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Annual Employment Survey 2025

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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



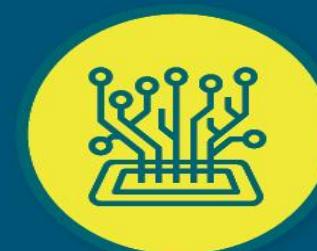
Food, Drink & Tobacco
10.9%



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%

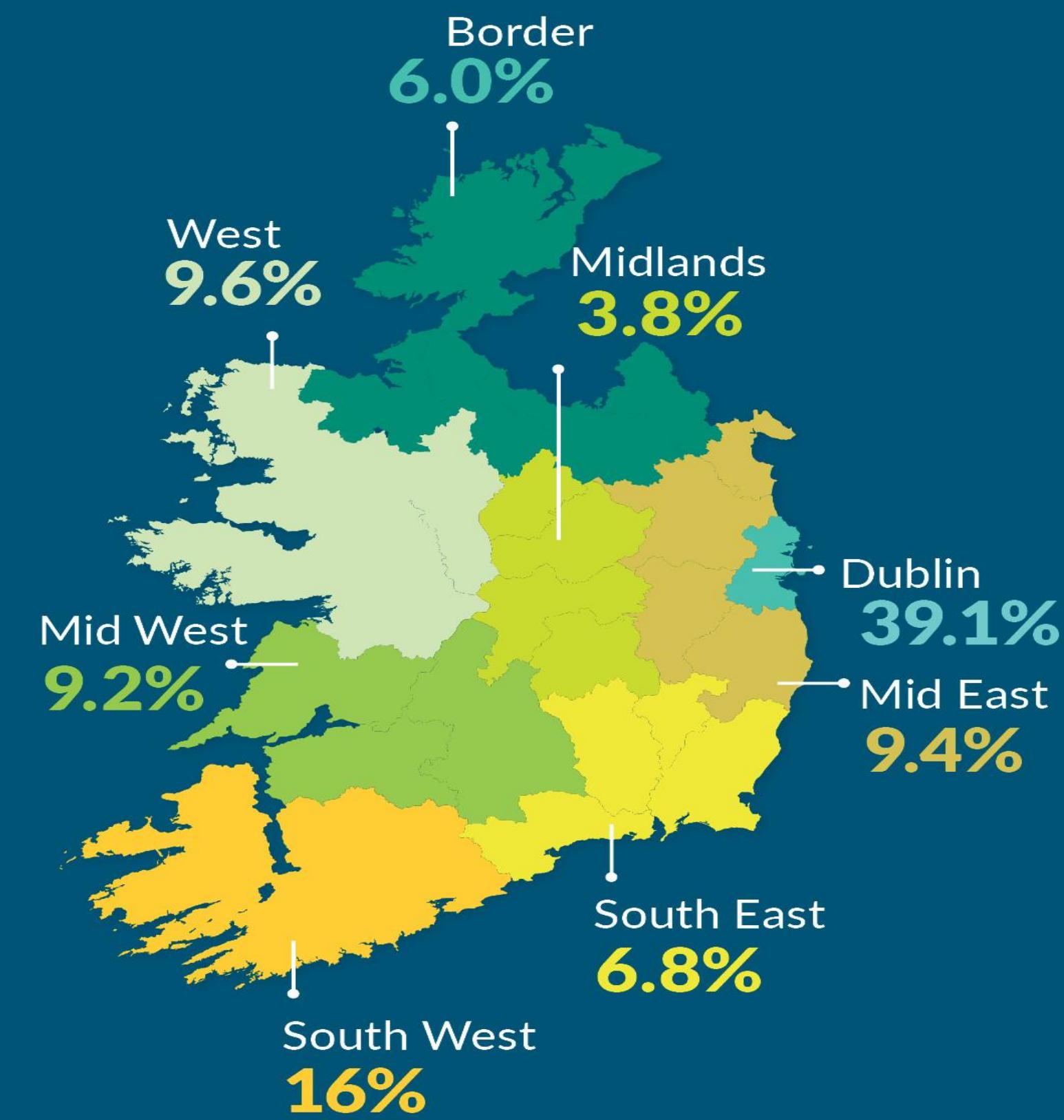


Chemicals
8.6%



Medical Devices
8.5%

SHARE OF TOTAL EMPLOYMENT BY REGION

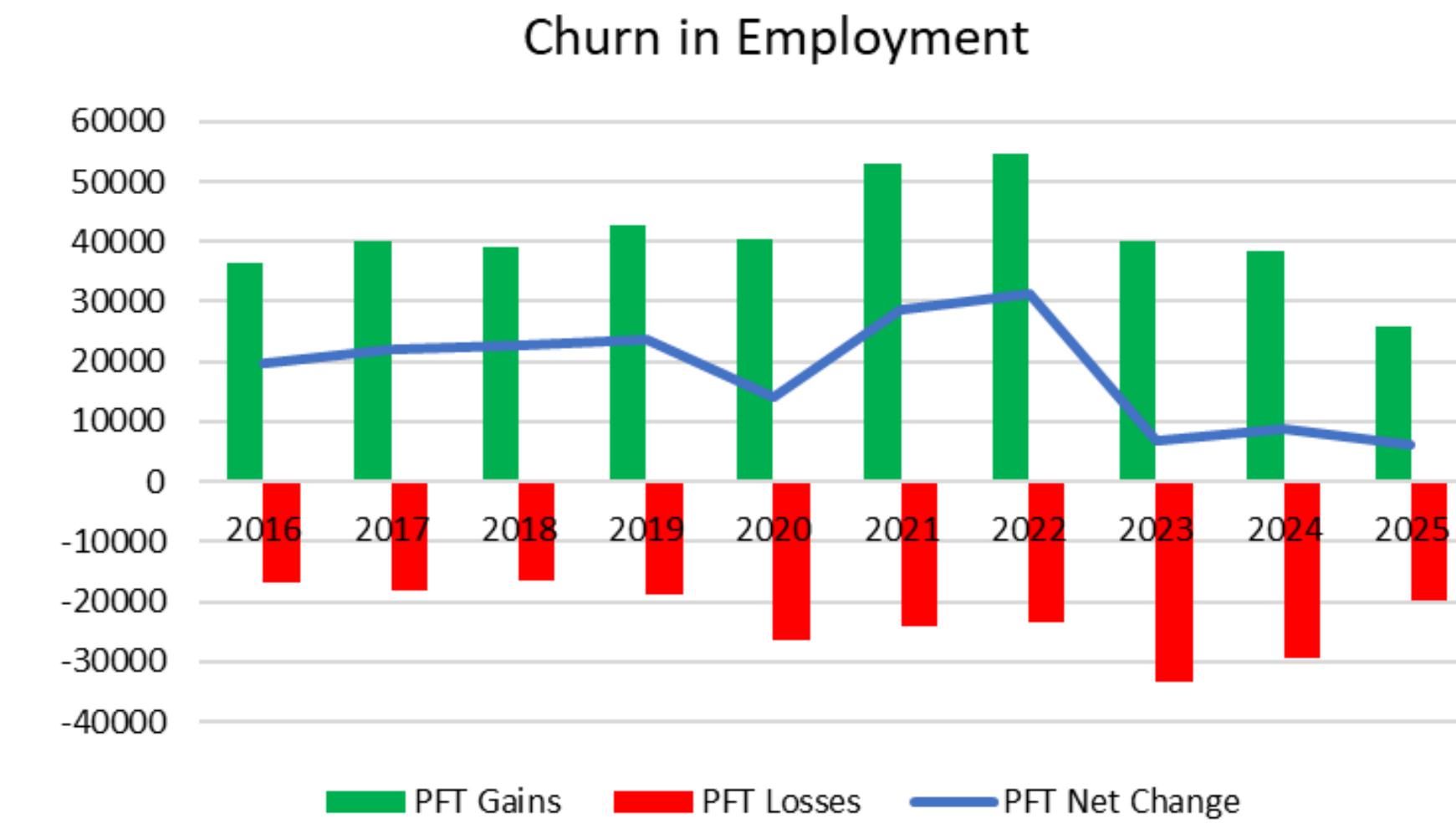
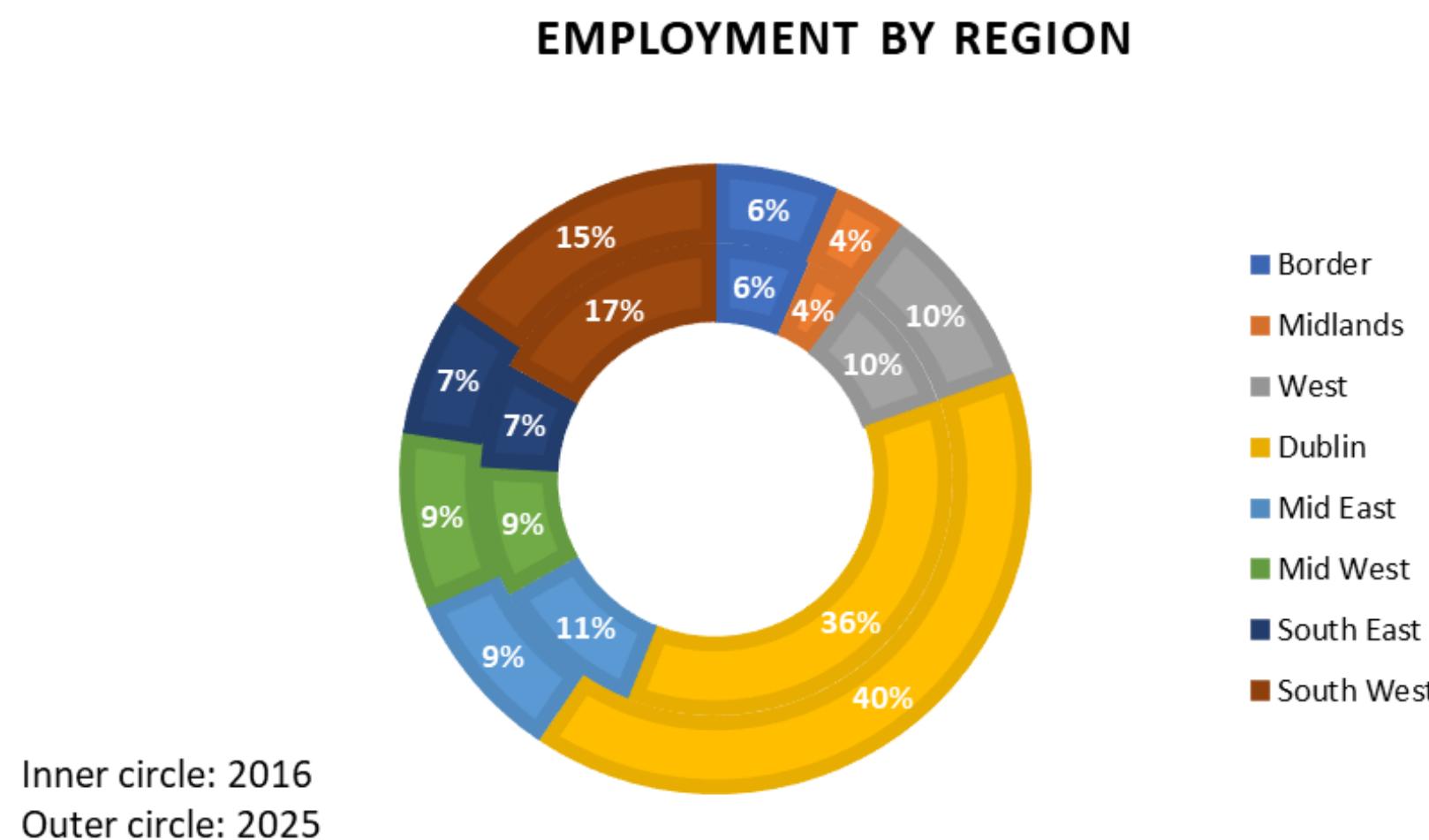


