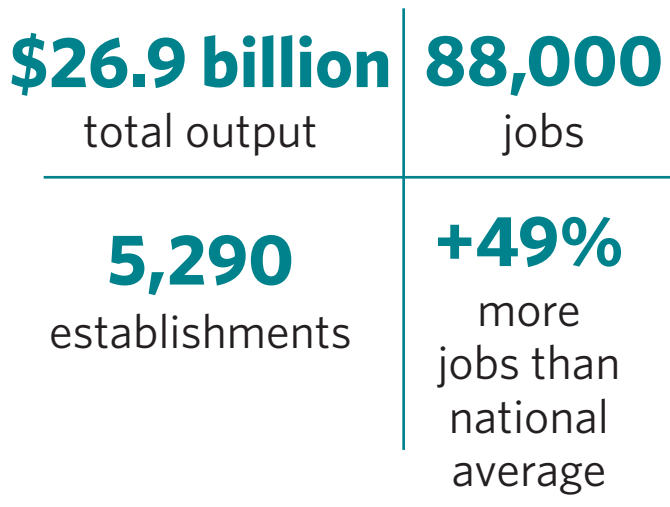# Finance

This cluster supports the transaction and growth of financial assets for businesses and individuals. These firms include securities brokers, dealers, and exchanges; credit institutions; and financial investment support. The technical report, *Metropolitan Chicago's traded industry clusters*, offers extensive data on the characteristics and performance of the region's core industrial assets since 2001, available for download at https://cmap.is/Traded-Clusters.

In the Chicago region in 2017, this cluster consisted of

$26.9 billion
total output

88,000
jobs

5,290
establishments

+49%
more jobs than national average

Largest occupations

Financial Services Sales Agents
Personal Financial Advisors
Customer Service Representatives
Financial Analysts
Loan Officers

Workers in this cluster tend to be **less** racially diverse than the regional labor force.
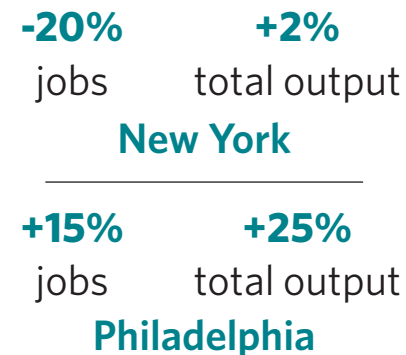
34% non-white
48% female
28% over age 50

29% commute by transit
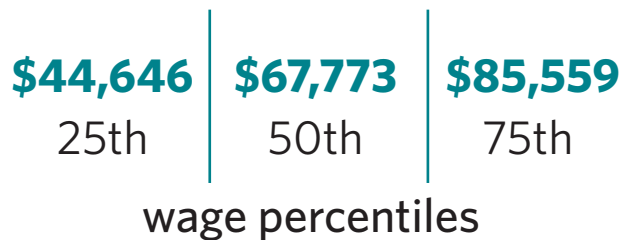
In recent years, the cluster's competitive position **weakened** as it became **less specialized** in the national context.
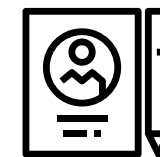
-22%
jobs
Chicago

-13%
total output

-20% jobs   **+2%** total output
New York

+15% jobs   **+25%** total output
Philadelphia

Middle-skill workers have **less** opportunity than the regional average.

$44,646
25th

$67,773
50th

$85,559
75th

wage percentiles

70% of workers have an associate's degree or higher

38% of jobs typically require at least 2 months of on-the-job training