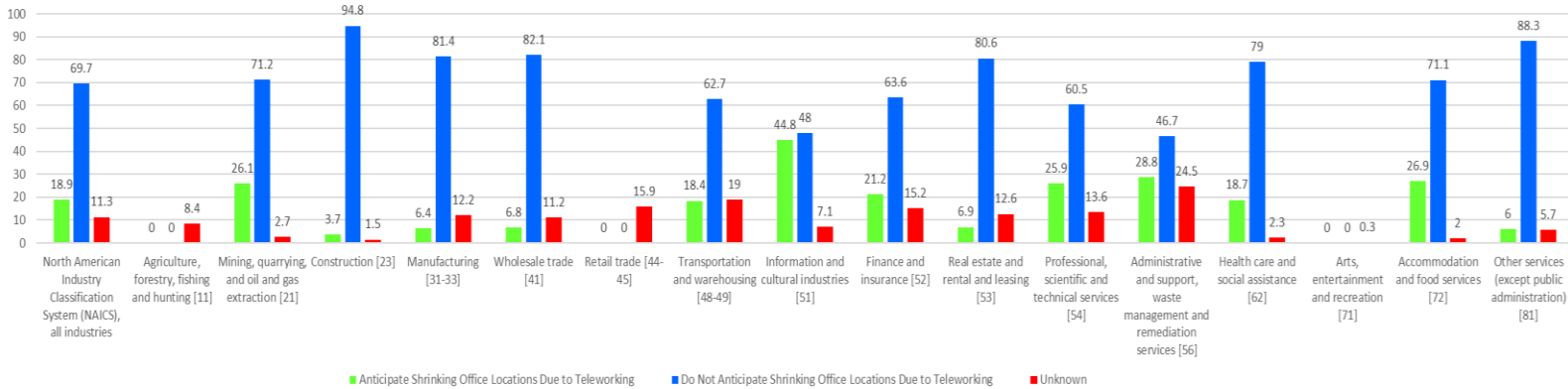


Impact of COVID-19 Workforce Teleworking on Businesses and Organizations Across Different Industries

Percent of Business or Organizations by NAICS Category Anticipating Shrinking Office Location Due to Teleworking



BRIEF SUMMARY

This Research Insight is part of a multi-year research initiative examining the influence of the COVID-19 pandemic on migration between urban and rural communities in Ontario. This Research Insight provides an overview of recent data published by Statistics Canada following the 2021 census and data related to the impacts of COVID-19.

During the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, businesses and organizations were asked whether they anticipate shrinking their office locations as a result of implementing a work from home (workforce teleworking) strategy. The data in the table is broken down by the [North American Industry Classification System](#) categories. Key findings include:

- All industries indicated a higher percentage that teleworking would not lead to office shrinkage. The three industries with the highest percent were: construction (94.8%), other services (88.3%), and wholesale trade (82.1%).

- The top three industries anticipating shrinking of their office locations as a result of teleworking were: information and cultural industries (44.8%), administrative and support, waste management, and remediation services (28.8%), and accommodation and food services (26.9%).

DATA SOURCE

Data retrieved from Statistics Canada Table: 33-10-0392-01 (2021).

FURTHER INFORMATION

More information on the Urban Exodus research initiative can be found at www.saraepp.com/urbanexodus.

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