

Maine Microbusinesses and Employment Levels by County, 2012

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	6,136	1,346	7,482	9,689	15.5
Aroostook	4,237	1,127	5,364	7,212	19.7
Cumberland	25,867	5,923	31,790	41,504	18.4
Franklin	2,425	469	2,894	3,663	22.4
Hancock	7,448	1,474	8,922	11,339	31.9
Kennebec	8,226	1,750	10,016	12,886	17.1
Knox	5,716	1,079	6,795	8,565	32.3
Lincoln	4,729	960	5,689	7,263	39.2
Oxford	4,320	797	5,117	6,424	27.6
Penobscot	9,307	2,077	11,384	14,790	16.5
Piscataquis	1,254	283	1,537	2,001	24.9
Sagadahoc	3,167	550	3,717	4,619	22.5
Somerset	3,384	675	4,059	5,166	22.9
Waldo	3,788	628	4,416	5,446	32.3
Washington	3,762	509	4,271	5,106	32.7
York	16,311	3,348	19,659	25,150	25.9
Maine	110,117	23,113	133,230	171,135	21.6

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

^{2/} Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Non-Employer Statistics, 2012. The methodology changed in 2009 to improve data accuracy. This needs to be taken into consideration when comparing 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012 data with previous years.

^{3/} Source: 2012 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: 2012 Bureau of Economic Analysis, Full-time and Part-time County Employment Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Commerce.

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