Peterborough & the Kawarthas

BUSINESS COUNT REPORT



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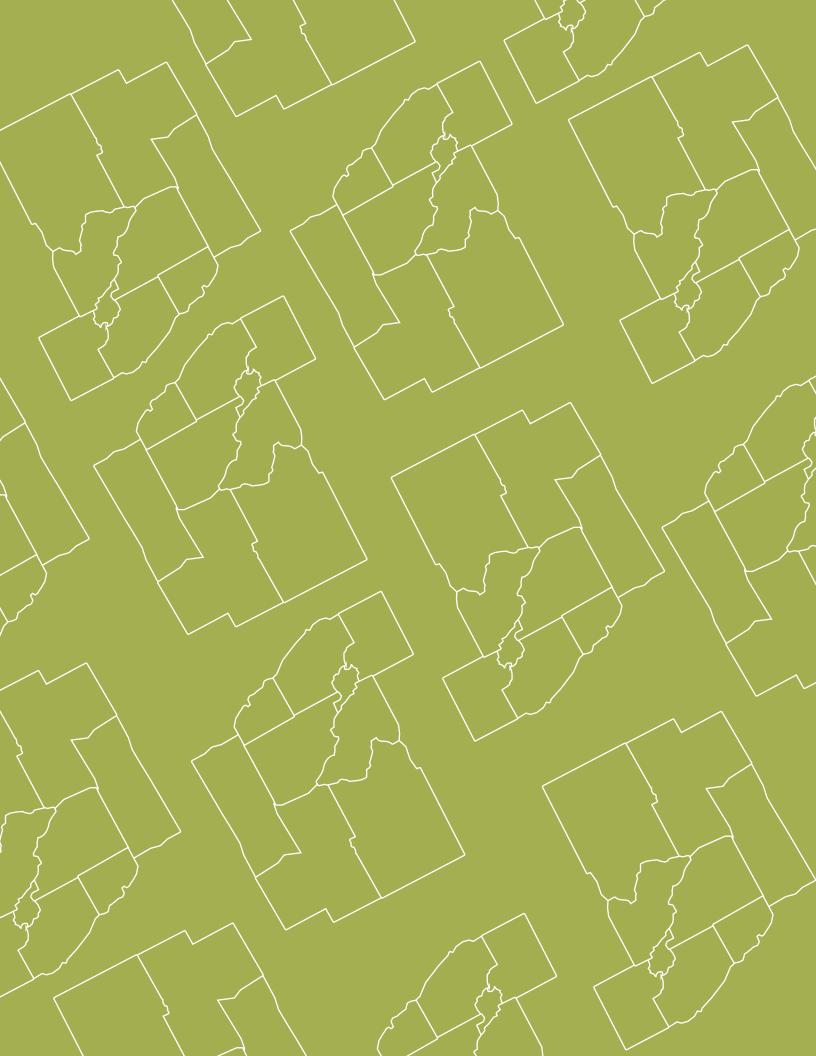


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Executive Summary and Acknowledgements

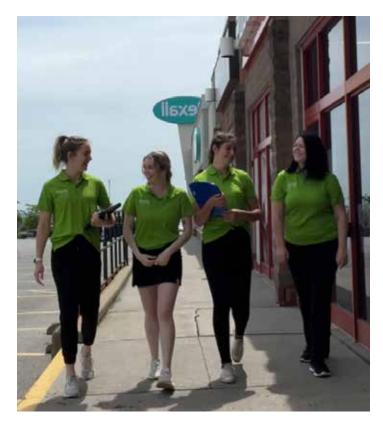
Throughout the summer of 2022, the team at Peterborough & the Kawarthas Economic Development (PKED) conducted the region's third annual Business Count survey in-person, over-the-phone, and online, with a total of 995 surveys completed.

The purpose of the project is to record a comprehensive inventory of businesses in the City and County of Peterborough and to identify their associated industry and employment figures. According to official plan documents, the County and the City are expecting significant growth over the next planning horizon with job projections estimated to reach 89,000 jobs by 2051, with 63,000 jobs allocated to the City of Peterborough and 26,000 jobs allocated to Peterborough County. The region welcomes growth under the Places to Grow Act, and the team at PKED knows how important it is to track and maintain data related to businesses and employment to manage that growth in a sustainable way. The Business Count Project assists in the collection of this vital data.

The Peterborough & the Kawarthas region strives to be a destination of choice for business. The annual business count survey helps to identify opportunities for growth, but also identifies challenges being faced by local businesses. The business count survey reports that the pandemic continues to be a formidable opponent for local businesses, however, the pressure to find and hire skilled workers, coupled with low vacancy rates and limited access to available land and buildings in the region is also a barrier to business growth in this region. Responding to these obstacles will be a priority for PKED throughout 2023 and beyond.

The team at PKED would like to thank every business that took the time to complete the survey and encourage the participation of many more business owners for the years to come. PKED would also like to thank our municipal economic development partners throughout the region who assisted us with the project. A sincere thank you to the G.I.S. departments at the City and County of Peterborough who provided valuable information to ensure the project's success.

Special thanks to the 2022 survey team, without whom this project would not have been successful. Their tireless efforts throughout the summer saw a record number of businesses complete the survey: Thank you to Laura Thompson, Ella Fischer-Slack, Joanne McCloskey, and Tianna Bell.



Glossary

Floor space in square feet:

The total floor space used by a business (covered area).

Legal Status:

The legally recognized framework for conducting commercial activities including sole-proprietor, partnership, corporation, cooperative/non-profit and government.

N.A.I.C.S. Codes:

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is an industry classification system developed by the statistical agencies of Canada, Mexico and the United States.

Ownership Form:

The legally recognized framework for conducting commercial activities including sole-proprietor, partnership, corporation, cooperative/non-profit and government.

Home-based business:

A business where the main operations are conducted out of a person's home. Commercial square footage is not calculated or reported on in the Business Count Survey.

Census Metropolitan Area (CMA):

is formed by one or more adjacent municipalities centred on a population centre (known as the core). A CMA must have a population of at least 100,000 of which 50,000 or more must live in the core.

