

Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

April 2010

UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended April 17, 2010, there were 521,700 persons employed in Saskatchewan during April 2010, an increase of 1,700 from March 2010 and 8,900 more than the number employed in April 2009.

Agricultural employment was 41,300 persons in April 2010, up 1,100 from the March 2010 level and 3,600 less than the April 2009 agricultural employment level of 44,900. Non-agricultural employment was 480,400 persons in April 2010. This is an increase of 600 from the March 2010 non-agriculture employment level of 40,200 and 12,500 more than April 2009.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for April 2010 was 5.8 percent. This is no change from the March 2010 rate but 0.4 percentage points higher than the April 2009 level of 5.4 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force increased by 2,300 to 554,200 persons in April 2010 from 551,900 persons in March 2010. This is 12,200 more than the April 2009 labour force of 542,000 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate rose 0.2 percentage points to 70.3 percent in April 2010 from 70.1 percent in March 2010. The April 2009 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 69.7 percent.

There were 32,400 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during April 2010. This is an increase of 500 from March 2010 and is 3,200 more than the number unemployed in April 2009.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 527,800 persons employed in Saskatchewan in April 2010, up 600 from the March 2010 level of 527,200 and is up 8,300 from the April 2009 employment level of 519,500 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 2010 was 5.2 percent. This is an increase of 0.1 percentage points from the March 2010 rate of 5.1 percent and 0.2 percentage points higher than the April 2009 rate of 5.0 percent.

CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment increased by 188,800 persons in April 2010 to 16,884,400 persons from 16,695,600 persons in March 2010. In April 2009, there were 16,645,100 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate decreased 0.4 percentage points to 8.4 percent from the March 2010 level of 8.8 percent. In April 2009, Canada's unemployment rate was 8.5 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 8.1 percent in April 2010. This is 0.1 percentage points lower than March 2010 and no change from the April 2009 level of 8.1 percent.

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

TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	<u>April</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>March</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>April</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>CANADA</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	18,429.6	18,305.9	18,200.2	123.7	229.4
Employed ('000)	16,884.4	16,695.6	16,645.1	188.8	239.3
Full-Time ('000)	13,484.7	13,326.2	13,336.2	158.5	148.5
Part-Time ('000)	3,399.7	3,369.4	3,308.9	30.3	90.8
Unemployed ('000)	1,545.1	1,610.3	1,555.1	-65.2	-10.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.4	8.8	8.5	-0.4	-0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	8.1	8.2	8.1	-0.1	0.0
Participation Rate (%)	66.7	66.4	66.9	0.3	-0.2
<u>SASKATCHEWAN</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	554.2	551.9	542.0	2.3	12.2
Employed ('000)	521.7	520.0	512.8	1.7	8.9
Full-Time ('000)	422.7	418.3	410.3	4.4	12.4
Part-Time ('000)	99.1	101.7	102.5	-2.6	-3.4
Unemployed ('000)	32.4	31.9	29.2	0.5	3.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.8	5.8	5.4	0.0	0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	5.2	5.1	5.0	0.1	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	70.3	70.1	69.7	0.2	0.6
<u>ALBERTA</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	2,119.8	2,108.4	2,102.4	11.4	17.4
Employed ('000)	1,958.1	1,948.8	1,966.9	9.3	-8.8
Full-Time ('000)	1,596.7	1,582.6	1,596.8	14.1	-0.1
Part-Time ('000)	361.4	366.2	370.1	-4.8	-8.7
Unemployed ('000)	161.8	159.6	135.5	2.2	26.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.6	7.6	6.4	0.0	1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	7.4	7.5	6.3	-0.1	1.1
Participation Rate (%)	72.8	72.5	73.8	0.3	-1.0
<u>MANITOBA</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	648.1	637.6	630.1	10.5	18.0
Employed ('000)	614.7	603.3	598.4	11.4	16.3
Full-Time ('000)	488.3	476.5	486.5	11.8	1.8
Part-Time ('000)	126.4	126.7	111.9	-0.3	14.5
Unemployed ('000)	33.4	34.3	31.7	-0.9	1.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	5.4	5.0	-0.2	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	4.9	5.2	4.6	-0.3	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	69.5	68.4	68.5	1.1	1.0

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 2

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	April <u>2010</u>	March <u>2010</u>	April <u>2009</u>	Change from	
				<u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>LABOUR FORCE ('000)</u>	554.2	551.9	542.0	2.3	12.2
Male	296.3	294.6	287.4	1.7	8.9
Female	257.9	257.2	254.7	0.7	3.2
15-24 Years of Age	92.7	92.9	97.9	-0.2	-5.2
25+ Years of age	461.4	458.9	444.2	2.5	17.2
<u>EMPLOYED ('000)</u>	521.7	520.0	512.8	1.7	8.9
Male	276.5	273.8	268.1	2.7	8.4
Female	245.2	246.2	244.8	-1.0	0.4
15-24 Years of Age	82.8	83.2	86.2	-0.4	-3.4
25+ Years of age	438.9	436.8	426.6	2.1	12.3
<u>UNEMPLOYED ('000)</u>	32.4	31.9	29.2	0.5	3.2
Male	19.8	20.8	19.3	-1.0	0.5
Female	12.7	11.1	9.9	1.6	2.8
15-24 Years of Age	9.9	9.8	11.7	0.1	-1.8
25+ Years of age	22.5	22.1	17.6	0.4	4.9
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>	5.8	5.8	5.4	0.0	0.4
Male	6.7	7.1	6.7	-0.4	0.0
Female	4.9	4.3	3.9	0.6	1.0
15-24 Years of Age	10.7	10.5	12.0	0.2	-1.3
25+ Years of age	4.9	4.8	4.0	0.1	0.9
<u>PARTICIPATION RATE (%)</u>	70.3	70.1	69.7	0.2	0.6
Male	76.1	75.8	75.0	0.3	1.1
Female	64.6	64.5	64.6	0.1	0.0
15-24 Years of Age	67.0	67.2	70.2	-0.2	-3.2
25+ Years of age	71.0	70.7	69.7	0.3	1.3

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE

	<u>April</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>March</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>April</u> <u>2009</u>	Change from	
				<u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>INDUSTRY ('000)</u>					
Agriculture	41.3	40.2	44.9	1.1	-3.6
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	24.4	27.9	21.9	-3.5	2.5
Utilities	4.7	4.7	4.5	0.0	0.2
Construction	37.4	35.6	34.1	1.8	3.3
Manufacturing	31.1	29.2	30.2	1.9	0.9
Trade	78.6	80.3	81.2	-1.7	-2.6
Transportation and Warehousing	25.8	26.1	22.8	-0.3	3.0
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	30.3	31.3	30.9	-1.0	-0.6
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	25.9	23.3	20.9	2.6	5.0
Business, Building and Other Support Services	12.3	12.4	10.9	-0.1	1.4
Educational Services	41.4	40.9	40.2	0.5	1.2
Health Care and Social Assistance	67.5	67.6	64.6	-0.1	2.9
Information, Culture and Recreation	18.3	17.8	18.8	0.5	-0.5
Accommodation and Food Services	32.2	30.3	30.7	1.9	1.5
Other Services	22.6	23.6	25.1	-1.0	-2.5
Public Administration	28.0	28.8	31.1	-0.8	-3.1
Total	521.7	520.0	512.8	1.7	8.9
<u>HOURS OF WORK ('000)</u>					
Full-Time	422.7	418.3	410.3	4.4	12.4
Part-Time	99.1	101.7	102.5	-2.6	-3.4
<u>CLASS OF WORKER ('000)</u>					
Employees	419.7	419.1	411.3	0.6	8.4
Public Sector	130.2	131.2	131.0	-1.0	-0.8
Private Sector	289.4	287.8	280.4	1.6	9.0
Self-Employed	102.0	100.9	101.5	1.1	0.5

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 4

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	<u>April</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>March</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>April</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u>					
Canada	16,884.4	16,695.6	16,645.1	188.8	239.3
Newfoundland & Labrador	209.8	207.2	204.3	2.6	5.5
Prince Edward Island	68.5	67.7	64.7	0.8	3.8
Nova Scotia	447.3	438.7	443.5	8.6	3.8
New Brunswick	355.2	352.0	353.2	3.2	2.0
Quebec	3,860.1	3,806.0	3,794.9	54.1	65.2
Ontario	6,561.5	6,481.8	6,468.3	79.7	93.2
Manitoba	614.7	603.3	598.4	11.4	16.3
Saskatchewan	521.7	520.0	512.8	1.7	8.9
Alberta	1,958.1	1,948.8	1,966.9	9.3	-8.8
British Columbia	2,287.4	2,270.2	2,238.1	17.2	49.3
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>					
Canada	8.4	8.8	8.5	-0.4	-0.1
Newfoundland & Labrador	17.8	17.9	17.9	-0.1	-0.1
Prince Edward Island	12.7	13.0	17.3	-0.3	-4.6
Nova Scotia	9.5	9.8	10.3	-0.3	-0.8
New Brunswick	9.9	9.8	10.4	0.1	-0.5
Quebec	8.7	9.0	9.3	-0.3	-0.6
Ontario	8.7	9.3	8.8	-0.6	-0.1
Manitoba	5.2	5.4	5.0	-0.2	0.2
Saskatchewan	5.8	5.8	5.4	0.0	0.4
Alberta	7.6	7.6	6.4	0.0	1.2
British Columbia	7.4	8.0	7.8	-0.6	-0.4

