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## IN THIS ISSUE:

Welcome to the July issue of Staying Connected! Learn more about our featured funder, the **Ontario Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development**, with a spotlight on their programs and funding opportunities. We are also sharing our **July Labour Market Bulletin** that provides a look into the impact of COVID-19 on our local labour market. Finally, we highlight our updated **upcoming LMI reports, Partner News** and upcoming **Events**.



### HIGHLIGHTED FUNDER Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development (MLTSD)

MLTSD works to prevent workplace injuries and illnesses, promoting and enforcing employment standards, helping settle workplace disputes and collective agreements, supporting apprenticeships, the skilled trades, industry training and employment services in Ontario.

Programs are delivered through the Employment Ontario network, composed mainly of employment services providers, literacy service providers, ministry local field offices and apprenticeship training delivery agents.

Employment Ontario's programs and services support to job seekers and employers based on their specific needs, including:

- **Employment & Training and Community Planning:** Employment Service, Second Career, Canada-Ontario Job Grant, Skills Advance Ontario, Literacy & Basic Skills, Job Bank
- **Community Planning:** Job Creation Partnership, Labour Market Partnership
- **Youth Programming:** Youth Job Connection, Youth Job Connection-Summer, Career Ready Fund
- **Adjustment Services:** Rapid Re-employment and Training Service, Adjustment Advisory
- **Support for Persons with Disabilities:** Ontario Employment Assistance Services, Supported Employment
- **Skills Training:** Apprenticeship



### SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRAMS & FUNDING Community Planning Supports

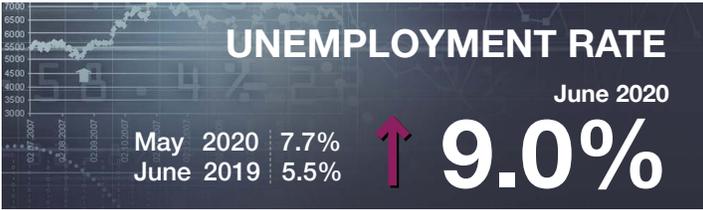
To support the safe reopening of businesses and to help Ontario's workers safely return to work, the MLTSD is providing access to **free online occupational health and safety training**.

The MLTSD provides financial support to community organizations including:

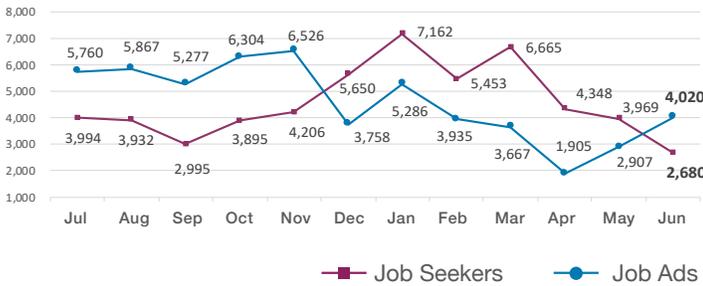
- **Ontario Labour Market Partnerships** - financial support to help local communities, sector groups, employers and associations, expanding the understanding of local labour market issues and improve access to local LMI resources.
- **Pre-Apprenticeship Program** - helps people who are interested in working in the trades but lack the job readiness skills and experience to gain employment as apprentices.
- **Ontario Job Creation Partnership** - designed to support partnership projects that provide insured participants with opportunities to gain meaningful work experience to improve their long-term employment prospects.
- **Canada-Ontario Job Grant (COJG)** - provides opportunities for employers to invest in their workforce in a cost-sharing agreement with government.
- **Skills Advance Ontario** - helps employers fill vacancies by providing sector-focused employment services, including job matching and placement, and post-employment retention services.
- If you think any of these programs might be right for visit **Employment Ontario Partners' Gateway** for more information or give us a call at the Ottawa Employment Hub and we will help connect you.



**OTTAWA LABOUR MARKET BULLETIN – July (full report [here](#))**  
 With our newly acquired monthly supply and demand data, we are pleased to provide this monthly view of the changing local labour market during the current COVID-19 situation. Below are highlights from our monthly bulletin.



**Job Seeker Profiles and Job Ads by Month**



**Real-time online supply and demand**



**OTTAWA'S ONLINE JOB ADS AND TRENDS**

**4,020 Job Ads**

Job ads were up **38.3%** from last month

Job ads were down **20.8%** compared to the same month in 2019



**OVERALL ONLINE SUPPLY AND DEMAND**

**2,680 Job Seeker Profiles**

Active job seeker profiles were down **32.5%** from last month

Active job seeker profiles were down **36.4%** compared to same month in 2019

**UPDATED LMI REPORTS**



**Manufacturing Sector Spotlight 2020** - provides a overview of the manufacturing labour market, and shows how it compares against other employment sectors in Ottawa. Full report [here](#).



