

## Labour Force Statistics October 2011

### Alberta Highlights:

- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.1% in October 2011, down 0.2 percentage points from September 2011 and down 0.9 percentage points from the same month last year. This rate was the second lowest in the country behind Saskatchewan's 4.2%. The national rate was 7.4%, up 0.2 percentage points from the month before.
- The labour force decreased by 200 from the previous month and employment increased by 5,900 during the same period.
- Year-over-year, Alberta's employment increased by 90,200 or 4.4%, the fastest rate of employment growth among all provinces. With this increase, Alberta has accounted for 40.7% of Canada's employment growth.
- Employment increased by 6,400 among men aged 25 and over and decreased by 500 among similarly-aged women.
- The following industries had the most employment increases in October from the previous month: Trade, 9,900; Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas, 9,200; and Agriculture, 4,800.

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

