

NAICS CODES

North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes are six digit codes that all businesses and non-profits must record when filing an annual report with the RI Department of State. NAICS codes are not assigned and must be selected carefully by each entity.

Why are NAICS codes important?

NAICS codes are used to categorize a business or non-profit's primary purpose or activity. Accurate NAICS codes help us to better understand the industries that make up our state's vibrant business/non-profit communities and provide **targeted support resources** to help them thrive.

Failure to list an accurate NAICS code could mean missing out on support resources including **access to funding, talent and workforce**, and **business-to-business networking** opportunities.

Plus, your business or non-profit's NAICS code helps determine eligibility for a wide variety of contract solicitations, tax incentives, and grant/loan programs.

How can I find the best NAICS code for my entity?

Go to census.gov/naics/ to search the NAICS code index by keyword or two digit sector code from the list below.

Although it can be updated in your entity's records, do your best to identify the NAICS code that best describes your entity's *primary* purpose or activity for your annual report filing.

Common sector codes

The required 6-digit NAICS code begins with a 2-digit sector code. Find your entity's 4 remaining digits on census.gov/naics/

11 - Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting
23 - Construction
31-33 - Manufacturing
42 - Wholesale Trade
44-45 - Retail Trade
48-49 - Transportation and Warehousing
51- Information
52 - Finance and Insurance
53 - Real Estate and Rental and Leasing

54 - Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
55 - Management of Companies and Enterprises
56 - Waste Management and Remediation Services
61 - Educational Services
62 - Health Care and Social Assistance
71 - Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation
72 - Accommodation and Food Services



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