



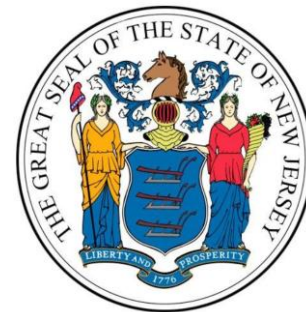
# New Jersey's Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics (TDL) Sector

A Detailed Analysis of Labor  
Market Information

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# Industries included in this sector

NAICS	Industry Description
42	Wholesale Trade
48-49	Transportation & Warehousing



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- All information presented refers exclusively to New Jersey data, unless otherwise stated
  - Data reflects the most recent year available: 2023

# Highlights of Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics Sector (TDL) to New Jersey's Economy

- TDL Employment: 451,900 workers (12.4% of the private sector workforce)
- Average Annual Wage: \$84,400 (4.3% above state average)
- Total Wages Paid: \$38.2 billion (12.9 percent of all wages paid)
- Gross Domestic Product: \$72.4 billion (12.2% of total output)

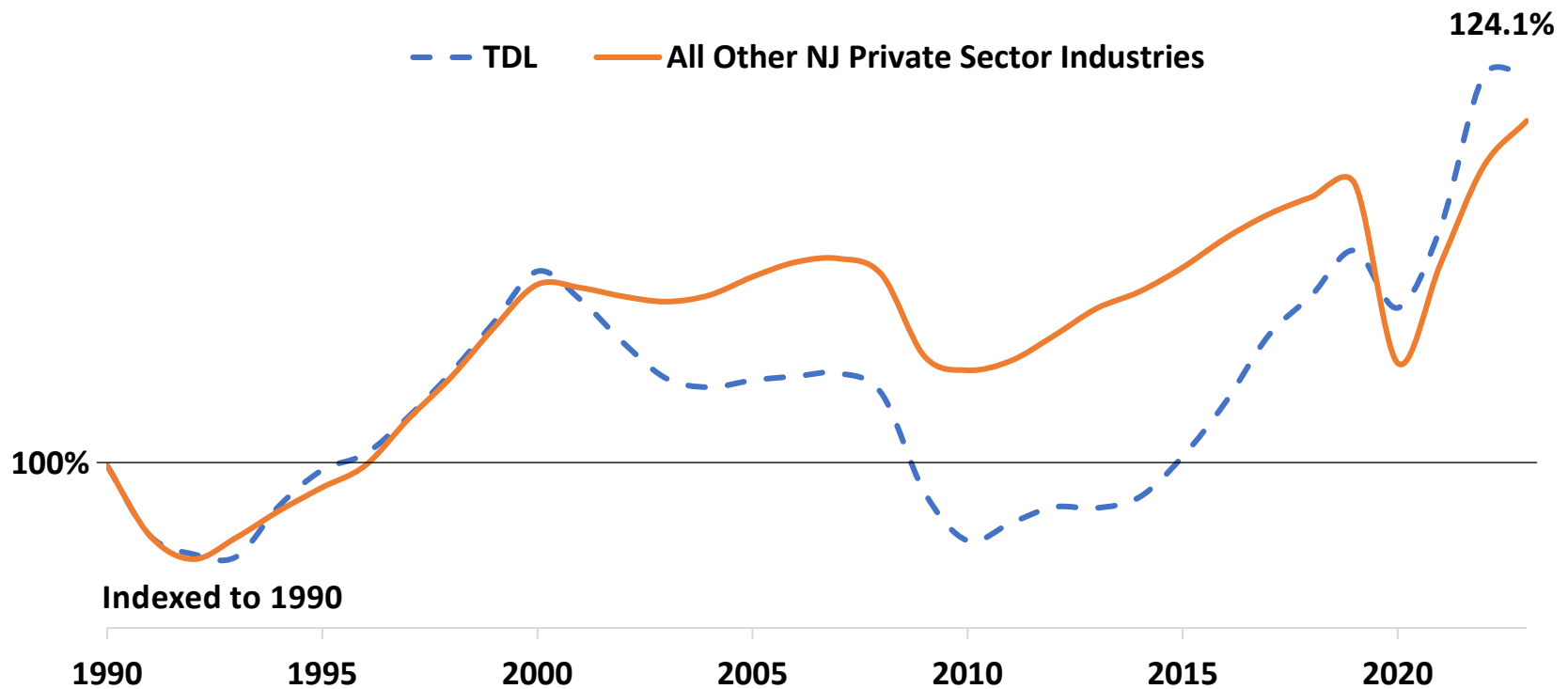




# Industry Analysis and Economic Overview



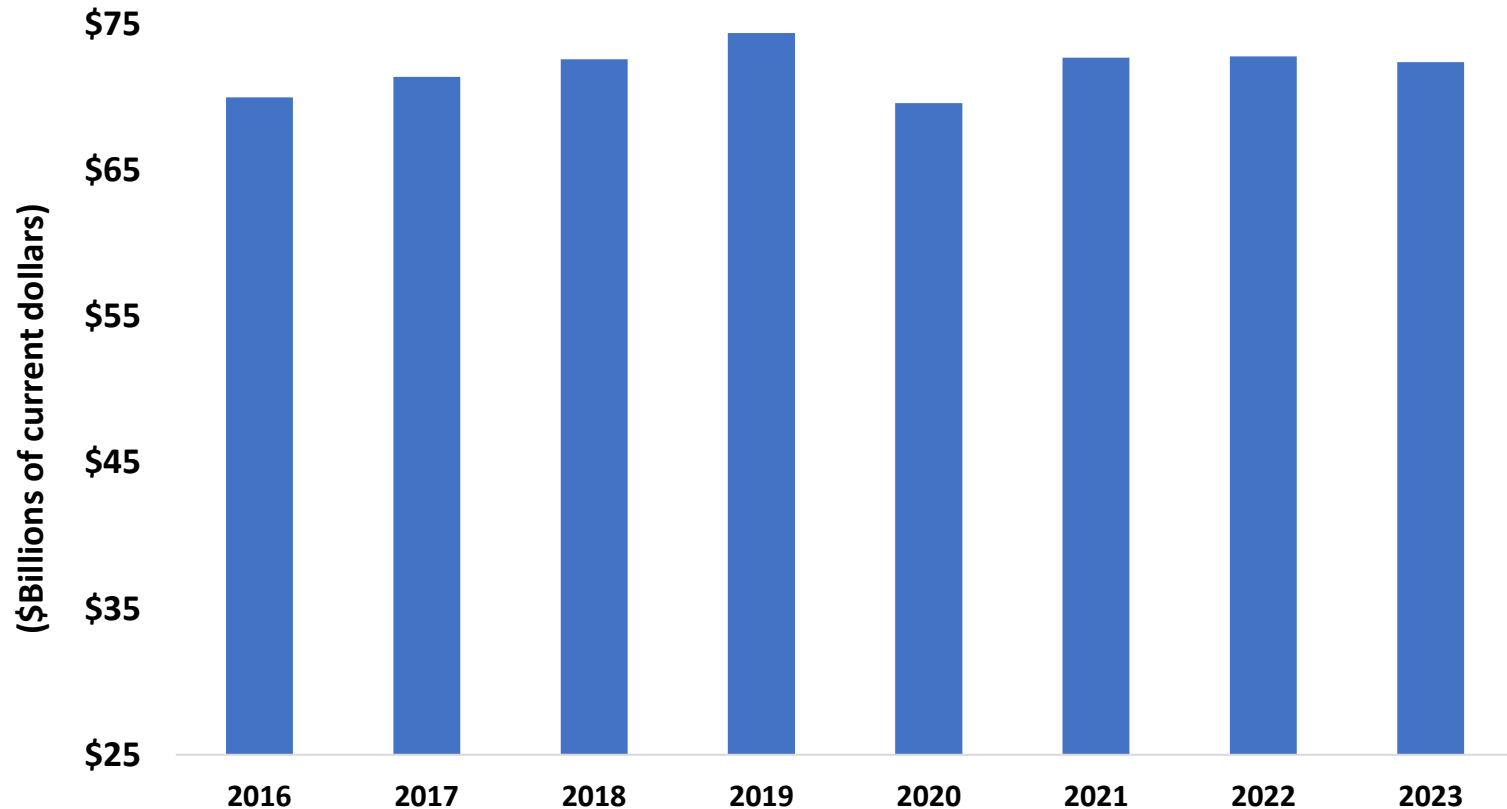
# After trailing behind for 20 years, TDL employment has gained traction again to outgrow other industries



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Source: Current Employment Statistics, Annual Averages,  
Prepared by: New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development

# The Transportation, Distribution & Logistics industry contributed over \$72.4 billion (12.2%) to the Gross State Product





# New Jersey's land infrastructure contributions includes:

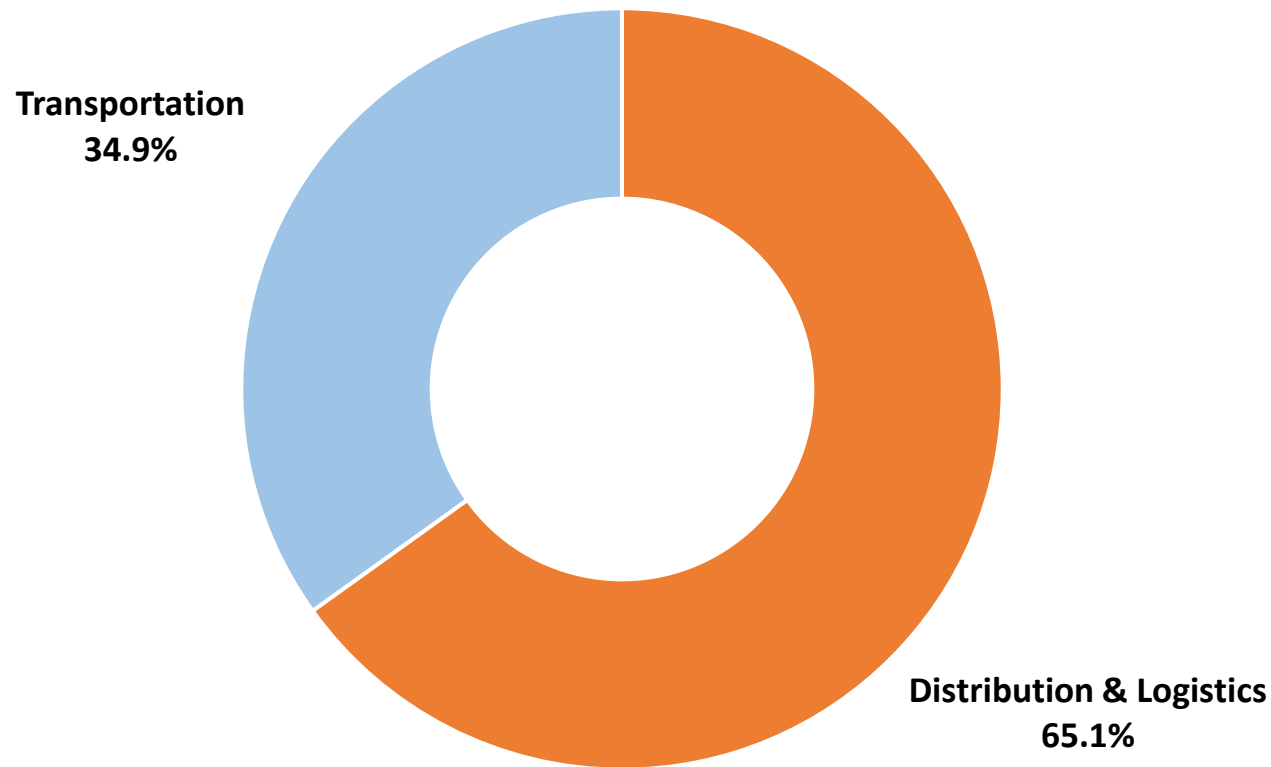
- Nearly 39,000 miles of public roadways.
- 1,087 miles of freight railroads
- NJ Transit System (rail, light rail, bus and paratransit services)



