

LABOUR MARKET SNAPSHOT

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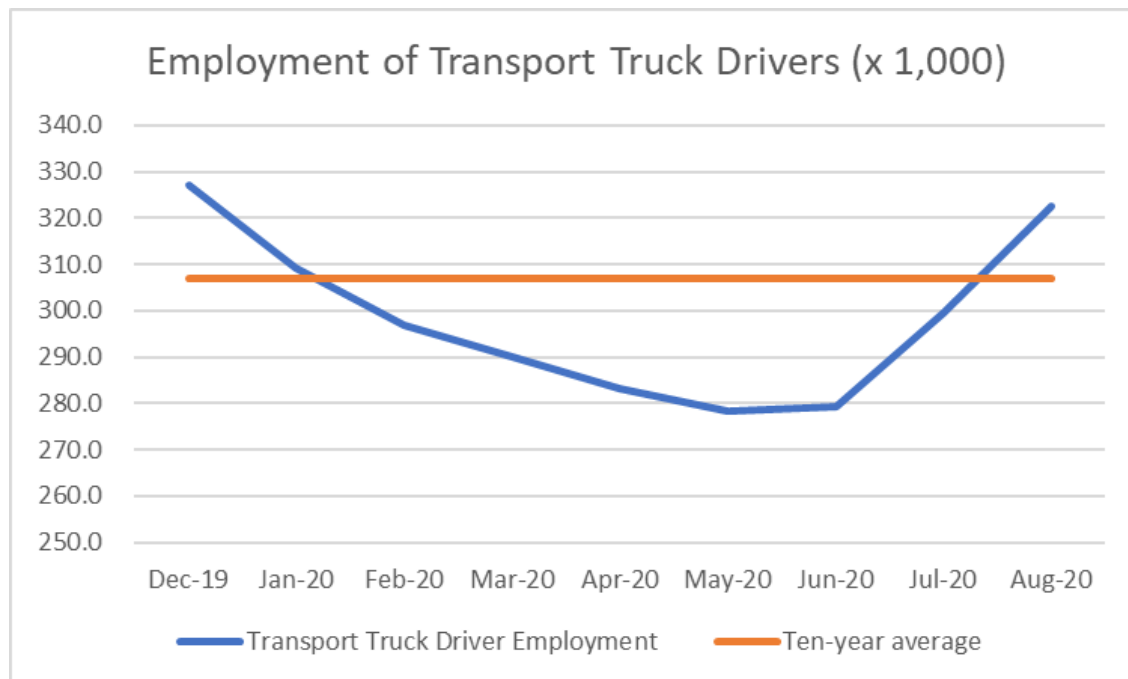
Labour market information (LMI) is actionable intelligence pertaining to the supply and demand of labour. It puts raw data into context and **facilitates better, evidence-based decisions** by employers, workers, job seekers, policymakers, educators, career practitioners, academics, students, parents, and more.

LMI at Trucking HR Canada not only includes publicly available sources, including Statistics Canada's census and other labour force surveys, but also qualitative research and quantitative data directly from employers to fill in the gaps that are lacking.



Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic Trucking HR Canada has followed and analyzed the effects the pandemic has had on the industry's labour market. As the economy continues to reopen (for now) and Canadians get back to work, here is a snapshot of the current state of truck driver employment in Canada.

