



UNEMPLOYMENT RATES (%) (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

PROVINCES	MAR/10	FEB/10	MAR/09
Canada	8.2	8.2	8.1
Newfoundland and Labrador	15.5	14.7	14.4
Prince Edward Island	10.8	10.2	11.5
Nova Scotia	8.5	9.3	9.0
New Brunswick	8.7	9.1	9.6
Quebec	8.0	8.1	8.5
Ontario	8.8	9.1	8.9
Manitoba	5.2	5.4	5.1
Saskatchewan	5.1	4.3	4.7
Alberta	7.5	6.9	6.1
British Columbia	7.9	7.7	7.5

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES (%) (UNADJUSTED)
THREE-MONTH AVERAGES *

BC METRO AND ECONOMIC REGIONS**	MAR/10	FEB/10	MAR/09
Vancouver Island Coast	7.4	8.0	6.8
Lower Mainland - Southwest	7.9	7.5	6.6
Thompson Okanagan	9.0	9.1	9.1
Kootenay	10.6	9.4	8.9
Cariboo	10.3	11.5	10.0
Northcoast/Nechako	11.5	10.3	11.1
Northeast	4.4	4.4	6.5
Vancouver CMA	7.8	7.6	6.3
Victoria CMA	6.8	7.4	5.5
Abbotsford (MATSQUI)	6.6	6.4	7.7

Note: CMA = Census Metropolitan Area

- These figures have been suppressed due to high sample variance

Note to readers: Statistics Canada made significant changes to the Labour Force Survey in January 1995, and comparisons with previously issued data are not valid. In addition, BC Economic Regions have been reconfigured and are not comparable to previous boundaries.

Source: BC Stats, March 2010.