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## Executive Summary

After the economic contraction of 2001, the year 2002 began with little momentum. Negative stories dominated the economic news in 2002: corporate accounting scandals, the return of high energy costs, federal finances, looming military actions. This gloomy picture played itself out in lost confidence and declining equity markets. Nevertheless, the economy showed encouraging signs. Most notably, output (or GDP) continued to grow throughout the year. In addition, prices stayed relatively level, with inflation rising just 1.6 percent. Employment conditions, which are often viewed as lagging behind economic conditions, remained weak; about 1.5 million jobs in the nonfarm private sector were lost, and unemployment rose to 5.8 percent.

Although reports were gloomy, 2002 may be remembered as the launch pad for expansion. By the fourth quarter of 2002, five consecutive quarters of real GDP increases had been recorded, a welcome turnabout from the contraction of 2001.

There were some signs that the small firm sector began to recover from the hard knocks of 2001. The number of businesses that filed for bankruptcy decreased in 2002, proprietor's income rose 4 percent, and self-employment rose throughout the year.

Small businesses as a group remained cautious. Although many banks quit tightening their lending standards, demand for loans decreased as well. Caution was also apparent in the restrained growth of new employer firms-they rose only 0.9 percent over the previous year. Employer firm closures increased 2.9 percent, but this was only slightly higher than the average of the previous five years.

## Small Business in the U.S. Economy

To put the year that small business had in perspective, it is necessary to understand how small businesses fit into the U.S. economy. ${ }^{1}$ Why do small firms exist? Small business owners either enjoy the lifestyle (being their own boss), are trying to take advantage of a business opportunity, or both. To go into business, these owners must overcome various barriers to entry (obtaining start-up financing or machinery, complying with regulations, and so forth). To stay in business, they have to figure out how to offer goods and services at competitive prices. Many such firms remain small because of lifestyle choices, industry characteristics, or financial constraints. But in being small, owners can enjoy the business owner's lifestyle while limiting losses and trying out new ideas, services, or products. When small firms develop new ideas, they help the economy evolve by providing more efficient uses of resources. In addition, this threat of new competition from potential entrants challenges established firms to become more efficient.

Overall, small businesses are the stock from which large businesses emerge, the first job of many new workers, and the opportunity for their owners to achieve the American Dream. Small firms represent about 99 percent of employers, employ about half of the private sector workforce and are responsible for about two-thirds to three-quarters of the net new jobs.

While small firms contribute substantially to the growth of the economy, the number of small firms does not change dramatically over time. This is because the process of growth and churning entails some small firms becoming large firms and some large firms shrinking into small ones. ${ }^{2}$

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## Small Business in the Year 2002

The U.S. economy began to revive in 2002 after struggling in 2001. Real GDP increased 2.4 percent with inflation under control. These encouraging signs were dampened by a slower fourth quarter GDP increase (an annual rate of 1.4 percent) and private sector employment losses. (See Table I.) While the economy began to expand again, concerns about stagnant growth remained.

The small business sector also showed signs of awakening after a lackluster 2001.3 A weak labor market often leads to rising selfemployment, a situation that occurred in 2002. In addition, the number of business bankruptcies declined slightly from the previous year, indicating that business casualties may have peaked. The increased economic optimism shown in the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) small business optimism index in 2002 was another sign of strength. (See Table II.)

These positive economic signs suggest that a transition from economic contraction to expansion may have been taking place in 2002. It is not uncommon, however, for announcements of economic recovery to lag

| Year | Table I: Output and Employment, 2000 - 2002 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Real GDP |  |  |  |
| Quarter | (Billions of <br> 1996 dollars) | NonfarmPrivate <br> Employment <br> (thousands) |  |
|  | 4 | 9,520 | 109,434 |
|  | 3 | 9,486 | 109,574 |
|  | 2 | 9,392 | 109,505 |
| 2001 | 1 | 9,363 | 109,594 |
|  | 3 | 9,249 | 110,034 |
|  | 3 | 9,186 | 111,385 |
| 2000 | 1 | 9,193 | 111,711 |
|  | 3 | 9,230 | 111,886 |
|  | 3 | 9,244 | 111,669 |
|  | 1 | 9,219 | 111,083 |
|  | 2 | 9,206 | 110,725 |
|  |  | 9,097 | 110,195 |

Note: Employment is seasonally adjusted.
Source:U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis; and U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

| Table II: Small Business Indicators, 2000-2002 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Quarter | Self- <br> Employment (thousands) | Business Bankruptcies | NFIB Optimism Index ( $86=100$ ) |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 2002 | 4 | 10,006 | 38,540 | 100.4 |
|  | 3 | 9,765 | 39,091 | 99.5 |
|  | 2 | 9,535 | 39,201 | 102.2 |
|  | 1 | 9,296 | 39,845 | 100.8 |
| 2001 | 4 | 9,721 | 40,099 | 96.3 |
|  | 3 | 9,983 | 38,490 | 98.5 |
|  | 2 | 9,943 | 37,135 | 98.4 |
|  | 1 | 9,678 | 35,992 | 96.5 |
| 2000 | 4 | 9,699 | 35,472 | 99.4 |
|  | 3 | 10,095 | 36,065 | 101.1 |
|  | 2 | 10,046 | 36,910 | 100.5 |
|  | 1 | 9,788 | 38,109 | 103.6 |

Note: Self-employment figures are based on a monthly average of primary self-employed. Bankruptcies are 12-month figures based on the ending quarter.
Source:U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts; and National Federation of Independent Business, Small Business Economic Trends.

[^1]behind the actual turnaround because of data delays. For example, the National Bureau of Economic Research announced the end of the recession of the early 1990s twenty-one months after the fact.

## The Number of Businesses and Turnover

In 2002, there were 22.9 million businesses in the United States. These consisted of both non-employer and employer businesses, which often react differently to the same economic stimuli. This proved to be the case in 2002, as the number of non-employers tended to rise while employer firms showed a slight decline. ${ }^{4}$ Although the annual self-employment figure dropped 1.8 percent from 2001 to 2002 (continuing a recent trend), it increased from the first quarter through the fourth quarter. ${ }^{5}$ Sole proprietorships rose 2.9 percent in 2002, to 18.4 million. ${ }^{6}$

Data from the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration show decreases in the number of employers in 2001 and 2002. ${ }^{7}$ Negative territory had not been seen since 1991. Using data from the Department of Labor and Census Bureau, the Office of Advocacy estimates that there were 5.6 million employers in 2002. (See Table 2.)

The 2002 decline in the number of employers is the result of an estimated 550,100 employer firm births and 584,500 employer terminations. However, the number of new employer firms rose this past year after a decline in 2001-an encouraging reversal. (See Table 3.)

## Business Bankruptcies

While personal bankruptcies reached a new record in 2002, business bankruptcies declined by 38,155 , or 3.9 percent, from 2001. This decline is another signal that small businesses as a group may be beyond the worst.

[^2]It is not surprising to see business bankruptcies down with sales essentially up and costs essentially under control. Retail and wholesale sales were both up from the previous year, and manufacturing was essentially flat after a large loss in 2001. Compensation, which is a proportionately large cost to small firms as they are often labor intensive, rose 2.1 percent and interest rates were down. As frequently happens in economic downturns, industrial cuts (including plant or entire firm closings) may have removed inefficient operations, thus increasing productivity.

## Financing

The combined trends of tightened bank lending standards and decreased demand for loans by small businesses, which emerged in the late 1990s, continued into 2002. The rate of bank tightening and weakened demand decreased in early 2002 only to pick up again near the end of 2002. Overall, bank commercial and industrial loans declined 6.5 percent compared to the previous year. Small firms that did acquire loans during 2002 likely enjoyed low interest rates. Because of the Federal Reserve Bank's action in late 2002 to lower the federal funds rate, the prime rate dropped to 4.25 percent, a level not seen in many readers' lifetimes.

## Equity Markets

Bank financing is very important to new and very small business. Growing businesses and larger ones often depend on equity financing. The equity markets continued to struggle in 2002, as they had for the previous three years, as markets retreated to their levels of about six years ago. The markets may have bottomed out, as the Standard \& Poor's and NASDAQ indexes both grew during fourth quarter 2002.

## Employment Trends

Employment news remained gloomy, since strong firms and finances are needed for hiring. Economic reviewers have pointed out, in referring to the current state of the U.S. economy, that employment gains generally lag behind other indicators. ${ }^{8}$ This was borne out by the numbers in 2002 . Unemployment rose by about one percentage point to 5.8 percent. This represented a decline of 1.5 million private sector jobs.

Employment in manufacturing, services, and retail trade tend to drive the overall employment figures, since these three major industries represent about three-quarters of private employment. (See Table 11.) Manufacturing lost 1 million jobs in 2002, and employment in this sector dropped below 17 million for

[^3]the first time since 1963. This decline is the result of a longer term trend, independent of economic performance in 2002. Manufacturing employment peaked in 1979 and has declined ever since. Real manufacturing output has increased since the 1960s due to continuous productivity gains. Jobs lost in manufacturing were more than made up for by the boom in the service industry and the information revolution of the last decades of the 20th century.

Although service sector employment continued to grow in 2001 and 2002, the effects of the recent slowdown are actually more serious in this sector. During the 1990s, the service sector added an average of 1.2 million jobs per year. Over the last two years, however, it has added only 0.2 million new jobs per year, on average. This recent increase was the result of health services. The economy's current employment struggles appear to be a product of the stalled information revolution, rather than of shortterm manufacturing woes.

The employment level in retail trade in 2002 fell below the level in 2000. In fact, struggles were widespread; only three of the nine major industry groups-agricultural services; FIRE (finance, insurance, and real estate); and services-had employment gains in 2002. Needless to say, laid-off workers and new labor force entrants who were unable to find work in 2002 met with a tough job market. But even with overall employment declining, wages and benefits rose in 2002.

## Insurance-A Small Business Challenge in 2002

According to the National Federation of Independent Business, taxes were the leading small business problem entering 2002 and the cost/availability of insurance (mainly health) led by the end of the year. Insurance cost and availability was hit hard by the increasing threat of terrorism and accelerating healthcare costs. ${ }^{9}$ The Employee Benefit Research Institute conducted a survey that showed that small firms were trying to deal with the health insurance problem by passing on costs to employees. ${ }^{10}$ Small firms' insurance decisions were highly price sensitive, and small businesses tended to respond to price increases by changing or dropping coverage. The survey also showed that about one-third of those not offering coverage could be enticed to do so through lower costs.

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## Conclusion

The most reliable economic indicators of the start of an economic upturn are the consistent expansion of output and the improved financial situation for firms. Nonfarm sole proprietors' income increased 4.9 percent, and corporate profits increased 7.6 percent, giving owners the finances and confidence to expand their firms. This provided momentum and optimism for the struggling U.S. economy as it entered 2003.

## InTRODUCTION TO THE DATA

This report presents the status of small firms in 2002 and makes current data on small firms more accessible to the public, policymakers and researchers. It lists the number of businesses, new employer firms, business terminations, bankruptcies, and lending terms and standards for 2002 and years prior. Because very little current economic data has been collected that distinguishes between small and large firms, estimates and proxies are often used. For instance, the total number of U.S. businesses is used as an indicator of the number of small businesses since more than 99 percent of all U.S. firms are small! (In fact, 99.7 percent of America's 5.7 million employer firms in 2000 had fewer than 500 employees.) Consequently, data that are based on the number of firms indicate small business status. Data on the financial side are not disaggregated by firm size, and small firms represent only about half of the financial totals, making financial indicators difficult to interpret.

## Data Tables

This report's thirteen tables provide a wealth of data to show the status of small firms in 2002. Below is a description of each table. Where appropriate, information is shown at the state or industry level, as well as the national macroeconomic level.

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Although current variables are important, Table 3 captures the long-term trends of indicators related to small firms. This table is particularly important in showing how variables react to business cycles and how the economy is evolving over time.

Table 4 Number of Employer Firms by State, 1990-2002
Changes in the number of employer firms can be indicative of economic conditions.
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The self-employed are the stock from which employer firms emerge, and self-employment provides individuals the ultimate in labor force empowerment.

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Business formation figures and employer firm births show the changing level of the spirit of creation in the U.S. economy.

Table 8 Employer Firm Terminations by State, 1990-2002
Business closure figures and employer firm terminations show the loss of existing ventures, which also frees up of resources for new ventures.

Table 9 Business Bankruptcies by State, 1990-2002
Business bankruptcy is where business struggles meet financial obligations. Risks need to be balanced with rewards for creditors, and changes in business bankruptcies may indicate this balance.

Table 10 Financial Information by State, 2001-2002
The financial bottom line is the final indicator of business accomplishment. Proprietors' income shows the returns for the smallest of firms, and wages are indicator of the biggest cost for small firms.

Table 11 Non-farm Private Employment by Industry, 2001-2002

Although current industry employment by firm size is not available, employment changes for industries that have a high proportion of small firm employment is a useful guide to small firm employment status.