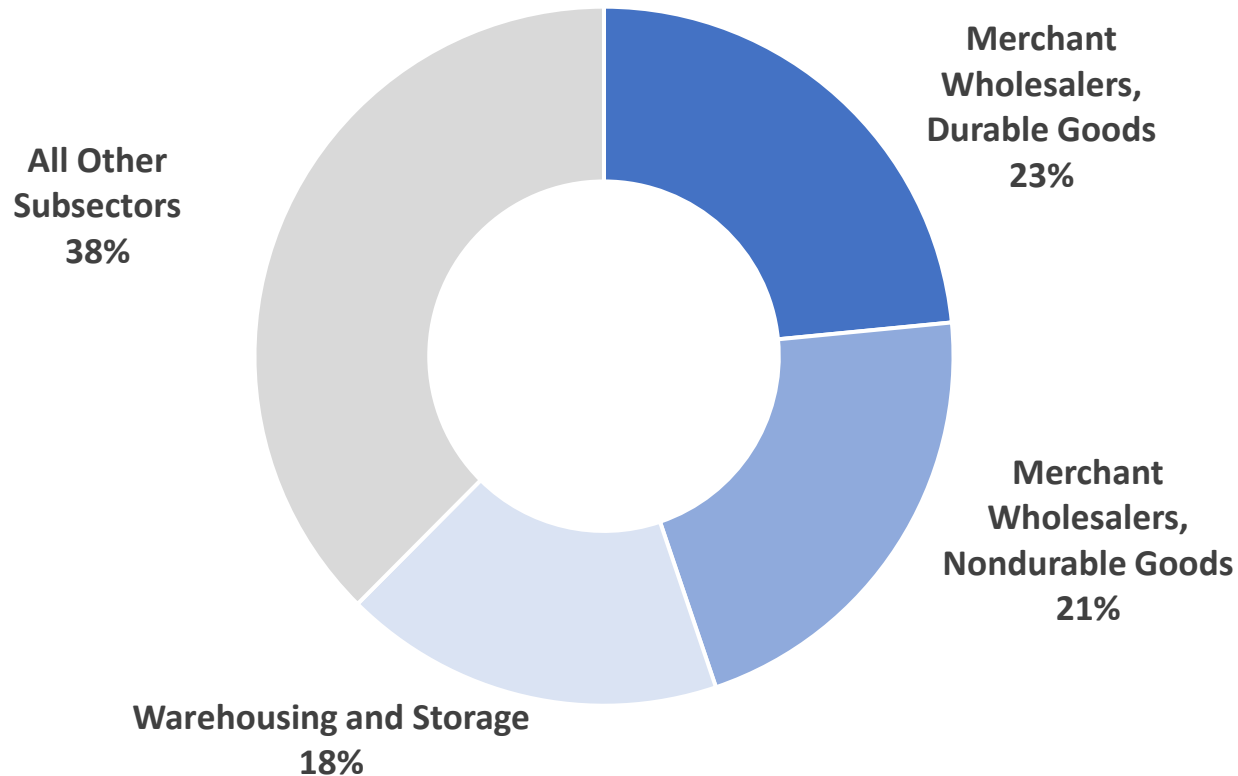
# Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics Industry Overview



