

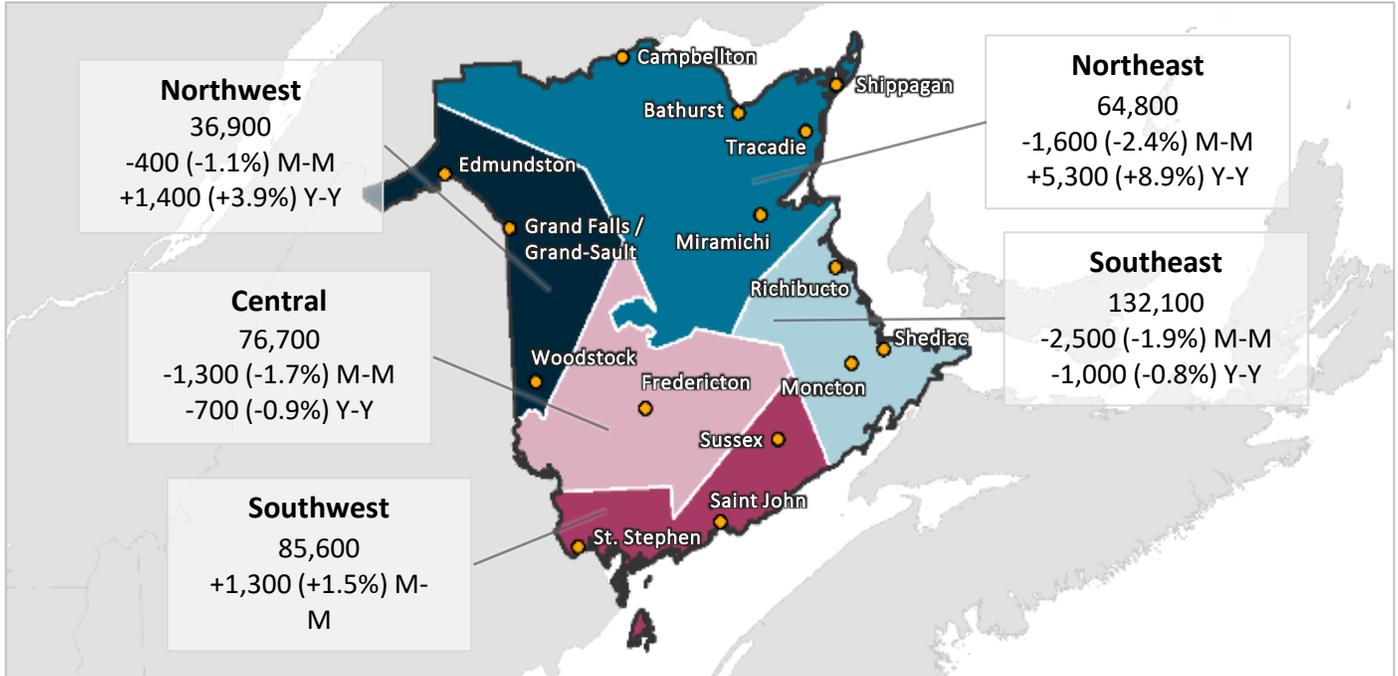
# NEW BRUNSWICK LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

DATA FOR FEBRUARY 2026 (RELEASED MARCH 2026)

