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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



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## The Mercer OSPE National Engineering Compensation Survey

The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE), in partnership with Mercer, is pleased to release the 2020 Mercer OSPE National Engineering Compensation Survey.

Whether you are an employer creating a new compensation plan, an entrepreneur launching your own business, a new graduate entering the profession, or an experienced professional seeking your next opportunity, the OSPE Member Market Summary Report will keep you informed on current hiring trends and compensation levels across all disciplines of the engineering profession.
Our goal is to empower businesses in Ontario and across the country with the information required to stay competitive on a regional, national and global scale. The survey also ensures that all members of the engineering community have access to the most up-to-date compensation data, so they can make informed decisions regarding salaries and benefits.

OSPE frequently refers to the following survey data during our own meetings with key figures, such as the Minister of Labour and Minister of Status of Women, to inform the Society's position on prominent areas of concern, from the gender wage gap, to the engineering labour market.
The survey implementation was overseen by an advisory committee comprised of representatives from industry, engineering and human resources tasked with ensuring only the most extensive and relevant data was collected. In 2020, we included data from 320 engineering-focused organizations of all sizes, providing accurate compensation data for over 34,000 engineers working in major industry groups and specialties across the public and private sectors.
I would like to personally thank each of the organizations that took part in the survey-many of which are returning participants from prior years. Your support is critical to the success of the survey.
We hope that you will find the 2020 survey a valuable resource for your continued professional success, and we look forward to your participation in 2021.

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## About the Survey

## 1 Introduction

Mercer and the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) are pleased to present the results of the 2020 Mercer OSPE National Engineering Compensation Survey. This survey provides current data with respect to actual compensation levels for professional engineers across Canada.

The 2020 Mercer OSPE National Engineering Compensation Survey, conducted by Mercer in partnership with OSPE on behalf of its members and their employers, is designed to:

- Establish meaningful criteria for levels of engineering responsibility for the benefit of both engineers and employers of engineers; and
- Provide current data with respect to actual compensation levels for engineering work.


## 2 Advisory Committee

Mercer maintains a National Engineering Compensation Survey Advisory Committee comprised of both human resources professionals and professional engineers from a variety of industries. Many of the committee members are also OSPE members. We would like to thank the Committee for its efforts and continuing dedication to this survey. The 2020 Advisory Committee was comprised of the following members:

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## 3 Enhancements To This Year's Survey

This year's survey includes many enhancements as described below.

- The Mercer Job Library officially launched! It is our comprehensive global job catalogue, which will ultimately be used across Mercer surveys globally.
- The results output has been modified to take full advantage of the Mercer Job Library framework which means reports will be standardized for easier comparisons across products using Mercer Job Library.
- For the purpose of understanding the data for OSPE Members under the Classification of Engineering Responsibility Levels, we have mapped the Mercer Job Library as per the table below:

| Mercer Job Library Levels | 2018 OSPE Level Mapping | 2019/2020 OSPE <br> Level Mapping | Matching Note: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| P1 | A | A | In previous years based on OSPE Level Descriptions managers, directors, team leads were mixed into levels D, E,F. |
| P2 | B | B |  |
| P3 | C | C | To be considered an engineer the incumbent must have an engineering degree but is not required to be a P.Eng |
| P4 | D | D | Please match as: |
|  |  |  | Fully Qualified Engineer = P3 |
| P5 | E | E | Engineer Team Leaders = M 2 |
|  |  |  | Engineer Managers = M 3 |
| P6 | F | F | Engineer Superintendent $=$ M3 |
| M2 |  | D +Team Leader Responsibility | Do not submit director levels /VP levels and above. We will not report executive positions this year. |
| M3 |  | E + with Manager Responsibility |  |

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## $\int_{\perp}$ Survey Overview

The 2020 Mercer OSPE National Engineering Compensation Survey results represent salary data submitted by 320 organizations covering more than 34,000 incumbents, across 102 specializations. All salary data are based on rates paid effective June 1, 2020. Incentive data included are based on the most recent awards or most recently completed fiscal year. All figures are reported in thousands of Canadian dollars for full-time equivalent employees. The Member Market Summary reports engineering position for Ontario only.

| 2020 Mercer OSPE National Engineering Compensation Survey National All Canada |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Profile | 320 |
| National Organizations Participating in the Survey | 34,929 |
| National Engineers Represented | 157 |
| Ontario Organizations Participating in the Survey | 11,307 |
| Ontario Engineers Represented | June 1st, 2020 |

All data in these results have been reviewed and verified for accuracy. Where necessary, individual responses have been verified with participants. Mercer reserves the right to exclude data that it considers statistically invalid or which may result in a breach of confidentiality for any survey participant.

