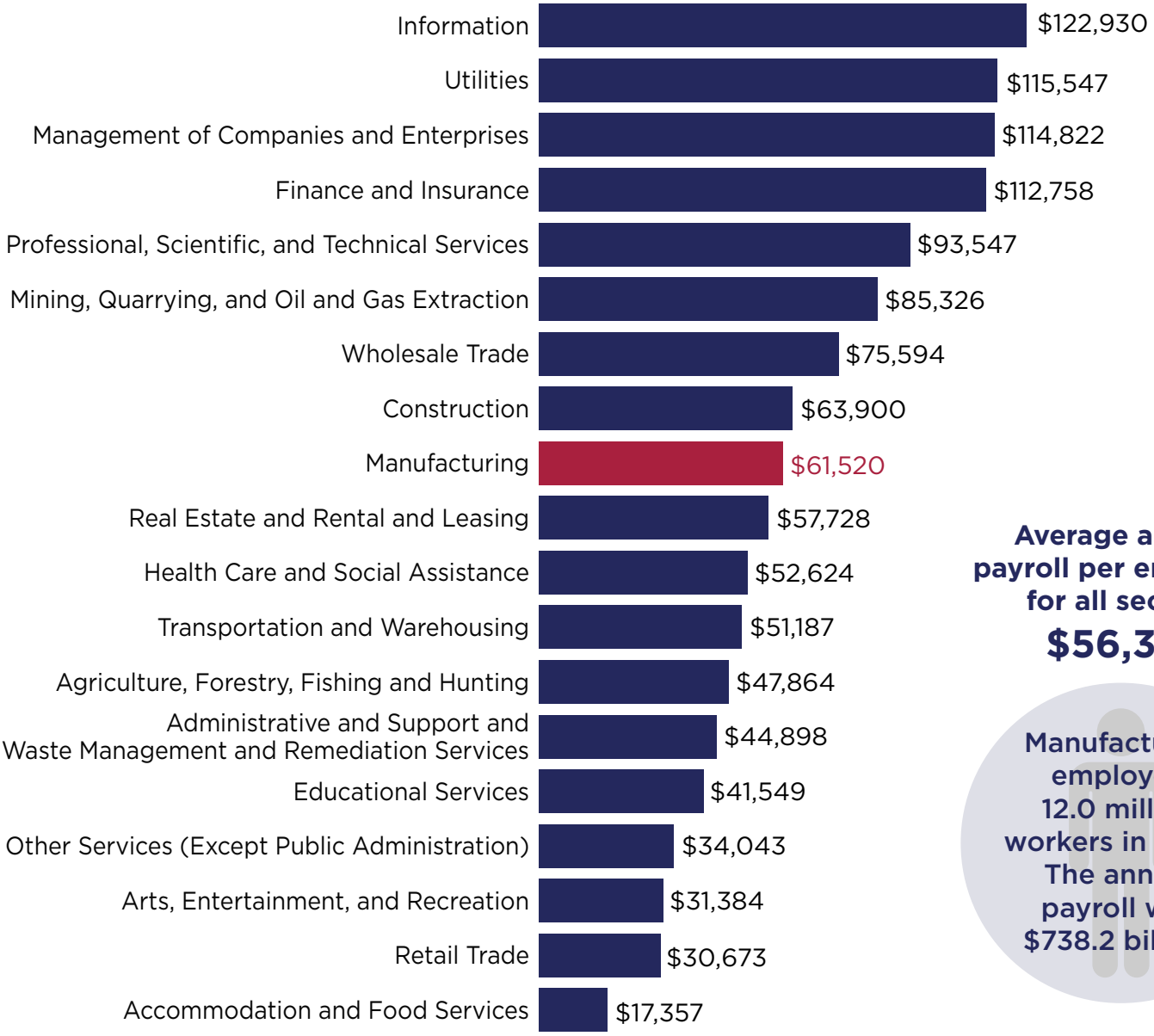
How does manufacturing compare to other industries?

Average Annual Payroll Per Employee by Industry



Average annual payroll per employee for all sectors:

$56,385

Manufacturing employed 12.0 million workers in 2020. The annual payroll was $738.2 billion.

Note: Rankings may vary slightly due to nonsampling error and disclosure avoidance methods used to protect the confidentiality of the data. Number of employees is for the pay period including March 12. Average for all sectors includes data for establishments where industry classification is unknown.
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 County Business Patterns, <www.census.gov/programs-surveys/cbp.html>.