## Labour Force Statistics January 2015

## **Alberta Highlights:**

- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.5% in January 2015, down by 0.2 percentage points from December 2014 and down by 0.1 percentage points from the same month last year. This rate, tied with Saskatchewan, was the lowest in Canada. The national rate was 6.6%, down by 0.1 percentage points from the previous month.
- The unemployment rate decreased from the previous month because the labour force increased by 10,100 people and employment increased by 13,700.
- Employment increased by 7,900 among men aged 25 and over and increased by 7,400 among their female counterparts from December 2014.
- Between January 2014 and January 2015, employment increased by 66,900 or 3.0%, the highest in Canada. This employment increase accounted for 52.4% of Canada's employment growth, 127,600. Full-time employment increased by 51,600 and part-time employment increased by 15,300 over the same period.
- The following occupations had the most annual employment increases: Trades, transport and equipment operators & related occupations, 66,100; Social science, education, government and religion, 24,500; and Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing, and utilities, 11,700.

Additional information about Alberta's Labour Force Statistics for January 2015 can be found at: 2015 Monthly Labour Force Statistics



