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Key Labour Force Indicators, month-to-month change

Labour Force			Employment		
674,000	- 0.6%	▼	633,900	- 0.4%	▼
Unemployment Rate			Participation Rate		
5.9%	- 0.3 pts	▼	67.3%	- 0.5 pts	▼

Labour Force Trends

In August 2016, Manitoba's labour force decreased by 4,000 (-0.6%) persons compared to the previous month.

Manitoba employed 633,900 people in August 2016. Total employment in Manitoba decreased by 2,400 people in August from 636,300 in July. Full-time employment in August decreased by 3,300 while part-time employment increased by 900 persons.

With these labour force and employment changes, Manitoba's unemployment rate was the second-lowest

among the provinces at 5.9%, down 0.3 percentage points from July 2016. British Columbia has the lowest unemployment rate at 5.5% and Saskatchewan has the third-lowest unemployment rate at 6.3%, while Canada's unemployment rate increased from last month by 0.1 points to be 7.0%. Prince Edward Island saw the largest increase in unemployment rate, by 2.5 percentage points.

Manitoba's youth unemployment rate increased from 13.5 to 13.8 percentage points from July and is the sixth-lowest among the provinces. Canada's youth unemployment rate was 13.2% in August, with no increase from the previous month.

Labour Force Trends, Seasonally Adjusted

	Manitoba				Canada			
	Aug 2016	July 2016	Aug 2015	Y/Y Change	Aug 2016	July 2016	Aug 2015	Y/Y Change
Labour Force	674,000	678,000	673,700	0.0%	19,410,700	19,386,000	19,325,700	0.4%
Total Employment	633,900	636,300	635,600	-0.3%	18,049,500	18,023,300	17,972,100	0.4%
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.2%	5.7%	0.2 pts	7.0%	6.9%	7.0%	0 pts
Participation Rate	67.3%	67.8%	68.2%	-0.9pts	65.5%	65.4%	65.9%	-0.4pts

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Industry Employment Trends

Manitoba's goods-producing industries with the highest employment gains year-over-year were Utilities (+2000 or 25.3%), Construction (+1,600 or 3.5%), and Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Quarrying, Oil and Gas (+1,100 or 21.6%).

Manitoba's goods-producing sector employed 150,700 persons in July 2016. This sector represents 23.7% of Manitoba's total employment. Canada's goods-producing sector employed 3,800,800 persons in July 2016, a year-over-year decrease of 1.4%.

Manitoba's services sector industries with the highest employment gains year-over-year were Finance (+2200 or 6.9%) and Educational Services (+2,000 or 3.9%).

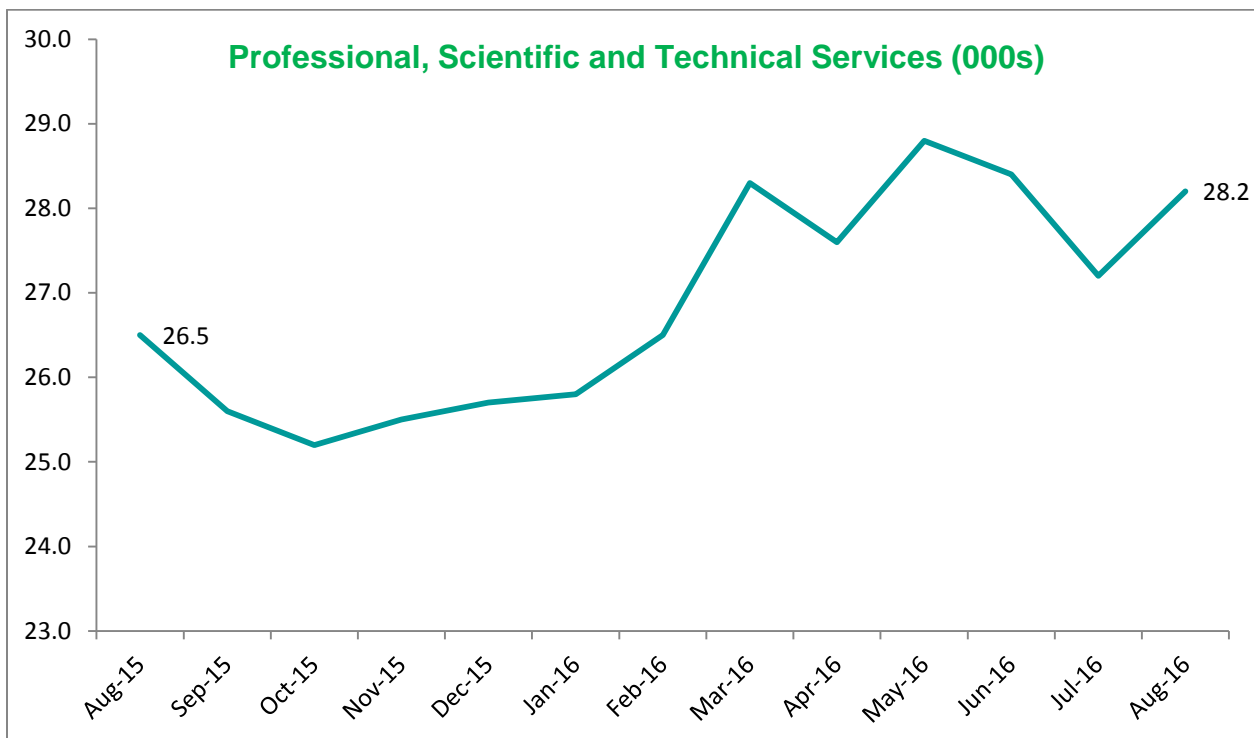
Manitoba's services sector employed 485,600 persons in July 2016. The services sector represents 76.3% of Manitoba's total employment. Canada's services sector industries employed 14,222,500 persons in July 2016, a year-over-year increase of 0.9%.

