

## Indicator 7: Occupation Characteristics

**Introduction:** While growing industries need additional workers, the demand for specific occupations is a function of the work that needs to be done. Both the changing marketplace and the advance of technology alter the demand for occupations, with some occupations growing strongly and others in decline.

**Profile Table 7  
Occupations  
2006**

|           | <b>National Occupational Classification (NOC)</b>             | <b>Area Labour Force</b> | <b>Distribution %</b> | <b>Ontario Labour Force</b> | <b>Distribution %</b> |
|-----------|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>A0</b> | Senior management occupations                                 | 3,400                    | 1.1                   | 82,475                      | 1.3                   |
| <b>A1</b> | Specialist managers   | 10,810                   | 3.4                   | 193,350                     | 2.9                   |
| <b>A2</b> | Managers in retail trade, food and accommodation services     | 8,385                    | 2.7                   | 182,700                     | 2.8                   |
| <b>A3</b> | Other managers, n.e.c.  | 10,930                   | 3.5                   | 207,960                     | 3.2                   |
| <b>B0</b> | Professional occupations in business and finance              | 8,530                    | 2.7                   | 182,195                     | 2.8                   |
| <b>B1</b> | Finance and insurance administrative occupations              | 4,545                    | 1.4                   | 82,185                      | 1.2                   |
| <b>B2</b> | Secretaries   | 4,850                    | 1.5                   | 93,760                      | 1.4                   |
| <b>B3</b> | Administrative and regulatory occupations                     | 7,190                    | 2.3                   | 147,560                     | 2.2                   |
| <b>B4</b> | Clerical supervisors  | 2,430                    | 0.8                   | 38,685                      | 0.6                   |
| <b>B5</b> | Clerical occupations  | 34,790                   | 11.1                  | 660,100                     | 10.0                  |
| <b>C0</b> | Professional occupations in natural and applied sciences      | 10,580                   | 3.4                   | 266,690                     | 4.0                   |
| <b>C1</b> | Technical occupations related to natural and applied sciences | 9,045                    | 2.9                   | 185,240                     | 2.8                   |
| <b>D0</b> | Professional occupations in health                            | 1,935                    | 0.6                   | 71,645                      | 1.1                   |
| <b>D1</b> | Nurse supervisors and registered nurses                       | 5,340                    | 1.7                   | 102,325                     | 1.6                   |

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| <b>D2</b> | Technical and related occupations in health  | 3,695                    | 1.2                   | 76,580                      | 1.2                   |
|           | <b>National Occupational Classification (NOC)</b>  | <b>Area Labour Force</b> | <b>Distribution %</b> | <b>Ontario Labour Force</b> | <b>Distribution %</b> |
| <b>D3</b> | Assisting occupations in support of health services  | 4,145                    | 1.3                   | 90,130                      | 1.4                   |
| <b>E0</b> | Judges, lawyers, psychologists, social workers, ministers of religion policy and program officers      | 5,100                    | 1.6                   | 151,710                     | 2.3                   |
| <b>E1</b> | Teachers and professors  | 11,700                   | 3.7                   | 260,435                     | 4.0                   |
| <b>E2</b> | Paralegals, social services workers and occupations in education and religion, n.e.c.                  | 7,375                    | 2.4                   | 134,245                     | 2.0                   |
| <b>F0</b> | Professional occupations in art and culture  | 2,820                    | 0.9                   | 88,355                      | 1.3                   |
| <b>F1</b> | Technical occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport  | 5,395                    | 1.7                   | 112,625                     | 1.7                   |
| <b>G0</b> | Sales and service supervisors  | 2,585                    | 0.8                   | 52,390                      | 0.8                   |
| <b>G1</b> | Wholesale, technical, insurance, real estate sales specialists, and retail, wholesale and grain buyers | 7,950                    | 2.5                   | 147,880                     | 2.2                   |
| <b>G2</b> | Retail salespersons and sales clerks   | 14,380                   | 4.6                   | 290,195                     | 4.4                   |
| <b>G3</b> | Cashiers   | 5,925                    | 1.9                   | 120,855                     | 1.8                   |
| <b>G4</b> | Chefs and cooks  | 2,870                    | 0.9                   | 80,770                      | 1.2                   |
| <b>G5</b> | Occupations in food and beverage service   | 3,710                    | 1.2                   | 92,215                      | 1.4                   |
| <b>G6</b> | Occupations in protective services   | 6,385                    | 2.0                   | 103,660                     | 1.6                   |
| <b>G7</b> | Occupations in travel and accommodation, including attendants in recreation and sport                  | 1,960                    | 0.6                   | 52,365                      | 0.8                   |
| <b>G8</b> | Childcare and home support workers   | 4,865                    | 1.6                   | 93,015                      | 1.4                   |
| <b>G9</b> | Sales and service occupations, n.e.c.  | 21,410                   | 6.8                   | 489,470                     | 7.4                   |
| <b>H0</b> | Contractors and supervisors in trades and transportation   | 2,855                    | 0.9                   | 45,535                      | 0.7                   |

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| <b>H1</b> | Construction trades   | 7,505                    | 2.4                   | 146,380                     | 2.2                   |
|           | <b>National Occupational Classification (NOC)</b>   | <b>Area Labour Force</b> | <b>Distribution %</b> | <b>Ontario Labour Force</b> | <b>Distribution %</b> |
| <b>H2</b> | Stationary engineers, power station operators, electrical trades telecommunications occupations         | 5,350                    | 1.7                   | 64,080                      | 1.0                   |
| <b>H3</b> | Machinists, metal forming, shaping and erecting occupations   | 3,615                    | 1.2                   | 85,725                      | 1.3                   |
| <b>H4</b> | Mechanics   | 7,460                    | 2.4                   | 134,020                     | 2.0                   |
| <b>H5</b> | Other trades, n.e.c.  | 2,545                    | 0.8                   | 45,390                      | 0.7                   |
| <b>H6</b> | Heavy equipment and crane operators, including drillers   | 1,225                    | 0.4                   | 30,605                      | 0.5                   |
| <b>H7</b> | Transportation equipment operators and related workers, excluding labourers                             | 9,205                    | 2.9                   | 205,885                     | 3.1                   |
| <b>H8</b> | Trades helpers, construction, and transportation labourers and related occupations                      | 8,085                    | 2.6                   | 153,640                     | 2.3                   |
| <b>I0</b> | Occupations unique to agriculture, excluding labourers  | 2,800                    | 0.9                   | 95,870                      | 1.5                   |
| <b>I1</b> | Occupations unique to forestry operations, mining, oil and gas extraction, fishing, excluding labourers | 75                       | 0.0                   | 14,185                      | 0.2                   |
| <b>I2</b> | Primary production labourers  | 2,950                    | 0.9                   | 55,030                      | 0.8                   |
| <b>J0</b> | Supervisors in manufacturing  | 1,795                    | 0.6                   | 31,035                      | 0.5                   |
| <b>J1</b> | Machine operators in manufacturing  | 5,180                    | 1.7                   | 162,555                     | 2.5                   |
| <b>J2</b> | Assemblers in manufacturing   | 10,260                   | 3.3                   | 160,060                     | 2.4                   |
| <b>J3</b> | Labourers in processing, manufacturing and utilities  | 2,935                    | 0.9                   | 109,950                     | 1.7                   |

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census