

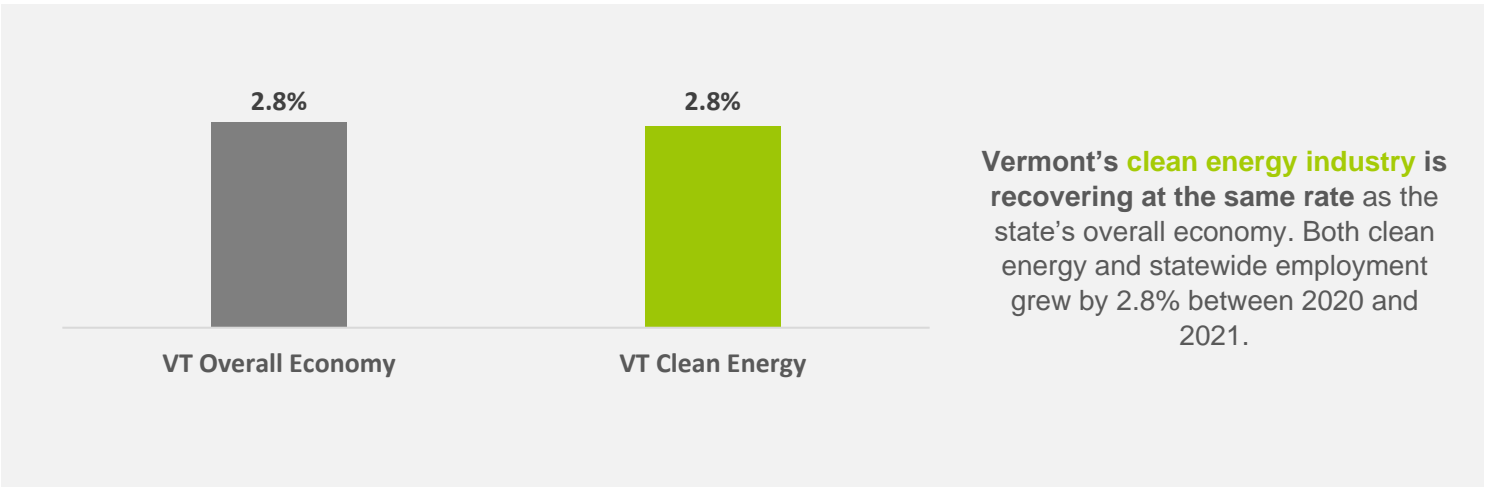
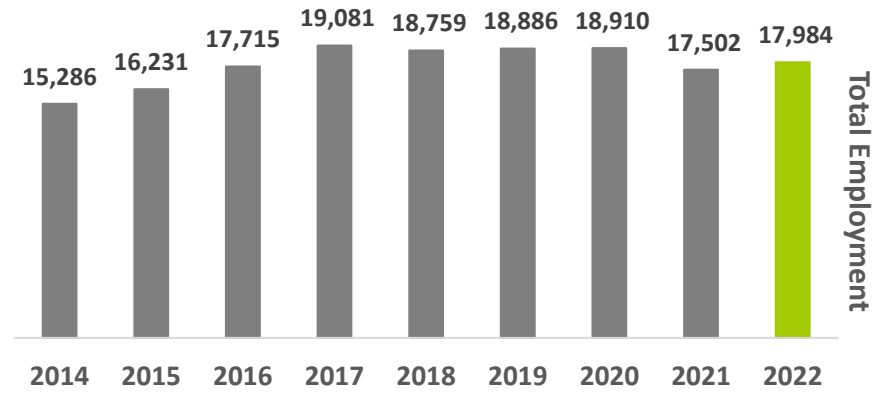


