

Labour Force Statistics

October 2015

Alberta Highlights:

- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.6% in October 2015, the highest since July 2010. Unemployment rate was up by 0.1 percentage points from September 2015 and up by 2.2 percentage points from the same month last year. This rate is the fourth lowest in Canada, behind, Manitoba's 5.3%, Saskatchewan's 5.6% and British Columbia's 6.3%. The national rate was 7.0%, down 0.1 percentage points from the previous month.
- The unemployment rate increased because the labour force decreased from the previous month by 9,300 people and employment decreased by 10,800.
- Between October 2014 and October 2015, employment increased by 13,400. Full-time employment decreased by 22,100 and part-time employment increased by 35,500 over the same period. The labour force increased by 70,100 for the same period.
- The following industries had the most employment increases in October 2015 from the previous month: Accommodation and Food Services, 3,800; Transportation and Warehousing, 3,700; and Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing, 2,000. The industries with the most employment decreases were: Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas, 4,500; Manufacturing, 2,200; Information, Culture and Recreation, 2,000 over the same period.

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

