Labour Force Survey, October 2026

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Highlights

Employment was little changed in October (-4,700; 0.0%) and the employment rate fell 0.1 percentage points to 60.5%. The unemployment rate rose 0.2 percentage points to 6.7%.

The unemployment rate for youth aged 15 to 24 increased 0.7 percentage points to 13.7%. It also rose for people aged 55 and older (+0.2 percentage points to 5.5%). For those in the core age group (25 to 54 years old), the unemployment rate was unchanged for both men (5.8%) and women (5.3%).

Employment fell in wholesale and retail trade (-29,000; -1.0%), while there were increases in construction (+16,000; +0.9%) and educational services (+15,000; +1.0%).

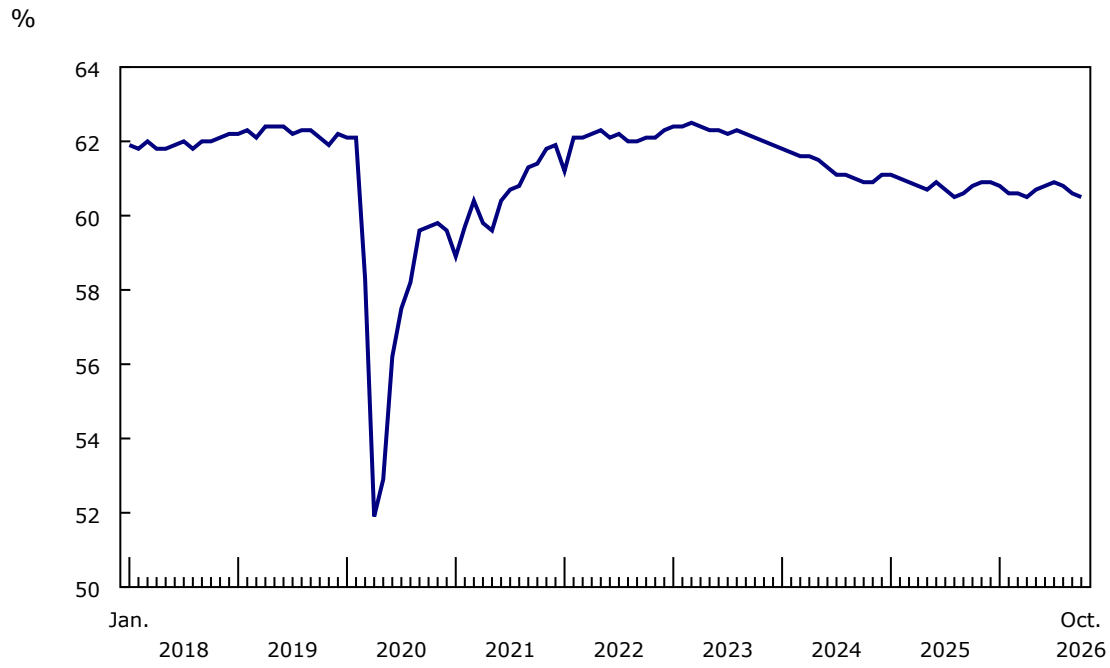
Employment decreased in Alberta (-24,000; -0.9%) and Prince Edward Island (-1,300; -1.3%). On the other hand, it increased in British Columbia (+12,000; +0.4%) and Newfoundland and Labrador (+2,900; +1.2%).

Average hourly wages among employees rose 2.2% (+$0.83 to $37.89) on a year-over-year basis in October, following growth of 2.3% in September (not seasonally adjusted).

Employment little changed

Employment was little changed in October (-4,700; 0.0%). This follows declines in September (-68,000; -0.3%) and August (-42,000; -0.2%).

Chart 1
Employment rate decreases in October



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

The employment rate—the percentage of the population aged 15 years and older who are employed—decreased 0.1 percentage points to 60.5% in October, marking a third consecutive monthly decline.

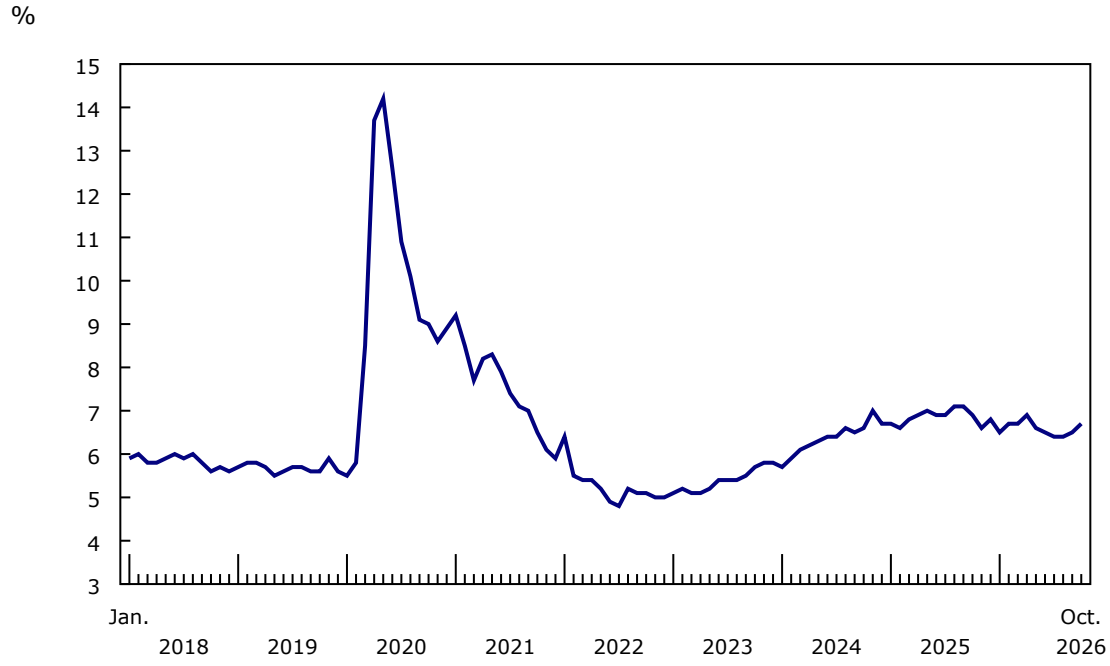
In the 12 months to October, employment recorded little net variation (+17,000; +0.1%) and the employment rate fell 0.3 percentage points.

The number of private sector employees fell by 53,000 (-0.4%) in October, the first decline since February. At the same time, the number of employees in the public sector rose by 50,000 (+1.1%) in October, following four consecutive monthly declines totalling 148,000 (-3.2%). On a year-over-year basis, the number of public sector employees was down by 70,000 (-1.5%) while the number of private sector employees was up slightly (+35,000; +0.3%). Self-employment was little changed in October and was up by 52,000 (+1.9%) compared with 12 months earlier.

Unemployment rate rises to 6.7%

The unemployment rate rose 0.2 percentage points to 6.7% in October, as more people searched for work (+33,000; +2.2%). This marked a second consecutive monthly increase in the unemployment rate. The unemployment rate in October was down 0.2 percentage points year over year and remained below the recent peak of 6.9% recorded in April 2026.

Chart 2
Unemployment rate rises to 6.7% in October



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

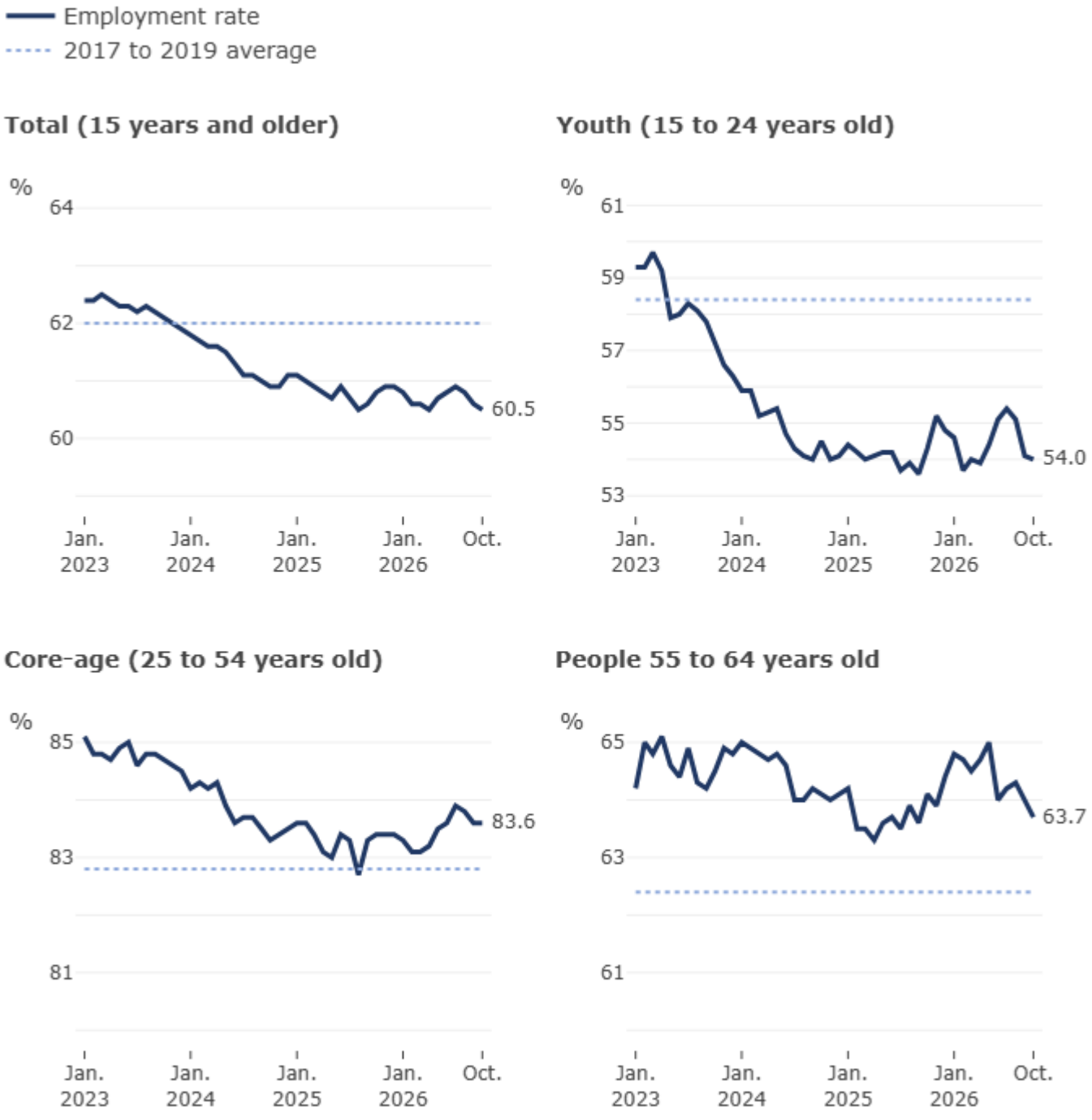
Just under one in five (18.9%) unemployed people in September had found work in October. This proportion—referred to as the job-finding rate—was slightly lower than 12 months earlier (19.8%), but well below the average for the same months from 2017 to 2019 (24.6%) (not seasonally adjusted).

The layoff rate in October (0.7%) was virtually unchanged compared with 12 months earlier (0.6%) (not seasonally adjusted). This represents the proportion of people who were employed in September but had become unemployed in October as a result of a layoff.

Among the 1.5 million people who were unemployed in October, nearly one-quarter (23.7%) were in long-term unemployment, meaning they had been continuously searching for work for 27 weeks or more. This was higher than the proportion recorded a year earlier (21.5%) and the average of 17.2% observed from 2017 to 2019, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. The rate was highest among those aged 55 and older, reaching 32.7% in October 2026, up from 27.9% a year earlier. Among core-aged people, the proportion was 25.3%, up from 23.3% a year earlier. Youth continued to have the lowest proportion in long-term unemployment at 15.2%, little changed from a year earlier (14.4%).

Unemployment rate increases among youth

Infographic 1 – Employment rate by age group, October 2026



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

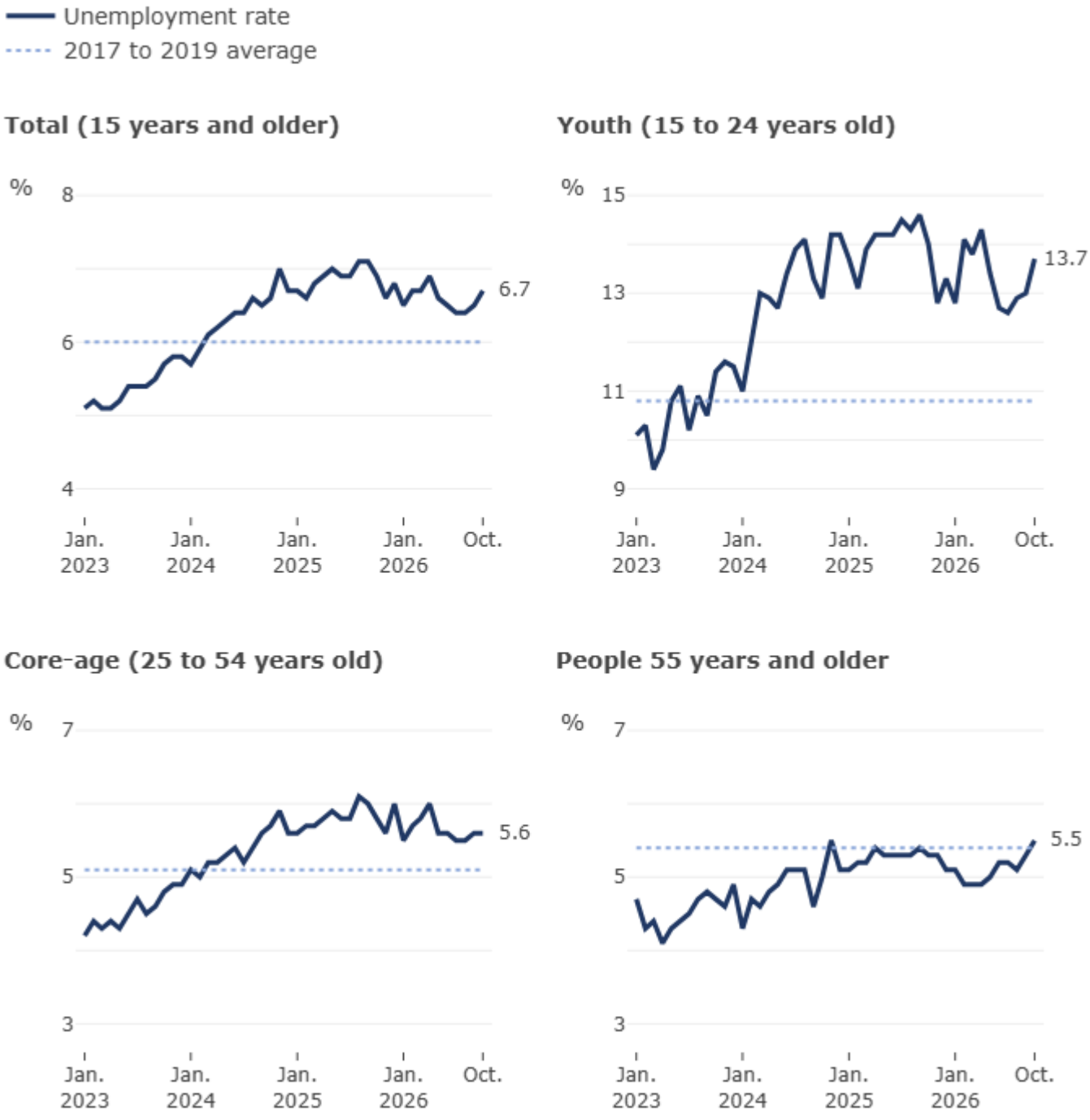
The unemployment rate among youth aged 15 to 24 rose 0.7 percentage points to 13.7% in October, as employment edged down and more youth searched for work. This follows three consecutive months of little variation in the youth unemployment rate. On a year-over-year basis, the unemployment rate for youth was little changed in October.

Among youth, the unemployment rate was higher for students (13.5%) than for those who were not attending school (12.3%) (not seasonally adjusted). These rates were little changed on a year-over-year basis. The proportion of youth who were attending school in October was 63.3%, up slightly compared with 12 months earlier (62.2%).

The employment rate among youth was 54.0% in October, little changed in the month and on a year-over-year basis.

