

# Profile of Key Economic Sectors

## Accommodation and Food Services

### What is included in the sector?

The sector includes:

- Short-term accommodation services such as hotels
- Meal preparation for consumption on and off the premises such as restaurants and bars

TABLE 1. SECTOR JOBS BY TYPE IN VANCOUVER

SUB-SECTOR	JOB (%)
Full-service restaurants and limited service eating places	74.1%
Traveller accommodation	18.3%
Special food services	4.9%
Drinking places	2.5%
Other	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: Place of work data from 2016 Census for the city of Vancouver, Statistics Canada.

### Who is working in this sector?

TABLE 2. EMPLOYMENT STATUS FOR SECTOR JOBS IN VANCOUVER

CATEGORY	VALUE
<b>Full time vs. part time</b>	
Full time workers	68%
Part time workers	32%
<b>Self employed and work from home</b>	
Self employed	5%
Work from home	2%

Source: Place of work data from 2016 Census for the city of Vancouver, Statistics Canada.

TABLE 3. GENDER, WAGE AND EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS FOR THE SECTOR IN THE REGION

CATEGORY	VALUE
<b>Gender</b>	
Men	44%
Women	56%
<b>Wages and highest education</b>	
Regional median income	\$17,620
Secondary (high) school diploma or equivalent certificate	45%

Source: Place of residence data from 2016 Census for the city of Vancouver, Statistics Canada.

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- Accommodations and food services make up 11% of the city's total employment.
- The sector is the city's 3rd largest employer with 40,400 jobs.
- Approximately 74% of the jobs are restaurants.
- Between 2001 and 2016, the sector grew by 10,080 jobs (+33%).
- Roughly 76% of Vancouver's workers in the sector reside in the city of Vancouver.
- The Metro Core area has the highest concentration of jobs in this sector in the city.

### Job growth in the sector: Vancouver vs. the region

The majority of accommodation and food sector jobs (60%) are located outside the city of Vancouver. The city and region have seen both increases in jobs in the sector and overall.

Between 2001 and 2016 the total number of sector jobs in the city increased by 33%. During this same timeframe, the city as a whole added roughly 64,355 jobs, growing by 21%.

TABLE 4. SECTOR GROWTH IN VANCOUVER AND METRO VANCOUVER

	VANCOUVER	METRO
Sector jobs	40,355 11% of all jobs	100,200 9% of all jobs
Growth of sector from 2001-16	+10,080 ↑ 33%	+26,910 ↑ 37%
Overall job growth from 2001-16	+64,355 ↑ 21%	+209,675 ↑ 23%

Source: Place of work data from 2016 Census for the city of Vancouver, Statistics Canada.

### What do they do?

**TABLE 5. SECTOR JOBS BY OCCUPATION IN THE REGION FOR WORKER PLACE OF RESIDENCE**

OCCUPATION	JOBS (%)
Sales and service occupations	81.5%
Management occupations	13.3%
Business, finance and administration occupations	2.4%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	1.3%
Other	1.4%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: Place of residence data from 2016 Census for Metro Vancouver, Statistics Canada.

### Where do sector workers live?

76% of the sector's workers live in Vancouver. The remaining jobs are occupied by commuters from elsewhere in Metro Vancouver.

**TABLE 6. PLACE OF RESIDENCE FOR WORKERS IN ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES IN VANCOUVER**

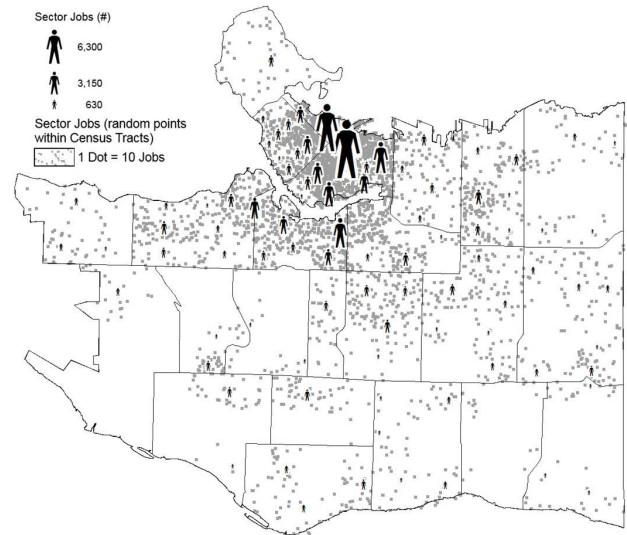
LOCATION	#	%
<b>City of Vancouver</b>	<b>27,230</b>	<b>67.5%</b>
<b>Metro Vancouver (Outside of Vancouver)</b>	<b>12,650</b>	<b>31.3%</b>
Burnaby & New Westminster	4,880	12.1%
Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows	150	0.4%
North Shore	1,510	3.7%
Richmond	1,740	4.3%
South of Fraser	2,660	6.6%
Tri-Cities	1,390	3.4%
University Endowment Lands	110	0.3%
First Nations Lands	75	0.2%
<b>Outside Metro Vancouver</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>1.2%</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>40,355</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: Place of work commuter data from 2016 Census for the city of Vancouver, Metro Vancouver and Canada, Statistics Canada.

### Where in the city are sector jobs located?

The city's accommodation and food service jobs are concentrated in the Metro Core area, primarily in the Central Business District and the Broadway corridor.

**FIGURE 1. DISTRIBUTION OF JOBS IN SECTOR IN THE CITY**

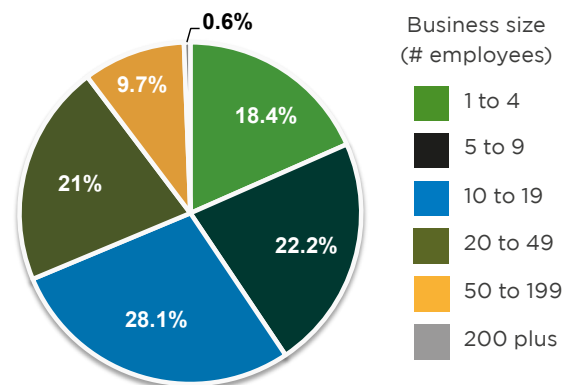


Source: Place of work data from 2016 Census for the city of Vancouver, Statistics Canada.

### Business size

The majority of businesses in this sector within the region (68%) employ 19 people or less.

**FIGURE 2. SIZE OF BUSINESSES IN ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES IN METRO VANCOUVER REGION**



Source: Statistics Canada Business Register for the Greater Vancouver Regional District, 2017.