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Commentary

Employment rose by an estimated 34,000 in October, the second consecutive monthly increase, following little change over the summer months. The unemployment rate was unchanged in October at 7.1% as more people entered the labour force. Job growth so far this year is up 1.2% (+190,000) with all of the gains in full-time employment, while hours worked have increased by 1.5%.

At the industry level, retail and wholesale trade, construction, finance, insurance, real estate and leasing, and professional, scientific and technical services have been the main source of job growth so far this year, while losses were concentrated in agriculture, and accommodation and food services. Among the provinces, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Manitoba, and Ontario have exceeded the national employment growth rate observed over the first ten months of 2004.

More adult men working

Employment rose by 20,000 in October among adult men, bringing gains so far this year to 118,000 (+1.6%). Full-time employment jumped by 33,000 in October while part-time employment edged down 13,000. All of the job gains so far this year among adult men have been in full-time work (+159,000).

For adult women, employment was little changed for the fifth consecutive month. Over the first ten months of 2004, employment among adult women has risen by only 0.7% (+45,000) and contrasts with the first ten months of 2003 when employment grew by 1.8% (+109,000).

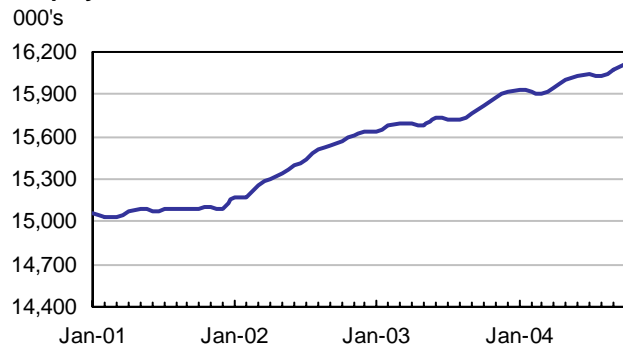
There was little change in youth employment in October. So far this year youth employment is up 1.1% (+27,000) with most of the increase among older youths aged 20 to 24.

More people working in sales

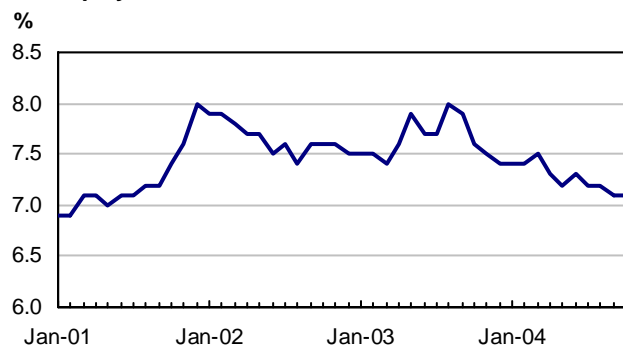
In October, employment increased by an estimated 45,000 in retail and wholesale trade with most of the gain occurring in Ontario. With this month's increase, year-to-date employment gains for the sector total 68,000 (+2.7%). The increase in trade employment coincides with brisk sales at cash registers this year among retailers and wholesalers.

The construction sector continued to be a pillar of strength for employment, adding 14,000 jobs in October. Employment in construction has shown an upward trend for about three years and gains over the first ten months of 2004 total 56,000 (+5.8%). Employment gains in

Employment



Unemployment rate



construction have been particularly strong so far this year in British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Despite a decline of 16,000 in finance, insurance, real estate and leasing in October, employment in the sector has been robust over the first ten months of 2004, up 3.6% (+35,000).

Employment also fell in transportation and warehousing in October, down 19,000, mostly in Ontario. The decline this month leaves employment in the sector at about the same level as at the start of the year.

The manufacturing sector continued to show little change in October as a decline of 19,000 jobs in Quebec was mostly offset by slight gains in other provinces. Employment in manufacturing at the national level has changed little since the fall of 2003.

Employment in public administration was unchanged in October. Although some employees in federal public administration were on strike during the Labour Force

Survey reference week of October 10 to October 16, they are considered employed according to survey definitions. According to the Labour Force Survey, an estimated 60,000 federal employees were absent from work due to the labour dispute, resulting in the loss of 1.5 million hours or 25 hours per striking employee.

More private sector employment

In October, employment rose by 35,000 in the private sector with slight gains among private sector employees and the self-employed. There was no change in employment in the public sector. Over the first ten months of 2004, the number of self-employed has grown by 2.0% (+48,000) and the number of private sector employees has increased by only 0.8% (+83,000). Over the same period, the public sector has expanded by 1.9% (+59,000).

Provincial focus

In October, employment rose by 33,000 in Ontario, the first significant increase since last May. This leaves employment in the province up by 1.4% (+88,000) over the first ten months of 2004. The increase this month was all in part-time work and was concentrated among adult women and youths. Gains occurred in retail sales, mostly in food and beverage as well as in general merchandise stores. There were also job increases in wholesale trade, mainly in machinery and equipment wholesalers and distributors. Employment also rose in accommodation and food services. Despite the substantial job gain in October, the unemployment rate was unchanged at 6.5%, the result of an increase in labour force participation.

For the second consecutive month, employment increased in British Columbia, up 12,000 in October with all of the gains in full-time jobs. Increases in October were in professional, scientific and technical services as well as in construction and in agriculture. This recent employment strength offsets some of the weakness observed over the third quarter of the year and leaves employment in the province up 1.0% (+20,000) so far in 2004.

Employment increased by 5,000 in Saskatchewan, all in full-time jobs. This pushed the unemployment rate down 0.6 percentage points to 5.2%. There were job gains in construction and other services such as repairs and maintenance. The increase in October offset most of the losses that occurred over the three month period of May, June and July, leaving employment in the province up 1.0% so far in 2004.

Employment in New Brunswick fell by 3,000 in October, pushing the unemployment rate up 0.5 percentage points to 10.1%. Losses this month were concentrated in health care and social assistance as well as in information, culture and recreation. Despite the decline this month, employment in the province is up 2.2% so far in 2004 and continues to be the highest rate of growth among the provinces.

Employment in Quebec was little changed (-12,000) in October, leaving gains over the first ten months of 2004 at 39,000 (+1.1%). The largest decline this month was in manufacturing, primarily in clothing, food products, and computer and electronics. Manufacturing losses were partly offset by an increase in construction. The unemployment rate increased 0.3 percentage points in October to 8.6%.

There was little change in employment in the other provinces.

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Important changes at the beginning of 2005

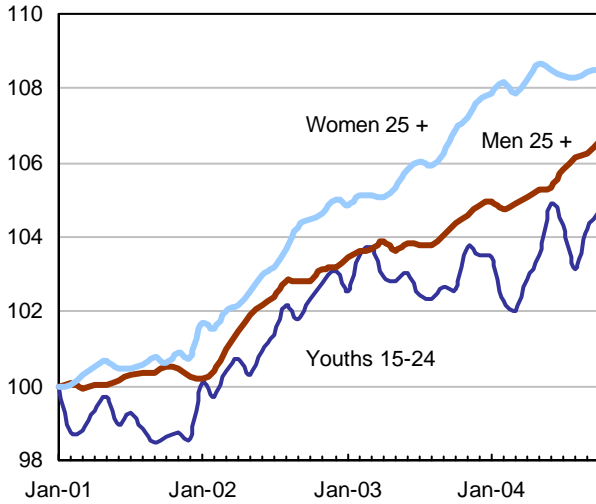
Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates will undergo extensive revisions at the beginning of 2005. Revisions will include four major changes. All estimates will be adjusted to reflect 2001 Census population counts (currently based on the 1996 Census estimates); industry estimates will be classified from the 1997 to the 2002 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS); occupation estimates will be classified from the 1991 Standard Occupation Classification to the National Occupational Classification - Statistics 2001 (NOC-S). Lastly, geography boundaries will change from the 1996 Standard Geographical Classification (SGC) to the 2001 SGC, which will affect boundaries of census metropolitan areas only.

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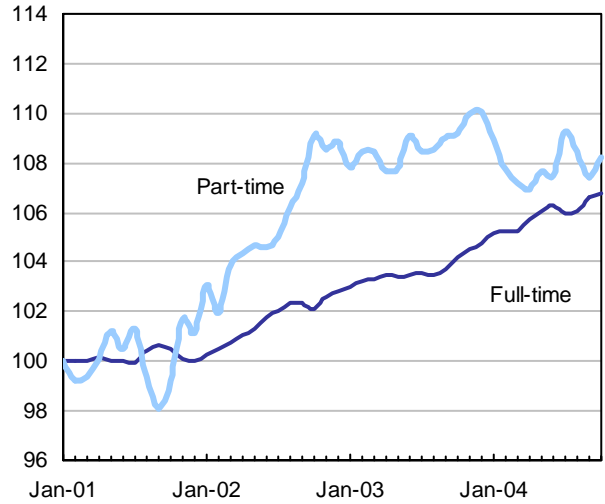
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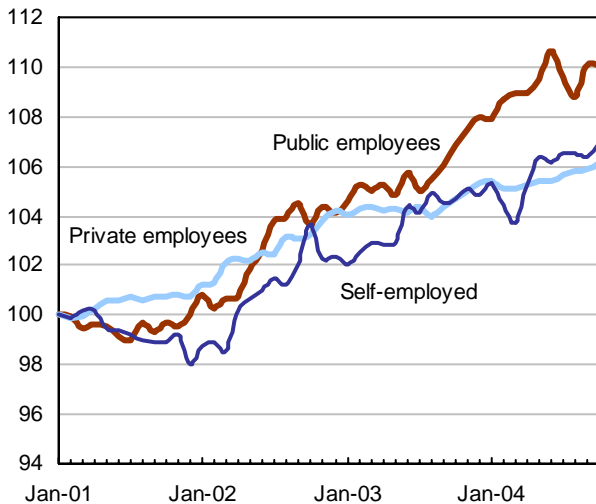
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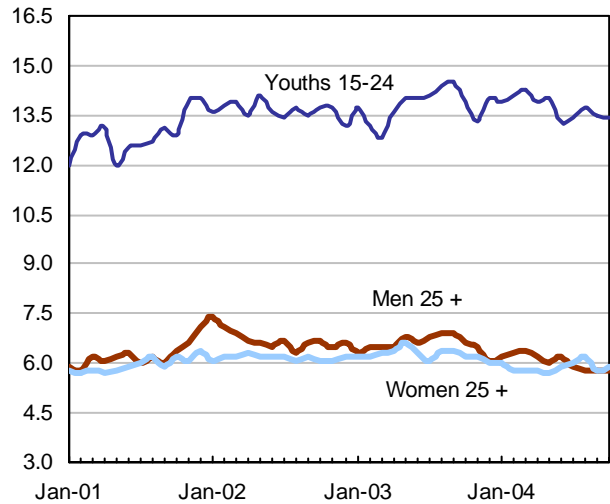
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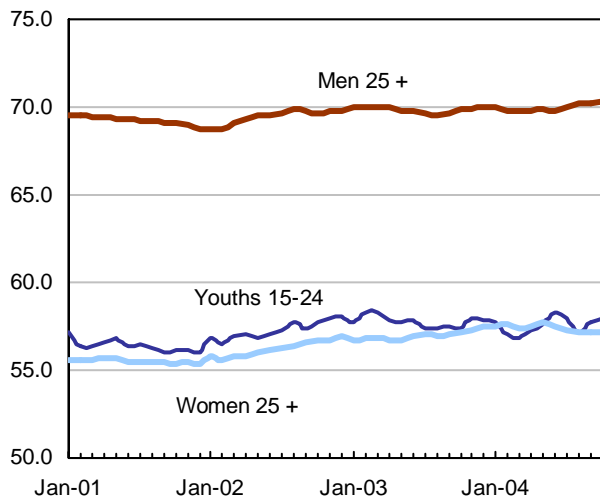
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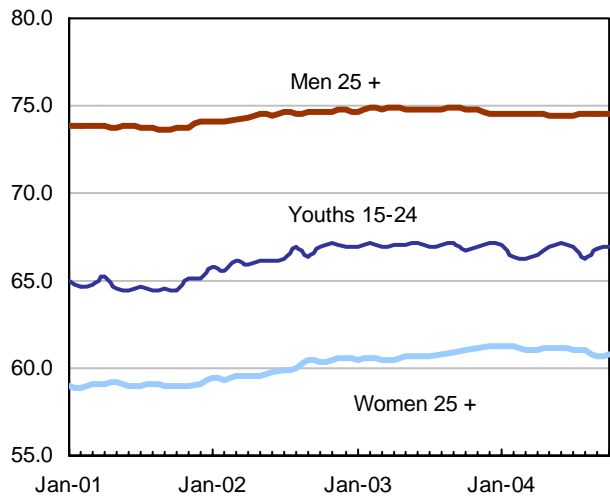
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Employment rate (%)

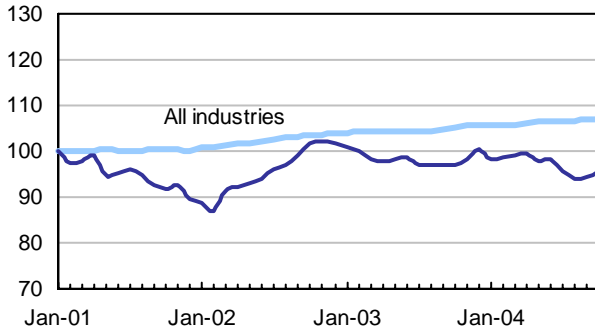


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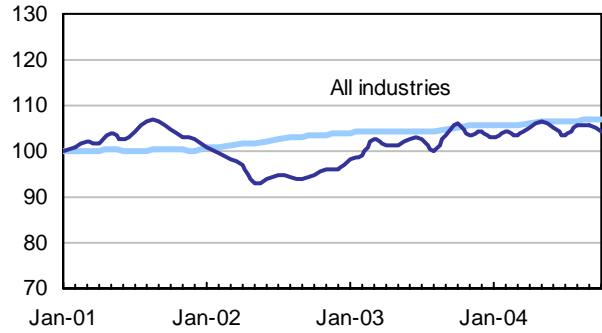


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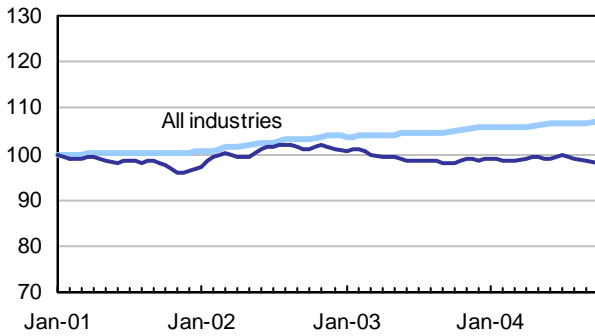
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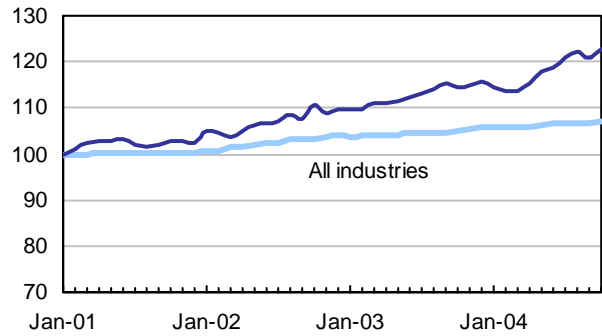
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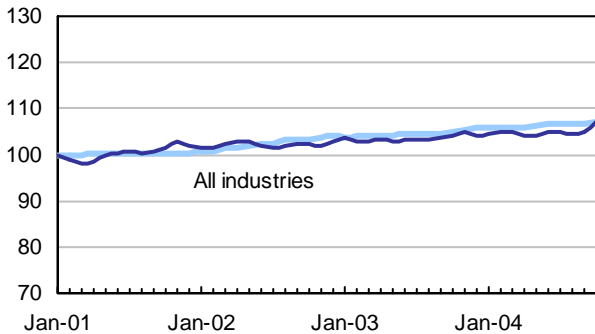
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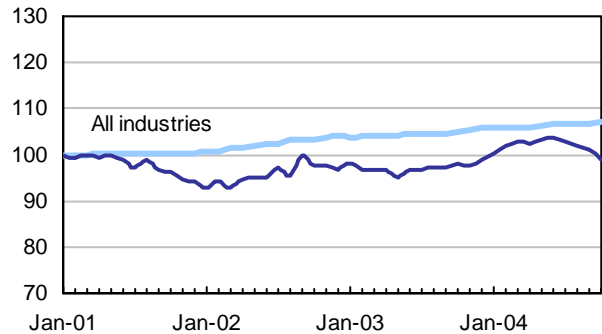
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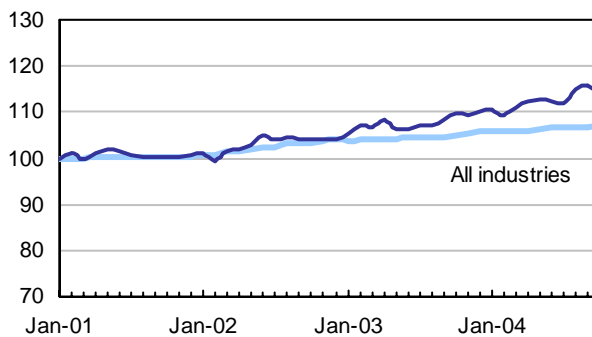
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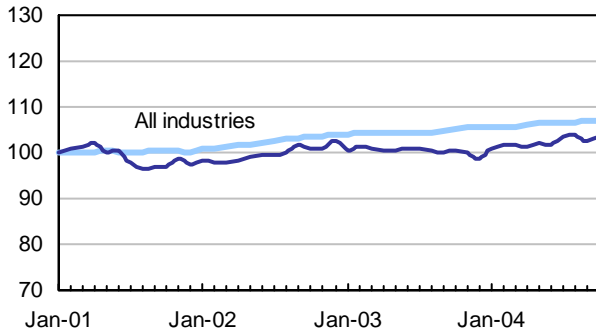


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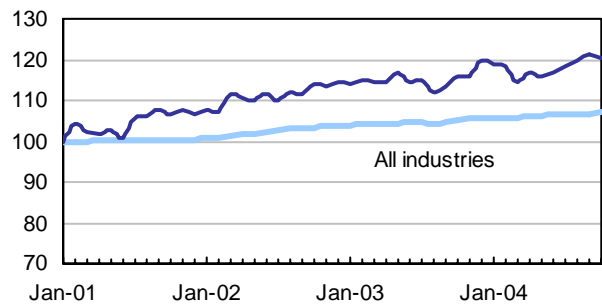


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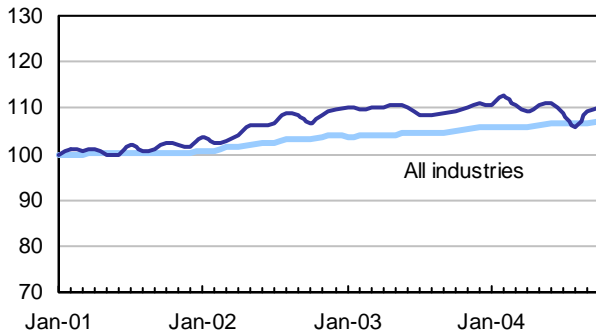
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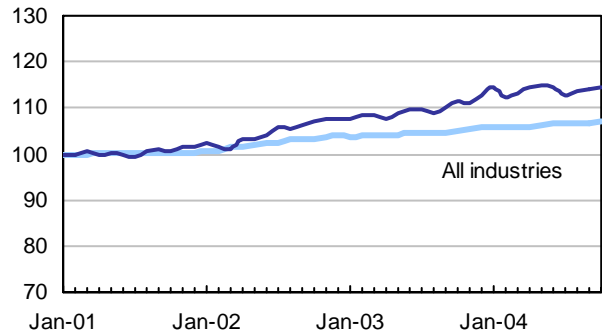
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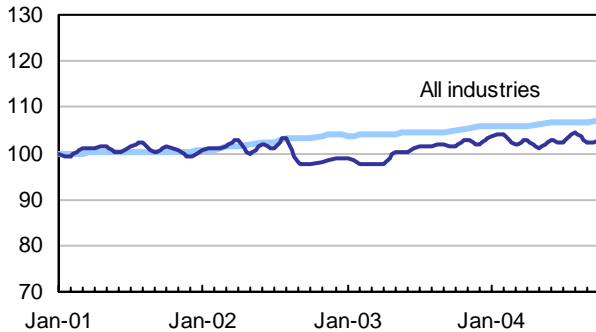
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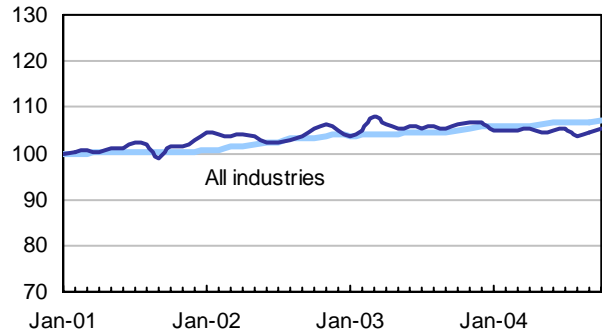
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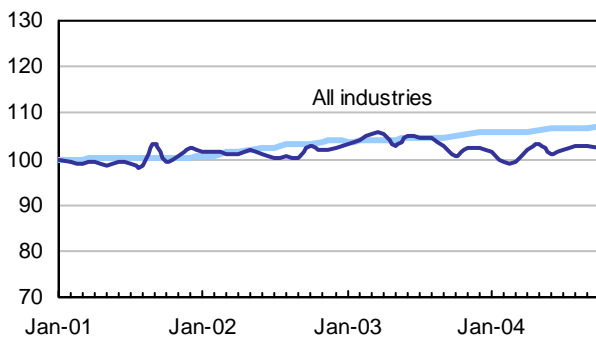
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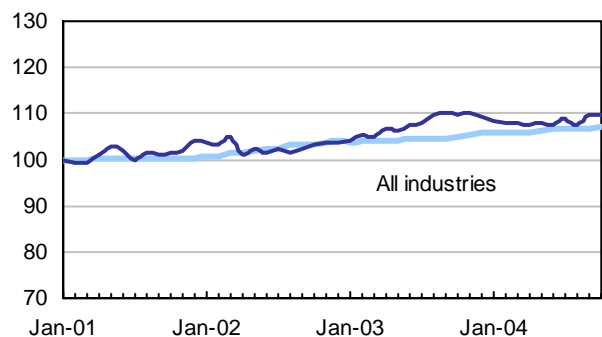
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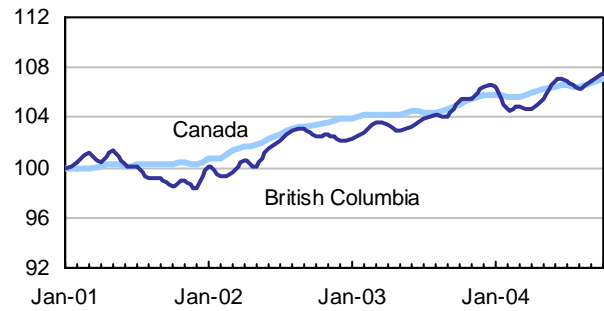
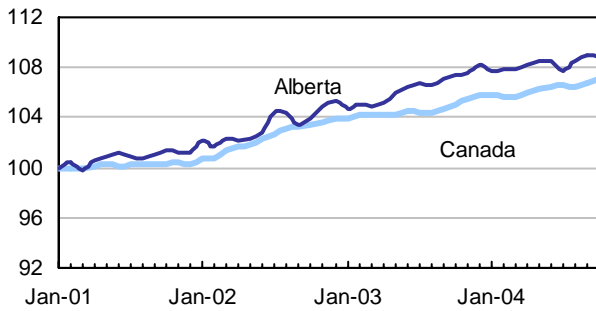
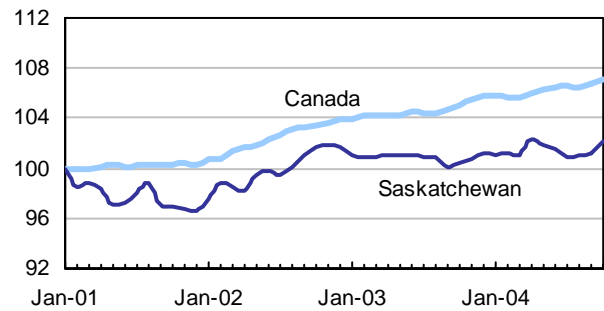
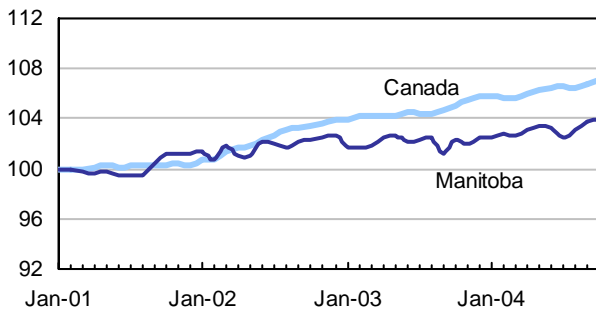
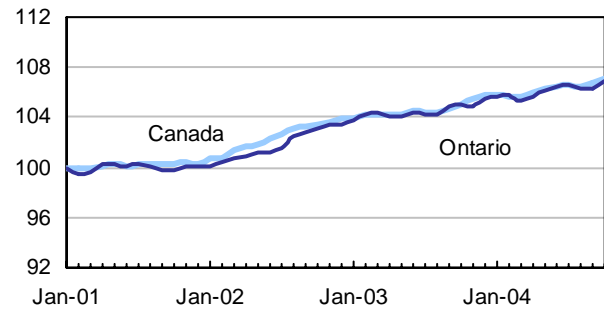
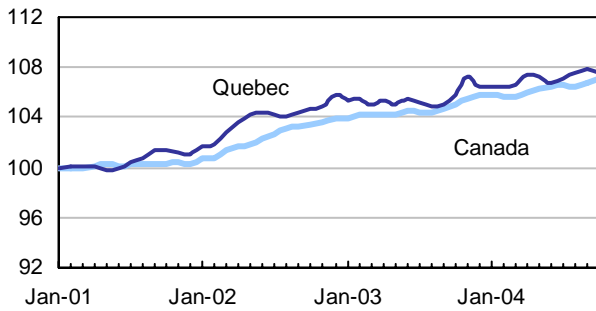
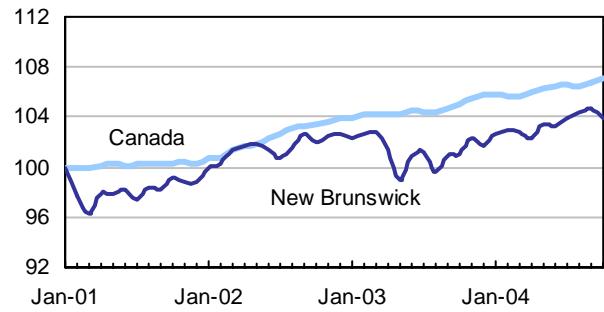
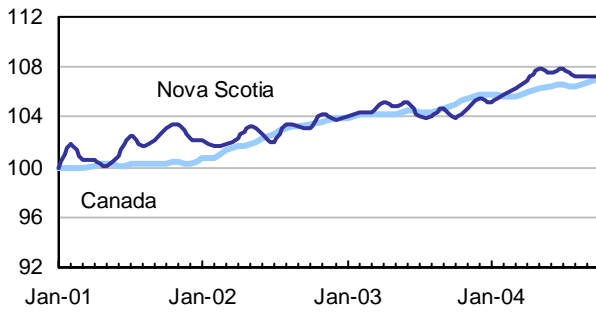
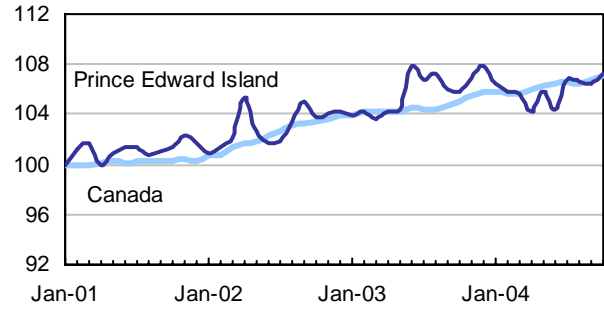
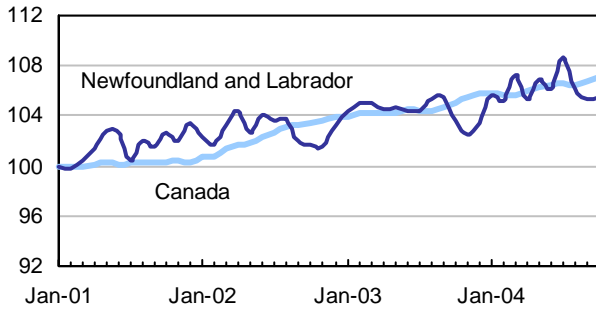
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Public administration



Index of employment by province, seasonally adjusted, January 2001 = 100



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 - Labour force, employment and unemployment*, annual data

Table 1

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

	September 2004	October 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	25,681.3	25,712.3	...	31.0	308.4	361.1	0.1	1.2	1.4
Labour force	17,297.8	17,341.2	28.6	43.4	153.8	214.9	0.3	0.9	1.3
Employment	16,076.4	16,110.7	29.5	34.3	190.0	288.7	0.2	1.2	1.8
Employment full-time	13,146.5	13,159.7	34.8	13.2	242.5	316.7	0.1	1.9	2.5
Employment part-time	2,929.9	2,951.0	30.6	21.1	-52.4	-28.0	0.7	-1.7	-0.9
Unemployment	1,221.4	1,230.6	23.9	9.2	-36.2	-73.7	0.8	-2.9	-5.7
Participation rate	67.4	67.4	0.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	7.1	0.1	0.0	-0.3	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	62.7	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.2	18.3	0.2	0.1	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	4,216.4	4,220.3	...	3.9	37.2	42.9	0.1	0.9	1.0
Labour force	2,816.0	2,823.1	16.6	7.1	10.9	37.4	0.3	0.4	1.3
Employment	2,434.8	2,445.3	16.0	10.5	26.5	47.7	0.4	1.1	2.0
Employment full-time	1,343.2	1,336.3	17.1	-6.9	27.4	49.9	-0.5	2.1	3.9
Employment part-time	1,091.6	1,109.1	17.7	17.5	-0.9	-2.1	1.6	-0.1	-0.2
Unemployment	381.1	377.7	13.8	-3.4	-15.7	-10.4	-0.9	-4.0	-2.7
Participation rate	66.8	66.9	0.4	0.1	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.5	13.4	0.5	-0.1	-0.6	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.7	57.9	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	44.8	45.4	0.6	0.5	-0.5	-1.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	10,467.0	10,480.3	...	13.3	131.1	153.7	0.1	1.3	1.5
Labour force	7,801.0	7,820.9	14.9	19.9	102.0	97.3	0.3	1.3	1.3
Employment	7,345.6	7,365.2	16.6	19.6	118.2	148.8	0.3	1.6	2.1
Employment full-time	6,898.8	6,931.7	19.7	32.9	159.4	188.1	0.5	2.4	2.8
Employment part-time	446.8	433.5	13.9	-13.3	-41.2	-39.3	-3.0	-8.7	-8.3
Unemployment	455.4	455.6	13.6	0.2	-16.3	-51.6	0.0	-3.5	-10.2
Participation rate	74.5	74.6	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.8	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	70.2	70.3	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	5.9	0.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	10,997.9	11,011.7	...	13.8	140.2	164.5	0.1	1.3	1.5
Labour force	6,680.8	6,697.3	16.5	16.5	41.0	80.3	0.2	0.6	1.2
Employment	6,295.9	6,300.1	16.9	4.2	45.3	92.0	0.1	0.7	1.5
Employment full-time	4,904.4	4,891.7	22.3	-12.7	55.7	78.6	-0.3	1.2	1.6
Employment part-time	1,391.5	1,408.4	20.2	16.9	-10.3	13.4	1.2	-0.7	1.0
Unemployment	384.8	397.2	12.6	12.4	-4.3	-11.7	3.2	-1.1	-2.9
Participation rate	60.7	60.8	0.2	0.1	-0.4	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.9	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.2	57.2	0.2	0.0	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	22.1	22.4	0.3	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 25 to 54 years									
Population	14,214.2	14,223.2	...	9.0	84.1	97.2	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	12,256.7	12,281.6	21.0	24.9	53.7	71.9	0.2	0.4	0.6
Employment	11,533.1	11,543.0	23.0	9.9	68.8	126.4	0.1	0.6	1.1
Unemployment	723.6	738.6	17.8	15.0	-15.0	-54.5	2.1	-2.0	-6.9
Participation rate	86.2	86.3	0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	6.0	0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	81.1	81.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.4	...	...	...

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**

	September 2004	October 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	13,604.0	13,625.4	30.7	21.4	142.1	237.2	0.2	1.1	1.8
Self-employed ²	2,472.4	2,485.3	17.8	12.9	47.9	51.5	0.5	2.0	2.1
Public/private sector employees									
Public sector employees	3,119.4	3,118.5	17.6	-0.9	58.7	90.4	0.0	1.9	3.0
Private sector employees	10,484.6	10,506.9	30.5	22.3	83.4	146.8	0.2	0.8	1.4
Industry	16,076.4	16,110.7	29.5	34.3	190.0	288.7	0.2	1.2	1.8
Goods-producing sector	4,039.2	4,044.0	21.5	4.8	28.7	56.0	0.1	0.7	1.4
Agriculture	325.7	330.0	6.0	4.3	-16.5	-4.8	1.3	-4.8	-1.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	299.9	296.3	5.5	-3.6	0.3	-4.4	-1.2	0.1	-1.5
Utilities	134.3	130.3	3.7	-4.0	-0.4	-3.1	-3.0	-0.3	-2.3
Construction	998.7	1,012.9	12.5	14.2	55.8	66.3	1.4	5.8	7.0
Manufacturing	2,280.5	2,274.6	17.0	-5.9	-10.4	2.1	-0.3	-0.5	0.1
Services-producing sector	12,037.2	12,066.7	30.3	29.5	161.3	232.7	0.2	1.4	2.0
Trade	2,499.9	2,545.1	18.4	45.2	67.7	70.9	1.8	2.7	2.9
Transportation and warehousing	798.0	779.2	10.8	-18.8	-3.0	3.9	-2.4	-0.4	0.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,007.2	991.6	11.7	-15.6	34.9	38.5	-1.5	3.6	4.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,021.2	1,032.3	12.3	11.1	47.8	33.5	1.1	4.9	3.4
Business, building and other support services	644.5	641.4	11.0	-3.1	3.8	25.9	-0.5	0.6	4.2
Educational services	1,046.3	1,052.1	11.7	5.8	-9.0	4.7	0.6	-0.8	0.4
Health care and social assistance	1,754.7	1,755.1	13.3	0.4	22.9	42.9	0.0	1.3	2.5
Information, culture and recreation	720.4	723.5	11.2	3.1	6.5	10.5	0.4	0.9	1.5
Accommodation and food services	1,011.0	1,016.9	12.8	5.9	-12.6	-9.2	0.6	-1.2	-0.9
Other services	703.0	700.8	10.5	-2.2	1.2	12.3	-0.3	0.2	1.8
Public administration	831.1	828.6	9.3	-2.5	1.0	-1.2	-0.3	0.1	-0.1

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

	September 2004	October 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	439.8	440.3	...	0.5	0.9	1.2	0.1	0.2	0.3
Labour force	261.0	260.8	2.5	-0.2	-2.0	1.8	-0.1	-0.8	0.7
Employment	219.5	219.6	2.7	0.1	4.0	3.8	0.0	1.9	1.8
Employment full-time	187.6	190.3	2.8	2.7	5.1	5.6	1.4	2.8	3.0
Employment part-time	31.9	29.3	2.0	-2.6	-1.1	-1.8	-8.2	-3.6	-5.8
Unemployment	41.5	41.3	2.5	-0.2	-5.9	-1.8	-0.5	-12.5	-4.2
Participation rate	59.3	59.2	0.6	-0.1	-0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.9	15.8	0.9	-0.1	-2.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.9	49.9	0.6	0.0	0.8	0.8	...	...	...
Prince Edward Island									
Population	114.8	114.8	...	0.0	1.1	1.3	0.0	1.0	1.1
Labour force	78.1	79.1	0.7	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.3	1.3	2.6
Employment	69.3	69.8	0.7	0.5	-0.4	0.9	0.7	-0.6	1.3
Employment full-time	57.1	58.2	0.8	1.1	0.1	1.2	1.9	0.2	2.1
Employment part-time	12.2	11.5	0.7	-0.7	-0.6	-0.4	-5.7	-5.0	-3.4
Unemployment	8.8	9.3	0.7	0.5	1.4	1.1	5.7	17.7	13.4
Participation rate	68.0	68.9	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.3	11.8	0.8	0.5	1.7	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.8	0.6	0.4	-0.9	0.1	...	...	...
Nova Scotia									
Population	765.4	765.8	...	0.4	3.8	4.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	490.0	489.7	3.1	-0.3	7.2	12.0	-0.1	1.5	2.5
Employment	446.9	446.7	3.4	-0.2	7.5	14.2	0.0	1.7	3.3
Employment full-time	365.3	365.2	3.7	-0.1	13.7	12.9	0.0	3.9	3.7
Employment part-time	81.6	81.6	3.3	0.0	-6.1	1.4	0.0	-7.0	1.7
Unemployment	43.1	43.0	2.8	-0.1	-0.3	-2.2	-0.2	-0.7	-4.9
Participation rate	64.0	63.9	0.4	-0.1	0.6	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.8	0.5	0.0	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.3	0.4	-0.1	0.7	1.5	...	...	...
New Brunswick									
Population	613.6	613.8	...	0.2	3.2	3.4	0.0	0.5	0.6
Labour force	394.5	393.3	2.6	-1.2	9.1	7.4	-0.3	2.4	1.9
Employment	356.7	353.7	2.6	-3.0	7.6	9.4	-0.8	2.2	2.7
Employment full-time	300.1	299.2	2.8	-0.9	5.9	7.9	-0.3	2.0	2.7
Employment part-time	56.6	54.5	2.2	-2.1	1.8	1.4	-3.7	3.4	2.6
Unemployment	37.9	39.6	2.3	1.7	1.5	-2.0	4.5	3.9	-4.8
Participation rate	64.3	64.1	0.4	-0.2	1.2	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	10.1	0.6	0.5	0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.1	57.6	0.4	-0.5	0.9	1.2	...	...	...
Quebec									
Population	6,163.1	6,169.0	...	5.9	56.9	67.8	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	4,071.7	4,069.8	15.5	-1.9	8.0	37.4	0.0	0.2	0.9
Employment	3,732.5	3,720.7	16.1	-11.8	38.8	61.9	-0.3	1.1	1.7
Employment full-time	3,071.3	3,061.5	19.1	-9.8	87.6	96.6	-0.3	2.9	3.3
Employment part-time	661.2	659.2	16.3	-2.0	-48.8	-34.6	-0.3	-6.9	-5.0
Unemployment	339.2	349.1	13.6	9.9	-30.8	-24.5	2.9	-8.1	-6.6
Participation rate	66.1	66.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	8.6	0.3	0.3	-0.8	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.3	0.3	-0.3	0.1	0.3	...	...	...

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

	September 2004	October 2004	S.E. ¹	Change from			% change from		
				last month	last December	twelve months ago	last month	last December	twelve months ago
Ontario									
Population	9,991.2	10,005.7	...	14.5	148.4	172.1	0.1	1.5	1.8
Labour force	6,780.5	6,820.1	18.9	39.6	83.9	96.1	0.6	1.2	1.4
Employment	6,341.1	6,373.9	19.0	32.8	88.1	116.3	0.5	1.4	1.9
Employment full-time	5,222.9	5,208.8	22.4	-14.1	62.6	70.1	-0.3	1.2	1.4
Employment part-time	1,118.1	1,165.1	19.9	47.0	25.4	46.2	4.2	2.2	4.1
Unemployment	439.4	446.2	15.4	6.8	-4.2	-20.3	1.5	-0.9	-4.4
Participation rate	67.9	68.2	0.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.5	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	63.7	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Manitoba									
Population	879.0	879.9	...	0.9	8.0	9.5	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	612.0	610.4	2.7	-1.6	9.6	8.4	-0.3	1.6	1.4
Employment	577.8	579.0	2.9	1.2	8.4	9.3	0.2	1.5	1.6
Employment full-time	462.6	464.2	3.7	1.6	2.9	6.3	0.3	0.6	1.4
Employment part-time	115.1	114.8	3.2	-0.3	5.5	3.0	-0.3	5.0	2.7
Unemployment	34.2	31.4	2.1	-2.8	1.1	-0.8	-8.2	3.6	-2.5
Participation rate	69.6	69.4	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.1	0.3	-0.5	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.8	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Saskatchewan									
Population	758.3	758.6	...	0.3	2.4	2.8	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	518.2	520.3	2.5	2.1	2.5	6.6	0.4	0.5	1.3
Employment	488.3	493.2	2.6	4.9	4.8	8.3	1.0	1.0	1.7
Employment full-time	391.0	395.9	3.1	4.9	3.5	8.6	1.3	0.9	2.2
Employment part-time	97.3	97.3	2.9	0.0	1.2	-0.2	0.0	1.2	-0.2
Unemployment	29.9	27.2	1.8	-2.7	-2.1	-1.7	-9.0	-7.2	-5.9
Participation rate	68.3	68.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.2	0.4	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	65.0	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Alberta									
Population	2,528.1	2,531.4	...	3.3	37.7	44.3	0.1	1.5	1.8
Labour force	1,853.9	1,850.2	7.5	-3.7	9.5	18.8	-0.2	0.5	1.0
Employment	1,764.4	1,762.4	8.4	-2.0	10.9	23.1	-0.1	0.6	1.3
Employment full-time	1,439.9	1,436.5	10.2	-3.4	2.8	16.8	-0.2	0.2	1.2
Employment part-time	324.5	326.0	9.3	1.5	8.2	6.4	0.5	2.6	2.0
Unemployment	89.5	87.8	5.9	-1.7	-1.4	-4.3	-1.9	-1.6	-4.7
Participation rate	73.3	73.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.7	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.8	69.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
British Columbia									
Population	3,428.0	3,433.0	...	5.0	46.1	54.3	0.1	1.4	1.6
Labour force	2,237.9	2,247.4	11.3	9.5	24.8	24.4	0.4	1.1	1.1
Employment	2,079.9	2,091.7	11.7	11.8	20.3	41.5	0.6	1.0	2.0
Employment full-time	1,648.6	1,680.0	13.6	31.4	58.5	90.8	1.9	3.6	5.7
Employment part-time	431.3	411.7	12.2	-19.6	-38.2	-49.3	-4.5	-8.5	-10.7
Unemployment	157.9	155.7	9.0	-2.2	4.6	-17.2	-1.4	3.0	-9.9
Participation rate	65.3	65.5	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.9	0.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.7	60.9	0.3	0.2	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...

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

Table 4

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

	September 2004	October 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	439.8	440.3	...	0.5	0.9	1.2	0.1	0.2	0.3
Labour force	261.0	260.8	2.5	-0.2	-2.0	1.8	-0.1	-0.8	0.7
Employment	219.5	219.6	2.7	0.1	4.0	3.8	0.0	1.9	1.8
Employment full-time	187.6	190.3	2.8	2.7	5.1	5.6	1.4	2.8	3.0
Unemployment	41.5	41.3	2.5	-0.2	-5.9	-1.8	-0.5	-12.5	-4.2
Participation rate	59.3	59.2	0.6	-0.1	-0.6	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.9	15.8	0.9	-0.1	-2.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	49.9	49.9	0.6	0.0	0.8	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	14.5	13.3	0.9	-1.2	-0.8	-1.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	71.2	71.2	...	0.0	-1.3	-1.5	0.0	-1.8	-2.1
Labour force	38.6	39.1	1.3	0.5	-0.6	0.8	1.3	-1.5	2.1
Employment	29.6	29.3	1.3	-0.3	1.1	0.4	-1.0	3.9	1.4
Unemployment	9.0	9.7	1.1	0.7	-1.8	0.3	7.8	-15.7	3.2
Participation rate	54.2	54.9	1.8	0.7	0.1	2.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	23.3	24.8	2.6	1.5	-4.2	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	41.6	41.2	1.7	-0.4	2.3	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	39.2	35.5	3.7	-3.7	-2.4	-2.6	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	179.7	180.1	...	0.4	1.1	1.4	0.2	0.6	0.8
Labour force	120.0	118.9	1.5	-1.1	0.8	1.8	-0.9	0.7	1.5
Employment	101.4	101.4	1.6	0.0	3.6	3.9	0.0	3.7	4.0
Unemployment	18.6	17.5	1.6	-1.1	-2.8	-2.2	-5.9	-13.8	-11.2
Participation rate	66.8	66.0	0.8	-0.8	0.0	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.5	14.7	1.2	-0.8	-2.5	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.4	56.3	0.9	-0.1	1.7	1.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	4.2	3.6	0.8	-0.7	-2.1	-1.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	188.9	189.1	...	0.2	1.2	1.4	0.1	0.6	0.7
Labour force	102.4	102.9	1.3	0.5	-2.2	-0.7	0.5	-2.1	-0.7
Employment	88.4	88.9	1.4	0.5	-0.7	-0.6	0.6	-0.8	-0.7
Unemployment	14.0	14.0	1.2	0.0	-1.5	-0.1	0.0	-9.7	-0.7
Participation rate	54.2	54.4	0.7	0.2	-1.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.7	13.6	1.1	-0.1	-1.1	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	46.8	47.0	0.8	0.2	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.1	17.1	1.3	-1.0	1.1	0.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	219.5	219.6	2.7	0.1	4.0	3.8	0.0	1.9	1.8
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	51.6	49.8	1.8	-1.8	1.4	5.9	-3.5	2.9	13.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	1.6	1.3	0.3	-0.3	0.2	0.6	-18.8	18.2	85.7
Utilities	15.9	15.8	1.0	-0.1	-2.2	-1.1	-0.6	-12.2	-6.5
Construction	2.5	2.3	0.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.7	-8.0	4.5	-23.3
Manufacturing	13.4	12.5	0.8	-0.9	2.3	2.4	-6.7	22.5	23.8
Services-producing sector	18.2	17.8	1.1	-0.4	1.0	4.6	-2.2	6.0	34.8
Services-producing sector	167.8	169.8	2.3	2.0	2.6	-2.1	1.2	1.6	-1.2
Trade	40.8	40.8	1.2	0.0	5.8	5.1	0.0	16.6	14.3
Transportation and warehousing	12.5	12.6	0.7	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.8	0.8	-1.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	8.9	9.3	0.6	0.4	1.6	1.4	4.5	20.8	17.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	6.1	6.0	0.6	-0.1	-1.4	-1.0	-1.6	-18.9	-14.3
Business, building and other support services	7.6	8.1	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.1	6.6	2.5	1.2
Educational services	16.5	16.7	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.6	1.2	1.8	3.7
Health care and social assistance	31.0	31.2	1.0	0.2	-0.1	-1.4	0.6	-0.3	-4.3
Information, culture and recreation	7.9	7.9	0.6	0.0	0.7	0.4	0.0	9.7	5.3
Accommodation and food services	13.2	13.3	0.9	0.1	0.6	-1.5	0.8	4.7	-10.1
Other services	10.3	10.3	0.8	0.0	-2.8	-2.4	0.0	-21.4	-18.9
Public administration	13.0	13.5	0.8	0.5	-2.5	-3.3	3.8	-15.6	-19.6

