

# Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

November 2010

## UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended November 13, 2010, there were 527,200 persons employed in Saskatchewan during November 2010, an increase of 1,400 from October 2010 and 5,600 more than the number employed in November 2009.

Agricultural employment was 39,700 persons in November 2010, down 4,300 from the October 2010 level and 4,900 less than the November 2009 agricultural employment level of 44,600. Non-agricultural employment was 487,500 persons in November 2010. This is an increase of 5,700 from the October 2010 non-agriculture employment level of 481,800 and 10,500 more than November 2009.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for November 2010 was 4.9 percent. This is a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the October 2010 rate of 5.1 percent but 0.4 percentage points higher than the November 2009 level of 4.5 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force decreased by 200 to 554,200 persons in November 2010 from 554,400 persons in October 2010. This is 8,000 more than the November 2009 labour force of 546,200 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate fell 0.1 percentage points to 69.7 percent in November 2010 from 69.8 percent in October 2010. The November 2009 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 69.7 percent.

There were 27,000 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during November 2010. This is a decrease of 1,500 from October 2010 but is 2,400 more than the number unemployed in November 2009.

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 527,000 persons employed in Saskatchewan in November 2010, up 1,200 from the October 2010 level of 525,800 and is up 6,100 from the November 2009 employment level of 520,900 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November 2010 was 5.5 percent. This is a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the October 2010 rate of 5.7 percent but 0.4 percentage points higher than the November 2009 rate of 5.1 percent.

## CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment decreased by 42,800 persons in November 2010 to 17,242,400 persons from 17,285,200 persons in October 2010. In November 2009, there were 16,924,100 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate was 7.2 percent in November 2010, unchanged from October 2010. In November 2009, Canada's unemployment rate 8.0 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 7.6 percent in November 2010. This is 0.3 percentage points lower than October 2010 and 0.8 percentage points lower than the November 2009 level of 8.4 percent.

For more details, contact the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics at (306) 787-6327 or visit [www.stats.gov.sk.ca](http://www.stats.gov.sk.ca)

TABLE 1

**SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES**

	November <u>2010</u>	October <u>2010</u>	November <u>2009</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>CANADA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	18,577.8	18,629.4	18,390.0	-51.6	187.8
Employed ('000)	17,242.4	17,285.2	16,924.1	-42.8	318.3
Full-Time ('000)	13,791.3	13,934.7	13,588.5	-143.4	202.8
Part-Time ('000)	3,451.2	3,350.5	3,335.6	100.7	115.6
Unemployed ('000)	1,335.3	1,344.3	1,465.9	-9.0	-130.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	7.2	8.0	0.0	-0.8
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	7.6	7.9	8.4	-0.3	-0.8
Participation Rate (%)	66.7	66.9	67.0	-0.2	-0.3
<b><u>SASKATCHEWAN</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	554.2	554.4	546.2	-0.2	8.0
Employed ('000)	527.2	525.8	521.6	1.4	5.6
Full-Time ('000)	430.5	435.1	423.7	-4.6	6.8
Part-Time ('000)	96.8	90.8	97.9	6.0	-1.1
Unemployed ('000)	27.0	28.5	24.6	-1.5	2.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.1	4.5	-0.2	0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	5.5	5.7	5.1	-0.2	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	69.7	69.8	69.7	-0.1	0.0
<b><u>ALBERTA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	2,132.5	2,138.7	2,134.7	-6.2	-2.2
Employed ('000)	2,012.9	2,015.9	1,979.5	-3.0	33.4
Full-Time ('000)	1,653.6	1,647.2	1,610.3	6.4	43.3
Part-Time ('000)	359.3	368.7	369.2	-9.4	-9.9
Unemployed ('000)	119.6	122.8	155.2	-3.2	-35.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	5.7	7.3	-0.1	-1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	5.6	6.0	7.1	-0.4	-1.5
Participation Rate (%)	72.4	72.7	73.8	-0.3	-1.4
<b><u>MANITOBA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	652.5	656.9	641.8	-4.4	10.7
Employed ('000)	622.3	627.3	609.9	-5.0	12.4
Full-Time ('000)	498.0	505.2	487.3	-7.2	10.7
Part-Time ('000)	124.3	122.1	122.5	2.2	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	30.2	29.7	31.9	0.5	-1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.5	5.0	0.1	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	5.1	5.2	5.3	-0.1	-0.2
Participation Rate (%)	69.3	69.8	69.2	-0.5	0.1

