

# Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

July 2010

## UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended July 17, 2010, there were 532,100 persons employed in Saskatchewan during July 2010, a decrease of 7,600 from June 2010 but 5,800 more than the number employed in July 2009.

Agricultural employment was 43,900 persons in July 2010, up 300 from the June 2010 level but 1,300 less than the July 2009 agricultural employment level of 45,200. Non-agricultural employment was 488,200 persons in July 2010. This is a decrease of 7,900 from the June 2010 non-agriculture employment level of 496,100 but 7,100 more than July 2009.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for July 2010 was 5.4 percent. This is an increase of 0.5 percentage points from the June 2010 rate of 4.9 percent and 0.2 percentage points higher than the July 2009 level of 5.2 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force decreased by 4,600 to 562,700 persons in July 2010 from 567,300 persons in June 2010. This is 7,800 more than the July 2009 labour force of 554,900 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate fell 0.7 percentage points to 71.0 percent in July 2010 from 71.7 percent in June 2010. The July 2009 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 71.1 percent.

There were 30,600 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during July 2010. This is an increase of 2,900 from June 2010 and is 2,000 more than the number unemployed in July 2009.

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis, there were 526,000 persons employed in Saskatchewan in July 2010, down 2,100 from the June 2010 level of 528,100 but is up 7,300 from the July 2009 employment level of 518,700 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for July 2010 was 5.1 percent. This is a decrease of 0.4 percentage points from the June 2010 rate of 5.5 percent but 0.3 percentage points higher than the July 2009 rate of 4.8 percent.

## CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment decreased by 79,900 persons in July 2010 to 17,454,300 persons from 17,534,200 persons in June 2010. In July 2009, there were 17,070,800 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate increased 0.9 percentage points to 8.3 percent from the June 2010 level of 7.4 percent. In July 2009, Canada's unemployment rate was 8.9 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 8.0 percent in July 2010. This is 0.1 percentage points higher than June 2010 but is 0.6 percentage points lower than the July 2009 level of 8.6 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**

	<u>July</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>June</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>July</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>CANADA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	19,035.5	18,941.3	18,739.6	94.2	295.9
Employed ('000)	17,454.3	17,534.2	17,070.8	-79.9	383.5
Full-Time ('000)	14,356.6	14,288.1	14,164.4	68.5	192.2
Part-Time ('000)	3,097.8	3,246.1	2,906.4	-148.3	191.4
Unemployed ('000)	1,581.2	1,407.1	1,668.8	174.1	-87.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.3	7.4	8.9	0.9	-0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	8.0	7.9	8.6	0.1	-0.6
Participation Rate (%)	68.6	68.4	68.6	0.2	0.0
<b><u>SASKATCHEWAN</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	562.7	567.3	554.9	-4.6	7.8
Employed ('000)	532.1	539.7	526.3	-7.6	5.8
Full-Time ('000)	443.6	443.2	438.3	0.4	5.3
Part-Time ('000)	88.6	96.5	88.0	-7.9	0.6
Unemployed ('000)	30.6	27.7	28.6	2.9	2.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	4.9	5.2	0.5	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	5.1	5.5	4.8	-0.4	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	71.0	71.7	71.1	-0.7	-0.1
<b><u>ALBERTA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	2,171.5	2,168.7	2,167.7	2.8	3.8
Employed ('000)	2,029.6	2,036.8	2,007.3	-7.2	22.3
Full-Time ('000)	1,698.1	1,683.4	1,690.6	14.7	7.5
Part-Time ('000)	331.5	353.4	316.7	-21.9	14.8
Unemployed ('000)	141.9	131.9	160.4	10.0	-18.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	6.1	7.4	0.4	-0.9
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	6.3	6.7	7.2	-0.4	-0.9
Participation Rate (%)	74.1	74.2	75.5	-0.1	-1.4
<b><u>MANITOBA</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	667.1	664.9	651.9	2.2	15.2
Employed ('000)	628.1	632.9	616.1	-4.8	12.0
Full-Time ('000)	516.9	516.1	512.1	0.8	4.8
Part-Time ('000)	111.2	116.9	104.0	-5.7	7.2
Unemployed ('000)	39.0	32.0	35.8	7.0	3.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.8	4.8	5.5	1.0	0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	5.6	5.3	5.4	0.3	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	71.1	71.0	70.6	0.1	0.5

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 2

**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

	<u>July 2010</u>	<u>June 2010</u>	<u>July 2009</u>	<u>Change from Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>LABOUR FORCE ('000)</u></b>	562.7	567.3	554.9	-4.6	7.8
Male	304.5	305.0	298.9	-0.5	5.6
Female	258.2	262.3	256.0	-4.1	2.2
15-24 Years of Age	105.6	101.2	110.2	4.4	-4.6
25+ Years of age	457.1	466.2	444.7	-9.1	12.4
<b><u>EMPLOYED ('000)</u></b>	532.1	539.7	526.3	-7.6	5.8
Male	289.1	290.1	284.7	-1.0	4.4
Female	243.0	249.5	241.6	-6.5	1.4
15-24 Years of Age	96.8	91.9	100.4	4.9	-3.6
25+ Years of age	435.3	447.8	425.9	-12.5	9.4
<b><u>UNEMPLOYED ('000)</u></b>	30.6	27.7	28.6	2.9	2.0
Male	15.4	14.9	14.2	0.5	1.2
Female	15.2	12.8	14.4	2.4	0.8
15-24 Years of Age	8.8	9.3	9.8	-0.5	-1.0
25+ Years of age	21.8	18.4	18.8	3.4	3.0
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>	5.4	4.9	5.2	0.5	0.2
Male	5.1	4.9	4.8	0.2	0.3
Female	5.9	4.9	5.6	1.0	0.3
15-24 Years of Age	8.3	9.2	8.9	-0.9	-0.6
25+ Years of age	4.8	3.9	4.2	0.9	0.6
<b><u>PARTICIPATION RATE (%)</u></b>	71.0	71.7	71.1	-0.7	-0.1
Male	77.8	78.0	77.7	-0.2	0.1
Female	64.5	65.6	64.7	-1.1	-0.2
15-24 Years of Age	76.6	73.3	79.1	3.3	-2.5
25+ Years of age	69.9	71.4	69.4	-1.5	0.5

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 3

**SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE**

	<b><u>July</u></b> <b><u>2010</u></b>	<b><u>June</u></b> <b><u>2010</u></b>	<b><u>July</u></b> <b><u>2009</u></b>	<b>Change from</b> <b><u>Last Month</u></b>	<b><u>Last Year</u></b>
<b><u>INDUSTRY ('000)</u></b>					
Agriculture	43.9	43.6	45.2	0.3	-1.3
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	28.9	27.8	23.8	1.1	5.1
Utilities	5.0	4.8	4.7	0.2	0.3
Construction	47.2	45.9	43.7	1.3	3.5
Manufacturing	30.7	30.1	27.0	0.6	3.7
Trade	84.0	81.3	83.4	2.7	0.6
Transportation and Warehousing	24.0	26.4	26.2	-2.4	-2.2
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	30.1	30.8	28.8	-0.7	1.3
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	24.2	26.3	21.6	-2.1	2.6
Business, Building and Other Support Services	12.0	14.2	13.8	-2.2	-1.8
Educational Services	29.2	40.3	29.3	-11.1	-0.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	67.8	68.8	67.7	-1.0	0.1
Information, Culture and Recreation	20.0	19.3	23.1	0.7	-3.1
Accommodation and Food Services	30.4	28.2	31.3	2.2	-0.9
Other Services	25.4	23.3	24.3	2.1	1.1
Public Administration	29.1	28.6	32.6	0.5	-3.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>532.1</b>	<b>539.7</b>	<b>526.3</b>	<b>-7.6</b>	<b>5.8</b>
<b><u>HOURS OF WORK ('000)</u></b>					
Full-Time	443.6	443.2	438.3	0.4	5.3
Part-Time	88.6	96.5	88.0	-7.9	0.6
<b><u>CLASS OF WORKER ('000)</u></b>					
Employees	427.1	433.6	425.4	-6.5	1.7
Public Sector	120.4	131.8	127.8	-11.4	-7.4
Private Sector	306.7	301.8	297.6	4.9	9.1
Self-Employed	105.1	106.0	100.9	-0.9	4.2

