	13.3 12.9	54.4 54.5
Avalon Peninsula <i>[1010]</i> 2005 2006	209.1 209.8	135.4 138.4	119.8 123.7	15.6 14.6	64.8 66.0	11.5 10.5	57.3 59.0
South Coast-Burin Peninsula <i>[1020]</i> 2005 2006	34.4 33.6	18.8 20.1	14.8 16.2	4.0 4.0	54.7 59.8	21.3 19.9	43.0 48.2
West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador <i>[1030]</i> 2005 2006	89.3 88.4	56.6 55.6	48.9 46.9	7.7 8.7	63.4 62.9	13.6 15.6	54.8 53.1
Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay <i>[1040]</i> 2005 2006	96.7 95.5	58.7 53.2	50.2 45.9	8.5 7.3	60.7 55.7	14.5 13.7	51.9 48.1
Prince Edward Island 2005 2006	111.6 112.3	80.6 80.7	73.7 74.1	6.9 6.7	72.2 71.9	8.6 8.3	66.0 66.0
<b>Nova Scotia</b> 2005 2006	760.7 762.8	496.1 491.2	459.0 453.4	37.1 37.8	65.2 64.4	7.5 7.7	60.3 59.4
Cape Breton <i>[1210]</i> 2005 2006	117.5 116.9	69.8 65.1	61.0 56.9	8.7 8.3	59.4 55.7	12.5 12.7	51.9 48.7
North Shore <i>[1220]</i> 2005 2006	131.2 131.1	82.3 83.5	77.0 76.4	5.3 7.0	62.7 63.7	6.4 8.4	58.7 58.3
Annapolis Valley <i>[1230]</i> 2005 2006	99.3 99.7	61.9 60.3	57.4 55.4	4.5 4.9	62.3 60.5	7.3 8.1	57.8 55.6
Southern <i>[1240]</i> 2005 2006	103.8 103.7	64.4 61.9	57.4 55.3	7.0 6.5	62.0 59.7	10.9 10.5	55.3 53.3
Halifax <i>[1250]</i> 2005 2006	309.0 311.3	217.8 220.4	206.2 209.4	11.5 11.0	70.5 70.8	5.3 5.0	66.7 67.3
New Brunswick 2005 2006	610.4 611.4	403.8 404.2	366.7 371.1	37.1 33.0	66.2 66.1	9.2 8.2	60.1 60.7
Campbellton-Miramichi <i>[1310]</i> 2005 2006	137.8 136.6	86.0 83.2	74.8 73.5	11.2 9.7	62.4 60.9	13.0 11.7	54.3 53.8
Moncton-Richibucto <i>[1320]</i> 2005 2006	160.1 161.6	111.3 111.2	103.6 103.7	7.7 7.5	69.5 68.8	6.9 6.7	64.7 64.2
Saint John-St. Stephen <i>[1330]</i> 2005 2006	141.0 141.4	90.7 91.9	83.0 85.4	7.8 6.5	64.3 65.0	8.6 7.1	58.9 60.4

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2005 and August 2006

	Population		Labour force	e	Participation		
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate		rate
		in th	nousands				
Fredericton-Oromocto [1340] 2005 2006	102.9 103.5	72.5 72.7	66.0 67.3	6.5 5.4	70.5 70.2	9.0 7.4	64.1 65.0
Edmundston-Woodstock [1350] 2005 2006	68.5 68.2	43.3 45.2	39.4 41.2	3.9 3.9	63.2 66.3	9.0 8.6	57.5 60.4
<b>Quebec</b> 2005 2006	6,185.0 6,254.4	4,141.3 4,181.8	3,816.1 3,863.7	325.2 318.1	67.0 66.9	7.9 7.6	61.7 61.8
Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine [2410] 2005 2006	80.4 80.7	44.0 45.4	38.0 39.5	6.0 5.9	54.7 56.3	13.6 13.0	47.3 48.9
Bas-Saint-Laurent [2415] 2005 2006	166.7 167.1	106.4 105.5	98.5 98.0	7.9 7.6	63.8 63.1	7.4 7.2	59.1 58.6
Capitale-Nationale [2420] 2005 2006	554.5 559.9	377.9 374.2	352.3 356.6	25.6 17.6	68.2 66.8	6.8 4.7	63.5 63.7
Chaudière-Appalaches [2425] 2005 2006	322.3 325.1	222.8 224.2	210.4 211.0	12.3 13.2	69.1 69.0	5.5 5.9	65.3 64.9
Estrie [2430] 2005 2006	244.1 246.5	159.8 163.2	149.8 151.7	9.9 11.5	65.5 66.2	6.2 7.0	61.4 61.5
Centre-du-Québec [2433] 2005 2006	182.1 183.9	124.0 123.9	114.3 115.5	9.6 8.4	68.1 67.4	7.7 6.8	62.8 62.8
Montérégie [2435] 2005 2006	1,096.3 1,110.7	742.5 760.7	693.8 703.2	48.8 57.6	67.7 68.5	6.6 7.6	63.3 63.3
Montréal [2440] 2005 2006	1,570.0 1,584.0	1,047.9 1,060.7	939.7 954.4	108.2 106.3	66.7 67.0	10.3 10.0	59.9 60.3
Laval <i>[2445]</i> 2005 2006	300.0 304.7	205.4 206.8	187.9 194.1	17.5 12.7	68.5 67.9	8.5 6.1	62.6 63.7
Lanaudière <i>[2450]</i> 2005 2006	336.5 344.3	233.9 231.9	221.2 220.2	12.7 11.8	69.5 67.4	5.4 5.1	65.7 64.0
Laurentides [2455] 2005 2006	407.1 416.4	278.3 280.2	257.0 261.5	21.3 18.6	68.4 67.3	7.7 6.6	63.1 62.8
Outaouais <i>[2460]</i> 2005 2006	279.9 285.3	196.3 198.7	183.2 189.1	13.0 9.5	70.1 69.6	6.6 4.8	65.5 66.3
Abitibi-Témiscamingue [2465] 2005 2006	115.1 115.4	72.0 74.2	66.9 66.9	5.0 7.3	62.6 64.3	6.9 9.8	58.1 58.0
Mauricie <i>[2470]</i> 2005 2006	215.3 216.5	133.8 128.9	123.8 116.8	10.1 12.1	62.1 59.5	7.5 9.4	57.5 53.9