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 2

**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

	November <u>2010</u>	October <u>2010</u>	November <u>2009</u>	Change from	
				<u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>LABOUR FORCE ('000)</u></b>	554.2	554.4	546.2	-0.2	8.0
Male	296.5	297.0	292.0	-0.5	4.5
Female	257.8	257.3	254.2	0.5	3.6
15-24 Years of Age	89.6	88.7	92.9	0.9	-3.3
25+ Years of age	464.6	465.7	453.3	-1.1	11.3
<b><u>EMPLOYED ('000)</u></b>	527.2	525.8	521.6	1.4	5.6
Male	281.3	281.6	276.4	-0.3	4.9
Female	245.9	244.3	245.2	1.6	0.7
15-24 Years of Age	80.3	78.9	83.9	1.4	-3.6
25+ Years of age	446.9	446.9	437.8	0.0	9.1
<b><u>UNEMPLOYED ('000)</u></b>	27.0	28.5	24.6	-1.5	2.4
Male	15.1	15.5	15.6	-0.4	-0.5
Female	11.9	13.1	9.0	-1.2	2.9
15-24 Years of Age	9.3	9.8	9.0	-0.5	0.3
25+ Years of age	17.7	18.7	15.6	-1.0	2.1
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>	4.9	5.1	4.5	-0.2	0.4
Male	5.1	5.2	5.3	-0.1	-0.2
Female	4.6	5.1	3.5	-0.5	1.1
15-24 Years of Age	10.4	11.0	9.7	-0.6	0.7
25+ Years of age	3.8	4.0	3.4	-0.2	0.4
<b><u>PARTICIPATION RATE (%)</u></b>	69.7	69.8	69.7	-0.1	0.0
Male	75.3	75.6	75.5	-0.3	-0.2
Female	64.1	64.1	64.0	0.0	0.1
15-24 Years of Age	65.3	64.6	67.0	0.7	-1.7
25+ Years of age	70.6	70.8	70.3	-0.2	0.3

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 3

**SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE**

	November <u>2010</u>	October <u>2010</u>	November <u>2009</u>	Change from	
				<u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>INDUSTRY ('000)</u></b>					
Agriculture	39.7	44.0	44.6	-4.3	-4.9
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	23.9	24.2	26.9	-0.3	-3.0
Utilities	5.9	5.6	4.9	0.3	1.0
Construction	38.6	41.1	38.3	-2.5	0.3
Manufacturing	31.5	32.4	27.1	-0.9	4.4
Trade	82.1	80.6	77.8	1.5	4.3
Transportation and Warehousing	27.3	25.7	26.5	1.6	0.8
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	30.0	29.9	29.1	0.1	0.9
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	21.3	20.2	22.7	1.1	-1.4
Business, Building and Other Support Services	10.0	9.9	10.2	0.1	-0.2
Educational Services	41.1	40.6	43.2	0.5	-2.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	68.6	67.4	68.9	1.2	-0.3
Information, Culture and Recreation	19.7	19.8	19.5	-0.1	0.2
Accommodation and Food Services	31.9	29.6	28.5	2.3	3.4
Other Services	27.5	27.2	23.8	0.3	3.7
Public Administration	28.1	27.5	29.6	0.6	-1.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>527.2</b>	<b>525.8</b>	<b>521.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>5.6</b>
<b><u>HOURS OF WORK ('000)</u></b>					
Full-Time	430.5	435.1	423.7	-4.6	6.8
Part-Time	96.8	90.8	97.9	6.0	-1.1
<b><u>CLASS OF WORKER ('000)</u></b>					
Employees	431.5	424.8	418.8	6.7	12.7
Public Sector	131.9	129.9	136.6	2.0	-4.7
Private Sector	299.7	294.9	282.2	4.8	17.5
Self-Employed	95.7	101.0	102.9	-5.3	-7.2

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 4

**CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

	<u>November</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>October</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>November</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Canada	17,242.4	17,285.2	16,924.1	-42.8	318.3
Newfoundland & Labrador	222.3	227.8	213.5	-5.5	8.8
Prince Edward Island	68.9	71.8	69.2	-2.9	-0.3
Nova Scotia	449.0	454.6	454.2	-5.6	-5.2
New Brunswick	361.1	365.9	367.0	-4.8	-5.9
Quebec	3,937.7	3,971.2	3,863.9	-33.5	73.8
Ontario	6,710.8	6,699.5	6,567.6	11.3	143.2
Manitoba	622.3	627.3	609.9	-5.0	12.4
Saskatchewan	527.2	525.8	521.6	1.4	5.6
Alberta	2,012.9	2,015.9	1,979.5	-3.0	33.4
British Columbia	2,330.3	2,325.4	2,277.7	4.9	52.6
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
Canada	7.2	7.2	8.0	0.0	-0.8
Newfoundland & Labrador	13.5	11.6	15.2	1.9	-1.7
Prince Edward Island	13.1	11.0	11.7	2.1	1.4
Nova Scotia	9.3	9.0	9.1	0.3	0.2
New Brunswick	9.3	8.5	7.9	0.8	1.4
Quebec	7.5	7.3	7.7	0.2	-0.2
Ontario	7.5	7.7	8.6	-0.2	-1.1
Manitoba	4.6	4.5	5.0	0.1	-0.4
Saskatchewan	4.9	5.1	4.5	-0.2	0.4
Alberta	5.6	5.7	7.3	-0.1	-1.7
British Columbia	6.6	7.1	7.7	-0.5	-1.1

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 5

**CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	November <u>2010</u>	October <u>2010</u>	November <u>2009</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	Change from <u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Canada	17,227.9	17,212.7	16,909.7	15.2	318.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	224.6	226.0	215.7	-1.4	8.9
Prince Edward Island	71.0	71.0	71.4	0.0	-0.4
Nova Scotia	450.5	450.5	455.1	0.0	-4.6
New Brunswick	361.7	362.1	368.2	-0.4	-6.5
Quebec	3,935.5	3,949.6	3,857.4	-14.1	78.1
Ontario	6,690.4	6,659.2	6,550.6	31.2	139.8
Manitoba	622.3	625.3	609.6	-3.0	12.7
Saskatchewan	527.0	525.8	520.9	1.2	6.1
Alberta	2,018.8	2,021.2	1,987.8	-2.4	31.0
British Columbia	2,326.1	2,321.8	2,273.0	4.3	53.1
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
Canada	7.6	7.9	8.4	-0.3	-0.8
Newfoundland & Labrador	13.8	13.0	15.7	0.8	-1.9
Prince Edward Island	12.5	12.9	11.2	-0.4	1.3
Nova Scotia	9.6	9.8	9.5	-0.2	0.1
New Brunswick	10.3	9.8	8.7	0.5	1.6
Quebec	7.9	8.0	8.1	-0.1	-0.2
Ontario	8.2	8.6	9.2	-0.4	-1.0
Manitoba	5.1	5.2	5.3	-0.1	-0.2
Saskatchewan	5.5	5.7	5.1	-0.2	0.4
Alberta	5.6	6.0	7.1	-0.4	-1.5
British Columbia	6.9	7.4	8.0	-0.5	-1.1

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 6

**SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

(3 Month Moving Average)