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Financing is the lifeline for many small firms. This table illustrates the availability and demand for credit for small firms.

|  | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | Percent Change $2001-2002$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gross Domestic Product (GDP) (billions of dollars) (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current dollars | 5,803.2 | 7,400.5 | 9,824.6 | 10,082.2 | 10,446.2 | 3.6 |
| Constant dollars (billions of 1996 dollars) | 6,707.9 | 7,543.8 | 9,191.4 | 9,214.5 | 9,439.9 | 2.4 |
| Personal consumption expenditures | 3,831.5 | 4,969.0 | 6,683.7 | 6,987.0 | 7,303.7 | 4.5 |
| Sales (billions of dollars) (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Manufacturing | 242.7 | 284.5 | 343.7 | 324.8 | 321.3 | (1.1) |
| Wholesale trade | 149.5 | 176.2 | 228.5 | 225.7 | 229.3 | 1.6 |
| Retail trade | 153.7 | 188.2 | 254.9 | 264.0 | 272.2 | 3.1 |
| Income (billions of dollars) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Compensation of employees (3) | 3,351.0 | 4,202.5 | 5,723.4 | 5,874.9 | 5,977.4 | 1.7 |
| Nonfarm proprietors' income | 349.9 | 475.5 | 692.2 | 708.8 | 743.7 | 4.9 |
| Farm proprietors' income | 31.1 | 22.2 | 22.6 | 19.0 | 12.9 | (32.1) |
| Corporate profits (4) | 408.6 | 668.8 | 788.1 | 731.6 | 787.4 | 7.6 |
| Output and productivity (business sector indexes, 1992=100) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Output | 98.6 | 111.5 | 140.0 | 139.8 | 143.5 | 2.6 |
| Hours of all persons worked | 102.6 | 108.7 | 119.7 | 118.2 | 115.9 | (1.9) |
| Productivity (output per hour) | 96.1 | 102.6 | 116.9 | 118.2 | 123.8 | 4.7 |
| Employment and compensation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nonfarm private employment (millions) (3) | 91.1 | 97.9 | 111.0 | 111.0 | 109.5 | (1.3) |
| Unemployment rate (percent) | 5.6 | 5.6 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 5.8 | 23.4 |
| Total compensation cost index (Dec.) (June 1989=100) | 107.0 | 126.7 | 150.9 | 157.2 | 162.3 | 3.2 |
| Wage and salary index (Dec) (June 1989=100) | 106.1 | 123.1 | 147.7 | 153.3 | 157.5 | 2.7 |
| Employee benefits cost index (Dec.) (June 1989=100) | 109.4 | 135.9 | 158.6 | 166.7 | 174.6 | 4.7 |
| Bank loans, interest rates, and yields |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bank commercial \& industrial loans (billions of dollars) | 641.2 | 724.2 | 1,088.3 | 1,031.3 | 964.2 | (6.5) |
| Prime rate (percent) | 10.01 | 8.83 | 9.23 | 6.91 | 4.67 | (32.4) |
| U.S. Treasury 10-year bond yields (percent) | 8.55 | 6.57 | 6.03 | 5.02 | 4.61 | (8.2) |
| Investments by nonfarm nonfinancial corporate business (billions of dollars) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital expenditures | 387.8 | 638.7 | 957.2 | 794.2 | 802.9 | 1.1 |
| Change in financial assets | 131.5 | 426.4 | 761.4 | 287.8 | 240.3 | (16.5) |
| Federal budget (billions of dollars, fiscal year) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts | 1,032.0 | 1,351.8 | 2,025.2 | 1,991.2 | 1,853.2 | (6.9) |
| Outlays | 1,253.2 | 1,515.8 | 1,788.8 | 1,863.9 | 2,011.0 | 7.9 |
| Surplus or deficit ( ) | (221.2) | (164.0) | 236.4 | 127.3 | (157.8) | -- |
| Price indices (inflation measures) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Consumer price index (urban) (1982-84 = 100) | 130.7 | 152.4 | 172.2 | 177.1 | 179.9 | 1.6 |
| Producer price index (finished goods) (1982 = 100) | 119.2 | 127.9 | 138.0 | 140.7 | 138.8 | (1.4) |
| GDP implicit price deflator (1996 = 100) | 86.5 | 98.1 | 106.9 | 109.4 | 110.7 | 1.1 |

[^5]Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from the Bureau of Economic Analysis, and Economic Indicators , March 2000 and March 2003.

|  |  |  |  |  |  | Percent <br> Change |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2001-2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

(1) Self-employment presented here represents individuals whose primary occupation is self-employment and they may or may not have employees. Note that some businesses file more than one tax return.
(2) Birth and terminations for 2001 and 2002 are estimated from 2000 data from the Bureau of the Census, yearly percent changes in similar data provided by the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration and rounded. Births and terminations are from prior year's March through current year's March. Employer firm estimates are the previous year figure plus the difference between birth and termination estimates.

Sources: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the Bureau of the Census, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Training Administration, Bureau of Economic Analysis and Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts.

Table 3 U.S. Business Measures, 1980-2002

| Year | Real GDP (billions 96\$) | Employer Firms | Establishments <br> (a) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Self Emp. } \\ (000) \end{gathered}$ | Self Emp. <br> Rate (\%) | Nonfarm Bus. Tax Returns | Nonfarm sole props. | Employer Births | Employer Terminations | Business Bankruptcies |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2002 | 9,440 | 5,595,200 e. | NA | 9,650 | 6.7 | 26,363,800 | 18,389,000 | 550,100 e. | 584,500 e. | 38,155 |
| 2001 | 9,215 | 5,629,600 e. | NA | 9,826 | 6.8 | 25,631,200 | 17,904,900 | 545,400 e. | 568,300 e. | 39,719 |
| 2000 | 9,191 | 5,652,544 | 7,070,048 | 9,907 | 6.9 | 25,106,900 | 17,570,500 | 574,300 | 542,831 | 35,219 |
| 1999 | 8,859 | 5,607,743 | 7,008,444 | 10,087 | 7.2 | 24,750,100 | 17,377,100 | 579,609 | 544,487 | 37,639 |
| 1998 | 8,509 | 5,579,177 | 6,941,822 | 10,303 | 7.5 | 24,285,900 | 17,183,700 | 589,982 | 540,601 | 44,197 |
| 1997 | 8,160 | 5,541,918 | 6,894,869 | 10,513 | 7.7 | 23,857,100 | 17,176,000 | 590,644 | 530,003 | 53,819 |
| 1996 | 7,813 | 5,478,047 | 6,738,476 | 10,490 | 7.8 | 23,115,300 | 16,955,000 | 597,792 | 512,402 | 53,200 |
| 1995 | 7,544 | 5,369,068 | 6,612,721 | 10,482 | 7.9 | 22,555,200 | 16,424,000 | 594,369 | 497,246 | 50,516 |
| 1994 | 7,348 | 5,276,964 | 6,509,065 | 10,648 | 8.1 | 22,191,000 | 16,154,000 | 570,587 | 503,563 | 50,845 |
| 1993 | 7,063 | 5,193,642 | 6,401,233 | 10,280 | 8.0 | 20,874,796 | 15,848,000 | 564,504 | 492,651 | 62,399 |
| 1992 | 6,880 | 5,095,356 | 6,319,300 | 9,960 | 7.8 | 20,476,775 | 15,495,000 | 544,596 | 521,606 | 69,848 |
| 1991 | 6,676 | 5,051,025 | 6,200,859 | 10,274 | 8.1 | 20,498,855 | 15,181,000 | 541,141 | 546,518 | 70,605 |
| 1990 | 6,708 | 5,073,795 | 6,175,559 | 10,097 | 8.0 | 20,219,400 | 14,783,000 | 584,892 | 531,400 | 63,912 |
| 1989 | 6,592 | 5,021,315 | 6,106,922 | 10,008 | 8.1 | 19,560,700 | 14,298,000 | NA | NA | 62,449 |
| 1988 | 6,368 | 4,954,645 | 6,016,367 | 9,917 | 8.2 | 18,619,400 | 13,679,000 | NA | NA | 62,845 |
| 1987 | 6,113 | NA | 5,937,061 | 9,624 | 8.0 | 18,351,400 | 13,091,000 | NA | NA | 81,463 |
| 1986 | 5,912 | NA | 5,806,973 | 9,327 | 7.9 | 17,524,600 | 12,394,000 | NA | NA | 79,926 |
| 1985 | 5,717 | NA | 5,701,485 | 9,269 | 8.0 | 16,959,900 | 11,929,000 | NA | NA | 70,644 |
| 1984 | 5,505 | NA | 5,517,715 | 9,338 | 8.2 | 16,077,000 | 11,262,000 | NA | NA | 64,211 |
| 1983 | 5,132 | NA | 5,306,787 | 9,143 | 8.2 | 15,245,000 | 10,704,000 | NA | NA | 62,412 |
| 1982 | 4,919 | NA | 4,633,960 | 8,898 | 8.1 | 14,546,000 | 10,106,000 | NA | NA | 69,242 |
| 1981 | 5,021 | NA | 4,586,510 | 8,735 | 8.0 | 13,858,000 | 9,585,000 | NA | NA | 48,086 |
| 1980 | 4,901 | NA | 4,543,167 | 8,643 | 8.1 | 13,021,600 | 8,932,000 | NA | NA | 43,252 |

NA = Not Available
(a) Units with paid employees in the fourth quarter through 1983. 1984 on includes units active in any quarter of the year.

Sources: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by sources below:
Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) from the Bureau of Economic Analysis.
Employer firms, births and terminations from the U.S. Census Bureau with estimates for 2001 and 2002 (see Table 4 for details). Establishments from the U.S. Census Bureau.
Self employment (unincorporated, primary occupation) from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.
The self employment rate is based on the civilian labor force.
Nonfarm business tax returns and nonfarm sole proprietors from the Internal Revenue Service.
Bankruptcies from the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts (business bankruptcy filings).

Table 4 Number of Employer Firms by State, 1990-2002

| State | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002Ann. percent <br> change |  | Rank |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United States | 5,073,795 | 5,369,068 | 5,652,544 | 5,629,600 e. | 5,595,200 e. |  |  |
| Yearly Change (\%) | -- | -- | 0.8 | (0.4) | (0.6) |  |  |
| Alabama | 80,289 | 83,038 | 88,222 | 86,007 | 85,895 | (0.1) | 36 |
| Alaska | 13,176 | 15,214 | 16,190 | 16,398 | 16,511 | 0.7 | 25 |
| Arizona | 79,109 | 91,244 | 103,893 | 106,680 | 107,894 | 1.1 | 12 |
| Arkansas | 49,066 | 56,649 | 59,431 | 59,757 | 60,668 | 1.5 | 9 |
| California | 767,697 | 764,169 | 939,979 | 985,846 | 1,022,192 | 3.7 | 2 |
| Colorado | 89,419 | 109,695 | 134,085 | 138,411 | 140,704 | 1.7 | 8 |
| Connecticut | 95,132 | 93,135 | 96,344 | 96,916 | 96,677 | (0.2) | 37 |
| Delaware | 18,368 | 21,554 | 24,782 | 25,199 | 25,097 | (0.4) | 41 |
| District of Columbia | 20,865 | 24,161 | 26,157 | 26,312 | 26,503 | 0.7 | 22 |
| Florida | 311,377 | 343,017 | 385,113 | 392,756 | 413,476 | 5.3 | 1 |
| Georgia | 142,831 | 160,715 | 189,156 | 192,736 | 194,062 | 0.7 | 26 |
| Hawaii | 26,588 | 26,775 | 28,112 | 28,569 | 28,800 | 0.8 | 20 |
| Idaho | 26,209 | 33,326 | 39,089 | 40,459 | 40,633 | 0.4 | 28 |
| Illinois | 248,675 | 265,927 | 278,754 | 279,627 | 278,839 | (0.3) | 38 |
| Indiana | 109,077 | 119,805 | 124,654 | 125,119 | 124,673 | (0.4) | 40 |
| lowa | 61,956 | 66,350 | 68,970 | 68,704 | 68,466 | (0.3) | 39 |
| Kansas | 58,573 | 63,374 | 67,461 | 67,197 | 67,757 | 0.8 | 19 |
| Kentucky | 71,381 | 76,970 | 88,460 | 88,138 | 87,589 | (0.6) | 44 |
| Louisiana | 80,449 | 87,371 | 96,441 | 95,829 | 93,989 | (1.9) | 49 |
| Maine | 33,676 | 34,431 | 38,711 | 38,907 | 39,180 | 0.7 | 24 |
| Maryland | 112,823 | 122,202 | 130,628 | 132,049 | 133,536 | 1.1 | 13 |
| Massachusetts | 151,995 | 153,829 | 167,740 | 170,026 | 173,896 | 2.3 | 4 |
| Michigan | 178,726 | 203,374 | 213,865 | 212,608 | 211,567 | (0.5) | 43 |
| Minnesota | 100,061 | 112,477 | 128,943 | 130,348 | 131,646 | 1.0 | 17 |
| Mississippi | 45,781 | 49,089 | 53,509 | 53,303 | 53,409 | 0.2 | 32 |
| Missouri | 126,548 | 123,007 | 128,319 | 129,404 | 129,777 | 0.3 | 30 |
| Montana | 23,867 | 27,499 | 32,593 | 32,891 | 33,339 | 1.4 | 10 |
| Nebraska | 39,785 | 42,332 | 44,699 | 45,019 | 45,342 | 0.7 | 23 |
| Nevada | 28,423 | 34,951 | 44,741 | 46,339 | 47,340 | 2.2 | 5 |
| New Hampshire | 32,921 | 34,584 | 39,643 | 39,542 | 39,211 | (0.8) | 46 |
| New Jersey | 204,807 | 209,145 | 265,758 | 277,425 | 274,966 | (0.9) | 47 |
| New Mexico | 33,767 | 38,640 | 41,535 | 41,616 | 42,066 | 1.1 | 14 |
| New York | 491,566 | 488,360 | 471,808 | 473,471 | 474,425 | 0.2 | 31 |
| North Carolina | 134,990 | 149,462 | 172,661 | 175,461 | 178,560 | 1.8 | 6 |
| North Dakota | 17,766 | 18,467 | 18,637 | 18,544 | 18,639 | 0.5 | 27 |
| Ohio | 207,701 | 223,751 | 232,755 | 232,266 | 230,705 | (0.7) | 45 |
| Oklahoma | 64,901 | 70,722 | 74,554 | 75,177 | 75,250 | 0.1 | 35 |
| Oregon | 77,338 | 92,717 | 99,521 | 99,943 | 100,726 | 0.8 | 21 |
| Pennsylvania | 233,679 | 236,746 | 259,492 | 265,451 | 268,723 | 1.2 | 11 |
| Rhode Island | 27,806 | 30,430 | 32,666 | 33,011 | 32,295 | (2.2) | 50 |
| South Carolina | 70,624 | 77,822 | 88,668 | 89,300 | 89,634 | 0.4 | 29 |
| South Dakota | 18,888 | 20,905 | 22,556 | 22,759 | 22,803 | 0.2 | 33 |
| Tennessee | 93,666 | 104,633 | 110,510 | 109,376 | 108,928 | (0.4) | 42 |
| Texas | 318,352 | 360,735 | 388,439 | 390,390 | 394,303 | 1.0 | 16 |
| Utah | 32,687 | 42,358 | 51,940 | 54,461 | 56,346 | 3.5 | 3 |
| Vermont | 18,986 | 19,681 | 20,976 | 21,247 | 20,755 | (2.3) | 51 |
| Virginia | 128,895 | 147,710 | 160,988 | 162,459 | 165,185 | 1.7 | 7 |
| Washington | 134,944 | 162,525 | 194,977 | 199,233 | 200,909 | 0.8 | 18 |
| West Virginia | 35,098 | 37,900 | 38,665 | 37,805 | 37,364 | (1.2) | 48 |
| Wisconsin | 103,039 | 115,278 | 121,850 | 122,051 | 122,249 | 0.2 | 34 |
| Wyoming | 15,059 | 17,219 | 18,566 | 19,141 | 19,339 | 1.0 | 15 |
| Puerto Rico | -- | -- | 50,645 | 51,164 | 50,228 | (1.8) | - |

