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Annual Employment Survey 2025

February 2026



The Annual Employment Survey

FIGURES IN 2025



ALL AGENCY
FIRMS

Total employment – 554,608
up 1.4% (7,636) in 2025



FOREIGN OWNED
AGENCY FIRMS

Total employment – 325,288
up 1.4% (4,589) in 2025



IRISH OWNED
AGENCY FIRMS

Total employment – 229,320
up 1.3% (3,047) in 2025

SHARE OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR



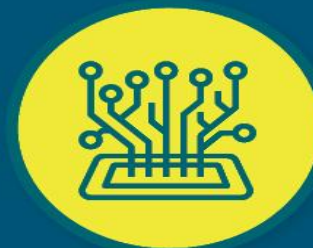
Food, Drink
& Tobacco
10.9%



Construction, Energy,
Waste & Water
5%



Business, Financial
& Other Services
20.4%



Computer, electronic
& optical products
4.6%



Information &
Computer Services
25.9%



Rest of Manufacturing
& Primary Production
16%

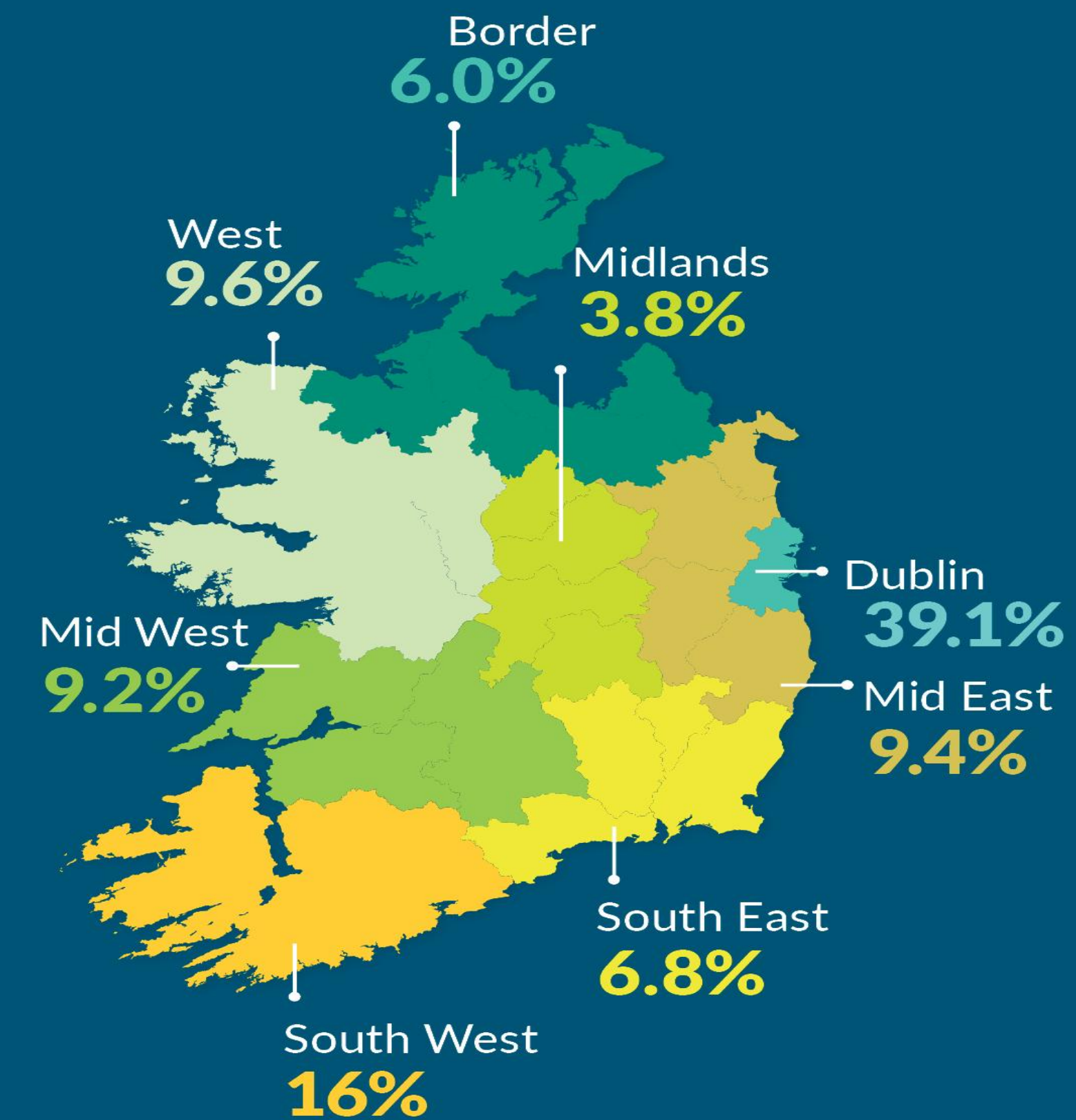


Chemicals
8.6%




Medical Devices
8.5%

SHARE OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT BY REGION



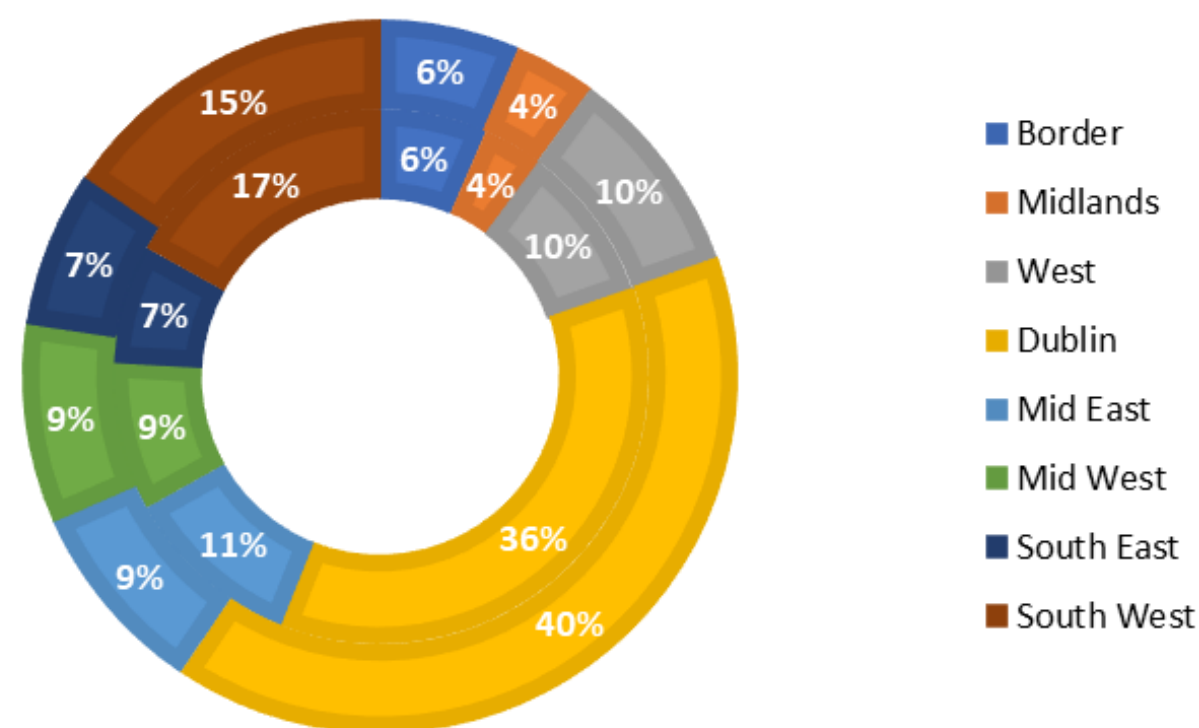
Employment in All Agency Client Firms 2016-2025

