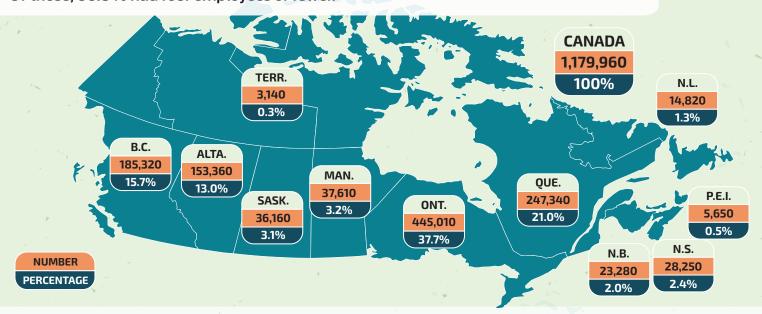
ACTIVE ENTERPRISES IN CANADA, 2020

In 2020, there were 1,179,960 active enterprises in Canada with one or more employees. Of those, 66.8% had four employees or fewer.¹

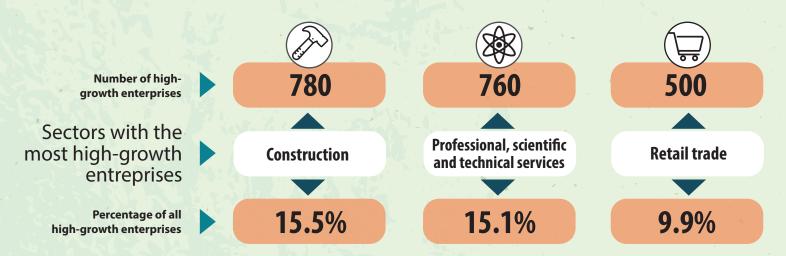


Among new enterprises with at least one employee in 2019, the survival rate in 2020 was 84%. Among those that were born in 2018, 71% were still active in 2020.

The health care and social assistance sector had the highest survival rate.



The largest number of high-growth enterprises³ was in the construction sector (15.5%), followed by professional, scientific and technical services (15.1%), and retail trade (9.9%).



^{1.} Active enterprises consist of all enterprises that had either revenue or employees at any time during the reference period. 2. One-year survivors are enterprises born in 2019 that are active and identifiable in both 2019 and 2020, while two-year

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3. High-growth enterprises, measured by employment, have average annual growth in the number of employees greater than 20% over a three-year period and have at least 10 employees at the beginning of the observation period.