

COVID -19 National Survey Summary – June 2021

Who answered the survey?

- 378 respondents
- 31% live in ON, 30% BC, 25% AB, 11% MB, 1% Atlantic Canada, 2% US, 0.5% QC, 0.5% SK, 0.3% Northern Canada
- 23% are not registered (associates, interns, affiliates, students, etc.)
- 34% work in landscape architecture offices (22% with multiple LAs, 12% with only one LA), 28% in multi-disciplinary firms, 25% in government

How has work changed with COVID-19?

- 56% are working in a different location (from home, alternate office, etc.)
- <2% have been laid off permanently (0% temporarily)
- Respondents reported a broad range of changes to work volume compared to before COVID-19, averaging a 30% increase in work volume compared to normal pre-COVID-19 volume

What would respondents like to see from their Associations?

- Top priority: more online professional educational events
 - Current resources and opportunities that are being sent are appreciated
- Networking and industry information:
 - Many respondents curious about what other firms are doing (office/home arrangements, achievements, lessons learned, site tours)
- Resources regarding Landscape Architects' role in mitigating/adapting to climate change (especially wildfires)
- Support and advocacy:
 - Advocacy and resources for reconciliation and anti-racism in the profession
 - Mental health and wellness resources for work/life balance
- Majority of respondents do not want COVID-19 related information

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What do respondents want to be asked next?

- How is your current mental health? How is it impacting your life and work?
- How are you/your firm preparing for return to in-person work? What changes are you planning to make or not make?
- What positive changes will you be retaining post-COVID-19?

How does the June 2021 data compare to the June 2020 data?

- Fewer total respondents (378 vs. 590) and fewer respondents from Ontario (31% vs. 51%)
- 2% more respondents are working in a different location (from home, alternate office, etc.) in 2021 compared to 2020
- Fewer respondents have been laid off permanently or temporarily in 2021
- Compared to pre-COVID work volume, average work volume has increased by 30% in 2021 compared with 2% in 2020 (see graph below)
- Respondent’s top priorities remained the same: online professional educational events, networking, and knowledge sharing
- Additional priorities remained the same: advocacy and resources for reconciliation and anti-racism; mental health check-ins and resources

