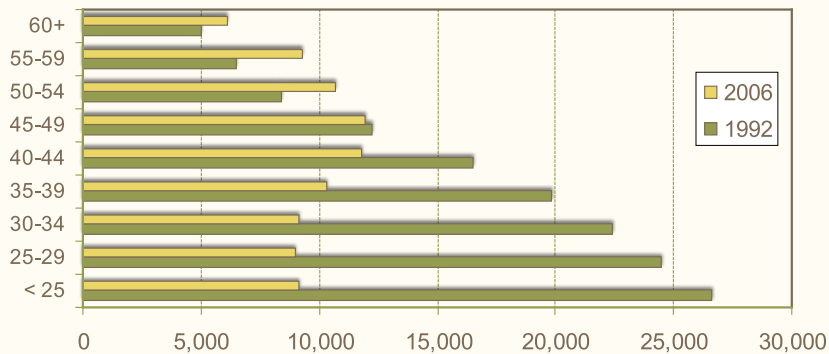


Trends and Usage in Newfoundland and Labrador

Number of Regular EI Beneficiaries by Age
Newfoundland and Labrador, 1992 and 2006



by age

Chart 7

Newfoundland and Labrador Statistics Agency:
Special Tabulation

Number of Regular Beneficiaries by Occupation Type

Newfoundland and Labrador, 1992 and 2006

	1992	2006	Change	% Change
Managerial and Other Professional	19,140	13,560	(5,580)	-29%
Clerical	11,490	4,730	(6,760)	-59%
Sales and Service	30,230	18,130	(12,100)	-40%
Trades, Transport and Equipment Operator and Related	28,360	21,730	(6,630)	-23%
Construction Labourer and Related	28,050	10,620	(17,430)	-62%
Manufacturing and Other Processing	19,180	12,620	(6,560)	-34%
Other Primary	4,190	5,560	1,370	33%
Total	140,640	86,940	(53,690)	-38%

by occupation *

Table 2

Newfoundland and Labrador Statistics Agency:
Special Tabulation

* Excludes those employed as fish harvestors

Large Decline in the Number of Younger Claimants

Out-migration, an aging of the population, increased employment opportunities, increased enrolment in educational institutions and tightening EI entrance requirements during the 1990s have contributed significantly to the reduction in the number of younger people who access the program. In 1992, 52% of regular beneficiaries were less than age 35; only 31% of beneficiaries were under 35 in 2006.

The younger the age, the larger has been the decline; the number of individuals less than 25 has declined by 66%, 25-29 by 63%, 30-34 by 59%. In 1992, half of all regular beneficiaries were age 34 or less; in 2006, the median age has increased by eight years to age 42.

Large Decline in EI Claimants in Almost All Sectors

With the exception of Other Primary, there has been a decline in regular beneficiaries in all occupation types since 1992. The largest proportional decline was for construction labourer and related occupations which have dropped 62% since 1992. Benefits for clerical workers have also significantly declined by 59%. The only occupation near 1992 levels of EI usage is fish harvestors (shown in a later table).