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 5

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

	September 2004	October 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	114.8	114.8	...	0.0	1.1	1.3	0.0	1.0	1.1
Labour force	78.1	79.1	0.7	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.3	1.3	2.6
Employment	69.3	69.8	0.7	0.5	-0.4	0.9	0.7	-0.6	1.3
Employment full-time	57.1	58.2	0.8	1.1	0.1	1.2	1.9	0.2	2.1
Unemployment	8.8	9.3	0.7	0.5	1.4	1.1	5.7	17.7	13.4
Participation rate	68.0	68.9	0.6	0.9	0.2	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.3	11.8	0.8	0.5	1.7	1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.8	0.6	0.4	-0.9	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.6	16.5	0.9	-1.1	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
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	13.2	13.9	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.0	5.3	3.0	0.0
Employment	11.0	11.3	0.4	0.3	-0.4	-0.6	2.7	-3.4	-5.0
Unemployment	2.2	2.7	0.3	0.5	0.9	0.8	22.7	50.0	42.1
Participation rate	65.7	69.2	1.9	3.5	2.0	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.7	19.4	2.4	2.7	6.1	5.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.7	56.2	2.0	1.5	-2.0	-2.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	45.5	39.8	3.2	-5.6	-1.2	-3.9	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	45.7	45.7	...	0.0	0.5	0.6	0.0	1.1	1.3
Labour force	33.4	33.9	0.4	0.5	0.8	0.9	1.5	2.4	2.7
Employment	29.9	30.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.7
Unemployment	3.6	3.7	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.4	2.8	15.6	12.1
Participation rate	73.1	74.2	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	10.9	1.2	0.1	1.2	0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	66.1	1.0	0.7	-0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.4	6.0	0.9	-0.4	1.9	1.6	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	49.0	49.1	...	0.1	0.7	0.8	0.2	1.4	1.7
Labour force	31.5	31.2	0.4	-0.3	-0.4	0.9	-1.0	-1.3	3.0
Employment	28.5	28.3	0.4	-0.2	-0.3	1.0	-0.7	-1.0	3.7
Unemployment	3.0	2.9	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-3.3	-3.3	-3.3
Participation rate	64.3	63.5	0.7	-0.8	-1.8	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.5	9.3	1.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	57.6	0.8	-0.6	-1.5	1.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.9	18.4	1.5	-0.6	-3.3	-1.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	69.4	69.8	0.7	0.4	-0.4	0.9	0.6	-0.6	1.3
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	17.4	17.0	0.6	-0.4	-1.8	-1.3	-2.3	-9.6	-7.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	3.9	3.4	0.3	-0.5	-0.8	-0.6	-12.8	-19.0	-15.0
Utilities	3.0	2.9	0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1	-3.3	3.6	3.6
Construction	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Manufacturing	4.3	4.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	2.3	4.8	0.0
Services-producing sector	51.9	52.8	0.7	0.9	1.4	2.1	1.7	2.7	4.1
Trade	10.1	9.9	0.4	-0.2	-0.9	-0.9	-2.0	-8.3	-8.3
Transportation and warehousing	2.5	2.6	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.2	4.0	-7.1	8.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	2.6	2.4	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	-7.7	-7.7	14.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	2.9	2.9	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.6	0.0	7.4	26.1
Business, building and other support services	2.3	2.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Educational services	4.9	5.1	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	4.1	4.1	6.2
Health care and social assistance	8.2	8.1	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.3	-1.2	3.8	3.8
Information, culture and recreation	2.5	2.8	0.3	0.3	0.2	-0.1	12.0	7.7	-3.4
Accommodation and food services	4.7	5.6	0.3	0.9	0.7	0.8	19.1	14.3	16.7
Other services	3.2	3.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.4	-3.1	-13.9	-11.4
Public administration	7.9	8.1	0.3	0.2	1.6	1.3	2.5	24.6	19.1

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 6

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

	September 2004	October 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	765.4	765.8	...	0.4	3.8	4.4	0.1	0.5	0.6
Labour force	490.0	489.7	3.1	-0.3	7.2	12.0	-0.1	1.5	2.5
Employment	446.9	446.7	3.4	-0.2	7.5	14.2	0.0	1.7	3.3
Employment full-time	365.3	365.2	3.7	-0.1	13.7	12.9	0.0	3.9	3.7
Unemployment	43.1	43.0	2.8	-0.1	-0.3	-2.2	-0.2	-0.7	-4.9
Participation rate	64.0	63.9	0.4	-0.1	0.6	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.8	8.8	0.5	0.0	-0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.3	0.4	-0.1	0.7	1.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.3	18.3	0.7	0.0	-1.7	-0.3	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	124.5	124.6	...	0.1	0.7	0.8	0.1	0.6	0.6
Labour force	84.2	85.5	1.8	1.3	2.5	6.3	1.5	3.0	8.0
Employment	71.5	72.2	1.9	0.7	1.5	7.0	1.0	2.1	10.7
Unemployment	12.7	13.3	1.6	0.6	1.0	-0.7	4.7	8.1	-5.0
Participation rate	67.6	68.6	1.5	1.0	1.6	4.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.1	15.6	1.8	0.5	0.8	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	57.9	1.5	0.5	0.8	5.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	41.4	43.4	2.4	2.0	-3.6	-1.9	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	305.8	306.0	...	0.2	1.3	1.5	0.1	0.4	0.5
Labour force	214.7	213.5	1.6	-1.2	2.9	1.4	-0.6	1.4	0.7
Employment	198.2	197.0	1.9	-1.2	4.0	3.8	-0.6	2.1	2.0
Unemployment	16.5	16.6	1.7	0.1	-1.0	-2.3	0.6	-5.7	-12.2
Participation rate	70.2	69.8	0.5	-0.4	0.7	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.8	0.8	0.1	-0.6	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.8	64.4	0.6	-0.4	1.1	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.9	5.8	0.7	-1.1	-0.9	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	335.1	335.2	...	0.1	1.7	2.1	0.0	0.5	0.6
Labour force	191.1	190.7	1.7	-0.4	1.8	4.3	-0.2	1.0	2.3
Employment	177.3	177.6	1.7	0.3	2.1	3.5	0.2	1.2	2.0
Unemployment	13.8	13.1	1.4	-0.7	-0.3	0.7	-5.1	-2.2	5.6
Participation rate	57.0	56.9	0.5	-0.1	0.3	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	6.9	0.7	-0.3	-0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	52.9	53.0	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.7	...	...	...
Part-time rate	21.7	21.8	1.1	0.2	-1.9	0.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	446.9	446.7	3.4	-0.2	7.5	14.2	0.0	1.7	3.3
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	98.9	98.3	2.2	-0.6	-1.4	1.2	-0.6	-1.4	1.2
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	6.0	5.9	0.6	-0.1	-0.7	-0.8	-1.7	-10.6	-11.9
Utilities	15.7	14.8	1.0	-0.9	0.4	1.2	-5.7	2.8	8.8
Construction	3.6	3.0	0.3	-0.6	0.3	0.3	-16.7	11.1	11.1
Manufacturing	28.1	27.2	1.3	-0.9	-1.1	0.8	-3.2	-3.9	3.0
Services-producing sector									
Trade	45.5	47.4	1.4	1.9	-0.3	-0.4	4.2	-0.6	-0.8
Transportation and warehousing	348.0	348.4	2.9	0.4	9.0	13.1	0.1	2.7	3.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	76.6	76.6	1.8	0.0	1.9	3.8	0.0	2.5	5.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	19.9	21.0	1.0	1.1	0.9	0.8	5.5	4.5	4.0
Business, building and other support services	24.4	23.2	0.9	-1.2	3.6	5.2	-4.9	18.4	28.9
Educational services	20.8	21.1	0.9	0.3	2.5	1.9	1.4	13.4	9.9
Health care and social assistance	25.9	24.6	1.2	-1.3	0.5	1.4	-5.0	2.1	6.0
Information, culture and recreation	34.8	35.5	1.3	0.7	1.7	3.6	2.0	5.0	11.3
Accommodation and food services	51.0	52.0	1.3	1.0	-3.0	-2.6	2.0	-5.5	-4.8
Other services	17.5	17.0	1.1	-0.5	-1.8	-2.4	-2.9	-9.6	-12.4
Public administration	31.4	32.5	1.4	1.1	6.2	3.1	3.5	23.6	10.5
Public administration	20.6	19.7	1.1	-0.9	0.6	0.9	-4.4	3.1	4.8
Public administration	25.2	25.2	1.0	0.0	-4.2	-2.8	0.0	-14.3	-10.0

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

	September 2004	October 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	613.6	613.8	...	0.2	3.2	3.4	0.0	0.5	0.6
Labour force	394.5	393.3	2.6	-1.2	9.1	7.4	-0.3	2.4	1.9
Employment	356.7	353.7	2.6	-3.0	7.6	9.4	-0.8	2.2	2.7
Employment full-time	300.1	299.2	2.8	-0.9	5.9	7.9	-0.3	2.0	2.7
Unemployment	37.9	39.6	2.3	1.7	1.5	-2.0	4.5	3.9	-4.8
Participation rate	64.3	64.1	0.4	-0.2	1.2	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.6	10.1	0.6	0.5	0.2	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.1	57.6	0.4	-0.5	0.9	1.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	15.9	15.4	0.6	-0.5	0.2	0.0	...	...	...
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	62.7	62.8	1.4	0.1	-1.4	-0.6	0.2	-2.2	-0.9
Employment	54.3	53.1	1.4	-1.2	-0.6	0.8	-2.2	-1.1	1.5
Unemployment	8.5	9.7	1.3	1.2	-0.8	-1.4	14.1	-7.6	-12.6
Participation rate	64.5	64.6	1.4	0.1	-1.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.6	15.4	1.9	1.8	-1.0	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	55.9	54.6	1.4	-1.3	-0.6	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	38.5	38.2	2.2	-0.3	-1.6	-2.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	249.6	249.7	...	0.1	1.6	1.7	0.0	0.6	0.7
Labour force	173.3	173.5	1.5	0.2	2.3	-0.2	0.1	1.3	-0.1
Employment	155.8	156.5	1.6	0.7	2.6	3.5	0.4	1.7	2.3
Unemployment	17.5	17.0	1.5	-0.5	-0.3	-3.7	-2.9	-1.7	-17.9
Participation rate	69.4	69.5	0.6	0.1	0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.1	9.8	0.8	-0.3	-0.3	-2.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	62.7	0.6	0.3	0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.0	4.8	0.6	-0.2	0.7	0.5	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	266.8	267.0	...	0.2	1.8	1.9	0.1	0.7	0.7
Labour force	158.5	157.0	1.4	-1.5	8.2	8.2	-0.9	5.5	5.5
Employment	146.6	144.1	1.4	-2.5	5.7	5.1	-1.7	4.1	3.7
Unemployment	11.9	12.9	1.2	1.0	2.6	3.0	8.4	25.2	30.3
Participation rate	59.4	58.8	0.5	-0.6	2.7	2.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	8.2	0.8	0.7	1.3	1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.9	54.0	0.5	-0.9	1.8	1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.0	18.5	1.0	-0.5	0.4	0.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	356.7	353.7	2.6	-3.0	7.6	9.4	-0.8	2.2	2.7
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	83.1	82.8	1.8	-0.3	-1.4	-1.1	-0.4	-1.7	-1.3
Agriculture	6.4	6.3	0.5	-0.1	1.7	1.4	-1.6	37.0	28.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	11.6	12.2	0.8	0.6	0.1	-0.3	5.2	0.8	-2.4
Utilities	3.6	3.8	0.3	0.2	0.4	-0.1	5.6	11.8	-2.6
Construction	20.0	19.7	1.0	-0.3	0.2	1.0	-1.5	1.0	5.3
Manufacturing	41.4	40.8	1.3	-0.6	-3.8	-3.1	-1.4	-8.5	-7.1
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	273.6	271.0	2.4	-2.6	9.1	10.5	-1.0	3.5	4.0
Trade	54.9	54.0	1.3	-0.9	-1.8	-1.4	-1.6	-3.2	-2.5
Transportation and warehousing	21.2	21.3	0.8	0.1	3.7	3.2	0.5	21.0	17.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	14.4	14.7	0.6	0.3	-0.1	0.3	2.1	-0.7	2.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	15.8	15.6	0.7	-0.2	1.2	1.5	-1.3	8.3	10.6
Business, building and other support services	20.2	20.1	1.0	-0.1	-1.5	-1.2	-0.5	-6.9	-5.6
Educational services	26.8	27.6	0.9	0.8	3.4	4.6	3.0	14.0	20.0
Health care and social assistance	48.9	46.9	1.1	-2.0	0.1	0.7	-4.1	0.2	1.5
Information, culture and recreation	11.6	10.4	0.7	-1.2	0.6	-0.2	-10.3	6.1	-1.9
Accommodation and food services	21.8	21.9	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.5
Other services	18.0	18.0	0.9	0.0	1.0	1.6	0.0	5.9	9.8
Public administration	20.1	20.4	0.7	0.3	2.4	1.2	1.5	13.3	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 8

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

	September 2004	October 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	6,163.1	6,169.0	...	5.9	56.9	67.8	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	4,071.7	4,069.8	15.5	-1.9	8.0	37.4	0.0	0.2	0.9
Employment	3,732.5	3,720.7	16.1	-11.8	38.8	61.9	-0.3	1.1	1.7
Employment full-time	3,071.3	3,061.5	19.1	-9.8	87.6	96.6	-0.3	2.9	3.3
Unemployment	339.2	349.1	13.6	9.9	-30.8	-24.5	2.9	-8.1	-6.6
Participation rate	66.1	66.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	8.6	0.3	0.3	-0.8	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.3	0.3	-0.3	0.1	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.7	17.7	0.4	0.0	-1.5	-1.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	948.1	947.9	...	-0.2	-2.3	-2.6	0.0	-0.2	-0.3
Labour force	655.1	652.1	8.8	-3.0	1.0	18.1	-0.5	0.2	2.9
Employment	554.8	551.7	8.6	-3.1	6.0	13.6	-0.6	1.1	2.5
Unemployment	100.3	100.4	7.4	0.1	-4.9	4.6	0.1	-4.7	4.8
Participation rate	69.1	68.8	0.9	-0.3	0.3	2.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.3	15.4	1.1	0.1	-0.8	0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.5	58.2	0.9	-0.3	0.8	1.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	46.7	46.0	1.5	-0.7	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	2,544.1	2,547.2	...	3.1	30.0	35.7	0.1	1.2	1.4
Labour force	1,856.9	1,865.7	8.3	8.8	20.0	26.5	0.5	1.1	1.4
Employment	1,716.4	1,723.0	9.4	6.6	28.8	44.1	0.4	1.7	2.6
Unemployment	140.4	142.7	8.0	2.3	-8.8	-17.6	1.6	-5.8	-11.0
Participation rate	73.0	73.2	0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.6	0.4	0.0	-0.6	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	67.5	67.6	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	6.0	0.5	-0.1	-1.4	-1.0	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	2,670.8	2,673.8	...	3.0	29.1	34.6	0.1	1.1	1.3
Labour force	1,559.8	1,551.9	8.9	-7.9	-13.2	-7.3	-0.5	-0.8	-0.5
Employment	1,461.3	1,445.9	9.1	-15.4	4.0	4.2	-1.1	0.3	0.3
Unemployment	98.5	106.0	7.5	7.5	-17.1	-11.5	7.6	-13.9	-9.8
Participation rate	58.4	58.0	0.3	-0.4	-1.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.8	0.5	0.5	-1.1	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.7	54.1	0.3	-0.6	-0.4	-0.5	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.3	20.8	0.7	0.5	-2.2	-2.0	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	3,732.5	3,720.7	16.1	-11.8	38.8	61.9	-0.3	1.1	1.7
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	928.6	919.2	11.2	-9.4	-6.9	-13.6	-1.0	-0.7	-1.5
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	45.9	46.6	2.6	0.7	-10.4	-15.3	1.5	-18.2	-24.7
Utilities	34.6	37.1	2.2	2.5	-1.6	-1.0	7.2	-4.1	-2.6
Construction	31.8	29.4	2.2	-2.4	-0.3	1.5	-7.5	-1.0	5.4
Manufacturing	166.8	175.5	5.8	8.7	-2.3	2.7	5.2	-1.3	1.6
Services-producing sector	649.5	630.6	9.5	-18.9	7.6	-1.6	-2.9	1.2	-0.3
Trade	2,803.9	2,801.5	16.2	-2.4	45.8	75.6	-0.1	1.7	2.8
Transportation and warehousing	618.7	615.0	10.7	-3.7	9.3	-0.4	-0.6	1.5	-0.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	175.4	172.2	5.7	-3.2	8.6	6.2	-1.8	5.3	3.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	214.8	209.4	5.9	-5.4	8.7	19.5	-2.5	4.3	10.3
Business, building and other support services	231.5	229.6	6.3	-1.9	17.1	16.9	-0.8	8.0	7.9
Educational services	123.6	130.1	5.3	6.5	17.7	19.4	5.3	15.7	17.5
Health care and social assistance	229.5	230.7	6.6	1.2	-24.1	-15.0	0.5	-9.5	-6.1
Information, culture and recreation	446.4	448.3	8.1	1.9	-3.9	-1.8	0.4	-0.9	-0.4
Accommodation and food services	160.6	165.9	6.1	5.3	4.6	13.2	3.3	2.9	8.6
Other services	207.2	206.3	6.8	-0.9	-4.0	-3.9	-0.4	-1.9	-1.9
Public administration	177.5	174.8	5.9	-2.7	7.1	13.9	-1.5	4.2	8.6
Public administration	218.6	219.2	5.3	0.6	4.7	7.6	0.3	2.2	3.6