Notes: State data is from the Department of Labor and U.S. data 1990-2000 is from the U.S. Census Bureau. State totals do not add to the U.S.
figure as firms can be in more than one state. U.S. 2001 and 2002 estimates are based on U.S. Census Bureau and Department of Labor Employment and Administration data.

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor (ETA) and U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 5 Self-Employment by State, 1990-2002
(thousands)

| State | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | Ann. percent change | Rank |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United States | 10,097 | 10,482 | 9,907 | 9,826 | 9,650 |  |  |
| Yearly Change (\%) | -- | -- | (1.7) | (0.8) | (1.8) |  |  |
| Alabama | 140 | 140 | 144 | 123 | 119 | (3.2) | 27 |
| Alaska | 31 | 36 | 29 | 27 | 28 | 3.3 | 12 |
| Arizona | 148 | 153 | 156 | 170 | 153 | (10.5) | 46 |
| Arkansas | 127 | 111 | 87 | 102 | 98 | (3.7) | 29 |
| California | 1,453 | 1,532 | 1,505 | 1,489 | 1,478 | (0.7) | 21 |
| Colorado | 158 | 164 | 183 | 169 | 167 | (1.2) | 23 |
| Connecticut | 113 | 123 | 123 | 119 | 122 | 3.0 | 13 |
| Delaware | 18 | 21 | 22 | 19 | 17 | (11.1) | 48 |
| District of Columbia | 17 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 12 | (16.6) | 51 |
| Florida | 475 | 468 | 438 | 444 | 447 | 0.6 | 18 |
| Georgia | 231 | 242 | 248 | 230 | 251 | 8.9 | 5 |
| Hawaii | 44 | 54 | 47 | 45 | 49 | 8.6 | 6 |
| Idaho | 59 | 79 | 65 | 70 | 64 | (8.1) | 43 |
| Illinois | 382 | 384 | 332 | 335 | 343 | 2.4 | 14 |
| Indiana | 193 | 227 | 198 | 185 | 188 | 1.5 | 17 |
| lowa | 191 | 189 | 140 | 141 | 131 | (7.3) | 40 |
| Kansas | 138 | 134 | 108 | 100 | 116 | 15.8 | 1 |
| Kentucky | 163 | 145 | 136 | 141 | 131 | (6.9) | 39 |
| Louisiana | 171 | 150 | 135 | 131 | 130 | (1.2) | 22 |
| Maine | 76 | 81 | 80 | 70 | 64 | (9.8) | 45 |
| Maryland | 131 | 143 | 159 | 154 | 161 | 4.6 | 10 |
| Massachusetts | 222 | 238 | 207 | 219 | 207 | (5.4) | 33 |
| Michigan | 270 | 298 | 297 | 301 | 289 | (4.2) | 30 |
| Minnesota | 243 | 270 | 216 | 246 | 236 | (4.2) | 31 |
| Mississippi | 95 | 82 | 106 | 98 | 106 | 8.3 | 7 |
| Missouri | 209 | 246 | 194 | 211 | 199 | (5.7) | 34 |
| Montana | 59 | 69 | 64 | 59 | 59 | 0.1 | 19 |
| Nebraska | 111 | 122 | 97 | 100 | 93 | (6.4) | 37 |
| Nevada | 45 | 52 | 47 | 51 | 52 | 2.2 | 15 |
| New Hampshire | 49 | 63 | 61 | 51 | 55 | 8.3 | 8 |
| New Jersey | 243 | 227 | 198 | 208 | 197 | (5.0) | 32 |
| New Mexico | 87 | 90 | 73 | 66 | 72 | 9.3 | 3 |
| New York | 569 | 546 | 541 | 527 | 536 | 1.6 | 16 |
| North Carolina | 275 | 263 | 291 | 270 | 253 | (6.1) | 35 |
| North Dakota | 51 | 53 | 42 | 40 | 39 | (3.4) | 28 |
| Ohio | 337 | 374 | 343 | 352 | 318 | (9.6) | 44 |
| Oklahoma | 175 | 160 | 154 | 163 | 144 | (11.6) | 49 |
| Oregon | 170 | 172 | 193 | 162 | 150 | (7.4) | 41 |
| Pennsylvania | 405 | 421 | 379 | 405 | 375 | (7.6) | 42 |
| Rhode Island | 33 | 24 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 4.0 | 11 |
| South Carolina | 121 | 111 | 121 | 117 | 109 | (6.8) | 38 |
| South Dakota | 59 | 61 | 49 | 53 | 49 | (6.3) | 36 |
| Tennessee | 196 | 221 | 217 | 216 | 236 | 9.3 | 4 |
| Texas | 712 | 836 | 817 | 824 | 803 | (2.5) | 24 |
| Utah | 74 | 70 | 75 | 75 | 67 | (10.8) | 47 |
| Vermont | 43 | 39 | 35 | 32 | 37 | 14.9 | 2 |
| Virginia | 230 | 235 | 198 | 166 | 178 | 6.9 | 9 |
| Washington | 265 | 252 | 226 | 228 | 222 | (2.6) | 25 |
| West Virginia | 48 | 52 | 46 | 45 | 45 | (0.2) | 20 |
| Wisconsin | 212 | 218 | 220 | 212 | 206 | (2.7) | 26 |
| Wyoming | 27 | 32 | 31 | 30 | 26 | (14.7) | 50 |

Notes: Primarily self-employed and unincorporated. Some years figures are directly from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and other years the figures are from the Current Population Survey microdata and adjusted to match the BLS U.S. figure.
Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the Current Population Survey, a joint U.S. Census Bureau and Bureau of Labor Statistics project.

Table 6 Employer Firm Formation and Termination Rates by State, 2002

| State | Firms atthe Beginningof 2002 | Rate of Firm Formations |  | Rate of Firm Terminations |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Percent | Rank | Percent | Rank |
| U.S. | 5,629,600 e. | 9.8 |  | 10.4 |  |
| Alabama | 86,007 | 11.2 | 31 | 14.1 | 22 |
| Alaska | 16,398 | 13.8 | 10 | 15.5 | 12 |
| Arizona | 106,680 | 13.4 | 12 | 16.5 | 7 |
| Arkansas | 59,757 | 9.0 | 47 | 7.5 | 50 |
| California | 985,846 | 13.3 | 13 | 15.9 | 10 |
| Colorado | 138,411 | 18.3 | 5 | 7.5 | 51 |
| Connecticut | 96,916 | 9.0 | 48 | 11.7 | 39 |
| Delaware | 25,199 | 12.8 | 17 | 15.4 | 13 |
| District of Columbia | 26,312 | 15.8 | 6 | 15.1 | 15 |
| Florida | 392,756 | 18.5 | 4 | 13.3 | 29 |
| Georgia | 192,736 | 14.9 | 8 | 16.3 | 9 |
| Hawaii | 28,569 | 12.4 | 23 | 14.0 | 23 |
| Idaho | 40,459 | 12.5 | 22 | 17.4 | 5 |
| Illinois | 279,627 | 9.8 | 43 | 11.5 | 41 |
| Indiana | 125,119 | 10.8 | 35 | 12.9 | 32 |
| lowa | 68,704 | 8.2 | 49 | 10.9 | 44 |
| Kansas | 67,197 | 10.0 | 41 | 10.2 | 46 |
| Kentucky | 88,138 | 9.7 | 45 | 13.2 | 30 |
| Louisiana | 95,829 | 10.2 | 40 | 15.0 | 18 |
| Maine | 38,907 | 11.4 | 30 | 13.0 | 31 |
| Maryland | 132,049 | 15.6 | 7 | 15.8 | 11 |
| Massachusetts | 170,026 | 12.8 | 18 | 12.1 | 37 |
| Michigan | 212,608 | 10.7 | 37 | 12.7 | 34 |
| Minnesota | 130,348 | 10.5 | 38 | 9.9 | 48 |
| Mississippi | 53,303 | 11.7 | 26 | 13.4 | 28 |
| Missouri | 129,404 | 12.6 | 20 | 16.7 | 6 |
| Montana | 32,891 | 10.9 | 34 | 13.5 | 25 |
| Nebraska | 45,019 | 9.7 | 44 | 11.6 | 40 |
| Nevada | 46,339 | 19.0 | 2 | 18.7 | 4 |
| New Hampshire | 39,542 | 11.5 | 28 | 13.7 | 24 |
| New Jersey | 277,425 | 10.8 | 36 | 11.4 | 42 |
| New Mexico | 41,616 | 12.7 | 19 | 19.1 | 3 |
| New York | 473,471 | 12.6 | 21 | 13.4 | 27 |
| North Carolina | 175,461 | 13.1 | 16 | 12.6 | 35 |
| North Dakota | 18,544 | 7.3 | 50 | 10.2 | 47 |
| Ohio | 232,266 | 9.6 | 46 | 10.4 | 45 |
| Oklahoma | 75,177 | 11.6 | 27 | 11.9 | 38 |
| Oregon | 99,943 | 13.2 | 15 | 14.8 | 20 |
| Pennsylvania | 265,451 | 12.0 | 24 | 13.5 | 26 |
| Rhode Island | 33,011 | 10.9 | 33 | 15.1 | 17 |
| South Carolina | 89,300 | 11.5 | 29 | 12.9 | 33 |
| South Dakota | 22,759 | 6.1 | 51 | 9.2 | 49 |
| Tennessee | 109,376 | 14.6 | 9 | 15.1 | 16 |
| Texas | 390,390 | 13.8 | 11 | 14.9 | 19 |
| Utah | 54,461 | 19.2 | 1 | 20.7 | 1 |
| Vermont | 21,247 | 11.0 | 32 | 16.5 | 8 |
| Virginia | 162,459 | 13.2 | 14 | 12.5 | 36 |
| Washington | 199,233 | 18.9 | 3 | 20.5 | 2 |
| West Virginia | 37,805 | 10.4 | 39 | 14.8 | 21 |
| Wisconsin | 122,051 | 10.0 | 42 | 11.2 | 43 |
| Wyoming | 19,141 | 11.9 | 25 | 15.1 | 14 |

Notes: See Table 4 notes. On occasion, some state terminations result in successor firms which are not listed as new firms, thus making terminations higher than formations for most states.

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau and U.S. Department of Labor (ETA).

