

Maine Microbusinesses and Employment Levels by County, 2017

County	Number of Microbusinesses			Total Employment ¹	
	Without Employees ²	With 1-4 Employees ³	Total	All Microbusinesses ⁴	Percent of County ^{5,6}
Androscoggin	6,446	1,411	7,857	10,129	16.3
Aroostook	3,987	1,082	5,069	6,811	19.8
Cumberland	29,493	6,287	35,780	45,902	18.5
Franklin	2,457	497	2,954	3,754	24.6
Hancock	7,716	1,573	9,289	11,822	33.2
Kennebec	8,640	1,696	10,336	13,067	16.9
Knox	5,955	1,131	7,086	8,907	32.2
Lincoln	4,602	982	5,584	7,165	38.5
Oxford	4,417	822	5,239	6,562	26.7
Penobscot	9,486	2,050	11,536	14,837	16.5
Piscataquis	1,158	277	1,435	1,881	24.2
Sagadahoc	3,359	567	3,926	4,839	22.3
Somerset	3,181	670	3,851	4,930	22.0
Waldo	3,977	634	4,611	5,632	30.3
Washington	3,779	526	4,305	5,152	32.0
York	17,646	3,438	21,084	26,619	25.1
Maine	116,299	23,844	140,143	178,532	21.6

^{1/} Employment includes proprietors and non-farm part-time and full-time employees.

^{2/} Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Non-Employer Statistics, 2017. The methodology changed in 2009 to improve data accuracy. This needs to be taken into consideration when comparing 2009-2017 data with previous years.

^{3/} Source: 2017 County Business Patterns, U.S. Dept. of Commerce. Businesses listed in the "statewide" category are included in the state total.

^{4/} Includes microbusiness entrepreneurs (with and without employees) and estimated employment for businesses with 1-4 employees.

^{5/} Microbusiness employment as a percent of total county employment.

^{6/} Source: 2017 Bureau of Economic Analysis, Full-time and Part-time County Employment Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Commerce.

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