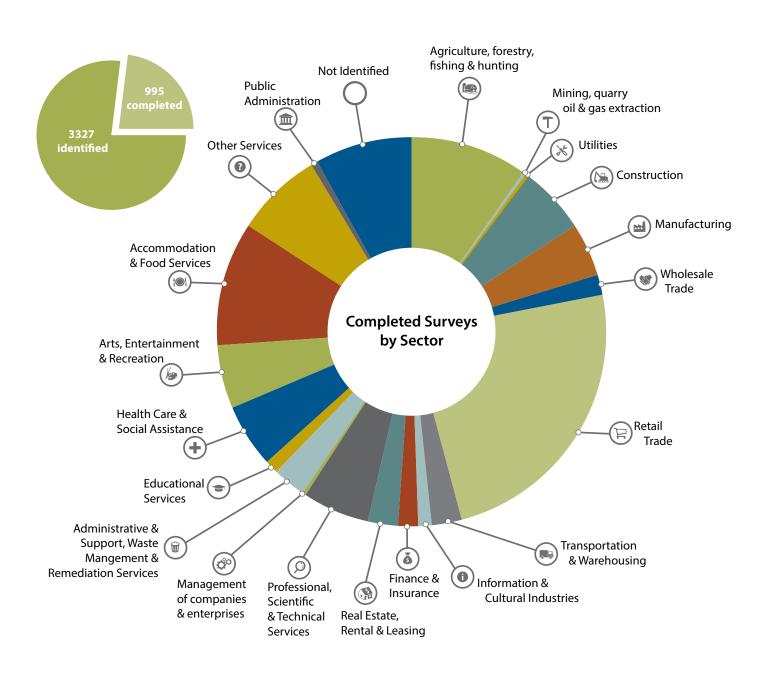
Peterborough CMA:

includes the City of Peterborough and the Townships of Selwyn, Cavan Monaghan, Otonabee-South Monaghan, Douro-Dummer, as well as Curve Lake First Nation and Hiawatha First Nation.

N.A.I.C.S. Codes and Icons

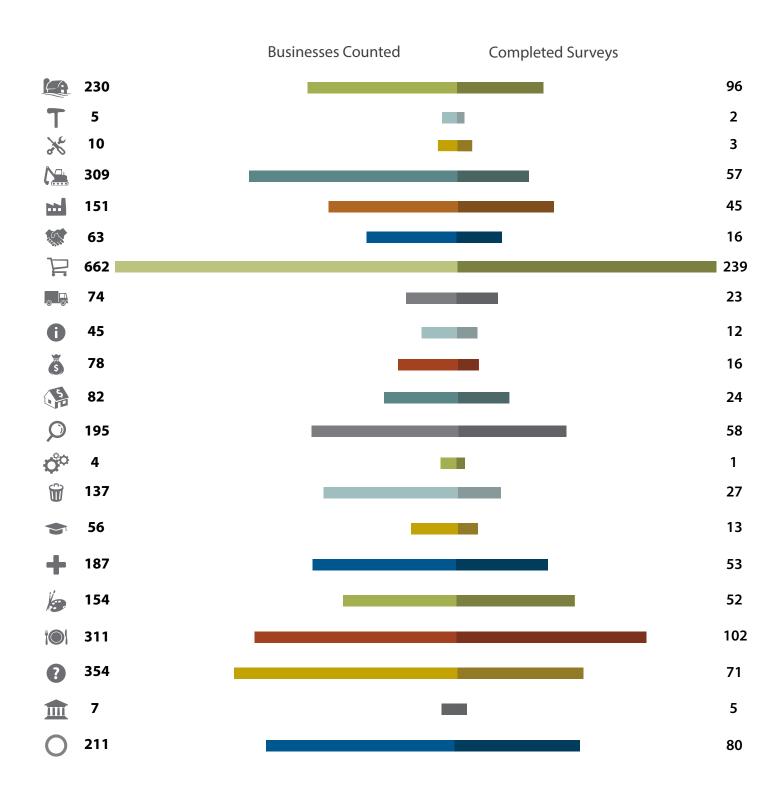
N.A.I.C.S.Code	lcon	Sector
		Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting
21		Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction
22	~ %	Utilities
23		Construction
31-33	M	Manufacturing
41	. 83,11	Wholesale trade
44-45	F	Retail trade
48-49		Transportation and warehousing
51	•	Information and cultural industries
52	. \$	Finance and insurance
53	. 15	Real estate and rental and leasing
54	Q	Professional, scientific, and technical services
55	O	Management of companies and enterprises
56		Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services
61		Educational services
62	+	Health care and social assistance
71	. /	Arts, entertainment, and recreation
72		Accommodation and food services
81	?	Other services (except public administration)
91	<u></u>	Public administration

Peterborough & the Kawarthas Regional Results



A total of **3327 businesses were counted in 2022.** The top three sectors were: retail, accommodation & food services, and construction. Of the total businesses counted **995 businesses were successfully surveyed**, an increase of 21.7% over last year. More than **12,000 full-time and more than 9,000 part-time** jobs were counted. The survey accounted for almost **12 million square feet dedicated to business** (not including square footage reported by the 182 residential home-based businesses that completed the survey).

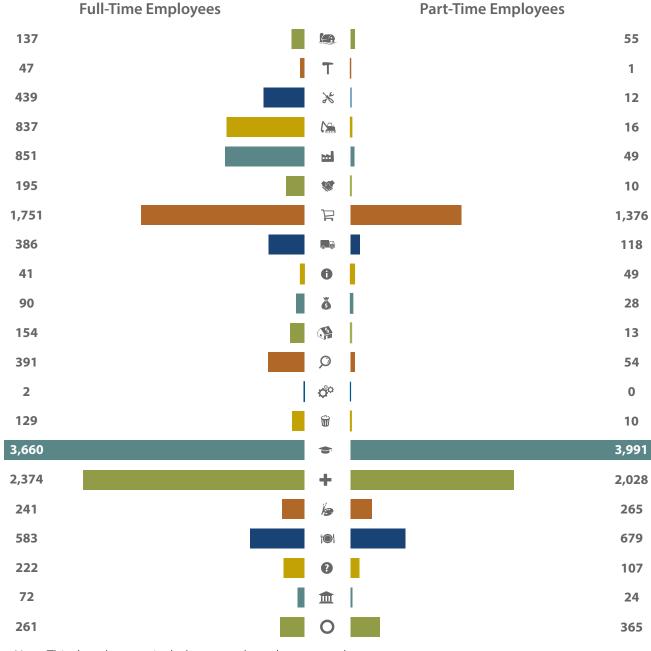
Peterborough & the Kawarthas Regional Results



Employment

Latest data from Statistics Canada on the Peterborough CMA reveals a labour force of 68,200 people, with the health care and social assistance industry employing the largest number of people with 14,400 employees. Wholesale and Retail Trade is the second largest industry with 9,600 employees, followed by education services with 4,500 employees.

The Business Count gathers employment data from all businesses that complete the survey, with data showing 22,113 full-time and part-time employees. Having successfully surveyed one third (995) of all the businesses identified (3,327), the employment data collected is consistent as a sampling size with the census data for employment counts (68,200) through Statistics Canada.

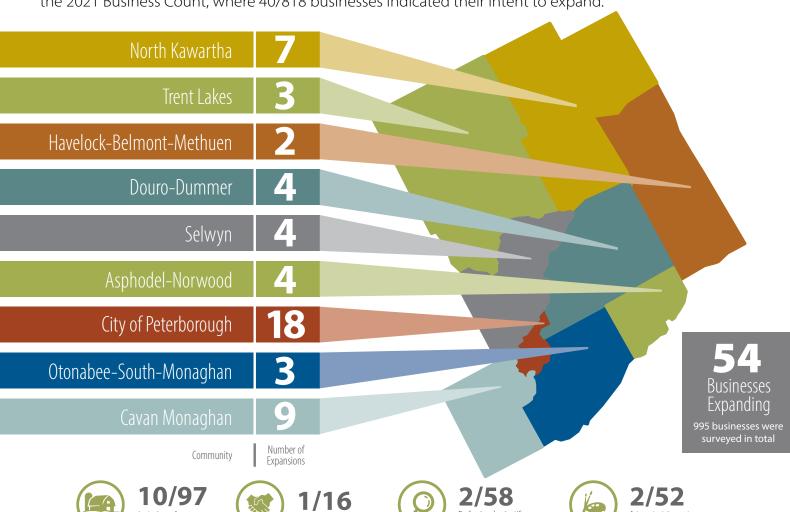


Note: This data does not include seasonal employees or volunteers.

^{*} Refer to the NAICS code legend on page 6 for descriptions of industry icons.

Expansion Overview

When the businesses surveyed were asked if they planned to expand their operations in the next 12 months, 54 businesses out of 995 indicated they were (5.4%). This percentage is an increase of 4.9% over the 2021 Business Count, where 40/818 businesses indicated their intent to expand.











Professional, scientific & technical Services



Arts, entertainment





9/239



Administrative and support, waste management & remediation services



6/102 Accommodation & food services



3/57



Transportation &



1/13 Educational Services





5/45 Manufacturing



1/24 Real estate, rental & leasing



Health care &



Public Administration



1/80



#/#

of businesses reporting expansions # of businesses surveyed

COVID Impact on Businesses

Funding to assist businesses has been a crucial component of the Government's response during the recovery phase of the COVID-19 pandemic. Most of the businesses surveyed indicated they did not take advantage of any government funding in the last 12 months.

In the last 12 months, did your company take advantage of any government funding?







If you answered no, is it because you were not interested or did not qualify?





~60% of businesses surveyed stated that most of their employees lived in the City and County of Peterborough. When asked about relocation, 96% of the businesses surveyed said they had not and did not intend to move their business operations to a remote working model.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, have you or do you intend to move your business operations and staff to a remote location?



business owners said yes when asked if they intend to intend to move their business operations and staff to a remote location, with some adapting to the hybrid model.



business owners said no when asked if they intend to move their business operations and staff to a remote location.

Can you indicate what percent of your workforce lives in the City or County of Peterborough?

owners stated all or majority (60% or more) of their employees live in the City or County of Peterborough.

business owners did not answer or did not know how many of their employees lived in the City and County of Peterborough

Assistance Overview

Businesses were asked if they would like to be put in touch with an Economic Development Officer and 28 out of the 995 businesses requested assistance (2.8%). In comparison, last year's survey found that 47 out of 818 businesses surveyed requested assistance (5.7%). This decrease in assistance requests provides an indication that there has been an improvement in business conditions over last year.

The most common requests were for the following:

- Navigating and accessing financing
- Marketing and networking opportunities

- Workforce development and retention assistance
- Finding seasonal talent

Finding real estate for expanding business

Building on the 2021 data, and learning of the major challenges identified this year, PKED responded by providing active referrals to Community Futures Peterborough for access to financing. In addition, PKED delivered two significant workforce development projects in partnership with Trent University,

Fleming College, the Workforce Development Board, Muskoka-Kawarthas Employment Services, and The City of Kawartha Lakes Economic Development to help job seekers prepare to enter or re-enter the job market and find employment in the local community.



PKED also actively participated in several career fairs, including the Kawartha Manufacturers Association Career Fair.

PKED takes great pride in highlighting local success stories from the business community, as well as hosting relevant workshops and training sessions to assist and support businesses.





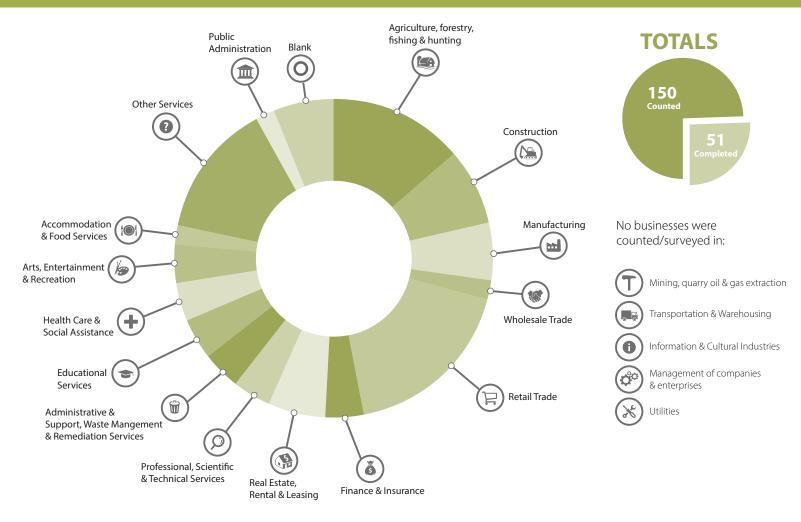
Given the shortage of available land and buildings throughout the region, there has been limited activity in connecting local businesses with suitable space for expansions.

Skills Shortage Overview

Of the 995 surveys completed, 468 businesses noted they were facing workforce shortages. The leading skills shortage identified (124 in total) was general labour, followed by customer service and sales (80 in total), and skilled trades (52 in total).

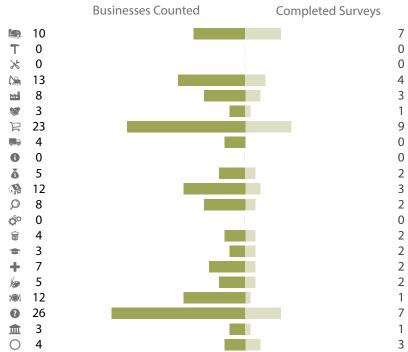
Skill S	hortage	Number Reported
	General labour (including dishwasher)	124
9	Customer service & sales	80
	Tradespeople	52
	Culinary	34
0	Automotive	25
+	Medical	17
	Construction	<mark>16</mark>
₽	Engineering	11
Ø	Scientific & technical services	10
	Trucking & drivers	9
K	Mechanical	9
4	Cleaners	9
\$	Financial & accounting related skills	7
2	Education	7
②	Administrative work	5
	Agriculture/Farming	5
?	Other	48
	Total	468

Township of Asphodel-Norwood Results

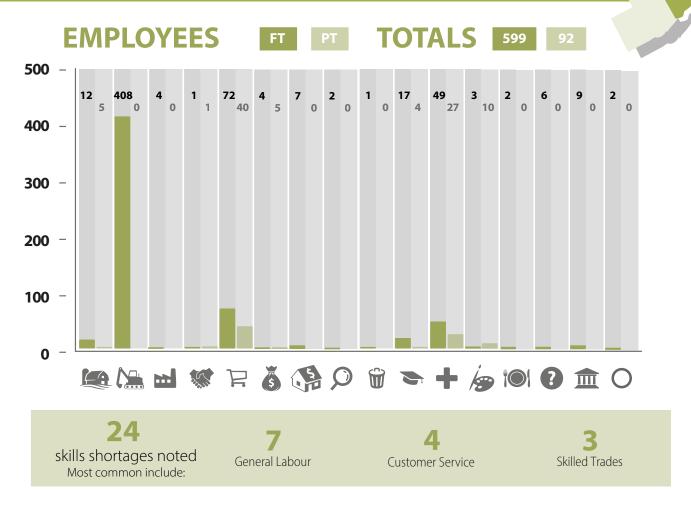


There were **150 businesses** counted in Asphodel-Norwood and **51 completed the survey.**

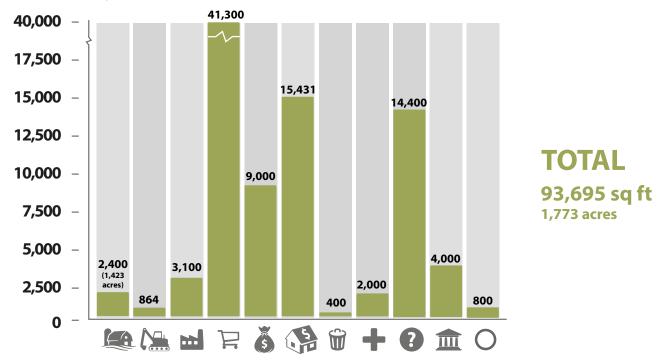
Of the 51 businesses that completed the survey, **599 full-time (FT)** and **92 part-time (PT)** employees were accounted for. These businesses occupy an estimated **93,695 square feet of space** in Asphodel-Norwood.



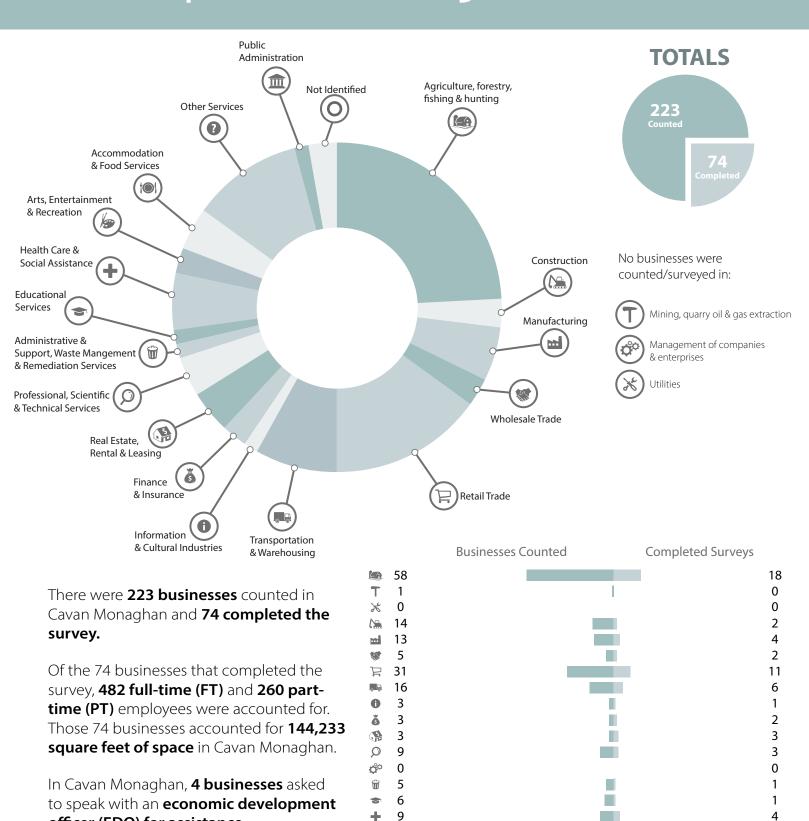




SQUARE FOOTAGE ACCOUNTED



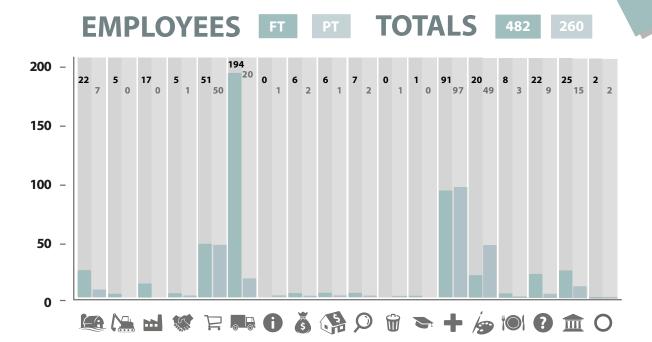
Township of Cavan Monaghan Results



盦 officer (EDO) for assistance.



Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting (2), Manufacturing (1), Retail Trade (1), Transportation and warehousing (1), Health care and social assistance (1), Accommodation and food services (1), Other services (except Public Administration) (2).

