

Labour Force Statistics Alberta Highlights

April 2013

- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.4% in April 2013, down 0.4 percentage points from March and down 0.5 percentage points from the same month last year. This rate was the second lowest in Canada, behind Saskatchewan's 4.0%. The national rate was 7.2%, unchanged from the previous month.
- The unemployment rate decreased because the labour force increased by 4,600 people and employment increased by 14,800 from March to April 2013.
- Full-time employment increased by 19,000 people and part-time employment decreased by 4,200 in April compared to March.
- Employment among women aged 25 and older increased by 15,400 and that of similarly-aged men increased by 5,100 in April from the month before.
- Between April 2012 and April 2013, employment increased by 40,100 people. This employment increase accounted for 24.7% of Canada's employment growth over the same period.
- The following industries had the most employment increases in April from the previous month: Professional, Scientific and Technical Services, 6,800; Construction, 6,400; and Accommodation and Food Services, 5,100.

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

