





## Leisure & Hospitality Industry Profile in WDB 15 – Ramsey County

There were **1,456 leisure and hospitality establishments** providing **31,484 jobs** in Ramsey County during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2019, according to data from DEED’s Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages (QCEW) program. That is **9.4% of total employment** in the county. The largest employing sectors include accommodation and food services, and more specifically food services and drinking places, which accounted for 1,135 firms and 23,091 jobs (see Table 1).

Table 1. Ramsey County		Qtr. 3 2019 Data			
NAICS Code	NAICS Industry Title	Number of Firms	Number of Jobs	Total Payroll	Avg. Annual Wage
<b>0</b>	<b>Total, All Industries</b>	14,148	335,821	\$5,219,299,433	\$62,140
	Leisure & Hospitality	1,456	31,484	\$183,442,693	\$23,296
<b>71</b>	<b>Arts, Entertainment, &amp; Recreation</b>	268	6,837	\$48,500,691	\$28,340
711	Performing Arts, Spectator Sports, & Related Industries	113	2,185	\$20,947,175	\$38,324
712	Museums, Historical Sites, & Similar Institution	16	1,302	\$13,898,128	\$42,692
713	Amusement, Gambling, & Recreation Industries	139	3,350	\$13,655,388	\$16,276
<b>72</b>	<b>Accommodation &amp; Food Services</b>	1,188	24,647	\$134,942,002	\$21,892
721	Accommodation	53	1,556	\$11,896,755	\$30,576
722	Food Services & Drinking Places	1,135	23,091	\$123,045,247	\$21,268
7223	Special Food Services	141	2,872	\$18,358,500	\$25,532
7224	Drinking Places (Alcoholic Beverages)	65	806	\$4,316,525	\$21,372
7225	Restaurants	929	19,413	\$100,370,222	\$20,644

*Source: DEED Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages*  
\*Denotes Quarter 1 2019 Data

It should be noted that Restaurants accounts for the majority (84.1%) of employment within the larger Food Services and Drinking Places industry sector for Ramsey County. Restaurants, then, can be further broken down into Full-Service Restaurants; Limited-Service Restaurants; Cafeterias, Grill Buffets, and Buffets; and Snack and Nonalcoholic Beverage Bars. As of the third quarter, 2019, the median annual wage for jobs in Leisure and Hospitality in Ramsey County was \$23,296.