## 1 Confidentiality \& Privacy

Mercer ensures all data collected for this survey are treated as confidential. In instances where these data may be used in other Mercer survey reports, such as custom analyses, company names may appear in the participant list. It is Mercer's policy to continue to maintain the confidentiality of all data submitted during the data collection process. Mercer is committed to protecting the privacy of employee data and to meeting its obligations under Canadian privacy law.

Mercer's confidentiality policy is to report data only where a minimum sample size guarantees that all individual inputs and salary records are fully masked and protected. In all cases, Mercer maintains the highest level of data security and ensures confidentiality of all data submitted.

## 2 About OSPE

The Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) is the Voice of Ontario's Engineers. OSPE promotes and supports excellence in all aspects of engineering by enhancing the professional recognition of Ontario's 70,000+ professional engineers among employers and all levels of government; increasing their public profile; and advancing their economic interests by offering exemplary continuing education, career advancement and affinity programs. For more information, please visit www.ospe.on.ca.

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## 3 To Contact Mercer

Mercer's goal is to ensure that the Mercer OSPE National Engineering Compensation Survey meets the needs of its participants. Your input and suggestions help to ensure that the survey continues to be an accurate, reliable and relevant benchmarking tool. Please feel free to contact us to share your comments and suggestions.

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## Using the Survey Results

## 1 Survey Usage

Mercer's goal in establishing the methodology and parameters set forth in the Mercer OSPE National Engineering Compensation Survey is to provide its clients with information that permits them to independently make pay decisions so that they can compete in the marketplace for talent, while at the same time avoiding the circumstances that could lead to an inappropriate inference of an antitrust violation. Mercer's operational processes minimize the use of this data for anticompetitive purposes.

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Compensation professionals who deal regularly with surveys are aware of the variance that may exist in survey data. Data may fluctuate slightly from year to year due to changes in the participant base. It is also important to note that within a sample, a significant amount of data may be reported by one organization.

Mercer maintains the highest level of data security to ensure confidentiality of all data submitted. Mercer is committed to protecting the privacy of your employees' data and to meeting its obligations under Canadian privacy law.

## 2 About The Survey Results

The following compensation elements are available for all benchmark positions in either the published reports and/or Mercer WIN:

- Base salary
- Short-term incentive, targets, and amounts granted
- Target and actual total cash compensation
- Expected value of long-term incentives
- Total direct compensation

All figures reported in the survey tables are in thousands of dollars and in Canadian funds, unless otherwise indicated. All figures in the published Excel reports are displayed in whole numbers in Canadian funds, unless otherwise indicated. Please refer to the "Survey Methodology and Definitions" in this Overview for detailed definitions of each compensation element and statistic reported.

## Sample Overview

This section provides the broader market context that will enable users to gain a greater insight into this year's survey sample.

Sample Size and percent of Registered Professional Engineers by Engineering Level
The following table shows the number of incumbents for whom data were received for each engineering level:

| Level | \% of Registered <br> Professional <br> Engineers | \% of Not Registered <br> Professional <br> Engineers | \% of <br> Unknown | Num Orgs | Num Obs |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| All Levels | $28.5 \%$ | $9.7 \%$ | $61.8 \%$ | 157 | 11,307 |
| Level M3 | $29.8 \%$ | $5.5 \%$ | $64.8 \%$ | 91 | 848 |
| Level M2 | $32.9 \%$ | $8.1 \%$ | $59.0 \%$ | 69 | 522 |
| Level P6 | $63.2 \%$ | $5.3 \%$ | $31.6 \%$ | 15 | 42 |
| Level P5 | $43.7 \%$ | $6.1 \%$ | $50.2 \%$ | 63 | 621 |
| Level P4 | $37.3 \%$ | $5.0 \%$ | $57.7 \%$ | 95 | 2,236 |
| Level P3 | $31.7 \%$ | $4.0 \%$ | $64.3 \%$ | 134 | 3,497 |
| Level P2 | $26.4 \%$ | $12.9 \%$ | $60.7 \%$ | 109 | 2,001 |
| Level P1 | $8.1 \%$ | $25.6 \%$ | $66.2 \%$ | 93 | 1,495 |

## Distribution of Incumbents by Location

The incumbent distribution by geographic location is as follows:

| Region (N=10,508) | \% of Sample |
| :--- | ---: |
| Eastern Ontario | $14.5 \%$ |
| Greater Toronto Area | $56.8 \%$ |
| Northern Ontario | $7.5 \%$ |
| Southwestern Ontario | $21.1 \%$ |

Percentages may not equal $100 \%$ due to rounding.