Full time and part time employment – 554,608 up 1.4% (+7,636) in 2025 



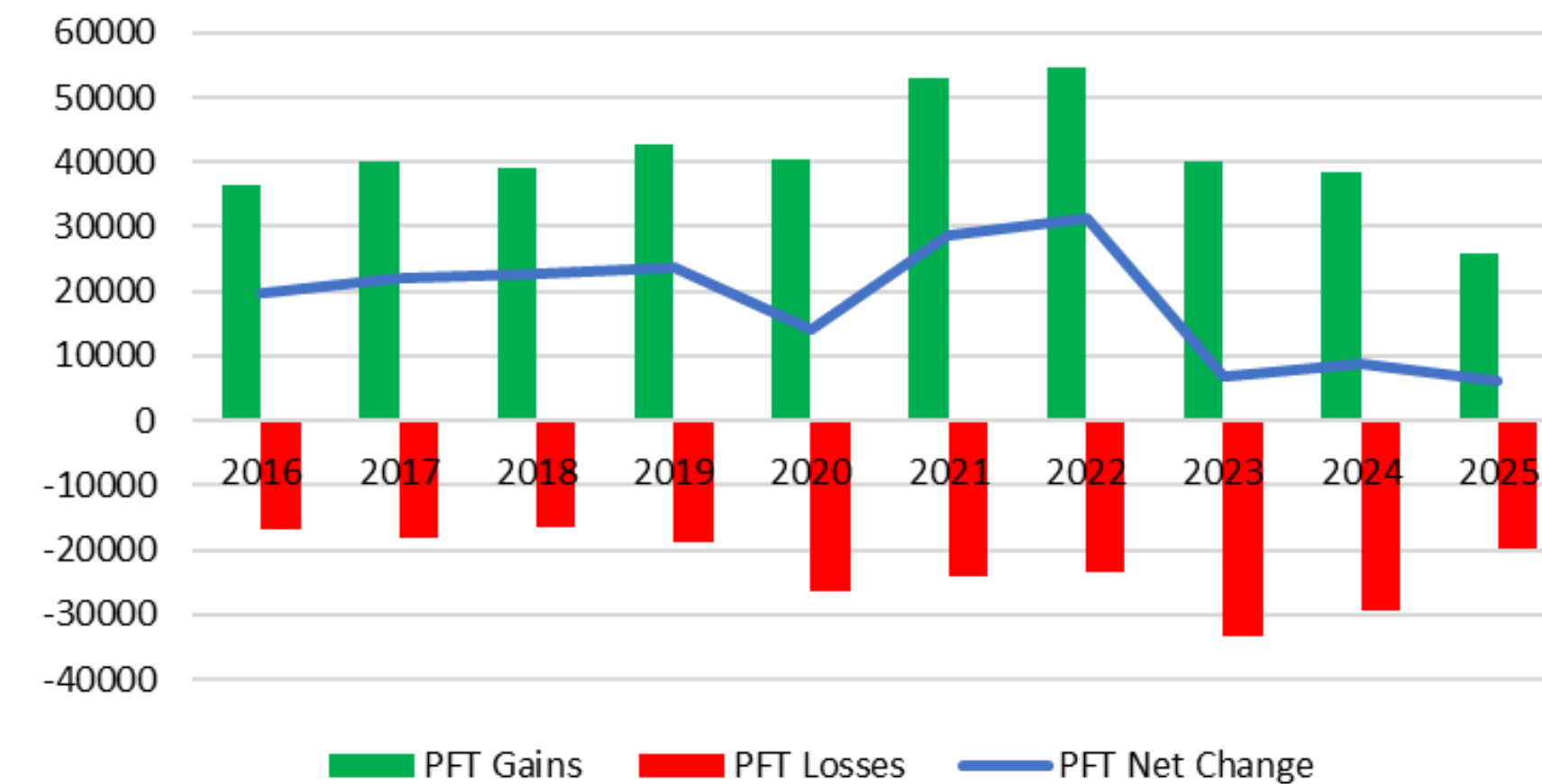
- Full time and other employment in all client firms was 554,608
- This accounts for 20% of total employment in Ireland and approximately 26% of business employment

