NAICS Codes – North American Industry Classification System

NAICS Codes are used to classify similar businesses. They are assigned in a tree structure with general topics corresponding to the first two numbers. The industry classification becomes more specific with each new digit. Shown here is how to classify the small driller of oil and gas wells, Expedition Energy Inc., as an example. 213111 is the NAICS code that represents the industry heading of oil and gas contract drilling, the industry into which Expedition Energy Inc. falls. This code is broken down below. Expedition Energy Inc. could be classified under 21, 213, or 213111.

- **21**
  - Mining and Oil and Gas Extraction
    - **211** Oil & Gas Extraction
    - **212** Mining (Except Oil & Gas)
    - **213** Support Activities For Mining Oil & Gas extraction
      - **213111** Oil & Gas Contract Drilling
      - **213117** Services to Oil & Gas Contract Drilling (Except Oil & Gas)
      - **213118** Services to Oil & Gas Extraction