## Spread of Actual Years from Graduation

The table below indicates the spread of actual years from graduation for each engineering level:

| Year(s) from Graduation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Engineering Level | \# of Orgs. | \# of Obs. | Low | Average | High |  |  |  |  |
| Level M3 | 28 | 177 | 14 | 22 | 30 |  |  |  |  |
| Level M2 | 24 | 185 | 11 | 17 | 23 |  |  |  |  |
| Level P6 | 9 | 16 | 22 | 32 | 40 |  |  |  |  |
| Level P5 | 23 | 181 | 17 | 26 | 36 |  |  |  |  |
| Level P4 | 35 | 688 | 12 | 20 | 30 |  |  |  |  |
| Level P3 | 43 | 811 | 7 | 14 | 20 |  |  |  |  |
| Level P2 | 40 | 673 | 3 | 8 | 11 |  |  |  |  |
| Level P1 | 35 | 586 | 1 | 3 | 4 |  |  |  |  |

## Standard Work Week

The following chart indicates the number of hours in a standard work week for engineers in Ontario:

## Standard Work Week ( $\mathrm{N}=10,904$ )



## Compensation Data

## Base Salary, Total Cash \& Total Direct Compensation by Level

The graph and table below illustrate average base salary, total cash and total direct compensation by engineering responsibility level:


|  |  |  | Base Salary |  |  | Total Cash Compensation |  |  | Total Direct Compensation |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Low | Average | High | Low | Average | High | Low | Average | High |
| All Levels | 157 | 11,307 | 78.7 | 104.6 | 127.8 | 81.0 | 108.7 | 130.6 | 81.0 | 109.1 | 130.8 |
| Level M3 | 91 | 848 | 119.0 | 139.4 | 156.3 | 125.7 | 150.0 | 174.4 | 125.7 | 151.6 | 175.0 |
| Level M2 | 69 | 522 | 106.1 | 125.2 | 141.9 | 113.4 | 134.8 | 155.4 | 113.4 | 136.0 | 156.2 |
| Level P6 | 15 | 42 | 140.6 | 176.4 | 212.4 | 144.5 | 182.3 | 221.6 | 144.5 | 186.4 | 226.5 |
| Level P5 | 63 | 621 | 125.2 | 145.9 | 168.0 | 129.8 | 154.1 | 184.1 | 129.9 | 155.3 | 184.9 |
| Level P4 | 95 | 2,236 | 103.5 | 119.7 | 133.9 | 107.9 | 124.8 | 137.6 | 107.9 | 125.3 | 137.7 |
| Level P3 | 134 | 3,497 | 86.5 | 102.6 | 122.6 | 89.0 | 105.4 | 125.2 | 89.0 | 105.5 | 125.4 |
| Level P2 | 109 | 2,001 | 70.4 | 83.0 | 94.6 | 71.3 | 85.1 | 97.0 | 71.3 | 85.1 | 97.0 |
| Level P1 | 93 | 1,495 | 59.9 | 70.3 | 84.0 | 60.0 | 71.4 | 86.1 | 60.0 | 71.4 | 86.1 |

* More than $50 \%$ of the rates within the sample are supplied by one organization.

Note: Above compensation data are displayed in CAD $\$ 000$ for a full-time equivalent employee, unless otherwise indicated.
All data are incumbent weighted.

## Base Salary by Level and Designation

The following graph illustrates average base salary by level for P.Eng and Base Salary for Engineers (without a professional designation):


Base Salary, Total Cash \& Total Direct Compensation by Industry Super Sector
The following graph illustrates average base salary, total cash and total direct compensation by industry super sector for all engineering levels combined.


## Base Salary by Year of Graduation

| All Levels |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. |  | 157 | 11,307 | 104.6 |
|  | < 2 Years | 34 | 299 | 67.0 |
| 2-4 | 2015-2017 | 38 | 522 | 72.9 |
| 5-7 | 2012-2014 | 39 | 429 | 85.0 |
| 8-10 | 2009-2011 | 37 | 391 | 94.7 |
| 11-15 | 2004-2008 | 40 | 567 | 107.3 |
| 16-20 | 1999-2003 | 40 | 349 | 117.6 |
| 21-25 | 1994-1998 | 36 | 262 | 123.4 |
|  | > 25 Years | 36 | 516 | 126.1 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 132 | 7,972 | 106.8 |


| Level P6 |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. |  | 15 | 42 | 176.3 |
|  | < 11 Years | 0 | 0 | -- |
| 11-15 | 2004-2008 | 0 | 0 | -- |
| 16-20 | 1999-2003 | 3 | 3 | 166.6 |
| 21-25 | 1994-1998 | 2 | 2 | -- |
| 26-30 | 1989-1993 | 3 | 5 | 151.1 |
|  | > 30 Years | 6 | 6 | 170.1 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 7 | 26 | 184.5 |


