

Labour Force Survey, May 2026

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Highlights

Employment increased by 88,000 (+0.4%) in May and the employment rate rose 0.2 percentage points to 60.7%. The unemployment rate fell 0.3 percentage points to 6.6%.

Employment increased among core-aged (25 to 54 years old) women (+31,000; +0.5%), core-aged men (+25,000; +0.3%), and youth aged 15 to 24 (+22,000; +0.8%).

The unemployment rate for youth declined 0.9 percentage points to 13.4%. The rate also fell among core-aged women (-0.4 percentage points to 5.5%) and core-aged men (-0.4 percentage points to 5.7%).

Employment increased in several industries, most notably in construction (+27,000; +1.7%), information, culture and recreation (+19,000; +2.3%), transportation and warehousing (+19,000; +1.7%) and accommodation and food services (+17,000; +1.5%). On the other hand, employment decreased in wholesale and retail trade (-35,000; -1.2%).

Employment rose in Ontario (+42,000; +0.5%), British Columbia (+25,000; +0.9%), Alberta (+14,000; +0.5%) and Prince Edward Island (+1,200; +1.3%), while it fell in Saskatchewan (-6,100; -1.0%).

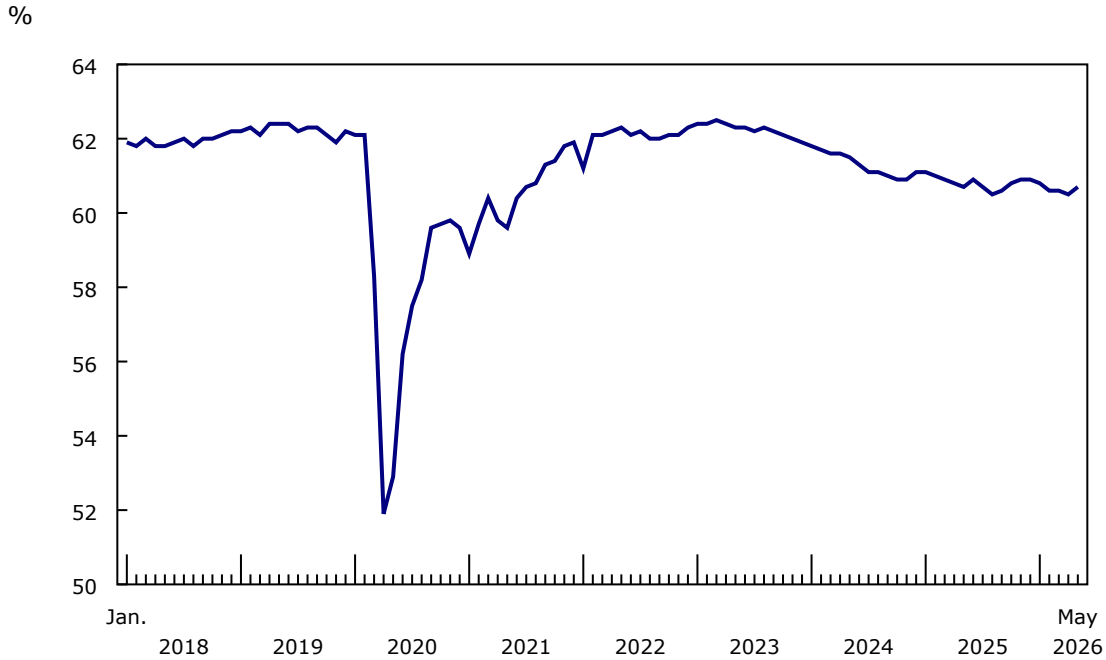
Average hourly wages among employees increased 3.0% (+\$1.10 to \$37.24) on a year-over-year basis in May, following growth of 4.5% in April (not seasonally adjusted).

Employment increases driven by full-time work

Employment increased by 88,000 (+0.4%) in May, the first significant employment gain since November 2025. The increase in May follows a net decline of 112,000 (-0.5%) over the first four months of 2026. On a year-over-year basis, employment was up by 147,000 (+0.7%) in May.



Chart 1
Employment rate rises in May 2026, the first increase since November 2025



Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), table 14-10-0287-01.

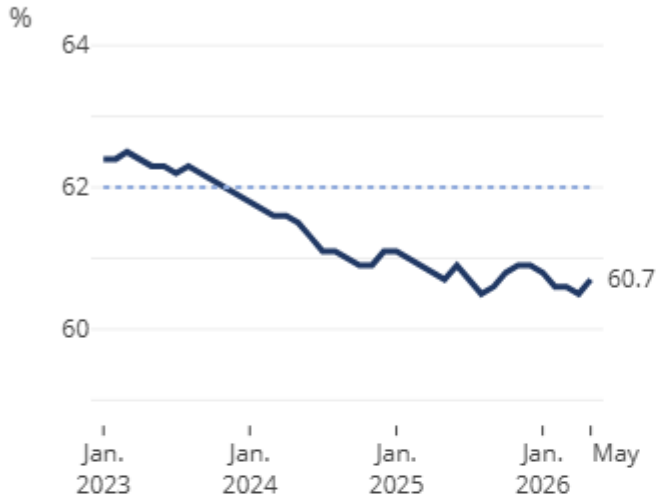
The number of people working full-time rose by 154,000 (+0.9%) in May. The increase in the month offsets a downward trend observed from January to April, in which the number of full-time workers fell by 156,000 (-0.9%). In May, part-time employment decreased by 66,000 (-1.7%).

The employment rate—the proportion of the population aged 15 and older who are employed—rose by 0.2 percentage points to 60.7% in May. This was the first increase since November 2025. The employment rate was unchanged on a year-over-year basis in May 2026.

Infographic 1 – Employment rate by age group, May 2026

— Employment rate
 - - - - - 2017 to 2019 average

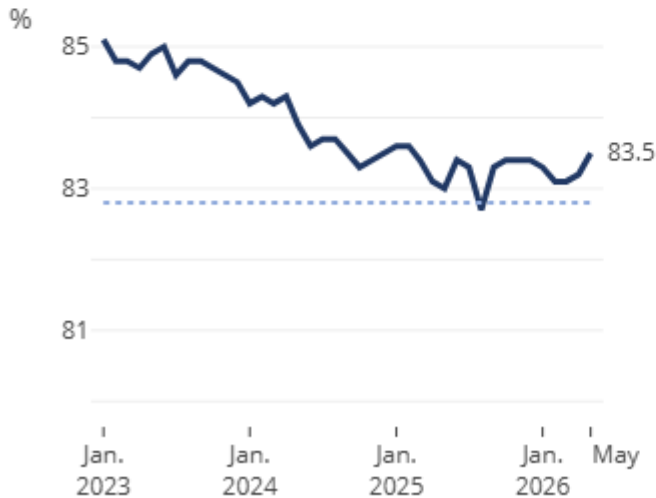
Total (15 years and older)



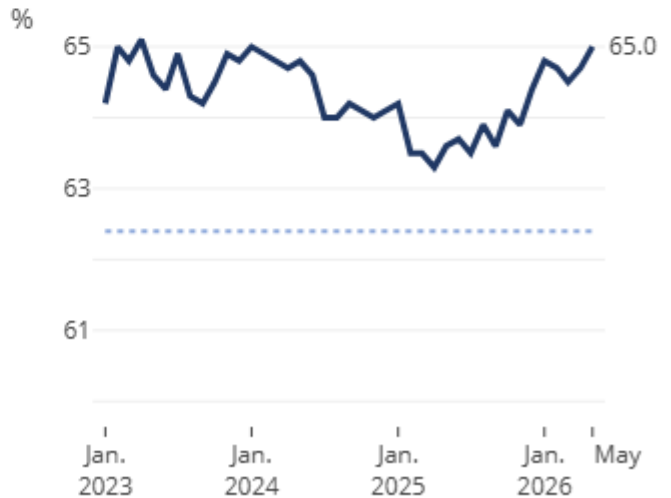
Youth (15 to 24 years old)



Core-age (25 to 54 years old)



People 55 to 64 years old



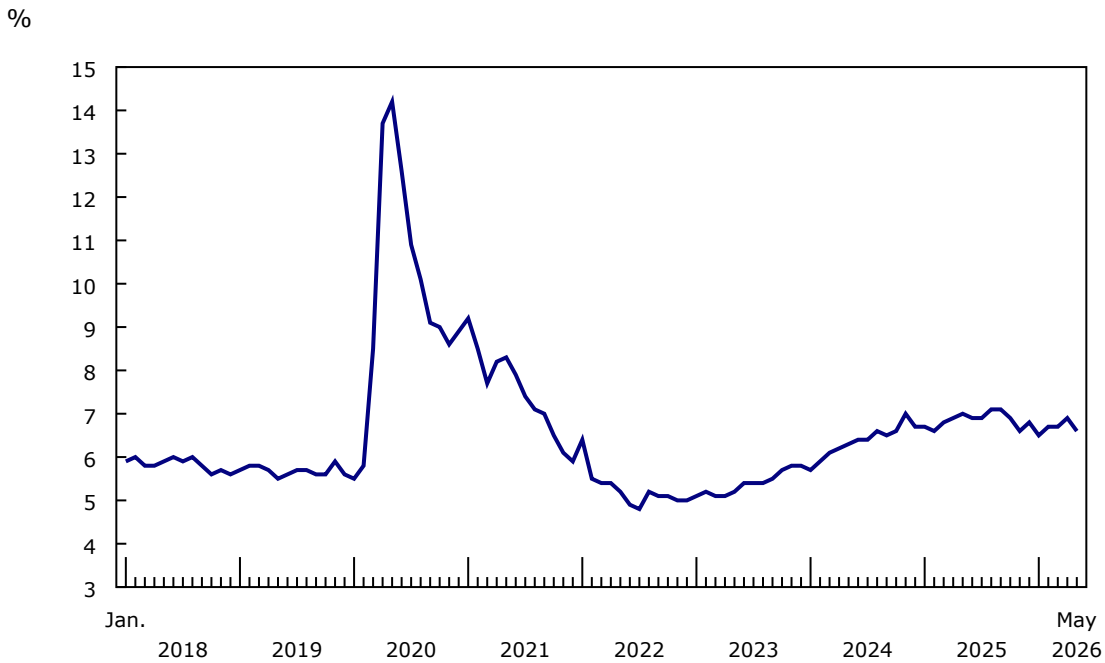
Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), table 14-10-0287-01.

Employment rose among employees in both the private sector (+56,000; +0.4%) and the public sector (+20,000; +0.4%) in May. The number of self-employed workers was little changed.

Unemployment rate falls to 6.6%

The unemployment rate fell 0.3 percentage points to 6.6% in May. The rate had previously increased from a recent low of 6.5% in January to 6.9% in April.

Chart 2 Unemployment rate falls to 6.6% in May 2026, below the recent high of 7.1% in August and September 2025



Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), table 14-10-0287-01.

Since the spring of 2024, the unemployment rate has remained above its average (6.0%) observed from 2017 to 2019, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. The unemployment rate reached a recent peak in August and September 2025, when it was 7.1%.

As employment picked up in May, the job-finding rate ticked up, with just over one-quarter (26.3%) of people who were unemployed in April found work in May. This was up 3.7 percentage points compared with the same period last year but remained below the pre-pandemic average for the corresponding months from 2017 to 2019 (31.5%). At the same time, the layoff rate remained relatively stable at 0.6%, little changed compared with a year earlier and in-line with the pre-pandemic average (not seasonally adjusted).

Youth unemployment rate declines

The unemployment rate among youth (aged 15 to 24) fell 0.9 percentage points to 13.4% in May, the first decline since January. The youth unemployment rate in May was 1.2 percentage points below the recent peak recorded in September 2025 (14.6%). Youth have faced more difficult labour market conditions in recent years. Since January 2024, the youth unemployment rate has consistently been above the pre-pandemic average of 10.8%.

Infographic 2 – Unemployment rate by age group, May 2026

— Unemployment rate
 - - - - 2017 to 2019 average

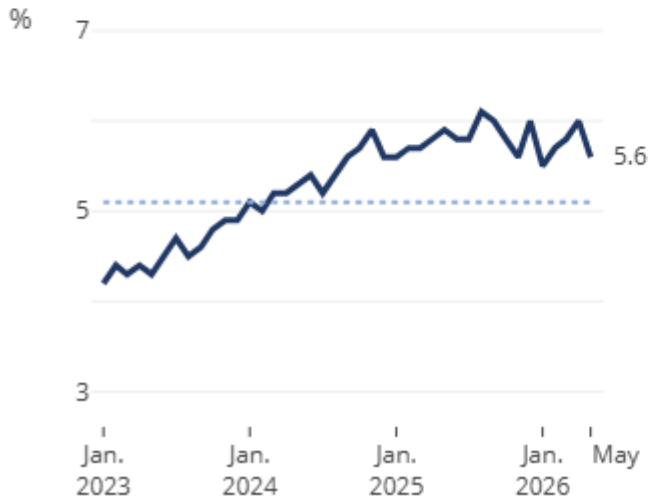
Total (15 years and older)



Youth (15 to 24 years old)



Core-age (25 to 54 years old)



People 55 years and older



Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), table 14-10-0287-01.

The number of youth working full-time rose in May (+99,000; +7.7%), offsetting a similar-sized decline over the previous four months (-91,000; -6.6%). Gains in full-time work in the month were partially offset by a decline in the number of youth working part-time (-76,000; -5.5%). On a year-over-year basis, the number of young people working full-time was little changed, while the number working part-time was down by 45,000 (-3.3%).

Unemployment rate down among core-aged women and men

For people in the core working age (25 to 54 years old), the unemployment rate fell among both women (-0.4 percentage points to 5.5%) and men (-0.4 percentage points to 5.7%) in May. For core-aged women, the rate was little changed from 12 months earlier, while for men in this age group it was down 0.5 percentage points.

Declines in the unemployment rate in May coincided with increases in the number of employed core-aged women and men. Among core-aged women, employment rose by 31,000 (+0.5%), all in full-time work (+38,000; +0.7%). For core-aged men, employment rose by 25,000 (+0.3%).

Employment among people aged 55 years and older was little changed in May and the unemployment rate for people in this age group was also little changed at 5.0%.

Students see better start to the summer job market than last year

May marks the beginning of another summer student job season—an important source of income and work experience for many young Canadians. From May to August, the Labour Force Survey collects labour market information about students who attended school full time in March and who intend to return to school full time in the fall. The month of May provides the first indicator of the summer job market, especially for older youth, as high-school students are still attending classes.

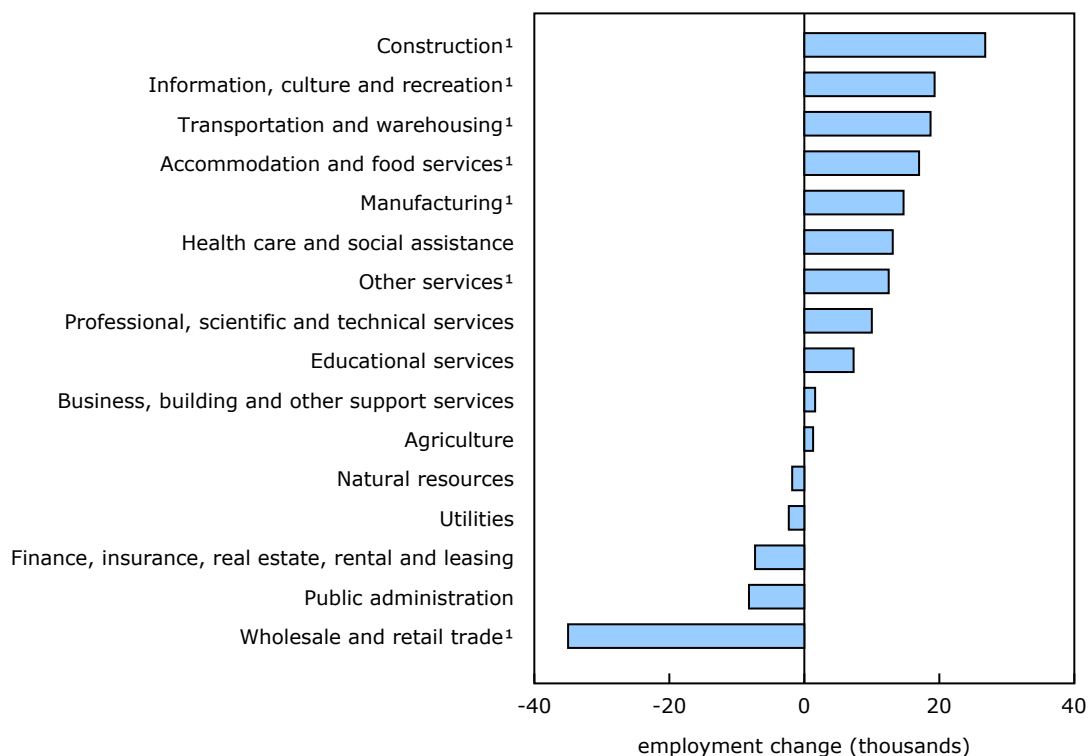
In May, the unemployment rate among returning students aged 15 to 24 was 18.0%, down 2.1 percentage points from the same month in 2025 (20.1%). In 2025, returning students had faced the slowest start to the summer job market since 2009 (outside 2020 and 2021, during the pandemic) (not seasonally adjusted).

Among returning students who were employed, a higher proportion worked in accommodation and food services in May 2026 compared with May 2025 (+2.5 percentage points to 23.0%). The largest share worked in retail trade (28.4%), which was little changed from the previous year. Information, culture and recreation was another industry in which a large proportion of returning students were employed (12.6%).

Employment growth across several industries, led by construction

Employment gains in May were broad-based across industries, with the largest increases in construction (+27,000; +1.7%), information, culture and recreation (+19,000; +2.3%), transportation and warehousing (+19,000; +1.7%) and accommodation and food services (+17,000; +1.5%).

Chart 3
Employment change by industry, May 2026



1. Change is statistically significant.

Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), table 14-10-0355-01.

Despite the monthly gains, employment in May was little changed on a year-over-year basis in construction as well as in information, culture and recreation. On the other hand, employment was up compared with 12 months earlier in transportation and warehousing (+36,000; +3.4%) and accommodation and food services (+34,000; +3.0%).

