

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY

Manitoba: April 2024

Manitoba Employment Up by 2,900, Labour Force Up by 3,900

From March 2024 to April 2024, the Manitoba labour force increased by 3,900 persons (+0.5%). Canada's labour force increased by 107,500 (+0.5%). Compared to the previous April, the labour force increased by 2.4% in Manitoba.

Manitoba's employment level increased by 2,900 (+0.4%) in April. This follows a decrease of 4,300 positions in the previous month.

Employment growth varied across the country, with Manitoba tying Alberta and Quebec in having the fourth largest increase among the provinces. New Brunswick recorded the largest increase (+2.0%), while Nova Scotia recorded the only decrease (-0.2%). Canada's employment over the one-month period increased by 90,400 persons, or 0.4%.

From April 2023 to April 2024, Manitoba's Employment increased by 15,000 persons, or 2.2%.

Private sector employees in Manitoba increased by 2,800 (+0.6%) from March to April, while public sector jobs increased by 200 jobs (+0.1%). The number of self-employed jobs remained unchanged over the one-month period.

Full-time employment increased by 2,800 positions (+0.5%) from March to April, while part-time employment increased by 200 positions (+0.2%).

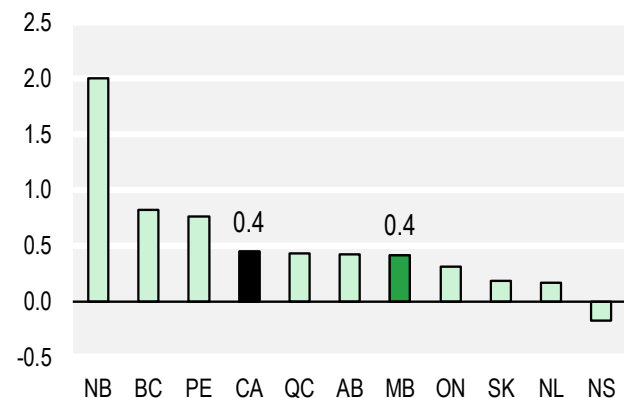
Manitoba Labour Market, Mar 2024 to Apr 2024

	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change
Working-Age (15+) Population	1,114,300	1,118,200	↑ 0.3%
Labour force	737,000	740,900	↑ 0.5%
Employment	700,400	703,300	↑ 0.4%
Full-time	581,600	584,400	↑ 0.5%
Part-time	118,800	119,000	↑ 0.2%
Private Employment	517,200	519,900	↑ 0.5%
Private Sector Employees	445,700	448,500	↑ 0.6%
Self-employed	71,400	71,400	↔ 0.0%
Public Sector Employees	183,200	183,400	↑ 0.1%
Unemployment rate (%)	5.0	5.1	↑ 0.1pts
Youth Unemployment rate (%)	10.3	10.0	↓ -0.3pts
Participation rate (%)	66.1	66.3	↑ 0.2pts
Employment rate (%)	62.9	62.9	↔ 0pts

Source: Statistics Canada, tables 14-10-0287-01 and 14-10-0288-01

Employment, month-over-month change (%)

March 2024 - April 2024

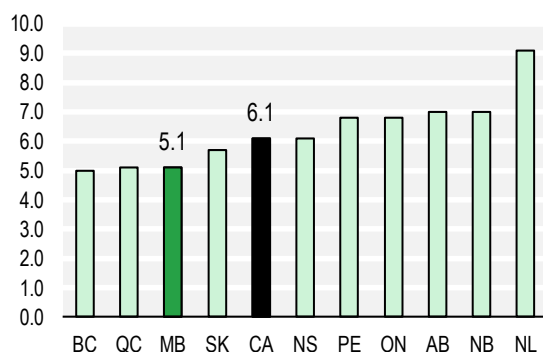


Source: Statistics Canada, Table 14-10-0287-01

Manitoba Unemployment Rate Rises to 5.1%

Unemployment rate (%)

