NEW BRUNSWICK LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

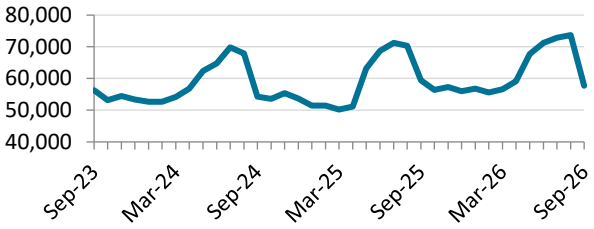
DATA FOR SEPTEMBER 2026 (RELEASED OCTOBER 2026)

YOUTH STATISTICS (AGES 15 TO 24) – UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY

It is recommended to consider trends over the long-term

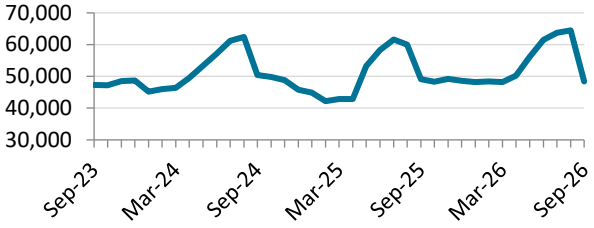
Labour Force

57,700 in September 2026
-16,000 (-21.7%) Month-over-Month (-15.5% Nationally)
-1,700 (-2.9%) Year-over-Year (-2.4% Nationally)



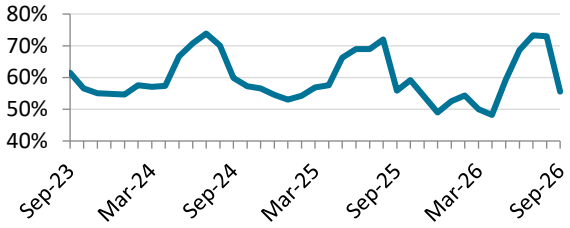
Employment

48,400 in September 2026
-16,100 (-25.0%) Month-over-Month (-15.0% Nationally)
-700 (-1.4%) Year-over-Year (-0.9% Nationally)



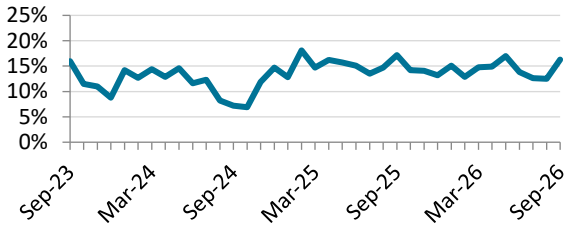
Full-Time Employment Rate

55.6% in September 2026 (49.4% Nationally)
-17.4 p.p. Month-over-Month (-12.9 p.p. Nationally)
-0.2 p.p. Year-over-Year (+1.5 p.p. Nationally)



Unemployment Rate

16.3% in September 2026 (13.0% Nationally)
+3.8 p.p. Month-over-Month (-0.5 p.p. Nationally)
-0.9 p.p. Year-over-Year (-1.4 p.p. Nationally)



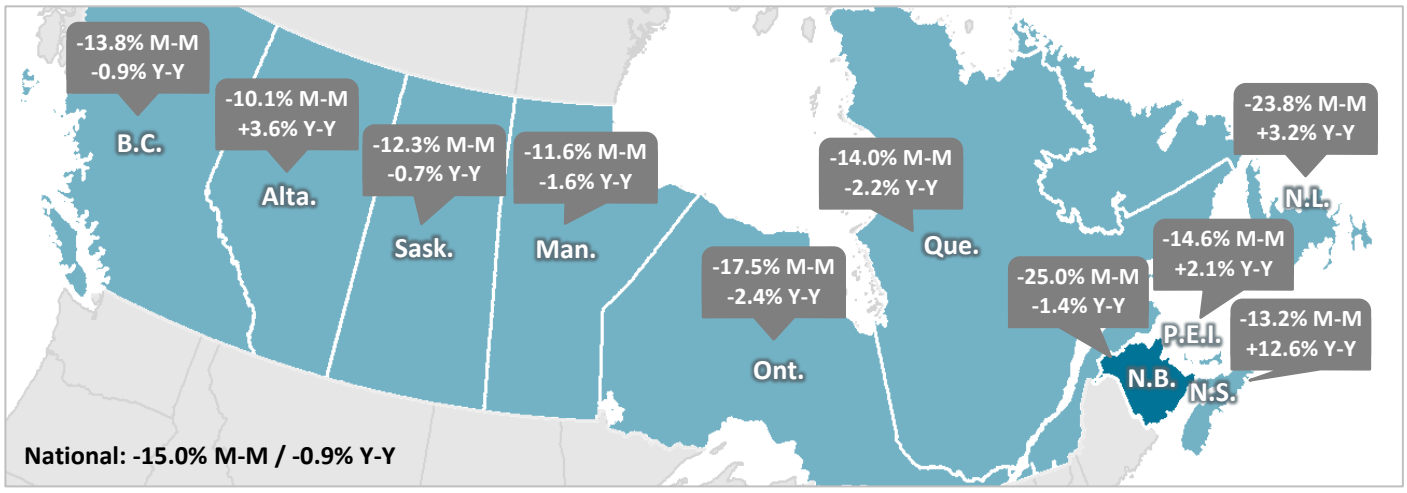
Labour Force Characteristics - Unadjusted for Seasonality (Ages 15 to 24)

