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Commentary

Employment increased by an estimated 43,000 in September following two months of little change and the unemployment rate edged down 0.1 percentage points to 7.1%. Over the first nine months of 2004, employment has grown by 1.0% (+156,000), while hours worked have increased at twice the pace (+2.1%).

All of the gains so far this year have been in full-time employment (+229,000) while the number of part-time jobs has fallen by 74,000.

More youths working full-time in September

In September, the increase in employment was all full-time (+72,000) while part-time employment edged down 29,000.

Youth employment rose by 26,000 in September, mostly among older youths aged 20 to 24. The gain among youths was in full-time employment (+40,000). September's increase partially offsets losses in July and August, leaving employment slightly above the level as at the start of the year (+0.7%). In September, the unemployment rate was little changed at 13.5% as more youths entered the labour force.

Employment among adult women was little changed for the fourth consecutive month. In September, slight losses in part-time employment (-16,000) were offset by an increase of 26,000 full-time jobs. Over the first nine months of 2004, employment among adult women has risen by only 0.7% (+41,000) with the gain all in full-time jobs. A decline in the number of adult women in the labour force looking for work in September pushed their unemployment rate down 0.4 percentage points to 5.8%.

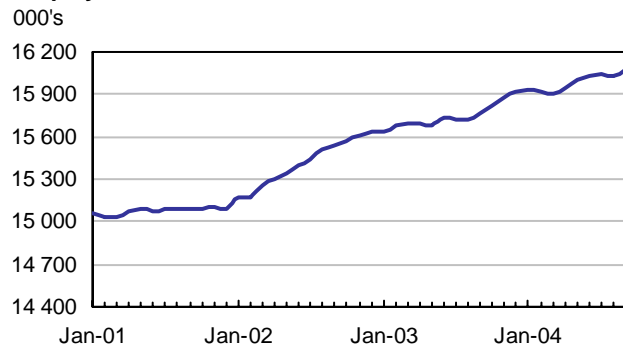
Employment among adult men was also little changed in September. So far this year, the number of employed adult men has increased by 1.4% (+99,000), twice the pace of job growth for adult women. The gains over this period have been in full-time employment. The unemployment rate for adult men was unchanged in September at 5.8%.

More people working in educational services in September

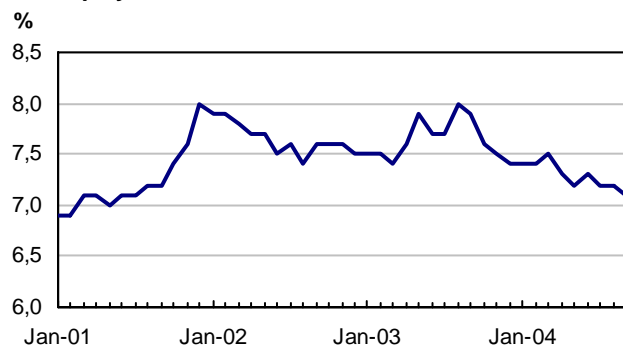
Employment increased by 34,000 in educational services in September, offsetting declines in July and August. This leaves employment in the sector down 1.4 % since the start of the year with the decline concentrated in Quebec.

In September, there were 16,000 more people working in public administration. This month's gain was mainly at the

Employment



Unemployment rate



provincial level in Ontario and Quebec. Despite the increase in September, employment in public administration has shown little change over the first nine months of 2004 (+0.4%).

In September, employment in professional, scientific and technical services fell by 14,000. Despite this decline, employment has trended up since the start of the year with gains of 37,000 (+3.7%) over the period.

Employment also fell in information, culture and recreation (-13,000). Losses earlier in the year along with the decline in September offset gains over the summer, leaving employment in the sector at about the same level as at the start of the year.

Despite little change in construction and in finance, insurance, real estate and leasing in September, employment in both sectors has been robust with respective gains of 42,000 (+4.3%) and 51,000 (+5.3%) over the first nine months of 2004.

Employment in manufacturing was little changed in September as a gain of 22,000 in Quebec was offset by declines of 21,000 in Ontario and 5,000 in Alberta. Employment in manufacturing at the national level has changed little since the fall of 2003.

More public sector employment

In September, employment rose by 36,000 in the public sector, with gains in education services, health care and social assistance and in public administration. Public sector employment has shown an upward trend since mid-2003 and this month's increase brings total gains since the start of 2004 to 60,000 (+1.9%). Over this period, transportation and warehousing as well as health care and social assistance have accounted for much of the growth.

Private sector employment was little changed in September, leaving the number of employees up only 0.6% (+61,000) since the start of the year and the number of self-employed up by 1.4% (+35,000) over the same period.

Provincial focus

In British Columbia, employment increased by 13,000 in September, all in full-time (+25,000). Gains were concentrated in educational services, construction, and in health care and social assistance. This leaves employment in the province slightly above the level of December 2003. The unemployment rate fell 0.6 percentage points in September to 7.1%.

In September, employment increased by 4,000 in Manitoba, the result of gains in part-time jobs. The increase occurred in accommodation and food services, retail and wholesale trade as well as construction. So far this year, employment in the province is up 1.3% (+7,000), mainly the result of growth over the past two months. The unemployment rate was little changed in September at 5.6% as more people entered the labour force.

Employment in Quebec edged up 16,000, bringing gains over the first nine months of 2004 to 51,000 (+1.4%). In September, full-time employment rose by 27,000 while part-time employment declined slightly. Sectors where employment increased include manufacturing and public administration, while job losses occurred in construction. Despite the slight gain in employment in September, there were more people participating in the labour force and this pushed the unemployment rate up 0.3 percentage points to 8.3%.

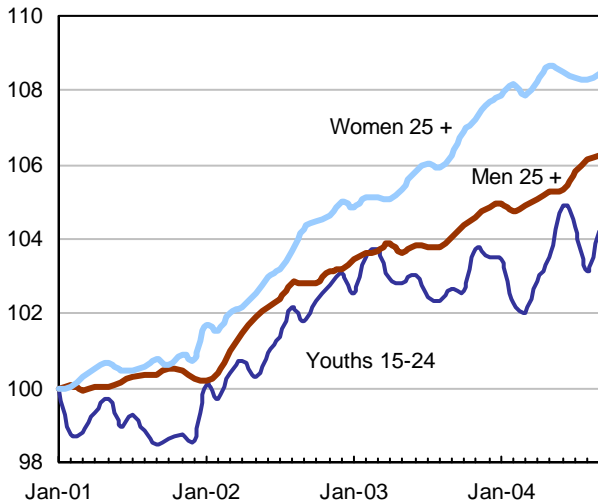
In September, employment in Ontario was little changed, leaving gains so far this year at only 0.9% (+55,000). Employment rose in September in educational services, mostly at the primary and secondary level, offsetting a loss the month before. Employment also increased in public administration, mainly at the provincial level. However, there were losses in manufacturing with the largest decline in food, beverage and tobacco products. Employment also declined in transportation and warehousing. The unemployment rate fell 0.3 percentage points to 6.5% as fewer people were in the labour force in September in search of work.

Despite little change in employment in New Brunswick in September, the unemployment rate fell by an estimated 0.9 percentage points to 9.6% as fewer people were in the labour force looking for work. So far this year, employment is up 3.1%, the highest rate of growth among the provinces.

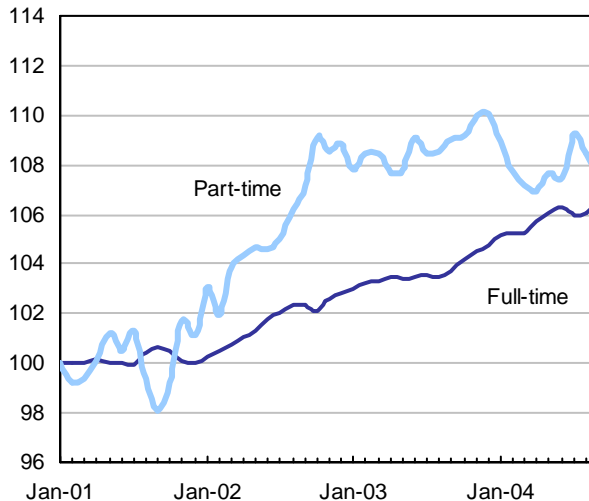
There was little change in employment in the other provinces.

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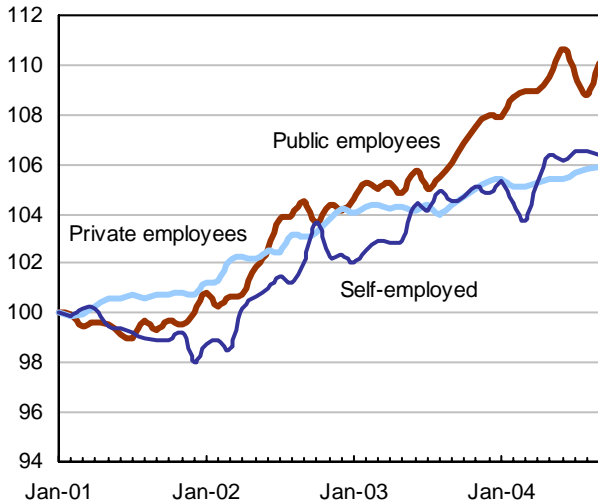
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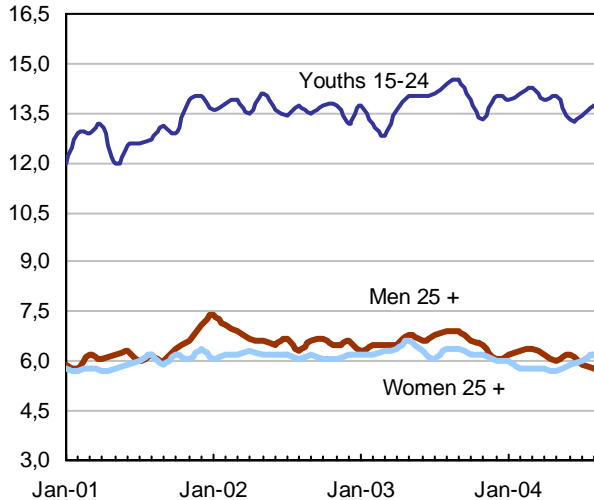
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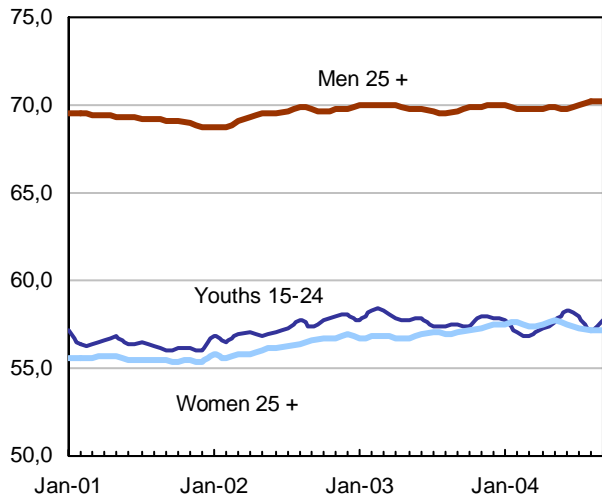
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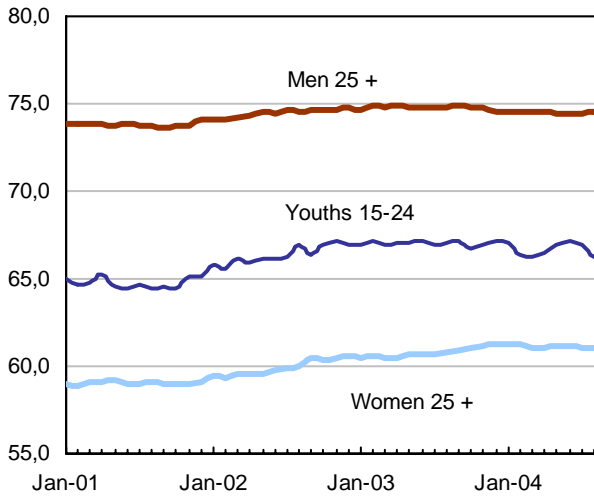
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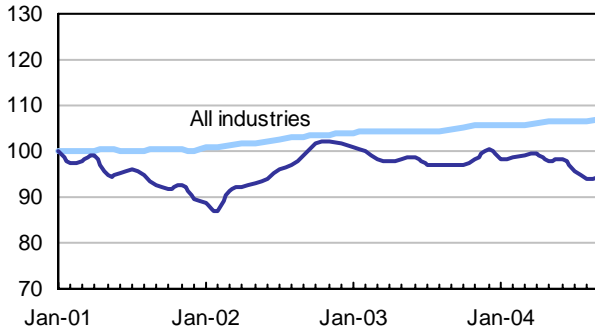


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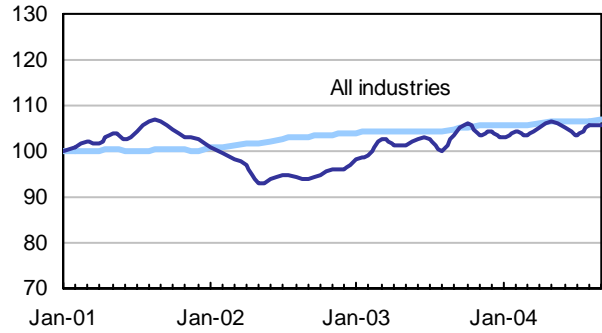


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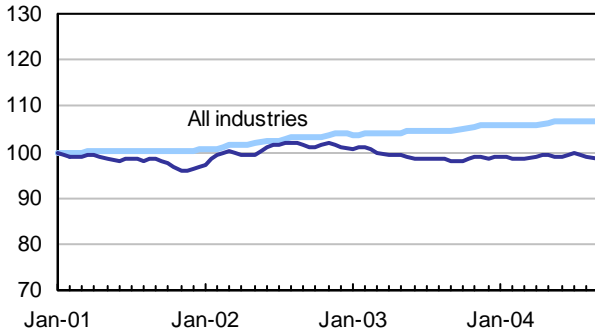
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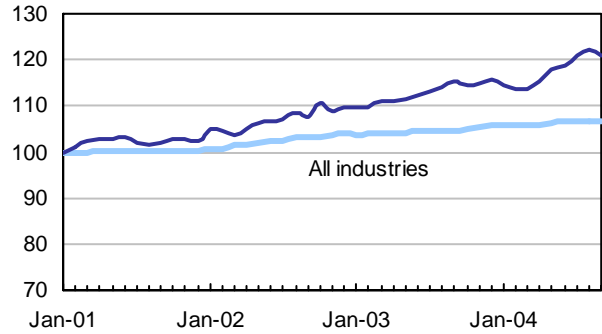
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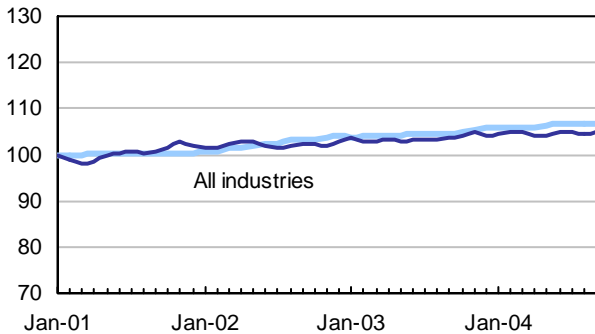
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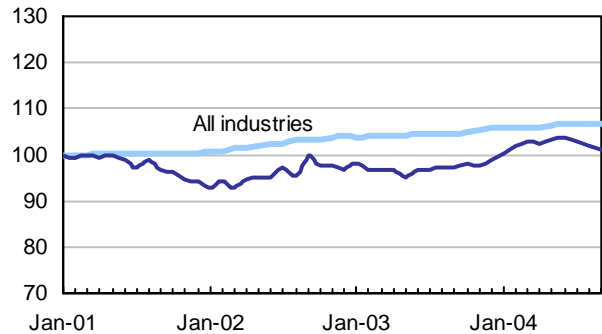
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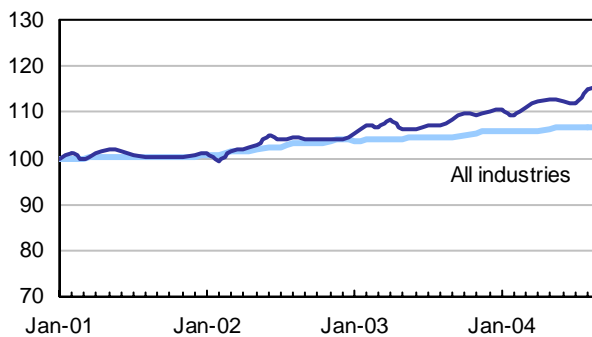
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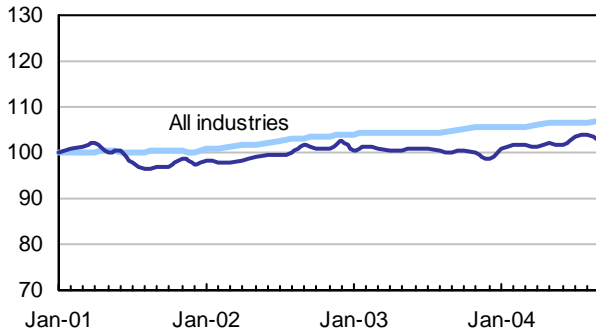