	November <u>2010</u>	October <u>2010</u>	November <u>2009</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b>CANADIAN CITIES</b>					
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
St. John's	6.4	7.6	8.3	-1.2	-1.9
Halifax	6.4	6.8	6.4	-0.4	0.0
Saint John	6.0	7.7	5.4	-1.7	0.6
Quebec	4.0	4.3	4.9	-0.3	-0.9
Montreal	8.1	8.3	8.5	-0.2	-0.4
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.4	7.2	5.3	-0.8	1.1
Greater Sudbury	8.4	9.8	9.4	-1.4	-1.0
Toronto	8.4	9.3	8.9	-0.9	-0.5
Winnipeg	5.1	5.9	5.3	-0.8	-0.2
Regina	4.7	5.3	4.8	-0.6	-0.1
Saskatoon	5.0	5.3	4.0	-0.3	1.0
Calgary	6.1	6.8	7.0	-0.7	-0.9
Edmonton	5.7	6.3	7.6	-0.6	-1.9
Vancouver	6.9	7.5	7.2	-0.6	-0.3
Victoria	5.8	5.5	7.1	0.3	-1.3
<b>SASKATCHEWAN</b>					
<b>ECONOMIC REGIONS</b>					
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Regina-Moose Mountain	166.0	166.8	155.1	-0.8	10.9
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	53.3	53.8	52.9	-0.5	0.4
Saskatoon-Biggar	168.2	169.1	173.7	-0.9	-5.5
Yorkton-Melville	40.3	41.7	41.1	-1.4	-0.8
Prince Albert & Northern	99.2	98.3	98.4	0.9	0.8

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

TABLE 7

**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY**  
**FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER**

(3 Month Moving Average)

	November <u>2010</u>	October <u>2010</u>	November <u>2009</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	Change from <u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>TOTAL POPULATION</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	554.4	558.6	542.6	-4.2	11.8
Employed ('000)	526.9	529.1	518.4	-2.2	8.5
Unemployed ('000)	27.6	29.6	24.2	-2.0	3.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.0	5.3	4.5	-0.3	0.5
Participation Rate (%)	69.8	70.3	69.3	-0.5	0.5
Employment Rate (%)	66.3	66.6	66.2	-0.3	0.1
<b><u>NON-ABORIGINAL</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	514.1	517.3	505.1	-3.2	9.0
Employed ('000)	493.1	494.2	486.3	-1.1	6.8
Unemployed ('000)	21.0	23.1	18.8	-2.1	2.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.5	3.7	-0.4	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	70.4	70.9	70.2	-0.5	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	67.5	67.7	67.5	-0.2	0.0
<b><u>ABORIGINAL</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	40.4	41.3	37.5	-0.9	2.9
Employed ('000)	33.8	34.8	32.1	-1.0	1.7
Unemployed ('000)	6.6	6.5	5.4	0.1	1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	16.3	15.7	14.4	0.6	1.9
Participation Rate (%)	62.6	64.1	59.4	-1.5	3.2
Employment Rate (%)	52.4	54.1	50.9	-1.7	1.5
<b><u>NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	16.2	16.8	14.1	-0.6	2.1
Employed ('000)	12.4	13.2	11.5	-0.8	0.9
Unemployed ('000)	3.7	3.6	2.6	0.1	1.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	23.1	21.2	18.3	1.9	4.8
Participation Rate (%)	55.6	57.7	49.5	-2.1	6.1
Employment Rate (%)	42.8	45.4	40.5	-2.6	2.3
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Labour Force ('000)	24.0	24.2	23.4	-0.2	0.6
Employed ('000)	21.1	21.3	20.6	-0.2	0.5
Unemployed ('000)	2.8	2.9	2.8	-0.1	0.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.9	12.1	12.1	-0.2	-0.2
Participation Rate (%)	68.1	69.1	67.8	-1.0	0.3
Employment Rate (%)	60.1	60.8	59.6	-0.7	0.5

## Notes:

- The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
- The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
- All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)
- Caution should be used when interpreting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

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