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 4

**CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

	<u>July</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>June</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>July</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Canada	17,454.3	17,534.2	17,070.8	-79.9	383.5
Newfoundland & Labrador	238.5	234.6	231.9	3.9	6.6
Prince Edward Island	76.7	76.9	74.1	-0.2	2.6
Nova Scotia	472.7	471.3	464.2	1.4	8.5
New Brunswick	378.4	378.0	381.9	0.4	-3.5
Quebec	4,021.2	4,046.1	3,924.2	-24.9	97.0
Ontario	6,738.8	6,789.2	6,572.7	-50.4	166.1
Manitoba	628.1	632.9	616.1	-4.8	12.0
Saskatchewan	532.1	539.7	526.3	-7.6	5.8
Alberta	2,029.6	2,036.8	2,007.3	-7.2	22.3
British Columbia	2,338.1	2,328.7	2,272.1	9.4	66.0
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
Canada	8.3	7.4	8.9	0.9	-0.6
Newfoundland & Labrador	13.2	12.4	14.4	0.8	-1.2
Prince Edward Island	9.3	8.2	10.5	1.1	-1.2
Nova Scotia	8.9	8.0	8.8	0.9	0.1
New Brunswick	9.0	8.2	9.0	0.8	0.0
Quebec	7.9	6.9	8.6	1.0	-0.7
Ontario	9.4	8.3	10.2	1.1	-0.8
Manitoba	5.8	4.8	5.5	1.0	0.3
Saskatchewan	5.4	4.9	5.2	0.5	0.2
Alberta	6.5	6.1	7.4	0.4	-0.9
British Columbia	7.8	7.4	8.1	0.4	-0.3

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TABLE 5

**CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	<u>July</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>June</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>July</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Canada	17,180.5	17,189.8	16,786.8	-9.3	393.7
Newfoundland & Labrador	219.8	218.8	212.7	1.0	7.1
Prince Edward Island	71.8	71.0	69.3	0.8	2.5
Nova Scotia	458.2	457.7	450.5	0.5	7.7
New Brunswick	363.0	361.6	365.1	1.4	-2.1
Quebec	3,918.8	3,939.7	3,823.2	-20.9	95.6
Ontario	6,678.6	6,693.6	6,506.8	-15.0	171.8
Manitoba	620.6	620.7	607.9	-0.1	12.7
Saskatchewan	526.0	528.1	518.7	-2.1	7.3
Alberta	2,008.6	1,999.8	1,984.6	8.8	24.0
British Columbia	2,315.2	2,298.9	2,248.1	16.3	67.1
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
Canada	8.0	7.9	8.6	0.1	-0.6
Newfoundland & Labrador	15.0	14.7	17.0	0.3	-2.0
Prince Edward Island	10.8	12.3	12.2	-1.5	-1.4
Nova Scotia	9.3	8.8	9.2	0.5	0.1
New Brunswick	9.0	9.3	9.1	-0.3	-0.1
Quebec	8.2	7.8	8.9	0.4	-0.7
Ontario	8.5	8.3	9.2	0.2	-0.7
Manitoba	5.6	5.3	5.4	0.3	0.2
Saskatchewan	5.1	5.5	4.8	-0.4	0.3
Alberta	6.3	6.7	7.2	-0.4	-0.9
British Columbia	7.5	7.8	7.8	-0.3	-0.3

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TABLE 6

**SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

(3 Month Moving Average)