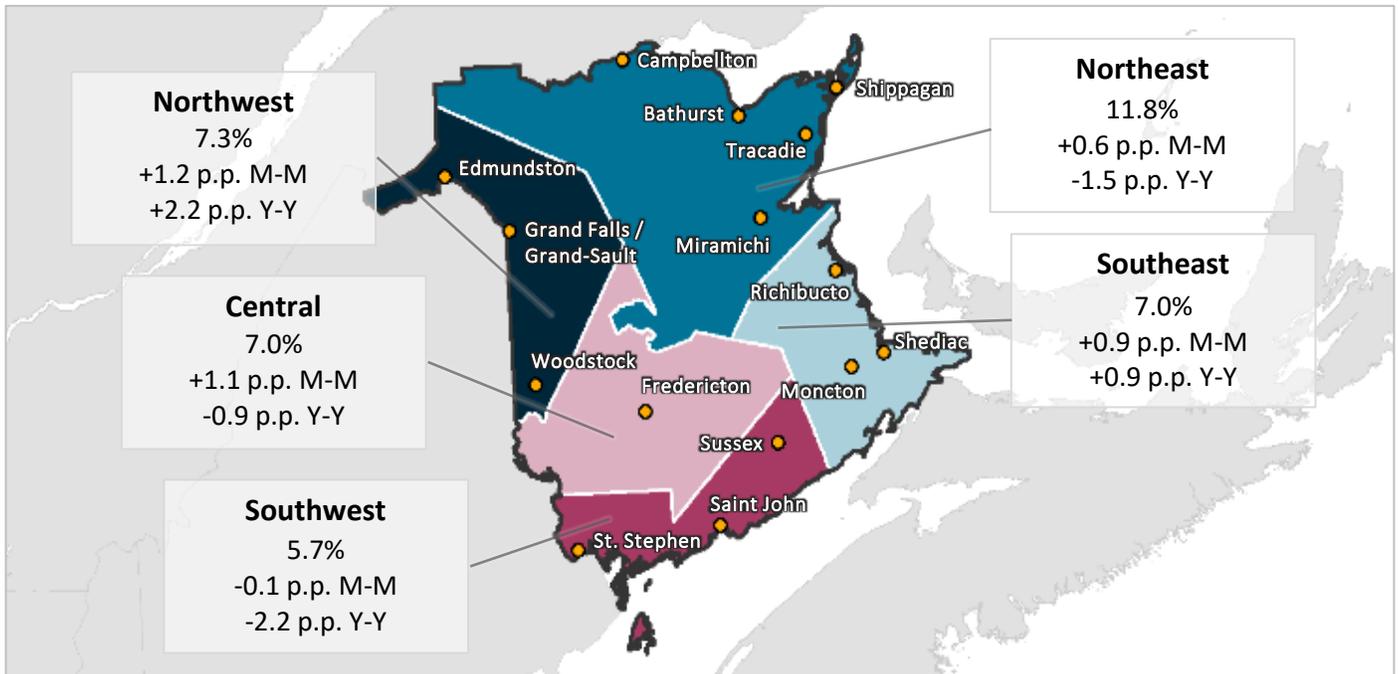
## REGIONAL OVERVIEW – 3-MONTH MOVING AVERAGES, UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY

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### Employment



### Unemployment Rate

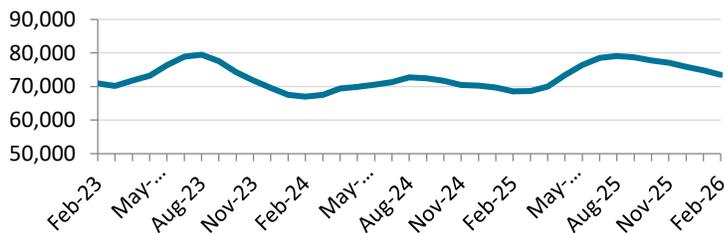


## NORTHEAST

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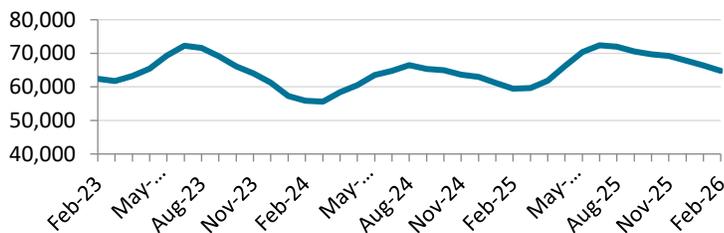
### Labour Force

