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# Results of DETE Annual Employment Survey 2024

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# The Annual Employment Survey

## FIGURES IN 2024

**ALL AGENCY FIRMS**

**Total employment – 546,763**
up 1.3% (7,030) in 2024

**FOREIGN OWNED AGENCY FIRMS**

**Total employment – 316,872**
up 0.3% (1,064) in 2024

**IRISH OWNED AGENCY FIRMS**

**Total employment – 229,891**
up 2.7%  (5,966) in 2024

*Agency clients are clients of IDA Ireland, Enterprise Ireland and Údarás na Gaeltachta.*

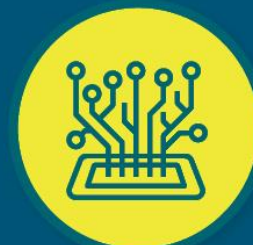## SHARE OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR

Food, Drink & Tobacco
**11%**

Construction, Energy, Waste & Water
**5.2%**

Business, Financial & Other Services
**20.2%**

Computer, electronic & optical products
**4.7%**

Information & Computer Services
**26.5%**

Rest of Manufacturing & Primary Production
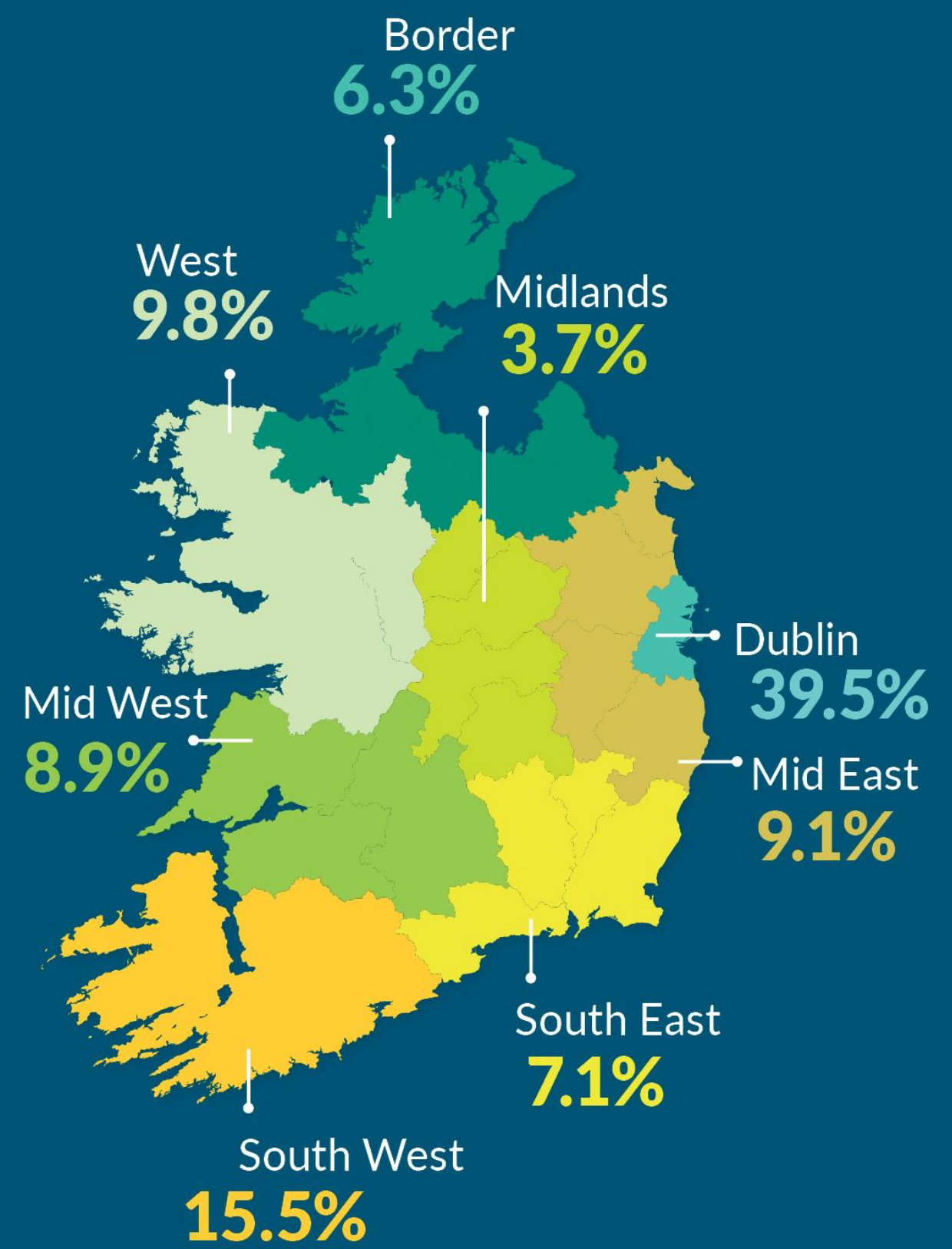**15.9%**