EMPLOYMENT BY REGION



Inner circle: 2016
Outer circle: 2025


Churn in Employment



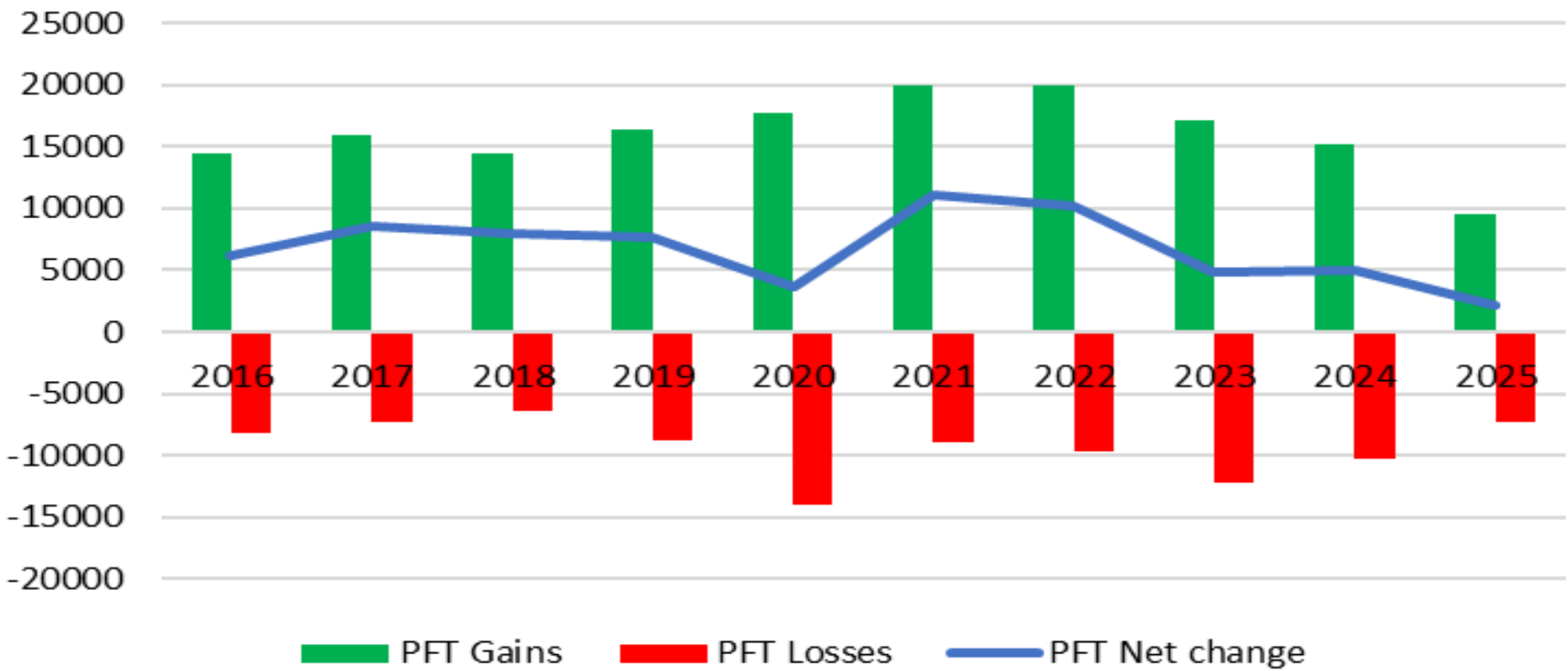
- Growth in employment was recorded in all regions between 2016-2025, though the share of employment in each region changed