Table 7 Employer Firm Births by State, 1990-2002

| State | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | Ann. percent change | Rank |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. Total | 584,892 | 594,369 | 574,300 | 545,400 e. | 550,100 e. |  |  |
| Yearly Change (\%) | --- | --- | (0.9) | (5.0) | 0.9 |  |  |
| Opening Rate (\%) | --- | --- | 10.2 | 9.6 | 9.8 |  |  |
| Alabama | 9,260 | 9,140 | 10,067 | 10,060 | 9,599 | (4.6) | 37 |
| Alaska | 2,688 | 2,521 | 2,333 | 2,438 | 2,270 | (6.9) | 44 |
| Arizona | 9,832 | 12,044 | 15,175 | 14,541 | 14,291 | (1.7) | 27 |
| Arkansas | 6,484 | 7,042 | 4,680 | 3,990 | 5,381 | 34.9 | 1 |
| California | 139,146 | 127,074 | 167,047 | 128,885 | 130,840 | 1.5 | 14 |
| Colorado | 11,962 | 19,703 | 25,462 | 24,730 | 25,290 | 2.3 | 12 |
| Connecticut | 9,399 | 9,395 | 9,910 | 9,074 | 8,726 | (3.8) | 34 |
| Delaware | 2,083 | 2,783 | 3,682 | 3,352 | 3,223 | (3.8) | 35 |
| District of Columbia | 3,226 | 3,250 | 4,472 | 4,090 | 4,157 | 1.6 | 13 |
| Florida | 48,391 | 54,006 | 59,912 | 60,370 | 72,720 | 20.5 | 3 |
| Georgia | 22,309 | 24,478 | 28,925 | 23,211 | 28,756 | 23.9 | 2 |
| Hawaii | 3,585 | 3,874 | 3,745 | 3,811 | 3,555 | (6.7) | 43 |
| Idaho | 3,853 | 5,053 | 5,829 | 5,534 | 5,039 | (8.9) | 46 |
| Illinois | 27,952 | 30,393 | 28,875 | 28,426 | 27,342 | (3.8) | 33 |
| Indiana | 10,993 | 14,355 | 14,112 | 13,903 | 13,530 | (2.7) | 30 |
| lowa | 5,526 | 6,103 | 5,668 | 5,659 | 5,660 | 0.0 | 20 |
| Kansas | 6,716 | 7,600 | 6,483 | 7,026 | 6,703 | (4.6) | 38 |
| Kentucky | 7,730 | 9,078 | 8,637 | 8,713 | 8,526 | (2.1) | 28 |
| Louisiana | 8,321 | 9,817 | 10,468 | 9,816 | 9,810 | (0.1) | 21 |
| Maine | 3,978 | 4,476 | 5,135 | 4,667 | 4,428 | (5.1) | 41 |
| Maryland | 18,923 | 18,458 | 20,539 | 20,072 | 20,576 | 2.5 | 10 |
| Massachusetts | 14,697 | 16,040 | 18,640 | 18,166 | 21,725 | 19.6 | 4 |
| Michigan | 16,804 | 23,972 | 23,760 | 23,060 | 22,799 | (1.1) | 26 |
| Minnesota | 11,525 | 12,178 | 13,906 | 12,700 | 13,683 | 7.7 | 6 |
| Mississippi | 5,620 | 6,185 | 6,439 | 6,164 | 6,256 | 1.5 | 15 |
| Missouri | 13,336 | 14,935 | 13,996 | 14,360 | 16,337 | 13.8 | 5 |
| Montana | 2,295 | 3,377 | 4,418 | 3,608 | 3,569 | (1.1) | 25 |
| Nebraska | 4,143 | 3,895 | 4,441 | 4,419 | 4,372 | (1.1) | 24 |
| Nevada | 4,934 | 7,151 | 8,587 | 8,864 | 8,826 | (0.4) | 22 |
| New Hampshire | 4,278 | 4,988 | 4,677 | 4,398 | 4,562 | 3.7 | 9 |
| New Jersey | 24,610 | 27,106 | 27,885 e. | 36,747 | 29,916 | (18.6) | 50 |
| New Mexico | 4,721 | 4,837 | 5,836 | 5,753 | 5,281 | (8.2) | 45 |
| New York | 54,781 | 54,620 | 61,507 | 62,730 | 59,571 | (5.0) | 40 |
| North Carolina | 19,652 | 21,650 | 23,310 | 22,436 | 22,950 | 2.3 | 11 |
| North Dakota | 1,392 | 1,631 | 1,493 | 1,419 | 1,356 | (4.4) | 36 |
| Ohio | 20,286 | 27,046 | 22,290 | 22,951 | 22,379 | (2.5) | 29 |
| Oklahoma | 8,069 | 8,790 | 8,979 | 9,940 | 8,702 | (12.5) | 49 |
| Oregon | 15,504 | 13,770 | 14,729 | 13,246 | 13,160 | (0.6) | 23 |
| Pennsylvania | 26,125 | 23,820 | 35,104 | 33,497 | 31,939 | (4.7) | 39 |
| Rhode Island | 2,900 | 3,290 | 3,675 | 3,547 | 3,597 | 1.4 | 16 |
| South Carolina | 9,913 | 10,447 | 11,114 | 11,372 | 10,266 | (9.7) | 47 |
| South Dakota | 2,026 | 1,858 | 2,138 | 1,953 | 1,389 | (28.9) | 51 |
| Tennessee | 17,297 | 15,823 | 15,793 | 16,488 | 15,982 | (3.1) | 32 |
| Texas | 49,419 | 52,871 | 54,330 | 53,271 | 54,009 | 1.4 | 17 |
| Utah | 4,662 | 7,742 | 9,875 | 10,745 | 10,431 | (2.9) | 31 |
| Vermont | 2,183 | 2,139 | 2,511 | 2,226 | 2,331 | 4.7 | 8 |
| Virginia | 19,856 | 19,433 | 22,219 | 21,371 | 21,438 | 0.3 | 19 |
| Washington | 29,322 | 30,243 | 40,357 | 39,641 | 37,562 | (5.2) | 42 |
| West Virginia | 4,231 | 4,425 | 4,177 | 3,691 | 3,944 | 6.9 | 7 |
| Wisconsin | 10,307 | 12,342 | 12,436 | 12,025 | 12,172 | 1.2 | 18 |
| Wyoming | 1,879 | 2,230 | 2,314 | 2,558 | 2,275 | (11.1) | 48 |

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Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor (ETA) and U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 8 Employer Firm Terminations by State, 1990-2002

| State | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | Ann. percent change | Rank |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. Total | 531,400 | 497,246 | 542,831 | 568,300 e. | 584,500 e. |  |  |
| Yearly Change (\%) | --- | --- | (0.3) | 4.7 | 2.9 |  |  |
| Closing Rate (\%) | --- | --- | 9.7 | 10.1 | 10.4 |  |  |
| Alabama | 10,927 | 10,968 | 9,302 | 14,781 | 12,103 | (18.1) | 51 |
| Alaska | 3,382 | 2,530 | 2,671 | 2,575 | 2,541 | (1.3) | 27 |
| Arizona | 14,235 | 15,431 | 11,984 | 16,371 | 17,642 | 7.8 | 15 |
| Arkansas | 7,252 | 4,872 | 5,581 | 4,746 | 4,491 | (5.4) | 43 |
| California | 135,767 | 152,945 | 134,541 | 149,831 | 156,858 | 4.7 | 18 |
| Colorado | 12,864 | 17,933 | 7,561 | 6,954 | 10,332 | 48.6 | 2 |
| Connecticut | 11,994 | 11,619 | 11,528 | 11,348 | 11,383 | 0.3 | 24 |
| Delaware | 1,422 | 3,193 | 3,052 | 3,122 | 3,891 | 24.6 | 6 |
| District of Columbia | 3,715 | 3,302 | 4,996 | 4,013 | 3,973 | (1.0) | 26 |
| Florida | 54,009 | 52,467 | 55,186 | 54,573 | 52,241 | (4.3) | 37 |
| Georgia | 24,448 | 23,161 | 26,754 | 24,352 | 31,479 | 29.3 | 5 |
| Hawaii | 3,385 | 3,953 | 3,521 | 4,080 | 3,994 | (2.1) | 29 |
| Idaho | 3,337 | 4,861 | 6,249 | 5,851 | 7,040 | 20.3 | 7 |
| Illinois | 29,173 | 30,260 | 31,361 | 31,976 | 32,093 | 0.4 | 23 |
| Indiana | 10,632 | 14,129 | 15,738 | 15,839 | 16,156 | 2.0 | 20 |
| lowa | 6,971 | 7,702 | 7,485 | 7,770 | 7,480 | (3.7) | 36 |
| Kansas | 8,788 | 8,387 | 6,981 | 8,055 | 6,876 | (14.6) | 49 |
| Kentucky | 11,276 | 9,307 | 7,508 | 9,883 | 11,614 | 17.5 | 10 |
| Louisiana | 10,883 | 11,347 | 13,708 | 13,319 | 14,416 | 8.2 | 14 |
| Maine | 4,737 | 4,676 | 4,906 | 5,401 | 5,042 | (6.6) | 46 |
| Maryland | 17,945 | 16,256 | 19,563 | 20,667 | 20,927 | 1.3 | 22 |
| Massachusetts | 17,539 | 15,417 | 18,164 | 18,268 | 20,532 | 12.4 | 13 |
| Michigan | 28,676 | 20,340 | 30,240 | 26,535 | 26,975 | 1.7 | 21 |
| Minnesota | 13,614 | 12,458 | 4,829 | 6,770 | 12,851 | 89.8 | 1 |
| Mississippi | 7,200 | 7,077 | 7,555 | 7,557 | 7,160 | (5.3) | 41 |
| Missouri | 16,674 | 17,588 | 17,580 | 18,188 | 21,653 | 19.1 | 9 |
| Montana | 3,453 | 4,066 | 2,435 | 3,881 | 4,445 | 14.5 | 11 |
| Nebraska | 6,144 | 4,645 | 5,234 | 5,394 | 5,234 | (3.0) | 33 |
| Nevada | 4,888 | 6,483 | 7,761 | 8,252 | 8,667 | 5.0 | 17 |
| New Hampshire | 6,018 | 5,044 | 7,341 | 5,264 | 5,418 | 2.9 | 19 |
| New Jersey | 25,538 | 25,667 | 23,950 | 27,890 | 31,571 | 13.2 | 12 |
| New Mexico | 4,943 | 5,240 | 6,451 | 5,495 | 7,949 | 44.7 | 3 |
| New York | 63,627 | 56,813 | 57,423 | 65,616 | 63,631 | (3.0) | 34 |
| North Carolina | 21,643 | 23,389 | 23,467 | 23,217 | 22,184 | (4.4) | 38 |
| North Dakota | 2,265 | 2,045 | 2,191 | 2,112 | 1,893 | (10.4) | 47 |
| Ohio | 23,863 | 28,091 | 24,276 | 25,460 | 24,269 | (4.7) | 40 |
| Oklahoma | 9,397 | 8,623 | 8,848 | 9,498 | 8,923 | (6.1) | 44 |
| Oregon | 11,921 | 13,022 | 16,102 | 15,512 | 14,793 | (4.6) | 39 |
| Pennsylvania | 27,929 | 27,254 | 34,893 | 33,426 | 35,859 | 7.3 | 16 |
| Rhode Island | 3,863 | 5,985 | 4,170 | 4,152 | 4,981 | 20.0 | 8 |
| South Carolina | 10,736 | 10,391 | 11,721 | 12,893 | 11,491 | (10.9) | 48 |
| South Dakota | 2,370 | 2,360 | 1,809 | 2,156 | 2,098 | (2.7) | 32 |
| Tennessee | 18,902 | 15,896 | 17,563 | 17,637 | 16,514 | (6.4) | 45 |
| Texas | 53,831 | 56,027 | 57,300 | 59,342 | 58,114 | (2.1) | 28 |
| Utah | 5,774 | 7,654 | 10,135 | 13,565 | 11,272 | (16.9) | 50 |
| Vermont | 2,687 | 2,577 | 2,653 | 2,578 | 3,501 | 35.8 | 4 |
| Virginia | 21,438 | 18,493 | 20,569 | 21,449 | 20,305 | (5.3) | 42 |
| Washington | 23,087 | 30,847 | 41,793 | 41,122 | 40,782 | (0.8) | 25 |
| West Virginia | 4,408 | 5,119 | 5,542 | 5,741 | 5,595 | (2.5) | 31 |
| Wisconsin | 11,591 | 13,054 | 15,151 | 14,135 | 13,651 | (3.4) | 35 |
| Wyoming | 2,900 | 2,735 | 2,908 | 2,969 | 2,895 | (2.5) | 30 |