| Level M3 |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. |  | 91 | 848 | 139.4 |
|  | <11 Years | 10 | 15 | 115.7 |
| 11-15 | 2004-2008 | 13 | 27 | 122.2 |
| 16-20 | 1999-2003 | 17 | 36 | 147.6 |
| 21-25 | 1994-1998 | 15 | 43 | 156.8 |
| 26-30 | 1989-1993 | 10 | 22 | 146.5 |
|  | > 30 Years | 16 | 34 | 157.6 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 73 | 671 | 137.9 |


| Level P5 |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. |  | 63 | 621 | 145.9 |
|  | < 11 Years | 5 | 13 | 124.3 |
| 11-15 | 2004-2008 | 9 | 21 | 132.3 |
| 16-20 | 1999-2003 | 9 | 22 | 139.2 |
| 21-25 | 1994-1998 | 13 | 31 | 142.1 |
| 26-30 | 1989-1993 | 10 | 28 | 145.9 |
|  | > 30 Years | 19 | 66 | 150.5 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 46 | 440 | 147.1 |


| Level M2 |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. |  | 69 | 522 | 125.2 |
|  | <11 Years | 14 | 35 | 108.8 |
| 11-15 | 2004-2008 | 18 | 59 | 116.2 |
| 16-20 | 1999-2003 | 13 | 44 | 125.4 |
| 21-25 | 1994-1998 | 10 | 19 | 122.8 |
| 26-30 | 1989-1993 | 8 | 16 | 132.5 |
|  | > 30 Years | 7 | 12 | 121.8 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 51 | 337 | 128.3 |


| Level P4 |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. | 95 | 2,236 | 119.7 |  |
|  | $<5$ Years | 2 | 8 | -- |
| $5-7$ | $2012-2014$ | 12 | 27 | 105.6 |
| $8-10$ | $2009-2011$ | 18 | 65 | 110.2 |
| $\mathbf{1 1 - 1 5}$ | $2004-2008$ | 24 | 185 | 117.3 |
| $\mathbf{1 6 - 2 0}$ | $1999-2003$ | 24 | 118 | 124.1 |
| $21-25$ | $1994-1998$ | 23 | 89 | 123.6 |
| $\mathbf{2 6 - 3 0}$ | 1989-1993 | 22 | 72 | 122.0 |
|  | $>30$ Years | 19 | 124 | 125.2 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 71 | 1,548 | 119.7 |


| Level P3 |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. |  | 134 | 3,497 | 102.6 |
|  | < 5 Years | 20 | 66 | 85.1 |
| 5-7 | 2012-2014 | 28 | 144 | 91.8 |
| 8-10 | 2009-2011 | 31 | 163 | 94.2 |
| 11-15 | 2004-2008 | 33 | 199 | 99.9 |
| 16-20 | 1999-2003 | 23 | 87 | 99.5 |
| 21-25 | 1994-1998 | 18 | 51 | 103.6 |
| 26-30 | 1898-1993 | 16 | 53 | 99.8 |
|  | > 30 Years | 17 | 48 | 104.5 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 102 | 2,686 | 104.4 |


| Level P2 |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. |  | 109 | 2,001 | 83.0 |
|  | < 2 Years | 14 | 45 | 77.6 |
| 2-4 | 2015-2017 | 30 | 188 | 77.3 |
| 5-7 | 2012-2014 | 29 | 181 | 79.9 |
| 8-10 | 2009-2011 | 28 | 110 | 83.6 |
|  | > 10 Years | 27 | 149 | 85.1 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 82 | 1,328 | 84.1 |


| Level P1 |  | Num Orgs | Num Obs | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year(s) from/of Grad. |  | 93 | 1,495 | 70.3 |
|  | <2 Years | 31 | 237 | 63.5 |
| 2-4 | 2015-2017 | 31 | 260 | 65.4 |
| 5-7 | 2012-2014 | 18 | 55 | 68.3 |
| 8-10 | 2009-2011 | 9 | 20 | 71.6 |
|  | > 10 Years | 8 | 14 | 74.3 |
|  | No Degree | 0 | 0 | -- |
|  | Not Available | 69 | 909 | 73.6 |

Note: Above compensation data are displayed in CAD $\$ 000$ for a full-time equivalent employee, unless otherwise indicated. All data are incumbent weighted.

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Compensation Data by Location



Total Direct Compensation

| Low | Average | High |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |


| 129.6 | 152.5 | 178.7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 123.1 | 144.3 | 160.2 |
| 136.0 | 159.8 | 187.4 |
| 130.3 | 169.4 | 210.7 |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| 110.0 | 145.9 | 174.2 |
| 112.2 | 135.3 | 150.8 |
| 125.2 | 137.3 | 154.2 |
| 110.5 | 134.6 | 156.5 |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |


| -- | 190.2 | -- |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 142.5 | 182.2 | 221.6 |
| -- | -- | -- |
| 162.0 | 215.3 | 274.8 |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| 131.6 | 150.7 | 167.3 |
| 129.5 | 152.7 | 168.2 |
| 130.6 | 158.1 | 187.2 |
| 125.1 | 167.2 | 199.6 |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| 110.8 | 123.8 | 135.1 |
| 104.3 | 123.2 | 136.3 |
| 111.3 | 127.5 | 136.3 |
| 109.7 | 136.8 | 165.6 |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| 86.0 | 100.5 | 111.3 |
| 88.7 | 107.3 | 127.8 |
| 95.1 | 112.7 | 127.8 |
| 87.4 | 103.7 | 115.5 |


|  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Level P2 |  |  |
| Eastern Ontario | 27 | 331 |
| Greater Toronto Area | 71 | 935 |
| Northern Ontario | 21 | 168 |
| Southwestern <br> Ontario | 51 | 505 |
|  |  |  |
| Level P1 | 25 | 181 |
| Eastern Ontario | 56 | 803 |
| Greater Toronto Area | 18 | 165 |
| Northern Ontario | 36 | 285 |
| Southwestern <br> Ontario |  |  |


|  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |
| 71.0 | 82.3 | 91.5 |
| 71.0 | 84.0 | 95.9 |
| 74.9 | 87.0 | 100.1 |
| 67.9 | 81.3 | 93.8 |


|  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
| 57.7 | 65.6 | 71.9 |
| 61.0 | 73.2 | 86.1 |
| 59.7 | 70.8 | 83.4 |
| 56.3 | 66.8 | 78.7 |



|  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
| 58.0 | 66.4 | 73.2 |
| 62.0 | 73.8 | 86.8 |
| 60.4 | 73.7 | 84.2 |
| 56.3 | 68.0 | 80.4 |


|  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |
| 71.1 | 83.8 | 92.2 |
| 71.9 | 85.8 | 98.1 |
| 79.2 | 91.6 | 106.7 |
| 69.2 | 84.1 | 96.7 |


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| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |
| 58.3 | 66.4 | 73.2 |
| 62.0 | 73.8 | 86.8 |
| 60.4 | 73.7 | 84.2 |
| 56.3 | 68.0 | 80.4 |

* More than $35 \%$ of the rates within the sample are supplied by one organization.

Note: Above compensation data are displayed in CAD \$000 for a full-time equivalent employee, unless otherwise indicated.
All data are incumbent weighted.tak

## Survey Methodology and Definitions

## 1 Canada Regions

### 1.1. Central Canada




## 2 Current Industry List

This page summarizes the industry groupings for reporting and further analysis in Mercer's reporting tool:

| Super Sector | Sector | Subsector |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Banking/Financial Services | Alternative Investments | Private Equity/Venture Capital Investment |
|  |  | Hedge Funds |
|  |  | Real Estate Investments |
|  | Asset Management | Investment \& Asset Management |
|  |  | Endowments |
|  |  | Public Funds |
|  |  | Family Office |
|  | Capital Markets | Investment Banking |
|  |  | Equities |
|  |  | Fixed Income |
|  |  | Transaction Banking |
|  |  | Rating Agencies |
|  |  | Financial Guarantee Insurance |
|  | Banking/Financial Services |  |
|  | Organizations Combination |  |
|  | Consumer Finance \& Retail Banking | Automotive Financing |
|  |  | General Consumer Finance |
|  |  | Mortgage Banking |
|  |  | Credit Union |
|  |  | Credit Card Issuer |
|  |  | Consumer, Retail \& Small Business Banking |
|  |  | Thrift (Savings Bank, Savings \& Loan) |
|  | Corporate \& Commercial Banking | Commercial Banking |
|  |  | Commercial Finance (Commercial Loan, Commercial Real Estate) |
|  |  | Corporate Banking |
|  |  | Aviation Finance |
|  |  | Equipment Leasing \& Finance |
|  | Financial Services Operations |  |
|  | Financial Services Other |  |
|  | Financial Technology Solutions |  |
|  | Trust \& Private Banking |  |
|  | Universal (Diversified) Banking |  |