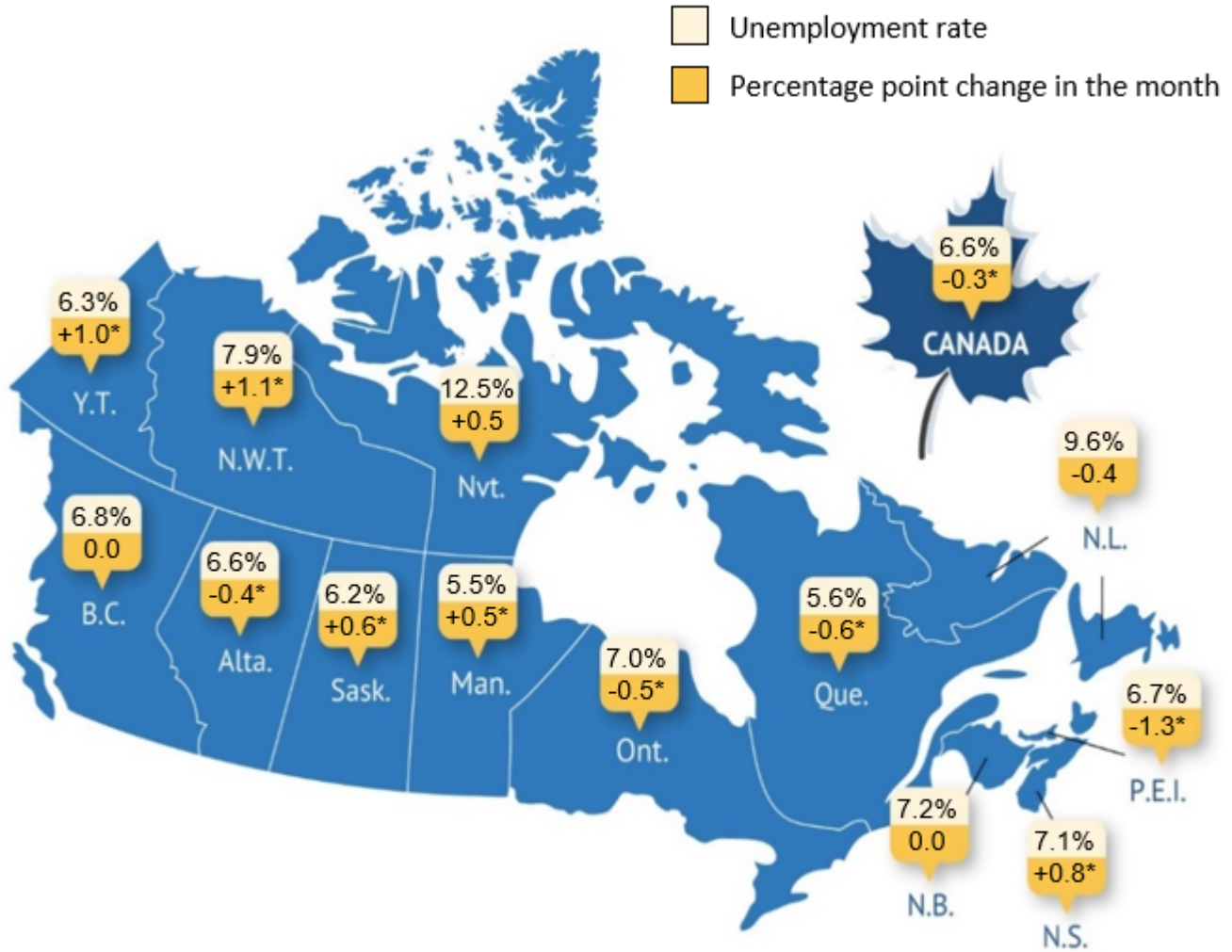
Employment also rose in manufacturing in May (+15,000; +0.8%). Employment in this industry was little changed compared with 12 months earlier, but was down 44,000 (-2.3%) compared with January 2025. The manufacturing sector has faced heightened economic uncertainty since early 2025, driven by U.S. tariff policies.

In May 2026, fewer people worked in wholesale and retail trade (-35,000; -1.2%). Employment in this industry has trended down since October 2025 and was down by 64,000 (-2.1%) in May 2026 compared with a year earlier.

Employment increases in Ontario for the second consecutive month

Employment in Ontario increased by 42,000 (+0.5%) in May, bringing the cumulative gains for April and May to 84,000 (+1.0%). At the same time, the unemployment rate in Ontario fell 0.5 percentage points to 7.0%—the lowest rate since September 2024.

Map 1 – Unemployment rate by province and territory, May 2026



Note(s): Statistically significant changes denoted with * symbol. Data are seasonally adjusted. Data for the territories are three-month moving averages and are not directly comparable with the provinces.

Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), tables 14-10-0287-02 and 14-10-0292-02.

In British Columbia, employment rose by 25,000 (+0.9%) in May, partially offsetting the cumulative loss of 39,000 (-1.3%) recorded in February and March. The unemployment rate in the province was unchanged at 6.8% in May.

In Alberta, employment increased by 14,000 (+0.5%) in May, following three consecutive months of little variation. Employment in Alberta was up by 104,000 (+4.1%) on a year-over-year basis in May, the largest year-over-year increase among the provinces. The unemployment rate in Alberta was 6.6% in May, down 0.4 percentage points in the month and down 0.8 percentage points compared with 12 months earlier.

Employment also rose in Prince Edward Island in May (+1,200; +1.3%). Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in the province was up by 4,700 (+5.1%). The unemployment rate in Prince Edward Island fell 1.3 percentage points to 6.7% in May.

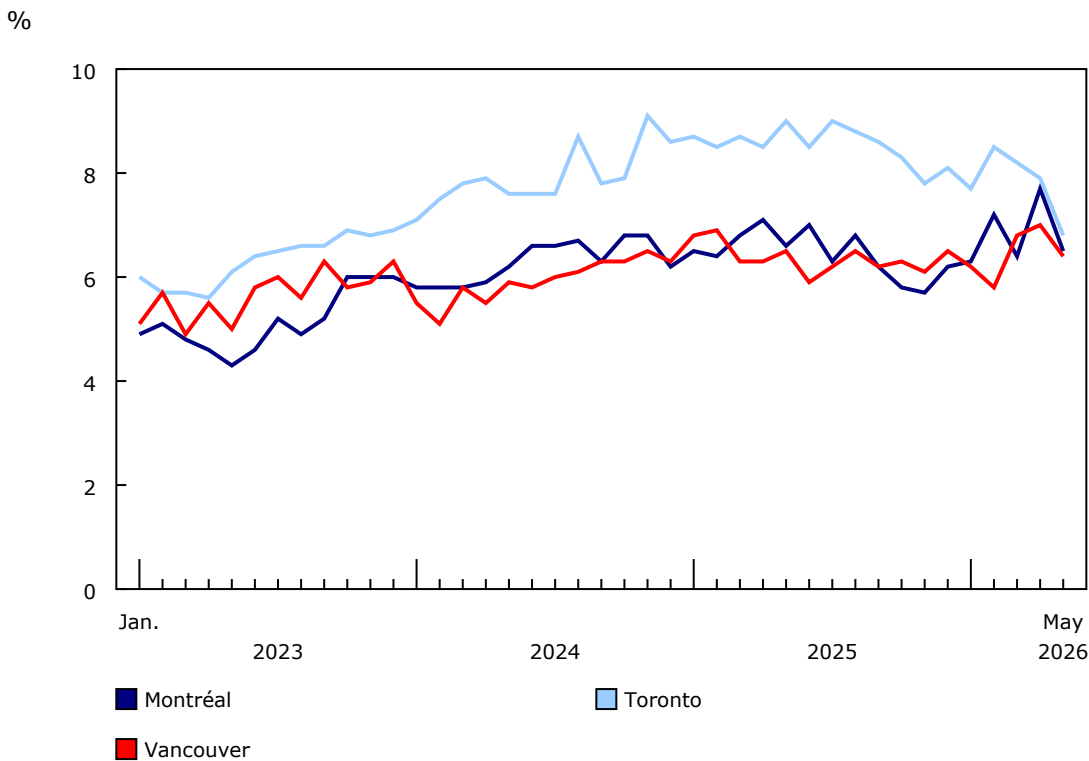
On the other hand, employment fell in Saskatchewan (-6,100; -1.0%) in May. Despite the decline in the month, employment in the province was little changed compared with 12 months earlier. The unemployment rate in Saskatchewan was 6.2% in May, up 0.6 percentage points from April.

Employment in Quebec edged up (+13,000; +0.3%) in May, following a net decline of 91,000 (-1.9%) from January to April. The unemployment rate in Quebec declined 0.6 percentage points to 5.6% in May, as fewer people searched for work. On a year-over-year basis, the unemployment rate in the province was little changed.

Unemployment rate down in the Toronto, Montréal and Vancouver census metropolitan areas

The unemployment rate in the Toronto census metropolitan area fell 1.1 percentage points to 6.8% in May, the lowest level since November 2023. The rate in May 2026 was down from a recent peak of 9.0% in May 2025 and July 2025. Recent declines in Toronto have brought its unemployment rate closer to the rate observed in Montréal (6.5%) and Vancouver (6.4%) in May 2026.

Chart 4
Unemployment rate trends among the largest census metropolitan areas



Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), table 14-10-0460-01.

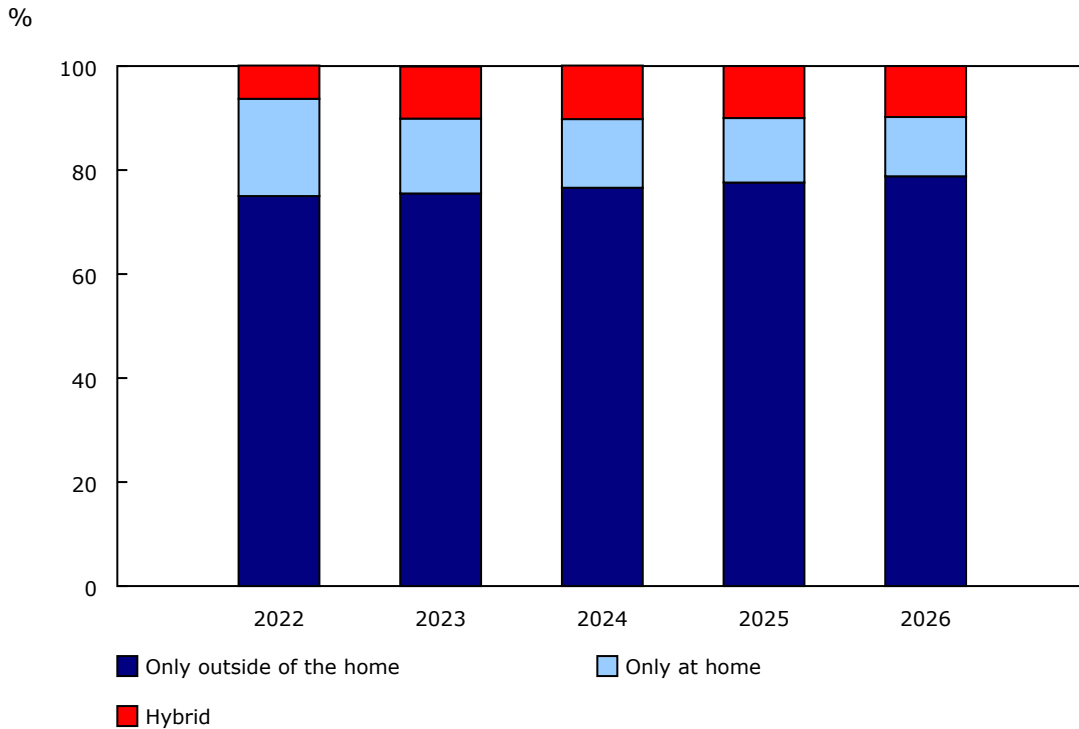
The unemployment rate also fell in Montréal (-1.2 percentage points) in May, largely offsetting the increase recorded in the previous month. In Vancouver, the unemployment rate decreased 0.6 percentage points to 6.4%. In both Montréal and Vancouver, the unemployment rate in May was virtually unchanged on a year-over-year basis.

In the Spotlight: The proportion of Canadians working exclusively from home continues to decrease

Following the pandemic, which saw record proportions of employed Canadians working remotely, many Canadian workers returned to offices or work sites outside the home. The share of employed Canadians working exclusively outside of home has increased gradually since then, while hybrid work arrangements have been stable since 2023.

In May 2026, the proportion of Canadians working exclusively outside of the home was 78.8%, higher than the corresponding proportions in May 2025 (77.6%) and May 2022 (75.0%).

Chart 5
Work location for employed Canadians for the month of May



Note(s): Due to rounding, estimates and percentages may differ slightly between different Statistics Canada products, such as analytical documents and data tables.
Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), and Labour Market Indicators (5375), May 2026, custom tabulation.

In contrast, the proportion of employed Canadians working exclusively from home in May 2026 (11.4%), was down 1.0 percentage points from the same month in 2025 (12.4%) and down 7.3 percentage points from May 2022 (18.7%).

About 1 in 10 (9.8%) workers had a hybrid work arrangement in May 2026, in which they worked some hours at home and some hours at locations other than home. The proportion working in a hybrid arrangement rose from 6.4% in May 2022 to 10.0% in May 2023 and has varied little since then.

Sustainable Development Goals

On January 1, 2016, the world officially began implementation of the [2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development](#)—the United Nations' transformative plan of action that addresses urgent global challenges over the next 15 years. The plan is based on 17 specific sustainable development goals.

The Labour Force Survey is an example of how Statistics Canada supports the reporting on the Global Goals for Sustainable Development. This release will be used in helping to measure the following goals:



Note to readers

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates for May reflect labour market conditions during the reference week of May 10 to 16, 2026.

The sample size of the LFS is approximately 65,000 households, representing over 100,000 respondents each month. For more information, see the [Guide to the Labour Force Survey](#).

This analysis focuses on differences between estimates that are statistically significant at the 68% confidence level. Monthly estimates may show more sampling variability than trends observed over longer periods. For more information, see "[Interpreting Monthly Changes in Employment from the Labour Force Survey](#)."

LFS estimates at the Canada level do not include the territories.

The LFS estimates are the first in a series of labour market indicators released by Statistics Canada, which includes indicators from programs such as the Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours (SEPH); Employment Insurance Statistics; and the Job Vacancy and Wage Survey. For more information on the conceptual differences between employment measures from the LFS and those from the SEPH, refer to [section 8 of the Guide to the Labour Force Survey](#).

The **employment rate** is the number of employed people as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and older. The rate for a particular group (for example, youth aged 15 to 24 years) is the number employed in that group as a percentage of the population for that group.

The **unemployment rate** is the number of unemployed people as a percentage of the labour force (employed and unemployed).

The **participation rate** is the number of employed and unemployed people as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and older.

Full-time employment consists of persons who usually work 30 hours or more per week at their main or only job.

Part-time employment consists of persons who usually work less than 30 hours per week at their main or only job.

Total hours worked refers to the number of hours actually worked at the main job by the respondent during the reference week, including paid and unpaid hours. These hours reflect temporary decreases or increases in work hours (for example, hours lost due to illness, vacation, holidays or weather; or more hours worked due to overtime).

This release refers to the **gender of a person**. The category "men" includes men, as well as some non-binary persons. The category "women" includes women, as well as some non-binary persons. Given that the non-binary population is small, data aggregation to a two-category gender variable is necessary to protect the confidentiality of responses provided.

Seasonal adjustment

Unless otherwise stated, estimates presented in this release are seasonally adjusted, which facilitates comparisons by removing the effects of typical seasonal variations. For more information on seasonal adjustment, see [Seasonally adjusted data: Concepts and interpretation](#).

Population totals in the Labour Force Survey

The LFS target population includes all persons aged 15 years and older whose usual place of residence is in Canada, with some exceptions (those living on reserves, full-time members of the regular Armed Forces and persons living in institutions). The target population includes temporary residents—that is, those with a valid work or study permit, their families, and refugee claimants—as well as permanent residents (landed immigrants) and the Canadian-born.

Information gathered from LFS respondents is weighted to represent the survey target population using population calibration totals. These totals are updated each month, using the most recently available information on population changes derived from Canada's official population estimates, with minor adjustments being made to reflect the LFS target population.

While the LFS population totals are generally aligned with official demographic estimates, the official estimates should be considered the official measure of population change in Canada. More information on how population totals in the LFS are calculated can be found in the article "[Interpreting population totals from the Labour Force Survey](#)."

Data for the Labour Market Indicators program are now available for May 2026.

Next release

The next release of the LFS will be on July 10, 2026. June 2026 data will reflect labour market conditions during the week of June 14 to 20.

Table 1
Labour force characteristics by age group and gender¹, seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ²	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
15 years and over, total - gender							
Population	34,755.6	34,770.0	...	14.4	239.4	0.0	0.7
Labour force	22,600.1	22,603.9	32.5	3.8	58.5	0.0	0.3
Employment	21,033.7	21,121.5	31.8	87.8	147.1	0.4	0.7
Full-time employment	17,168.4	17,322.4	42.0	154.0	147.9	0.9	0.9
Part-time employment	3,865.3	3,799.1	38.8	-66.2	-0.7	-1.7	-0.0
Unemployment	1,566.4	1,482.4	27.8	-84.0	-88.6	-5.4	-5.6
Participation rate	65.0	65.0	0.1	0.0	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.6	0.1	-0.3	-0.4	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.7	0.1	0.2	0.0	...	...
15 to 24 years, total - gender							
Population	4,967.5	4,961.6	...	-5.9	-53.3	-0.1	-1.1
Labour force	3,123.4	3,118.6	19.3	-4.8	-50.4	-0.2	-1.6
Employment	2,677.7	2,700.0	17.4	22.3	-20.1	0.8	-0.7
Full-time employment	1,289.3	1,388.0	21.0	98.7	25.0	7.7	1.8
Part-time employment	1,388.4	1,312.0	22.0	-76.4	-45.1	-5.5	-3.3
Unemployment	445.7	418.6	16.0	-27.1	-30.3	-6.1	-6.7
Participation rate	62.9	62.9	0.4	0.0	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.3	13.4	0.5	-0.9	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	53.9	54.4	0.3	0.5	0.2	...	...
25 years and over, total - gender							
Population	29,788.1	29,808.4	...	20.3	292.7	0.1	1.0
Labour force	19,476.7	19,485.3	26.1	8.6	108.9	0.0	0.6
Employment	18,356.0	18,421.5	26.4	65.5	167.3	0.4	0.9
Full-time employment	15,879.1	15,934.4	36.4	55.3	122.9	0.3	0.8
Part-time employment	2,476.9	2,487.1	31.9	10.2	44.4	0.4	1.8
Unemployment	1,120.7	1,063.7	22.4	-57.0	-58.4	-5.1	-5.2
Participation rate	65.4	65.4	0.1	0.0	-0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.5	0.1	-0.3	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.8	0.1	0.2	0.0	...	...
25 years and over, men+							
Population	14,692.4	14,701.7	...	9.3	135.9	0.1	0.9
Labour force	10,313.2	10,315.2	17.2	2.0	37.0	0.0	0.4
Employment	9,717.3	9,740.5	18.3	23.2	87.4	0.2	0.9
Full-time employment	8,823.8	8,838.4	24.5	14.6	29.5	0.2	0.3
Part-time employment	893.5	902.1	20.7	8.6	57.9	1.0	6.9
Unemployment	595.9	574.8	16.2	-21.1	-50.3	-3.5	-8.0
Participation rate	70.2	70.2	0.1	0.0	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.6	0.2	-0.2	-0.5	...	...
Employment rate	66.1	66.3	0.1	0.2	0.0	...	...
25 years and over, women+							
Population	15,095.7	15,106.7	...	11.0	156.8	0.1	1.0
Labour force	9,163.6	9,170.0	18.5	6.4	71.9	0.1	0.8
Employment	8,638.7	8,681.1	18.3	42.4	80.0	0.5	0.9
Full-time employment	7,055.4	7,096.0	26.1	40.6	93.4	0.6	1.3
Part-time employment	1,583.4	1,585.0	24.3	1.6	-13.5	0.1	-0.8
Unemployment	524.8	488.9	15.3	-35.9	-8.1	-6.8	-1.6
Participation rate	60.7	60.7	0.1	0.0	-0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.3	0.2	-0.4	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	57.2	57.5	0.1	0.3	0.0	...	...
25 to 54 years, total - gender							
Population	16,817.4	16,821.2	...	3.8	83.7	0.0	0.5
Labour force	14,880.8	14,874.6	25.2	-6.2	99.1	-0.0	0.7
Employment	13,984.2	14,040.2	26.8	56.0	142.8	0.4	1.0
Unemployment	896.5	834.5	20.8	-62.0	-43.6	-6.9	-5.0
Participation rate	88.5	88.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.6	0.1	-0.4	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	83.2	83.5	0.2	0.3	0.5	...	...
25 to 54 years, men+							
Population	8,509.2	8,510.9	...	1.7	40.7	0.0	0.5
Labour force	7,790.5	7,785.3	16.3	-5.2	31.8	-0.1	0.4
Employment	7,314.4	7,339.6	18.3	25.2	65.3	0.3	0.9
Unemployment	476.0	445.7	15.0	-30.3	-33.5	-6.4	-7.0
Participation rate	91.6	91.5	0.2	-0.1	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.7	0.2	-0.4	-0.5	...	...
Employment rate	86.0	86.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	...	...

