

NAICS CODE SELECTION GUIDE

What is a NAICS code?

North American Index Classification System (NAICS) is a classification system within the North American Industry. The system was developed for statistical analysis, however, various government agencies, trade associations, and regulatory boards have adapted the NAICS classification system for internal needs. NAICS codes can tell us for example how many businesses we have classified under Landscaping (NAICS 5617).

How do I know which NAICS code fits my business?

A simple way to finding out which NAICS code your business fits under, is using Google. Step 1.

For example,

If you own a Landscaping business in Prince George you should enter Landscaping NAICS code and hit enter. (DO NOT enter the name of your business for example, Simply Greenworks NAICS code)



Step 2.

Look for the statcan link for NAICS codes (this is usually the first item on google but sometimes can be a couple links below the first item). Opening the link will give the full description of that NAICS code.

www23.statcan.gc.ca > ... > Statistical classifications 💌

NAICS 2017 Version 1.0 - 56173 - Landscaping services ...

... System (**NAICS**) Canada 2017 Version 1.0 - This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in providing **landscape** care and maintenance services ...

Step 3.

Choose the **FIRST FOUR DIGITS** of the NAICS code listed.

For the Landscaping example, you would select 5617. These first four digits will be the NAICS code you will need to enter for your business license.