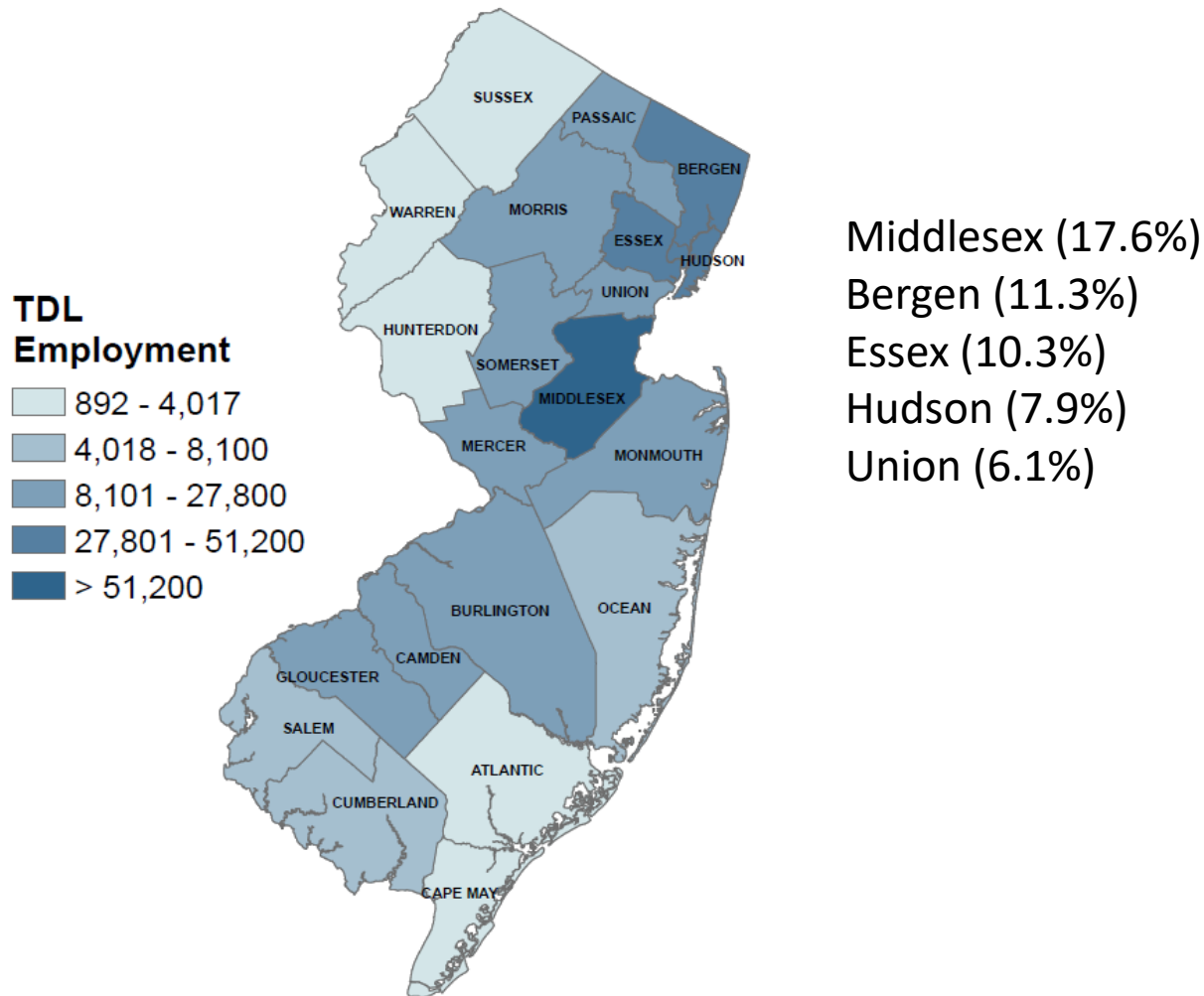
# The Distribution and Logistics component constitutes two-thirds of TDL employment



## The top three identified industries from TDL's 13 subsectors accounted for 62 percent of total jobs



# Five counties surrounding the ports of Newark and Elizabeth accounted for more than half of TDL jobs



# Employment by Region

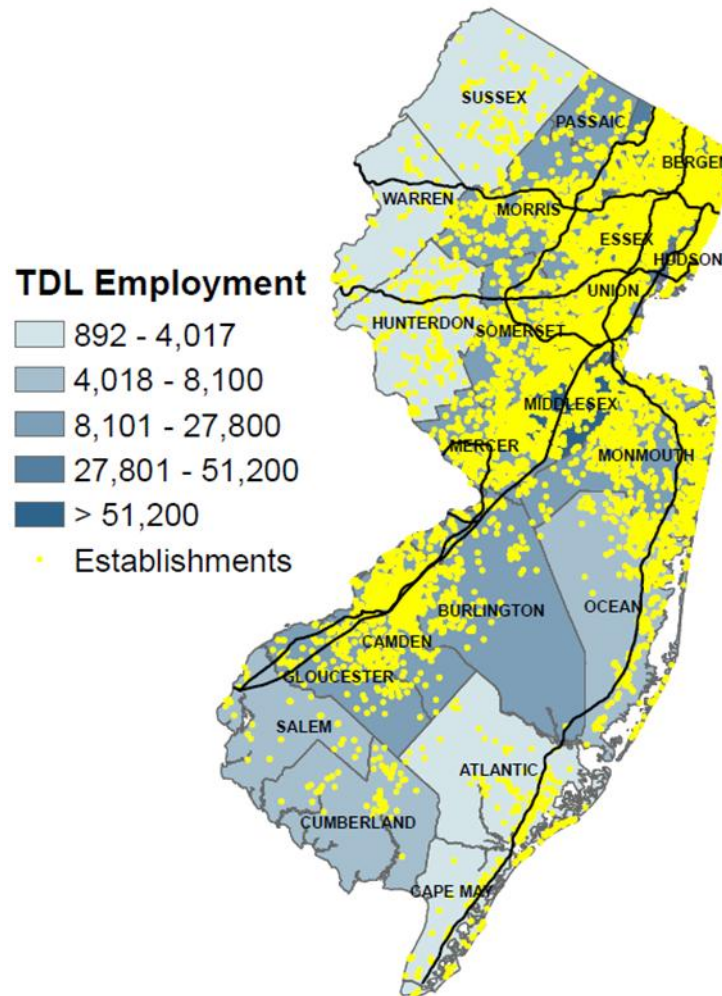
Almost half of TDL employment is in the northern region

Area	Establishments	Annual Averages		Total Wages	Employment %
		Employment	Wages		
<b><i>New Jersey</i></b>	<b><i>25,674</i></b>	<b><i>451,942</i></b>	<b><i>\$84,435</i></b>	<b><i>\$38,159,893,323</i></b>	
<b>Northern Region</b>	12,231	222,456	\$90,752	\$20,188,228,541	49.2%
<b>Central Region</b>	5,703	120,710	\$68,788	\$8,303,406,484	26.7%
<b>Southern Region</b>	3,104	79,206	\$62,221	\$4,928,240,698	17.5%
<b>Undistributed</b>	4,636	29,570	\$160,298	\$4,740,017,600	6.5%

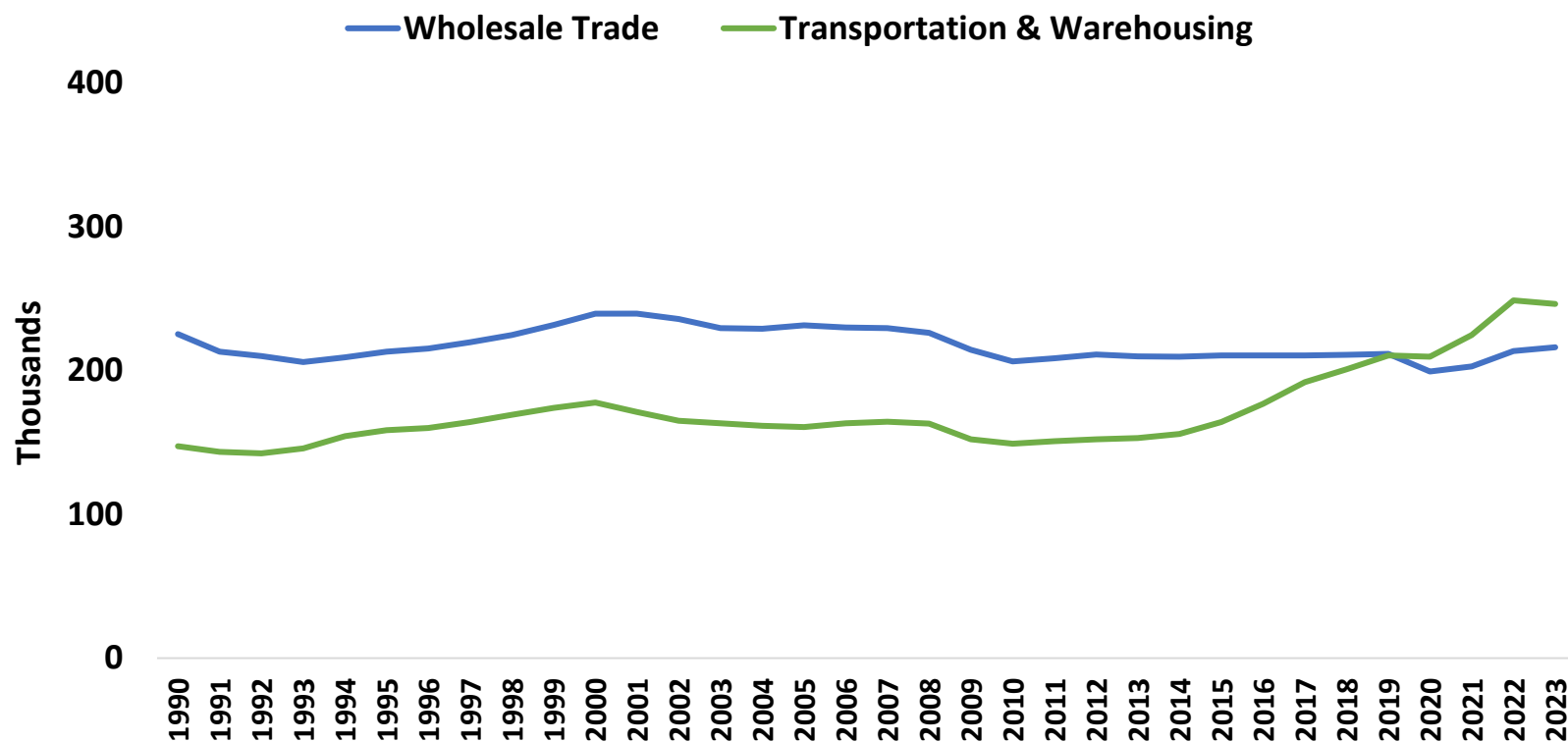




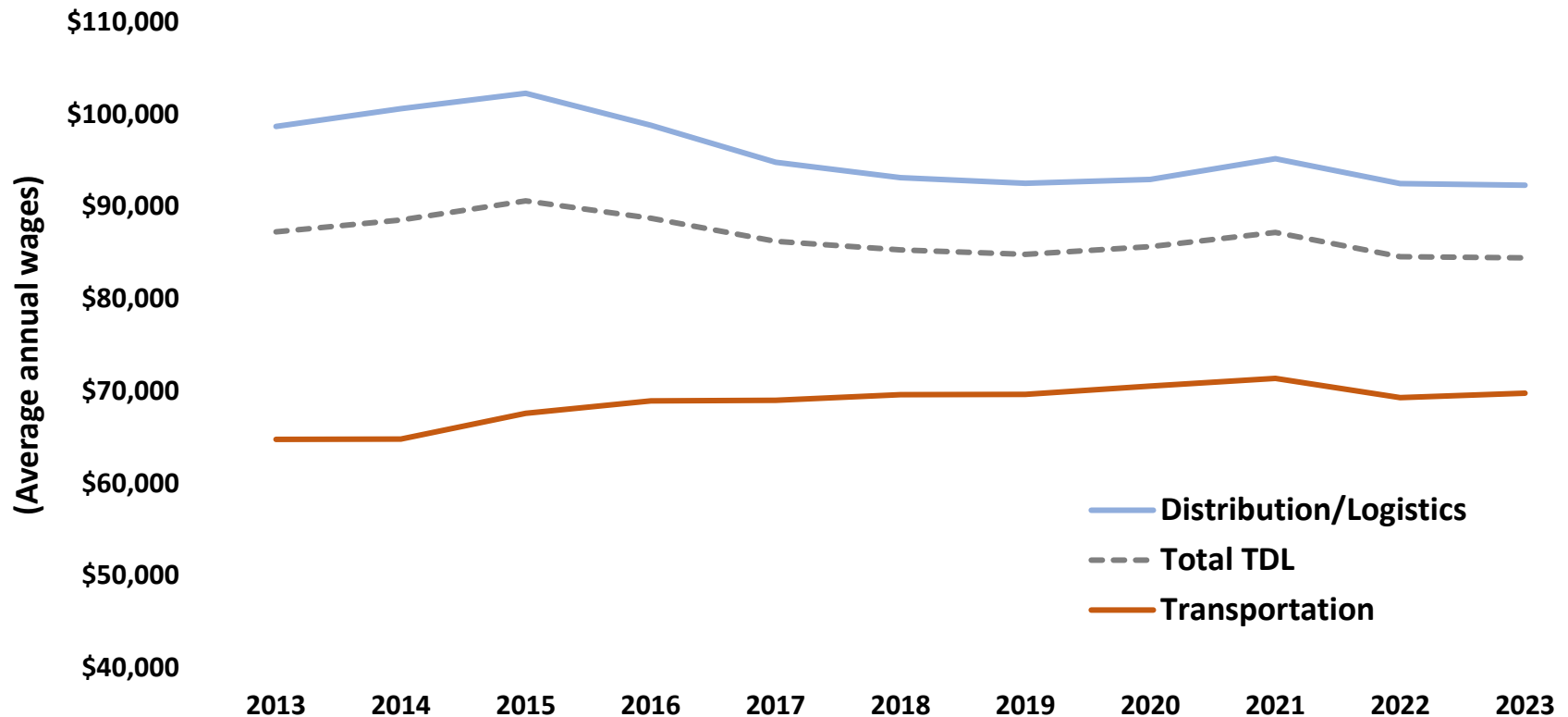
TDL establishments are typically located near major roadways and highlight the significance of our ports and highway systems



# Transportation & Warehousing overtook Wholesale Trade as the larger component of TDL employment



# Since 2013, the Distribution/Logistics average wage ranged nearly 40 percent higher than Transportation



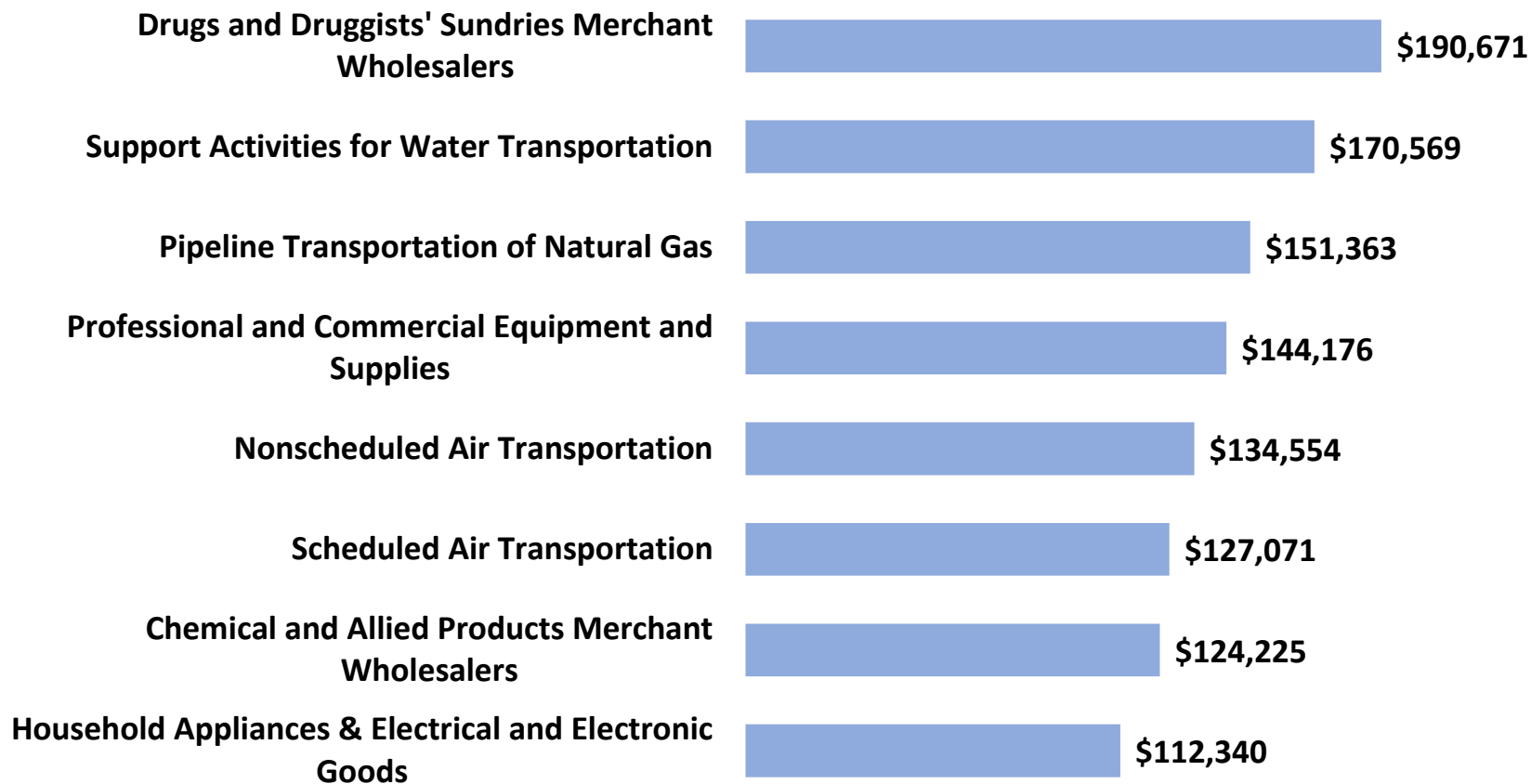
\*Adjusted for inflation in 2023 dollars