Table 1 - continued
Labour force characteristics by age group and gender¹, seasonally adjusted

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25 to 54 years, women+							
Population	8,308.2	8,310.3	...	2.1	43.0	0.0	0.5
Labour force	7,090.3	7,089.3	18.2	-1.0	67.3	-0.0	1.0
Employment	6,669.8	6,700.5	18.8	30.7	77.5	0.5	1.2
Unemployment	420.5	388.8	14.2	-31.7	-10.2	-7.5	-2.6
Participation rate	85.3	85.3	0.2	0.0	0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.5	0.2	-0.4	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	80.3	80.6	0.2	0.3	0.5	...	...
55 years and over, total - gender							
Population	12,970.7	12,987.1	...	16.4	208.8	0.1	1.6
Labour force	4,596.0	4,610.6	21.2	14.6	9.7	0.3	0.2
Employment	4,371.8	4,381.4	21.1	9.6	24.5	0.2	0.6
Unemployment	224.2	229.3	11.0	5.1	-14.7	2.3	-6.0
Participation rate	35.4	35.5	0.2	0.1	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.0	0.2	0.1	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	33.7	33.7	0.2	0.0	-0.4	...	...
55 years and over, men+							
Population	6,183.2	6,190.8	...	7.6	95.2	0.1	1.6
Labour force	2,522.7	2,530.0	14.1	7.3	5.2	0.3	0.2
Employment	2,402.9	2,400.8	14.3	-2.1	22.0	-0.1	0.9
Unemployment	119.8	129.1	8.0	9.3	-16.8	7.8	-11.5
Participation rate	40.8	40.9	0.2	0.1	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.7	5.1	0.3	0.4	-0.7	...	...
Employment rate	38.9	38.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	...	...
55 years and over, women+							
Population	6,787.5	6,796.3	...	8.8	113.6	0.1	1.7
Labour force	2,073.3	2,080.7	14.6	7.4	4.6	0.4	0.2
Employment	1,968.9	1,980.5	14.5	11.6	2.4	0.6	0.1
Unemployment	104.3	100.1	7.3	-4.2	2.0	-4.0	2.0
Participation rate	30.5	30.6	0.2	0.1	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	4.8	0.3	-0.2	0.1	...	...
Employment rate	29.0	29.1	0.2	0.1	-0.5	...	...

... not applicable

1. The category "Men+" includes men, as well as some non-binary persons, while the category "Women+" includes women, as well as some non-binary persons. Given that the non-binary population is small, data aggregation to a two-category gender variable is necessary to protect the confidentiality of responses provided. Individuals in the category "non-binary persons" are distributed into the other two gender categories and are denoted by the "+" symbol.
2. Average standard error of change between two consecutive months. See the "Data Quality" section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)* for more information.

Note(s): The sum of individual categories may not always add up to the total as a result of rounding.

Source(s): Table [14-10-0287-02](#).

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

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands			change in thousands		% change	
Class of worker							
Employees	18,344.0	18,420.6	35.9	76.6	163.1	0.4	0.9
Public sector employees	4,575.0	4,595.4	19.7	20.4	66.6	0.4	1.5
Private sector employees	13,768.9	13,825.2	34.9	56.3	96.5	0.4	0.7
Self-employed	2,689.7	2,700.9	22.9	11.2	-16.0	0.4	-0.6
Total employed, all industries	21,033.7	21,121.5	31.8	87.8	147.1	0.4	0.7
Goods-producing sector	4,182.2	4,220.9	19.3	38.7	36.3	0.9	0.9
Agriculture	231.7	233.0	5.4	1.3	4.0	0.6	1.7
Natural resources ²	344.8	343.0	5.9	-1.8	5.7	-0.5	1.7
Utilities	173.4	171.1	3.3	-2.3	9.7	-1.3	6.0
Construction	1,616.4	1,643.2	13.2	26.8	11.3	1.7	0.7
Manufacturing	1,815.9	1,830.6	12.5	14.7	5.5	0.8	0.3
Services-producing sector	16,851.5	16,900.6	31.5	49.1	110.8	0.3	0.7
Wholesale and retail trade	2,962.3	2,927.3	16.9	-35.0	-64.0	-1.2	-2.1
Transportation and warehousing	1,089.4	1,108.1	10.9	18.7	36.2	1.7	3.4
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	1,477.5	1,470.2	10.8	-7.3	-31.0	-0.5	-2.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,998.5	2,008.5	14.3	10.0	-1.6	0.5	-0.1
Business, building and other support services	693.2	694.8	10.1	1.6	8.1	0.2	1.2
Educational services	1,576.5	1,583.8	12.5	7.3	-23.3	0.5	-1.4
Health care and social assistance	2,988.6	3,001.7	14.2	13.1	122.7	0.4	4.3
Information, culture and recreation	854.3	873.6	12.1	19.3	8.5	2.3	1.0
Accommodation and food services	1,172.3	1,189.3	12.4	17.0	34.3	1.5	3.0
Other services (except public administration)	779.5	792.0	9.7	12.5	15.3	1.6	2.0
Public administration	1,259.4	1,251.2	9.1	-8.2	5.5	-0.7	0.4

1. Average standard error of change between two consecutive months. See the "Data Quality" section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)* for more information.

2. Also referred to as "Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction."

Note(s): The sum of individual categories may not always add up to the total as a result of rounding.

Source(s): Tables [14-10-0288-02](#) and [14-10-0355-02](#).

**Table 3
Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted**

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Newfoundland and Labrador							
Population	473.9	474.2	...	0.3	3.3	0.1	0.7
Labour force	271.6	269.1	1.8	-2.5	-5.0	-0.9	-1.8
Employment	244.4	243.2	1.8	-1.2	-4.2	-0.5	-1.7
Full-time employment	207.6	206.1	2.1	-1.5	-1.3	-0.7	-0.6
Part-time employment	36.8	37.1	1.7	0.3	-2.9	0.8	-7.3
Unemployment	27.2	25.8	1.7	-1.4	-0.9	-5.1	-3.4
Participation rate	57.3	56.7	0.4	-0.6	-1.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	9.6	0.6	-0.4	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	51.6	51.3	0.4	-0.3	-1.2	...	...
Prince Edward Island							
Population	156.0	156.0	...	0.0	2.6	0.0	1.7
Labour force	103.8	103.8	0.9	0.0	3.4	0.0	3.4
Employment	95.5	96.7	0.9	1.2	4.7	1.3	5.1
Full-time employment	82.7	83.6	1.1	0.9	4.3	1.1	5.4
Part-time employment	12.8	13.1	0.9	0.3	0.5	2.3	4.0
Unemployment	8.3	7.0	0.7	-1.3	-1.5	-15.7	-17.6
Participation rate	66.5	66.5	0.5	0.0	1.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	6.7	0.7	-1.3	-1.8	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	62.0	0.5	0.8	2.0	...	...
Nova Scotia							
Population	921.6	922.7	...	1.1	10.2	0.1	1.1
Labour force	564.5	569.1	3.0	4.6	6.2	0.8	1.1
Employment	528.7	528.5	3.0	-0.2	2.3	-0.0	0.4
Full-time employment	439.4	438.4	3.9	-1.0	0.9	-0.2	0.2
Part-time employment	89.4	90.1	3.4	0.7	1.4	0.8	1.6
Unemployment	35.8	40.5	2.5	4.7	3.7	13.1	10.1
Participation rate	61.3	61.7	0.3	0.4	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	7.1	0.4	0.8	0.6	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	57.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	...	...
New Brunswick							
Population	726.1	726.9	...	0.8	7.2	0.1	1.0
Labour force	440.3	439.8	2.3	-0.5	4.3	-0.1	1.0
Employment	408.6	408.1	2.2	-0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.0
Full-time employment	346.1	344.5	2.8	-1.6	-2.2	-0.5	-0.6
Part-time employment	62.5	63.7	2.3	1.2	2.4	1.9	3.9
Unemployment	31.8	31.6	1.9	-0.2	4.1	-0.6	14.9
Participation rate	60.6	60.5	0.3	-0.1	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.2	0.4	0.0	0.9	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	56.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	...	...
Quebec							
Population	7,586.0	7,583.3	...	-2.7	11.3	-0.0	0.1
Labour force	4,882.3	4,864.5	15.5	-17.8	-52.3	-0.4	-1.1
Employment	4,579.0	4,592.2	15.9	13.2	-37.1	0.3	-0.8
Full-time employment	3,655.8	3,707.6	20.0	51.8	-89.8	1.4	-2.4
Part-time employment	923.1	884.5	19.0	-38.6	52.6	-4.2	6.3
Unemployment	303.3	272.3	12.7	-31.0	-15.1	-10.2	-5.3
Participation rate	64.4	64.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	5.6	0.3	-0.6	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.6	0.2	0.2	-0.5	...	...
Ontario							
Population	13,760.8	13,766.3	...	5.5	73.7	0.0	0.5
Labour force	8,920.8	8,910.4	22.7	-10.4	10.2	-0.1	0.1
Employment	8,247.9	8,289.7	21.6	41.8	91.6	0.5	1.1
Full-time employment	6,821.6	6,862.1	28.6	40.5	153.3	0.6	2.3
Part-time employment	1,426.3	1,427.5	25.9	1.2	-61.8	0.1	-4.1
Unemployment	672.9	620.7	19.4	-52.2	-81.4	-7.8	-11.6
Participation rate	64.8	64.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.0	0.2	-0.5	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	60.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	...	...
Manitoba							
Population	1,186.6	1,187.6	...	1.0	15.3	0.1	1.3
Labour force	788.9	792.9	3.5	4.0	16.7	0.5	2.2
Employment	749.3	749.6	3.5	0.3	18.8	0.0	2.6
Full-time employment	609.8	615.3	4.6	5.5	5.9	0.9	1.0
Part-time employment	139.5	134.3	4.4	-5.2	12.9	-3.7	10.6
Unemployment	39.7	43.4	2.8	3.7	-2.0	9.3	-4.4
Participation rate	66.5	66.8	0.3	0.3	0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.5	0.4	0.5	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	63.1	63.1	0.3	0.0	0.8	...	...

Table 3 - continued
Labour force characteristics by province, seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Saskatchewan							
Population	978.6	980.3	...	1.7	16.2	0.2	1.7
Labour force	656.7	654.7	2.9	-2.0	9.4	-0.3	1.5
Employment	619.9	613.8	2.9	-6.1	-4.1	-1.0	-0.7
Full-time employment	507.0	507.0	4.0	0.0	-2.7	0.0	-0.5
Part-time employment	112.9	106.9	3.7	-6.0	-1.2	-5.3	-1.1
Unemployment	36.9	40.8	2.4	3.9	13.3	10.6	48.4
Participation rate	67.1	66.8	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	6.2	0.4	0.6	1.9	...	...
Employment rate	63.3	62.6	0.3	-0.7	-1.5	...	...
Alberta							
Population	4,127.4	4,134.7	...	7.3	93.5	0.2	2.3
Labour force	2,856.5	2,858.3	12.1	1.8	87.7	0.1	3.2
Employment	2,656.6	2,670.5	12.4	13.9	104.4	0.5	4.1
Full-time employment	2,190.0	2,215.7	17.0	25.7	118.2	1.2	5.6
Part-time employment	466.6	454.8	15.3	-11.8	-13.8	-2.5	-2.9
Unemployment	199.9	187.8	11.2	-12.1	-16.7	-6.1	-8.2
Participation rate	69.2	69.1	0.3	-0.1	0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.6	0.4	-0.4	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	64.6	0.3	0.2	1.1	...	...
British Columbia							
Population	4,838.5	4,838.0	...	-0.5	6.1	-0.0	0.1
Labour force	3,114.6	3,141.3	11.6	26.7	-22.1	0.9	-0.7
Employment	2,903.9	2,929.1	11.5	25.2	-29.6	0.9	-1.0
Full-time employment	2,308.5	2,342.1	15.4	33.6	-38.7	1.5	-1.6
Part-time employment	595.4	587.0	14.5	-8.4	9.1	-1.4	1.6
Unemployment	210.7	212.2	10.0	1.5	7.5	0.7	3.7
Participation rate	64.4	64.9	0.2	0.5	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.8	0.3	0.0	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	60.5	0.2	0.5	-0.7	...	...

... not applicable

1. Average standard error of change between two consecutive months. See the "Data Quality" section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)* for more information.

Note(s): The sum of individual categories may not always add up to the total as a result of rounding.

Source(s): Table 14-10-0287-03.

Table 4
Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender¹, seasonally adjusted
(Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick)

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ²	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Newfoundland and Labrador							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	473.9	474.2	...	0.3	3.3	0.1	0.7
Labour force	271.6	269.1	1.8	-2.5	-5.0	-0.9	-1.8
Employment	244.4	243.2	1.8	-1.2	-4.2	-0.5	-1.7
Full-time employment	207.6	206.1	2.1	-1.5	-1.3	-0.7	-0.6
Unemployment	27.2	25.8	1.7	-1.4	-0.9	-5.1	-3.4
Participation rate	57.3	56.7	0.4	-0.6	-1.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.0	9.6	0.6	-0.4	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	51.6	51.3	0.4	-0.3	-1.2	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	57.9	57.9	...	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.3
Labour force	36.6	35.9	0.9	-0.7	-0.5	-1.9	-1.4
Employment	30.3	29.2	0.9	-1.1	-1.4	-3.6	-4.6
Unemployment	6.3	6.7	0.8	0.4	1.0	6.3	17.5
Participation rate	63.2	62.0	1.6	-1.2	-1.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.2	18.7	2.0	1.5	3.0	...	...
Employment rate	52.3	50.4	1.5	-1.9	-2.6	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	202.6	202.7	...	0.1	1.4	0.0	0.7
Labour force	122.2	122.3	1.2	0.1	-1.6	0.1	-1.3
Employment	109.6	110.2	1.2	0.6	1.2	0.5	1.1
Unemployment	12.6	12.1	1.1	-0.5	-2.9	-4.0	-19.3
Participation rate	60.3	60.3	0.6	0.0	-1.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.3	9.9	0.9	-0.4	-2.2	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	54.4	0.6	0.3	0.3	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	213.4	213.6	...	0.2	1.7	0.1	0.8
Labour force	112.7	111.0	0.9	-1.7	-2.8	-1.5	-2.5
Employment	104.5	103.9	1.0	-0.6	-3.9	-0.6	-3.6
Unemployment	8.2	7.0	0.9	-1.2	1.0	-14.6	16.7
Participation rate	52.8	52.0	0.4	-0.8	-1.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	6.3	0.7	-1.0	1.0	...	...
Employment rate	49.0	48.6	0.5	-0.4	-2.3	...	...
Prince Edward Island							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	156.0	156.0	...	0.0	2.6	0.0	1.7
Labour force	103.8	103.8	0.9	0.0	3.4	0.0	3.4
Employment	95.5	96.7	0.9	1.2	4.7	1.3	5.1
Full-time employment	82.7	83.6	1.1	0.9	4.3	1.1	5.4
Unemployment	8.3	7.0	0.7	-1.3	-1.5	-15.7	-17.6
Participation rate	66.5	66.5	0.5	0.0	1.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	6.7	0.7	-1.3	-1.8	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	62.0	0.5	0.8	2.0	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	23.9	23.9	...	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.4
Labour force	16.4	16.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.4	-1.2	-2.4
Employment	14.4	14.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.6	-2.1	-4.1
Unemployment	2.0	2.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	5.0	5.0
Participation rate	68.6	67.8	1.9	-0.8	-1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.2	13.0	2.1	0.8	1.0	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	59.0	1.8	-1.3	-2.3	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	64.0	64.0	...	0.0	1.3	0.0	2.1
Labour force	45.0	45.5	0.5	0.5	1.9	1.1	4.4
Employment	41.3	42.1	0.5	0.8	2.2	1.9	5.5
Unemployment	3.7	3.4	0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-8.1	-8.1
Participation rate	70.3	71.1	0.7	0.8	1.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.5	1.0	-0.7	-1.0	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	65.8	0.8	1.3	2.2	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	68.0	68.1	...	0.1	1.4	0.1	2.1
Labour force	42.4	42.0	0.4	-0.4	1.8	-0.9	4.5
Employment	39.8	40.4	0.4	0.6	3.0	1.5	8.0
Unemployment	2.6	1.6	0.4	-1.0	-1.2	-38.5	-42.9
Participation rate	62.4	61.7	0.6	-0.7	1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	3.8	0.9	-2.3	-3.2	...	...
Employment rate	58.5	59.3	0.6	0.8	3.2	...	...

Table 4 - continued
Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender¹, seasonally adjusted
(Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick)

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ²	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Nova Scotia							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	921.6	922.7	...	1.1	10.2	0.1	1.1
Labour force	564.5	569.1	3.0	4.6	6.2	0.8	1.1
Employment	528.7	528.5	3.0	-0.2	2.3	-0.0	0.4
Full-time employment	439.4	438.4	3.9	-1.0	0.9	-0.2	0.2
Unemployment	35.8	40.5	2.5	4.7	3.7	13.1	10.1
Participation rate	61.3	61.7	0.3	0.4	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	7.1	0.4	0.8	0.6	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	57.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.4	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	117.6	117.7	...	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Labour force	74.4	77.6	1.8	3.2	-1.0	4.3	-1.3
Employment	63.8	67.1	1.6	3.3	-2.1	5.2	-3.0
Unemployment	10.6	10.6	1.4	0.0	1.2	0.0	12.8
Participation rate	63.3	65.9	1.5	2.6	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.2	13.7	1.7	-0.5	1.7	...	...
Employment rate	54.3	57.0	1.4	2.7	-1.8	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	390.4	390.9	...	0.5	4.7	0.1	1.2
Labour force	255.6	255.7	1.7	0.1	4.3	0.0	1.7
Employment	241.1	239.1	1.8	-2.0	4.1	-0.8	1.7
Unemployment	14.5	16.6	1.6	2.1	0.2	14.5	1.2
Participation rate	65.5	65.4	0.4	-0.1	0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	6.5	0.6	0.8	0.0	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	61.2	0.5	-0.6	0.4	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	413.6	414.1	...	0.5	5.3	0.1	1.3
Labour force	234.5	235.7	1.6	1.2	2.8	0.5	1.2
Employment	223.8	222.4	1.6	-1.4	0.4	-0.6	0.2
Unemployment	10.7	13.3	1.3	2.6	2.4	24.3	22.0
Participation rate	56.7	56.9	0.4	0.2	-0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	5.6	0.5	1.0	0.9	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	53.7	0.4	-0.4	-0.6	...	...
New Brunswick							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	726.1	726.9	...	0.8	7.2	0.1	1.0
Labour force	440.3	439.8	2.3	-0.5	4.3	-0.1	1.0
Employment	408.6	408.1	2.2	-0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.0
Full-time employment	346.1	344.5	2.8	-1.6	-2.2	-0.5	-0.6
Unemployment	31.8	31.6	1.9	-0.2	4.1	-0.6	14.9
Participation rate	60.6	60.5	0.3	-0.1	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.2	0.4	0.0	0.9	...	...
Employment rate	56.3	56.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.6	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	93.3	93.5	...	0.2	0.9	0.2	1.0
Labour force	62.6	63.2	1.3	0.6	4.2	1.0	7.1
Employment	53.8	53.6	1.1	-0.2	3.0	-0.4	5.9
Unemployment	8.8	9.6	1.1	0.8	1.2	9.1	14.3
Participation rate	67.1	67.6	1.4	0.5	3.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.1	15.2	1.7	1.1	1.0	...	...
Employment rate	57.7	57.3	1.2	-0.4	2.7	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	308.1	308.4	...	0.3	3.0	0.1	1.0
Labour force	196.4	196.6	1.3	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.3
Employment	183.8	182.9	1.3	-0.9	0.7	-0.5	0.4
Unemployment	12.6	13.7	1.2	1.1	-0.1	8.7	-0.7
Participation rate	63.7	63.7	0.4	0.0	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	7.0	0.6	0.6	0.0	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	59.3	0.4	-0.4	-0.4	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	324.7	325.0	...	0.3	3.3	0.1	1.0
Labour force	181.3	180.0	1.2	-1.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.3
Employment	170.9	171.6	1.2	0.7	-3.5	0.4	-2.0
Unemployment	10.4	8.4	1.0	-2.0	3.0	-19.2	55.6
Participation rate	55.8	55.4	0.4	-0.4	-0.7
Unemployment rate	5.7	4.7	0.5	-1.0	1.7
Employment rate	52.6	52.8	0.4	0.2	-1.6

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Source(s): Table 14-10-0287-03.

Table 5
Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender¹, seasonally adjusted (Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia)

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ²	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Quebec							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	7,586.0	7,583.3	...	-2.7	11.3	-0.0	0.1
Labour force	4,882.3	4,864.5	15.5	-17.8	-52.3	-0.4	-1.1
Employment	4,579.0	4,592.2	15.9	13.2	-37.1	0.3	-0.8
Full-time employment	3,655.8	3,707.6	20.0	51.8	-89.8	1.4	-2.4
Unemployment	303.3	272.3	12.7	-31.0	-15.1	-10.2	-5.3
Participation rate	64.4	64.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	5.6	0.3	-0.6	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.6	0.2	0.2	-0.5	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	1,006.7	1,005.7	...	-1.0	-0.9	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	701.9	691.5	8.3	-10.4	7.8	-1.5	1.1
Employment	638.9	635.4	7.7	-3.5	20.9	-0.5	3.4
Unemployment	63.0	56.1	6.6	-6.9	-13.1	-11.0	-18.9
Participation rate	69.7	68.8	0.8	-0.9	0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	8.1	0.9	-0.9	-2.0	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	63.2	0.8	-0.3	2.2	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	3,288.0	3,286.8	...	-1.2	5.2	-0.0	0.2
Labour force	2,212.1	2,213.1	8.8	1.0	-29.7	0.0	-1.3
Employment	2,081.3	2,089.0	9.8	7.7	-24.6	0.4	-1.2
Unemployment	130.7	124.2	8.2	-6.5	-5.0	-5.0	-3.9
Participation rate	67.3	67.3	0.3	0.0	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.6	0.4	-0.3	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	63.3	63.6	0.3	0.3	-0.8	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	3,291.3	3,290.8	...	-0.5	7.0	-0.0	0.2
Labour force	1,968.3	1,959.8	9.2	-8.5	-30.5	-0.4	-1.5
Employment	1,858.7	1,867.8	9.3	9.1	-33.4	0.5	-1.8
Unemployment	109.6	92.1	6.9	-17.5	3.0	-16.0	3.4
Participation rate	59.8	59.6	0.3	-0.2	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	4.7	0.3	-0.9	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	56.8	0.3	0.3	-1.1	...	...
Ontario							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	13,760.8	13,766.3	...	5.5	73.7	0.0	0.5
Labour force	8,920.8	8,910.4	22.7	-10.4	10.2	-0.1	0.1
Employment	8,247.9	8,289.7	21.6	41.8	91.6	0.5	1.1
Full-time employment	6,821.6	6,862.1	28.6	40.5	153.3	0.6	2.3
Unemployment	672.9	620.7	19.4	-52.2	-81.4	-7.8	-11.6
Participation rate	64.8	64.7	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.5	7.0	0.2	-0.5	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	60.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	2,036.5	2,031.7	...	-4.8	-54.3	-0.2	-2.6
Labour force	1,227.3	1,220.1	13.8	-7.2	-33.1	-0.6	-2.6
Employment	1,010.4	1,033.8	12.2	23.4	-25.9	2.3	-2.4
Unemployment	216.9	186.3	11.5	-30.6	-7.1	-14.1	-3.7
Participation rate	60.3	60.1	0.7	-0.2	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	17.7	15.3	0.8	-2.4	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	49.6	50.9	0.6	1.3	0.1	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	5,751.4	5,756.5	...	5.1	61.2	0.1	1.1
Labour force	4,075.9	4,072.0	11.5	-3.9	28.9	-0.1	0.7
Employment	3,840.6	3,845.5	11.8	4.9	79.1	0.1	2.1
Unemployment	235.3	226.5	10.9	-8.8	-50.2	-3.7	-18.1
Participation rate	70.9	70.7	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.6	0.3	-0.2	-1.2	...	...
Employment rate	66.8	66.8	0.2	0.0	0.7	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	5,972.9	5,978.1	...	5.2	66.8	0.1	1.1
Labour force	3,617.5	3,618.3	12.3	0.8	14.4	0.0	0.4
Employment	3,396.8	3,410.4	11.7	13.6	38.4	0.4	1.1
Unemployment	220.7	207.9	10.5	-12.8	-24.0	-5.8	-10.3
Participation rate	60.6	60.5	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.7	0.3	-0.4	-0.7	...	...
Employment rate	56.9	57.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	...	...

Table 5 - continued

Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender¹, seasonally adjusted (Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia)

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ²	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Manitoba							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	1,186.6	1,187.6	...	1.0	15.3	0.1	1.3
Labour force	788.9	792.9	3.5	4.0	16.7	0.5	2.2
Employment	749.3	749.6	3.5	0.3	18.8	0.0	2.6
Full-time employment	609.8	615.3	4.6	5.5	5.9	0.9	1.0
Unemployment	39.7	43.4	2.8	3.7	-2.0	9.3	-4.4
Participation rate	66.5	66.8	0.3	0.3	0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.5	0.4	0.5	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	63.1	63.1	0.3	0.0	0.8	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	187.7	187.5	...	-0.2	-2.1	-0.1	-1.1
Labour force	124.3	124.4	2.0	0.1	-0.1	0.1	-0.1
Employment	111.5	110.1	1.9	-1.4	0.6	-1.3	0.5
Unemployment	12.8	14.2	1.7	1.4	-0.8	10.9	-5.3
Participation rate	66.2	66.3	1.1	0.1	0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.3	11.4	1.3	1.1	-0.6	...	...
Employment rate	59.4	58.7	1.0	-0.7	0.9	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	498.8	499.4	...	0.6	8.6	0.1	1.8
Labour force	360.8	361.9	1.8	1.1	8.8	0.3	2.5
Employment	346.4	345.9	1.9	-0.5	8.0	-0.1	2.4
Unemployment	14.4	16.0	1.6	1.6	0.8	11.1	5.3
Participation rate	72.3	72.5	0.4	0.2	0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.4	0.4	0.4	0.1	...	...
Employment rate	69.4	69.3	0.4	-0.1	0.5	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	500.1	500.7	...	0.6	8.9	0.1	1.8
Labour force	303.9	306.7	2.0	2.8	8.1	0.9	2.7
Employment	291.3	293.6	2.1	2.3	10.2	0.8	3.6
Unemployment	12.5	13.1	1.6	0.6	-2.1	4.8	-13.8
Participation rate	60.8	61.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.1	4.3	0.5	0.2	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	58.6	0.4	0.4	1.0	...	...
Saskatchewan							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	978.6	980.3	...	1.7	16.2	0.2	1.7
Labour force	656.7	654.7	2.9	-2.0	9.4	-0.3	1.5
Employment	619.9	613.8	2.9	-6.1	-4.1	-1.0	-0.7
Full-time employment	507.0	507.0	4.0	0.0	-2.7	0.0	-0.5
Unemployment	36.9	40.8	2.4	3.9	13.3	10.6	48.4
Participation rate	67.1	66.8	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	6.2	0.4	0.6	1.9	...	...
Employment rate	63.3	62.6	0.3	-0.7	-1.5	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	153.7	154.1	...	0.4	3.9	0.3	2.6
Labour force	98.7	95.2	1.7	-3.5	3.5	-3.5	3.8
Employment	86.9	82.6	1.5	-4.3	-2.1	-4.9	-2.5
Unemployment	11.8	12.6	1.3	0.8	5.6	6.8	80.0
Participation rate	64.2	61.8	1.1	-2.4	0.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.0	13.2	1.3	1.2	5.6	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	53.6	1.0	-2.9	-2.8	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	411.1	411.7	...	0.6	6.4	0.1	1.6
Labour force	299.7	299.8	1.6	0.1	5.1	0.0	1.7
Employment	284.7	284.1	1.7	-0.6	1.8	-0.2	0.6
Unemployment	14.9	15.7	1.5	0.8	3.3	5.4	26.6
Participation rate	72.9	72.8	0.4	-0.1	0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.2	0.5	0.2	1.0	...	...
Employment rate	69.3	69.0	0.4	-0.3	-0.7	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	413.8	414.4	...	0.6	5.8	0.1	1.4
Labour force	258.4	259.6	1.6	1.2	0.6	0.5	0.2
Employment	248.2	247.1	1.6	-1.1	-3.8	-0.4	-1.5
Unemployment	10.2	12.5	1.2	2.3	4.4	22.5	54.3
Participation rate	62.4	62.6	0.4	0.2	-0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.9	4.8	0.4	0.9	1.7	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	59.6	0.4	-0.4	-1.8	...	...

Table 5 - continued

Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender¹, seasonally adjusted (Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia)

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ²	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Alberta							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	4,127.4	4,134.7	...	7.3	93.5	0.2	2.3
Labour force	2,856.5	2,858.3	12.1	1.8	87.7	0.1	3.2
Employment	2,656.6	2,670.5	12.4	13.9	104.4	0.5	4.1
Full-time employment	2,190.0	2,215.7	17.0	25.7	118.2	1.2	5.6
Unemployment	199.9	187.8	11.2	-12.1	-16.7	-6.1	-8.2
Participation rate	69.2	69.1	0.3	-0.1	0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.6	0.4	-0.4	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	64.4	64.6	0.3	0.2	1.1	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	628.8	629.8	...	1.0	14.6	0.2	2.4
Labour force	394.0	394.4	7.2	0.4	-1.9	0.1	-0.5
Employment	336.0	335.2	6.5	-0.8	6.4	-0.2	1.9
Unemployment	58.0	59.2	6.3	1.2	-8.2	2.1	-12.2
Participation rate	62.7	62.6	1.2	-0.1	-1.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.7	15.0	1.4	0.3	-2.0	...	...
Employment rate	53.4	53.2	1.0	-0.2	-0.2	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	1,740.2	1,743.2	...	3.0	37.9	0.2	2.2
Labour force	1,328.0	1,324.2	6.5	-3.8	35.9	-0.3	2.8
Employment	1,247.4	1,258.2	7.1	10.8	37.3	0.9	3.1
Unemployment	80.6	66.1	6.5	-14.5	-1.4	-18.0	-2.1
Participation rate	76.3	76.0	0.4	-0.3	0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.1	5.0	0.5	-1.1	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	71.7	72.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	1,758.5	1,761.7	...	3.2	41.0	0.2	2.4
Labour force	1,134.5	1,139.7	7.4	5.2	53.8	0.5	5.0
Employment	1,073.2	1,077.1	7.6	3.9	60.7	0.4	6.0
Unemployment	61.3	62.6	6.4	1.3	-7.0	2.1	-10.1
Participation rate	64.5	64.7	0.5	0.2	1.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.5	0.6	0.1	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	61.1	0.5	0.1	2.0	...	...
British Columbia							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	4,838.5	4,838.0	...	-0.5	6.1	-0.0	0.1
Labour force	3,114.6	3,141.3	11.6	26.7	-22.1	0.9	-0.7
Employment	2,903.9	2,929.1	11.5	25.2	-29.6	0.9	-1.0
Full-time employment	2,308.5	2,342.1	15.4	33.6	-38.7	1.5	-1.6
Unemployment	210.7	212.2	10.0	1.5	7.5	0.7	3.7
Participation rate	64.4	64.9	0.2	0.5	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.8	0.3	0.0	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.0	60.5	0.2	0.5	-0.7	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	661.3	659.7	...	-1.6	-15.6	-0.2	-2.3
Labour force	387.2	400.0	6.8	12.8	-29.1	3.3	-6.8
Employment	331.6	338.8	6.4	7.2	-18.9	2.2	-5.3
Unemployment	55.6	61.2	5.8	5.6	-10.2	10.1	-14.3
Participation rate	58.6	60.6	1.0	2.0	-2.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	14.4	15.3	1.3	0.9	-1.3	...	...
Employment rate	50.1	51.4	0.9	1.3	-1.6	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	2,037.9	2,038.1	...	0.2	6.2	0.0	0.3
Labour force	1,417.4	1,424.0	5.8	6.6	-17.4	0.5	-1.2
Employment	1,340.9	1,343.5	6.2	2.6	-22.6	0.2	-1.7
Unemployment	76.5	80.5	5.4	4.0	5.2	5.2	6.9
Participation rate	69.6	69.9	0.3	0.3	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.7	0.4	0.3	0.5	...	...
Employment rate	65.8	65.9	0.3	0.1	-1.3	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	2,139.3	2,140.2	...	0.9	15.5	0.0	0.7
Labour force	1,310.0	1,317.3	6.8	7.3	24.4	0.6	1.9
Employment	1,231.3	1,246.8	6.9	15.5	11.9	1.3	1.0
Unemployment	78.6	70.4	5.5	-8.2	12.4	-10.4	21.4
Participation rate	61.2	61.6	0.3	0.4	0.7
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.3	0.4	-0.7	0.8
Employment rate	57.6	58.3	0.3	0.7	0.2

