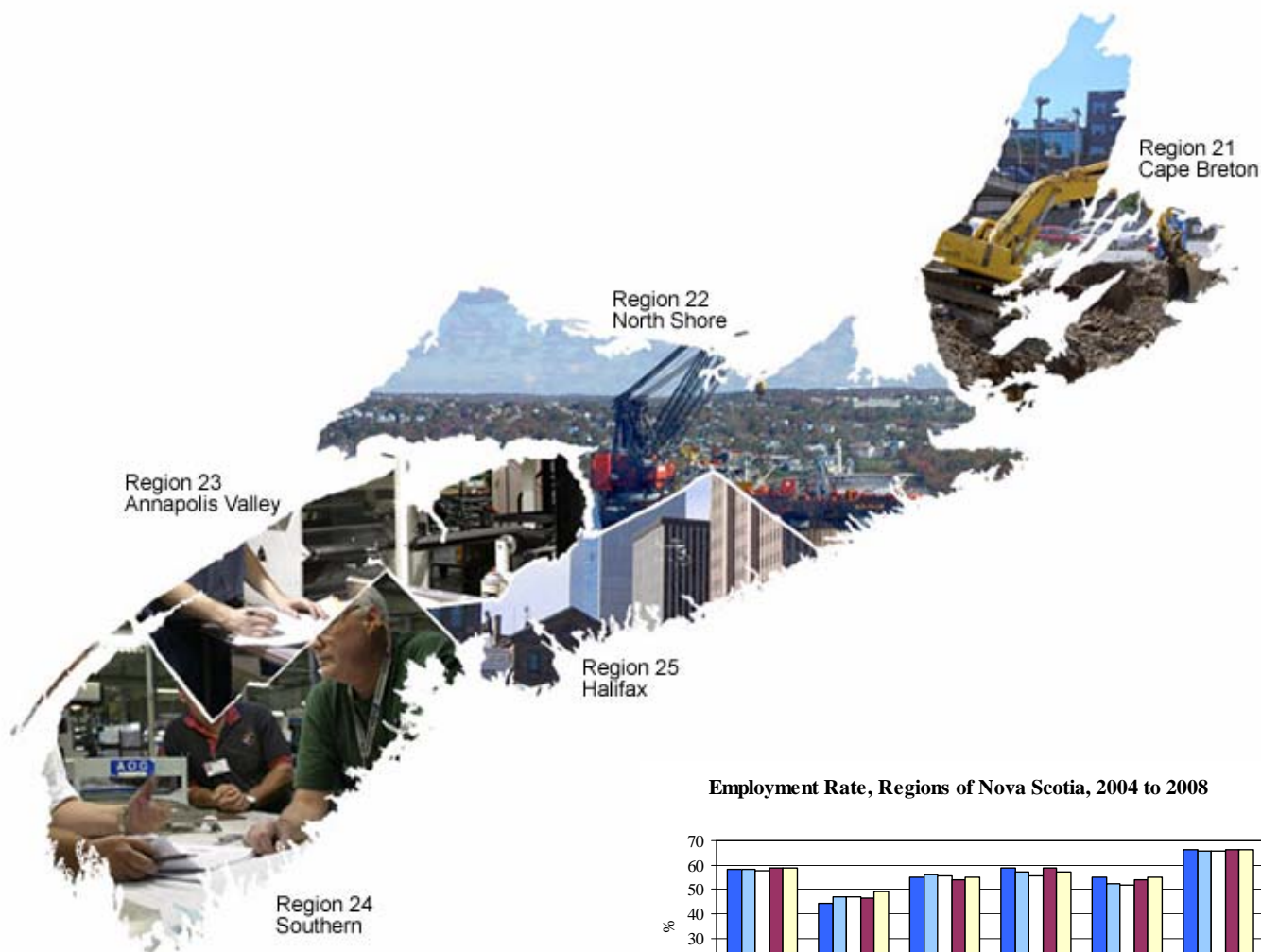
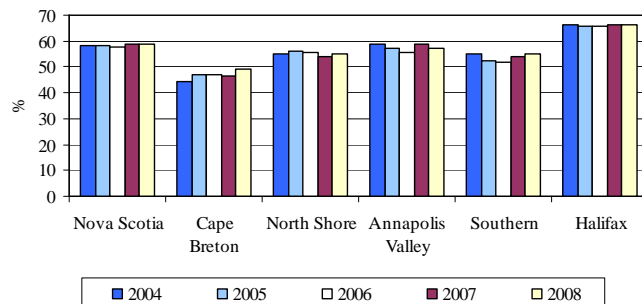


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## Introduction

### About the Labour Market Monthly

The *Labour Market Monthly*<sup>1</sup>, produced monthly by the Economics & Statistics Division of the Nova Scotia Department of Finance, is based primarily on data from the *Labour Force Survey (LFS)*, a household survey carried out monthly by Statistics Canada. The *LFS* is a sample of individuals who are representative of the civilian, non-institutionalised population 15 years of age or older in Canada's ten provinces. Specifically excluded from the coverage of the *LFS* are residents of the Territories, persons living on Indian Reserves, full-time members of the Canadian Armed Forces and institutional residents. These groups represent an exclusion of approximately 2 per cent of the population aged 15 or over. As of January 2006, the sample size has been approximately 53,372 households across Canada, with 2,873 of those in Nova Scotia.

Since its inception in 1945, the objectives of the *LFS* have been to divide the working-age population into three mutually exclusive classifications—employed, unemployed and not in the labour force—and to provide descriptive and explanatory data on each of these categories. Data from the *Survey* provide information on major labour market trends such as shifts in employment across industrial sectors, hours worked, labour force participation and employment rates.

The *Labour Market Monthly* contains: 1) year-to-date *LFS* highlights; 2) a selection of additional key employment indicators obtained from other Statistics Canada surveys; and 3) summary tables of selected labour force characteristics including labour force, employment, unemployment, unemployment

rate and participation rate for Canada, the provinces, and CMAs.

The *Labour Market Monthly* emphasizes the Nova Scotia employment situation and includes tables for Nova Scotia, its economic regions, and the Metropolitan Halifax area. The *Labour Force Monthly* coincides with Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey release dates and will be available on our web site that day:

[http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/publish/publicatio  
nsb.asp?id=Pub19](http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/publish/publicatio/nsb.asp?id=Pub19)

Specific release dates each month are noted below:

### Labour Force Survey Release Dates 2009

<b>Data for:</b>	<b>Release Date:</b>
January	February 6, 2009
February	March 13, 2009
March	April 9, 2009
April	May 8, 2009
May	June 5, 2009
June	July 10, 2009
July	August 7, 2009
August	September 4, 2009
September	October 9, 2009
October	November 6, 2009
November	December 4, 2009
December	January 2010

Source: Statistics Canada, Catalogue No. 71-001-XIE;  
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/Release/index.htm>

<sup>1</sup> Effective March 10, 2006, the *Labour Market Report* replaces the former *Employment Situation Report* and *Labour Market Report* of the Economics & Statistics Division.



## Highlights

### LFS Release – September 2009

(October 2009 will be released November 6, 2009)

Refer to *Appendix I* for a series of statistical tables indicating key labour force characteristics for current month, last month and same month a year ago:

**Employment Situation:**

- Table 1 – Basic Characteristics, Canada/Provinces
- Table 2 – NS Economic Regions/Halifax CMA
- Table 3 – Job Tenure, Canada/Provinces
- Table 4 – Employment by Sector, Canada & NS
- Table 5 – CMAs, Canada

*Appendix II* provides a glossary of definitions, concepts/methods and sources associated with the labour market information covered in the *Labour Market Monthly* publication.

There were no references to Nova Scotia labour market conditions in *The Daily* release by Statistics Canada regarding the change in employment for September 2009 over August 2009.

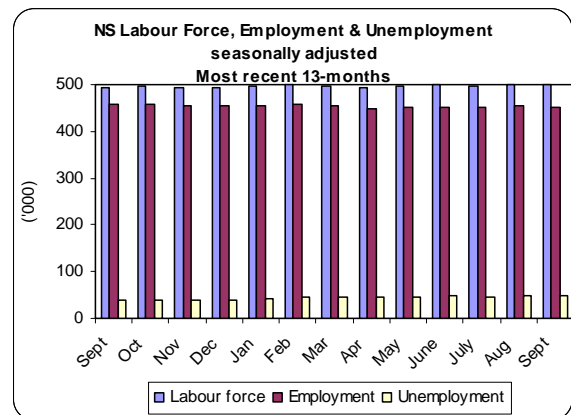
### Seasonally Adjusted (month over month and year over year)

In Nova Scotia September 2009, labour force declined 0.2 per cent over August 2009 to 499,600 and increased 1.1 per cent over September 2008. Employment declined 0.2 per cent over August 2009 to 452,100 and declined 0.9 per cent over September 2008. Unemployment increased 0.4 per cent over August 2009 to 47,500 and increased 25.3 per cent over September 2008. The unemployment rate remained unchanged over August 2009 at 9.5 per cent.

In Canada September 2009, labour force declined 0.1 per cent over August 2009 to 18.4 million and increased 0.4 per cent over September 2008. Employment increased 0.2 per cent over August 2009 to 16.8 million and declined 2.1 per cent over September 2008.

