

**Employment Insurance Coverage Survey, 2005
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Section: Respondent Profile

Variable Name: **PUMFID** *Position:* 1 *Length:* 5
 Sequential Identification Number
 Response: 0 0
 Coverage: All respondents

Variable Name: **SYEAR** *Position:* 6 *Length:* 4
Collection Name: SRYR
 Survey reference year

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|------|------|--------|-----------|
| 2005 | 2005 | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Variable Name: **REGION6** *Position:* 10 *Length:* 1
 Province or region

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Atlantic region | 2,154 | 504,917 |
| 2 | Quebec | 2,140 | 1,541,579 |
| 3 | Ontario | 3,436 | 2,481,322 |
| 4 | Manitoba and Saskatchewan | 1,647 | 405,516 |
| 5 | Alberta | 1,123 | 624,423 |
| 6 | British Columbia | 1,185 | 862,735 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Variable Name: **SEX** *Position:* 11 *Length:* 1
 Sex of respondent

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Male | 4,225 | 2,616,412 |
| 2 | Female | 7,460 | 3,804,080 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: All respondents

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Variable Name: **AGECAT** *Position:* 12 *Length:* 1

Age of respondent (groups)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | 15-24 years | 3,982 | 2,255,829 |
| 2 | 25-44 years | 3,989 | 2,051,674 |
| 3 | 45 years or older | 3,714 | 2,112,989 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Variable Name: **EDUC** *Position:* 13 *Length:* 1

Highest educational attainment

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 0 | Grade 8 or lower | 514 | 261,152 |
| 1 | Grade 9-13, non graduate | 2,597 | 1,304,626 |
| 2 | Grade 11-13, graduate | 2,167 | 1,149,897 |
| 3 | Some post-graduate | 1,438 | 876,973 |
| 4 | Trades certificate or diploma, community college, CEGEP, etc., university certificate below Bachelor's | 3,224 | 1,735,189 |
| 5 | University graduate (Bachelor's, Master's or PhD) | 1,730 | 1,086,387 |
| 9 | Not stated | 15 | 6,267 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: All respondents

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Variable Name: **TYPE** *Position:* 14 *Length:* 1

Survey type as determined for the EICS

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Unemployed during LFS reference week | 2,151 | 1,122,711 |
| 2 | Employed less than 30 usual hours during reference week | 4,755 | 2,699,968 |
| 3 | Not in the labour force during reference week | 3,972 | 2,165,048 |
| 4 | Working full-time during ref. wk. with an interruption - last 3 months | 627 | 384,276 |
| 5 | Mothers of infants working in reference week | 180 | 48,488 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Note: In a few cases a person could fall into more than one group. The priority sequence is TYPE 5 then TYPE 2 and TYPE 4. Mothers of infants can have TYPE=1, 3 or 5. Mothers absent from work in reference week will have TYPE=3 even though they have a job. They were treated the same way as other type 3's for the purposes of survey operations because they considered themselves "not working and not looking for work" when responding to questions in the interview. TYPE=4 is composed of full-time workers who have experienced an interruption of work in the 3 months prior to the reference period.

Variable Name: **WORKNOW** *Position:* 15 *Length:* 1

Respondent currently working at a job or business

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 978 | 433,866 |
| 2 | No | 2,760 | 1,246,962 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 7,925 | 4,727,167 |
| 9 | Not stated | 22 | 12,497 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Unemployed respondents, mothers and other persons not employed (during the LFS reference week) who collected Employment Insurance benefits in the survey reference month

Note: Based on EICS question JS_Q06 or PR_Q01.

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Variable Name: **MOTHER** *Position:* 16 *Length:* 1

Respondent status (Mother or not)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 0 | EICS regular population | 10,437 | 6,044,513 |
| 1 | Mother of a child 0 to 12 months old | 1,248 | 375,979 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Note: Mothers of a child aged 0 to 12 months are represented in the survey, starting in 2000. Some mothers are also part of the original population, e.g. unemployed mothers, mothers not in the labour force who worked in the past two years and mothers absent from part-time jobs.

Section: Socio-Demographics

Variable Name: **IMMIGR** *Position:* 17 *Length:* 1

Immigrant status

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Canadian by birth | 10,278 | 5,186,131 |
| 2 | Immigrant | 1,296 | 1,151,979 |
| 9 | Not stated | 111 | 82,382 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Note: Based on EICS question SD_Q03Y.

Section: Job Information

Variable Name: **LSTWRK** *Position:* 18 *Length:* 1

Last worked period (groups)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 0 | Working during reference week | 5,562 | 3,132,733 |
| 1 | 0 to 4 months ago | 2,502 | 1,273,994 |
| 2 | 5 to 12 months ago | 1,901 | 950,702 |
| 3 | 13 to 24 months ago | 1,159 | 805,157 |
| 4 | More than 24 months ago | 397 | 181,422 |
| 5 | Never worked | 164 | 76,485 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: All respondents

Note: This refers to last month worked before the LFS reference week. Note that persons may have worked between reference week and the week of the survey.

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Variable Name: **FTPT** *Position:* 19 *Length:* 1

Full-time or part-time status of last or current job

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Full-time | 4,316 | 2,309,850 |
| 2 | Part-time | 5,400 | 3,028,542 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 1,772 | 981,431 |
| 9 | Not stated | 197 | 100,669 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees at last or current job

Note: Based on LFS variable UHRSMAN. "Not stated" in this variable results mainly from non-response "don't know" at JB_Q18.

Variable Name: **WRKTYP** *Position:* 20 *Length:* 2

Type of work arrangement

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|--------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Permanent full-time worker | 2,677 | 1,480,591 |
| 02 | Permanent part-time worker | 3,554 | 2,002,080 |
| 03 | Permanent, work hours unknown | 32 | 8,986 |
| 04 | Not permanent, seasonal worker | 1,199 | 574,165 |
| 05 | Not permanent, other | 2,375 | 1,327,296 |
| 06 | Self-employed | 1,608 | 904,946 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 164 | 76,485 |
| 99 | Not stated | 76 | 45,944 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: Respondents who ever worked

Note: Based on FTPT and LFS variable PERMTEMP or EICS questions JB_Q19 and JB_Q20.

