

Table EC14: Employment in the Transportation Sector, 2012–2024

(Number of people)													
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Transportation and related services													
Scheduled air transportation	54,490	56,026	57,627	57,470	59,344	61,698	59,428	61,962	56,538	41,271	48,038	55,886	58,106
Non-scheduled air transportation	12,085	12,301	12,323	12,760	12,137	11,674	11,646	12,698	12,059	11,787	12,896	14,634	15,381
Support activities for air transportation	28,050	28,201	29,722	30,775	30,916	31,447	32,192	32,700	26,387	25,573	29,406	32,337	34,797
Sub-total for Air	94,625	96,528	99,672	101,005	102,397	104,819	103,266	107,360	94,984	78,631	90,340	102,857	108,284
Marine shipping and support activities ¹	18,967	22,745	23,846	21,699	22,594	21,747	25,366	25,931	24,705	23,038	28,407	28,103	29,052
Rail transportation	38,095	37,607	37,073	37,456	37,437	37,203	36,889	35,744	35,268	37,946	40,060	42,245	42,721
Support activities for rail transportation	2,620	2,947	3,727	4,039	4,370	3,479	3,913	3,989	4,165	4,321	4,754	6,312	6,022
Sub-total for Rail	40,715	40,554	40,800	41,495	41,807	40,682	40,802	39,733	39,433	42,267	44,814	48,557	48,743
Truck transportation	182,446	189,381	192,924	195,965	195,841	200,821	206,137	208,495	193,791	205,286	211,521	215,893	212,935
Support activities for road transportation	22,864	23,615	24,134	24,707	26,614	27,169	28,002	28,610	29,014	29,619	30,455	30,674	31,533
Post office plus private couriers and messengers ¹	122,898	117,681	108,672	107,673	110,238	106,665	120,888	126,043	124,127	138,314	143,144	145,775	146,925
Waste collection ²	12,373	12,849	13,953	15,110	15,702	16,631	19,191	19,443	17,642	18,868	19,881	20,191	20,184
Sub-total for Trucking and related activities ²	340,581	343,526	339,683	343,455	348,395	351,286	374,218	382,591	364,574	392,087	405,001	412,533	411,577
Urban transit systems	59,540	61,309	60,918	61,396	63,124	62,159	63,154	65,317	63,688	63,165	66,270	70,045	73,322
School and employee bus transportation	32,230	32,825	33,487	33,433	33,779	34,645	35,331	35,906	30,528	31,507	31,260	30,067	29,378
Interurban and rural bus transportation	5,138	5,657	4,974	4,915	4,865	4,284	4,066	3,741	3,134	2,930	2,882	2,906	2,919
Charter bus industry	5,030	5,172	4,945	4,899	4,965	5,239	5,590	5,687	3,093	3,098	4,134	4,614	4,601
Other transit and ground passenger transportation	5,097	5,203	5,628	5,984	5,890	6,649	6,475	6,193	4,979	5,209	5,433	6,267	6,550
Sub-total for Buses and urban transit	107,035	110,166	109,952	110,627	112,623	112,976	114,616	116,844	105,422	105,909	109,979	113,899	116,770
Taxi and limousine service	11,880	11,727	11,708	11,425	10,994	11,010	10,492	10,749	7,446	7,121	7,494	7,671	7,961
Logistics and other freight support services	39,065	39,333	40,817	41,714	42,214	41,517	43,448	45,054	40,940	43,218	46,435	48,941	49,258
Travel arrangement and sightseeing services ^{1,2}	39,060	38,740	39,442	40,619	38,505	40,661	37,624	40,968	27,551	24,041	31,324	34,837	32,701
Sub-total for Arrangement and other support services ²	90,005	89,800	91,967	93,758	91,713	93,188	91,564	96,771	75,937	74,380	85,253	91,449	89,920
Self-employment ¹	145,436	156,426	174,988	179,591	177,614	171,600	170,074	200,223	202,804	198,276	184,843	180,444	211,826
Total - Transportation and related services	837,364	859,745	880,908	891,630	897,143	896,298	919,906	969,453	907,859	914,588	948,637	977,842	1,016,172
NAICS Transportation and warehousing employment not included above: ³	49,546	46,459	39,765	40,798	45,899	60,491	84,232	75,086	65,627	78,759	80,906	83,260	76,234
Transportation manufacturing, commercial services and construction													
Aerospace product and parts manufacturing	46,440	47,613	49,303	47,259	45,683	43,980	46,540	51,349	47,421	44,700	46,220	46,477	47,412
Ship and boat building	6,457	6,480	6,482	6,876	7,233	7,872	8,128	8,252	7,879	8,823	9,357	9,874	10,166
Railroad rolling stock manufacturing	3,703	3,354	3,461	4,150	3,889	3,771	3,545	4,358	4,026	3,758	3,624	6,294	6,426
Motor vehicle manufacturing	37,207	38,880	40,161	41,417	43,209	43,673	44,122	44,277	36,660	36,188	37,365	38,310	35,933
Parts and other motor vehicle manufacturing	77,980	78,534	81,339	83,987	83,666	87,266	92,851	90,356	80,567	85,437	88,281	90,979	89,895
Other transportation equipment manufacturing	6,535	7,114	6,415	7,434	8,221	9,099	9,914	10,541	8,070	9,220	10,589	11,483	11,284
Sub-total for Transportation equipment manufacturing	178,322	181,975	187,161	191,123	191,901	195,661	205,100	209,133	184,623	188,126	195,436	203,417	201,116
Motor vehicle wholesalers	62,031	62,404	63,801	65,047	63,300	62,319	63,476	65,035	59,061	60,651	62,078	60,483	59,061
Motor vehicle retailers	189,159	196,118	204,593	207,295	210,853	215,736	222,013	226,409	195,509	206,133	212,502	221,192	226,041
Transport equipment rental and leasing ⁴	25,043	26,038	27,064	28,065	27,613	28,123	28,268	29,069	21,919	22,385	24,268	25,551	26,088
Gasoline stations	78,885	78,536	80,838	81,642	82,565	84,048	84,704	83,269	77,048	79,480	81,070	81,617	80,990
Automotive repair and maintenance	96,657	98,120	101,628	104,485	106,024	108,517	111,572	113,787	100,858	106,587	111,358	117,829	122,214
Sub-total for Transportation-related commercial services	451,775	461,216	477,924	486,534	490,355	498,743	510,033	517,569	454,395	475,236	491,276	506,672	514,394
Highway, street and bridge construction	59,563	57,812	56,302	54,850	54,441	53,301	53,937	54,771	51,872	54,734	55,577	57,815	59,412
Total - Transportation manufacturing, commercial services and construction	689,660	701,003	721,387	732,507	736,697	747,705	769,070	781,473	690,890	718,096	742,289	767,904	774,922

Notes and Sources

Notes: NAICS = North American Industry Classification System

Data for transportation-related local government employment are not collected.

1 Transport Canada estimate.

2 Includes employment from sectors outside of NAICS 48-49 Transportation and warehousing.

3 Transport Canada estimate of paid and self-employment in the Pipeline and Warehousing industries.

4 Transport Canada estimate of transportation equipment segment of this industry.

Sources: Transport Canada estimates derived from Statistics Canada, Tables 14-10-0202-01 and 14-10-0027-01 and other sources