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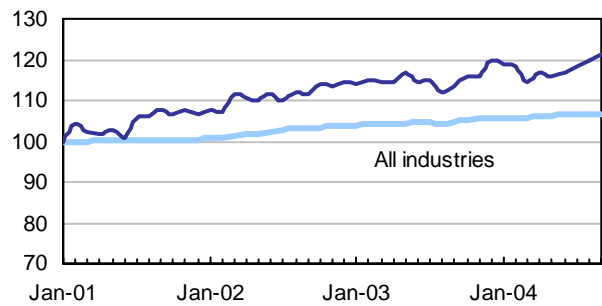


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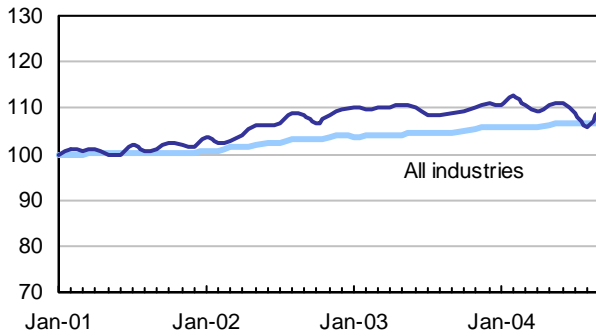
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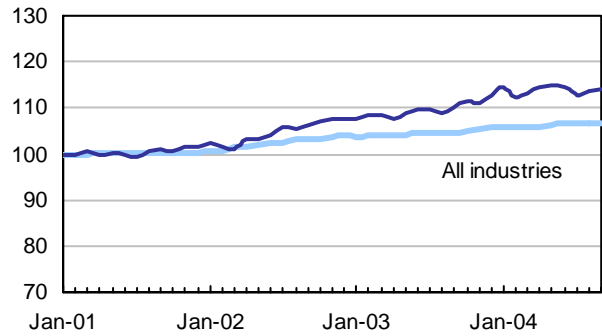
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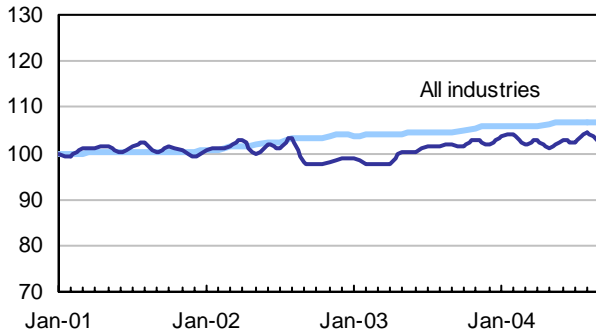
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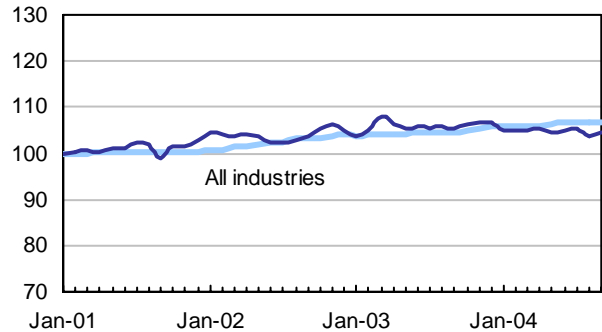
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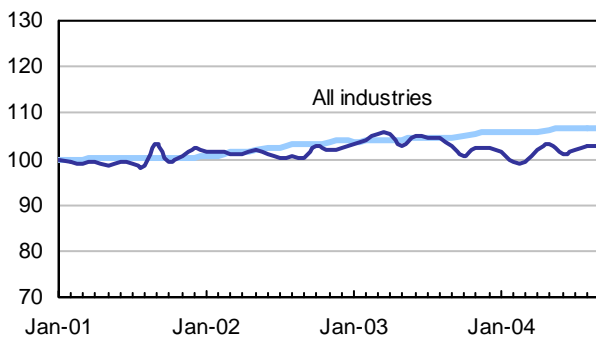
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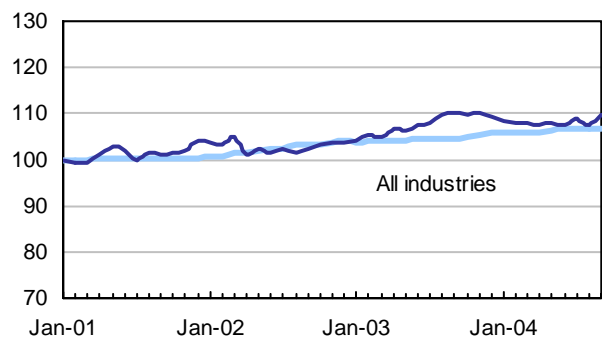
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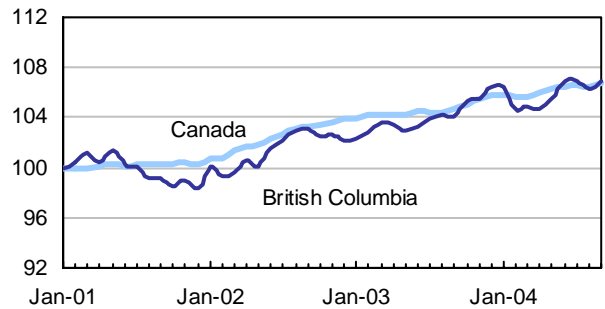
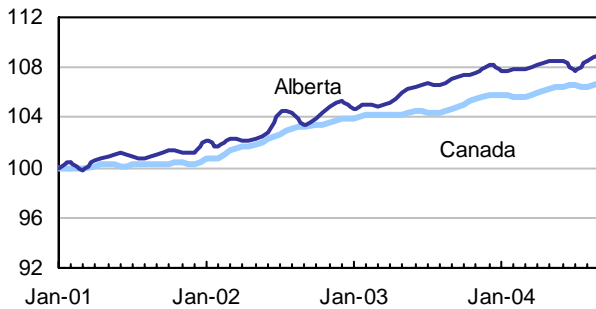
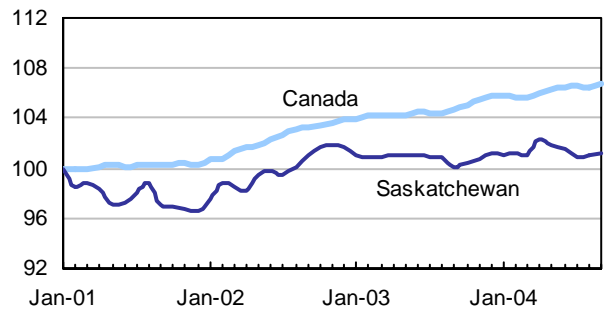
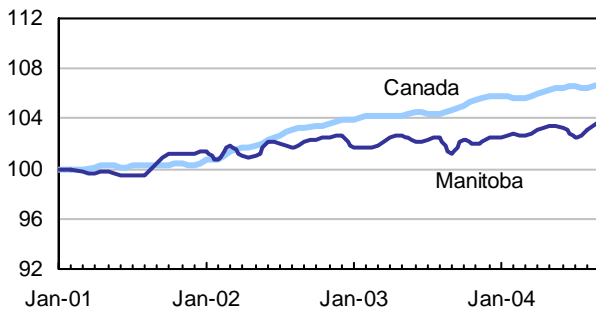
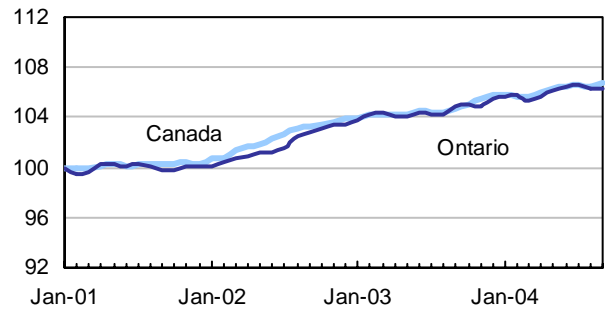
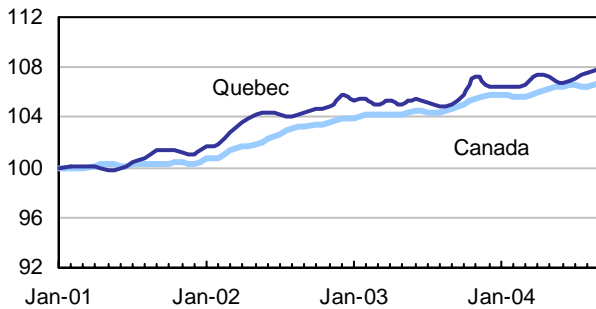
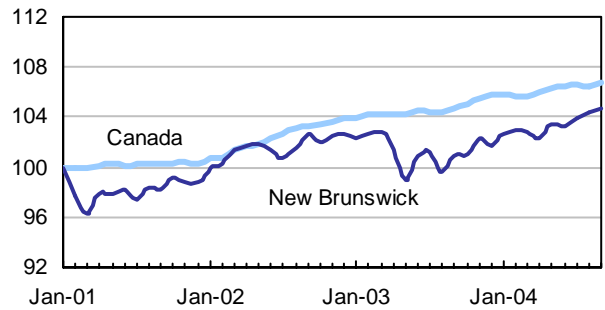
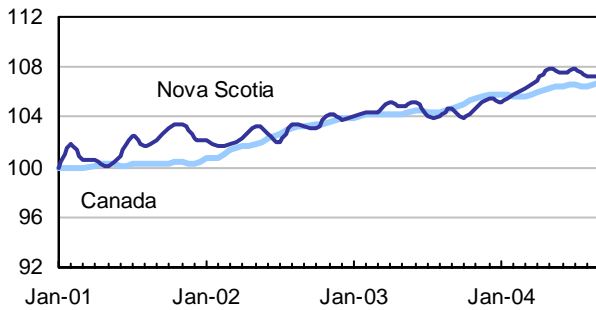
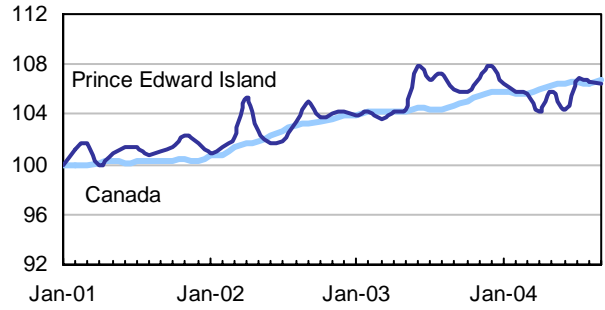
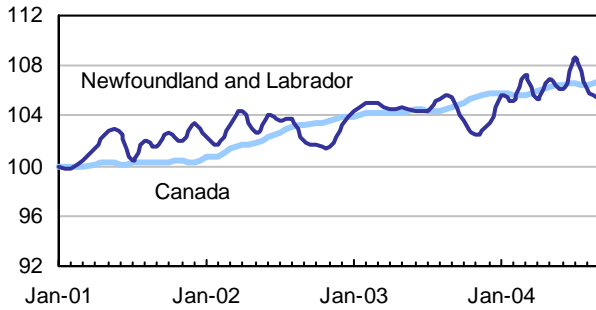
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Public administration



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Table 1

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	25,653.4	25,681.3	...	27.9	277.4	360.1	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	17,279.2	17,297.8	28.6	18.6	110.4	177.3	0.1	0.6	1.0
Employment	16,033.2	16,076.4	29.5	43.2	155.7	315.8	0.3	1.0	2.0
Employment full-time	13,074.7	13,146.5	34.8	71.8	229.3	359.3	0.5	1.8	2.8
Employment part-time	2,958.5	2,929.9	30.6	-28.6	-73.5	-43.5	-1.0	-2.4	-1.5
Unemployment	1,246.0	1,221.4	23.9	-24.6	-45.4	-138.5	-2.0	-3.6	-10.2
Participation rate	67.4	67.4	0.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	62.6	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.5	18.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.6	-0.6	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	4,212.6	4,216.4	...	3.8	33.3	43.1	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	2,790.1	2,816.0	16.6	25.9	3.8	12.4	0.9	0.1	0.4
Employment	2,409.0	2,434.8	16.0	25.8	16.0	36.8	1.1	0.7	1.5
Employment full-time	1,303.2	1,343.2	17.1	40.0	34.3	47.5	3.1	2.6	3.7
Employment part-time	1,105.9	1,091.6	17.7	-14.3	-18.4	-10.7	-1.3	-1.7	-1.0
Unemployment	381.0	381.1	13.8	0.1	-12.3	-24.4	0.0	-3.1	-6.0
Participation rate	66.2	66.8	0.4	0.6	-0.4	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.7	13.5	0.5	-0.2	-0.5	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.2	57.7	0.4	0.5	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.9	44.8	0.6	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	10,455.7	10,467.0	...	11.3	117.8	152.9	0.1	1.1	1.5
Labour force	7,788.5	7,801.0	14.9	12.5	82.1	79.6	0.2	1.1	1.0
Employment	7,337.9	7,345.6	16.6	7.7	98.6	153.9	0.1	1.4	2.1
Employment full-time	6,892.6	6,898.8	19.7	6.2	126.5	165.3	0.1	1.9	2.5
Employment part-time	445.2	446.8	13.9	1.6	-27.9	-11.4	0.4	-5.9	-2.5
Unemployment	450.6	455.4	13.6	4.8	-16.5	-74.3	1.1	-3.5	-14.0
Participation rate	74.5	74.5	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.8	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.2	70.2	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	6.1	0.2	0.0	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	10,985.1	10,997.9	...	12.8	126.4	164.1	0.1	1.2	1.5
Labour force	6,700.6	6,680.8	16.5	-19.8	24.5	85.3	-0.3	0.4	1.3
Employment	6,286.3	6,295.9	16.9	9.6	41.1	125.0	0.2	0.7	2.0
Employment full-time	4,878.9	4,904.4	22.3	25.5	68.4	146.4	0.5	1.4	3.1
Employment part-time	1,407.4	1,391.5	20.2	-15.9	-27.2	-21.4	-1.1	-1.9	-1.5
Unemployment	414.3	384.8	12.6	-29.5	-16.7	-39.8	-7.1	-4.2	-9.4
Participation rate	61.0	60.7	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	5.8	0.2	-0.4	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.2	57.2	0.2	0.0	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.4	22.1	0.3	-0.3	-0.6	-0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,208.0	14,214.2	...	6.2	75.1	96.0	0.0	0.5	0.7
Labour force	12,279.2	12,256.7	21.0	-22.5	28.8	54.4	-0.2	0.2	0.4
Employment	11,548.7	11,533.1	23.0	-15.6	58.9	160.3	-0.1	0.5	1.4
Unemployment	730.4	723.6	17.8	-6.8	-30.0	-105.8	-0.9	-4.0	-12.8
Participation rate	86.4	86.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.9	0.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.3	81.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	0.5	...	...	...