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Variable Name: **UNIONCA** *Position:* 22 *Length:* 1

Union status

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes, union member or covered by a collective agreement | 2,340 | 1,274,442 |
| 2 | Not a union member and not covered by a collective agreement | 7,493 | 4,119,865 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 1,772 | 981,431 |
| 7 | Don't know | 59 | 33,186 |
| 8 | Refused | 17 | 8,275 |
| 9 | Not stated | 4 | 3,293 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees at last or current job
Note: Based on LFS variable UNION_CA or EICS questions JB_Q13, JB_Q14.

Variable Name: **TENURE_G** *Position:* 23 *Length:* 2

Job tenure (groups)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|---------------------|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Less than one month | 291 | 137,471 |
| 02 | 1-3 months | 2,132 | 1,226,155 |
| 03 | 4-6 months | 935 | 488,277 |
| 04 | 7-12 months | 1,026 | 585,290 |
| 05 | 13-24 months | 1,198 | 661,539 |
| 06 | 3-5 years | 1,671 | 903,313 |
| 07 | 6-10 years | 978 | 515,457 |
| 08 | 11-20 years | 720 | 367,055 |
| 09 | 21 years or more | 578 | 333,599 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 1,772 | 981,431 |
| 99 | Not stated | 384 | 220,905 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees at last or current job
Note: Based on LFS variable TENURE or EICS questions JB_Q12Y, JB_Q12M and last work date. "Not stated" in this item results mostly from the inability of some respondents to recall precisely when they started working (the month).

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Variable Name: **NAICS6** *Position:* 25 *Length:* 2

Industry based on NAICS 1997

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|---|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Agriculture & forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas | 449 | 190,048 |
| 02 | Construction | 439 | 237,157 |
| 03 | Manufacturing | 778 | 486,162 |
| 04 | Retail trade & accommodation and food services | 3,078 | 1,658,800 |
| 05 | Educational services & health care and social assistance & public administration | 2,461 | 1,268,427 |
| 06 | All others | 2,631 | 1,550,688 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 1,771 | 981,189 |
| 99 | Not stated | 78 | 48,020 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who ever worked

Note: Based on LFS or collected by the EICS. "Not stated" in this item refers primarily to situations where a code could not be assigned based on the respondent's answer.

Variable Name: **NOC6** *Position:* 27 *Length:* 2

Occupation based on NOC 2001

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|--|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Management | 247 | 167,270 |
| 02 | Business, finance and administration | 1,566 | 892,325 |
| 03 | Health and natural applied sciences | 929 | 505,281 |
| 04 | Social science, education, government, religion, art, culture, recreation and sport | 1,149 | 663,200 |
| 05 | Trade, transport and equipment operators, primary processing, manufacturing and utilities | 2,009 | 1,072,780 |
| 06 | Sales and service | 3,938 | 2,093,758 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 1,771 | 980,612 |
| 99 | Not stated | 76 | 45,266 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: Respondents who ever worked

Note: Based on LFS or collected by the EICS. "Not stated" in this item refers primarily to situations where a code could not be assigned based on the respondent's answer.

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Variable Name: **RNDEDUC** *Position:* 38 *Length:* 1

Reason for Employment Insurance premiums not deducted

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Weekly hours or earnings were too low | 474 | 264,366 |
| 2 | Self-employed or working for a business owned by a family member | 208 | 119,372 |
| 3 | Other reasons | 280 | 155,175 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,604 | 5,818,402 |
| 9 | Not stated | 119 | 63,176 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who stated that Employment Insurance premiums were not deducted from their pay (EIDEDUC=2)

Note: Based on EICS questions JB_Q21 and JB_Q22. "Not stated" in this variable means that the respondent could not identify a reason with certainty.

Section: Stopped Working

Variable Name: **LEFTLOST** *Position:* 39 *Length:* 1

Job leaver, job loser or unpaid absence

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Left job | 2,355 | 1,399,312 |
| 2 | Lost job or laid off or job ended (includes involuntary retirement) | 1,867 | 1,008,996 |
| 3 | Was on unpaid absence from the job | 776 | 293,294 |
| 6 | Valid Skip | 6,657 | 3,704,332 |
| 9 | Not Stated | 30 | 14,559 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees at last job, worked within the past two years

Note: Based on LFS variables WHYABSNT and WHYLEFT or EICS question SW_Q02.

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Variable Name: **RSWORK** *Position:* 40 *Length:* 2

Reason stopped working at job

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|---|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Own illness or disability | 355 | 208,220 |
| 02 | Pregnancy (maternity) | 732 | 257,549 |
| 03 | Other personal reasons or family responsibilities | 324 | 163,746 |
| 04 | Going to school | 767 | 493,044 |
| 05 | End of seasonal job | 559 | 225,465 |
| 06 | End of temporary, term or contract (non-seasonal) | 348 | 183,840 |
| 07 | Casual job | 128 | 67,522 |
| 08 | Business conditions (includes company went out of business) | 668 | 419,177 |
| 09 | Lost job for other reasons (including dismissal) | 174 | 105,224 |
| 10 | Dissatisfied with job | 351 | 195,894 |
| 11 | Retired | 390 | 244,790 |
| 12 | Other reasons | 216 | 138,424 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 6,657 | 3,704,332 |
| 99 | Not stated | 16 | 13,264 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees at last job, worked within the past two years
Note: Based on LFS variables WHYABSNT and WHYLEFT or EICS question SW_Q03.

Variable Name: **NOTICE** *Position:* 42 *Length:* 1
Collection Name: SW_Q04

Received advanced notice or knew in advance

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 1,299 | 677,558 |
| 2 | No | 1,074 | 636,724 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 9,234 | 5,068,751 |
| 7 | Don't know | 11 | 7,233 |
| 8 | Refused | 7 | 2,832 |
| 9 | Not stated | 60 | 27,393 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees who lost their job, job ended, retired involuntarily or left their job because they were dissatisfied
Note: Based on EICS question SW_Q04. "Not stated" in this variable results from an error in the questionnaire that occurred in the first collection cycle. The application would not accept 2005 has a valid date for last time work. This had an impact on questionnaire flow.