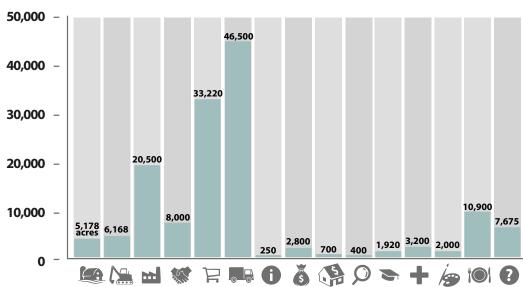


skills shortages noted
Most common include:

8 General Labour **5** Customer Service

5Skilled Trades

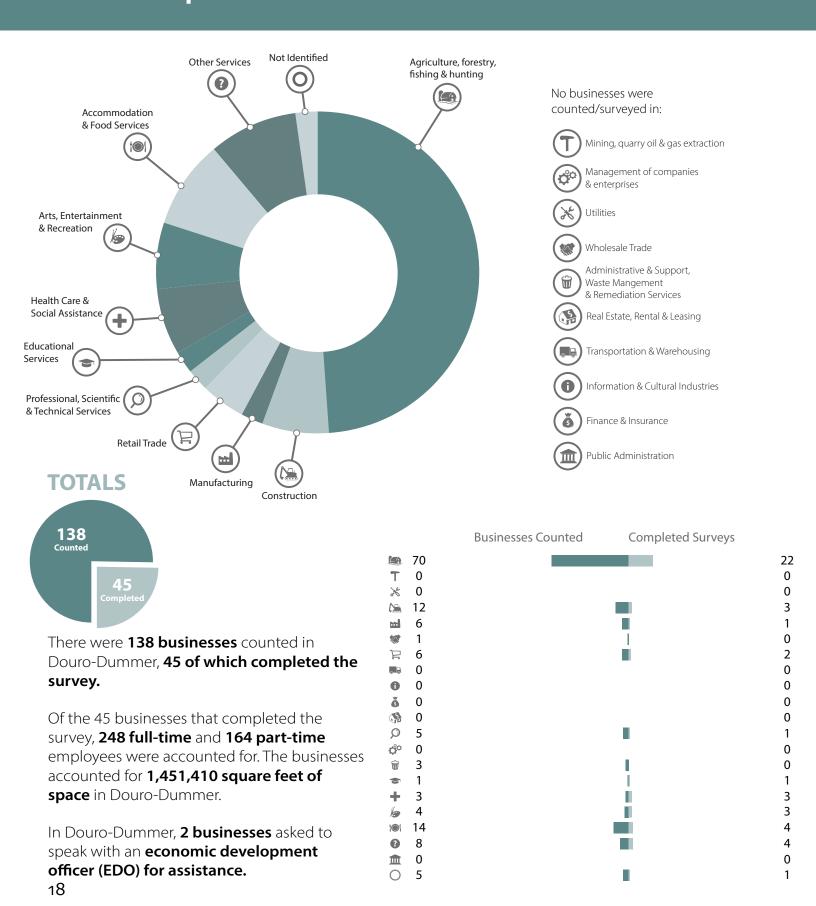
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TOTAL

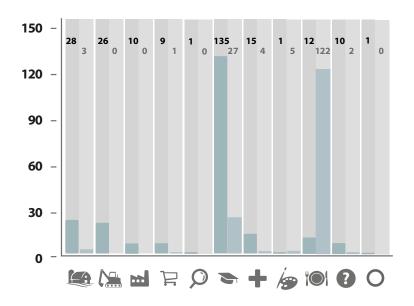
144,233 sq ft
5,343 acres

Township of Douro-Dummer Results









EMPLOYEES FT PT
TOTALS 248 164

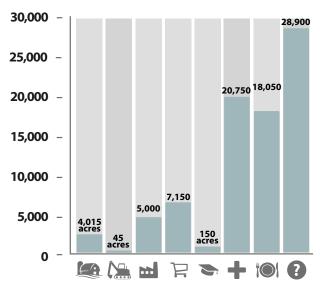
18
skills shortages noted
Most common include:

5Skilled Trades

General Labour

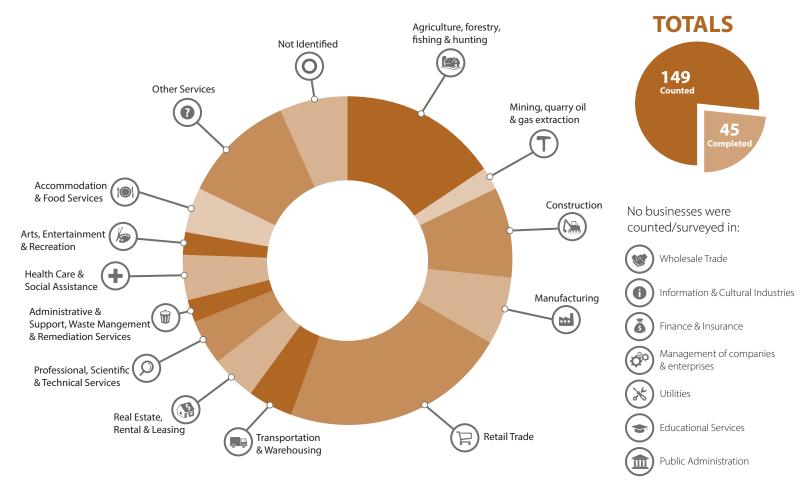
Automotive (Mechanics)

SQUARE FOOTAGE ACCOUNTED



TOTAL 1,451,410 sq ft 4,246 acres

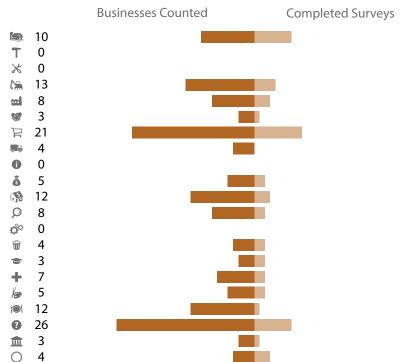
Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Results



There were **149 businesses** counted in Havelock-Belmont-Methuen, **45 of which completed the survey.**

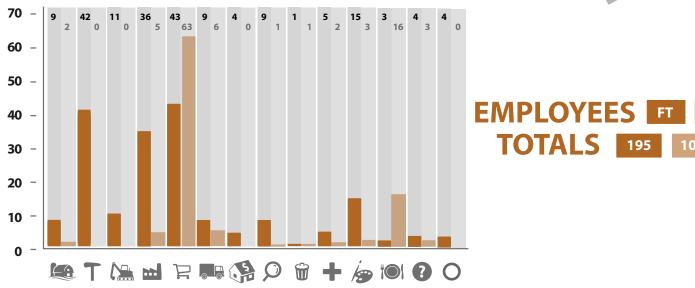
Of the 45 businesses that completed the survey, **195 full-time (FT)** and **102 part-time (PT)** employees were accounted for. The businesses accounted for **170,980 square feet of space** in Havelock-Belmont-Methuen.

In Havelock-Belmont-Methuen, 1 business asked to speak with an economic development officer (EDO) for assistance.







