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	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
All Industries	2,263,728	2,290,632	2,318,907	2,338,103	2,376,310	2,419,127
Agriculture	50,844	51,111	51,241	51,383	51,600	51,761
% Change		0.5%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.3%
% Share of total employment		2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.1%
Forestry and Logging with Support Activities	3,986	3,881	4,029	4,070	4,107	4,151
% Change		-2.6%	3.8%	1.0%	0.9%	1.1%
% Share of total employment		0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Oil and Gas Extraction and Mining Industry	135,832	136,288	139,888	143,534	146,533	149,611
% Change		0.3%	2.6%	2.6%	2.1%	2.1%
% Share of total employment		5.9%	6.0%	6.1%	6.2%	6.2%
Oil and Gas Extraction	73,406	75,174	75,736	76,674	77,403	78,260
% Change		2.4%	0.7%	1.2%	1.0%	1.1%
% Share of total employment		3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.3%	3.2%
Mining (except Oil and Gas)	5,426	5,532	5,592	5,631	5,495	5,572
% Change		1.9%	1.1%	0.7%	-2.4%	1.4%
% Share of total employment		0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Support Activities for Mining and Oil and Gas Extraction	57,000	55,582	58,560	61,229	63,635	65,779
% Change		-2.5%	5.4%	4.6%	3.9%	3.4%
% Share of total employment		2.4%	2.5%	2.6%	2.7%	2.7%
Utilities	19,809	20,704	21,079	21,352	21,729	21,927
% Change		4.5%	1.8%	1.3%	1.8%	0.9%
% Share of total employment		0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%
Construction	251,874	243,340	248,770	253,373	258,703	270,059
% Change		-3.4%	2.2%	1.9%	2.1%	4.4%
% Share of total employment		10.6%	10.7%	10.8%	10.9%	11.2%
Manufacturing Industry	115,523	118,024	119,691	119,675	121,410	121,605
% Change		2.2%	1.4%	0.0%	1.4%	0.2%
% Share of total employment		5.2%	5.2%	5.1%	5.1%	5.0%
Food and Beverage Products	22,399	22,852	22,885	22,870	23,004	23,075
% Change		2.0%	0.1%	-0.1%	0.6%	0.3%
% Share of total employment		1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Wood Products Manufacturing	10,912	10,876	10,761	10,742	10,829	10,900
% Change		-0.3%	-1.1%	-0.2%	0.8%	0.7%
% Share of total employment		0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Paper Manufacturing	3,303	3,086	3,051	3,000	2,969	2,939
% Change		-6.6%	-1.1%	-1.7%	-1.0%	-1.0%
% Share of total employment		0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Printing and Related Support Activities	3,336	3,362	3,348	3,313	3,276	3,218
% Change		0.8%	-0.4%	-1.0%	-1.1%	-1.8%
% Share of total employment		0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Rubber, Plastics and Chemicals	12,314	12,527	12,584	12,523	12,532	12,514
% Change		1.7%	0.5%	-0.5%	0.1%	-0.1%
% Share of total employment		0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Manufactured Mineral Products	11,426	11,972	11,995	12,019	12,130	12,204
% Change		4.8%	0.2%	0.2%	0.9%	0.6%
% Share of total employment		0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%

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Metal Fabrication and Machinery (excluding electrical)	28,543	30,733	32,555	32,771	34,192	34,316
% Change		7.7%	5.9%	0.7%	4.3%	0.4%
% Share of total employment		1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%
Computer, Electronic and Electrical Products	5,949	6,261	6,157	6,090	6,045	5,956
% Change		5.3%	-1.7%	-1.1%	-0.7%	-1.5%
% Share of total employment		0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%
Motor Vehicle, Body, Trailer & Parts Manufacturing	2,201	1,785	1,796	1,797	1,800	1,800
% Change		-18.9%	0.6%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%
% Share of total employment		0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Textile, Clothing, and Furniture Manufacturing	7,209	6,361	6,290	6,259	6,268	6,253
% Change		-11.8%	-1.1%	-0.5%	0.1%	-0.2%
% Share of total employment		0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Other Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	761	864	880	899	928	951
% Change		13.6%	1.9%	2.2%	3.2%	2.5%
% Share of total employment		0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%	0.04%
Other Manufacturing	7,173	7,346	7,390	7,392	7,438	7,479
% Change		2.4%	0.6%	0.0%	0.6%	0.6%
% Share of total employment		0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Wholesale Trade	83,696	86,907	87,509	87,352	89,084	90,558
% Change		3.8%	0.7%	-0.2%	2.0%	1.7%
% Share of total employment		3.8%	3.8%	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%
Retail Trade	246,429	242,818	243,192	245,942	248,752	250,863
% Change		-1.5%	0.2%	1.1%	1.1%	0.8%
% Share of total employment		10.6%	10.5%	10.5%	10.5%	10.4%
Transportation and Warehousing	131,751	134,926	136,446	136,967	138,889	141,604
% Change		2.4%	1.1%	0.4%	1.4%	2.0%
% Share of total employment		5.9%	5.9%	5.9%	5.8%	5.9%
Truck, Transit, and Ground Passenger Services	67,280	68,767	69,700	69,924	70,836	72,202
% Change		2.2%	1.4%	0.3%	1.3%	1.9%
% Share of total employment		3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
Other Transportation Services	37,486	38,976	39,304	39,637	40,365	41,253
% Change		4.0%	0.8%	0.8%	1.8%	2.2%
% Share of total employment		1.7%	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%
Postal, Courier, and Warehousing	26,986	27,183	27,442	27,406	27,688	28,148
% Change		0.7%	1.0%	-0.1%	1.0%	1.7%
% Share of total employment		1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing	106,075	107,997	106,788	105,902	106,158	107,367
% Change		1.8%	-1.1%	-0.8%	0.2%	1.1%
% Share of total employment		4.7%	4.6%	4.5%	4.5%	4.4%
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services Industry	179,321	182,200	185,760	187,593	191,993	196,242
% Change		1.6%	2.0%	1.0%	2.3%	2.2%
% Share of total employment		8.0%	8.0%	8.0%	8.1%	8.1%
Legal, Accounting, and Consulting	81,282	82,498	84,000	84,746	86,633	88,539
% Change		1.5%	1.8%	0.9%	2.2%	2.2%
% Share of total employment		3.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.7%
Computer System Design Services	33,351	34,120	35,081	35,615	36,682	37,717
% Change		2.3%	2.8%	1.5%	3.0%	2.8%
% Share of total employment		1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.6%
Architectural, Engineering, and R&D Services	64,688	65,581	66,679	67,232	68,677	69,985
% Change		1.4%	1.7%	0.8%	2.2%	1.9%
% Share of total employment		2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%

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Management, Administrative and Other Support	79,462	81,589	82,824	83,750	85,263	86,366
% Change		2.7%	1.5%	1.1%	1.8%	1.3%
% Share of total employment		3.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.6%
Educational Services	149,474	154,582	155,641	155,879	158,215	160,189
% Change		3.4%	0.7%	0.2%	1.5%	1.2%
% Share of total employment		6.7%	6.7%	6.7%	6.7%	6.6%
Elementary and Secondary Schools	89,602	92,665	93,267	93,589	95,324	96,991
% Change		3.4%	0.7%	0.3%	1.9%	1.7%
% Share of total employment		4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%
Colleges, CEGEPS, and Training Trade Schools	27,378	28,371	28,493	28,486	28,692	28,847
% Change		3.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.7%	0.5%
% Share of total employment		1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Universities	32,494	33,546	33,880	33,804	34,199	34,351
% Change		3.2%	1.0%	-0.2%	1.2%	0.4%
% Share of total employment		1.5%	1.5%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%
Health Care and Social Assistance	269,445	279,041	286,274	290,328	298,671	306,914
% Change		3.6%	2.6%	1.4%	2.9%	2.8%
% Share of total employment		12.2%	12.3%	12.4%	12.6%	12.7%
Health Care	224,179	233,248	240,191	244,054	251,499	258,835
% Change		4.0%	3.0%	1.6%	3.1%	2.9%
% Share of total employment		10.2%	10.4%	10.4%	10.6%	10.7%
Social Assistance	45,267	45,793	46,083	46,274	47,172	48,079
% Change		1.2%	0.6%	0.4%	1.9%	1.9%
% Share of total employment		2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Information, Culture, Arts and Recreation	76,298	77,309	78,161	78,744	79,861	80,951
% Change		1.3%	1.1%	0.7%	1.4%	1.4%
% Share of total employment		3.4%	3.4%	3.4%	3.4%	3.3%
Information and Culture	26,800	27,379	27,581	27,713	28,005	28,262
% Change		2.2%	0.7%	0.5%	1.1%	0.9%
% Share of total employment		1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	49,498	49,930	50,580	51,030	51,856	52,689
% Change		0.9%	1.3%	0.9%	1.6%	1.6%
% Share of total employment		2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%
Accommodation and Food Services	144,373	146,361	147,588	148,334	149,596	151,480
% Change		1.4%	0.8%	0.5%	0.9%	1.3%
% Share of total employment		6.4%	6.4%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%
Accommodation Services	25,302	25,520	25,582	25,582	25,625	25,689
% Change		0.9%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
% Share of total employment		1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%
Food Services	119,071	120,841	122,006	122,752	123,971	125,791
% Change		1.5%	1.0%	0.6%	1.0%	1.5%
% Share of total employment		5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.2%	5.2%
Other Services	122,446	124,056	125,102	125,295	126,590	127,752
% Change		1.3%	0.8%	0.2%	1.0%	0.9%
% Share of total employment		5.4%	5.4%	5.4%	5.3%	5.3%
Public Administration	97,092	99,499	98,924	98,631	99,157	99,730
% Change		2.5%	-0.6%	-0.3%	0.5%	0.6%
% Share of total employment		4.3%	4.3%	4.2%	4.2%	4.1%

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