

The 25 Largest Industries in Maryland

Rank	Industry	SIC	1999:1	1998:1	One Year Change in Employment		Average Weekly Wage
			Employment	Employment	<i>Absolute</i>	<i>Percentage</i>	
1	Health Services	80	194,723	192,760	1,963	1%	\$610
2	Business Services	73	194,176	186,231	7,945	4%	\$641
3	Eating and Drinking Places	58	136,048	135,071	977	1%	\$219
4	Engineering & Management Services	87	98,292	94,426	3,866	4%	\$920
5	Special Trade Contractors	17	94,948	87,752	7,196	8%	\$628
6	Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	50	68,214	68,009	205	0%	\$923
7	Food Stores	54	67,114	66,470	644	1%	\$387
8	Miscellaneous Retail	59	66,263	65,400	863	1%	\$354
9	Social Services	83	56,878	53,098	3,780	7%	\$351
10	General Merchandise Stores	53	45,252	45,330	-78	0%	\$273
11	Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	55	43,076	43,228	-152	0%	\$541
12	Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51	42,530	41,770	760	2%	\$734
13	Educational Services	82	38,133	35,868	2,265	6%	\$611
14	Real Estate	65	35,343	34,692	651	2%	\$635
15	General Building Contractors	15	32,882	30,966	1,916	6%	\$711
16	Depository Institutions	60	31,954	33,065	-1,111	-3%	\$703
17	Communications	48	30,296	29,858	438	1%	\$1,142
18	Printing and Publishing	27	29,335	28,560	775	3%	\$736
19	Personal Services	72	27,615	27,444	171	1%	\$305
20	Insurance Carriers	63	27,589	25,203	2,386	9%	\$1,102
21	Trucking and Warehousing	42	27,068	25,350	1,718	7%	\$530
22	Amusement & Recreation Services	79	24,127	23,471	656	3%	\$330
23	Auto Repair, Services, and Parking	75	23,906	22,131	1,775	8%	\$484
24	Furniture and Home furnishings	57	23,224	22,116	1,108	5%	\$534
25	Apparel and Accessory Stores	56	22,965	22,276	689	3%	\$258

The Top 25 Employment Gaining Industries in Maryland

Rank	Industry	SIC	1999:1	1998:1	One Year Change in Employment		Average Weekly Wage
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1	Business Services	73	194,176	186,231	7,945	4%	\$641
2	Special Trade Contractors	17	94,948	87,752	7,196	8%	\$628
3	Nondepository Institutions	61	19,769	14,154	5,615	40%	\$983
4	Engineering & Management Services	87	98,292	94,426	3,866	4%	\$920
5	Social Services	83	56,878	53,098	3,780	7%	\$351
6	Insurance Carriers	63	27,589	25,203	2,386	9%	\$1,102
7	Educational Services	82	38,133	35,868	2,265	6%	\$611
8	Health Services	80	194,723	192,760	1,963	1%	\$610
9	General Building Contractors	15	32,882	30,966	1,916	6%	\$711
10	Auto Repair, Services, and Parking	75	23,906	22,131	1,775	8%	\$484
11	Trucking and Warehousing	42	27,068	25,350	1,718	7%	\$530
12	Agricultural Services	7	14,760	13,278	1,482	11%	\$397
13	Security and Commodity Brokers	62	12,640	11,287	1,353	12%	\$2,326
14	Hotels and Other Lodging Places	70	22,672	21,381	1,291	6%	\$691
15	Transportation by Air	45	15,799	14,574	1,225	8%	\$717
16	Furniture and Home furnishings	57	23,224	22,116	1,108	5%	\$534
17	Eating and Drinking Places	58	136,048	135,071	977	1%	\$219
18	Miscellaneous Retail	59	66,263	65,400	863	1%	\$354
19	Printing and Publishing	27	29,335	28,560	775	3%	\$736
20	Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51	42,530	41,770	760	2%	\$734
21	Membership Organizations	86	15,740	15,047	693	5%	\$496
22	Apparel and Accessory Stores	56	22,965	22,276	689	3%	\$258
23	Amusement & Recreation Services	79	24,127	23,471	656	3%	\$330
24	Real Estate	65	35,343	34,692	651	2%	\$635
25	Food Stores	54	67,114	66,470	644	1%	\$387

The Top Employment Losing Industries in Maryland

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			Employment	Employment	<i>Absolute</i>	<i>Percentage</i>	
1	Depository Institutions	60	31,954	33,065	-1,111	-3%	\$703
2	Electric, Gas, and Sanitary Services	49	12,764	13,862	-1,098	-8%	\$1,244
3	Primary Metal Industries	33	7,407	8,261	-854	-10%	\$1,038
4	Industrial Machinery and Equipment	35	15,422	16,259	-837	-5%	\$868
5	Paper and Allied Products	26	6,833	7,549	-716	-9%	\$675
6	Transportation Equipment	37	10,261	10,845	-584	-5%	\$985
7	Apparel and Other Textile Products	23	4,733	5,238	-505	-10%	\$448
8	Miscellaneous Repair Services	76	6,476	6,878	-402	-6%	\$577
9	Agricultural Production	1	1,613	1,960	-347	-18%	\$377
10	Food and Kindred Products	20	20,939	21,106	-167	-1%	\$625
11	Private Households	88	9,690	9,852	-162	-2%	\$253
12	Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	55	43,076	43,228	-152	0%	\$541
13	Water Transportation	44	3,254	3,398	-144	-4%	\$638
14	Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products	30	9,450	9,594	-144	-2%	\$668
15	Transportation Services	47	5,700	5,810	-110	-2%	\$578
16	Agricultural Production-Livestock	2	1,241	1,322	-81	-6%	\$409
17	General Merchandise Stores	53	45,252	45,330	-78	0%	\$273
18	Local and Interurban Passenger Transit	41	8,910	8,972	-62	-1%	\$311
19	Insurance Agents, Brokers, & Service	64	11,924	11,979	-55	0%	\$801
20	Furniture and Fixtures	25	3,207	3,252	-45	-1%	\$503
21	Electronic & Other Electronic Equipment	36	13,636	13,671	-35	0%	\$894
22	Coal Mining	12	473	498	-25	-5%	\$740
23	Petroleum and Coal Products	29	888	907	-19	-2%	\$828
24	Instruments and Related Products	38	13,976	13,991	-15	0%	\$1,161
25	Pipelines, except Natural Gas	46	50	51	-1	-2%	\$1,236