Employment in All Agency Client Firms 2016-2025

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



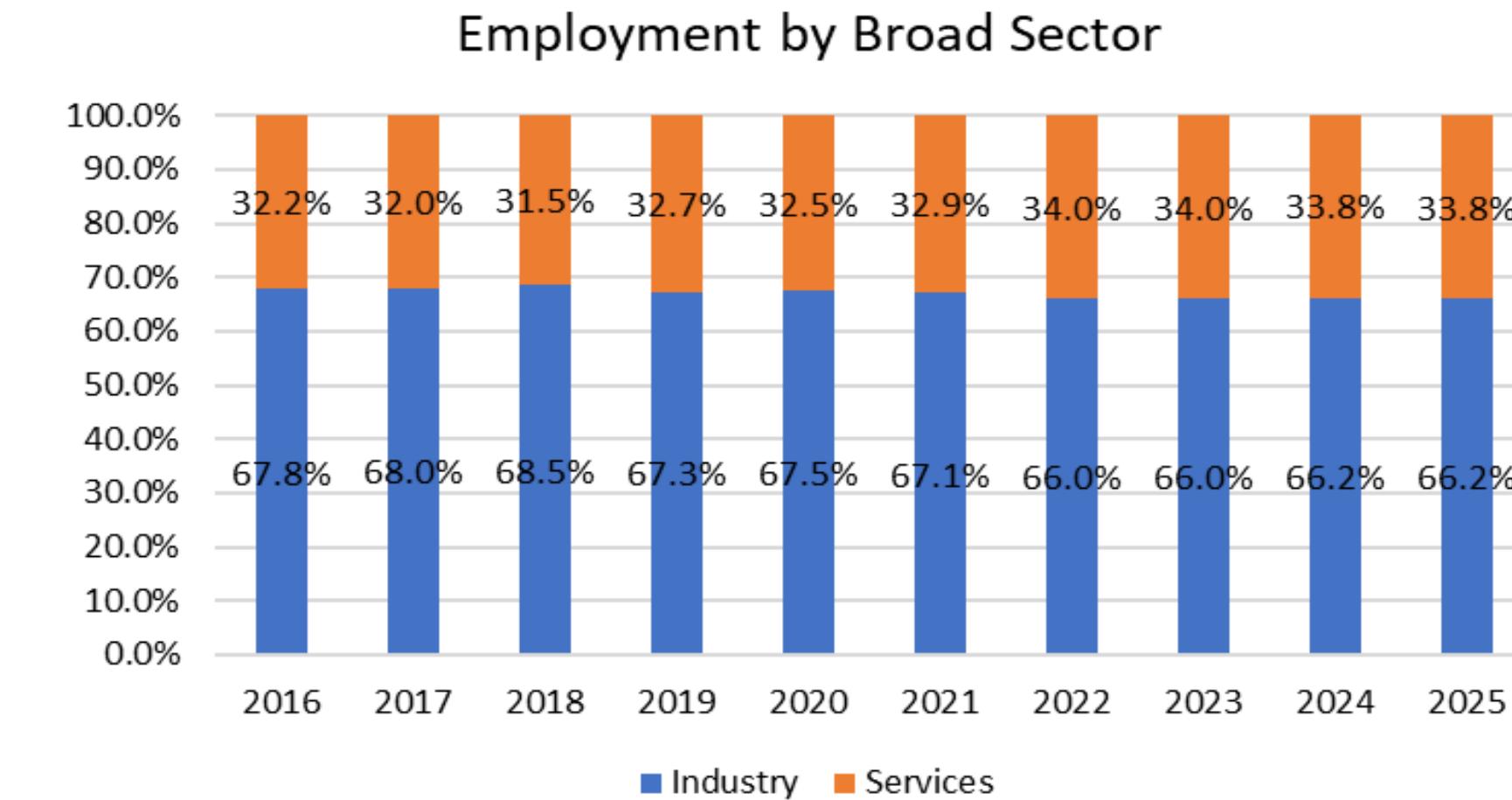
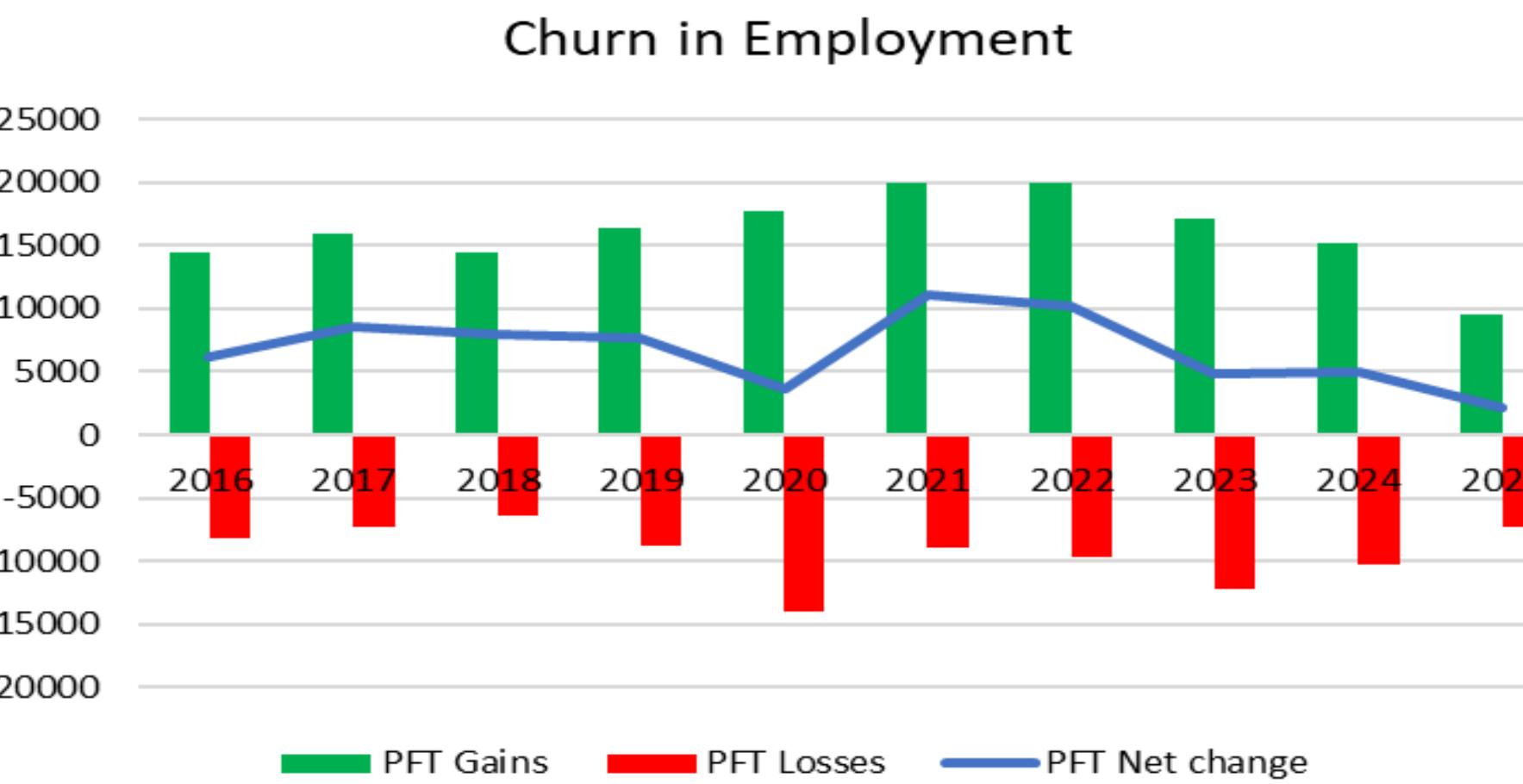
- Full time and other employment in all client firms was 554,608
- This accounts for 20% of total employment in Ireland and approximately 26% of business employment



