

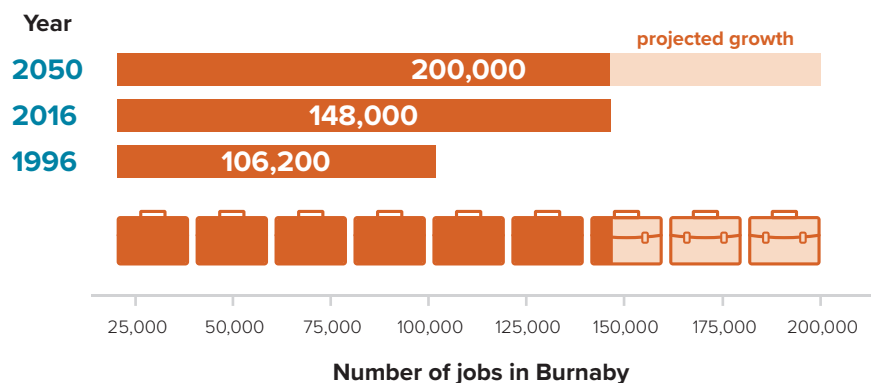
The City is embarking on an exciting project to renew the Burnaby Official Community Plan (OCP). The OCP will provide policy direction on how growth is managed and where people live, learn, work and play. Learn more about employment and labour force trends, and types of jobs in the city.

### How has Burnaby's job market changed since the last OCP?

The number of jobs in Burnaby has risen steadily over the past 25 years, from approximately 106,200 jobs in 1996 to 148,000 jobs in 2016.\*

Metro Vancouver's Regional Growth Strategy projects 52,000 more jobs in Burnaby by 2050.

*\*Note: 2021 employment information not yet released.*



## Where are jobs located?

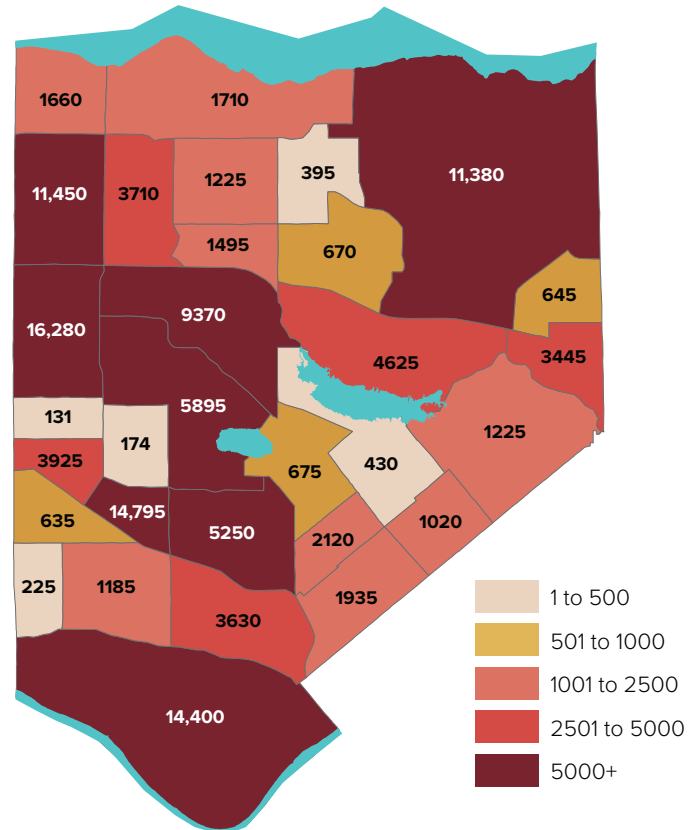
The majority of jobs in Burnaby are located in the western portion of the city – primarily in the Downtown Metrotown, Brentwood Town Centre, and the Business and Industrial zones in the Central Valley/Still Creek area. Other large employment centres are the Big Bend area of south Burnaby, and Simon Fraser University.

Since 1996, the number of jobs in the Big Bend area has increased from just under 9,000 in 1996 to 14,400 in 2016.\*\*

Other areas such as the Central Valley/Still Creek area, and the Brentwood Town Centre have also seen a significant increase in the number of jobs since 1996.

*\*\*Note: 2021 Census data not yet available.*

**Total jobs in Burnaby (2016) by census tract\*\***



## How are the types of jobs in Burnaby changing?

Jobs in the sales and service industry continue to be the highest employers in the city, followed by jobs in business, finance and administration. The proportion of jobs in Natural and Applied Sciences has increased significantly since 1996.

### 1996

» Business, Finance and Admin	25%
» Sales & Services	25%
» Management	12%
» Trades & Transport	11%
» Natural & Applied Science	9%
» Social Science, Education, Law, Community & Govt. Services	7%
» Other	11%

### 2016

» Sales & Services	24%
» Business, Finance & Admin	19%
» Natural & Applied Science	14%
» Management	12%
» Social Science, Education, Law, Community & Govt. Services	10%
» Trades & Transport	8%
» Other	13%





**What can the City do to attract skilled jobs to Burnaby?**

## Burnaby's labour force

Burnaby residents' rate of participation in the labour force has remained relatively unchanged since 1996; however, the unemployment rate decreased from 9% in 1996 to 6.4% in 2016.

	1996	2016
Total population (age 15+)	147,855	199,025
Population in the labour force	93,970	125,815
Participation rate	63.6%	63.2%
Employment rate	57.8%	59.2%
Unemployment rate	9%	6.4%

## Work status of Burnaby's labour force

The proportion of the labour force who are self-employed remained relatively stable between 1996 and 2016.

	1996	2016
Employed	87%	88%
Self-employed	13%	12%

In 1996, the proportion of full-time versus part-time workers was evenly split. In 2016, 47% of Burnaby's employed labour force worked full time (>30 hours per week and >=49 weeks per year), while the remainder either worked part-time or for part of the year.