Chemicals
**8.3%**

Medical Devices
**8.2%**

## SHARE OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT BY REGION

Border
**6.3%**

West
**9.8%**

Midlands
**3.7%**

Mid West
**8.9%**

Dublin
**39.5%**

Mid East
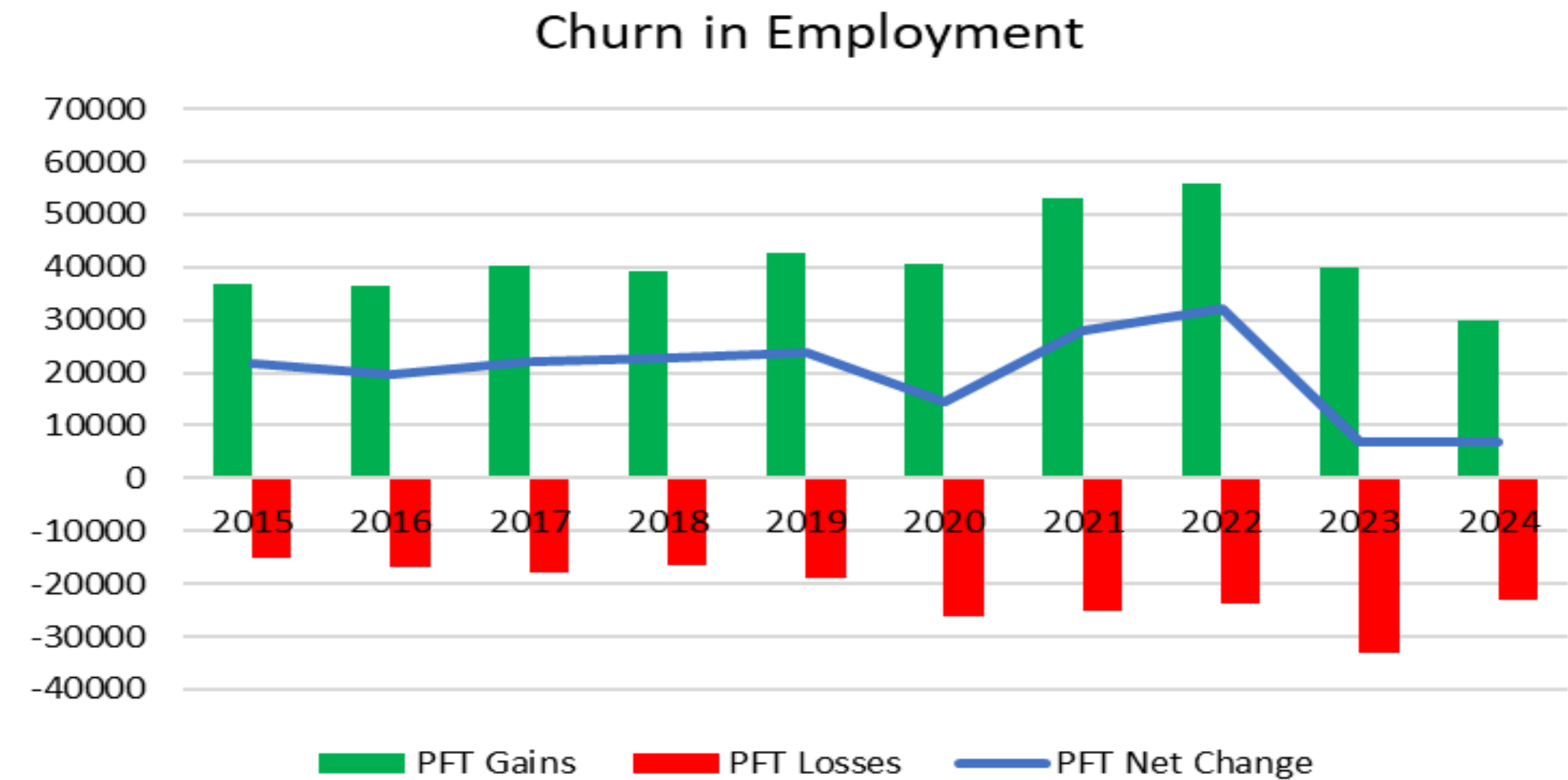**9.1%**

South West
**15.5%**

South East
**7.1%**

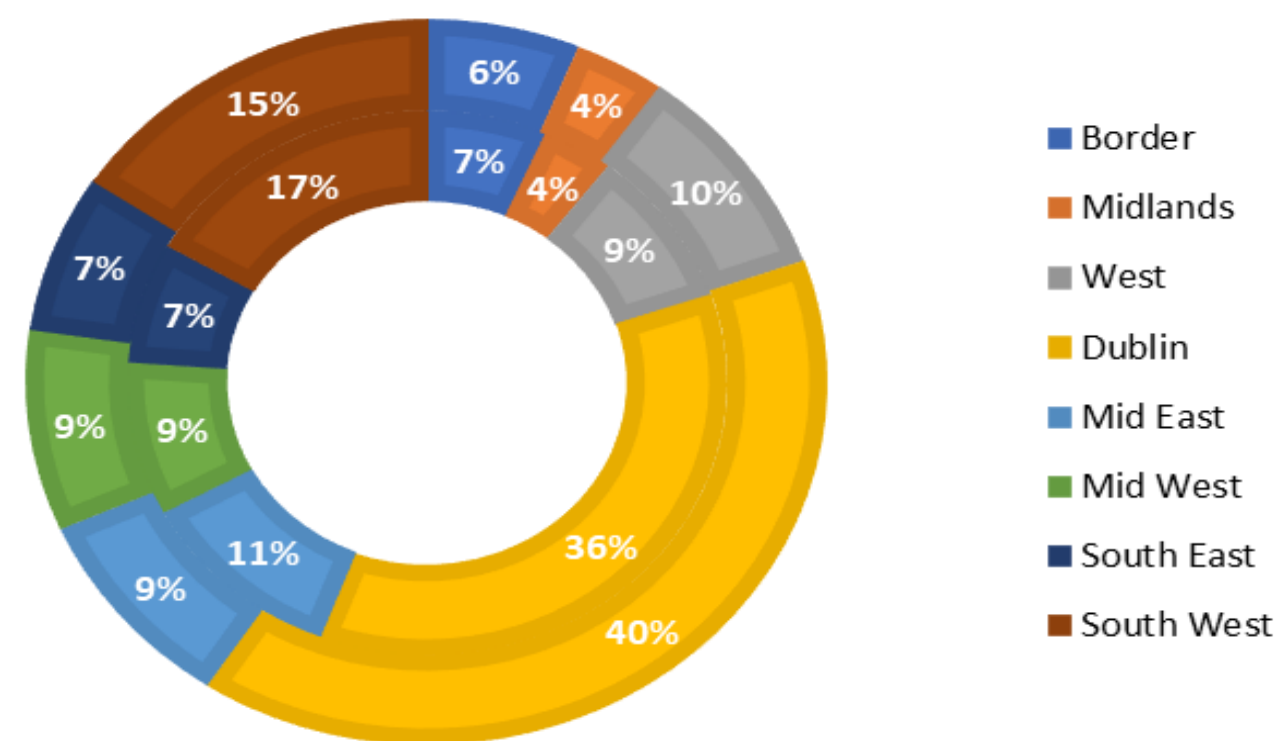# Employment in All Agency Client Firms 2015-2024

Full time and part time employment – 546,763 up 1.3% (7,030) in 2024 ⬆

- Full time and other employment in all client firms was 546,763

- This accounts for 20% of total employment in Ireland and approximately 26% of business employment

**EMPLOYMENT BY REGION**



■ Border
■ Midlands
■ West
■ Dublin
■ Mid East
■ Mid West
■ South East
■ South West

Inner circle: 2015
Outer circle: 2024
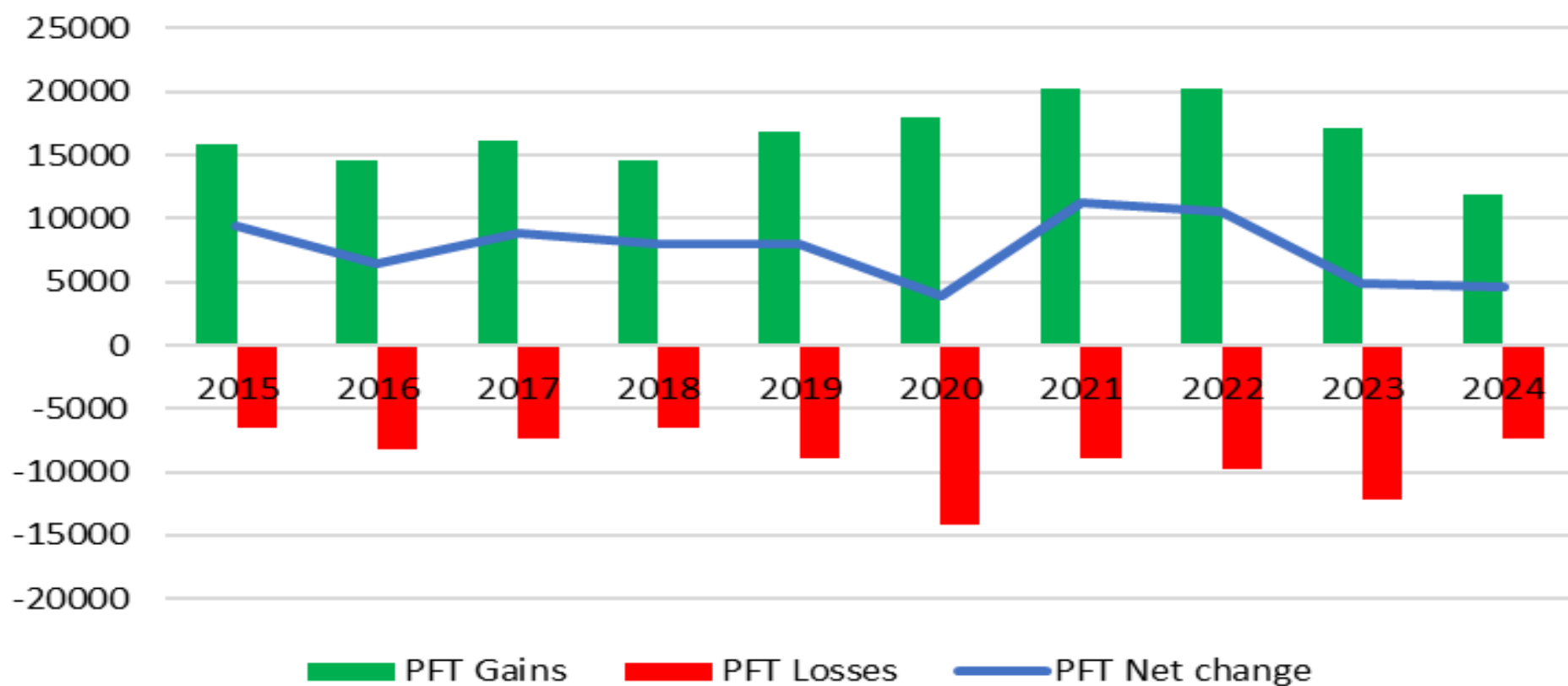
**Churn in Employment**