Core-aged unemployment rate holds steady

Infographic 2 – Unemployment rate by age group, October 2026



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

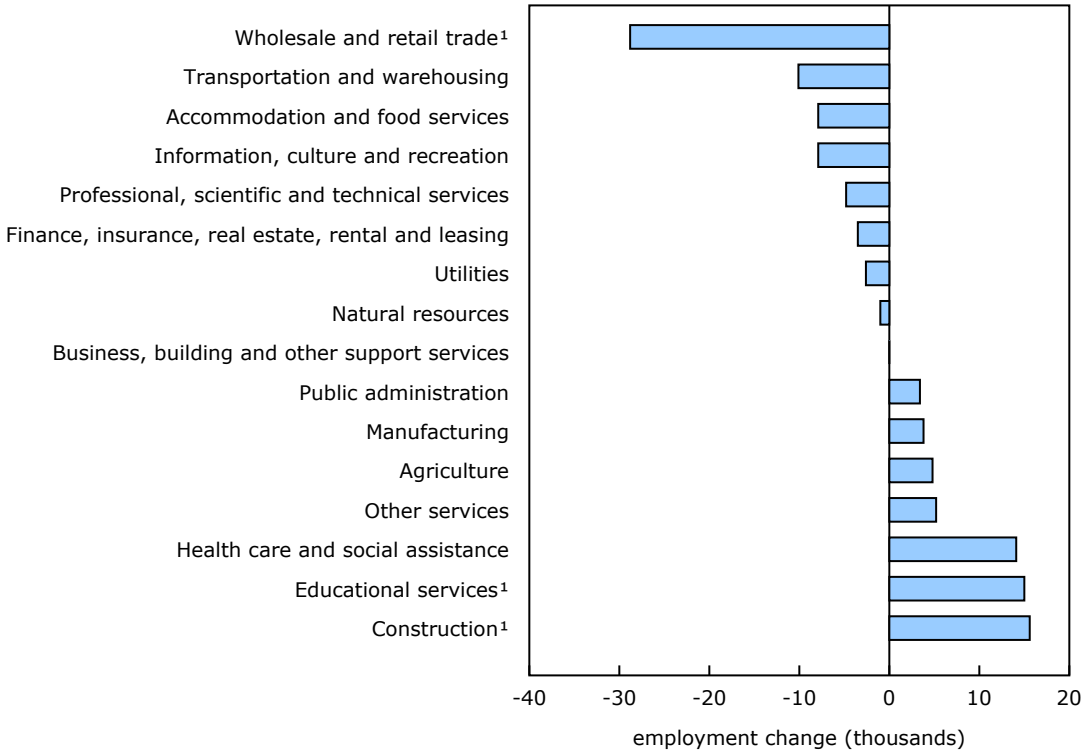
For those in the core age group (25 to 54 years old), the unemployment rate was unchanged for both men (5.8%) and women (5.3%) in October. For women, the rate was down compared with 12 months earlier (-0.4 percentage points) while for men it was little changed. Employment also held steady among core-aged men and women in October.

For people aged 55 and older, the unemployment rate rose 0.2 percentage points to 5.5% in October, as employment edged down (-14,000; -0.3%). On a year-over-year basis, the unemployment rate for people in this age group was little changed.

Fewer people working in wholesale and retail trade

Employment in wholesale and retail trade fell by 29,000 (-1.0%) in October. Employment in this industry has trended down in the 12 months to October (-113,000; -3.7%). Year-over-year declines were concentrated in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia.

Chart 3
Employment change by industry, October 2026



1. Change is statistically significant.
Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701), table 14-10-0355-01.

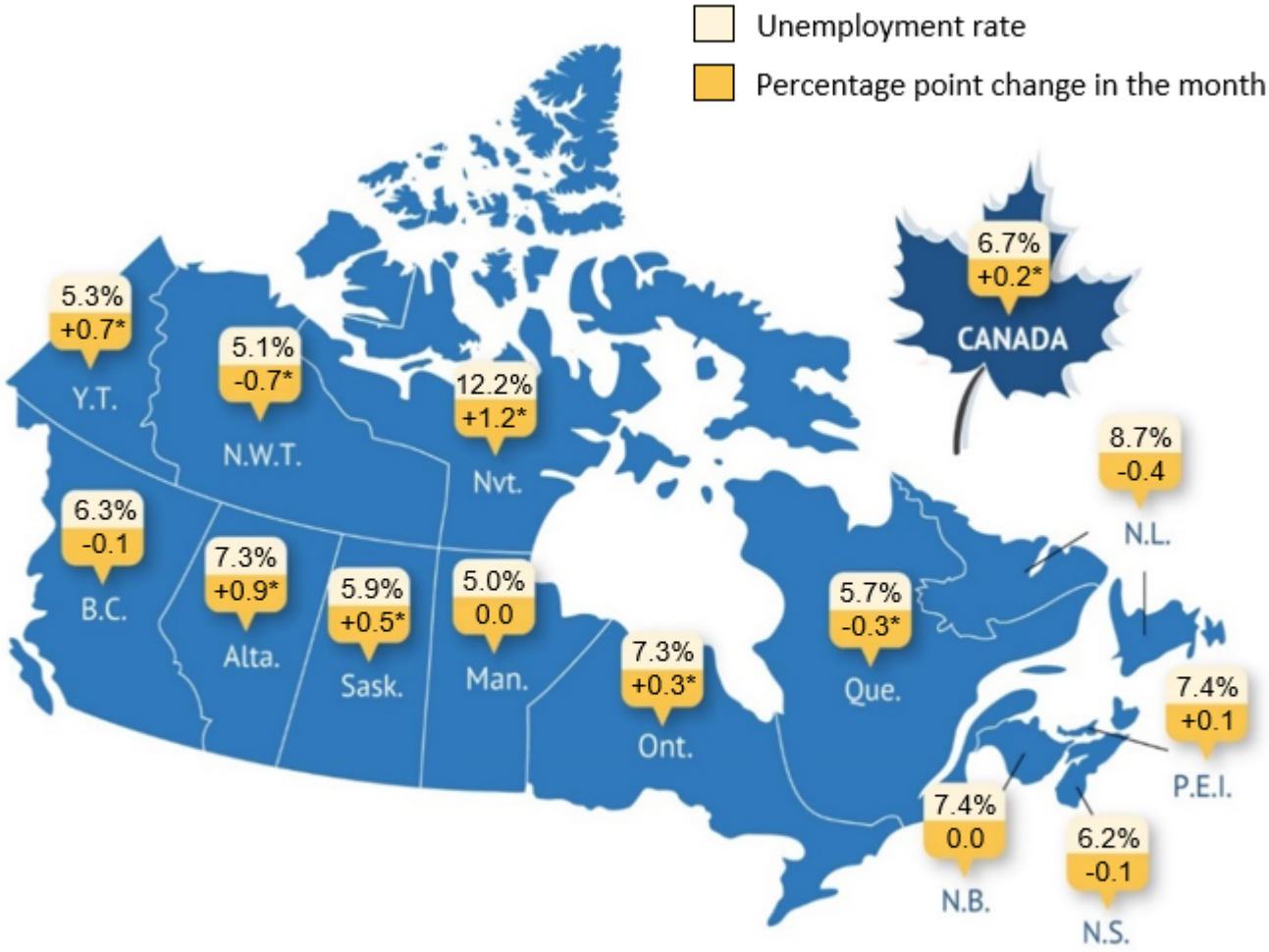
Employment in construction increased by 16,000 (+0.9%) in October, following two consecutive months of little change. Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in construction was up by 47,000 (+2.9%).

Employment was up in educational services (+15,000; +1.0%) in October, partially offsetting the decline in September (-35,000; -2.2%). Compared with 12 months earlier, employment in this industry was down by 48,000 (-3.0%) in October.

Employment falls in Alberta, increases in British Columbia

Employment in Alberta fell by 24,000 (-0.9%) in October, offsetting a similar-sized increase in September (+23,000; +0.9%). On a year-over-year basis, employment in the province was up by 41,000 (+1.6%) in October. The unemployment rate in Alberta was 7.3%, up 0.9 percentage points in the month and little changed compared with 12 months earlier.

Map 1 – Unemployment rate by province and territory, October 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.

On the other hand, employment in British Columbia increased by 12,000 (+0.4%) in October, after recording a decline in the previous month (-20,000; -0.7%). The unemployment rate in the province stood at 6.3% in October, little changed in the month and compared with 12 months earlier.

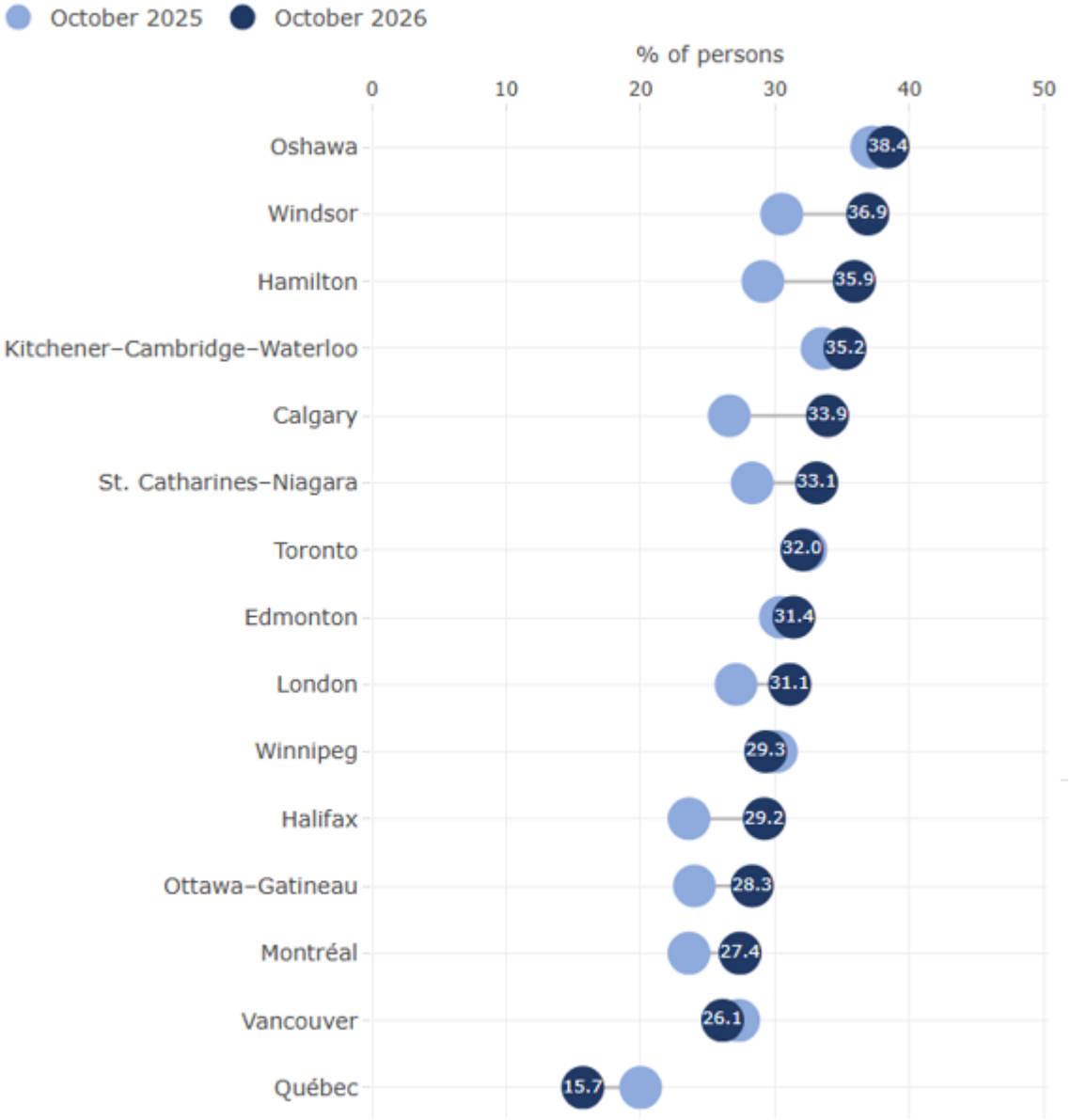
Employment in Quebec held steady in October, following a cumulative decline of 68,000 (-1.5%) in August and September. On a year-over-year basis, employment in Quebec was down by 106,000 (-2.3%) in October. The unemployment rate in the province fell 0.3 percentage points to 5.7% in the month, as fewer people searched for work. Despite the decline in October, the unemployment rate in Quebec was up 0.4 percentage points compared with 12 months earlier.

In Ontario, employment was little changed for a third consecutive month in October. The unemployment rate rose 0.3 percentage points to 7.3% in the month, as more people searched for work. On a year-over-year basis, employment in Ontario was little changed and the unemployment rate was down 0.3 percentage points.

In the spotlight: Share of Canadians living in households experiencing difficulties meeting their financial needs up for the first time since 2022

In October 2026, 29.7% of Canadians aged 15 and older lived in a household that had found it difficult to meet its financial needs in terms of transportation, housing, food, clothing and other necessary expenses over the previous four weeks. After recording a downward trend from October 2022 (35.5%) to October 2025 (27.7%), this proportion rose 2.0 percentage points in the 12 months ending in October 2026.

Infographic 3 – Proportion of persons in households experiencing difficulties meeting their financial needs by census metropolitan area



Source(s): Labour Force Survey (3701) and Labour Market Indicators (5375), October 2026, custom tabulation.

Among Canada's 15 largest census metropolitan areas (CMAs), the share of people living in households facing financial difficulties continued to be highest in CMAs in Southern Ontario, led by Oshawa (38.4%), Windsor (36.9%) and Hamilton (35.9%). All three CMAs had unemployment rates above the national average in October 2026. Conversely, the share was lowest in the CMA of Québec (15.7%).

Close to half (47.2%) of core-aged persons living in single parent households had experienced difficulties meeting their financial needs in the previous four weeks, notably higher than the corresponding shares among couples with children (33.0%) and couples without children (27.3%). In the 12 months to October 2026, the share experiencing difficulties varied little among single parent households and couples with children, while it increased among couples without children (+2.0 percentage points).

In the spotlight: 6 in 10 workers report being very satisfied with their job

In addition to household financial security, job satisfaction is an important indicator of Quality of Life. Job satisfaction can reflect pay and benefits, working conditions and other factors, such as the alignment of a person's job with their education, skills and experience.

In October 2026, the Labour Force Survey (LFS) asked employed Canadians aged 15 to 69 to rate their level of job satisfaction on a scale of 0 to 10. Just over 6 in 10 workers (60.9%) reported that they were very satisfied with their job; that is, they rated their job satisfaction 8, 9 or 10 out of 10. This proportion has been stable in recent years but remains slightly lower than in 2023 (62.2%), when labour market conditions were generally more favourable.

Job satisfaction tends to increase as workers progress through their careers. In October 2026, the proportion who were very satisfied with their job was lowest among workers aged 15 to 24 (57.5%) and 25 to 34 (57.4%), while it was highest among workers aged 55 to 69 (68.9%).

Workers in natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations (68.5%) and management occupations (67.4%) were the most likely to report that they were very satisfied with their job. Conversely, those employed in sales and service occupations were the least likely to report that they were very satisfied with their job (54.3%). Workers in this broad occupational group also had the lowest average hourly wage ($24.19) of any broad occupational group.

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 October reflect labour market conditions during the reference week of October 11 to 17, 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 October 2026.

Next release

The next release of the LFS will be on December 4, 2026. November 2026 data will reflect labour market conditions during the week of November 8 to 14.

