

The Eye on Employment is NWPB's monthly update on Niagara's latest employment figures from Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey

	October 2020	November 2020	Monthly Change	Monthly Change (%)
Full-time employment	149,200	146,100	-3,100	-2.1%
Part-time employment	48,900	51,700	2,800	5.7%
Total employment	198,100	197,800	-300	-0.2%

The Key Figures

	Sept 2019	Oct 2019	Sep 2020	Oct 2020
Labour force	215,000	215,800	213,400	211,900
Employment	204,300	205,200	198,100	197,800
Full-time employment	158,500	158,200	149,200	146,100
Part-time employment	45,800	47,000	48,900	51,700
Unemployment	10,700	10,600	15,300	14,100
Unemployment rate	5.0%	4.9%	7.2%	6.7%
Participation rate	60.0%	60.1%	59.0%	58.6%
Employment rate	57.0%	57.2%	54.8%	54.7%

The Breakdown

- ✓ **November 2020 saw a net-employment decrease driven by a decline in full-time employment and an increase in part-time employment**
- ✓ **A decline in the unemployment rate is due to a reduction in the size of the labour force and lower overall labour market participation**
- ✓ **There were 33% more job seekers in Niagara in November 2020 compared to November 2019**

The Industry Update

Employment in the Goods Producing Sector

Oct 2020

44,900

Oct 2019

44,600

Nov 2020

44,600

Nov 2019

46,100

Employment in the Services Producing Sector

Oct 2020

153,200

Oct 2019

159,700

Nov 2020

153,200

Nov 2019

159,100

Industry	2019		2020	
	Oct	Nov	Oct	Nov
Agriculture	3,400	3,200	3,600	3,700
Construction	17,600	17,600	17,900	18,500
Manufacturing	21,500	23,000	22,100	21,100
Wholesale and retail trade	31,200	30,900	25,200	24,500
Transportation and warehousing	8,700	9,200	6,900	7,100
Finance, insurance, real estate, rental and leasing	9,600	8,700	13,600	12,600
Professional, scientific and technical services	8,400	7,800	9,700	10,300
Business, building and other support services	8,800	9,900	12,300	13,600
Educational services	14,900	15,700	14,300	16,000
Health care and social assistance	22,700	21,100	27,300	26,000
Information, culture and recreation	11,900	11,600	6,900	6,800
Accommodation and food services	25,100	24,800	19,400	19,400
Other services (except public administration)	9,200	10,300	11,000	10,800
Public administration	9,300	9,200	6,500	6,300
Total	204,300	205,200	198,100	197,800

The Breakdown

- ✓ **November 2020's employment declines were concentrated in the goods-producing sector, with losses in manufacturing outpacing gains in construction**
- ✓ **The two goods producing sectors that saw the most month-over-month employment gains were: educational services and business, building and other support services**
- ✓ **Wholesale and retail trade saw a slight employment decline, however that is consistent with month-over-month trends from 2019**

The Youth Lens

	Oct 2020	Nov 2020	Monthly Change	Monthly Change %
Full-time employment	11,500	9,200	-2,300	-20.0%
Part-time employment	10,400	12,600	2,200	21.2%
Total employment	21,800	21,800	0 *	0.0%

The Big Figures

	Oct 2019	Nov 2019	Oct 2020	Nov 2020
Labour force	33,000	32,200	27,000	26,100
Employment	28,900	26,800	21,800	21,800
Full-time employment	15,500	12,600	11,500	9,200
Part-time employment	13,400	14,300	10,400	12,600
Unemployment	4,000	5,400	5,200	4,400
Unemployment rate	12.1%	16.8%	19.3%	16.9%
Participation rate	67.1%	65.3%	69.1%	65.4%
Employment rate	58.7%	54.4%	55.8%	54.6%