Employment in Irish-Owned Agency Client Firms 2016-2025

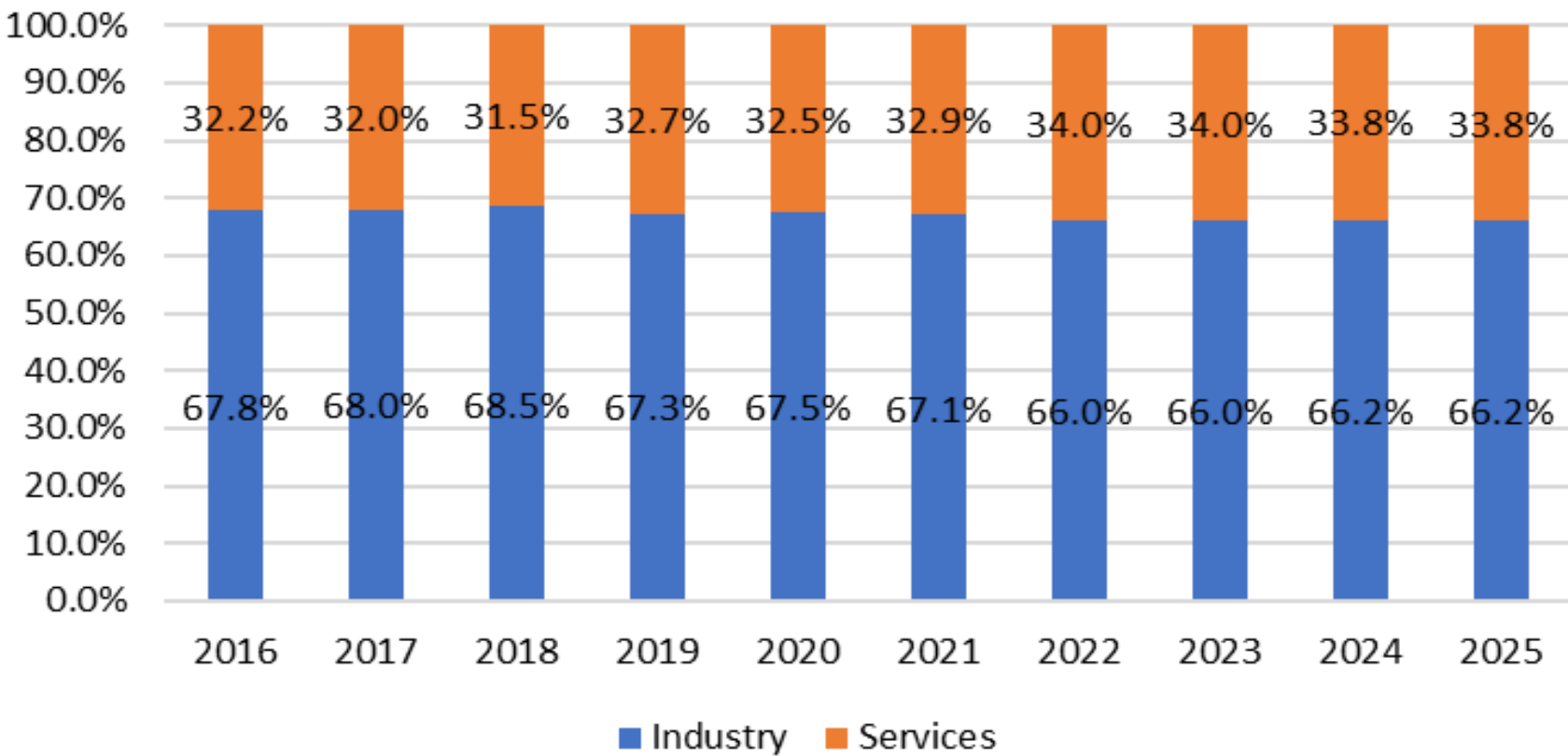


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