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BREAKING DOWN EMPLOYMENT DATA

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BC's unemployment improves to 12.3%, but almost 330,000 people are still looking for a job

Research / Professional Development

Statistics Canada has released their *Labour Force Survey* for June 2020 and while the media has praised a lower unemployment rate and more British Columbians working, it is easy to forget there are still 329,300 people looking for work in the province.

One of the great challenges all career professionals are faced with is a lack of local, current labour market information. From the StatsCan data, we know the unemployment rate in B.C. is 12.3%; there are 1.5 million people who are not in the labour force; and the participation rate is 64%; and yet does this reflect what is going on in your community?

To help career professionals get a better sense of what is going on in their town or city, we've broken down the numbers for nearly 100 communities and regions around B.C., including the four census metropolitan areas and the seven regions in the province. We've uploaded all of this information to www.LabourMarketOnline.com. When you input your email

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As an example, here is the June 2020 breakdown for each region in British Columbia:

- **Lower Mainland/Southwest BC** -- Unempl. Rate: 10.8% | Total Unemployed: 180,984
- **Vancouver Island and Coast** -- Unempl. Rate: 12.5% | Total Unemployed: 54,739
- **Thompson Okanagan** -- Unempl. Rate: 14.5% | Total Unemployed: 43,232
- **Cariboo** -- Unempl. Rate: 17.6% | Total Unemployed: 16,001
- **Kootenay** -- Unempl. Rate: 14.9% | Total Unemployed: 12,202
- **Northeast BC** -- Unempl. Rate: 22.6% | Total Unemployed: 9,345
- **Nechako** -- Unempl. Rate: 22.9% | Total Unemployed: 5,109

Now, for every community from Abbotsford to Whistler (*I think Vancouver is in there too*), we are providing all of the local employment data including employment, unemployment and labour market participation; as well as detailed jobs analysis for all of the 10 NOC categories.

This monthly information is going to be a centrepiece of the ['B.C. Labour Market Briefing for August 2020'](#) webinar taking place **Thursday June 25th at 3pm**. As members of **Labour Market Online**, you have free access to attend this session. To attend, simply visit www.labourmarketonline.com/login/, and register on the *'Membership Gateway Page'*. In addition to the very latest employment data, we will be providing participants with a fun and engaging discussion of the newest labour market information, research and policy announcements from July.

Trucking sector contracts 10.4% due to COVID

Transportation / Research

Over the first two quarters of 2020, employment in the Canadian trucking and logistics sector is expected to contract by 10.4%, or 72,000 jobs, due to Covid-19. That is according to a new report released Wednesday by **Trucking HR Canada**.

"We expect a 10.9% contraction among truck drivers and 10.0% decline among non-truck driver occupations," the report noted. *"Truck drivers are expected to account for 34,700, or roughly one in two Covid-related job losses within the trucking and logistics sector."*

But the report said the sector is likely to face a labor shortage again in a few years.

"Given anticipated retirements and other labor outflows from the truck driver occupation, there is a strong indication that, by

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2023, labor demand is unlikely to be fully met, which would mean a return to driver shortages.”

The report also claims that declines in truck driver employment will cost the industry \$3.2 billion in sales in 2020.

Other key findings:

- Trucking and logistics employment will stabilize by the first quarter of 2022 and remain roughly 1% below pre-Covid levels through 2023.
- Over the first two quarters of 2020, 12,600 shippers and receivers will lose their job because of Covid-19.
- The trucking and logistics sector will shed 10.7% of its dispatchers (1,800 positions) as well as 10.3% of its mechanics (950 positions) over the first two quarters of 2020.
- Delivery and courier drivers are expected to experience a slightly below-average decline in employment due to Covid-19. Over the first two quarters, employment in the occupation will contract by 7,500 jobs, or 10.2%.

This report will be discussed in detail at the 'B.C. Labour Market Briefing for August 2020' taking place at 3pm, on July 30th. To register, please register through Labour Market Online.

Major labour market stories from the past week

For all of the major stories from last week, please login to Labour Market Online and visit the 'Breaking News Section'

- Virtual film industry career fair offers chance to talk with the experts ([Click Here](#))
- BC Is Hurting Workers by Dodging Pandemic Severance Pay Issue ([Click Here](#))
- More than one-third of BC's regions could close this summer due to pandemic ([Click Here](#))
- BC government extends COVID-19 income, disability and senior assistance programs ([Click Here](#))
- Six months of national basic income starting this fall would cost at least \$47.5B: PBO ([Click Here](#))
- Feds to slowly reopen Service Canada centres ([Click Here](#))
- Bank of Canada survey says business hiring plans remain muted due to pandemic ([Click Here](#))
- What you need to know before you sign a contract — even if your employer asks you to ([Click Here](#))
- Walking the 'gig economy' tightrope ([Click Here](#))
- Support service helps over 4,200 businesses during pandemic ([Click Here](#))
- Pandemic heats up Vancouver rental property market ([Click Here](#))
- Kootenay Employment Services urges Stay Local ([Click Here](#))
- U of T alumna's study sheds new light on gender gap in AI field ([Click Here](#))

This Week in Social Media

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- Vancouver Island University gives students jobsite experience ([Click Here](#))

- Canada to invest in Vancouver rail infrastructure ([Click Here](#))
- Burnaby company looks ready to go on a hiring binge ([Click Here](#))
- New initiative lets Arts Club talent continue to create ([Click Here](#))

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For instance, we like to inform people about the labour market but rarely bears, such as this article: [Here's A Quick Lesson On Why You Should Never, Ever Approach A Bear](#).
Lesson 1: Bears don't understand what a selfie is. Lesson 2: People are just a meat-sack with an iPhone to bears. Lesson 3: Really, you need more convincing???

Your time is valuable and we wouldn't want to waste it, follow us on [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) or [Facebook](#) today :-)

Community Calendar

Career Development Events

BC's Labour Market Briefing for August 2020

Thurs July 30th | 3-4pm

Online Webinar

Details: www.LabourMarketOnline.com

Popeyes is Holding a Job Fair

Tues July 14th and July 15th | 11am – 3pm

Location: 46325 Yale Road, Chilliwack, British Columbia

Link: [Please Click Here](#)

Job Postings

Career Development Employment

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To post a job here, please email: bclmr@outlook.com

(When you write your cover letter, please mention you saw this advertisement in the BC Labour Market Report)

Employment Counsellor/Customized Employment Counsellor ***NEW***

Kootenay Employment Services

Creston, British Columbia

Closes: July 23, 2020

Link: [Please Click Here](#)

Employment Specialist for Young Adults at Risk Program ***NEW***

Buxton Consulting Ltd.

Abbotsford, British Columbia

Closes: Open until filled

Link: [Please Click Here](#)

Outreach Worker/Specialized Facilitator ***NEW***

Sources Community Resources Society –

Surrey, British Columbia

Closes: Open Until Filled

Link: [Please Click Here](#)

Employment Counsellor ***NEW***

Coast Mental Health
Vancouver, British Columbia
Closes: Unknown
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Job Developer (Employment Recruiter/Job Coaching) *NEW*
Interval House
Metro Vancouver, British Columbia
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Employment Counsellor *NEW*
WCG Services
West Kelowna, British Columbia
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Did you know?

Fascinating Facts

With an expected 690,000 workers in 2023, trucking and logistics employment is now expected to be 3.3%, or 24,000 workers, below the pre-Covid labor market projections.

- **Trucking HR Canada**

Quote of the Week

Career Inspiration

“Wise men speak because they have something to say; Fools because they have to say something.”

- **Plato**

(...and Plato never even attended a White House Press Briefing)

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