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**

	August 2004	September 2004	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	13,556.4	13,604.0	30.7	47.6	120.7	272.1	0.4	0.9	2.0
Self-employed ²	2,476.8	2,472.4	17.8	-4.4	35.0	43.7	-0.2	1.4	1.8
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,083.1	3,119.4	17.6	36.3	59.6	115.0	1.2	1.9	3.8
Private sector employees	10,473.3	10,484.6	30.5	11.3	61.1	157.1	0.1	0.6	1.5
Industry	16,033.2	16,076.4	29.5	43.2	155.7	315.8	0.3	1.0	2.0
Goods-producing sector	4,060.4	4,039.2	21.5	-21.2	23.9	61.1	-0.5	0.6	1.5
Agriculture	325.0	325.7	6.0	0.7	-20.8	-8.7	0.2	-6.0	-2.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	299.5	299.9	5.5	0.4	3.9	7.0	0.1	1.3	2.4
Utilities	138.8	134.3	3.7	-4.5	3.6	2.5	-3.2	2.8	1.9
Construction	1,008.8	998.7	12.5	-10.1	41.6	46.3	-1.0	4.3	4.9
Manufacturing	2,288.4	2,280.5	17.0	-7.9	-4.5	13.8	-0.3	-0.2	0.6
Services-producing sector	11,972.8	12,037.2	30.3	64.4	131.8	254.7	0.5	1.1	2.2
Trade	2,485.8	2,499.9	18.4	14.1	22.5	34.8	0.6	0.9	1.4
Transportation and warehousing	806.2	798.0	10.8	-8.2	15.8	31.9	-1.0	2.0	4.2
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	999.2	1,007.2	11.7	8.0	50.5	65.1	0.8	5.3	6.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,034.9	1,021.2	12.3	-13.7	36.7	25.6	-1.3	3.7	2.6
Business, building and other support services	637.3	644.5	11.0	7.2	6.9	40.0	1.1	1.1	6.6
Educational services	1,012.2	1,046.3	11.7	34.1	-14.8	4.8	3.4	-1.4	0.5
Health care and social assistance	1,746.5	1,754.7	13.3	8.2	22.5	60.6	0.5	1.3	3.6
Information, culture and recreation	733.4	720.4	11.2	-13.0	3.4	3.1	-1.8	0.5	0.4
Accommodation and food services	1,001.0	1,011.0	12.8	10.0	-18.5	-9.0	1.0	-1.8	-0.9
Other services	701.5	703.0	10.5	1.5	3.4	0.7	0.2	0.5	0.1
Public administration	815.0	831.1	9.3	16.1	3.5	-2.9	2.0	0.4	-0.3

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	439.4	439.8	...	0.4	0.4	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Labour force	264.0	261.0	2.5	-3.0	-1.8	-2.5	-1.1	-0.7	-0.9
Employment	221.2	219.5	2.7	-1.7	3.9	-0.2	-0.8	1.8	-0.1
Employment full-time	190.2	187.6	2.8	-2.6	2.4	-0.9	-1.4	1.3	-0.5
Employment part-time	31.0	31.9	2.0	0.9	1.5	0.7	2.9	4.9	2.2
Unemployment	42.8	41.5	2.5	-1.3	-5.7	-2.3	-3.0	-12.1	-5.3
Participation rate	60.1	59.3	0.6	-0.8	-0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.2	15.9	0.9	-0.3	-2.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.3	49.9	0.6	-0.4	0.8	-0.2	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	114.7	114.8	...	0.1	1.1	1.3	0.1	1.0	1.1
Labour force	78.2	78.1	0.7	-0.1	0.0	1.1	-0.1	0.0	1.4
Employment	69.4	69.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.9	0.3	-0.1	-1.3	0.4
Employment full-time	57.7	57.1	0.8	-0.6	-1.0	-0.1	-1.0	-1.7	-0.2
Employment part-time	11.6	12.2	0.7	0.6	0.1	0.4	5.2	0.8	3.4
Unemployment	8.8	8.8	0.7	0.0	0.9	0.8	0.0	11.4	10.0
Participation rate	68.2	68.0	0.6	-0.2	-0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.3	11.3	0.8	0.0	1.2	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.4	0.6	-0.1	-1.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	765.1	765.4	...	0.3	3.4	4.4	0.0	0.4	0.6
Labour force	489.6	490.0	3.1	0.4	7.5	7.2	0.1	1.6	1.5
Employment	446.7	446.9	3.4	0.2	7.7	10.8	0.0	1.8	2.5
Employment full-time	366.5	365.3	3.7	-1.2	13.8	13.5	-0.3	3.9	3.8
Employment part-time	80.2	81.6	3.3	1.4	-6.1	-2.7	1.7	-7.0	-3.2
Unemployment	42.9	43.1	2.8	0.2	-0.2	-3.6	0.5	-0.5	-7.7
Participation rate	64.0	64.0	0.4	0.0	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.8	0.5	0.0	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.4	0.4	0.0	0.8	1.1	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	613.2	613.6	...	0.4	3.0	3.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	397.4	394.5	2.6	-2.9	10.3	10.4	-0.7	2.7	2.7
Employment	355.7	356.7	2.6	1.0	10.6	13.2	0.3	3.1	3.8
Employment full-time	296.9	300.1	2.8	3.2	6.8	8.6	1.1	2.3	3.0
Employment part-time	58.9	56.6	2.2	-2.3	3.9	4.6	-3.9	7.4	8.8
Unemployment	41.7	37.9	2.3	-3.8	-0.2	-2.7	-9.1	-0.5	-6.7
Participation rate	64.8	64.3	0.4	-0.5	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	9.6	0.6	-0.9	-0.3	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	58.1	0.4	0.1	1.4	1.8	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,157.6	6,163.1	...	5.5	51.0	67.9	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	4,041.1	4,071.7	15.5	30.6	9.9	54.4	0.8	0.2	1.4
Employment	3,717.0	3,732.5	16.1	15.5	50.6	98.9	0.4	1.4	2.7
Employment full-time	3,044.3	3,071.3	19.1	27.0	97.4	111.8	0.9	3.3	3.8
Employment part-time	672.6	661.2	16.3	-11.4	-46.8	-12.9	-1.7	-6.6	-1.9
Unemployment	324.1	339.2	13.6	15.1	-40.7	-44.4	4.7	-10.7	-11.6
Participation rate	65.6	66.1	0.3	0.5	-0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.3	0.3	0.3	-1.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.6	0.3	0.2	0.4	1.0	...	...	...

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

	August 2004	September 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Ontario									
Population	9,977.2	9,991.2	...	14.0	133.9	172.0	0.1	1.4	1.8
Labour force	6,801.7	6,780.5	18.9	-21.2	44.3	44.9	-0.3	0.7	0.7
Employment	6,336.4	6,341.1	19.0	4.7	55.3	89.3	0.1	0.9	1.4
Employment full-time	5,205.6	5,222.9	22.4	17.3	76.7	103.3	0.3	1.5	2.0
Employment part-time	1,130.9	1,118.1	19.9	-12.8	-21.6	-14.0	-1.1	-1.9	-1.2
Unemployment	465.3	439.4	15.4	-25.9	-11.0	-44.4	-5.6	-2.4	-9.2
Participation rate	68.2	67.9	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.5	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	63.5	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Manitoba									
Population	878.6	879.0	...	0.4	7.1	9.4	0.0	0.8	1.1
Labour force	609.2	612.0	2.7	2.8	11.2	13.7	0.5	1.9	2.3
Employment	574.3	577.8	2.9	3.5	7.2	14.1	0.6	1.3	2.5
Employment full-time	465.8	462.6	3.7	-3.2	1.3	10.6	-0.7	0.3	2.3
Employment part-time	108.5	115.1	3.2	6.6	5.8	3.4	6.1	5.3	3.0
Unemployment	34.9	34.2	2.1	-0.7	3.9	-0.4	-2.0	12.9	-1.2
Participation rate	69.3	69.6	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.6	0.3	-0.1	0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.7	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	758.2	758.3	...	0.1	2.1	2.3	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	515.2	518.2	2.5	3.0	0.4	6.2	0.6	0.1	1.2
Employment	487.6	488.3	2.6	0.7	-0.1	5.5	0.1	0.0	1.1
Employment full-time	389.5	391.0	3.1	1.5	-1.4	10.5	0.4	-0.4	2.8
Employment part-time	98.0	97.3	2.9	-0.7	1.2	-5.0	-0.7	1.2	-4.9
Unemployment	27.6	29.9	1.8	2.3	0.6	0.7	8.3	2.0	2.4
Participation rate	68.0	68.3	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.8	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.3	64.4	0.3	0.1	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	2,524.3	2,528.1	...	3.8	34.4	44.5	0.2	1.4	1.8
Labour force	1,843.7	1,853.9	7.5	10.2	13.2	27.5	0.6	0.7	1.5
Employment	1,757.9	1,764.4	8.4	6.5	12.9	29.2	0.4	0.7	1.7
Employment full-time	1,434.9	1,439.9	10.2	5.0	6.2	19.1	0.3	0.4	1.3
Employment part-time	323.0	324.5	9.3	1.5	6.7	10.2	0.5	2.1	3.2
Unemployment	85.8	89.5	5.9	3.7	0.3	-1.7	4.3	0.3	-1.9
Participation rate	73.0	73.3	0.3	0.3	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.8	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.6	69.8	0.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,425.3	3,428.0	...	2.7	41.1	53.8	0.1	1.2	1.6
Labour force	2,239.1	2,237.9	11.3	-1.2	15.3	14.3	-0.1	0.7	0.6
Employment	2,067.0	2,079.9	11.7	12.9	8.5	54.7	0.6	0.4	2.7
Employment full-time	1,623.3	1,648.6	13.6	25.3	27.1	82.7	1.6	1.7	5.3
Employment part-time	443.7	431.3	12.2	-12.4	-18.6	-28.1	-2.8	-4.1	-6.1
Unemployment	172.1	157.9	9.0	-14.2	6.8	-40.4	-8.3	4.5	-20.4
Participation rate	65.4	65.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.1	0.4	-0.6	0.3	-1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	60.7	0.3	0.4	-0.5	0.7	...	...	...

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	439.4	439.8	...	0.4	0.4	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.3
Labour force	264.0	261.0	2.5	-3.0	-1.8	-2.5	-1.1	-0.7	-0.9
Employment	221.2	219.5	2.7	-1.7	3.9	-0.2	-0.8	1.8	-0.1
Employment full-time	190.2	187.6	2.8	-2.6	2.4	-0.9	-1.4	1.3	-0.5
Unemployment	42.8	41.5	2.5	-1.3	-5.7	-2.3	-3.0	-12.1	-5.3
Participation rate	60.1	59.3	0.6	-0.8	-0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.2	15.9	0.9	-0.3	-2.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	50.3	49.9	0.6	-0.4	0.8	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	14.0	14.5	0.9	0.5	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	71.1	71.2	...	0.1	-1.3	-1.6	0.1	-1.8	-2.2
Labour force	39.2	38.6	1.3	-0.6	-1.1	-2.2	-1.5	-2.8	-5.4
Employment	29.9	29.6	1.3	-0.3	1.4	-2.2	-1.0	5.0	-6.9
Unemployment	9.3	9.0	1.1	-0.3	-2.5	0.0	-3.2	-21.7	0.0
Participation rate	55.1	54.2	1.8	-0.9	-0.6	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	23.7	23.3	2.6	-0.4	-5.7	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	42.1	41.6	1.7	-0.5	2.7	-2.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	32.1	39.2	3.7	7.1	1.2	4.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	179.5	179.7	...	0.2	0.7	1.2	0.1	0.4	0.7
Labour force	120.7	120.0	1.5	-0.7	1.9	2.9	-0.6	1.6	2.5
Employment	101.6	101.4	1.6	-0.2	3.6	2.9	-0.2	3.7	2.9
Unemployment	19.1	18.6	1.6	-0.5	-1.7	0.0	-2.6	-8.4	0.0
Participation rate	67.2	66.8	0.8	-0.4	0.8	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.8	15.5	1.2	-0.3	-1.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.6	56.4	0.9	-0.2	1.8	1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.1	4.2	0.8	-0.9	-1.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	188.7	188.9	...	0.2	1.0	1.4	0.1	0.5	0.7
Labour force	104.1	102.4	1.3	-1.7	-2.7	-3.2	-1.6	-2.6	-3.0
Employment	89.8	88.4	1.4	-1.4	-1.2	-1.0	-1.6	-1.3	-1.1
Unemployment	14.4	14.0	1.2	-0.4	-1.5	-2.2	-2.8	-9.7	-13.6
Participation rate	55.2	54.2	0.7	-1.0	-1.7	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.8	13.7	1.1	-0.1	-1.0	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	47.6	46.8	0.8	-0.8	-0.9	-0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.9	18.1	1.3	0.2	2.1	1.1	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	221.2	219.5	2.7	-1.7	3.9	-0.2	-0.8	1.8	-0.1
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	51.2	51.6	1.8	0.4	3.2	5.3	0.8	6.6	11.4
Agriculture	1.4	1.6	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.6	14.3	45.5	60.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	16.2	15.9	1.0	-0.3	-2.1	-1.3	-1.9	-11.7	-7.6
Utilities	2.3	2.5	0.3	0.2	0.3	-0.1	8.7	13.6	-3.8
Construction	13.4	13.4	0.8	0.0	3.2	3.6	0.0	31.4	36.7
Manufacturing	17.8	18.2	1.1	0.4	1.4	2.5	2.2	8.3	15.9
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	169.9	167.8	2.3	-2.1	0.6	-5.6	-1.2	0.4	-3.2
Trade	40.4	40.8	1.2	0.4	5.8	3.5	1.0	16.6	9.4
Transportation and warehousing	11.5	12.5	0.7	1.0	0.0	-0.2	8.7	0.0	-1.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	8.1	8.9	0.6	0.8	1.2	1.2	9.9	15.6	15.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	7.5	6.1	0.6	-1.4	-1.3	-1.2	-18.7	-17.6	-16.4
Business, building and other support services	8.1	7.6	0.8	-0.5	-0.3	-0.6	-6.2	-3.8	-7.3
Educational services	16.4	16.5	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.6	0.6	5.1
Health care and social assistance	31.5	31.0	1.0	-0.5	-0.3	-2.1	-1.6	-1.0	-6.3
Information, culture and recreation	7.9	7.9	0.6	0.0	0.7	-0.1	0.0	9.7	-1.2
Accommodation and food services	11.7	13.2	0.9	1.5	0.5	-0.4	12.8	3.9	-2.9
Other services	11.7	10.3	0.8	-1.4	-2.8	-3.0	-12.0	-21.4	-22.6
Public administration	15.1	13.0	0.8	-2.1	-3.0	-3.6	-13.9	-18.8	-21.7

