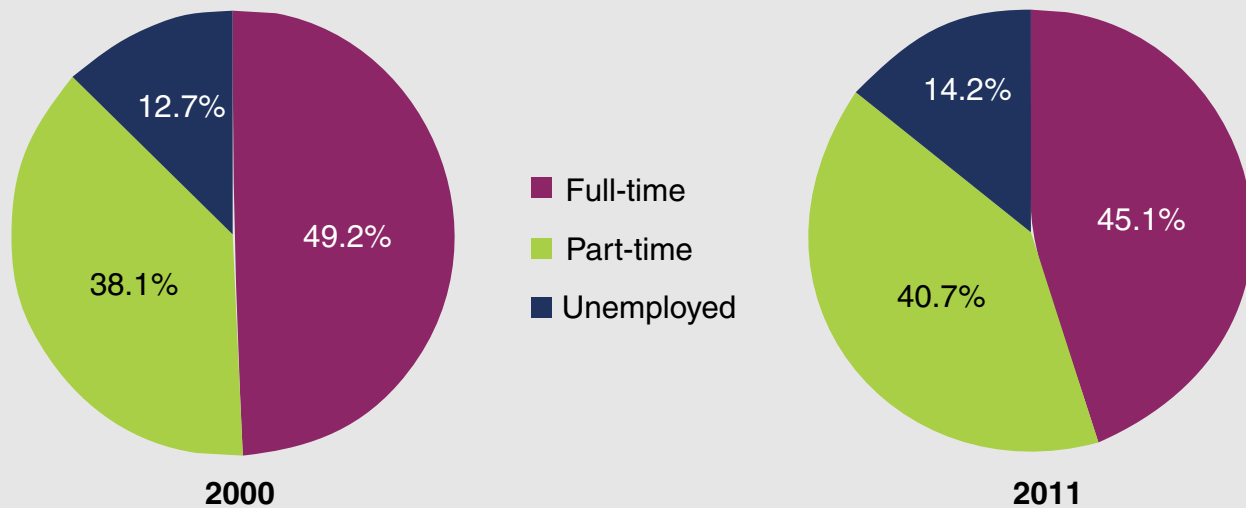




## 2.2.14 Work and Family

**Fig. 2.2.14 Employment status of labour force, age 15 to 24 years, Canada, 2000 and 2011**



Adapted from the Statistics Canada CANSIM database (<http://cansim2.statcan.gc.ca> table 282-0002), accessed January 15, 2012.

Of all Canadian youth between the ages of 15 and 24 years in 2011, 45.1% were working full time and 40.7% were working part time.

Most employed youth aged 15 to 24 (71%) reported “going to school” as the reason for choosing part-time employment, 5% said it was a personal preference and 20% noted “other”, which included business conditions and unable to find full-time work.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM tables 282-0014 and 282-0001.

### Implications

Part-time employment has been increasing steadily, especially among youth aged 15 to 24 years.<sup>1</sup> For this age group, part-time employment is often ideal because it provides income while allowing youth to attend secondary and post-secondary schooling.

<sup>1</sup> Human Resources and Skills Development Canada, 2010. Work-Employment Rate, accessed at [http://www4.hrsdc.gc.ca/.3ndic.1t.4r@-eng.jsp?iid=13#M\\_6](http://www4.hrsdc.gc.ca/.3ndic.1t.4r@-eng.jsp?iid=13#M_6) on January 15, 2012.