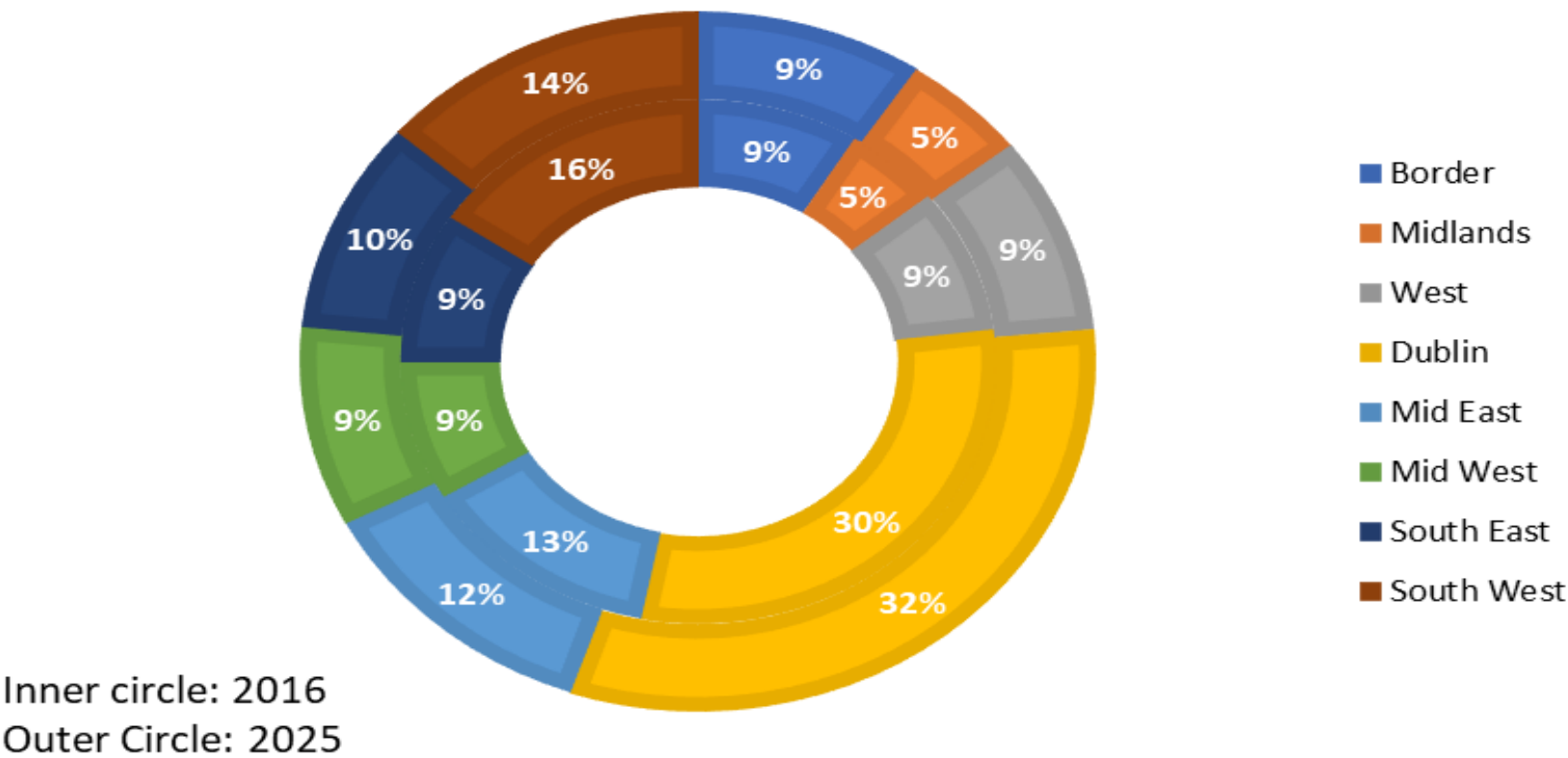
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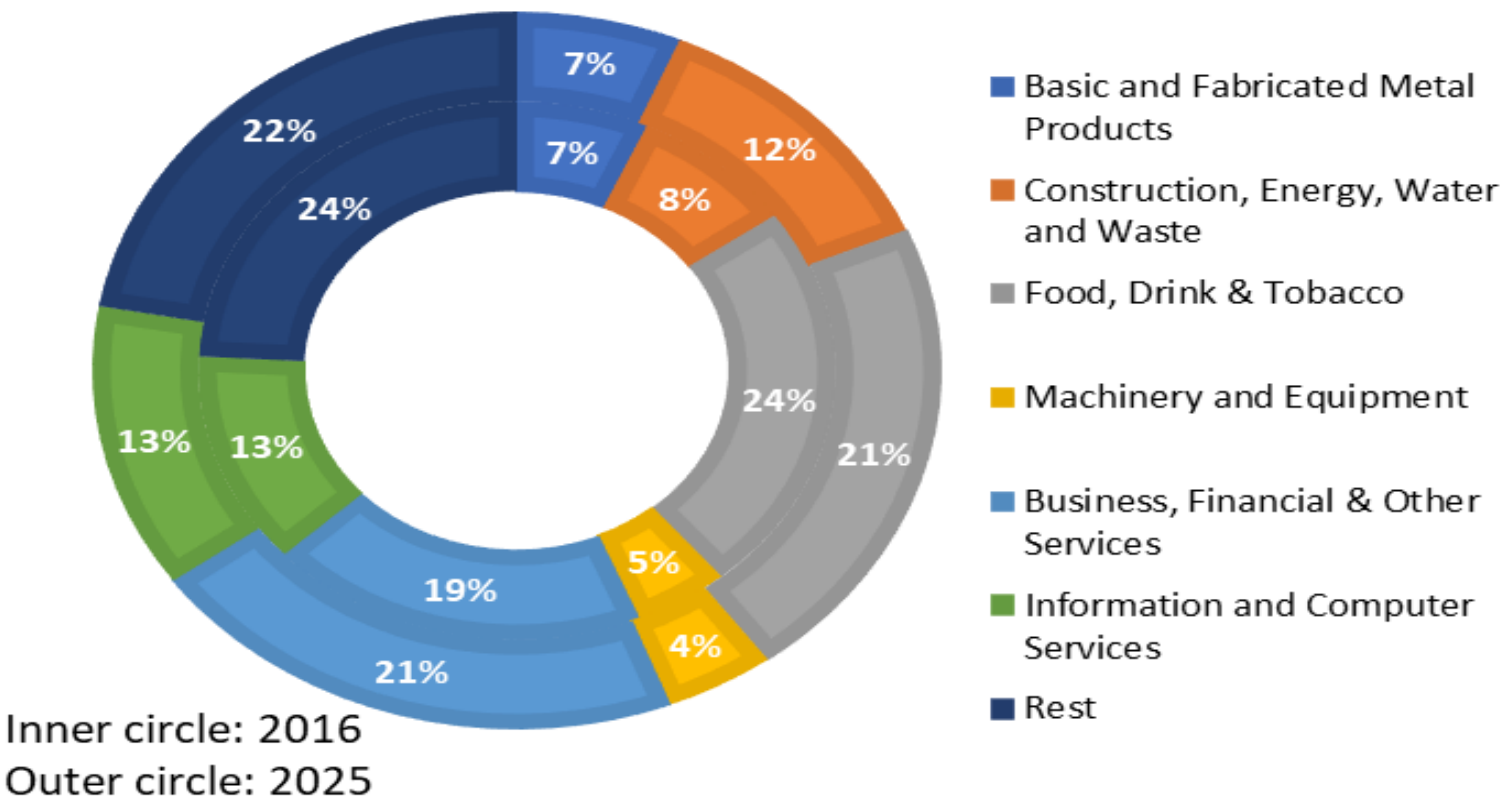
Employment by Broad Sector