**73,500** in February 2026  
**-1,300** (-1.7%) Month-over-Month  
**+4,900** (+7.1%) Year-over-Year



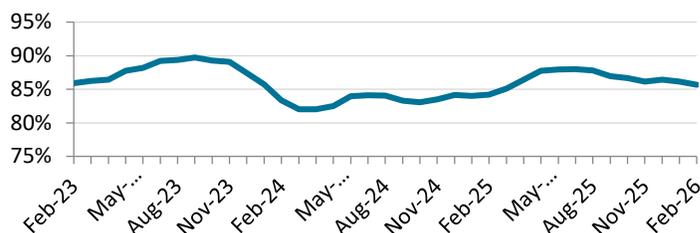
### Employment

**64,800** in February 2026  
**-1,600** (-2.4%) Month-over-Month  
**+5,300** (+8.9%) Year-over-Year



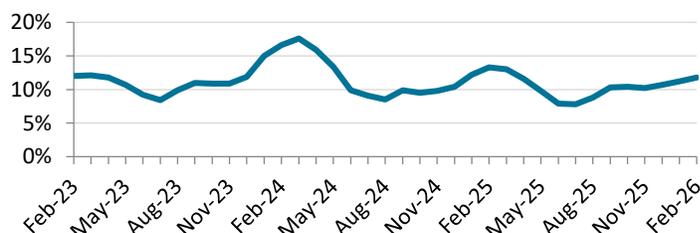
### Full-Time Employment Rate

**85.6%** in February 2026  
**-0.5 p.p.** Month-over-Month  
**+1.4 p.p.** Year-over-Year



### Unemployment Rate

**11.8%** in February 2026  
**+0.6 p.p.** Month-over-Month  
**-1.5 p.p.** Year-over-Year



### Labour Force Characteristics - Unadjusted for Seasonality, 3-Month Moving Averages (Ages 15+)

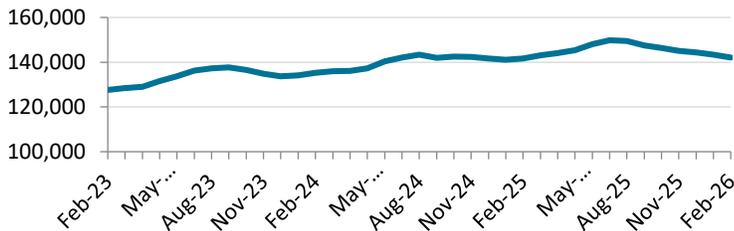
	Feb-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	M-M Change		Y-Y Change	
Working-Age Population	138,000	137,900	<b>137,800</b>	-100	-0.1%	-200	-0.1%
Labour Force	68,600	74,800	<b>73,500</b>	-1,300	-1.7%	+4,900	+7.1%
Employment	59,500	66,400	<b>64,800</b>	-1,600	-2.4%	+5,300	+8.9%
FT Employment	50,100	57,200	<b>55,500</b>	-1,700	-3.0%	+5,400	+10.8%
PT Employment	9,400	9,200	<b>9,400</b>	+200	+2.2%	0	0.0%
Unemployment	9,100	8,400	<b>8,700</b>	+300	+3.6%	-400	-4.4%
Participation Rate (%)	49.7%	54.2%	<b>53.3%</b>	-0.9 (pp)		+3.6 (pp)	
Employment Rate (%)	43.1%	48.2%	<b>47.0%</b>	-1.2 (pp)		+3.9 (pp)	
Unemployment Rate (%)	13.3%	11.2%	<b>11.8%</b>	+0.6 (pp)		-1.5 (pp)	