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2005 and August 2006

	Population		Labour ford	e	Participation	Unemployment	
	_	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands	_			
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean <i>[2475]</i> 2005 2006	224.7 224.4	137.9 144.2	125.6 130.0	12.3 14.2	61.4 64.3	8.9 9.8	55.9 57.9
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec [2480, 2490] 2005 2006	90.0 89.6	58.5 58.9	53.4 55.2	5.1 3.7	65.0 65.7	8.7 6.3	59.3 61.6
<b>Ontario</b> 2005 2006	10,079.6 10,236.3	6,995.1 7,086.2	6,499.5 6,610.5	495.6 475.6	69.4 69.2	7.1 6.7	64.5 64.6
Ottawa <i>[3510]</i> 2005 2006	970.1 978.9	671.7 696.7	620.1 657.4	51.6 39.2	69.2 71.2	7.7 5.6	63.9 67.2
Kingston-Pembroke <i>[3515]</i> 2005 2006	355.2 357.9	225.4 222.2	212.6 207.5	12.8 14.7	63.5 62.1	5.7 6.6	59.9 58.0
Muskoka-Kawarthas <i>[3520]</i> 2005 2006	302.2 306.3	188.0 200.1	177.0 189.1	11.1 11.0	62.2 65.3	5.9 5.5	58.6 61.7
Toronto [3530] 2005 2006	4,516.1 4,613.0	3,209.9 3,221.8	2,961.8 2,990.8	248.2 231.0	71.1 69.8	7.7 7.2	65.6 64.8
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie [3540] 2005 2006	930.9 950.5	686.4 700.9	648.5 663.4	38.0 37.5	73.7 73.7	5.5 5.4	69.7 69.8
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula <i>[3550]</i> 2005 2006	1,110.1 1,123.1	749.9 759.9	702.2 712.1	47.7 47.8	67.6 67.7	6.4 6.3	63.3 63.4
London <i>[3560]</i> 2005 2006	500.8 506.3	356.1 353.6	333.7 330.8	22.4 22.8	71.1 69.8	6.3 6.4	66.6 65.3
Windsor-Sarnia <i>[3570]</i> 2005 2006	519.3 522.9	343.6 363.1	317.0 331.7	26.5 31.4	66.2 69.4	7.7 8.6	61.0 63.4
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula [3580] 2005 2006	244.8 246.6	166.0 171.1	159.0 162.4	7.1 8.7	67.8 69.4	4.3 5.1	65.0 65.9
Northeast <i>[3590]</i> 2005 2006	452.6 453.4	279.2 281.7	257.7 259.7	21.5 22.0	61.7 62.1	7.7 7.8	56.9 57.3
Northwest [3595] 2005 2006	177.6 177.2	118.9 115.1	110.0 105.6	8.8 9.6	66.9 65.0	7.4 8.3	61.9 59.6
<b>Manitoba</b> 2005 2006	889.3 892.6	618.2 623.0	588.5 595.8	29.7 27.2	69.5 69.8	4.8 4.4	66.2 66.7
Southeast [4610] 2005 2006	73.4 74.8	56.3 54.0	53.6 52.0	2.7 2.0	76.7 72.2	4.8 3.7	73.0 69.5
South Central [4620] 2005 2006	42.1 42.4	28.7 28.7	27.9 27.5	0.7 1.2	68.2 67.7	2.4 4.2	66.3 64.9