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 5

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	114.7	114.8	...	0.1	1.1	1.3	0.1	1.0	1.1
Labour force	78.2	78.1	0.7	-0.1	0.0	1.1	-0.1	0.0	1.4
Employment	69.4	69.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.9	0.3	-0.1	-1.3	0.4
Employment full-time	57.7	57.1	0.8	-0.6	-1.0	-0.1	-1.0	-1.7	-0.2
Unemployment	8.8	8.8	0.7	0.0	0.9	0.8	0.0	11.4	10.0
Participation rate	68.2	68.0	0.6	-0.2	-0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.3	11.3	0.8	0.0	1.2	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.4	0.6	-0.1	-1.3	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.7	17.6	0.9	0.9	0.4	0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	20.1	20.1	...	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.5
Labour force	13.5	13.2	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-2.2	-2.2	-3.6
Employment	11.0	11.0	0.4	0.0	-0.7	-1.0	0.0	-6.0	-8.3
Unemployment	2.5	2.2	0.3	-0.3	0.4	0.5	-12.0	22.2	29.4
Participation rate	67.2	65.7	1.9	-1.5	-1.5	-2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	18.5	16.7	2.4	-1.8	3.4	4.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.7	54.7	2.0	0.0	-3.5	-4.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	40.9	45.5	3.2	4.5	4.4	0.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	45.6	45.7	...	0.1	0.5	0.7	0.2	1.1	1.6
Labour force	33.3	33.4	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.9	2.5
Employment	30.0	29.9	0.4	-0.1	0.0	0.7	-0.3	0.0	2.4
Unemployment	3.3	3.6	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	9.1	12.5	5.9
Participation rate	73.0	73.1	0.8	0.1	-0.1	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.9	10.8	1.2	0.9	1.1	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	65.4	1.0	-0.4	-0.8	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.7	6.4	0.9	0.7	2.3	2.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	49.0	49.0	...	0.0	0.6	0.7	0.0	1.2	1.4
Labour force	31.4	31.5	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.9	0.3	-0.3	2.9
Employment	28.4	28.5	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.7	0.4	-0.3	2.5
Unemployment	3.0	3.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	3.4
Participation rate	64.1	64.3	0.7	0.2	-1.0	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	9.5	1.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	58.2	0.8	0.2	-0.9	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.4	18.9	1.5	-0.4	-2.7	0.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	69.4	69.4	0.7	0.0	-0.8	0.4	0.0	-1.1	0.6
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	17.8	17.4	0.6	-0.4	-1.4	-0.4	-2.2	-7.4	-2.2
Agriculture	4.0	3.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	0.2	-2.5	-7.1	5.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	2.8	3.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	7.1	7.1	11.1
Utilities	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Construction	4.4	4.3	0.3	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	-2.3	2.4	-4.4
Manufacturing	6.1	5.9	0.3	-0.2	-1.2	-0.6	-3.3	-16.9	-9.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	51.6	51.9	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.6	1.0	1.4
Trade	10.1	10.1	0.4	0.0	-0.7	-0.7	0.0	-6.5	-6.5
Transportation and warehousing	2.8	2.5	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-10.7	-10.7	-7.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.9	2.6	0.2	-0.3	0.0	0.2	-10.3	0.0	8.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.8	2.9	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.6	3.6	7.4	26.1
Business, building and other support services	1.8	2.3	0.2	0.5	0.0	-0.1	27.8	0.0	-4.2
Educational services	4.9	4.9	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	2.1
Health care and social assistance	8.0	8.2	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.6	2.5	5.1	7.9
Information, culture and recreation	2.5	2.5	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.6	0.0	-3.8	-19.4
Accommodation and food services	4.9	4.7	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.1	-4.1	-4.1	2.2
Other services	3.1	3.2	0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.3	3.2	-11.1	-8.6
Public administration	7.9	7.9	0.3	0.0	1.4	0.9	0.0	21.5	12.9

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 6

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	765.1	765.4	...	0.3	3.4	4.4	0.0	0.4	0.6
Labour force	489.6	490.0	3.1	0.4	7.5	7.2	0.1	1.6	1.5
Employment	446.7	446.9	3.4	0.2	7.7	10.8	0.0	1.8	2.5
Employment full-time	366.5	365.3	3.7	-1.2	13.8	13.5	-0.3	3.9	3.8
Unemployment	42.9	43.1	2.8	0.2	-0.2	-3.6	0.5	-0.5	-7.7
Participation rate	64.0	64.0	0.4	0.0	0.7	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.8	0.5	0.0	-0.2	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.4	0.4	0.0	0.8	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.0	18.3	0.7	0.3	-1.7	-1.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	124.5	124.5	...	0.0	0.6	0.8	0.0	0.5	0.6
Labour force	83.3	84.2	1.8	0.9	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.6
Employment	70.9	71.5	1.9	0.6	0.8	1.9	0.8	1.1	2.7
Unemployment	12.4	12.7	1.6	0.3	0.4	-0.7	2.4	3.3	-5.2
Participation rate	66.9	67.6	1.5	0.7	0.6	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.9	15.1	1.8	0.2	0.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.9	57.4	1.5	0.5	0.3	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.7	41.4	2.4	-3.3	-5.6	-5.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	305.7	305.8	...	0.1	1.1	1.5	0.0	0.4	0.5
Labour force	213.8	214.7	1.6	0.9	4.1	4.1	0.4	1.9	1.9
Employment	197.1	198.2	1.9	1.1	5.2	6.8	0.6	2.7	3.6
Unemployment	16.8	16.5	1.7	-0.3	-1.1	-2.6	-1.8	-6.2	-13.6
Participation rate	69.9	70.2	0.5	0.3	1.1	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	7.7	0.8	-0.2	-0.7	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	64.8	0.6	0.3	1.5	1.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.8	6.9	0.7	1.0	0.2	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	334.9	335.1	...	0.2	1.6	2.1	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	192.5	191.1	1.7	-1.4	2.2	1.8	-0.7	1.2	1.0
Employment	178.7	177.3	1.7	-1.4	1.8	2.2	-0.8	1.0	1.3
Unemployment	13.8	13.8	1.4	0.0	0.4	-0.4	0.0	3.0	-2.8
Participation rate	57.5	57.0	0.5	-0.5	0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.2	0.7	0.0	0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.4	52.9	0.5	-0.5	0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.7	21.7	1.1	1.0	-2.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	446.7	446.9	3.4	0.2	7.7	10.8	0.0	1.8	2.5
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	97.8	98.9	2.2	1.1	-0.8	4.6	1.1	-0.8	4.9
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	5.5	6.0	0.6	0.5	-0.6	-1.0	9.1	-9.1	-14.3
Utilities	14.4	15.7	1.0	1.3	1.3	2.2	9.0	9.0	16.3
Construction	3.1	3.6	0.3	0.5	0.9	1.3	16.1	33.3	56.5
Manufacturing	28.3	28.1	1.3	-0.2	-0.2	4.4	-0.7	-0.7	18.6
Services-producing sector	46.5	45.5	1.4	-1.0	-2.2	-2.3	-2.2	-4.6	-4.8
Services-producing sector									
Trade	348.9	348.0	2.9	-0.9	8.6	6.2	-0.3	2.5	1.8
Transportation and warehousing	81.7	76.6	1.8	-5.1	1.9	3.3	-6.2	2.5	4.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	20.7	19.9	1.0	-0.8	-0.2	-0.8	-3.9	-1.0	-3.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	23.1	24.4	0.9	1.3	4.8	5.0	5.6	24.5	25.8
Business, building and other support services	19.9	20.8	0.9	0.9	2.2	1.2	4.5	11.8	6.1
Educational services	25.3	25.9	1.2	0.6	1.8	3.4	2.4	7.5	15.1
Health care and social assistance	35.2	34.8	1.3	-0.4	1.0	2.0	-1.1	3.0	6.1
Information, culture and recreation	49.1	51.0	1.3	1.9	-4.0	-5.2	3.9	-7.3	-9.3
Accommodation and food services	17.3	17.5	1.1	0.2	-1.3	-1.4	1.2	-6.9	-7.4
Other services	30.5	31.4	1.4	0.9	5.1	-0.2	3.0	19.4	-0.6
Public administration	20.5	20.6	1.1	0.1	1.5	2.9	0.5	7.9	16.4
Public administration	25.7	25.2	1.0	-0.5	-4.2	-3.9	-1.9	-14.3	-13.4

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 7

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	613.2	613.6	...	0.4	3.0	3.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	397.4	394.5	2.6	-2.9	10.3	10.4	-0.7	2.7	2.7
Employment	355.7	356.7	2.6	1.0	10.6	13.2	0.3	3.1	3.8
Employment full-time	296.9	300.1	2.8	3.2	6.8	8.6	1.1	2.3	3.0
Unemployment	41.7	37.9	2.3	-3.8	-0.2	-2.7	-9.1	-0.5	-6.7
Participation rate	64.8	64.3	0.4	-0.5	1.4	1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.5	9.6	0.6	-0.9	-0.3	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	58.1	0.4	0.1	1.4	1.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	16.6	15.9	0.6	-0.7	0.6	0.7	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	97.2	97.2	...	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Labour force	62.3	62.7	1.4	0.4	-1.5	-1.3	0.6	-2.3	-2.0
Employment	53.2	54.3	1.4	1.1	0.6	2.8	2.1	1.1	5.4
Unemployment	9.1	8.5	1.3	-0.6	-2.0	-4.0	-6.6	-19.0	-32.0
Participation rate	64.1	64.5	1.4	0.4	-1.5	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.6	13.6	1.9	-1.0	-2.8	-5.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.7	55.9	1.4	1.2	0.7	3.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	37.8	38.5	2.2	0.7	-1.4	0.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	249.4	249.6	...	0.2	1.5	1.7	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	175.8	173.3	1.5	-2.5	2.1	2.1	-1.4	1.2	1.2
Employment	155.3	155.8	1.6	0.5	1.9	2.8	0.3	1.2	1.8
Unemployment	20.5	17.5	1.5	-3.0	0.2	-0.7	-14.6	1.2	-3.8
Participation rate	70.5	69.4	0.6	-1.1	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.7	10.1	0.8	-1.6	0.0	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.3	62.4	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.9	5.0	0.6	0.1	0.9	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	266.6	266.8	...	0.2	1.6	1.8	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	159.3	158.5	1.4	-0.8	9.7	9.5	-0.5	6.5	6.4
Employment	147.2	146.6	1.4	-0.6	8.2	7.6	-0.4	5.9	5.5
Unemployment	12.0	11.9	1.2	-0.1	1.6	2.0	-0.8	15.5	20.2
Participation rate	59.8	59.4	0.5	-0.4	3.3	3.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.5	0.8	0.0	0.6	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.2	54.9	0.5	-0.3	2.7	2.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.2	19.0	1.0	-2.2	0.9	1.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	355.7	356.7	2.6	1.0	10.6	13.2	0.3	3.1	3.8
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	85.6	83.1	1.8	-2.5	-1.1	3.1	-2.9	-1.3	3.9
Agriculture	7.5	6.4	0.5	-1.1	1.8	1.4	-14.7	39.1	28.0
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	12.2	11.6	0.8	-0.6	-0.5	0.3	-4.9	-4.1	2.7
Utilities	3.8	3.6	0.3	-0.2	0.2	-0.4	-5.3	5.9	-10.0
Construction	20.4	20.0	1.0	-0.4	0.5	3.5	-2.0	2.6	21.2
Manufacturing	41.6	41.4	1.3	-0.2	-3.2	-1.8	-0.5	-7.2	-4.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	270.2	273.6	2.4	3.4	11.7	10.1	1.3	4.5	3.8
Trade	53.9	54.9	1.3	1.0	-0.9	-0.2	1.9	-1.6	-0.4
Transportation and warehousing	20.8	21.2	0.8	0.4	3.6	1.7	1.9	20.5	8.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	15.4	14.4	0.6	-1.0	-0.4	-0.3	-6.5	-2.7	-2.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	16.5	15.8	0.7	-0.7	1.4	1.2	-4.2	9.7	8.2
Business, building and other support services	20.8	20.2	1.0	-0.6	-1.4	-2.6	-2.9	-6.5	-11.4
Educational services	23.4	26.8	0.9	3.4	2.6	4.1	14.5	10.7	18.1
Health care and social assistance	48.8	48.9	1.1	0.1	2.1	2.1	0.2	4.5	4.5
Information, culture and recreation	10.6	11.6	0.7	1.0	1.8	0.9	9.4	18.4	8.4
Accommodation and food services	22.0	21.8	1.0	-0.2	0.0	0.5	-0.9	0.0	2.3
Other services	18.7	18.0	0.9	-0.7	1.0	1.7	-3.7	5.9	10.4
Public administration	19.3	20.1	0.7	0.8	2.1	0.9	4.1	11.7	4.7

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 8

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	6,157.6	6,163.1	...	5.5	51.0	67.9	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	4,041.1	4,071.7	15.5	30.6	9.9	54.4	0.8	0.2	1.4
Employment	3,717.0	3,732.5	16.1	15.5	50.6	98.9	0.4	1.4	2.7
Employment full-time	3,044.3	3,071.3	19.1	27.0	97.4	111.8	0.9	3.3	3.8
Unemployment	324.1	339.2	13.6	15.1	-40.7	-44.4	4.7	-10.7	-11.6
Participation rate	65.6	66.1	0.3	0.5	-0.4	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	8.3	0.3	0.3	-1.1	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.6	0.3	0.2	0.4	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.1	17.7	0.4	-0.4	-1.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	948.2	948.1	...	-0.1	-2.1	-2.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Labour force	643.2	655.1	8.8	11.9	4.0	13.2	1.9	0.6	2.1
Employment	550.7	554.8	8.6	4.1	9.1	7.8	0.7	1.7	1.4
Unemployment	92.5	100.3	7.4	7.8	-5.0	5.4	8.4	-4.7	5.7
Participation rate	67.8	69.1	0.9	1.3	0.6	1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.4	15.3	1.1	0.9	-0.9	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.1	58.5	0.9	0.4	1.1	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.6	46.7	1.5	0.1	0.9	1.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,541.3	2,544.1	...	2.8	26.9	35.5	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	1,841.8	1,856.9	8.3	15.1	11.2	21.7	0.8	0.6	1.2
Employment	1,712.6	1,716.4	9.4	3.8	22.2	47.7	0.2	1.3	2.9
Unemployment	129.2	140.4	8.0	11.2	-11.1	-26.2	8.7	-7.3	-15.7
Participation rate	72.5	73.0	0.3	0.5	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.6	0.4	0.6	-0.6	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.4	67.5	0.4	0.1	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.8	6.1	0.5	-0.6	-1.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,668.0	2,670.8	...	2.8	26.1	34.6	0.1	1.0	1.3
Labour force	1,556.1	1,559.8	8.9	3.7	-5.3	19.7	0.2	-0.3	1.3
Employment	1,453.6	1,461.3	9.1	7.7	19.4	43.4	0.5	1.3	3.1
Unemployment	102.5	98.5	7.5	-4.0	-24.6	-23.6	-3.9	-20.0	-19.3
Participation rate	58.3	58.4	0.3	0.1	-0.8	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.3	0.5	-0.3	-1.6	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.5	54.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.6	20.3	0.7	-0.3	-2.7	-1.8	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	3,717.0	3,732.5	16.1	15.5	50.6	98.9	0.4	1.4	2.7
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	923.2	928.6	11.2	5.4	2.5	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.1
Agriculture	47.0	45.9	2.6	-1.1	-11.1	-12.4	-2.3	-19.5	-21.3
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	34.0	34.6	2.2	0.6	-4.1	-2.3	1.8	-10.6	-6.2
Utilities	32.0	31.8	2.2	-0.2	2.1	2.7	-0.6	7.1	9.3
Construction	183.1	166.8	5.8	-16.3	-11.0	-7.5	-8.9	-6.2	-4.3
Manufacturing	627.1	649.5	9.5	22.4	26.5	20.2	3.6	4.3	3.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	2,793.8	2,803.9	16.2	10.1	48.2	98.2	0.4	1.7	3.6
Trade	621.4	618.7	10.7	-2.7	13.0	17.3	-0.4	2.1	2.9
Transportation and warehousing	178.1	175.4	5.7	-2.7	11.8	10.7	-1.5	7.2	6.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	212.5	214.8	5.9	2.3	14.1	27.6	1.1	7.0	14.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	235.3	231.5	6.3	-3.8	19.0	22.5	-1.6	8.9	10.8
Business, building and other support services	123.3	123.6	5.3	0.3	11.2	15.2	0.2	10.0	14.0
Educational services	230.2	229.5	6.6	-0.7	-25.3	-18.7	-0.3	-9.9	-7.5
Health care and social assistance	450.1	446.4	8.1	-3.7	-5.8	14.2	-0.8	-1.3	3.3
Information, culture and recreation	157.5	160.6	6.1	3.1	-0.7	8.7	2.0	-0.4	5.7
Accommodation and food services	197.6	207.2	6.8	9.6	-3.1	-15.1	4.9	-1.5	-6.8
Other services	177.8	177.5	5.9	-0.3	9.8	17.0	-0.2	5.8	10.6
Public administration	210.0	218.6	5.3	8.6	4.1	-1.4	4.1	1.9	-0.6

