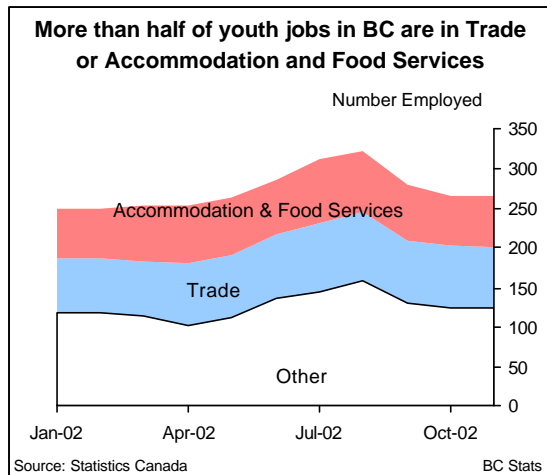
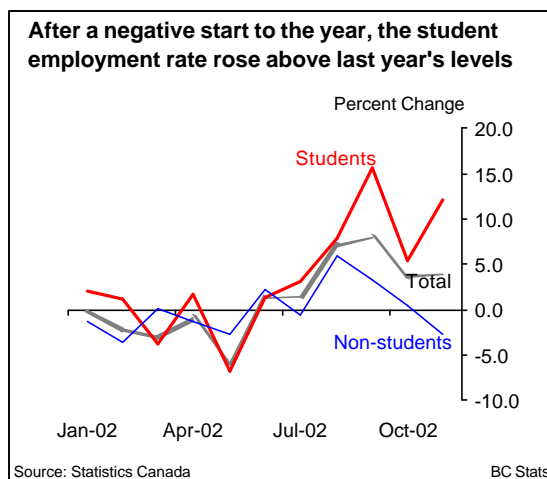


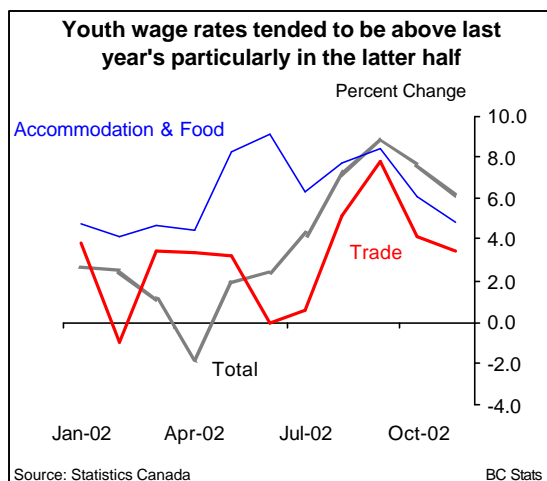
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- So far this year, more than half (54.1%) of employed youth in British Columbia worked in either Trade (retail and wholesale), or Accommodation and Food Services. Trade accounted for slightly more than a quarter of all jobs held by youth.
- Across all industries, the split between full and part-time work was about 50-50. However, the full-time/part-time split for the large employers of youth was 40-60.



- The ratio of employed youth to the total number of 15 to 24 year olds was below last year's levels for the first half of the year. This held true for both students and non-students. Persons counted as students during the summer months (May to September) were those who were attending school or had been students in the previous March.
- Youth employment is typically high during the summer months and this year's levels were well above 2001. Students continued to do well perhaps because they are more likely to take part-time work than non-students.



- Average hourly wage rates for youth in the first eleven months of 2002 were generally above 2001 levels. Note that hourly rates include tips and commissions.

Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey