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Commentary

Employment continued to show little change in March as an increase of 34,000 part-time jobs was offset by a similar decline in the number of people working full-time. With fewer people looking for work, the unemployment rate edged down 0.1 percentage points to 6.9%.

Over the first three months of 2005, employment is up by only 0.2% (+25,000), a growth rate similar to that in the United States. The number of hours worked was unchanged in March and has edged up 0.2% so far this year.

Sectors with the strongest employment growth in the first quarter of 2005 include retail and wholesale trade, educational services as well as finance, insurance, real estate and leasing. In contrast, the most pronounced employment losses have occurred in accommodation and food services and in manufacturing.

The only provinces with employment growth rates above the national average of 0.2% over the first three months of this year are Alberta (+0.8%), British Columbia (+0.6%) and Saskatchewan (+0.6%).

More adult men working but fewer youths

Among men aged 25 and over, employment increased by 21,000 in March, almost all part-time. There was little change among adult women as a gain in part-time jobs was offset by a similar decline in full-time work. In March, there were 21,000 fewer youths working.

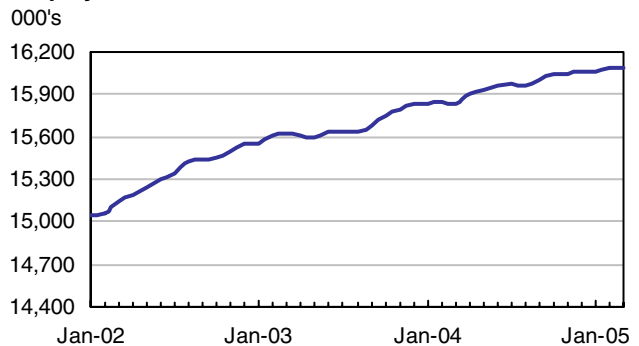
Over the first quarter of 2005, job growth among adult men and women was a modest 0.5% and 0.4%, respectively. The increases were mostly in part-time jobs. For youths, employment declined by 1.3% over the first three months of the year, all in full-time. Weakness in youth employment over this period has been in retail trade and accommodation and food services.

Weakness in accommodation and food services

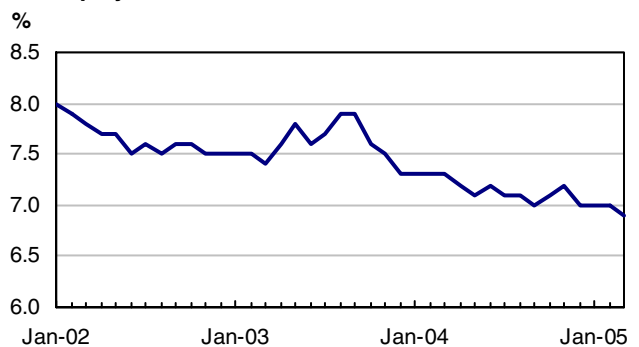
There were job losses for the second consecutive month in accommodation and food services, down 18,000 in March and 20,000 in February. All of these declines occurred in food and beverage services. Compared to a year ago, employment and hours worked have declined in parts of this sector, notably in taverns and bars, possibly due to the National Hockey League lockout.

In March, employment fell by 15,000 in professional, scientific and technical services, mostly in computer system design. Despite the decline in March, employment in the sector is up 1.6% from 12 months ago.

Employment



Unemployment rate



There were job losses of 14,000 in transportation and warehousing in March, with drops in scenic and sight-seeing as well as air transportation. The decline this month continues the employment weakness observed in this sector since July of last year.

In March, there were 11,000 more people working in public administration, offsetting losses observed at the start of the year. The increase in March was mainly in Quebec at the municipal level.

Employment rose by 8,000 in agriculture, the second consecutive monthly gain. The bulk of the increase in March occurred in Quebec and Ontario. Despite this increase, agricultural employment at the national level is at about the same level as a year ago.

Provincial focus

In March, most provinces experienced little change in both employment and unemployment.

There were 3,000 more people working in Newfoundland and Labrador in March with gains in natural resources and public administration. Despite this increase, employment in the province is unchanged from the level of a year ago.

The number of people working in Manitoba fell by an estimated 6,000 following a gain of 3,000 in February. This leaves employment in the province up by 0.8% (+4,000) from a year ago. Declines this month occurred in construction, agriculture and other services such as personal care.

Employment was little changed in both Alberta and British Columbia, however, there were significant declines in their unemployment rates.

In Alberta, the unemployment rate fell to a 24-year low with a decline of 0.7 percentage points in March to 3.5%, mainly the result of fewer people looking for work. Along with this low unemployment rate, the proportion of the employed working-age population in March (70.2%) remains near the historic high.

In British Columbia, a decline in the number of people looking for work also pushed the unemployment rate down in March, falling 0.5 percentage points to 6.5%. The unemployment rate in March is among the lowest in two decades.

In March, employment was little changed in Ontario as an increase of 38,000 part-time jobs was offset by a decline of 31,000 in full-time work. This leaves employment in the province up 80,000 (+1.3%) from a year ago. While there were employment losses across a number of sectors in March, there were significant gains in construction and information, culture and recreation.

In Quebec, a decline of 18,000 part-time jobs was nearly offset by a gain in full-time work, leaving employment in the province up 1.2% (+44,000) from March 2004. Despite little overall change this month, there were declines in accommodation and food services and in transportation and warehousing. These were offset by gains in educational services and public administration.

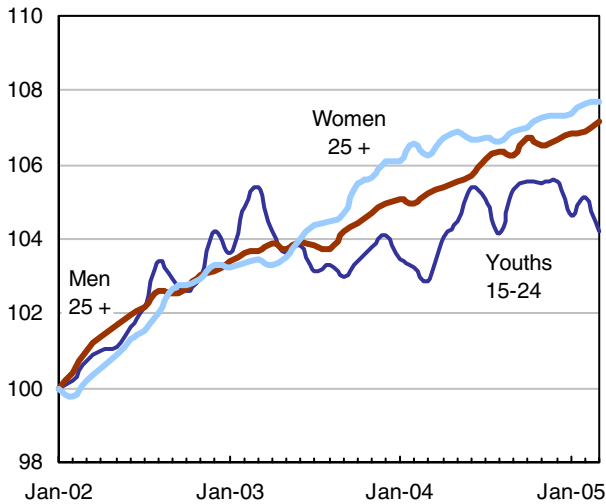
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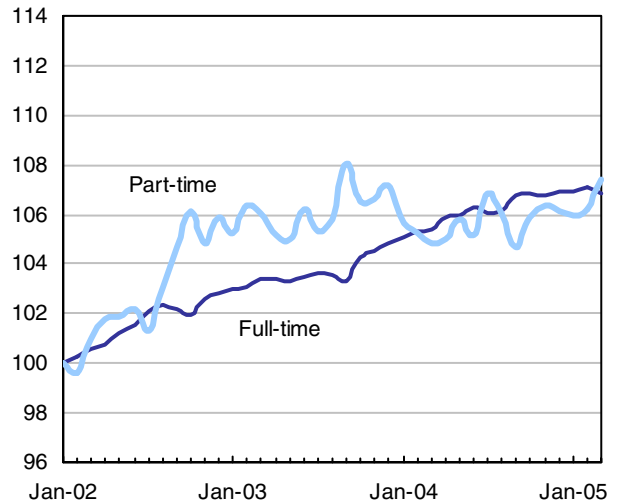
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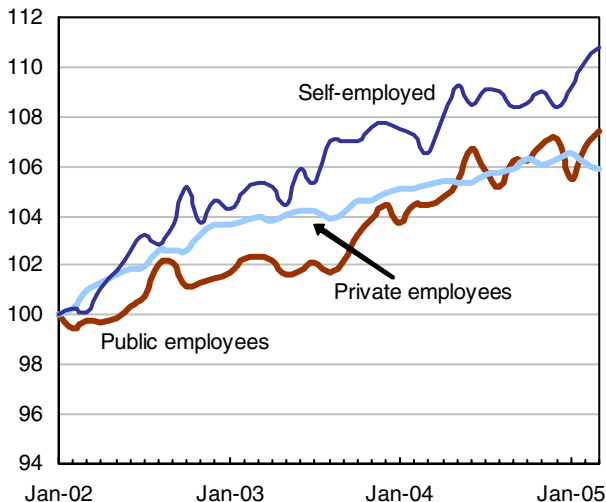
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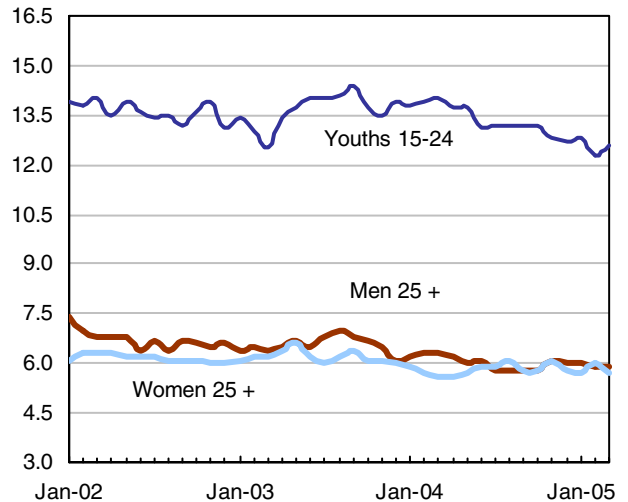
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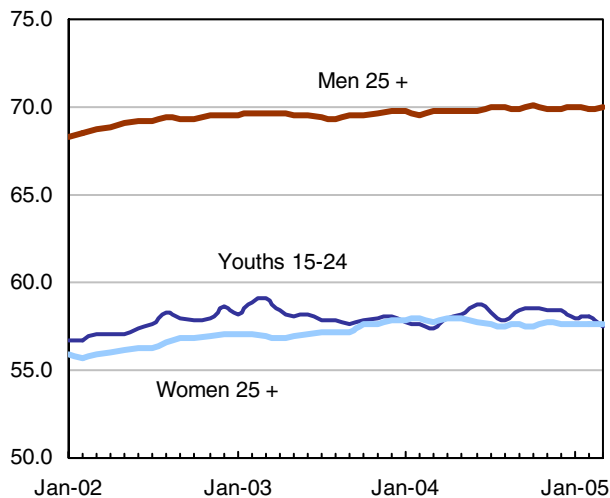
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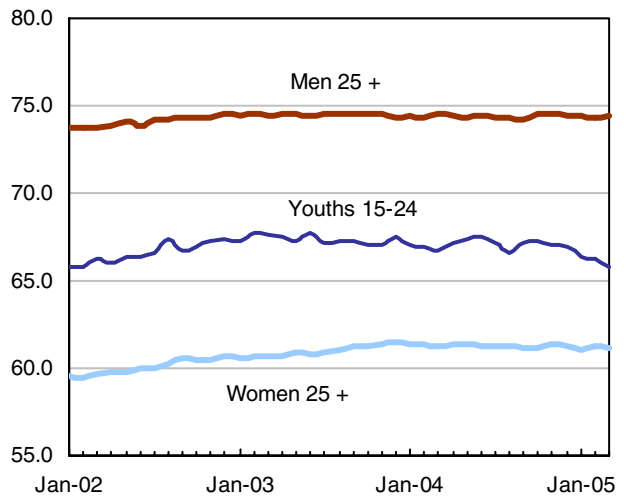
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Employment rate (%)

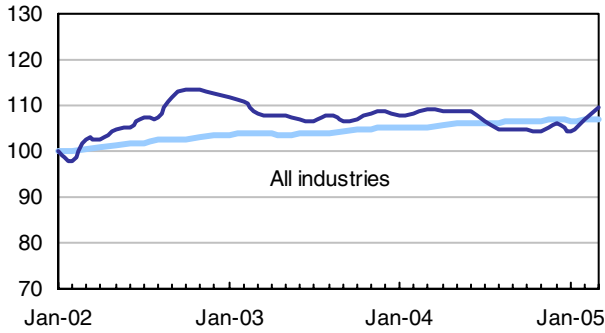


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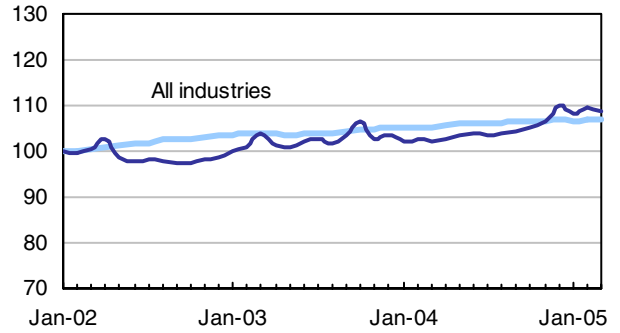


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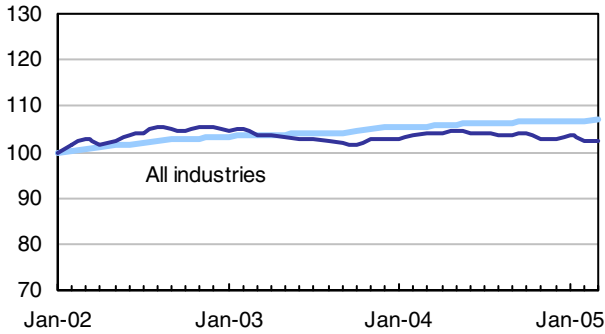
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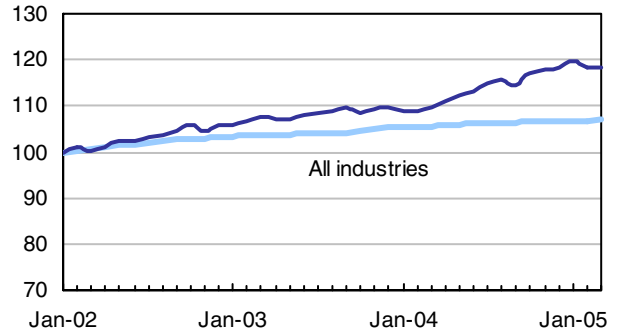
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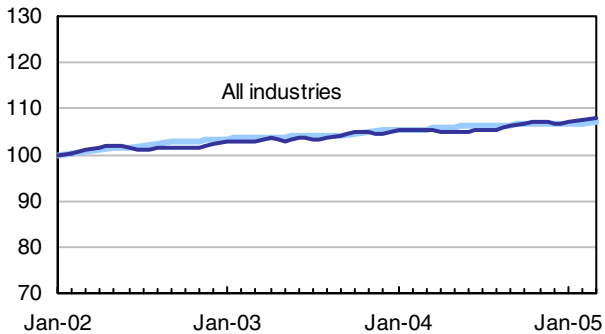
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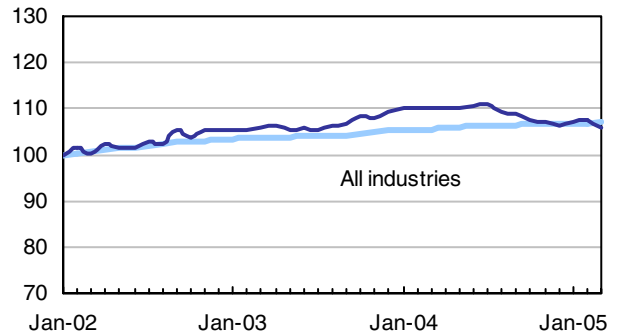
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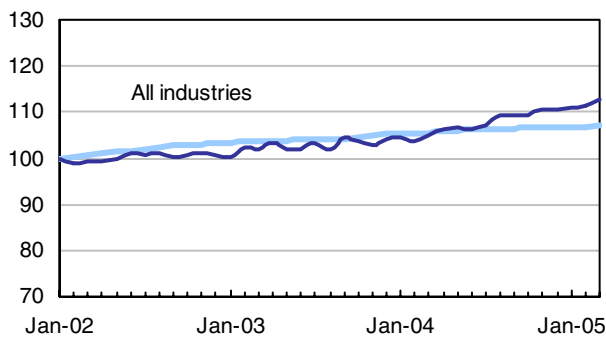
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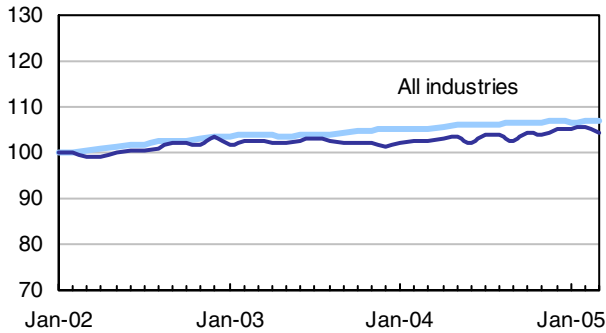