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Related CANSIM tables 282-0087, 282-0088

Table 9

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	9,977.2	9,991.2	...	14.0	133.9	172.0	0.1	1.4	1.8
Labour force	6,801.7	6,780.5	18.9	-21.2	44.3	44.9	-0.3	0.7	0.7
Employment	6,336.4	6,341.1	19.0	4.7	55.3	89.3	0.1	0.9	1.4
Employment full-time	5,205.6	5,222.9	22.4	17.3	76.7	103.3	0.3	1.5	2.0
Unemployment	465.3	439.4	15.4	-25.9	-11.0	-44.4	-5.6	-2.4	-9.2
Participation rate	68.2	67.9	0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.5	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	63.5	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.8	17.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,633.3	1,636.1	...	2.8	25.0	31.9	0.2	1.6	2.0
Labour force	1,074.0	1,067.1	11.1	-6.9	-11.4	-9.6	-0.6	-1.1	-0.9
Employment	920.6	919.9	10.3	-0.7	0.4	7.6	-0.1	0.0	0.8
Unemployment	153.5	147.2	9.2	-6.3	-11.8	-17.2	-4.1	-7.4	-10.5
Participation rate	65.8	65.2	0.7	-0.6	-1.7	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.3	13.8	0.8	-0.5	-0.9	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	56.2	0.6	-0.2	-0.9	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.0	47.3	1.1	-0.7	-1.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,052.7	4,058.1	...	5.4	51.8	66.6	0.1	1.3	1.7
Labour force	3,069.4	3,062.3	9.5	-7.1	42.4	31.9	-0.2	1.4	1.1
Employment	2,917.0	2,917.1	10.6	0.1	46.5	52.3	0.0	1.6	1.8
Unemployment	152.5	145.2	8.5	-7.3	-4.1	-20.4	-4.8	-2.7	-12.3
Participation rate	75.7	75.5	0.2	-0.2	0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.7	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.0	71.9	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.6	5.7	0.3	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,291.1	4,297.1	...	6.0	57.2	73.6	0.1	1.3	1.7
Labour force	2,658.2	2,651.1	11.1	-7.1	13.3	22.7	-0.3	0.5	0.9
Employment	2,498.9	2,504.1	11.1	5.2	8.3	29.4	0.2	0.3	1.2
Unemployment	159.3	147.0	8.0	-12.3	5.0	-6.8	-7.7	3.5	-4.4
Participation rate	61.9	61.7	0.3	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.5	0.3	-0.5	0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	58.3	0.3	0.1	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.1	20.6	0.5	-0.5	-0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	6,336.4	6,341.1	19.0	4.7	55.3	89.3	0.1	0.9	1.4
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	1,664.2	1,640.7	14.4	-23.5	-11.3	-19.7	-1.4	-0.7	-1.2
Agriculture	75.6	79.6	3.2	4.0	-7.5	-5.2	5.3	-8.6	-6.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	39.7	39.2	1.8	-0.5	7.4	7.7	-1.3	23.3	24.4
Utilities	58.3	56.5	2.4	-1.8	1.5	-0.3	-3.1	2.7	-0.5
Construction	389.2	384.7	8.5	-4.5	-10.6	-19.2	-1.2	-2.7	-4.8
Manufacturing	1,101.3	1,080.6	12.0	-20.7	-2.2	-2.7	-1.9	-0.2	-0.2
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	4,672.2	4,700.4	20.1	28.2	66.5	109.0	0.6	1.4	2.4
Trade	951.4	960.0	11.7	8.6	21.6	29.8	0.9	2.3	3.2
Transportation and warehousing	304.5	296.4	7.4	-8.1	1.8	10.8	-2.7	0.6	3.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	456.2	462.0	8.4	5.8	28.1	20.6	1.3	6.5	4.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	449.7	443.6	8.6	-6.1	27.9	12.5	-1.4	6.7	2.9
Business, building and other support services	275.3	281.4	7.7	6.1	-8.4	17.1	2.2	-2.9	6.5
Educational services	379.6	403.2	7.4	23.6	10.1	15.8	6.2	2.6	4.1
Health care and social assistance	626.5	633.7	8.2	7.2	7.8	15.6	1.1	1.2	2.5
Information, culture and recreation	306.6	297.1	7.4	-9.5	5.1	-1.7	-3.1	1.7	-0.6
Accommodation and food services	363.6	355.8	8.1	-7.8	-28.8	-10.1	-2.1	-7.5	-2.8
Other services	247.6	248.2	6.7	0.6	-4.4	-6.6	0.2	-1.7	-2.6
Public administration	311.4	318.9	6.1	7.5	5.5	5.1	2.4	1.8	1.6

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 10

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	878.6	879.0	...	0.4	7.1	9.4	0.0	0.8	1.1
Labour force	609.2	612.0	2.7	2.8	11.2	13.7	0.5	1.9	2.3
Employment	574.3	577.8	2.9	3.5	7.2	14.1	0.6	1.3	2.5
Employment full-time	465.8	462.6	3.7	-3.2	1.3	10.6	-0.7	0.3	2.3
Unemployment	34.9	34.2	2.1	-0.7	3.9	-0.4	-2.0	12.9	-1.2
Participation rate	69.3	69.6	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.6	0.3	-0.1	0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.7	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.9	19.9	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	152.7	152.9	...	0.2	1.9	2.6	0.1	1.3	1.7
Labour force	108.8	109.9	1.7	1.1	2.9	2.1	1.0	2.7	1.9
Employment	95.4	97.2	1.7	1.8	-0.5	1.8	1.9	-0.5	1.9
Unemployment	13.4	12.7	1.4	-0.7	3.4	0.3	-5.2	36.6	2.4
Participation rate	71.3	71.9	1.1	0.6	1.0	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.3	11.6	1.2	-0.7	2.9	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	63.6	1.1	1.1	-1.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.6	43.3	1.8	0.8	-1.7	-1.8	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	354.3	354.5	...	0.2	2.5	3.4	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	268.2	270.3	1.4	2.1	4.9	5.3	0.8	1.8	2.0
Employment	256.9	258.2	1.6	1.3	4.6	5.0	0.5	1.8	2.0
Unemployment	11.3	12.1	1.2	0.8	0.3	0.3	7.1	2.5	2.5
Participation rate	75.7	76.2	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.5	72.8	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.2	7.0	0.6	0.8	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	371.5	371.7	...	0.2	2.7	3.6	0.1	0.7	1.0
Labour force	232.2	231.7	1.6	-0.5	3.3	6.3	-0.2	1.4	2.8
Employment	222.0	222.4	1.6	0.4	3.2	7.4	0.2	1.5	3.4
Unemployment	10.2	9.4	1.1	-0.8	0.2	-1.1	-7.8	2.2	-10.5
Participation rate	62.5	62.3	0.4	-0.2	0.4	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.1	0.5	-0.3	0.1	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	59.8	0.4	0.0	0.4	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	23.5	24.7	1.0	1.3	2.8	0.5	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	574.3	577.8	2.9	3.5	7.2	14.1	0.6	1.3	2.5
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	144.6	146.2	2.2	1.6	3.5	7.6	1.1	2.5	5.5
Agriculture	30.6	30.7	1.2	0.1	-1.0	1.5	0.3	-3.2	5.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	7.2	7.2	0.5	0.0	1.2	1.4	0.0	20.0	24.1
Utilities	8.0	7.6	0.4	-0.4	1.0	1.0	-5.0	15.2	15.2
Construction	27.9	30.8	1.2	2.9	4.3	4.5	10.4	16.2	17.1
Manufacturing	70.9	69.9	1.6	-1.0	-2.1	-0.8	-1.4	-2.9	-1.1
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	429.6	431.6	2.9	2.0	3.8	6.5	0.5	0.9	1.5
Trade	84.2	86.4	1.7	2.2	0.9	1.7	2.6	1.1	2.0
Transportation and warehousing	31.4	32.8	1.1	1.4	-1.5	-0.8	4.5	-4.4	-2.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	28.4	28.1	1.0	-0.3	-1.9	-1.0	-1.1	-6.3	-3.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	24.3	23.2	0.9	-1.1	-0.5	0.5	-4.5	-2.1	2.2
Business, building and other support services	20.4	21.3	1.0	0.9	4.8	3.7	4.4	29.1	21.0
Educational services	43.1	42.2	1.3	-0.9	-0.7	0.4	-2.1	-1.6	1.0
Health care and social assistance	78.1	77.5	1.4	-0.6	2.6	5.3	-0.8	3.5	7.3
Information, culture and recreation	24.7	23.8	1.1	-0.9	0.3	0.4	-3.6	1.3	1.7
Accommodation and food services	33.5	35.7	1.4	2.2	-3.7	-2.6	6.6	-9.4	-6.8
Other services	25.3	24.6	1.1	-0.7	0.2	-3.3	-2.8	0.8	-11.8
Public administration	36.4	35.9	1.0	-0.5	3.0	2.1	-1.4	9.1	6.2

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 11

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	758.2	758.3	...	0.1	2.1	2.3	0.0	0.3	0.3
Labour force	515.2	518.2	2.5	3.0	0.4	6.2	0.6	0.1	1.2
Employment	487.6	488.3	2.6	0.7	-0.1	5.5	0.1	0.0	1.1
Employment full-time	389.5	391.0	3.1	1.5	-1.4	10.5	0.4	-0.4	2.8
Unemployment	27.6	29.9	1.8	2.3	0.6	0.7	8.3	2.0	2.4
Participation rate	68.0	68.3	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.8	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.3	64.4	0.3	0.1	-0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.1	19.9	0.6	-0.2	0.2	-1.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	138.4	138.3	...	-0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0
Labour force	93.8	94.9	1.6	1.1	1.6	5.5	1.2	1.7	6.2
Employment	83.6	85.1	1.5	1.5	3.4	5.9	1.8	4.2	7.4
Unemployment	10.3	9.9	1.2	-0.4	-1.7	-0.3	-3.9	-14.7	-2.9
Participation rate	67.8	68.6	1.1	0.8	1.1	4.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.0	10.4	1.2	-0.6	-2.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	61.5	1.1	1.1	2.4	4.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.3	42.5	1.8	-1.7	0.4	-2.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	302.1	302.2	...	0.1	0.9	1.1	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	226.8	228.8	1.3	2.0	-0.3	1.0	0.9	-0.1	0.4
Employment	216.1	216.5	1.4	0.4	-2.0	0.4	0.2	-0.9	0.2
Unemployment	10.7	12.3	1.1	1.6	1.6	0.5	15.0	15.0	4.2
Participation rate	75.1	75.7	0.4	0.6	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.4	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.5	71.6	0.5	0.1	-0.9	-0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.6	6.1	0.6	-0.5	-0.7	-1.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	317.7	317.8	...	0.1	1.1	1.3	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	194.5	194.5	1.4	0.0	-0.9	-0.3	0.0	-0.5	-0.2
Employment	187.9	186.8	1.4	-1.1	-1.5	-0.7	-0.6	-0.8	-0.4
Unemployment	6.7	7.7	0.9	1.0	0.6	0.4	14.9	8.5	5.5
Participation rate	61.2	61.2	0.5	0.0	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.4	4.0	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.1	58.8	0.5	-0.3	-0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.9	25.6	1.0	0.7	0.8	-1.7	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	487.6	488.3	2.6	0.7	-0.1	5.5	0.1	0.0	1.1
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	129.3	130.8	1.9	1.5	5.1	11.9	1.2	4.1	10.0
Agriculture	46.0	46.9	1.4	0.9	-2.0	3.4	2.0	-4.1	7.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	18.9	19.3	0.9	0.4	-1.3	0.9	2.1	-6.3	4.9
Utilities	5.8	6.2	0.4	0.4	1.6	1.1	6.9	34.8	21.6
Construction	26.9	27.1	1.0	0.2	4.2	3.2	0.7	18.3	13.4
Manufacturing	31.7	31.3	0.9	-0.4	2.5	3.3	-1.3	8.7	11.8
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	358.3	357.5	2.6	-0.8	-5.2	-6.4	-0.2	-1.4	-1.8
Trade	76.9	77.8	1.5	0.9	-1.8	0.5	1.2	-2.3	0.6
Transportation and warehousing	22.7	24.1	0.9	1.4	0.8	1.1	6.2	3.4	4.8
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	25.7	26.3	0.8	0.6	-0.6	-0.5	2.3	-2.2	-1.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	16.6	16.3	0.7	-0.3	-1.0	-1.2	-1.8	-5.8	-6.9
Business, building and other support services	12.4	12.7	0.7	0.3	0.5	1.4	2.4	4.1	12.4
Educational services	39.7	38.7	1.2	-1.0	-1.9	-1.8	-2.5	-4.7	-4.4
Health care and social assistance	61.6	59.3	1.1	-2.3	2.0	-1.9	-3.7	3.5	-3.1
Information, culture and recreation	21.4	22.0	0.8	0.6	-1.3	2.3	2.8	-5.6	11.7
Accommodation and food services	33.2	35.1	1.3	1.9	1.0	0.5	5.7	2.9	1.4
Other services	24.8	21.5	1.0	-3.3	0.7	-3.2	-13.3	3.4	-13.0
Public administration	23.2	23.9	0.8	0.7	-3.4	-3.6	3.0	-12.5	-13.1

