

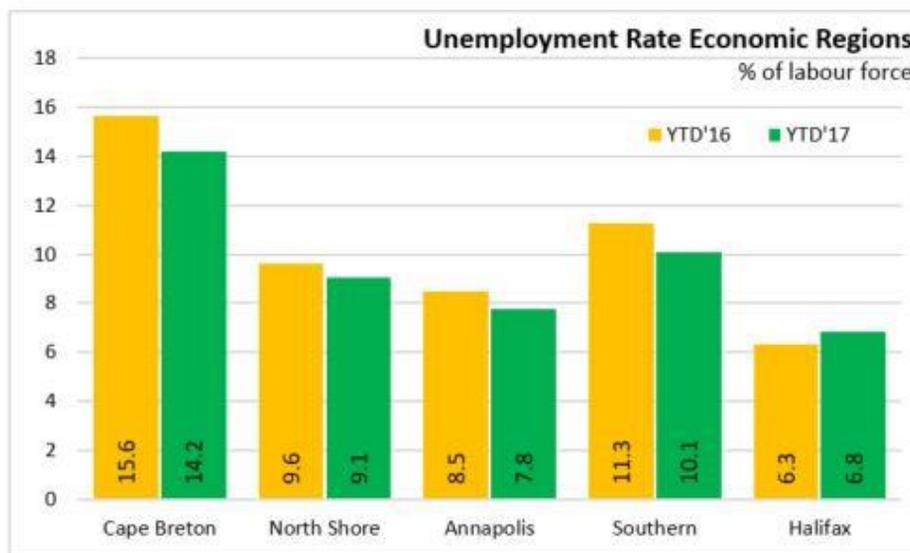
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Unemployment rates in five regions of Nova Scotia



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has fallen to within one percentage point
of the Halifax rate.

*The *Labour Market Report* is the Department of Finance and Treasury Board's monthly analytical publication, comprised of the latest information from Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey, as well as other indicators which describe labour-related trends in Canada, such as employment insurance, average weekly earnings, and total wages and salaries. Some indicators are measured at the national and provincial level, while others are reported at the level of the economic region.

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Employment in the Valley increased by almost 5%

“For the first nine months of 2017 compared to the first nine months of 2016, two regions (North Shore and the Annapolis Valley) reported employment growth that outpaced labour force growth, resulting in lower average unemployment rates.”

“The Annapolis Valley reported an increase in employment of 2,700 (4.9 per cent) and an increase in the labour force of 2,400 for the first nine months of 2017 over the same period in 2016. The net result was a decrease of 0.7 percentage points in the average unemployment rate to 7.8 per cent.”

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Valley Regional Enterprise Network serves Glooscap First Nation, the Municipality of the County of Kings, the Municipality of the District of West Hants, and the Towns of Berwick, Kentville, Middleton, Windsor and Wolfville. The Province of Nova Scotia is a funding partner. Together they provide oversight to the Valley REN board, which is led by the business community.

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