

# Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

January 2013

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## UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended January 19, 2013, there were 545,300 persons employed in Saskatchewan during January 2013, an increase of 5,500 from December 2012 and 24,700 more than the number employed in January 2012.

Agricultural employment was 40,900 persons in January 2013, up 700 from the December 2012 level and 8,000 more than the January 2012 agricultural employment level of 32,900. Non-agricultural employment was 504,400 persons in January 2013. This is an increase of 4,800 from the December 2012 non-agriculture employment level of 499,600 and 16,700 more than January 2012.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for January 2013 was 4.1 percent. This is a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the December 2012 rate of 4.3 percent and 1.0 percentage points lower than the January 2012 level of 5.1 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force increased by 4,400 to 568,400 persons in January 2013 from 564,000 persons in December 2012. This is 19,900 more than the January 2012 labour force of 548,500 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate rose 0.4 percentage points to 69.4 percent in January 2013 from 69.0 percent in December 2012. The January 2012 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 68.1 percent.

There were 23,100 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during January 2013. This is a decrease of 1,100 from December 2012 and is 4,800 less than the number unemployed in January 2012.

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 551,600 persons employed in Saskatchewan in January 2013, up 7,300 from the December 2012 level of 544,300 and up 21,800 from the January 2012 employment level of 529,800 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for January 2013 was 4.0 percent. This is a decrease of 0.6 percentage points from the December 2012 rate of 4.6 percent and 0.9 percentage points lower than the January 2012 rate of 4.9 percent.

## CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment decreased by 265,300 persons in January 2013 to 17,308,700 persons from 17,574,000 persons in December 2012. In January 2012, there were 16,996,600 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate increased 0.9 percentage points in January 2013 to 7.4 percent from the December 2012 level of 6.5 percent. In January 2012, Canada's unemployment rate was 8.0 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 7.0 percent in January 2013. This is 0.1 percentage points lower than December 2012 and 0.5 percentage points lower than the January 2012 level of 7.5 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**

	January <u>2013</u>	December <u>2012</u>	January <u>2012</u>	Change from	
				<u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>CANADA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	18,701.5	18,805.3	18,467.1	-103.8	234.4
Employed ('000)	17,308.7	17,574.0	16,996.6	-265.3	312.1
Full-Time ('000)	13,872.8	14,163.3	13,585.4	-290.5	287.4
Part-Time ('000)	3,435.9	3,410.7	3,411.3	25.2	24.6
Unemployed ('000)	1,392.8	1,231.3	1,470.4	161.5	-77.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.4	6.5	8.0	0.9	-0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	7.0	7.1	7.5	-0.1	-0.5
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	66.1	65.6	-0.5	0.0
<b><u>SASKATCHEWAN</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	568.4	564.0	548.5	4.4	19.9
Employed ('000)	545.3	539.8	520.6	5.5	24.7
Full-Time ('000)	440.5	437.8	419.9	2.7	20.6
Part-Time ('000)	104.8	102.0	100.7	2.8	4.1
Unemployed ('000)	23.1	24.2	27.9	-1.1	-4.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.3	5.1	-0.2	-1.0
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	4.0	4.6	4.9	-0.6	-0.9
Participation Rate (%)	69.4	69.0	68.1	0.4	1.3
<b><u>ALBERTA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	2,254.4	2,253.7	2,222.4	0.7	32.0
Employed ('000)	2,152.7	2,159.4	2,110.4	-6.7	42.3
Full-Time ('000)	1,799.7	1,813.7	1,756.6	-14.0	43.1
Part-Time ('000)	353.0	345.7	353.8	7.3	-0.8
Unemployed ('000)	101.6	94.2	112.1	7.4	-10.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	4.2	5.0	0.3	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	4.5	4.5	5.0	0.0	-0.5
Participation Rate (%)	72.2	72.4	73.3	-0.2	-1.1
<b><u>MANITOBA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	663.8	666.2	650.8	-2.4	13.0
Employed ('000)	631.1	634.5	614.9	-3.4	16.2
Full-Time ('000)	499.2	505.8	486.5	-6.6	12.7
Part-Time ('000)	131.9	128.7	128.4	3.2	3.5
Unemployed ('000)	32.7	31.6	35.9	1.1	-3.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	4.7	5.5	0.2	-0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	5.0	5.2	5.4	-0.2	-0.4
Participation Rate (%)	68.6	68.9	67.9	-0.3	0.7