April 2024



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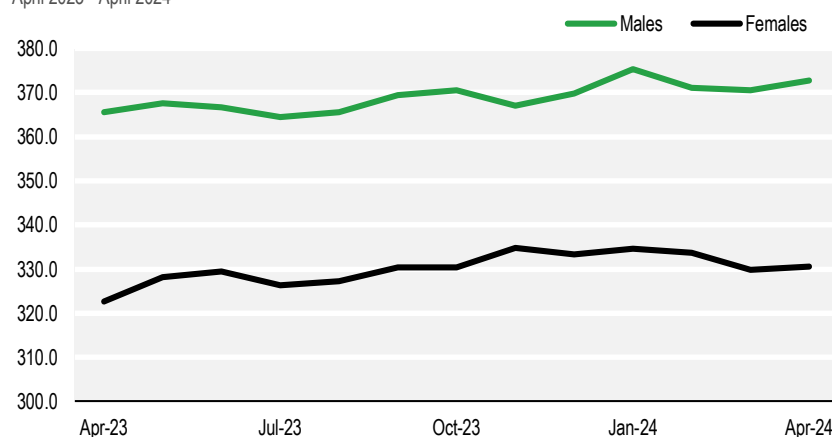
Manitoba's unemployment rate was 5.1% for April 2024, up 0.1 percentage points from the previous month and below Canada's rate of 6.1%.

Manitoba was tied with Quebec in having the second lowest unemployment rate among provinces. British Columbia recorded the lowest rate at 5.0%, while Newfoundland and Labrador was highest at 9.1%. Compared to April 2023, Manitoba's unemployment rate is up 0.2 percentage points.

The province's youth (aged 15 to 24 years) unemployment rate was 10.0%, down 0.3 percentage points from the previous month. Canada's youth unemployment rate for April 2024 was 12.8%, an increase of 0.2 percentage points compared to the previous month. Compared to April 2023, the youth unemployment rate in Manitoba is up 0.2 percentage points.

Employment by sex, persons (000's)

April 2023 - April 2024



Source: Statistics Canada, Table 14-10-0287-01

Female Employment Up by 800, Male Employment Up by 2,200

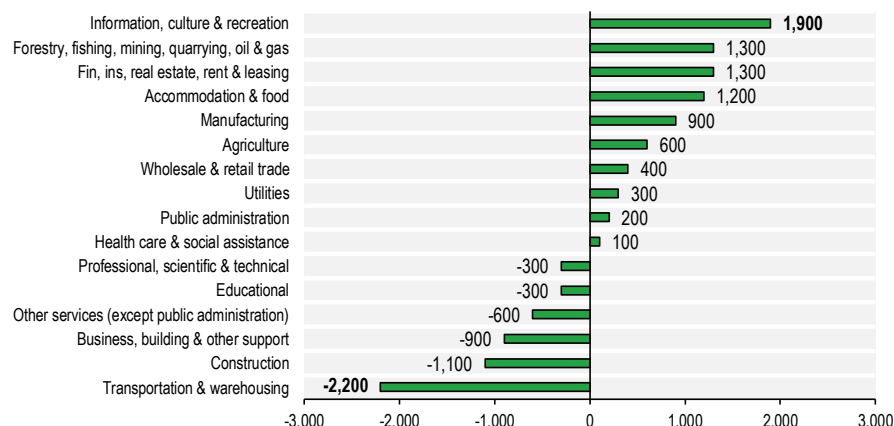
In Manitoba, female employment increased in April, up by 800 jobs (+0.2%) from March, with increases in full-time jobs (+100; +0.0%), and part-time jobs (+600; +0.8%). Nationally, female employment increased by 0.1%. Manitoba employment among males grew by 2,200 (+0.6%) from March to April, with an increase in full-time jobs (+2,600; +0.8%), offset by a decrease in part-time jobs (-400; -0.9%). At the national level, employment among males increased by 0.7%. Compared to the previous year, Manitoba employment grew for both females (+7,900; +2.4%), and males (+7,200; +2.0%).

Information, Culture & Recreation Records the Largest Job Gain

Manitoba's service-producing sectors increased in April, up 800 positions (+0.1%) since March. The goods-producing sectors increased by 2,100 jobs (+1.4%). Employment in the service-producing sectors increased by 2.2% over the previous year, while employment in the goods-producing sectors increased by 2.0%. Among all industries in Manitoba, Information, culture & recreation industry recorded the largest monthly job gain of 1,900 (+7.5%) in April, while Transportation & warehousing recorded the largest number of job losses (-2,200; -4.5%).

Employment change by industry, number of workers

March 2024 - April 2024



Source: Statistics Canada Table 14-10-0355-01

Compared to the previous April, Information, culture & recreation industry increased by 19.7%, while Transportation & warehousing industry increased by 15.0% over the same period.