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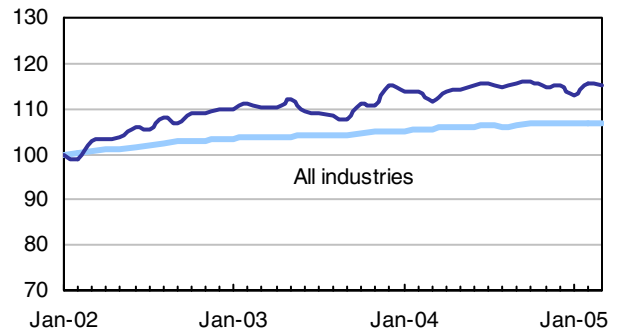


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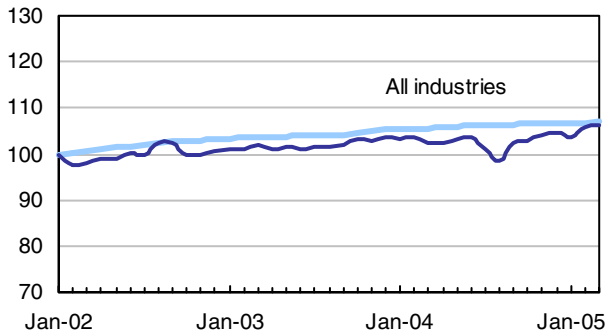
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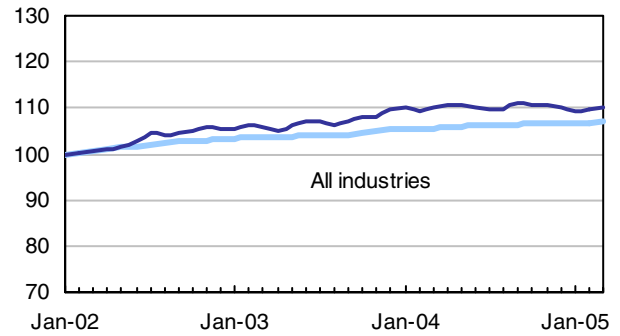
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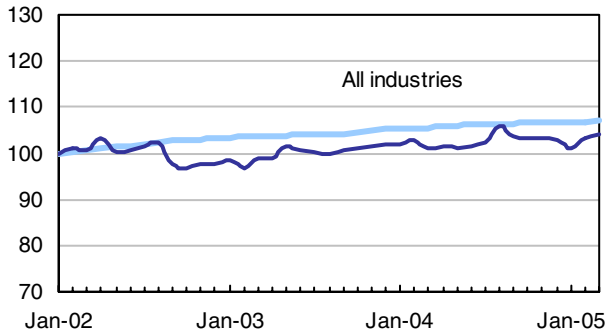
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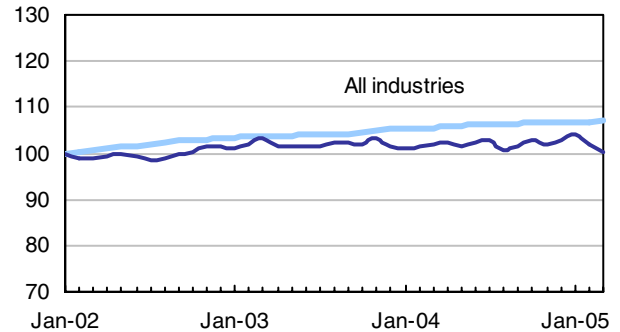
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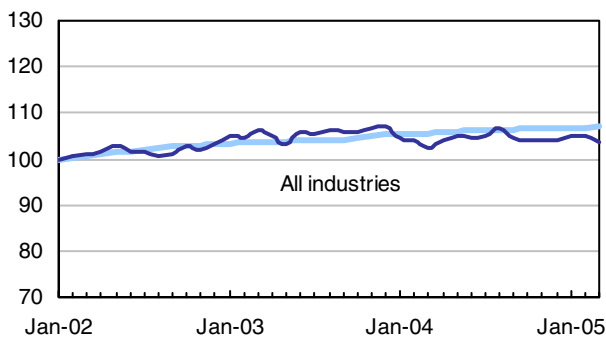
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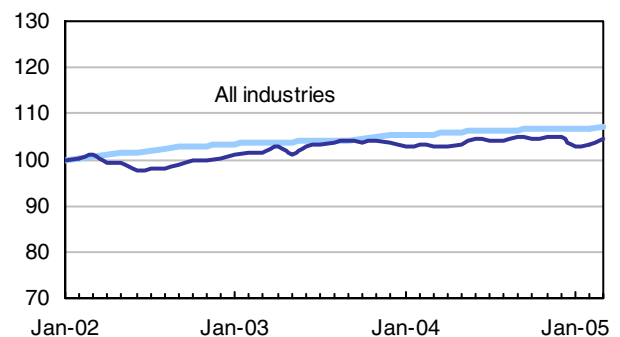
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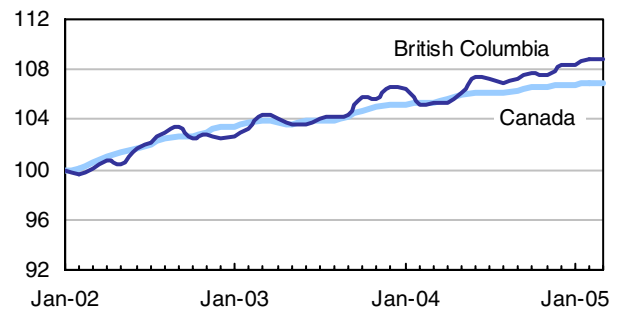
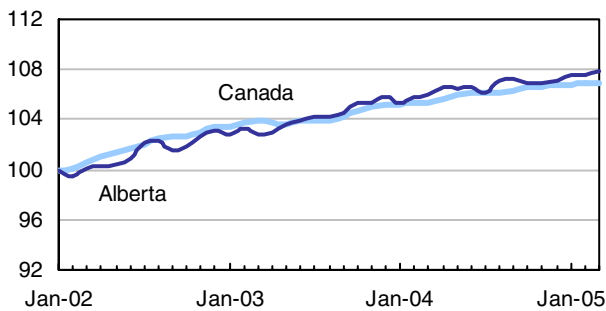
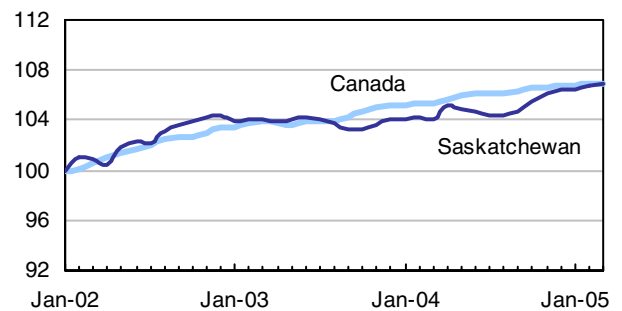
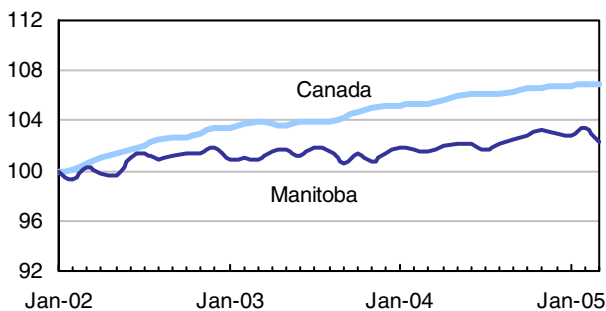
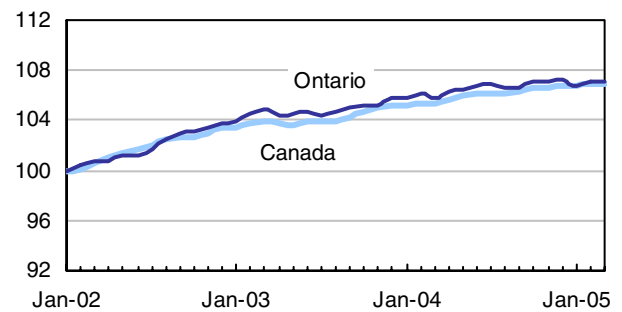
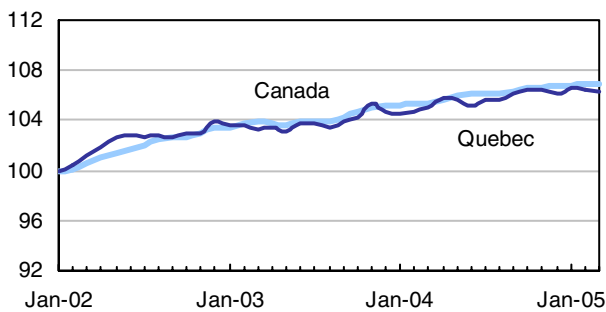
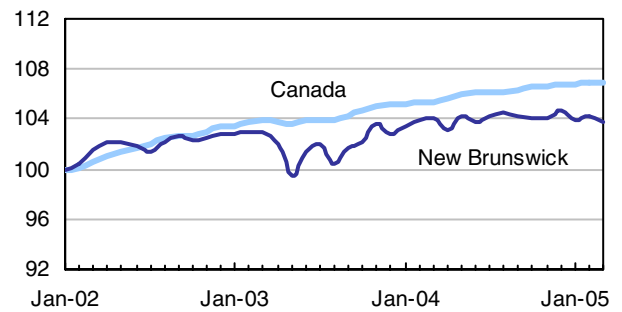
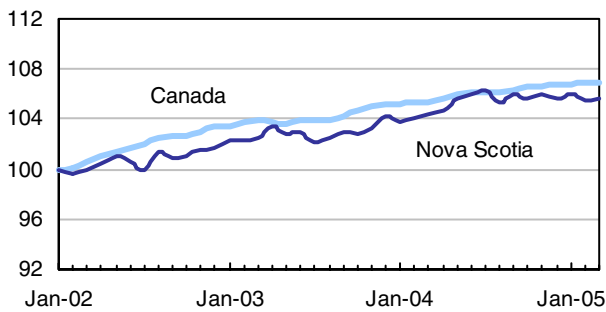
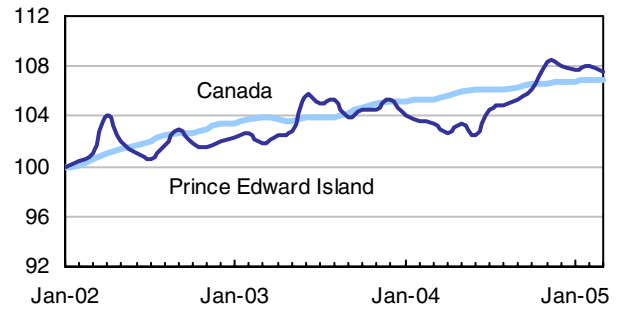
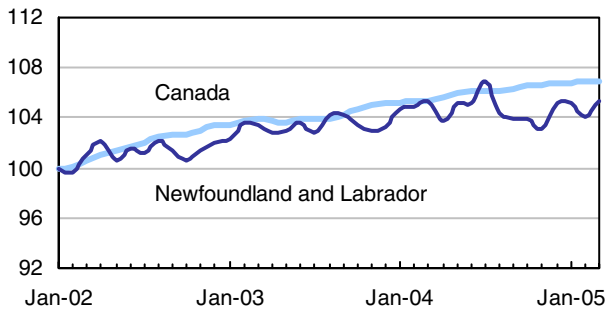
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Public administration



Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2002 = 100



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Table 1

Labour force characteristics by age and sex, Canada (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	25,655.2	25,683.6	...	28.4	86.8	363.0	0.1	0.3	1.4
Labour force	17,292.5	17,281.0	28.1	-11.5	1.0	189.5	-0.1	0.0	1.1
Employment	16,084.0	16,088.4	28.9	4.4	25.3	249.3	0.0	0.2	1.6
Employment full-time	13,117.8	13,088.3	35.0	-29.5	-10.4	177.2	-0.2	-0.1	1.4
Employment part-time	2,966.1	3,000.0	31.6	33.9	35.6	72.0	1.1	1.2	2.5
Unemployment	1,208.5	1,192.7	24.2	-15.8	-24.2	-59.6	-1.3	-2.0	-4.8
Participation rate	67.4	67.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.7	62.6	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.4	18.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	4,262.1	4,266.0	...	3.9	10.3	43.0	0.1	0.2	1.0
Labour force	2,821.5	2,807.8	16.9	-13.7	-37.6	-8.5	-0.5	-1.3	-0.3
Employment	2,474.4	2,453.8	16.5	-20.6	-31.1	31.9	-0.8	-1.3	1.3
Employment full-time	1,358.3	1,342.5	18.0	-15.8	-28.2	13.2	-1.2	-2.1	1.0
Employment part-time	1,116.1	1,111.3	18.4	-4.8	-2.9	18.7	-0.4	-0.3	1.7
Unemployment	347.2	353.9	14.3	6.7	-6.6	-40.5	1.9	-1.8	-10.3
Participation rate	66.2	65.8	0.4	-0.4	-1.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.3	12.6	0.5	0.3	-0.1	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.1	57.5	0.4	-0.6	-0.9	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.1	45.3	0.7	0.2	0.5	0.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	10,442.8	10,455.0	...	12.2	38.0	154.1	0.1	0.4	1.5
Labour force	7,758.6	7,773.9	14.6	15.3	21.5	103.4	0.2	0.3	1.3
Employment	7,297.1	7,318.2	16.2	21.1	32.9	132.5	0.3	0.5	1.8
Employment full-time	6,839.7	6,842.9	19.7	3.2	9.5	121.4	0.0	0.1	1.8
Employment part-time	457.4	475.3	14.5	17.9	23.4	11.1	3.9	5.2	2.4
Unemployment	461.5	455.7	13.9	-5.8	-11.5	-29.1	-1.3	-2.5	-6.0
Participation rate	74.3	74.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.9	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.9	70.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.3	6.5	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	10,950.3	10,962.6	...	12.3	38.5	165.9	0.1	0.4	1.5
Labour force	6,712.4	6,699.4	15.9	-13.0	17.2	94.8	-0.2	0.3	1.4
Employment	6,312.5	6,316.4	16.1	3.9	23.5	84.9	0.1	0.4	1.4
Employment full-time	4,919.9	4,902.9	22.7	-17.0	8.3	42.6	-0.3	0.2	0.9
Employment part-time	1,392.6	1,413.4	20.7	20.8	15.0	42.2	1.5	1.1	3.1
Unemployment	399.9	383.0	12.6	-16.9	-6.3	9.9	-4.2	-1.6	2.7
Participation rate	61.3	61.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.7	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.6	57.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.1	22.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,071.4	14,081.2	...	9.8	22.7	99.6	0.1	0.2	0.7
Labour force	12,187.2	12,186.7	21.2	-0.5	22.8	68.8	0.0	0.2	0.6
Employment	11,447.5	11,460.7	22.8	13.2	28.8	78.4	0.1	0.3	0.7
Unemployment	739.7	726.0	18.1	-13.7	-6.0	-9.6	-1.9	-0.8	-1.3
Participation rate	86.6	86.5	0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.4	81.4	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 2**Employment by class of worker and industry, Canada (in thousands), seasonally adjusted**

