



## Aboriginal Peoples Labour Force Survey 2009

### B.C. Population Living Off Reserve

**Gap Between  
Non-Aboriginal  
People and  
Aboriginal  
People**  
*(Non-Aboriginal minus  
Aboriginal)<sup>1</sup>*

### Who Has a Job?

% of the Population With a Job

**Among the 15-64 Population (number)**

	58,900	43,200	103,400	2,942,900
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Total	57.3	60.3	58.5	71.3	12.8
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*By Age*

Age 15-24	46.4	48.0	47.0	56.6	9.6
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Age 25-64	61.3	65.4	62.9	74.7	11.8
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*By Gender*

Male	59.9	64.8	62.0	74.0	12.0
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Female	55.1	56.3	55.4	68.5	13.1
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*By Region* [\(view map\)](#)

Large Metropolitan Areas	59.7	63.6	61.7	71.9	10.2
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Northern Region	56.5	50.3	54.7	71.3	16.6
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South Outside the Metropolitan Areas	55.5	60.1	56.9	69.3	12.4
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*By Highest Level of Education*

*Among Non-students, age 25-64*

With No Completed Credentials	38.8	51.9	42.2	56.9	14.7
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With High School Diploma	67.4	67.3	67.0	72.2	5.2
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With Post Secondary Credential	72.9	70.0	71.9	80.0	8.1
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With High School	77.4	75.0	77.1	80.3	3.3
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Without High School	*	*	54.4	72.4	18.0
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### Who Is Unemployed?

% of the Labour Force who are Unemployed

**Among the 15+ Labour Force**

Total	17.4	14.8	16.4	7.4	-9.0
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*By Age*

Age 15-24	25.2	24.1	24.8	12.7	-12.1
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Age 25-64	15.1	11.6	13.8	6.5	-7.3
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*By Gender*

Male	18.0	*	16.5	8.4	-8.1
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Female	16.8	*	16.3	6.3	-10.0
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*By Region* [\(view map\)](#)

Large Metropolitan Areas	15.0	*	13.9	7.0	-6.9
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Northern Region	19.5	*	20.1	9.4	-10.7
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South Outside the Metropolitan Areas	18.3	*	17.3	8.0	-9.3
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	North American Indian	Metis	All Aboriginal People	Non- Aboriginal People	Gap Between Non-Aboriginal People and Aboriginal People <small>(Non-Aboriginal minus Aboriginal)<sup>1</sup></small>
<b>Type of Jobs</b>					
<b>Among the Population Who Have a Job (Number)</b>	34,500	26,600	61,800	2,156,100	
<i>Occupation</i>					
% in Management and Professional Occupations	*	*	13.1	27.3	14.2
% in Semi Professional/Technical occupation	37.1	34.6	36.2	33.7	-2.5
% in Intermediate and lesser skilled occupations	48.7	53.4	50.5	39.0	-11.5
<i>Industrial Sector</i>					
% In Goods Producing	21.2	23.7	22.2	19.7	-2.5
% in Forest Industry (logging, wood and pulp & paper manufacturing)	*	*	2.4	2.3	-0.1
% In Service Sector	78.8	76.3	77.7	80.3	2.6
% in Education, Health & Social Services	*	*	18.0	18.9	0.9
<i>Industrial Sector by Region</i> <a href="#">(view map)</a>					
% In Service Sector					
Large Metropolitan Areas	83.6	74.5	78.8	82.8	4.0
Northern Region	*	*	79.9	69.0	-10.9
South Outside the Metropolitan Areas	73.9	76.9	74.9	75.6	0.7
<i>Other Attributes of the Job</i>					
% Self Employed	17.1	13.2	15.7	19.9	4.2
% Paid Worker	82.9	86.8	84.3	80.1	-4.2
<i>Among Paid Workers</i>					
% in the Private Sector	77.3	80.5	78.7	76.9	-1.8
% Covered by a Collective Agreemer	28.7	32.5	30.3	31.1	0.8
<b>Average Hourly Wage Rate (\$)</b>	18.4	20.1	19.2	22.3	3.1
<i>By Gender</i>					
Male	20.26	23.02	21.50	24.40	2.9
Female	16.68	17.42	16.97	20.20	3.2
Male-Female Wage Gap(\$)	3.58	5.60	4.53	4.20	
<i>By Highest Level of Education</i>					
With completed High School	16.98	17.39	17.14	18.95	1.8
With completed High School and a Post Secondary Credential	21.93	24.40	23.17	25.59	2.4
<i>By Region</i> <a href="#">(view map)</a>					
Large Metropolitan Areas	19.67	20.56	20.11	22.49	2.4
Northern Region	18.16	*	18.16	23.26	5.1
South Outside the Metropolitan Areas	17.04	20.32	18.47	21.17	2.7
<i>Other Characteristics of the Workforce</i>					
% who work part time	20.3	19.9	20.1	22.0	1.9
% who work > 40 Hours	*	*	14.2	15.9	1.7
Average Weekly Hours Worked	36.1	36.5	36.3	36.1	-0.2



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### Labour Supply

#### Highest Level of Education

##### Among the Population Age 25-64

	North American Indian	Metis	All Aboriginal People	Non-Aboriginal People	Gap Between Non-Aboriginal People and Aboriginal People <small>(Non-Aboriginal minus Aboriginal)<sup>1</sup></small>
% With No Completed Credentials	24.5	14.4	20.5	8.8	-11.7
% with High School Credential	34.3	35.3	34.6	31.2	-3.4
% with Post Secondary Credential	41.4	50.0	45.1	60.0	15.0
% with a Credential, either High School or Post Secondary	75.7	85.3	79.7	91.2	11.6

##### By Gender

Men	74.9	83.1	78.9	90.1	11.2
Women	76.0	87.2	80.3	92.4	12.0

##### By Region [\(view map\)](#)

Large Metropolitan Areas	74.3	87.8	80.3	92.3	12.0
Northern Region	70.0	78.0	72.4	85.7	13.4
South Outside the Metropolitan Areas	82.3	87.0	83.6	89.7	6.1

##### % with both a High School Credential and a Post Secondary Credential

	31.9	39.9	35.3	57.2	21.9
By Gender					
Men	30.7	30.3	32.4	55.7	23.3
Women	33.0	43.9	37.6	58.6	21.1

##### By Region [\(view map\)](#)

Large Metropolitan Areas	37.4	43.3	40.9	60.4	19.6
Northern Region	*	*	28.2	47.9	19.6
South Outside the Metropolitan Areas	*	*	31.9	50.0	18.0

##### By Level of Post Secondary Credential

% With a University Degree	*	9.2	8.8	27.7	18.8
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### Who's at School?

#### Among the Population Age 15-54

% Attending School	North American Indian	Metis	All Aboriginal People	Non-Aboriginal People	Gap Between Non-Aboriginal People and Aboriginal People <small>(Non-Aboriginal minus Aboriginal)<sup>1</sup></small>
	15.4	14.1	15.6	15.5	-0.1
By Age					
15-24	*	*	42.0	49.8	7.9
25-54	*	*	3.8	5.0	1.2
By Gender					
Men	*	*	11.7	15.2	3.5
Women	*	*	17.5	15.7	-1.7
By Region <a href="#">(view map)</a>					
Large Metropolitan Areas	*	*	12.5	17.0	4.5
Northern Region	*	*	17.8	13.2	-4.6
South Outside the Metropolitan Areas	*	*	13.9	12.6	-1.3

\* Estimate too unreliable to release.

1. A positive gap means that Aboriginal peoples have a higher value for that variable than non-Aboriginal peoples and a negative gap means the opposite. For variables where higher values mean better outcomes (for example, the "% of the population with a job"), a positive gap means Aboriginal performance is not as good as non-Aboriginal performance. For variables where higher values mean worse outcomes (for example, the "% of the labour force who are unemployed"), a positive gap means Aboriginal performance is better than non-Aboriginal performance. The greater the number, the greater the inequality between the two groups. For variables that measure a societal good, such as education achievements or a societal bad such as unemployment rates, the goal is to minimize the gap between the two groups.

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