The percentage of the Burnaby labour force working full time is the same as that of Metro Vancouver, but slightly higher than in Vancouver or Surrey where 46% of the working population worked full time.

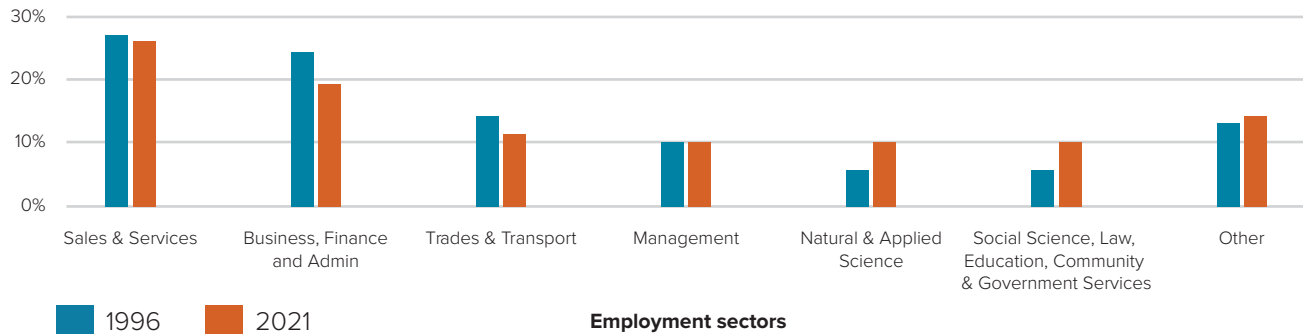
	1996	2016
Employed full-time	50%	47%
Employed part-time/year	50%	53%

*Note: full-time includes persons aged 15 years and over who worked full year (49 weeks and over) and mostly full-time (30 hours or more per week).*

## Burnaby's labour force by job classification

The predominant occupation of Burnaby residents continues to be in sales and services, followed by business, finance and administration.

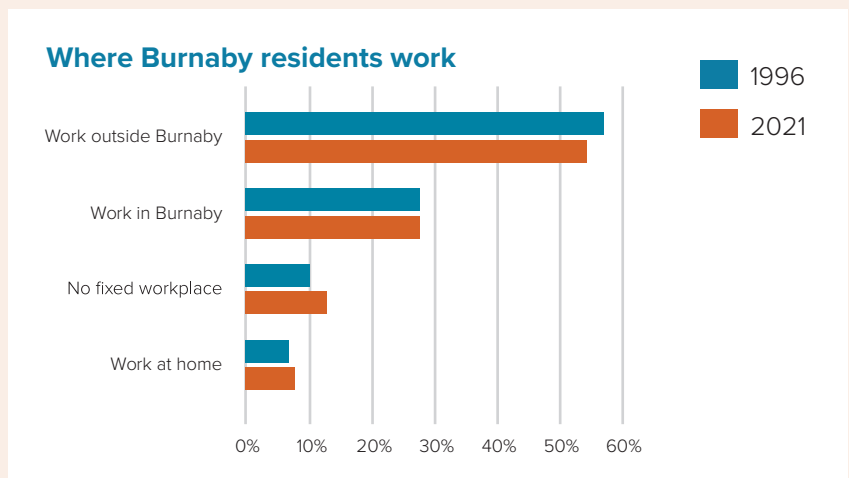
## Burnaby's labour force by employment sector



## Where is Burnaby's labour force working?

In 2016, approximately 34% of Burnaby's workforce either worked from home or commuted to a job within the city. That remained relatively unchanged between 1996 and 2016.

Over the same 20 years, there was a small increase in people with no fixed workplace and a corresponding decline in those who work outside Burnaby.





## What is the educational attainment of Burnaby residents?

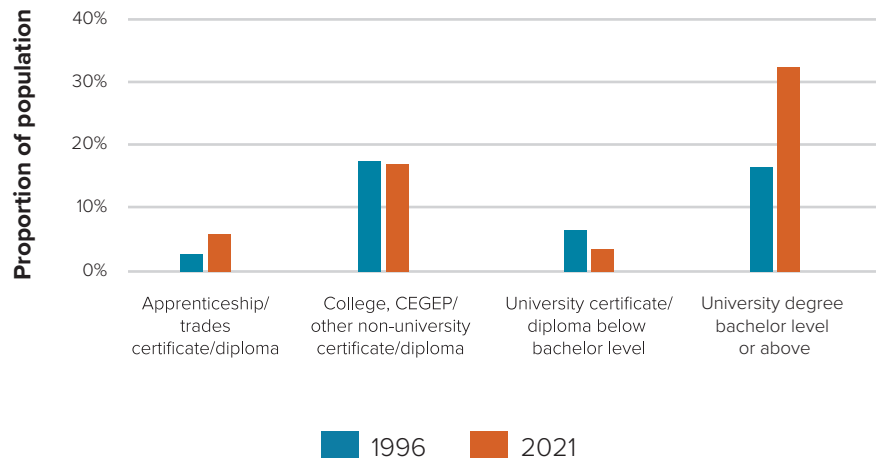
» Burnaby residents have achieved a higher level of education than they did in 1996. In 2016\*, 59% of Burnaby residents over 15 years old held a degree or diploma. That is an increase from 45% in 1996.

percentage of residents age 15 and up who have a degree or diploma:

**45% vs 59%**  
in 1996 in 2016

*\* 2021 educational attainment information not yet released.*

### Percentage of Burnaby residents aged 15 years and older with a degree or diploma



Burnaby's residents are more highly educated than those of most cities and BC as a whole.

### Percentage of population over 15 years old with post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree