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Class of worker									
Employees	13,589.1	13,579.3	30.7	-9.8	-30.4	152.3	-0.1	-0.2	1.1
Self-employed ²	2,494.9	2,509.0	18.7	14.1	55.6	96.9	0.6	2.3	4.0
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,089.2	3,106.3	18.0	17.1	7.6	85.2	0.6	0.2	2.8
Private sector employees	10,499.9	10,473.0	31.1	-26.9	-38.0	67.0	-0.3	-0.4	0.6
Industry	16,084.0	16,088.4	28.9	4.4	25.3	249.3	0.0	0.2	1.6
Goods-producing sector	4,006.7	4,017.5	22.7	10.8	-6.4	49.2	0.3	-0.2	1.2
Agriculture	324.8	333.0	6.3	8.2	11.3	1.8	2.5	3.5	0.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	300.6	298.3	5.5	-2.3	-2.9	18.5	-0.8	-1.0	6.6
Utilities	119.7	125.6	3.8	5.9	1.0	-8.0	4.9	0.8	-6.0
Construction	994.3	993.2	13.2	-1.1	-1.8	72.1	-0.1	-0.2	7.8
Manufacturing	2,267.3	2,267.5	18.1	0.2	-14.0	-35.1	0.0	-0.6	-1.5
Services-producing sector	12,077.2	12,070.9	30.4	-6.3	31.7	200.0	-0.1	0.3	1.7
Trade	2,548.5	2,556.2	18.9	7.7	32.0	58.7	0.3	1.3	2.4
Transportation and warehousing	798.0	783.6	11.0	-14.4	-3.0	-33.2	-1.8	-0.4	-4.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	989.2	1,000.7	12.1	11.5	16.3	68.2	1.2	1.7	7.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,032.9	1,018.2	12.7	-14.7	-11.6	15.6	-1.4	-1.1	1.6
Business, building and other support services	635.8	634.0	11.7	-1.8	1.2	19.6	-0.3	0.2	3.2
Educational services	1,068.3	1,075.9	12.0	7.6	19.2	41.7	0.7	1.8	4.0
Health care and social assistance	1,732.0	1,737.1	13.8	5.1	0.7	4.9	0.3	0.0	0.3
Information, culture and recreation	736.0	744.5	12.0	8.5	11.2	22.8	1.2	1.5	3.2
Accommodation and food services	1,005.8	987.5	13.2	-18.3	-29.2	-19.4	-1.8	-2.9	-1.9
Other services	707.6	699.0	11.1	-8.6	-3.0	7.0	-1.2	-0.4	1.0
Public administration	823.2	834.1	9.5	10.9	-2.1	14.0	1.3	-0.3	1.7

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

² 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. Related CANSIM tables 282-0088, 282-0089

Table 3
Labour force characteristics by province (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	430.3	430.3	...	0.0	-0.1	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.2
Labour force	252.2	254.3	2.4	2.1	2.1	-2.4	0.8	0.8	-0.9
Employment	213.9	216.5	2.5	2.6	0.5	-0.1	1.2	0.2	0.0
Employment full-time	180.5	182.9	2.7	2.4	-0.3	1.8	1.3	-0.2	1.0
Employment part-time	33.4	33.6	2.0	0.2	0.9	-1.9	0.6	2.8	-5.4
Unemployment	38.3	37.8	2.3	-0.5	1.6	-2.2	-1.3	4.4	-5.5
Participation rate	58.6	59.1	0.6	0.5	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.2	14.9	0.8	-0.3	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.7	50.3	0.6	0.6	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	111.3	111.4	...	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	76.5	76.3	0.7	-0.2	-0.4	1.9	-0.3	-0.5	2.6
Employment	68.7	68.4	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	2.6	-0.4	-0.4	4.0
Employment full-time	56.2	57.7	0.8	1.5	0.2	2.9	2.7	0.3	5.3
Employment part-time	12.5	10.8	0.7	-1.7	-0.4	-0.1	-13.6	-3.6	-0.9
Unemployment	7.8	7.9	0.7	0.1	-0.1	-0.7	1.3	-1.2	-8.1
Participation rate	68.7	68.5	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.2	10.4	0.8	0.2	0.0	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.4	0.7	-0.3	-0.4	2.0	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	759.6	759.9	...	0.3	1.1	4.2	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	490.9	484.6	3.0	-6.3	-2.0	3.4	-1.3	-0.4	0.7
Employment	442.8	443.1	3.2	0.3	-0.3	5.3	0.1	-0.1	1.2
Employment full-time	368.3	365.0	3.7	-3.3	6.1	7.2	-0.9	1.7	2.0
Employment part-time	74.5	78.1	3.3	3.6	-6.4	-2.0	4.8	-7.6	-2.5
Unemployment	48.1	41.6	2.7	-6.5	-1.6	-1.8	-13.5	-3.7	-4.1
Participation rate	64.6	63.8	0.4	-0.8	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	8.6	0.6	-1.2	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	58.3	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	609.3	609.6	...	0.3	1.0	3.1	0.0	0.2	0.5
Labour force	387.7	385.9	2.5	-1.8	-3.5	-2.1	-0.5	-0.9	-0.5
Employment	351.2	349.6	2.5	-1.6	-3.3	-1.1	-0.5	-0.9	-0.3
Employment full-time	294.8	291.1	2.8	-3.7	-6.0	-2.5	-1.3	-2.0	-0.9
Employment part-time	56.5	58.5	2.3	2.0	2.7	1.4	3.5	4.8	2.5
Unemployment	36.5	36.4	2.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.9	-0.3	-0.3	-2.4
Participation rate	63.6	63.3	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	9.4	0.6	0.0	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.6	57.3	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,154.7	6,159.6	...	4.9	15.8	70.7	0.1	0.3	1.2
Labour force	4,041.2	4,041.2	15.2	0.0	-11.3	37.2	0.0	-0.3	0.9
Employment	3,716.2	3,710.8	15.5	-5.4	6.9	44.2	-0.1	0.2	1.2
Employment full-time	3,044.0	3,056.4	19.2	12.4	9.9	69.9	0.4	0.3	2.3
Employment part-time	672.2	654.4	17.1	-17.8	-3.0	-25.7	-2.6	-0.5	-3.8
Unemployment	325.1	330.5	13.6	5.4	-18.1	-7.0	1.7	-5.2	-2.1
Participation rate	65.7	65.6	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.2	0.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...

Table 3**Labour force characteristics by province (in thousands), seasonally adjusted - Concluded**

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Ontario									
Population	9,999.3	10,011.6	...	12.3	39.6	168.9	0.1	0.4	1.7
Labour force	6,805.6	6,819.1	18.9	13.5	0.1	79.5	0.2	0.0	1.2
Employment	6,344.3	6,351.4	19.1	7.1	-2.1	79.7	0.1	0.0	1.3
Employment full-time	5,173.9	5,142.7	22.6	-31.2	-40.5	6.2	-0.6	-0.8	0.1
Employment part-time	1,170.4	1,208.6	20.6	38.2	38.3	73.4	3.3	3.3	6.5
Unemployment	461.3	467.7	15.8	6.4	2.2	-0.2	1.4	0.5	0.0
Participation rate	68.1	68.1	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.9	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	63.4	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Manitoba									
Population	886.2	887.0	...	0.8	2.0	7.7	0.1	0.2	0.9
Labour force	613.3	608.9	2.8	-4.4	-2.2	6.4	-0.7	-0.4	1.1
Employment	582.5	576.5	2.9	-6.0	-3.8	4.3	-1.0	-0.7	0.8
Employment full-time	468.1	460.3	3.8	-7.8	-10.5	-5.5	-1.7	-2.2	-1.2
Employment part-time	114.4	116.3	3.4	1.9	6.8	9.9	1.7	6.2	9.3
Unemployment	30.8	32.4	2.3	1.6	1.6	2.2	5.2	5.2	7.3
Participation rate	69.2	68.6	0.3	-0.6	-0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.0	0.3	-0.7	-0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	747.8	748.1	...	0.3	1.2	3.3	0.0	0.2	0.4
Labour force	513.6	516.4	2.5	2.8	2.4	10.2	0.5	0.5	2.0
Employment	488.3	489.6	2.5	1.3	2.7	13.4	0.3	0.6	2.8
Employment full-time	391.7	393.8	3.1	2.1	2.4	10.4	0.5	0.6	2.7
Employment part-time	96.6	95.7	2.9	-0.9	0.2	2.8	-0.9	0.2	3.0
Unemployment	25.3	26.9	1.9	1.6	-0.2	-3.1	6.3	-0.7	-10.3
Participation rate	68.7	69.0	0.3	0.3	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.2	0.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.3	65.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	1.5	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	2,533.4	2,536.9	...	3.5	10.9	46.5	0.1	0.4	1.9
Labour force	1,853.4	1,846.0	7.2	-7.4	-4.3	10.9	-0.4	-0.2	0.6
Employment	1,776.3	1,781.6	8.1	5.3	13.5	33.6	0.3	0.8	1.9
Employment full-time	1,465.6	1,467.0	10.3	1.4	21.5	29.7	0.1	1.5	2.1
Employment part-time	310.7	314.6	9.2	3.9	-8.0	4.0	1.3	-2.5	1.3
Unemployment	77.1	64.4	6.2	-12.7	-17.9	-22.7	-16.5	-21.7	-26.1
Participation rate	73.2	72.8	0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	3.5	0.3	-0.7	-0.9	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.1	70.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,423.2	3,429.1	...	5.9	15.0	57.1	0.2	0.4	1.7
Labour force	2,258.1	2,248.2	10.9	-9.9	20.0	44.6	-0.4	0.9	2.0
Employment	2,099.8	2,101.0	11.4	1.2	11.5	67.5	0.1	0.6	3.3
Employment full-time	1,674.5	1,671.2	13.8	-3.3	7.3	57.8	-0.2	0.4	3.6
Employment part-time	425.4	429.8	12.5	4.4	4.2	9.7	1.0	1.0	2.3
Unemployment	158.2	147.2	9.0	-11.0	8.4	-22.9	-7.0	6.1	-13.5
Participation rate	66.0	65.6	0.3	-0.4	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.5	0.4	-0.5	0.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	61.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	1.0	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0087

Table 4

Selected labour force characteristics, Newfoundland and Labrador (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	430.3	430.3	...	0.0	-0.1	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.2
Labour force	252.2	254.3	2.4	2.1	2.1	-2.4	0.8	0.8	-0.9
Employment	213.9	216.5	2.5	2.6	0.5	-0.1	1.2	0.2	0.0
Employment full-time	180.5	182.9	2.7	2.4	-0.3	1.8	1.3	-0.2	1.0
Unemployment	38.3	37.8	2.3	-0.5	1.6	-2.2	-1.3	4.4	-5.5
Participation rate	58.6	59.1	0.6	0.5	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.2	14.9	0.8	-0.3	0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.7	50.3	0.6	0.6	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.6	15.5	0.9	-0.1	0.4	-0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	70.2	70.0	...	-0.2	-0.6	-1.9	-0.3	-0.8	-2.6
Labour force	38.3	38.1	1.4	-0.2	-0.4	-1.3	-0.5	-1.0	-3.3
Employment	30.3	31.7	1.3	1.4	0.5	1.8	4.6	1.6	6.0
Unemployment	8.0	6.4	1.1	-1.6	-0.9	-3.1	-20.0	-12.3	-32.6
Participation rate	54.6	54.4	1.9	-0.2	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	20.9	16.8	2.6	-4.1	-2.2	-7.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	43.2	45.3	1.8	2.1	1.1	3.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.5	43.5	3.6	-2.0	2.2	-5.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	174.6	174.7	...	0.1	0.2	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.7
Labour force	114.9	114.7	1.4	-0.2	-0.6	-1.3	-0.2	-0.5	-1.1
Employment	98.1	97.7	1.5	-0.4	-1.0	-1.1	-0.4	-1.0	-1.1
Unemployment	16.9	17.0	1.5	0.1	0.4	-0.2	0.6	2.4	-1.2
Participation rate	65.8	65.7	0.8	-0.1	-0.4	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.7	14.8	1.2	0.1	0.4	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	55.9	0.8	-0.3	-0.7	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.2	4.6	0.8	-0.6	-0.6	-1.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	185.5	185.6	...	0.1	0.3	1.3	0.1	0.2	0.7
Labour force	99.0	101.5	1.2	2.5	3.1	0.2	2.5	3.2	0.2
Employment	85.5	87.1	1.3	1.6	1.1	-0.9	1.9	1.3	-1.0
Unemployment	13.5	14.4	1.2	0.9	2.0	1.1	6.7	16.1	8.3
Participation rate	53.4	54.7	0.7	1.3	1.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.6	14.2	1.1	0.6	1.6	1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	46.1	46.9	0.7	0.8	0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.0	17.7	1.4	0.7	0.5	0.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	213.9	216.5	2.5	2.6	0.5	-0.1	1.2	0.2	0.0
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	49.0	50.3	1.8	1.3	1.9	1.7	2.7	3.9	3.5
Agriculture	1.7	1.7	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.6	0.0	6.2	54.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	15.1	17.1	1.0	2.0	1.6	0.0	13.2	10.3	0.0
Utilities	2.4	2.4	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.8	0.0	-4.0	50.0
Construction	12.4	12.6	0.9	0.2	-0.9	1.8	1.6	-6.7	16.7
Manufacturing	17.4	16.5	1.1	-0.9	1.2	-1.5	-5.2	7.8	-8.3
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	164.9	166.2	2.2	1.3	-1.3	-1.8	0.8	-0.8	-1.1
Trade	38.0	38.9	1.2	0.9	-0.2	0.3	2.4	-0.5	0.8
Transportation and warehousing	11.4	10.7	0.7	-0.7	-0.5	-1.7	-6.1	-4.5	-13.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	8.6	8.0	0.6	-0.6	-0.6	0.7	-7.0	-7.0	9.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	7.3	7.1	0.6	-0.2	0.7	0.6	-2.7	10.9	9.2
Business, building and other support services	7.7	8.3	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.8	7.8	10.7	10.7
Educational services	16.3	15.5	0.9	-0.8	-1.5	-1.8	-4.9	-8.8	-10.4
Health care and social assistance	29.8	29.4	0.9	-0.4	-0.6	-0.4	-1.3	-2.0	-1.3
Information, culture and recreation	7.5	8.1	0.6	0.6	-1.7	0.7	8.0	-17.3	9.5
Accommodation and food services	14.1	14.6	0.9	0.5	1.5	1.1	3.5	11.5	8.1
Other services	9.4	9.7	0.8	0.3	-0.7	-2.2	3.2	-6.7	-18.5
Public administration	14.9	16.1	0.8	1.2	1.6	0.2	8.1	11.0	1.3

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 5

Selected labour force characteristics, Prince Edward Island (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	111.3	111.4	...	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	76.5	76.3	0.7	-0.2	-0.4	1.9	-0.3	-0.5	2.6
Employment	68.7	68.4	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	2.6	-0.4	-0.4	4.0
Employment full-time	56.2	57.7	0.8	1.5	0.2	2.9	2.7	0.3	5.3
Unemployment	7.8	7.9	0.7	0.1	-0.1	-0.7	1.3	-1.2	-8.1
Participation rate	68.7	68.5	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.2	10.4	0.8	0.2	0.0	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.4	0.7	-0.3	-0.4	2.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	15.8	1.0	-2.4	-0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	19.6	19.6	...	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0
Labour force	12.9	13.2	0.4	0.3	-0.3	0.1	2.3	-2.2	0.8
Employment	10.7	11.0	0.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	2.8	-2.7	-0.9
Unemployment	2.2	2.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	10.0
Participation rate	65.8	67.3	2.1	1.5	-1.9	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.1	16.7	2.6	-0.4	0.4	1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.6	56.1	2.1	1.5	-1.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.9	39.1	3.5	-5.8	-2.5	2.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	43.9	43.9	...	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.9
Labour force	32.3	32.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	1.0	-0.6	-0.3	3.2
Employment	29.3	29.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	0.9	-0.7	-0.3	3.2
Unemployment	3.0	2.9	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-3.3	0.0	0.0
Participation rate	73.6	73.1	0.8	-0.5	-0.4	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	9.0	1.2	-0.3	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.7	66.3	1.0	-0.4	-0.4	1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.5	5.2	1.0	-0.3	-1.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	47.9	47.9	...	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.6
Labour force	31.3	31.0	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.7	-1.0	0.0	2.3
Employment	28.7	28.3	0.4	-0.4	0.1	1.8	-1.4	0.4	6.8
Unemployment	2.6	2.7	0.4	0.1	-0.1	-1.0	3.8	-3.6	-27.0
Participation rate	65.3	64.7	0.7	-0.6	0.0	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	8.7	1.2	0.4	-0.3	-3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	59.1	0.9	-0.8	0.2	3.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.3	17.3	1.6	-3.9	0.3	-2.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	68.7	68.4	0.7	-0.3	-0.3	2.6	-0.4	-0.4	4.0
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	17.3	17.1	0.5	-0.2	-0.5	0.0	-1.2	-2.8	0.0
Agriculture	3.1	3.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-0.6	-3.2	-11.8	-16.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	2.7	2.5	0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-0.3	-7.4	-16.7	-10.7
Utilities	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	25.0	25.0
Construction	4.3	4.3	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	7.5	4.9
Manufacturing	6.8	6.7	0.3	-0.1	0.0	0.5	-1.5	0.0	8.1
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	51.4	51.4	0.7	0.0	0.3	2.7	0.0	0.6	5.5
Trade	10.6	10.4	0.4	-0.2	0.4	-0.3	-1.9	4.0	-2.8
Transportation and warehousing	2.2	2.5	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.0	13.6	13.6	0.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.1	2.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	14.3	9.1	14.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.3	2.4	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.1	4.3	-7.7	4.3
Business, building and other support services	2.2	2.3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.0	4.5	-4.2	0.0
Educational services	5.1	5.0	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.6	-2.0	0.0	13.6
Health care and social assistance	7.9	7.8	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2	-1.3	-3.7	-2.5
Information, culture and recreation	3.0	3.0	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.7	0.0	11.1	30.4
Accommodation and food services	5.6	5.2	0.3	-0.4	-0.1	0.9	-7.1	-1.9	20.9
Other services	2.8	2.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-3.6	-6.9	-10.0
Public administration	7.5	7.8	0.3	0.3	0.1	1.0	4.0	1.3	14.7

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 6

Selected labour force characteristics, Nova Scotia (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	759.6	759.9	...	0.3	1.1	4.2	0.0	0.1	0.6
Labour force	490.9	484.6	3.0	-6.3	-2.0	3.4	-1.3	-0.4	0.7
Employment	442.8	443.1	3.2	0.3	-0.3	5.3	0.1	-0.1	1.2
Employment full-time	368.3	365.0	3.7	-3.3	6.1	7.2	-0.9	1.7	2.0
Unemployment	48.1	41.6	2.7	-6.5	-1.6	-1.8	-13.5	-3.7	-4.1
Participation rate	64.6	63.8	0.4	-0.8	-0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.8	8.6	0.6	-1.2	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	58.3	0.4	0.0	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.8	17.6	0.7	0.8	-1.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	123.2	123.3	...	0.1	0.3	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.7
Labour force	85.7	83.6	1.7	-2.1	-0.9	1.2	-2.5	-1.1	1.5
Employment	70.0	70.0	1.7	0.0	-1.2	0.6	0.0	-1.7	0.9
Unemployment	15.7	13.7	1.6	-2.0	0.4	0.7	-12.7	3.0	5.4
Participation rate	69.6	67.8	1.4	-1.8	-0.9	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	18.3	16.4	1.8	-1.9	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.8	56.8	1.4	0.0	-1.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.1	41.0	2.5	-1.1	-2.0	0.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	304.3	304.4	...	0.1	0.2	1.1	0.0	0.1	0.4
Labour force	213.0	210.9	1.6	-2.1	-1.7	1.6	-1.0	-0.8	0.8
Employment	194.0	194.6	1.8	0.6	-1.7	2.4	0.3	-0.9	1.2
Unemployment	19.0	16.4	1.6	-2.6	0.1	-0.7	-13.7	0.6	-4.1
Participation rate	70.0	69.3	0.5	-0.7	-0.6	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	7.8	0.8	-1.1	0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.8	63.9	0.6	0.1	-0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.5	4.9	0.8	0.4	-1.8	-1.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	332.1	332.2	...	0.1	0.5	2.2	0.0	0.2	0.7
Labour force	192.3	190.1	1.6	-2.2	0.6	0.5	-1.1	0.3	0.3
Employment	178.8	178.5	1.7	-0.3	2.6	2.2	-0.2	1.5	1.2
Unemployment	13.5	11.5	1.4	-2.0	-2.1	-1.8	-14.8	-15.4	-13.5
Participation rate	57.9	57.2	0.5	-0.7	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.0	0.7	-1.0	-1.2	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.8	53.7	0.5	-0.1	0.7	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.2	22.4	1.2	2.2	-0.8	-0.1	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	442.8	443.1	3.2	0.3	-0.3	5.3	0.1	-0.1	1.2
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	90.6	93.4	2.2	2.8	-0.3	3.7	3.1	-0.3	4.1
Agriculture	6.0	6.5	0.6	0.5	1.5	0.7	8.3	30.0	12.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	13.2	14.9	1.0	1.7	1.0	2.0	12.9	7.2	15.5
Utilities	2.8	3.2	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.9	14.3	28.0	39.1
Construction	28.5	28.4	1.3	-0.1	-1.2	2.1	-0.4	-4.1	8.0
Manufacturing	40.1	40.4	1.4	0.3	-2.3	-2.0	0.7	-5.4	-4.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	352.2	349.7	3.0	-2.5	0.0	1.6	-0.7	0.0	0.5
Trade	78.4	76.9	1.8	-1.5	2.3	4.8	-1.9	3.1	6.7
Transportation and warehousing	21.0	20.0	1.1	-1.0	-1.6	-1.3	-4.8	-7.4	-6.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	23.4	23.4	1.1	0.0	0.9	0.8	0.0	4.0	3.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	18.4	19.5	1.1	1.1	-0.9	-0.6	6.0	-4.4	-3.0
Business, building and other support services	21.8	21.5	1.3	-0.3	-1.2	-5.2	-1.4	-5.3	-19.5
Educational services	38.8	36.5	1.3	-2.3	-1.6	1.8	-5.9	-4.2	5.2
Health care and social assistance	53.6	55.8	1.3	2.2	3.1	0.9	4.1	5.9	1.6
Information, culture and recreation	18.0	17.3	1.2	-0.7	0.4	0.2	-3.9	2.4	1.2
Accommodation and food services	30.6	33.0	1.5	2.4	0.9	2.8	7.8	2.8	9.3
Other services	19.8	19.7	1.1	-0.1	-2.0	-0.1	-0.5	-9.2	-0.5
Public administration	28.5	26.1	1.0	-2.4	-0.2	-2.5	-8.4	-0.8	-8.7

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 7

Selected labour force characteristics, New Brunswick (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	609.3	609.6	...	0.3	1.0	3.1	0.0	0.2	0.5
Labour force	387.7	385.9	2.5	-1.8	-3.5	-2.1	-0.5	-0.9	-0.5
Employment	351.2	349.6	2.5	-1.6	-3.3	-1.1	-0.5	-0.9	-0.3
Employment full-time	294.8	291.1	2.8	-3.7	-6.0	-2.5	-1.3	-2.0	-0.9
Unemployment	36.5	36.4	2.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.9	-0.3	-0.3	-2.4
Participation rate	63.6	63.3	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	9.4	0.6	0.0	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.6	57.3	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.1	16.7	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	96.9	96.9	...	0.0	-0.2	-0.8	0.0	-0.2	-0.8
Labour force	62.9	64.2	1.4	1.3	0.5	-1.3	2.1	0.8	-2.0
Employment	53.4	54.0	1.4	0.6	-0.8	-0.7	1.1	-1.5	-1.3
Unemployment	9.6	10.2	1.2	0.6	1.3	-0.6	6.2	14.6	-5.6
Participation rate	64.9	66.3	1.4	1.4	0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.3	15.9	1.8	0.6	1.9	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.1	55.7	1.4	0.6	-0.7	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.0	40.4	2.3	1.4	0.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	247.4	247.6	...	0.2	0.5	1.8	0.1	0.2	0.7
Labour force	172.5	169.9	1.4	-2.6	-1.7	-0.5	-1.5	-1.0	-0.3
Employment	154.7	153.5	1.5	-1.2	-1.4	-1.2	-0.8	-0.9	-0.8
Unemployment	17.8	16.4	1.5	-1.4	-0.4	0.7	-7.9	-2.4	4.5
Participation rate	69.7	68.6	0.6	-1.1	-0.8	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.3	9.7	0.8	-0.6	-0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	62.0	0.6	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.8	4.8	0.7	-0.1	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	264.9	265.1	...	0.2	0.6	2.1	0.1	0.2	0.8
Labour force	152.3	151.9	1.3	-0.4	-2.2	-0.2	-0.3	-1.4	-0.1
Employment	143.2	142.1	1.4	-1.1	-1.1	0.8	-0.8	-0.8	0.6
Unemployment	9.1	9.7	1.2	0.6	-1.1	-1.1	6.6	-10.2	-10.2
Participation rate	57.5	57.3	0.5	-0.2	-1.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.4	0.8	0.4	-0.6	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	53.6	0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.7	20.7	1.1	1.0	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	351.2	349.6	2.5	-1.6	-3.2	-1.1	-0.5	-0.9	-0.3
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	78.2	77.9	1.8	-0.3	-3.9	-5.5	-0.4	-4.8	-6.6
Agriculture	5.6	4.9	0.6	-0.7	-0.6	-1.8	-12.5	-10.9	-26.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	12.6	12.5	0.8	-0.1	0.2	0.8	-0.8	1.6	6.8
Utilities	3.5	3.7	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.4	5.7	2.8	12.1
Construction	18.8	18.3	1.1	-0.5	-0.8	-0.7	-2.7	-4.2	-3.7
Manufacturing	37.6	38.5	1.3	0.9	-2.8	-4.2	2.4	-6.8	-9.8
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	273.1	271.7	2.4	-1.4	0.7	4.4	-0.5	0.3	1.6
Trade	56.3	56.7	1.4	0.4	1.4	2.0	0.7	2.5	3.7
Transportation and warehousing	22.1	21.4	0.9	-0.7	0.0	1.8	-3.2	0.0	9.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	13.8	13.9	0.7	0.1	0.6	-0.1	0.7	4.5	-0.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	16.1	15.8	0.8	-0.3	-0.5	-0.3	-1.9	-3.1	-1.9
Business, building and other support services	21.0	21.1	1.1	0.1	-0.2	0.2	0.5	-0.9	1.0
Educational services	25.4	25.3	0.9	-0.1	-1.1	1.3	-0.4	-4.2	5.4
Health care and social assistance	47.7	46.8	1.1	-0.9	-0.3	-0.9	-1.9	-0.6	-1.9
Information, culture and recreation	12.7	12.1	0.7	-0.6	0.4	0.3	-4.7	3.4	2.5
Accommodation and food services	21.5	21.1	1.1	-0.4	-0.5	-2.2	-1.9	-2.3	-9.4
Other services	17.1	17.0	0.9	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	-0.6	-2.9	-0.6
Public administration	19.3	20.5	0.8	1.2	1.5	2.3	6.2	7.9	12.6

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 8

Selected labour force characteristics, Quebec (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	6,154.7	6,159.6	...	4.9	15.8	70.7	0.1	0.3	1.2
Labour force	4,041.2	4,041.2	15.2	0.0	-11.3	37.2	0.0	-0.3	0.9
Employment	3,716.2	3,710.8	15.5	-5.4	6.9	44.2	-0.1	0.2	1.2
Employment full-time	3,044.0	3,056.4	19.2	12.4	9.9	69.9	0.4	0.3	2.3
Unemployment	325.1	330.5	13.6	5.4	-18.1	-7.0	1.7	-5.2	-2.1
Participation rate	65.7	65.6	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.2	0.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.1	17.6	0.5	-0.5	-0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	950.5	950.3	...	-0.2	-0.7	-2.9	0.0	-0.1	-0.3
Labour force	631.2	637.3	8.7	6.1	-6.0	4.5	1.0	-0.9	0.7
Employment	560.3	545.8	8.7	-14.5	-9.4	4.9	-2.6	-1.7	0.9
Unemployment	70.9	91.6	7.6	20.7	3.5	-0.3	29.2	4.0	-0.3
Participation rate	66.4	67.1	0.9	0.7	-0.5	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.2	14.4	1.1	3.2	0.7	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.9	57.4	0.9	-1.5	-1.0	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.8	43.8	1.6	-1.0	-1.9	-2.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,538.2	2,540.9	...	2.7	8.8	38.0	0.1	0.3	1.5
Labour force	1,845.4	1,843.4	8.1	-2.0	2.2	26.0	-0.1	0.1	1.4
Employment	1,694.2	1,699.1	8.8	4.9	11.7	22.4	0.3	0.7	1.3
Unemployment	151.2	144.3	8.1	-6.9	-9.5	3.6	-4.6	-6.2	2.6
Participation rate	72.7	72.5	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.8	0.4	-0.4	-0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.7	66.9	0.4	0.2	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.7	6.9	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,666.1	2,668.5	...	2.4	7.8	35.7	0.1	0.3	1.4
Labour force	1,564.6	1,560.5	8.6	-4.1	-7.5	6.6	-0.3	-0.5	0.4
Employment	1,461.6	1,465.9	8.8	4.3	4.6	16.8	0.3	0.3	1.2
Unemployment	103.0	94.6	7.3	-8.4	-12.1	-10.3	-8.2	-11.3	-9.8
Participation rate	58.7	58.5	0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.1	0.5	-0.5	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.8	54.9	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.0	20.4	0.7	-0.7	0.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	3,716.2	3,710.8	15.5	-5.4	6.9	44.2	-0.1	0.2	1.2
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	924.2	934.3	12.1	10.1	16.1	20.8	1.1	1.8	2.3
Agriculture	50.4	54.7	2.8	4.3	9.7	0.9	8.5	21.6	1.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	37.0	37.4	2.2	0.4	-0.7	0.4	1.1	-1.8	1.1
Utilities	34.6	32.8	2.2	-1.8	2.3	-0.5	-5.2	7.5	-1.5
Construction	163.5	163.8	6.3	0.3	-5.5	2.3	0.2	-3.2	1.4
Manufacturing	638.6	645.7	10.4	7.1	10.4	17.8	1.1	1.6	2.8
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	2,792.0	2,776.5	16.4	-15.5	-9.2	23.4	-0.6	-0.3	0.8
Trade	610.6	616.1	10.7	5.5	-6.1	6.9	0.9	-1.0	1.1
Transportation and warehousing	168.5	159.7	5.8	-8.8	-2.1	-24.3	-5.2	-1.3	-13.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	210.6	210.1	6.3	-0.5	-0.9	17.8	-0.2	-0.4	9.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	222.2	216.9	6.8	-5.3	-8.1	0.0	-2.4	-3.6	0.0
Business, building and other support services	123.8	118.6	5.7	-5.2	-3.7	6.4	-4.2	-3.0	5.7
Educational services	236.5	245.2	6.5	8.7	2.9	-0.1	3.7	1.2	0.0
Health care and social assistance	440.2	442.2	8.2	2.0	3.2	-2.4	0.5	0.7	-0.5
Information, culture and recreation	172.1	174.6	6.6	2.5	1.5	14.8	1.5	0.9	9.3
Accommodation and food services	217.0	202.1	6.9	-14.9	-5.6	-6.2	-6.9	-2.7	-3.0
Other services	171.5	165.9	6.2	-5.6	4.0	-1.1	-3.3	2.5	-0.7
Public administration	219.1	225.2	5.6	6.1	5.9	11.7	2.8	2.7	5.5

