

THE MANITOBA Current

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Key Labour Force Indicators, month-to-month change

Labour Force			Employment		
675,700	0.2%	▲	636,100	0.5%	▲
Unemployment Rate			Participation Rate		
5.9%	-0.2 pts	▼	67.7%	0.0 pts	◀▶

Labour Force Trends

In May 2016, Manitoba's labour force increased by 1,100 (1.0%) persons compared to the previous month.

Manitoba employed 636,100 people in May 2016. Total employment in Manitoba increased by 2,900 (0.2%) persons from the previous month. Most of this increase was a result of higher numbers for both full- and part-time employment. Full-time employment increased by 1,900 and part-time employment increased by 1,100 persons.

With these labour force and employment changes, Manitoba's unemployment rate was the lowest among the provinces at 5.9%, down 0.2 percentage points from April

2016. Saskatchewan has the second-lowest unemployment rate at 6.0% and British Columbia has the third-lowest unemployment rate at 6.1%, while Canada's unemployment rate decreased from last month by 0.2 points to be 6.9%. Alberta saw the largest increase in unemployment rate, by 0.6 percentage points.

Manitoba's youth unemployment rate increased from 11.8 to 12.7 percentage points from April and is now fifth-lowest among the provinces. Canada's youth unemployment rate was 13.3% in May, an increase of 0.2 percentage points from the previous month.

Labour Force Trends, Seasonally Adjusted

	Manitoba				Canada			
	May2016	Apr 2016	May 2015	Y/Y Change	May 2016	Apr 2016	May2015	Y/Y Change
Labour Force	675,700	674,600	673,700	0.3%	19,401,700	19,424,600	19,255,800	0.8%
Total Employment	636,100	633,200	634,900	0.2%	18,055,200	18,041,400	17,946,700	0.6%
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	6.1%	5.7%	0.2pts	6.9%	7.1%	6.8%	0.1pts
Participation Rate	67.7%	67.7%	68.4%	-0.7pts	65.7%	65.8%	65.9%	-0.2pts



Industry Employment Trends

Manitoba's goods-producing industries with the highest employment gains year-over-year were Construction (+7,500 or 3.4%), Utilities (+1,900 or 23.5%) and Agriculture (+1,900 or 8.8%).

Manitoba's goods-producing sector employed 150,000 persons in May 2016. This sector represents 23.6% of Manitoba's total employment. Canada's goods-producing sector employed 3,851,300 persons in May 2016, a year-over-year decrease of 0.5%.

Manitoba's only services sector industries employment gains year-over-year were Professional, scientific and technical services (+3,000 or 11.6%), Accommodation and food services with an increase of 2,300 persons or 5.7%.

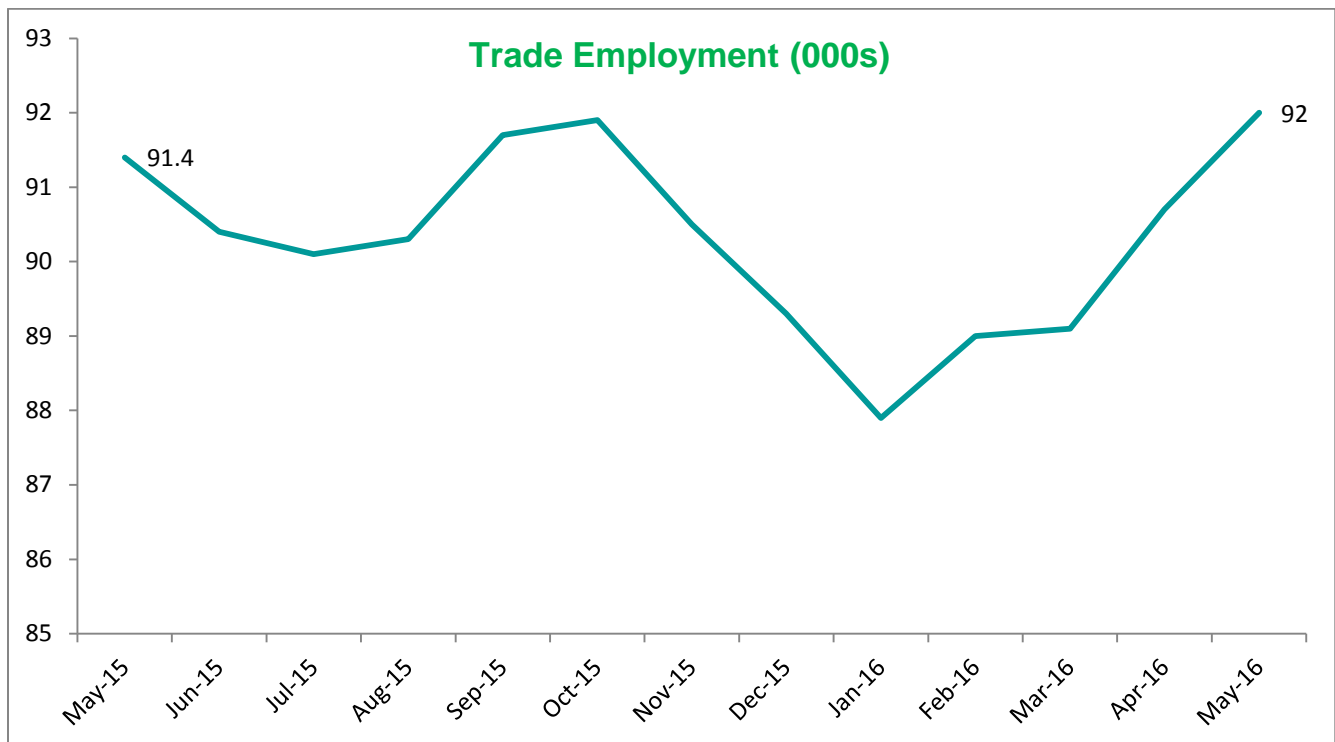
Manitoba's services sector employed 486,100 persons in May 2016. The services sector represents 76.4% of Manitoba's total employment. Canada's services sector industries employed 14,203,900 persons in May 2016, a year-over-year increase of 0.9%.