EMPLOYMENT BY REGION



SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR IRISH OWNED FIRMS



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

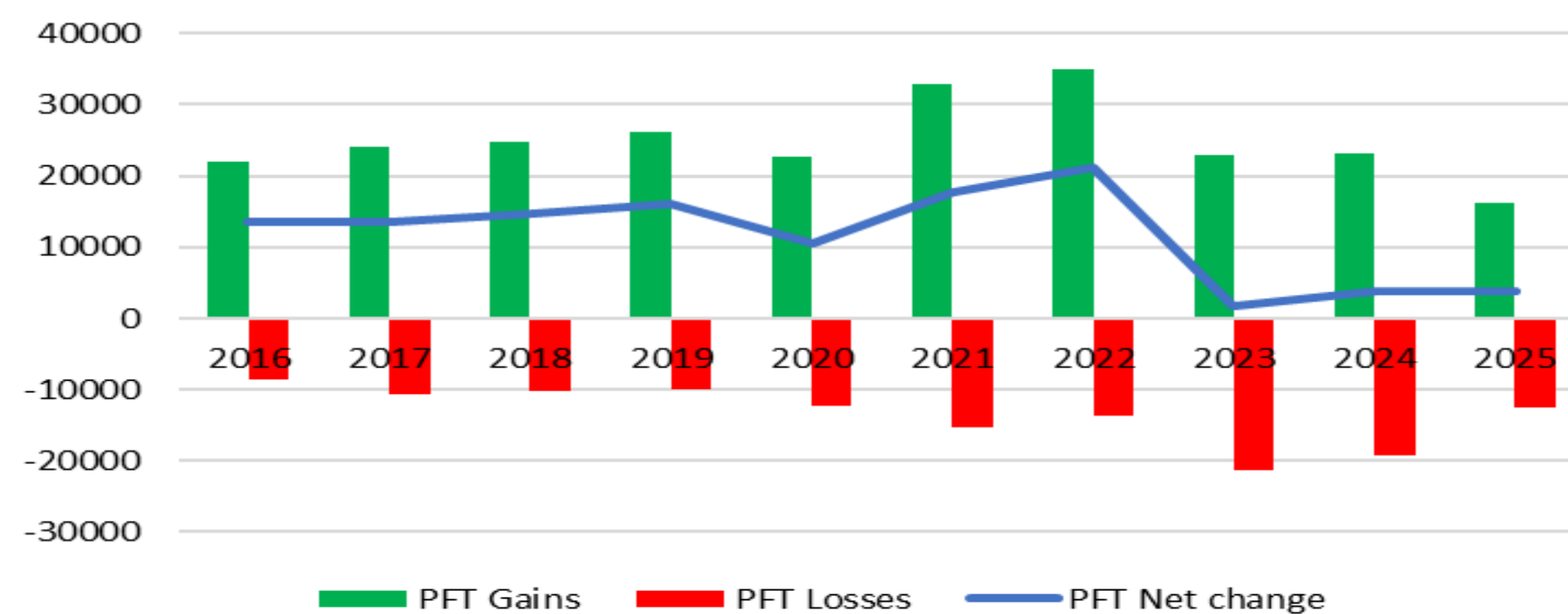
Employment in Foreign-Owned Agency Client Firms 2016-2025