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 9

Selected labour force characteristics, Ontario (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	9,999.3	10,011.6	...	12.3	39.6	168.9	0.1	0.4	1.7
Labour force	6,805.6	6,819.1	18.9	13.5	0.1	79.5	0.2	0.0	1.2
Employment	6,344.3	6,351.4	19.1	7.1	-2.1	79.7	0.1	0.0	1.3
Employment full-time	5,173.9	5,142.7	22.6	-31.2	-40.5	6.2	-0.6	-0.8	0.1
Unemployment	461.3	467.7	15.8	6.4	2.2	-0.2	1.4	0.5	0.0
Participation rate	68.1	68.1	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.9	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	63.4	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.4	19.0	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,668.0	1,670.3	...	2.3	7.3	30.5	0.1	0.4	1.9
Labour force	1,076.8	1,068.0	11.6	-8.8	-24.5	-22.3	-0.8	-2.2	-2.0
Employment	930.5	927.3	10.8	-3.2	-11.4	0.5	-0.3	-1.2	0.1
Unemployment	146.3	140.7	9.7	-5.6	-13.1	-22.9	-3.8	-8.5	-14.0
Participation rate	64.6	63.9	0.7	-0.7	-1.8	-2.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.6	13.2	0.8	-0.4	-0.9	-1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	55.5	0.7	-0.3	-0.9	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	49.4	50.0	1.1	0.6	1.4	1.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,055.5	4,060.5	...	5.0	16.2	65.5	0.1	0.4	1.6
Labour force	3,044.2	3,064.8	9.5	20.6	13.7	34.8	0.7	0.4	1.1
Employment	2,893.7	2,903.0	10.7	9.3	7.9	47.9	0.3	0.3	1.7
Unemployment	150.5	161.8	8.8	11.3	5.8	-13.1	7.5	3.7	-7.5
Participation rate	75.1	75.5	0.2	0.4	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.4	71.5	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.2	6.4	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,275.8	4,280.9	...	5.1	16.2	73.0	0.1	0.4	1.7
Labour force	2,684.7	2,686.2	10.6	1.5	10.8	66.9	0.1	0.4	2.6
Employment	2,520.1	2,521.0	10.5	0.9	1.3	31.2	0.0	0.1	1.3
Unemployment	164.6	165.2	8.1	0.6	9.5	35.7	0.4	6.1	27.6
Participation rate	62.8	62.7	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	6.1	0.3	0.0	0.3	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.9	58.9	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.1	22.1	0.5	1.0	0.5	1.6	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	6,344.3	6,351.4	19.1	7.1	-2.1	79.7	0.1	0.0	1.3
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	1,625.9	1,639.2	15.3	13.3	-8.6	-6.3	0.8	-0.5	-0.4
Agriculture	81.2	86.0	3.5	4.8	5.4	5.0	5.9	6.7	6.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	36.0	33.7	2.0	-2.3	-0.7	-0.7	-6.4	-2.0	-2.0
Utilities	44.8	48.4	2.5	3.6	-4.4	-10.5	8.0	-8.3	-17.8
Construction	375.1	389.1	8.8	14.0	7.1	28.0	3.7	1.9	7.8
Manufacturing	1,088.8	1,081.9	12.7	-6.9	-16.1	-28.3	-0.6	-1.5	-2.5
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	4,718.4	4,712.2	20.5	-6.2	6.5	86.0	-0.1	0.1	1.9
Trade	978.2	977.0	12.4	-1.2	-0.6	18.5	-0.1	-0.1	1.9
Transportation and warehousing	297.9	293.0	7.4	-4.9	-7.0	-16.5	-1.6	-2.3	-5.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	441.3	446.1	8.6	4.8	4.0	28.6	1.1	0.9	6.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	437.5	430.2	8.6	-7.3	-10.6	-7.4	-1.7	-2.4	-1.7
Business, building and other support services	270.1	265.8	8.3	-4.3	-8.9	2.2	-1.6	-3.2	0.8
Educational services	408.9	410.3	7.8	1.4	10.8	25.1	0.3	2.7	6.5
Health care and social assistance	637.1	642.4	8.6	5.3	3.5	10.4	0.8	0.5	1.6
Information, culture and recreation	304.4	315.3	8.0	10.9	19.2	15.7	3.6	6.5	5.2
Accommodation and food services	368.8	362.8	8.5	-6.0	3.9	-5.2	-1.6	1.1	-1.4
Other services	266.6	260.2	7.2	-6.4	2.3	8.9	-2.4	0.9	3.5
Public administration	307.4	309.3	6.2	1.9	-9.8	5.9	0.6	-3.1	1.9

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 10

Selected labour force characteristics, Manitoba (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	886.2	887.0	...	0.8	2.0	7.7	0.1	0.2	0.9
Labour force	613.3	608.9	2.8	-4.4	-2.2	6.4	-0.7	-0.4	1.1
Employment	582.5	576.5	2.9	-6.0	-3.8	4.3	-1.0	-0.7	0.8
Employment full-time	468.1	460.3	3.8	-7.8	-10.5	-5.5	-1.7	-2.2	-1.2
Unemployment	30.8	32.4	2.3	1.6	1.6	2.2	5.2	5.2	7.3
Participation rate	69.2	68.6	0.3	-0.6	-0.5	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.0	0.3	-0.7	-0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.6	20.2	0.6	0.5	1.3	1.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	155.0	155.3	...	0.3	0.5	1.8	0.2	0.3	1.2
Labour force	111.0	107.7	1.7	-3.3	-0.5	0.3	-3.0	-0.5	0.3
Employment	98.0	94.6	1.7	-3.4	-2.3	-2.1	-3.5	-2.4	-2.2
Unemployment	13.0	13.1	1.4	0.1	1.8	2.4	0.8	15.9	22.4
Participation rate	71.6	69.3	1.1	-2.3	-0.6	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.7	12.2	1.3	0.5	1.8	2.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	60.9	1.1	-2.3	-1.7	-2.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.4	45.0	1.9	-0.4	2.5	2.9	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	356.1	356.4	...	0.3	0.7	2.8	0.1	0.2	0.8
Labour force	269.0	269.8	1.4	0.8	-0.4	4.6	0.3	-0.1	1.7
Employment	258.7	258.1	1.6	-0.6	-1.3	4.1	-0.2	-0.5	1.6
Unemployment	10.3	11.8	1.3	1.5	1.0	0.6	14.6	9.3	5.4
Participation rate	75.5	75.7	0.4	0.2	-0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.8	4.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.6	72.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.0	7.0	0.6	0.0	0.8	0.6	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	375.0	375.3	...	0.3	0.7	3.1	0.1	0.2	0.8
Labour force	233.3	231.4	1.6	-1.9	-1.4	1.5	-0.8	-0.6	0.7
Employment	225.8	223.9	1.6	-1.9	-0.1	2.4	-0.8	0.0	1.1
Unemployment	7.5	7.6	1.2	0.1	-1.1	-0.8	1.3	-12.6	-9.5
Participation rate	62.2	61.7	0.4	-0.5	-0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.2	3.3	0.5	0.1	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	59.7	0.4	-0.5	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.0	24.9	1.0	1.9	1.4	2.5	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	582.5	576.5	2.9	-6.0	-3.8	4.3	-1.0	-0.7	0.8
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	140.1	135.9	2.3	-4.2	-3.6	-2.9	-3.0	-2.6	-2.1
Agriculture	31.3	29.4	1.3	-1.9	-2.9	0.9	-6.1	-9.0	3.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	5.8	5.9	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.3	1.7	0.0	5.4
Utilities	6.3	6.7	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.2	6.3	3.1	3.1
Construction	28.2	26.1	1.3	-2.1	-2.3	-1.7	-7.4	-8.1	-6.1
Manufacturing	68.4	67.8	1.6	-0.6	1.4	-2.6	-0.9	2.1	-3.7
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	442.4	440.6	3.1	-1.8	-0.2	7.1	-0.4	0.0	1.6
Trade	87.1	85.4	1.8	-1.7	0.0	0.8	-2.0	0.0	0.9
Transportation and warehousing	32.8	33.6	1.2	0.8	-0.4	-0.9	2.4	-1.2	-2.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	30.6	31.8	1.1	1.2	-0.7	2.2	3.9	-2.2	7.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	26.7	25.4	1.0	-1.3	-1.5	1.3	-4.9	-5.6	5.4
Business, building and other support services	19.1	19.7	1.2	0.6	-1.2	-0.8	3.1	-5.7	-3.9
Educational services	45.5	45.6	1.4	0.1	2.5	2.9	0.2	5.8	6.8
Health care and social assistance	78.3	76.9	1.5	-1.4	-2.0	-0.6	-1.8	-2.5	-0.8
Information, culture and recreation	24.8	24.7	1.2	-0.1	0.7	1.7	-0.4	2.9	7.4
Accommodation and food services	32.5	34.2	1.4	1.7	1.4	-0.4	5.2	4.3	-1.2
Other services	27.8	26.3	1.2	-1.5	1.3	0.5	-5.4	5.2	1.9
Public administration	37.3	37.1	1.1	-0.2	-0.3	0.7	-0.5	-0.8	1.9

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Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 11

Selected labour force characteristics, Saskatchewan (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	747.8	748.1	...	0.3	1.2	3.3	0.0	0.2	0.4
Labour force	513.6	516.4	2.5	2.8	2.4	10.2	0.5	0.5	2.0
Employment	488.3	489.6	2.5	1.3	2.7	13.4	0.3	0.6	2.8
Employment full-time	391.7	393.8	3.1	2.1	2.4	10.4	0.5	0.6	2.7
Unemployment	25.3	26.9	1.9	1.6	-0.2	-3.1	6.3	-0.7	-10.3
Participation rate	68.7	69.0	0.3	0.3	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.2	0.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.3	65.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.8	19.5	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	139.2	139.2	...	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1
Labour force	96.8	97.6	1.6	0.8	0.6	2.4	0.8	0.6	2.5
Employment	88.7	86.9	1.5	-1.8	-1.0	3.2	-2.0	-1.1	3.8
Unemployment	8.1	10.7	1.2	2.6	1.6	-0.8	32.1	17.6	-7.0
Participation rate	69.5	70.1	1.1	0.6	0.4	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	11.0	1.3	2.6	1.6	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.7	62.4	1.1	-1.3	-0.8	2.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.9	41.5	1.8	1.6	2.1	1.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	296.8	296.9	...	0.1	0.4	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.4
Labour force	223.6	223.9	1.3	0.3	-0.3	3.4	0.1	-0.1	1.5
Employment	212.5	213.1	1.4	0.6	0.1	2.7	0.3	0.0	1.3
Unemployment	11.0	10.8	1.1	-0.2	-0.4	0.7	-1.8	-3.6	6.9
Participation rate	75.3	75.4	0.4	0.1	-0.2	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.8	0.5	-0.1	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.6	71.8	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.7	6.9	0.6	0.2	0.7	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	311.9	312.1	...	0.2	0.7	1.9	0.1	0.2	0.6
Labour force	193.2	194.9	1.4	1.7	2.1	4.4	0.9	1.1	2.3
Employment	187.1	189.5	1.4	2.4	3.5	7.4	1.3	1.9	4.1
Unemployment	6.2	5.4	0.9	-0.8	-1.3	-3.0	-12.9	-19.4	-35.7
Participation rate	61.9	62.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.2	2.8	0.5	-0.4	-0.7	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	60.7	0.4	0.7	1.0	2.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	25.2	23.7	1.0	-1.5	-1.8	-1.5	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	488.3	489.6	2.5	1.3	2.7	13.4	0.3	0.6	2.8
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	123.8	123.0	2.0	-0.8	-3.6	0.5	-0.6	-2.8	0.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	47.0	46.7	1.4	-0.3	-0.3	-2.3	-0.6	-0.6	-4.7
Utilities	18.3	17.5	0.8	-0.8	-1.5	-1.9	-4.4	-7.9	-9.8
Construction	4.8	4.8	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.7	0.0	-4.0	17.1
Manufacturing	24.4	24.8	1.0	0.4	-1.5	2.3	1.6	-5.7	10.2
Services-producing sector	29.3	29.3	1.0	0.0	-0.1	1.8	0.0	-0.3	6.5
Services-producing sector	364.6	366.6	2.5	2.0	6.3	12.9	0.5	1.7	3.6
Trade	81.3	81.1	1.5	-0.2	5.9	6.1	-0.2	7.8	8.1
Transportation and warehousing	24.4	24.2	0.9	-0.2	0.9	1.6	-0.8	3.9	7.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	26.3	26.7	0.9	0.4	0.3	-0.5	1.5	1.1	-1.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	18.2	18.6	0.7	0.4	0.5	1.1	2.2	2.8	6.3
Business, building and other support services	14.0	14.5	0.8	0.5	1.4	0.5	3.6	10.7	3.6
Educational services	39.8	40.8	1.1	1.0	0.5	0.6	2.5	1.2	1.5
Health care and social assistance	58.6	56.8	1.1	-1.8	-3.3	-0.1	-3.1	-5.5	-0.2
Information, culture and recreation	20.8	20.1	0.8	-0.7	0.7	-0.5	-3.4	3.6	-2.4
Accommodation and food services	32.4	31.8	1.2	-0.6	-3.2	-0.9	-1.9	-9.1	-2.8
Other services	22.5	24.4	1.0	1.9	1.3	2.4	8.4	5.6	10.9
Public administration	26.2	27.6	0.8	1.4	1.4	2.6	5.3	5.3	10.4

