



Socioeconomic Profile of the Laval Region

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	Laval	Quebec	Proportion and gap
Total population (2005)	370,368	7,598,146	4.9%
Net migration (2004-2005)	3,732	34,238	**
Proportion of Aboriginals (2001)	0.2%	1.3%	-1.1
Employment (2006)	187.5K	3,765.4K	5.0%
Labor force (2006)	200.8K	4,094.1K	4.9%
Participation rate (2006) ¹	65.9%	65.5%	0.4
Employment rate (2006) ²	61.6%	60.2%	1.4
Unemployment rate (2006)	6.6%	8.0%	-1.4
Nominal GDP (2005)	\$9,835.4M	\$256,801.0M	3.8%
Merchandise exports (2004)	\$996,000K	\$61,873,800K	1.6%

K: thousands

M: millions

Source: Institut de la Statistique du Québec (ISQ) and Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey (LFS).

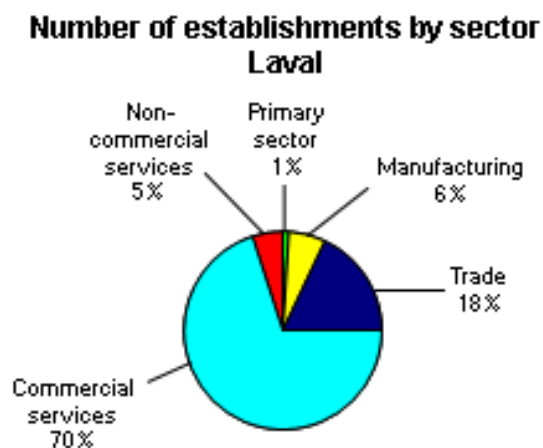
1 The participation rate is defined as follows: total labour force divided by the number of people aged 15 and over.

2 The employment rate is defined as follows: total employment divided by the number of people aged 15 and over.

Employment by sector	%	Number of establishments by sector	%
Primary sector	1	Primary sector	1
Manufacturing	14	Manufacturing	6
Trade	23	Trade	18
Commercial services	40	Commercial services	70
Non-commercial services	22	Non-commercial services	5
Total	100%	Total	100%

Source: Statistics Canada, LFS, 2005.

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The three sub-sectors of manufacturing with the most establishments: Miscellaneous manufacturing, clothing manufacturing, printing and related support activities.

Definitions:

Primary: Forestry, logging and support, mining, oil and gas extraction, agriculture.

Manufacturing: Manufacturing sector.

Trade: Wholesale trade and retail trade.

Commercial services: Utilities, construction, transportation and warehousing, information and cultural industries, finance and insurance, real estate, rental and leasing, professional, scientific and technical services, management of companies and enterprises, administrative and support, waste management and remediation services, arts, entertainment and recreation, accommodation and food services, other services (except public administration).

Non-commercial services: Educational services, health care and social assistance, public administration

Information relative to innovation			
Educational attainment (% population 15 and over) 2001	Laval	Rank in Quebec	Quebec
Post-secondary certificate or diploma	30.4	4	28.6
Bachelor's	9.9	4	9.6
Master's	3.4	5	3.9
Doctorate	0.2	6	0.5
Information relative to innovation			
Per capita investment by enterprises in machinery, equipment and material (2003)	\$1,251	15	\$1,882
Internal R&D expenditure by enterprises (2001)	\$133M	4	\$3,897M
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Source: Tableau de bord des systèmes régionaux d'innovation du Québec, Quebec Department of Economic Development, Innovation and Exports, 2004.

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