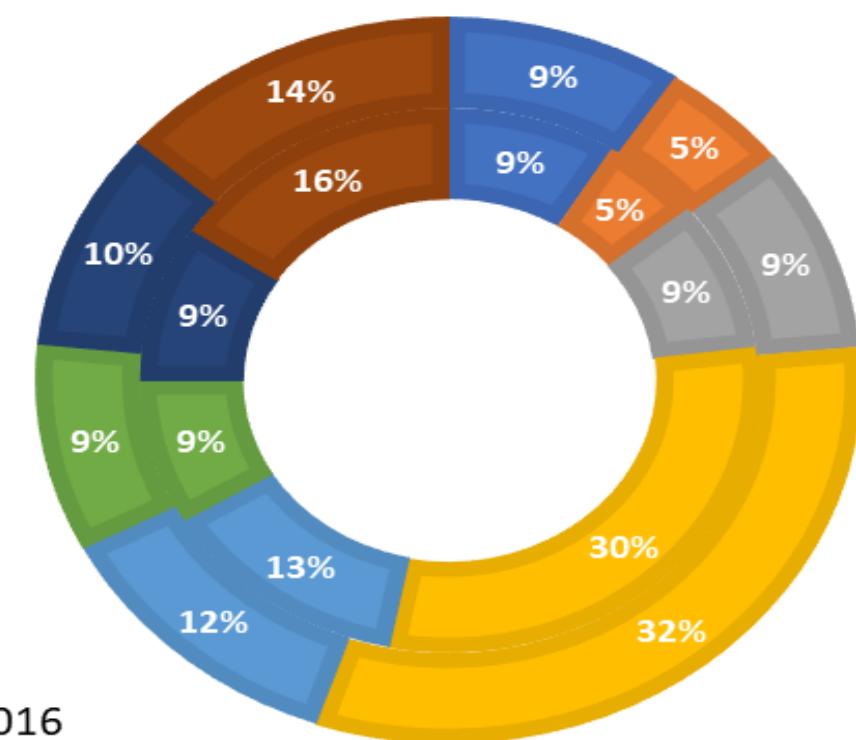
- Growth in employment was recorded in all regions between 2016-2025, though the share of employment in each region changed

Employment in Irish-Owned Agency Client Firms 2016-2025

Full time and part time employment – 229,320 up 1.3% (+3,047) in 2025

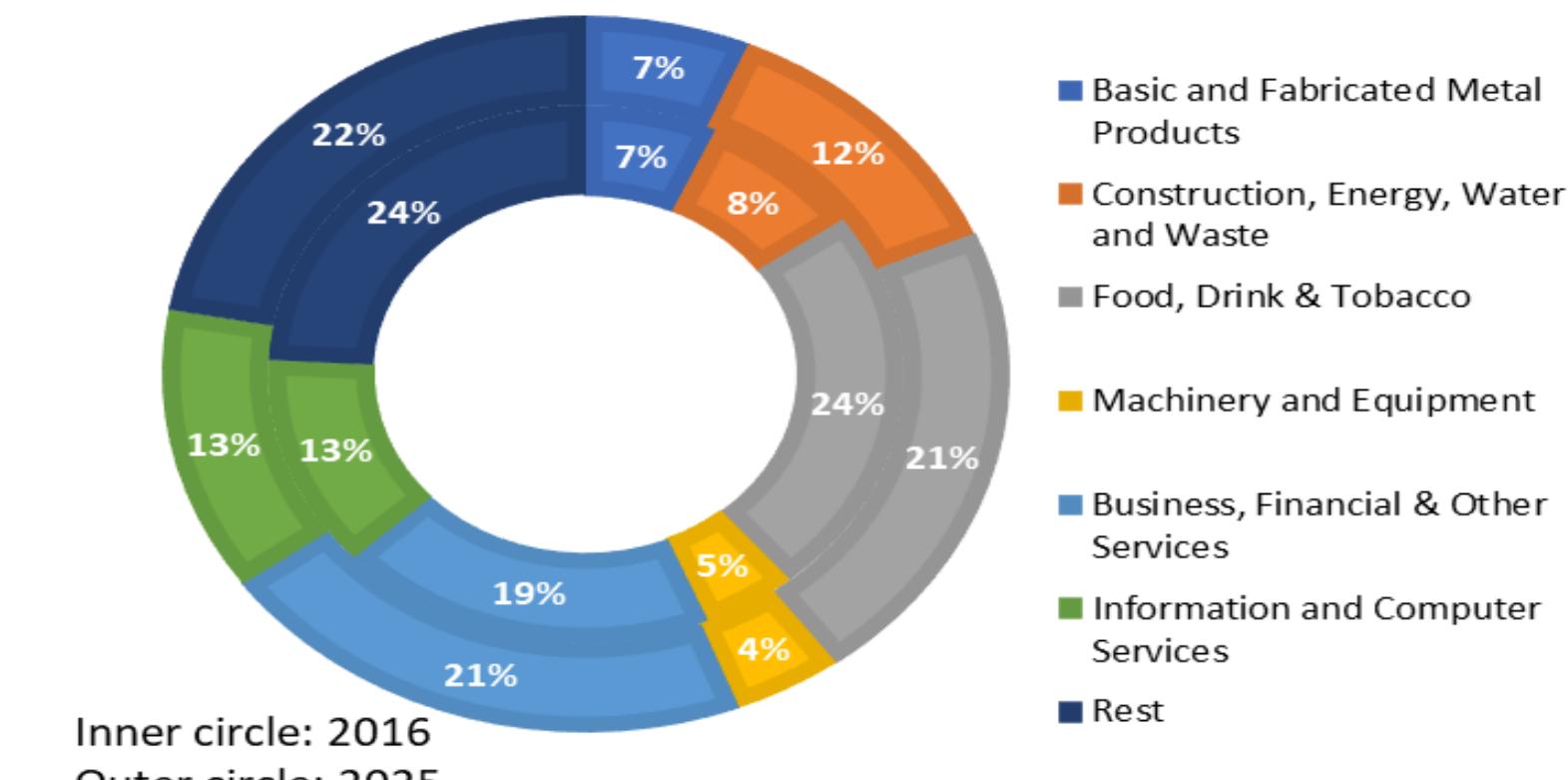


EMPLOYMENT BY REGION



- Border
- Midlands
- West
- Dublin
- Mid East
- Mid West
- South East
- South West

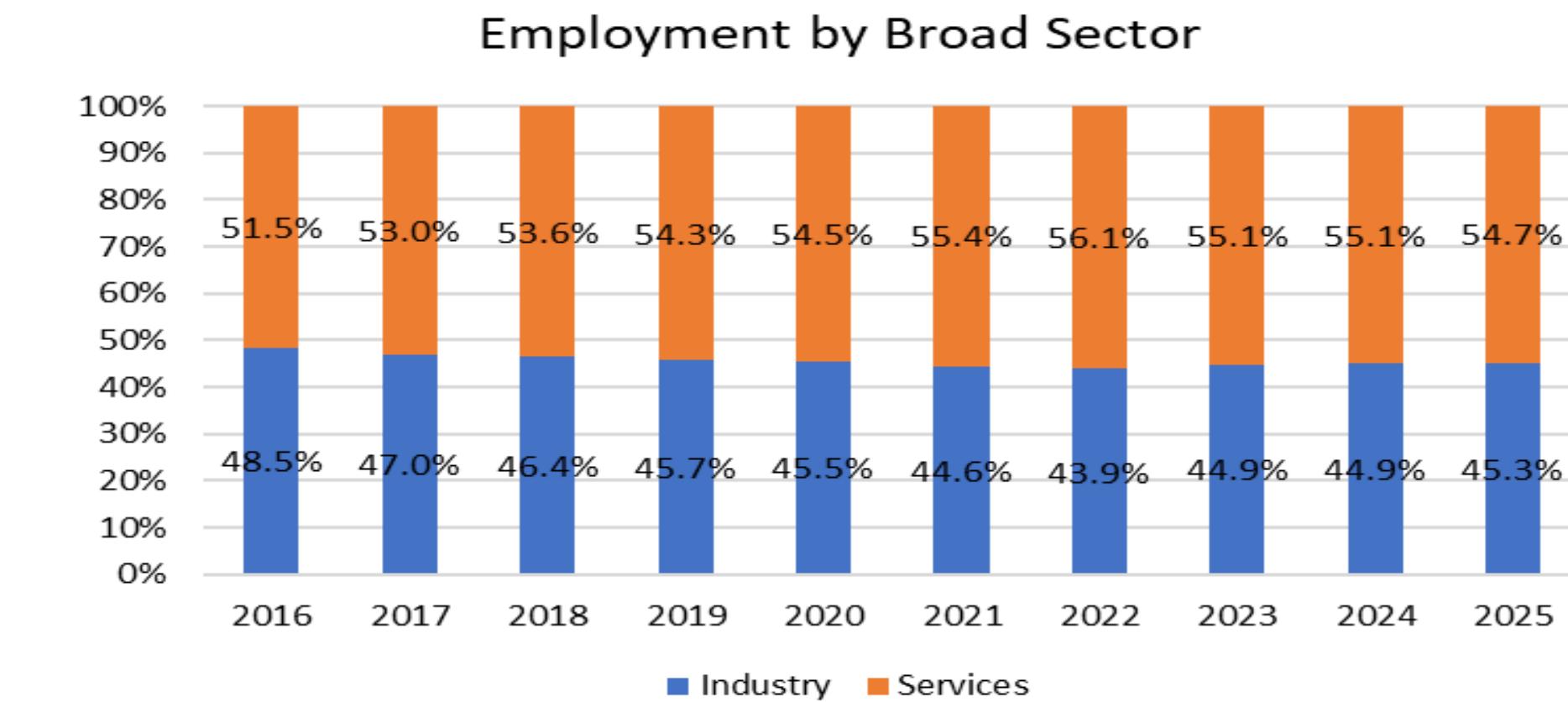
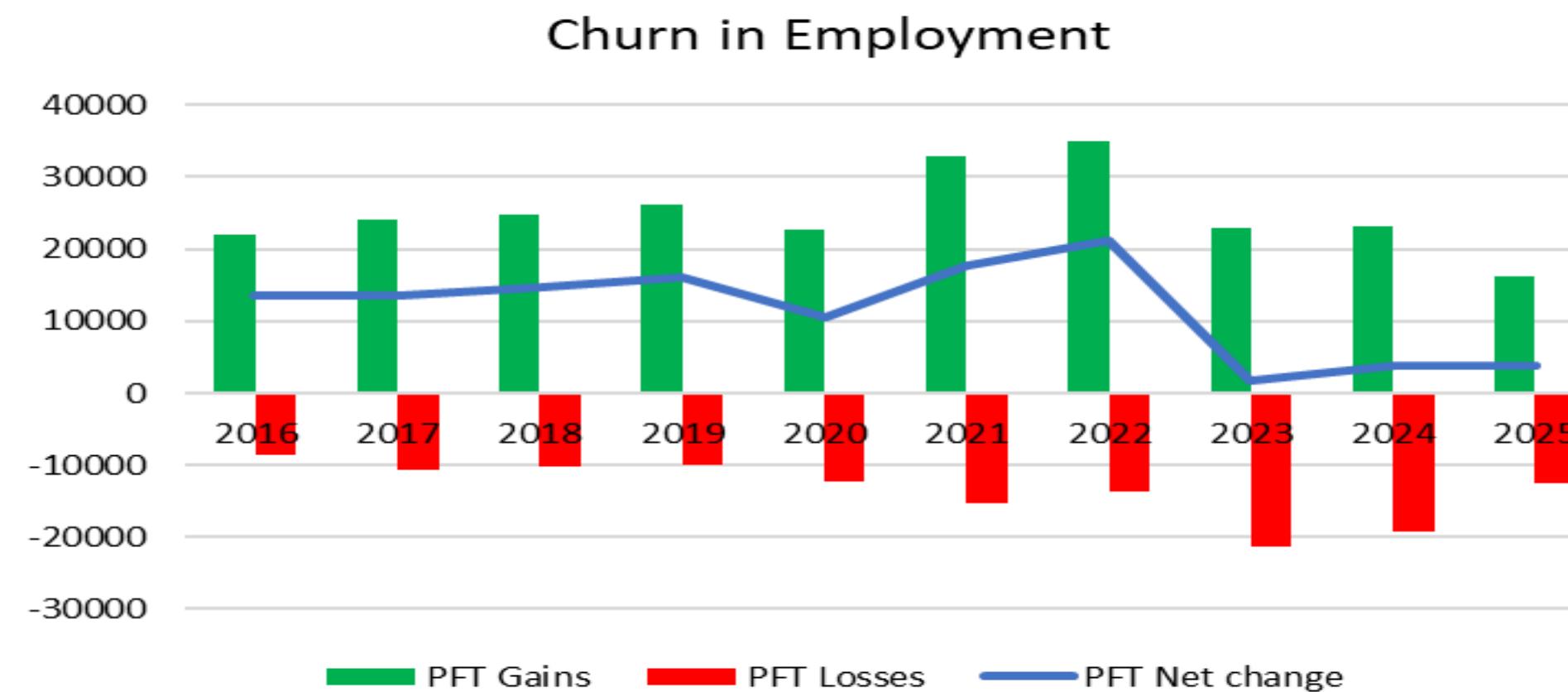
SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR IRISH OWNED FIRMS