The 25 Highest Paying Industries in Maryland

Rank	Industry	SIC	1999:1	1998:1	One Year Change in Employment		Average Weekly Wage
			Employment	Employment	<i>Absolute</i>	<i>Percentage</i>	
1	Oil and Gas Extraction	13	56	30	26	87%	\$2,538
2	Security and Commodity Brokers	62	12,640	11,287	1,353	12%	\$2,326
3	Electric, Gas, and Sanitary Services	49	12,764	13,862	-1,098	-8%	\$1,244
4	Pipelines, except Natural Gas	46	50	51	-1	-2%	\$1,236
5	Holding and Other Investment Offices	67	2,276	1,773	503	28%	\$1,183
6	Chemicals and Allied Products	28	14,211	14,198	13	0%	\$1,179
7	Instruments and Related Products	38	13,976	13,991	-15	0%	\$1,161
8	Communications	48	30,296	29,858	438	1%	\$1,142
9	Insurance Carriers	63	27,589	25,203	2,386	9%	\$1,102
10	Primary Metal Industries	33	7,407	8,261	-854	-10%	\$1,038
11	Transportation Equipment	37	10,261	10,845	-584	-5%	\$985
12	Nondepository Institutions	61	19,769	14,154	5,615	40%	\$983
13	Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	50	68,214	68,009	205	0%	\$923
14	Engineering & Management Services	87	98,292	94,426	3,866	4%	\$920
15	Electronic & Other Electronic Equipment	36	13,636	13,671	-35	0%	\$894
16	Industrial Machinery and Equipment	35	15,422	16,259	-837	-5%	\$868
17	Legal Services	81	15,955	15,558	397	3%	\$834
18	Petroleum and Coal Products	29	888	907	-19	-2%	\$828
19	Miscellaneous Services	89	712	493	219	44%	\$820
20	Insurance Agents, Brokers, & Service	64	11,924	11,979	-55	0%	\$801
21	Coal Mining	12	473	498	-25	-5%	\$740
22	Printing and Publishing	27	29,335	28,560	775	3%	\$736
23	Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51	42,530	41,770	760	2%	\$734
24	Transportation by Air	45	15,799	14,574	1,225	8%	\$717
25	General Building Contractors	15	32,882	30,966	1,916	6%	\$711

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Rank	Industry	SIC	1999:1	1998:1	One Year Change in Employment		Average Weekly Wage
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1	Eating and Drinking Places	58	136,048	135,071	977	1%	\$219
2	Private Households	88	9,690	9,852	-162	-2%	\$253
3	Motion Pictures	78	7,040	6,742	298	4%	\$257
4	Apparel and Accessory Stores	56	22,965	22,276	689	3%	\$258
5	General Merchandise Stores	53	45,252	45,330	-78	0%	\$273
6	Forestry	8	94	95	-1	-1%	\$295
7	Personal Services	72	27,615	27,444	171	1%	\$305
8	Local and Interurban Passenger Transit	41	8,910	8,972	-62	-1%	\$311
9	Amusement & Recreation Services	79	24,127	23,471	656	3%	\$330
10	Social Services	83	56,878	53,098	3,780	7%	\$351
11	Miscellaneous Retail	59	66,263	65,400	863	1%	\$354
12	Agricultural Production	1	1,613	1,960	-347	-18%	\$377
13	Museums, Botanical, Zoological Gardens	84	1,659	1,465	194	13%	\$377
14	Food Stores	54	67,114	66,470	644	1%	\$387
15	Agricultural Services	7	14,760	13,278	1,482	11%	\$397
16	Building Materials & Garden Supplies	52	17,337	16,699	638	4%	\$406
17	Agricultural Production-Livestock	2	1,241	1,322	-81	-6%	\$409
18	Fishing, Hunting, and Trapping	9	80	76	4	5%	\$429
19	Apparel and Other Textile Products	23	4,733	5,238	-505	-10%	\$448
20	Lumber and Wood Products	24	4,688	4,373	315	7%	\$456
21	Auto Repair, Services, and Parking	75	23,906	22,131	1,775	8%	\$484
22	Membership Organizations	86	15,740	15,047	693	5%	\$496
23	Furniture and Fixtures	25	3,207	3,252	-45	-1%	\$503
24	Textile Mill Products	22	1,784	1,749	35	2%	\$518
25	Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries	39	2,219	2,178	41	2%	\$524