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 9

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

	September 2004	October 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	9,991.2	10,005.7	...	14.5	148.4	172.1	0.1	1.5	1.8
Labour force	6,780.5	6,820.1	18.9	39.6	83.9	96.1	0.6	1.2	1.4
Employment	6,341.1	6,373.9	19.0	32.8	88.1	116.3	0.5	1.4	1.9
Employment full-time	5,222.9	5,208.8	22.4	-14.1	62.6	70.1	-0.3	1.2	1.4
Unemployment	439.4	446.2	15.4	6.8	-4.2	-20.3	1.5	-0.9	-4.4
Participation rate	67.9	68.2	0.2	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.5	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	63.7	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	17.6	18.3	0.3	0.6	0.1	0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	1,636.1	1,639.0	...	2.9	27.9	32.0	0.2	1.7	2.0
Labour force	1,067.1	1,077.7	11.1	10.6	-0.8	7.1	1.0	-0.1	0.7
Employment	919.9	933.0	10.3	13.1	13.5	20.8	1.4	1.5	2.3
Unemployment	147.2	144.6	9.2	-2.6	-14.4	-13.9	-1.8	-9.1	-8.8
Participation rate	65.2	65.8	0.7	0.6	-1.1	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.8	13.4	0.8	-0.4	-1.3	-1.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.2	56.9	0.6	0.7	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	47.3	48.6	1.1	1.3	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	4,058.1	4,063.5	...	5.4	57.2	66.5	0.1	1.4	1.7
Labour force	3,062.3	3,071.6	9.5	9.3	51.7	44.4	0.3	1.7	1.5
Employment	2,917.1	2,920.7	10.6	3.6	50.1	51.9	0.1	1.7	1.8
Unemployment	145.2	151.0	8.5	5.8	1.7	-7.4	4.0	1.1	-4.7
Participation rate	75.5	75.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	4.9	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.9	71.9	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.7	5.8	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	4,297.1	4,303.3	...	6.2	63.4	73.7	0.1	1.5	1.7
Labour force	2,651.1	2,670.8	11.1	19.7	33.0	44.6	0.7	1.3	1.7
Employment	2,504.1	2,520.2	11.1	16.1	24.4	43.6	0.6	1.0	1.8
Unemployment	147.0	150.6	8.0	3.6	8.6	1.0	2.4	6.1	0.7
Participation rate	61.7	62.1	0.3	0.4	-0.1	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.6	0.3	0.1	0.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	58.6	0.3	0.3	-0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.6	21.5	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.9	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	6,341.1	6,373.9	19.0	32.8	88.1	116.3	0.5	1.4	1.9
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	1,640.7	1,647.0	14.4	6.3	-5.0	8.4	0.4	-0.3	0.5
Agriculture	79.6	79.0	3.2	-0.6	-8.1	-5.8	-0.8	-9.3	-6.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	39.2	40.3	1.8	1.1	8.5	9.9	2.8	26.7	32.6
Utilities	56.5	56.3	2.4	-0.2	1.3	-1.4	-0.4	2.4	-2.4
Construction	384.7	383.5	8.5	-1.2	-11.8	-10.5	-0.3	-3.0	-2.7
Manufacturing	1,080.6	1,087.9	12.0	7.3	5.1	16.2	0.7	0.5	1.5
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	4,700.4	4,726.9	20.1	26.5	93.0	108.0	0.6	2.0	2.3
Trade	960.0	1,002.9	11.7	42.9	64.5	73.6	4.5	6.9	7.9
Transportation and warehousing	296.4	283.6	7.4	-12.8	-11.0	-6.8	-4.3	-3.7	-2.3
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	462.0	452.3	8.4	-9.7	18.4	13.7	-2.1	4.2	3.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	443.6	445.1	8.6	1.5	29.4	17.3	0.3	7.1	4.0
Business, building and other support services	281.4	272.5	7.7	-8.9	-17.3	-3.0	-3.2	-6.0	-1.1
Educational services	403.2	405.4	7.4	2.2	12.3	2.9	0.5	3.1	0.7
Health care and social assistance	633.7	639.5	8.2	5.8	13.6	18.2	0.9	2.2	2.9
Information, culture and recreation	297.1	292.6	7.4	-4.5	0.6	-3.0	-1.5	0.2	-1.0
Accommodation and food services	355.8	364.1	8.1	8.3	-20.5	-11.7	2.3	-5.3	-3.1
Other services	248.2	254.1	6.7	5.9	1.5	1.3	2.4	0.6	0.5
Public administration	318.9	314.9	6.1	-4.0	1.5	5.4	-1.3	0.5	1.7

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 10

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

	September 2004	October 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	879.0	879.9	...	0.9	8.0	9.5	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	612.0	610.4	2.7	-1.6	9.6	8.4	-0.3	1.6	1.4
Employment	577.8	579.0	2.9	1.2	8.4	9.3	0.2	1.5	1.6
Employment full-time	462.6	464.2	3.7	1.6	2.9	6.3	0.3	0.6	1.4
Unemployment	34.2	31.4	2.1	-2.8	1.1	-0.8	-8.2	3.6	-2.5
Participation rate	69.6	69.4	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.1	0.3	-0.5	0.1	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.7	65.8	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.9	19.8	0.6	-0.1	0.7	0.2	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	152.9	153.1	...	0.2	2.1	2.6	0.1	1.4	1.7
Labour force	109.9	107.4	1.7	-2.5	0.4	-3.7	-2.3	0.4	-3.3
Employment	97.2	94.7	1.7	-2.5	-3.0	-3.6	-2.6	-3.1	-3.7
Unemployment	12.7	12.7	1.4	0.0	3.4	0.0	0.0	36.6	0.0
Participation rate	71.9	70.2	1.1	-1.7	-0.7	-3.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.6	11.8	1.2	0.2	3.1	0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.6	61.9	1.1	-1.7	-2.8	-3.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	43.3	44.2	1.8	0.9	-0.8	-0.7	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	354.5	354.8	...	0.3	2.8	3.3	0.1	0.8	0.9
Labour force	270.3	271.3	1.4	1.0	5.9	5.7	0.4	2.2	2.1
Employment	258.2	260.0	1.6	1.8	6.4	5.5	0.7	2.5	2.2
Unemployment	12.1	11.3	1.2	-0.8	-0.5	0.2	-6.6	-4.2	1.8
Participation rate	76.2	76.5	0.4	0.3	1.1	0.9	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.5	4.2	0.5	-0.3	-0.2	0.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	72.8	73.3	0.4	0.5	1.3	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.0	7.5	0.6	0.5	0.7	1.2	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	371.7	372.0	...	0.3	3.0	3.6	0.1	0.8	1.0
Labour force	231.7	231.7	1.6	0.0	3.3	6.4	0.0	1.4	2.8
Employment	222.4	224.3	1.6	1.9	5.1	7.4	0.9	2.3	3.4
Unemployment	9.4	7.4	1.1	-2.0	-1.8	-1.0	-21.3	-19.6	-11.9
Participation rate	62.3	62.3	0.4	0.0	0.4	1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.1	3.2	0.5	-0.9	-0.8	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	60.3	0.4	0.5	0.9	1.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	24.7	23.8	1.0	-0.9	1.9	0.1	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	577.8	579.0	2.9	1.2	8.4	9.3	0.2	1.5	1.6
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	146.2	146.5	2.2	0.3	3.8	7.9	0.2	2.7	5.7
Agriculture	30.7	33.0	1.2	2.3	1.3	3.1	7.5	4.1	10.4
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	7.2	7.3	0.5	0.1	1.3	1.5	1.4	21.7	25.9
Utilities	7.6	7.6	0.4	0.0	1.0	1.1	0.0	15.2	16.9
Construction	30.8	30.1	1.2	-0.7	3.6	3.7	-2.3	13.6	14.0
Manufacturing	69.9	68.5	1.6	-1.4	-3.5	-1.4	-2.0	-4.9	-2.0
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	431.6	432.5	2.9	0.9	4.7	1.3	0.2	1.1	0.3
Trade	86.4	85.4	1.7	-1.0	-0.1	0.7	-1.2	-0.1	0.8
Transportation and warehousing	32.8	32.0	1.1	-0.8	-2.3	-2.4	-2.4	-6.7	-7.0
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	28.1	30.1	1.0	2.0	0.1	0.2	7.1	0.3	0.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	23.2	23.2	0.9	0.0	-0.5	-1.8	0.0	-2.1	-7.2
Business, building and other support services	21.3	22.5	1.0	1.2	6.0	5.9	5.6	36.4	35.5
Educational services	42.2	43.8	1.3	1.6	0.9	0.6	3.8	2.1	1.4
Health care and social assistance	77.5	77.7	1.4	0.2	2.8	4.7	0.3	3.7	6.4
Information, culture and recreation	23.8	24.7	1.1	0.9	1.2	1.2	3.8	5.1	5.1
Accommodation and food services	35.7	33.2	1.4	-2.5	-6.2	-5.8	-7.0	-15.7	-14.9
Other services	24.6	23.4	1.1	-1.2	-1.0	-5.0	-4.9	-4.1	-17.6
Public administration	35.9	36.3	1.0	0.4	3.4	2.7	1.1	10.3	8.0

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

	September 2004	October 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	758.3	758.6	...	0.3	2.4	2.8	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	518.2	520.3	2.5	2.1	2.5	6.6	0.4	0.5	1.3
Employment	488.3	493.2	2.6	4.9	4.8	8.3	1.0	1.0	1.7
Employment full-time	391.0	395.9	3.1	4.9	3.5	8.6	1.3	0.9	2.2
Unemployment	29.9	27.2	1.8	-2.7	-2.1	-1.7	-9.0	-7.2	-5.9
Participation rate	68.3	68.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.2	0.4	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	65.0	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	19.9	19.7	0.6	-0.2	0.1	-0.4	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	138.3	138.4	...	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Labour force	94.9	94.4	1.6	-0.5	1.1	4.3	-0.5	1.2	4.8
Employment	85.1	84.8	1.5	-0.3	3.1	4.1	-0.4	3.8	5.1
Unemployment	9.9	9.6	1.2	-0.3	-2.0	0.2	-3.0	-17.2	2.1
Participation rate	68.6	68.2	1.1	-0.4	0.7	3.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.4	10.2	1.2	-0.2	-2.2	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	61.3	1.1	-0.2	2.2	2.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	42.5	42.1	1.8	-0.4	0.0	-0.2	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	302.2	302.3	...	0.1	1.0	1.2	0.0	0.3	0.4
Labour force	228.8	228.8	1.3	0.0	-0.3	1.8	0.0	-0.1	0.8
Employment	216.5	219.3	1.4	2.8	0.8	3.4	1.3	0.4	1.6
Unemployment	12.3	9.5	1.1	-2.8	-1.2	-1.6	-22.8	-11.2	-14.4
Participation rate	75.7	75.7	0.4	0.0	-0.3	0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	4.2	0.5	-1.2	-0.5	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.6	72.5	0.5	0.9	0.0	0.8	...	...	...
Part-time rate	6.1	6.0	0.6	-0.1	-0.8	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	317.8	317.9	...	0.1	1.2	1.3	0.0	0.4	0.4
Labour force	194.5	197.2	1.4	2.7	1.8	0.5	1.4	0.9	0.3
Employment	186.8	189.1	1.4	2.3	0.8	0.8	1.2	0.4	0.4
Unemployment	7.7	8.1	0.9	0.4	1.0	-0.3	5.2	14.1	-3.6
Participation rate	61.2	62.0	0.5	0.8	0.3	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.1	0.5	0.1	0.5	-0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	58.8	59.5	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	25.6	25.6	1.0	0.0	0.8	-0.2	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	488.3	493.2	2.6	4.9	4.8	8.3	1.0	1.0	1.7
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	130.8	132.2	1.9	1.4	6.5	10.5	1.1	5.2	8.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	46.9	47.2	1.4	0.3	-1.7	0.9	0.6	-3.5	1.9
Utilities	19.3	19.3	0.9	0.0	-1.3	0.7	0.0	-6.3	3.8
Construction	6.2	5.6	0.4	-0.6	1.0	0.4	-9.7	21.7	7.7
Manufacturing	27.1	29.4	1.0	2.3	6.5	6.5	8.5	28.4	28.4
Services-producing sector									
Trade	31.3	30.8	0.9	-0.5	2.0	2.0	-1.6	6.9	6.9
Transportation and warehousing	357.5	360.9	2.6	3.4	-1.8	-2.3	1.0	-0.5	-0.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	77.8	77.7	1.5	-0.1	-1.9	-1.4	-0.1	-2.4	-1.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	24.1	23.5	0.9	-0.6	0.2	0.9	-2.5	0.9	4.0
Business, building and other support services	26.3	25.8	0.8	-0.5	-1.1	-1.2	-1.9	-4.1	-4.4
Educational services	16.3	16.9	0.7	0.6	-0.4	-0.5	3.7	-2.3	-2.9
Health care and social assistance	12.7	13.3	0.7	0.6	1.1	1.8	4.7	9.0	15.7
Information, culture and recreation	38.7	39.4	1.2	0.7	-1.2	-0.3	1.8	-3.0	-0.8
Accommodation and food services	59.3	59.6	1.1	0.3	2.3	1.1	0.5	4.0	1.9
Other services	22.0	21.9	0.8	-0.1	-1.4	1.1	-0.5	-6.0	5.3
Public administration	35.1	36.0	1.3	0.9	1.9	2.0	2.6	5.6	5.9
Other services	21.5	23.6	1.0	2.1	2.8	-1.4	9.8	13.5	-5.6
Public administration	23.9	23.3	0.8	-0.6	-4.0	-4.3	-2.5	-14.7	-15.6

