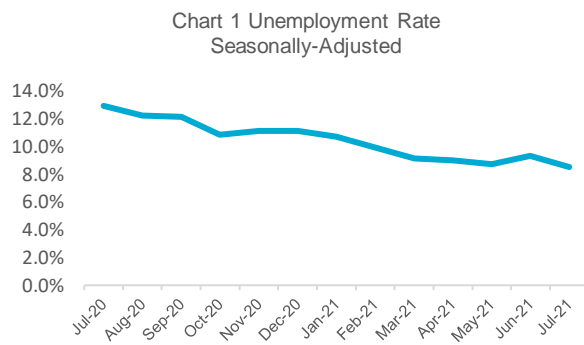


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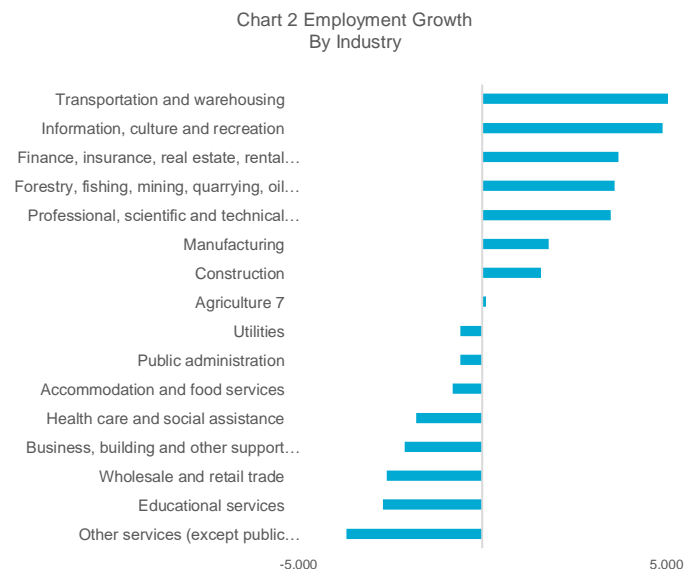
- Alberta's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 8.5% in July 2021, a 0.8 percentage point decrease from the previous month and a 4.4 percentage points decrease from the same month last year (Chart 1). This rate was the fourth highest in Canada after Newfoundland and Labrador's 12.7%, Prince Edward Island's 9.6% and New Brunswick's 9.3%. The national rate was 7.5%, down 0.3 percentage points from the previous month.



Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

- The unemployment rate decreased because the labour force decreased by 8,100 and employment increased by 12,300 people from the previous month. Full-time employment increased by 20,100 while part-time employment decreased by 7,800 over the same period.
- Between July 2020 and July 2021, employment increased by 119,500. The number of unemployed Albertans decreased by 104,100 over the same period.

- Year-over-year, employment gains were led by the private sector at 109,400. Public sector employment increased by 25,900 while self-employment decreased by 15,800 over the same period.
- In July 2021, the industries that had the most employment decreases from the previous month were Other services (except public administration) 3,700; Education services, 2,700; and Wholesale and retail trade, 2,600 (Chart 2). Industries that had the most employment gains over the same period were Transportation and warehousing, 8,000; Information, culture and recreation, 4,900; and Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing, 3,700.



Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

Additional information about Alberta's Labour Force Statistics for July 2021 can be found at: [Monthly Labour Force Statistics](#).