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Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, 2023 Annual Averages  
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## Nearly a third of all TDL subsector industries paid an average annual wage above \$100,000

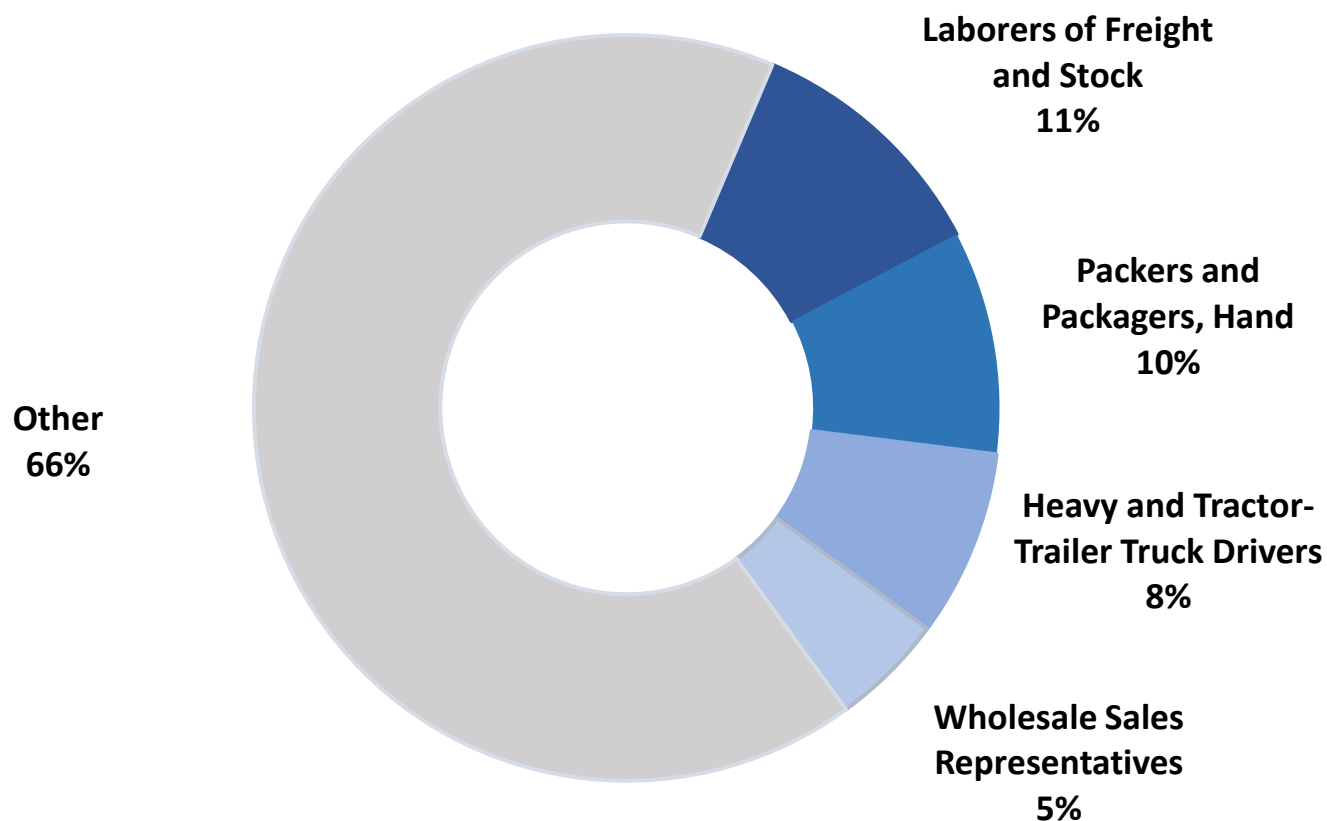


# Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics Cluster Occupational Overview