Table 6-1 – continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region<sup>1</sup>, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2005 and August 2006

	Population		Labour ford	e	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
	_	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands				
Southwest [4630] 2005 2006	81.8 81.8	51.7 51.3	50.0 49.6	1.7 1.7	63.2 62.7	3.3 3.3	61.1 60.6
North Central <i>[4640]</i> 2005 2006	35.3 35.5	23.7 23.9	23.2 23.2	0.5 0.6	67.1 67.3	2.1 2.5	65.7 65.4
Winnipeg [4650] 2005 2006	527.1 529.2	367.0 375.7	346.6 357.5	20.4 18.2	69.6 71.0	5.6 4.8	65.8 67.6
Interlake [4660] 2005 2006	68.1 68.7	47.0 46.7	44.9 45.8	2.0 1.0	69.0 68.0	4.3 2.1	65.9 66.7
Parklands and North [4670, 4680] 2005 2006	61.5 60.1	43.9 42.7	42.2 40.3	1.7 2.4	71.4 71.0	3.9 5.6	68.6 67.1
Saskatchewan 2005 2006	748.7 745.9	521.5 528.8	495.9 503.2	25.6 25.5	69.7 70.9	4.9 4.8	66.2 67.5
Regina-Moose Mountain [4710] 2005 2006	219.2 219.0	157.8 157.1	150.8 150.4	7.1 6.7	72.0 71.7	4.5 4.3	68.8 68.7
Swift Current-Moose Jaw [4720] 2005 2006	83.1 82.5	56.2 58.8	53.6 55.6	2.6 3.2	67.6 71.3	4.6 5.4	64.5 67.4
Saskatoon-Biggar <i>[4730]</i> 2005 2006	230.6 230.8	166.0 168.0	158.5 160.0	7.5 8.0	72.0 72.8	4.5 4.8	68.7 69.3
Yorkton-Melville [4740] 2005 2006	65.8 64.6	42.5 43.1	41.0 41.1	1.5 2.0	64.6 66.7	3.5 4.6	62.3 63.6
Prince Albert and Northern [4750, 4760] 2005 2006	150.1 149.2	99.0 101.8	92.1 96.1	6.9 5.7	66.0 68.2	7.0 5.6	61.4 64.4
<b>Alberta</b> 2005 2006	2,557.0 2,642.5	1,884.9 1,979.8	1,813.5 1,904.3	71.4 75.6	73.7 74.9	3.8 3.8	70.9 72.1
Lethbridge-Medicine Hat [4810] 2005 2006	195.0 200.4	147.2 145.5	141.8 141.1	5.4 4.4	75.5 72.6	3.7 3.0	72.7 70.4
Camrose-Drumheller <i>[4820]</i> 2005 2006	147.3 150.8	105.8 117.0	102.9 113.5	2.9 3.5	71.8 77.6	2.7 3.0	69.9 75.3
Calgary [4830] 2005 2006	919.7 954.8	686.6 737.9	664.3 711.3	22.3 26.6	74.7 77.3	3.2 3.6	72.2 74.5
Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House [4840] 2005 2006	64.6 66.0	49.7 50.4	48.7 49.2	x x	76.9 76.4	x x	75.4 74.5
Red Deer [4850] 2005 2006	130.9 136.1	97.5 103.7	93.8 99.6	3.7 4.1	74.5 76.2	3.8 4.0	71.7 73.2

Table 6-1 – continued Labour force characteristics by province and economic region1, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2005 and August 2006

	Population	Labour force			Participation	Unemployment	Employmer
	-	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in th	nousands	_			
Edmonton [4860]	044.0	005.0	570.4	00.0	74.7	4.7	00.0
2005 2006	844.0 869.9	605.0 622.4	576.4 595.3	28.6 27.1	71.7 71.5	4.7 4.4	68.3 68.4
Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River [4870]	170.0	404.0	107.1	4.7	70.0	0.0	70.0
2005 2006	172.2 177.3	131.9 137.6	127.1 132.2	4.7 5.4	76.6 77.6	3.6 3.9	73.8 74.6
Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake [4880]							
2005 2006	83.3 87.1	61.3 65.3	58.4 62.1	2.9 3.2	73.6 75.0	4.7 4.9	70.1 71.3
British Columbia							
2005 2006	3,450.1 3,514.0	2,301.6 2,338.0	2,162.4 2,225.6	139.2 112.4	66.7 66.5	6.0 4.8	62.7 63.3
Vancouver Island and Coast [5910]	221.2			21.2			
2005 2006	601.3 612.6	383.6 390.7	361.8 372.9	21.9 17.8	63.8 63.8	5.7 4.6	60.2 60.9
_ower Mainland-Southwest [5920]							
2005 2006	2,076.9 2,121.3	1,405.6 1,429.5	1,316.5 1,364.9	89.1 64.6	67.7 67.4	6.3 4.5	63.4 64.3
Thompson-Okanagan [5930]							
2005 2006	404.6 414.3	262.7 270.5	248.9 254.4	13.8 16.1	64.9 65.3	5.3 6.0	61.5 61.4
Kootenay [5940]							
2005 2006	122.2 122.2	74.3 76.7	70.4 72.0	3.9 4.7	60.8 62.8	5.2 6.1	57.6 58.9
Cariboo [5950]							
2005 2006	126.8 125.7	86.3 89.2	80.3 83.7	6.0 5.5	68.1 71.0	7.0 6.2	63.3 66.6
North Coast and Nechako [5960, 5970]							
2005 2006	68.7 67.4	52.9 46.8	50.0 44.2	3.0 2.6	77.0 69.4	5.7 5.6	72.8 65.6
Northeast [5980]							
2005 2006	49.7 50.6	36.2 34.7	34.6 33.5	1.6 x	72.8 68.6	4.4 X	69.6 66.2