Unemployment declined 3.4 per cent over August 2009 to 1.5 million and increased 37.2 per cent over September 2008. The unemployment rate declined 0.3 percentage points over August 2009 to 8.4 per cent.

On a three-month moving average basis, seasonally unadjusted, the unemployment rate for the Halifax Census Metropolitan Area (CMA) in September 2009 increased by 1.5 percentage points over the previous month to 7.2 per cent. The Halifax CMA has the sixth lowest unemployment rate east of Winnipeg behind Saint John, Sherbrook, Quebec, Ottawa-Gatineau and Kingston. The lowest unemployment rate, 4.9 per cent, was in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, while the highest rate, 14.4 per cent, was in Windsor, Ontario.



Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*, Catalogue No. 71-001-XIE

### Trend –Year to Date (January – September)

Nova Scotia's labour market continues to hold its own with mixed results for the first nine months of 2009. Employment has increased 0.1 per cent over the first nine months of 2009 compared to the same period in 2008. This growth trend however, is the down slightly from the trend for the first eight months which had a 0.2 per cent growth rate over the same period in 2008. The fall in employment in September over August has pulled the growth trend down slightly for the first nine months. Continued growth in

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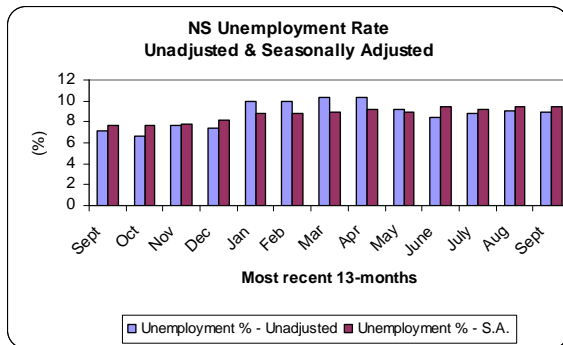
employment however, was not strong enough to override the growth in the labour supply (labour force). The labour force had a 1.7 per cent increase during the first nine months of 2009 over the same period in 2008. This increased the labour force participation rate by 0.7 percentage points to 64.6 per cent for the first nine months. The net result of the labour supply growing at a much faster pace was an increase in the number of unemployed workers (seasonally adjusted) from 37,600 to 45,500 or 20.8 per cent in the first nine months of 2009 over the same period last year. Thus, the average unemployment rate for the first nine months of 2009 increased 1.4 percentage points to 9.1 per cent. This was the same unemployment rate as that in the first eight months.

been continuing for several months. This trend can be seen in the decline of 16.8 per cent for the value of manufacturing shipments (seasonally adjusted) for the first seven months of 2009. Employment in the construction sector is down 3.0 per cent reflecting an 8.5 per cent decline in residential capital investments for the first half of 2009 over the first half of 2008.

**Labour Force Basic Characteristics, Nova Scotia  
Average Year-to-date (Seasonally adjusted data)**

	Jan-Sept 2008	Jan-Sept 2009
Population ('000)	768.0	772.1
Labour Force ('000)	490.1	498.3
Employment ('000)	452.5	452.8
Full-time ('000)	369.8	371.0
Part-time ('000)	82.7	81.8
Unemployment ('000)	37.6	45.5
Unemployment ( per cent)	7.7	9.1
Participation ( per cent)	63.8	64.6
Employment ( per cent)	58.9	58.7

Source: Compiled by Economics & Statistics Division, NS Department of Finance, using Statistics Canada LFS data.

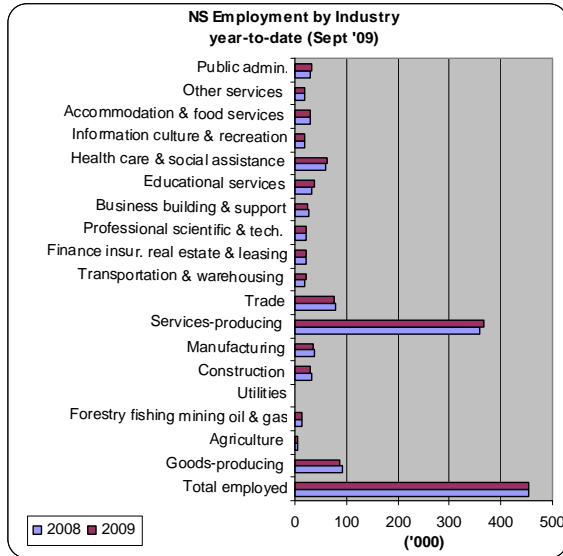


Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*, Catalogue No. 71-001-XIE

All of the growth in employment for the first nine months of 2009 came from full-time jobs with a growth of 0.3 per cent over the same period last year. The number of part-time employees dropped 1.0 per cent over the same period. This trend has been ongoing for several months suggesting some labour hoarding by employers.

The growth in the service sector came from educational services, professional and technical services, public administration, accommodation and food services, transportation and warehousing, healthcare and social assistance along with a slight increase in employment for finance, insurance and real estate. Many of these service based sectors are not directly exposed to global market conditions, especially in the HRM area. Trade (retail and wholesale), the largest component of the service sector, saw a 2.4 per cent decline for the first nine months of 2009. This decline reflects the 2.1 per cent decrease in retail sales for the first seven months of 2009 over the same period in 2008. The global credit crunch can also be seen in the fall in employment for support business services (call centres).

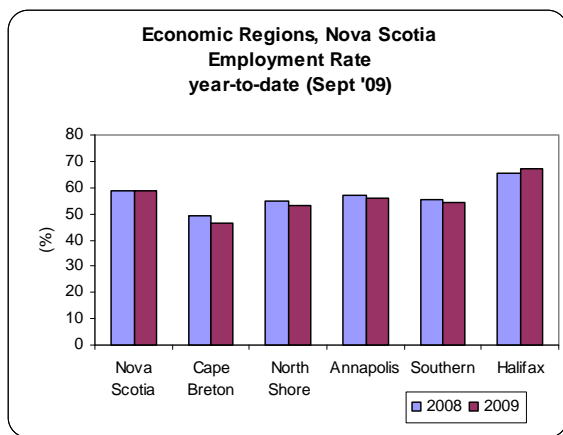
A review of employment growth by industry shows that employment growth was concentrated in the service sector with a 1.7 per cent increase. Growth in the goods producing sector is down 6.5 per cent for the first nine months of 2009 due mostly to declines in all sectors except agriculture. The goods producing sector has been more exposed to the global recession than some of the service base industries. Employment in the manufacturing sector is down by 12.8 per cent. This fall in employment for the manufacturing sector has



average and the error estimates associated with smaller sample sizes are larger.

Source: Compiled by Economics & Statistics Division, NS Department of Finance, using Statistics Canada LFS data.

All of the sub-provincial regions reported higher unemployment rates for the first nine months of 2009. The only region to have positive employment growth for the first nine months of 2009 was HRM. The strong employment growth for HRM encourages more people to look for work in the area pushing up the HRM unemployment rate.



Source: Compiled by Economics & Statistics Division, NS Department of Finance, using Statistics Canada LFS data.

NOTE: Labour force estimates at the sub-provincial level should always be viewed with caution, given they are a three-month moving



## Other Key Employment Indicators

Along with the monthly Labour Force Survey, several other data sources provide an overview of changes occurring in the labour market of the Province. The following tables reflect some of those activities.

### Total Wages & Salaries

(3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2009 will be released November 30, 2009)

#### Year-to-date (January - June)

Year-to-date in 2009, total wages and salaries were \$7.9 billion in Nova Scotia. This represented an increase of 1.8 per cent over the same period 2008. Canada's total wages and salaries figure of \$359.2 billion year-to-date in 2009, posted a 0.5 per cent increase over the same period in 2008. In 2009, the Nova Scotia figure represented 2.2 per cent of the national total.

#### Total Wages & Salaries, Canada & Nova Scotia January - June

	(\$millions)	
	2008	2009
Canada	357,605.2	359,216.3
Nova Scotia	7,791.1	7,934.9

Labour income estimates are based on the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) and are released quarterly in conjunction with the National Income and Expenditure Accounts estimates.

Data Source: Statistics Canada, Catalogue No. 13F0016X; CANSIM Table 382-0006

Year to date in 2009, \$1,598.4 million of Nova Scotia's total wages and salaries were from the goods producing sector and \$6.3 billion were from the service producing sector, representing 20.1 per cent and 79.9 per cent of the total, respectively. Manufacturing and construction industries were the major components of the goods producing sector, making up 44.0 per cent and 36.9 per cent of the total goods-producing sector, respectively. The greatest contributors in the service producing sector were professional and personal service industries (19.3 per cent of the service sector total), public administration (18.0 per cent), trade (17.1 per cent), and health care and social assistance (16.0 per cent).