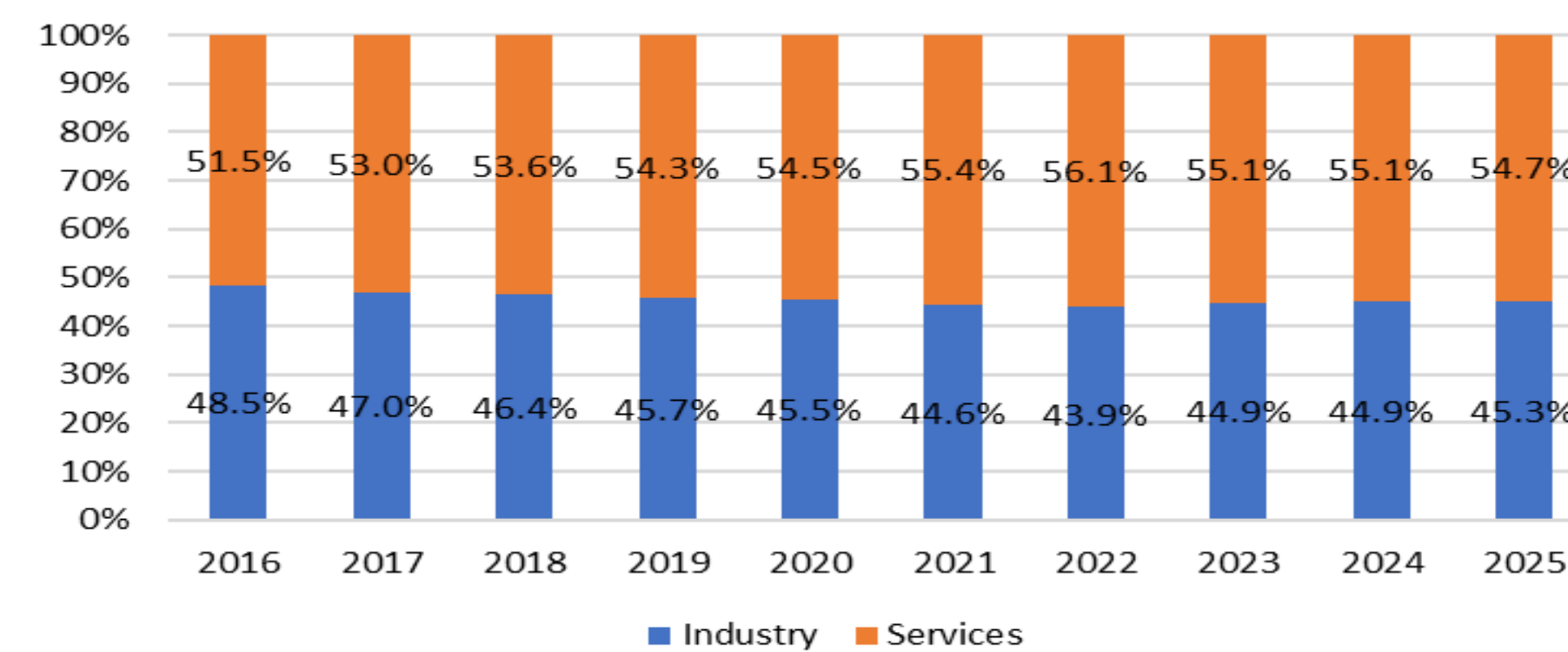
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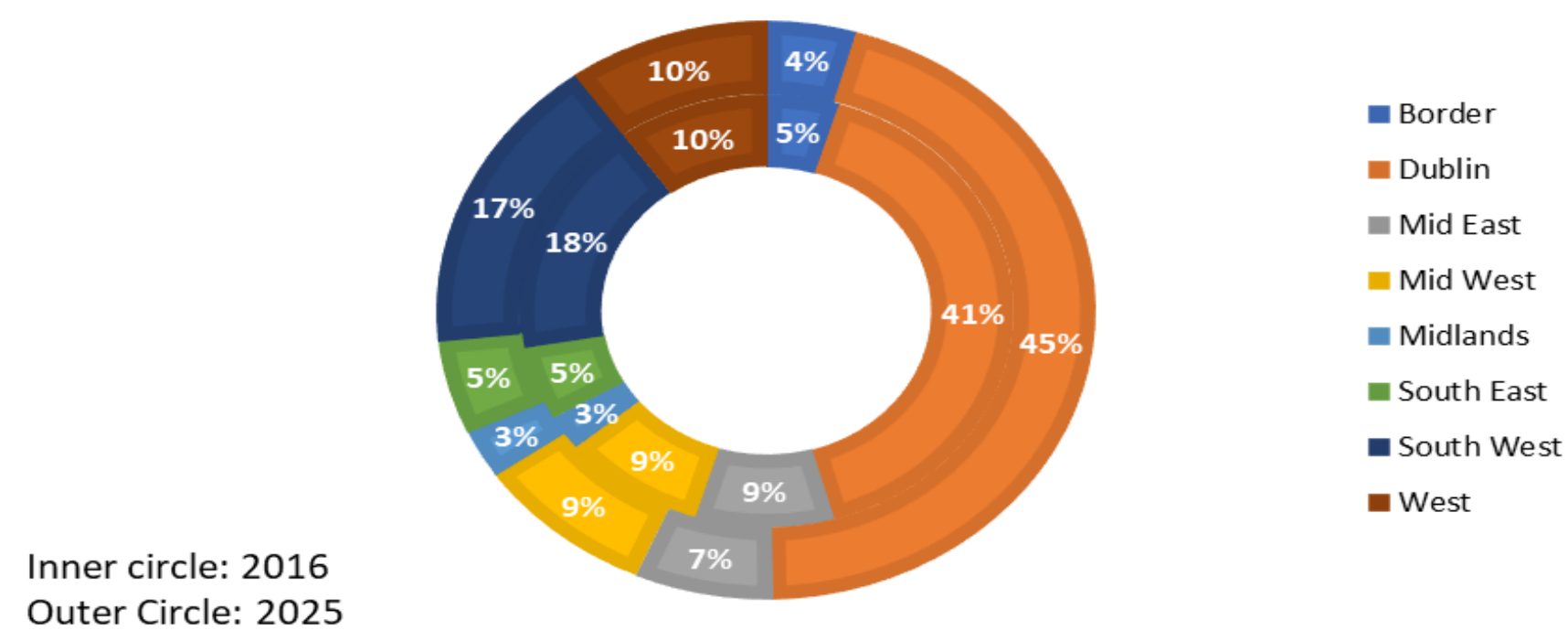
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EMPLOYMENT BY REGION



SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR FOREIGN OWNED FIRMS

