

Labour Force Statistics

April 2015

Alberta Highlights:

- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.5% in April 2015, unchanged from last month and up by 0.5 percentage points from the same month last year. This rate was second lowest in Canada, tied with Manitoba and behind Saskatchewan's 4.3%. The national rate was 6.8%, unchanged from the previous month.
- The unemployment rate stayed the same from the previous month because employment increased by 12,500 people and the labour force increased by 14,200. Full-time employment decreased by 7,600 and part-time employment increased by 20,100 over the same period.
- Between April 2014 and April 2015, employment increased by 53,300, second highest in the country behind Quebec's 68,700. This employment increase accounted for 38.3% of Canada's employment growth. Full-time employment increased by 30,100 and part-time employment increased by 23,200 over the same period.
- The following industries had the most employment increases in April 2015 from the previous month: Professional, Scientific and Technical Services, 5,500; Public Administration, 4,500; and Other Services, 4,400. Industries which had the most employment decreases from March 2015 were: Construction, 3,800; Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Quarrying, Oil and Gas Extraction, 3,500; and Accommodation and Food Services, 3,100.

Additional information about Alberta's Labour Force Statistics for April 2015 can be found at: [2015 Monthly Labour Force Statistics](#)