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

TABLE 2

**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

	January <u>2013</u>	December <u>2012</u>	January <u>2012</u>	Change from	
				<u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>LABOUR FORCE ('000)</u></b>	568.4	564.0	548.5	4.4	19.9
Male	303.3	303.8	293.8	-0.5	9.5
Female	265.1	260.2	254.8	4.9	10.3
15-24 Years of Age	90.7	90.6	89.9	0.1	0.8
25+ Years of age	477.6	473.5	458.6	4.1	19.0
<b><u>EMPLOYED ('000)</u></b>	545.3	539.8	520.6	5.5	24.7
Male	291.3	289.8	279.0	1.5	12.3
Female	254.0	250.0	241.6	4.0	12.4
15-24 Years of Age	82.6	82.0	81.9	0.6	0.7
25+ Years of age	462.6	457.8	438.7	4.8	23.9
<b><u>UNEMPLOYED ('000)</u></b>	23.1	24.2	27.9	-1.1	-4.8
Male	11.9	14.0	14.8	-2.1	-2.9
Female	11.1	10.3	13.2	0.8	-2.1
15-24 Years of Age	8.1	8.5	8.0	-0.4	0.1
25+ Years of age	15.0	15.7	19.9	-0.7	-4.9
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>	4.1	4.3	5.1	-0.2	-1.0
Male	3.9	4.6	5.0	-0.7	-1.1
Female	4.2	4.0	5.2	0.2	-1.0
15-24 Years of Age	8.9	9.4	8.9	-0.5	0.0
25+ Years of age	3.1	3.3	4.3	-0.2	-1.2
<b><u>PARTICIPATION RATE (%)</u></b>	69.4	69.0	68.1	0.4	1.3
Male	74.5	74.7	73.6	-0.2	0.9
Female	64.4	63.3	62.8	1.1	1.6
15-24 Years of Age	66.4	66.3	65.9	0.1	0.5
25+ Years of age	70.0	69.5	68.6	0.5	1.4

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 3

**SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE**

	<b>January <u>2013</u></b>	<b>December <u>2012</u></b>	<b>January <u>2012</u></b>	<b>Change from <u>Last Month</u></b>	<b>Change from <u>Last Year</u></b>
<b><u>INDUSTRY ('000)</u></b>					
Agriculture	40.9	40.2	32.9	0.7	8.0
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	25.6	24.6	23.1	1.0	2.5
Utilities	5.4	5.2	5.3	0.2	0.1
Construction	45.3	45.7	37.0	-0.4	8.3
Manufacturing	27.9	28.5	27.2	-0.6	0.7
Trade	83.8	83.7	83.2	0.1	0.6
Transportation and Warehousing	25.5	25.5	27.3	0.0	-1.8
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	29.3	28.2	29.8	1.1	-0.5
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	25.2	24.0	23.2	1.2	2.0
Business, Building and Other Support Services	10.9	11.8	11.8	-0.9	-0.9
Educational Services	47.0	45.6	43.0	1.4	4.0
Health Care and Social Assistance	74.0	72.9	68.7	1.1	5.3
Information, Culture and Recreation	17.5	18.7	18.2	-1.2	-0.7
Accommodation and Food Services	28.8	28.8	33.9	0.0	-5.1
Other Services	26.5	24.5	26.2	2.0	0.3
Public Administration	31.7	31.9	29.8	-0.2	1.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>545.3</b>	<b>539.8</b>	<b>520.6</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>24.7</b>
<b><u>HOURS OF WORK ('000)</u></b>					
Full-Time	440.5	437.8	419.9	2.7	20.6
Part-Time	104.8	102.0	100.7	2.8	4.1
<b><u>CLASS OF WORKER ('000)</u></b>					
Employees	441.4	439.1	428.0	2.3	13.4
Public Sector	145.0	142.1	133.0	2.9	12.0
Private Sector	296.5	297.0	294.9	-0.5	1.6
Self-Employed	103.9	100.7	92.6	3.2	11.3