| Super Sector | Sector | Subsector |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chemicals | Basic Chemicals | Petrochemicals |
|  |  | Polymers |
|  |  | Inorganic Chemicals |
|  | Basic Chemicals |  |
|  | Combination or Other |  |
|  | Chemicals Combination |  |
|  | Specialty Chemicals | Agrichemicals |
|  |  | Adhesives |
|  |  | Cleaning Materials |
|  |  | Construction Chemicals |
|  |  | Electronic Chemicals |
|  |  | Flavors \& Fragrances |
|  | Consumer Chemicals |  |
|  | Specialty Chemicals |  |
|  | Combination or Other |  |
| Consumer Goods | Beverages | Alcoholic |
|  |  | Non-Alcoholic |
|  | Tobacco |  |
|  | Food |  |
|  | Over the Counter Pharmaceutical |  |
|  | Personal Care \& Household Products |  |
|  | Consumer Goods Combination |  |
|  | Consumer Goods Other |  |
| Energy | Alternative \& Renewable Energy | Solar Energy |
|  |  | Wind Energy |
|  | Alternative \& Renewable Energy Other |  |
|  | Alternative \& Renewable Energy Combination |  |
|  | Energy Downstream | Energy Refining/Processing |
|  |  | Energy Marketing \& Distribution |
|  |  | Energy Fully Integrated Downstream |
|  | Energy Engineering, Procurement \& Construction | Oil \& Gas Engineering, Procurement \& Construction |
|  |  | Power \& Utilities Engineering, Procurement \& Construction |
|  |  | Mining Engineering, Procurement \& Construction |
|  | Infrastructure Engineering, Procurement \& Construction Other |  |
|  | Energy Fully Integrated and Exploration \& Production | Energy Fully Integrated |
|  |  | Energy Exploration \& Production |
|  |  | Energy Exploration |


| Super Sector | Sector | Subsector |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Energy | Energy Fully Integrated and Exploration \& Production | Energy Production |
|  | Energy Pipeline/Midstream |  |
|  |  | Energy Services \& Equipment |
|  | En | Energy Drilling |
|  | Energy Trading |  |
|  |  | Energy Power Generation |
|  | Energy Utilities | Retail Utility |
|  |  | Fully Integrated Utility |
|  |  | Public Sector |
|  | En | Energy Other - Not Classified Elsewhere |
| Health Care Services | Health Care Providers \& Services | Hospitals |
|  |  | Senior Living/Nursing Homes/ Assisted Living/Long-term Care |
|  |  | Home Health/Hospice |
|  |  | Physician Practices/Ambulatory Clinics |
|  |  | Health Care Services Other |
| High Tech | All High Tech Products \& Services Combination |  |
|  | High Tech Manufactured/Hardware \& Software/Virtual Products Combination |  |
|  | High Tech Manufactured/Hardware Products \& Services Combination |  |
|  | High Tech Software/Virtual Products \& Services Combination |  |
|  | High Tech (Manufactured Products \& Hardware) | Computer \& Mobile Related Devices Manufacturing |
|  |  | Telecommunications Devices \& Hardware Manufacturing |
|  |  | Consumer \& Office Electronics Manufacturing |
|  |  | Electronic Instruments \& Equipment Manufacturing |
|  |  | Electronic Components Manufacturing |
|  |  | Aerospace \& Defense |
|  |  | Semiconductors \& Semiconductor Equipment |
|  |  | High Tech Manufactured Products \& Hardware |
|  |  | High Tech Manufactured Products \& Hardware Other |
|  | High Tech (Services) | IT Consulting Services \& Solutions |
|  |  | IT Back Office Service (ITO) |
|  |  | Telecommunications Services |
|  |  | Engineering Design Services |
|  |  | Data Analytics Services \& Solutions |


| Super Sector | Sector | Subsector |
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| High Tech | High Tech (Services) | Web Design Services |
|  |  | E-commerce/On-line to Off-line |
|  |  | Internet Education |
|  |  | High Tech Services Combination |
|  |  | High Tech Services Other |
|  | High Tech (Software \& Virtual Products) | Business End User Applications Development |
|  |  | Consumer End User Applications Development |
|  |  | Systems Software Development |
|  |  | Design Software Development |
|  |  | Internet Services |
|  |  | Gaming Development |
|  |  | Big Data/Analytics Solutions |
|  |  | Digital Market Services |
|  |  | Intelligent Equipment |
|  |  | High Tech Software \& Virtual Products Combination |
|  |  | High Tech Software \& Virtual Products Other |
|  | High Tech Products or Services Other |  |
| Insurance/Reinsurance | Insurance/Reinsurance \& Banking/Financial Services Combination |  |
|  | Life \& Non-Life Insurers | Life and Property \& Casualty Insurance |
|  | Combination | Life \& Other Non-Life Insurers |
|  | Health \& Medical Insurance |  |
|  | Life Insurance | Life Insurance |
|  |  | Life \& Health Insurance |
|  |  | Pension/Retirement Insurance |
|  | Non-Life Insurance (excluding Health \& Medical) | Property \& Casualty - Commercial |
|  |  | Property \& Casualty Insurance - Consumer |
|  |  | Workers Compensation Insurance |
|  | Non-Life Insurers Combination |  |
|  |  | Reinsurance - Life Insurance |
|  | Reinsurance | Reinsurance - Non-Life Insurance |
|  |  | Reinsurance - Life \& Non-Life Insurance Combination |
| Life Sciences | Animal Health |  |
|  | Biotechnology |  |
|  | Life Sciences Combination |  |
|  | Contract Organizations (Life Sciences) | Contract Manufacturing Organizations (Life Sciences) |
|  |  | Contract Research Organizations (Life Sciences) |
|  |  | Contract Distribution Organizations (Life Sciences) |
|  | Medical Devices \& Equipment | Capital Equipment Medical Devices |
|  |  | Consumable \& Disposable Medical Devices |


