

Labour Force Statistics

September 2015

Alberta Highlights:

- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.5% in September 2015, the highest since July 2010. Unemployment rate was up by 0.5 percentage points from August 2015 and up by 1.9 percentage points from the same month last year. This rate is the fourth lowest in Canada, behind Saskatchewan's 5.1%, Manitoba's 5.2% and British Columbia's 6.3%. The national rate was 7.1%, up 0.1 percentage points from the previous month.
- The unemployment rate increased from the previous month because the labour force increased by 26,300 people while employment increased by 12,300. Full-time employment decreased by 23,500 and part-time employment increased by 35,800 over the same period.
- Between September 2014 and September 2015, employment increased by 31,000. Full-time employment increased by 6,200 and part-time employment increased by 24,900 over the same period.
- The following industries had the most employment increases in September 2015 from the previous month: Trade, 6,400; Business, Building and Other Support Services, 5,100; and Educational Services, 4,200. The industries with the most employment decreases over the same period were: Transportation and Warehousing, 6,500; Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing, 5,100; and Accommodation and Food Services, 4,600.

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