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Variable Name: **NOTICE_G** *Position:* 43 *Length:* 1

Weeks in advance notice (groups)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|----------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Less than one week | 170 | 108,062 |
| 2 | 1-2 weeks | 356 | 211,220 |
| 3 | 3-4 weeks | 68 | 35,819 |
| 4 | 5 weeks + | 32 | 16,045 |
| 5 | Knew it from the beginning | 637 | 284,687 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,308 | 5,705,475 |
| 7 | Don't know | 12 | 7,413 |
| 9 | Not stated | 102 | 51,771 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees who retired involuntarily, who lost their job, were laid off, their job ended, who reported that their business closed, who were dissatisfied with their job and received an advanced notice or knew in advance that they would stop working

Note: Based on EICS questions SW_Q05, SW_Q05A and SW_Q05B. "Not stated" in this variable results from an error in the questionnaire that occurred in the first collection cycle. The application would not accept 2005 has a valid date for last time work. This had an impact on questionnaire flow.

Variable Name: **ROE** *Position:* 44 *Length:* 1
Collection Name: SW_Q06

Received a record of employment when stopped working

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 3,244 | 1,659,099 |
| 2 | No | 1,453 | 872,723 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 6,657 | 3,704,332 |
| 7 | Don't know | 225 | 135,069 |
| 8 | Refused | 14 | 9,998 |
| 9 | Not stated | 92 | 39,271 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: Paid employees at last job, worked within the past two years

Note: Based on EICS question SW_Q06.

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Variable Name: **LEAVEPAY** *Position:* 45 *Length:* 1

Received pay when losing job

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 492 | 358,234 |
| 2 | No | 1,521 | 755,345 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 9,585 | 5,264,646 |
| 9 | Not stated | 87 | 42,267 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees who lost their job, were laid off, their job ended, their business closed or they retired involuntarily

Note: Based on EICS questions SW_Q07A to SW_Q07F.

Variable Name: **RETURN** *Position:* 46 *Length:* 1
Collection Name: SW_Q08

Expected to return to employer

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 815 | 384,375 |
| 2 | No | 928 | 561,073 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 9,829 | 5,425,041 |
| 7 | Don't know | 53 | 21,556 |
| 8 | Refused | 6 | 3,777 |
| 9 | Not stated | 54 | 24,670 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees who lost their job, were laid off, their job ended or their business closed

Note: Based on EICS question SW_Q08. "Not stated" in this variable results from an error in the questionnaire that occurred in the first collection cycle. The application would not accept 2005 has a valid date for last time work. This had an impact on questionnaire flow.

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Section: Work After Birth/Adoption

Variable Name: **ALLEAVE** *Position:* 47 *Length:* 2

Duration of the leave (Time ended or planned)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---------|-----------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 00 : 68 | Time ended or planned (in months) | 873 | 267,256 |
| 95 | Do not plan to return to work | 105 | 32,398 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 10,612 | 6,092,971 |
| 97 | Don't know | 86 | 25,248 |
| 99 | Not stated | 9 | 2,620 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers who have returned to work or have worked in a paid job over the past two years
Note: Based on survey month and year, month and year of birth, and EICS questions BK_Q04, BK_Q04A, BK_Q04B, PR_Q04, PR_Q05, WA_Q08Y and WA_Q08M. Use WRKAFTER to distinguish between mothers who have already returned to work and those who have not.

Variable Name: **LEAVECAT** *Position:* 49 *Length:* 1

Duration of the leave (groups)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | 0 to 4 months | 134 | 36,744 |
| 2 | 5 to 8 months | 129 | 37,475 |
| 3 | 9 to 12 months | 464 | 146,613 |
| 4 | More than one year | 146 | 46,424 |
| 5 | Do not plan to return to work | 105 | 32,398 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,612 | 6,092,971 |
| 7 | Don't know | 86 | 25,248 |
| 9 | Not stated | 9 | 2,620 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers who have returned to work or have worked in a paid job over the past two years
Note: Based on survey month and year, month and year of birth, and EICS questions BK_Q04, BK_Q04A, BK_Q04B, PR_Q04, PR_Q05, WA_Q08Y and WA_Q08M. Use WRKAFTER to distinguish between mothers who have already returned to work and those who have not.

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Section: Employment Insurance

Variable Name: **CLAIM** *Position:* 50 *Length:* 1

Has the person made a claim in the last 12 months or since the month last worked

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-----|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 2,979 | 1,433,470 |
| 2 | No | 8,706 | 4,987,021 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Note: Based on EICS questions EI_Q01, EI_Q02, EI_Q03, EI_Q04, EI_Q05 and EI_Q06.

Variable Name: **BENEFIT** *Position:* 51 *Length:* 1

Received Employment Insurance benefits

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes, during the reference week | 1,774 | 779,244 |
| 2 | Yes, during the reference month (but not during the reference week) | 126 | 56,055 |
| 3 | Yes, since last worked (but not during the reference month) | 411 | 242,631 |
| 4 | No | 9,364 | 5,338,792 |
| 9 | Not stated | 10 | 3,770 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Note: Based on EICS questions EI_Q04, EI_Q05, EI_Q06 and PB_Q02.

Variable Name: **BENTYP** *Position:* 52 *Length:* 1

Type of benefits received in reference week or reference month

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-----------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Regular | 1,023 | 541,584 |
| 2 | Maternity or parental | 750 | 234,384 |
| 3 | Other | 112 | 50,635 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 9,785 | 5,585,193 |
| 9 | Not stated | 15 | 8,695 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: Respondents who received benefits in the reference month

Note: Based on EICS questions EI_Q07 and PB_Q02.

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Variable Name: **BENWEEKS** *Position:* 53 *Length:* 3

Weeks of benefits since last applied

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 001 : 050 | Weeks of benefits since last applied | 1,761 | 774,922 |
| 996 | Valid skip | 9,714 | 5,567,303 |
| 999 | Not stated | 210 | 78,267 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who received benefits in the reference month, or for mothers since last worked
Note: Based on EICS question EI_Q10.

Variable Name: **BENAMNT** *Position:* 56 *Length:* 3

Amount of Employment Insurance benefits received

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|-----------|--------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 000 : 410 | Amount of EI benefits received | 1,707 | 729,765 |
| 996 | Valid skip | 9,817 | 5,618,501 |
| 999 | Not stated | 161 | 72,226 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who received benefits in the reference month, or for mothers since they last worked
Note: Based on EICS question EI_Q11.

