

Maine Microbusinesses and Employment Levels by County, 2016

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	6,302	1,376	7,678	9,893	16.0
Aroostook	4,048	1,088	5,136	6,888	19.8
Cumberland	28,716	6,147	34,863	44,760	18.5
Franklin	2,370	492	2,862	3,654	23.9
Hancock	7,769	1,544	9,313	11,799	33.5
Kennebec	8,478	1,710	10,188	12,941	16.9
Knox	5,937	1,110	7,047	8,834	32.1
Lincoln	4,675	981	5,656	7,235	38.8
Oxford	4,386	828	5,214	6,547	26.8
Penobscot	9,258	2,108	11,366	14,760	16.4
Piscataquis	1,177	271	1,448	1,884	24.5
Sagadahoc	3,298	537	3,835	4,700	21.7
Somerset	3,163	670	3,833	4,912	21.6
Waldo	3,893	633	4,526	5,545	30.2
Washington	3,750	511	4,261	5,084	31.5
York	17,253	3,387	20,640	26,093	25.2
Maine	114,473	23,592	138,065	176,048	21.6

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

^{2/} Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Non-Employer Statistics, 2016. The methodology changed in 2009 to improve data accuracy. This needs to be taken into consideration when comparing 2009-2016 data with previous years.

^{3/} Source: 2016 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: 2016 Bureau of Economic Analysis, Full-time and Part-time County Employment Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Commerce.

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