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Table 6
Employment by province and industry, seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands			change in thousands		% change	
Newfoundland and Labrador							
Total employed, all industries	244.4	243.2	1.8	-1.2	-4.2	-0.5	-1.7
Goods-producing sector	44.4	44.8	1.2	0.4	-0.9	0.9	-2.0
Agriculture	1.1	0.8	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-27.3	-20.0
Natural resources ²	15.0	15.7	0.7	0.7	-0.1	4.7	-0.6
Utilities	2.0	2.5	0.1	0.5	0.2	25.0	8.7
Construction	18.6	17.6	0.7	-1.0	0.0	-5.4	0.0
Manufacturing	7.7	8.2	0.5	0.5	-0.7	6.5	-7.9
Services-producing sector	200.0	198.4	1.6	-1.6	-3.3	-0.8	-1.6
Wholesale and retail trade	39.4	38.6	0.8	-0.8	-2.3	-2.0	-5.6
Transportation and warehousing	13.5	13.8	0.5	0.3	1.0	2.2	7.8
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	7.9	7.9	0.4	0.0	-0.7	0.0	-8.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	11.0	11.6	0.5	0.6	-0.6	5.5	-4.9
Business, building and other support services	6.4	6.7	0.4	0.3	-0.6	4.7	-8.2
Educational services	17.8	17.6	0.6	-0.2	-3.7	-1.1	-17.4
Health care and social assistance	49.5	48.2	0.7	-1.3	2.1	-2.6	4.6
Information, culture and recreation	7.6	7.0	0.5	-0.6	-0.6	-7.9	-7.9
Accommodation and food services	16.1	15.6	0.7	-0.5	2.4	-3.1	18.2
Other services (except public administration)	10.0	10.2	0.5	0.2	0.3	2.0	3.0
Public administration	20.9	21.2	0.6	0.3	-0.6	1.4	-2.8
Prince Edward Island							
Total employed, all industries	95.5	96.7	0.9	1.2	4.7	1.3	5.1
Goods-producing sector	22.9	23.1	0.7	0.2	-1.0	0.9	-4.1
Agriculture	3.3	3.6	0.3	0.3	0.5	9.1	16.1
Natural resources ²	1.5	2.0	0.3	0.5	0.1	33.3	5.3
Utilities	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.0	x	0.0	x
Construction	9.8	9.7	0.4	-0.1	0.0	-1.0	0.0
Manufacturing	7.6	7.1	0.4	-0.5	-2.1	-6.6	-22.8
Services-producing sector	72.6	73.6	0.8	1.0	5.8	1.4	8.6
Wholesale and retail trade	11.9	12.6	0.4	0.7	1.8	5.9	16.7
Transportation and warehousing	1.9	1.9	0.2	0.0	-0.7	0.0	-26.9
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	4.1	4.3	0.3	0.2	0.7	4.9	19.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	6.2	5.3	0.3	-0.9	0.1	-14.5	1.9
Business, building and other support services	1.6	2.1	0.2	0.5	0.1	31.3	5.0
Educational services	6.9	6.8	0.3	-0.1	1.1	-1.4	19.3
Health care and social assistance	16.2	16.0	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-1.2	-1.2
Information, culture and recreation	2.6	2.7	0.3	0.1	0.6	3.8	28.6
Accommodation and food services	7.3	7.8	0.4	0.5	1.8	6.8	30.0
Other services (except public administration)	3.1	3.3	0.3	0.2	0.5	6.5	17.9
Public administration	10.8	10.7	0.3	-0.1	0.0	-0.9	0.0
Nova Scotia							
Total employed, all industries	528.7	528.5	3.0	-0.2	2.3	-0.0	0.4
Goods-producing sector	97.2	94.9	1.8	-2.3	-2.4	-2.4	-2.5
Agriculture	3.4	3.6	0.5	0.2	0.0	5.9	0.0
Natural resources ²	10.9	9.9	0.8	-1.0	-1.5	-9.2	-13.2
Utilities	4.2	4.5	0.3	0.3	0.1	7.1	2.3
Construction	45.2	42.9	1.2	-2.3	-0.2	-5.1	-0.5
Manufacturing	33.5	34.0	1.0	0.5	-0.8	1.5	-2.3
Services-producing sector	431.5	433.6	2.9	2.1	4.7	0.5	1.1
Wholesale and retail trade	75.4	77.3	1.7	1.9	-2.9	2.5	-3.6
Transportation and warehousing	28.3	28.3	1.0	0.0	3.7	0.0	15.0
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	30.2	30.2	0.8	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	41.8	40.3	1.1	-1.5	3.3	-3.6	8.9
Business, building and other support services	16.6	17.2	0.9	0.6	-1.1	3.6	-6.0
Educational services	43.6	42.9	1.2	-0.7	2.1	-1.6	5.1
Health care and social assistance	86.9	88.1	1.4	1.2	2.6	1.4	3.0
Information, culture and recreation	18.1	18.2	1.0	0.1	-1.3	0.6	-6.7
Accommodation and food services	31.3	32.8	1.1	1.5	-0.7	4.8	-2.1
Other services (except public administration)	20.7	21.0	0.8	0.3	0.7	1.4	3.4
Public administration	38.5	37.5	0.9	-1.0	-1.7	-2.6	-4.3

Table 6 - continued
Employment by province and industry, seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
New Brunswick							
Total employed, all industries	408.6	408.1	2.2	-0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.0
Goods-producing sector	84.7	84.4	1.5	-0.3	0.3	-0.4	0.4
Agriculture	4.7	4.6	0.4	-0.1	-0.6	-2.1	-11.5
Natural resources ²	5.9	5.4	0.6	-0.5	-3.0	-8.5	-35.7
Utilities	4.5	4.4	0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-2.2	-4.3
Construction	33.5	33.7	1.0	0.2	1.4	0.6	4.3
Manufacturing	36.1	36.3	1.0	0.2	2.8	0.6	8.4
Services-producing sector	323.9	323.7	2.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.0
Wholesale and retail trade	61.3	62.0	1.0	0.7	4.8	1.1	8.4
Transportation and warehousing	17.9	17.7	0.8	-0.2	-2.1	-1.1	-10.6
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	19.2	20.2	0.6	1.0	0.1	5.2	0.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	21.2	21.8	0.7	0.6	-3.3	2.8	-13.1
Business, building and other support services	14.5	15.6	0.6	1.1	2.7	7.6	20.9
Educational services	33.6	32.0	0.9	-1.6	-0.4	-4.8	-1.2
Health care and social assistance	69.5	69.4	1.0	-0.1	1.7	-0.1	2.5
Information, culture and recreation	13.6	13.4	0.6	-0.2	2.4	-1.5	21.8
Accommodation and food services	22.6	22.7	0.8	0.1	2.0	0.4	9.7
Other services (except public administration)	13.8	12.8	0.7	-1.0	-4.9	-7.2	-27.7
Public administration	36.6	36.1	0.7	-0.5	-3.0	-1.4	-7.7
Quebec							
Total employed, all industries	4,579.0	4,592.2	15.9	13.2	-37.1	0.3	-0.8
Goods-producing sector	922.9	933.2	9.7	10.3	2.5	1.1	0.3
Agriculture	46.0	45.1	2.5	-0.9	-9.0	-2.0	-16.6
Natural resources ²	50.5	49.8	2.2	-0.7	14.6	-1.4	41.5
Utilities	36.3	37.5	1.3	1.2	4.9	3.3	15.0
Construction	303.4	310.7	6.1	7.3	-4.1	2.4	-1.3
Manufacturing	486.8	490.2	6.8	3.4	-3.9	0.7	-0.8
Services-producing sector	3,656.0	3,658.9	15.6	2.9	-39.7	0.1	-1.1
Wholesale and retail trade	656.3	646.9	8.3	-9.4	-3.8	-1.4	-0.6
Transportation and warehousing	220.2	220.7	5.2	0.5	-6.9	0.2	-3.0
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	286.1	284.4	4.8	-1.7	-16.2	-0.6	-5.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	391.5	393.5	6.3	2.0	3.4	0.5	0.9
Business, building and other support services	148.1	156.1	4.8	8.0	-1.2	5.4	-0.8
Educational services	382.2	380.0	6.5	-2.2	1.1	-0.6	0.3
Health care and social assistance	676.2	671.9	7.1	-4.3	-4.3	-0.6	-0.6
Information, culture and recreation	180.4	183.3	5.9	2.9	-17.0	1.6	-8.5
Accommodation and food services	252.0	255.5	6.2	3.5	7.4	1.4	3.0
Other services (except public administration)	167.3	174.1	4.5	6.8	-1.9	4.1	-1.1
Public administration	295.6	292.7	4.3	-2.9	-0.1	-1.0	-0.0
Ontario							
Total employed, all industries	8,247.9	8,289.7	21.6	41.8	91.6	0.5	1.1
Goods-producing sector	1,556.5	1,581.4	12.3	24.9	26.0	1.6	1.7
Agriculture	68.4	68.8	3.1	0.4	6.3	0.6	10.1
Natural resources ²	48.2	51.2	2.1	3.0	6.3	6.2	14.0
Utilities	68.6	67.6	2.1	-1.0	-1.8	-1.5	-2.6
Construction	568.8	578.4	8.4	9.6	9.2	1.7	1.6
Manufacturing	802.6	815.4	8.5	12.8	6.0	1.6	0.7
Services-producing sector	6,691.3	6,708.3	21.3	17.0	65.7	0.3	1.0
Wholesale and retail trade	1,130.9	1,119.4	11.2	-11.5	-39.8	-1.0	-3.4
Transportation and warehousing	441.3	445.5	7.1	4.2	43.2	1.0	10.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	731.4	726.5	8.0	-4.9	-6.1	-0.7	-0.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	902.9	913.3	10.1	10.4	4.9	1.2	0.5
Business, building and other support services	294.3	284.8	6.9	-9.5	0.2	-3.2	0.1
Educational services	578.9	589.6	7.8	10.7	-16.8	1.8	-2.8
Health care and social assistance	1,052.9	1,063.6	9.1	10.7	48.6	1.0	4.8
Information, culture and recreation	363.5	367.6	8.0	4.1	25.6	1.1	7.5
Accommodation and food services	426.6	427.9	8.2	1.3	-4.2	0.3	-1.0
Other services (except public administration)	297.5	300.4	6.4	2.9	9.6	1.0	3.3
Public administration	471.3	469.6	6.3	-1.7	0.2	-0.4	0.0

Table 6 - continued
Employment by province and industry, seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Manitoba							
Total employed, all industries	749.3	749.6	3.5	0.3	18.8	0.0	2.6
Goods-producing sector	165.7	164.8	2.1	-0.9	4.0	-0.5	2.5
Agriculture	15.7	15.2	0.8	-0.5	0.2	-3.2	1.3
Natural resources ²	5.0	5.4	0.4	0.4	-0.9	8.0	-14.3
Utilities	7.8	7.8	0.4	0.0	1.3	0.0	20.0
Construction	66.6	66.4	1.6	-0.2	5.3	-0.3	8.7
Manufacturing	70.6	69.9	1.4	-0.7	-2.0	-1.0	-2.8
Services-producing sector	583.6	584.7	3.4	1.1	14.7	0.2	2.6
Wholesale and retail trade	105.6	102.7	1.7	-2.9	3.4	-2.7	3.4
Transportation and warehousing	45.8	45.3	1.2	-0.5	-1.4	-1.1	-3.0
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	45.2	47.1	1.2	1.9	-0.7	4.2	-1.5
Professional, scientific and technical services	37.6	37.1	1.2	-0.5	-2.9	-1.3	-7.3
Business, building and other support services	19.0	21.1	1.1	2.1	2.6	11.1	14.1
Educational services	63.5	63.6	1.5	0.1	-0.1	0.2	-0.2
Health care and social assistance	131.0	129.5	1.7	-1.5	9.0	-1.1	7.5
Information, culture and recreation	23.5	25.4	1.1	1.9	1.3	8.1	5.4
Accommodation and food services	41.3	42.2	1.5	0.9	3.3	2.2	8.5
Other services (except public administration)	28.1	28.1	1.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.4
Public administration	43.1	42.6	1.0	-0.5	0.0	-1.2	0.0
Saskatchewan							
Total employed, all industries	619.9	613.8	2.9	-6.1	-4.1	-1.0	-0.7
Goods-producing sector	139.4	137.6	2.0	-1.8	-0.4	-1.3	-0.3
Agriculture	29.4	28.9	1.1	-0.5	0.1	-1.7	0.3
Natural resources ²	24.6	23.7	0.8	-0.9	0.3	-3.7	1.3
Utilities	7.7	6.1	0.5	-1.6	-0.6	-20.8	-9.0
Construction	49.2	50.4	1.3	1.2	2.0	2.4	4.1
Manufacturing	28.5	28.5	0.9	0.0	-2.1	0.0	-6.9
Services-producing sector	480.5	476.3	2.9	-4.2	-3.5	-0.9	-0.7
Wholesale and retail trade	97.0	94.0	1.6	-3.0	-0.9	-3.1	-0.9
Transportation and warehousing	26.1	26.8	0.9	0.7	0.3	2.7	1.1
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	30.2	29.4	0.8	-0.8	0.3	-2.6	1.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	34.0	31.5	0.9	-2.5	-0.8	-7.4	-2.5
Business, building and other support services	12.8	14.4	0.9	1.6	0.8	12.5	5.9
Educational services	51.4	52.4	1.3	1.0	-2.1	1.9	-3.9
Health care and social assistance	106.3	104.2	1.5	-2.1	2.2	-2.0	2.2
Information, culture and recreation	21.0	23.3	1.0	2.3	-1.8	11.0	-7.2
Accommodation and food services	32.2	31.3	1.1	-0.9	-1.3	-2.8	-4.0
Other services (except public administration)	29.1	27.8	0.9	-1.3	0.6	-4.5	2.2
Public administration	40.5	41.1	0.9	0.6	-0.7	1.5	-1.7
Alberta							
Total employed, all industries	2,656.6	2,670.5	12.4	13.9	104.4	0.5	4.1
Goods-producing sector	619.3	620.8	8.1	1.5	-2.6	0.2	-0.4
Agriculture	39.2	40.3	2.6	1.1	-1.3	2.8	-3.1
Natural resources ²	143.4	141.3	4.2	-2.1	-2.8	-1.5	-1.9
Utilities	24.7	23.6	1.5	-1.1	2.5	-4.5	11.8
Construction	252.4	262.2	5.7	9.8	-8.5	3.9	-3.1
Manufacturing	159.6	153.4	4.1	-6.2	7.5	-3.9	5.1
Services-producing sector	2,037.3	2,049.8	12.1	12.5	107.1	0.6	5.5
Wholesale and retail trade	376.4	367.9	6.5	-8.5	5.4	-2.3	1.5
Transportation and warehousing	152.3	155.7	4.5	3.4	8.8	2.2	6.0
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	143.9	144.6	3.6	0.7	4.4	0.5	3.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	240.6	243.1	5.3	2.5	1.1	1.0	0.5
Business, building and other support services	82.7	84.1	4.0	1.4	5.4	1.7	6.9
Educational services	172.4	172.4	5.0	0.0	-2.3	0.0	-1.3
Health care and social assistance	379.6	387.9	5.2	8.3	61.1	2.2	18.7
Information, culture and recreation	94.1	99.4	4.4	5.3	4.1	5.6	4.3
Accommodation and food services	153.0	157.8	4.8	4.8	6.3	3.1	4.2
Other services (except public administration)	99.9	97.6	4.0	-2.3	1.5	-2.3	1.6
Public administration	142.6	139.3	3.1	-3.3	11.2	-2.3	8.7

Table 6
Employment by province and industry, seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
British Columbia							
Total employed, all industries	2,903.9	2,929.1	11.5	25.2	-29.6	0.9	-1.0
Goods-producing sector	529.3	535.9	6.5	6.6	10.8	1.2	2.1
Agriculture	20.5	22.1	1.5	1.6	8.2	7.8	59.0
Natural resources ²	39.8	38.5	2.1	-1.3	-7.5	-3.3	-16.3
Utilities	17.1	16.4	1.1	-0.7	2.9	-4.1	21.5
Construction	268.9	271.3	4.9	2.4	6.4	0.9	2.4
Manufacturing	182.9	187.5	3.8	4.6	0.8	2.5	0.4
Services-producing sector	2,374.6	2,393.2	11.5	18.6	-40.5	0.8	-1.7
Wholesale and retail trade	408.2	406.0	6.0	-2.2	-29.6	-0.5	-6.8
Transportation and warehousing	142.1	152.3	3.9	10.2	-9.6	7.2	-5.9
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	179.2	175.6	3.7	-3.6	-12.8	-2.0	-6.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	311.8	311.0	5.0	-0.8	-6.8	-0.3	-2.1
Business, building and other support services	97.3	92.7	3.7	-4.6	-0.7	-4.7	-0.7
Educational services	226.1	226.4	4.5	0.3	-2.3	0.1	-1.0
Health care and social assistance	420.4	422.9	5.5	2.5	-0.3	0.6	-0.1
Information, culture and recreation	130.0	133.4	4.5	3.4	-4.6	2.6	-3.3
Accommodation and food services	190.0	195.7	4.7	5.7	17.4	3.0	9.8
Other services (except public administration)	110.2	116.7	3.6	6.5	8.7	5.9	8.1
Public administration	159.4	160.4	3.2	1.0	0.1	0.6	0.1

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1. Average standard error of change between two consecutive months. See the "Data Quality" section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)* for more information.

2. Also referred to as "Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction."

Note(s): The sum of individual categories may not always add up to the total as a result of rounding.

Source(s): Table [14-10-0355-02](#).

Table 7
Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area, three-month moving average,
seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador							
Population	208.5	208.7	...	0.2	3.0	0.1	1.5
Labour force	138.0	137.2	0.8	-0.8	1.2	-0.6	0.9
Employment	128.7	127.6	0.8	-1.1	0.8	-0.9	0.6
Unemployment	9.2	9.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	4.3	4.3
Participation rate	66.2	65.7	0.4	-0.5	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	7.0	0.3	0.3	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.1	0.4	-0.6	-0.5	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia							
Population	461.9	462.6	...	0.7	7.5	0.2	1.6
Labour force	317.3	315.8	1.6	-1.5	4.2	-0.5	1.3
Employment	298.4	297.7	1.6	-0.7	3.8	-0.2	1.3
Unemployment	18.9	18.1	0.8	-0.8	0.4	-4.2	2.3
Participation rate	68.7	68.3	0.3	-0.4	-0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.7	0.3	-0.3	0.0	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	64.4	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	...	...
Moncton, New Brunswick							
Population	165.2	165.6	...	0.4	4.5	0.2	2.8
Labour force	107.9	108.8	1.0	0.9	2.7	0.8	2.5
Employment	99.8	100.0	1.0	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0
Unemployment	8.0	8.7	0.4	0.7	2.6	8.8	42.6
Participation rate	65.3	65.7	0.6	0.4	-0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	8.0	0.4	0.6	2.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	60.4	0.6	0.0	-1.7	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick							
Population	120.8	120.9	...	0.1	1.0	0.1	0.8
Labour force	73.4	74.2	0.8	0.8	0.6	1.1	0.8
Employment	69.4	70.2	0.8	0.8	2.0	1.2	2.9
Unemployment	4.0	4.0	0.3	0.0	-1.4	0.0	-25.9
Participation rate	60.8	61.4	0.7	0.6	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.4	0.5	0.0	-1.9	...	...
Employment rate	57.5	58.1	0.7	0.6	1.2	...	...
Fredericton, New Brunswick							
Population	104.9	105.0	...	0.1	1.4	0.1	1.4
Labour force	69.6	69.1	0.8	-0.5	1.0	-0.7	1.5
Employment	65.5	65.4	0.8	-0.1	1.4	-0.2	2.2
Unemployment	4.0	3.7	0.4	-0.3	-0.4	-7.5	-9.8
Participation rate	66.3	65.8	0.8	-0.5	0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.4	0.6	-0.3	-0.6	...	...
Employment rate	62.4	62.3	0.8	-0.1	0.5	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec							
Population	144.0	144.0	...	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.4
Labour force	85.3	85.0	0.9	-0.3	-1.8	-0.4	-2.1
Employment	82.5	82.2	0.9	-0.3	-0.6	-0.4	-0.7
Unemployment	2.8	2.8	0.3	0.0	-1.2	0.0	-30.0
Participation rate	59.2	59.0	0.7	-0.2	-1.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.3	3.3	0.3	0.0	-1.3	...	...
Employment rate	57.3	57.1	0.7	-0.2	-0.6	...	...
Québec, Quebec							
Population	755.6	755.2	...	-0.4	2.7	-0.1	0.4
Labour force	531.5	526.0	4.0	-5.5	23.9	-1.0	4.8
Employment	514.0	506.2	4.0	-7.8	27.2	-1.5	5.7
Unemployment	17.5	19.8	1.4	2.3	-3.3	13.1	-14.3
Participation rate	70.3	69.7	0.5	-0.6	3.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.3	3.8	0.3	0.5	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	68.0	67.0	0.5	-1.0	3.3	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec							
Population	208.7	208.6	...	-0.1	1.2	-0.0	0.6
Labour force	133.1	133.2	1.3	0.1	9.1	0.1	7.3
Employment	127.3	127.1	1.3	-0.2	8.9	-0.2	7.5
Unemployment	5.9	6.2	0.5	0.3	0.3	5.1	5.1
Participation rate	63.8	63.9	0.6	0.1	4.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.7	0.4	0.3	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	60.9	0.6	-0.1	3.9	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec							
Population	147.6	147.5	...	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.3
Labour force	90.9	92.1	1.0	1.2	4.5	1.3	5.1
Employment	86.5	86.8	1.0	0.3	3.7	0.3	4.5
Unemployment	4.4	5.3	0.3	0.9	0.8	20.5	17.8
Participation rate	61.6	62.4	0.7	0.8	2.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	5.8	0.4	1.0	0.7	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	58.8	0.7	0.2	2.3	...	...