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	2,524.3	2,528.1	...	3.8	34.4	44.5	0.2	1.4	1.8
Labour force	1,843.7	1,853.9	7.5	10.2	13.2	27.5	0.6	0.7	1.5
Employment	1,757.9	1,764.4	8.4	6.5	12.9	29.2	0.4	0.7	1.7
Employment full-time	1,434.9	1,439.9	10.2	5.0	6.2	19.1	0.3	0.4	1.3
Unemployment	85.8	89.5	5.9	3.7	0.3	-1.7	4.3	0.3	-1.9
Participation rate	73.0	73.3	0.3	0.3	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.8	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.6	69.8	0.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.4	18.4	0.5	0.0	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	469.7	470.2	...	0.5	3.9	5.2	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	333.3	342.2	4.9	8.9	15.3	4.1	2.7	4.7	1.2
Employment	302.4	312.4	5.0	10.0	12.2	6.4	3.3	4.1	2.1
Unemployment	30.9	29.8	3.6	-1.1	3.1	-2.2	-3.6	11.6	-6.9
Participation rate	71.0	72.8	1.1	1.8	2.7	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	8.7	1.1	-0.6	0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	66.4	1.1	2.0	2.0	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	40.5	35.4	1.7	-5.1	-3.6	-5.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,027.9	1,029.5	...	1.6	15.4	19.5	0.2	1.5	1.9
Labour force	825.8	827.4	3.8	1.6	-7.3	2.3	0.2	-0.9	0.3
Employment	799.9	795.7	4.6	-4.2	-5.6	3.8	-0.5	-0.7	0.5
Unemployment	25.8	31.7	3.3	5.9	-1.7	-1.5	22.9	-5.1	-4.5
Participation rate	80.3	80.4	0.4	0.1	-1.9	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.1	3.8	0.4	0.7	-0.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.8	77.3	0.4	-0.5	-1.7	-1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.9	5.9	0.5	1.0	0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,026.7	1,028.4	...	1.7	15.2	19.8	0.2	1.5	2.0
Labour force	684.6	684.3	4.4	-0.3	5.3	21.0	0.0	0.8	3.2
Employment	655.6	656.3	4.5	0.7	6.4	19.1	0.1	1.0	3.0
Unemployment	29.0	28.0	3.1	-1.0	-1.2	2.0	-3.4	-4.1	7.7
Participation rate	66.7	66.5	0.5	-0.2	-0.5	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.1	0.5	-0.1	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.9	63.8	0.5	-0.1	-0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.6	25.5	0.9	0.9	1.7	2.3	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	1,757.9	1,764.4	8.4	6.5	12.9	29.2	0.4	0.7	1.7
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	511.9	507.7	6.5	-4.2	13.0	18.3	-0.8	2.6	3.7
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	71.9	71.1	2.6	-0.8	-0.9	1.7	-1.1	-1.2	2.4
Utilities	115.9	119.5	3.2	3.6	10.5	10.2	3.1	9.6	9.3
Construction	13.5	13.1	1.0	-0.4	-2.0	0.6	-3.0	-13.2	4.8
Manufacturing	163.7	162.1	4.3	-1.6	16.3	6.1	-1.0	11.2	3.9
Services-producing sector	146.9	141.8	3.9	-5.1	-11.0	-0.4	-3.5	-7.2	-0.3
Services-producing sector	1,246.0	1,256.7	8.7	10.7	-0.1	11.0	0.9	0.0	0.9
Trade	258.6	268.8	5.0	10.2	-6.1	-4.1	3.9	-2.2	-1.5
Transportation and warehousing	98.2	96.1	3.0	-2.1	2.8	4.2	-2.1	3.0	4.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	86.7	91.4	2.8	4.7	-0.7	0.9	5.4	-0.8	1.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	121.2	117.2	3.5	-4.0	-3.6	-4.1	-3.3	-3.0	-3.4
Business, building and other support services	64.5	62.5	3.1	-2.0	2.0	1.3	-3.1	3.3	2.1
Educational services	102.4	106.3	3.3	3.9	-2.4	-1.8	3.8	-2.2	-1.7
Health care and social assistance	169.9	166.9	3.4	-3.0	1.1	9.6	-1.8	0.7	6.1
Information, culture and recreation	72.3	71.1	2.9	-1.2	1.5	-1.6	-1.7	2.2	-2.2
Accommodation and food services	127.8	130.0	3.8	2.2	9.8	10.2	1.7	8.2	8.5
Other services	75.9	76.7	2.8	0.8	-2.7	0.0	1.1	-3.4	0.0
Public administration	68.6	69.9	2.3	1.3	-1.8	-3.4	1.9	-2.5	-4.6

¹ Average standard error of change in two consecutive months (see "Sampling Errors" in Data Quality for further explanations).
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Table 13

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	3,425.3	3,428.0	...	2.7	41.1	53.8	0.1	1.2	1.6
Labour force	2,239.1	2,237.9	11.3	-1.2	15.3	14.3	-0.1	0.7	0.6
Employment	2,067.0	2,079.9	11.7	12.9	8.5	54.7	0.6	0.4	2.7
Employment full-time	1,623.3	1,648.6	13.6	25.3	27.1	82.7	1.6	1.7	5.3
Unemployment	172.1	157.9	9.0	-14.2	6.8	-40.4	-8.3	4.5	-20.4
Participation rate	65.4	65.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.1	0.4	-0.6	0.3	-1.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	60.7	0.3	0.4	-0.5	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.5	20.7	0.6	-0.7	-1.0	-1.9	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	557.3	557.9	...	0.6	5.4	7.0	0.1	1.0	1.3
Labour force	338.6	348.0	6.2	9.4	-7.2	-0.2	2.8	-2.0	-0.1
Employment	291.4	299.1	6.3	7.7	-10.6	6.0	2.6	-3.4	2.0
Unemployment	47.3	48.9	5.2	1.6	3.4	-6.2	3.4	7.5	-11.3
Participation rate	60.8	62.4	1.1	1.6	-1.9	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.0	14.1	1.4	0.1	1.3	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.3	53.6	1.1	1.3	-2.5	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	48.5	47.3	2.0	-1.2	-0.6	-3.4	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,397.0	1,397.8	...	0.8	16.3	21.7	0.1	1.2	1.6
Labour force	1,012.9	1,014.0	6.0	1.1	22.8	7.6	0.1	2.3	0.8
Employment	951.4	956.5	6.4	5.1	22.3	31.6	0.5	2.4	3.4
Unemployment	61.4	57.5	5.4	-3.9	0.6	-24.0	-6.4	1.1	-29.4
Participation rate	72.5	72.5	0.4	0.0	0.8	-0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.7	0.5	-0.4	0.0	-2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.1	68.4	0.5	0.3	0.8	1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.6	7.2	0.6	-0.3	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,470.9	1,472.4	...	1.5	19.4	25.2	0.1	1.3	1.7
Labour force	887.7	875.9	6.4	-11.8	-0.3	7.0	-1.3	0.0	0.8
Employment	824.2	824.3	6.7	0.1	-3.2	17.1	0.0	-0.4	2.1
Unemployment	63.5	51.5	4.6	-12.0	2.8	-10.2	-18.9	5.7	-16.5
Participation rate	60.4	59.5	0.4	-0.9	-0.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	5.9	0.5	-1.3	0.3	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	56.0	0.5	0.0	-1.0	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	28.0	26.7	1.0	-1.2	-0.6	-2.5	...	...	...
Industry	2,067.0	2,079.9	11.7	12.9	8.5	54.7	0.6	0.4	2.7
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	438.6	440.7	7.9	2.1	23.9	28.2	0.5	5.7	6.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	34.8	32.4	2.8	-2.4	-0.5	0.9	-6.9	-1.5	2.9
Utilities	37.4	34.8	2.9	-2.6	-6.1	-10.9	-7.0	-14.9	-23.9
Construction	11.5	9.0	1.1	-2.5	-1.9	-3.4	-21.7	-17.4	-27.4
Manufacturing	152.9	161.8	4.9	8.9	33.4	44.2	5.8	26.0	37.6
Services-producing sector	1,628.5	1,639.3	11.7	10.8	-15.3	26.6	0.7	-0.9	1.6
Trade	202.0	202.7	5.5	0.7	-1.0	-2.5	0.3	-0.5	-1.2
Transportation and warehousing	302.3	305.4	7.1	3.1	-16.2	-17.4	1.0	-5.0	-5.4
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	119.2	116.6	4.0	-2.6	0.8	7.8	-2.2	0.7	7.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	140.7	134.3	4.4	-6.4	1.6	9.6	-4.5	1.2	7.7
Business, building and other support services	141.3	142.1	4.6	0.8	-3.7	-8.8	0.6	-2.5	-5.8
Educational services	86.2	87.7	4.2	1.5	-3.3	6.2	1.7	-3.6	7.6
Health care and social assistance	133.1	143.8	4.6	10.7	0.5	3.0	8.0	0.3	2.1
Information, culture and recreation	221.3	228.6	5.0	7.3	8.3	22.1	3.3	3.8	10.7
Accommodation and food services	111.4	106.8	4.5	-4.6	-3.5	-2.9	-4.1	-3.2	-2.6
Other services	178.0	178.7	5.5	0.7	3.0	6.9	0.4	1.7	4.0
Public administration	97.5	98.4	4.1	0.9	-1.7	-1.8	0.9	-1.7	-1.8
	97.5	96.8	3.6	-0.7	-1.2	1.8	-0.7	-1.2	1.9

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Table 14

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

	August 2004	September 2004	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	145.7	145.9	...	0.2	1.3	1.9	0.1	0.9	1.3
Labour force	97.2	96.8	0.9	-0.4	0.2	-1.4	-0.4	0.2	-1.4
Employment	88.3	88.5	0.9	0.2	1.6	-0.6	0.2	1.8	-0.7
Unemployment	8.9	8.3	0.5	-0.6	-1.4	-0.7	-6.7	-14.4	-7.8
Participation rate	66.7	66.3	0.6	-0.4	-0.5	-1.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	8.6	0.5	-0.6	-1.4	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.7	0.6	0.1	0.6	-1.2	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	292.9	293.2	...	0.3	3.2	4.2	0.1	1.1	1.5
Labour force	207.7	207.2	1.3	-0.5	4.7	3.8	-0.2	2.3	1.9
Employment	195.7	195.8	1.3	0.1	5.1	7.1	0.1	2.7	3.8
Unemployment	12.0	11.4	0.7	-0.6	-0.3	-3.2	-5.0	-2.6	-21.9
Participation rate	70.9	70.7	0.4	-0.2	0.9	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.5	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.8	66.8	0.4	0.0	1.0	1.5	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	101.1	101.2	...	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Labour force	66.5	67.4	0.7	0.9	2.8	3.6	1.4	4.3	5.6
Employment	60.7	61.7	0.7	1.0	2.8	4.0	1.6	4.8	6.9
Unemployment	5.8	5.7	0.4	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	-1.7	0.0	-6.6
Participation rate	65.8	66.6	0.7	0.8	2.6	3.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.5	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	61.0	0.7	1.0	2.7	3.9	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	129.9	129.9	...	0.0	-0.6	-0.7	0.0	-0.5	-0.5
Labour force	83.3	82.6	0.7	-0.7	3.2	2.1	-0.8	4.0	2.6
Employment	74.8	73.8	0.8	-1.0	3.8	1.9	-1.3	5.4	2.6
Unemployment	8.5	8.8	0.5	0.3	-0.6	0.1	3.5	-6.4	1.1
Participation rate	64.1	63.6	0.6	-0.5	2.8	2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.2	10.7	0.6	0.5	-1.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.6	56.8	0.6	-0.8	3.2	1.7	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	582.8	583.3	...	0.5	4.8	6.3	0.1	0.8	1.1
Labour force	380.8	381.7	2.9	0.9	4.2	-5.5	0.2	1.1	-1.4
Employment	361.5	363.0	3.0	1.5	13.3	-0.4	0.4	3.8	-0.1
Unemployment	19.3	18.8	1.5	-0.5	-9.0	-5.1	-2.6	-32.4	-21.3
Participation rate	65.3	65.4	0.5	0.1	0.1	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.9	0.4	-0.2	-2.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	62.2	0.5	0.2	1.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	118.2	118.3	...	0.1	0.5	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.6
Labour force	70.7	72.0	0.8	1.3	-1.6	-0.7	1.8	-2.2	-1.0
Employment	63.0	64.1	0.8	1.1	-1.8	-0.3	1.7	-2.7	-0.5
Unemployment	7.8	8.0	0.4	0.2	0.3	-0.3	2.6	3.9	-3.6
Participation rate	59.8	60.9	0.7	1.1	-1.6	-0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.0	11.1	0.6	0.1	0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.3	54.2	0.7	0.9	-1.7	-0.6	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	130.2	130.3	...	0.1	1.4	1.8	0.1	1.1	1.4
Labour force	86.5	87.0	0.7	0.5	1.4	1.0	0.6	1.6	1.2
Employment	80.7	81.1	0.7	0.4	1.9	2.3	0.5	2.4	2.9
Unemployment	5.7	5.9	0.4	0.2	-0.5	-1.3	3.5	-7.8	-18.1
Participation rate	66.4	66.8	0.6	0.4	0.4	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.8	0.5	0.2	-0.7	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	62.2	0.6	0.2	0.8	0.9	...	...	...

Table 14

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

	August 2004	September 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,953.0	2,956.8	...	3.8	35.7	47.9	0.1	1.2	1.6
Labour force	1,989.1	1,992.4	7.3	3.3	-26.2	10.5	0.2	-1.3	0.5
Employment	1,826.4	1,827.6	7.6	1.2	-5.8	43.6	0.1	-0.3	2.4
Unemployment	162.7	164.8	4.9	2.1	-20.4	-33.1	1.3	-11.0	-16.7
Participation rate	67.4	67.4	0.3	0.0	-1.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	8.3	0.2	0.1	-0.9	-1.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	61.8	0.3	0.0	-1.0	0.5	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	935.2	936.9	...	1.7	16.0	21.3	0.2	1.7	2.3
Labour force	658.8	661.6	3.3	2.8	6.7	3.1	0.4	1.0	0.5
Employment	615.7	619.5	3.4	3.8	12.2	3.9	0.6	2.0	0.6
Unemployment	43.1	42.1	1.8	-1.0	-5.5	-0.9	-2.3	-11.6	-2.1
Participation rate	70.4	70.6	0.4	0.2	-0.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.9	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	66.1	0.4	0.3	0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,263.4	4,272.1	...	8.7	83.5	109.7	0.2	2.0	2.6
Labour force	3,000.7	2,985.9	8.7	-14.8	84.5	81.8	-0.5	2.9	2.8
Employment	2,775.2	2,761.2	9.1	-14.0	71.1	93.9	-0.5	2.6	3.5
Unemployment	225.5	224.7	5.5	-0.8	13.4	-12.1	-0.4	6.3	-5.1
Participation rate	70.4	69.9	0.2	-0.5	0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.5	0.2	0.0	0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	64.6	0.2	-0.5	0.4	0.5	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	572.4	573.0	...	0.6	5.4	7.2	0.1	1.0	1.3
Labour force	401.6	402.6	2.6	1.0	11.7	8.9	0.2	3.0	2.3
Employment	377.3	380.4	2.6	3.1	11.0	14.8	0.8	3.0	4.0
Unemployment	24.3	22.2	1.4	-2.1	0.7	-5.9	-8.6	3.3	-21.0
Participation rate	70.2	70.3	0.5	0.1	1.4	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.5	0.4	-0.6	0.0	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.9	66.4	0.5	0.5	1.3	1.8	...	...	...
Kitchener, Ontario									
Population	363.4	364.1	...	0.7	5.2	7.0	0.2	1.4	2.0
Labour force	256.8	255.6	1.8	-1.2	3.7	5.0	-0.5	1.5	2.0
Employment	242.0	241.6	1.9	-0.4	2.4	6.9	-0.2	1.0	2.9
Unemployment	14.7	13.9	0.8	-0.8	1.2	-2.0	-5.4	9.4	-12.6
Participation rate	70.7	70.2	0.5	-0.5	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.4	0.3	-0.3	0.4	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	66.4	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	0.7	...	...	...
London, Ontario									
Population	350.5	350.9	...	0.4	2.2	3.0	0.1	0.6	0.9
Labour force	246.1	243.0	1.9	-3.1	2.2	6.4	-1.3	0.9	2.7
Employment	234.3	229.8	2.0	-4.5	6.3	10.1	-1.9	2.8	4.6
Unemployment	11.8	13.3	0.9	1.5	-4.1	-3.6	12.7	-23.6	-21.3
Participation rate	70.2	69.3	0.6	-0.9	0.2	1.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	5.5	0.4	0.7	-1.7	-1.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.8	65.5	0.6	-1.3	1.4	2.3	...	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	253.4	254.0	...	0.6	4.2	5.7	0.2	1.7	2.3
Labour force	177.1	175.3	1.3	-1.8	-5.5	-8.1	-1.0	-3.0	-4.4
Employment	167.9	165.4	1.2	-2.5	-6.6	-8.3	-1.5	-3.8	-4.8
Unemployment	9.2	9.9	0.5	0.7	1.1	0.1	7.6	12.5	1.0
Participation rate	69.9	69.0	0.5	-0.9	-3.4	-4.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.6	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.3	65.1	0.5	-1.2	-3.8	-4.9	...	...	...

