

## Labour Force Statistics July 2011

### Alberta Highlights:

- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.5% in July 2011, down 0.8 percentage points from the same month last year. This rate was the second lowest in the country behind Saskatchewan's 4.9%. The national rate was 7.3%, down 0.1 percentage points from the month before.
- The labour force increased by 15,300 from the previous month and employment increased by 15,500 during the same period, the largest increase among all the provinces.
- Year-over-year, Alberta's employment increased by 3.8% or 77,600, more than double the national growth rate of 1.5%. With this increase, Alberta has now created 31% of Canada's employment growth.
- Edmonton's unemployment rate of 5.3% in July 2011 was ranked third behind Quebec City's 4.7% and Regina's 4.9%, and Calgary's rate of 5.8% was ranked seventh among Canadian Census Metropolitan Areas.
- The following industries had the most employment increases in July from the previous month: Construction, 10,900; Transportation and Warehousing, 6,700; and Educational Services, 5,300.

Additional information about Alberta's Labour Force Statistics for July 2011 may be found at <http://employment.alberta.ca/BI/67.html>