Business, Building & Other Support Leads Hourly Wage Growth in April

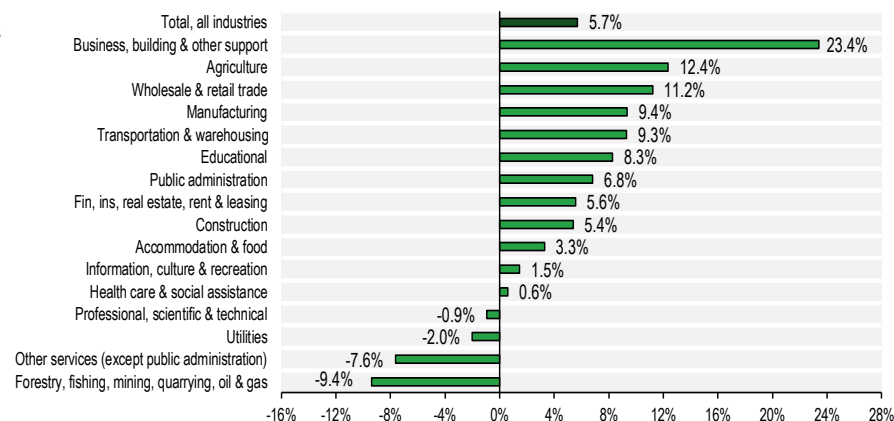
Average hourly wages for Manitoba employees rose 5.7% (+\$1.66 to \$30.68) on a year-over-year basis in April 2024. Canada's hourly rate was up 4.7% (+\$1.57 to \$34.95) over the same period.

Manitoba's goods-producing sectors experienced comparable growth to the industry average of 5.7% (+\$1.68 to \$31.32), while services-producing sectors saw an above-average increase of 5.8% (+\$1.66 to \$30.52).

Business, building & other support led average hourly wage growth, up 23.4% (+\$4.90 to \$25.82), while Forestry, fishing, mining, quarrying, oil & gas recorded the largest decline, down by 9.4% (-\$3.67 to \$35.43) in April 2024.

Average hourly wage growth by industry, year-over-year change (%)

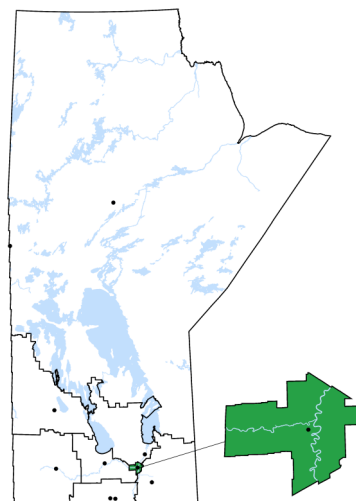
April 2023 - April 2024



Source: Statistics Canada Table 14-10-0063-01

Winnipeg, Manitoba

Month-over-month	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	455,900	457,900	↑	0.4%
Employment	435,300	433,700	↓	-0.4%
Unemployment	20,600	24,200	↑	17.5%
Unemployment rate (%)	4.5	5.3	↑	0.8pts
Participation rate (%)	66.8	66.8	↔	0.0pts
Year-over-year	Apr-23	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	447,100	457,900	↑	2.4%
Employment	423,200	433,700	↑	2.5%
Unemployment	23,900	24,200	↑	1.3%
Unemployment rate (%)	5.3	5.3	↔	0.0pts
Participation rate (%)	68.0	66.8	↓	-1.2pts



Southeast, Manitoba

Month-over-month	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	74,000	73,900	↓	-0.1%
Employment	70,300	70,600	↑	0.4%
Unemployment	3,700	3,400	↓	-8.1%
Unemployment rate (%)	5.0	4.6	↓	-0.4pts
Participation rate (%)	70.4	70.1	↓	-0.3pts
Year-over-year	Apr-23	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	70,300	73,900	↑	5.1%
Employment	67,900	70,600	↑	4.0%
Unemployment	2,400	3,400	↑	41.7%
Unemployment rate (%)	3.4	4.6	↑	1.2pts
Participation rate (%)	68.5	70.1	↑	1.6pts



Southwest, Manitoba

Month-over-month	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	58,000	60,000	↑	3.4%
Employment	55,200	57,000	↑	3.3%
Unemployment	2,800	3,000	↑	7.1%
Unemployment rate (%)	4.8	5.0	↑	0.2pts
Participation rate (%)	61.9	63.9	↑	2.0pts
Year-over-year	Apr-23	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	58,400	60,000	↑	2.7%
Employment	55,800	57,000	↑	2.2%
Unemployment	2,600	3,000	↑	15.4%
Unemployment rate (%)	4.5	5.0	↑	0.5pts
Participation rate (%)	63.6	63.9	↑	0.3pts