Table 7 - continued
Labour force characteristics by census metropolitan area, three-month moving average,
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	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Drummondville, Quebec							
Population	91.0	91.0	...	0.0	14.8	0.0	19.4
Labour force	57.5	56.0	2.7	-1.5	10.5	-2.6	23.1
Employment	53.3	52.1	2.6	-1.2	10.2	-2.3	24.3
Unemployment	4.2	3.9	0.5	-0.3	0.4	-7.1	11.4
Participation rate	63.2	61.5	1.8	-1.7	1.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.0	0.9	-0.3	-0.7	...	...
Employment rate	58.6	57.3	1.7	-1.3	2.3	...	...
Montréal, Quebec							
Population	3,858.5	3,855.3	...	-3.2	3.8	-0.1	0.1
Labour force	2,562.3	2,568.8	9.1	6.5	-17.7	0.3	-0.7
Employment	2,380.6	2,392.6	9.3	12.0	-17.1	0.5	-0.7
Unemployment	181.7	176.2	4.9	-5.5	-0.6	-3.0	-0.3
Participation rate	66.4	66.6	0.2	0.2	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.9	0.2	-0.2	0.1	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	62.1	0.2	0.4	-0.5	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec							
Population	1,412.9	1,415.4	...	2.5	28.1	0.2	2.0
Labour force	945.8	955.8	5.9	10.0	8.4	1.1	0.9
Employment	886.5	896.5	5.9	10.0	6.1	1.1	0.7
Unemployment	59.4	59.3	2.7	-0.1	2.3	-0.2	4.0
Participation rate	66.9	67.5	0.4	0.6	-0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.2	0.3	-0.1	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	62.7	63.3	0.4	0.6	-0.9	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec							
Population	310.6	310.8	...	0.2	5.0	0.1	1.6
Labour force	209.8	210.6	1.7	0.8	10.9	0.4	5.5
Employment	196.2	196.8	1.7	0.6	10.0	0.3	5.4
Unemployment	13.6	13.8	0.7	0.2	0.9	1.5	7.0
Participation rate	67.5	67.8	0.6	0.3	2.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.6	0.3	0.1	0.1	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	63.3	0.6	0.1	2.2	...	...
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec							
Population	1,102.3	1,104.7	...	2.4	23.2	0.2	2.1
Labour force	736.0	745.2	5.6	9.2	-2.5	1.3	-0.3
Employment	690.2	699.7	5.6	9.5	-3.9	1.4	-0.6
Unemployment	45.8	45.5	2.6	-0.3	1.4	-0.7	3.2
Participation rate	66.8	67.5	0.5	0.7	-1.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.1	0.3	-0.1	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	62.6	63.3	0.5	0.7	-1.8	...	...
Kingston, Ontario							
Population	161.8	161.9	...	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Labour force	100.7	100.8	1.0	0.1	-1.5	0.1	-1.5
Employment	94.6	94.6	1.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Unemployment	6.0	6.2	0.4	0.2	-1.6	3.3	-20.5
Participation rate	62.2	62.3	0.6	0.1	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.2	0.4	0.2	-1.4	...	...
Employment rate	58.5	58.4	0.6	-0.1	0.0	...	...
Belleville-Quinte West, Ontario							
Population	107.4	107.5	...	0.1	14.5	0.1	15.6
Labour force	62.1	62.8	4.5	0.7	12.1	1.1	23.9
Employment	58.0	58.2	4.2	0.2	9.7	0.3	20.0
Unemployment	4.1	4.7	1.0	0.6	2.6	14.6	123.8
Participation rate	57.8	58.4	2.3	0.6	3.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	7.5	1.9	0.9	3.4	...	...
Employment rate	54.0	54.1	2.1	0.1	1.9	...	...
Peterborough, Ontario							
Population	128.2	128.4	...	0.2	2.8	0.2	2.2
Labour force	74.8	75.6	1.6	0.8	-2.0	1.1	-2.6
Employment	70.5	71.3	1.6	0.8	1.8	1.1	2.6
Unemployment	4.3	4.3	0.7	0.0	-3.7	0.0	-46.3
Participation rate	58.3	58.9	1.3	0.6	-2.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.7	0.9	0.0	-4.6	...	...
Employment rate	55.0	55.5	1.3	0.5	0.2	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario							
Population	409.4	410.3	...	0.9	11.3	0.2	2.8
Labour force	278.6	281.3	2.7	2.7	15.3	1.0	5.8
Employment	254.9	257.3	2.7	2.4	15.5	0.9	6.4
Unemployment	23.7	24.0	1.2	0.3	-0.2	1.3	-0.8
Participation rate	68.1	68.6	0.7	0.5	1.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.5	8.5	0.4	0.0	-0.6	...	...
Employment rate	62.3	62.7	0.7	0.4	2.1	...	...
Toronto, Ontario							
Population	6,114.1	6,110.4	...	-3.7	13.5	-0.1	0.2
Labour force	4,076.8	4,061.6	12.2	-15.2	-20.5	-0.4	-0.5
Employment	3,742.1	3,750.9	12.6	8.8	25.8	0.2	0.7
Unemployment	334.7	310.7	7.1	-24.0	-46.3	-7.2	-13.0
Participation rate	66.7	66.5	0.2	-0.2	-0.5
Unemployment rate	8.2	7.6	0.2	-0.6	-1.1
Employment rate	61.2	61.4	0.2	0.2	0.3

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	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Hamilton, Ontario							
Population	728.5	729.0	...	0.5	5.6	0.1	0.8
Labour force	473.6	481.8	3.7	8.2	11.4	1.7	2.4
Employment	442.2	448.3	3.7	6.1	9.5	1.4	2.2
Unemployment	31.5	33.5	1.7	2.0	1.9	6.3	6.0
Participation rate	65.0	66.1	0.5	1.1	1.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	7.0	0.3	0.3	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.7	61.5	0.5	0.8	0.8	...	...
St. Catharines–Niagara, Ontario							
Population	428.9	429.7	...	0.8	5.7	0.2	1.3
Labour force	254.1	257.2	3.1	3.1	-9.0	1.2	-3.4
Employment	238.8	240.4	3.1	1.6	-6.7	0.7	-2.7
Unemployment	15.3	16.9	1.2	1.6	-2.2	10.5	-11.5
Participation rate	59.2	59.9	0.7	0.7	-2.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.6	0.4	0.6	-0.6	...	...
Employment rate	55.7	55.9	0.7	0.2	-2.4	...	...
Kitchener–Cambridge–Waterloo, Ontario							
Population	600.0	599.7	...	-0.3	0.5	-0.1	0.1
Labour force	423.1	419.9	2.8	-3.2	-6.2	-0.8	-1.5
Employment	385.0	383.5	2.9	-1.5	-11.7	-0.4	-3.0
Unemployment	38.1	36.4	1.4	-1.7	5.5	-4.5	17.8
Participation rate	70.5	70.0	0.5	-0.5	-1.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.0	8.7	0.3	-0.3	1.4	...	...
Employment rate	64.2	63.9	0.5	-0.3	-2.1	...	...
Brantford, Ontario							
Population	143.3	143.5	...	0.2	3.3	0.1	2.4
Labour force	95.0	96.1	1.2	1.1	2.9	1.2	3.1
Employment	89.6	90.4	1.2	0.8	3.7	0.9	4.3
Unemployment	5.4	5.7	0.6	0.3	-0.7	5.6	-10.9
Participation rate	66.3	67.0	0.8	0.7	0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.9	0.6	0.2	-1.0	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	63.0	0.8	0.5	1.2	...	...
Guelph, Ontario							
Population	158.4	158.5	...	0.1	0.8	0.1	0.5
Labour force	106.2	108.0	1.7	1.8	4.5	1.7	4.3
Employment	99.0	100.2	1.7	1.2	2.0	1.2	2.0
Unemployment	7.2	7.8	0.7	0.6	2.5	8.3	47.2
Participation rate	67.0	68.1	1.0	1.1	2.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	7.2	0.6	0.4	2.1	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	63.2	1.1	0.7	0.9	...	...
London, Ontario							
Population	539.2	539.6	...	0.4	1.8	0.1	0.3
Labour force	350.5	348.0	2.9	-2.5	-1.0	-0.7	-0.3
Employment	318.3	317.7	2.8	-0.6	-6.9	-0.2	-2.1
Unemployment	32.2	30.3	1.2	-1.9	5.8	-5.9	23.7
Participation rate	65.0	64.5	0.5	-0.5	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	8.7	0.3	-0.5	1.7	...	...
Employment rate	59.0	58.9	0.5	-0.1	-1.5	...	...
Windsor, Ontario							
Population	408.3	408.8	...	0.5	-1.0	0.1	-0.2
Labour force	255.3	253.1	2.7	-2.2	-9.5	-0.9	-3.6
Employment	234.5	232.4	2.7	-2.1	-1.6	-0.9	-0.7
Unemployment	20.8	20.7	1.3	-0.1	-7.9	-0.5	-27.6
Participation rate	62.5	61.9	0.6	-0.6	-2.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.1	8.2	0.5	0.1	-2.7	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	56.8	0.7	-0.6	-0.3	...	...
Barrie, Ontario							
Population	210.7	211.1	...	0.4	1.5	0.2	0.7
Labour force	143.6	141.8	2.3	-1.8	0.0	-1.3	0.0
Employment	130.4	129.5	2.3	-0.9	-0.2	-0.7	-0.2
Unemployment	13.2	12.3	1.1	-0.9	0.3	-6.8	2.5
Participation rate	68.2	67.2	1.1	-1.0	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.2	8.7	0.8	-0.5	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	61.9	61.3	1.1	-0.6	-0.6	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario							
Population	164.1	164.3	...	0.2	2.7	0.1	1.7
Labour force	104.7	105.6	1.0	0.9	4.7	0.9	4.7
Employment	98.4	98.7	1.1	0.3	3.3	0.3	3.5
Unemployment	6.3	6.8	0.4	0.5	1.3	7.9	23.6
Participation rate	63.8	64.3	0.6	0.5	1.9
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.4	0.4	0.4	0.9
Employment rate	60.0	60.1	0.7	0.1	1.1

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	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Thunder Bay, Ontario							
Population	111.5	111.6	...	0.1	-0.4	0.1	-0.4
Labour force	72.7	72.4	0.7	-0.3	4.6	-0.4	6.8
Employment	68.7	68.6	0.7	-0.1	3.8	-0.1	5.9
Unemployment	4.0	3.8	0.3	-0.2	0.8	-5.0	26.7
Participation rate	65.2	64.9	0.6	-0.3	4.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.2	0.4	-0.3	0.8	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.5	0.6	-0.1	3.6	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba							
Population	808.2	809.2	...	1.0	12.1	0.1	1.5
Labour force	544.0	544.4	1.9	0.4	1.1	0.1	0.2
Employment	511.6	512.4	2.0	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.1
Unemployment	32.3	32.0	1.1	-0.3	0.6	-0.9	1.9
Participation rate	67.3	67.3	0.2	0.0	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.9	0.2	0.0	0.1	...	...
Employment rate	63.3	63.3	0.2	0.0	-0.9	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan							
Population	237.1	237.6	...	0.5	5.9	0.2	2.5
Labour force	164.5	165.0	1.2	0.5	7.3	0.3	4.6
Employment	155.0	155.4	1.2	0.4	5.3	0.3	3.5
Unemployment	9.5	9.6	0.5	0.1	2.1	1.1	28.0
Participation rate	69.4	69.4	0.5	0.0	1.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.8	0.3	0.0	1.0	...	...
Employment rate	65.4	65.4	0.5	0.0	0.6	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan							
Population	313.7	314.5	...	0.8	10.0	0.3	3.3
Labour force	221.4	220.0	1.4	-1.4	6.0	-0.6	2.8
Employment	209.0	206.6	1.4	-2.4	2.6	-1.1	1.3
Unemployment	12.4	13.5	0.6	1.1	3.5	8.9	35.0
Participation rate	70.6	70.0	0.5	-0.6	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	6.1	0.3	0.5	1.4	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	65.7	0.5	-0.9	-1.3	...	...
Lethbridge, Alberta							
Population	118.6	118.8	...	0.2	2.2	0.2	1.9
Labour force	77.8	77.5	1.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.4	-0.6
Employment	73.5	73.4	1.2	-0.1	-0.5	-0.1	-0.7
Unemployment	4.4	4.0	0.5	-0.4	-0.1	-9.1	-2.4
Participation rate	65.6	65.2	1.1	-0.4	-1.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.2	0.7	-0.5	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.8	1.1	-0.2	-1.6	...	...
Calgary, Alberta							
Population	1,558.6	1,561.8	...	3.2	50.2	0.2	3.3
Labour force	1,122.2	1,128.0	6.0	5.8	57.7	0.5	5.4
Employment	1,047.1	1,049.2	6.2	2.1	62.4	0.2	6.3
Unemployment	75.1	78.8	3.4	3.7	-4.7	4.9	-5.6
Participation rate	72.0	72.2	0.4	0.2	1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	7.0	0.3	0.3	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	67.2	67.2	0.4	0.0	1.9	...	...
Red Deer, Alberta							
Population	95.3	95.4	...	0.1	1.9	0.1	2.0
Labour force	64.4	66.2	1.1	1.8	-0.1	2.8	-0.2
Employment	60.4	61.8	1.1	1.4	-0.5	2.3	-0.8
Unemployment	4.0	4.4	0.6	0.4	0.4	10.0	10.0
Participation rate	67.6	69.4	1.1	1.8	-1.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.2	6.6	0.9	0.4	0.6	...	...
Employment rate	63.4	64.8	1.2	1.4	-1.8	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta							
Population	1,383.3	1,389.6	...	6.3	36.9	0.5	2.7
Labour force	953.3	954.2	6.3	0.9	38.7	0.1	4.2
Employment	885.7	886.7	6.3	1.0	39.6	0.1	4.7
Unemployment	67.6	67.5	3.0	-0.1	-0.9	-0.1	-1.3
Participation rate	68.9	68.7	0.4	-0.2	1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	7.1	0.3	0.0	-0.4	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	63.8	0.4	-0.2	1.2	...	...
Kelowna, British Columbia							
Population	211.2	211.4	...	0.2	1.3	0.1	0.6
Labour force	132.5	134.7	2.5	2.2	13.8	1.7	11.4
Employment	121.9	122.6	2.5	0.7	9.7	0.6	8.6
Unemployment	10.6	12.1	0.9	1.5	4.1	14.2	51.3
Participation rate	62.7	63.7	1.2	1.0	6.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.0	9.0	0.7	1.0	2.4	...	...
Employment rate	57.7	58.0	1.2	0.3	4.3	...	...
Kamloops, British Columbia							
Population	103.6	103.5	...	-0.1	-16.6	-0.1	-13.8
Labour force	67.5	67.3	4.2	-0.2	-16.9	-0.3	-20.1
Employment	64.2	63.3	3.9	-0.9	-13.9	-1.4	-18.0
Unemployment	3.3	4.0	0.8	0.7	-3.0	21.2	-42.9
Participation rate	65.2	65.0	1.4	-0.2	-5.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	5.9	1.0	1.0	-2.4
Employment rate	62.0	61.2	1.4	-0.8	-3.1
Chilliwack, British Columbia							

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	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
Population	99.9	100.1	...	0.2	1.5	0.2	1.5
Labour force	62.4	62.6	1.2	0.2	-0.4	0.3	-0.6
Employment	57.9	57.9	1.3	0.0	-1.4	0.0	-2.4
Unemployment	4.5	4.8	0.5	0.3	1.1	6.7	29.7
Participation rate	62.5	62.5	1.2	0.0	-1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.7	0.8	0.5	1.8	...	...
Employment rate	58.0	57.8	1.3	-0.2	-2.3	...	...
Abbotsford–Mission, British Columbia							
Population	182.2	182.3	...	0.1	1.4	0.1	0.8
Labour force	123.1	121.7	1.1	-1.4	0.9	-1.1	0.7
Employment	115.1	112.2	1.1	-2.9	-0.3	-2.5	-0.3
Unemployment	8.0	9.5	0.5	1.5	1.2	18.8	14.5
Participation rate	67.6	66.8	0.6	-0.8	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	7.8	0.4	1.3	0.9	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	61.5	0.6	-1.7	-0.7	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia							
Population	2,696.6	2,694.3	...	-2.3	4.0	-0.1	0.1
Labour force	1,794.0	1,801.9	6.2	7.9	-23.1	0.4	-1.3
Employment	1,677.4	1,681.2	6.2	3.8	-27.3	0.2	-1.6
Unemployment	116.6	120.7	3.6	4.1	4.2	3.5	3.6
Participation rate	66.5	66.9	0.2	0.4	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.7	0.2	0.2	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	62.4	0.2	0.2	-1.1	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia							
Population	380.5	380.6	...	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.1
Labour force	246.6	242.2	2.3	-4.4	-15.3	-1.8	-5.9
Employment	236.0	232.2	2.4	-3.8	-15.6	-1.6	-6.3
Unemployment	10.6	10.0	0.8	-0.6	0.2	-5.7	2.0
Participation rate	64.8	63.6	0.6	-1.2	-4.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.1	0.3	-0.2	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.0	0.6	-1.0	-4.2	...	...
Nanaimo, British Columbia							
Population	110.9	111.0	...	0.1	1.3	0.1	1.2
Labour force	66.8	67.3	1.3	0.5	-0.3	0.7	-0.4
Employment	61.1	61.5	1.3	0.4	-1.1	0.7	-1.8
Unemployment	5.8	5.7	0.5	-0.1	0.7	-1.7	14.0
Participation rate	60.2	60.6	1.2	0.4	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.7	8.5	0.8	-0.2	1.1	...	...
Employment rate	55.1	55.4	1.2	0.3	-1.7	...	...