Table 1
Labour force characteristics by age group and gender[1], seasonally adjusted

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[2]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
15 years and over, total - gender							
Population	34,854.9	34,883.2	...	28.3	187.8	0.1	0.5
Labour force	22,579.7	22,607.7	33.5	28.0	-26.6	0.1	-0.1
Employment	21,104.8	21,100.1	33.2	-4.7	16.5	-0.0	0.1
Full-time employment	17,290.3	17,272.2	42.4	-18.1	39.0	-0.1	0.2
Part-time employment	3,814.5	3,827.9	39.2	13.4	-22.5	0.4	-0.6
Unemployment	1,474.9	1,507.7	28.8	32.8	-43.0	2.2	-2.8
Participation rate	64.8	64.8	0.1	0.0	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.7	0.1	0.2	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	60.5	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	...	...
15 to 24 years, total - gender							
Population	4,942.0	4,938.7	...	-3.3	-70.7	-0.1	-1.4
Labour force	3,077.2	3,089.4	19.6	12.2	-69.9	0.4	-2.2
Employment	2,676.0	2,665.3	17.7	-10.7	-53.1	-0.4	-2.0
Full-time employment	1,369.8	1,355.1	21.5	-14.7	-1.7	-1.1	-0.1
Part-time employment	1,306.2	1,310.2	22.5	4.0	-51.5	0.3	-3.8
Unemployment	401.3	424.1	16.1	22.8	-16.8	5.7	-3.8
Participation rate	62.3	62.6	0.4	0.3	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.0	13.7	0.5	0.7	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	54.1	54.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.3	...	...
25 years and over, total - gender							
Population	29,913.0	29,944.4	...	31.4	258.4	0.1	0.9
Labour force	19,502.5	19,518.3	26.8	15.8	43.3	0.1	0.2
Employment	18,428.8	18,434.7	27.4	5.9	69.5	0.0	0.4
Full-time employment	15,920.5	15,917.0	36.9	-3.5	40.6	-0.0	0.3
Part-time employment	2,508.3	2,517.7	32.4	9.4	28.9	0.4	1.2
Unemployment	1,073.7	1,083.6	23.5	9.9	-26.2	0.9	-2.4
Participation rate	65.2	65.2	0.1	0.0	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.6	0.1	0.1	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	61.6	0.1	0.0	-0.3	...	...
25 years and over, men+							
Population	14,749.6	14,763.5	...	13.9	117.3	0.1	0.8
Labour force	10,326.8	10,318.9	17.8	-7.9	-11.0	-0.1	-0.1
Employment	9,728.0	9,723.5	18.9	-4.5	-4.5	-0.0	-0.0
Full-time employment	8,830.8	8,799.2	25.0	-31.6	-27.0	-0.4	-0.3
Part-time employment	897.2	924.3	20.7	27.1	22.5	3.0	2.5
Unemployment	598.8	595.4	16.9	-3.4	-6.4	-0.6	-1.1
Participation rate	70.0	69.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	...	...
Employment rate	66.0	65.9	0.1	-0.1	-0.5	...	...
25 years and over, women+							
Population	15,163.4	15,181.0	...	17.6	141.2	0.1	0.9
Labour force	9,175.7	9,199.4	18.8	23.7	54.3	0.3	0.6
Employment	8,700.8	8,711.2	18.9	10.4	74.1	0.1	0.9
Full-time employment	7,089.7	7,117.8	26.4	28.1	67.7	0.4	1.0
Part-time employment	1,611.1	1,593.4	24.6	-17.7	6.4	-1.1	0.4
Unemployment	474.9	488.2	15.9	13.3	-19.8	2.8	-3.9
Participation rate	60.5	60.6	0.1	0.1	-0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.3	0.2	0.1	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	57.4	0.1	0.0	0.0	...	...
25 to 54 years, total - gender							
Population	16,851.0	16,865.0	...	14.0	53.7	0.1	0.3
Labour force	14,909.0	14,929.8	25.5	20.8	33.9	0.1	0.2
Employment	14,079.7	14,100.0	27.0	20.3	72.6	0.1	0.5
Unemployment	829.3	829.9	21.8	0.6	-38.5	0.1	-4.4
Participation rate	88.5	88.5	0.2	0.0	-0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.6	0.1	0.0	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	83.6	83.6	0.2	0.0	0.2	...	...
25 to 54 years, men+							
Population	8,524.4	8,530.3	...	5.9	23.6	0.1	0.3
Labour force	7,829.1	7,835.3	16.8	6.2	21.1	0.1	0.3
Employment	7,373.4	7,382.8	18.8	9.4	32.3	0.1	0.4
Unemployment	455.7	452.5	15.5	-3.2	-11.2	-0.7	-2.4
Participation rate	91.8	91.9	0.2	0.1	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.8	0.2	0.0	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	86.5	86.5	0.2	0.0	0.1	...	...

Table 1 - continued
Labour force characteristics by age group and gender[1], seasonally adjusted

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[2]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
25 to 54 years, women+							
Population	8,326.6	8,334.7	...	8.1	30.1	0.1	0.4
Labour force	7,079.9	7,094.5	18.6	14.6	12.8	0.2	0.2
Employment	6,706.3	6,717.1	19.0	10.8	40.2	0.2	0.6
Unemployment	373.6	377.4	14.7	3.8	-27.4	1.0	-6.8
Participation rate	85.0	85.1	0.2	0.1	-0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.3	0.2	0.0	-0.4	...	...
Employment rate	80.5	80.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	...	...
55 years and over, total - gender							
Population	13,061.9	13,079.4	...	17.5	204.7	0.1	1.6
Labour force	4,593.5	4,588.5	21.3	-5.0	9.4	-0.1	0.2
Employment	4,349.1	4,334.7	21.0	-14.4	-3.0	-0.3	-0.1
Unemployment	244.4	253.7	11.1	9.3	12.3	3.8	5.1
Participation rate	35.2	35.1	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	5.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	33.3	33.1	0.2	-0.2	-0.6	...	...
55 years and over, men+							
Population	6,225.2	6,233.2	...	8.0	93.7	0.1	1.5
Labour force	2,497.7	2,483.6	14.1	-14.1	-32.1	-0.6	-1.3
Employment	2,354.6	2,340.7	14.2	-13.9	-36.8	-0.6	-1.5
Unemployment	143.1	143.0	8.1	-0.1	4.8	-0.1	3.5
Participation rate	40.1	39.8	0.2	-0.3	-1.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.8	0.3	0.1	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	37.8	37.6	0.2	-0.2	-1.1	...	...
55 years and over, women+							
Population	6,836.8	6,846.2	...	9.4	111.0	0.1	1.6
Labour force	2,095.8	2,104.9	14.8	9.1	41.5	0.4	2.0
Employment	1,994.5	1,994.1	14.6	-0.4	33.9	-0.0	1.7
Unemployment	101.3	110.8	7.4	9.5	7.6	9.4	7.4
Participation rate	30.7	30.7	0.2	0.0	0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	5.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	29.2	29.1	0.2	-0.1	0.0	...	...

... 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

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands			change in thousands		% change	
Class of worker							
Employees	18,363.9	18,361.0	36.8	-2.9	-35.0	-0.0	-0.2
Public sector employees	4,447.9	4,497.5	19.8	49.6	-69.7	1.1	-1.5
Private sector employees	13,916.0	13,863.5	35.7	-52.5	34.8	-0.4	0.3
Self-employed	2,740.9	2,739.1	22.8	-1.8	51.5	-0.1	1.9
Total employed, all industries	**21,104.8**	**21,100.1**	33.2	**-4.7**	**16.5**	**-0.0**	**0.1**
Goods-producing sector	4,181.8	4,202.4	19.1	20.6	-8.2	0.5	-0.2
Agriculture	216.8	221.6	5.4	4.8	-8.9	2.2	-3.9
Natural resources[2]	327.9	326.9	5.6	-1.0	-10.1	-0.3	-3.0
Utilities	156.1	153.5	3.4	-2.6	-19.4	-1.7	-11.2
Construction	1,646.8	1,662.4	13.1	15.6	47.0	0.9	2.9
Manufacturing	1,834.3	1,838.1	12.5	3.8	-16.6	0.2	-0.9
Services-producing sector	16,923.0	16,897.7	32.6	-25.3	24.7	-0.1	0.1
Wholesale and retail trade	2,944.7	2,915.9	16.8	-28.8	-113.1	-1.0	-3.7
Transportation and warehousing	1,119.2	1,109.1	11.1	-10.1	14.8	-0.9	1.4
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	1,478.6	1,475.1	11.1	-3.5	-26.5	-0.2	-1.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	2,037.4	2,032.6	14.0	-4.8	24.2	-0.2	1.2
Business, building and other support services	693.4	693.4	10.4	0.0	24.9	0.0	3.7
Educational services	1,539.8	1,554.8	13.0	15.0	-48.3	1.0	-3.0
Health care and social assistance	2,992.8	3,006.9	14.4	14.1	113.2	0.5	3.9
Information, culture and recreation	879.1	871.2	12.2	-7.9	11.1	-0.9	1.3
Accommodation and food services	1,194.9	1,187.0	12.8	-7.9	2.9	-0.7	0.2
Other services (except public administration)	814.0	819.2	9.9	5.2	43.9	0.6	5.7
Public administration	1,229.1	1,232.5	8.8	3.4	-22.4	0.3	-1.8

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

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Newfoundland and Labrador							
Population	475.6	476.1	...	0.5	4.0	0.1	0.8
Labour force	271.4	273.5	1.6	2.1	0.6	0.8	0.2
Employment	246.8	249.7	1.6	2.9	4.5	1.2	1.8
Full-time employment	210.0	212.3	1.9	2.3	5.1	1.1	2.5
Part-time employment	36.8	37.4	1.6	0.6	-0.6	1.6	-1.6
Unemployment	24.6	23.8	1.4	-0.8	-3.9	-3.3	-14.1
Participation rate	57.1	57.4	0.3	0.3	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.1	8.7	0.5	-0.4	-1.5	...	...
Employment rate	51.9	52.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	...	...
Prince Edward Island							
Population	156.4	156.7	...	0.3	1.8	0.2	1.2
Labour force	104.2	103.0	0.8	-1.2	1.1	-1.2	1.1
Employment	96.6	95.3	0.9	-1.3	1.8	-1.3	1.9
Full-time employment	81.9	81.1	1.0	-0.8	0.0	-1.0	0.0
Part-time employment	14.7	14.2	0.9	-0.5	1.8	-3.4	14.5
Unemployment	7.6	7.6	0.7	0.0	-0.8	0.0	-9.5
Participation rate	66.6	65.7	0.5	-0.9	-0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.4	0.6	0.1	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	60.8	0.5	-1.0	0.4	...	...
Nova Scotia							
Population	927.1	927.9	...	0.8	11.5	0.1	1.3
Labour force	577.1	578.9	2.8	1.8	19.8	0.3	3.5
Employment	540.7	543.0	2.9	2.3	21.6	0.4	4.1
Full-time employment	449.9	447.2	3.6	-2.7	10.5	-0.6	2.4
Part-time employment	90.8	95.8	3.2	5.0	11.1	5.5	13.1
Unemployment	36.4	35.9	2.6	-0.5	-1.8	-1.4	-4.8
Participation rate	62.2	62.4	0.3	0.2	1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.2	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	58.5	0.3	0.2	1.6	...	...
New Brunswick							
Population	731.3	732.7	...	1.4	9.3	0.2	1.3
Labour force	440.5	441.9	2.1	1.4	3.5	0.3	0.8
Employment	407.9	409.1	2.1	1.2	4.6	0.3	1.1
Full-time employment	347.0	344.6	2.7	-2.4	-0.6	-0.7	-0.2
Part-time employment	60.8	64.6	2.3	3.8	5.3	6.3	8.9
Unemployment	32.6	32.8	1.8	0.2	-1.1	0.6	-3.2
Participation rate	60.2	60.3	0.3	0.1	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	7.4	0.4	0.0	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	55.8	0.3	0.0	-0.1	...	...
Quebec							
Population	7,577.2	7,576.3	...	-0.9	-25.8	-0.0	-0.3
Labour force	4,827.7	4,819.6	16.3	-8.1	-92.8	-0.2	-1.9
Employment	4,539.3	4,546.8	17.1	7.5	-105.5	0.2	-2.3
Full-time employment	3,672.1	3,672.6	20.5	0.5	-109.1	0.0	-2.9
Part-time employment	867.2	874.2	19.7	7.0	3.7	0.8	0.4
Unemployment	288.4	272.8	13.7	-15.6	12.7	-5.4	4.9
Participation rate	63.7	63.6	0.2	-0.1	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.7	0.3	-0.3	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	60.0	0.2	0.1	-1.2	...	...
Ontario							
Population	13,798.4	13,813.1	...	14.7	71.3	0.1	0.5
Labour force	8,910.6	8,926.2	22.6	15.6	-2.1	0.2	-0.0
Employment	8,286.5	8,277.9	21.3	-8.6	25.4	-0.1	0.3
Full-time employment	6,831.8	6,828.6	27.7	-3.2	41.3	-0.0	0.6
Part-time employment	1,454.7	1,449.3	25.1	-5.4	-15.9	-0.4	-1.1
Unemployment	624.1	648.4	19.5	24.3	-27.4	3.9	-4.1
Participation rate	64.6	64.6	0.2	0.0	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.3	0.2	0.3	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	59.9	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...
Manitoba							
Population	1,191.8	1,191.7	...	-0.1	11.9	-0.0	1.0
Labour force	791.5	791.9	3.5	0.4	9.4	0.1	1.2
Employment	751.7	752.5	3.5	0.8	15.9	0.1	2.2
Full-time employment	625.9	620.9	4.6	-5.0	10.8	-0.8	1.8
Part-time employment	125.9	131.6	4.4	5.7	5.1	4.5	4.0
Unemployment	39.8	39.5	2.9	-0.3	-6.5	-0.8	-14.1
Participation rate	66.4	66.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.0	0.4	0.0	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	63.1	63.1	0.3	0.0	0.7	...	...

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

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Saskatchewan							
Population	988.8	990.4	...	1.6	19.7	0.2	2.0
Labour force	657.7	663.8	2.9	6.1	9.3	0.9	1.4
Employment	622.1	624.6	2.9	2.5	6.2	0.4	1.0
Full-time employment	511.8	511.4	3.9	-0.4	-1.8	-0.1	-0.4
Part-time employment	110.3	113.2	3.6	2.9	7.9	2.6	7.5
Unemployment	35.7	39.2	2.4	3.5	3.1	9.8	8.6
Participation rate	66.5	67.0	0.3	0.5	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.9	0.4	0.5	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	63.1	0.3	0.2	-0.6	...	...
Alberta							
Population	4,164.0	4,170.0	...	6.0	84.6	0.1	2.1
Labour force	2,868.3	2,870.1	12.8	1.8	35.4	0.1	1.2
Employment	2,684.2	2,659.9	13.0	-24.3	41.3	-0.9	1.6
Full-time employment	2,222.8	2,218.2	17.5	-4.6	83.8	-0.2	3.9
Part-time employment	461.4	441.7	16.1	-19.7	-42.5	-4.3	-8.8
Unemployment	184.2	210.2	11.5	26.0	-5.9	14.1	-2.7
Participation rate	68.9	68.8	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	7.3	0.4	0.9	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	63.8	0.3	-0.7	-0.3	...	...
British Columbia							
Population	4,844.2	4,848.4	...	4.2	-0.3	0.1	-0.0
Labour force	3,130.5	3,138.8	12.2	8.3	-10.7	0.3	-0.3
Employment	2,929.0	2,941.3	12.1	12.3	0.8	0.4	0.0
Full-time employment	2,337.1	2,335.4	16.2	-1.7	-0.8	-0.1	-0.0
Part-time employment	591.9	605.8	15.0	13.9	1.5	2.3	0.2
Unemployment	201.5	197.5	10.4	-4.0	-11.4	-2.0	-5.5
Participation rate	64.6	64.7	0.3	0.1	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.7	0.3	0.2	0.1	...	...

... 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 gender[1], seasonally adjusted (Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick)

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[2]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Newfoundland and Labrador							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	475.6	476.1	...	0.5	4.0	0.1	0.8
Labour force	271.4	273.5	1.6	2.1	0.6	0.8	0.2
Employment	246.8	249.7	1.6	2.9	4.5	1.2	1.8
Full-time employment	210.0	212.3	1.9	2.3	5.1	1.1	2.5
Unemployment	24.6	23.8	1.4	-0.8	-3.9	-3.3	-14.1
Participation rate	57.1	57.4	0.3	0.3	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.1	8.7	0.5	-0.4	-1.5	...	...
Employment rate	51.9	52.4	0.3	0.5	0.5	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	58.1	58.1	...	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.7
Labour force	36.4	37.8	0.9	1.4	2.0	3.8	5.6
Employment	30.3	31.3	0.8	1.0	2.0	3.3	6.8
Unemployment	6.1	6.6	0.7	0.5	0.1	8.2	1.5
Participation rate	62.7	65.1	1.5	2.4	3.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	16.8	17.5	1.9	0.7	-0.7	...	...
Employment rate	52.2	53.9	1.4	1.7	3.1	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	203.3	203.5	...	0.2	1.7	0.1	0.8
Labour force	120.9	120.6	0.9	-0.3	-1.7	-0.2	-1.4
Employment	110.2	110.7	1.0	0.5	1.0	0.5	0.9
Unemployment	10.7	9.9	0.9	-0.8	-2.7	-7.5	-21.4
Participation rate	59.5	59.3	0.5	-0.2	-1.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.2	0.7	-0.7	-2.1	...	...
Employment rate	54.2	54.4	0.5	0.2	0.0	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	214.3	214.5	...	0.2	1.9	0.1	0.9
Labour force	114.2	115.1	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.8	0.3
Employment	106.3	107.7	0.8	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.4
Unemployment	7.9	7.4	0.7	-0.5	-1.2	-6.3	-14.0
Participation rate	53.3	53.7	0.4	0.4	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	6.4	0.6	-0.5	-1.1	...	...
Employment rate	49.6	50.2	0.4	0.6	0.2	...	...
Prince Edward Island							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	156.4	156.7	...	0.3	1.8	0.2	1.2
Labour force	104.2	103.0	0.8	-1.2	1.1	-1.2	1.1
Employment	96.6	95.3	0.9	-1.3	1.8	-1.3	1.9
Full-time employment	81.9	81.1	1.0	-0.8	0.0	-1.0	0.0
Unemployment	7.6	7.6	0.7	0.0	-0.8	0.0	-9.5
Participation rate	66.6	65.7	0.5	-0.9	-0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.4	0.6	0.1	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	61.8	60.8	0.5	-1.0	0.4	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	23.7	23.7	...	0.0	-0.4	0.0	-1.7
Labour force	16.9	16.6	0.5	-0.3	0.5	-1.8	3.1
Employment	14.7	14.7	0.5	0.0	1.0	0.0	7.3
Unemployment	2.2	1.8	0.4	-0.4	-0.7	-18.2	-28.0
Participation rate	71.3	70.0	1.9	-1.3	3.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	13.0	10.8	2.2	-2.2	-4.7	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	62.0	1.8	0.0	5.2	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	64.3	64.4	...	0.1	1.0	0.2	1.6
Labour force	44.8	44.0	0.4	-0.8	-0.3	-1.8	-0.7
Employment	41.5	40.9	0.5	-0.6	0.1	-1.4	0.2
Unemployment	3.3	3.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.4	-6.1	-11.4
Participation rate	69.7	68.3	0.7	-1.4	-1.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	7.0	0.9	-0.4	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	63.5	0.7	-1.0	-0.9	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	68.4	68.6	...	0.2	1.2	0.3	1.8
Labour force	42.5	42.4	0.4	-0.1	0.9	-0.2	2.2
Employment	40.4	39.7	0.4	-0.7	0.6	-1.7	1.5
Unemployment	2.1	2.7	0.4	0.6	0.2	28.6	8.0
Participation rate	62.1	61.8	0.6	-0.3	0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	6.4	0.8	1.5	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	59.1	57.9	0.7	-1.2	-0.1	...	...

