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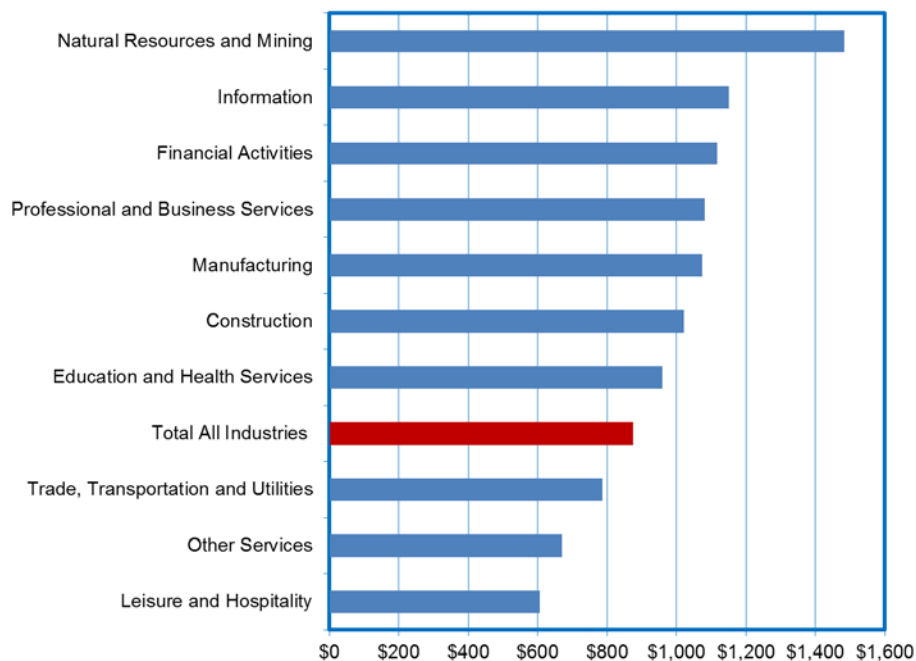
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Industry Wages
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Natural Resources/Mining Supersector Pays Highest Weekly Wage in Nevada



- In the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program, the Research and Analysis Bureau collects and compiles employment and wage data for workers covered by Nevada unemployment insurance laws, and federal civilian workers covered by Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees.
- Wages for all sectors in Nevada averaged \$874 per week, based upon QCEW information in 2016:IIQ.
- Within the private sector, weekly wages range from \$600 (leisure/hospitality) to \$1,500 (natural resources/mining). Wages in natural resources/mining industries are the highest of any group; the second-highest paying supersectors are information and financial activities, at \$1,150 and \$1,100 per week, respectively.
- Aside from leisure/hospitality, the only supersectors with payrolls less than the overall sector wage are: trade/transportation/utilities, at \$790, and other services (repair/maintenance, personal/laundry services, membership organizations/associations, etc.), at \$670.
- Leisure/hospitality, Nevada's lowest-paying supersector, is also the State's largest employer, with 350,000 jobs, or 27% of total employment.