... not applicable

1. Average standard error of change between two consecutive months. See the "Data Quality" section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)* for more information.

Note(s): The sum of individual categories may not always add up to the total as a result of rounding.

Source(s): Table 14-10-0459-02.

Table 8
Labour force characteristics by Montréal, Toronto and Vancouver census metropolitan areas, monthly, seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Montréal, Quebec							
Population	3,855.1	3,852.3	...	-2.8	-4.9	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	2,570.4	2,576.0	18.5	5.6	6.4	0.2	0.2
Employment	2,373.1	2,408.4	18.8	35.3	9.0	1.5	0.4
Unemployment	197.3	167.5	11.3	-29.8	-2.7	-15.1	-1.6
Participation rate	66.7	66.9	0.5	0.2	0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	6.5	0.4	-1.2	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	62.5	0.5	0.9	0.3	...	...
Toronto, Ontario							
Population	6,109.9	6,107.0	...	-2.9	3.6	-0.0	0.1
Labour force	4,083.5	4,042.2	25.1	-41.3	-39.3	-1.0	-1.0
Employment	3,760.0	3,768.3	24.6	8.3	52.9	0.2	1.4
Unemployment	323.5	273.8	16.5	-49.7	-92.3	-15.4	-25.2
Participation rate	66.8	66.2	0.4	-0.6	-0.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.9	6.8	0.4	-1.1	-2.2	...	...
Employment rate	61.5	61.7	0.4	0.2	0.8	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia							
Population	2,694.0	2,692.1	...	-1.9	-1.9	-0.1	-0.1
Labour force	1,802.6	1,807.5	12.9	4.9	-24.6	0.3	-1.3
Employment	1,677.1	1,692.3	12.8	15.2	-20.7	0.9	-1.2
Unemployment	125.6	115.2	8.6	-10.4	-3.9	-8.3	-3.3
Participation rate	66.9	67.1	0.5	0.2	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	6.4	0.5	-0.6	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	62.3	62.9	0.5	0.6	-0.7	...	...

... not applicable

1. Average standard error of change between two consecutive months. See the "Data Quality" section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)* for more information.

Note(s): The sum of individual categories may not always add up to the total as a result of rounding.

Source(s): Table 14-10-0460-02.

Table 9
Labour force characteristics by province and economic region,¹ three-month moving average ending in May 2025 and May 2026, unadjusted for seasonality

	Population	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
	thousands				%		
Canada							
2025	34,488.1	22,525.5	20,941.0	1,584.5	65.3	7.0	60.7
2026	34,757.4	22,569.4	21,012.5	1,556.9	64.9	6.9	60.5
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2025	470.7	273.0	243.8	29.2	58.0	10.7	51.8
2026	473.8	270.0	241.5	28.5	57.0	10.6	51.0
Avalon Peninsula							
2025	259.8	159.2	145.4	13.9	61.3	8.7	56.0
2026	262.9	162.0	147.5	14.5	61.6	9.0	56.1
South Coast–Burin Peninsula and Notre Dame–Central–Bonavista Bay							
2025	122.8	61.0	50.5	10.4	49.7	17.0	41.1
2026	122.5	60.0	52.1	7.9	49.0	13.2	42.5
West Coast–Northern Peninsula–Labrador							
2025	88.0	52.8	47.9	4.9	60.0	9.3	54.4
2026	88.4	47.9	41.9	6.1	54.2	12.7	47.4
Prince Edward Island							
2025	153.1	100.1	91.8	8.3	65.4	8.3	60.0
2026	155.9	102.7	94.5	8.2	65.9	8.0	60.6
Nova Scotia							
2025	912.0	560.2	521.7	38.5	61.4	6.9	57.2
2026	921.5	568.1	529.2	38.9	61.6	6.8	57.4
Cape Breton							
2025	120.3	64.5	57.8	6.6	53.6	10.2	48.0
2026	120.8	64.4	57.8	6.7	53.3	10.4	47.8
North Shore							
2025	137.8	78.3	71.4	6.9	56.8	8.8	51.8
2026	138.7	78.3	72.3	6.1	56.5	7.8	52.1
Annapolis Valley							
2025	113.4	63.8	59.8	4.0	56.3	6.3	52.7
2026	114.5	65.7	61.0	4.7	57.4	7.2	53.3
Southern							
2025	105.5	55.9	52.6	3.3	53.0	5.9	49.9
2026	105.5	56.9	53.8	3.1	53.9	5.4	51.0
Halifax							
2025	435.0	297.8	280.0	17.7	68.5	5.9	64.4
2026	442.0	302.8	284.4	18.4	68.5	6.1	64.3
New Brunswick							
2025	719.1	432.3	401.8	30.5	60.1	7.1	55.9
2026	726.2	438.9	405.6	33.3	60.4	7.6	55.9
Campbellton–Miramichi							
2025	137.9	73.4	66.2	7.2	53.2	9.8	48.0
2026	137.9	71.0	63.8	7.2	51.5	10.1	46.3
Moncton–Richibucto							
2025	224.2	145.4	136.5	8.9	64.9	6.1	60.9
2026	228.8	145.8	133.0	12.8	63.7	8.8	58.1
Saint John–St. Stephen							
2025	159.2	94.6	87.7	6.9	59.4	7.3	55.1
2026	160.4	97.9	92.4	5.5	61.0	5.6	57.6
Fredericton–Oromocto							
2025	130.1	82.7	77.6	5.1	63.6	6.2	59.6
2026	131.1	83.0	77.2	5.8	63.3	7.0	58.9
Edmundston–Woodstock							
2025	67.7	36.2	33.7	2.5	53.5	6.9	49.8
2026	68.0	41.2	39.2	2.1	60.6	5.1	57.6
Quebec							
2025	7,562.5	4,914.4	4,620.8	293.5	65.0	6.0	61.1
2026	7,586.3	4,853.0	4,568.1	284.9	64.0	5.9	60.2
Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine							
2025	79.0	42.8	38.1	4.7	54.2	11.0	48.2
2026	78.8	41.4	37.4	4.0	52.5	9.7	47.5
Bas-Saint-Laurent							
2025	176.1	104.2	97.8	6.4	59.2	6.1	55.5
2026	176.8	103.9	98.6	5.3	58.8	5.1	55.8
Capitale-Nationale							
2025	681.0	439.2	418.6	20.6	64.5	4.7	61.5
2026	682.1	462.0	442.0	19.9	67.7	4.3	64.8
Chaudière-Appalaches							
2025	380.9	258.3	248.3	10.0	67.8	3.9	65.2
2026	383.2	250.1	244.1	6.0	65.3	2.4	63.7
Estrie							
2025	305.7	177.6	168.8	8.8	58.1	5.0	55.2
2026	307.8	185.2	176.9	8.3	60.2	4.5	57.5
Centre-du-Québec							
2025	219.8	150.1	143.2	6.9	68.3	4.6	65.2
2026	220.6	132.7	126.5	6.2	60.2	4.7	57.3
Montérégie							
2025	1,389.8	902.7	856.3	46.4	65.0	5.1	61.6

Table 9 - continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region,¹ three-month moving average ending in May 2025 and May 2026, unadjusted for seasonality

	Population	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
2026	1,400.8	886.1	838.1	48.0	63.3	5.4	59.8
Montréal							
2025	1,865.0	1,260.1	1,155.0	105.1	67.6	8.3	61.9
2026	1,846.5	1,253.3	1,152.7	100.6	67.9	8.0	62.4
Laval							
2025	385.8	254.1	238.4	15.8	65.9	6.2	61.8
2026	390.0	257.6	244.5	13.1	66.1	5.1	62.7
Lanaudière							
2025	464.4	307.9	291.7	16.3	66.3	5.3	62.8
2026	472.1	279.4	266.9	12.5	59.2	4.5	56.5
Laurentides							
2025	568.1	374.7	358.7	16.1	66.0	4.3	63.1
2026	574.0	356.1	333.6	22.5	62.0	6.3	58.1
Outaouais							
2025	352.4	224.7	210.2	14.4	63.8	6.4	59.6
2026	357.1	232.4	217.2	15.2	65.1	6.5	60.8
Abitibi-Témiscamingue							
2025	121.3	71.6	68.6	3.0	59.0	4.2	56.6
2026	121.6	76.6	74.1	2.5	63.0	3.3	60.9
Mauricie							
2025	243.8	151.7	142.0	9.7	62.2	6.4	58.2
2026	244.8	135.1	125.5	9.6	55.2	7.1	51.3
Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean							
2025	240.6	143.2	135.9	7.3	59.5	5.1	56.5
2026	241.2	143.6	135.7	7.8	59.5	5.4	56.3
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec							
2025	88.9	51.4	49.3	2.1	57.8	4.1	55.5
2026	89.0	57.7	54.2	3.5	64.8	6.1	60.9
Ontario							
2025	13,678.7	8,899.6	8,198.1	701.5	65.1	7.9	59.9
2026	13,761.9	8,895.2	8,238.6	656.6	64.6	7.4	59.9
Ottawa							
2025	1,330.5	893.3	842.6	50.7	67.1	5.7	63.3
2026	1,354.5	884.4	828.7	55.7	65.3	6.3	61.2
Kingston-Pembroke							
2025	441.4	249.9	233.2	16.7	56.6	6.7	52.8
2026	443.3	246.3	230.8	15.5	55.6	6.3	52.1
Muskoka-Kawartha							
2025	389.1	210.8	189.1	21.6	54.2	10.2	48.6
2026	393.7	220.8	207.3	13.5	56.1	6.1	52.7
Toronto							
2025	6,389.2	4,281.1	3,889.6	391.5	67.0	9.1	60.9
2026	6,405.6	4,273.6	3,941.0	332.6	66.7	7.8	61.5
Kitchener-Waterloo-Barrie							
2025	1,400.7	964.2	899.8	64.4	68.8	6.7	64.2
2026	1,408.3	952.3	877.2	75.1	67.6	7.9	62.3
Hamilton-Niagara Peninsula							
2025	1,416.9	895.6	833.3	62.2	63.2	6.9	58.8
2026	1,434.7	908.8	846.4	62.4	63.3	6.9	59.0
London							
2025	695.0	439.8	411.8	28.0	63.3	6.4	59.3
2026	699.2	442.3	407.4	35.0	63.3	7.9	58.3
Windsor-Sarnia							
2025	622.9	384.7	346.8	37.9	61.8	9.9	55.7
2026	622.6	372.0	343.8	28.3	59.7	7.6	55.2
Stratford-Bruce Peninsula							
2025	292.5	172.9	166.1	6.7	59.1	3.9	56.8
2026	295.7	178.6	168.2	10.5	60.4	5.9	56.9
Northeast							
2025	516.0	297.6	280.1	17.5	57.7	5.9	54.3
2026	520.5	304.0	282.9	21.1	58.4	6.9	54.4
Northwest							
2025	184.6	109.9	105.6	4.2	59.5	3.8	57.2
2026	183.7	111.9	104.9	7.0	60.9	6.3	57.1
Manitoba							
2025	1,170.7	778.9	733.2	45.7	66.5	5.9	62.6
2026	1,186.4	792.5	748.8	43.7	66.8	5.5	63.1
Southeast							
2025	113.6	78.3	74.2	4.1	68.9	5.2	65.3
2026	116.5	81.8	77.4	4.4	70.2	5.4	66.4
South Central and North Central							
2025	97.8	63.3	59.3	4.0	64.7	6.3	60.6
2026	99.2	67.1	64.2	3.0	67.6	4.5	64.7
Southwest							
2025	99.7	65.1	61.6	3.5	65.3	5.4	61.8
2026	101.2	69.0	66.4	2.6	68.2	3.8	65.6
Winnipeg							
2025	719.6	492.4	463.2	29.1	68.4	5.9	64.4
2026	728.7	490.4	461.1	29.4	67.3	6.0	63.3

Table 9 - continued

Labour force characteristics by province and economic region,¹ three-month moving average ending in May 2025 and May 2026, unadjusted for seasonality

	Population	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
Interlake							
2025	84.2	46.7	44.0	2.7	55.5	5.8	52.3
2026	85.4	52.3	49.7	2.7	61.2	5.2	58.2
Parklands and North							
2025	55.7	33.0	30.9	2.1	59.2	6.4	55.5
2026	55.4	31.7	30.1	1.7	57.2	5.4	54.3
Saskatchewan							
2025	962.7	645.5	614.5	31.0	67.1	4.8	63.8
2026	978.7	655.4	615.3	40.1	67.0	6.1	62.9
Regina–Moose Mountain							
2025	294.4	203.3	193.6	9.7	69.1	4.8	65.8
2026	300.3	207.8	196.3	11.5	69.2	5.5	65.4
Swift Current–Moose Jaw							
2025	87.0	54.9	52.4	2.5	63.1	4.6	60.2
2026	86.9	54.8	51.2	3.7	63.1	6.8	58.9
Saskatoon–Biggar							
2025	347.0	237.7	225.9	11.7	68.5	4.9	65.1
2026	356.4	245.2	230.0	15.2	68.8	6.2	64.5
Yorkton–Melville							
2025	65.4	40.4	39.5	0.9	61.8	2.2	60.4
2026	65.2	38.5	36.6	1.9	59.0	4.9	56.1
Prince Albert and Northern							
2025	168.9	109.3	103.0	6.2	64.7	5.7	61.0
2026	169.8	109.1	101.2	7.8	64.3	7.1	59.6
Alberta							
2025	4,032.0	2,766.4	2,559.5	206.9	68.6	7.5	63.5
2026	4,127.7	2,859.8	2,656.1	203.7	69.3	7.1	64.3
Lethbridge–Medicine Hat							
2025	263.4	169.7	157.5	12.2	64.4	7.2	59.8
2026	266.1	165.3	152.7	12.6	62.1	7.6	57.4
Camrose–Drumheller							
2025	171.9	118.0	110.6	7.4	68.6	6.3	64.3
2026	172.0	107.7	100.0	7.8	62.6	7.2	58.1
Calgary							
2025	1,609.0	1,124.8	1,034.0	90.7	69.9	8.1	64.3
2026	1,661.0	1,194.6	1,108.8	85.8	71.9	7.2	66.8
Banff–Jasper–Rocky Mountain House and Athabasca–Grande Prairie–Peace River							
2025	289.3	200.9	185.9	15.0	69.4	7.5	64.3
2026	290.7	198.9	189.3	9.7	68.4	4.9	65.1
Red Deer							
2025	190.6	131.1	123.4	7.7	68.8	5.9	64.7
2026	193.3	130.3	121.6	8.7	67.4	6.7	62.9
Edmonton							
2025	1,393.9	937.3	868.8	68.5	67.2	7.3	62.3
2026	1,428.2	979.1	906.6	72.5	68.6	7.4	63.5
Wood Buffalo–Cold Lake							
2025	114.0	84.6	79.2	5.3	74.2	6.3	69.5
2026	116.4	83.8	77.1	6.7	72.0	8.0	66.2
British Columbia							
2025	4,826.6	3,155.2	2,955.9	199.3	65.4	6.3	61.2
2026	4,838.9	3,133.9	2,915.0	218.9	64.8	7.0	60.2
Vancouver Island and Coast							
2025	805.4	499.5	472.3	27.1	62.0	5.4	58.6
2026	808.8	485.6	456.5	29.1	60.0	6.0	56.4
Lower Mainland–Southwest							
2025	3,054.6	2,073.8	1,941.8	132.0	67.9	6.4	63.6
2026	3,061.0	2,049.3	1,904.0	145.3	66.9	7.1	62.2
Thompson–Okanagan							
2025	551.6	322.3	300.4	21.9	58.4	6.8	54.5
2026	551.8	331.5	304.6	26.8	60.1	8.1	55.2
Kootenay							
2025	149.9	90.4	84.3	6.1	60.3	6.7	56.2
2026	151.0	90.8	86.1	4.7	60.1	5.2	57.0
Cariboo							
2025	141.4	84.2	78.4	5.8	59.5	6.9	55.4
2026	142.0	94.6	88.7	5.9	66.6	6.2	62.5
North Coast and Nechako							
2025	69.7	45.2	42.2	3.0	64.8	6.6	60.5
2026	70.0	43.7	40.0	3.8	62.4	8.7	57.1
Northeast							
2025	54.1	39.9	36.5	3.4	73.8	8.5	67.5
2026	54.3	38.4	35.1	3.3	70.7	8.6	64.6

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

Source(s): Table 14-10-0462-02.

Table 10
Labour force characteristics by territory, three-month moving average, seasonally adjusted

	April 2026	May 2026	Standard error ¹	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026	April to May 2026	May 2025 to May 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Yukon							
Population	37.9	38.0	...	0.1	0.9	0.3	2.4
Labour force	28.5	28.5	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	1.1
Employment	27.0	26.7	0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-1.1	-1.8
Unemployment	1.5	1.8	0.1	0.3	0.8	20.0	80.0
Participation rate	75.2	75.0	0.5	-0.2	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	6.3	0.4	1.0	2.8	...	...
Employment rate	71.2	70.3	0.6	-0.9	-3.0	...	...
Northwest Territories							
Population	35.4	35.5	...	0.1	0.6	0.3	1.7
Labour force	25.1	25.4	0.3	0.3	1.4	1.2	5.8
Employment	23.4	23.4	0.3	0.0	0.6	0.0	2.6
Unemployment	1.7	2.0	0.1	0.3	0.8	17.6	66.7
Participation rate	70.9	71.5	0.8	0.6	2.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	7.9	0.6	1.1	2.9	...	...
Employment rate	66.1	65.9	0.7	-0.2	0.6	...	...
Nunavut							
Population	27.3	27.4	...	0.1	0.5	0.4	1.9
Labour force	17.1	17.8	0.2	0.7	2.1	4.1	13.4
Employment	15.0	15.6	0.2	0.6	1.3	4.0	9.1
Unemployment	2.0	2.2	0.1	0.2	0.8	10.0	57.1
Participation rate	62.5	65.0	0.7	2.5	6.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.0	12.5	0.8	0.5	3.5	...	...
Employment rate	55.0	56.9	0.8	1.9	3.7	...	...

