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Quarterly National Household Survey Quarter 32016

Summary of headline results

| Main Results | Quarter 3 2016 | Annual change |
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| Employed | $2,040,500$ | $+57,500$ |
| Unemployed | 177,700 | $-25,300$ |
| In Labour Force | $2,218,200$ | $+32,200$ |
| Not in Labour Force | $1,430,300$ | $+3,100$ |

## Number of Persons in Employment

- There was an annual increase in employment of $2.9 \%$ or 57,500 in the year to the third quarter of 2016, bringing total employment to $2,040,500$.
- On a seasonally adjusted basis, employment increased by 13,500 (+0.7\%) over the previous quarter. This follows on from a seasonally adjusted increase in employment of 18,900 (+0.9\%) in Q2 2016.


## Number of Persons Unemployed

- The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased from $8.3 \%$ to $7.9 \%$ over the quarter.
- Unemployment decreased by 25,300 (-12.5\%) in the year to Q3 2016 bringing the total number of persons unemployed to 177,700 .
- The long-term unemployment rate decreased from 5.0\% to 4.2\% over the year to Q3 2016. Long-term unemployment accounted for 52.0\% of total unemployment in Q3 2016 compared with $54.1 \%$ a year earlier and $56.7 \%$ in the third quarter of 2014.


## Labour Force

- The total number of persons in the labour force in the third quarter of 2016 was 2,218,200 representing an increase of $32,200(+1.5 \%)$ over the year. The number of persons not in the labour force in Q3 2016 was 1,430,300, an increase of 3,100 (+0.2\%) over the year.
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