### Wages & Salaries – Nova Scotia (NAICS-based) January – June

(\$thousands – actual)

Industry	2008	2009	% Change
<b>All Goods Producing</b>	<b>1,636,081</b>	<b>1,598,407</b>	<b>-2.3</b>
Agric., Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	149,736	140,610	-6.1
Mining & Oil & Gas	88,136	84,157	-4.5
Manufacturing	741,466	703,493	-5.1
Construction	577,994	589,806	2.0
Utilities	78,749	80,341	2.0
<b>All Service Producing</b>	<b>6,155,006</b>	<b>6,336,451</b>	<b>2.9</b>
Trade	1,072,560	1,082,883	1.0
Transportation & Storage	355,332	351,703	-1.0
Information & Cultural	196,030	201,890	3.0
Finance & Real Estate	545,427	559,884	2.7
Professional & Personal Service	1,180,079	1,224,300	3.7
Educational Services	749,808	761,276	1.5
Health Care & Social Asst.	965,929	1,014,506	5.0
Public Administration	1,089,841	1,140,009	4.6

Numbers may not total due to rounding

Note: Public Administration is total of federal, provincial and local administration.

Data Source: Statistics Canada, Estimates of Labour Income, 13F0016X; CANSIM Table 382-0006

### Average Weekly Earnings (including overtime)

(August 2009 will be released October 29, 2009)

#### Year-to-date (January - July)

Year-to-date in 2009, the average weekly earnings (including overtime) for all employees in Nova Scotia increased 2.9 per cent over the same period in 2008 from \$710.26 to \$730.71 per week. In comparison, the average weekly earnings for all employees in Canada rose 1.6 per cent, from \$807.73 to \$820.92 per week. Nova Scotia's average weekly earnings year-to-date in 2009 were \$92.01 (11.0 per cent) less than the Canadian average.

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In Nova Scotia, average weekly employment was 389,045 (all employees as reported in SEPH) year-to-date in 2009, a 1.2 per cent decrease over the same period in 2008. In comparison, Canada's 2009 average weekly employment was 14.5 million, a decrease of 1.5 per cent over the same period in 2008.

**Average Weekly Earnings Data  
Canada and Nova Scotia  
January - July  
(all employees)**

	Canada	Nova Scotia
Average Weekly Earnings – Industrial Aggregate (includes Overtime) (\$)		
2008 Jan-July	807.73	710.26
2009 Jan-July <sup>p</sup>	820.92	730.71
Average Weekly Employment (#)		
2008 Jan-July	14,740,172	393,694
2009 Jan-July <sup>p</sup>	14,519,678	389,045

<sup>p</sup> preliminary

Data Source: Statistics Canada, Employment, Earnings & Hours, Catalogue No. 72-002-X; CANSIM Tables 281-0023 and 281-0026

Year-to-date in 2009, average weekly earnings in Nova Scotia's goods producing sector remained unchanged over the same period 2008 at \$871.61, while in the service producing sector, average weekly earnings increased by 3.8 per cent to \$705.79. For industries for which data is available, year-to-date average weekly earnings in 2009 ranged from \$319.31 in accommodation and food services industries to \$1,032.46 in Information and Culture.

**Average Weekly Earnings – by Industry  
Nova Scotia  
January - July  
(including overtime)  
(NAICS-based) (\$)**

Industry	2008	2009 <sup>p</sup>	% Change
<b>Industrial Aggregate</b>	<b>710.26</b>	<b>730.71</b>	<b>2.9</b>
<i>Goods Producing</i>	<i>871.71</i>	<i>871.61</i>	<i>0.0</i>
Construction	810.88	829.99	2.4
Manufacturing	846.97	826.32	-2.4
<i>Service Producing</i>	<i>680.19</i>	<i>705.79</i>	<i>3.8</i>
Trade	532.45	553.09	3.9
Transportation & Warehousing	829.95	830.76	0.1
Information & Culture	854.93	1032.46	20.8
Finance & Insurance	952.97	1012.86	6.3
Professional, Scientific & Technical	959.17	965.88	0.7
Admin., Support, Waste Mngt. & Remediation	571.05	570.18	-0.2
Educational Services	748.81	761.57	1.7
Health Care & Social Assistance	688.91	742.68	7.8
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	452.68	487.47	7.7
Accommodation & Food Services	316.01	319.31	1.0
Other Services (excl. Public Admin.)	609.77	624.78	2.5
Public Administration	983.09	1007.01	2.4

<sup>p</sup> preliminary

Data Source: Statistics Canada, Employment, Earnings & Hours, Catalogue No. 72-002-X; CANSIM Table 281-0026

**Employment Insurance**

(August 2009 will be released October 27, 2009)

**Year-to-date (January - July)**

Year-to-date in 2009, there were an average of 47,259 beneficiaries in Nova Scotia that received EI benefits (excludes employment insurance claimants receiving employment and support measures benefits). This figure is 16.2 per cent higher than in the same period 2008. Nationwide, there were 1,088,564 beneficiaries, a 40.3 per cent increase over the same period 2008.

**EI Beneficiaries and Benefits  
Canada and Nova Scotia  
January - July**

	Canada		Nova Scotia	
	Avg. <sup>1</sup> #	Total \$ Millions	Avg. <sup>1</sup> #	Total \$ Millions
2008 Jan-July	776,079	9,027.1	40,674	438.4
2009 Jan-July <sup>p</sup>	1,088,564	12,647.2	47,259	528.4

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary year-to-date monthly average

Data Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM Table 276-0001 and 276-0005

In Nova Scotia, a total of \$528.4 million has been paid in EI benefit payments year-to-date in 2009. This figure represents 20.5 per cent more benefits paid than in the same period in 2008. Nationwide, there was \$12.6 billion paid in EI benefit payments year-to-date in 2009, a 40.1 per cent increase over the same period in 2008.

**Public Sector Employment – Nova Scotia**

**Year-to-date (January - June 2009)**

Data from the Statistics Canada *Public Sector FMS Reports* indicates that there was an average of 126,080 public sector employees year-to-date in Nova Scotia in 2009, an increase of 0.8 per cent over the average of the same period 2008. The government sector increased 1.3 per cent to 117,733 while the business enterprises sector decreased 5.6 per cent to 8,348. The federal government figure increased 0.6 per cent to 24,127. The military component of federal employees in Nova Scotia decreased 2.1 per cent to 10,361 year-to-date in 2009 over the same period 2008.

**Public Sector Employment – Nova Scotia  
January - July**

	2008	2009	% Change
<b>Government</b>	<b>23,971</b>	<b>24,127</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Federal (incl. Military)	23,971	24,127	0.6
Military	10,580	10,361	-2.1
Provincial General	11,085	10,239	-7.6
Health & Social Services	28,602	30,365	6.2
Universities & Colleges	13,276	13,270	0.0
Local General	16,900	17,259	2.1
School Boards	22,357	22,472	0.5
<b>Total Government</b>	<b>116,192</b>	<b>117,733</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>Government Business Enterprises</b>	<b>8,847</b>	<b>8,348</b>	<b>-5.6</b>
Federal	6,393	5,993	-6.3
Provincial	1,965	1,866	-5.0
Local	489	489	0.0
<b>Total Public Sector</b>	<b>125,038</b>	<b>126,080</b>	<b>0.8</b>

Figures by jurisdiction do not always add to published totals due to rounding.

Quarterly data is not comparable to annual data due to normal seasonal changes in some groups, e.g., universities, schools.

Data Source: Statistics Canada, Public Institutions Division, *Public Sector FMS Reports*; CANSIM Tables 183-0002 and 183-0004.

**Public Sector Wages & Salaries – Nova Scotia  
January – June**

(\$'000)

	2008	2009	% Change
<b>Government</b>	<b>769,524</b>	<b>818,633</b>	<b>6.4</b>
Federal (incl. Military)	769,524	818,633	6.4
Military	339,029	339,714	0.2
Provincial General	309,373	310,940	0.5
Health & Social Services	659,011	699,427	6.1
Universities & Colleges	302,366	302,282	0.0
Local General	167,291	170,842	2.1
School Boards	418,480	420,640	0.5
<b>Total Government</b>	<b>2,626,046</b>	<b>2,722,758</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>Government Business Enterprises</b>	<b>164,877</b>	<b>170,851</b>	<b>3.6</b>
Federal	130,178	135,483	4.1
Provincial	27,099	27,607	1.9
Local	7,598	7,759	2.1
<b>Total Public Sector</b>	<b>2,790,923</b>	<b>2,893,609</b>	<b>3.7</b>

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Data Source: Statistics Canada, Public Institutions Division, *Public Sector FMS Reports*; CANSIM Tables 183-0002 and 183-0004.

Public Institutions' Public Sector FMS data reported total public sector wages and salaries increased 3.7 per cent year-to-date in 2009 over the same period in 2008 to \$2,893.6 million, with

94.1 per cent of total public sector wages and salaries from total government and 5.9 per cent from government business enterprises.

**Notes from Statistics Canada:**

With the March 31, 2009 release, data from the SEPH survey will be produced using a new estimation method. Many series will be affected by this change, most notably average weekly earnings, average hourly earnings, and average weekly hours. While estimates of total number of employees will not be affected, some shifts in the breakdown by category of worker may occur. Attempts will be made to revise previously released estimates back to 2001 to ensure continuity in data series. Data quality indicators will be incorporated into many of the time series. When the quality of a specific monthly estimate is too unreliable for publication, an 'F' will replace the actual estimate on CANSIM. In cases where the sample size is too small to produce reliable estimates the series will no longer be available.

Effective May 29, 2009 revisions were made to 2005 to 2008 federal, provincial and territorial employment and wages and salaries data. An adjustment to the provincial and territorial general government data for 2001 to 2008 was made to exclude struck-off employees and employees on unpaid leave to better conform to the Public Sector Employment Survey's definition of employment. Also, provincial government business enterprise data in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta from 1999 to 2008 have been revised.

Effective May 29, 2009, 2001 to 2008 data on education, health and social service institutions and local general government from the Survey of Employment Payroll and Hours (SEPH) were revised.

**Appendix I - Statistical Tables**



**TABLE 1. Basic Characteristics, Canada/Provinces**

Characteristics	<u>Seasonally adjusted</u>			<i>Annual</i>	<u>Unadjusted</u>			<i>Annual</i>
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*
<b>Canada</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	27,012.8	27,358.4	27,401.5	<b>388.7</b>	27,012.8	27,358.4	27,401.5	<b>388.7</b>
Labour force ('000)	18,322.0	18,412.3	18,387.8	<b>65.8</b>	18,276.1	18,779.1	18,297.1	<b>21.0</b>
Employment ('000)	17,192.4	16,807.4	16,838.0	<b>-354.4</b>	17,230.2	17,080.4	16,901.3	<b>-328.9</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	13,968.0	13,518.0	13,609.6	<b>-358.4</b>	14,047.1	14,199.7	13,726.8	<b>-320.3</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	3,224.4	3,289.4	3,228.4	<b>4.0</b>	3,183.1	2,880.7	3,174.5	<b>-8.6</b>
Unemployment ('000)	1,129.6	1,604.9	1,549.7	<b>420.1</b>	1,045.9	1,698.8	1,395.8	<b>349.9</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	6.2	8.7	8.4	<b>2.2</b>	5.7	9.0	7.6	<b>1.9</b>
Participation rate (%)	67.8	67.3	67.1	<b>-0.7</b>	67.7	68.6	66.8	<b>-0.9</b>
Employment rate (%)	63.6	61.4	61.4	<b>-2.2</b>	63.8	62.4	61.7	<b>-2.1</b>
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	426.8	429.2	429.7	<b>2.4</b>	426.8	429.2	429.7	<b>2.4</b>
Labour force ('000)	250.6	254.7	255.9	<b>4.1</b>	252.8	267.6	256.9	<b>14.8</b>
Employment ('000)	216.8	215.1	216.6	<b>-1.7</b>	224.1	229.4	224.3	<b>5.3</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	188.0	189.1	184.9	<b>1.1</b>	195.8	206.7	193.1	<b>-2.7</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	28.8	25.9	31.7	<b>-2.9</b>	28.2	22.7	31.1	<b>-5.5</b>
Unemployment ('000)	33.8	39.7	39.2	<b>5.9</b>	28.7	38.2	32.6	<b>9.5</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	13.5	15.6	15.3	<b>2.1</b>	11.4	14.3	12.7	<b>2.9</b>
Participation rate (%)	58.7	59.3	59.6	<b>0.6</b>	59.2	62.3	59.8	<b>3.1</b>
Employment rate (%)	50.8	50.1	50.4	<b>-0.7</b>	52.5	53.4	52.2	<b>0.9</b>
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	115.2	116.4	116.4	<b>1.2</b>	115.2	116.4	116.4	<b>1.2</b>
Labour force ('000)	79.4	79.4	78.9	<b>-0.5</b>	80.1	83.2	79.5	<b>-0.6</b>
Employment ('000)	70.4	68.5	69.6	<b>-0.8</b>	73.0	74.6	72.3	<b>-0.7</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	58.7	55.5	57.5	<b>-1.2</b>	61.1	64.0	60.0	<b>-1.1</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	11.7	13.0	12.1	<b>0.4</b>	11.9	10.6	12.3	<b>0.4</b>
Unemployment ('000)	9.0	10.9	9.3	<b>0.3</b>	7.2	8.6	7.2	<b>0.0</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	11.3	13.7	11.8	<b>0.5</b>	9.0	10.3	9.1	<b>0.1</b>
Participation rate (%)	68.9	68.2	67.8	<b>-1.1</b>	69.5	71.5	68.3	<b>-1.2</b>
Employment rate (%)	61.1	58.8	59.8	<b>-1.3</b>	63.4	64.1	62.1	<b>-1.3</b>
<b>Nova Scotia</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	770.0	772.8	773.3	<b>3.3</b>	770.0	772.8	773.3	<b>3.3</b>
Labour force ('000)	494.3	500.5	499.6	<b>5.3</b>	493.9	509.0	497.8	<b>3.9</b>
Employment ('000)	456.4	453.2	452.1	<b>-4.3</b>	458.4	462.7	453.6	<b>-4.8</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	373.2	371.2	368.8	<b>-4.4</b>	374.6	393.7	370.3	<b>-4.3</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	83.2	82.1	83.3	<b>0.1</b>	83.9	69.0	83.3	<b>-0.6</b>
Unemployment ('000)	37.9	47.3	47.5	<b>9.6</b>	35.5	46.3	44.2	<b>8.7</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	7.7	9.5	9.5	<b>1.8</b>	7.2	9.1	8.9	<b>1.7</b>
Participation rate (%)	64.2	64.8	64.6	<b>0.4</b>	64.1	65.9	64.4	<b>0.3</b>
Employment rate (%)	59.3	58.6	58.5	<b>-0.8</b>	59.5	59.9	58.7	<b>-0.8</b>

**TABLE 1. Basic Characteristics, Canada/Provinces (continued)**

Characteristics	<u>Seasonally adjusted</u>		<u>Annual</u>		<u>Unadjusted</u>		<u>Annual</u>	
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*
<b>New Brunswick</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	619.0	621.8	622.2	<b>3.2</b>	619.0	621.8	622.2	<b>3.2</b>
Labour force ('000)	399.3	402.4	400.1	<b>0.8</b>	400.2	418.7	400.8	<b>0.6</b>
Employment ('000)	367.0	364.9	367.8	<b>0.8</b>	372.8	380.3	374.2	<b>1.4</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	307.7	306.8	309.6	<b>1.9</b>	316.1	331.4	319.2	<b>3.1</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	59.3	58.1	58.2	<b>-1.1</b>	56.7	48.9	55.0	<b>-1.7</b>
Unemployment ('000)	32.3	37.5	32.3	<b>0.0</b>	27.5	38.4	26.6	<b>-0.9</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	8.1	9.3	8.1	<b>0.0</b>	6.9	9.2	6.6	<b>-0.3</b>
Participation rate (%)	64.5	64.7	64.3	<b>-0.2</b>	64.7	67.3	64.4	<b>-0.3</b>
Employment rate (%)	59.3	58.7	59.1	<b>-0.2</b>	60.2	61.2	60.1	<b>-0.1</b>
<b>Quebec</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	6,385.4	6,444.3	6,451.9	<b>66.5</b>	6,385.4	6,444.3	6,451.9	<b>66.5</b>
Labour force ('000)	4,192.3	4,212.8	4,196.7	<b>4.4</b>	4,194.3	4,285.2	4,182.2	<b>-12.1</b>
Employment ('000)	3,887.0	3,830.2	3,826.7	<b>-60.3</b>	3,917.5	3,904.3	3,858.1	<b>-59.4</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	3,150.0	3,099.3	3,107.6	<b>-42.4</b>	3,177.7	3,301.3	3,138.8	<b>-38.9</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	737.0	730.9	719.1	<b>-17.9</b>	739.8	603.0	719.3	<b>-20.5</b>
Unemployment ('000)	305.2	382.6	370.0	<b>64.8</b>	276.8	381.0	324.1	<b>47.3</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	7.3	9.1	8.8	<b>1.5</b>	6.6	8.9	7.7	<b>1.1</b>
Participation rate (%)	65.7	65.4	65.0	<b>-0.7</b>	65.7	66.5	64.8	<b>-0.9</b>
Employment rate (%)	60.9	59.4	59.3	<b>-1.6</b>	61.4	60.6	59.8	<b>-1.6</b>
<b>Ontario</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	10,546.7	10,677.4	10,695.3	<b>148.6</b>	10,546.7	10,677.4	10,695.3	<b>148.6</b>
Labour force ('000)	7,195.7	7,186.0	7,182.5	<b>-13.2</b>	7,157.3	7,341.3	7,137.4	<b>-19.9</b>
Employment ('000)	6,730.3	6,512.5	6,525.1	<b>-205.2</b>	6,718.9	6,605.6	6,534.5	<b>-184.4</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	5,443.7	5,204.0	5,265.5	<b>-178.2</b>	5,463.0	5,427.2	5,304.1	<b>-158.9</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	1,286.6	1,308.5	1,259.6	<b>-27.0</b>	1,255.9	1,178.4	1,230.4	<b>-25.5</b>
Unemployment ('000)	465.4	673.5	657.4	<b>192.0</b>	438.4	735.7	602.8	<b>164.4</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	6.5	9.4	9.2	<b>2.7</b>	6.1	10.0	8.4	<b>2.3</b>
Participation rate (%)	68.2	67.3	67.2	<b>-1.0</b>	67.9	68.8	66.7	<b>-1.2</b>
Employment rate (%)	63.8	61.0	61.0	<b>-2.8</b>	63.7	61.9	61.1	<b>-2.6</b>
<b>Manitoba</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	912.3	925.0	926.1	<b>13.8</b>	912.3	925.0	926.1	<b>13.8</b>
Labour force ('000)	636.1	648.5	643.2	<b>7.1</b>	634.0	662.7	639.9	<b>5.9</b>
Employment ('000)	607.2	611.3	608.9	<b>1.7</b>	607.0	618.8	609.0	<b>2.0</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	489.3	489.6	489.1	<b>-0.2</b>	490.4	513.3	490.3	<b>-0.1</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	117.9	121.7	119.8	<b>1.9</b>	116.7	105.5	118.7	<b>2.0</b>
Unemployment ('000)	28.8	37.2	34.3	<b>5.5</b>	27.0	44.0	30.9	<b>3.9</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	4.5	5.7	5.3	<b>0.8</b>	4.3	6.6	4.8	<b>0.5</b>
Participation rate (%)	69.7	70.1	69.5	<b>-0.2</b>	69.5	71.6	69.1	<b>-0.4</b>
Employment rate (%)	66.6	66.1	65.7	<b>-0.9</b>	66.5	66.9	65.8	<b>-0.7</b>
<b>Saskatchewan</b>								
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	770.7	781.0	782.1	<b>11.4</b>	770.7	781.0	782.1	<b>11.4</b>
Labour force ('000)	541.1	544.2	544.3	<b>3.2</b>	542.1	555.1	543.5	<b>1.4</b>
Employment ('000)	519.5	516.9	519.0	<b>-0.5</b>	522.5	521.4	521.8	<b>-0.7</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	426.1	415.0	421.8	<b>-4.3</b>	430.4	436.8	426.7	<b>-3.7</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	93.4	101.9	97.2	<b>3.8</b>	92.1	84.6	95.1	<b>3.0</b>
Unemployment ('000)	21.6	27.3	25.3	<b>3.7</b>	19.6	33.7	21.7	<b>2.1</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	4.0	5.0	4.6	<b>0.6</b>	3.6	6.1	4.0	<b>0.4</b>
Participation rate (%)	70.2	69.7	69.6	<b>-0.6</b>	70.3	71.1	69.5	<b>-0.8</b>
Employment rate (%)	67.4	66.2	66.4	<b>-1.0</b>	67.8	66.8	66.7	<b>-1.1</b>

**TABLE 1. Basic Characteristics, Canada/Provinces (continued)**

Characteristics	<u>Seasonally adjusted</u>			<i>Annual</i>	<u>Unadjusted</u>			<i>Annual</i>
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*
	<b>Alberta</b>							
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	2,808.2	2,876.0	2,882.2	<b>74.0</b>	2,808.2	2,876.0	2,882.2	<b>74.0</b>
Labour force ('000)	2,101.9	2,136.8	2,134.0	<b>32.1</b>	2,096.8	2,166.6	2,119.1	<b>22.3</b>
Employment ('000)	2,021.7	1,979.1	1,982.1	<b>-39.6</b>	2,020.2	2,000.4	1,981.1	<b>-39.1</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	1,687.4	1,613.2	1,627.9	<b>-59.5</b>	1,685.9	1,683.1	1,633.1	<b>-52.8</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	334.3	365.9	354.2	<b>19.9</b>	334.3	317.2	347.9	<b>13.6</b>
Unemployment ('000)	80.2	157.7	151.9	<b>71.7</b>	76.6	166.2	138.0	<b>61.4</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	3.8	7.4	7.1	<b>3.3</b>	3.7	7.7	6.5	<b>2.8</b>
Participation rate (%)	74.8	74.3	74.0	<b>-0.8</b>	74.7	75.3	73.5	<b>-1.2</b>
Employment rate (%)	72.0	68.8	68.8	<b>-3.2</b>	71.9	69.6	68.7	<b>-3.2</b>
	<b>British Columbia</b>							
Population aged 15 and over ('000)	3,658.6	3,714.5	3,722.6	<b>64.0</b>	3,658.6	3,714.5	3,722.6	<b>64.0</b>
Labour force ('000)	2,431.2	2,447.0	2,452.7	<b>21.5</b>	2,424.5	2,489.7	2,440.1	<b>15.6</b>
Employment ('000)	2,316.0	2,255.7	2,270.1	<b>-45.9</b>	2,315.9	2,282.9	2,272.5	<b>-43.4</b>
Employment full-time ('000)	1,844.5	1,774.8	1,777.0	<b>-67.5</b>	1,852.2	1,842.2	1,791.3	<b>-60.9</b>
Employment part-time ('000)	471.4	480.8	493.1	<b>21.7</b>	463.7	440.7	481.2	<b>17.5</b>
Unemployment ('000)	115.3	191.3	182.6	<b>67.3</b>	108.6	206.8	167.6	<b>59.0</b>
Unemployment rate (%)	4.7	7.8	7.4	<b>2.7</b>	4.5	8.3	6.9	<b>2.4</b>
Participation rate (%)	66.5	65.9	65.9	<b>-0.6</b>	66.3	67.0	65.5	<b>-0.8</b>
Employment rate (%)	63.3	60.7	61.0	<b>-2.3</b>	63.3	61.5	61.0	<b>-2.3</b>

\*Note: Annual change is calculated as the difference between the value in the current month and the value in the same month of the previous year. The annual change of a percentage or rate (such as the unemployment rate, participation rate or employment rate) represents the annual percentage point change, also calculated as the difference between the value in the current month and the value in the same month last year.



**TABLE 3. Job Tenure, Canada/Province**

**Employment - Seasonally Adjusted ('000)**

Characteristics	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-time</u>				<u>Part-time</u>			
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Annual Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Annual Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Annual Change*
<b>Canada</b>	17,192.4	16,807.4	16,838.0	<b>-354.4</b>	13,968.0	13,518.0	13,609.6	<b>-358.4</b>	3,224.4	3,289.4	3,228.4	<b>4.0</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	216.8	215.1	216.6	<b>-0.2</b>	188.0	189.1	184.9	<b>-3.1</b>	28.8	25.9	31.7	<b>2.9</b>
Prince Edward Island	70.4	68.5	69.6	<b>-0.8</b>	58.7	55.5	57.5	<b>-1.2</b>	11.7	13.0	12.1	<b>0.4</b>
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	<b>456.4</b>	<b>453.2</b>	<b>452.1</b>	<b>-4.3</b>	<b>373.2</b>	<b>371.2</b>	<b>368.8</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>83.2</b>	<b>82.1</b>	<b>83.3</b>	<b>0.1</b>
New Brunswick	367.0	364.9	367.8	<b>0.8</b>	307.7	306.8	309.6	<b>1.9</b>	59.3	58.1	58.2	<b>-1.1</b>
Quebec	3,887.0	3,830.2	3,826.7	<b>-60.3</b>	3,150.0	3,099.3	3,107.6	<b>-42.4</b>	737.0	730.9	719.1	<b>-17.9</b>
Ontario	6,730.3	6,512.5	6,525.1	<b>-205.2</b>	5,443.7	5,204.0	5,265.5	<b>-178.2</b>	1,286.6	1,308.5	1,259.6	<b>-27.0</b>
Manitoba	607.2	611.3	608.9	<b>1.7</b>	489.3	489.6	489.1	<b>-0.2</b>	117.9	121.7	119.8	<b>1.9</b>
Saskatchewan	519.5	516.9	519.0	<b>-0.5</b>	426.1	415.0	421.8	<b>-4.3</b>	93.4	101.9	97.2	<b>3.8</b>
Alberta	2,021.7	1,979.1	1,982.1	<b>-39.6</b>	1,687.4	1,613.2	1,627.9	<b>-59.5</b>	334.3	365.9	354.2	<b>19.9</b>
British Columbia	2,316.0	2,255.7	2,270.1	<b>-45.9</b>	1,844.5	1,774.8	1,777.0	<b>-67.5</b>	471.4	480.8	493.1	<b>21.7</b>