| Super Sector | Sector | Subsector |
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| Life Sciences | Medical Devices \& Equipment | Durable Equipment Medical Devices Implantable Medical Devices |
|  | Medical Devices Combination |  |
|  | Medical Devices Other |  |
|  |  | Branded Pharma |
|  | Pharmaceutical | Generic Pharma |
|  |  | Medical Nutrition |
|  | Pharmaceutical Combination |  |
|  | Pharmaceutical Other |  |
| Logistics | Logistics Combination |  |
|  | Express |  |
|  | Freight Forwarding |  |
|  | Shipping |  |
|  | Warehousing \& Distribution |  |
| Mining \& Metals | Diversified Mining |  |
|  |  | Aluminum |
|  | Industrial Metals \& Mining | Nonferrous Metals |
|  | Industrial Metals \& Mining | Iron \& Steel |
|  |  | Iron ore |
|  | Industrial Metals \& Mining Combination |  |
|  |  | Coal |
|  |  | Potash |
|  |  | Diamonds \& Gemstones |
|  | Mining Other | Multiple Metals and Minerals |
|  |  | Gold Mining |
|  |  | Silver, Platinum \& Precious Metals |
|  |  | Mining General and Other |
|  | Mining Other Combination |  |
| Other Manufacturing | Electrical Equipment Manufacturing |  |
|  | Electronic Appliances Manufacturing |  |
|  | Forestry Products Manufacturing |  |
|  | Machinery Manufacturing |  |
|  | Other Manufacturing |  |
|  | Paper \& Allied Products Manufacturing |  |
|  | Plastics \& Rubber Products Manufacturing |  |
| Other Non-Manufacturing | Agriculture, Fishing \& Hunting |  |


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| Other Non-Manufacturing | Other Non-Manufacturing Combination |  |
|  | Construction | Infrastructure Construction |
|  |  | Residential Construction |
|  |  | Commercial and Social Construction |
|  | Construction Combination or Other |  |
|  | Hospitality |  |
|  | Media \& Entertainment | TV Networks/Broadcasters |
|  |  | Radio |
|  |  | Online/Digital |
|  |  | Information Services |
|  |  | Book Publishing |
|  |  | Newspaper and Magazines |
|  |  | TV / Internet Access |
|  |  | Entertainment |
|  | Media \& Entertainment |  |
|  | Real Estate | Comprehensive Real Estate |
|  |  | Financial Real Estate |
|  |  | Industrial Real Estate |
|  |  | Senior Living |
|  |  | Commercial Real Estate |
|  |  | Property Management |
|  | Research \& Development |  |
|  | Water, Water Utility, Sewage \& |  |
| Retail \& Wholesale | Apparel, Fashion, Footwear \& Accessories Retail | Apparel/Accessories Retail - Family |
|  |  | Apparel/Accessories Retail - Infants/Children |
|  |  | Apparel/Accessories Retail - Men |
|  |  | Apparel/Accessories Retail - Women |
|  |  | Footwear/Shoes Retail |
|  |  | Apparel \& Accessories Retail Combination |
|  | Convenience Retail | Gas/Petro Retail |
|  |  | Convenience Retail |
|  |  | Gas/Petro \& Convenience Retail Combination |
|  | Department Stores |  |
|  | Electronics, Entertainment, Communications \& Office Retail | Electronics etc. Retail Combination |
|  |  | Electronics Retail |
|  |  | Entertainment Retail |
|  |  | Communications Retail |
|  |  | Office Supply Retail |
|  | Grocery, Pharmacy \& General Merchandise Retail | Grocery Retail |
|  |  | Drug \& Pharmacy Retail |
|  |  | General Merchandise Retail |
|  |  | Grocery etc. Retail Combination |