<sup>1.</sup> For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).

<sup>2.</sup> Estimates for Canada are a sum of the provincial totals and exclude estimates from Yukon Territory, Northwest Territories and Nunavut. **Note(s):** Related CANSIM table 282-0054.

Table 6-2 Labour force characteristics by territories, unadjusted for seasonality, 3 month moving average ending in August 2005 and August 2006

	Population		Labour force	е	Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
		in t	housands				
Yukon Territory <sup>1</sup> 2005 2006	21.5 21.5	17.1 17.2	16.2 16.4	0.9 0.8	79.5 80.0	5.3 4.7	75.3 76.3
Northwest Territories <sup>2</sup> 2005 2006	31.4 30.9	24.9 24.5	23.5 23.1	1.4 1.4	79.3 79.3	5.6 5.7	74.8 74.8
Nunavut - 10 largest communities <sup>3</sup> 2005 2006	13.7 13.9	8.8 9.2	7.4 8.1	1.4 1.1	64.6 66.5	16.4 11.5	54.0 58.8

<sup>1.</sup> Since 1992, the Labour force survey has been administered in the Yukon Territory, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0054.

<sup>2.</sup> Since 2001, the Labour force survey has been administered in the Northwest Territories, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

<sup>3.</sup> Since 2004, the Labour force survey has been administered in Nunavut, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals. The 10 largest communities are Iqaluit, Cambridge Bay, Baker Lake, Arviat, Rankin Inlet, Kugluktuk, Pond Inlet, Cape Dorset, Pangnirtung, Igloolik.

Table 7 Average usual hours and wages of employees by selected characteristics, Canada, unadjusted for seasonality