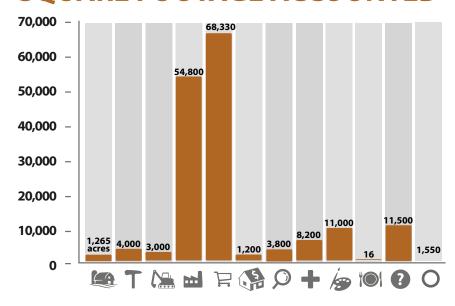


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10 General Labour **2**Automotive (Mechanics)

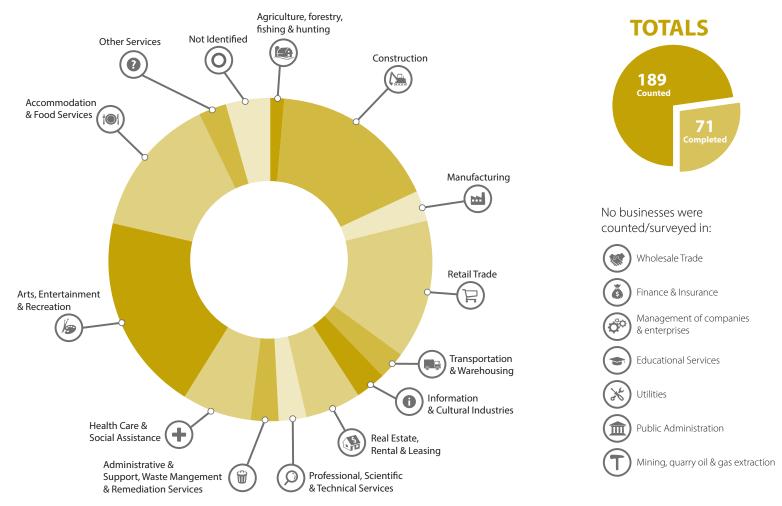
Medical (Vet and PSW)

SQUARE FOOTAGE ACCOUNTED



TOTAL 170,980 sq ft 1,281 acres

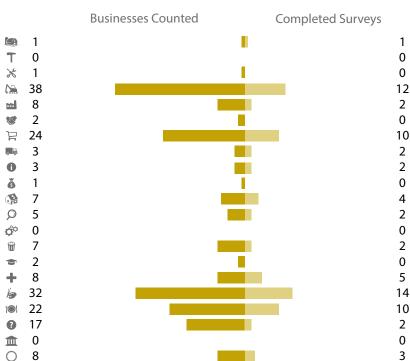
North Kawartha Township Results



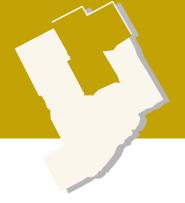
There were **189 businesses** counted in North Kawartha, **71 of which completed the survey.**

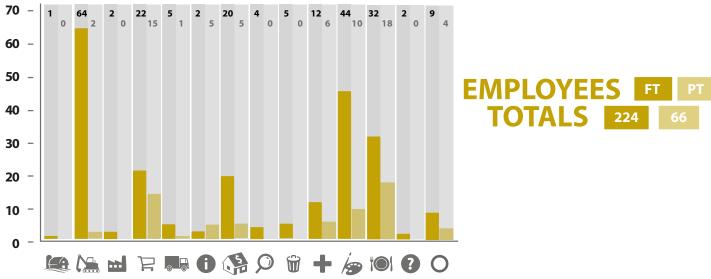
Of the 71 businesses that completed the survey, **224 full-time** and **66 part-time** employees were accounted for. Businesses accounted for **188,997 square feet of space** in North Kawartha.

In North Kawartha, **5 businesses** asked to speak with an **economic development officer (EDO) for assistance.**



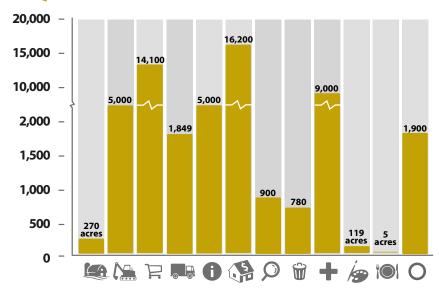






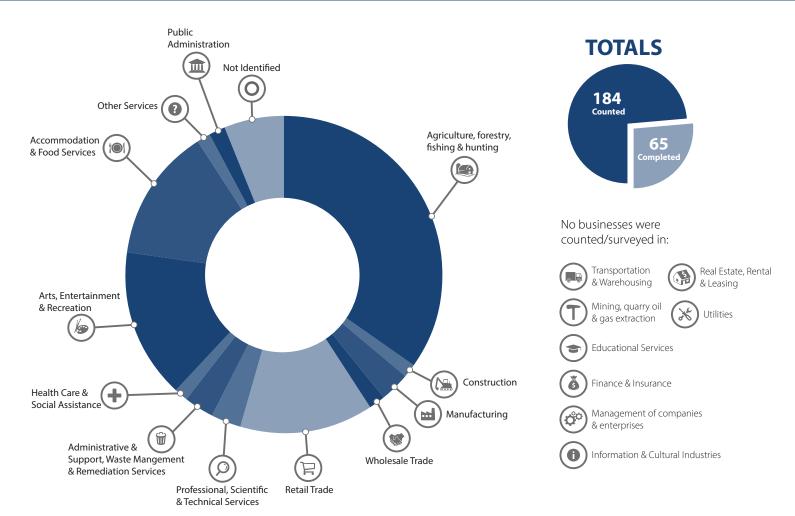
37 8 7 5 4
skills shortages noted Most common include: Skilled Trades Construction Culinary Customer Service and Sales

SQUARE FOOTAGE ACCOUNTED



TOTAL 188,997 sq ft ^{394 acres}

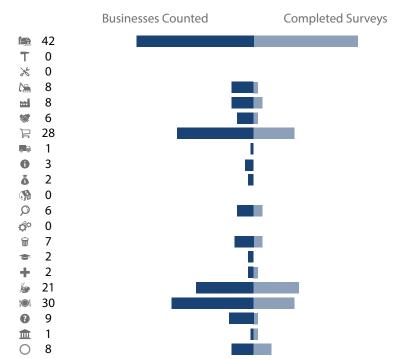
Township of Otonabee-South Monaghan Results



There were **184 businesses** counted in Otonabee-South Monaghan, **66 of which completed the survey.**

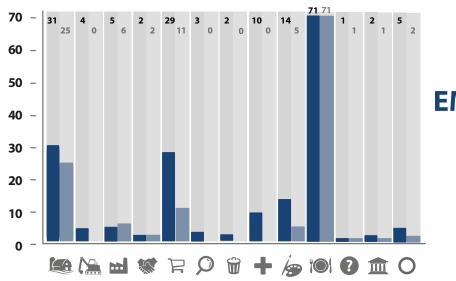
Of the 66 businesses that completed the survey, **179 full-time** and **124 part-time** employees were accounted for. The businesses accounted for **125,837 square feet of space** in Otonabee-South-Monaghan.

