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Key Labour Force Indicators, month-to-month change

| Labour Force | | | Employment | | |
|-------------------|----------|---|--------------------|----------|---|
| 673,300 | -0.4% | ▼ | 631,800 | -0.1% | ▼ |
| Unemployment Rate | | | Participation Rate | | |
| 6.2% | -0.2 pts | ▼ | 67.1% | -0.3 pts | ▼ |

Labour Force Trends

In November 2016, Manitoba's labour force decreased by 2,900 (-0.4%) persons compared to the previous month.

631,800 Manitobans were employed in November 2016. Total employment in Manitoba decreased by 900 people in November from 632,700 in October. Full-time employment in November decreased by 2,100 while part-time employment increased by 1,100 persons.

With these labour force and employment changes, Manitoba's unemployment rate was the second-lowest among the provinces at 6.2%, tied with Quebec, and

decreased by 0.2 percentage points since October. British Columbia has the lowest unemployment rate at 6.1%, while Canada's unemployment rate dropped to 6.8%.

Alberta saw the largest increase in unemployment rate by 0.5 percentage points. The largest decrease in unemployment rate was New Brunswick by 1.3 percentage points.

Manitoba's youth unemployment rate increased to 13.2 percentage points from 13.0 in October and is the fourth-lowest among the provinces. Canada's youth unemployment rate was 12.9% in November, with a 0.1 percentage points decrease from the previous month.

Labour Force Trends, Seasonally Adjusted

| | Manitoba | | | | Canada | | | |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Nov 2016 | Oct 2016 | Nov 2015 | Y/Y Change | Nov 2016 | Oct 2016 | Nov 2015 | Y/Y Change |
| Labour Force | 673,300 | 676,200 | 676,800 | -0.5% | 19,498,100 | 19,525,700 | 19,351,900 | 0.8% |
| Total Employment | 631,800 | 632,700 | 635,800 | -0.6% | 18,171,300 | 18,160,600 | 17,988,100 | 1.0% |
| Unemployment Rate | 6.2% | 6.4% | 6.1% | 0.1pts | 6.8% | 7.0% | 7.0% | -0.2pts |
| Participation Rate | 67.1% | 67.4% | 68.3% | -1.2pts | 65.6% | 65.8% | 65.8% | -0.2pts |



Industry Employment Trends

Manitoba's goods-producing industries with the highest employment gains year-over-year were Agriculture (+1,300 or 5.5%), Construction (+1,500 or 3.3%) and Forestry, fishing & mining (+700 or 12.1%).

Manitoba's goods-producing sector employed 152,900 persons in November 2016. This sector represents 24.2% of Manitoba's total employment. Canada's goods-producing sector employed 3,833,300 persons in November 2016, a year-over-year decrease of 1.6%.

Manitoba's services sector industries with the highest employment gains year-over-year were Finance (+3,300 or 10.2%) and Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (+2,300 or 2.3%).

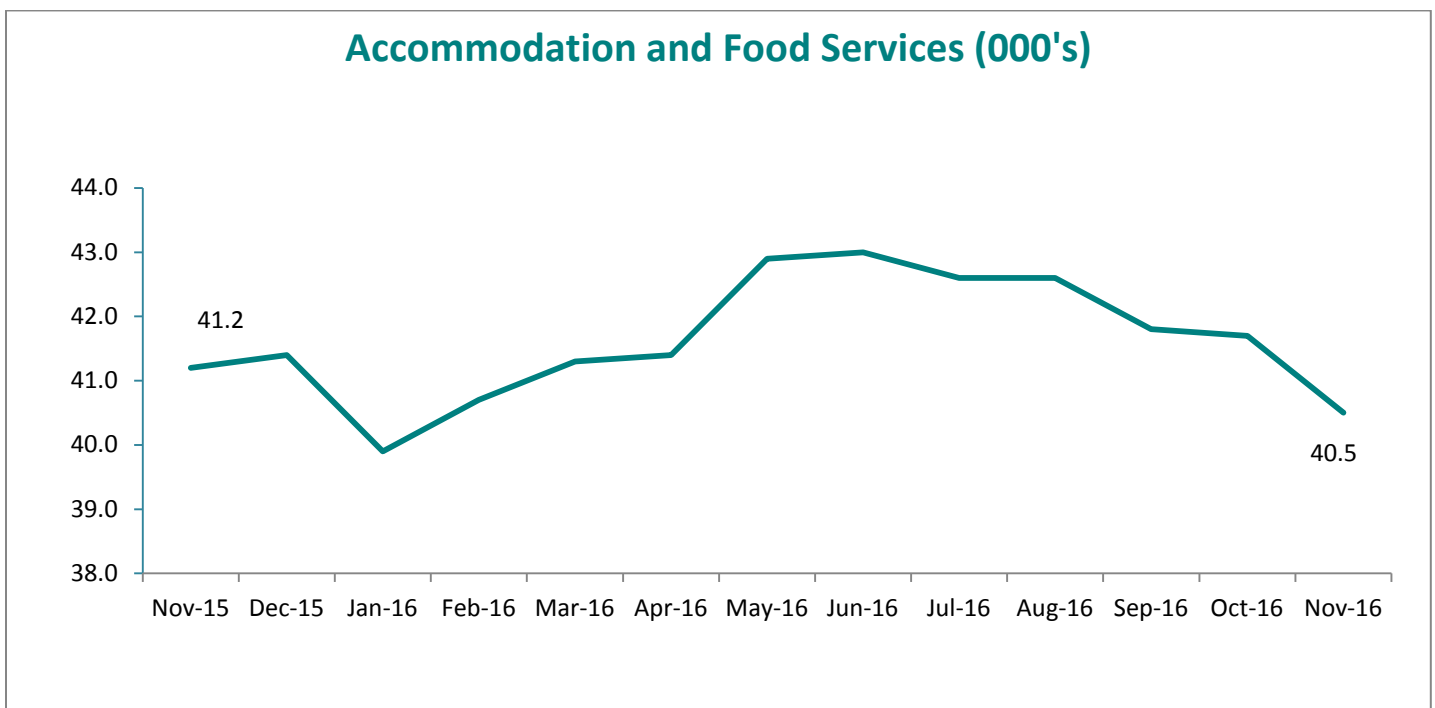
Manitoba's services sector employed 478,900 persons in October 2016. The services sector represents 75.8% of Manitoba's total employment. Canada's services sector industries employed 14,348,000 persons in November 2016, a year-over-year increase of 1.8%.