		Emplo	yees			Full-time		Part-time		
	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Average hourly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages	Number	Average weekly hours	Average weekly wages
	'000	_	\$		'000	_	\$	'000		\$
August 2006		·				-				
15 years and over	14,284.5	36.6	734.85	19.58	12,242.6	39.6	812.91	2,041.9	18.8	266.81
15 to 24 years	2,751.9	32.5	382.82	11.28	1,910.1	38.9	477.46	841.9	18.0	168.09
25 years and over	11,532.6	37.6	818.85	21.56	10,332.6	39.8	874.92	1,200.0	19.4	336.07
Men Women	7,383.2 6,901.3	39.1 34.1	839.35 623.05	21.17 17.88	6,788.7 5,454.0	40.9 38.0	892.08 714.37	594.5 1,447.3	18.1 19.1	237.32 278.93
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,358.4	36.8	843.71	22.75	3,880.8	38.8	898.82	477.6	20.3	395.90
No union coverage	9,926.1	36.6	687.05	18.19	8,361.9	40.0	773.03	1,564.2	18.4	227.39
Job permanency										
Permanent	12,104.8	37.1	778.84	20.56	10,644.5	39.6	846.10	1,460.3	19.3	288.54
Temporary	2,179.7	33.9	490.54	14.12	1,598.2	39.9	591.80	581.5	17.5	212.25
Occupation Management	1,031.6	40.3	1,257.65	31.45	1,005.7	40.8	1,273.74	26.0	20.9	634.15
Business, finance and administrative	2,769.6	35.8	684.28	18.81	2.420.8	38.3	741.90	348.8	18.6	284.36
Natural and applied sciences	1,005.9	39.0	1.084.77	27.90	982.3	39.4	1.098.93	23.6	19.1	495.02
Health	874.4	33.6	769.83	22.88	665.9	37.7	864.85	208.6	20.7	466.46
Social science, education, government service										
and religion	1,152.2	35.9	909.63	25.40	996.7	38.5	980.34	155.5	19.1	456.43
Art, culture, recreation and sport	348.0	35.6	686.76	18.99	292.6	39.1	771.47	55.4	17.1	239.74
Sales and service	3,535.0	32.5	446.93	13.05	2,472.8	38.5	557.44	1,062.2	18.8	189.65
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,149.9	41.0	796.31	19.32	2,065.4	41.9	819.54	84.4	17.5	228.08
Occupations unique to primary industry	391.6	42.7	658.22	15.01	348.5	46.0	718.07	43.1	15.9	174.64
Occupations unique to processing,							=0.4.00			
manufacturing and utilities	1,026.3	39.5	685.28	17.19	992.0	40.2	701.22	34.3	18.2	224.32
August 2005										
15 years and over	13,991.1	36.6	708.11	18.89	11,912.7	39.7	786.58	2,078.4	18.9	258.36
15 to 24 years	2,693.8	32.4	366.21	10.85	1,845.0	39.1	459.73	848.8	18.0	162.93
25 years and over	11,297.3	37.6	789.64	20.80	10,067.6	39.8	846.48	1,229.6	19.6	324.23
Men	7,226.1	39.1	811.97	20.45	6,649.0	40.9	863.05	577.1	18.4	223.42
Women	6,765.1	33.9	597.19	17.22	5,263.7	38.1	690.00	1,501.3	19.1	271.79
Union coverage Union coverage	4.380.8	36.8	816.99	22.06	3.868.9	39.0	874.20	511.9	20.1	384.61
No union coverage	9,610.3	36.5	658.48	17.44	8,043.8	40.0	744.44	1,566.5	18.5	217.10
· ·	3,010.0	00.0	000.40	17.44	0,040.0	40.0	7-1-1-1	1,000.0	10.0	217.10
Job permanency Permanent	11,851.8	37.1	748.52	19.77	10,372.3	39.6	815.46	1,479.5	19.5	279.17
Temporary	2,139.4	33.7	484.29	13.98	1,540.4	40.1	592.13	599.0	17.4	206.96
Occupation	_,				.,					
Management	973.5	40.2	1,180.81	29.52	950.7	40.6	1,198.91	22.7	19.9	424.30
Business, finance and administrative	2,717.0	35.6	656.79	18.10	2,353.4	38.2	716.75	363.7	18.8	268.75
Natural and applied sciences	987.5	38.9	1,044.71	26.89	963.8	39.4	1,060.62	23.7	18.8	398.39
Health	867.3	33.5	751.29	22.36	650.8	37.9	854.99	216.5	20.3	439.64
Social science, education, government service										
and religion	1,090.6	36.0	903.30	24.99	934.7	38.8	974.80	155.8	19.3	474.41
Art, culture, recreation and sport	359.1	34.6	654.30	18.53	286.8	39.2	749.63	72.3	16.6	276.22
Sales and service	3,452.1	32.6	443.93	12.89	2,400.6	38.6	558.16	1,051.6	18.8	183.16
Trades, transport and equipment operators	2,095.1	41.0	761.11	18.50	1,999.2	42.0	786.37	95.9	19.0	234.60
Occupations unique to primary industry Occupations unique to processing,	367.3	43.0	633.09	14.54	333.4	45.5	678.32	33.8	18.5	187.18
manufacturing and utilities	1,081.7	39.5	656.75	16.53	1,039.3	40.3	674.26	42.4	18.7	227.16

Note(s): Related CANSIM tables 282-0023, 282-0069, 282-0073

Table 8
Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program,<sup>1</sup> seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

Region	Effective from September 10, 2006 to October 7, 2006	
	Unemployment rate	
	Percent	
Newfoundland and Labrador 01. St.John's 02. Newfoundland and Labrador	8.0 19.9	
Prince Edward Island 03. Prince Edward Island	11.0	
Nova Scotia 04. Eastern Nova Scotia 05. Western Nova Scotia 06. Halifax	14.4 9.7 5.3	
<b>New Brunswick</b> 07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John 08. Madawaska-Charlotte <sup>2</sup> 09. Restigouche-Albert	6.2 10.6 14.2	
Quebec  10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine 11. Québec 12. Trois-Rivières 13. South Central Quebec 14. Sherbrooke 15. Montérégie 16. Montréal 17. Central Quebec 18. Northwestern Quebec 19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord <sup>3</sup> 20. Gatineau 21. Saguenay	17.6 4.7 8.4 6.2 7.9 8.5 8.3 9.3 12.2 11.4 4.6 9.2	
Ontario 22. Ottawa 23. Eastern Ontario 24. Kingston 25. Central Ontario 26. Oshawa 27. Toronto 28. Hamilton 29. St. Catharines 30. London 31. Niagara 32. Windsor 33. Kitchener 34. Huron 35. South Central Ontario 36. Sudbury 37. Thunder Bay 38. Northern Ontario	4.8 6.8 6.9 6.5 6.4 6.3 6.1 6.0 7.0 8.0 9.0 5.0 7.5 4.7 6.9 8.3	
Manitoba 39. Winnipeg 40. Southern Manitoba 41. Northern Manitoba	4.3 4.9 25.8	