	<u>July</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>June</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>July</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b>CANADIAN CITIES</b>					
<b><u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u></b>					
St. John's	7.7	7.7	8.6	0.0	-0.9
Halifax	6.2	6.0	6.6	0.2	-0.4
Saint John	8.3	7.6	5.4	0.7	2.9
Quebec	5.3	5.5	4.3	-0.2	1.0
Montreal	8.2	8.3	9.3	-0.1	-1.1
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.9	6.5	6.1	0.4	0.8
Greater Sudbury	8.7	8.0	9.7	0.7	-1.0
Toronto	9.8	9.5	10.7	0.3	-0.9
Winnipeg	5.9	5.6	5.1	0.3	0.8
Regina	4.8	4.2	3.5	0.6	1.3
Saskatoon	5.9	6.0	4.7	-0.1	1.2
Calgary	6.7	7.2	6.9	-0.5	-0.2
Edmonton	7.1	7.2	7.4	-0.1	-0.3
Vancouver	7.7	7.6	7.3	0.1	0.4
Victoria	5.4	5.4	6.1	0.0	-0.7
<b>SASKATCHEWAN</b>					
<b><u>ECONOMIC REGIONS</u></b>					
<b><u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u></b>					
Regina-Moose Mountain	164.7	162.2	158.9	2.5	5.8
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	54.9	54.9	55.4	0.0	-0.5
Saskatoon-Biggar	175.0	173.8	176.1	1.2	-1.1
Yorkton-Melville	42.5	42.3	40.4	0.2	2.1
Prince Albert & Northern	98.2	98.6	99.8	-0.4	-1.6

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>May-Jul</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>Apr-Jun</u> <u>2010</u>	<u>May-Jul</u> <u>2009</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<b><u>TOTAL POPULATION</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	563.3	560.6	555.6	2.7	7.7
Employed ('000)	534.1	531.0	529.0	3.1	5.1
Unemployed ('000)	29.2	29.7	26.5	-0.5	2.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.2	5.3	4.8	-0.1	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	71.2	71.0	71.3	0.2	-0.1
Employment Rate (%)	67.5	67.2	67.9	0.3	-0.4
<b><u>NON-ABORIGINAL</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	521.1	519.1	513.9	2.0	7.2
Employed ('000)	498.0	494.9	493.5	3.1	4.5
Unemployed ('000)	23.1	24.2	20.4	-1.1	2.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.7	4.0	-0.3	0.4
Participation Rate (%)	71.7	71.5	71.7	0.2	0.0
Employment Rate (%)	68.5	68.2	68.9	0.3	-0.4
<b><u>ABORIGINAL</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	42.2	41.5	41.7	0.7	0.5
Employed ('000)	36.1	36.0	35.5	0.1	0.6
Unemployed ('000)	6.1	5.5	6.2	0.6	-0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.4	13.2	14.8	1.2	-0.4
Participation Rate (%)	65.8	64.9	66.5	0.9	-0.7
Employment Rate (%)	56.3	56.3	56.7	0.0	-0.4
<b><u>NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN</u></b>					
Labour Force ('000)	17.6	16.9	17.3	0.7	0.3
Employed ('000)	13.7	13.5	13.9	0.2	-0.2
Unemployed ('000)	3.9	3.3	3.3	0.6	0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	22.3	19.9	19.2	2.4	3.1
Participation Rate (%)	60.9	58.3	61.1	2.6	-0.2
Employment Rate (%)	47.3	46.7	49.4	0.6	-2.1
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Labour Force ('000)	24.0	24.1	24.4	-0.1	-0.4
Employed ('000)	21.8	21.9	21.5	-0.1	0.3
Unemployed ('000)	2.1	2.1	2.8	0.0	-0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.9	8.8	11.7	0.1	-2.8
Participation Rate (%)	69.3	69.7	71.0	-0.4	-1.7
Employment Rate (%)	63.1	63.6	62.7	-0.5	0.4

## 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.

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