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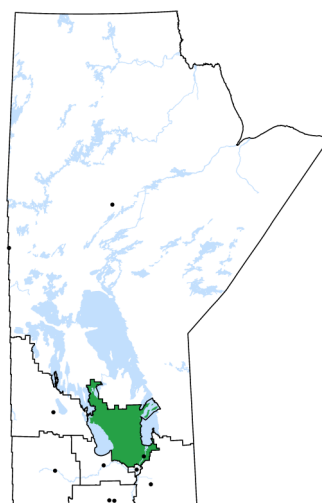
South Central and North Central, Manitoba

Month-over-month	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	64,800	63,500	↓	-2.0%
Employment	61,800	60,200	↓	-2.6%
Unemployment	3,000	3,300	↑	10.0%
Unemployment rate (%)	4.6	5.2	↑	0.6pts
Participation rate (%)	67.7	66.2	↓	-1.5pts
Year-over-year	Apr-23	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	62,200	63,500	↑	2.1%
Employment	60,100	60,200	↑	0.2%
Unemployment	2,100	3,300	↑	57.1%
Unemployment rate (%)	3.4	5.2	↑	1.8pts
Participation rate (%)	66.4	66.2	↓	-0.2pts



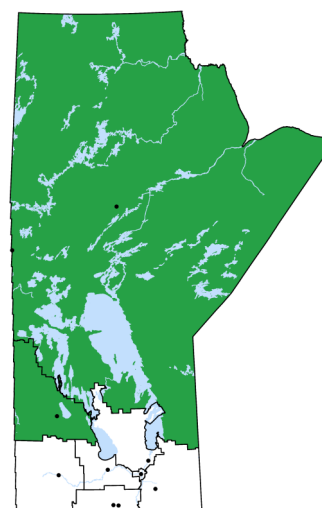
Interlake, Manitoba

Month-over-month	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	47,200	47,400	↑	0.4%
Employment	45,200	45,100	↓	-0.2%
Unemployment	2,000	2,300	↑	15.0%
Unemployment rate (%)	4.2	4.9	↑	0.7pts
Participation rate (%)	59.5	59.7	↑	0.2pts
Year-over-year	Apr-23	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	46,800	47,400	↑	1.3%
Employment	44,600	45,100	↑	1.1%
Unemployment	2,200	2,300	↑	4.5%
Unemployment rate (%)	4.7	4.9	↑	0.2pts
Participation rate (%)	59.9	59.7	↓	-0.2pts



Parklands and North, Manitoba

Month-over-month	Mar-24	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	33,100	33,000	↓	-0.3%
Employment	31,500	31,300	↓	-0.6%
Unemployment	1,600	1,700	↑	6.3%
Unemployment rate (%)	4.8	5.2	↑	0.4pts
Participation rate (%)	60.6	60.4	↓	-0.2pts
Year-over-year	Apr-23	Apr-24	Change	
Labour Force	34,200	33,000	↓	-3.5%
Employment	32,700	31,300	↓	-4.3%
Unemployment	1,500	1,700	↑	13.3%
Unemployment rate (%)	4.4	5.2	↑	0.8pts
Participation rate (%)	62.3	60.4	↓	-1.9pts



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Source: Statistics Canada, table 14-10-0387-01

Labour Force Survey

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) is a household survey carried out monthly by Statistics Canada.

- employment rate is the number of employed people as a percentage of the population aged 15+.
- unemployment rate is the number of unemployed people as a percentage of the labour force (employed and unemployed and looking for work).
- participation rate is the number of persons in the labour force as a percentage of the population.
- Full-time employment is the number of persons who work 30 hours+ per week at their main job.

All estimates are seasonally adjusted, unless otherwise specified. This removes seasonal and calendar effects allowing for comparisons between time periods.

The LFS estimates are based on a sample and are therefore subject to sampling variability.

<https://www23.statcan.gc.ca/imdb/p2SV.pl?Function=getSurvey&SDDS=3701>

Survey Reference Week

April Labour Force Survey (LFS) data reflect labour market conditions during the week of April 14–20, 2024.

Coming Up:

June 7	Labour Force Survey for May 2024
July 5	Labour Force Survey for June 2024
August 9	Labour Force Survey for July 2024

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