## Four occupations in the TDL cluster accounted for about a third of TDL employment

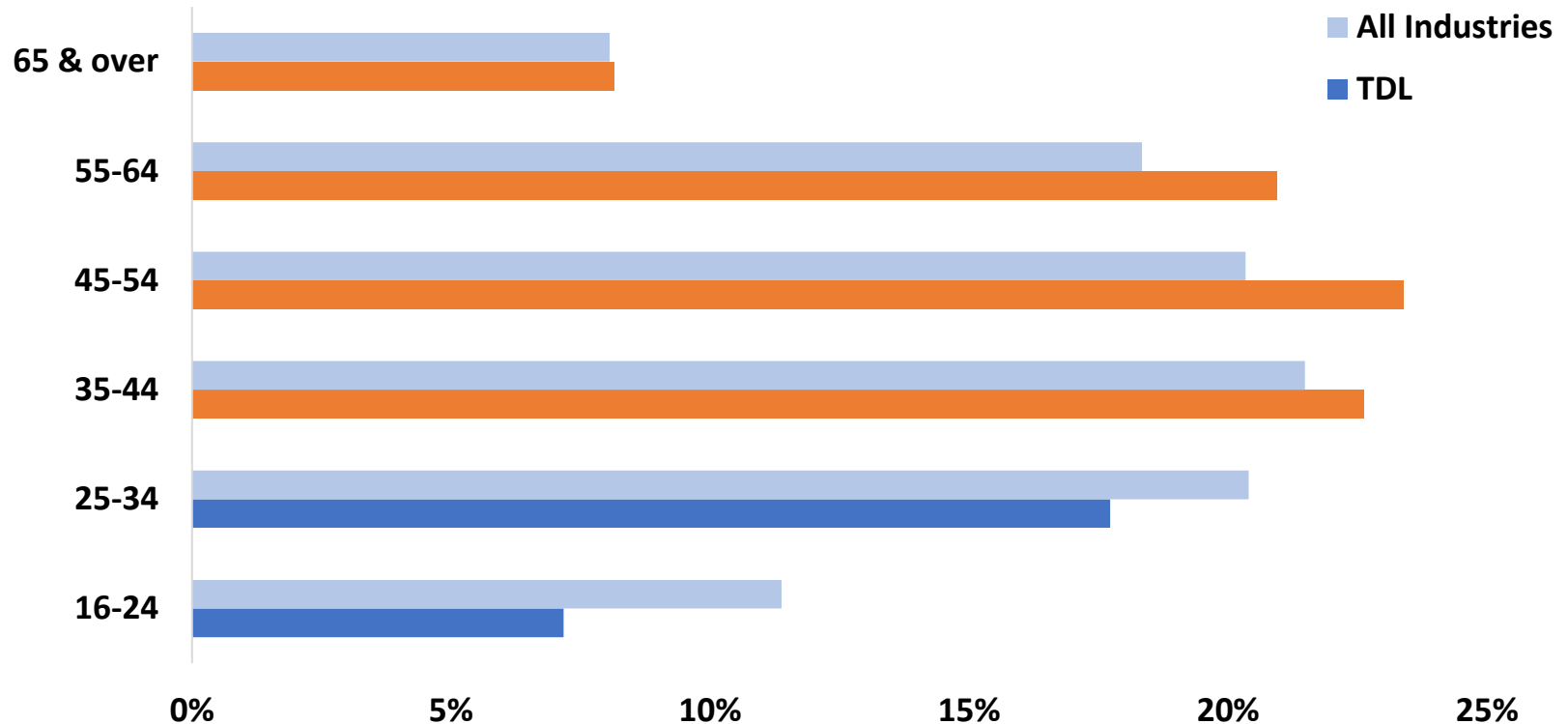




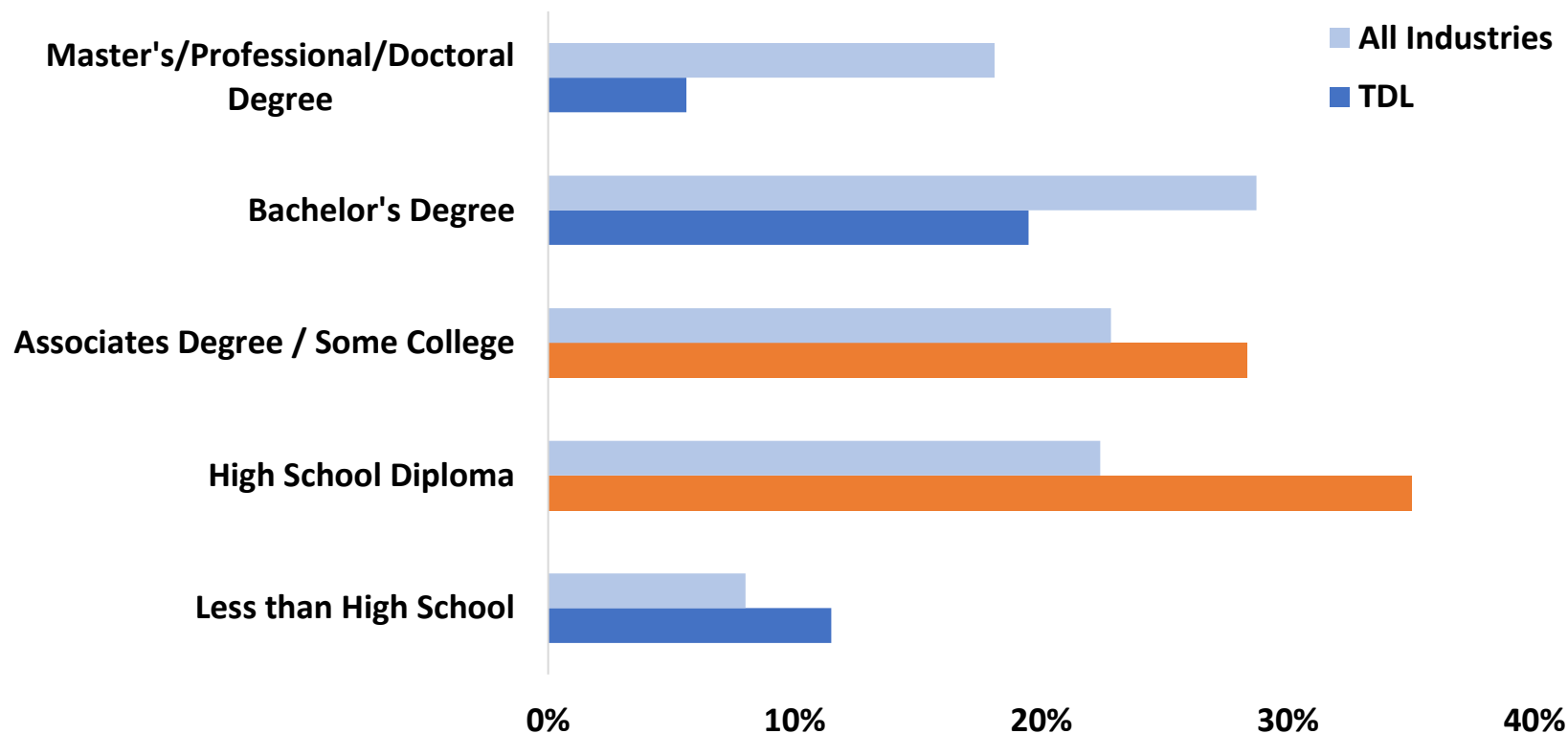
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## Resident workforce over 35 years old is seven percent older than that of all industries (75% of employment)



# 63 percent of resident workers hold a high school diploma or associate's degree



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