■ PFT Gains   ■ PFT Losses   — PFT Net Change

- Growth in employment was recorded in all regions between 2015-2024, though the share of employment in each region changed

Note: Graphs refer to Permanent Full Time Employment (PFT)

# Employment in Irish-Owned Agency Client Firms 2015-2024

Full time and part time employment – 229,891 up 2.7% (5,966) in 2024



Churn in Employment

Legend: PFT Gains, PFT Losses, PFT Net change



Employment by Broad Sector

| | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Services | 31.7% | 31.8% | 32.1% | 32.2% | 31.8% | 32.6% | 32.2% | 32.6% | 33.7% | 33.7% |
| Industry | 68.3% | 68.2% | 67.9% | 67.8% | 68.2% | 67.4% | 67.8% | 67.4% | 66.3% | 66.3% |



EMPLOYMENT BY REGION

Border, Midlands, West, Dublin, Mid East, Mid West, South East, South West

Inner circle: 2015
Outer Circle: 2024



SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR IRISH OWNED FIRMS

Basic and Fabricated Metal Products; Construction, Energy, Water and Waste; Food, Drink & Tobacco; Machinery and Equipment; Business, Financial & Other Services; Information and Computer Services; Rest

Inner circle: 2015
Outer circle: 2024

Note: Graphs refer to Permanent Full Time Employment (PFT)

# Employment in Foreign-Owned Agency Client Firms 2015-2024

Full time and part time employment – 316,872 up 0.3% (+1,064) in 2024
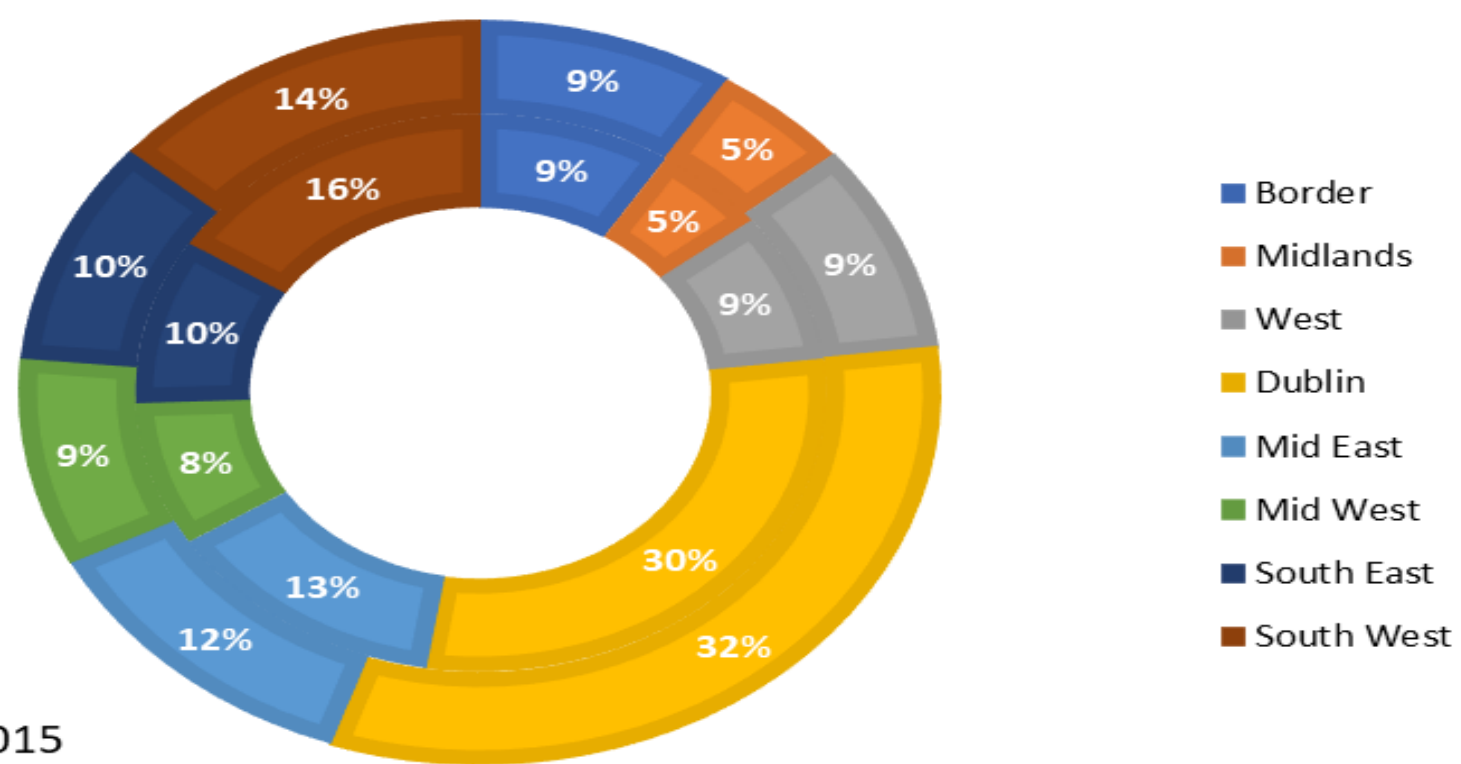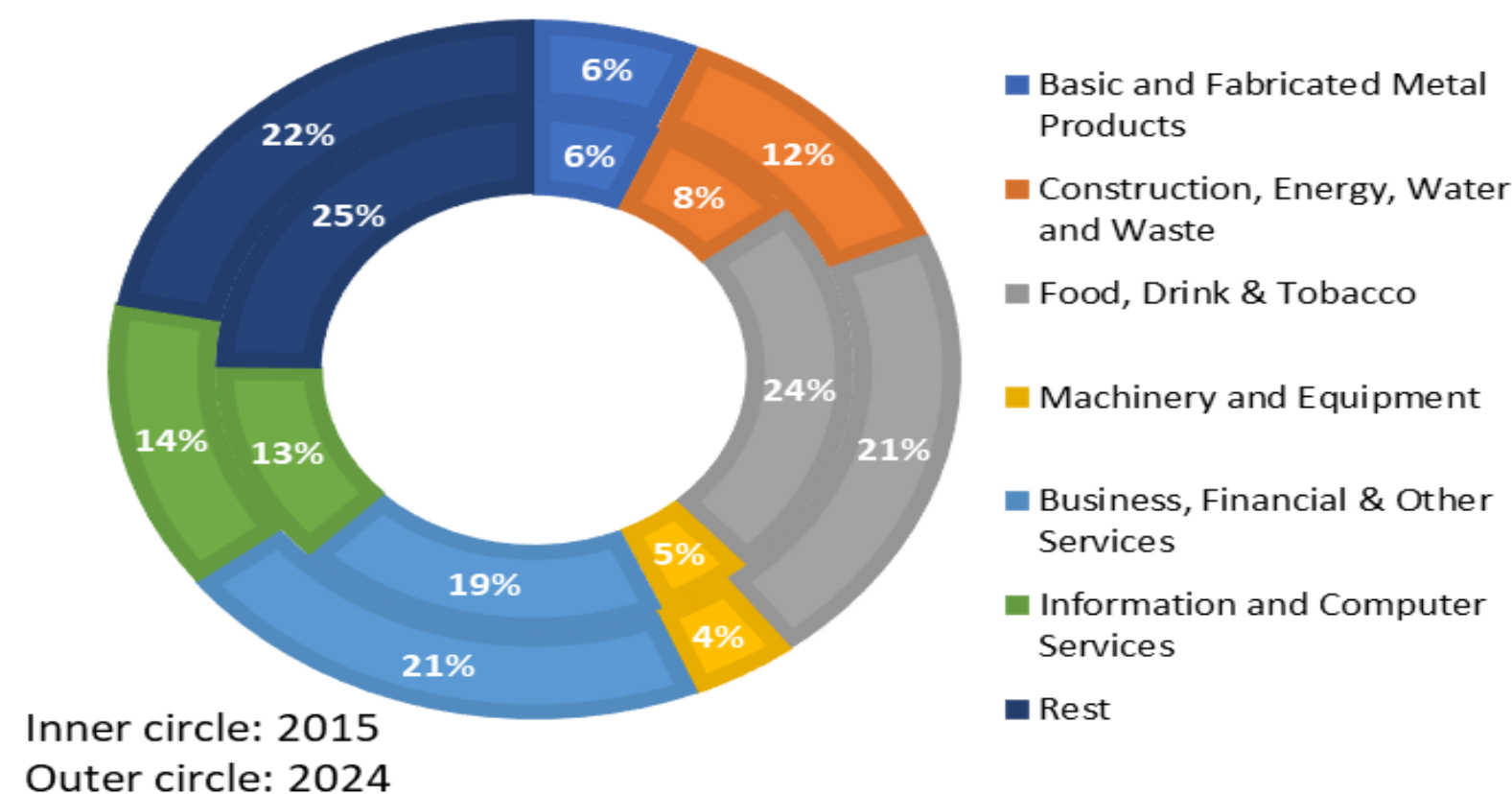

Churn in Employment


Employment by Broad Sector


EMPLOYMENT BY REGION

Inner circle: 2015
Outer Circle: 2024


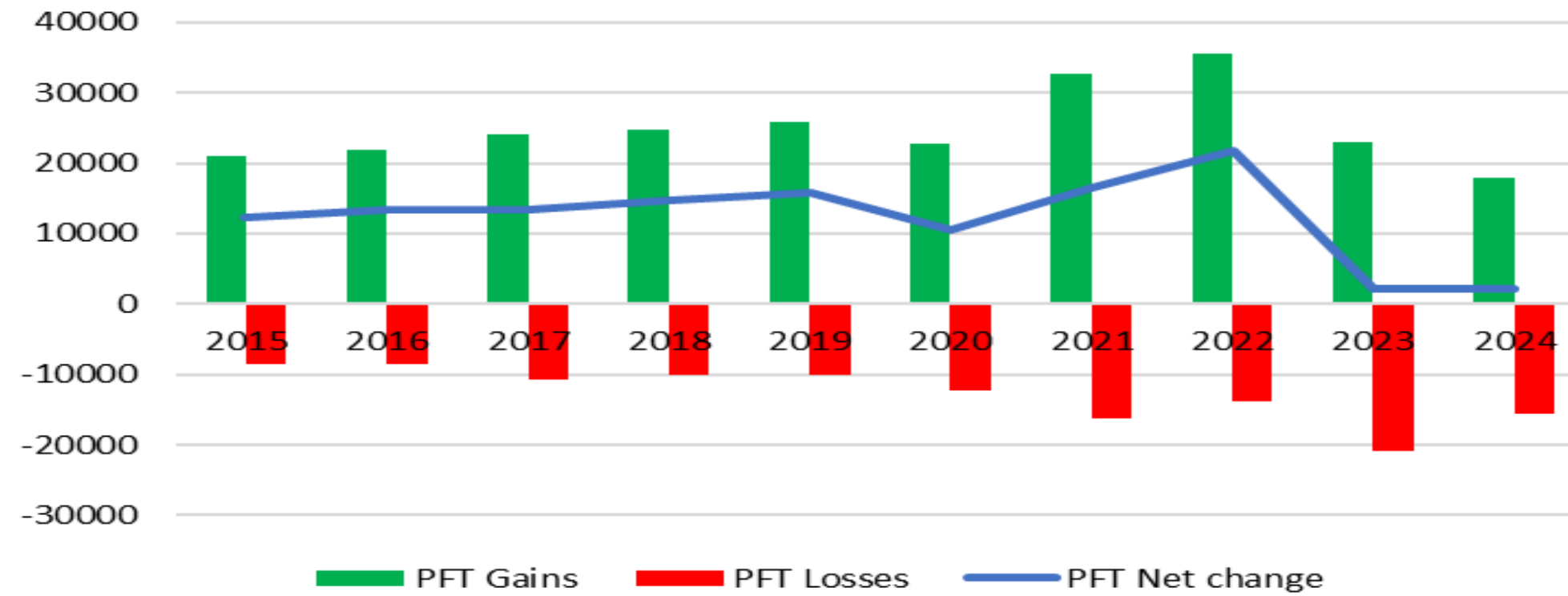