Table 14

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

	August 2004	September 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
St. Catharines-Niagara, Ontario									
Population	327.2	327.4	...	0.2	1.1	1.5	0.1	0.3	0.5
Labour force	201.0	200.9	1.6	-0.1	-8.9	-10.9	0.0	-4.2	-5.1
Employment	184.4	186.2	1.7	1.8	-9.5	-11.1	1.0	-4.9	-5.6
Unemployment	16.5	14.7	0.8	-1.8	0.6	0.2	-10.9	4.3	1.4
Participation rate	61.4	61.4	0.5	0.0	-2.9	-3.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.3	0.4	-0.9	0.6	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	56.9	0.5	0.5	-3.1	-3.6	...	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	126.3	126.2	...	-0.1	-0.5	-0.7	-0.1	-0.4	-0.6
Labour force	80.6	80.8	0.7	0.2	0.9	2.2	0.2	1.1	2.8
Employment	74.3	74.5	0.7	0.2	2.5	2.7	0.3	3.5	3.8
Unemployment	6.3	6.2	0.4	-0.1	-1.7	-0.7	-1.6	-21.5	-10.1
Participation rate	63.8	64.0	0.5	0.2	0.9	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.8	7.7	0.5	-0.1	-2.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.8	59.0	0.5	0.2	2.2	2.4	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	100.1	100.1	...	0.0	-0.3	-0.4	0.0	-0.3	-0.4
Labour force	66.1	65.9	0.6	-0.2	-0.9	-1.8	-0.3	-1.3	-2.7
Employment	60.3	59.9	0.6	-0.4	-2.2	-4.0	-0.7	-3.5	-6.3
Unemployment	5.8	6.0	0.3	0.2	1.3	2.2	3.4	27.7	57.9
Participation rate	66.0	65.8	0.6	-0.2	-0.7	-1.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	9.1	0.4	0.3	2.1	3.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	59.8	0.6	-0.4	-2.1	-3.8	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	266.0	266.5	...	0.5	4.1	5.5	0.2	1.6	2.1
Labour force	176.5	177.5	1.5	1.0	4.4	3.5	0.6	2.5	2.0
Employment	159.8	160.8	1.6	1.0	0.8	-1.1	0.6	0.5	-0.7
Unemployment	16.7	16.7	0.8	0.0	3.6	4.6	0.0	27.5	38.0
Participation rate	66.4	66.6	0.6	0.2	0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.5	9.4	0.4	-0.1	1.8	2.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	60.3	0.6	0.2	-0.7	-1.7	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	548.7	549.2	...	0.5	5.6	7.2	0.1	1.0	1.3
Labour force	387.8	389.3	1.3	1.5	10.5	8.4	0.4	2.8	2.2
Employment	365.3	366.7	1.3	1.4	8.8	5.7	0.4	2.5	1.6
Unemployment	22.5	22.6	0.8	0.1	1.8	2.7	0.4	8.7	13.6
Participation rate	70.7	70.9	0.2	0.2	1.2	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.8	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	66.8	0.2	0.2	1.0	0.2	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	156.6	156.7	...	0.1	0.6	0.7	0.1	0.4	0.4
Labour force	113.4	112.8	0.7	-0.6	-1.9	0.0	-0.5	-1.7	0.0
Employment	108.6	108.0	0.7	-0.6	-0.4	1.8	-0.6	-0.4	1.7
Unemployment	4.8	4.8	0.4	0.0	-1.5	-1.7	0.0	-23.8	-26.2
Participation rate	72.4	72.0	0.5	-0.4	-1.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.3	0.3	0.1	-1.2	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.3	68.9	0.5	-0.4	-0.5	0.8	...	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	184.8	184.9	...	0.1	1.5	1.9	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	129.3	130.0	0.8	0.7	1.6	2.6	0.5	1.2	2.0
Employment	121.5	121.6	0.9	0.1	1.0	1.6	0.1	0.8	1.3
Unemployment	7.7	8.3	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.9	7.8	6.4	12.2
Participation rate	70.0	70.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.8	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.2	...	...	...

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

	August 2004	September 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Calgary, Alberta									
Population	858.4	860.2	...	1.8	15.4	20.4	0.2	1.8	2.4
Labour force	644.3	642.5	2.9	-1.8	7.2	12.3	-0.3	1.1	2.0
Employment	611.8	610.7	3.1	-1.1	10.8	11.4	-0.2	1.8	1.9
Unemployment	32.5	31.8	1.7	-0.7	-3.6	0.9	-2.2	-10.2	2.9
Participation rate	75.1	74.7	0.4	-0.4	-0.5	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.7	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.3	71.0	0.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	795.6	796.6	...	1.0	8.5	11.6	0.1	1.1	1.5
Labour force	568.6	571.1	2.7	2.5	-1.9	4.8	0.4	-0.3	0.8
Employment	542.7	543.4	2.7	0.7	-3.2	5.0	0.1	-0.6	0.9
Unemployment	25.9	27.8	1.3	1.9	1.4	0.0	7.3	5.3	0.0
Participation rate	71.5	71.7	0.3	0.2	-1.0	-0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	4.9	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.2	68.2	0.4	0.0	-1.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,818.1	1,821.3	...	3.2	30.6	39.8	0.2	1.7	2.2
Labour force	1,227.5	1,221.6	5.0	-5.9	12.2	7.8	-0.5	1.0	0.6
Employment	1,140.3	1,137.4	5.2	-2.9	4.3	25.3	-0.3	0.4	2.3
Unemployment	87.2	84.2	3.0	-3.0	7.9	-17.5	-3.4	10.4	-17.2
Participation rate	67.5	67.1	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.9	0.2	-0.2	0.6	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.7	62.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.9	0.0	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	264.1	264.3	...	0.2	2.6	3.0	0.1	1.0	1.1
Labour force	169.1	167.5	1.8	-1.6	-0.8	0.6	-0.9	-0.5	0.4
Employment	160.1	158.6	1.8	-1.5	-0.8	2.3	-0.9	-0.5	1.5
Unemployment	9.0	9.0	0.7	0.0	0.1	-1.6	0.0	1.1	-15.1
Participation rate	64.0	63.4	0.7	-0.6	-0.9	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.0	0.7	-0.6	-0.9	0.2	...	...	...

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

	August 2004	September 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Montréal, Quebec									
Population	2,957.1	2,960.7	...	3.6	35.7	47.6	0.1	1.2	1.6
Labour force	1,990.2	1,998.8	15.6	8.6	-19.6	3.6	0.4	-1.0	0.2
Employment	1,832.3	1,827.3	16.2	-5.0	-1.7	26.8	-0.3	-0.1	1.5
Unemployment	158.0	171.5	11.7	13.5	-17.9	-23.2	8.5	-9.5	-11.9
Participation rate	67.3	67.5	0.5	0.2	-1.5	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	8.6	0.6	0.7	-0.8	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.7	0.6	-0.3	-0.8	-0.1	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,272.4	4,280.9	...	8.5	84.4	109.0	0.2	2.0	2.6
Labour force	3,005.7	2,951.6	18.6	-54.1	36.5	43.5	-1.8	1.3	1.5
Employment	2,775.2	2,738.2	18.8	-37.0	32.3	60.0	-1.3	1.2	2.2
Unemployment	230.5	213.4	13.0	-17.1	4.2	-16.5	-7.4	2.0	-7.2
Participation rate	70.4	68.9	0.4	-1.5	-0.6	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.2	0.4	-0.5	0.0	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.0	64.0	0.4	-1.0	-0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,821.7	1,824.1	...	2.4	30.5	39.8	0.1	1.7	2.2
Labour force	1,218.7	1,219.6	10.9	0.9	13.8	-3.6	0.1	1.1	-0.3
Employment	1,133.4	1,138.5	11.1	5.1	1.7	21.9	0.4	0.1	2.0
Unemployment	85.3	81.1	7.4	-4.2	12.0	-25.5	-4.9	17.4	-23.9
Participation rate	66.9	66.9	0.6	0.0	-0.3	-1.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.6	0.6	-0.4	0.9	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	62.4	0.6	0.2	-1.0	-0.2	...	...	...

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 (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in September 2003 and September 2004**

	September	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Canada	2003	25,290.3	17,348.2	15,990.6	1,357.6	68.6	7.8	63.2
	2004	25,651.5	17,544.7	16,296.4	1,248.3	68.4	7.1	63.5
Newfoundland and Labrador	2003	438.6	274.6	235.7	38.9	62.6	14.2	53.7
	2004	439.5	277.2	239.9	37.3	63.1	13.5	54.6
010 Avalon Peninsula	2003	208.7	134.7	117.8	17.0	64.5	12.6	56.4
	2004	210.8	135.3	120.9	14.4	64.2	10.6	57.4
020 South Coast-Burin Peninsula	2003	36.6	20.2	16.3	3.9	55.2	19.3	44.5
	2004	35.9	22.0	17.9	4.1	61.3	18.6	49.9
030 West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador	2003	93.7	61.0	53.1	7.9	65.1	13.0	56.7
	2004	93.6	61.0	51.7	9.3	65.2	15.2	55.2
040 Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay	2003	99.6	58.6	48.5	10.1	58.8	17.2	48.7
	2004	99.2	58.9	49.4	9.5	59.4	16.1	49.8
Prince Edward Island	2003	113.5	81.4	74.8	6.6	71.7	8.1	65.9
	2004	114.7	82.1	75.0	7.1	71.6	8.6	65.4
Nova Scotia	2003	760.6	493.1	446.9	46.2	64.8	9.4	58.8
	2004	765.0	501.3	459.8	41.4	65.5	8.3	60.1
210 Cape Breton	2003	119.7	65.6	54.8	10.8	54.8	16.5	45.8
	2004	118.7	66.7	56.3	10.4	56.2	15.6	47.4
220 North Shore	2003	133.3	84.3	75.9	8.3	63.2	9.8	56.9
	2004	133.5	83.4	75.7	7.7	62.5	9.2	56.7
230 Annapolis Valley	2003	102.1	63.9	58.5	5.4	62.6	8.5	57.3
	2004	102.7	68.8	63.3	5.5	67.0	8.0	61.6
240 Southern	2003	104.5	66.7	60.2	6.5	63.8	9.7	57.6
	2004	104.8	66.3	60.4	5.9	63.3	8.9	57.6
250 Halifax	2003	301.0	212.7	197.4	15.3	70.7	7.2	65.6
	2004	305.3	216.1	204.1	12.0	70.8	5.6	66.9
New Brunswick	2003	610.0	397.3	360.0	37.3	65.1	9.4	59.0
	2004	613.1	408.8	372.8	36.0	66.7	8.8	60.8
310 Campbellton-Miramichi	2003	144.9	84.4	71.4	13.0	58.2	15.4	49.3
	2004	144.2	90.1	77.9	12.2	62.5	13.5	54.0
320 Moncton-Richibucto	2003	154.9	107.3	99.2	8.0	69.3	7.5	64.0
	2004	156.9	108.5	100.8	7.7	69.2	7.1	64.2
330 Saint John-St. Stephen	2003	140.0	90.8	82.6	8.2	64.9	9.0	59.0
	2004	140.7	93.5	86.7	6.8	66.5	7.3	61.6
340 Fredericton-Oromocto	2003	100.2	67.1	62.5	4.6	67.0	6.9	62.4
	2004	101.4	69.8	64.0	5.8	68.8	8.3	63.1
350 Edmundston-Woodstock	2003	69.9	47.7	44.3	3.5	68.2	7.3	63.4
	2004	70.0	46.9	43.4	3.4	67.0	7.2	62.0
Quebec	2003	6,089.3	4,076.4	3,707.4	369.0	66.9	9.1	60.9
	2004	6,157.3	4,102.3	3,782.8	319.5	66.6	7.8	61.4
410 Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	2003	81.9	48.3	41.6	6.7	59.0	13.9	50.8
	2004	81.5	44.0	36.8	7.2	54.0	16.4	45.2
415 Bas-Saint-Laurent	2003	167.1	101.1	93.8	7.3	60.5	7.2	56.1
	2004	166.9	110.1	102.4	7.7	66.0	7.0	61.4
420 Québec	2003	540.0	358.4	336.3	22.0	66.4	6.1	62.3
	2004	545.9	352.2	337.4	14.8	64.5	4.2	61.8

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in September 2003 and September 2004 - Continued**