**Workforce Spotlight for Persons with Disabilities (2019)** - shows labour force characteristics, including unemployment rate and labour force participation rate, among persons with disabilities (PWDs) in Ottawa. At the provincial level, this report provides an overview of where PWDs work (by industry sectors) and what PWDs do (by occupations). Full report [here](#).



**Real-time Labour Supply & Demand in Ottawa Q2 2020 – Coming soon**  
 A quarterly view of job ads and job seeker profiles online, with up-to-date local news & intelligence. View our previous reports [here](#).



**Ottawa This Quarter Q2 2020** - Want to see how the Ottawa employment landscape is changing over the three months of 2020? Check out our "Ottawa This Quarter" report. Full report [here](#).



**Construction Sector Spotlight 2020 – Coming soon**  
 This report provides an overview of the construction sector, and shows how it compares up against other employment sectors in Ottawa. View our 2019 Sector Spotlight reports [here](#).



## PARTNER NEWS

Ottawa Employment Hub held on July 21st the monthly update on the **Making It In Manufacturing (MIIM) Resource Network**. This project is financed by the Ontario government and administered by Algonquin College. Our goal is to raise the profile of regional manufacturing (advanced and traditional) and facilitate access to the tools and resources that create growth and opportunity. Visit our newly launched website for more details: [miimottawa.ca](http://miimottawa.ca).

The MIIM working group reviewed the project's purpose, governance structure, work plan, and confirmed three objectives:

- Grow awareness of Ottawa manufacturing
- Help attract and develop the skilled manufacturing workforce required to thrive
- Bring the Ottawa manufacturing community together for the purpose of collaboration

To share your ideas, get involved or learn more email us at [info@miimottawa.ca](mailto:info@miimottawa.ca)

The **Provincial government** moved ahead with its **Stage 3 economic reopening plans** on July 17, in many parts of Ontario, including Ottawa. **A framework for reopening our Province – Stage 3** outlines more details, such as new gathering limits and keeping workplaces safe.

The **Ottawa Board of Trade** in partnership with the Toronto Region Board of Trade, launched The Recovery Activation Program. RAP is an immersive free online workshop program that connects businesses with industry experts for guidance, mentorship and practical advice about process modernization and end-to-end digital transformation. Apply [here](#).

**Main street business owners in Ottawa or Southeastern Ontario:** are you struggling to find a sustainable way forward in our new reality? **Digital Main Street (DMS), Invest Ottawa**, the **City of Ottawa** and **Launch Lab** are pleased to announce the formal launch of ShopHERE powered by Google in Ottawa and Southeastern Ontario. This program will help 3,200 main street businesses impacted by COVID-19 across the region develop new e-commerce websites with the support of students, helping them to survive the pandemic and thrive in the new economy. Attend a free webinar any Thursday at 11:30AM. Please register [here](#).

TECHNATION has recently launched an open business intelligence platform called the **TECH2GOV Digital Marketplace**. This platform is open to all incorporated technology companies in Canada to register and showcase their areas of technology specialization and experience.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### Ottawa Employment Hub - Virtual August Staying Connected Roundtable

August 13, 2020, 11:00am to 12:00pm - Click [here](#) to join the Zoom meeting

**Join by phone:** +1-877-853-5257 OR +1-888-475-4499 Meeting ID: 938 2791 2130 Password: 993034

### WSIB Health and Safety Excellence Program

August 6, 2020, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. Free webinar.

*Learn more about the Health and Safety Excellence program, designed to reward you for behaviours and activities that improve workplace health and safety. Register [here](#)*

### Ottawa's Best Networking Golf Tournament

August 25, 2020 - GreyHawk Golf Club Ottawa (fee required)

*The Ottawa Board of Trade and Ottawa Business Journal are hosting their annual golf tournament. A great way opportunity to network and enjoy a day outdoors. Register [here](#)*

### The Future of Work Webinar Series by Algonquin College Corporate Training

August 26, 2020, 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

*The next Future of Work Speaker is Katrina Moss of Shopify. Topic: Establishing a Growth Mindset. Register [here](#)*



### Social media finds:

Trillium Network for Advanced Manufacturing [@TrilliumMfg](#)

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