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 4

**CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

	<u>January</u> <u>2013</u>	<u>December</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>January</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Canada	17,308.7	17,574.0	16,996.6	-265.3	312.1
Newfoundland & Labrador	220.0	231.9	212.1	-11.9	7.9
Prince Edward Island	68.9	71.8	67.0	-2.9	1.9
Nova Scotia	436.9	447.8	444.6	-10.9	-7.7
New Brunswick	337.2	342.9	339.8	-5.7	-2.6
Quebec	3,936.4	4,000.3	3,800.5	-63.9	135.9
Ontario	6,720.8	6,844.5	6,634.4	-123.7	86.4
Manitoba	631.1	634.5	614.9	-3.4	16.2
Saskatchewan	545.3	539.8	520.6	5.5	24.7
Alberta	2,152.7	2,159.4	2,110.4	-6.7	42.3
British Columbia	2,259.5	2,301.1	2,252.4	-41.6	7.1
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
Canada	7.4	6.5	8.0	0.9	-0.6
Newfoundland & Labrador	13.7	11.3	15.7	2.4	-2.0
Prince Edward Island	14.8	12.1	15.5	2.7	-0.7
Nova Scotia	10.8	8.9	9.2	1.9	1.6
New Brunswick	12.6	10.2	10.6	2.4	2.0
Quebec	8.2	7.2	9.3	1.0	-1.1
Ontario	7.8	6.9	8.1	0.9	-0.3
Manitoba	4.9	4.7	5.5	0.2	-0.6
Saskatchewan	4.1	4.3	5.1	-0.2	-1.0
Alberta	4.5	4.2	5.0	0.3	-0.5
British Columbia	6.9	5.9	7.4	1.0	-0.5

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 5

**CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	<u>January</u> <u>2013</u>	<u>December</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>January</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Canada	17,645.7	17,667.6	17,359.3	-21.9	286.4
Newfoundland & Labrador	234.7	235.7	226.6	-1.0	8.1
Prince Edward Island	73.9	74.5	72.2	-0.6	1.7
Nova Scotia	449.9	449.8	457.6	0.1	-7.7
New Brunswick	350.4	347.7	355.4	2.7	-5.0
Quebec	4,049.7	4,044.2	3,919.8	5.5	129.9
Ontario	6,823.0	6,854.2	6,741.9	-31.2	81.1
Manitoba	640.0	638.4	626.2	1.6	13.8
Saskatchewan	551.6	544.3	529.8	7.3	21.8
Alberta	2,175.0	2,165.3	2,133.9	9.7	41.1
British Columbia	2,297.6	2,313.5	2,295.8	-15.9	1.8
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
Canada	7.0	7.1	7.5	-0.1	-0.5
Newfoundland & Labrador	11.5	11.6	13.3	-0.1	-1.8
Prince Edward Island	11.8	11.0	12.3	0.8	-0.5
Nova Scotia	9.7	9.3	8.4	0.4	1.3
New Brunswick	11.3	10.8	9.5	0.5	1.8
Quebec	7.1	7.3	8.3	-0.2	-1.2
Ontario	7.7	7.9	8.1	-0.2	-0.4
Manitoba	5.0	5.2	5.4	-0.2	-0.4
Saskatchewan	4.0	4.6	4.9	-0.6	-0.9
Alberta	4.5	4.5	5.0	0.0	-0.5
British Columbia	6.3	6.4	7.0	-0.1	-0.7

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 6

**SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

(3 Month Moving Average)

	January <u>2013</u>	December <u>2012</u>	January <u>2012</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b>CANADIAN CITIES</b>					
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
St. John's	6.7	6.1	7.7	0.6	-1.0
Halifax	6.0	5.4	5.0	0.6	1.0
Saint John	9.2	8.8	7.2	0.4	2.0
Quebec	4.6	4.1	4.9	0.5	-0.3
Montreal	8.1	7.9	9.1	0.2	-1.0
Ottawa-Gatineau	5.8	5.9	5.4	-0.1	0.4
Greater Sudbury	6.8	5.8	6.2	1.0	0.6
Toronto	7.7	7.6	8.0	0.1	-0.3
Winnipeg	5.1	5.1	5.5	0.0	-0.4
Regina	3.7	3.7	3.8	0.0	-0.1
Saskatoon	4.9	5.1	5.6	-0.2	-0.7
Calgary	4.5	4.2	5.0	0.3	-0.5
Edmonton	4.2	4.2	4.7	0.0	-0.5
Vancouver	6.4	6.2	6.6	0.2	-0.2
Victoria	5.5	5.4	5.9	0.1	-0.4
<b>SASKATCHEWAN</b>					
<b>ECONOMIC REGIONS</b>					
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Regina-Moose Mountain	171.4	172.2	167.0	-0.8	4.4
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	51.1	50.4	48.0	0.7	3.1
Saskatoon-Biggar	184.0	182.1	173.9	1.9	10.1
Yorkton-Melville	39.5	39.3	40.1	0.2	-0.6
Prince Albert & Northern	95.6	96.5	93.7	-0.9	1.9

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)

	<u>January</u> <u>2013</u>	<u>December</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>January</u> <u>2012</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>TOTAL POPULATION</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	564.9	563.5	548.9	1.4	16.0
Employed ('000)	541.3	540.1	522.0	1.2	19.3
Unemployed ('000)	23.6	23.5	26.9	0.1	-3.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	4.2	4.9	0.0	-0.7
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	69.0	68.2	0.1	0.9
Employment Rate (%)	66.2	66.2	64.9	0.0	1.3
<b><u>NON-ABORIGINAL</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	518.7	517.9	500.5	0.8	18.2
Employed ('000)	501.1	499.9	481.3	1.2	19.8
Unemployed ('000)	17.6	18.1	19.2	-0.5	-1.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.4	3.5	3.8	-0.1	-0.4
Participation Rate (%)	69.5	69.5	68.2	0.0	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	67.2	67.1	65.6	0.1	1.6
<b><u>ABORIGINAL</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	46.3	45.6	48.3	0.7	-2.0
Employed ('000)	40.3	40.2	40.6	0.1	-0.3
Unemployed ('000)	6.0	5.4	7.7	0.6	-1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	13.0	11.8	15.9	1.2	-2.9
Participation Rate (%)	64.5	63.6	68.6	0.9	-4.1
Employment Rate (%)	56.1	56.1	57.7	0.0	-1.6
<b><u>NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	18.4	18.5	20.0	-0.1	-1.6
Employed ('000)	15.3	15.6	15.7	-0.3	-0.4
Unemployed ('000)	3.1	2.9	4.3	0.2	-1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	16.6	15.7	21.4	0.9	-4.8
Participation Rate (%)	58.4	58.8	64.8	-0.4	-6.4
Employment Rate (%)	48.7	49.5	51.0	-0.8	-2.3
<b><u>METIS</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	27.8	27.0	28.2	0.8	-0.4
Employed ('000)	24.8	24.5	24.8	0.3	0.0
Unemployed ('000)	3.0	2.5	3.4	0.5	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.6	9.2	12.2	1.4	-1.6
Participation Rate (%)	69.2	67.3	71.5	1.9	-2.3
Employment Rate (%)	61.8	61.1	62.8	0.7	-1.0

## 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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