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Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor (ETA) and U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 9 Business Bankruptcies by State, 1990-2002

| State | 1990 | 1995 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | Ann. percent change | Rank |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U.S. Total | 63,912 | 50,516 | 35,219 | 39,719 | 38,155 |  |  |
| Yearly Change (\%) | --- | --- | (6.4) | 12.8 | (3.9) |  |  |
| Alabama | 1,356 | 796 | 445 | 428 | 381 | (11.0) | 37 |
| Alaska | 164 | 159 | 118 | 104 | 120 | 15.4 | 10 |
| Arizona | 2,377 | 1,045 | 765 | 753 | 756 | 0.4 | 26 |
| Arkansas | 467 | 422 | 261 | 290 | 282 | (2.8) | 28 |
| California | 7,391 | 12,097 | 4,595 | 5,238 | 5,141 | (1.9) | 27 |
| Colorado | 1,088 | 610 | 373 | 467 | 590 | 26.3 | 2 |
| Connecticut | 445 | 205 | 139 | 156 | 181 | 16.0 | 8 |
| Delaware | 114 | 277 | 2,320 | 1,374 | 649 | (52.8) | 51 |
| District of Columbia | 129 | 100 | 58 | 49 | 52 | 6.1 | 20 |
| Florida | 2,842 | 1,949 | 1,447 | 1,896 | 1,803 | (4.9) | 29 |
| Georgia | 2,366 | 496 | 1,012 | 1,162 | 1,359 | 17.0 | 5 |
| Hawaii | 74 | 159 | 63 | 68 | 53 | (22.1) | 46 |
| Idaho | 365 | 391 | 269 | 303 | 260 | (14.2) | 39 |
| Illinois | 2,041 | 1,624 | 1,270 | 1,547 | 1,240 | (19.8) | 44 |
| Indiana | 1,090 | 842 | 398 | 604 | 661 | 9.4 | 15 |
| lowa | 893 | 556 | 214 | 289 | 354 | 22.5 | 3 |
| Kansas | 560 | 419 | 169 | 220 | 238 | 8.2 | 17 |
| Kentucky | 1,324 | 473 | 355 | 474 | 445 | (6.1) | 33 |
| Louisiana | 1,338 | 562 | 619 | 716 | 672 | (6.1) | 34 |
| Maine | 318 | 274 | 162 | 151 | 101 | (33.1) | 48 |
| Maryland | 1,356 | 1,493 | 677 | 758 | 873 | 15.2 | 11 |
| Massachusetts | 1,838 | 1,116 | 393 | 427 | 380 | (11.0) | 38 |
| Michigan | 1,633 | 1,072 | 577 | 688 | 802 | 16.6 | 7 |
| Minnesota | 1,771 | 1,901 | 1,492 | 1,887 | 1,729 | (8.4) | 36 |
| Mississippi | 288 | 283 | 203 | 289 | 309 | 6.9 | 18 |
| Missouri | 1,319 | 521 | 369 | 505 | 394 | (22.0) | 45 |
| Montana | 223 | 171 | 141 | 149 | 120 | (19.5) | 43 |
| Nebraska | 425 | 212 | 115 | 144 | 152 | 5.6 | 21 |
| Nevada | 354 | 390 | 332 | 419 | 462 | 10.3 | 14 |
| New Hampshire | 490 | 92 | 302 | 334 | 212 | (36.5) | 50 |
| New Jersey | 1,120 | 1,195 | 660 | 730 | 689 | (5.6) | 31 |
| New Mexico | 348 | 322 | 513 | 620 | 693 | 11.8 | 12 |
| New York | 2,606 | 3,374 | 1,960 | 2,432 | 2,585 | 6.3 | 19 |
| North Carolina | 1,280 | 726 | 445 | 613 | 576 | (6.0) | 32 |
| North Dakota | 209 | 118 | 92 | 115 | 116 | 0.9 | 25 |
| Ohio | 1,778 | 1,052 | 1,471 | 1,794 | 1,538 | (14.3) | 40 |
| Oklahoma | 1,716 | 946 | 876 | 941 | 607 | (35.5) | 49 |
| Oregon | 1,061 | 781 | 1,453 | 1,389 | 1,606 | 15.6 | 9 |
| Pennsylvania | 1,751 | 1,770 | 1,455 | 1,541 | 1,263 | (18.0) | 42 |
| Rhode Island | 327 | 162 | 74 | 64 | 65 | 1.6 | 24 |
| South Carolina | 404 | 337 | 138 | 147 | 178 | 21.1 | 4 |
| South Dakota | 388 | 172 | 133 | 164 | 119 | (27.4) | 47 |
| Tennessee | 1,274 | 949 | 641 | 886 | 735 | (17.0) | 41 |
| Texas | 5,318 | 3,410 | 2,592 | 3,155 | 2,994 | (5.1) | 30 |
| Utah | 895 | 242 | 451 | 475 | 602 | 26.7 | 1 |
| Vermont | 179 | 167 | 71 | 97 | 91 | (6.2) | 35 |
| Virginia | 2,958 | 1,261 | 815 | 924 | 969 | 4.9 | 22 |
| Washington | 1,978 | 1,335 | 717 | 642 | 698 | 8.7 | 16 |
| West Virginia | 381 | 314 | 277 | 322 | 357 | 10.9 | 13 |
| Wisconsin | 1,366 | 1,067 | 685 | 734 | 856 | 16.6 | 6 |
| Wyoming | 136 | 109 | 47 | 45 | 47 | 4.4 | 23 |
| Puerto Rico | --- | --- | 209 | 333 | 351 | 5.4 |  |

Note: U.S. totals exclude Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands and Northern Mariana Islands. A business bankruptcy is the legal recognition that a company is insolvent (i.e., not able to satisfy creditors or discharge liabilities); must restructure or completely liquidate under Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of the federal bankruptcy laws.
Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts.

Table 10 Financial Information by State, 2001 and 2002
(billions of dollars unless noted)

|  | Proprietors' Income |  |  |  | Wage-and-Salary Income |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2001 | 2002 | Percent Change | Rank | 2001 | 2002 | Percent Change | Rank |
| United States | 729.1 | 759.8 | 4.2 |  | 4,947.4 | 4,999.8 | 1.1 |  |
| Alabama | 8.1 | 7.9 | (2.6) | 49 | 59.0 | 60.5 | 2.5 | 21 |
| Alaska | 1.8 | 1.9 | 5.4 | 11 | 11.3 | 11.9 | 4.9 | 2 |
| Arizona | 10.0 | 10.7 | 6.9 | 3 | 78.7 | 80.5 | 2.3 | 22 |
| Arkansas | 5.2 | 5.3 | 2.2 | 38 | 32.5 | 33.5 | 2.9 | 16 |
| California | 114.4 | 120.1 | 4.9 | 15 | 647.0 | 647.4 | 0.1 | 47 |
| Colorado | 15.7 | 16.6 | 5.1 | 13 | 88.4 | 87.1 | (1.5) | 50 |
| Connecticut | 11.9 | 12.4 | 4.3 | 23 | 81.2 | 81.3 | 0.1 | 46 |
| Delaware | 1.6 | 1.6 | (1.9) | 48 | 16.5 | 16.9 | 2.8 | 17 |
| District of Columbia | 2.9 | 3.0 | 4.9 | 17 | 39.1 | 40.5 | 3.6 | 10 |
| Florida | 29.3 | 31.0 | 5.8 | 8 | 239.3 | 247.0 | 3.2 | 12 |
| Georgia | 21.5 | 22.0 | 2.6 | 34 | 144.2 | 146.2 | 1.4 | 39 |
| Hawaii | 2.8 | 2.9 | 4.1 | 25 | 19.9 | 20.8 | 4.8 | 4 |
| Idaho | 3.9 | 4.1 | 5.2 | 12 | 16.9 | 17.2 | 2.0 | 33 |
| Illinois | 32.5 | 33.5 | 3.1 | 32 | 240.7 | 241.3 | 0.2 | 45 |
| Indiana | 10.7 | 10.8 | 0.6 | 44 | 95.2 | 97.3 | 2.2 | 26 |
| lowa | 6.7 | 7.7 | 15.3 | 1 | 43.3 | 44.2 | 2.2 | 28 |
| Kansas | 6.0 | 6.0 | 0.2 | 45 | 42.6 | 43.5 | 2.0 | 31 |
| Kentucky | 7.1 | 7.3 | 2.1 | 39 | 55.9 | 57.2 | 2.3 | 23 |
| Louisiana | 8.8 | 9.3 | 5.8 | 7 | 58.1 | 59.6 | 2.7 | 19 |
| Maine | 2.6 | 2.7 | 3.6 | 30 | 18.0 | 18.6 | 3.5 | 11 |
| Maryland | 10.6 | 11.1 | 4.3 | 22 | 98.8 | 102.6 | 3.9 | 8 |
| Massachusetts | 18.0 | 18.8 | 4.3 | 24 | 153.6 | 151.5 | (1.4) | 49 |
| Michigan | 17.8 | 18.7 | 4.9 | 16 | 173.3 | 174.7 | 0.8 | 43 |
| Minnesota | 10.8 | 11.8 | 9.5 | 2 | 99.8 | 102.0 | 2.3 | 24 |
| Mississippi | 4.9 | 4.7 | (4.0) | 50 | 31.0 | 31.9 | 3.0 | 15 |
| Missouri | 11.9 | 12.2 | 2.4 | 35 | 90.8 | 92.8 | 2.1 | 29 |
| Montana | 2.2 | 2.3 | 4.6 | 20 | 10.5 | 11.0 | 5.0 | 1 |
| Nebraska | 4.7 | 4.7 | 0.8 | 43 | 27.3 | 28.2 | 3.2 | 13 |
| Nevada | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 10 | 37.0 | 38.0 | 2.7 | 18 |
| New Hampshire | 3.4 | 3.6 | 6.0 | 6 | 22.5 | 22.9 | 1.7 | 35 |
| New Jersey | 26.4 | 27.7 | 5.1 | 14 | 178.5 | 182.5 | 2.3 | 25 |
| New Mexico | 3.2 | 3.3 | 2.3 | 37 | 23.0 | 24.1 | 4.4 | 5 |
| New York | 63.6 | 66.2 | 4.0 | 26 | 411.2 | 402.1 | (2.2) | 51 |
| North Carolina | 16.2 | 16.1 | (0.7) | 47 | 129.9 | 131.7 | 1.4 | 38 |
| North Dakota | 1.4 | 1.5 | 2.1 | 40 | 8.9 | 9.2 | 4.4 | 6 |
| Ohio | 20.8 | 21.4 | 2.8 | 33 | 188.2 | 191.2 | 1.6 | 36 |
| Oklahoma | 10.0 | 10.4 | 3.9 | 27 | 43.8 | 44.5 | 1.6 | 37 |
| Oregon | 7.6 | 7.9 | 4.7 | 19 | 55.1 | 55.5 | 0.7 | 44 |
| Pennsylvania | 33.3 | 34.6 | 3.9 | 28 | 203.3 | 207.8 | 2.2 | 27 |
| Rhode Island | 2.0 | 2.1 | 6.1 | 5 | 16.6 | 17.3 | 4.1 | 7 |
| South Carolina | 6.5 | 6.6 | 2.3 | 36 | 55.8 | 56.8 | 1.8 | 34 |
| South Dakota | 2.4 | 2.0 | (17.9) | 51 | 10.0 | 10.4 | 3.6 | 9 |
| Tennessee | 16.2 | 17.0 | 4.7 | 18 | 86.7 | 89.3 | 3.1 | 14 |
| Texas | 80.3 | 84.9 | 5.7 | 9 | 355.1 | 354.1 | (0.3) | 48 |
| Utah | 4.2 | 4.3 | 1.6 | 41 | 33.8 | 34.2 | 1.3 | 41 |
| Vermont | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 42 | 9.4 | 9.6 | 2.1 | 30 |
| Virginia | 12.7 | 13.3 | 4.4 | 21 | 137.8 | 139.7 | 1.3 | 40 |
| Washington | 14.3 | 15.2 | 6.3 | 4 | 110.8 | 111.9 | 1.0 | 42 |
| West Virginia | 2.7 | 2.8 | 3.9 | 29 | 20.1 | 20.7 | 2.7 | 20 |
| Wisconsin | 9.1 | 9.4 | 3.6 | 31 | 89.7 | 91.5 | 2.0 | 32 |
| Wyoming | 1.5 | 1.5 | - | 46 | 7.2 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 3 |

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by Bureau of Economic Analysis.
(thousands of jobs unless noted)

| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { SIC Codes } \\ & (1987) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Industry | Annual Employment |  | Absolute change | Percent change | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Percent } \\ \text { small } 1997 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2001 | 2002 |  |  |  |
| -- | Total private | 110,990.0 | 109,532.0 | $(1,458.0)$ | (1.3) | 51.8 |
| Major Industries |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 700 | Agricultural services | 849.0 | 867.1 | 18.1 | 2.1 | 89.2 |
| 1000 | Mining | 565.0 | 557.0 | (8.0) | (1.4) | 39.8 |
| 1500 | Construction | 6,685.0 | 6,556.0 | (129.0) | (1.9) | 89.3 |
| 2000 | Manufacturing | 17,695.0 | 16,724.0 | (971.0) | (5.5) | 39.1 |
| 4000 | Transportation, commun. and public utilities | 7,065.0 | 6,773.0 | (292.0) | (4.1) | 35.5 |
| 5000 | Wholesale trade | 6,776.0 | 6,671.0 | (105.0) | (1.5) | 64.8 |
| 5200 | Retail trade | 23,522.0 | 23,306.0 | (216.0) | (0.9) | 50.7 |
| 6000 | Finance, insurance, and real estate | 7,712.0 | 7,760.0 | 48.0 | 0.6 | 42.0 |
| 7000 | Services | 40,121.0 | 40,317.9 | 196.9 | 0.5 | 55.1 |
| Two-Digit SIC Code Industries |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1000 | Metal mining | 35.6 | 32.2 | (3.4) | (9.6) | 17.8 |
| 1200 | Coal mining | 79.9 | 79.7 | (0.2) | (0.3) | 37.4 |
| 1300 | Oil and gas extraction | 338.0 | 334.1 | (3.9) | (1.2) | 39.9 |
| 1400 | Nonmetallic minerals, except fuels | 111.0 | 110.8 | (0.2) | (0.2) | 52.7 |
| 1500 | General building contractors | 1,462.5 | 1,461.5 | (1.0) | (0.1) | 87.8 |
| 1600 | Heavy construction, except building | 922.0 | 900.0 | (22.0) | (2.4) | 75.5 |
| 1700 | Special trade contractors | 4,300.5 | 4,194.2 | (106.3) | (2.5) | 92.9 |
| 2000 | Food and kindred products | 1,690.9 | 1,689.3 | (1.6) | (0.1) | 27.6 |
| 2100 | Tobacco products | 33.8 | 35.0 | 1.2 | 3.6 | 9.0 |
| 2200 | Textile mill products | 477.5 | 431.8 | (45.7) | (9.6) | 30.6 |
| 2300 | Apparel and other textile products | 566.0 | 520.8 | (45.2) | (8.0) | 57.3 |
| 2400 | Lumber and wood products | 786.1 | 766.5 | (19.6) | (2.5) | 63.8 |
| 2500 | Furniture and fixtures | 519.9 | 491.0 | (28.9) | (5.6) | 50.7 |
| 2600 | Paper and allied products | 634.4 | 614.6 | (19.8) | (3.1) | 28.3 |
| 2700 | Printing and publishing | 1,490.8 | 1,410.0 | (80.8) | (5.4) | 50.7 |
| 2800 | Chemicals and allied products | 1,021.9 | 1,008.1 | (13.8) | (1.4) | 21.1 |
| 2900 | Petroleum and coal products | 125.8 | 125.5 | (0.3) | (0.2) | 18.5 |
| 3000 | Rubber and miscellaneous plastics products | 958.0 | 927.1 | (30.9) | (3.2) | 44.4 |
| 3100 | Leather and leather products | 59.8 | 55.5 | (4.3) | (7.2) | 47.0 |
| 3200 | Stone, clay, and glass products | 570.7 | 554.3 | (16.4) | (2.9) | 47.1 |
| 3300 | Primary metal industries | 656.2 | 591.9 | (64.3) | (9.8) | 29.2 |
| 3400 | Fabricated metal products | 1,482.5 | 1,417.7 | (64.8) | (4.4) | 57.8 |
| 3500 | Industrial machinery and equipment | 2,010.6 | 1,823.3 | (187.3) | (9.3) | 47.3 |
| 3600 | Electronic and other electrical equipment | 1,630.9 | 1,418.6 | (212.3) | (13.0) | 28.3 |
| 3700 | Transportation equipment | 1,759.9 | 1,667.2 | (92.7) | (5.3) | 16.0 |
| 3800 | Instruments and related products | 839.3 | 803.6 | (35.7) | (4.3) | 28.5 |
| 3900 | Miscellaneous manufacturing industries | 379.9 | 371.7 | (8.2) | (2.2) | 66.9 |
| 4000 | Railroad transportation | 233.5 | 228.9 | (4.6) | (2.0) | (D) |
| 4100 | Local and interurban passenger transit | 479.2 | 472.4 | (6.8) | (1.4) | 60.6 |
| 4200 | Trucking and warehousing | 1,847.8 | 1,826.1 | (21.7) | (1.2) | 52.0 |
| 4400 | Water transportation | 192.4 | 189.9 | (2.5) | (1.3) | 47.3 |
| 4500 | Transportation by air | 1,266.0 | 1,161.4 | (104.6) | (8.3) | 10.6 |
| 4600 | Pipelines, except natural gas | 15.0 | 14.9 | (0.1) | (0.7) | 10.3 |
| 4700 | Transportation services | 462.8 | 423.4 | (39.4) | (8.5) | 68.8 |
| 4800 | Communications | 1,716.5 | 1,613.8 | (102.7) | (6.0) | 18.9 |
| 4900 | Electric, gas, and sanitary services | 852.2 | 841.9 | (10.3) | (1.2) | 18.2 |
| 5000 | Wholesale trade - durable goods | 4,024.0 | 3,908.0 | (116.0) | (2.9) | 69.1 |
| 5100 | Nondurable goods | 2,752.0 | 2,764.0 | 12.0 | 0.4 | 58.5 |
| 5200 | Building materials and garden supplies | 1,043.9 | 1,064.2 | 20.3 | 1.9 | 57.3 |
| 5300 | General merchandise stores | 2,897.3 | 2,868.3 | (29.0) | (1.0) | 2.8 |
| 5400 | Food stores | 3,450.8 | 3,393.6 | (57.2) | (1.7) | 36.5 |
| 5500 | Automotive dealers and service stations | 2,424.8 | 2,432.2 | 7.4 | 0.3 | 78.6 |
| 5600 | Apparel and accessory stores | 1,189.0 | 1,174.3 | (14.7) | (1.2) | 29.2 |
| 5700 | Furniture and home furnishings stores | 1,141.4 | 1,150.6 | 9.2 | 0.8 | 58.7 |
| 5800 | Eating and drinking places | 8,256.9 | 8,143.7 | (113.2) | (1.4) | 64.5 |
| 5900 | Miscellaneous retail establishments | 3,117.5 | 3,079.5 | (38.0) | (1.2) | 55.7 |
| 6000 | Depository institutions | 2,053.4 | 2,076.0 | 22.6 | 1.1 | 32.4 |
| 6100 | Nondepository institutions | 720.2 | 772.4 | 52.2 | 7.2 | 34.9 |

Small Business Economic Indicators
(thousands of jobs unless noted)

| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { SIC Codes } \\ & \text { (1987) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Industry | Annual Employment |  | Absolute change | Percent change | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Percent } \\ \text { small } 1997 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2001 | 2002 |  |  |  |
| 6200 | Security and commodity brokers | 768.9 | 718.3 | (50.6) | (6.6) | 27.6 |
| 6300 | Insurance carriers | 1,595.3 | 1,582.4 | (12.9) | (0.8) | 9.4 |
| 6400 | Insurance agents, brokers, and service | 773.3 | 787.8 | 14.5 | 1.9 | 77.3 |
| 6700 | Holding and other investment offices | 257.4 | 261.2 | 3.8 | 1.5 | 52.0 |
| 7000 | Hotels and other lodging places | 1,870.0 | 1,798.0 | (72.0) | (3.9) | 43.1 |
| 7200 | Personal services | 1,269.4 | 1,286.4 | 17.0 | 1.3 | 76.0 |
| 7300 | Business services | 9,572.3 | 9,305.2 | (267.1) | (2.8) | 45.7 |
| 7500 | Auto repair, services, and parking | 1,257.2 | 1,263.2 | 6.0 | 0.5 | 78.5 |
| 7600 | Miscellaneous repair services | 373.9 | 377.4 | 3.5 | 0.9 | 78.7 |
| 7800 | Motion pictures | 583.0 | 582.9 | (0.1) | (0.0) | 39.3 |
| 7900 | Amusement and recreation services | 1,721.8 | 1,642.0 | (79.8) | (4.6) | 70.4 |
| 8000 | Health services | 10,380.7 | 10,673.1 | 292.4 | 2.8 | 41.0 |
| 8100 | Legal services | 1,037.1 | 1,065.9 | 28.8 | 2.8 | 90.3 |
| 8200 | Educational services | 2,433.9 | 2,525.5 | 91.6 | 3.8 | 46.2 |
| 8300 | Social services | 3,056.9 | 3,177.2 | 120.3 | 3.9 | 80.5 |
| 8400 | Museums \& botanical \& zoological gardens | 110.3 | 108.1 | (2.2) | (2.0) | 81.5 |
| 8600 | Membership organizations | 2,468.0 | 2,476.7 | 8.7 | 0.4 | 91.2 |
| 8700 | Engineering and management services | 3,593.1 | 3,645.0 | 51.9 | 1.4 | 62.4 |
| 8900 | Services, nec | 49.7 | 46.9 | (2.8) | (5.6) | 75.3 |
| Three-Digit SIC Code Industries |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 740 | Veterinary services | 228.6 | 236.5 | 7.9 | 3.5 | 97.6 |
| 780 | Landscape and horticultural services | 560.2 | 570.3 | 10.1 | 1.8 | 84.0 |
| 1010 | Iron ores | 6.5 | 6.0 | (0.5) | (7.7) | 3.0 |
| 1020 | Copper ores | 9.7 | 8.7 | (1.0) | (10.3) | 6.5 |
| 1220 | Bituminous coal and lignite mining | 74.6 | 74.4 | (0.2) | (0.3) | 33.9 |
| 1310 | Crude petroleum and natural gas | 125.1 | 121.7 | (3.4) | (2.7) | 33.0 |
| 1380 | Oil and gas field services | 209.2 | 209.2 | - | - | 47.9 |
| 1420 | Crushed and broken stone | 44.3 | 44.5 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 53.0 |
| 1440 | Sand and gravel | 36.9 | 36.4 | (0.5) | (1.4) | 72.2 |
| 1470 | Chemical and fertilizer minerals | 9.9 | 10.1 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 15.6 |
| 1520 | Residential building construction | 753.4 | 773.9 | 20.5 | 2.7 | 97.0 |
| 1530 | Operative builders | 33.0 | 32.8 | (0.2) | (0.6) | 80.0 |
| 1540 | Nonresidential building construction | 676.1 | 654.7 | (21.4) | (3.2) | 81.8 |
| 1610 | Highway and street construction | 289.0 | 285.6 | (3.4) | (1.2) | 85.6 |
| 1620 | Heavy construction, except highway | 633.0 | 614.4 | (18.6) | (2.9) | 72.1 |
| 1710 | Plumbing, heating, and air-conditioning | 933.0 | 917.0 | (16.0) | (1.7) | 92.1 |
| 1720 | Painting and paper hanging | 226.0 | 215.5 | (10.5) | (4.6) | 97.5 |
| 1730 | Electrical work | 859.1 | 819.2 | (39.9) | (4.6) | 90.5 |
| 1740 | Masonry, stonework, and plastering | 575.9 | 562.8 | (13.1) | (2.3) | 94.9 |
| 1750 | Carpentry and floor work | 328.6 | 325.4 | (3.2) | (1.0) | 97.5 |
| 1760 | Roofing, siding, and sheet metal work | 244.3 | 239.0 | (5.3) | (2.2) | 97.7 |
| 2010 | Meat products | 513.9 | 522.6 | 8.7 | 1.7 | 17.7 |
| 2020 | Dairy products | 145.6 | 145.9 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 31.8 |
| 2030 | Preserved fruits and vegetables | 218.1 | 213.5 | (4.6) | (2.1) | 30.7 |
| 2040 | Grain mill products | 121.9 | 120.0 | (1.9) | (1.6) | 34.7 |
| 2050 | Bakery products | 201.0 | 203.0 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 29.7 |
| 2060 | Sugar and confectionery products | 90.5 | 91.5 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 33.9 |
| 2070 | Fats and oils | 28.2 | 28.1 | (0.1) | (0.4) | 26.7 |
| 2080 | Beverages | 188.8 | 186.5 | (2.3) | (1.2) | 33.3 |
| 2090 | Miscellaneous food and kindred products | 182.9 | 178.3 | (4.6) | (2.5) | 48.1 |
| 2110 | Cigarettes | 23.0 | 23.9 | 0.9 | 3.9 | 1.2 |
| 2210 | Broadwoven fabric mills, cotton | 52.9 | 49.5 | (3.4) | (6.4) | 13.7 |
| 2220 | Broadwoven fabric mills, synthetics | 50.5 | 45.9 | (4.6) | (9.1) | 15.3 |
| 2230 | Broadwoven fabric mills, wool | 7.9 | 5.3 | (2.6) | (32.9) | 29.1 |
| 2240 | Narrow fabric mills | 17.7 | 16.2 | (1.5) | (8.5) | 52.3 |
| 2250 | Knitting mills | 109.5 | 89.1 | (20.4) | (18.6) | 43.9 |
| 2260 | Textile finishing, except wool | 53.5 | 50.1 | (3.4) | (6.4) | 45.9 |
| 2270 | Carpets and rugs | 63.6 | 62.9 | (0.7) | (1.1) | 19.5 |
| 2280 | Yarn and thread mills | 70.6 | 65.1 | (5.5) | (7.8) | 18.2 |
| 2290 | Miscellaneous textile goods | 51.4 | 47.7 | (3.7) | (7.2) | 49.6 |

(thousands of jobs unless noted)