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 12

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

	September 2004	October 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	2,528.1	2,531.4	...	3.3	37.7	44.3	0.1	1.5	1.8
Labour force	1,853.9	1,850.2	7.5	-3.7	9.5	18.8	-0.2	0.5	1.0
Employment	1,764.4	1,762.4	8.4	-2.0	10.9	23.1	-0.1	0.6	1.3
Employment full-time	1,439.9	1,436.5	10.2	-3.4	2.8	16.8	-0.2	0.2	1.2
Unemployment	89.5	87.8	5.9	-1.7	-1.4	-4.3	-1.9	-1.6	-4.7
Participation rate	73.3	73.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.7	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	4.7	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	69.8	69.6	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	-0.3	...	...	...
Part-time rate	18.4	18.5	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.1	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	470.2	470.6	...	0.4	4.3	4.9	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	342.2	339.1	4.9	-3.1	12.2	6.1	-0.9	3.7	1.8
Employment	312.4	310.4	5.0	-2.0	10.2	5.0	-0.6	3.4	1.6
Unemployment	29.8	28.7	3.6	-1.1	2.0	1.1	-3.7	7.5	4.0
Participation rate	72.8	72.1	1.1	-0.7	2.0	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.5	1.1	-0.2	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	66.0	1.1	-0.4	1.6	0.4	...	...	...
Part-time rate	35.4	37.3	1.7	1.9	-1.6	-3.5	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,029.5	1,030.9	...	1.4	16.8	19.7	0.1	1.7	1.9
Labour force	827.4	826.3	3.8	-1.1	-8.4	-5.3	-0.1	-1.0	-0.6
Employment	795.7	797.6	4.6	1.9	-3.7	4.5	0.2	-0.5	0.6
Unemployment	31.7	28.7	3.3	-3.0	-4.7	-9.7	-9.5	-14.1	-25.3
Participation rate	80.4	80.2	0.4	-0.2	-2.1	-2.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.8	3.5	0.4	-0.3	-0.5	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	77.3	77.4	0.4	0.1	-1.6	-1.0	...	...	...
Part-time rate	5.9	5.3	0.5	-0.6	-0.5	-0.8	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,028.4	1,029.8	...	1.4	16.6	19.7	0.1	1.6	2.0
Labour force	684.3	684.8	4.4	0.5	5.8	17.9	0.1	0.9	2.7
Employment	656.3	654.4	4.5	-1.9	4.5	13.6	-0.3	0.7	2.1
Unemployment	28.0	30.4	3.1	2.4	1.2	4.3	8.6	4.1	16.5
Participation rate	66.5	66.5	0.5	0.0	-0.5	0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.4	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	63.8	63.5	0.5	-0.3	-0.6	0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	25.5	25.7	0.9	0.2	1.9	2.8	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	1,764.4	1,762.4	8.4	-2.0	10.9	23.1	-0.1	0.6	1.3
Goods-producing sector									
Agriculture	507.7	498.0	6.5	-9.7	3.3	12.4	-1.9	0.7	2.6
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	71.1	69.1	2.6	-2.0	-2.9	5.7	-2.8	-4.0	9.0
Utilities	119.5	110.5	3.2	-9.0	1.5	-1.9	-7.5	1.4	-1.7
Construction	13.1	13.1	1.0	0.0	-2.0	0.4	0.0	-13.2	3.1
Manufacturing	162.1	162.5	4.3	0.4	16.7	16.1	0.2	11.5	11.0
Services-producing sector	141.8	142.8	3.9	1.0	-10.0	-7.9	0.7	-6.5	-5.2
Services-producing sector	1,256.7	1,264.5	8.7	7.8	7.7	10.8	0.6	0.6	0.9
Trade	268.8	274.1	5.0	5.3	-0.8	6.1	2.0	-0.3	2.3
Transportation and warehousing	96.1	97.1	3.0	1.0	3.8	4.3	1.0	4.1	4.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	91.4	90.2	2.8	-1.2	-1.9	-4.0	-1.3	-2.1	-4.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	117.2	118.8	3.5	1.6	-2.0	-4.8	1.4	-1.7	-3.9
Business, building and other support services	62.5	63.1	3.1	0.6	2.6	-0.7	1.0	4.3	-1.1
Educational services	106.3	115.7	3.3	9.4	7.0	7.7	8.8	6.4	7.1
Health care and social assistance	166.9	164.1	3.4	-2.8	-1.7	9.3	-1.7	-1.0	6.0
Information, culture and recreation	71.1	69.2	2.9	-1.9	-0.4	-3.0	-2.7	-0.6	-4.2
Accommodation and food services	130.0	125.4	3.8	-4.6	5.2	3.0	-3.5	4.3	2.5
Other services	76.7	77.7	2.8	1.0	-1.7	-0.3	1.3	-2.1	-0.4
Public administration	69.9	69.0	2.3	-0.9	-2.7	-6.9	-1.3	-3.8	-9.1

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Table 13

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

	September 2004	October 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	3,428.0	3,433.0	...	5.0	46.1	54.3	0.1	1.4	1.6
Labour force	2,237.9	2,247.4	11.3	9.5	24.8	24.4	0.4	1.1	1.1
Employment	2,079.9	2,091.7	11.7	11.8	20.3	41.5	0.6	1.0	2.0
Employment full-time	1,648.6	1,680.0	13.6	31.4	58.5	90.8	1.9	3.6	5.7
Unemployment	157.9	155.7	9.0	-2.2	4.6	-17.2	-1.4	3.0	-9.9
Participation rate	65.3	65.5	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.9	0.4	-0.2	0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.7	60.9	0.3	0.2	-0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Part-time rate	20.7	19.7	0.6	-1.1	-2.0	-2.8	...	...	...
Both sexes, 15 to 24 years									
Population	557.9	558.2	...	0.3	5.7	6.7	0.1	1.0	1.2
Labour force	348.0	351.1	6.2	3.1	-4.1	-1.2	0.9	-1.2	-0.3
Employment	299.1	304.8	6.3	5.7	-4.9	0.3	1.9	-1.6	0.1
Unemployment	48.9	46.3	5.2	-2.6	0.8	-1.4	-5.3	1.8	-2.9
Participation rate	62.4	62.9	1.1	0.5	-1.4	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.1	13.2	1.4	-0.9	0.4	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	53.6	54.6	1.1	1.0	-1.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Part-time rate	47.3	46.5	2.0	-0.9	-1.5	-4.0	...	...	...
Men, 25 years and over									
Population	1,397.8	1,400.2	...	2.4	18.7	22.1	0.2	1.4	1.6
Labour force	1,014.0	1,017.4	6.0	3.4	26.2	20.4	0.3	2.6	2.0
Employment	956.5	959.6	6.4	3.1	25.4	27.9	0.3	2.7	3.0
Unemployment	57.5	57.8	5.4	0.3	0.9	-7.5	0.5	1.6	-11.5
Participation rate	72.5	72.7	0.4	0.2	1.0	0.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.7	0.5	0.0	0.0	-0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.4	68.5	0.5	0.1	0.9	0.9	...	...	...
Part-time rate	7.2	6.4	0.6	-0.8	-1.6	-2.4	...	...	...
Women, 25 years and over									
Population	1,472.4	1,474.6	...	2.2	21.6	25.4	0.1	1.5	1.8
Labour force	875.9	879.0	6.4	3.1	2.8	5.3	0.4	0.3	0.6
Employment	824.3	827.4	6.7	3.1	-0.1	13.5	0.4	0.0	1.7
Unemployment	51.5	51.7	4.6	0.2	3.0	-8.1	0.4	6.2	-13.5
Participation rate	59.5	59.6	0.4	0.1	-0.7	-0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.9	0.5	0.0	0.3	-0.9	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.0	56.1	0.5	0.1	-0.9	-0.1	...	...	...
Part-time rate	26.7	25.2	1.0	-1.6	-2.2	-2.4	...	...	...
Industry									
Industry	2,079.9	2,091.7	11.7	11.8	20.3	41.5	0.6	1.0	2.0
Goods-producing sector									
Goods-producing sector	440.7	447.7	7.9	7.0	30.9	24.8	1.6	7.4	5.9
Agriculture	32.4	37.5	2.8	5.1	4.6	5.4	15.7	14.0	16.8
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	34.8	34.6	2.9	-0.2	-6.3	-13.1	-0.6	-15.4	-27.5
Utilities	9.0	8.8	1.1	-0.2	-2.1	-4.7	-2.2	-19.3	-34.8
Construction	161.8	167.2	4.9	5.4	38.8	45.0	3.3	30.2	36.8
Manufacturing	202.7	199.6	5.5	-3.1	-4.1	-7.9	-1.5	-2.0	-3.8
Services-producing sector									
Services-producing sector	1,639.3	1,644.1	11.7	4.8	-10.5	16.8	0.3	-0.6	1.0
Trade	305.4	305.6	7.1	0.2	-16.0	-12.9	0.1	-5.0	-4.1
Transportation and warehousing	116.6	115.3	4.0	-1.3	-0.5	0.6	-1.1	-0.4	0.5
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	134.3	135.9	4.4	1.6	3.2	5.3	1.2	2.4	4.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	142.1	152.8	4.6	10.7	7.0	3.2	7.5	4.8	2.1
Business, building and other support services	87.7	87.1	4.2	-0.6	-3.9	1.7	-0.7	-4.3	2.0
Educational services	143.8	141.9	4.6	-1.9	-1.4	-0.9	-1.3	-1.0	-0.6
Health care and social assistance	228.6	222.9	5.0	-5.7	2.6	13.4	-2.5	1.2	6.4
Information, culture and recreation	106.8	110.4	4.5	3.6	0.1	2.6	3.4	0.1	2.4
Accommodation and food services	178.7	176.5	5.5	-2.2	0.8	4.0	-1.2	0.5	2.3
Other services	98.4	98.6	4.1	0.2	-1.5	3.4	0.2	-1.5	3.6
Public administration	96.8	97.1	3.6	0.3	-0.9	-3.3	0.3	-0.9	-3.3

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Table 14

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

	September 2004	October 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	145.9	146.2	...	0.3	1.6	2.0	0.2	1.1	1.4
Labour force	96.8	97.0	0.9	0.2	0.4	-0.3	0.2	0.4	-0.3
Employment	88.5	88.6	0.9	0.1	1.7	0.4	0.1	2.0	0.5
Unemployment	8.3	8.4	0.5	0.1	-1.3	-0.7	1.2	-13.4	-7.7
Participation rate	66.3	66.3	0.6	0.0	-0.5	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	8.7	0.5	0.1	-1.3	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.7	60.6	0.6	-0.1	0.5	-0.6	...	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia									
Population	293.2	293.5	...	0.3	3.5	4.2	0.1	1.2	1.5
Labour force	207.2	208.3	1.3	1.1	5.8	5.0	0.5	2.9	2.5
Employment	195.8	196.3	1.3	0.5	5.6	7.3	0.3	2.9	3.9
Unemployment	11.4	12.0	0.7	0.6	0.3	-2.2	5.3	2.6	-15.5
Participation rate	70.7	71.0	0.4	0.3	1.2	0.7	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.8	0.3	0.3	0.0	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.8	66.9	0.4	0.1	1.1	1.6	...	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick									
Population	101.2	101.3	...	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.3
Labour force	67.4	67.3	0.7	-0.1	2.7	3.5	-0.1	4.2	5.5
Employment	61.7	61.7	0.7	0.0	2.8	3.9	0.0	4.8	6.7
Unemployment	5.7	5.6	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.5	-1.8	-1.8	-8.2
Participation rate	66.6	66.4	0.7	-0.2	2.4	3.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	8.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.5	-1.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	60.9	0.7	-0.1	2.6	3.7	...	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec									
Population	129.9	129.9	...	0.0	-0.6	-0.7	0.0	-0.5	-0.5
Labour force	82.6	82.6	0.7	0.0	3.2	2.5	0.0	4.0	3.1
Employment	73.8	73.4	0.8	-0.4	3.4	2.7	-0.5	4.9	3.8
Unemployment	8.8	9.2	0.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	4.5	-2.1	-2.1
Participation rate	63.6	63.6	0.6	0.0	2.8	2.3	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.7	11.1	0.6	0.4	-0.7	-0.6	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.8	56.5	0.6	-0.3	2.9	2.4	...	...	...
Québec, Quebec									
Population	583.3	583.8	...	0.5	5.3	6.3	0.1	0.9	1.1
Labour force	381.7	383.7	2.9	2.0	6.2	-0.1	0.5	1.6	0.0
Employment	363.0	366.2	3.0	3.2	16.5	9.5	0.9	4.7	2.7
Unemployment	18.8	17.5	1.5	-1.3	-10.3	-9.6	-6.9	-37.1	-35.4
Participation rate	65.4	65.7	0.5	0.3	0.4	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.6	0.4	-0.3	-2.8	-2.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	62.7	0.5	0.5	2.3	0.9	...	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec									
Population	118.3	118.4	...	0.1	0.6	0.8	0.1	0.5	0.7
Labour force	72.0	72.1	0.8	0.1	-1.5	-1.6	0.1	-2.0	-2.2
Employment	64.1	64.2	0.8	0.1	-1.7	-1.0	0.2	-2.6	-1.5
Unemployment	8.0	7.9	0.4	-0.1	0.2	-0.6	-1.2	2.6	-7.1
Participation rate	60.9	60.9	0.7	0.0	-1.6	-1.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.1	11.0	0.6	-0.1	0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	54.2	54.2	0.7	0.0	-1.7	-1.2	...	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec									
Population	130.3	130.4	...	0.1	1.5	1.8	0.1	1.2	1.4
Labour force	87.0	85.4	0.7	-1.6	-0.2	-0.6	-1.8	-0.2	-0.7
Employment	81.1	79.8	0.7	-1.3	0.6	0.6	-1.6	0.8	0.8
Unemployment	5.9	5.6	0.4	-0.3	-0.8	-1.1	-5.1	-12.5	-16.4
Participation rate	66.8	65.5	0.6	-1.3	-0.9	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.6	0.5	-0.2	-0.9	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	61.2	0.6	-1.0	-0.2	-0.4	...	...	...

Table 14

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

	September 2004	October 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	2,956.8	2,960.9	...	4.1	39.8	48.1	0.1	1.4	1.7
Labour force	1,992.4	1,998.3	7.3	5.9	-20.3	3.9	0.3	-1.0	0.2
Employment	1,827.6	1,824.5	7.6	-3.1	-8.9	28.4	-0.2	-0.5	1.6
Unemployment	164.8	173.7	4.9	8.9	-11.5	-24.6	5.4	-6.2	-12.4
Participation rate	67.4	67.5	0.3	0.1	-1.6	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.3	8.7	0.2	0.4	-0.5	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	61.6	0.3	-0.2	-1.2	-0.1	...	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec									
Population	936.9	938.7	...	1.8	17.8	21.3	0.2	1.9	2.3
Labour force	661.6	662.5	3.3	0.9	7.6	3.4	0.1	1.2	0.5
Employment	619.5	619.5	3.4	0.0	12.2	6.0	0.0	2.0	1.0
Unemployment	42.1	43.0	1.8	0.9	-4.6	-2.6	2.1	-9.7	-5.7
Participation rate	70.6	70.6	0.4	0.0	-0.5	-1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.5	0.3	0.1	-0.8	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.1	66.0	0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.9	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,272.1	4,280.9	...	8.8	92.3	109.8	0.2	2.2	2.6
Labour force	2,985.9	2,978.1	8.7	-7.8	76.7	76.0	-0.3	2.6	2.6
Employment	2,761.2	2,755.7	9.1	-5.5	65.6	80.8	-0.2	2.4	3.0
Unemployment	224.7	222.4	5.5	-2.3	11.1	-4.8	-1.0	5.3	-2.1
Participation rate	69.9	69.6	0.2	-0.3	0.3	0.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.5	0.2	0.0	0.2	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	64.4	0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.3	...	...	...
Hamilton, Ontario									
Population	573.0	573.7	...	0.7	6.1	7.3	0.1	1.1	1.3
Labour force	402.6	400.6	2.6	-2.0	9.7	6.2	-0.5	2.5	1.6
Employment	380.4	377.5	2.6	-2.9	8.1	10.4	-0.8	2.2	2.8
Unemployment	22.2	23.0	1.4	0.8	1.5	-4.3	3.6	7.0	-15.8
Participation rate	70.3	69.8	0.5	-0.5	0.9	0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.7	0.4	0.2	0.2	-1.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	65.8	0.5	-0.6	0.7	1.0	...	...	...
Kitchener, Ontario									
Population	364.1	364.7	...	0.6	5.8	7.0	0.2	1.6	2.0
Labour force	255.6	253.9	1.8	-1.7	2.0	1.3	-0.7	0.8	0.5
Employment	241.6	240.7	1.9	-0.9	1.5	4.1	-0.4	0.6	1.7
Unemployment	13.9	13.2	0.8	-0.7	0.5	-2.8	-5.0	3.9	-17.5
Participation rate	70.2	69.6	0.5	-0.6	-0.6	-1.0	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.2	0.3	-0.2	0.2	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.4	66.0	0.5	-0.4	-0.6	-0.1	...	...	...
London, Ontario									
Population	350.9	351.2	...	0.3	2.5	3.0	0.1	0.7	0.9
Labour force	243.0	240.6	1.9	-2.4	-0.2	1.5	-1.0	-0.1	0.6
Employment	229.8	225.5	2.0	-4.3	2.0	4.7	-1.9	0.9	2.1
Unemployment	13.3	15.0	0.9	1.7	-2.4	-3.3	12.8	-13.8	-18.0
Participation rate	69.3	68.5	0.6	-0.8	-0.6	-0.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	6.2	0.4	0.7	-1.0	-1.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.5	64.2	0.6	-1.3	0.1	0.8	...	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario									
Population	254.0	254.5	...	0.5	4.7	5.6	0.2	1.9	2.2
Labour force	175.3	174.6	1.3	-0.7	-6.2	-7.3	-0.4	-3.4	-4.0
Employment	165.4	164.5	1.2	-0.9	-7.5	-8.5	-0.5	-4.4	-4.9
Unemployment	9.9	10.0	0.5	0.1	1.2	1.1	1.0	13.6	12.4
Participation rate	69.0	68.6	0.5	-0.4	-3.8	-4.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.7	0.3	0.1	0.8	0.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.1	64.6	0.5	-0.5	-4.3	-4.9	...	...	...