In Otonabee-South-Monaghan, **2 businesses** asked to speak with an **economic development officer (EDO) for assistance.**









EMPLOYEES FT PT TOTALS 179 124

19
skills shortages noted
Most common include:

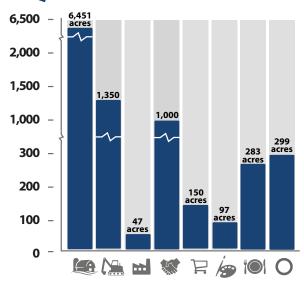
General Labour

2 Medical

2 Agriculture

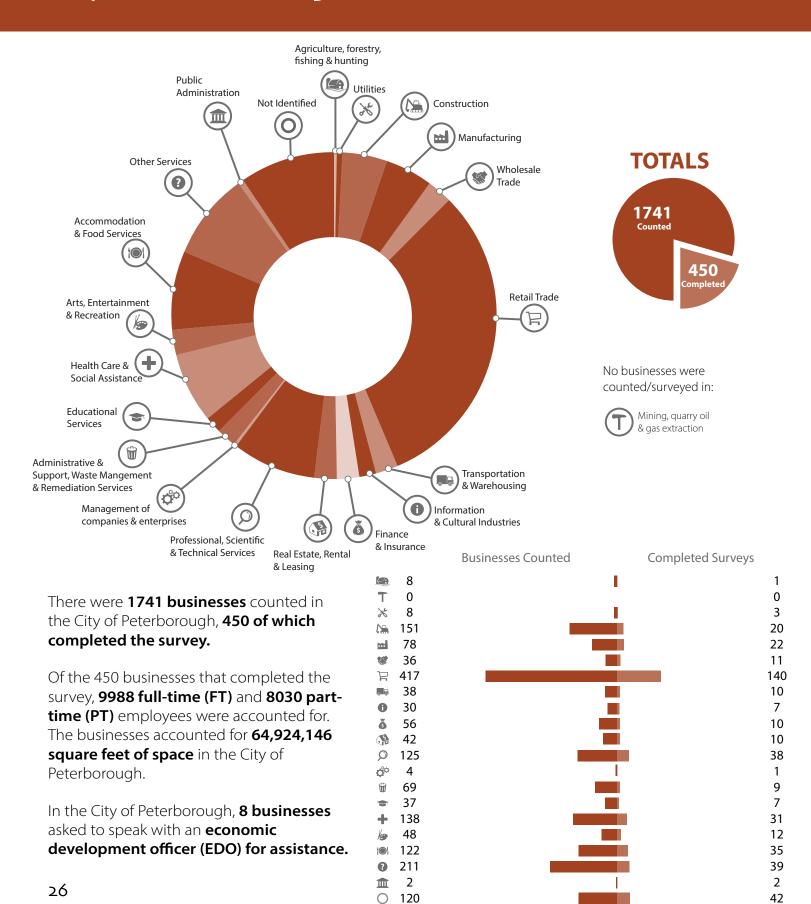
Customer Service and Sales

SQUARE FOOTAGE ACCOUNTED

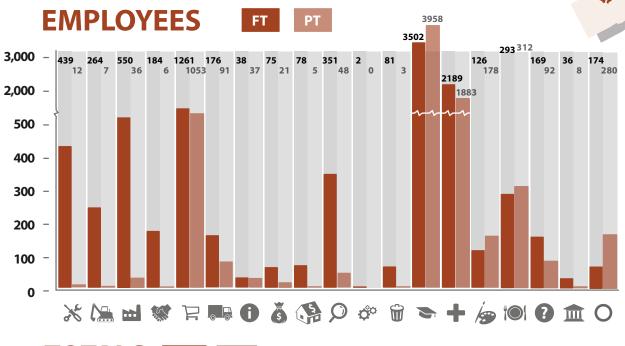


TOTAL 125,837 sq ft 7,327 acres

City of Peterborough Results



Utilities (1), Manufacturing (2), Wholesale trade (1), Retail trade (5), Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services (1), Educational services (1), Health care and social assistance (2), Arts, entertainment, and recreation (1), Accommodation and food services (1), Other services (except public administration) (2), Public administration (1)



TOTALS 9,988 8,030

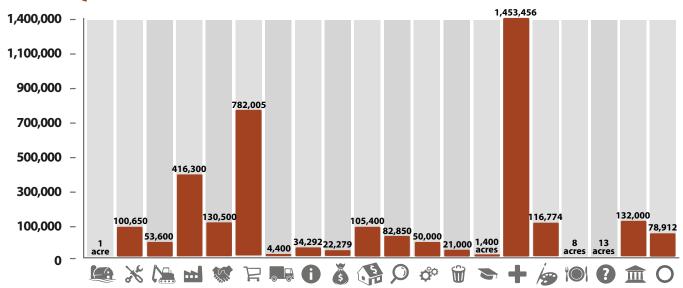
215
skills shortages noted
Most common include:

61General Labour

49Customer Service and Sales

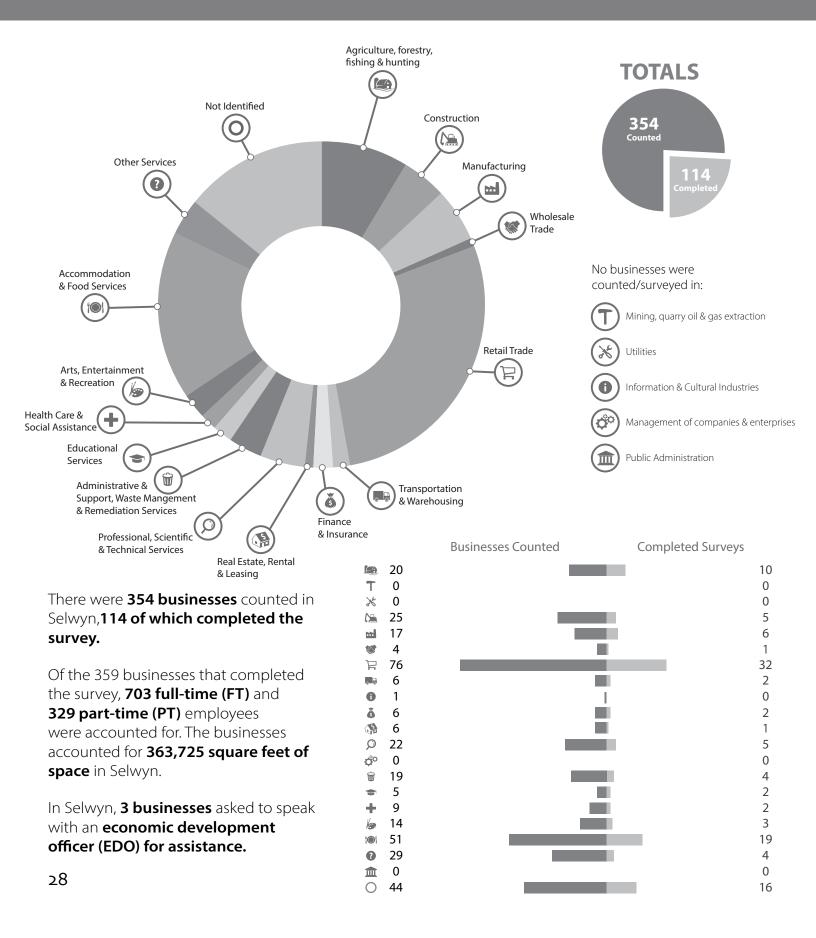
19 Skilled Trades 14 Culinary

SQUARE FOOTAGE ACCOUNTED



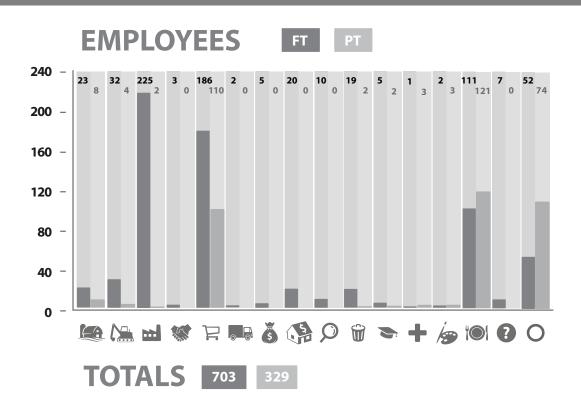
TOTAL 4,940,146 sq ft

Township of Selwyn Results



Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting (1), Real estate and rental and leasing (1), Professional, scientific, and technical services (1), Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services (1)



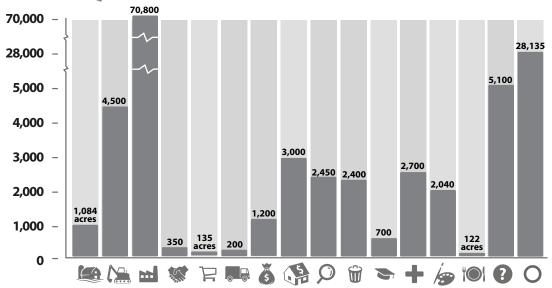


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skills shortages noted Most common include:

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General Labour Customer Service and Sales

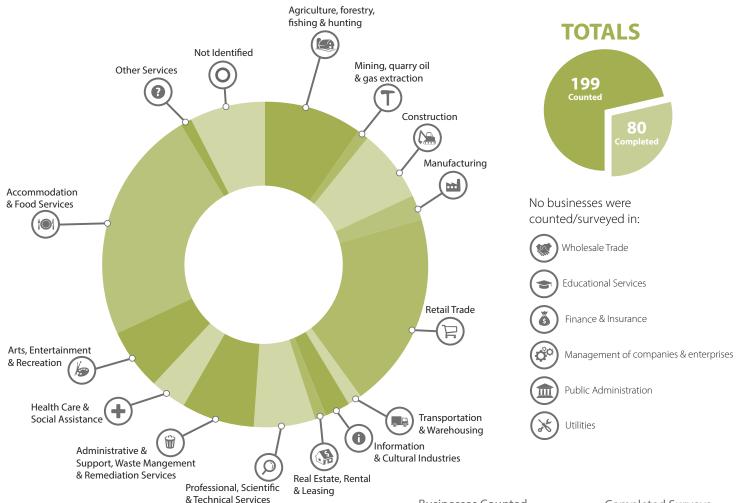
Customer Service and Sales

SQUARE FOOTAGE ACCOUNTED



TOTAL 363,725 sq ft 1,341 acres

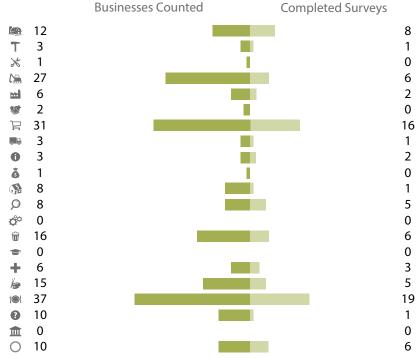
Municipality of Trent Lakes Results



There were **199 businesses** counted in Trent Lakes, **80 of which completed the survey.**

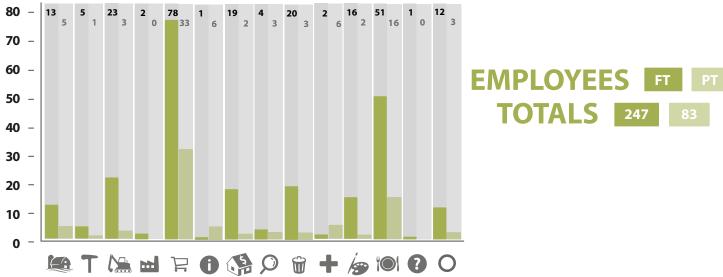
Of the 80 businesses that completed the survey, **247 full-time (FT)** and **83 part-time (PT)** employees were accounted for. The businesses accounted for **363,240 square feet of space** in Trent Lakes.

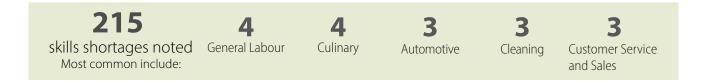
In Trent Lakes, 2 asked to speak with an economic development officer (EDO) for assistance.



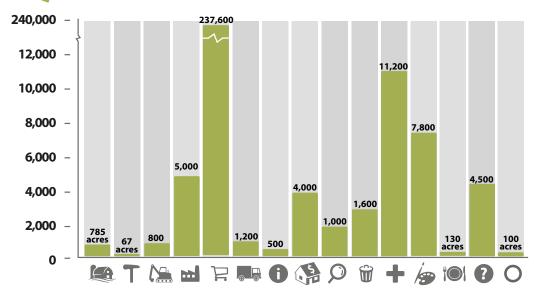








SQUARE FOOTAGE ACCOUNTED



TOTAL 363,240 sq ft 1,082 acres

Final Note

Final Note: Please note that all surveys were completed voluntarily and were conducted over the phone, online, and in person between May 3rd and September 30th, 2022. The more survey data collected, the better PKED can serve the regional business community. PKED practiced great care and diligence in obtaining and reporting this information.

For any questions related to the project, or to participate in the next survey please visit

www.ptbobusinesscount.ca to learn more

We look forward to speaking with you next year!

Definition Sources

- 1. Legal Status (https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed-income/setting-your-business.html)
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For further clarification on terms and definitions related to the business count please visit our website:

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