Table 8 - continued

Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program,1 seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

Region	Effective from September 10, 2006 to October 7, 2006	
	Unemployment rate	
	Percent	
Saskatchewan 42. Regina 43. Saskatoon 44. Southern Saskatchewan 45. Northern Saskatchewan	4.8 5.0 6.9 13.6	
Alberta 46. Calgary 47. Edmonton 48. Northern Alberta 49. Southern Alberta	3.6 4.5 8.6 4.5	
British Columbia 50. Southern Interior British Columbia 51. Abbotsford 52. Vancouver 53. Victoria 54. Southern Coastal British Columbia 55. Northern British Columbia	7.2 3.9 4.0 3.8 6.5 8.5	
<b>Territories</b> 56. Yukon Territory <sup>4</sup> 57. Northwest Territories <sup>4</sup> 58. Nunavut <sup>4</sup>	25.0 25.0 25.0	

<sup>1.</sup> The boundaries of these regions are determined by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of employment insurance regions, see the HRSDC website:http://www14.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/ei-ae/canadaei.htm.

This unemployment rate has been determined using a transition formula prescribed in the El Regulations. For further information, see: http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/cs/comm/news/2000/000913a\_e.shtml.

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<sup>4.</sup> This rate is provided by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

Table 9-1 Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by detailed age groups

	August	August	August	S.E. <sup>1</sup>	Change	from	Percent char	nge from
	2004	2005	2006		last year	two years ago	last year	two years ago
			in thousands					
Students 15 to 24 years <sup>2</sup> Population	2,294.0	2,324.8	2,325.7	28.6	0.9	31.7	0.0	1.4
Labour force	1,473.1	1.464.4	1.500.5	29.5	36.1	27.4	2.5	1.9
Employment	1,281.0	1,275.8	1,306.6	28.4	30.8	25.6	2.4	2.0
Full-time employment	631.7	652.7	679.4	20.3	26.7	47.7	4.1	7.6
Part-time employment	649.3	623.1	627.2	22.9	4.1	-22.1	0.7	-3.4
Unemployment Portionation rate	192.2 64.2	188.6 63.0	194.0 64.5	13.8	5.4 1.5	1.8 0.3	2.9	0.9
Participation rate Unemployment rate	13.0	12.9	12.9	1.0 1.0	0.0	-0.3		
Employment rate	55.8	54.9	56.2	1.0	1.3	0.4		
Part-time rate	50.7	48.8	48.0	1.4	-0.8	-2.7		
Students 15 to 16 years <sup>2</sup>								
Population	783.7	805.3	830.6	5.4	25.3	46.9	3.1	6.0
Labour force	366.5	374.9	399.3	12.8	24.4	32.8	6.5	8.9
Employment Full-time employment	287.9 83.1	297.9 93.1	308.5 94.7	11.7 5.2	10.6 1.6	20.6 11.6	3.6 1.7	7.2 14.0
Part-time employment	204.8	204.7	213.8	3.2 11.1	9.1	9.0	4.4	4.4
Unemployment	78.6	77.0	90.7	7.7	13.7	12.1	17.8	15.4
Participation rate	46.8	46.6	48.1	1.6	1.5	1.3		
Unemployment rate	21.4	20.5	22.7	2.1	2.2	1.3		
Employment rate	36.7	37.0	37.1	1.5	0.1	0.4		
Part-time rate	71.1	68.7	69.3	1.8	0.6	-1.8		•••
Students 17 to 19 years <sup>2</sup>	050.4	0.45.0	040.4	45.0	2.0	0.0	0.4	0.0
Population Labour force	850.1 608.5	845.3 588.5	842.1 604.0	15.6 16.4	-3.2 15.5	-8.0 -4.5	-0.4 2.6	-0.9 -0.7
Employment	529.2	510.1	527.9	16.0	17.8	-4.3	3.5	-0.7
Full-time employment	249.6	242.6	257.3	10.9	14.7	7.7	6.1	3.1
Part-time employment	279.6	267.5	270.7	14.1	3.2	-8.9	1.2	-3.2
Unemployment	79.3	78.5	76.1	8.7	-2.4	-3.2	-3.1	-4.0
Participation rate	71.6	69.6	71.7	1.5	2.1	0.1		
Unemployment rate Employment rate	13.0 62.3	13.3	12.6 62.7	1.5 1.6	-0.7 2.4	-0.4 0.4		•••
Part-time rate	52.8	60.3 52.4	51.3	1.0	-1.2	-1.6		
Students 20 to 24 years 2	02.0	02	00				•••	
Population	660.2	674.1	653.0	22.5	-21.1	-7.2	-3.1	-1.1
Labour force	498.2	501.0	497.3	20.4	-3.7	-0.9	-0.7	-0.2
Employment	463.9	467.9	470.1	19.7	2.2	6.2	0.5	1.3
Full-time employment	298.9 165.0	317.0 150.9	327.5 142.6	15.8 13.6	10.5 -8.3	28.6 -22.4	3.3 -5.5	9.6 -13.6
Part-time employment Unemployment	34.3	33.1	27.2	7.2	-o.s -5.9	-22.4 -7.1	-5.5 -17.8	-13.6
Participation rate	75.5	74.3	76.2	1.8	1.9	0.7	-17.0	-20.7
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.6	5.5	1.4	-1.1	-1.4		
Employment rate	70.3	69.4	72.0	1.9	2.6	1.7		
Part-time rate	35.6	32.3	30.3	2.5	-1.9	-5.2	•••	
Other persons aged 15 to 24 <sup>3</sup>								
Population	1,951.2	1,961.3	1,998.9	22.9	37.6	47.7	1.9	2.4
Labour force	1,703.7	1,701.8	1,730.2	27.5	28.4	26.5	1.7	1.6
Employment Full-time employment	1,496.7 1.225.1	1,525.8 1.254.1	1,547.0 1,294.0	28.5 28.1	21.2 39.9	50.3 68.9	1.4 3.2	3.4 5.6
Part-time employment	271.7	271.6	252.9	21.9	-18.7	-18.8	-6.9	-6.9
Unemployment	207.0	176.0	183.1	16.9	7.1	-23.9	4.0	-11.5
Participation rate	87.3	86.8	86.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.8		
Unemployment rate	12.2	10.3	10.6	0.7	0.2	-1.6		
Employment rate	76.7	77.8	77.4	0.8	-0.4	0.7		
Part-time rate	18.2	17.8	16.3	0.9	-1.5	-1.8		

