

## Canada Talent Market Monthly

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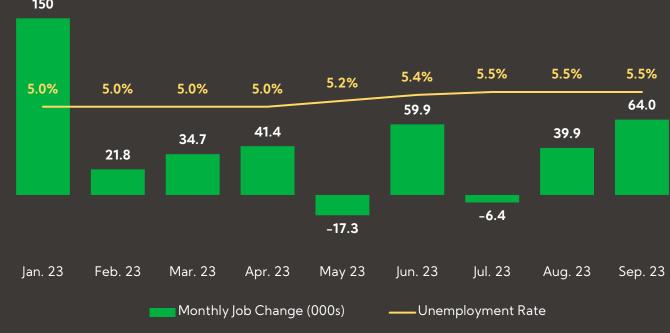
## Canada adds 64K jobs, unemployment rate holds steady

- The Canadian labour market added 64K jobs (+0.3%) in September, concentrated in part-time work. Job gains were outpaced by population growth (+82K; +0.3%) and the employment rate rose 0.1 percentage points to 62.0%.
- The unemployment rate was unchanged at 5.5% for the third consecutive month.
- Average hourly wages were up 5.0% (+\$1.63) to \$34.01 year-over-year in September, following an increase of 4.9% in July and August.
- Employment increased among core-aged women (+37K; +0.6%) and men (+32K; +0.5%) while it was little changed for youth aged 15 to 24 and people aged 55+.
- The number of self-employed workers rose by 26K (+1.0%), following an increase of 50K in August. The number of employees in the public sector increased by 37K (+0.9%), the first increase since January.
- The job market increased in six provinces, led by Quebec (+39K; +0.9%) and British Columbia (+26K; +0.9%), while it declined in Alberta (-38K; -1.5%) and New Brunswick (-2.7K; -0.7%).
- Job growth was led by educational services offsetting a decrease in August. Employment in transportation and warehousing also increased, while there were declines in finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing, construction, and information, culture and recreation.

## **Notable Industries**

Educational services	+65.8	+4.5%
Transportation and warehousing	+18.9	+1.8%
Information, culture and recreation	-12.1	-1.4%
Construction	-17.5	-1.1%
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	-19.8	-1.4%





Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey