

Labour Force Statistics

January 2013

Alberta Highlights:

- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.5% in January 2013, unchanged from December 2012 and down 0.5 percentage points from the same month last year. This rate was second lowest in Canada, behind Saskatchewan's 4.0%. The national rate was 7.0%, down 0.1 percentage points from the month before.
- The unemployment rate was unchanged because the labour force increased by 8,700 people and employment increased by 9,700 from December 2012 to January 2013.
- Between January 2012 and January 2013, employment increased by 41,100. This employment increase accounted for 14.4% of Canada's employment growth over the same period.
- Full-time employment increased by 8,600 and part-time employment by 1,100.
- The following industries had the most employment increases in January from the previous month: Professional, Scientific and Technical Services, 6,800; Business, Building and Other Support Services, 5,500; and Construction, 4,800.

Additional information about Alberta's Labour Force Statistics for January 2013 may be found at www.eae.alberta.ca/lmj.