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**SOUTHEAST**  
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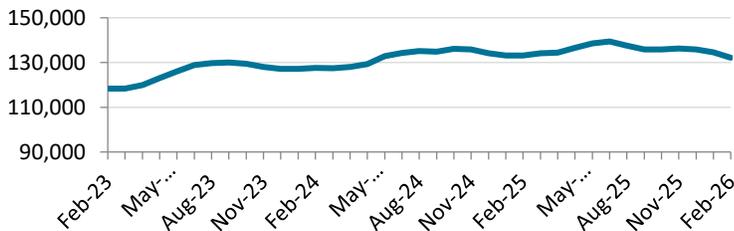
**Labour Force**

**142,100** in February 2026  
**-1,200** (-0.8%) Month-over-Month  
**+400** (+0.3%) Year-over-Year



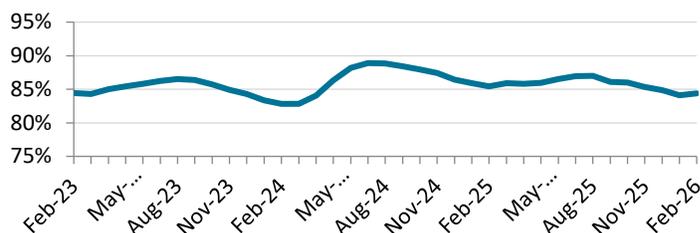
**Employment**

**132,100** in February 2026  
**-2,500** (-1.9%) Month-over-Month  
**-1,000** (-0.8%) Year-over-Year



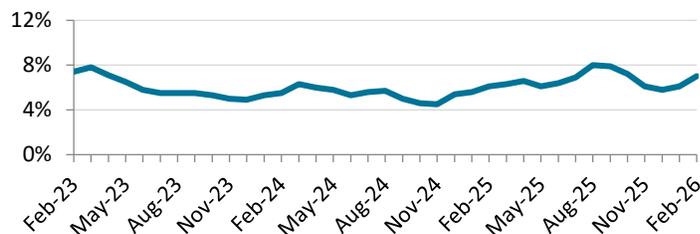
**Full-Time Employment Rate**

**84.4%** in February 2026  
**+0.3 p.p.** Month-over-Month  
**-1.0 p.p.** Year-over-Year



**Unemployment Rate**

**7.0%** in February 2026  
**+0.9 p.p.** Month-over-Month  
**+0.9 p.p.** Year-over-Year



**Labour Force Characteristics - Unadjusted for Seasonality, 3-Month Moving Averages (Ages 15+)**

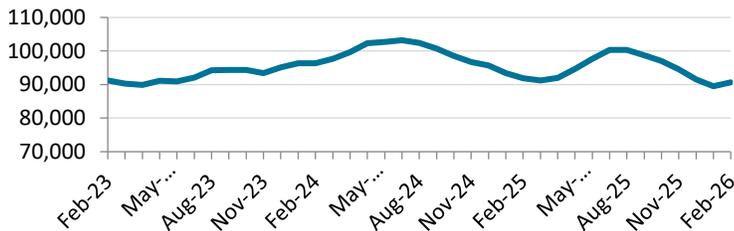
	Feb-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	M-M Change		Y-Y Change	
Working-Age Population	222,900	227,300	<b>227,600</b>	+300	+0.1%	+4,700	+2.1%
Labour Force	141,700	143,300	<b>142,100</b>	-1,200	-0.8%	+400	+0.3%
Employment	133,100	134,600	<b>132,100</b>	-2,500	-1.9%	-1,000	-0.8%
FT Employment	113,700	113,200	<b>111,500</b>	-1,700	-1.5%	-2,200	-1.9%
PT Employment	19,300	21,400	<b>20,600</b>	-800	-3.7%	+1,300	+6.7%
Unemployment	8,600	8,700	<b>10,000</b>	+1,300	+14.9%	+1,400	+16.3%
Participation Rate (%)	63.6%	63.0%	<b>62.4%</b>	-0.6 (pp)		-1.2 (pp)	
Employment Rate (%)	59.7%	59.2%	<b>58.0%</b>	-1.2 (pp)		-1.7 (pp)	
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.1%	6.1%	<b>7.0%</b>	+0.9 (pp)		+0.9 (pp)	

