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Canada added 41K jobs, unemployment rate unchanged

- The Canadian labour market added 41.4K (+0.2%) jobs in April, with all gains made in part-time work. Full-time employment held steady.
- Employment was up by 18K (+0.3%) among men 25 to 54 and by 16K (+0.7%) among men aged 55 and older. Employment held steady for core-aged and older women. There was little change in female and male youth employment.
- Job gains were led by wholesale and retail trade, followed by transportation and warehousing, information, culture and recreation, and educational services. The largest loss occurred in business, building and other support services. The health care and social assistance industry held steady for a second consecutive month and the professional, scientific and technical services industry held steady for the fourth consecutive month.
- The job market grew in Ontario (+33K; +0.4%) and Prince Edward Island (+2.2K; +2.5%) but shrunk in Manitoba (-4K; -0.6%). Other provinces saw little change.
- For the fifth consecutive month, the unemployment rate held steady at 5.0% in April, just above the all-time low of 4.9% in June and July 2022.
- Year-over-year, average hourly wages rose 5.2% (+\$1.66) to \$33.38 in April.

Notable Industries

Wholesale and retail trade	+24.4K	+0.8%
Transportation and warehousing	+16.5K	+1.6%
Information, culture and recreation	+16.1K	+1.9%
Educational services	+14.5K	+1.0%
Business, building and other support services	-14.0K	-1.9%



Monthly Job Change and Unemployment Rate