Average standard error of change over the year (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
 Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall.

Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0006

Table 9-2 Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by province

	Population			Labour fo	rce			Unemployment	
		Labour force	Employment	Full-time employment	Part-time employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
			in	thousands					
Students¹ Newfoundland and Labrador August 2005 August 2006	38.5 36.6	20.5 21.2	16.9 18.4	10.0 12.1	6.9 6.3	3.5 2.9	53.2 57.9	17.1 13.7	43.9 50.3
Prince Edward Island August 2005 August 2006	10.7 10.1	9.0 7.9	8.3 7.5	5.9 5.0	2.5 2.4	0.6 0.5	84.1 78.2	6.7 6.3	77.6 74.3
Nova Scotia August 2005 August 2006	67.9 69.5	44.7 47.3	39.7 42.2	22.4 24.1	17.3 18.1	5.0 5.1	65.8 68.1	11.2 10.8	58.5 60.7
New Brunswick August 2005 August 2006	50.7 48.2	34.8 32.5	32.2 27.8	19.5 18.0	12.7 9.8	2.6 4.7	68.6 67.4	7.5 14.5	63.5 57.7
Quebec August 2005 August 2006	516.7 544.6	315.8 348.5	270.6 300.1	134.1 150.0	136.5 150.2	45.3 48.3	61.1 64.0	14.3 13.9	52.4 55.1
Ontario August 2005 August 2006	984.9 986.3	638.8 638.7	549.7 543.0	275.6 272.5	274.1 270.5	89.1 95.8	64.9 64.8	13.9 15.0	55.8 55.1
Manitoba August 2005 August 2006	75.0 76.7	50.3 55.3	45.0 49.8	21.0 24.7	23.9 25.2	5.4 5.5	67.1 72.1	10.7 9.9	60.0 64.9
Saskatchewan August 2005 August 2006	68.2 64.0	45.7 45.1	41.7 41.2	23.1 24.0	18.7 17.2	4.0 3.9	67.0 70.5	8.8 8.6	61.1 64.4
Alberta August 2005 August 2006	220.1 212.7	135.9 145.3	125.3 132.2	68.0 74.9	57.2 57.4	10.6 13.0	61.7 68.3	7.8 8.9	56.9 62.2
British Columbia August 2005 August 2006	292.2 276.9	169.0 158.7	146.4 144.3	73.1 74.1	73.3 70.2	22.6 14.3	57.8 57.3	13.4 9.0	50.1 52.1
Other persons aged 15-24 <sup>2</sup> Newfoundland and Labrador August 2005 August 2006	30.1 29.8	24.7 24.5	18.6 18.1	16.0 16.3	2.6 1.7	6.0 6.4	82.1 82.2	24.3 26.1	61.8 60.7
Prince Edward Island August 2005 August 2006	9.0 9.7	8.4 9.0	7.2 8.1	6.6 7.3	x 0.8	X X	93.3 92.8	x x	80.0 83.5
Nova Scotia August 2005 August 2006	55.7 53.6	49.5 46.9	43.8 42.4	35.4 37.4	8.4 4.9	5.7 4.5	88.9 87.5	11.5 9.6	78.6 79.1
New Brunswick August 2005 August 2006	45.6 47.6	40.3 42.4	34.5 37.5	30.4 32.3	4.2 5.2	5.7 4.9	88.4 89.1	14.1 11.6	75.7 78.8
Quebec August 2005 August 2006	433.3 406.1	388.1 355.1	339.7 311.8	278.0 258.9	61.7 52.9	48.4 43.3	89.6 87.4	12.5 12.2	78.4 76.8
Ontario August 2005 August 2006	700.1 720.2	594.6 614.2	525.9 536.7	423.0 432.1	102.9 104.6	68.6 77.4	84.9 85.3		75.1 74.5
Manitoba August 2005 August 2006	80.6 79.2	70.3 67.4	66.0 62.6	54.7 52.0	11.4 10.7	4.4 4.7	87.2 85.1	6.3 7.0	81.9 79.0

Table 9-2 - continued Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 (unadjusted) by province

	Population		Labour force				Participation	Unemployment	Employment
		Labour force	Employment		Part-time employment	Unemployment	rate	rate	rate
			in	thousands					
Saskatchewan August 2005 August 2006	70.5 73.8	61.2 66.7	54.3 62.3	46.5 53.9	8.0 8.4	6.9 4.4	86.8 90.4	11.3 6.6	77.0 84.4
Alberta August 2005 August 2006	257.1 279.1	225.7 248.1	215.3 231.8	191.6 208.3	23.7 23.5	10.4 16.4	87.8 88.9	4.6 6.6	83.7 83.1
British Columbia August 2005 August 2006	279.1 299.7	239.0 255.8	220.3 235.7	172.0 195.5	48.3 40.2	18.7 20.2	85.6 85.4	7.8 7.9	78.9 78.6

<sup>1.</sup> Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall.

Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.
 Note(s): Related CANSIM table 282-0006

# **Data quality**

## **About the Labour Force Survey**

The statistics contained in this report are based on information obtained through a sample survey of 53,000 representative households across the country. The Labour Force Survey, started in November 1945, was taken at quarterly intervals until November 1952. It has been carried out monthly since then. The information generated by the survey has expanded considerably over the years with a major redesign of the survey content in 1976 and again in 1997, and provides a rich and detailed picture of the Canadian labour market.

The sample used in the Labour Force Survey has been designed to represent all persons in the population 15 years of age and over residing in the provinces of Canada, with the exception of the following: persons living on Indian reserves, full-time members of the armed forces and people living in institutions (for example, inmates of penal institutions and patients in hospitals or nursing homes who have resided in the institution for more than six months). Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

## **Definitions and explanations**

The **labour force** is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week:

- (a) did any work at all
- (b) had a job but were not at work

A person is considered to be **full-time** if his/her usual hours at the main job are greater than 29 hours per week. When the number of hours worked at the main job is usually less than 30 hours per week then he/she is considered to be **part-time**.

**Unemployed** persons are those who, during the reference week:

- (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with reference week), and were available for work;
- (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but were on temporary layoff and were available for work;
- (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Persons in the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were neither employed nor unemployed are classified as **not in the labour force**.

The **unemployment rate** represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

The **participation rate** represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the labour force in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

The employment rate (formerly the employment/population ratio) represents the number of persons employed expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number employed in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

The **part-time rate** represents the number of persons employed part-time expressed as a percentage of the employed. The part-time rate for a particular group (age, sex, etc.) is the number employed part-time in that group expressed as a percentage of the employed for that group.

All geographic regions are based on the 2001 Census boundaries.

## Seasonal adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. The seasonally adjusted series contains irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

The seasonally adjusted series are revised each year to take into account current data and to generate new forecast factors for the next twelve months. The data are therefore subject to slight revisions in future issues of this publication.

# Sampling error

Estimates in this publication are based on the Labour Force Survey, a monthly survey of approximately 53,000 households across Canada. Because they are based on a sample survey, the estimates are subject to sampling error. Changes in the level of any estimates between two months can be the result of a true change or sampling variability. In most tables in this publication an indicator of the sampling error is provided. Two thirds of the time, a change greater than the sampling error indicates a real change. Movements in estimates that are smaller than the sampling error are less likely to reflect a real change and more likely to be due to sampling variability. While the above is true for monthly movements, one can have more confidence in a series of consecutive movements in the same direction, even though some of the monthly movements may be smaller than the sampling error.

For more detailed information about the Labour Force Survey, see the following documents:

- Overview of the Labour Force Survey
- Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-GIE)
- Data quality statement
- Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (71-526-XPB)