Industry Employment Trends, Seasonally Adjusted

	Manitoba				Canada			
	Aug 2016	July 2016	Aug 2015	Y/Y Change	Aug 2016	July 2016	Aug 2015	Y/Y Change
Goods-Producing	152,300	150,700	147,900	2.3%	3,811,600	3,800,800	3,855,500	-1.1%
Services Sector	481,600	485,600	487,700	-1.3%	14,237,900	14,222,500	14,116,600	0.9%

Manitoba Industry Spotlight: Professional, Scientific and Technical Services

Manitoba's Professional, Scientific and Technical Services industry employed 46,000 persons in August 2016. Year-over-year, employment increased by 1,000 persons or 2.2%. This industry represents 7.3% of Manitoba's total employment.



Did you know?

Early registration for Career Trek's [Let's Get to Work symposium](#) is Sept. 16! This event is the only career development conference dedicated to demographics, research and current labour market trends. The theme this year is Investing in People.

According to [Statistics Canada](#), the average undergraduate tuition was \$6,373 in 2016/2017, 2.8% higher than the previous year. Dentistry, medicine, and law degrees are the most expensive degrees. An online map is available showing tuition by city.

Census 2016 received strong engagement and support from Canadians, governments and stakeholders across

Regional Highlights

Manitoba's working age population increased by 8,800 persons between August 2015 and August 2016. The Labour Force increased by 5,200 persons in the same time.

the country, making it Statistics Canada's best census ever. Canadians' Long-form response rate of 97.8 % is the best ever recorded. We set a world-record with an Internet response rate of 68.3 %. Manitoba's overall response rate was 98.2%, tied for 6th place.

The Mowat Centre report, [Creating a High Performing Canadian Civil Service against a Backdrop of Disruptive Change](#) examines various challenges such as innovation, globalization, digitization, and changing demographics. The paper recommends steps towards a more resilient and responsive role for the public sector.

Between August 2015 and August 2016, the unemployment rate increased in all regions except in the Southeast (-0.9 pts) and Parklands and North (-3.1 pts) regions. The Interlake experienced the highest increase by 1.5 points, followed by the Southwest region with 1.4 points.

Labour Force Trends, Unadjusted for Seasonality

Region	Working Age Population		Total Employment		Participation Rate (%)		Unemployment Rate (%)	
	Aug 2016	Aug 2015	Aug 2016	Aug 2015	Aug2016	Aug 2015	Aug 2016	Aug 2015
Winnipeg	603,800	595,000	386,000	388,000	69.0	69.8	7.4	6.6
Rest of Manitoba	396,200	392,500	255,700	252,200	68.2	67.9	5.4	5.4
Southeast	91,100	89,200	61,300	55,600	70.6	66.0	4.7	5.6
Central	85,500	84,500	55,000	55,300	68.1	69.0	5.7	5.1
Southwest	88,500	87,900	55,100	58,600	65.8	69.5	5.3	3.9
Interlake	75,500	74,900	47,200	47,000	67.3	66.5	7.1	5.6
Parklands and North	55,400	56,000	37,200	35,700	70.2	68.9	4.4	7.5

Manitoba Current Focus: Average Weekly Earnings, seasonally adjusted (Survey of Employment, Payroll and Hours, Statistics Canada)

Manitoba's average weekly earnings increased year-over-year by 0.7%, from \$883.55 in June 2015 to \$890.11 in June 2016.

Between June 2015 and June 2016, Manitoba's increase in average weekly earnings ranked tenth among the provinces. Over the same period, Alberta experienced

the largest decline in average weekly earnings with a difference of \$27.04 or -2.4%.

Manitoba industries with the highest year-over-year increases in average weekly earnings are: Arts, Entertainment and Recreation (21.8%), Real Estate (10.2%) and Information and Cultural Industries (7.6%). Educational Services experienced the largest decrease in the period of 7.5%, from \$987.38 in June 2015 to \$913.74 in June 2016.