



DECLINE IN NUMBER OF GOODS-EXPORTING ENTERPRISES

[Statistics Canada](#) reports there were 17,576 goods-exporting enterprises in May 2020, a decline of 21.2% from May 2019. The agency notes, "exporters of all employment sizes recovered slightly in May, following record low levels in April."

Among all exporters, enterprises with fewer than 50 employees have been impacted the most by the COVID-19 crisis.

Number of Goods-Exporting Enterprises (0 to 49 Employees) – May 2019 vs. May 2020

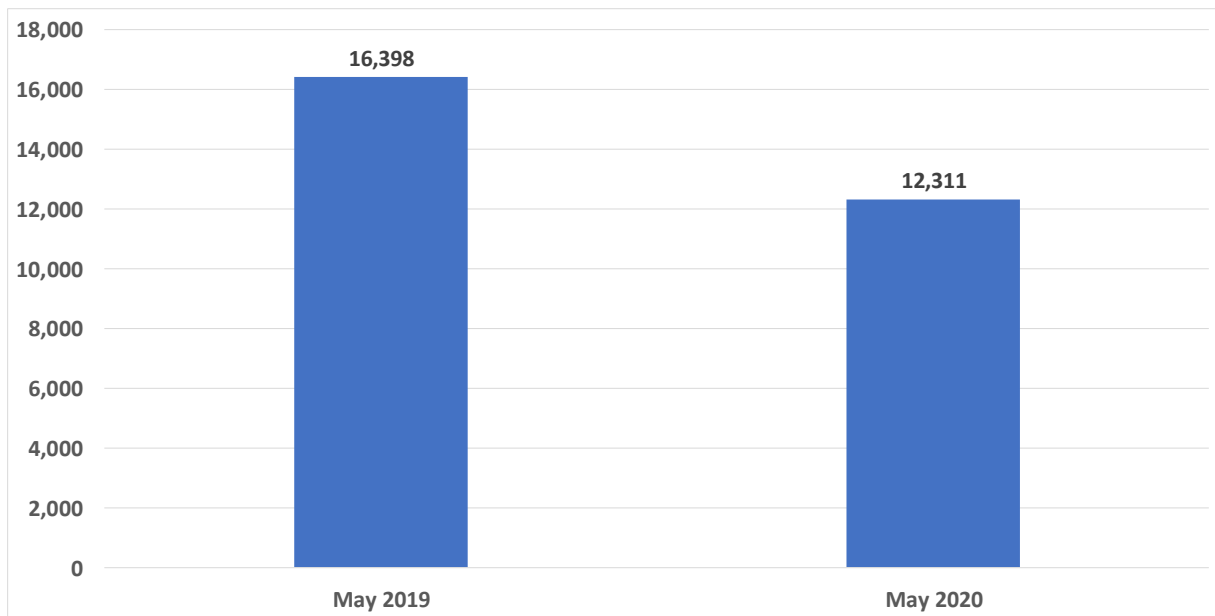


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According to Statistics Canada, "The decrease in the number of exporters compared with May 2019 was widespread across all provinces and territories, led by Ontario (-2,283). The decline in the overall number of exporting enterprises was led by the manufacturing sector (-1,676 firms)."

Of additional concern is the fact that May 2020 marked the fifth consecutive monthly year-over-year decrease in the number of exporters.

Full Report: [Monthly Trade in Goods by Exporter – May 2020](#)