Industry Employment Trends, Seasonally Adjusted

	Manitoba				Canada			
	May 2016	Apr 2016	May 2015	Y/Y Change	May 2016	Apr 2016	May 2015	Y/Y Change
Goods-Producing	150,000	150,600	145,300	3.2%	3,851,300	3,832,300	3,871,300	-0.5%
Services Sector	486,100	482,500	489,600	-0.7%	14,203,900	14,209,100	14,075,500	0.9%

Manitoba Industry Spotlight: Trade

Manitoba's Trade industry employed 92,000 persons in May 2016. Year-over-year, employment increased by 600 persons or 0.7%. This industry represents 14.5% of Manitoba's total employment.



Did you know?

There's still time to fill out your Census! Census information is important for community funding and vital for planning services such as schools, roads, hospitals, daycares, police services and fire protection. For more information, visit www.census.gc.ca or phone the Census Help Line at 1-855-700-2016.

The Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives released [Creating Pride Through Decent Work: Social Enterprises in Manitoba](#) which examines local training opportunities, with social enterprises and employment programs.

Gallup polling has released a new report, [How Millennials Want to Work and Live](#) to help institutions, businesses and employers understand this powerful generation.

Data from the second wave (2014) of the [Longitudinal and International Survey of Adults \(LISA\)](#) is now available from Statistics Canada. This longitudinal survey collects information from Canadians on their jobs, education, health and family, and changes in these areas over time.

Regional Highlights

Manitoba's working age population increased by 8,000 persons between May 2015 and May 2016. However, the Labour Force decreased by 2,000 persons in the same time.

Between May 2015 and May 2016, the unemployment rate increased in all regions except in the Southeast (-1.2 pts) and Parklands and North (-1.5 pts) regions. The Southwest experienced the highest increase by 4.3 points, followed by the Interlake region with 2.6 points.

Labour Force Trends, Unadjusted for Seasonality

Region	Working Age Population		Total Employment		Participation Rate (%)		Unemployment Rate (%)	
	May 2016	May 2015	May 2016	May 2015	May 2016	May 2015	May 2016	May 2015
Winnipeg	601,100	593,100	383,200	388,300	68.1	69.8	6.4	6.2
Rest of Manitoba	395,200	391,800	250,200	246,700	67.1	66.1	5.6	4.7
Southeast	90,700	88,700	61,400	54,900	71.2	66.0	5.0	6.2
Central	85,300	84,200	54,600	54,900	66.5	67.7	3.7	3.7
Southwest	88,300	87,900	53,200	56,700	64.8	66.6	7.2	2.9
Interlake	75,400	74,700	45,400	44,600	65.3	63.1	7.7	5.1
Parklands and North	55,500	56,300	35,700	35,700	67.4	67.5	4.8	6.3

Manitoba Current Focus: Average Weekly Earnings (Statistics Canada)

As of March 2016, Manitoba's average weekly earnings are growing at a moderate pace of 1.8%, below the 2.4% five year average growth, but above the national average (0.4%).

Average weekly earnings in March remain unchanged from February at \$890.00

Recent trends in the top 10 highest-earning industries show: -sharp increases in professional/scientific/technical services, and finance and insurance;

-moderate growth in information and culture, and educational services;

-moderate decreases in construction, management of companies, transportation and warehousing, and real estate; and

-sharp decreases in manufacturing, wholesale trade, and health care and social assistance.