Table 4 - continued
Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender[1], seasonally adjusted (Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick)

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[2]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Nova Scotia							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	927.1	927.9	...	0.8	11.5	0.1	1.3
Labour force	577.1	578.9	2.8	1.8	19.8	0.3	3.5
Employment	540.7	543.0	2.9	2.3	21.6	0.4	4.1
Full-time employment	449.9	447.2	3.6	-2.7	10.5	-0.6	2.4
Unemployment	36.4	35.9	2.6	-0.5	-1.8	-1.4	-4.8
Participation rate	62.2	62.4	0.3	0.2	1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.2	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	58.5	0.3	0.2	1.6	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	118.4	118.4	...	0.0	1.1	0.0	0.9
Labour force	81.7	79.4	1.7	-2.3	5.0	-2.8	6.7
Employment	72.9	69.9	1.5	-3.0	5.9	-4.1	9.2
Unemployment	8.8	9.5	1.5	0.7	-1.0	8.0	-9.5
Participation rate	69.0	67.1	1.4	-1.9	3.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	10.8	12.0	1.8	1.2	-2.1	...	...
Employment rate	61.6	59.0	1.3	-2.6	4.4	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	392.7	393.1	...	0.4	4.9	0.1	1.3
Labour force	257.6	259.0	1.6	1.4	4.9	0.5	1.9
Employment	242.2	244.0	1.7	1.8	6.2	0.7	2.6
Unemployment	15.4	15.0	1.6	-0.4	-1.3	-2.6	-8.0
Participation rate	65.6	65.9	0.4	0.3	0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.8	0.6	-0.2	-0.6	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	62.1	0.4	0.4	0.8	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	416.0	416.4	...	0.4	5.4	0.1	1.3
Labour force	237.9	240.5	1.6	2.6	10.0	1.1	4.3
Employment	225.7	229.1	1.7	3.4	9.4	1.5	4.3
Unemployment	12.2	11.4	1.3	-0.8	0.5	-6.6	4.6
Participation rate	57.2	57.8	0.4	0.6	1.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.1	4.7	0.6	-0.4	0.0	...	...
Employment rate	54.3	55.0	0.4	0.7	1.5	...	...
New Brunswick							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	731.3	732.7	...	1.4	9.3	0.2	1.3
Labour force	440.5	441.9	2.1	1.4	3.5	0.3	0.8
Employment	407.9	409.1	2.1	1.2	4.6	0.3	1.1
Full-time employment	347.0	344.6	2.7	-2.4	-0.6	-0.7	-0.2
Unemployment	32.6	32.8	1.8	0.2	-1.1	0.6	-3.2
Participation rate	60.2	60.3	0.3	0.1	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	7.4	0.4	0.0	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	55.8	55.8	0.3	0.0	-0.1	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	94.3	94.6	...	0.3	1.6	0.3	1.7
Labour force	59.8	61.1	1.2	1.3	0.3	2.2	0.5
Employment	50.8	51.5	1.1	0.7	0.7	1.4	1.4
Unemployment	9.0	9.6	1.1	0.6	-0.4	6.7	-4.0
Participation rate	63.4	64.6	1.3	1.2	-0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.1	15.7	1.6	0.6	-0.7	...	...
Employment rate	53.9	54.4	1.2	0.5	-0.2	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	310.2	310.7	...	0.5	3.7	0.2	1.2
Labour force	198.2	197.4	1.2	-0.8	1.6	-0.4	0.8
Employment	183.7	184.1	1.2	0.4	2.3	0.2	1.3
Unemployment	14.6	13.3	1.1	-1.3	-0.7	-8.9	-5.0
Participation rate	63.9	63.5	0.4	-0.4	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	6.7	0.5	-0.7	-0.5	...	...
Employment rate	59.2	59.3	0.4	0.1	0.1	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	326.8	327.3	...	0.5	3.9	0.2	1.2
Labour force	182.5	183.4	1.2	0.9	1.6	0.5	0.9
Employment	173.5	173.5	1.2	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.9
Unemployment	9.1	9.9	1.0	0.8	0.0	8.8	0.0
Participation rate	55.8	56.0	0.4	0.2	-0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.4	0.5	0.4	0.0	...	...
Employment rate	53.1	53.0	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	...	...

... 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 14-10-0287-03.

Table 5
Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender[1], seasonally adjusted (Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia)

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[2]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Quebec							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	7,577.2	7,576.3	...	-0.9	-25.8	-0.0	-0.3
Labour force	4,827.7	4,819.6	16.3	-8.1	-92.8	-0.2	-1.9
Employment	4,539.3	4,546.8	17.1	7.5	-105.5	0.2	-2.3
Full-time employment	3,672.1	3,672.6	20.5	0.5	-109.1	0.0	-2.9
Unemployment	288.4	272.8	13.7	-15.6	12.7	-5.4	4.9
Participation rate	63.7	63.6	0.2	-0.1	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.7	0.3	-0.3	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	59.9	60.0	0.2	0.1	-1.2	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	1,003.3	1,003.0	...	-0.3	-7.8	-0.0	-0.8
Labour force	672.5	683.8	8.6	11.3	-12.1	1.7	-1.7
Employment	605.8	619.0	8.1	13.2	-12.1	2.2	-1.9
Unemployment	66.7	64.8	6.6	-1.9	-0.1	-2.8	-0.2
Participation rate	67.0	68.2	0.9	1.2	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.9	9.5	0.9	-0.4	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	61.7	0.8	1.3	-0.7	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	3,283.9	3,283.3	...	-0.6	-11.7	-0.0	-0.4
Labour force	2,200.1	2,193.8	9.4	-6.3	-52.0	-0.3	-2.3
Employment	2,075.1	2,077.6	10.4	2.5	-60.5	0.1	-2.8
Unemployment	125.0	116.2	8.8	-8.8	8.5	-7.0	7.9
Participation rate	67.0	66.8	0.3	-0.2	-1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.7	5.3	0.4	-0.4	0.5	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	63.3	0.3	0.1	-1.6	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	3,290.0	3,290.0	...	0.0	-6.3	0.0	-0.2
Labour force	1,955.1	1,942.0	9.4	-13.1	-28.7	-0.7	-1.5
Employment	1,858.4	1,850.2	9.9	-8.2	-32.9	-0.4	-1.7
Unemployment	96.7	91.8	7.7	-4.9	4.2	-5.1	4.8
Participation rate	59.4	59.0	0.3	-0.4	-0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.9	4.7	0.4	-0.2	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	56.5	56.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.9	...	...
Ontario							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	13,798.4	13,813.1	...	14.7	71.3	0.1	0.5
Labour force	8,910.6	8,926.2	22.6	15.6	-2.1	0.2	-0.0
Employment	8,286.5	8,277.9	21.3	-8.6	25.4	-0.1	0.3
Full-time employment	6,831.8	6,828.6	27.7	-3.2	41.3	-0.0	0.6
Unemployment	624.1	648.4	19.5	24.3	-27.4	3.9	-4.1
Participation rate	64.6	64.6	0.2	0.0	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.3	0.2	0.3	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.1	59.9	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	2,012.7	2,009.6	...	-3.1	-61.1	-0.2	-3.0
Labour force	1,193.7	1,193.3	13.6	-0.4	-55.8	-0.0	-4.5
Employment	1,012.0	1,000.7	11.9	-11.3	-50.1	-1.1	-4.8
Unemployment	181.7	192.6	11.3	10.9	-5.7	6.0	-2.9
Participation rate	59.3	59.4	0.7	0.1	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	15.2	16.1	0.8	0.9	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	50.3	49.8	0.6	-0.5	-0.9	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	5,780.6	5,788.6	...	8.0	63.1	0.1	1.1
Labour force	4,087.9	4,087.6	11.5	-0.3	33.8	-0.0	0.8
Employment	3,850.5	3,839.2	11.6	-11.3	32.3	-0.3	0.8
Unemployment	237.4	248.4	10.9	11.0	1.5	4.6	0.6
Participation rate	70.7	70.6	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	6.1	0.3	0.3	0.0	...	...
Employment rate	66.6	66.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	6,005.0	6,014.9	...	9.9	69.3	0.2	1.2
Labour force	3,629.0	3,645.4	12.2	16.4	19.9	0.5	0.5
Employment	3,424.0	3,438.0	11.8	14.0	43.1	0.4	1.3
Unemployment	205.0	207.4	10.4	2.4	-23.2	1.2	-10.1
Participation rate	60.4	60.6	0.2	0.2	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.7	0.3	0.1	-0.7	...	...
Employment rate	57.0	57.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	...	...

Table 5 - continued
Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender[1], seasonally adjusted (Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia)

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[2]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Manitoba							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	1,191.8	1,191.7	...	-0.1	11.9	-0.0	1.0
Labour force	791.5	791.9	3.5	0.4	9.4	0.1	1.2
Employment	751.7	752.5	3.5	0.8	15.9	0.1	2.2
Full-time employment	625.9	620.9	4.6	-5.0	10.8	-0.8	1.8
Unemployment	39.8	39.5	2.9	-0.3	-6.5	-0.8	-14.1
Participation rate	66.4	66.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.0	0.4	0.0	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	63.1	63.1	0.3	0.0	0.7	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	186.8	186.4	...	-0.4	-2.7	-0.2	-1.4
Labour force	124.7	125.0	2.0	0.3	2.7	0.2	2.2
Employment	109.6	111.2	1.8	1.6	3.8	1.5	3.5
Unemployment	15.1	13.8	1.7	-1.3	-1.1	-8.6	-7.4
Participation rate	66.8	67.1	1.1	0.3	2.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.1	11.0	1.3	-1.1	-1.2	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	59.7	1.0	1.0	2.9	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	501.7	501.8	...	0.1	6.8	0.0	1.4
Labour force	361.1	361.3	1.9	0.2	7.1	0.1	2.0
Employment	349.1	347.6	1.9	-1.5	8.4	-0.4	2.5
Unemployment	12.0	13.7	1.6	1.7	-1.3	14.2	-8.7
Participation rate	72.0	72.0	0.4	0.0	0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.3	3.8	0.4	0.5	-0.4	...	...
Employment rate	69.6	69.3	0.4	-0.3	0.8	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	503.3	503.4	...	0.1	7.6	0.0	1.5
Labour force	305.7	305.6	2.0	-0.1	-0.4	-0.0	-0.1
Employment	293.0	293.6	2.1	0.6	3.6	0.2	1.2
Unemployment	12.7	12.0	1.6	-0.7	-4.0	-5.5	-25.0
Participation rate	60.7	60.7	0.4	0.0	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	3.9	0.5	-0.3	-1.3	...	...
Employment rate	58.2	58.3	0.4	0.1	-0.2	...	...
Saskatchewan							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	988.8	990.4	...	1.6	19.7	0.2	2.0
Labour force	657.7	663.8	2.9	6.1	9.3	0.9	1.4
Employment	622.1	624.6	2.9	2.5	6.2	0.4	1.0
Full-time employment	511.8	511.4	3.9	-0.4	-1.8	-0.1	-0.4
Unemployment	35.7	39.2	2.4	3.5	3.1	9.8	8.6
Participation rate	66.5	67.0	0.3	0.5	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.4	5.9	0.4	0.5	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	63.1	0.3	0.2	-0.6	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	156.2	156.6	...	0.4	4.8	0.3	3.2
Labour force	97.4	101.3	1.6	3.9	4.6	4.0	4.8
Employment	86.3	86.8	1.6	0.5	1.7	0.6	2.0
Unemployment	11.1	14.5	1.4	3.4	2.9	30.6	25.0
Participation rate	62.4	64.7	1.1	2.3	1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.4	14.3	1.3	2.9	2.3	...	...
Employment rate	55.2	55.4	1.0	0.2	-0.7	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	415.2	415.9	...	0.7	8.1	0.2	2.0
Labour force	300.9	300.8	1.6	-0.1	3.8	-0.0	1.3
Employment	287.3	288.9	1.7	1.6	6.1	0.6	2.2
Unemployment	13.6	11.9	1.5	-1.7	-2.2	-12.5	-15.6
Participation rate	72.5	72.3	0.4	-0.2	-0.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.5	4.0	0.5	-0.5	-0.7	...	...
Employment rate	69.2	69.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	417.4	417.9	...	0.5	6.8	0.1	1.7
Labour force	259.4	261.8	1.6	2.4	0.9	0.9	0.3
Employment	248.4	249.0	1.6	0.6	-1.5	0.2	-0.6
Unemployment	11.0	12.8	1.2	1.8	2.5	16.4	24.3
Participation rate	62.1	62.6	0.4	0.5	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.2	4.9	0.5	0.7	1.0	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	59.6	0.4	0.1	-1.3	...	...

Table 5 - continued
Labour force characteristics by province, age group and gender[1], seasonally adjusted (Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia)

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[2]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Alberta							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	4,164.0	4,170.0	...	6.0	84.6	0.1	2.1
Labour force	2,868.3	2,870.1	12.8	1.8	35.4	0.1	1.2
Employment	2,684.2	2,659.9	13.0	-24.3	41.3	-0.9	1.6
Full-time employment	2,222.8	2,218.2	17.5	-4.6	83.8	-0.2	3.9
Unemployment	184.2	210.2	11.5	26.0	-5.9	14.1	-2.7
Participation rate	68.9	68.8	0.3	-0.1	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	7.3	0.4	0.9	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	64.5	63.8	0.3	-0.7	-0.3	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	634.2	635.0	...	0.8	12.2	0.1	2.0
Labour force	398.3	393.2	7.4	-5.1	-10.7	-1.3	-2.6
Employment	348.6	333.4	6.9	-15.2	-10.3	-4.4	-3.0
Unemployment	49.7	59.8	6.4	10.1	-0.4	20.3	-0.7
Participation rate	62.8	61.9	1.2	-0.9	-3.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.5	15.2	1.5	2.7	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	55.0	52.5	1.1	-2.5	-2.7	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	1,755.2	1,757.7	...	2.5	35.0	0.1	2.0
Labour force	1,329.4	1,327.4	6.9	-2.0	11.2	-0.2	0.9
Employment	1,255.4	1,248.9	7.5	-6.5	21.4	-0.5	1.7
Unemployment	74.0	78.4	6.8	4.4	-10.3	5.9	-11.6
Participation rate	75.7	75.5	0.4	-0.2	-0.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.9	0.5	0.3	-0.8	...	...
Employment rate	71.5	71.1	0.4	-0.4	-0.2	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	1,774.7	1,777.3	...	2.6	37.4	0.1	2.1
Labour force	1,140.6	1,149.6	7.5	9.0	35.0	0.8	3.1
Employment	1,080.1	1,077.6	7.5	-2.5	30.2	-0.2	2.9
Unemployment	60.5	72.0	6.6	11.5	4.8	19.0	7.1
Participation rate	64.3	64.7	0.4	0.4	0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	6.3	0.6	1.0	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.9	60.6	0.4	-0.3	0.4	...	...
British Columbia							
Total - gender, 15 years and over							
Population	4,844.2	4,848.4	...	4.2	-0.3	0.1	-0.0
Labour force	3,130.5	3,138.8	12.2	8.3	-10.7	0.3	-0.3
Employment	2,929.0	2,941.3	12.1	12.3	0.8	0.4	0.0
Full-time employment	2,337.1	2,335.4	16.2	-1.7	-0.8	-0.1	-0.0
Unemployment	201.5	197.5	10.4	-4.0	-11.4	-2.0	-5.5
Participation rate	64.6	64.7	0.3	0.1	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.3	0.3	-0.1	-0.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.5	60.7	0.3	0.2	0.1	...	...
Total - gender, 15 to 24 years							
Population	654.2	653.3	...	-0.9	-18.9	-0.1	-2.8
Labour force	395.9	397.9	7.3	2.0	-6.4	0.5	-1.6
Employment	344.9	346.9	6.8	2.0	4.2	0.6	1.2
Unemployment	50.9	51.0	6.1	0.1	-10.5	0.2	-17.1
Participation rate	60.5	60.9	1.1	0.4	0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	12.9	12.8	1.4	-0.1	-2.4	...	...
Employment rate	52.7	53.1	1.0	0.4	2.1	...	...
Men+, 25 years and over							
Population	2,042.4	2,044.5	...	2.1	4.7	0.1	0.2
Labour force	1,425.8	1,427.1	6.0	1.3	-19.2	0.1	-1.3
Employment	1,333.1	1,341.5	6.4	8.4	-21.9	0.6	-1.6
Unemployment	92.8	85.6	5.7	-7.2	2.6	-7.8	3.1
Participation rate	69.8	69.8	0.3	0.0	-1.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.0	0.4	-0.5	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	65.3	65.6	0.3	0.3	-1.2	...	...
Women+, 25 years and over							
Population	2,147.6	2,150.6	...	3.0	13.9	0.1	0.7
Labour force	1,308.8	1,313.7	7.1	4.9	14.8	0.4	1.1
Employment	1,251.0	1,252.9	7.2	1.9	18.4	0.2	1.5
Unemployment	57.8	60.8	5.7	3.0	-3.6	5.2	-5.6
Participation rate	60.9	61.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.6	0.4	0.2	-0.4	...	...
Employment rate	58.3	58.3	0.3	0.0	0.5	...	...

... not applicable

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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 14-10-0287-03.

Table 6
Employment by province and industry, seasonally adjusted

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands			change in thousands		% change	
Newfoundland and Labrador							
Total employed, all industries	246.8	249.7	1.6	2.9	4.5	1.2	1.8
Goods-producing sector	47.6	48.2	1.0	0.6	2.6	1.3	5.7
Agriculture	1.1	1.1	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	37.5
Natural resources[2]	15.4	16.1	0.6	0.7	0.9	4.5	5.9
Utilities	2.5	2.4	0.2	-0.1	0.4	-4.0	20.0
Construction	19.8	19.2	0.6	-0.6	0.8	-3.0	4.3
Manufacturing	8.8	9.3	0.5	0.5	0.2	5.7	2.2
Services-producing sector	199.2	201.4	1.4	2.2	1.8	1.1	0.9
Wholesale and retail trade	38.6	38.0	0.8	-0.6	0.6	-1.6	1.6
Transportation and warehousing	12.9	13.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	3.1	4.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	7.9	8.1	0.3	0.2	-0.9	2.5	-10.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	12.2	12.8	0.4	0.6	1.0	4.9	8.5
Business, building and other support services	5.8	6.1	0.4	0.3	-1.8	5.2	-22.8
Educational services	18.6	18.4	0.5	-0.2	-0.6	-1.1	-3.2
Health care and social assistance	48.6	50.1	0.7	1.5	2.6	3.1	5.5
Information, culture and recreation	6.5	6.4	0.5	-0.1	-1.4	-1.5	-17.9
Accommodation and food services	14.2	14.3	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.7	2.9
Other services (except public administration)	10.5	10.5	0.4	0.0	0.7	0.0	7.1
Public administration	23.4	23.5	0.5	0.1	0.6	0.4	2.6
Prince Edward Island							
Total employed, all industries	96.6	95.3	0.9	-1.3	1.8	-1.3	1.9
Goods-producing sector	21.6	21.2	0.6	-0.4	-1.8	-1.9	-7.8
Agriculture	3.1	2.8	0.3	-0.3	-0.2	-9.7	-6.7
Natural resources[2]	2.0	1.7	0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-15.0	-19.0
Utilities	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.0	150.0
Construction	9.1	9.1	0.4	0.0	-0.3	0.0	-3.2
Manufacturing	6.9	7.1	0.3	0.2	-1.2	2.9	-14.5
Services-producing sector	75.0	74.1	0.8	-0.9	3.7	-1.2	5.3
Wholesale and retail trade	13.3	13.2	0.4	-0.1	2.1	-0.8	18.9
Transportation and warehousing	2.1	2.1	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	-4.5
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	4.5	4.4	0.3	-0.1	0.2	-2.2	4.8
Professional, scientific and technical services	4.9	5.0	0.3	0.1	-0.7	2.0	-12.3
Business, building and other support services	2.0	2.2	0.2	0.2	-0.3	10.0	-12.0
Educational services	7.6	7.4	0.3	-0.2	1.1	-2.6	17.5
Health care and social assistance	16.5	16.1	0.4	-0.4	0.0	-2.4	0.0
Information, culture and recreation	2.9	2.9	0.3	0.0	0.6	0.0	26.1
Accommodation and food services	7.6	7.1	0.4	-0.5	0.4	-6.6	6.0
Other services (except public administration)	2.9	2.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-3.4	-9.7
Public administration	10.6	11.0	0.3	0.4	0.6	3.8	5.8
Nova Scotia							
Total employed, all industries	540.7	543.0	2.9	2.3	21.6	0.4	4.1
Goods-producing sector	99.3	97.3	1.7	-2.0	1.8	-2.0	1.9
Agriculture	3.5	3.6	0.4	0.1	0.2	2.9	5.9
Natural resources[2]	10.3	9.8	0.8	-0.5	0.2	-4.9	2.1
Utilities	4.1	3.8	0.3	-0.3	-1.0	-7.3	-20.8
Construction	45.8	43.8	1.1	-2.0	1.7	-4.4	4.0
Manufacturing	35.7	36.3	1.0	0.6	0.8	1.7	2.3
Services-producing sector	441.4	445.7	2.7	4.3	19.7	1.0	4.6
Wholesale and retail trade	79.4	81.4	1.5	2.0	3.4	2.5	4.4
Transportation and warehousing	25.0	27.0	0.9	2.0	3.0	8.0	12.5
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	31.0	31.3	0.8	0.3	1.2	1.0	4.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	42.1	43.1	1.0	1.0	4.7	2.4	12.2
Business, building and other support services	19.6	18.1	0.9	-1.5	-1.2	-7.7	-6.2
Educational services	44.1	43.3	1.0	-0.8	3.0	-1.8	7.4
Health care and social assistance	90.5	91.0	1.3	0.5	3.5	0.6	4.0
Information, culture and recreation	16.9	17.5	0.9	0.6	-0.5	3.6	-2.8
Accommodation and food services	31.8	32.3	1.1	0.5	1.5	1.6	4.9
Other services (except public administration)	23.3	23.2	0.8	-0.1	1.8	-0.4	8.4
Public administration	37.8	37.6	0.8	-0.2	-0.5	-0.5	-1.3

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

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
New Brunswick							
Total employed, all industries	407.9	409.1	2.1	1.2	4.6	0.3	1.1
Goods-producing sector	81.4	82.3	1.4	0.9	-0.3	1.1	-0.4
Agriculture	4.2	4.3	0.4	0.1	-1.4	2.4	-24.6
Natural resources[2]	7.2	7.6	0.5	0.4	0.1	5.6	1.3
Utilities	4.6	4.3	0.2	-0.3	0.3	-6.5	7.5
Construction	32.3	32.6	0.9	0.3	1.4	0.9	4.5
Manufacturing	33.1	33.4	0.9	0.3	-0.7	0.9	-2.1
Services-producing sector	326.5	326.8	2.0	0.3	4.8	0.1	1.5
Wholesale and retail trade	62.1	62.6	1.0	0.5	3.7	0.8	6.3
Transportation and warehousing	19.5	18.8	0.7	-0.7	0.4	-3.6	2.2
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	20.5	20.2	0.6	-0.3	0.4	-1.5	2.0
Professional, scientific and technical services	22.5	21.9	0.6	-0.6	0.5	-2.7	2.3
Business, building and other support services	13.7	13.4	0.6	-0.3	1.0	-2.2	8.1
Educational services	34.1	34.9	0.8	0.8	1.3	2.3	3.9
Health care and social assistance	70.2	71.1	0.9	0.9	1.6	1.3	2.3
Information, culture and recreation	12.7	12.8	0.6	0.1	0.8	0.8	6.7
Accommodation and food services	21.7	22.2	0.8	0.5	-1.5	2.3	-6.3
Other services (except public administration)	14.5	14.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-1.4	-0.7
Public administration	35.0	34.6	0.7	-0.4	-3.3	-1.1	-8.7
Quebec							
Total employed, all industries	4,539.3	4,546.8	17.1	7.5	-105.5	0.2	-2.3
Goods-producing sector	913.2	912.0	9.8	-1.2	-45.6	-0.1	-4.8
Agriculture	42.0	41.3	2.4	-0.7	-10.4	-1.7	-20.1
Natural resources[2]	45.0	44.2	2.2	-0.8	-3.5	-1.8	-7.3
Utilities	36.1	35.1	1.3	-1.0	-0.2	-2.8	-0.6
Construction	302.6	310.5	6.5	7.9	-6.0	2.6	-1.9
Manufacturing	487.4	480.7	7.0	-6.7	-25.7	-1.4	-5.1
Services-producing sector	3,626.1	3,634.8	16.6	8.7	-59.9	0.2	-1.6
Wholesale and retail trade	636.9	644.5	8.5	7.6	-33.0	1.2	-4.9
Transportation and warehousing	218.5	217.9	5.2	-0.6	-6.3	-0.3	-2.8
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	276.3	275.2	5.2	-1.1	-31.3	-0.4	-10.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	408.7	409.7	6.5	1.0	31.8	0.2	8.4
Business, building and other support services	148.7	150.7	5.2	2.0	-1.1	1.3	-0.7
Educational services	359.4	361.1	6.4	1.7	-32.7	0.5	-8.3
Health care and social assistance	641.1	642.1	7.3	1.0	-36.5	0.2	-5.4
Information, culture and recreation	179.4	170.1	6.2	-9.3	-14.9	-5.2	-8.1
Accommodation and food services	285.0	286.0	6.4	1.0	53.1	0.4	22.8
Other services (except public administration)	181.0	185.3	5.1	4.3	13.5	2.4	7.9
Public administration	291.0	292.3	4.2	1.3	-2.5	0.4	-0.8
Ontario							
Total employed, all industries	8,286.5	8,277.9	21.3	-8.6	25.4	-0.1	0.3
Goods-producing sector	1,575.5	1,592.8	11.7	17.3	16.7	1.1	1.1
Agriculture	61.4	62.9	3.1	1.5	-1.1	2.4	-1.7
Natural resources[2]	47.5	47.5	2.0	0.0	3.3	0.0	7.5
Utilities	61.3	62.7	2.2	1.4	-6.4	2.3	-9.3
Construction	583.5	586.8	7.6	3.3	15.8	0.6	2.8
Manufacturing	821.8	832.9	8.5	11.1	5.0	1.4	0.6
Services-producing sector	6,711.0	6,685.1	21.0	-25.9	8.7	-0.4	0.1
Wholesale and retail trade	1,125.1	1,086.9	10.6	-38.2	-78.9	-3.4	-6.8
Transportation and warehousing	454.0	460.6	7.2	6.6	25.6	1.5	5.9
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	732.8	732.7	7.9	-0.1	17.4	-0.0	2.4
Professional, scientific and technical services	914.7	922.4	9.7	7.7	4.2	0.8	0.5
Business, building and other support services	281.2	283.5	6.9	2.3	15.5	0.8	5.8
Educational services	572.2	581.0	8.2	8.8	-9.3	1.5	-1.6
Health care and social assistance	1,067.4	1,074.6	8.9	7.2	61.2	0.7	6.0
Information, culture and recreation	369.6	364.6	8.0	-5.0	0.5	-1.4	0.1
Accommodation and food services	429.1	414.5	7.8	-14.6	-37.9	-3.4	-8.4
Other services (except public administration)	302.2	299.6	6.2	-2.6	11.3	-0.9	3.9
Public administration	462.9	464.7	6.2	1.8	-1.0	0.4	-0.2

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	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Manitoba							
Total employed, all industries	751.7	752.5	3.5	0.8	15.9	0.1	2.2
Goods-producing sector	168.7	166.2	2.2	-2.5	8.4	-1.5	5.3
Agriculture	16.3	16.8	0.8	0.5	2.0	3.1	13.5
Natural resources[2]	5.1	5.5	0.5	0.4	-0.4	7.8	-6.8
Utilities	7.2	7.8	0.5	0.6	-0.1	8.3	-1.3
Construction	67.1	64.4	1.6	-2.7	3.4	-4.0	5.6
Manufacturing	73.1	71.6	1.4	-1.5	3.3	-2.1	4.8
Services-producing sector	583.0	586.3	3.5	3.3	7.5	0.6	1.3
Wholesale and retail trade	101.7	103.5	1.8	1.8	2.8	1.8	2.8
Transportation and warehousing	43.6	44.4	1.2	0.8	-1.7	1.8	-3.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	44.8	43.1	1.2	-1.7	-5.5	-3.8	-11.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	41.0	40.9	1.2	-0.1	1.3	-0.2	3.3
Business, building and other support services	20.8	22.3	1.2	1.5	5.3	7.2	31.2
Educational services	59.4	60.7	1.6	1.3	-1.3	2.2	-2.1
Health care and social assistance	129.4	129.2	1.8	-0.2	1.0	-0.2	0.8
Information, culture and recreation	25.9	26.1	1.2	0.2	2.0	0.8	8.3
Accommodation and food services	43.8	41.9	1.5	-1.9	-0.1	-4.3	-0.2
Other services (except public administration)	31.1	32.9	1.1	1.8	4.6	5.8	16.3
Public administration	41.6	41.3	0.9	-0.3	-0.9	-0.7	-2.1
Saskatchewan							
Total employed, all industries	622.1	624.6	2.9	2.5	6.2	0.4	1.0
Goods-producing sector	144.2	145.2	1.9	1.0	11.4	0.7	8.5
Agriculture	28.4	30.1	0.9	1.7	1.3	6.0	4.5
Natural resources[2]	24.0	23.3	0.8	-0.7	0.7	-2.9	3.1
Utilities	6.7	6.4	0.4	-0.3	-1.1	-4.5	-14.7
Construction	52.6	53.3	1.3	0.7	5.1	1.3	10.6
Manufacturing	32.4	32.1	0.9	-0.3	5.4	-0.9	20.2
Services-producing sector	477.9	479.4	2.8	1.5	-5.3	0.3	-1.1
Wholesale and retail trade	92.9	93.1	1.6	0.2	-6.3	0.2	-6.3
Transportation and warehousing	27.2	25.8	1.0	-1.4	-0.3	-5.1	-1.1
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	32.2	31.6	0.9	-0.6	1.4	-1.9	4.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	30.2	30.0	1.0	-0.2	-4.5	-0.7	-13.0
Business, building and other support services	13.0	14.9	0.9	1.9	1.7	14.6	12.9
Educational services	49.3	49.3	1.2	0.0	-3.0	0.0	-5.7
Health care and social assistance	108.0	109.1	1.4	1.1	5.4	1.0	5.2
Information, culture and recreation	22.0	21.3	1.0	-0.7	-0.3	-3.2	-1.4
Accommodation and food services	36.7	37.4	1.1	0.7	4.0	1.9	12.0
Other services (except public administration)	28.0	29.3	0.9	1.3	0.8	4.6	2.8
Public administration	38.2	37.6	0.9	-0.6	-4.2	-1.6	-10.0
Alberta							
Total employed, all industries	2,684.2	2,659.9	13.0	-24.3	41.3	-0.9	1.6
Goods-producing sector	616.0	619.7	8.2	3.7	6.0	0.6	1.0
Agriculture	36.9	35.8	2.7	-1.1	-2.5	-3.0	-6.5
Natural resources[2]	133.8	134.0	3.9	0.2	-9.6	0.1	-6.7
Utilities	19.2	17.9	1.6	-1.3	-10.2	-6.8	-36.3
Construction	273.3	278.3	6.1	5.0	24.2	1.8	9.5
Manufacturing	152.8	153.8	4.1	1.0	4.2	0.7	2.8
Services-producing sector	2,068.1	2,040.2	12.8	-27.9	35.3	-1.3	1.8
Wholesale and retail trade	387.8	379.6	7.0	-8.2	14.5	-2.1	4.0
Transportation and warehousing	156.9	142.5	4.5	-14.4	-8.8	-9.2	-5.8
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	150.2	150.4	3.7	0.2	6.2	0.1	4.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	255.3	244.8	4.9	-10.5	-7.0	-4.1	-2.8
Business, building and other support services	95.9	88.6	4.1	-7.3	4.0	-7.6	4.7
Educational services	170.0	172.0	5.4	2.0	-4.2	1.2	-2.4
Health care and social assistance	381.5	383.6	5.5	2.1	42.9	0.6	12.6
Information, culture and recreation	96.8	95.4	4.4	-1.4	1.2	-1.4	1.3
Accommodation and food services	139.4	142.7	5.3	3.3	-12.9	2.4	-8.3
Other services (except public administration)	103.0	104.9	4.0	1.9	6.8	1.8	6.9
Public administration	131.4	135.8	3.2	4.4	-7.3	3.3	-5.1