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 12

Selected labour force characteristics, Alberta (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	2,533.4	2,536.9	...	3.5	10.9	46.5	0.1	0.4	1.9
Labour force	1,853.4	1,846.0	7.2	-7.4	-4.3	10.9	-0.4	-0.2	0.6
Employment	1,776.3	1,781.6	8.1	5.3	13.5	33.6	0.3	0.8	1.9
Employment full-time	1,465.6	1,467.0	10.3	1.4	21.5	29.7	0.1	1.5	2.1
Unemployment	77.1	64.4	6.2	-12.7	-17.9	-22.7	-16.5	-21.7	-26.1
Participation rate	73.2	72.8	0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	3.5	0.3	-0.7	-0.9	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.1	70.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.5	17.7	0.5	0.2	-0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	473.1	473.5	...	0.4	0.9	6.2	0.1	0.2	1.3
Labour force	341.8	337.7	4.6	-4.1	-7.9	2.0	-1.2	-2.3	0.6
Employment	314.0	315.9	5.1	1.9	-3.3	10.6	0.6	-1.0	3.5
Unemployment	27.8	21.8	3.9	-6.0	-4.5	-8.6	-21.6	-17.1	-28.3
Participation rate	72.2	71.3	1.0	-0.9	-1.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	6.5	1.1	-1.6	-1.1	-2.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	66.7	1.1	0.3	-0.8	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	37.8	39.3	1.7	1.5	0.8	2.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,031.6	1,033.1	...	1.5	4.5	19.2	0.1	0.4	1.9
Labour force	831.0	833.3	3.9	2.3	6.9	6.5	0.3	0.8	0.8
Employment	807.2	811.4	4.5	4.2	12.3	15.6	0.5	1.5	2.0
Unemployment	23.8	21.9	3.4	-1.9	-5.4	-9.1	-8.0	-19.8	-29.4
Participation rate	80.6	80.7	0.4	0.1	0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	2.9	2.6	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	78.2	78.5	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.5	5.3	0.5	-0.2	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,028.6	1,030.3	...	1.7	5.5	21.1	0.2	0.5	2.1
Labour force	680.6	675.0	4.2	-5.6	-3.3	2.5	-0.8	-0.5	0.4
Employment	655.1	654.3	4.3	-0.8	4.6	7.4	-0.1	0.7	1.1
Unemployment	25.6	20.7	3.2	-4.9	-8.0	-5.0	-19.1	-27.9	-19.5
Participation rate	66.2	65.5	0.4	-0.7	-0.7	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.8	3.1	0.5	-0.7	-1.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.7	63.5	0.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.6	22.6	0.9	0.1	-1.2	-1.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	1,776.3	1,781.6	8.1	5.3	13.5	33.6	0.3	0.8	1.9
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	494.5	485.1	6.8	-9.4	-13.8	-0.9	-1.9	-2.8	-0.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	58.3	60.4	2.7	2.1	-2.6	-6.7	3.6	-4.1	-10.0
Utilities	122.3	120.5	3.3	-1.8	0.7	15.3	-1.5	0.6	14.5
Construction	10.7	13.0	1.0	2.3	-0.3	-0.8	21.5	-2.3	-5.8
Manufacturing	166.3	153.8	4.7	-12.5	-13.8	-0.8	-7.5	-8.2	-0.5
Services-producing sector	136.9	137.3	4.0	0.4	2.1	-8.0	0.3	1.6	-5.5
Services-producing sector	1,281.8	1,296.5	8.4	14.7	27.3	34.5	1.1	2.2	2.7
Trade	283.0	286.4	5.2	3.4	13.5	23.8	1.2	4.9	9.1
Transportation and warehousing	104.7	103.4	3.2	-1.3	6.0	6.0	-1.2	6.2	6.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	97.2	99.6	3.0	2.4	7.5	9.5	2.5	8.1	10.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	124.6	120.7	3.6	-3.9	2.2	-1.3	-3.1	1.9	-1.1
Business, building and other support services	66.1	68.4	3.2	2.3	4.9	1.5	3.5	7.7	2.2
Educational services	119.9	116.0	3.3	-3.9	3.1	6.8	-3.3	2.7	6.2
Health care and social assistance	159.9	167.9	3.9	8.0	4.4	5.4	5.0	2.7	3.3
Information, culture and recreation	69.4	73.2	3.1	3.8	5.1	-1.0	5.5	7.5	-1.3
Accommodation and food services	114.0	114.1	4.0	0.1	-12.9	-7.2	0.1	-10.2	-5.9
Other services	77.0	80.3	3.1	3.3	-3.7	-4.5	4.3	-4.4	-5.3
Public administration	65.9	66.5	2.3	0.6	-2.9	-4.5	0.9	-4.2	-6.3

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Table 13

Selected labour force characteristics, British Columbia (in thousands), seasonally adjusted

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Both sexes, 15 years and over									
Population	3,423.2	3,429.1	...	5.9	15.0	57.1	0.2	0.4	1.7
Labour force	2,258.1	2,248.2	10.9	-9.9	20.0	44.6	-0.4	0.9	2.0
Employment	2,099.8	2,101.0	11.4	1.2	11.5	67.5	0.1	0.6	3.3
Employment full-time	1,674.5	1,671.2	13.8	-3.3	7.3	57.8	-0.2	0.4	3.6
Unemployment	158.2	147.2	9.0	-11.0	8.4	-22.9	-7.0	6.1	-13.5
Participation rate	66.0	65.6	0.3	-0.4	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.5	0.4	-0.5	0.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	61.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.3	20.5	0.6	0.2	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	566.4	567.5	...	1.1	2.4	8.9	0.2	0.4	1.6
Labour force	364.2	360.3	6.3	-3.9	1.7	5.8	-1.1	0.5	1.6
Employment	318.5	316.7	6.4	-1.8	-1.8	13.1	-0.6	-0.6	4.3
Unemployment	45.7	43.6	5.3	-2.1	3.5	-7.3	-4.6	8.7	-14.3
Participation rate	64.3	63.5	1.1	-0.8	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.5	12.1	1.4	-0.4	0.9	-2.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	55.8	1.1	-0.4	-0.6	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	43.3	43.2	2.0	-0.1	0.6	-2.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,394.3	1,396.7	...	2.4	6.2	22.8	0.2	0.4	1.7
Labour force	1,012.8	1,011.0	5.7	-1.8	3.3	27.1	-0.2	0.3	2.8
Employment	954.7	958.6	6.2	3.9	6.4	38.7	0.4	0.7	4.2
Unemployment	58.1	52.4	5.3	-5.7	-3.1	-11.6	-9.8	-5.6	-18.1
Participation rate	72.6	72.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.2	0.5	-0.5	-0.3	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.5	68.6	0.5	0.1	0.1	1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.9	7.8	0.6	0.9	-0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,462.5	1,464.9	...	2.4	6.3	25.3	0.2	0.4	1.8
Labour force	881.1	877.0	6.2	-4.1	15.1	11.8	-0.5	1.8	1.4
Employment	826.6	825.7	6.5	-0.9	6.9	15.7	-0.1	0.8	1.9
Unemployment	54.5	51.3	4.7	-3.2	8.1	-3.9	-5.9	18.8	-7.1
Participation rate	60.2	59.9	0.4	-0.3	0.8	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	5.8	0.5	-0.4	0.8	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	56.4	0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	26.8	26.4	1.0	-0.4	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	2,099.8	2,101.0	11.4	1.2	11.5	67.5	0.1	0.6	3.3
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	463.1	454.0	8.2	-9.1	5.9	38.4	-2.0	1.3	9.2
Agriculture	41.8	41.3	2.7	-0.5	2.5	6.0	-1.2	6.4	17.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	37.5	35.8	2.5	-1.7	-1.1	2.0	-4.5	-3.0	5.9
Utilities	9.3	10.1	1.1	0.8	2.6	0.7	8.6	34.7	7.4
Construction	168.9	168.2	5.3	-0.7	11.4	37.0	-0.4	7.3	28.2
Manufacturing	205.6	198.5	5.6	-7.1	-9.7	-7.4	-3.5	-4.7	-3.6
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	1,636.8	1,647.0	11.3	10.2	5.7	29.1	0.6	0.3	1.8
Trade	322.4	327.6	7.1	5.2	15.7	-3.6	1.6	5.0	-1.1
Transportation and warehousing	114.5	114.9	4.0	0.4	1.9	2.0	0.3	1.7	1.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	133.2	139.9	4.4	6.7	3.8	10.1	5.0	2.8	7.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	160.1	161.9	4.8	1.8	7.6	20.4	1.1	4.9	14.4
Business, building and other support services	94.2	96.7	4.3	2.5	12.9	14.7	2.7	15.4	17.9
Educational services	138.5	138.7	4.8	0.2	5.5	6.3	0.1	4.1	4.8
Health care and social assistance	216.3	212.6	5.0	-3.7	-10.1	-8.1	-1.7	-4.5	-3.7
Information, culture and recreation	105.3	98.6	4.6	-6.7	-14.2	-9.7	-6.4	-12.6	-9.0
Accommodation and food services	166.0	166.9	5.4	0.9	-15.8	-1.4	0.5	-8.6	-0.8
Other services	90.6	92.6	4.1	2.0	-1.5	1.9	2.2	-1.6	2.1
Public administration	95.6	96.6	3.3	1.0	-0.1	-3.5	1.0	-0.1	-3.5

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Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador									
Population	150.8	150.9	...	0.1	0.4	1.9	0.1	0.3	1.3
Labour force	100.6	101.3	0.9	0.7	1.5	2.5	0.7	1.5	2.5
Employment	92.1	92.7	0.9	0.6	1.3	3.0	0.7	1.4	3.3
Unemployment	8.5	8.6	0.6	0.1	0.2	-0.5	1.2	2.4	-5.5
Participation rate	66.7	67.1	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.5	0.6	0.1	0.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	61.4	0.6	0.3	0.7	1.2	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	310.0	310.4	...	0.4	1.2	4.5	0.1	0.4	1.5
Labour force	219.8	219.7	1.3	-0.1	1.4	6.3	0.0	0.6	3.0
Employment	205.6	205.9	1.3	0.3	0.8	5.8	0.1	0.4	2.9
Unemployment	14.2	13.8	0.7	-0.4	0.6	0.5	-2.8	4.5	3.8
Participation rate	70.9	70.8	0.4	-0.1	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.3	0.3	-0.2	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	66.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.9	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	102.5	102.6	...	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.5
Labour force	67.7	67.8	0.7	0.1	0.9	1.4	0.1	1.3	2.1
Employment	63.0	63.4	0.7	0.4	1.5	2.2	0.6	2.4	3.6
Unemployment	4.7	4.4	0.4	-0.3	-0.6	-0.8	-6.4	-12.0	-15.4
Participation rate	66.0	66.1	0.7	0.1	0.8	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.5	0.5	-0.4	-1.0	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	61.8	0.7	0.3	1.4	1.9	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	126.4	126.4	...	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Labour force	76.8	75.8	0.8	-1.0	-3.4	-5.8	-1.3	-4.3	-7.1
Employment	69.4	68.9	0.8	-0.5	-1.7	-3.2	-0.7	-2.4	-4.4
Unemployment	7.4	6.9	0.5	-0.5	-1.7	-2.6	-6.8	-19.8	-27.4
Participation rate	60.8	60.0	0.6	-0.8	-2.6	-4.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	9.1	0.6	-0.5	-1.8	-2.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.9	54.5	0.6	-0.4	-1.3	-2.5	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	590.6	591.1	...	0.5	1.6	7.1	0.1	0.3	1.2
Labour force	402.8	407.2	3.1	4.4	16.8	26.3	1.1	4.3	6.9
Employment	380.8	385.2	3.1	4.4	16.5	28.8	1.2	4.5	8.1
Unemployment	22.0	22.0	1.5	0.0	0.3	-2.6	0.0	1.4	-10.6
Participation rate	68.2	68.9	0.5	0.7	2.7	3.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.4	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	65.2	0.5	0.7	2.7	4.2	...	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	117.9	117.9	...	0.0	0.2	1.2	0.0	0.2	1.0
Labour force	75.1	76.2	0.8	1.1	4.0	5.0	1.5	5.5	7.0
Employment	67.3	68.2	0.8	0.9	3.0	4.5	1.3	4.6	7.1
Unemployment	7.8	8.0	0.4	0.2	1.0	0.4	2.6	14.3	5.3
Participation rate	63.7	64.6	0.7	0.9	3.3	3.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.4	10.5	0.6	0.1	0.8	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.1	57.8	0.7	0.7	2.4	3.2	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	133.7	133.9	...	0.2	0.6	2.6	0.1	0.5	2.0
Labour force	90.7	89.9	0.8	-0.8	0.9	3.5	-0.9	1.0	4.1
Employment	84.1	82.9	0.8	-1.2	-0.1	3.1	-1.4	-0.1	3.9
Unemployment	6.6	7.0	0.4	0.4	1.0	0.4	6.1	16.7	6.1
Participation rate	67.8	67.1	0.6	-0.7	0.3	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.8	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	61.9	0.6	-1.0	-0.4	1.1	...	...	...

Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Continued

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,952.0	2,955.2	...	3.2	9.4	38.6	0.1	0.3	1.3
Labour force	1,988.2	1,992.4	7.5	4.2	2.1	21.4	0.2	0.1	1.1
Employment	1,816.6	1,827.1	7.7	10.5	19.9	24.8	0.6	1.1	1.4
Unemployment	171.6	165.4	4.9	-6.2	-17.7	-3.4	-3.6	-9.7	-2.0
Participation rate	67.4	67.4	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.9	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	61.8	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	926.3	927.5	...	1.2	3.5	14.4	0.1	0.4	1.6
Labour force	663.2	662.0	3.5	-1.2	-3.5	19.9	-0.2	-0.5	3.1
Employment	619.9	616.9	3.6	-3.0	-5.5	17.9	-0.5	-0.9	3.0
Unemployment	43.3	45.1	1.8	1.8	2.0	1.9	4.2	4.6	4.4
Participation rate	71.6	71.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.6	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.8	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.9	66.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	228.0	228.5	...	0.5	1.6	6.2	0.2	0.7	2.8
Labour force	160.0	160.6	1.3	0.6	-1.8	5.0	0.4	-1.1	3.2
Employment	148.4	147.9	1.4	-0.5	-3.1	2.2	-0.3	-2.1	1.5
Unemployment	11.7	12.6	0.7	0.9	1.3	2.8	7.7	11.5	28.6
Participation rate	70.2	70.3	0.6	0.1	-1.3	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.8	0.4	0.5	0.8	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	64.7	0.6	-0.4	-1.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	698.3	699.0	...	0.7	1.9	8.2	0.1	0.3	1.2
Labour force	503.2	501.5	3.2	-1.7	-1.6	14.9	-0.3	-0.3	3.1
Employment	471.6	469.0	3.4	-2.6	-2.4	15.8	-0.6	-0.5	3.5
Unemployment	31.6	32.5	1.7	0.9	0.8	-0.8	2.8	2.5	-2.4
Participation rate	72.1	71.7	0.5	-0.4	-0.5	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.5	67.1	0.5	-0.4	-0.5	1.5	...	...	...
Kingston, Ontario									
Population	124.6	124.7	...	0.1	0.3	1.8	0.1	0.2	1.5
Labour force	79.2	78.6	0.9	-0.6	0.2	1.4	-0.8	0.3	1.8
Employment	73.9	73.2	0.9	-0.7	-0.6	0.7	-0.9	-0.8	1.0
Unemployment	5.3	5.4	0.4	0.1	0.8	0.7	1.9	17.4	14.9
Participation rate	63.6	63.0	0.7	-0.6	0.0	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.9	0.5	0.2	1.0	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.3	58.7	0.7	-0.6	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,228.1	4,235.8	...	7.7	21.7	88.6	0.2	0.5	2.1
Labour force	2,913.4	2,918.0	8.5	4.6	-9.9	23.1	0.2	-0.3	0.8
Employment	2,690.8	2,698.2	9.0	7.4	-6.0	19.1	0.3	-0.2	0.7
Unemployment	222.6	219.8	5.6	-2.8	-3.9	4.0	-1.3	-1.7	1.9
Participation rate	68.9	68.9	0.2	0.0	-0.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.6	63.7	0.2	0.1	-0.5	-0.9	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	576.4	577.1	...	0.7	1.8	7.5	0.1	0.3	1.3
Labour force	387.9	377.5	2.8	-10.4	-18.9	-10.0	-2.7	-4.8	-2.6
Employment	366.1	357.9	2.9	-8.2	-13.2	-3.0	-2.2	-3.6	-0.8
Unemployment	21.8	19.6	1.5	-2.2	-5.7	-7.0	-10.1	-22.5	-26.3
Participation rate	67.3	65.4	0.5	-1.9	-3.5	-2.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.2	0.4	-0.4	-1.2	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	62.0	0.5	-1.5	-2.5	-1.4	...	...	...

Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Continued

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Kitchener, Ontario									
Population	361.4	361.9	...	0.5	1.5	6.3	0.1	0.4	1.8
Labour force	256.3	262.2	1.9	5.9	11.7	13.0	2.3	4.7	5.2
Employment	245.4	248.4	2.0	3.0	8.0	13.3	1.2	3.3	5.7
Unemployment	10.9	13.8	0.8	2.9	3.7	-0.3	26.6	36.6	-2.1
Participation rate	70.9	72.5	0.5	1.6	3.0	2.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	5.3	0.3	1.0	1.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.9	68.6	0.6	0.7	1.9	2.5	...	...	...
London, Ontario									
Population	373.5	373.9	...	0.4	1.1	4.6	0.1	0.3	1.2
Labour force	261.7	264.5	2.0	2.8	5.0	2.9	1.1	1.9	1.1
Employment	246.0	247.4	2.1	1.4	5.4	1.5	0.6	2.2	0.6
Unemployment	15.6	17.0	0.9	1.4	-0.5	1.3	9.0	-2.9	8.3
Participation rate	70.1	70.7	0.5	0.6	1.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.4	0.4	0.4	-0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.9	66.2	0.6	0.3	1.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	259.0	259.6	...	0.6	1.8	7.3	0.2	0.7	2.9
Labour force	184.8	188.4	1.3	3.6	8.6	6.6	1.9	4.8	3.6
Employment	173.0	174.9	1.3	1.9	5.3	2.6	1.1	3.1	1.5
Unemployment	11.8	13.5	0.5	1.7	3.3	4.0	14.4	32.4	42.1
Participation rate	71.4	72.6	0.5	1.2	2.9	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	7.2	0.3	0.8	1.5	2.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.8	67.4	0.5	0.6	1.6	-0.9	...	...	...
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	323.7	323.9	...	0.2	0.5	2.2	0.1	0.2	0.7
Labour force	210.9	210.6	1.8	-0.3	2.4	8.4	-0.1	1.2	4.2
Employment	198.3	197.8	1.9	-0.5	3.4	11.1	-0.3	1.7	5.9
Unemployment	12.6	12.8	0.9	0.2	-1.0	-2.7	1.6	-7.2	-17.4
Participation rate	65.2	65.0	0.6	-0.2	0.6	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.1	0.4	0.1	-0.5	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	61.1	0.6	-0.2	1.0	3.1	...	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	130.7	130.7	...	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2
Labour force	86.9	86.4	0.7	-0.5	0.6	1.3	-0.6	0.7	1.5
Employment	80.2	79.6	0.7	-0.6	0.1	1.6	-0.7	0.1	2.1
Unemployment	6.7	6.8	0.4	0.1	0.5	-0.3	1.5	7.9	-4.2
Participation rate	66.5	66.1	0.5	-0.4	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.9	0.5	0.2	0.6	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	60.9	0.5	-0.5	0.1	1.1	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	101.1	101.1	...	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	68.3	67.8	0.6	-0.5	-0.2	0.5	-0.7	-0.3	0.7
Employment	62.7	62.5	0.7	-0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	0.3	-0.2
Unemployment	5.6	5.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	0.6	-5.4	-7.0	12.8
Participation rate	67.6	67.1	0.6	-0.5	-0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.8	0.5	-0.4	-0.6	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.8	0.6	-0.2	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	268.2	268.6	...	0.4	1.0	4.1	0.1	0.4	1.6
Labour force	177.9	177.7	1.6	-0.2	-2.6	1.1	-0.1	-1.4	0.6
Employment	161.3	161.9	1.6	0.6	-0.9	-1.7	0.4	-0.6	-1.0
Unemployment	16.6	15.8	0.8	-0.8	-1.6	2.8	-4.8	-9.2	21.5
Participation rate	66.3	66.2	0.6	-0.1	-1.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	8.9	0.5	-0.4	-0.8	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	60.3	0.6	0.2	-0.5	-1.6	...	...	...

Table 14

Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Continued

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	566.8	567.2	...	0.4	1.2	5.9	0.1	0.2	1.1
Labour force	399.3	398.1	1.3	-1.2	-3.1	4.1	-0.3	-0.8	1.0
Employment	379.8	378.6	1.4	-1.2	-1.3	5.2	-0.3	-0.3	1.4
Unemployment	19.4	19.5	0.8	0.1	-1.8	-1.1	0.5	-8.5	-5.3
Participation rate	70.4	70.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.7	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	0.2	0.0	-0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.0	66.7	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	158.7	158.8	...	0.1	0.4	1.3	0.1	0.3	0.8
Labour force	114.9	115.2	0.7	0.3	1.1	0.2	0.3	1.0	0.2
Employment	109.2	109.9	0.7	0.7	1.7	1.1	0.6	1.6	1.0
Unemployment	5.7	5.2	0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0	-8.8	-11.9	-16.1
Participation rate	72.4	72.5	0.5	0.1	0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.5	0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.8	69.2	0.5	0.4	0.9	0.1	...	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	188.2	188.4	...	0.2	0.7	2.7	0.1	0.4	1.5
Labour force	136.2	137.1	0.9	0.9	3.3	8.6	0.7	2.5	6.7
Employment	129.2	130.3	0.9	1.1	3.9	10.5	0.9	3.1	8.8
Unemployment	7.0	6.8	0.4	-0.2	-0.6	-1.9	-2.9	-8.1	-21.8
Participation rate	72.4	72.8	0.5	0.4	1.5	3.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	5.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	-1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.7	69.2	0.5	0.5	1.9	4.7	...	...	...
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	844.0	845.5	...	1.5	4.3	17.9	0.2	0.5	2.2
Labour force	621.8	622.8	3.0	1.0	-3.4	-8.1	0.2	-0.5	-1.3
Employment	592.4	596.0	3.0	3.6	-0.2	-0.9	0.6	0.0	-0.2
Unemployment	29.4	26.9	1.7	-2.5	-3.1	-7.1	-8.5	-10.3	-20.9
Participation rate	73.7	73.7	0.4	0.0	-0.7	-2.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.3	0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.2	70.5	0.4	0.3	-0.4	-1.6	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	810.2	811.3	...	1.1	3.4	14.1	0.1	0.4	1.8
Labour force	586.3	579.5	2.6	-6.8	-14.0	-3.7	-1.2	-2.4	-0.6
Employment	557.6	552.9	2.7	-4.7	-9.3	0.0	-0.8	-1.7	0.0
Unemployment	28.8	26.6	1.4	-2.2	-4.6	-3.7	-7.6	-14.7	-12.2
Participation rate	72.4	71.4	0.3	-1.0	-2.1	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.6	0.2	-0.3	-0.7	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.8	68.1	0.4	-0.7	-1.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Abbotsford, British Columbia									
Population	128.2	128.5	...	0.3	1.0	3.8	0.2	0.8	3.0
Labour force	84.7	85.5	0.8	0.8	0.1	-0.8	0.9	0.1	-0.9
Employment	79.0	80.5	0.8	1.5	1.3	-1.1	1.9	1.6	-1.3
Unemployment	5.7	5.0	0.4	-0.7	-1.2	0.2	-12.3	-19.4	4.2
Participation rate	66.1	66.5	0.6	0.4	-0.5	-2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	5.8	0.4	-0.9	-1.5	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	62.6	0.6	1.0	0.5	-2.8	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,800.9	1,803.8	...	2.9	8.1	31.5	0.2	0.5	1.8
Labour force	1,220.6	1,228.7	4.9	8.1	23.8	27.2	0.7	2.0	2.3
Employment	1,143.2	1,148.6	5.1	5.4	19.7	29.6	0.5	1.7	2.6
Unemployment	77.4	80.2	3.0	2.8	4.2	-2.3	3.6	5.5	-2.8
Participation rate	67.8	68.1	0.3	0.3	1.0	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	63.7	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.6	...	...	...

Table 14**Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average - Concluded**

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	268.8	268.9	...	0.1	0.4	1.9	0.0	0.1	0.7
Labour force	170.9	171.5	1.7	0.6	2.5	4.0	0.4	1.5	2.4
Employment	161.8	162.1	1.8	0.3	2.3	3.9	0.2	1.4	2.5
Unemployment	9.1	9.5	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.2	4.4	3.3	2.2
Participation rate	63.6	63.8	0.7	0.2	0.9	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	60.3	0.7	0.1	0.8	1.0	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM tables 282-0090

Table 15**Labour force characteristics by metropolitan area (in thousands), seasonally adjusted, monthly**

	February 2005	March 2005	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,955.4	2,958.1	...	2.7	9.5	38.7	0.1	0.3	1.3
Labour force	1,984.0	1,995.0	16.0	11.0	12.8	28.0	0.6	0.6	1.4
Employment	1,824.5	1,832.1	16.3	7.6	31.4	28.6	0.4	1.7	1.6
Unemployment	159.5	163.0	11.9	3.5	-18.6	-0.4	2.2	-10.2	-0.2
Participation rate	67.1	67.4	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.2	0.6	0.2	-1.0	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.9	0.6	0.2	0.8	0.1	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,236.3	4,243.4	...	7.1	23.1	88.8	0.2	0.5	2.1
Labour force	2,910.9	2,939.0	19.2	28.1	13.9	23.9	1.0	0.5	0.8
Employment	2,681.3	2,715.0	19.4	33.7	22.4	29.8	1.3	0.8	1.1
Unemployment	229.6	224.0	13.6	-5.6	-8.5	-6.0	-2.4	-3.7	-2.6
Participation rate	68.7	69.3	0.5	0.6	0.0	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.6	0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.3	64.0	0.5	0.7	0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,803.7	1,807.2	...	3.5	8.9	32.6	0.2	0.5	1.8
Labour force	1,232.3	1,234.5	10.7	2.2	24.4	31.3	0.2	2.0	2.6
Employment	1,150.0	1,155.6	11.1	5.6	16.1	36.0	0.5	1.4	3.2
Unemployment	82.3	78.9	7.4	-3.4	8.2	-4.7	-4.1	11.6	-5.6
Participation rate	68.3	68.3	0.6	0.0	1.0	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	6.4	0.6	-0.3	0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.8	63.9	0.6	0.1	0.5	0.8	...	...	...

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
Related CANSIM table 282-0091

Table 16

Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ and for Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in March 2004 and March 2005

	March	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Canada²	2004	25,294.3	16,845.3	15,523.5	1,321.9	66.6	7.8	61.4
	2005	25,654.1	17,025.6	15,760.3	1,265.4	66.4	7.4	61.4
Newfoundland and Labrador	2004	429.8	243.1	199.9	43.2	56.6	17.8	46.5
	2005	430.3	239.8	199.5	40.3	55.7	16.8	46.4
010 Avalon Peninsula	2004	207.9	125.2	109.9	15.3	60.2	12.2	52.9
	2005	209.7	126.1	110.4	15.7	60.1	12.5	52.6
020 South Coast-Burin Peninsula	2004	34.6	18.8	13.8	5.0	54.3	26.6	39.9
	2005	34.0	16.3	12.3	4.0	47.9	24.5	36.2
030 West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador	2004	90.3	50.7	39.3	11.4	56.1	22.5	43.5
	2005	90.1	49.2	39.1	10.1	54.6	20.5	43.4
040 Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay	2004	96.9	48.4	36.9	11.5	49.9	23.8	38.1
	2005	96.5	48.3	37.7	10.6	50.1	21.9	39.1
Prince Edward Island	2004	110.5	71.2	60.6	10.6	64.4	14.9	54.8
	2005	111.3	72.8	63.0	9.8	65.4	13.5	56.6
Nova Scotia	2004	755.5	467.9	420.4	47.5	61.9	10.2	55.6
	2005	759.6	474.7	426.9	47.8	62.5	10.1	56.2
210 Cape Breton	2004	117.5	58.2	47.8	10.4	49.5	17.9	40.7
	2005	116.7	58.0	48.2	9.8	49.7	16.9	41.3
220 North Shore	2004	130.4	77.6	68.8	8.8	59.5	11.3	52.8
	2005	130.3	78.5	69.1	9.4	60.2	12.0	53.0
230 Annapolis Valley	2004	98.6	60.7	54.6	6.1	61.6	10.0	55.4
	2005	99.1	61.9	55.8	6.0	62.5	9.7	56.3
240 Southern	2004	103.1	60.9	53.2	7.7	59.1	12.6	51.6
	2005	103.1	59.8	52.4	7.4	58.0	12.4	50.8
250 Halifax	2004	305.9	210.5	196.0	14.5	68.8	6.9	64.1
	2005	310.4	216.5	201.4	15.1	69.7	7.0	64.9
New Brunswick	2004	606.3	373.2	332.3	40.9	61.6	11.0	54.8
	2005	609.3	373.2	333.0	40.2	61.3	10.8	54.7
310 Campbellton-Miramichi	2004	138.3	72.1	59.4	12.7	52.1	17.6	43.0
	2005	137.2	71.3	59.5	11.8	52.0	16.5	43.4
320 Moncton-Richibucto	2004	157.7	104.7	95.7	9.1	66.4	8.7	60.7
	2005	159.8	104.4	94.5	9.9	65.3	9.5	59.1
330 Saint John-St. Stephen	2004	139.8	88.0	80.2	7.8	62.9	8.9	57.4
	2005	140.5	88.3	80.2	8.1	62.8	9.2	57.1
340 Fredericton-Oromocto	2004	101.9	67.1	60.4	6.7	65.8	10.0	59.3
	2005	103.1	67.7	61.2	6.5	65.7	9.6	59.4
350 Edmundston-Woodstock	2004	68.6	41.2	36.7	4.6	60.1	11.2	53.5
	2005	68.7	41.5	37.5	3.9	60.4	9.4	54.6
Quebec	2004	6,084.4	3,944.2	3,565.9	378.3	64.8	9.6	58.6
	2005	6,154.5	3,984.6	3,625.2	359.4	64.7	9.0	58.9
410 Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	2004	79.5	40.3	32.0	8.3	50.7	20.6	40.3
	2005	79.7	37.5	28.6	8.9	47.1	23.7	35.9
415 Bas-Saint-Laurent	2004	165.8	98.1	85.1	13.1	59.2	13.4	51.3
	2005	166.1	91.9	82.7	9.1	55.3	9.9	49.8
420 Québec	2004	546.8	345.0	319.3	25.7	63.1	7.4	58.4
	2005	553.0	365.8	342.8	23.0	66.1	6.3	62.0

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ and for Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in March 2004 and March 2005 - Continued**

	March	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Quebec - Continued								
425 Chaudière-Appalaches	2004	319.5	211.5	193.0	18.5	66.2	8.7	60.4
	2005	322.4	218.8	198.2	20.6	67.9	9.4	61.5
430 Estrie	2004	240.7	154.1	138.9	15.2	64.0	9.9	57.7
	2005	244.0	155.0	142.8	12.3	63.5	7.9	58.5
433 Centre-du-Québec	2004	179.8	122.3	109.5	12.8	68.0	10.5	60.9
	2005	181.4	123.1	112.6	10.5	67.9	8.5	62.1
435 Montérégie	2004	1,073.4	753.6	695.0	58.6	70.2	7.8	64.7
	2005	1,089.4	711.3	657.6	53.6	65.3	7.5	60.4
440 Montréal	2004	1,552.4	981.1	879.5	101.5	63.2	10.3	56.7
	2005	1,564.2	1,020.4	912.7	107.6	65.2	10.5	58.3
445 Laval	2004	293.4	191.4	173.0	18.4	65.2	9.6	59.0
	2005	298.3	188.9	173.0	15.9	63.3	8.4	58.0
450 Lanaudière	2004	325.2	218.1	197.4	20.7	67.1	9.5	60.7
	2005	331.8	224.7	209.0	15.7	67.7	7.0	63.0
455 Laurentides	2004	393.4	267.3	246.0	21.3	67.9	8.0	62.5
	2005	403.8	278.8	259.5	19.3	69.0	6.9	64.3
460 Outaouais	2004	270.4	173.3	158.9	14.4	64.1	8.3	58.8
	2005	276.8	183.0	167.7	15.3	66.1	8.4	60.6
465 Abitibi-Témiscamingue	2004	114.5	70.9	62.4	8.5	61.9	12.0	54.5
	2005	114.3	71.4	62.4	9.0	62.5	12.6	54.6
470 Mauricie	2004	213.3	123.3	109.8	13.4	57.8	10.9	51.5
	2005	214.3	124.7	107.6	17.1	58.2	13.7	50.2
475 Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean	2004	224.9	131.6	113.5	18.1	58.5	13.8	50.5
	2005	224.2	127.8	111.8	16.0	57.0	12.5	49.9
480 and 490 Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec	2004	91.3	62.4	52.6	9.7	68.3	15.5	57.6
	2005	90.8	61.7	56.3	5.4	68.0	8.8	62.0
Ontario								
	2004	9,830.0	6,655.0	6,189.8	465.3	67.7	7.0	63.0
	2005	9,998.4	6,718.8	6,248.4	470.4	67.2	7.0	62.5
510 Ottawa	2004	953.5	646.7	601.9	44.8	67.8	6.9	63.1
	2005	965.9	665.1	619.1	45.9	68.9	6.9	64.1
515 Kingston-Pembroke	2004	351.9	210.8	195.4	15.3	59.9	7.3	55.5
	2005	356.0	220.9	204.5	16.3	62.1	7.4	57.4
520 Muskoka-Kawartha	2004	293.8	205.8	197.1	8.7	70.0	4.2	67.1
	2005	298.3	175.2	160.2	15.0	58.7	8.6	53.7
530 Toronto	2004	4,368.3	3,025.5	2,810.2	215.3	69.3	7.1	64.3
	2005	4,469.0	3,049.5	2,823.8	225.7	68.2	7.4	63.2
540 Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie	2004	902.0	626.0	591.0	34.9	69.4	5.6	65.5
	2005	922.6	657.0	622.0	35.0	71.2	5.3	67.4
550 Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula	2004	1,089.2	711.4	655.6	55.8	65.3	7.8	60.2
	2005	1,103.0	715.7	670.2	45.5	64.9	6.4	60.8
560 London	2004	493.1	347.4	325.0	22.4	70.5	6.4	65.9
	2005	498.9	348.4	326.7	21.7	69.8	6.2	65.5
570 Windsor-Sarnia	2004	513.0	325.1	299.3	25.9	63.4	8.0	58.3
	2005	518.6	338.2	309.8	28.4	65.2	8.4	59.7