Table 14

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

	September 2004	October 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	327.4	327.6	...	0.2	1.3	1.5	0.1	0.4	0.5
Labour force	200.9	202.3	1.6	1.4	-7.5	-9.3	0.7	-3.6	-4.4
Employment	186.2	188.9	1.7	2.7	-6.8	-8.0	1.5	-3.5	-4.1
Unemployment	14.7	13.3	0.8	-1.4	-0.8	-1.4	-9.5	-5.7	-9.5
Participation rate	61.4	61.8	0.5	0.4	-2.5	-3.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	6.6	0.4	-0.7	-0.1	-0.3	...	...	...
Employment rate	56.9	57.7	0.5	0.8	-2.3	-2.7	...	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario									
Population	126.2	126.1	...	-0.1	-0.6	-0.7	-0.1	-0.5	-0.6
Labour force	80.8	81.8	0.7	1.0	1.9	3.0	1.2	2.4	3.8
Employment	74.5	75.4	0.7	0.9	3.4	3.6	1.2	4.7	5.0
Unemployment	6.2	6.4	0.4	0.2	-1.5	-0.6	3.2	-19.0	-8.6
Participation rate	64.0	64.9	0.5	0.9	1.8	2.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.8	0.5	0.1	-2.1	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.0	59.8	0.5	0.8	3.0	3.2	...	...	...
Thunder Bay, Ontario									
Population	100.1	100.0	...	-0.1	-0.4	-0.5	-0.1	-0.4	-0.5
Labour force	65.9	66.3	0.6	0.4	-0.5	-1.1	0.6	-0.7	-1.6
Employment	59.9	60.5	0.6	0.6	-1.6	-2.9	1.0	-2.6	-4.6
Unemployment	6.0	5.8	0.3	-0.2	1.1	1.8	-3.3	23.4	45.0
Participation rate	65.8	66.3	0.6	0.5	-0.2	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.1	8.7	0.4	-0.4	1.7	2.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	59.8	60.5	0.6	0.7	-1.4	-2.6	...	...	...
Windsor, Ontario									
Population	266.5	267.0	...	0.5	4.6	5.5	0.2	1.8	2.1
Labour force	177.5	179.2	1.5	1.7	6.1	5.9	1.0	3.5	3.4
Employment	160.8	161.8	1.6	1.0	1.8	0.5	0.6	1.1	0.3
Unemployment	16.7	17.4	0.8	0.7	4.3	5.4	4.2	32.8	45.0
Participation rate	66.6	67.1	0.6	0.5	1.1	0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.4	9.7	0.4	0.3	2.1	2.8	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	60.6	0.6	0.3	-0.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba									
Population	549.2	549.7	...	0.5	6.1	7.2	0.1	1.1	1.3
Labour force	389.3	391.2	1.3	1.9	12.4	11.6	0.5	3.3	3.1
Employment	366.7	369.0	1.3	2.3	11.1	10.1	0.6	3.1	2.8
Unemployment	22.6	22.2	0.8	-0.4	1.4	1.4	-1.8	6.7	6.7
Participation rate	70.9	71.2	0.2	0.3	1.5	1.2	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.7	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	66.8	67.1	0.2	0.3	1.3	0.9	...	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan									
Population	156.7	156.8	...	0.1	0.7	0.8	0.1	0.4	0.5
Labour force	112.8	112.6	0.7	-0.2	-2.1	-0.7	-0.2	-1.8	-0.6
Employment	108.0	107.5	0.7	-0.5	-0.9	0.4	-0.5	-0.8	0.4
Unemployment	4.8	5.1	0.4	0.3	-1.2	-1.1	6.2	-19.0	-17.7
Participation rate	72.0	71.8	0.5	-0.2	-1.7	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.5	0.3	0.2	-1.0	-1.0	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.9	68.6	0.5	-0.3	-0.8	-0.1	...	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan									
Population	184.9	185.0	...	0.1	1.6	1.9	0.1	0.9	1.0
Labour force	130.0	130.5	0.8	0.5	2.1	2.6	0.4	1.6	2.0
Employment	121.6	122.4	0.9	0.8	1.8	2.2	0.7	1.5	1.8
Unemployment	8.3	8.1	0.4	-0.2	0.3	0.4	-2.4	3.8	5.2
Participation rate	70.3	70.5	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.6	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.2	0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	66.2	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6	...	...	...

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

	September 2004	October 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	860.2	862.0	...	1.8	17.2	20.5	0.2	2.0	2.4
Labour force	642.5	643.5	2.9	1.0	8.2	10.6	0.2	1.3	1.7
Employment	610.7	611.9	3.1	1.2	12.0	12.3	0.2	2.0	2.1
Unemployment	31.8	31.6	1.7	-0.2	-3.8	-1.8	-0.6	-10.7	-5.4
Participation rate	74.7	74.7	0.4	0.0	-0.5	-0.5	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	0.3	0.0	-0.7	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	71.0	71.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.3	...	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta									
Population	796.6	797.6	...	1.0	9.5	11.5	0.1	1.2	1.5
Labour force	571.1	578.0	2.7	6.9	5.0	8.8	1.2	0.9	1.5
Employment	543.4	549.6	2.7	6.2	3.0	8.1	1.1	0.5	1.5
Unemployment	27.8	28.4	1.3	0.6	2.0	0.8	2.2	7.6	2.9
Participation rate	71.7	72.5	0.3	0.8	-0.2	0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.9	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	68.2	68.9	0.4	0.7	-0.5	0.0	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,821.3	1,824.5	...	3.2	33.8	40.1	0.2	1.9	2.2
Labour force	1,221.6	1,220.2	5.0	-1.4	10.8	1.9	-0.1	0.9	0.2
Employment	1,137.4	1,138.2	5.2	0.8	5.1	15.1	0.1	0.5	1.3
Unemployment	84.2	82.0	3.0	-2.2	5.7	-13.2	-2.6	7.5	-13.9
Participation rate	67.1	66.9	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.7	0.2	-0.2	0.4	-1.1	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	62.4	0.3	0.0	-0.9	-0.5	...	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia									
Population	264.3	264.4	...	0.1	2.7	3.1	0.0	1.0	1.2
Labour force	167.5	166.0	1.8	-1.5	-2.3	-0.9	-0.9	-1.4	-0.5
Employment	158.6	156.5	1.8	-2.1	-2.9	0.2	-1.3	-1.8	0.1
Unemployment	9.0	9.4	0.7	0.4	0.5	-1.2	4.4	5.6	-11.3
Participation rate	63.4	62.8	0.7	-0.6	-1.5	-1.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.7	0.4	0.3	0.4	-0.7	...	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	59.2	0.7	-0.8	-1.7	-0.6	...	...	...

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

	September 2004	October 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	2,960.7	2,964.8	...	4.1	39.8	47.7	0.1	1.4	1.6
Labour force	1,998.8	2,005.7	15.6	6.9	-12.7	8.0	0.3	-0.6	0.4
Employment	1,827.3	1,814.0	16.2	-13.3	-15.0	-1.7	-0.7	-0.8	-0.1
Unemployment	171.5	191.7	11.7	20.2	2.3	9.7	11.8	1.2	5.3
Participation rate	67.5	67.7	0.5	0.2	-1.3	-0.8	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.6	9.6	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.5	...	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.2	0.6	-0.5	-1.3	-1.0	...	...	...
Toronto, Ontario									
Population	4,280.9	4,289.5	...	8.6	93.0	109.2	0.2	2.2	2.6
Labour force	2,951.6	2,977.0	18.6	25.4	61.9	72.8	0.9	2.1	2.5
Employment	2,738.2	2,753.7	18.8	15.5	47.8	62.1	0.6	1.8	2.3
Unemployment	213.4	223.3	13.0	9.9	14.1	10.7	4.6	6.7	5.0
Participation rate	68.9	69.4	0.4	0.5	-0.1	-0.1	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	...	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	64.2	0.4	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	...	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia									
Population	1,824.1	1,827.7	...	3.6	34.1	40.1	0.2	1.9	2.2
Labour force	1,219.6	1,222.4	10.9	2.8	16.6	0.7	0.2	1.4	0.1
Employment	1,138.5	1,142.6	11.1	4.1	5.8	5.1	0.4	0.5	0.4
Unemployment	81.1	79.7	7.4	-1.4	10.6	-4.5	-1.7	15.3	-5.3
Participation rate	66.9	66.9	0.6	0.0	-0.3	-1.4	...	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.5	0.6	-0.1	0.8	-0.4	...	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	62.5	0.6	0.1	-0.9	-1.1	...	...	...

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 October 2003 and October 2004**

	October	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Canada	2003	25,319.4	17,210.6	15,917.1	1,293.4	68.0	7.5	62.9
	2004	25,682.3	17,407.7	16,215.7	1,192.1	67.8	6.8	63.1
Newfoundland and Labrador	2003	438.8	266.2	227.7	38.5	60.7	14.5	51.9
	2004	439.8	266.3	228.9	37.4	60.6	14.0	52.0
010 Avalon Peninsula	2003	208.9	130.2	114.1	16.1	62.3	12.4	54.6
	2004	211.1	130.5	116.3	14.2	61.8	10.9	55.1
020 South Coast-Burin Peninsula	2003	36.5	20.2	16.2	4.0	55.3	19.8	44.4
	2004	35.9	21.0	16.9	4.2	58.5	20.0	47.1
030 West Coast-Northern Peninsula-Labrador	2003	93.7	60.1	51.9	8.2	64.1	13.6	55.4
	2004	93.6	58.0	48.7	9.4	62.0	16.2	52.0
040 Notre Dame-Central Bonavista Bay	2003	99.6	55.6	45.5	10.1	55.8	18.2	45.7
	2004	99.2	56.7	47.1	9.7	57.2	17.1	47.5
Prince Edward Island	2003	113.5	79.4	73.1	6.3	70.0	7.9	64.4
	2004	114.8	80.6	73.6	7.0	70.2	8.7	64.1
Nova Scotia	2003	761.0	486.1	442.2	43.9	63.9	9.0	58.1
	2004	765.4	494.1	454.4	39.7	64.6	8.0	59.4
210 Cape Breton	2003	119.6	63.5	52.8	10.7	53.1	16.9	44.1
	2004	118.6	63.1	53.2	9.9	53.2	15.7	44.9
220 North Shore	2003	133.4	82.9	74.8	8.1	62.1	9.8	56.1
	2004	133.6	82.8	75.3	7.5	62.0	9.1	56.4
230 Annapolis Valley	2003	102.2	63.9	59.2	4.7	62.5	7.4	57.9
	2004	102.8	68.2	63.4	4.7	66.3	6.9	61.7
240 Southern	2003	104.5	65.2	59.0	6.1	62.4	9.4	56.5
	2004	104.8	65.0	59.5	5.5	62.0	8.5	56.8
250 Halifax	2003	301.4	210.6	196.4	14.3	69.9	6.8	65.2
	2004	305.6	215.0	203.0	12.0	70.4	5.6	66.4
New Brunswick	2003	610.2	390.6	355.1	35.5	64.0	9.1	58.2
	2004	613.5	402.1	368.0	34.1	65.5	8.5	60.0
310 Campbellton-Miramichi	2003	144.8	82.0	69.0	13.1	56.6	16.0	47.7
	2004	144.2	88.2	76.2	12.0	61.2	13.6	52.8
320 Moncton-Richibucto	2003	155.1	107.2	100.5	6.7	69.1	6.3	64.8
	2004	157.0	106.4	99.0	7.4	67.8	7.0	63.1
330 Saint John-St. Stephen	2003	140.1	90.4	82.9	7.4	64.5	8.2	59.2
	2004	140.8	92.0	85.6	6.4	65.3	7.0	60.8
340 Fredericton-Oromocto	2003	100.3	65.5	60.6	4.9	65.3	7.5	60.4
	2004	101.5	69.7	64.3	5.5	68.7	7.9	63.3
350 Edmundston-Woodstock	2003	69.9	45.5	42.0	3.5	65.1	7.7	60.1
	2004	70.0	45.8	43.0	2.8	65.4	6.1	61.4
Quebec	2003	6,094.8	4,040.3	3,679.6	360.8	66.3	8.9	60.4
	2004	6,163.2	4,071.0	3,754.0	317.0	66.1	7.8	60.9
410 Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	2003	81.8	46.1	39.6	6.5	56.4	14.1	48.4
	2004	81.5	43.1	35.9	7.1	52.9	16.5	44.0
415 Bas-Saint-Laurent	2003	167.1	101.7	92.8	8.9	60.9	8.8	55.5
	2004	166.9	108.4	101.5	7.0	64.9	6.5	60.8
420 Québec	2003	540.5	351.8	327.0	24.7	65.1	7.0	60.5
	2004	546.4	348.6	335.5	13.1	63.8	3.8	61.4