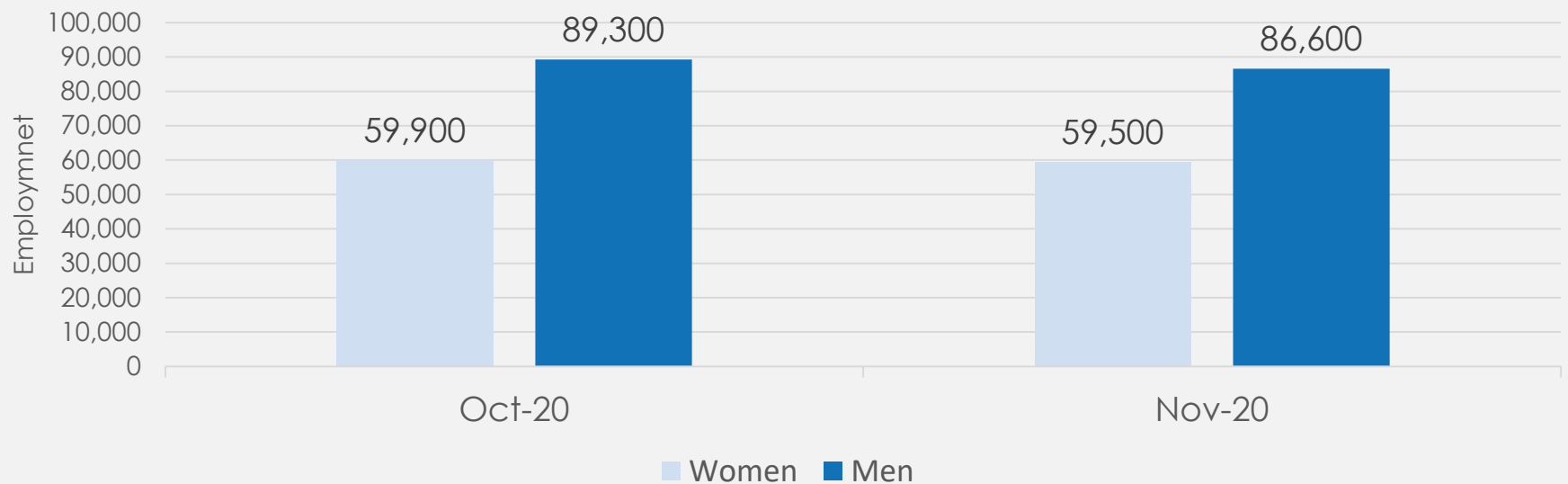
The Breakdown

- ✓ *** Rounding on the part of Statistics Canada accounts for zero net-employment change between October and November for youth**
- ✓ **November saw 2,300 fewer youth in full-time employment and 2,200 more youth in part-time employment**
- ✓ **Despite a 16.9% unemployment rate among youth, the youth participation rate in November 2020 was slightly higher than reported in November 2019**

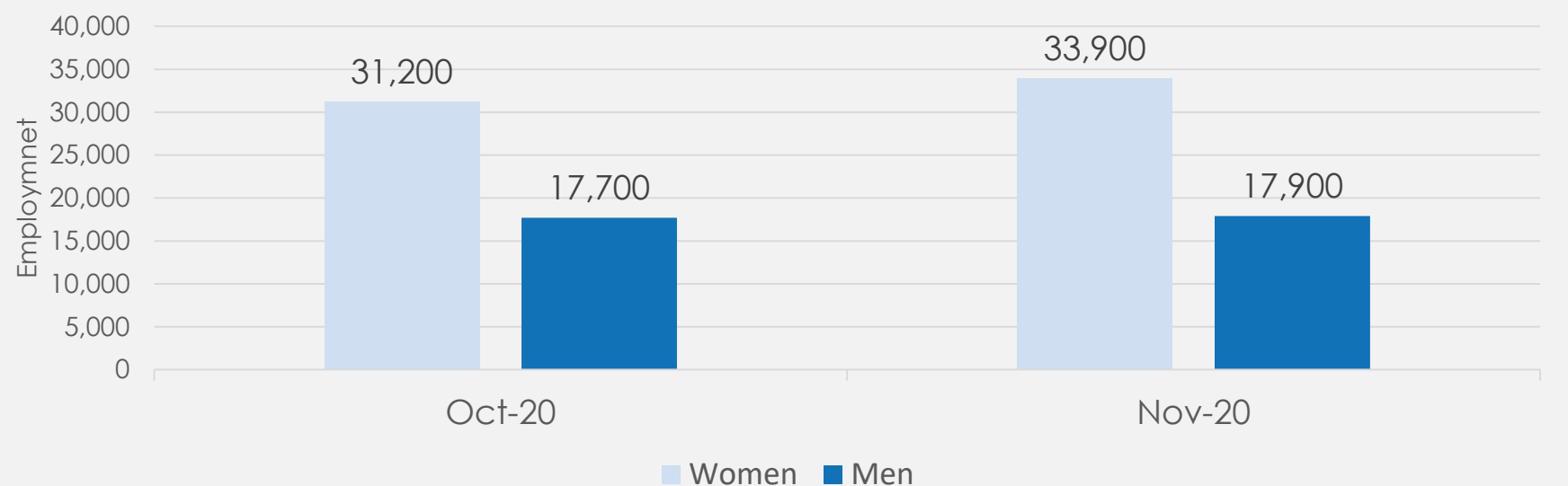
A few words on definitions: Monthly labour force survey data defines a youth as an individual age 15 to 24. An individual who is “not in the labour force” is an individual who is neither working nor looking for work. Full-time students are generally considered to be not in the labour force, even if they maintain part-time employment while in education and training.

Employment and Gender

Full-time Employment



Part-time Employment



The Breakdown

- ✓ ***In total, 2,300 more women were employed in November 2020 compared to October 2020***
- ✓ ***There were 7,300 fewer women employed in November 2020 compared to November 2019.***
- ✓ ***Women were employed in 40.7% of full-time work and 65.6% of part-time work in November 2020.***

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The Eye on Employment draws on data from Labour Force Survey Table 14-10-0095-01 and Table 14-10-0097-01. All data are seasonally unadjusted. Click our logo for more reports and to access our interactive job board.

