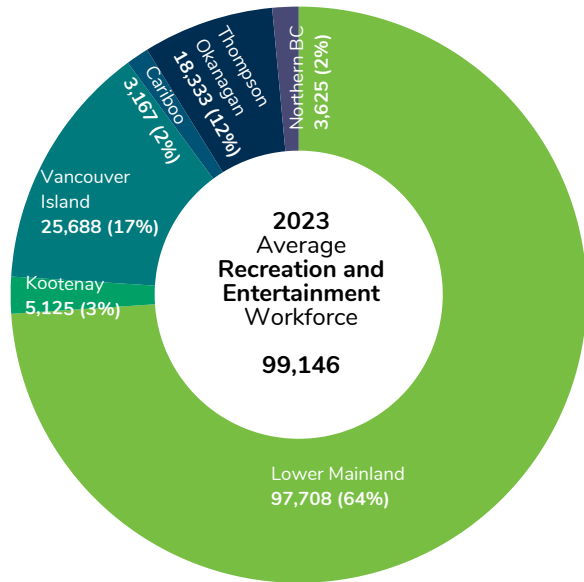


# Workforce Profile

## 2023 RECREATION AND ENTERTAINMENT SECTOR HIGHLIGHTS

The Recreation and Entertainment sector employed an average of **99,146** people throughout 2023, or about **29%** of the total provincial tourism and hospitality workforce. [Click here](#) to download the updated 2023 Recreation and Entertainment sector Workforce Profile.

### REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT



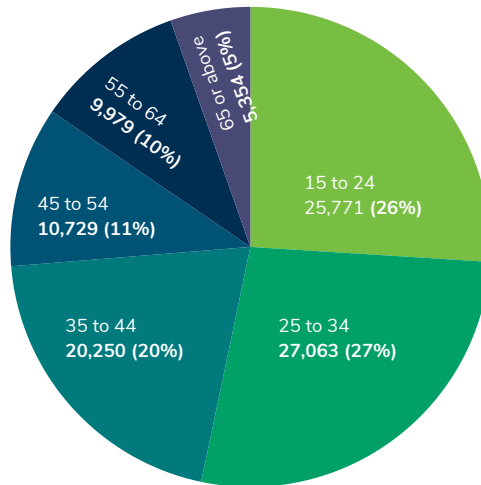
**↑ 9%**  
Lower Mainland regional Recreation and Entertainment sector employment **grew 9%** between 2022 and 2023

**↓ 36%**  
Thompson Okanagan regional Recreation and Entertainment sector employment **dropped 36%** between 2022 and 2023

### WAGES

**↑ \$31.08**  
2023 average hourly wage for the Recreation and Entertainment sector, up 5% from 2022 and 79% above minimum wage.

### DEMOGRAPHICS



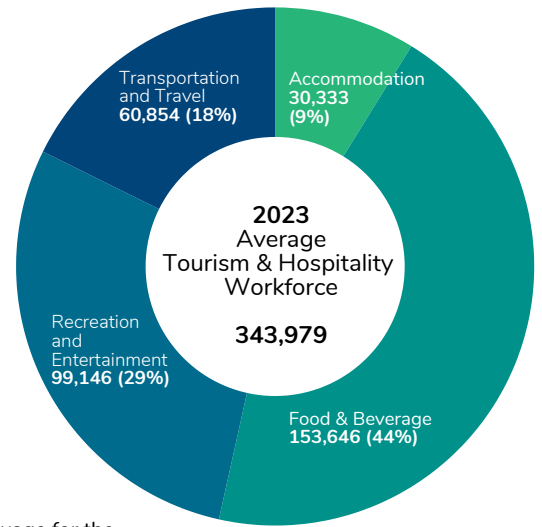
**↑ 53%**  
of Recreation and Entertainment sector workers are under 35

**↑ 13%**  
increase in employment of Recreation and Entertainment sector workers aged 25 to 34 between 2022 and 2023

**↑ 12%**  
increase in employment of Recreation and Entertainment sector workers aged 15 to 24 between 2022 and 2023

**↑ 67%**  
of Recreation and Entertainment sector jobs in 2023 were full-time, **higher than pre-pandemic levels**

**↑ 38%**  
of Recreation and Entertainment sector workers have a **Bachelor's Degree or above**, the highest percentage of any tourism and hospitality industry sector



| INDUSTRY SECTOR              | 2019    | 2020    | 2021    | 2022    | 2023    |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Accommodation                | 36,271  | 26,479  | 30,188  | 28,521  | 30,333  |
| Food & Beverage              | 155,937 | 137,001 | 136,729 | 148,667 | 153,646 |
| Recreation and Entertainment | 87,625  | 69,104  | 78,771  | 99,125  | 99,146  |
| Transportation and Travel    | 65,500  | 54,979  | 56,083  | 54,083  | 60,854  |

