

## Immigration Labour Force Survey 2008 - April 24, 2009

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	Very Recent Immigrants	Recent Immigrants	Established Immigrants	Total Landed Immigrants	Canadian Born	Gap Between Canadian Born and Immigrants <small>(Canadian Born minus Immigrants<sup>1</sup>)</small>
<b>Who Has a Job?</b>						
<b>Total Population Aged 15+ (number in thousands)</b>	124	141	803	1,067	2,488	
<b>% of the Population Aged 15+ With a Job</b>						
<b>Total</b>	60.8	64.2	54.1	56.2	67.1	<b>10.9</b>
<i>By Age</i>						
Age 15-24	49.1	56.4	58.2	55.5	65.0	<b>9.5</b>
Age 25-54	68.2	73.7	81.2	77.7	84.5	<b>6.8</b>
Age 55+	37.0	32.9	30.0	30.4	34.5	<b>4.1</b>
<i>By Gender (Age 15+)</i>						
Male	71.5	74.2	59.8	63.0	71.3	<b>8.3</b>
Female	52.1	55.5	48.9	50.2	62.8	<b>12.6</b>
<i>By Highest Level of Education (Age 25-54)</i>						
No degree, certificate or diploma	50.7	67.4	72.6	68.6	69.5	<b>0.9</b>
High school graduate	67.7	70.6	78.4	76.1	82.1	<b>6.0</b>
High school graduate, some post-secondary	77.1	82.8	69.9	71.7	81.0	<b>9.3</b>
Post-secondary certificate or diploma	68.0	74.4	83.4	80.5	87.7	<b>7.2</b>
University degree	70.5	75.0	86.3	80.0	89.6	<b>9.6</b>
Bachelor's degree	67.9	73.5	85.7	79.5	89.0	<b>9.5</b>
Above bachelor's degree	74.0	76.5	87.4	80.8	91.2	<b>10.4</b>
<i>By CMA (Age 15+)</i>						
Abbotsford	59.6	67.3	56.7	58.7	69.2	<b>10.5</b>
Vancouver	59.8	63.8	56.7	58.2	68.8	<b>10.6</b>
Victoria	60.0	73.2	51.0	53.8	70.4	<b>16.6</b>

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<b>Who Is Unemployed?</b>						
<b>Total Number of Persons in Labour Force (number in thousands)</b>	81	97	452	631	1,746	
<b>% of the Labour Force who are Unemployed</b>						
Total	7.6	6.8	3.9	4.9	4.5	-0.4
<i>By Age</i>						
Age 15-24	*	*	7.5	7.3	8.5	1.2
Age 25-54	7.4	6.2	3.6	4.6	3.6	-1.0
Age 55+	*	*	3.9	4.5	3.3	-1.2
<i>By Gender (Age 15+)</i>						
Male	5.5	5.7	3.9	4.3	4.7	0.4
Female	9.9	8.0	4.0	5.4	4.3	-1.1
<i>By Highest Level of Education (Age 25-54)</i>						
No degree, certificate or diploma	*	*	*	5.4	6.2	0.8
High school graduate	*	*	3.4	4.1	3.9	-0.2
High school graduate, some post-secondary	*	*	*	6.9	4.5	*
Post-secondary certificate or diploma	*	8.6	3.3	4.3	3.4	-0.9
University degree	8.2	5.4	3.2	4.7	2.3	-2.4
Bachelor's degree	7.8	*	3.1	4.6	2.5	-2.1
Above bachelor's degree	*	*	*	5.0	2.1	-2.9
<i>By CMA (Age 15+)</i>						
Vancouver	8.0	6.8	4.1	5.0	3.7	-1.3

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<b>Type of Jobs</b>						
<b>Total Number of Employed Persons (number in thousands)</b>	75	91	434	600	1,668	
<b>% of Those Who are Employed</b>						
<i>Occupation (Age 15+)</i>						
Management occupations	6.0	7.9	11.2	10.0	9.4	-0.7
Business, finance and administrative occupations	14.6	14.6	18.5	17.4	18.0	0.6
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	9.2	8.7	7.1	7.6	6.3	-1.3
Health occupations	5.1	5.5	6.8	6.4	5.8	-0.6
Occupations in social science, education, government service and religion	7.5	6.8	7.8	7.5	8.4	0.9
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	2.1	2.4	3.4	3.1	3.2	0.1
Sales and service occupations	29.9	31.3	25.1	26.6	25.0	-1.6
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	15.6	14.2	12.1	12.9	17.9	5.1
Occupations unique to primary industry	2.7	2.0	2.8	2.6	3.0	0.3
Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	8.6	6.6	5.3	5.9	3.0	-2.9
<i>Hours Worked (Age 15+)</i>						
Part time	15.7	18.3	17.4	17.3	21.2	3.9
Full time	84.4	81.7	82.6	82.7	78.8	-3.9

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