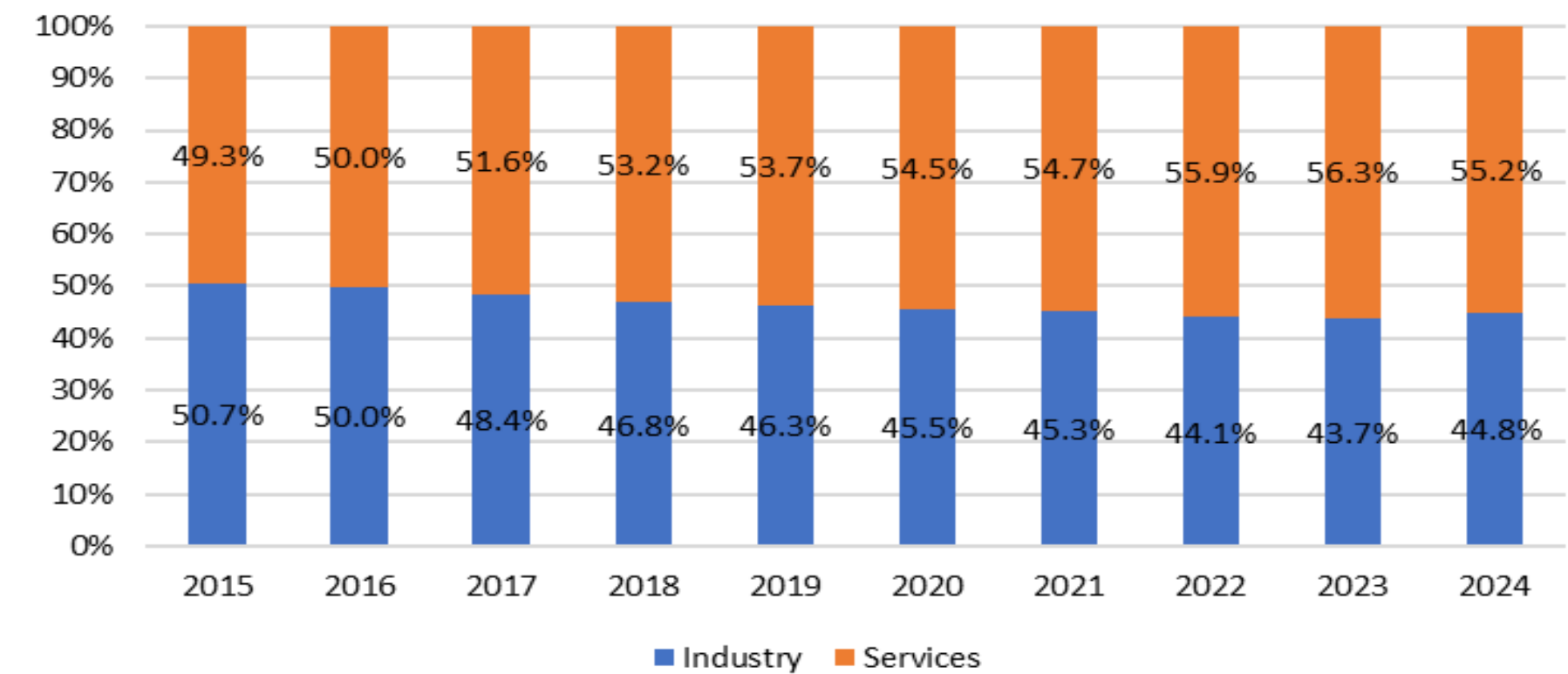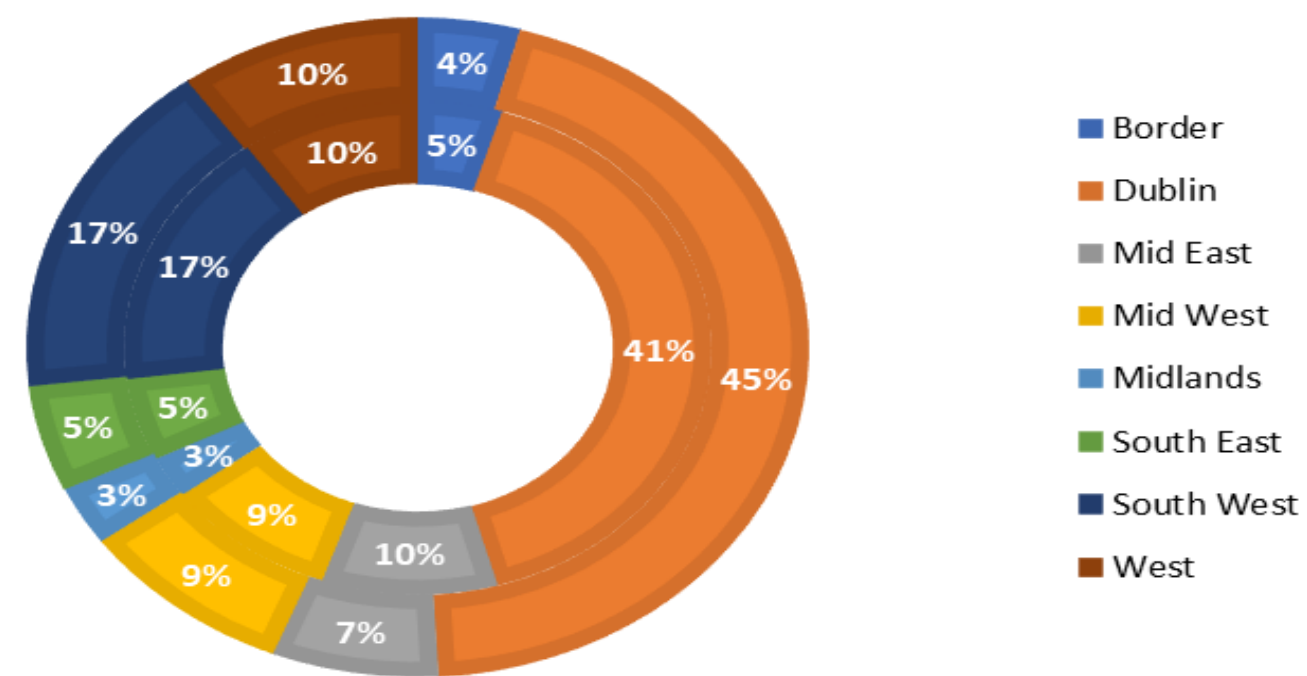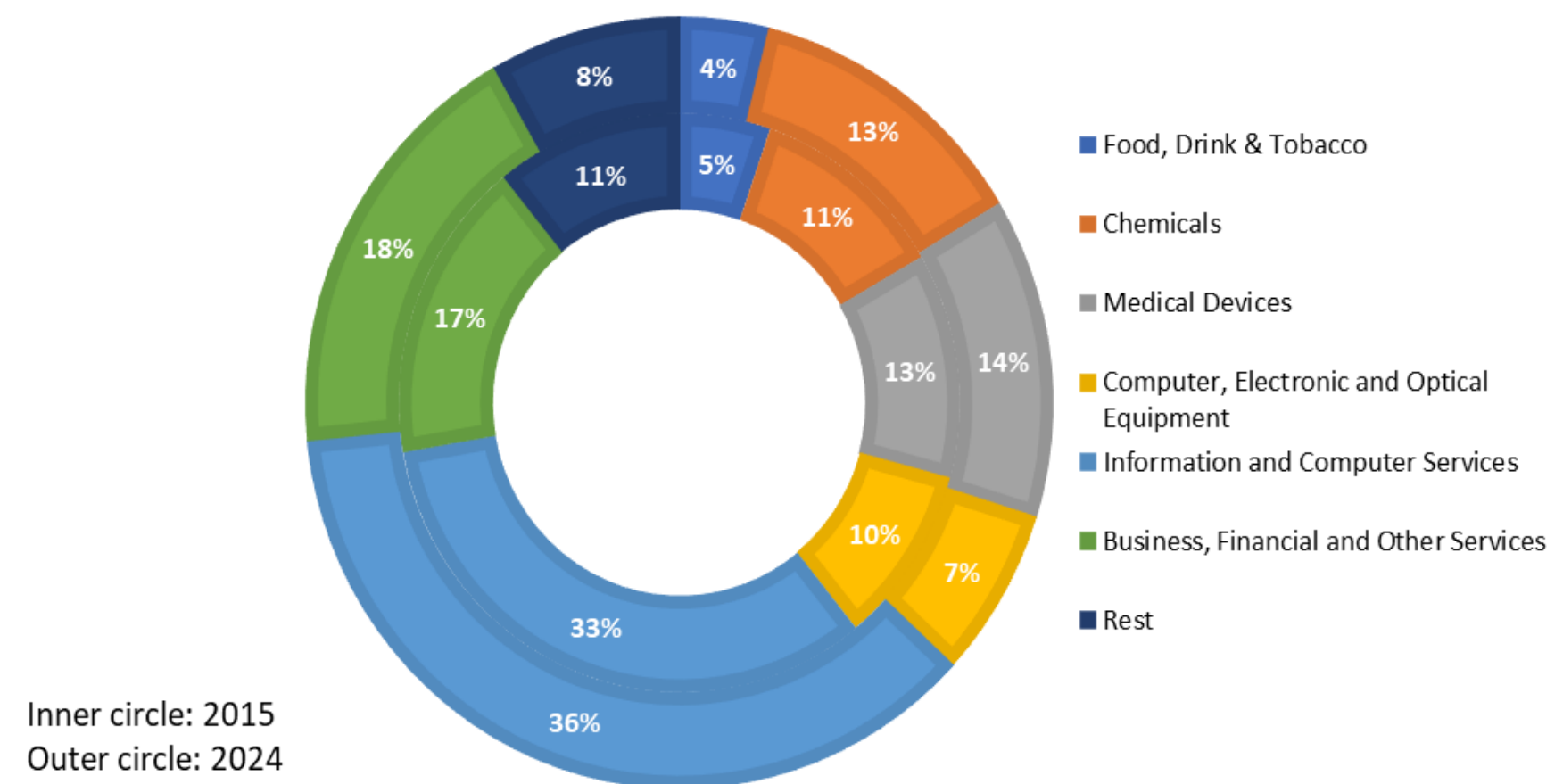SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR FOREIGN OWNED FIRMS

Inner circle: 2015
Outer circle: 2024

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