| $\overline{\text { SIC Codes }}$$(1987)$ | Industry | Annual Employment |  | Absolute change | Percent change | Percent small 1997 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2001 | 2002 |  |  |  |
| 2310 | Men's and boys' suits and coats | 17.5 | 15.2 | (2.3) | (13.1) | 36.9 |
| 2320 | Men's and boys' furnishings | 117.0 | 105.7 | (11.3) | (9.7) | 38.6 |
| 2330 | Women's and misses' outerwear | 158.8 | 150.3 | (8.5) | (5.4) | 77.3 |
| 2340 | Women's and children's undergarments | 17.0 | 13.7 | (3.3) | (19.4) | 45.0 |
| 2360 | Girls' and children's outerwear | 12.1 | 9.6 | (2.5) | (20.7) | 67.0 |
| 2380 | Miscellaneous apparel and accessories | 29.9 | 27.5 | (2.4) | (8.0) | 70.8 |
| 2390 | Miscellaneous fabricated textile products | 200.6 | 188.0 | (12.6) | (6.3) | 62.3 |
| 2410 | Logging | 73.2 | 69.5 | (3.7) | (5.1) | 94.1 |
| 2420 | Sawmills and planing mills | 172.1 | 168.3 | (3.8) | (2.2) | 66.4 |
| 2430 | Millwork, plywood, and structural members | 328.2 | 327.8 | (0.4) | (0.1) | 61.3 |
| 2440 | Wood containers | 56.2 | 55.1 | (1.1) | (2.0) | 93.8 |
| 2450 | Wood buildings and mobile homes | 76.9 | 70.7 | (6.2) | (8.1) | 33.9 |
| 2490 | Miscellaneous wood products | 79.5 | 75.2 | (4.3) | (5.4) | 61.9 |
| 2510 | Household furniture | 264.8 | 252.8 | (12.0) | (4.5) | 45.2 |
| 2520 | Office furniture | 73.9 | 64.7 | (9.2) | (12.4) | 37.2 |
| 2530 | Public building and related furniture | 52.1 | 51.9 | (0.2) | (0.4) | 45.6 |
| 2540 | Partitions and fixtures | 88.0 | 81.2 | (6.8) | (7.7) | 78.3 |
| 2590 | Miscellaneous furniture and fixtures | 41.1 | 40.5 | (0.6) | (1.5) | 58.8 |
| 2620 | Paper mills | 131.9 | 126.2 | (5.7) | (4.3) | 10.3 |
| 2630 | Paperboard mills | 43.6 | 42.4 | (1.2) | (2.8) | 6.1 |
| 2650 | Paperboard containers and boxes | 210.9 | 206.0 | (4.9) | (2.3) | 38.9 |
| 2670 | Miscellaneous converted paper products | 234.8 | 226.8 | (8.0) | (3.4) | 37.3 |
| 2710 | Newspapers | 423.4 | 406.7 | (16.7) | (3.9) | 28.4 |
| 2720 | Periodicals | 145.5 | 136.0 | (9.5) | (6.5) | 56.7 |
| 2730 | Books | 124.2 | 114.3 | (9.9) | (8.0) | 37.8 |
| 2740 | Miscellaneous publishing | 92.5 | 92.4 | (0.1) | (0.1) | 54.2 |
| 2750 | Commercial printing | 542.5 | 512.7 | (29.8) | (5.5) | 72.4 |
| 2760 | Manifold business forms | 39.3 | 37.2 | (2.1) | (5.3) | 48.3 |
| 2780 | Blankbooks and bookbinding | 54.4 | 48.6 | (5.8) | (10.7) | 62.0 |
| 2790 | Printing trade services | 44.3 | 40.6 | (3.7) | (8.4) | 76.7 |
| 2810 | Industrial inorganic chemicals | 94.7 | 89.9 | (4.8) | (5.1) | 15.5 |
| 2820 | Plastics materials and synthetics | 145.1 | 137.4 | (7.7) | (5.3) | 12.9 |
| 2830 | Drugs | 320.2 | 328.9 | 8.7 | 2.7 | 20.9 |
| 2840 | Soap, cleaners, and toilet goods | 155.4 | 151.7 | (3.7) | (2.4) | 40.3 |
| 2850 | Paints and allied products | 49.9 | 48.8 | (1.1) | (2.2) | 42.8 |
| 2860 | Industrial organic chemicals | 117.0 | 115.1 | (1.9) | (1.6) | 15.1 |
| 2870 | Agricultural chemicals | 47.9 | 44.7 | (3.2) | (6.7) | 34.4 |
| 2890 | Miscellaneous chemical products | 91.8 | 91.6 | (0.2) | (0.2) | 44.7 |
| 2910 | Petroleum refining | 82.9 | 82.0 | (0.9) | (1.1) | 6.7 |
| 2950 | Asphalt paving and roofing materials | 28.3 | 29.6 | 1.3 | 4.6 | 43.9 |
| 3010 | Tires and inner tubes | 75.2 | 71.9 | (3.3) | (4.4) | 4.4 |
| 3020 | Rubber and plastics footwear | 4.0 | 4.1 | 0.1 | 2.5 | 36.6 |
| 3050 | Hose, belting, gaskets, and packing | 70.2 | 63.7 | (6.5) | (9.3) | 31.0 |
| 3060 | Fabricated rubber products, nec | 99.9 | 96.0 | (3.9) | (3.9) | 43.1 |
| 3080 | Miscellaneous plastics products, nec | 708.7 | 691.4 | (17.3) | (2.4) | 50.9 |
| 3110 | Leather tanning and finishing | 8.6 | 7.4 | (1.2) | (14.0) | 41.6 |
| 3140 | Footwear, except rubber | 24.9 | 23.1 | (1.8) | (7.2) | 31.5 |
| 3160 | Luggage | 8.1 | 6.1 | (2.0) | (24.7) | 78.0 |
| 3170 | Handbags and personal leather goods | 6.6 | 8.4 | 1.8 | 27.3 | (D) |
| 3210 | Flat glass | 15.3 | 15.1 | (0.2) | (1.3) | 5.1 |
| 3220 | Glass and glassware, pressed or blown | 64.9 | 60.3 | (4.6) | (7.1) | 11.1 |
| 3230 | Products of purchased glass | 63.6 | 60.9 | (2.7) | (4.2) | 40.1 |
| 3240 | Cement, hydraulic | 18.5 | 19.1 | 0.6 | 3.2 | 25.7 |
| 3250 | Structural clay products | 31.8 | 31.4 | (0.4) | (1.3) | 38.0 |
| 3260 | Pottery and related products | 36.2 | 34.4 | (1.8) | (5.0) | 50.4 |
| 3270 | Concrete, gypsum, and plaster products | 251.0 | 247.8 | (3.2) | (1.3) | 68.0 |
| 3290 | Miscellaneous nonmetallic mineral products | 68.6 | 63.6 | (5.0) | (7.3) | 43.9 |
| 3310 | Blast furnaces and basic steel products | 209.1 | 187.6 | (21.5) | (10.3) | 15.1 |
| 3320 | Iron and steel foundries | 114.8 | 103.4 | (11.4) | (9.9) | 36.7 |
| 3330 | Primary nonferrous metals | 32.2 | 28.5 | (3.7) | (11.5) | 11.4 |

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| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { SIC Codes } \\ & \text { (1987) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Industry | Annual Employment |  | Absolute change | Percent change | Percent small 1997 |
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|  |  | 2001 | 2002 |  |  |  |
| 3350 | Nonferrous rolling and drawing | 170.2 | 151.7 | (18.5) | (10.9) | 21.6 |
| 3360 | Nonferrous foundries (castings) | 88.7 | 81.5 | (7.2) | (8.1) | 58.4 |
| 3410 | Metal cans and shipping containers | 34.7 | 34.6 | (0.1) | (0.3) | 18.2 |
| 3420 | Cutlery, handtools, and hardware | 114.0 | 109.5 | (4.5) | (3.9) | 40.4 |
| 3430 | Plumbing and heating, except electric | 58.1 | 55.7 | (2.4) | (4.1) | 40.9 |
| 3440 | Fabricated structural metal products | 497.6 | 476.8 | (20.8) | (4.2) | 69.0 |
| 3450 | Screw machine products, bolts, etc | 99.0 | 93.2 | (5.8) | (5.9) | 79.2 |
| 3460 | Metal forgings and stampings | 230.6 | 217.6 | (13.0) | (5.6) | 50.3 |
| 3470 | Metal services, nec | 140.3 | 135.8 | (4.5) | (3.2) | 83.4 |
| 3480 | Ordnance and accessories, nec | 38.3 | 39.2 | 0.9 | 2.3 | 19.0 |
| 3490 | Miscellaneous fabricated metal products | 270.1 | 255.2 | (14.9) | (5.5) | 53.7 |
| 3510 | Engines and turbines | 80.9 | 75.4 | (5.5) | (6.8) | 9.9 |
| 3520 | Farm and garden machinery | 94.8 | 90.1 | (4.7) | (5.0) | 36.2 |
| 3530 | Construction and related machinery | 228.9 | 206.1 | (22.8) | (10.0) | 45.0 |
| 3540 | Metalworking machinery | 305.9 | 275.8 | (30.1) | (9.8) | 70.8 |
| 3550 | Special industry machinery | 156.7 | 137.1 | (19.6) | (12.5) | 58.5 |
| 3560 | General industrial machinery | 239.5 | 216.6 | (22.9) | (9.6) | 41.7 |
| 3570 | Computer and office equipment | 343.3 | 303.7 | (39.6) | (11.5) | 20.3 |
| 3580 | Refrigeration and service machinery | 202.4 | 187.7 | (14.7) | (7.3) | 28.3 |
| 3590 | Misc industrial and commercial machinery | 358.1 | 330.9 | (27.2) | (7.6) | 83.5 |
| 3610 | Electric distribution equipment | 79.5 | 69.9 | (9.6) | (12.1) | 30.9 |
| 3620 | Electrical industrial apparatus | 142.3 | 133.7 | (8.6) | (6.0) | 31.0 |
| 3630 | Household appliances | 105.6 | 101.0 | (4.6) | (4.4) | 11.0 |
| 3640 | Electric lighting and wiring equipment | 172.7 | 157.8 | (14.9) | (8.6) | 35.8 |
| 3650 | Household audio and video equipment | 74.5 | 67.3 | (7.2) | (9.7) | 45.5 |
| 3660 | Communications equipment | 264.3 | 217.0 | (47.3) | (17.9) | 24.0 |
| 3670 | Electronic components and accessories | 661.0 | 558.2 | (102.8) | (15.6) | 35.7 |
| 3690 | Misc electrical equipment and supplies | 131.0 | 113.8 | (17.2) | (13.1) | 31.0 |
| 3710 | Motor vehicles and equipment | 947.0 | 911.5 | (35.5) | (3.7) | 17.1 |
| 3720 | Aircraft and parts | 460.6 | 410.2 | (50.4) | (10.9) | 9.4 |
| 3730 | Ship and boat building and repairing | 161.1 | 157.5 | (3.6) | (2.2) | 36.2 |
| 3740 | Railroad equipment | 29.8 | 27.2 | (2.6) | (8.7) | 14.2 |
| 3760 | Guided missiles, space vehicles, and parts | 83.7 | 81.7 | (2.0) | (2.4) | 1.6 |
| 3790 | Miscellaneous transportation equipment | 58.4 | 60.0 | 1.6 | 2.7 | 44.9 |
| 3810 | Search and navigation equipment | 150.9 | 147.7 | (3.2) | (2.1) | 7.3 |
| 3820 | Measuring and controlling devices | 297.7 | 275.1 | (22.6) | (7.6) | 41.1 |
| 3840 | Medical instruments and supplies | 288.0 | 288.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 36.9 |
| 3850 | Ophthalmic goods | 31.7 | 28.8 | (2.9) | (9.1) | 31.3 |
| 3860 | Photographic equipment and supplies | 66.6 | 60.4 | (6.2) | (9.3) | 19.9 |
| 3870 | Watches, clocks, watchcases, and parts | 4.4 | 3.2 | (1.2) | (27.3) | 33.6 |
| 3910 | Jewelry, silverware, and plated ware | 45.8 | 43.9 | (1.9) | (4.1) | 75.2 |
| 3930 | Musical instruments | 16.6 | 15.8 | (0.8) | (4.8) | 59.6 |
| 3940 | Toys and sporting goods | 96.6 | 92.6 | (4.0) | (4.1) | 60.6 |
| 3950 | Pens, pencils, office, and art supplies | 28.9 | 29.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 60.8 |
| 3960 | Costume jewelry and notions | 17.5 | 16.0 | (1.5) | (8.6) | 67.5 |
| 3990 | Miscellaneous manufactures | 174.5 | 174.5 | - | - | 73.7 |
| 4110 | Local and suburban transportation | 236.3 | 234.6 | (1.7) | (0.7) | 63.9 |
| 4120 | Taxicabs | 31.8 | 30.8 | (1.0) | (3.1) | 82.9 |
| 4130 | Intercity and rural bus transportation | 25.1 | 23.0 | (2.1) | (8.4) | 31.4 |
| 4150 | School buses | 147.7 | 148.7 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 51.9 |
| 4210 | Trucking and courier services, except air | 1,619.8 | 1,590.0 | (29.8) | (1.8) | 50.8 |
| 4220 | Public warehousing and storage | 216.8 | 224.7 | 7.9 | 3.6 | 68.3 |
| 4440 | Water transportation of freight, nec | 38.5 | 37.4 | (1.1) | (2.9) | 40.4 |
| 4490 | Water transportation services | 126.3 | 126.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 52.7 |
| 4510 | Air transportation, scheduled | 1,070.3 | 970.9 | (99.4) | (9.3) | 4.5 |
| 4580 | Airports, flying fields, and services | 145.4 | 141.8 | (3.6) | (2.5) | 35.6 |
| 4720 | Passenger transportation arrangement | 208.5 | 183.3 | (25.2) | (12.1) | 69.4 |
| 4730 | Freight transportation arrangement | 195.6 | 185.6 | (10.0) | (5.1) | 76.7 |
| 4810 | Telephone communications | 1,194.0 | 1,093.7 | (100.3) | (8.4) | 9.9 |
| 4830 | Radio and television broadcasting | 250.9 | 247.8 | (3.1) | (1.2) | 48.4 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 2001 | 2002 |  |  |  |
| 4840 | Cable and other pay television services | 233.8 | 237.6 | 3.8 | 1.6 | 16.3 |
| 4910 | Electric services | 360.2 | 360.9 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 18.8 |
| 4920 | Gas production and distribution | 125.7 | 121.1 | (4.6) | (3.7) | 7.8 |
| 4930 | Combination utility services | 148.3 | 143.0 | (5.3) | (3.6) | 2.5 |
| 4950 | Sanitary services | 177.7 | 175.2 | (2.5) | (1.4) | 46.2 |
| 5010 | Motor vehicles, parts, and supplies | 502.1 | 498.0 | (4.1) | (0.8) | 69.7 |
| 5020 | Furniture and home furnishings | 166.9 | 164.8 | (2.1) | (1.3) | 84.3 |
| 5030 | Lumber and other construction materials | 279.5 | 282.9 | 3.4 | 1.2 | 77.0 |
| 5040 | Professional and commercial equipment | 919.4 | 885.4 | (34.0) | (3.7) | 53.2 |
| 5050 | Metals and minerals, except petroleum | 150.0 | 142.8 | (7.2) | (4.8) | 68.4 |
| 5060 | Electrical goods | 564.3 | 526.1 | (38.2) | (6.8) | 57.5 |
| 5070 | Hardware, plumbing, and heating equipment | 313.4 | 312.9 | (0.5) | (0.2) | 75.1 |
| 5080 | Machinery, equipment, and supplies | 813.3 | 779.6 | (33.7) | (4.1) | 80.2 |
| 5090 | Misc wholesale trade durable goods | 315.0 | 315.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 79.6 |
| 5110 | Paper and paper products | 261.2 | 256.2 | (5.0) | (1.9) | 43.1 |
| 5120 | Drugs, proprietaries, and sundries | 273.5 | 286.3 | 12.8 | 4.7 | 36.0 |
| 5130 | Apparel, piece goods, and notions | 201.3 | 197.7 | (3.6) | (1.8) | 76.4 |
| 5140 | Groceries and related products | 931.7 | 927.2 | (4.5) | (0.5) | 51.3 |
| 5150 | Farm-product raw materials | 94.5 | 90.1 | (4.4) | (4.7) | 81.5 |
| 5160 | Chemicals and allied products | 157.5 | 159.0 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 60.0 |
| 5170 | Petroleum and petroleum products | 143.8 | 143.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 67.5 |
| 5180 | Beer, wine, and distilled beverages | 166.9 | 173.4 | 6.5 | 3.9 | 77.2 |
| 5190 | Misc wholesale trade nondurable goods | 521.2 | 529.7 | 8.5 | 1.6 | 68.2 |
| 5210 | Lumber and other building materials | 680.5 | 709.2 | 28.7 | 4.2 | 44.2 |
| 5230 | Paint, glass, and wallpaper stores | 63.2 | 61.9 | (1.3) | (2.1) | 65.8 |
| 5250 | Hardware stores | 160.3 | 161.2 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 85.4 |
| 5260 | Retail nurseries and garden stores | 103.1 | 99.6 | (3.5) | (3.4) | 88.5 |
| 5310 | Department stores | 2,559.7 | 2,528.6 | (31.1) | (1.2) | 0.4 |
| 5330 | Variety stores | 156.6 | 156.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 20.8 |
| 5390 | Miscellaneous general merchandise stores | 181.0 | 183.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 15.7 |
| 5410 | Grocery stores | 3,051.9 | 3,009.3 | (42.6) | (1.4) | 31.6 |
| 5420 | Meat and fish markets | 50.1 | 44.7 | (5.4) | (10.8) | 86.9 |
| 5460 | Retail bakeries | 191.4 | 186.2 | (5.2) | (2.7) | 93.1 |
| 5510 | New and used car dealers | 1,120.5 | 1,129.6 | 9.1 | 0.8 | 91.5 |
| 5530 | Auto and home supply stores | 410.2 | 406.2 | (4.0) | (1.0) | 48.5 |
| 5540 | Gasoline service stations | 648.3 | 640.9 | (7.4) | (1.1) | 68.1 |
| 5590 | Automotive dealers, nec | 13.5 | 12.8 | (0.7) | (5.2) | (D) |
| 5610 | Men's and boys' clothing stores | 82.9 | 78.4 | (4.5) | (5.4) | 51.8 |
| 5620 | Women's clothing stores | 275.5 | 271.5 | (4.0) | (1.5) | 32.4 |
| 5650 | Family clothing stores | 450.5 | 448.9 | (1.6) | (0.4) | 16.4 |
| 5660 | Shoe stores | 195.3 | 191.4 | (3.9) | (2.0) | 31.3 |
| 5710 | Furniture and home furnishings stores | 578.7 | 588.6 | 9.9 | 1.7 | 70.5 |
| 5720 | Household appliance stores | 73.5 | 71.9 | (1.6) | (2.2) | 85.9 |
| 5730 | Radio, television, and computer stores | 489.2 | 490.1 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 43.8 |
| 5910 | Drug stores and proprietary stores | 705.8 | 704.6 | (1.2) | (0.2) | 28.2 |
| 5920 | Liquor stores | 114.7 | 114.6 | (0.1) | (0.1) | 57.7 |
| 5930 | Used merchandise stores | 134.4 | 137.8 | 3.4 | 2.5 | 78.3 |
| 5940 | Miscellaneous shopping goods stores | 1,106.9 | 1,077.7 | (29.2) | (2.6) | 59.5 |
| 5960 | Nonstore retailers | 393.6 | 389.4 | (4.2) | (1.1) | 56.6 |
| 5980 | Fuel dealers | 97.5 | 98.3 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 73.7 |
| 5990 | Retail stores, nec | 564.6 | 557.1 | (7.5) | (1.3) | 82.3 |
| 6020 | Commercial banks | 1,433.6 | 1,448.0 | 14.4 | 1.0 | 24.0 |
| 6030 | Savings institutions | 255.8 | 262.9 | 7.1 | 2.8 | 39.8 |
| 6060 | Credit unions | 203.3 | 211.8 | 8.5 | 4.2 | 93.3 |
| 6140 | Personal credit institutions | 222.3 | 224.9 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 20.6 |
| 6150 | Business credit institutions | 149.8 | 151.4 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 26.8 |
| 6160 | Mortgage bankers and brokers | 326.9 | 374.5 | 47.6 | 14.6 | 52.1 |
| 6210 | Security brokers and dealers | 554.7 | 503.5 | (51.2) | (9.2) | 19.5 |
| 6230 | Commodity contracts brokers, dealers, exch. | 29.3 | 27.0 | (2.3) | (7.8) | 14.2 |
| 6280 | Security and commodity services | 184.9 | 187.8 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 48.2 |