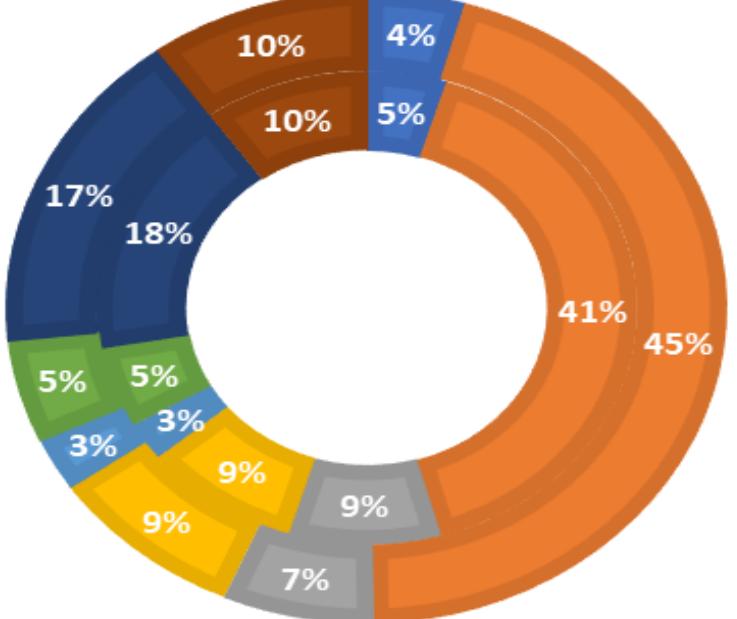
- Basic and Fabricated Metal Products
- Construction, Energy, Water and Waste
- Food, Drink & Tobacco
- Machinery and Equipment
- Business, Financial & Other Services
- Information and Computer Services
- Rest

Employment in Foreign-Owned Agency Client Firms 2016-2025

Full time and part time employment – 325,288 up 1.4% (+4,589) in 2025



EMPLOYMENT BY REGION



- Border
- Dublin
- Mid East
- Mid West
- Midlands
- South East
- South West
- West

SHARE OF EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR FOREIGN OWNED FIRMS