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

	October	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Quebec - Continued								
425 Chaudière-Appalaches	2003	320.4	221.0	209.7	11.3	69.0	5.1	65.4
	2004	321.9	224.0	211.8	12.2	69.6	5.4	65.8
430 Estrie	2003	240.1	161.3	150.2	11.1	67.2	6.9	62.6
	2004	242.6	156.7	145.2	11.5	64.6	7.3	59.9
433 Centre-du-Québec	2003	180.7	114.5	105.2	9.3	63.4	8.1	58.2
	2004	181.7	118.6	110.1	8.5	65.3	7.2	60.6
435 Montérégie	2003	1,087.4	767.3	711.2	56.1	70.6	7.3	65.4
	2004	1,100.9	742.3	694.5	47.8	67.4	6.4	63.1
440 Montréal	2003	1,526.1	1,002.3	882.4	119.9	65.7	12.0	57.8
	2004	1,547.3	1,016.0	909.4	106.6	65.7	10.5	58.8
445 Laval	2003	295.2	194.5	177.5	17.0	65.9	8.7	60.1
	2004	299.8	197.5	185.4	12.2	65.9	6.2	61.8
450 Lanaudière	2003	329.8	222.5	201.7	20.8	67.5	9.3	61.2
	2004	335.4	227.8	208.9	18.9	67.9	8.3	62.3
455 Laurentides	2003	395.5	265.3	247.7	17.6	67.1	6.6	62.6
	2004	404.5	288.3	269.8	18.5	71.3	6.4	66.7
460 Outaouais	2003	267.3	186.1	172.9	13.1	69.6	7.0	64.7
	2004	273.3	187.8	174.6	13.2	68.7	7.0	63.9
465 Abitibi-Témiscamingue	2003	119.8	75.5	68.9	6.6	63.0	8.7	57.5
	2004	119.0	77.4	70.2	7.2	65.0	9.3	59.0
470 Mauricie	2003	215.5	132.1	117.8	14.3	61.3	10.8	54.7
	2004	215.5	130.5	117.7	12.8	60.6	9.8	54.6
475 Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean	2003	231.9	144.1	127.3	16.8	62.1	11.7	54.9
	2004	231.1	144.0	128.9	15.2	62.3	10.6	55.8
480 and 490 Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec	2003	95.9	54.4	47.6	6.8	56.7	12.5	49.6
	2004	95.2	59.9	54.6	5.2	62.9	8.7	57.4
Ontario								
	2003	9,817.9	6,758.8	6,281.3	477.5	68.8	7.1	64.0
	2004	9,991.4	6,843.5	6,388.3	455.1	68.5	6.7	63.9
510 Ottawa	2003	952.4	668.1	621.5	46.6	70.1	7.0	65.3
	2004	969.8	661.3	620.4	40.8	68.2	6.2	64.0
515 Kingston-Pembroke	2003	338.5	204.0	191.1	12.9	60.3	6.3	56.5
	2004	339.8	217.5	207.1	10.4	64.0	4.8	60.9
520 Muskoka-Kawartha	2003	300.3	197.5	189.2	8.3	65.8	4.2	63.0
	2004	303.6	183.3	175.3	8.0	60.4	4.4	57.7
530 Toronto	2003	4,370.2	3,066.3	2,825.2	241.2	70.2	7.9	64.6
	2004	4,484.3	3,124.8	2,883.4	241.4	69.7	7.7	64.3
540 Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie	2003	898.7	641.0	603.5	37.5	71.3	5.9	67.2
	2004	919.3	657.8	625.8	32.0	71.6	4.9	68.1
550 Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula	2003	1,086.6	742.3	693.8	48.5	68.3	6.5	63.9
	2004	1,097.5	740.2	699.0	41.3	67.4	5.6	63.7
560 London	2003	487.6	340.8	317.2	23.6	69.9	6.9	65.1
	2004	491.7	345.2	326.1	19.1	70.2	5.5	66.3
570 Windsor-Sarnia	2003	515.7	336.2	314.2	22.0	65.2	6.5	60.9
	2004	521.6	341.9	314.3	27.5	65.5	8.0	60.3

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

	October	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Ontario - Continued								
580 Stratford-Bruce Peninsula	2003	236.7	158.8	151.0	7.7	67.1	4.8	63.8
	2004	237.7	173.7	167.7	5.9	73.1	3.4	70.6
590 Northeast	2003	452.5	276.3	253.7	22.5	61.1	8.1	56.1
	2004	448.9	278.0	256.6	21.4	61.9	7.7	57.2
595 Northwest	2003	178.6	127.7	120.9	6.7	71.5	5.2	67.7
	2004	177.2	119.6	112.4	7.2	67.5	6.0	63.4
Manitoba								
	2003	869.6	603.7	572.5	31.2	69.4	5.2	65.8
	2004	879.2	614.3	581.1	33.2	69.9	5.4	66.1
610 Southeast	2003	70.9	53.3	51.2	2.2	75.2	4.1	72.2
	2004	72.5	52.0	50.1	1.9	71.7	3.7	69.1
620 South Central	2003	41.1	27.4	26.7	0.8	66.7	2.9	65.0
	2004	41.9	31.0	29.9	1.1	74.0	3.5	71.4
630 Southwest	2003	82.2	54.2	51.9	2.4	65.9	4.4	63.1
	2004	81.9	55.4	52.7	2.7	67.6	4.9	64.3
640 North Central	2003	34.8	24.7	23.7	0.9	71.0	3.6	68.1
	2004	35.0	20.8	20.0	0.8	59.4	3.8	57.1
650 Winnipeg	2003	504.6	354.3	334.8	19.5	70.2	5.5	66.3
	2004	510.9	365.2	344.3	20.9	71.5	5.7	67.4
660 Interlake	2003	68.9	46.0	43.3	2.7	66.8	5.9	62.8
	2004	70.3	47.3	44.8	2.6	67.3	5.5	63.7
670 and 680 Parklands and North	2003	67.1	43.8	40.9	2.9	65.3	6.6	61.0
	2004	66.7	42.6	39.3	3.3	63.9	7.7	58.9
Saskatchewan								
	2003	755.9	518.8	491.4	27.4	68.6	5.3	65.0
	2004	758.4	522.2	495.8	26.4	68.9	5.1	65.4
710 Regina-Moose Mountain	2003	216.1	154.4	146.6	7.8	71.4	5.1	67.8
	2004	216.8	155.1	149.1	6.0	71.5	3.9	68.8
720 Swift Current-Moose Jaw	2003	83.4	57.5	54.8	2.6	68.9	4.5	65.7
	2004	82.9	54.0	51.2	2.8	65.1	5.2	61.8
730 Saskatoon-Biggar	2003	227.9	160.9	151.9	8.9	70.6	5.5	66.7
	2004	229.8	164.5	155.1	9.4	71.6	5.7	67.5
740 Yorkton-Melville	2003	68.9	40.7	39.0	1.7	59.1	4.2	56.6
	2004	68.4	43.9	42.1	1.8	64.2	4.1	61.5
750 and 760 Prince Albert and Northern	2003	159.6	105.4	99.0	6.3	66.0	6.0	62.0
	2004	160.3	104.8	98.3	6.4	65.4	6.1	61.3
Alberta								
	2003	2,483.1	1,831.3	1,742.7	88.6	73.8	4.8	70.2
	2004	2,527.9	1,854.6	1,770.5	84.2	73.4	4.5	70.0
810 Lethbridge-Medicine Hat	2003	194.3	135.1	129.1	6.0	69.5	4.4	66.4
	2004	197.2	140.8	134.3	6.4	71.4	4.5	68.1
820 Camrose-Drumheller	2003	144.4	101.9	98.2	3.7	70.6	3.6	68.0
	2004	145.7	106.1	103.1	3.0	72.8	2.8	70.8
830 Calgary	2003	896.3	675.1	640.4	34.7	75.3	5.1	71.4
	2004	918.5	686.4	652.6	33.8	74.7	4.9	71.1
840 Banff-Jasper-Rocky Mountain House	2003	64.6	46.3	44.4	1.9	71.7	4.1	68.7
	2004	64.7	46.7	45.6	x	72.2	x	70.5

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

	October	Population	Labour force			Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
			Labour force	Employment	Unemployment			
Alberta - Continued								
850 Red Deer	2003	124.4	92.8	88.0	4.7	74.6	5.1	70.7
	2004	127.2	90.3	86.8	3.5	71.0	3.9	68.2
860 Edmonton	2003	809.8	591.3	563.5	27.7	73.0	4.7	69.6
	2004	821.6	599.1	571.5	27.6	72.9	4.6	69.6
870 Athabasca-Grande Prairie-Peace River	2003	171.1	125.9	118.9	7.0	73.6	5.6	69.5
	2004	172.9	124.1	117.5	6.6	71.8	5.3	68.0
880 Wood Buffalo-Cold Lake	2003	78.3	63.1	60.3	2.8	80.6	4.4	77.0
	2004	80.1	61.1	58.9	2.2	76.3	3.6	73.5
British Columbia								
	2003	3,374.6	2,235.3	2,051.6	183.8	66.2	8.2	60.8
	2004	3,428.8	2,259.0	2,101.0	158.1	65.9	7.0	61.3
910 Vancouver Island and Coast	2003	573.6	337.4	308.6	28.9	58.8	8.6	53.8
	2004	580.0	359.0	332.1	26.9	61.9	7.5	57.3
920 Lower Mainland-Southwest	2003	2,026.7	1,392.7	1,281.5	111.2	68.7	8.0	63.2
	2004	2,070.7	1,393.2	1,297.3	95.8	67.3	6.9	62.7
930 Thompson-Okanagan	2003	394.8	249.3	229.7	19.6	63.1	7.9	58.2
	2004	399.7	251.8	235.5	16.3	63.0	6.5	58.9
940 Kootenay	2003	125.2	75.7	68.6	7.1	60.5	9.4	54.8
	2004	125.7	80.0	74.0	6.0	63.6	7.5	58.9
950 Cariboo	2003	133.9	91.4	82.4	9.0	68.3	9.8	61.5
	2004	133.1	91.5	84.9	6.7	68.7	7.3	63.8
960 and 970 North Coast and Nechako	2003	72.9	52.0	46.6	5.5	71.3	10.6	63.9
	2004	72.0	49.3	44.6	4.7	68.5	9.5	61.9
980 Northeast	2003	47.6	36.8	34.3	2.5	77.3	6.8	72.1
	2004	47.6	34.3	32.6	1.6	72.1	4.7	68.5

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
			\$	\$			\$			\$
October 2004										
15 years and over	13,673.5	35.5	685.08	18.65	11,119.3	39.6	788.44	2,554.1	17.2	235.11
15 to 24 years	2,282.1	27.3	308.16	10.57	1,159.8	39.0	474.44	1,122.3	15.1	136.30
25 years and over	11,391.4	37.1	760.59	20.27	9,959.5	39.7	825.01	1,431.9	18.9	312.56
Men	7,013.5	38.2	794.82	20.31	6,252.4	40.9	866.26	761.2	16.4	207.96
Women	6,659.9	32.5	569.52	16.89	4,867.0	38.0	688.47	1,793.0	17.6	246.64
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,337.8	35.9	786.99	21.68	3,720.5	38.7	858.22	617.2	18.8	357.60
No union coverage	9,335.7	35.2	637.73	17.24	7,398.8	40.1	753.35	1,936.9	16.7	196.08
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,934.9	36.4	718.98	19.24	10,129.7	39.6	802.23	1,805.2	18.1	251.84
Temporary	1,738.6	29.3	452.35	14.61	989.6	40.0	647.27	748.9	15.0	194.79
Occupation										
Management	938.8	40.5	1,190.84	29.50	914.1	41.1	1,212.27	24.7	19.1	397.42
Business, finance and administrative	2,597.4	35.1	640.85	17.87	2,191.5	38.3	710.75	406.0	17.8	263.49
Natural and applied sciences	938.3	38.5	1,029.11	26.76	905.6	39.3	1,050.19	32.7	17.3	445.42
Health	810.1	33.0	741.53	22.16	596.5	37.7	856.73	213.6	19.8	419.88
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,020.7	33.9	865.08	25.53	797.2	38.5	985.29	223.5	17.4	436.21
Art, culture, recreation and sport	295.4	30.8	637.34	19.17	205.3	38.9	847.84	90.1	12.5	157.92
Sales and service	3,640.8	30.6	415.60	12.64	2,291.0	38.7	563.94	1,349.8	16.9	163.82
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,930.8	40.2	751.90	18.51	1,791.6	41.9	791.65	139.3	18.3	240.49
Occupations unique to primary industry	295.7	42.1	652.99	15.15	263.2	45.5	714.72	32.5	14.7	153.71
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,205.4	39.4	654.84	16.46	1,163.5	40.3	671.47	42.0	16.6	193.98
October 2003										
15 years and over	13,435.5	35.3	668.63	18.27	10,887.2	39.6	770.94	2,548.3	17.1	231.52
15 to 24 years	2,219.3	26.9	301.50	10.43	1,117.8	38.9	467.95	1,101.5	14.8	132.57
25 years and over	11,216.2	37.0	741.27	19.82	9,769.4	39.7	805.61	1,446.8	18.8	306.85
Men	6,863.8	38.0	775.91	19.93	6,081.0	40.9	849.69	782.7	15.9	202.71
Women	6,571.7	32.5	556.58	16.54	4,806.2	38.0	671.30	1,765.5	17.6	244.30
Union coverage										
Union coverage	4,399.3	35.9	769.76	21.22	3,755.2	38.8	839.91	644.1	18.9	360.85
No union coverage	9,036.2	35.0	619.39	16.84	7,132.1	40.0	734.62	1,904.1	16.4	187.78
Job permanency										
Permanent	11,833.9	36.2	700.39	18.81	9,983.1	39.6	784.00	1,850.8	18.1	249.38
Temporary	1,601.6	28.6	433.97	14.31	904.2	39.6	626.70	697.5	14.4	184.14
Occupation										
Management	927.5	40.3	1,151.06	28.70	904.9	40.8	1,170.72	22.6	18.9	362.30
Business, finance and administrative	2,594.0	35.0	627.91	17.54	2,190.6	38.2	697.54	403.4	17.6	249.80
Natural and applied sciences	887.7	38.7	1,009.11	26.11	856.1	39.4	1,029.72	31.6	18.9	451.51
Health	750.0	32.6	711.04	21.67	541.1	37.7	823.68	208.9	19.5	419.27
Social science, education, government service and religion	1,036.2	34.1	841.64	24.75	828.3	38.3	941.14	207.9	17.1	445.28
Art, culture, recreation and sport	282.7	29.8	584.85	18.30	183.9	38.9	799.21	98.8	12.8	186.05
Sales and service	3,564.9	30.2	405.59	12.44	2,197.4	38.6	555.06	1,367.5	16.8	165.42
Trades, transport and equipment operators	1,913.3	40.0	741.71	18.38	1,776.2	41.8	782.09	137.1	17.6	218.58
Occupations unique to primary industry	261.1	42.4	660.90	15.27	231.7	45.9	724.75	29.4	14.4	157.29
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,218.0	39.5	642.69	16.12	1,177.0	40.4	658.81	41.0	15.6	180.16

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 November 7, 2004 to December 4, 2004	Region	Effective from November 7, 2004 to December 4, 2004
	Unemployment rate		Unemployment rate
	%		%
Newfoundland and Labrador		Ontario - Continued	
01. St. John's	8.8	30. London	6.2
02. Newfoundland and Labrador	20.1	31. Niagara	6.7
Prince Edward Island		32. Windsor	9.7
03. Prince Edward Island	11.7	33. Kitchener	5.2
Nova Scotia		34. Huron	8.8
04. Eastern Nova Scotia	15.5	35. South Central Ontario	3.9
05. Western Nova Scotia	9.9	36. Sudbury	8.0
06. Halifax	5.8	37. Thunder Bay	9.2
New Brunswick		38. Northern Ontario	12.3
07. Fredericton-Moncton-Saint John	8.0	Manitoba	
08. Madawaska-Charlotte ²	9.6	39. Winnipeg	5.7
09. Restigouche-Albert	15.9	40. Southern Manitoba	6.0
Quebec		41. Northern Manitoba	27.4
10. Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine	20.0	Saskatchewan	
11. Québec	4.5	42. Regina	4.5
12. Trois-Rivières	11.0	43. Saskatoon	6.2
13. South Central Quebec	5.8	44. Southern Saskatchewan	7.3
14. Sherbrooke	6.6	45. Northern Saskatchewan	14.6
15. Montérégie	6.4	Alberta	
16. Montréal	8.7	46. Calgary	5.0
17. Central Quebec	9.4	47. Edmonton	5.1
18. Northwestern Quebec	16.0	48. Northern Alberta	10.4
19. Bas-Saint-Laurent-Côte-Nord ³	12.1	49. Southern Alberta	5.8
20. Hull	6.5	British Columbia	
21. Chicoutimi-Jonquière	11.1	50. Southern Interior British Columbia	8.5
Ontario		51. Abbotsford	7.1
22. Ottawa	6.4	52. Vancouver	6.8
23. Eastern Ontario	6.2	53. Victoria	6.2
24. Kingston	6.3	54. Southern Coastal British Columbia	10.1
25. Central Ontario	5.0	55. Northern British Columbia	13.0
26. Oshawa	5.8	Territories	
27. Toronto	7.5	56. Yukon ⁴	25.0
28. Hamilton	5.8	57. Northwest Territories ⁴	25.0
29. St. Catharines	6.6	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)*