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| Retail \& Wholesale | Home, Hardware, Building \& Garden Supply Retail | Hardware Retail |
|  |  | Building Supplies Retail |
|  |  | Garden Supplies Retail |
|  |  | Home Products Retail Other |
|  |  | Home, Hardware etc. Retail Combination |
|  | Restaurants | Quick Service \& Fast Food |
|  |  | Fine Dining |
|  |  | Restaurant Chains |
|  | Specialty Retail | Automotive Dealers |
|  |  | Automotive Parts \& Services Retail |
|  |  | Books/Music/Video Retail |
|  |  | Furniture \& Home Furnishing Retail |
|  |  | Gifts/Novelties Retail |
|  |  | Home Goods \& Products Retail |
|  |  | Jewelry \& Watches Retail |
|  |  | Cosmetics |
|  |  | Luxury Retail |
|  |  | Salon/Personal Care Products Retail |
|  |  | Sporting Goods/Hobby Retail |
|  | Specialty Retail Other |  |
|  | Specialty Retail Combination |  |
|  |  | Wholesale Trade \& Durable Goods |
|  | Wholesale Distribution | Wholesale Trade \& Non-Durable Goods |
|  | Wholesale Trade Combination or Other |  |
| Services (Non-Financial) | Business Process Outsourcing |  |
|  | Business/Professional Services | Accounting, Actuarial Advisory, Tax Compliance/Services |
|  |  | Legal |
|  |  | Engineering Firms |
|  | Business/Professional Services Combination |  |
|  | Business/Professional Services Other |  |
|  | Education | Post-Secondary Education (College, University, System) |
|  |  | Primary or Secondary Education (School, District/System) |
|  |  | All Other Education Institutions |
|  | Government/Public Administration \& Other Civic, Social Political or Religious Organizations |  |
|  | Business/Professional Services Other |  |
|  | Passenger Transportation | Airlines |
|  |  | Passenger Transportation Other |

## Super Sector

## Sector

Subsector
Services (Non-Financial) Services Combination or Other
Automobile Components
Manufacturing
Automobile Manufacturing
Transportation
Construction, Farm Machinery \&
Heavy Trucks Manufacturing
Other Transportation Equipment
Manufacturing

## 3 Career Streams \& Levels

### 3.1. Management

Management and supervisory professionals focusing on tactical, operational activities within a specified area. Levels within the management career stream typically have three or more direct reports. The majority of time is spent overseeing area of responsibility, planning, prioritizing and/or directing the responsibilities of employees. Goal achievement is typically accomplished through performance of direct and/or indirect reports.

## - M3 MANAGER

A Manager (M3) manages experienced professionals who exercise latitude and independence in assignments. Responsibilities typically include:

- Policy and strategy implementation for short-term results (1 year or less).
- Problems faced are difficult to moderately complex.
- Influences others outside of their own job area regarding policies, practices, and procedures.


## - M2 TEAM LEADER (PROFESSIONALS)

A Team Leader (M2) supervises professional-level employees (typically entry or experienced level) and may also supervise some para-professional employees. Responsibilities typically include:

- Setting goals and objectives for team members for the achievement of operational results.
- Problems faced may be difficult but typically are not complex.
- Ensures policies, practices and procedures are understood and followed by direct reports, customers and stakeholders.


### 3.2. Professional

Individual contributors with responsibility in a professional or technical discipline or specialty, but may manage two or fewer employees. May direct the work of other lower level professionals or manage processes and programs. The majority of time is spent overseeing the design, implementation or delivery of processes, programs and policies using specialized knowledge and skills typically acquired through advanced education (3-4 year University degree).

## P6 PRE-EMINENT PROFESSIONAL

A Pre-eminent Professional (P6) is recognized both within and outside the organization as a thought leader in their area of expertise. Responsibilities typically include:

- Recommending operational strategies and plans with a direct impact on results.
- Influencing business decisions made by leadership.
- Problems are complex and multi-dimensional.
- Requires communication with executive leadership on matters of strategic importance.


## - P5 EXPERT PROFESSIONAL

An Expert Professional (P5) is a recognized master in professional discipline typically obtained through advanced education and work experience. Typically responsible for:

- Establishing operational plans for their job area.
- Developing and implementing new products, processes, standards or operational plans that will have an impact on the achievement of functional results.
- Requires communication with leadership.


## - P4 SPECIALIST PROFESSIONAL

A Specialist Professional (P4) is a recognized subject matter expert in their job area typically obtained through advanced education and work experience. Responsibilities typically include:

- Managing large projects or processes with limited oversight from manager.
- Coaching, reviewing and delegating work to lower level professionals.
- Problems faced are difficult and often complex.


## - P3 SENIOR PROFESSIONAL

A Senior Professional (P3) applies advanced knowledge of their job area typically obtained through advanced education and work experience. Responsibilities may include:

- Managing projects/ processes, working independently with limited supervision.
- Coaching and reviewing the work of lower level professionals.
- Problems faced are difficult and sometimes complex.


## - P2 EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONAL

An Experienced Professional (P2) applies practical knowledge of their job area typically obtained through advanced education and work experience. May require the following proficiency:

- Works independently with general supervision.
- Problems faced are difficult but typically not complex.
- May influence others within the job area through an explanation of facts, policies, and practices.
- P1 ENTRY PROFESSIONAL

An Entry Professional (P1) applies broad theoretical job knowledge typically obtained through advanced education. May require the following proficiency:

- Work is closely supervised.
- Problems faced are not typically difficult or complex.
- Explains facts, policies, and practices related to their job area.