**Employment - Actual (000's)**

Characteristics	<u>Total</u>				<u>Full-time</u>				<u>Part-time</u>			
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Annual Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Annual Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Annual Change*
<b>Canada</b>	17,230.2	17,080.4	16,901.3	<b>-328.9</b>	14,047.1	14,199.7	13,726.8	<b>-320.3</b>	3,183.1	2,880.7	3,174.5	<b>-8.6</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	224.1	229.4	224.3	<b>0.2</b>	195.8	206.7	193.1	<b>-2.7</b>	28.2	22.7	31.1	<b>2.9</b>
Prince Edward Island	73.0	74.6	72.3	<b>-0.7</b>	61.1	64.0	60.0	<b>-1.1</b>	11.9	10.6	12.3	<b>0.4</b>
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	<b>458.4</b>	<b>462.7</b>	<b>453.6</b>	<b>-4.8</b>	<b>374.6</b>	<b>393.7</b>	<b>370.3</b>	<b>-4.3</b>	<b>83.9</b>	<b>69.0</b>	<b>83.3</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
New Brunswick	372.8	380.3	374.2	<b>1.4</b>	316.1	331.4	319.2	<b>3.1</b>	56.7	48.9	55.0	<b>-1.7</b>
Quebec	3,917.5	3,904.3	3,858.1	<b>-59.4</b>	3,177.7	3,301.3	3,138.8	<b>-38.9</b>	739.8	603.0	719.3	<b>-20.5</b>
Ontario	6,718.9	6,605.6	6,534.5	<b>-184.4</b>	5,463.0	5,427.2	5,304.1	<b>-158.9</b>	1,255.9	1,178.4	1,230.4	<b>-25.5</b>
Manitoba	607.0	618.8	609.0	<b>2.0</b>	490.4	513.3	490.3	<b>-0.1</b>	116.7	105.5	118.7	<b>2.0</b>
Saskatchewan	522.5	521.4	521.8	<b>-0.7</b>	430.4	436.8	426.7	<b>-3.7</b>	92.1	84.6	95.1	<b>3.0</b>
Alberta	2,020.2	2,000.4	1,981.1	<b>-39.1</b>	1,685.9	1,683.1	1,633.1	<b>-52.8</b>	334.3	317.2	347.9	<b>13.6</b>
British Columbia	2,315.9	2,282.9	2,272.5	<b>-43.4</b>	1,852.2	1,842.2	1,791.3	<b>-60.9</b>	463.7	440.7	481.2	<b>17.5</b>

\*Note: Annual change is calculated as the difference between the value in the current month and the value in the same month of the previous year.

**TABLE 3. Job Tenure, Canada/Province (continued)**

**15-24 Age Group - Seasonally Adjusted**

Characteristics	Labour Force - '000s			Annual	Employment - '000s			Annual	Unemployment Rate - %			Annual
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*
Canada	2,963.6	2,858.3	2,821.8	<b>-141.8</b>	2,635.5	2,391.0	2,395.2	<b>-240.3</b>	11.1	16.3	15.1	<b>4.0</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	34.8	33.6	34.3	<b>-0.5</b>	27.9	26.0	26.7	<b>-1.2</b>	19.8	22.6	22.4	<b>2.6</b>
Prince Edward Island	14.2	14.0	14.1	<b>-0.1</b>	11.7	11.1	11.4	<b>-0.3</b>	16.9	20.0	19.1	<b>2.2</b>
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	<b>82.2</b>	<b>81.7</b>	<b>80.9</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>65.7</b>	<b>67.0</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>19.6</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>2.8</b>
New Brunswick	65.4	60.1	59.8	<b>-5.6</b>	56.0	51.1	50.8	<b>-5.2</b>	14.4	15.0	14.9	<b>0.5</b>
Quebec	651.9	636.1	625.8	<b>-26.1</b>	575.0	530.3	529.9	<b>-45.1</b>	11.8	16.6	15.3	<b>3.5</b>
Ontario	1,131.2	1,091.5	1,071.0	<b>-60.2</b>	987.8	888.6	888.0	<b>-99.8</b>	12.7	18.6	17.1	<b>4.4</b>
Manitoba	116.0	116.5	113.3	<b>-2.7</b>	104.3	102.4	100.6	<b>-3.7</b>	10.1	12.1	11.2	<b>1.1</b>
Saskatchewan	100.6	96.7	95.9	<b>-4.7</b>	93.5	88.1	87.7	<b>-5.8</b>	7.1	8.9	8.6	<b>1.5</b>
Alberta	376.2	348.1	353.9	<b>-22.3</b>	351.0	301.0	308.9	<b>-42.1</b>	6.7	13.6	12.7	<b>6.0</b>
British Columbia	391.2	380.1	372.9	<b>-18.3</b>	357.9	326.9	324.2	<b>-33.7</b>	8.5	14.0	13.1	<b>4.6</b>

**15-24 Age Group - Actual**

Characteristics	Labour Force - '000s			Annual	Employment - '000s			Annual	Unemployment Rate - %			Annual
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	Change*
Canada	2,872.0	3,206.8	2,722.2	<b>-149.8</b>	2,550.6	2,719.8	2,315.5	<b>-235.1</b>	11.2	15.2	14.9	<b>3.7</b>
Newfoundland and Labrador	32.1	42.2	31.9	<b>-0.2</b>	26.0	34.5	25.1	<b>-0.9</b>	19.0	18.2	21.3	<b>2.3</b>
Prince Edward Island	13.7	17.0	13.5	<b>-0.2</b>	11.6	14.9	11.2	<b>-0.4</b>	15.3	12.4	17.0	<b>1.7</b>
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	<b>79.3</b>	<b>92.4</b>	<b>77.6</b>	<b>-1.7</b>	<b>67.3</b>	<b>78.0</b>	<b>64.1</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>2.1</b>
New Brunswick	62.2	72.7	56.3	<b>-5.9</b>	53.7	64.0	48.3	<b>-5.4</b>	13.5	12.0	14.4	<b>0.9</b>
Quebec	637.6	715.6	608.3	<b>-29.3</b>	562.3	605.8	515.5	<b>-46.8</b>	11.8	15.3	15.3	<b>3.5</b>
Ontario	1,088.5	1,234.6	1,027.6	<b>-60.9</b>	946.4	1,012.8	854.3	<b>-92.1</b>	13.1	18.0	16.9	<b>3.8</b>
Manitoba	111.7	127.1	108.4	<b>-3.3</b>	100.0	113.7	96.0	<b>-4.0</b>	10.5	10.5	11.4	<b>0.9</b>
Saskatchewan	98.5	107.5	93.2	<b>-5.3</b>	91.3	98.9	85.3	<b>-6.0</b>	7.3	8.0	8.5	<b>1.2</b>
Alberta	367.7	382.4	345.2	<b>-22.5</b>	343.1	335.5	301.1	<b>-42.0</b>	6.7	12.3	12.8	<b>6.1</b>
British Columbia	380.7	415.4	360.2	<b>-20.5</b>	348.8	361.7	314.6	<b>-34.2</b>	8.4	12.9	12.6	<b>4.2</b>

\*Note: Annual change is calculated as the difference between the value in the current month and the value in the same month of the previous year. The annual change of a percentage or rate (such as the unemployment rate, participation rate or employment rate) represents the annual percentage point change, also calculated as the difference between the value in the current month and the value in the same month last year.

**TABLE 4. Employment by Sector, Canada and Nova Scotia\*\***
**Canada - Actual**

Characteristics	Labour Force - '000s			Annual Change*	Employment - '000s			Annual Change*	Unemployment Rate - %			Annual Change*
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09		Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09		Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	
Total, all industries	18,276.1	18,779.1	18,297.1	21.0	17,230.2	17,080.4	16,901.3	(328.9)	5.7	9.0	7.6	1.9
Goods-producing sector	4,399.2	4,226.4	4,157.7	(241.5)	4,170.7	3,879.8	3,835.7	(335.0)	5.2	8.2	7.7	2.5
Agriculture	361.8	369.7	353.1	(8.7)	348.2	352.6	339.7	(8.5)	3.8	4.6	3.8	-
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	379.2	376.8	355.5	(23.7)	351.1	336.4	319.1	(32.0)	7.4	10.7	10.2	2.8
Forestry and logging with support activities	61.3	61.2	59.0	(2.3)	52.2	53.2	49.6	(2.6)	14.8	13.2	15.9	1.1
Fishing, hunting and trapping	29.1	29.5	24.9	(4.2)	23.2	23.4	20.4	(2.8)	20.3	20.7	17.7	(2.6)
Mining and oil and gas extraction	288.8	286.2	271.7	(17.1)	275.7	259.9	249.1	(26.6)	4.5	9.2	8.3	3.8
Utilities	153.9	151.2	155.2	1.3	151.5	148.0	150.3	(1.2)	1.6	2.1	3.1	1.5
Construction	1,360.1	1,351.0	1,321.4	(38.7)	1,309.7	1,236.9	1,225.5	(84.2)	3.7	8.4	7.2	3.5
Manufacturing	2,144.2	1,977.7	1,972.5	(171.7)	2,010.3	1,805.9	1,801.0	(209.3)	6.2	8.7	8.7	2.5
Durables	1,256.1	1,199.8	1,175.5	(80.6)	1,182.4	1,082.3	1,063.7	(118.7)	5.9	9.8	9.5	3.6
Non-durables	888.0	777.8	797.0	(91.0)	827.9	723.6	737.3	(90.6)	6.8	7.0	7.5	0.7
Services-producing sector	13,543.2	14,072.0	13,695.1	151.9	13,059.5	13,200.6	13,065.6	6.1	3.6	6.2	4.6	1.0
Trade	2,742.3	2,845.1	2,774.1	31.8	2,632.4	2,689.9	2,631.5	(0.9)	4.0	5.5	5.1	1.1
Wholesale trade	663.9	657.6	627.2	(36.7)	643.2	632.0	603.5	(39.7)	3.1	3.9	3.8	0.7
Retail trade	2,078.4	2,187.5	2,146.9	68.5	1,989.2	2,057.8	2,028.0	38.8	4.3	5.9	5.5	1.2
Transportation and warehousing	901.0	886.6	846.3	(54.7)	879.9	817.9	800.3	(79.6)	2.3	7.7	5.4	3.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	1,081.6	1,166.6	1,148.9	67.3	1,058.7	1,124.8	1,109.2	50.5	2.1	3.6	3.5	1.4
Finance and insurance	796.4	814.7	801.4	5.0	783.1	786.7	776.6	(6.5)	1.7	3.4	3.1	1.4
Real estate and leasing	285.2	351.8	347.5	62.3	275.6	338.2	332.6	57.0	3.4	3.9	4.3	0.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,219.1	1,278.2	1,235.2	16.1	1,184.7	1,222.8	1,185.4	0.7	2.8	4.3	4.0	1.2
Business, building and other support services	747.9	759.1	718.9	(29.0)	688.8	681.5	658.0	(30.8)	7.9	10.2	8.5	0.6
Educational services	1,219.7	1,153.1	1,233.3	13.6	1,192.6	965.8	1,186.6	(6.0)	2.2	16.2	3.8	1.6
Health care and social assistance	1,966.0	2,014.0	1,989.1	23.1	1,927.9	1,959.4	1,949.0	21.1	1.9	2.7	2.0	0.1
Information, culture and recreation	800.2	910.6	837.2	37.0	753.3	864.0	796.9	43.6	5.9	5.1	4.8	(1.1)
Accommodation and food services	1,165.0	1,210.1	1,123.8	(41.2)	1,092.0	1,103.3	1,032.5	(59.5)	6.3	8.8	8.1	1.8
Other services	775.6	854.6	840.3	64.7	747.4	804.3	793.8	46.4	3.6	5.9	5.5	1.9
Public administration	924.9	994.1	948.0	23.1	901.8	967.0	922.4	20.6	2.5	2.7	2.7	0.2
Unclassified industries***	333.7	480.8	444.4	110.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Nova Scotia - Actual\*\***

