

Contract drilling operations (except oil and gas extraction), 2016

Provinces and territories¹

Province or Territory	Metres Drilled		Income From Drilling \$000	Average Number of Employees	Total Salaries and Wages Paid \$000
	Surface	Underground			
Maritime provinces	104,735	53,093	16,477,552	132	5,612,364
Quebec	903,389	680,685	108,910,265	778	50,106,689
Ontario	1,013,852	1,186,221	188,019,809	1,188	81,945,156
Prairie provinces	400,169	270,602	93,442,375	541	39,763,468
British Columbia	180,821	115,488	43,185,792	419	20,397,023
Yukon , Nunavut and Northwest Territories	288,215	72,410	58,881,984	281	20,402,155
Total	2,891,181	2,378,499	508,917,777	3,339	218,226,855

¹ Drilling operations conducted by contractors primarily for the testing of deposits.
This table excludes petroleum and natural gas. For the symbols and abbreviations used in the table, refer to:
[Symbols and Abbreviations](#)