	Sep-25	Aug-26	Sep-26	M-M Change		Y-Y Change	
Working-Age Population	92,900	94,100	**94,300**	+200	+0.2%	+1,400	+1.5%
Labour Force	59,400	73,700	**57,700**	-16,000	-21.7%	-1,700	-2.9%
Employment	49,100	64,500	**48,400**	-16,100	-25.0%	-700	-1.4%
FT Employment	27,400	47,100	**26,900**	-20,200	-42.9%	-500	-1.8%
PT Employment	21,700	17,400	**21,500**	+4,100	+23.6%	-200	-0.9%
Unemployment	10,200	9,200	**9,400**	+200	+2.2%	-800	-7.8%
Participation Rate (%)	63.9%	78.3%	**61.2%**	-17.1 (pp)		-2.7 (pp)	
Employment Rate (%)	52.9%	68.5%	**51.3%**	-17.2 (pp)		-1.6 (pp)	
Unemployment Rate (%)	17.2%	12.5%	**16.3%**	+3.8 (pp)		-0.9 (pp)	

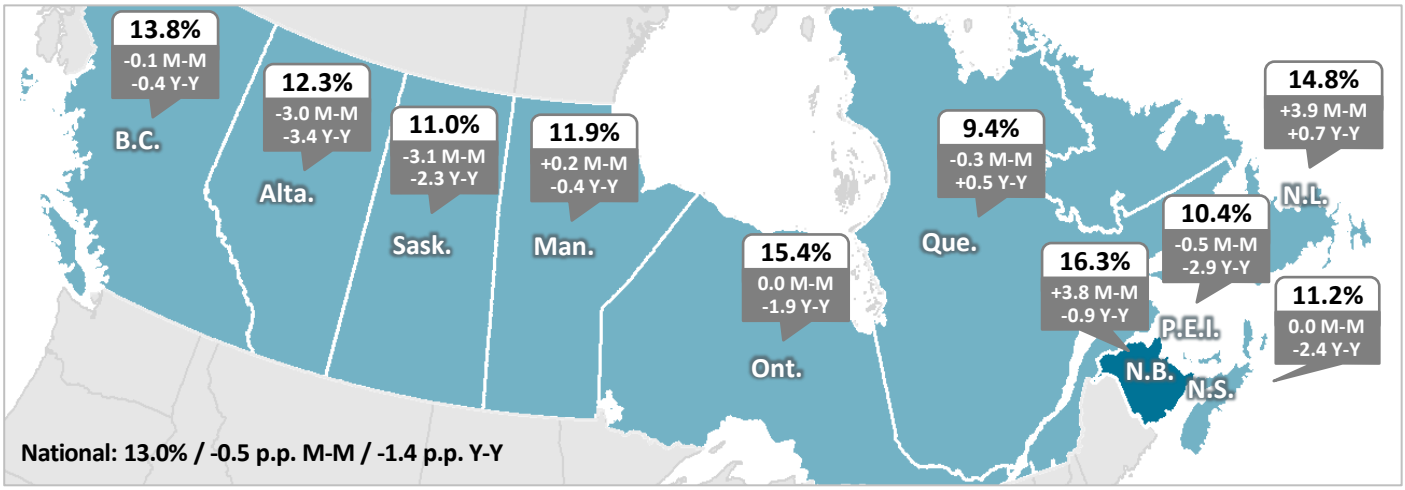
M-M = month over month. Y-Y = year over year. The dark grey lines in the charts above represents the linear trend line.

Youth Statistics - Data for September 2026 (Unadjusted for Seasonality)

Employment Growth



Unemployment Rate



Participation Rate