REPORT HIGHLIGHTS

2022 Vermont Clean Energy Industry

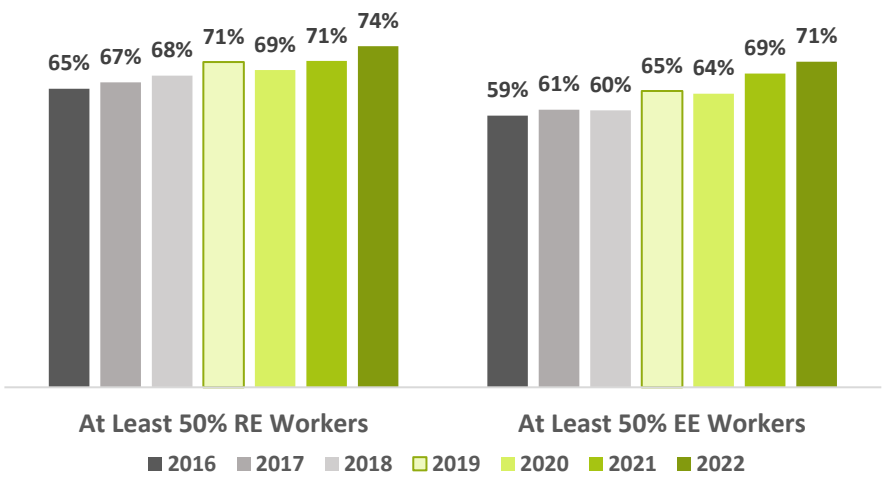
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Vermont's clean energy economy **gained 500 jobs** in 2021 after shedding 1,400 jobs in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic. While the state's clean energy economy has begun recovering from 2020's unprecedented job losses, clean energy employment remained about 1,000 jobs below pre-pandemic levels at the end of 2021. Vermont continues to lead the nation in the number of clean energy jobs per capita.



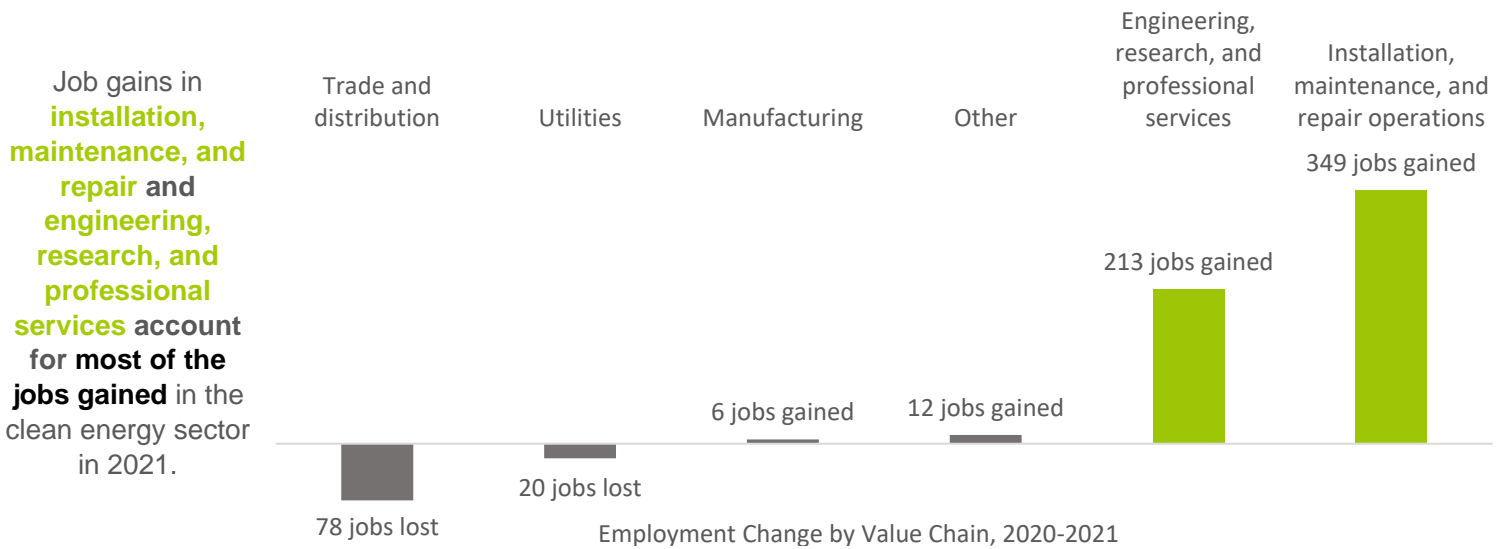
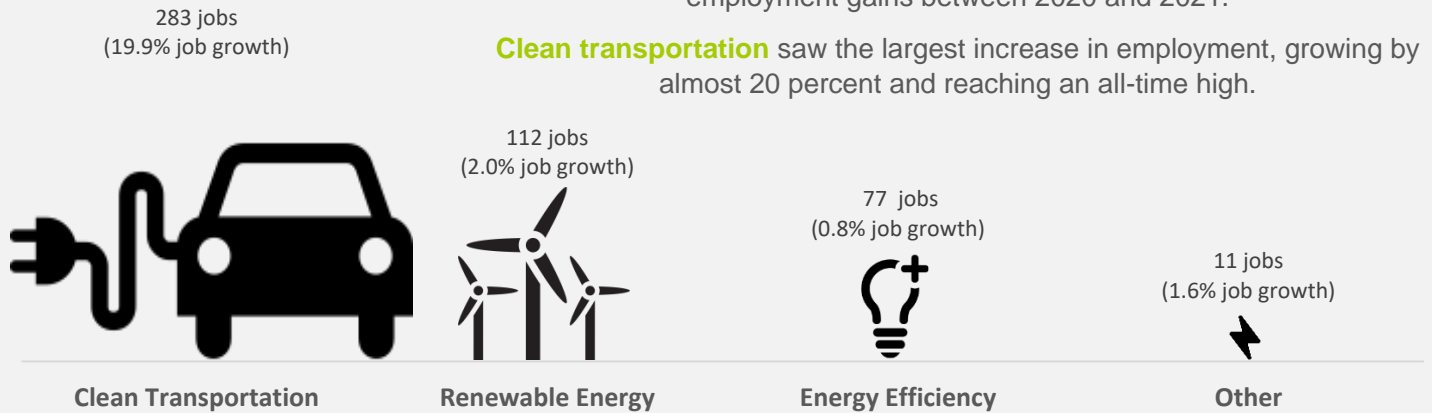
Vermont's **clean energy industry** is recovering at the same rate as the state's overall economy. Both clean energy and statewide employment grew by 2.8% between 2020 and 2021.

Clean energy workers are **spending more of their time on clean energy activities**. Within both the renewable energy and energy efficiency workforce, workers are more likely than ever to be spending at least 50% of their time on clean energy projects.



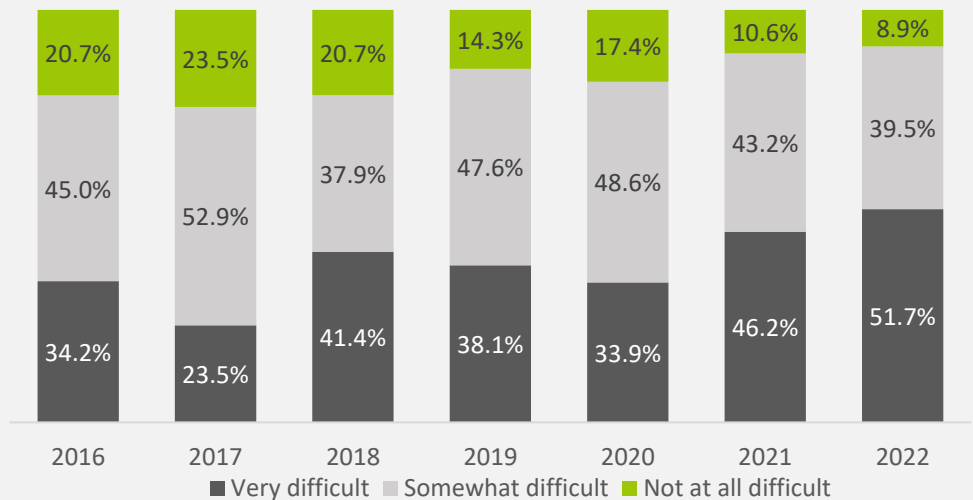
Vermont's largest industries still haven't recouped the jobs lost due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Renewable energy and energy efficiency shed the most jobs between 2019 and 2020 but experienced only modest employment gains between 2020 and 2021.

Clean transportation saw the largest increase in employment, growing by almost 20 percent and reaching an all-time high.



91%

of employers hiring in 2021 reported that they experienced hiring difficulty. This is a two-point increase from last year's reported hiring difficulty and a nine-point increase in hiring difficulty from two years ago.



This data is drawn from the **2022 Vermont Clean Energy Industry Report**. This year's report, and all previous VCEIRs, can be downloaded from the CEDF website: publicservice.vermont/renewable_energy/cedf/reports