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Population Aged 15 years and Over by Labour Force Activity: PHD, 2006

This newsletter provides information on the labour force activities of the Peel Halton Dufferin (PHD) population aged 15 years and over by using official data from the 2006 Census of Canada (Statistics Canada). For more detailed information on labour force activities, please visit the following website link: <http://www12.statcan.ca/english/census06/reference/dictionary/index.cfm>

**Table 1. Population Aged 15 Years and Over by
Labour Force Activity: Canada, Ontario and PHD, 2006**

	Canada	Ontario	PHD
Total population 15 years and over	25,664,220	9,819,420	1,299,010
Not in the labour force	8,518,085	3,231,840	366,925
In the labour force	17,146,135	6,587,580	932,090
Employed	16,021,180	6,164,245	877,025
Unemployed	1,124,955	423,335	55,060
Labour Force Participation Rate (%)*	66.8%	67.1%	71.8%
Employment Rate (%)*	62.4%	62.8%	67.5%
Unemployment Rate (%)**	6.6%	6.4%	5.9%

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada, 2006.

Notes:

- * Employment rates and labour force participation rates are expressed as a percentage of the total population aged 15 years and over.
- ** Unemployment rates are expressed as a percentage of the labour force population.

Highlights for the Peel-Halton-Dufferin Area

- ◆ In 2006, PHD had a higher labour force participation rate than Ontario and Canada (71.8% vs. 67.1%, 66.8%).
- ◆ In 2006, PHD had a higher employment rate than Ontario and Canada (67.5% vs. 62.8%, 62.4%).
- ◆ In 2006, PHD had a lower unemployment rate than Ontario and Canada (5.9% vs. 6.4%, 6.6%).

Implications for Human Services Sector

- ◆ Increased demand for jobs and employment counselling.

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Did you know?

How large is the labour force in PHD?

In 2006, the labour force in PHD consisted of 932,090 persons over age 15, an increase of 15.7% over 805,570 persons in the labour force in 2001. Much of the increase in the labour force was due to the increase in women in the labour force.

What is the labour force participation rate for PHD?

The labour force participation rate for PHD in 2006 was 71.8% compared to 73.2% in 2001. PHD has a higher percentage of its age 15+ population in the labour force, compared to Ontario, and Canada. Within the PHD area, Dufferin has the highest labour force participation rate.

How many people in PHD were employed at the time of the 2006 Census of Canada?

In 2006, there were 877,025 people employed in PHD, an increase of 14.3% over the 767,070 employed people in 2001.

What is PHD's unemployment rate?

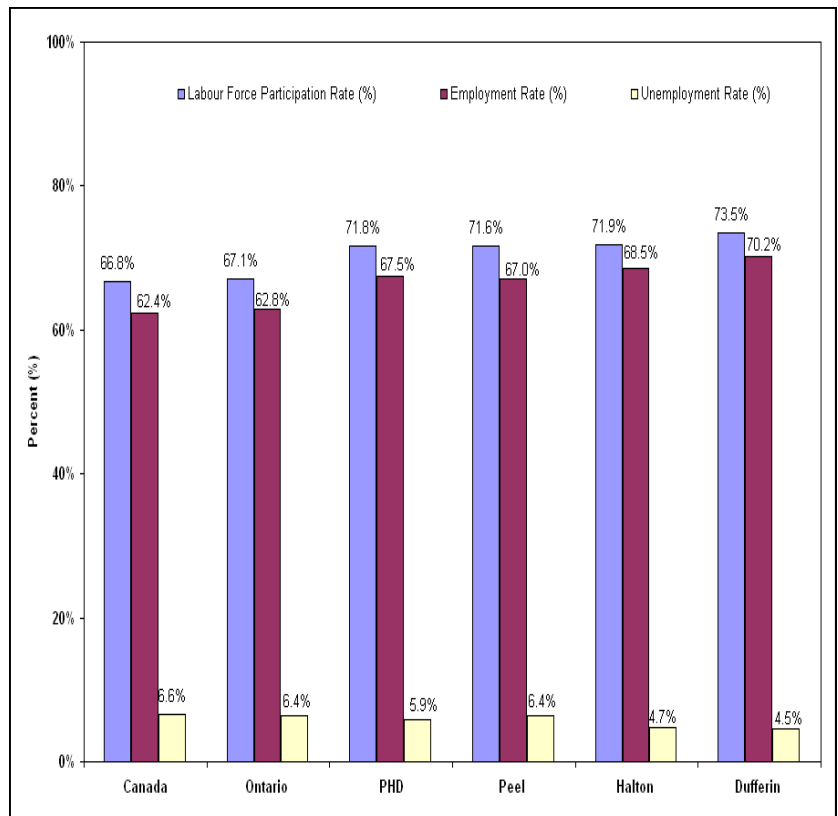
PHD's unemployment rate in 2006 for people aged 15 and over was 5.9%. PHD has a lower unemployment rate than Ontario and Canada. Within the PHD area, the highest unemployment rate was in Peel (6.4%), while the lowest was in Dufferin (4.5%).

Table 2. Population Aged 15 Years and Over by Labour Force Activity: PHD, 2001 & 2006

	2001	2006	Rate of Change	
			#	%
Total population 15 years and over	1,101,000	1,299,010	198,010	18.0%
Not in the labour force	295,430	366,925	71,495	24.2%
In the labour force	805,570	932,090	126,520	15.7%
Employed	767,070	877,025	109,955	14.3%
Unemployed	38,505	55,060	16,555	43.0%
Participation rate	73.2%	71.8%		
Employment rate	69.7%	67.5%		
Unemployment rate	4.8%	5.9%		

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada, 2001; 2006.

Figure 1. Population Aged 15 Years and Over by Labour Force Activity: Canada, Ontario, PHD, Peel, Halton and Dufferin, 2006



Source: Statistics Canada, Census 2006.