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Variable Name: **RNBENRW** Position: 59 Length: 2

Reason did not receive or claim benefits for the reference week or since birth/adoption

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|---|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Was employed or expecting to return to work | 2,365 | 1,393,894 |
| 02 | Was not paying EI premiums/work was not insurable | 1,180 | 656,141 |
| 03 | Did not work enough hours or weeks to qualify | 1,814 | 919,952 |
| 04 | Was a student | 990 | 589,974 |
| 05 | Received a severance package or retirement pension | 501 | 308,165 |
| 06 | Quit voluntarily | 168 | 96,830 |
| 07 | Did not want or need EI (and did not claim) | 682 | 401,979 |
| 08 | Did not know enough about EI program | 751 | 470,608 |
| 09 | Still expecting benefits (waiting period, benefit withheld) | 207 | 100,841 |
| 10 | Claim ran out | 303 | 193,965 |
| 11 | Has not worked recently (2 years) or never worked | 384 | 184,329 |
| 12 | Other | 320 | 196,786 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 1,868 | 801,991 |
| 99 | Not stated | 152 | 105,037 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: Respondents who did not receive benefits for the reference week, or at all since birth or adoption for mothers
Note: Based on EICS questions EI_Q14, EI_Q16, EI_Q17 and JB_Q21. Generally, this variable reflects the answer provided by the respondents as the reason for not receiving or claiming benefits. People who have not worked in two years or more were coded to '11' unless they provided a different reason for not receiving or claiming benefits. This category is also composed of respondents who have recent work experience according to other information collected from them but still believed that they were not eligible for benefits because they had not worked recently. Other survey variables were also used when the reason provided was vague. This increased the usefulness of the variable by reducing the number of observations in the categories "Other" and "Not Stated". People who were self-employed or did not pay EI premiums in their previous job were coded to category 02, unless they provided a different reason for not receiving benefits. Similarly, people working in the reference week in a paid job were coded to category 01.

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Section: Work in Last Year

Variable Name: **WEEKSCAT** Position: 61 Length: 2

Weeks worked during the reference year (groups)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|----------------|--------|-----------|
| 00 | None | 1,346 | 882,185 |
| 01 | 01 to 10 weeks | 1,367 | 731,166 |
| 02 | 11 to 25 weeks | 1,932 | 1,007,766 |
| 03 | 26 to 38 weeks | 1,357 | 755,864 |
| 04 | 39 to 51 weeks | 2,027 | 1,131,249 |
| 05 | 52 weeks | 2,778 | 1,454,013 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 164 | 76,485 |
| 97 | Don't know | 685 | 365,274 |
| 98 | Refused | 26 | 13,450 |
| 99 | Not stated | 3 | 3,040 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who ever worked

Note: Based on EICS question WY_Q01. The value "00" may mean that no work was done for a Canadian employer.

Variable Name: **FTPT_RY** Position: 63 Length: 1

Full-time/part-time status in reference year

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---|--------|-----------|
| 1 | All weeks full-time | 2,992 | 1,514,390 |
| 2 | Some weeks full-time and some weeks part-time | 1,628 | 862,071 |
| 3 | All weeks part-time | 4,047 | 2,266,515 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 2,961 | 1,742,458 |
| 9 | Not stated | 57 | 35,058 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who had at least one week of paid employment at last or current job

Note: Based on EICS question WY_Q04. Full-time work is interpreted as 30 hours or more per week. If working at two jobs in a week, hours are added from both jobs.

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Section: Employment Insurance

Variable Name: **HOURS** *Position:* 64 *Length:* 4

Number of insurable hours in reference year

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|-------------|--|--------|-----------|
| 0000 | None | 28 | 13,335 |
| 0001 : 4756 | # of insurable hours in reference year | 3,958 | 2,001,149 |
| 9996 | Valid skip | 7,691 | 4,401,454 |
| 9999 | Not stated | 8 | 4,553 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Paid employees at last job, worked within the last year
Note: Based primarily on EICS questions WY_Q04, WY_Q05 and WY_Q06. These questions deal with hours worked for an "average" week in the reference period. When this information was missing, the usual hours worked at the main job was used as a proxy. The job variable provides an estimate of insurable hours worked in the reference year. It was derived for the sole purpose of determining eligibility for EI when no other information was available to assess it.

Variable Name: **INSEMP** *Position:* 68 *Length:* 1

Insurable employment in past two years

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---|--------|-----------|
| 0 | Has no insurable employment in past two years | 313 | 94,056 |
| 1 | Has insurable employment in past two years | 935 | 281,923 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,437 | 6,044,513 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers of a child aged 0 to 12 months
Note: Based on EICS questions WY_Q01, EI_Q04, EI_Q17 and PB_Q02.

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Variable Name: **COVERAGE** *Position:* 69 *Length:* 2

Taxonomy of Employment Insurance coverage

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|--|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Received regular benefits during reference week | 831 | 441,927 |
| 02 | Received special benefits during reference week | 781 | 260,161 |
| 03 | Benefits temporarily interrupted or will receive benefits | 181 | 95,306 |
| 04 | Exhausted benefits (last 12 months) | 169 | 85,508 |
| 05 | Eligible and claimed but did not receive benefits or eligible but did not claim benefits | 193 | 106,005 |
| 07 | Did not meet entrance requirements | 456 | 239,908 |
| 08 | Quit job without a cause acceptable to EI program | 671 | 337,841 |
| 09 | Quit job to go to school and cannot qualify | 778 | 493,786 |
| 10 | No recent insurable employment | 490 | 248,070 |
| 11 | Has not worked in the last 12 months and could not qualify | 1,279 | 869,427 |
| 12 | Has never worked | 124 | 65,261 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 5,732 | 3,177,293 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who were not working during the reference week and worked in the past two years or were looking for work

Note: Based on EICS derived variables BENEFIT, RNBENRW, RSWORK, and HOURS. Persons who received benefits are assigned a value of 1, 2, 3 or 4 as appropriate. Then, people who have not worked in the last year are assigned a value of 11 or 12. Respondents who were self-employed in the last year or in a job where Employment Insurance premiums were not deducted from their pay are assigned a value of 10. Respondents who left their job to return to school or for other reasons not deemed valid for the Employment Insurance Act are then identified and assigned a value of 8 or 9. Lastly, when no other information was available to determine eligibility, an estimate of hours worked in the reference week was used (700 hours guarantees eligibility in all regions of the country for paid employees contributing to the program). In COVERAGE, those who did not receive Employment Insurance benefits despite likely being eligible are all included in a single category. In COV (only available from the master file), a distinction is made between those who made a claim and those who didn't.

