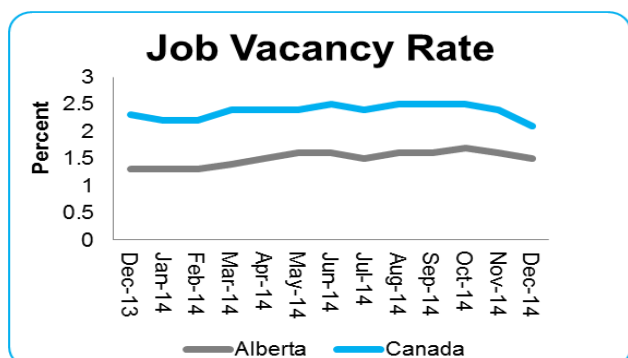


# Alberta Job Vacancies December 2014



Source: Statistics Canada Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours (SEPH.) CANSIM Table 284-0001

- In December 2014, the total number of job vacancies<sup>3</sup> in Alberta was 43,900. This was the third highest in Canada after Ontario's 80,200 and Quebec's 46,000.
- This was 1,400 less than the 45,300 vacancies for the same month last year.

Alberta's job vacancy rate in December 2014 was the highest in Canada at 2.1%, followed by Saskatchewan's 2.0%.

In December 2014, Alberta's job vacancy rate<sup>1</sup> was down 0.1 percentage points from November 2014 and up by 0.2 percentage points from December 2013.

Alberta accounted for 18.9% of all job vacancies in Canada in December 2014, down from 20.4% in November 2014.

Alberta's unemployment-to-job-vacancies ratio in December 2014 was down 0.3 percentage points from the previous month at 2.3 unemployed individuals per job vacancy. This was up 0.1 percentage points from December 2013 and was notably below the Canadian average ratio of 5.0 in December 2014.

Alberta's job vacancy rate was highest<sup>2</sup> in the Accommodation and Food Services in December 2014 at 5.1%.

Job Vacancies, December 2014		
Industry	Alberta	Canada
Industrial Aggregate Excluding Unclassified Businesses	43,900	232,800
Forestry, Logging and Support	*	*
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	*	3,100
Utilities	*	700
Construction	*	16,500
Manufacturing	*	14,500
Wholesale Trade	2,100	9,400
Retail Trade	6,200	25,000
Transportation and Warehousing	2,200	11,800
Information and Cultural Industries	*	4,800
Finance and Insurance	*	12,400
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	*	2,500
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	2,000	13,700
Management of Companies and Enterprises	*	*
Administrative and Support, Waste Management and Remediation Services	*	10,600
Educational Services	900	7,200
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,600	50,200
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	*	3,300
Accommodation and Food Services	9,300	27,400
Other Services Excluding Public Administration	2,400	11,500
Public Administration	1,100	5,800

\* Data not available or suppressed

Source: Statistics Canada

<sup>1</sup> Which is the number of job vacancies or vacant positions on the last business day of the month as a percentage of total labour demand (occupied positions plus vacant positions), based on 3 month moving averages. For example, rates for the current month are based on the estimates from this month and the last two months

<sup>2</sup> Only the industries with available data will be ranked.

<sup>3</sup> A job vacancy is defined as: (1) a specific job does exist; (2) can start working within 30 days; and (3) employer is actively looking for candidates to fill this position from outside of the company.