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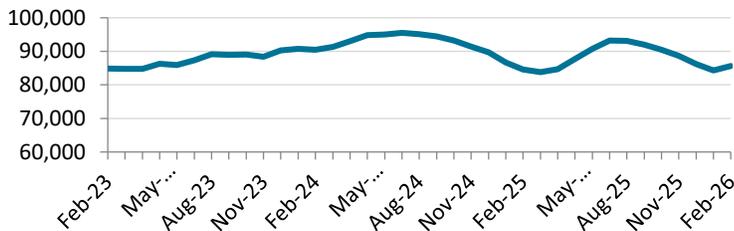
**Labour Force**

**90,700** in February 2026  
**+1,200** (+1.3%) Month-over-Month  
**-1,200** (-1.3%) Year-over-Year



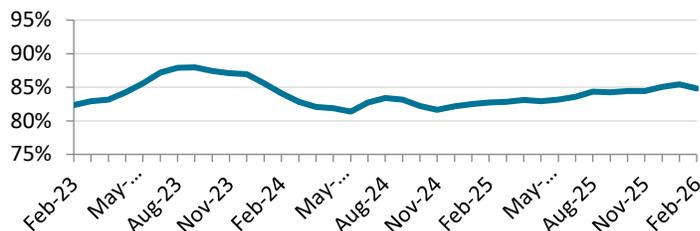
**Employment**

**85,600** in February 2026  
**+1,300** (+1.5%) Month-over-Month  
**+1,000** (+1.2%) Year-over-Year



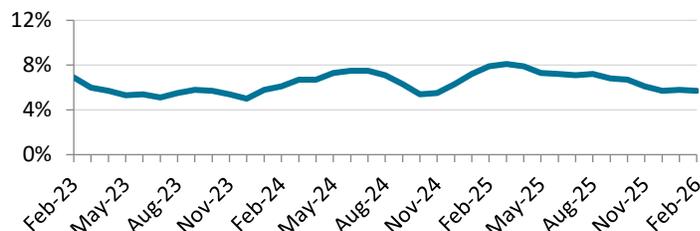
**Full-Time Employment Rate**

**84.8%** in February 2026  
**-0.6 p.p.** Month-over-Month  
**+2.1 p.p.** Year-over-Year



**Unemployment Rate**

**5.7%** in February 2026  
**-0.1 p.p.** Month-over-Month  
**-2.2 p.p.** Year-over-Year



**Labour Force Characteristics - Unadjusted for Seasonality, 3-Month Moving Averages (Ages 15+)**

	Feb-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	M-M Change		Y-Y Change	
Working-Age Population	158,900	160,200	<b>160,200</b>	0	0.0%	+1,300	+0.8%
Labour Force	91,900	89,500	<b>90,700</b>	+1,200	+1.3%	-1,200	-1.3%
Employment	84,600	84,300	<b>85,600</b>	+1,300	+1.5%	+1,000	+1.2%
FT Employment	70,000	72,000	<b>72,600</b>	+600	+0.8%	+2,600	+3.7%
PT Employment	14,600	12,300	<b>12,900</b>	+600	+4.9%	-1,700	-11.6%
Unemployment	7,300	5,200	<b>5,200</b>	0	0.0%	-2,100	-28.8%
Participation Rate (%)	57.8%	55.9%	<b>56.6%</b>	+0.7 (pp)		-1.2 (pp)	
Employment Rate (%)	53.2%	52.6%	<b>53.4%</b>	+0.8 (pp)		+0.2 (pp)	
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9%	5.8%	<b>5.7%</b>	-0.1 (pp)		-2.2 (pp)	

