

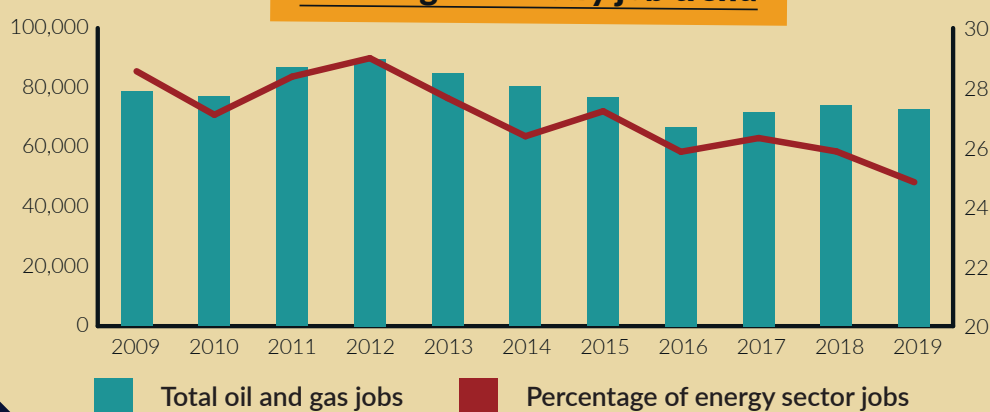
# Employment characteristics for the oil and gas industry

In 2019, the oil and gas industry<sup>1</sup> employed over

**72,800** workers, down from approximately 89,600 workers in 2012 when jobs in the industry peaked.

**One-quarter** of the jobs in the energy sector<sup>2</sup> were in oil and gas in 2019, down from its peak of 29% in 2012.

## Oil and gas industry job trend



## Workers in the oil and gas industry in 2019



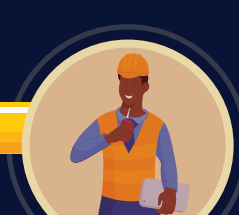
**36%** were female



**6%** identified as being Indigenous

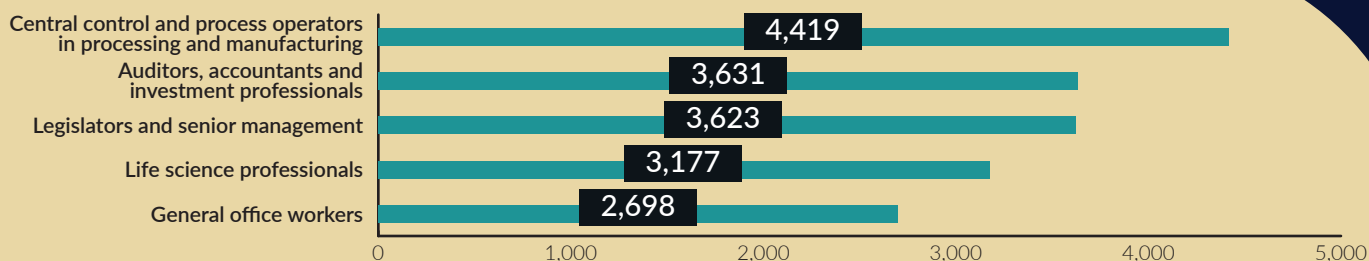


**41%** were immigrants



**26%** belonged to a designated visible minority group

## Top 5 occupations in the oil and gas industry, by number of jobs



## Did you know?

- In 2019, a growing share of oil and gas workers had **postsecondary education**.
- **21%** of oil and gas workers had a **high school diploma or less**.
- **33%** of oil and gas workers were **university graduates**.
- **17%** of **female workers** were employed as either auditors, accountants and investment professionals or general office workers.
- **9%** of **Indigenous workers** were employed as central control and process operators in processing and manufacturing.
- **10%** of **immigrant workers** were employed as auditors, accountants and investment professionals.



1. The oil and gas industry includes Conventional oil and gas extraction (2012 NAICS 211113) and Non-conventional oil extraction (2012 NAICS 211114).  
2. As defined in the Natural Resource Satellite Account.

Source: Statistics Canada, Natural Resource Satellite Account, Human Resource Module, 2009 to 2019.

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