Industry Employment Trends, Seasonally Adjusted

| | Manitoba | | | | Canada | | | |
|------------------------|----------|----------|---------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Nov 2016 | Oct 2016 | Nov2015 | Y/Y Change | Nov 2016 | Oct 2016 | Nov2015 | Y/Y Change |
| Goods-Producing | 152,900 | 153,300 | 148,600 | 2.9% | 3,823,300 | 3,843,900 | 3,887,100 | -1.6% |
| Services Sector | 478,900 | 479,400 | 487,200 | -1.7% | 14,348,000 | 14,316,800 | 14,101,000 | 1.8% |

Manitoba Industry Spotlight: Accommodation and Food Services

Manitoba's Accommodation and Food Services industry employed 40,500 persons in November 2016. Year-over-year, employment decreased by 700 persons or 1.7%. This industry represents 6.4% of Manitoba's total employment.



Did you know?

To address labour market needs, the [Manitoba Provincial Nominee Program](#) will improve processing times and fast track nominations to provide job-ready, skilled workers, including international students.

University Career Fairs: The [University of Winnipeg Career Fair](#) will be held on January 17th, 10am to 3pm at the Duckworth Gym. See the [website](#) for helpful tips to prepare and get the most out of your visit.

The [University of Manitoba Career Fair](#) will also be held the same date, January 17th 3:30pm to 7pm, and January 18th 9:30am to 2:30pm at University Centre. See the website for a list of participating employers.

According to the [report of the National Aboriginal Economic Development Board](#), "Reconciliation: Growing Canada's Economy by \$27.7 Billion", closing the significant opportunity gaps between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Canadians will annually boost Canada's GDP by \$27.7 billion or 1.5%. Providing access to economic opportunities would result in \$6.9 billion per year in employment income and about 135,000 newly employed indigenous people.

There is one week left for youth and employers in science, technology, engineering or mathematics fields to apply for the Environmental Youth Corps Internship Program. The program provides up to \$15,000 for new, full time environmental jobs. Apply online at <http://www.eco.ca/employers/internship-program/>.

Regional Highlights

Manitoba's working age population increased by 12,300 persons between November 2015 and November 2016. The Labour Force decreased by 1,000 persons in the same time.

Between November 2015 and November 2016, the unemployment rate increased in all regions except in the Southeast (-0.9 pts), Central (-0.3 pts) and Parklands and North (-0.5 pts) regions. Winnipeg and Interlake regions experienced the highest increases each by 1.2 points.

Labour Force Trends, Unadjusted for Seasonality

| Region | Working Age Population | | Total Employment | | Participation Rate (%) | | Unemployment Rate (%) | |
|---------------------|------------------------|----------|------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| | Nov 2016 | Nov 2015 | Nov 2016 | Nov 2015 | Nov 2016 | Nov 2015 | Nov 2016 | Nov 2015 |
| Winnipeg | 605.9 | 597.0 | 383.7 | 385.1 | 67.9 | 68.4 | 6.8 | 5.6 |
| Rest of Manitoba | 397.0 | 393.6 | 251.2 | 255.4 | 66.1 | 67.8 | 4.3 | 4.2 |
| Southeast | 91.5 | 89.7 | 60.1 | 58.1 | 68.1 | 67.8 | 3.5 | 4.4 |
| Central | 85.7 | 84.8 | 53.0 | 54.0 | 64.3 | 66.5 | 4.0 | 4.3 |
| Southwest | 88.7 | 88.1 | 54.8 | 58.8 | 64.9 | 69.8 | 4.9 | 4.4 |
| Interlake | 75.6 | 75.1 | 47.1 | 48.2 | 65.6 | 66.7 | 5.0 | 3.8 |
| Parklands and North | 55.4 | 55.8 | 36.3 | 36.4 | 68.2 | 68.3 | 4.0 | 4.5 |

Manitoba Current Focus: Employment Insurance & Work-Sharing Beneficiaries (Statistics Canada)

Employment Insurance Beneficiaries: Between September 2015 and September 2016 the number of EI beneficiaries in Manitoba increased from 14,910 to 15,400 or 3.3%, ranking Manitoba seventh.

The average number of EI beneficiaries in Manitoba in the first nine months of 2016 was 1,715 per month; up from 1,572 per month in the first nine months of 2015. EI beneficiaries across Canada increased from 544,000 to 571,790 or 5.1% over the same period (seasonally adjusted).

Among the provinces Alberta had the highest percent change in EI beneficiaries between September 2015 to September 2016 at 28.8%, or an increase of 4,360 persons.

Manitoba Work-Sharing Beneficiaries: Between September 2015 and September 2016 the number of Work-Sharing beneficiaries in Manitoba increased from 170 to 600 persons, ranking Manitoba ninth.

Work-Sharing Beneficiaries across Canada increased from 5,020 to 7,980 or 59.0% over the same period (unadjusted).