Table 6
Employment by province and industry, seasonally adjusted

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
British Columbia							
Total employed, all industries	2,929.0	2,941.3	12.1	12.3	0.8	0.4	0.0
Goods-producing sector	514.2	517.5	6.8	3.3	-7.4	0.6	-1.4
Agriculture	20.0	22.8	1.8	2.8	2.8	14.0	14.0
Natural resources[2]	37.4	37.0	2.1	-0.4	-1.5	-1.1	-3.9
Utilities	13.9	12.4	1.0	-1.5	-1.7	-10.8	-12.1
Construction	260.7	264.4	5.3	3.7	0.8	1.4	0.3
Manufacturing	182.3	180.9	3.8	-1.4	-7.8	-0.8	-4.1
Services-producing sector	2,414.8	2,423.8	12.1	9.0	8.2	0.4	0.3
Wholesale and retail trade	406.8	413.2	6.3	6.4	-21.9	1.6	-5.0
Transportation and warehousing	159.5	156.8	4.3	-2.7	2.5	-1.7	1.6
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	178.3	178.1	3.8	-0.2	-15.8	-0.1	-8.1
Professional, scientific and technical services	305.9	302.0	5.2	-3.9	-7.3	-1.3	-2.4
Business, building and other support services	92.7	93.5	3.5	0.8	1.6	0.9	1.7
Educational services	225.1	226.9	5.0	1.8	-2.4	0.8	-1.0
Health care and social assistance	439.6	439.8	5.7	0.2	31.4	0.0	7.7
Information, culture and recreation	146.5	154.1	4.7	7.6	23.1	5.2	17.6
Accommodation and food services	185.6	188.8	5.1	3.2	-3.9	1.7	-2.0
Other services (except public administration)	117.6	116.6	3.7	-1.0	4.9	-0.9	4.4
Public administration	157.1	154.2	2.9	-2.9	-3.9	-1.8	-2.5

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

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador							
Population	209.7	209.9	...	0.2	2.9	0.1	1.4
Labour force	137.7	139.2	0.8	1.5	1.3	1.1	0.9
Employment	128.6	130.2	0.8	1.6	2.7	1.2	2.1
Unemployment	9.1	9.0	0.4	-0.1	-1.3	-1.1	-12.6
Participation rate	65.7	66.3	0.4	0.6	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.6	6.5	0.3	-0.1	-1.0	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	62.0	0.4	0.7	0.4	...	...
Halifax, Nova Scotia							
Population	465.8	466.5	...	0.7	8.5	0.2	1.9
Labour force	317.6	320.6	1.4	3.0	9.5	0.9	3.1
Employment	299.3	303.2	1.5	3.9	10.0	1.3	3.4
Unemployment	18.3	17.4	0.8	-0.9	-0.5	-4.9	-2.8
Participation rate	68.2	68.7	0.3	0.5	0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.4	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	...	...
Employment rate	64.3	65.0	0.3	0.7	1.0	...	...
Moncton, New Brunswick							
Population	167.5	168.0	...	0.5	4.9	0.3	3.0
Labour force	109.9	110.6	0.9	0.7	2.3	0.6	2.1
Employment	101.5	102.6	0.9	1.1	1.9	1.1	1.9
Unemployment	8.4	8.0	0.4	-0.4	0.4	-4.8	5.3
Participation rate	65.6	65.8	0.6	0.2	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.6	7.2	0.4	-0.4	0.2	...	...
Employment rate	60.6	61.1	0.5	0.5	-0.6	...	...
Saint John, New Brunswick							
Population	121.3	121.5	...	0.2	1.0	0.2	0.8
Labour force	75.4	75.9	0.8	0.5	2.2	0.7	3.0
Employment	71.2	71.5	0.8	0.3	3.3	0.4	4.8
Unemployment	4.2	4.3	0.3	0.1	-1.1	2.4	-20.4
Participation rate	62.2	62.5	0.7	0.3	1.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.7	0.4	0.1	-1.6	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	58.8	0.7	0.1	2.2	...	...
Fredericton, New Brunswick							
Population	105.7	105.9	...	0.2	1.6	0.2	1.5
Labour force	71.1	70.7	0.7	-0.4	2.9	-0.6	4.3
Employment	66.8	66.1	0.7	-0.7	2.8	-1.0	4.4
Unemployment	4.3	4.6	0.4	0.3	0.1	7.0	2.2
Participation rate	67.3	66.8	0.7	-0.5	1.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	6.5	0.5	0.5	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	62.4	0.7	-0.8	1.7	...	...
Saguenay, Quebec							
Population	143.9	143.9	...	0.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
Labour force	87.7	89.0	0.9	1.3	2.7	1.5	3.1
Employment	84.5	85.5	0.9	1.0	3.3	1.2	4.0
Unemployment	3.2	3.4	0.3	0.2	-0.7	6.3	-17.1
Participation rate	60.9	61.8	0.6	0.9	1.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	3.6	3.8	0.3	0.2	-1.0	...	...
Employment rate	58.7	59.4	0.6	0.7	2.4	...	...
Québec, Quebec							
Population	754.0	754.0	...	0.0	-2.7	0.0	-0.4
Labour force	495.5	500.8	4.3	5.3	-27.5	1.1	-5.2
Employment	474.1	478.1	4.3	4.0	-26.9	0.8	-5.3
Unemployment	21.4	22.7	1.4	1.3	-0.6	6.1	-2.6
Participation rate	65.7	66.4	0.6	0.7	-3.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	4.5	0.3	0.2	0.1	...	...
Employment rate	62.9	63.4	0.6	0.5	-3.3	...	...
Sherbrooke, Quebec							
Population	208.4	208.4	...	0.0	-0.3	0.0	-0.1
Labour force	131.1	129.4	1.2	-1.7	-0.8	-1.3	-0.6
Employment	125.8	124.0	1.2	-1.8	1.0	-1.4	0.8
Unemployment	5.3	5.4	0.4	0.1	-1.7	1.9	-23.9
Participation rate	62.9	62.1	0.6	-0.8	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.0	4.2	0.3	0.2	-1.3	...	...
Employment rate	60.4	59.5	0.6	-0.9	0.6	...	...
Trois-Rivières, Quebec							
Population	147.4	147.4	...	0.0	-0.4	0.0	-0.3
Labour force	90.4	89.3	0.9	-1.1	-2.1	-1.2	-2.3
Employment	85.3	84.4	0.9	-0.9	-3.1	-1.1	-3.5
Unemployment	5.1	4.9	0.3	-0.2	1.0	-3.9	25.6
Participation rate	61.3	60.6	0.6	-0.7	-1.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.5	0.3	-0.1	1.2	...	...
Employment rate	57.9	57.3	0.6	-0.6	-1.9	...	...

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	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Drummondville, Quebec							
Population	91.1	91.1	...	0.0	1.6	0.0	1.8
Labour force	58.6	60.6	1.9	2.0	-0.8	3.4	-1.3
Employment	55.8	57.6	1.8	1.8	-0.3	3.2	-0.5
Unemployment	2.8	3.0	0.4	0.2	-0.5	7.1	-14.3
Participation rate	64.3	66.5	1.2	2.2	-2.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.8	5.0	0.7	0.2	-0.7	...	...
Employment rate	61.3	63.2	1.2	1.9	-1.5	...	...
Montréal, Quebec							
Population	3,845.2	3,843.8	...	-1.4	-28.5	-0.0	-0.7
Labour force	2,579.2	2,563.9	9.3	-15.3	-4.8	-0.6	-0.2
Employment	2,403.4	2,386.3	9.8	-17.1	-21.2	-0.7	-0.9
Unemployment	175.8	177.7	5.1	1.9	16.5	1.1	10.2
Participation rate	67.1	66.7	0.2	-0.4	0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.9	0.2	0.1	0.6	...	...
Employment rate	62.5	62.1	0.3	-0.4	-0.1	...	...
Ottawa–Gatineau, Ontario/Quebec							
Population	1,427.1	1,430.3	...	3.2	31.3	0.2	2.2
Labour force	942.1	934.6	6.0	-7.5	6.4	-0.8	0.7
Employment	876.3	867.9	6.0	-8.4	7.4	-1.0	0.9
Unemployment	65.8	66.7	3.0	0.9	-1.0	1.4	-1.5
Participation rate	66.0	65.3	0.4	-0.7	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.0	7.1	0.3	0.1	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	60.7	0.4	-0.7	-0.8	...	...
Ottawa–Gatineau, Quebec part, Ontario/Quebec							
Population	311.6	311.8	...	0.2	3.1	0.1	1.0
Labour force	200.6	197.1	1.9	-3.5	-8.0	-1.7	-3.9
Employment	188.0	184.6	1.8	-3.4	-5.6	-1.8	-2.9
Unemployment	12.6	12.5	0.8	-0.1	-2.3	-0.8	-15.5
Participation rate	64.4	63.2	0.6	-1.2	-3.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.3	0.4	0.0	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	60.3	59.2	0.6	-1.1	-2.4	...	...
Ottawa–Gatineau, Ontario part, Ontario/Quebec							
Population	1,115.5	1,118.5	...	3.0	28.2	0.3	2.6
Labour force	741.5	737.5	5.7	-4.0	14.4	-0.5	2.0
Employment	688.3	683.3	5.7	-5.0	13.1	-0.7	2.0
Unemployment	53.2	54.2	2.8	1.0	1.3	1.9	2.5
Participation rate	66.5	65.9	0.5	-0.6	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.3	0.4	0.1	0.0	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.1	0.5	-0.6	-0.4	...	...
Kingston, Ontario							
Population	162.3	162.3	...	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.2
Labour force	100.4	100.6	1.0	0.2	0.9	0.2	0.9
Employment	94.8	94.7	1.0	-0.1	1.1	-0.1	1.2
Unemployment	5.6	5.9	0.4	0.3	-0.2	5.4	-3.3
Participation rate	61.9	62.0	0.6	0.1	0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.6	5.9	0.4	0.3	-0.2	...	...
Employment rate	58.4	58.3	0.6	-0.1	0.5	...	...
Belleville–Quinte West, Ontario							
Population	108.2	108.3	...	0.1	7.7	0.1	7.7
Labour force	65.4	65.8	2.8	0.4	4.2	0.6	6.8
Employment	61.2	61.4	2.5	0.2	5.1	0.3	9.1
Unemployment	4.2	4.4	0.8	0.2	-1.0	4.8	-18.5
Participation rate	60.4	60.8	1.5	0.4	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.7	1.1	0.3	-2.1	...	...
Employment rate	56.6	56.7	1.4	0.1	0.7	...	...
Peterborough, Ontario							
Population	129.2	129.4	...	0.2	2.4	0.2	1.9
Labour force	79.6	80.6	1.6	1.0	3.3	1.3	4.3
Employment	74.2	74.9	1.6	0.7	2.3	0.9	3.2
Unemployment	5.4	5.7	0.6	0.3	1.0	5.6	21.3
Participation rate	61.6	62.3	1.3	0.7	1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	7.1	0.8	0.3	1.0	...	...
Employment rate	57.4	57.9	1.3	0.5	0.7	...	...
Oshawa, Ontario							
Population	414.4	415.6	...	1.2	11.7	0.3	2.9
Labour force	282.3	281.0	2.6	-1.3	0.0	-0.5	0.0
Employment	257.1	255.9	2.6	-1.2	-1.2	-0.5	-0.5
Unemployment	25.1	25.0	1.2	-0.1	1.1	-0.4	4.6
Participation rate	68.1	67.6	0.6	-0.5	-2.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.9	8.9	0.4	0.0	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	62.0	61.6	0.6	-0.4	-2.1	...	...
Toronto, Ontario							
Population	6,100.6	6,098.9	...	-1.7	-23.5	-0.0	-0.4
Labour force	4,068.2	4,082.2	11.6	14.0	11.9	0.3	0.3
Employment	3,788.7	3,792.3	11.9	3.6	70.4	0.1	1.9
Unemployment	279.6	289.9	6.8	10.3	-58.5	3.7	-16.8
Participation rate	66.7	66.9	0.2	0.2	0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.1	0.2	0.2	-1.5	...	...
Employment rate	62.1	62.2	0.2	0.1	1.4	...	...

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	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Hamilton, Ontario							
Population	731.8	732.8	...	1.0	6.7	0.1	0.9
Labour force	477.0	481.2	3.7	4.2	-0.5	0.9	-0.1
Employment	444.2	444.6	3.9	0.4	-3.7	0.1	-0.8
Unemployment	32.8	36.6	1.9	3.8	3.2	11.6	9.6
Participation rate	65.2	65.7	0.5	0.5	-0.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.6	0.4	0.7	0.7	...	...
Employment rate	60.7	60.7	0.5	0.0	-1.0	...	...
St. Catharines–Niagara, Ontario							
Population	433.6	434.6	...	1.0	9.0	0.2	2.1
Labour force	256.1	254.8	2.7	-1.3	3.8	-0.5	1.5
Employment	239.0	236.7	2.7	-2.3	3.7	-1.0	1.6
Unemployment	17.1	18.1	1.1	1.0	0.1	5.8	0.6
Participation rate	59.1	58.6	0.6	-0.5	-0.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.7	7.1	0.4	0.4	-0.1	...	...
Employment rate	55.1	54.5	0.6	-0.6	-0.2	...	...
Kitchener–Cambridge–Waterloo, Ontario							
Population	599.1	599.0	...	-0.1	-2.0	-0.0	-0.3
Labour force	420.8	420.3	3.0	-0.5	5.2	-0.1	1.3
Employment	388.3	390.3	3.1	2.0	6.7	0.5	1.7
Unemployment	32.5	30.0	1.6	-2.5	-1.5	-7.7	-4.8
Participation rate	70.2	70.2	0.5	0.0	1.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.7	7.1	0.4	-0.6	-0.5	...	...
Employment rate	64.8	65.2	0.5	0.4	1.4	...	...
Brantford, Ontario							
Population	144.1	144.4	...	0.3	2.4	0.2	1.7
Labour force	97.7	97.4	1.1	-0.3	-1.3	-0.3	-1.3
Employment	91.6	91.6	1.1	0.0	2.5	0.0	2.8
Unemployment	6.2	5.8	0.6	-0.4	-3.9	-6.5	-40.2
Participation rate	67.8	67.5	0.8	-0.3	-2.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.0	0.6	-0.3	-3.8	...	...
Employment rate	63.6	63.4	0.8	-0.2	0.7	...	...
Guelph, Ontario							
Population	158.7	158.8	...	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.3
Labour force	117.8	117.9	1.6	0.1	11.5	0.1	10.8
Employment	110.1	110.7	1.6	0.6	13.1	0.5	13.4
Unemployment	7.7	7.2	0.7	-0.5	-1.7	-6.5	-19.1
Participation rate	74.2	74.2	1.0	0.0	7.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.1	0.7	-0.4	-2.3	...	...
Employment rate	69.4	69.7	1.0	0.3	8.0	...	...
London, Ontario							
Population	541.5	542.1	...	0.6	3.6	0.1	0.7
Labour force	339.5	338.6	3.1	-0.9	-17.1	-0.3	-4.8
Employment	311.2	311.3	3.0	0.1	-20.6	0.0	-6.2
Unemployment	28.4	27.3	1.4	-1.1	3.5	-3.9	14.7
Participation rate	62.7	62.5	0.6	-0.2	-3.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	8.4	8.1	0.4	-0.3	1.4	...	...
Employment rate	57.5	57.4	0.6	-0.1	-4.2	...	...
Windsor, Ontario							
Population	411.1	411.6	...	0.5	3.3	0.1	0.8
Labour force	264.4	264.4	2.3	0.0	-3.1	0.0	-1.2
Employment	245.3	244.5	2.2	-0.8	3.0	-0.3	1.2
Unemployment	19.2	19.8	1.1	0.6	-6.2	3.1	-23.8
Participation rate	64.3	64.2	0.6	-0.1	-1.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.3	7.5	0.4	0.2	-2.2	...	...
Employment rate	59.7	59.4	0.6	-0.3	0.3	...	...
Barrie, Ontario							
Population	212.6	213.0	...	0.4	3.1	0.2	1.5
Labour force	141.4	141.1	2.2	-0.3	0.1	-0.2	0.1
Employment	132.3	131.9	2.2	-0.4	3.0	-0.3	2.3
Unemployment	9.1	9.2	1.0	0.1	-2.9	1.1	-24.0
Participation rate	66.5	66.2	1.1	-0.3	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	6.5	0.7	0.1	-2.1	...	...
Employment rate	62.2	61.9	1.1	-0.3	0.5	...	...
Greater Sudbury, Ontario							
Population	165.1	165.4	...	0.3	2.6	0.2	1.6
Labour force	107.9	106.8	0.9	-1.1	4.5	-1.0	4.4
Employment	101.4	100.9	0.9	-0.5	5.4	-0.5	5.7
Unemployment	6.5	6.0	0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-7.7	-10.4
Participation rate	65.4	64.6	0.6	-0.8	1.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.0	5.6	0.3	-0.4	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	61.4	61.0	0.6	-0.4	2.3	...	...