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 5

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	<u>April</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>March</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>April</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u>					
Canada	17,071.9	16,963.2	16,848.1	108.7	223.8
Newfoundland & Labrador	219.3	218.7	213.8	0.6	5.5
Prince Edward Island	72.6	72.0	68.8	0.6	3.8
Nova Scotia	453.8	452.7	449.4	1.1	4.4
New Brunswick	367.3	366.5	364.7	0.8	2.6
Quebec	3,914.6	3,879.6	3,854.4	35.0	60.2
Ontario	6,615.6	6,575.1	6,533.8	40.5	81.8
Manitoba	619.0	612.2	603.9	6.8	15.1
Saskatchewan	527.8	527.2	519.5	0.6	8.3
Alberta	1,979.4	1,969.4	1,986.3	10.0	-6.9
British Columbia	2,302.6	2,289.9	2,253.6	12.7	49.0
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>					
Canada	8.1	8.2	8.1	-0.1	0.0
Newfoundland & Labrador	15.0	15.5	15.1	-0.5	-0.1
Prince Edward Island	9.5	10.8	12.6	-1.3	-3.1
Nova Scotia	8.6	8.5	9.2	0.1	-0.6
New Brunswick	8.5	8.7	8.8	-0.2	-0.3
Quebec	7.9	8.0	8.5	-0.1	-0.6
Ontario	8.8	8.8	8.8	0.0	0.0
Manitoba	4.9	5.2	4.6	-0.3	0.3
Saskatchewan	5.2	5.1	5.0	0.1	0.2
Alberta	7.4	7.5	6.3	-0.1	1.1
British Columbia	7.3	7.9	7.6	-0.6	-0.3

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 6

SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(3 Month Moving Average)

	<u>April</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>March</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>April</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
CANADIAN CITIES					
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>					
St. John's	8.3	8.2	8.4	0.1	-0.1
Halifax	6.1	6.5	6.2	-0.4	-0.1
Saint John	7.5	8.5	6.2	-1.0	1.3
Quebec	5.3	5.1	5.1	0.2	0.2
Montreal	9.5	9.5	9.4	0.0	0.1
Ottawa-Gatineau	5.9	5.8	5.4	0.1	0.5
Greater Sudbury	9.9	11.1	8.7	-1.2	1.2
Toronto	9.2	9.1	8.9	0.1	0.3
Winnipeg	5.6	5.7	5.1	-0.1	0.5
Regina	4.8	5.1	4.4	-0.3	0.4
Saskatoon	5.5	4.7	5.2	0.8	0.3
Calgary	7.6	7.3	6.4	0.3	1.2
Edmonton	7.9	7.5	5.4	0.4	2.5
Vancouver	7.5	7.8	6.7	-0.3	0.8
Victoria	6.2	6.8	6.0	-0.6	0.2
SASKATCHEWAN					
<u>ECONOMIC REGIONS</u>					
<u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u>					
Regina-Moose Mountain	157.3	155.2	155.5	2.1	1.8
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	53.1	52.4	53.1	0.7	0.0
Saskatoon-Biggar	171.3	171.2	167.5	0.1	3.8
Yorkton-Melville	41.2	40.7	38.6	0.5	2.6
Prince Albert & Northern	96.9	96.5	98.0	0.4	-1.1

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>Feb-Apr</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>Jan-Mar</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>Feb-Apr</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>TOTAL POPULATION</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	548.6	542.7	540.3	5.9	8.3
Employed ('000)	518.2	513.7	511.4	4.5	6.8
Unemployed ('000)	30.4	28.9	28.9	1.5	1.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.3	5.4	0.2	0.1
Participation Rate (%)	69.7	69.0	69.6	0.7	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	65.8	65.3	65.9	0.5	-0.1
<u>NON-ABORIGINAL</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	508.7	504.3	500.4	4.4	8.3
Employed ('000)	483.9	481.1	476.9	2.8	7.0
Unemployed ('000)	24.8	23.2	23.5	1.6	1.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	4.6	4.7	0.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	70.3	69.8	70.1	0.5	0.2
Employment Rate (%)	66.9	66.6	66.8	0.3	0.1
<u>ABORIGINAL</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	39.9	38.3	39.9	1.6	0.0
Employed ('000)	34.3	32.6	34.5	1.7	-0.2
Unemployed ('000)	5.6	5.7	5.5	-0.1	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.0	14.9	13.6	-0.9	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	62.5	60.3	64.2	2.2	-1.7
Employment Rate (%)	53.8	51.3	55.4	2.5	-1.6
<u>NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	16.3	15.5	17.1	0.8	-0.8
Employed ('000)	12.9	12.3	14.4	0.6	-1.5
Unemployed ('000)	3.3	3.2	2.7	0.1	0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	20.5	20.5	15.7	0.0	4.8
Participation Rate (%)	56.5	54.1	60.9	2.4	-4.4
Employment Rate (%)	45.0	43.0	51.3	2.0	-6.3
<u>METIS</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	23.3	22.6	22.7	0.7	0.6
Employed ('000)	21.0	20.0	20.0	1.0	1.0
Unemployed ('000)	2.2	2.5	2.8	-0.3	-0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.7	11.2	12.1	-1.5	-2.4
Participation Rate (%)	67.2	65.1	66.8	2.1	0.4
Employment Rate (%)	60.7	57.9	58.6	2.8	2.1

Notes:

1. 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.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. 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)
4. Caution should be used when interpreting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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