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Employment information used in this report, obtained from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), employs the federal North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). This standard is used by Federal statistical agencies in classifying business establishments for the purpose of collecting, analyzing, and publishing statistical data related to the U.S. business economy. Each of these major sectors are defined below. More detailed information about the classification of jobs by industry can be found at: http://www.census.gov/eos/www/naics/2012NAICS/2012_Definition_File.pdf

Accommodation and Food Services (Sector 72)
Establishments providing customers with lodging and/or preparing meals, snacks, and beverages for immediate consumption. The sector includes both accommodation and food services establishments because the two activities are often combined at the same establishment.

Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services (Sector 56)
Establishments performing routine support activities for the day-to-day operations of other organizations. These essential activities are often undertaken in-house by establishments in many sectors of the economy. Activities performed include: office administration, hiring and placing of personnel, document preparation and similar clerical services, solicitation, collection, security and surveillance services, cleaning, and waste disposal services.

Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation (Sector 71)
Includes a wide range of establishments that operate facilities or provide services to meet varied cultural, entertainment, and recreational interests of their patrons. This sector comprises (1) establishments that are involved in producing, promoting, or participating in live performances, events, or exhibits intended for public viewing; (2) establishments that preserve and exhibit objects and sites of historical, cultural, or educational interest; and (3) establishments that operate facilities or provide services that enable patrons to participate in recreational activities or pursue amusement, hobby, and leisure-time interests.

Construction (Sector 23)
Establishments primarily engaged in the construction of buildings or engineering projects (e.g., highways and utility systems).

Educational Services (Sector 61)
Establishments that specialize in providing instruction and training, such as schools, colleges, universities, and training centers. These establishments may be privately owned and operated for profit or not for profit, or they may be publicly owned and operated. They may also offer food and/or accommodation services to their students.

Finance and Insurance (Sector 52)
Establishments primarily engaged in financial transactions (those involving the creation, liquidation, or change in ownership of financial assets) and/or in facilitating financial transactions.

Health Care and Social Assistance (Sector 62)
Establishments providing health care and social assistance for individuals. The sector includes both health care and social assistance because it is sometimes difficult to distinguish between the boundaries of these two activities. The services provided by establishments in this sector are delivered by trained professionals.

Information (Sector 51)
Establishments engaged producing and distributing information and cultural products, providing the means to transmit or distribute these products as well as data or communications, and (c) processing data.
Management of Companies and Enterprises (Sector 55)
Establishments that (1) hold the securities of (or other equity interests in) companies and enterprises for the purpose of owning a controlling interest or influencing management decisions or (2) non-government establishments that administer, oversee, and manage establishments of the company or enterprise and that normally undertake the strategic or organizational planning and decision making role of the company or enterprise.

Manufacturing (Sectors 31-33)
Establishments engaged in the mechanical, physical, or chemical transformation of materials, substances, or components into new products

Other Services (except Public Administration) (Sector 81)
Establishments engaged in providing services not specifically provided for elsewhere in the classification system. Establishments in this sector are primarily engaged in activities such as equipment and machinery repair, promoting or administering religious activities, grant-making, advocacy, dry-cleaning and laundry, personal care services, death care services, pet care, photo-finishing, temporary parking, and dating services. Private households that employ workers on or about the premises in activities primarily concerned with the operation of the household are included in this sector. Excluded from this sector are establishments primarily engaged in retailing new equipment and also performing repairs and general maintenance on equipment.

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services (Sector 54)
Establishments that specialize in performing professional, scientific, and technical activities for others.

Public Administration (Sector 92)
Establishments of federal, state, and local government agencies that administer and manage public programs and have executive, legislative, or judicial authority over other institutions within a given area. These agencies also set policy, create laws, adjudicate civil and criminal legal cases, and provide for public safety and national defense.

Real Estate and Rental and Leasing (Sector 53)
Establishments primarily engaged in renting, leasing, or otherwise allowing the use of tangible or intangible assets, and establishments providing related services.

Retail Trade (Sectors 44 & 45)
Establishments engaged in retailing merchandise, generally without transformation, and rendering services incidental to the sale of merchandise.

Transportation and Warehousing (Sectors 48 & 49)
Includes industries providing transportation of passengers and cargo, warehousing and storage for goods, scenic and sightseeing transportation, and support activities related to modes of transportation.

Utilities (Sector 22)
Establishments engaged in the provision of the following utility services: electric power, natural gas, steam supply, water supply, and sewage removal.

Wholesale Trade (Sector 42)
Establishments engaged in wholesaling merchandise, generally without transformation, and rendering services incidental to the sale of merchandise. The merchandise described in this sector includes the outputs of agriculture, mining, manufacturing, and certain information industries such as publishing.