Characteristics	Labour Force - '000s			Annual Change*	Employment - '000s			Annual Change*
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09		Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09	
Total, all industries	493.9	509.0	497.8	3.9	458.4	462.7	453.6	-4.8
Goods-producing sector	107.5	102.1	100.5	-7.0	96.3	92.2	89.6	-6.7
Agriculture	6.8	8.9	8.4	1.6	6.3	8.2	7.4	1.1
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	15.4	16.2	15.3	-0.1	11.7	12.2	11.9	0.2
Forestry and logging with support activities	3.7	1.4	1.8	-1.9	2.9	1.4	1.7	-1.2
Fishing, hunting and trapping	6.9	8.6	7.3	0.4	4.7	6.3	5.2	0.5
Mining and oil and gas extraction	4.8	6.1	6.2	1.4	4.1	4.4	4.9	0.8
Utilities	3.4	3.2	3.6	0.2	3.2	3.2	3.5	0.3
Construction	36.8	37.0	36.6	-0.2	33.9	34.4	33.6	-0.3
Manufacturing	45.1	36.8	36.6	-8.5	41.2	34.1	33.3	-7.9
Durables	18.3	17.7	17.3	-1.0	16.2	16.2	15.7	-0.5
Non-durables	26.8	19.1	19.3	-7.5	25.0	18.0	17.7	-7.3
Services-producing sector	377.7	395.2	386.8	9.1	362.1	370.5	364.0	1.9
Trade	82.9	85.9	84.6	1.7	79.3	79.9	78.2	-1.1
Wholesale trade	13.9	15.6	13.5	-0.4	12.5	14.7	12.4	-0.1
Retail trade	69.0	70.3	71.1	2.1	66.8	65.2	65.7	-1.1
Transportation and warehousing	18.7	22.9	23.3	4.6	17.9	21.4	21.5	3.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	23.0	25.7	25.1	2.1	22.7	25.6	24.3	1.6
Finance and insurance	16.1	17.4	16.8	0.7	15.8	17.2	16.4	0.6
Real estate and leasing	6.9	8.4	8.3	1.4	6.9	8.4	7.8	0.9
Professional, scientific and technical services	23.7	23.7	23.3	-0.4	23.4	22.5	21.8	-1.6
Business, building and other support services	24.7	25.6	24.4	-0.3	22.8	23.4	22.5	-0.3
Educational services	35.6	35.2	39.8	4.2	33.8	29.3	38.6	4.8
Health care and social assistance	63.5	65.9	63.1	-0.4	62.0	64.5	61.4	-0.6
Information, culture and recreation	19.8	21.5	19.5	-0.3	18.3	19.5	18.5	0.2
Accommodation and food services	34.5	35.0	31.0	-3.5	32.7	32.3	27.5	-5.2
Other services	20.4	21.0	19.9	-0.5	19.1	20.3	18.6	-0.5
Public administration	30.9	32.7	32.8	1.9	30.2	31.8	31.2	1.0
Unclassified industries***	8.7	11.7	10.5	1.8	-	-	-	-

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\*\*Note: For consistency purposes we are no longer reporting unemployment rates by industry for Nova Scotia due to issues with small sample sizes. In previous versions of this table (Table 4), any zero value (sometimes appearing as a dash) for an unemployment rate should not be considered reliable due to small sample size. Please also note that where the annual change in the unemployment rate has been calculated between two months and one or both contain a zero value, they should also be considered unreliable.

\*\*\*Note: Due to issues of small sample size labour force and unemployment rate for Unclassified industries are not reported.

**TABLE 5. CMAs of Canada**

**CMA Data**  
**(Unadjusted - Three-month-moving average)**

Characteristics	Unemployment Rate - %				Annual Change*	Participation Rate - %				Annual Change*	Employment Rate - %				Annual Change*
	Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09			Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09			Sept'08	Aug'09	Sept'09		
St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador	7.9	8.5	8.6	<b>0.7</b>	71.3	70.6	70.0	<b>-1.3</b>	65.6	64.5	64.0	<b>-1.6</b>			
<b>Halifax</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>69.9</b>	<b>73.1</b>	<b>72.3</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>65.9</b>	<b>68.1</b>	<b>67.1</b>	<b>1.2</b>			
Saint John, New Brunswick	6.6	5.7	5.9	<b>-0.7</b>	66.0	68.6	67.9	<b>1.9</b>	61.6	64.6	63.8	<b>2.2</b>			
Saguenay	7.0	8.0	7.8	<b>0.8</b>	61.4	63.1	63.0	<b>1.6</b>	57.1	58.0	58.1	<b>1.0</b>			
Quebec	3.9	4.7	5.2	<b>1.3</b>	67.6	67.0	65.8	<b>-1.8</b>	65.0	63.9	62.4	<b>-2.6</b>			
Trois-Rivières	7.5	8.4	9.1	<b>1.6</b>	61.5	61.8	61.9	<b>0.4</b>	56.9	56.5	56.3	<b>-0.6</b>			
Sherbrooke	6.1	6.9	6.3	<b>0.2</b>	64.7	65.4	65.5	<b>0.8</b>	60.8	60.9	61.4	<b>0.6</b>			
Montreal	7.4	9.4	9.4	<b>2.0</b>	67.5	67.9	67.5	<b>0.0</b>	62.6	61.5	61.2	<b>-1.4</b>			
Ottawa-Gatineau	5.4	5.8	5.7	<b>0.3</b>	74.4	73.2	73.0	<b>-1.4</b>	70.4	69.0	68.9	<b>-1.5</b>			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Quebec part	4.8	5.7	5.8	<b>1.0</b>	74.4	73.2	73.3	<b>-1.1</b>	70.9	69.0	69.1	<b>-1.8</b>			
Ottawa-Gatineau, Ontario part	5.6	5.8	5.6	<b>0.0</b>	74.4	73.2	72.9	<b>-1.5</b>	70.2	69.0	68.8	<b>-1.4</b>			
Kingston	6.4	6.6	6.8	<b>0.4</b>	68.3	66.1	66.6	<b>-1.7</b>	64.0	61.7	62.1	<b>-1.9</b>			
Greater Sudbury / Grand Sudbury	5.6	10.5	10.5	<b>4.9</b>	65.2	65.7	64.6	<b>-0.6</b>	61.6	58.8	57.9	<b>-3.7</b>			
Oshawa	7.3	10.0	9.6	<b>2.3</b>	70.3	69.2	69.1	<b>-1.2</b>	65.2	62.3	62.5	<b>-2.7</b>			
Toronto	7.5	10.9	10.4	<b>2.9</b>	69.3	69.6	69.0	<b>-0.3</b>	64.1	62.0	61.8	<b>-2.3</b>			
Hamilton	5.4	8.7	8.8	<b>3.4</b>	67.1	68.5	68.2	<b>1.1</b>	63.5	62.6	62.2	<b>-1.3</b>			
St. Catharines - Niagara	7.0	9.4	9.5	<b>2.5</b>	65.5	63.6	63.2	<b>-2.3</b>	60.9	57.6	57.2	<b>-3.7</b>			
London	7.3	11.5	11.5	<b>4.2</b>	69.4	67.3	66.9	<b>-2.5</b>	64.4	59.6	59.3	<b>-5.1</b>			
Windsor	10.3	15.6	14.4	<b>4.1</b>	64.4	64.8	64.5	<b>0.1</b>	57.8	54.7	55.2	<b>-2.6</b>			
Kitchener	6.0	10.4	9.7	<b>3.7</b>	71.5	72.5	72.1	<b>0.6</b>	67.2	64.9	65.1	<b>-2.1</b>			
Thunder Bay	5.2	8.8	8.3	<b>3.1</b>	64.5	65.1	64.2	<b>-0.3</b>	61.1	59.3	58.9	<b>-2.2</b>			
Winnipeg	4.8	6.0	6.1	<b>1.3</b>	71.1	71.8	71.5	<b>0.4</b>	67.7	67.6	67.1	<b>-0.6</b>			
Regina	4.1	4.7	5.5	<b>1.4</b>	71.5	71.5	70.9	<b>-0.6</b>	68.5	68.2	67.1	<b>-1.4</b>			
Saskatoon	4.7	5.0	4.9	<b>0.2</b>	73.9	76.5	75.8	<b>1.9</b>	70.4	72.7	72.2	<b>1.8</b>			
Calgary	3.9	7.2	7.1	<b>3.2</b>	78.4	77.9	77.6	<b>-0.8</b>	75.3	72.3	72.1	<b>-3.2</b>			
Edmonton	3.7	7.6	7.8	<b>4.1</b>	72.8	74.5	73.6	<b>0.8</b>	70.1	68.8	67.9	<b>-2.2</b>			
Abbotsford	4.5	8.9	8.8	<b>4.3</b>	70.8	69.4	70.4	<b>-0.4</b>	67.6	63.3	64.1	<b>-3.5</b>			
Vancouver	4.6	7.5	7.3	<b>2.7</b>	66.9	68.0	67.4	<b>0.5</b>	63.8	62.9	62.5	<b>-1.3</b>			
Victoria	3.7	6.1	6.6	<b>2.9</b>	69.8	67.7	67.1	<b>-2.7</b>	67.2	63.5	62.7	<b>-4.5</b>			

\*Note: Annual change is calculated as the difference between the value in the current month and the value in the same month of the previous year. The annual change of a percentage or rate (such as the unemployment rate, participation rate or employment rate) represents the annual percentage point change, also calculated as the difference between the value in the current month and the value in the same month last year.

## Appendix II - Glossary

### ***Labour Force Survey (LFS)***

The following are key definitions used in the LFS. For a more detailed dictionary of concepts and definitions refer to Statistics Canada, *Guide to the Labour Force Survey*, Catalogue No. 71-543-GIE. Statistics Canada outlines other labour force information products and services in *Labour Force Survey Products and Services*, Catalogue No. 71-544-XIE.

**Population:** The target population covered by the survey corresponds to all persons aged 15 years and over residing in the provinces of Canada, with the exception of the following: 1) persons living on Indian Reserves, 2) full-time members of the regular Armed Forces, and 3) persons living in institutions.

**Labour Force:** The civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over that, during the survey reference week, was employed or unemployed and actively looking for work. Prior to 1966, persons aged 14 and over were covered by the survey.

**Employment:** Employed persons are those persons who, during the reference week, did any work for pay or profit, or had a job and were absent from work.

**Full-time Employment:** Refers to those persons who usually work 30 hours or more per week at their main or only job.

**Part-time Employment:** Refers to those persons who usually work less than 30 hours per week at their main or only job.

**Unemployment:** Unemployed persons are those persons who, during the reference week, were available for work and were either on temporary layoff, had looked for work in the past four weeks, or had a job to start within the next four weeks.

**Not in the Labour Force:** Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the reference week, were unwilling or unable to offer or supply

labour services under conditions existing in their labour markets, that is, they were neither employed nor unemployed.

**Unemployment Rate:** Unemployment rate is the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

**Participation Rate:** The total labour force expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The participation rate for a particular group (for example, women aged 25 years and over) is the labour force in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

**Employment Rate:** The number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, province, etc.) is the number employed in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

**Seasonal Adjustment (s.a.):** Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as long-term cyclical fluctuations. The seasonal adjustment program is a complicated computer program which differentiates between these seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements in a series over a number of years and, on the basis of past movements, estimates appropriate seasonal

factors for current data. On an annual basis, the historic series of seasonally adjusted data are revised in light of the most recent information on changes in seasonality.

### ***Wages and Salaries***

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***Wages and Salaries:*** Wages and salaries is an aggregate of many types of payments made to employees—regular remuneration, directors' fees, bonuses, commissions, gratuities, income in kind, taxable allowances, retroactive wage payments and stock options. Wages and salaries are estimated on a "gross" basis that is, prior to deductions for employees' contributions to income tax, employment insurance, pension funds, etc. Supplementary labour income, which is defined as payments made by employers for the future benefit of their employees, comprises employer contributions to employee welfare, pensions, workers compensation and employment insurance. Wages and salaries, as well as, supplementary labour income are the components of Labour Income (all compensation paid to employees).

Wages and salaries estimates are derived to supply the System of National Accounts (SNA) with the Labour Income component of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Monthly estimates of wages and salaries are published, on a quarterly basis, for 16 industry groups. Industrial coverage is based on the North American Standard Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

For a more detailed dictionary of concepts and definitions from Statistics Canada, *Estimates of Labour Income*, Catalogue No. 13F0022-XIE or refer to:

<http://www.statcan.ca/cgi-bin/imdb/p2SV.pl?Function=getSurvey&SDDS=2602&lang=en&db=IMDB&dbg=f&adm=8&dis=2>

### ***Average Weekly Earnings***

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***Average Weekly Employment:*** For purposes of developing average weekly employment and average weekly earnings data, the target

population of the Statistics Canada Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours (SEPH), is composed of all employers in Canada, except, 1) those owners or partners of unincorporated business and professional practices, the self-employed, unpaid family workers, persons working outside Canada, casual workers for whom a T-4 is not required; 2) agriculture, fishing and trapping, private household services, religious organizations; and 3) the military. It draws its sample from the Business Register (BR) maintained by the Business Register Division of Statistics Canada and from a list of all businesses registered in Canada Customs and Revenue Agency's Business Number program with one or more active payroll deduction accounts.

***Average Weekly Earnings:*** The Survey of Employment, Earnings and Hours is produced from the combination of the Business Payroll Survey results and the payroll deductions administrative data received Canada Customs and Revenue Agency.

SEPH is Canada's only source of detailed information on the total number of paid employees, payrolls, and hours at detailed industrial, provincial and territorial levels.

For further information about the *Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours* (SEPH), No. 2612, refer to Statistics Canada, *Employment, Earnings and Hours*, monthly, Catalogue No. 71-002-XIB or annual, Catalogue No. 72F0023-XCB; *CANSIM Tables 281-0023, 281-0024, 281-0026 and 281-0027.*

### ***Employment Insurance (EI)***

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***Employment Insurance Statistics:*** The *Employment Insurance Statistics Monthly* reports official statistics on the operation of the *Employment Insurance Statistics Program* and provides complementary labour market statistics. Statistics are produced from an administrative data source and may, from time to time, be affected by changes in the *Employment Insurance Act* or administrative procedures.

**Number of Beneficiaries:** The number of beneficiaries represents a count of persons who received Employment Insurance (EI) benefits during the *Labour Force Survey* reference week (usually containing the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month).

**Regular Benefit Payments:** The regular benefit payments series measures the total of all monies received by individuals for the entire month, e.g., regular, training, job creation, sickness, self-employment, maternity, adoption, parental, retirement, fishing, work sharing and compassionate benefits.

For further information related to the EI data see Statistics Canada, *CANSIM Tables 276-0001 and 275-0006, 276-0011, 276-0015 and 276-0006.*

### **Public Sector**

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**Public Sector:** The population of public sector employment consists of all institutional units controlled and mainly financed by governments (federal, provincial, territorial and local) in Canada, including their business enterprises. Thus, the term “government” presented in the Statistics Canada’s Public Sector Employment Survey includes all organizations controlled by any of the three levels of government that are not-for-profit and perform non-commercial services. The Canadian military (regular forces and reservists) and uniformed RCMP members are included in the federal government. Organizations controlled by government that operate as commercial corporations (such as Canada Post or Hydro-Quebec) are considered government business enterprises. The two combine to give the total public sector.

**Employment:** Employment is a measure of the number of individuals who work within a given industry. In other words, employment refers to the number of persons drawing pay for services rendered or for paid absences, regardless whether employed on a full time, part-time or on a temporary basis.

**Wages and Salaries:** Wages and salaries include directors’ fees, bonuses, commissions, gratuities, income in kind, taxable allowances,

and retroactive wage payments. Wages and salaries are estimated on a gross basis, that is, before deductions for employees’ contributions to income tax, unemployment insurance, or pension plans. Wages and salaries accumulating over time, for example, retroactive payments, are accounted for in the month and year in which they are paid. Supplementary labour income, such as employer contributions to pension, medical or similar plans are not included.

Further information on public sector employment can be downloaded from Statistics Canada, *Canadian Statistics* module; *CANSIM Tables 183-0002 and 183-0004.* As well, more detailed information, definitions, data sources and methods for Survey No. 1713 are available at:

<http://www.statcan.ca/cgi-bin/imdb/p2SV.pl?Function=getSurvey&SDDS=1713&lang=en&db=IMDB&dbg=f&adm=8&dis=2>

