

The unemployment rate continues to fall from May's record high



The unemployment rate was 10.9% in July, falling 1.4 percentage points for the second consecutive month and down from a record high 13.7% in May.

The unemployment rate was 5.6% in February.

Source: [Labour Force Survey, July 2020](#)

More Canadians report a diagnosed mood or anxiety disorder, especially among young adults

Approximately 4.4 million Canadians (14%) aged 12 and older living in the provinces reported having a diagnosed mood or anxiety disorder in 2019, up from 3.7 million people (12%) in 2015. The most notable difference over this period was among young adults aged 18 to 34 (up from 13% to 17%).



Source: [Canadian Community Health Survey, 2019](#)

Over twice as many businesses closed this April

Just over 88,000 Canadian businesses closed in April, over twice the level of April 2019. Almost one-quarter fewer businesses opened over the same period.

Source: [Study: Monthly business openings and closures: Experimental series for Canada, the provinces and territories, and census metropolitan areas, 2015 to 2020](#)

Coal production falls by almost one-third

Coal production declined 31.6% year over year to 3.1 million tonnes in May—the lowest production level on record, as some mines remained closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Source: [Energy statistics, May 2020](#)