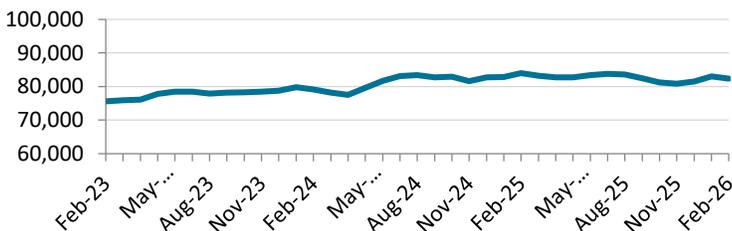
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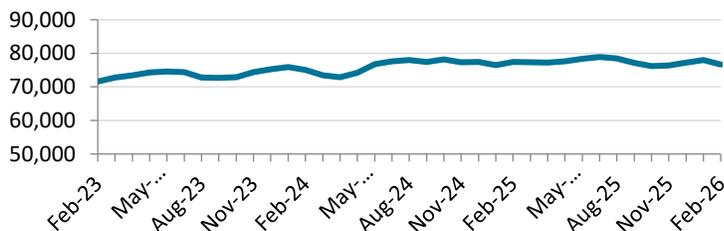
**Labour Force**

**82,400** in February 2026  
 -600 (-0.7%) Month-over-Month  
 -1,600 (-1.9%) Year-over-Year



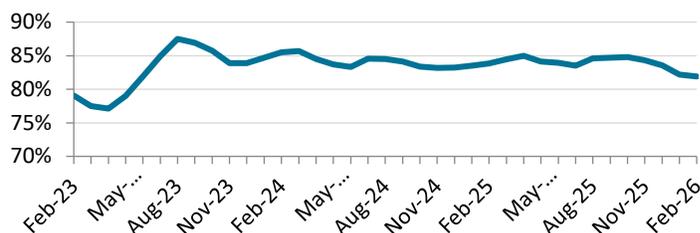
**Employment**

**76,700** in February 2026  
 -1,300 (-1.7%) Month-over-Month  
 -700 (-0.9%) Year-over-Year



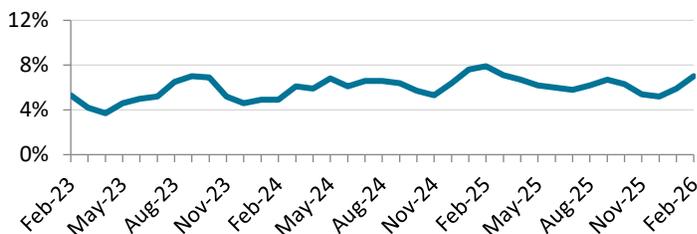
**Full-Time Employment Rate**

**81.9%** in February 2026  
 -0.3 p.p. Month-over-Month  
 -2.0 p.p. Year-over-Year



**Unemployment Rate**

**7.0%** in February 2026  
 +1.1 p.p. Month-over-Month  
 -0.9 p.p. Year-over-Year



**Labour Force Characteristics - Unadjusted for Seasonality, 3-Month Moving Averages (Ages 15+)**

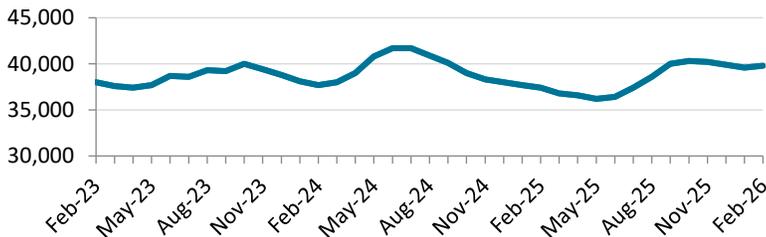
	Feb-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	M-M Change		Y-Y Change	
Working-Age Population	129,700	130,900	<b>131,000</b>	+100	+0.1%	+1,300	+1.0%
Labour Force	84,000	83,000	<b>82,400</b>	-600	-0.7%	-1,600	-1.9%
Employment	77,400	78,000	<b>76,700</b>	-1,300	-1.7%	-700	-0.9%
FT Employment	64,900	64,100	<b>62,800</b>	-1,300	-2.0%	-2,100	-3.2%
PT Employment	12,400	13,900	<b>13,800</b>	-100	-0.7%	+1,400	+11.3%
Unemployment	6,600	4,900	<b>5,800</b>	+900	+18.4%	-800	-12.1%
Participation Rate (%)	64.8%	63.4%	<b>62.9%</b>	-0.5 (pp)		-1.9 (pp)	
Employment Rate (%)	59.7%	59.6%	<b>58.5%</b>	-1.1 (pp)		-1.2 (pp)	
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9%	5.9%	<b>7.0%</b>	+1.1 (pp)		-0.9 (pp)	