	September	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Quebec - Continued								
425 Chaudière-Appalaches	2003	320.2	224.7	214.0	10.7	70.2	4.8	66.8
	2004	321.8	228.2	215.5	12.7	70.9	5.6	67.0
430 Estrie	2003	239.9	162.4	151.5	10.9	67.7	6.7	63.2
	2004	242.3	158.3	146.5	11.7	65.3	7.4	60.5
433 Centre-du-Québec	2003	180.6	115.9	105.0	10.9	64.2	9.4	58.1
	2004	181.6	116.9	107.3	9.6	64.4	8.2	59.1
435 Montérégie	2003	1,086.3	762.2	705.9	56.3	70.2	7.4	65.0
	2004	1,099.7	748.2	697.4	50.8	68.0	6.8	63.4
440 Montréal	2003	1,524.4	1,010.9	884.1	126.8	66.3	12.5	58.0
	2004	1,545.6	1,019.8	915.0	104.8	66.0	10.3	59.2
445 Laval	2003	294.8	198.3	183.5	14.8	67.3	7.5	62.2
	2004	299.3	201.2	186.8	14.4	67.2	7.2	62.4
450 Lanaudière	2003	329.4	226.8	203.2	23.6	68.9	10.4	61.7
	2004	335.0	228.2	213.2	15.0	68.1	6.6	63.6
455 Laurentides	2003	394.7	264.9	244.1	20.8	67.1	7.9	61.8
	2004	403.7	287.9	269.8	18.1	71.3	6.3	66.8
460 Outaouais	2003	266.8	189.2	175.0	14.2	70.9	7.5	65.6
	2004	272.9	190.9	178.3	12.5	70.0	6.5	65.3
465 Abitibi-Témiscamingue	2003	119.8	76.3	68.7	7.6	63.7	10.0	57.3
	2004	119.1	77.4	70.8	6.5	65.0	8.4	59.4
470 Mauricie	2003	215.5	133.3	119.6	13.7	61.9	10.3	55.5
	2004	215.5	132.2	118.9	13.4	61.3	10.1	55.2
475 Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean	2003	231.9	147.1	130.7	16.4	63.4	11.1	56.4
	2004	231.1	147.5	131.8	15.8	63.8	10.7	57.0
480 and 490 Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec	2003	96.0	56.8	50.3	6.5	59.2	11.4	52.4
	2004	95.3	59.4	54.9	4.4	62.3	7.4	57.6
Ontario								
	2003	9,803.5	6,806.7	6,294.9	511.8	69.4	7.5	64.2
	2004	9,976.6	6,900.3	6,409.7	490.7	69.2	7.1	64.2
510 Ottawa	2003	950.9	671.3	624.4	46.9	70.6	7.0	65.7
	2004	968.4	660.5	616.9	43.6	68.2	6.6	63.7
515 Kingston-Pembroke	2003	338.4	206.3	193.7	12.6	61.0	6.1	57.2
	2004	339.6	218.6	206.0	12.7	64.4	5.8	60.7
520 Muskoka-Kawartha	2003	299.9	198.4	188.8	9.6	66.2	4.8	63.0
	2004	303.2	185.4	175.1	10.3	61.1	5.6	57.8
530 Toronto	2003	4,361.1	3,090.2	2,824.8	265.4	70.9	8.6	64.8
	2004	4,475.0	3,157.3	2,898.9	258.4	70.6	8.2	64.8
540 Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie	2003	896.8	641.9	604.4	37.5	71.6	5.8	67.4
	2004	917.3	662.3	628.6	33.7	72.2	5.1	68.5
550 Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula	2003	1,085.6	750.1	697.7	52.4	69.1	7.0	64.3
	2004	1,096.5	745.1	700.8	44.4	68.0	6.0	63.9
560 London	2003	487.3	341.4	317.3	24.0	70.1	7.0	65.1
	2004	491.3	352.2	331.4	20.8	71.7	5.9	67.5
570 Windsor-Sarnia	2003	515.2	337.6	313.7	23.8	65.5	7.0	60.9
	2004	521.1	344.0	314.1	29.9	66.0	8.7	60.3

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in September 2003 and September 2004 - Continued**

	September	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Ontario - Continued								
580 Stratford-Bruce Peninsula	2003	236.6	161.3	153.0	8.3	68.2	5.1	64.7
	2004	237.6	173.4	167.6	5.8	73.0	3.3	70.5
590 Northeast	2003	452.9	278.1	254.0	24.1	61.4	8.7	56.1
	2004	449.2	280.7	257.8	22.9	62.5	8.2	57.4
595 Northwest	2003	178.8	129.9	122.9	7.0	72.7	5.4	68.7
	2004	177.3	120.9	112.7	8.2	68.2	6.8	63.6
Manitoba								
	2003	868.9	606.9	575.0	32.0	69.8	5.3	66.2
	2004	878.5	615.4	580.2	35.2	70.1	5.7	66.0
610 Southeast	2003	70.8	53.1	50.9	2.2	75.0	4.1	71.9
	2004	72.4	52.7	50.6	2.2	72.8	4.2	69.9
620 South Central	2003	41.1	27.6	26.9	0.8	67.2	2.9	65.5
	2004	41.9	31.0	29.9	1.1	74.0	3.5	71.4
630 Southwest	2003	82.1	55.0	53.0	2.0	67.0	3.6	64.6
	2004	82.0	55.8	53.5	2.3	68.0	4.1	65.2
640 North Central	2003	34.8	24.6	23.5	1.1	70.7	4.5	67.5
	2004	35.0	21.6	20.5	1.1	61.7	5.1	58.6
650 Winnipeg	2003	504.2	356.7	336.7	20.0	70.7	5.6	66.8
	2004	510.4	364.4	341.7	22.7	71.4	6.2	66.9
660 Interlake	2003	68.7	46.1	43.4	2.7	67.1	5.9	63.2
	2004	70.1	47.4	44.6	2.8	67.6	5.9	63.6
670 and 680 Parklands and North	2003	67.2	43.8	40.6	3.2	65.2	7.3	60.4
	2004	66.7	42.5	39.5	3.1	63.7	7.3	59.2
Saskatchewan								
	2003	755.9	525.2	495.9	29.3	69.5	5.6	65.6
	2004	758.2	525.6	497.3	28.3	69.3	5.4	65.6
710 Regina-Moose Mountain	2003	216.1	155.4	146.4	9.0	71.9	5.8	67.7
	2004	216.8	154.8	148.6	6.1	71.4	3.9	68.5
720 Swift Current-Moose Jaw	2003	83.4	58.8	56.3	2.5	70.5	4.3	67.5
	2004	83.0	54.6	51.8	2.9	65.8	5.3	62.4
730 Saskatoon-Biggar	2003	227.8	162.9	153.7	9.2	71.5	5.6	67.5
	2004	229.7	165.4	155.0	10.5	72.0	6.3	67.5
740 Yorkton-Melville	2003	68.9	40.7	38.9	1.8	59.1	4.4	56.5
	2004	68.5	44.5	42.9	1.7	65.0	3.8	62.6
750 and 760 Prince Albert and Northern	2003	159.6	107.3	100.5	6.8	67.2	6.3	63.0
	2004	160.3	106.2	99.0	7.2	66.3	6.8	61.8
Alberta								
	2003	2,479.2	1,840.1	1,749.1	90.9	74.2	4.9	70.6
	2004	2,524.2	1,860.4	1,774.4	86.0	73.7	4.6	70.3
810 Lethbridge-Medicine Hat	2003	194.0	137.1	129.8	7.3	70.7	5.3	66.9
	2004	197.0	141.0	134.3	6.7	71.6	4.8	68.2
820 Camrose-Drumheller	2003	144.3	100.8	96.5	4.2	69.9	4.2	66.9
	2004	145.6	107.4	104.4	2.9	73.8	2.7	71.7
830 Calgary	2003	894.3	677.8	644.5	33.3	75.8	4.9	72.1
	2004	916.5	691.6	657.5	34.1	75.5	4.9	71.7
840 Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House	2003	64.6	46.3	44.9	1.5	71.7	3.2	69.5
	2004	64.7	47.2	46.0	x	73.0	x	71.1

Table 16**Labour force characteristics by economic region¹ (in thousands), unadjusted, 3 month moving average ending in September 2003 and September 2004 - Concluded**

	September	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Alberta - Continued								
850 Red Deer	2003	124.1	93.4	88.0	5.4	75.3	5.8	70.9
	2004	127.0	91.3	87.4	3.9	71.9	4.3	68.8
860 Edmonton	2003	808.6	592.8	564.2	28.6	73.3	4.8	69.8
	2004	820.5	596.1	567.5	28.6	72.7	4.8	69.2
870 Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River	2003	171.1	127.5	120.0	7.4	74.5	5.8	70.1
	2004	172.8	124.0	117.8	6.2	71.8	5.0	68.2
880 Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake	2003	78.2	64.4	61.2	3.2	82.4	5.0	78.3
	2004	80.0	61.8	59.5	2.3	77.3	3.7	74.4
British Columbia								
910 Vancouver Island and Coast	2003	3,371.0	2,246.5	2,050.9	195.6	66.6	8.7	60.8
	2004	3,424.5	2,271.3	2,104.6	166.7	66.3	7.3	61.5
920 Lower Mainland-Southwest	2003	573.3	340.4	311.7	28.7	59.4	8.4	54.4
	2004	579.6	364.0	335.4	28.6	62.8	7.9	57.9
930 Thompson-Okanagan	2003	2,023.4	1,396.7	1,278.3	118.3	69.0	8.5	63.2
	2004	2,067.1	1,399.0	1,301.0	98.0	67.7	7.0	62.9
940 Kootenay	2003	394.5	250.3	228.7	21.5	63.4	8.6	58.0
	2004	399.3	251.2	232.7	18.6	62.9	7.4	58.3
950 Cariboo	2003	125.2	77.6	69.2	8.4	62.0	10.8	55.3
	2004	125.7	80.9	74.2	6.7	64.4	8.3	59.0
960 and 970 North Coast and Nechako	2003	133.9	91.6	82.1	9.5	68.4	10.4	61.3
	2004	133.1	92.0	85.1	6.9	69.1	7.5	63.9
980 Northeast	2003	73.0	53.3	47.2	6.1	73.0	11.4	64.7
	2004	72.1	49.4	43.7	5.7	68.5	11.5	60.6

¹ For geographic descriptions of economic regions, refer to the Guide to the Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 71-543-GIE).
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
			\$	\$			\$			\$
September 2004										
15 years and over	13,666.2	35.6	685.60	18.61	11,242.8	39.6	782.54	2,423.4	17.4	235.87
15 to 24 years	2,273.6	28.2	317.46	10.55	1,228.8	39.1	469.57	1,044.9	15.5	138.57
25 years and over	11,392.5	37.1	759.08	20.22	10,014.0	39.6	820.95	1,378.5	18.9	309.63
Men	7,011.0	38.4	793.37	20.24	6,307.2	40.8	858.93	703.8	16.6	205.92
Women	6,655.2	32.7	572.07	16.89	4,935.6	38.0	684.93	1,719.5	17.7	248.13
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,325.7	36.0	786.95	21.62	3,715.9	38.8	858.25	609.9	18.9	352.57
No union coverage	9,340.4	35.5	638.67	17.22	7,526.9	40.0	745.17	1,813.5	16.9	196.63
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,884.2	36.4	719.65	19.23	10,157.7	39.5	798.94	1,726.5	18.2	253.16
Temporary	1,782.0	30.3	458.55	14.45	1,085.1	39.8	629.06	696.8	15.4	193.03
Occupation										
Management	937.2	40.2	1,193.55	29.77	914.2	40.8	1,214.09	23.0	19.8	378.24
Business, finance and administrative	2,646.4	35.1	639.15	17.86	2,243.7	38.2	706.96	402.7	17.6	261.38
Natural and applied sciences	931.8	38.5	1,015.61	26.44	899.9	39.3	1,037.20	31.9	16.8	406.26
Health	810.9	33.1	736.41	22.10	599.1	37.7	844.47	211.9	19.8	430.87
Social science, education, government service and religion	997.3	34.4	883.68	25.67	805.1	38.3	988.29	192.2	18.0	445.49
Art, culture, recreation and sport	279.5	32.5	657.79	19.35	209.1	38.7	812.56	70.4	14.2	197.78
Sales and service	3,626.3	31.0	419.25	12.62	2,342.0	38.6	559.15	1,284.3	17.1	164.14
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,934.3	40.4	751.85	18.43	1,811.1	41.9	787.31	123.2	18.2	230.62
Occupations unique to primary industry	316.2	41.9	650.17	15.10	280.2	45.5	714.06	36.0	14.2	152.36
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,186.3	39.4	649.65	16.35	1,138.5	40.3	668.89	47.8	16.2	191.36
September 2003										
15 years and over	13,400.6	35.5	669.59	18.23	10,959.5	39.6	766.93	2,441.0	17.3	232.54
15 to 24 years	2,239.0	27.9	309.40	10.38	1,181.8	39.2	465.55	1,057.2	15.3	134.86
25 years and over	11,161.6	37.1	741.84	19.80	9,777.8	39.6	803.36	1,383.8	18.9	307.16
Men	6,895.7	38.3	777.29	19.87	6,176.9	40.8	843.44	718.8	16.5	208.89
Women	6,504.9	32.6	555.41	16.48	4,782.7	38.0	668.12	1,722.2	17.7	242.40
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,362.9	36.1	770.81	21.16	3,761.9	38.8	836.06	601.1	19.3	362.47
No union coverage	9,037.6	35.3	620.72	16.81	7,197.7	40.0	730.80	1,839.9	16.7	190.09
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,733.1	36.3	702.42	18.83	9,967.2	39.5	782.53	1,765.9	18.2	250.28
Temporary	1,667.5	29.9	438.55	13.99	992.3	40.0	610.29	675.2	15.1	186.14
Occupation										
Management	893.2	40.5	1,161.23	28.81	871.2	41.0	1,181.90	22.0	17.6	343.50
Business, finance and administrative	2,564.3	35.0	626.92	17.51	2,176.0	38.2	695.95	388.3	17.2	240.05
Natural and applied sciences	907.7	38.8	998.77	25.84	875.1	39.5	1,018.69	32.6	19.2	464.15
Health	758.8	33.0	710.39	21.49	559.0	37.7	810.60	199.7	20.1	429.90
Social science, education, government service and religion	990.6	34.1	854.97	25.04	793.2	38.2	955.36	197.4	17.5	451.66
Art, culture, recreation and sport	289.5	31.0	615.04	18.80	198.4	38.8	802.35	91.1	14.1	207.19
Sales and service	3,545.6	30.7	409.94	12.46	2,228.5	38.7	554.20	1,317.1	17.2	165.87
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,942.1	40.1	736.85	18.23	1,817.0	41.7	772.76	125.1	17.3	215.17
Occupations unique to primary industry	292.8	42.4	655.38	15.16	260.8	45.9	717.42	32.0	14.1	149.21
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,216.1	39.6	642.28	16.10	1,180.5	40.3	655.20	35.7	17.1	214.44

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 October 10, 2004 to November 6, 2004	Region	Effective from October 10, 2004 to November 6, 2004
	Unemployment rate		Unemployment rate
	%		%
Newfoundland and Labrador		Ontario - Continued	
01. St. John's	8.8	30. London	5.5
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	19.7	31. Niagara	7.0
Prince Edward Island		32. Windsor	9.4
03. Prince Edward Island	11.5	33. Kitchener	5.4
Nova Scotia		34. Huron	9.3
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	15.2	35. South Central Ontario	3.9
05. Western Nova Scotia	10.0	36. Sudbury	7.9
06. Halifax	5.5	37. Thunder Bay	9.5
New Brunswick		38. Northern Ontario	12.6
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	8.0	Manitoba	
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	10.4	39. Winnipeg	5.8
09. Restigouche-Albert	15.8	40. Southern Manitoba	6.1
Quebec		41. Northern Manitoba	27.0
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	20.5	Saskatchewan	
11. Québec	4.9	42. Regina	4.2
12. Trois-Rivières	11.1	43. Saskatoon	6.4
13. South Central Quebec	5.6	44. Southern Saskatchewan	7.2
14. Sherbrooke	6.8	45. Northern Saskatchewan	14.9
15. Montérégie	6.7	Alberta	
16. Montréal	8.3	46. Calgary	5.1
17. Central Quebec	9.3	47. Edmonton	5.1
18. Northwestern Quebec	15.6	48. Northern Alberta	9.9
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³	13.0	49. Southern Alberta	5.7
20. Hull	5.8	British Columbia	
21. Chicoutimi-Jonquière	10.7	50. Southern Interior British Columbia	8.9
Ontario		51. Abbotsford	7.2
22. Ottawa	6.5	52. Vancouver	7.0
23. Eastern Ontario	6.5	53. Victoria	5.9
24. Kingston	6.9	54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	10.5
25. Central Ontario	5.2	55. Northern British Columbia	13.3
26. Oshawa	5.7	Territories	
27. Toronto	7.5	56. Yukon ⁴	25.0
28. Hamilton	5.5	57. Northwest Territories ⁴	25.0
29. St. Catharines	7.3	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 1996 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)*