Variable Name: **ELIGIBLE** *Position:* 71 *Length:* 1

Employment Insurance eligibility status

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Potentially eligible - Eligible | 2,155 | 988,906 |
| 2 | Potentially eligible - Not eligible | 456 | 239,908 |
| 3 | Not potentially eligible | 3,342 | 2,014,385 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 5,732 | 3,177,293 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who were not working during the reference week and worked in the past two years or were looking for work

Note: Based on EICS derived variable COVERAGE.

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Section: Parental Benefits

Variable Name: **MATPAR** *Position:* 72 *Length:* 1

Received maternity and/or parental benefits

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Received maternity or parental benefits | 799 | 241,368 |
| 2 | Insurable employment but no maternity or parental benefits | 136 | 40,555 |
| 3 | Worked within last 2 years but no insurable employment | 140 | 46,250 |
| 4 | Not worked in two years | 173 | 47,806 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,437 | 6,044,513 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers of a child aged 0 to 12 months
Note: Based on EICS questions EI_Q09B, EI_Q09C and PB_Q02.

Variable Name: **SPCLAIM** *Position:* 73 *Length:* 1

Parental benefits claimed by spouse

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Spouse/partner claimed or intends to claim | 146 | 46,816 |
| 2 | Spouse/partner did not claim or intend to claim | 923 | 265,790 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,580 | 6,091,492 |
| 9 | Not stated | 36 | 16,393 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers of a child aged 0 to 12 months with spouse present
Note: Based on EICS questions PB_Q05 or PB_Q07.

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Variable Name: **REASPNCL** *Position:* 74 *Length:* 1

Reason that spouse is not claiming parental benefits

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Mother wants to stay home | 236 | 69,558 |
| 2 | Mother can take time off easier | 191 | 51,858 |
| 3 | More financially advantageous | 134 | 35,194 |
| 4 | Spouse not eligible for EI | 172 | 49,323 |
| 5 | Other | 173 | 55,143 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,762 | 6,154,701 |
| 9 | Not stated | 17 | 4,715 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers whose spouse does not intend to claim parental benefits

Note: Based on EICS question PB_Q08 or PB_Q09. Due to the new design and application this variable is not comparable to the years 2000-2003.

Section: Additional Payments

Variable Name: **ADDPAYM** *Position:* 75 *Length:* 1

Received payments from employer, insurance or other benefits

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Received additional payments from the employer | 215 | 77,359 |
| 2 | Received additional payments from other sources (including insurance) | 32 | 9,875 |
| 3 | Did not receive additional payments | 787 | 227,804 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,642 | 6,102,600 |
| 9 | Not stated | 9 | 2,854 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers who are working or who have worked in the past two years, with a period not at work since the pregnancy or adoption

Note: Based on EICS questions AP_Q01 and AP_Q02A.

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Variable Name: **APWEEKS** *Position:* 76 *Length:* 1

Weeks of additional payments

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | 0-8 weeks | 67 | 20,241 |
| 2 | 9-17 weeks | 73 | 29,748 |
| 3 | 18 weeks + | 95 | 34,206 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 11,438 | 6,333,258 |
| 9 | Not stated | 12 | 3,038 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers who have worked in the past two years and who have received additional payments since the birth of their child

Note: Based on EICS question AP_Q05.

Section: Income and Hardship

Variable Name: **PARENTS** *Position:* 77 *Length:* 1
Collection Name: IN_Q01

Relied on parents for most day-to-day financial needs

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 2,883 | 1,638,185 |
| 2 | No | 315 | 172,496 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 8,485 | 4,608,398 |
| 8 | Refused | 1 | 160 |
| 9 | Not stated | 1 | 1,253 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents who are sons and daughters aged less than 30

Note: Based on EICS question IN_Q01.

Variable Name: **OWNEMP** *Position:* 78 *Length:* 1

Received wages or salaries from employment

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 4,109 | 2,269,179 |
| 2 | No | 4,664 | 2,494,588 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 2,883 | 1,638,185 |
| 9 | Not stated | 29 | 18,539 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents

Note: Based on EICS question IN_Q16. Paid employees at work during the reference month were not asked the question but assigned "Yes".

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Variable Name: **OWNSEMP** *Position:* 79 *Length:* 1

Received income or funds from self-employment

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 1,070 | 581,613 |
| 2 | No | 7,692 | 4,177,010 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 2,883 | 1,638,185 |
| 9 | Not stated | 40 | 23,684 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents
Note: Based on EICS question IN_Q03A or IN_Q16.

Variable Name: **CHILDBEN** *Position:* 80 *Length:* 1
Collection Name: IN_Q03C

Received child tax benefit or child benefit

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 839 | 244,962 |
| 2 | No | 387 | 122,517 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,452 | 6,048,493 |
| 7 | Don't know | 7 | 4,520 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Household with children less than 18 years old, except sons and daughters who rely on their parents
Note: Based on EICS question IN_Q03C.

Variable Name: **PENSION** *Position:* 81 *Length:* 1

Self or spouse received retirement or pension related benefits

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 1,703 | 937,201 |
| 2 | No | 1,211 | 708,764 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 8,753 | 4,762,498 |
| 9 | Not stated | 18 | 12,029 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents aged 50 years and older
Note: Based on EICS questions IN_Q03D, IN_Q03E, IN_Q03F, IN_Q03G, IN_Q05 and IN_Q16. Includes withdrawals from a Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP, RRIF), Worker's Compensation benefits (or disability pension), employer pensions (or survivors' pensions), Canada Pension Plan or Quebec Pension Plan or Old Age Security benefits, or pensions of a spouse or common-law partner.

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Variable Name: **SAPAYM** *Position:* 85 *Length:* 1

Household received social assistance payments

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 474 | 229,367 |
| 2 | No | 7,884 | 4,278,649 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 3,177 | 1,801,379 |
| 9 | Not stated | 150 | 111,097 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents
Note: Based on EICS questions IN_Q01, IN_Q07 and IN_Q16. Social assistance payments refer to payments or benefits paid from provincial or municipal programs for persons whose income is not adequate to meet basic needs. Terms such as welfare, child welfare, mother's allowance, family benefits, daycare subsidy, financial support programs, general welfare, social allowances, income support and income assurance are used to describe some of these benefits.

Variable Name: **SAMTHS** *Position:* 86 *Length:* 3
Collection Name: IN_Q09

Months in receipt of social assistance

Allowed values: 000 : 720

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|-----------|--|--------|-----------|
| 001 : 720 | Months in receipt of social assistance | 376 | 178,919 |
| 996 | Valid skip | 11,097 | 6,098,151 |
| 997 | Don't know | 51 | 28,275 |
| 998 | Refused | 7 | 2,329 |
| 999 | Not stated | 154 | 112,818 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who were social assistance recipients in reference month, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents
Note: Based on EICS question IN_Q09.

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Variable Name: **ADEQUACY** *Position:* 89 *Length:* 1

Sufficiency of household income to meet day-to-day expenses

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Met all your regular expenses and financial commitment | 4,939 | 2,688,491 |
| 2 | Met most but not all | 2,708 | 1,414,115 |
| 3 | Met some | 746 | 420,880 |
| 4 | Met very little or none | 291 | 175,346 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 2,883 | 1,638,185 |
| 7 | Don't know | 54 | 40,101 |
| 8 | Refused | 52 | 29,794 |
| 9 | Not stated | 12 | 13,581 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents
Note: Based on EICS questions IN_Q01 and IN_Q17.

Variable Name: **FAMFRND** *Position:* 90 *Length:* 1

Received some financial assistance from friends or relatives

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 760 | 467,628 |
| 2 | No | 7,591 | 4,053,316 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 3,156 | 1,782,895 |
| 9 | Not stated | 178 | 116,654 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents
Note: Based on EICS questions IN_Q10, IN_Q16, IN_Q18C or IN_Q18D. This variable combines non-income sources of funds used in the reference month and additional funding required to meet regular household expenses. Regular household expenses are those that are necessary for daily living such as for food, heating, rental or mortgage payments, transportation to school or work, some clothing, taxes, etc.

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Variable Name: **GETJOB** *Position:* 91 *Length:* 1

Got a job, started a business or did odd jobs (for friends or relatives)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 478 | 284,477 |
| 2 | No | 7,955 | 4,286,946 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 3,156 | 1,782,895 |
| 9 | Not stated | 96 | 66,175 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents
Note: Based on EICS questions IN_Q11 or IN_Q18B.

Variable Name: **SAVINGS** *Position:* 92 *Length:* 1

Used up some savings or cashed in some investments

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 1,693 | 997,562 |
| 2 | No | 6,069 | 3,202,420 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 3,783 | 2,128,013 |
| 9 | Not stated | 140 | 92,496 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents, full-time workers and mothers who received payments from the employer to complement their Employment Insurance benefits
Note: Based on EICS questions AP_Q03, IN_Q12, IN_Q16 or IN_Q18H. This variable combines non-income sources of funds used in the reference month and additional funding required to meet regular household expenses. Regular household expenses are those that are necessary for daily living such as for food, heating, rental or mortgage payments, transportation to school or work, some clothing, taxes, etc. "Not stated" codes for this variable are due to non-response to either some or all the questions related to use of savings.

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Variable Name: **SELL** *Position:* 93 *Length:* 1

Had to sell property or belongings

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 218 | 121,641 |
| 2 | No | 7,568 | 4,091,183 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 3,783 | 2,128,013 |
| 9 | Not stated | 116 | 79,654 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents, full-time workers and mothers who received payments from the employer to complement their Employment Insurance benefits

Note: Based on EICS questions AP_Q03, IN_Q13 or IN_Q18I. This variable combines non-income sources of funds used in the reference month and additional funding required to meet regular household expenses. Regular household expenses are those that are necessary for daily living such as for food, heating, rental or mortgage payments, transportation to school or work, some clothing, taxes, etc. "Not stated" codes for this variable are due to non-response to either some or all the questions related to use of savings.

Variable Name: **CREDIT** *Position:* 94 *Length:* 1

Increased reliance on credit

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 1,459 | 806,753 |
| 2 | No | 6,309 | 3,393,313 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 3,783 | 2,128,013 |
| 9 | Not stated | 134 | 92,413 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents, full-time workers and mothers who received payments from the employer to complement their Employment Insurance benefits

Note: Based on EICS questions IN_Q14, IN_Q15, IN_Q18F, IN_Q18G or AP_Q03. This variable combines non-income sources of funds used in the reference month and additional funding required to meet regular household expenses. Regular household expenses are those that are necessary for daily living such as for food, heating, rental or mortgage payments, transportation to school or work, some clothing, taxes, etc. "Not stated" codes for this variable are due to non-response to either some or all the questions related to use of savings.

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Variable Name: **CUTEXP** *Position:* 95 *Length:* 1

Cut expenses to make up for shortfall in income

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 843 | 488,602 |
| 2 | No | 190 | 105,100 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,530 | 5,740,791 |
| 9 | Not stated | 122 | 86,000 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Respondents who stated that their income only met some, very little or did not meet any of their regular household expenditures, except sons and daughters aged less than 30 who rely on their parents

Note: Based on EICS questions IN_Q18A and IN_Q18E. "Not stated" codes for this variable are almost exclusively linked to non-response at question IN_Q17 (ADEQUACY).

Section: Job Search

Variable Name: **LOOKWORK** *Position:* 96 *Length:* 1
Collection Name: JS_Q01

Did anything to find work during the reference week

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 1,759 | 952,630 |
| 2 | No | 810 | 378,919 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 9,089 | 5,073,547 |
| 7 | Don't know | 8 | 4,275 |
| 8 | Refused | 12 | 5,640 |
| 9 | Not stated | 7 | 5,480 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Unemployed respondents and those who received Employment Insurance benefits in the reference week, except mothers

Note: Based on EICS question JS_Q01.

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Variable Name: **JOBSRCH** *Position:* 97 *Length:* 2

Most important job search method during reference week

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|--|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Employment agency (public or private) | 176 | 86,638 |
| 02 | Contacted employers directly (resume, visit, call, placed or answered job ads) | 936 | 477,868 |
| 03 | Looked at job ads | 213 | 115,205 |
| 04 | Internet access or kiosk | 236 | 158,929 |
| 05 | Organization/networking community | 23 | 18,299 |
| 06 | Checked with friends or relatives | 51 | 23,083 |
| 07 | Other | 118 | 67,985 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 9,926 | 5,467,862 |
| 97 | Don't know | 6 | 4,622 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Unemployed respondents and those who received Employment Insurance benefits in the reference month, except mothers and others who were working at the time of the interview, who reported some job search
Note: Based on EICS questions JS_Q01 and JS_Q02.

Variable Name: **LOOKHRS** *Position:* 99 *Length:* 2
Collection Name: JS_Q03

Hours spent looking for work during the reference week

Allowed values: 00 : 60

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---------|---------------------|--------|-----------|
| 00 : 56 | Hours spent looking | 1,614 | 881,026 |
| 61 | More than 60 hours | 4 | 1,215 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 9,919 | 5,462,382 |
| 97 | Don't know | 137 | 67,161 |
| 98 | Refused | 3 | 2,225 |
| 99 | Not stated | 8 | 6,483 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Unemployed respondents and those not working during the reference week and who received Employment Insurance benefits in the reference month, except mothers and who indicated some job search
Note: Based on EICS question JS_Q03.

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Variable Name: **LOOKCOST** *Position:* 101 *Length:* 4
Collection Name: JS_Q04

Cost of job search activities

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|-------------|-------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 0000 | Nothing significant | 590 | 314,378 |
| 0001 : 0885 | Cost of job search activities | 979 | 536,570 |
| 9996 | Valid skip | 9,919 | 5,462,382 |
| 9997 | Don't know | 184 | 97,499 |
| 9998 | Refused | 5 | 3,180 |
| 9999 | Not stated | 8 | 6,483 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Unemployed respondents and those not working during the reference week and who received Employment Insurance benefits in the reference month, except mothers and who indicated some job search

Note: Based on EICS question JS_Q04.

Variable Name: **LOOKOUT** *Position:* 105 *Length:* 1

Looking within community or province

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Looked outside province | 196 | 107,074 |
| 2 | Looked outside community (within province) | 472 | 281,747 |
| 3 | Looked within community | 1,081 | 558,814 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 9,926 | 5,467,862 |
| 9 | Not stated | 10 | 4,995 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Unemployed respondents and those who received Employment Insurance benefits in the reference month, except mothers and others who were working at the time of the interview, who reported some job search

Note: Based on EICS questions JS_Q01, JS_Q05A and JS_Q05B.

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Variable Name: **LIKELYJB** *Position:* 106 *Length:* 1

Chances of finding an acceptable job in the next three months

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Not very good | 542 | 258,073 |
| 2 | Good | 555 | 315,141 |
| 3 | Very good | 248 | 151,434 |
| 4 | Have a job (to start in the future) | 277 | 110,944 |
| 5 | Would not take a job in the next 3 months | 126 | 76,394 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 9,824 | 5,444,225 |
| 7 | Don't know | 77 | 43,740 |
| 8 | Refused | 1 | 247 |
| 9 | Not stated | 35 | 20,294 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Unemployed respondents and those who received Employment Insurance benefits in the reference month, except mothers who were not working at the time of the interview

Note: Based on EICS questions JS_Q08 and JS_Q09.

Variable Name: **HELPFIND** *Position:* 107 *Length:* 2

Would help most to find a job

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|---|--------|-----------|
| 01 | Skills training | 149 | 86,512 |
| 02 | More education (academic) | 129 | 67,963 |
| 03 | Work experience | 117 | 67,394 |
| 04 | Help in job search | 132 | 80,449 |
| 05 | Moving to another city/region | 80 | 31,917 |
| 06 | Help in starting a business/entrepreneurship training | 10 | 7,430 |
| 07 | More jobs/work available | 93 | 37,002 |
| 08 | Other | 337 | 178,842 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 10,490 | 5,791,732 |
| 99 | Not stated | 148 | 71,251 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Unemployed respondents and those who received Employment Insurance benefits in the reference month and who would like to work if a suitable job was offered in the next 3 months but whose chances of finding such job were not very good, except of mothers and others who were working at the time of the interview

Note: Based on EICS questions JS_Q09 and JS_Q10.

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Section: Work After Birth/Adoption

Variable Name: **EMPAGREE** *Position:* 109 *Length:* 1

Agreement with employer to return to work there

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 669 | 204,583 |
| 2 | No | 181 | 58,244 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,827 | 6,155,833 |
| 9 | Not stated | 8 | 1,831 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers who have worked in a paid job in the past two years (and took a break)
Note: Based on EICS questions PR_Q03 or WA_Q07. Use WRKAFTER to distinguish between mothers who have already returned to work and those who have not.

Variable Name: **SAMEMP** *Position:* 110 *Length:* 1

Returned or plan to return to the same employer

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 713 | 220,928 |
| 2 | No | 110 | 36,046 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,775 | 6,138,618 |
| 9 | Not stated | 87 | 24,900 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers who have worked in a paid job in the past two years, intend to return to work within the next 18 months or have already returned (after a break)
Note: Based on EICS questions PR_Q06, WA_Q01 or WA_Q10. Use WRKAFTER to distinguish between mothers who have already returned to work and those who have not.

Variable Name: **WRKAFTER** *Position:* 111 *Length:* 1

Has worked since the birth or adoption

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Yes | 293 | 79,068 |
| 2 | No | 948 | 295,128 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,437 | 6,044,513 |
| 9 | Not stated | 7 | 1,783 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers of a child aged 0 to 12 months
Note: Based on variable TYPE and EICS questions PR_Q01, PR_Q02 and JS_Q06.

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Variable Name: **CHLDCARE** *Position:* 112 *Length:* 1

Planned or current child care arrangement

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Mother herself or shared with husband | 148 | 40,381 |
| 2 | Friend or relative will take care of child | 216 | 66,594 |
| 3 | Private babysitter | 157 | 41,612 |
| 4 | Private nursery or daycare (private or public) | 226 | 80,113 |
| 5 | Other | 60 | 17,627 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,736 | 6,128,741 |
| 9 | Not stated | 142 | 45,424 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers who have worked in the past, but have not worked for pay since the birth or adoption of their child and who are planning to return to work in less than 18 months or are not sure when they plan to return to work or have already returned to work after a break

Note: Based on EICS questions PR_Q11 or WA_Q15. "Not stated" in this variable results mainly from non-response "don't know" or "refusals". Use WRKAFTER to distinguish between mothers who have already returned to work and those who have not.

Variable Name: **WORKCOND** *Position:* 113 *Length:* 1

Working conditions after birth or adoption

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|---|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Same working conditions | 645 | 200,205 |
| 2 | Different working conditions, fewer hours | 87 | 25,274 |
| 3 | Different working conditions, other | 127 | 37,436 |
| 6 | Valid Skip | 10,751 | 6,134,154 |
| 9 | Not stated | 75 | 23,422 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers who have worked in a paid job in the past two years, intend to return to work within the next 18 months or have already returned (after a break)

Note: Based on EICS question PR_Q07, PR_Q09, PR_Q10, WA_Q10, WA_Q13 or WA_Q14. Use WRKAFTER to distinguish between mothers who have already returned to work and those who have not.

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Section: Changes in Income After Birth/Adoption

Variable Name: **M_HHINC** *Position:* 114 *Length:* 1

Household income in the month before the birth/adoption

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|--|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Less than \$1,600 (less than \$20,000 per annum) | 186 | 50,167 |
| 2 | \$1,600 to less than \$3,300 (\$20,000 - \$40,000 per annum) | 463 | 130,312 |
| 3 | \$3,300 to less than \$5,000 (\$40,000 - \$60,000 per annum) | 239 | 71,314 |
| 4 | More than \$5,000 (more than \$60,000 per annum) | 275 | 95,600 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,437 | 6,044,513 |
| 9 | Not stated | 85 | 28,587 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers of a child aged 0 to 12 months
Note: Based on EICS question CI_Q01. Income from all sources.

Variable Name: **M_INCDEC** *Position:* 115 *Length:* 1
Collection Name: CI_Q02

Increased or decreased in income after the birth/adoption

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-----------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Decrease | 653 | 198,469 |
| 2 | Increase | 81 | 25,412 |
| 3 | Stayed the same | 492 | 145,885 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 10,437 | 6,044,513 |
| 7 | Don't know | 13 | 4,135 |
| 8 | Refused | 7 | 1,140 |
| 9 | Not stated | 2 | 938 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers of a child aged 0 to 12 months
Note: Based on EICS question CI_Q02.

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Variable Name: **M_CHGINC** *Position:* 116 *Length:* 2

Change in income (per month)

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|----|-----------------|--------|-----------|
| 01 | \$0-\$200 | 71 | 20,728 |
| 02 | \$201-\$400 | 87 | 21,975 |
| 03 | \$401-\$600 | 115 | 31,503 |
| 04 | \$601-\$800 | 69 | 17,946 |
| 05 | \$801-\$1000 | 109 | 31,598 |
| 06 | \$1001-\$2000 | 148 | 48,276 |
| 07 | \$2001 and over | 73 | 25,742 |
| 08 | Stayed the same | 492 | 145,885 |
| 96 | Valid skip | 10,437 | 6,044,513 |
| 97 | Don't know | 52 | 22,659 |
| 98 | Refused | 9 | 3,169 |
| 99 | Not stated | 23 | 6,497 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: Mothers of a child aged 0 to 12 months
Note: Based on EICS questions CI_Q02 and CI_Q03. Use with M_INCDEC.

Section: Other variables from Labour Force Survey

Variable Name: **STUDENT** *Position:* 118 *Length:* 1

Student status

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Full-time student | 2,946 | 1,784,949 |
| 2 | Part-time student | 289 | 172,204 |
| 3 | Non-student | 7,870 | 4,119,736 |
| 6 | Valid skip | 561 | 335,217 |
| 9 | Not stated | 19 | 8,386 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: Respondents aged 15 to 64 years only

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Variable Name: **EFAMILY** *Position:* 119 *Length:* 1

Type of economic family

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Unattached individual | 1,210 | 762,192 |
| 2 | Husband-wife, dual earner couple | 4,784 | 2,472,715 |
| 3 | Husband-wife, single earner couple | 2,791 | 1,493,283 |
| 4 | Husband-wife, non-earner couple | 1,073 | 624,259 |
| 5 | Single-parent | 1,256 | 663,534 |
| 6 | Other families | 566 | 401,735 |
| 9 | Not stated | 5 | 2,774 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Variable Name: **EFAMSZ_R** *Position:* 120 *Length:* 1

Number of persons in the economic family

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|----------------------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | One person | 1,210 | 762,192 |
| 2 | Two persons | 2,944 | 1,627,081 |
| 3 | Three persons | 2,727 | 1,375,660 |
| 4 | Four persons | 2,912 | 1,603,291 |
| 5 | Five persons or more | 1,891 | 1,052,113 |
| 9 | Not stated | 1 | 154 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
| | | 11,685 | 6,420,492 |

Coverage: All respondents

Variable Name: **EFAMEM_R** *Position:* 121 *Length:* 1

Number of employed persons in the economic family

| | | FREQ | WTD |
|---|-----------------------|--------|-----------|
| 0 | None | 1,953 | 1,080,529 |
| 1 | One person | 3,538 | 1,968,970 |
| 2 | Two persons | 3,967 | 2,020,229 |
| 3 | Three persons or more | 2,227 | 1,350,765 |
| | | ===== | ===== |
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Coverage: All respondents

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Section: **Weights**

Variable Name: **WTPM** *Position:* 122 *Length:* 12.4

Weight - Format 12.4 (Physical decimal present) (9999999.9999)

Response: Weight - Format 12.4 0 0

Coverage: All respondents
Note: Physical decimal present in eighth position. For example, a weight of 1,234.56 is saved as 0001234.5600

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