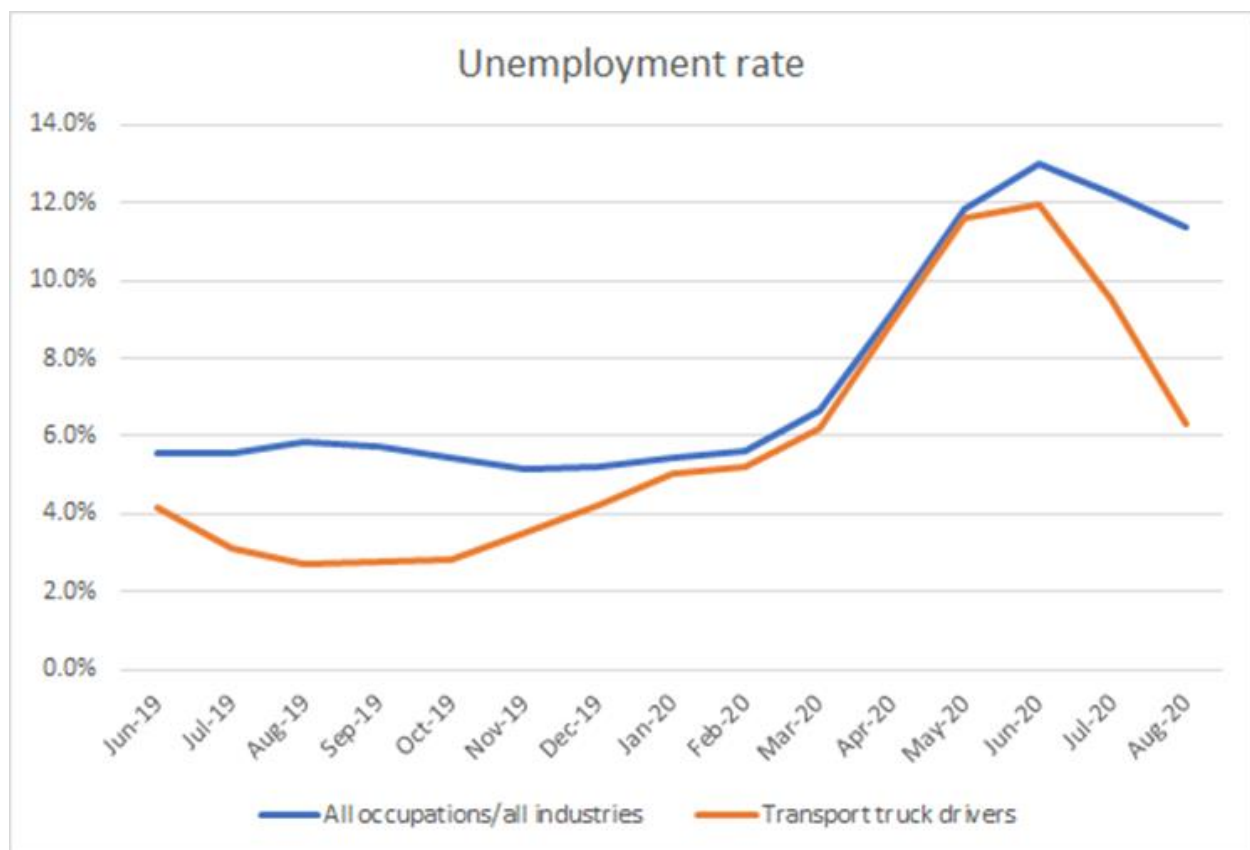
After an initial contraction in truck driver employment at the beginning of the pandemic, we have seen significant recovery in employment over the last 3 months and that trend has continued through August.



Source: Trucking HR Canada; Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey custom data request, August 2020¹

¹ The employment data in this report is derived from a special data request from Statistics Canada's August 2020 Labour Force Survey. Trucking HR Canada analyzes data provided by Statistics Canada to report the labour market conditions specific to the trucking and logistics industry and its' relevant occupations.

- During the first two quarters of 2020, employment of Transport Truck Drivers declined, shedding 49,000 jobs.
- However, from June to August, the industry added 43,500 employed drivers, returning to well above the 10-year average employment in the occupation.
- Between July and August alone, employment of Transport Truck Drivers increased by over 23,000 jobs or 7.7%.
- The number of unemployed Transport Truck Drivers decreased in the same period by over 30% or almost 10,000 people.
- The unemployment rate amongst drivers (proportion of the labour force that is unemployed) decreased sharply from a high of 12% in June to 6.3% in August, well below the national unemployment rate of 11.4%.



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- 1) [Assessing the impact of Covid-19 on Trucking and Logistics Employment](#)
- 2) [Covid-19 Briefing Employer survey results](#)
- 3) [Covid-19 Impressions of the Trucking and Logistics Industry report](#)
- 4) [Covid-19 and Truck Driver Employment in Canada report](#)

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