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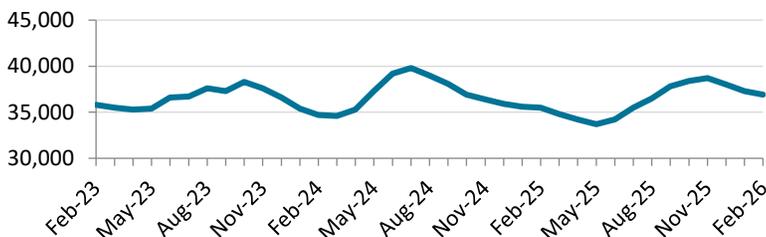
**Labour Force**

**39,800** in February 2026  
**+200** (+0.5%) Month-over-Month  
**+2,400** (+6.4%) Year-over-Year



**Employment**

**36,900** in February 2026  
**-400** (-1.1%) Month-over-Month  
**+1,400** (+3.9%) Year-over-Year



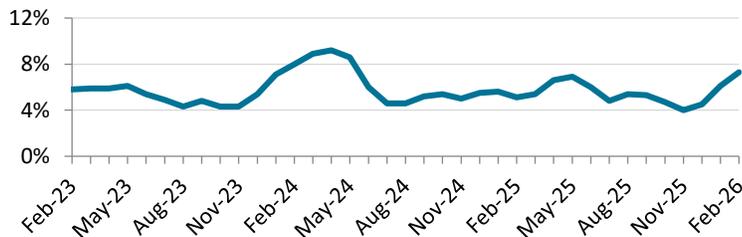
**Full-Time Employment Rate**

**85.9%** in February 2026  
**-0.2 p.p.** Month-over-Month  
**+2.8 p.p.** Year-over-Year



**Unemployment Rate**

**7.3%** in February 2026  
**+1.2 p.p.** Month-over-Month  
**+2.2 p.p.** Year-over-Year



**Labour Force Characteristics - Unadjusted for Seasonality, 3-Month Moving Averages (Ages 15+)**

	Feb-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	M-M Change		Y-Y Change	
Working-Age Population	67,600	67,900	<b>67,900</b>	0	0.0%	+300	+0.4%
Labour Force	37,400	39,600	<b>39,800</b>	+200	+0.5%	+2,400	+6.4%
Employment	35,500	37,300	<b>36,900</b>	-400	-1.1%	+1,400	+3.9%
FT Employment	29,500	32,100	<b>31,700</b>	-400	-1.2%	+2,200	+7.5%
PT Employment	6,000	5,200	<b>5,200</b>	0	0.0%	-800	-13.3%
Unemployment	1,900	2,400	<b>2,900</b>	+500	+20.8%	+1,000	+52.6%
Participation Rate (%)	55.3%	58.3%	<b>58.6%</b>	+0.3 (pp)		+3.3 (pp)	
Employment Rate (%)	52.5%	54.9%	<b>54.3%</b>	-0.6 (pp)		+1.8 (pp)	
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.1%	6.1%	<b>7.3%</b>	+1.2 (pp)		+2.2 (pp)	

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