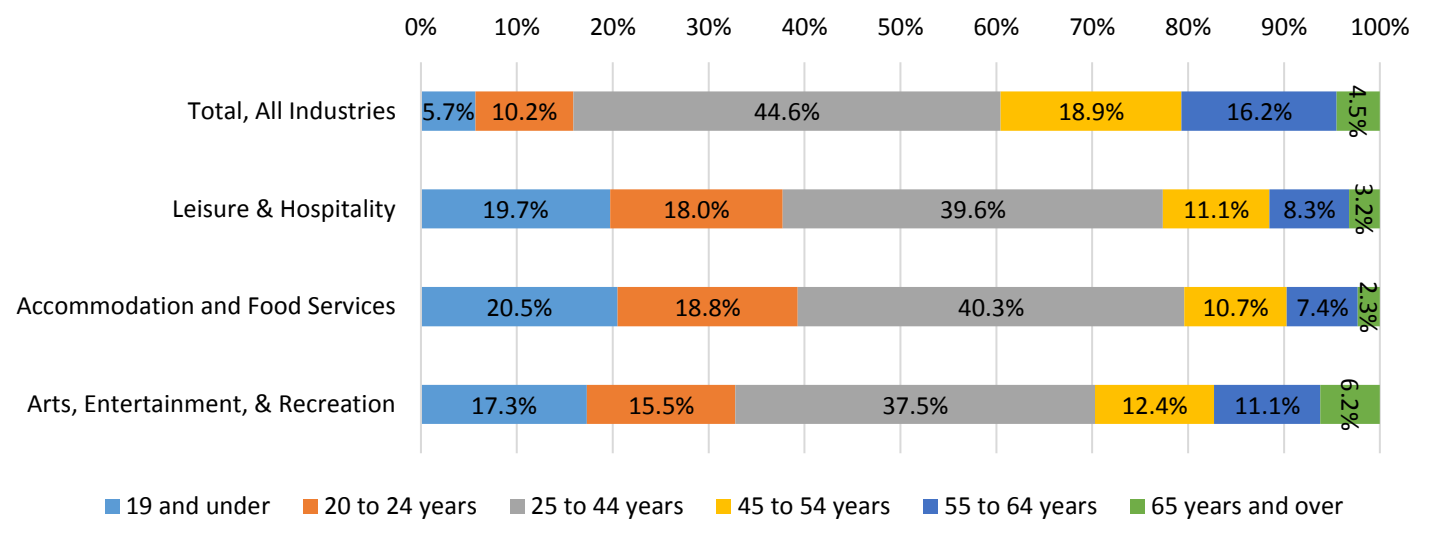
Table 2. Twin Cities Metro Area Industry Employment Statistics by County, Q3 2019									
	Total, All Industries		Leisure & Hospitality			Arts, Entertainment & Recreation		Accommodation & Food Services	
	Firms	Jobs	Firms	Jobs	Percent	Firms	Jobs	Firms	Jobs
Anoka Co.	7,771	127,128	660	14,117	11.1%	150	3,647	510	10,470
Carver Co.	2,578	40,918	239	5,205	12.7%	56	1,444	183	3,761
Dakota Co.	10,690	190,942	912	20,300	10.6%	195	4,186	717	16,113
Hennepin Co.	40,834	938,213	3,760	90,173	9.6%	792	17,832	2,968	72,340
Ramsey Co.	14,148	335,821	1,456	31,484	9.4%	268	6,837	1,188	24,647
Scott Co.	3,430	56,199	328	10,924	19.4%	85	3,152	243	7,772
Washington Co.	6,056	88,590	587	12,356	13.9%	148	2,479	439	9,876
<b>Metro Area</b>	<b>85,507</b>	<b>1,777,813</b>	<b>7,942</b>	<b>184,561</b>	<b>10.4%</b>	<b>1,694</b>	<b>39,580</b>	<b>6,248</b>	<b>144,981</b>
<b>Minnesota</b>	<b>180,007</b>	<b>2,914,501</b>	<b>15,577</b>	<b>305,231</b>	<b>10.5%</b>	<b>3,443</b>	<b>59,802</b>	<b>12,134</b>	<b>245,428</b>

*Source: DEED Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages*

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Workers in the leisure and hospitality industry are younger than for all industries combined. In the second quarter of 2019, about two in every five leisure and hospitality workers in the Metro Area were younger than 25. That is more than double the share of workers under 25 for all industries. This means that there were relatively fewer workers in prime working years (25-44) and a smaller share of older workers over 55. The accommodation and food services sector skews particularly young with 79.6 percent of workers under 45 years of age, compared to 60.5 percent for all industries (see Figure 1). Interestingly, while workers in Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation are generally younger than workers for the total of all industries, it has a higher share of workers 65 years and older.

Figure 1. Metro Area Leisure & Hospitality Workers by Age, Qtr. 2 2019



Median hourly wages for workers in Leisure and Hospitality (as well as the more in-depth industries of Accommodation and Food Services and Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation) are significantly lower than the median hourly wage for the total of all workers in the Metro Area labor market, regardless of age. It should be noted that median hourly wages typically climb as workers reach 45 to 54 years of age, before declining for older workers (see Figure 2). This data comes from DEED’s Quarterly Employment Demographics (QED).

Figure 2. Median Hourly Wage by Age for Leisure & Hospitality Workers Metro Area, Qtr. 2 2019