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	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Thunder Bay, Ontario							
Population	112.0	112.1	...	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.4
Labour force	69.6	69.0	0.7	-0.6	-3.1	-0.9	-4.3
Employment	66.6	66.4	0.7	-0.2	-2.1	-0.3	-3.1
Unemployment	3.0	2.5	0.2	-0.5	-1.1	-16.7	-30.6
Participation rate	62.1	61.6	0.6	-0.5	-3.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.3	3.6	0.3	-0.7	-1.4	...	...
Employment rate	59.5	59.2	0.6	-0.3	-2.2	...	...
Winnipeg, Manitoba							
Population	812.5	812.8	...	0.3	9.6	0.0	1.2
Labour force	552.8	550.7	1.9	-2.1	3.9	-0.4	0.7
Employment	524.9	523.0	1.9	-1.9	11.3	-0.4	2.2
Unemployment	27.9	27.6	1.1	-0.3	-7.5	-1.1	-21.4
Participation rate	68.0	67.8	0.2	-0.2	-0.3	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.0	5.0	0.2	0.0	-1.4	...	...
Employment rate	64.6	64.3	0.2	-0.3	0.6	...	...
Regina, Saskatchewan							
Population	240.2	240.8	...	0.6	6.7	0.2	2.9
Labour force	167.6	168.0	1.2	0.4	4.4	0.2	2.7
Employment	156.9	158.2	1.2	1.3	5.1	0.8	3.3
Unemployment	10.7	9.9	0.6	-0.8	-0.6	-7.5	-5.7
Participation rate	69.8	69.8	0.5	0.0	-0.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.4	5.9	0.3	-0.5	-0.5	...	...
Employment rate	65.3	65.7	0.5	0.4	0.3	...	...
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan							
Population	318.3	319.1	...	0.8	10.2	0.3	3.3
Labour force	219.0	218.8	1.4	-0.2	1.9	-0.1	0.9
Employment	206.0	205.9	1.4	-0.1	1.0	-0.0	0.5
Unemployment	13.0	12.9	0.6	-0.1	1.0	-0.8	8.4
Participation rate	68.8	68.6	0.4	-0.2	-1.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.9	5.9	0.3	0.0	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	64.7	64.5	0.4	-0.2	-1.8	...	...
Lethbridge, Alberta							
Population	119.5	119.6	...	0.1	2.0	0.1	1.7
Labour force	76.8	75.5	1.3	-1.3	-3.9	-1.7	-4.9
Employment	72.5	71.6	1.3	-0.9	-1.4	-1.2	-1.9
Unemployment	4.2	3.9	0.6	-0.3	-2.5	-7.1	-39.1
Participation rate	64.3	63.1	1.1	-1.2	-4.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.5	5.2	0.7	-0.3	-2.9	...	...
Employment rate	60.7	59.9	1.1	-0.8	-2.2	...	...
Calgary, Alberta							
Population	1,575.5	1,578.6	...	3.1	43.0	0.2	2.8
Labour force	1,123.2	1,127.4	6.3	4.2	52.3	0.4	4.9
Employment	1,052.5	1,052.5	6.3	0.0	61.7	0.0	6.2
Unemployment	70.7	74.9	3.5	4.2	-9.4	5.9	-11.2
Participation rate	71.3	71.4	0.4	0.1	1.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	6.6	0.3	0.3	-1.2	...	...
Employment rate	66.8	66.7	0.4	-0.1	2.2	...	...
Red Deer, Alberta							
Population	96.1	96.2	...	0.1	1.8	0.1	1.9
Labour force	67.1	68.1	1.2	1.0	5.4	1.5	8.6
Employment	63.0	64.5	1.2	1.5	7.2	2.4	12.6
Unemployment	4.2	3.6	0.5	-0.6	-1.8	-14.3	-33.3
Participation rate	69.8	70.8	1.2	1.0	4.4	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.3	5.3	0.8	-1.0	-3.3	...	...
Employment rate	65.6	67.0	1.2	1.4	6.3	...	...
Edmonton, Alberta							
Population	1,391.7	1,393.8	...	2.1	34.5	0.2	2.5
Labour force	956.6	957.0	6.3	0.4	14.3	0.0	1.5
Employment	890.9	889.0	6.4	-1.9	26.0	-0.2	3.0
Unemployment	65.7	68.1	3.2	2.4	-11.5	3.7	-14.4
Participation rate	68.7	68.7	0.4	0.0	-0.7	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.9	7.1	0.3	0.2	-1.3	...	...
Employment rate	64.0	63.8	0.4	-0.2	0.3	...	...
Kelowna, British Columbia							
Population	212.6	212.9	...	0.3	2.2	0.1	1.0
Labour force	142.9	143.7	2.4	0.8	-2.9	0.6	-2.0
Employment	129.6	129.9	2.5	0.3	-3.1	0.2	-2.3
Unemployment	13.3	13.8	1.2	0.5	0.2	3.8	1.5
Participation rate	67.2	67.5	1.1	0.3	-2.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	9.3	9.6	0.9	0.3	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	61.0	61.0	1.2	0.0	-2.1	...	...
Kamloops, British Columbia							
Population	103.4	103.4	...	0.0	-3.0	0.0	-2.8
Labour force	66.2	66.1	2.8	-0.1	-7.1	-0.2	-9.7
Employment	63.3	63.2	2.6	-0.1	-3.0	-0.2	-4.5
Unemployment	2.9	2.9	0.6	0.0	-4.1	0.0	-58.6
Participation rate	64.0	63.9	1.2	-0.1	-4.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.4	4.4	0.8	0.0	-5.2	...	...
Employment rate	61.2	61.1	1.2	-0.1	-1.1	...	...
Chilliwack, British Columbia							

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	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
Population	101.1	101.4	...	0.3	2.3	0.3	2.3
Labour force	65.8	66.7	1.1	0.9	4.0	1.4	6.4
Employment	62.4	63.1	1.2	0.7	4.9	1.1	8.4
Unemployment	3.4	3.6	0.5	0.2	-0.9	5.9	-20.0
Participation rate	65.1	65.8	1.1	0.7	2.5	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.2	5.4	0.9	0.2	-1.8	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	62.2	1.2	0.5	3.5	...	...
Abbotsford–Mission, British Columbia							
Population	183.2	183.5	...	0.3	1.7	0.2	0.9
Labour force	121.3	119.9	0.9	-1.4	-0.6	-1.2	-0.5
Employment	113.1	111.9	1.0	-1.2	0.1	-1.1	0.1
Unemployment	8.2	8.0	0.4	-0.2	-0.7	-2.4	-8.0
Participation rate	66.2	65.3	0.5	-0.9	-1.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.8	6.7	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.0	0.5	-0.7	-0.5	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia							
Population	2,689.2	2,689.3	...	0.1	-16.5	0.0	-0.6
Labour force	1,827.4	1,827.9	6.4	0.5	30.1	0.0	1.7
Employment	1,708.4	1,705.0	6.5	-3.4	21.0	-0.2	1.2
Unemployment	119.1	122.9	3.8	3.8	9.1	3.2	8.0
Participation rate	68.0	68.0	0.2	0.0	1.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	6.5	6.7	0.2	0.2	0.4	...	...
Employment rate	63.5	63.4	0.2	-0.1	1.2	...	...
Victoria, British Columbia							
Population	381.2	381.6	...	0.4	0.6	0.1	0.2
Labour force	242.2	246.2	2.2	4.0	-5.8	1.7	-2.3
Employment	229.3	234.3	2.3	5.0	-7.2	2.2	-3.0
Unemployment	12.9	11.9	0.8	-1.0	1.4	-7.8	13.3
Participation rate	63.5	64.5	0.6	1.0	-1.6	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	4.8	0.3	-0.5	0.6	...	...
Employment rate	60.2	61.4	0.6	1.2	-2.0	...	...
Nanaimo, British Columbia							
Population	111.4	111.6	...	0.2	1.1	0.2	1.0
Labour force	69.8	69.9	1.2	0.1	0.9	0.1	1.3
Employment	66.1	66.5	1.1	0.4	2.8	0.6	4.4
Unemployment	3.7	3.4	0.6	-0.3	-1.9	-8.1	-35.8
Participation rate	62.7	62.6	1.1	-0.1	0.2	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.3	4.9	0.9	-0.4	-2.8	...	...
Employment rate	59.3	59.6	1.0	0.3	2.0	...	...

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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.

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

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Montréal, Quebec							
Population	3,844.4	3,843.0	...	-1.4	-28.3	-0.0	-0.7
Labour force	2,561.2	2,554.1	19.1	-7.1	-18.6	-0.3	-0.7
Employment	2,372.7	2,377.9	19.8	5.2	-44.4	0.2	-1.8
Unemployment	188.5	176.2	12.4	-12.3	25.8	-6.5	17.2
Participation rate	66.6	66.5	0.5	-0.1	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.4	6.9	0.5	-0.5	1.1	...	...
Employment rate	61.7	61.9	0.5	0.2	-0.7	...	...
Toronto, Ontario							
Population	6,096.5	6,097.7	...	1.2	-28.6	0.0	-0.5
Labour force	4,079.3	4,107.8	23.7	28.5	25.9	0.7	0.6
Employment	3,786.6	3,804.3	23.5	17.7	60.1	0.5	1.6
Unemployment	292.7	303.5	16.5	10.8	-34.2	3.7	-10.1
Participation rate	66.9	67.4	0.4	0.5	0.8	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.2	7.4	0.4	0.2	-0.9	...	...
Employment rate	62.1	62.4	0.4	0.3	1.3	...	...
Vancouver, British Columbia							
Population	2,689.0	2,690.0	...	1.0	-16.3	0.0	-0.6
Labour force	1,828.4	1,816.8	13.3	-11.6	19.0	-0.6	1.1
Employment	1,699.1	1,696.9	13.3	-2.2	13.0	-0.1	0.8
Unemployment	129.4	119.9	9.2	-9.5	6.1	-7.3	5.4
Participation rate	68.0	67.5	0.5	-0.5	1.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	7.1	6.6	0.5	-0.5	0.3	...	...
Employment rate	63.2	63.1	0.5	-0.1	0.9	...	...

... 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 October 2025 and October 2026, unadjusted for seasonality

	Population	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
	thousands				%		
Canada							
2025	34,670.5	22,661.5	21,083.8	1,577.6	65.4	7.0	60.8
2026	34,856.4	22,666.5	21,180.8	1,485.8	65.0	6.6	60.8
Newfoundland and Labrador							
2025	471.9	273.9	249.1	24.8	58.0	9.1	52.8
2026	475.7	274.6	253.6	21.0	57.7	7.6	53.3
Avalon Peninsula							
2025	261.2	163.3	150.9	12.4	62.5	7.6	57.8
2026	264.2	167.1	156.1	11.0	63.2	6.6	59.1
South Coast–Burin Peninsula and Notre Dame–Central–Bonavista Bay							
2025	122.6	60.0	52.7	7.3	48.9	12.2	43.0
2026	122.6	58.5	52.5	5.9	47.7	10.1	42.8
West Coast–Northern Peninsula–Labrador							
2025	88.1	50.6	45.5	5.1	57.4	10.1	51.6
2026	88.8	49.1	45.0	4.1	55.3	8.4	50.7
Prince Edward Island							
2025	154.7	103.7	96.5	7.2	67.0	6.9	62.4
2026	156.4	104.9	98.4	6.5	67.1	6.2	62.9
Nova Scotia							
2025	915.4	560.6	524.5	36.1	61.2	6.4	57.3
2026	927.1	578.8	543.4	35.4	62.4	6.1	58.6
Cape Breton							
2025	120.2	62.8	57.3	5.5	52.2	8.8	47.7
2026	121.2	65.5	60.8	4.6	54.0	7.0	50.2
North Shore							
2025	138.2	77.0	71.4	5.6	55.7	7.3	51.7
2026	139.3	83.4	77.7	5.7	59.9	6.8	55.8
Annapolis Valley							
2025	113.8	64.8	61.6	3.2	56.9	4.9	54.1
2026	115.3	67.5	64.6	2.9	58.5	4.3	56.0
Southern							
2025	105.5	57.8	53.9	3.9	54.8	6.7	51.1
2026	105.7	55.9	51.0	5.0	52.9	8.9	48.2
Halifax							
2025	437.8	298.1	280.3	17.8	68.1	6.0	64.0
2026	445.6	306.5	289.2	17.2	68.8	5.6	64.9
New Brunswick							
2025	722.6	442.8	410.5	32.2	61.3	7.3	56.8
2026	731.3	445.9	414.4	31.5	61.0	7.1	56.7
Campbellton–Miramichi							
2025	137.9	77.8	69.7	8.1	56.4	10.4	50.5
2026	138.3	72.7	65.7	7.0	52.6	9.6	47.5
Moncton–Richibucto							
2025	226.2	146.4	135.8	10.6	64.7	7.2	60.0
2026	231.6	147.5	137.0	10.5	63.7	7.1	59.2
Saint John–St. Stephen							
2025	159.9	97.0	90.5	6.5	60.7	6.7	56.6
2026	161.2	100.3	94.4	6.0	62.2	6.0	58.6
Fredericton–Oromocto							
2025	130.7	81.2	76.2	5.1	62.1	6.3	58.3
2026	132.1	84.6	79.0	5.6	64.0	6.6	59.8
Edmundston–Woodstock							
2025	67.9	40.3	38.4	1.9	59.4	4.7	56.6
2026	68.2	40.8	38.3	2.5	59.8	6.1	56.2
Quebec							
2025	7,601.4	4,941.5	4,671.7	269.9	65.0	5.5	61.5
2026	7,576.3	4,854.3	4,581.6	272.7	64.1	5.6	60.5
Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine							
2025	79.1	40.3	38.0	2.3	50.9	5.7	48.0
2026	78.6	39.7	35.7	4.0	50.5	10.1	45.4
Bas-Saint-Laurent							
2025	176.8	96.8	92.8	4.1	54.8	4.2	52.5
2026	176.7	95.2	91.1	4.1	53.9	4.3	51.6
Capitale-Nationale							
2025	684.2	471.0	451.6	19.4	68.8	4.1	66.0
2026	680.5	445.3	424.5	20.8	65.4	4.7	62.4
Chaudière-Appalaches							
2025	382.7	260.5	252.7	7.8	68.1	3.0	66.0
2026	383.7	240.9	235.3	5.6	62.8	2.3	61.3
Estrie							
2025	307.6	188.3	178.6	9.8	61.2	5.2	58.1
2026	307.7	185.6	178.8	6.8	60.3	3.7	58.1
Centre-du-Québec							
2025	220.7	140.4	135.3	5.1	63.6	3.6	61.3
2026	220.6	136.6	131.9	4.7	61.9	3.4	59.8
Montérégie							
2025	1,398.5	915.0	874.9	40.1	65.4	4.4	62.6

Table 9 - continued

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

	Population	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
2026	1,402.4	907.1	868.5	38.6	64.7	4.3	61.9
Montréal							
2025	1,871.1	1,240.2	1,140.6	99.6	66.3	8.0	61.0
2026	1,830.3	1,254.1	1,139.4	114.7	68.5	9.1	62.3
Laval							
2025	388.7	263.5	245.2	18.3	67.8	6.9	63.1
2026	390.7	252.0	232.1	19.9	64.5	7.9	59.4
Lanaudière							
2025	468.2	287.3	274.9	12.4	61.4	4.3	58.7
2026	475.0	295.3	286.6	8.7	62.2	2.9	60.3
Laurentides							
2025	571.5	379.2	364.3	14.9	66.4	3.9	63.7
2026	576.0	360.8	344.7	16.1	62.6	4.5	59.8
Outaouais							
2025	355.3	231.7	214.0	17.7	65.2	7.6	60.2
2026	357.9	222.1	207.9	14.2	62.1	6.4	58.1
Abitibi-Témiscamingue							
2025	121.6	75.4	72.3	3.1	62.0	4.1	59.5
2026	121.5	74.7	72.8	1.9	61.5	2.5	59.9
Mauricie							
2025	244.9	150.5	143.9	6.5	61.5	4.3	58.8
2026	244.8	140.4	134.4	6.0	57.4	4.3	54.9
Saguenay–Lac-Saint-Jean							
2025	241.5	144.6	139.0	5.7	59.9	3.9	57.6
2026	240.9	148.0	142.6	5.4	61.4	3.6	59.2
Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec							
2025	89.0	56.8	53.6	3.1	63.8	5.5	60.2
2026	89.0	56.4	55.3	x	63.4	x	62.1
Ontario							
2025	13,732.5	8,926.4	8,223.9	702.5	65.0	7.9	59.9
2026	13,801.1	8,941.7	8,299.5	642.2	64.8	7.2	60.1
Ottawa							
2025	1,339.6	871.6	808.6	63.0	65.1	7.2	60.4
2026	1,369.4	879.6	809.1	70.4	64.2	8.0	59.1
Kingston–Pembroke							
2025	442.2	251.4	235.6	15.8	56.9	6.3	53.3
2026	445.4	263.2	245.3	17.9	59.1	6.8	55.1
Muskoka–Kawarthas							
2025	391.3	208.9	199.3	9.6	53.4	4.6	50.9
2026	395.9	219.6	208.5	11.1	55.5	5.1	52.7
Toronto							
2025	6,416.1	4,271.7	3,890.9	380.8	66.6	8.9	60.6
2026	6,395.5	4,273.7	3,950.5	323.2	66.8	7.6	61.8
Kitchener–Waterloo–Barrie							
2025	1,405.3	940.7	871.1	69.6	66.9	7.4	62.0
2026	1,413.2	959.2	897.0	62.3	67.9	6.5	63.5
Hamilton–Niagara Peninsula							
2025	1,424.1	919.5	855.6	63.9	64.6	6.9	60.1
2026	1,446.3	924.7	859.9	64.8	63.9	7.0	59.5
London							
2025	696.5	463.9	432.9	31.0	66.6	6.7	62.2
2026	703.5	443.3	409.7	33.6	63.0	7.6	58.2
Windsor–Sarnia							
2025	621.4	398.5	363.0	35.5	64.1	8.9	58.4
2026	626.7	387.6	357.0	30.6	61.8	7.9	57.0
Stratford–Bruce Peninsula							
2025	293.8	177.9	170.2	7.7	60.6	4.3	57.9
2026	298.0	168.2	161.8	6.4	56.4	3.8	54.3
Northeast							
2025	518.4	308.8	288.6	20.2	59.6	6.5	55.7
2026	522.7	310.9	292.1	18.8	59.5	6.0	55.9
Northwest							
2025	184.0	113.6	108.2	5.4	61.7	4.8	58.8
2026	184.4	111.9	108.6	3.3	60.7	2.9	58.9
Manitoba							
2025	1,178.6	787.2	738.0	49.2	66.8	6.3	62.6
2026	1,191.6	794.9	753.9	41.0	66.7	5.2	63.3
Southeast							
2025	114.9	77.8	75.1	2.8	67.7	3.6	65.4
2026	117.7	80.5	77.2	3.3	68.4	4.1	65.6
South Central and North Central							
2025	98.6	63.0	59.8	3.2	63.9	5.1	60.6
2026	99.8	65.6	62.7	2.9	65.7	4.4	62.8
Southwest							
2025	100.4	64.8	61.1	3.7	64.5	5.7	60.9
2026	101.8	65.1	61.3	3.8	63.9	5.8	60.2
Winnipeg							
2025	724.4	494.6	460.1	34.5	68.3	7.0	63.5
2026	730.9	499.6	471.8	27.8	68.4	5.6	64.6

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

	Population	Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	Participation rate	Unemployment rate	Employment rate
Interlake							
2025	84.6	51.9	48.8	3.1	61.3	6.0	57.7
2026	86.2	54.5	52.9	1.6	63.2	2.9	61.4
Parklands and North							
2025	55.6	35.1	33.2	1.9	63.1	5.4	59.7
2026	55.2	29.6	27.9	1.7	53.6	5.7	50.5
Saskatchewan							
2025	969.4	657.9	623.0	34.9	67.9	5.3	64.3
2026	988.7	664.5	626.4	38.1	67.2	5.7	63.4
Regina–Moose Mountain							
2025	296.8	206.1	193.6	12.6	69.4	6.1	65.2
2026	303.8	208.4	197.9	10.5	68.6	5.0	65.1
Swift Current–Moose Jaw							
2025	86.9	53.7	51.4	2.3	61.8	4.3	59.1
2026	87.3	55.0	51.6	3.4	63.0	6.2	59.1
Saskatoon–Biggar							
2025	351.2	246.5	233.8	12.7	70.2	5.2	66.6
2026	360.9	250.0	234.9	15.1	69.3	6.0	65.1
Yorkton–Melville							
2025	65.3	43.6	41.6	2.0	66.8	4.6	63.7
2026	65.5	40.5	38.6	2.0	61.8	4.9	58.9
Prince Albert and Northern							
2025	169.2	108.0	102.6	5.3	63.8	4.9	60.6
2026	171.2	110.7	103.4	7.2	64.7	6.5	60.4
Alberta							
2025	4,076.5	2,820.8	2,604.6	216.2	69.2	7.7	63.9
2026	4,163.6	2,863.9	2,669.9	194.1	68.8	6.8	64.1
Lethbridge–Medicine Hat							
2025	264.7	173.1	158.2	14.9	65.4	8.6	59.8
2026	267.2	167.2	156.7	10.5	62.6	6.3	58.6
Camrose–Drumheller							
2025	171.9	115.5	109.1	6.4	67.2	5.5	63.5
2026	172.3	108.5	98.9	9.5	63.0	8.8	57.4
Calgary							
2025	1,634.2	1,137.9	1,051.2	86.8	69.6	7.6	64.3
2026	1,677.7	1,182.4	1,104.2	78.3	70.5	6.6	65.8
Banff–Jasper–Rocky Mountain House and Athabasca–Grande Prairie–Peace River							
2025	290.0	201.9	189.8	12.2	69.6	6.0	65.4
2026	291.6	195.3	184.3	11.0	67.0	5.6	63.2
Red Deer							
2025	191.9	133.1	123.2	9.9	69.4	7.4	64.2
2026	194.5	135.7	128.5	7.2	69.8	5.3	66.1
Edmonton							
2025	1,408.6	973.7	893.4	80.3	69.1	8.2	63.4
2026	1,443.3	987.3	914.8	72.5	68.4	7.3	63.4
Wood Buffalo–Cold Lake							
2025	115.3	85.6	79.8	5.8	74.2	6.8	69.2
2026	117.0	87.5	82.5	4.9	74.8	5.6	70.5
British Columbia							
2025	4,847.7	3,146.7	2,942.0	204.7	64.9	6.5	60.7
2026	4,844.5	3,142.9	2,939.6	203.3	64.9	6.5	60.7
Vancouver Island and Coast							
2025	807.9	498.4	472.2	26.2	61.7	5.3	58.4
2026	812.1	482.6	457.4	25.2	59.4	5.2	56.3
Lower Mainland–Southwest							
2025	3,071.7	2,036.1	1,902.8	133.4	66.3	6.6	61.9
2026	3,058.1	2,069.5	1,926.6	142.9	67.7	6.9	63.0
Thompson–Okanagan							
2025	552.0	351.0	325.5	25.5	63.6	7.3	59.0
2026	554.3	332.7	310.9	21.8	60.0	6.6	56.1
Kootenay							
2025	150.6	93.2	87.3	5.9	61.9	6.3	58.0
2026	151.7	85.8	82.3	3.5	56.6	4.1	54.3
Cariboo							
2025	141.6	85.4	77.5	7.9	60.3	9.3	54.7
2026	143.0	89.6	84.1	5.5	62.7	6.1	58.8
North Coast and Nechako							
2025	69.7	43.2	40.3	2.9	62.0	6.7	57.8
2026	70.7	45.3	42.8	2.5	64.1	5.5	60.5
Northeast							
2025	54.2	39.4	36.4	3.0	72.7	7.6	67.2
2026	54.6	37.4	35.5	1.9	68.5	5.1	65.0

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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

	September 2026	October 2026	Standard error[1]	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026	September to October 2026	October 2025 to October 2026
	thousands (except rates)			change in thousands (except rates)		% change	
Yukon							
Population	38.8	38.9	...	0.1	1.5	0.3	4.0
Labour force	28.2	28.4	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.7	0.0
Employment	26.9	26.8	0.2	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.7
Unemployment	1.3	1.5	0.1	0.2	0.2	15.4	15.4
Participation rate	72.7	73.0	0.6	0.3	-2.9	...	...
Unemployment rate	4.6	5.3	0.5	0.7	0.7	...	...
Employment rate	69.3	68.9	0.6	-0.4	-3.3	...	...
Northwest Territories							
Population	35.6	35.7	...	0.1	0.4	0.3	1.1
Labour force	25.7	25.5	0.3	-0.2	2.1	-0.8	9.0
Employment	24.1	24.2	0.3	0.1	1.8	0.4	8.0
Unemployment	1.5	1.3	0.2	-0.2	0.3	-13.3	30.0
Participation rate	72.2	71.4	0.8	-0.8	5.1	...	...
Unemployment rate	5.8	5.1	0.6	-0.7	0.8	...	...
Employment rate	67.7	67.8	0.7	0.1	4.3	...	...
Nunavut							
Population	27.8	27.9	...	0.1	0.8	0.4	3.0
Labour force	17.3	17.3	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.0	3.0
Employment	15.4	15.2	0.2	-0.2	0.1	-1.3	0.7
Unemployment	1.9	2.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	10.5	23.5
Participation rate	62.4	62.0	0.8	-0.4	0.0	...	...
Unemployment rate	11.0	12.2	0.9	1.2	2.3	...	...
Employment rate	55.5	54.4	0.8	-1.1	-1.5	...	...

... 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
October 2026										
15 years and over	18,384.1	35.4	1,384.39	37.89	15,278.3	39.2	1,574.38	3,105.8	16.6	449.80
15 to 24 years	2,499.3	26.3	641.06	22.78	1,191.3	39.2	1,030.86	1,308.0	14.5	286.04
25 years and over	15,884.8	36.8	1,501.35	40.27	14,087.0	39.2	1,620.34	1,797.8	18.2	568.95
Men+[1]	9,420.2	37.3	1,532.94	40.09	8,292.0	40.2	1,682.39	1,128.2	16.5	434.60
Women+[1]	8,963.9	33.3	1,228.28	35.59	6,986.3	38.0	1,446.18	1,977.5	16.7	458.48
Union coverage										
Union coverage	5,660.0	35.8	1,465.40	40.45	4,914.0	38.5	1,592.52	746.0	18.1	628.02
No union coverage	12,724.1	35.2	1,348.36	36.75	10,364.3	39.5	1,565.77	2,359.8	16.2	393.47
Job permanency										
Permanent employees	16,209.4	36.4	1,453.21	38.98	14,105.2	39.2	1,597.19	2,104.1	17.7	488.01
Temporary employees	2,174.7	27.6	871.46	29.80	1,173.0	38.9	1,300.02	1,001.6	14.4	369.55
Occupation										
Management occupations	1,493.9	38.9	2,401.51	62.09	1,451.2	39.5	2,443.43	42.6	17.1	974.27
Business, finance and administration occupations, except management	3,014.7	35.9	1,380.80	37.97	2,672.2	38.3	1,489.85	342.5	17.2	530.03
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations, except management	1,763.5	38.2	1,943.10	50.86	1,709.5	38.9	1,978.98	54.0	16.9	807.24
Health occupations, except management	1,491.2	34.6	1,389.08	39.94	1,204.8	38.2	1,544.30	286.3	19.2	735.98
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services, except management	2,351.1	33.7	1,474.20	42.74	1,908.9	37.8	1,687.70	442.2	15.8	552.44
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport, except management	411.8	29.0	1,113.43	35.13	261.5	39.0	1,565.58	150.3	11.6	326.73
Sales and service occupations, except management	4,060.3	30.3	775.31	24.19	2,561.2	38.3	1,036.79	1,499.1	16.5	328.56
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations, except management	2,693.0	39.6	1,386.38	34.57	2,481.5	41.4	1,462.72	211.5	18.2	490.67
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations, except management	303.1	43.2	1,472.75	32.53	264.7	47.2	1,634.75	38.4	15.2	357.33
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities, except management	801.6	39.1	1,185.41	29.97	762.8	40.2	1,224.51	38.8	17.4	416.12
October 2025										
15 years and over	18,431.6	35.2	1,349.22	37.06	15,257.1	39.1	1,537.26	3,174.5	16.6	445.50
15 to 24 years	2,544.8	25.9	607.09	21.93	1,195.7	38.9	984.74	1,349.1	14.3	272.40
25 years and over	15,886.8	36.7	1,468.10	39.49	14,061.5	39.2	1,584.24	1,825.3	18.2	573.44
Men+[1]	9,480.6	37.1	1,493.86	39.28	8,308.7	40.1	1,643.72	1,171.9	16.4	431.37
Women+[1]	8,951.0	33.2	1,196.03	34.71	6,948.4	38.0	1,409.95	2,002.6	16.7	453.76
Union coverage										
Union coverage	5,649.0	36.0	1,433.04	39.49	4,910.5	38.7	1,552.55	738.6	18.1	638.46
No union coverage	12,782.5	34.9	1,312.18	35.99	10,346.6	39.4	1,530.00	2,435.9	16.1	386.99
Job permanency										
Permanent employees	16,223.6	36.3	1,420.45	38.20	14,067.2	39.2	1,564.42	2,156.4	17.6	481.21
Temporary employees	2,207.9	27.6	825.89	28.70	1,189.9	38.8	1,216.07	1,018.0	14.4	369.85
Occupation										
Management occupations	1,472.2	38.9	2,338.72	60.45	1,432.1	39.5	2,378.45	40.0	18.1	917.45
Business, finance and administration occupations, except management	3,056.2	35.8	1,306.68	36.02	2,698.1	38.2	1,416.19	358.1	17.2	481.53
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations, except management	1,810.7	38.1	1,898.75	49.72	1,735.6	39.0	1,947.25	75.1	17.9	777.75
Health occupations, except management	1,435.0	34.8	1,350.11	38.59	1,161.8	38.4	1,489.60	273.2	19.8	756.98
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services, except management	2,369.5	33.8	1,457.38	42.58	1,931.9	37.9	1,650.92	437.6	15.6	602.89
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport, except management	391.1	26.3	975.54	32.52	218.0	38.9	1,534.86	173.1	10.5	271.27
Sales and service occupations, except management	4,117.9	30.2	779.69	24.27	2,577.1	38.3	1,054.53	1,540.8	16.5	320.01
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations, except management	2,704.4	39.4	1,343.88	33.79	2,493.4	41.2	1,413.61	210.9	17.8	519.56
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations, except management	277.3	42.4	1,430.15	32.49	246.7	45.6	1,562.79	30.6	16.3	361.71
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities, except management	797.3	39.2	1,229.11	31.00	762.4	40.1	1,265.37	35.0	18.5	438.15

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

	November 8, 2026 to December 5, 2026
	%
Newfoundland and Labrador	
St. John's	6.4
Newfoundland and Labrador[2]	11.4
Prince Edward Island[3]	
Charlottetown	5.7
Prince Edward Island[4]	10.1
Nova Scotia	
Eastern Nova Scotia	8.5
Western Nova Scotia	6.4
Halifax	5.6
New Brunswick	
Fredericton–Moncton–Saint John	6.8
Madawaska–Charlotte	6.7
Restigouche–Albert	10.1
Quebec	
Gaspésie–Îles-de-la-Madeleine	10.8
Québec	4.6
Trois-Rivières	5.2
South Central Quebec	2.8
Sherbrooke	4.5
Montérégie	4.5
Montréal	7.2
Central Quebec	2.9
North Western Quebec	3.7
Lower Saint Lawrence and North Shore	4.8
Hull	6.7
Chicoutimi–Jonquière	3.8
Ontario	
Ottawa	7.7
Eastern Ontario	6.1
Kingston	5.9
Central Ontario	6.5
Oshawa	9.0
Toronto	7.2
Hamilton	7.6
St. Catharines	7.3
London	8.4
Niagara	6.8
Windsor	8.0
Kitchener	7.0
Huron	7.2
South Central Ontario	5.4
Sudbury	5.4
Thunder Bay	4.3
Northern Ontario	6.7
Manitoba	
Winnipeg	5.0
Southern Manitoba	6.1
Northern Manitoba	28.0
Saskatchewan	
Regina	5.9
Saskatoon	5.9
Southern Saskatchewan	6.9

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

	November 8, 2026 to December 5, 2026
Northern Saskatchewan	14.6
Alberta	
Calgary	6.9
Edmonton	7.4
Northern Alberta	8.8
Southern Alberta	7.0
British Columbia	
Southern Interior British Columbia	7.8
Abbotsford	7.0
Vancouver	6.8
Victoria	5.3
Southern Coastal British Columbia	6.5
Northern British Columbia	8.4
Territories[3],[5]	
Whitehorse	5.5
Yukon[6]	7.1
Yellowknife	4.4
Northwest Territories[7]	9.0
Iqaluit	5.8
Nunavut[8]	15.5

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.

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