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Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ and for Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in March 2004 and March 2005 - Continued

	March	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Ontario - Continued								
580 Stratford-Bruce Peninsula	2004	240.1	164.0	154.1	9.9	68.3	6.0	64.2
	2005	242.5	156.8	148.5	8.2	64.7	5.2	61.2
590 Northeast	2004	449.3	273.3	250.7	22.7	60.8	8.3	55.8
	2005	448.6	274.1	253.0	21.1	61.1	7.7	56.4
595 Northwest	2004	175.8	119.0	109.4	9.6	67.7	8.1	62.2
	2005	174.9	117.9	110.4	7.6	67.4	6.4	63.1
Manitoba								
	2004	878.5	596.5	563.8	32.6	67.9	5.5	64.2
	2005	886.2	603.5	569.9	33.6	68.1	5.6	64.3
610 Southeast	2004	70.8	50.6	47.8	2.8	71.5	5.5	67.5
	2005	72.2	50.7	47.9	2.8	70.2	5.5	66.3
620 South Central	2004	41.3	25.4	24.6	0.7	61.5	2.8	59.6
	2005	41.8	30.4	29.3	1.1	72.7	3.6	70.1
630 Southwest	2004	81.5	52.8	50.2	2.5	64.8	4.7	61.6
	2005	81.1	50.5	47.2	3.4	62.3	6.7	58.2
640 North Central	2004	34.8	22.8	21.8	0.9	65.5	3.9	62.6
	2005	35.1	22.2	20.9	1.3	63.2	5.9	59.5
650 Winnipeg	2004	520.6	361.4	340.8	20.7	69.4	5.7	65.5
	2005	526.4	363.6	344.6	19.0	69.1	5.2	65.5
660 Interlake	2004	66.3	43.9	41.9	2.0	66.2	4.6	63.2
	2005	67.1	43.3	39.8	3.5	64.5	8.1	59.3
670 and 680 Parklands and North	2004	63.2	39.6	36.6	3.0	62.7	7.6	57.9
	2005	62.5	42.7	40.3	2.4	68.3	5.6	64.5
Saskatchewan								
	2004	744.5	496.2	465.0	31.2	66.6	6.3	62.5
	2005	747.8	504.9	476.8	28.0	67.5	5.5	63.8
710 Regina-Moose Mountain	2004	216.1	152.1	142.8	9.3	70.4	6.1	66.1
	2005	217.2	153.5	146.1	7.4	70.7	4.8	67.3
720 Swift Current-Moose Jaw	2004	82.4	52.5	49.4	3.1	63.7	5.9	60.0
	2005	82.2	53.9	51.0	3.0	65.6	5.6	62.0
730 Saskatoon-Biggar	2004	229.7	154.4	144.1	10.3	67.2	6.7	62.7
	2005	232.2	162.4	153.7	8.6	69.9	5.3	66.2
740 Yorkton-Melville	2004	67.2	40.2	37.9	2.3	59.8	5.7	56.4
	2005	66.7	41.0	38.4	2.7	61.5	6.6	57.6
750 and 760 Prince Albert and Northern	2004	149.1	97.0	90.8	6.2	65.1	6.4	60.9
	2005	149.4	94.0	87.6	6.4	62.9	6.8	58.6
Alberta								
	2004	2,486.6	1,814.5	1,719.1	95.3	73.0	5.3	69.1
	2005	2,533.3	1,828.1	1,751.6	76.5	72.2	4.2	69.1
810 Lethbridge-Medicine Hat	2004	190.0	126.6	121.9	4.7	66.6	3.7	64.2
	2005	191.7	138.5	132.7	5.8	72.2	4.2	69.2
820 Camrose-Drumheller	2004	144.3	101.2	96.1	5.1	70.1	5.0	66.6
	2005	145.5	101.5	98.3	3.2	69.8	3.2	67.6
830 Calgary	2004	888.9	668.9	630.9	38.0	75.3	5.7	71.0
	2005	910.3	664.3	635.0	29.3	73.0	4.4	69.8
840 Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House	2004	63.2	45.6	43.6	1.9	72.2	4.2	69.0
	2005	63.0	50.1	48.7	x	79.5	x	77.3

Table 16

Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ and for Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in March 2004 and March 2005 - Concluded

	March	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Alberta - Continued								
850 Red Deer	2004	126.1	94.6	90.8	3.8	75.0	4.0	72.0
	2005	129.0	95.3	92.6	2.7	73.9	2.8	71.8
860 Edmonton	2004	827.2	599.1	566.5	32.5	72.4	5.4	68.5
	2005	842.7	594.5	566.3	28.2	70.5	4.7	67.2
870 Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River	2004	167.9	117.8	111.4	6.5	70.2	5.5	66.3
	2005	170.0	123.7	119.7	4.1	72.8	3.3	70.4
880 Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake	2004	78.9	60.6	57.8	2.8	76.8	4.6	73.3
	2005	81.1	60.3	58.4	1.9	74.4	3.2	72.0
British Columbia								
910 Vancouver Island and Coast	2004	3,368.3	2,183.5	2,006.6	176.9	64.8	8.1	59.6
	2005	3,423.5	2,225.4	2,066.0	159.4	65.0	7.2	60.3
920 Lower Mainland-Southwest	2004	585.3	352.2	317.4	34.9	60.2	9.9	54.2
	2005	592.3	358.9	328.3	30.6	60.6	8.5	55.4
930 Thompson-Okanagan	2004	2,017.0	1,347.0	1,252.5	94.5	66.8	7.0	62.1
	2005	2,055.5	1,370.6	1,280.2	90.4	66.7	6.6	62.3
940 Kootenay	2004	392.0	239.4	220.7	18.7	61.1	7.8	56.3
	2005	398.0	244.1	228.0	16.1	61.3	6.6	57.3
950 Cariboo	2004	123.8	68.7	59.0	9.6	55.5	14.0	47.7
	2005	125.3	75.4	69.5	5.9	60.2	7.8	55.5
960 and 970 North Coast and Nechako	2004	130.6	92.1	80.7	11.5	70.5	12.5	61.8
	2005	132.3	89.7	80.8	8.8	67.8	9.8	61.1
980 Northeast	2004	71.4	48.5	42.1	6.4	67.9	13.2	59.0
	2005	71.4	50.5	44.7	5.8	70.7	11.5	62.6
Yukon Territory ³	2004	48.2	35.6	34.2	x	73.9	x	71.0
	2005	48.7	36.2	34.5	1.8	74.3	5.0	70.8
Northwest Territories ⁴	2004	21.1	15.4	14.3	1.1	73.0	7.1	67.8
	2005	14.4	11.1	10.4	0.7	77.1	6.3	72.2
	2004	30.4	22.4	21.1	1.3	73.7	5.8	69.4
	2005	20.8	16.4	15.2	1.1	78.8	6.7	73.1

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

² Estimates for Canada are a sum of the provincial totals and exclude estimates from Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

³ Since 1992, the Labour Force Survey has been administered in the Yukon, using an alternative methodology that accommodates some of the operational difficulties inherent to remote locales. These estimates are not included in national totals.

⁴ 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.

Related CANSIM table 282-0054

Table 17

Average usual hours and wages of employees by selected characteristics, Canada (in thousands), unadjusted

	Employees				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
			\$	\$			\$			\$
March 2005										
15 years and over	13,312.7	35.1	695.39	19.04	10,762.6	39.5	805.04	2,550.1	16.9	232.62
15 to 24 years	2,188.4	26.6	307.23	10.76	1,074.0	39.0	486.33	1,114.4	14.6	134.62
25 years and over	11,124.3	36.8	771.75	20.67	9,688.6	39.5	840.37	1,435.7	18.7	308.70
Men	6,716.4	37.8	807.98	20.80	5,937.1	40.7	887.41	779.3	15.7	202.83
Women	6,596.3	32.4	580.75	17.24	4,825.5	37.9	703.69	1,770.8	17.4	245.73
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,312.7	35.7	795.91	21.98	3,679.0	38.6	871.11	633.7	19.0	359.29
No union coverage	9,000.0	34.9	647.22	17.63	7,083.6	39.9	770.72	1,916.4	16.2	190.74
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,747.1	36.2	729.31	19.58	9,938.6	39.5	815.77	1,808.5	18.0	254.22
Temporary	1,565.6	27.3	440.86	14.98	824.0	39.0	675.66	741.6	14.3	179.95
Occupation										
Management	884.5	40.0	1,212.43	30.41	860.4	40.5	1,233.56	24.1	19.4	457.22
Business, finance and administrative	2,659.8	35.0	645.63	18.06	2,250.7	38.2	715.83	409.2	17.8	259.50
Natural and applied sciences	929.7	38.3	1,037.44	27.05	893.2	39.2	1,063.70	36.4	17.1	393.10
Health	829.9	32.9	730.31	22.10	611.0	37.5	838.34	218.9	20.1	428.72
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,167.8	34.0	845.46	24.57	921.7	38.6	967.99	246.1	16.9	386.57
Art, culture, recreation and sport	317.4	30.2	657.12	20.01	214.2	38.5	875.50	103.2	13.0	203.89
Sales and service	3,414.3	30.0	414.04	12.75	2,097.1	38.6	572.96	1,317.3	16.4	161.03
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,865.4	40.2	773.72	19.05	1,745.1	41.8	811.51	120.3	17.2	225.30
Occupations unique to primary industry	224.6	41.5	707.80	16.20	188.9	46.6	813.28	35.7	14.9	149.55
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,019.3	39.2	672.54	16.99	980.3	40.2	692.03	39.0	16.0	182.98
March 2004										
15 years and over	13,169.0	35.2	677.74	18.52	10,656.9	39.4	783.13	2,512.2	17.1	230.66
15 to 24 years	2,165.5	26.8	304.29	10.52	1,077.0	39.0	476.89	1,088.5	14.8	133.50
25 years and over	11,003.5	36.8	751.24	20.10	9,579.8	39.5	817.56	1,423.7	18.8	304.94
Men	6,633.0	37.8	785.04	20.18	5,854.9	40.7	862.55	778.0	16.1	201.79
Women	6,536.1	32.5	568.85	16.85	4,801.9	37.9	686.30	1,734.2	17.5	243.61
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,260.0	35.9	784.86	21.56	3,655.8	38.7	855.22	604.2	19.0	359.12
No union coverage	8,909.0	34.8	626.52	17.07	7,001.1	39.8	745.49	1,908.0	16.5	189.98
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,735.6	36.1	707.05	18.98	9,892.2	39.5	792.84	1,843.4	18.0	246.62
Temporary	1,433.4	27.6	437.82	14.77	764.6	38.9	657.48	668.8	14.6	186.67
Occupation										
Management	949.4	40.3	1,176.67	29.27	922.0	40.9	1,199.25	27.4	18.8	417.08
Business, finance and administrative	2,656.7	35.1	637.71	17.78	2,254.8	38.2	704.63	401.9	17.7	262.23
Natural and applied sciences	864.5	38.3	1,017.21	26.52	831.2	39.1	1,041.90	33.2	18.4	399.09
Health	806.2	33.2	739.81	21.97	602.1	37.6	846.69	204.1	20.3	424.50
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,099.1	33.8	828.89	24.36	859.4	38.4	948.43	239.7	17.0	400.31
Art, culture, recreation and sport	270.3	30.8	607.49	18.32	188.0	38.7	795.93	82.3	12.8	177.01
Sales and service	3,392.6	30.0	395.48	12.20	2,070.2	38.5	546.76	1,322.4	16.7	158.65
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,849.7	40.0	740.53	18.35	1,724.0	41.6	777.86	125.7	17.5	228.52
Occupations unique to primary industry	205.6	41.7	729.64	16.96	180.7	45.7	810.17	24.8	12.9	143.46
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,075.0	39.2	652.47	16.49	1,024.4	40.3	674.82	50.6	16.8	200.37

Related CANSIM tables 282-0023, 282-0069, 282-0073

Table 18**Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance Program¹, seasonally adjusted, 3 month moving average**

Region	Effective from April 10, 2005 to May 7, 2005	Region	Effective from April 10, 2005 to May 7, 2005
	Unemployment rate		Unemployment rate
	%		%
Newfoundland and Labrador		Ontario - Continued	
01. St. John's	8.4	30. London	6.5
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	19.0	31. Niagara	7.8
Prince Edward Island		32. Windsor	8.9
03. Prince Edward Island	10.4	33. Kitchener	5.2
Nova Scotia		34. Huron	6.5
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	16.0	35. South Central Ontario	3.9
05. Western Nova Scotia	9.7	36. Sudbury	7.4
06. Halifax	6.3	37. Thunder Bay	7.9
New Brunswick		38. Northern Ontario	9.4
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	6.9	Manitoba	
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	11.3	39. Winnipeg	4.9
09. Restigouche-Albert	15.2	40. Southern Manitoba	6.9
Quebec		41. Northern Manitoba	24.9
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	19.4	Saskatchewan	
11. Québec	5.4	42. Regina	4.6
12. Trois-Rivières	10.2	43. Saskatoon	5.0
13. South Central Quebec	7.2	44. Southern Saskatchewan	6.7
14. Sherbrooke	7.0	45. Northern Saskatchewan	14.4
15. Montérégie	7.3	Alberta	
16. Montréal	8.4	46. Calgary	4.3
17. Central Quebec	9.1	47. Edmonton	4.7
18. Northwestern Quebec	11.3	48. Northern Alberta	7.5
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³	12.4	49. Southern Alberta	4.5
20. Hull	7.9	British Columbia	
21. Chicoutimi-Jonquière	9.1	50. Southern Interior British Columbia	7.5
Ontario		51. Abbotsford	6.4
22. Ottawa	6.5	52. Vancouver	6.6
23. Eastern Ontario	7.5	53. Victoria	6.2
24. Kingston	7.1	54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	8.9
25. Central Ontario	6.6	55. Northern British Columbia	11.4
26. Oshawa	7.1	Territories	
27. Toronto	7.5	56. Yukon ⁴	25.0
28. Hamilton	5.1	57. Northwest Territories ⁴	25.0
29. St. Catharines	6.1	58. Nunavut ⁴	25.0

¹ 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>.

² This unemployment rate has been determined using a transition formula prescribed in the EI Regulations. For further information, see: http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/cs/comm/news/2000/000913a_e.shtml.

³ This unemployment rate has been determined using a transition formula prescribed in the EI Regulations. For further information, see: http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/cs/comm/news/2000/000913b_e.shtml.

⁴ This rate is provided by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

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:

- *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-GIE)*
- *Methodology of the Canadian Labour Force Survey (71-526-XPB)*