... not applicable

1. Average standard error of change between two consecutive months. See the "Data Quality" section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)* for more information.

Source(s): Table 14-10-0292-02.

Table 11
Average usual hours and wages of employees by selected characteristics, unadjusted for seasonality

	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
	thousands		current dollars		thousands		current dollars	thousands		current dollars
May 2026										
15 years and over	18,608.7	35.4	1,365.03	37.24	15,566.3	39.0	1,545.15	3,042.4	16.9	443.48
15 to 24 years	2,700.4	27.3	641.70	22.18	1,433.3	38.2	951.13	1,267.2	14.9	291.71
25 years and over	15,908.3	36.8	1,487.82	39.80	14,133.0	39.1	1,605.39	1,775.3	18.3	551.82
Men+ ¹	9,487.6	37.3	1,512.33	39.52	8,390.3	40.0	1,654.21	1,097.3	16.5	427.46
Women+ ¹	9,121.1	33.5	1,211.83	34.87	7,176.0	37.9	1,417.64	1,945.1	17.1	452.52
Union coverage										
Union coverage	5,745.0	35.9	1,443.13	39.69	5,008.2	38.5	1,565.11	736.9	18.5	614.09
No union coverage	12,863.6	35.2	1,330.16	36.15	10,558.1	39.3	1,535.68	2,305.6	16.4	388.96
Job permanency										
Permanent employees	16,280.9	36.4	1,437.75	38.48	14,194.6	39.1	1,578.84	2,086.3	17.9	477.85
Temporary employees	2,327.8	28.7	856.46	28.58	1,371.7	38.6	1,196.59	956.1	14.6	368.51
Occupation										
Management occupations	1,464.4	39.4	2,447.03	62.22	1,435.6	39.9	2,480.13	28.8	17.3	798.08
Business, finance and administration occupations, except management	3,070.8	36.0	1,333.21	36.54	2,733.9	38.3	1,433.27	336.9	17.6	521.13
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations, except management	1,816.1	38.4	1,903.00	49.50	1,772.3	38.9	1,931.92	43.8	18.0	732.40
Health occupations, except management	1,473.7	34.3	1,353.87	39.07	1,192.4	37.8	1,500.35	281.4	19.6	733.17
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services, except management	2,408.1	33.8	1,466.12	42.36	1,973.0	37.7	1,661.45	435.1	16.1	580.34
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport, except management	410.0	28.5	1,040.83	32.97	256.0	38.4	1,488.55	154.0	11.9	296.52
Sales and service occupations, except management	4,141.6	30.5	781.14	24.12	2,666.3	38.1	1,032.61	1,475.3	16.7	326.65
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations, except management	2,684.5	39.2	1,349.63	33.91	2,456.2	41.2	1,430.38	228.3	18.2	480.65
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations, except management	341.3	41.9	1,376.07	31.56	311.9	44.5	1,477.16	29.4	14.6	305.42
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities, except management	798.1	39.3	1,237.28	31.28	768.6	40.1	1,267.11	29.5	18.1	460.48
May 2025										
15 years and over	18,465.2	35.4	1,323.54	36.14	15,415.9	39.1	1,500.28	3,049.3	16.7	429.97
15 to 24 years	2,708.7	27.0	614.96	21.55	1,397.4	38.6	932.40	1,311.3	14.7	276.70
25 years and over	15,756.5	36.9	1,445.35	38.65	14,018.5	39.2	1,556.89	1,737.9	18.3	545.62
Men+ ¹	9,508.0	37.4	1,467.76	38.29	8,412.8	40.1	1,606.22	1,095.2	16.3	404.22
Women+ ¹	8,957.1	33.4	1,170.44	33.86	7,003.1	37.9	1,373.02	1,954.0	16.9	444.41
Union coverage										
Union coverage	5,659.5	36.1	1,401.72	38.41	4,948.1	38.6	1,513.58	711.4	18.7	623.64
No union coverage	12,805.7	35.1	1,288.98	35.14	10,467.8	39.4	1,494.00	2,337.9	16.1	371.04
Job permanency										
Permanent employees	16,194.9	36.3	1,389.12	37.27	14,052.6	39.1	1,531.77	2,142.3	17.5	453.38
Temporary employees	2,270.2	29.3	855.71	28.05	1,363.3	38.9	1,175.72	906.9	15.0	374.66
Occupation										
Management occupations	1,446.5	39.2	2,339.96	59.85	1,420.4	39.6	2,367.90	26.2	17.1	822.71
Business, finance and administration occupations, except management	3,114.4	35.7	1,280.68	35.38	2,755.8	38.2	1,384.43	358.6	17.1	483.38
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations, except management	1,736.0	38.4	1,885.39	49.17	1,687.2	39.0	1,918.06	48.8	18.2	755.84
Health occupations, except management	1,461.2	34.6	1,338.32	38.27	1,177.7	38.3	1,490.66	283.4	19.5	705.33
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services, except management	2,313.0	34.2	1,419.59	40.84	1,911.9	37.8	1,590.54	401.1	16.6	604.76
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport, except management	407.3	27.7	954.99	31.36	245.8	38.5	1,399.49	161.5	11.3	278.59
Sales and service occupations, except management	4,145.0	30.3	760.25	23.63	2,633.0	38.2	1,015.84	1,512.0	16.5	315.17
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations, except management	2,725.5	39.6	1,344.58	33.45	2,530.5	41.3	1,412.14	195.0	17.8	467.77
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations, except management	311.9	43.0	1,355.09	30.81	284.6	45.6	1,447.82	27.3	15.1	388.29
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities, except management	804.6	39.2	1,151.72	29.04	769.2	40.2	1,187.14	35.4	17.7	381.81

1. The category "Men+" includes men, as well as some non-binary persons, while the category "Women+" includes women, as well as some non-binary persons. Given that the non-binary population is small, data aggregation to a two-category gender variable is necessary to protect the confidentiality of responses provided. Individuals in the category "non-binary persons" are distributed into the other two gender categories and are denoted by the "+" symbol.

Source(s): Table 14-10-0320-02.

Table 12
Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance program,¹ three-month moving average, seasonally adjusted

June 7, 2026 to July 11, 2026

	%
Newfoundland and Labrador	
St. John's	7.0
Newfoundland and Labrador ²	11.3
Prince Edward Island³	
Charlottetown	6.2
Prince Edward Island ⁴	9.0
Nova Scotia	
Eastern Nova Scotia	9.1
Western Nova Scotia	6.8
Halifax	5.7
New Brunswick	
Fredericton–Moncton–Saint John	6.7
Madawaska–Charlotte	4.5
Restigouche–Albert	10.4
Quebec	
Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine	6.8
Québec	3.8
Trois-Rivières	6.0
South Central Quebec	2.8
Sherbrooke	4.7
Montérégie	3.5
Montréal	7.1
Central Quebec	4.2
North Western Quebec	4.3
Lower Saint Lawrence and North Shore	5.6
Hull	6.7
Chicoutimi–Jonquière	3.0
Ontario	
Ottawa	6.3
Eastern Ontario	5.2
Kingston	5.6
Central Ontario	6.4
Oshawa	8.4
Toronto	7.7
Hamilton	6.8
St. Catharines	6.6
London	8.4
Niagara	7.4
Windsor	8.2
Kitchener	8.0
Huron	7.2
South Central Ontario	6.4
Sudbury	6.3
Thunder Bay	5.7
Northern Ontario	7.7
Manitoba	
Winnipeg	5.9
Southern Manitoba	5.7
Northern Manitoba	29.0
Saskatchewan	
Regina	6.0
Saskatoon	6.1
Southern Saskatchewan	6.0

Table 12 - continued

Regional unemployment rates used by the Employment Insurance program,¹ three-month moving average, seasonally adjusted

June 7, 2026 to July 11, 2026

Northern Saskatchewan	14.9
Alberta	
Calgary	7.1
Edmonton	6.9
Northern Alberta	9.6
Southern Alberta	6.9
British Columbia	
Southern Interior British Columbia	8.2
Abbotsford	7.6
Vancouver	6.7
Victoria	4.5
Southern Coastal British Columbia	7.7
Northern British Columbia	9.8
Territories^{3,5}	
Whitehorse	5.6
Yukon ⁶	8.0
Yellowknife	5.8
Northwest Territories ⁷	11.2
Iqaluit	5.4
Nunavut ⁸	16.3

1. The boundaries of these employment insurance regions are determined by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC). For geographic descriptions and maps of these regions, see the [ESDC website](#).

2. This region excludes St. John's.

3. Prince Edward Island as well as the territories are each comprised of two regions effective October 12, 2014.

4. This region excludes Charlottetown.

5. The monthly regional unemployment rate for EI purposes in the territories is subject to the highest between the seasonally adjusted three-month moving average and twelve-month moving average.

6. This region excludes Whitehorse.

7. This region excludes Yellowknife.

8. This region excludes Iqaluit.

Note(s): All regions are based on the 1996 Census boundaries, with the exception of those in Prince Edward Island and in the territories, which respect the 2011 Census boundaries.

Source(s): Table [14-10-0354-01](#).

Table 13
Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 by detailed age group, unadjusted for seasonality

	May 2024	May 2025	May 2026	Standard error ¹	May 2025 to May 2026	May 2024 to May 2025	May 2025 to May 2026	May 2024 to May 2025
	thousands (except rates)				change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Students 15 to 24 years²								
Population	2,637.9	2,713.8	2,666.2	36.8	-47.6	75.9	-1.8	2.9
Labour force	1,411.3	1,427.7	1,368.9	38.3	-58.8	16.4	-4.1	1.2
Employment	1,172.3	1,141.3	1,123.1	35.8	-18.2	-31.0	-1.6	-2.6
Full-time employment	270.7	265.9	271.4	23.5	5.5	-4.8	2.1	-1.8
Part-time employment	901.6	875.4	851.7	28.7	-23.7	-26.2	-2.7	-2.9
Unemployment	239.0	286.4	245.9	17.0	-40.5	47.4	-14.1	19.8
Participation rate	53.5	52.6	51.3	1.0	-1.3	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.9	20.1	18.0	1.0	-2.1	3.2	...	...
Employment rate	44.4	42.1	42.1	1.0	0.0	-2.3	...	...
Students 15 to 16 years²								
Population	837.5	846.4	846.9	6.1	0.5	8.9	0.1	1.1
Labour force	259.7	249.2	233.5	13.6	-15.7	-10.5	-6.3	-4.0
Employment	200.4	171.7	156.3	12.3	-15.4	-28.7	-9.0	-14.3
Full-time employment	2.3	2.3	3.6	4.7	1.3	0.0	56.5	0.0
Part-time employment	198.1	169.4	152.6	11.7	-16.8	-28.7	-9.9	-14.5
Unemployment	59.2	77.5	77.2	8.6	-0.3	18.3	-0.4	30.9
Participation rate	31.0	29.4	27.6	1.6	-1.8	-1.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	22.8	31.1	33.1	2.6	2.0	8.3	...	...
Employment rate	23.9	20.3	18.5	1.4	-1.8	-3.6	...	...
Students 17 to 19 years²								
Population	927.3	964.6	977.2	17.3	12.6	37.3	1.3	4.0
Labour force	539.8	543.2	525.0	19.7	-18.2	3.4	-3.4	0.6
Employment	438.2	434.1	437.4	19.0	3.3	-4.1	0.8	-0.9
Full-time employment	68.0	71.2	68.5	12.1	-2.7	3.2	-3.8	4.7
Part-time employment	370.2	362.9	368.9	16.8	6.0	-7.3	1.7	-2.0
Unemployment	101.7	109.1	87.6	10.5	-21.5	7.4	-19.7	7.3
Participation rate	58.2	56.3	53.7	1.7	-2.6	-1.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	18.8	20.1	16.7	1.7	-3.4	1.3	...	...
Employment rate	47.3	45.0	44.8	1.7	-0.2	-2.3	...	...
Students 20 to 24 years²								
Population	873.1	902.7	842.0	30.6	-60.7	29.6	-6.7	3.4
Labour force	611.8	635.3	610.4	27.9	-24.9	23.5	-3.9	3.8
Employment	533.7	535.5	529.3	26.4	-6.2	1.8	-1.2	0.3
Full-time employment	200.4	192.4	199.2	19.2	6.8	-8.0	3.5	-4.0
Part-time employment	333.3	343.1	330.2	19.9	-12.9	9.8	-3.8	2.9
Unemployment	78.1	99.8	81.1	10.2	-18.7	21.7	-18.7	27.8
Participation rate	70.1	70.4	72.5	1.7	2.1	0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.8	15.7	13.3	1.4	-2.4	2.9	...	...
Employment rate	61.1	59.3	62.9	1.9	3.6	-1.8	...	...
Other persons aged 15 to 24³								
Population	2,225.8	2,301.1	2,295.4	36.7	-5.7	75.3	-0.2	3.4
Labour force	1,820.6	1,898.8	1,901.2	36.1	2.4	78.2	0.1	4.3
Employment	1,610.0	1,666.7	1,664.5	35.4	-2.2	56.7	-0.1	3.5
Full-time employment	1,156.6	1,182.2	1,203.4	33.0	21.2	25.6	1.8	2.2
Part-time employment	453.4	484.6	461.1	23.0	-23.5	31.2	-4.8	6.9
Unemployment	210.6	232.2	236.6	16.5	4.4	21.6	1.9	10.3
Participation rate	81.8	82.5	82.8	0.9	0.3	0.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.6	12.2	12.4	0.9	0.2	0.7
Employment rate	72.3	72.4	72.5	1.0	0.1	0.1

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1. Average standard error of change over the year. See the "Data Quality" section of the *Guide to the Labour Force Survey (71-543-G)* for more information.

2. Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall.

3. Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.

Note(s): The sum of individual categories may not always add up to the total as a result of rounding.

Source(s): Table 14-10-0286-02.

Table 14
Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 by province, unadjusted for seasonality

	Population	Labour force	Employment	Full-time employment	Part-time employment	Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
	thousands						%		
Students¹									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
May 2025	34.0	19.7	15.5	3.3	12.3	4.2	57.9	21.3	45.6
May 2026	29.1	15.0	10.7	2.6	8.1	4.2	51.5	28.0	36.8
Prince Edward Island									
May 2025	11.4	6.1	5.4	1.7	3.7	0.8	53.5	13.1	47.4
May 2026	11.4	6.2	5.1	2.0	3.2	1.1	54.4	17.7	44.7
Nova Scotia									
May 2025	62.1	35.8	30.1	11.6	18.4	5.8	57.6	16.2	48.5
May 2026	61.1	34.0	27.3	7.7	19.6	6.6	55.6	19.4	44.7
New Brunswick									
May 2025	45.6	24.1	19.2	8.5	10.6	4.9	52.9	20.3	42.1
May 2026	47.7	29.1	23.2	7.7	15.5	5.9	61.0	20.3	48.6
Quebec									
May 2025	597.0	344.8	300.5	39.8	260.7	44.3	57.8	12.8	50.3
May 2026	620.2	362.4	322.7	39.8	282.9	39.7	58.4	11.0	52.0
Ontario									
May 2025	1,134.5	563.4	441.2	110.0	331.2	122.2	49.7	21.7	38.9
May 2026	1,100.1	534.0	425.8	127.7	298.2	108.2	48.5	20.3	38.7
Manitoba									
May 2025	92.2	48.4	39.9	13.6	26.3	8.5	52.5	17.6	43.3
May 2026	86.7	46.8	37.3	8.9	28.4	9.5	54.0	20.3	43.0
Saskatchewan									
May 2025	73.6	35.6	32.3	8.8	23.5	3.3	48.4	9.3	43.9
May 2026	73.6	38.4	30.4	8.8	21.7	7.9	52.2	20.6	41.3
Alberta									
May 2025	310.5	171.2	127.5	33.9	93.6	43.7	55.1	25.5	41.1
May 2026	308.4	151.8	124.2	40.8	83.4	27.6	49.2	18.2	40.3
British Columbia									
May 2025	352.9	178.5	129.7	34.5	95.2	48.8	50.6	27.3	36.8
May 2026	327.9	151.4	116.3	25.5	90.8	35.1	46.2	23.2	35.5
Other persons²									
Newfoundland and Labrador									
May 2025	23.7	18.3	15.5	x	3.2	x	77.2	x	65.4
May 2026	28.8	22.6	18.6	13.9	4.8	3.9	78.5	17.3	64.6
Prince Edward Island									
May 2025	12.7	11.7	10.3	8.5	1.8	1.4	92.1	12.0	81.1
May 2026	12.5	11.1	9.8	8.2	1.6	1.3	88.8	11.7	78.4
Nova Scotia									
May 2025	55.6	45.7	41.1	33.8	7.3	4.6	82.2	10.1	73.9
May 2026	56.6	47.7	43.0	33.4	9.5	4.8	84.3	10.1	76.0
New Brunswick									
May 2025	47.0	39.2	34.1	26.8	7.3	5.1	83.4	13.0	72.6
May 2026	45.8	38.6	33.0	25.7	7.5	5.6	84.3	14.5	72.1
Quebec									
May 2025	409.7	349.5	321.7	244.0	77.7	27.8	85.3	8.0	78.5
May 2026	385.5	335.3	317.4	235.2	82.2	17.9	87.0	5.3	82.3
Ontario									
May 2025	951.6	779.7	668.7	446.7	222.0	111.0	81.9	14.2	70.3
May 2026	931.7	771.6	661.1	475.0	186.1	110.5	82.8	14.3	71.0
Manitoba									
May 2025	97.4	81.1	73.3	54.4	18.9	7.9	83.3	9.7	75.3
May 2026	100.9	82.9	76.8	57.8	18.8	6.1	82.2	7.4	76.1
Saskatchewan									
May 2025	76.6	61.9	56.9	43.7	13.2	5.2	80.8	8.4	74.3
May 2026	80.6	62.1	55.4	41.4	13.9	6.7	77.0	10.8	68.7
Alberta									
May 2025	304.7	248.0	212.3	152.5	59.7	35.6	81.4	14.4	69.7
May 2026	321.3	262.4	219.3	162.7	56.6	43.1	81.7	16.4	68.3

Table 14
Students and other persons aged 15 to 24 by province, unadjusted for seasonality

	Population	Labour force	Employment	Full-time employment	Part-time employment	Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
British Columbia									
May 2025	322.3	263.8	232.8	159.4	73.5	31.0	81.8	11.8	72.2
May 2026	331.8	267.0	230.4	150.0	80.3	36.6	80.5	13.7	69.4

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1. Students are persons aged 15 to 24 who attended school full-time in March and who are planning to return to school in the fall.
2. Other persons are all other youths aged 15 to 24 who are not included in the student population.

Source(s): Table [14-10-0286-03](#).

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