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|  |  | 2001 | 2002 |  |  |  |
| 6310 | Life insurance | 476.6 | 461.4 | (15.2) | (3.2) | 4.4 |
| 6320 | Medical service and health insurance | 394.0 | 398.8 | 4.8 | 1.2 | 10.5 |
| 6330 | Fire, marine, and casualty insurance | 544.0 | 535.8 | (8.2) | (1.5) | 8.2 |
| 6360 | Title insurance | 80.0 | 82.1 | 2.1 | 2.6 | 13.4 |
| 6510 | Real estate operators and lessors | 596.4 | 597.5 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 87.5 |
| 6530 | Real estate agents and managers | 774.3 | 785.5 | 11.2 | 1.4 | 81.0 |
| 6550 | Subdividers and developers | 127.1 | 128.3 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 68.7 |
| 6710 | Holding offices | 112.1 | 112.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 39.2 |
| 7010 | Hotels and motels | 1,802.7 | 1,730.6 | (72.1) | (4.0) | 42.5 |
| 7210 | Laundry, cleaning, and garment services | 435.2 | 425.6 | (9.6) | (2.2) | 78.8 |
| 7220 | Photographic studios, portrait | 68.9 | 69.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 57.0 |
| 7230 | Beauty shops | 436.5 | 453.3 | 16.8 | 3.8 | 88.6 |
| 7260 | Funeral service and crematories | 103.6 | 105.7 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 76.7 |
| 7290 | Miscellaneous personal services | 212.0 | 220.5 | 8.5 | 4.0 | 56.4 |
| 7310 | Advertising | 296.9 | 285.1 | (11.8) | (4.0) | 59.4 |
| 7320 | Credit reporting and collection | 175.5 | 202.6 | 27.1 | 15.4 | 64.9 |
| 7330 | Mailing, reproduction, and stenographic serv. | 351.4 | 384.2 | 32.8 | 9.3 | 71.0 |
| 7340 | Services to buildings | 1,016.4 | 1,031.4 | 15.0 | 1.5 | 65.0 |
| 7350 | Misc equipment rental and leasing | 297.1 | 305.8 | 8.7 | 2.9 | 68.7 |
| 7360 | Personnel supply services | 3,446.0 | 3,169.4 | (276.6) | (8.0) | 30.3 |
| 7370 | Computer and data processing services | 2,225.0 | 2,195.0 | (30.0) | (1.3) | 51.1 |
| 7380 | Miscellaneous business services | 1,764.0 | 1,731.7 | (32.3) | (1.8) | 51.1 |
| 7510 | Automotive rentals, without drivers | 221.0 | 213.8 | (7.2) | (3.3) | 30.8 |
| 7520 | Automobile parking | 81.0 | 79.4 | (1.6) | (2.0) | 43.9 |
| 7530 | Automotive repair shops | 696.1 | 711.4 | 15.3 | 2.2 | 95.3 |
| 7540 | Automotive services, except repair | 259.1 | 258.5 | (0.6) | (0.2) | 87.1 |
| 7620 | Electrical repair shops | 112.3 | 121.0 | 8.7 | 7.7 | 65.4 |
| 7810 | Motion picture production and services | 264.8 | 259.2 | (5.6) | (2.1) | 35.8 |
| 7830 | Motion picture theaters | 137.7 | 142.0 | 4.3 | 3.1 | 29.5 |
| 7840 | Video tape rental | 163.7 | 163.6 | (0.1) | (0.1) | 58.6 |
| 7930 | Bowling centers | 80.3 | 77.7 | (2.6) | (3.2) | 83.5 |
| 7990 | Misc amusement and recreation services | 1,281.2 | 1,206.1 | (75.1) | (5.9) | 69.0 |
| 8010 | Offices and clinics of medical doctors | 2,002.1 | 2,063.5 | 61.4 | 3.1 | 79.5 |
| 8020 | Offices and clinics of dentists | 702.3 | 713.9 | 11.6 | 1.7 | 99.0 |
| 8040 | Offices and clinics of other hlth practioners | 454.7 | 469.7 | 15.0 | 3.3 | 88.8 |
| 8050 | Nursing and personal care facilities | 1,846.6 | 1,888.9 | 42.3 | 2.3 | 53.2 |
| 8060 | Hospitals | 4,095.8 | 4,224.9 | 129.1 | 3.2 | 9.4 |
| 8070 | Medical and dental laboratories | 221.4 | 228.9 | 7.5 | 3.4 | 58.0 |
| 8080 | Home health care services | 636.2 | 647.5 | 11.3 | 1.8 | 45.9 |
| 8210 | Elementary and secondary schools | 745.6 | 753.8 | 8.2 | 1.1 | 92.1 |
| 8220 | Colleges and universities | 1,351.4 | 1,426.6 | 75.2 | 5.6 | 16.1 |
| 8240 | Vocational schools | 102.6 | 106.7 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 80.9 |
| 8320 | Individual and family services | 867.1 | 908.0 | 40.9 | 4.7 | 83.4 |
| 8330 | Job training and related services | 391.8 | 399.1 | 7.3 | 1.9 | 66.3 |
| 8350 | Child day care services | 716.2 | 726.3 | 10.1 | 1.4 | 84.6 |
| 8360 | Residential care | 864.0 | 904.4 | 40.4 | 4.7 | 79.9 |
| 8390 | Social services, nec | 217.8 | 239.3 | 21.5 | 9.9 | 80.6 |
| 8610 | Business associations | 115.0 | 111.8 | (3.2) | (2.8) | 88.0 |
| 8620 | Professional organizations | 71.4 | 73.2 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 91.3 |
| 8630 | Labor organizations | 144.4 | 143.2 | (1.2) | (0.8) | 92.0 |
| 8640 | Civic and social associations | 462.6 | 472.2 | 9.6 | 2.1 | 87.6 |
| 8710 | Engineering and architectural services | 1,053.6 | 1,035.5 | (18.1) | (1.7) | 68.5 |
| 8720 | Accounting, auditing, and bookkeeping | 699.5 | 711.4 | 11.9 | 1.7 | 67.4 |
| 8730 | Research and testing services | 673.9 | 687.7 | 13.8 | 2.0 | 53.8 |
| 8740 | Management and public relations | 1,166.2 | 1,210.4 | 44.2 | 3.8 | 59.6 |

Notes: Percent small data for 2000 is available but using the new NAICS industry classifications.
nec = Not elsewhere classified, (D) = Disclosure (data suppressed to protect the confidentiality of individual firms).
Employment totals can differ from other listed figures because of definitional differences and the timing of the compiled numbers.
Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from employment data provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and employment firm size data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau/Statistics of U.S. Businesses (2000 NAICS data is available).

Table 12 Industry Comparisons, 2001-2002
(thousands, two-digit SIC level)

| SIC Codes |  | Annual | oyment | Absolute | Percent | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (1987) | Industry | 2001 | 2002 | Change | Change | small 1997 |

Fastest Growing Industries in Employment, Ranked by Percent Change

| 6100 | Nondepository institutions | 720.2 | 772.4 | 52.2 | 7.2 | 34.9 |
| ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 8300 | Social services | $3,056.9$ | $3,177.2$ | 120.3 | 3.9 | 80.5 |
| 8200 | Educational services | $2,433.9$ | $2,525.5$ | 91.6 | 3.8 | 46.2 |
| 2100 | Tobacco products | 33.8 | 35.0 | 1.2 | 3.6 | 9.0 |
| 8000 | Health services | $10,380.7$ | $10,673.1$ | 292.4 | 2.8 | 41.0 |

Fastest Declining Industries in Employment, Ranked by Percent Change

| 3600 | Electronic and other electrical equipment | $1,630.9$ | $1,418.6$ | $(212.3)$ | $(13.0)$ | 28.3 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 3300 | Primary metal industries | 656.2 | 591.9 | $(64.3)$ | $(9.8)$ | 29.2 |
| 2200 | Textile mill products | 477.5 | 431.8 | $(45.7)$ | $(9.6)$ | 30.6 |
| 1000 | Metal mining | 35.6 | 32.2 | $(3.4)$ | $(9.6)$ | 17.8 |
| 3500 | Industrial machinery and equipment | $2,010.6$ | $1,823.3$ | $(187.3)$ | $(9.3)$ | 47.3 |

Industries Generating the Most Jobs, Ranked by Absolute Change

| 8000 | Health services | $10,380.7$ | $10,673.1$ | 292.4 | 2.8 | 41.0 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 8300 | Social services | $3,056.9$ | $3,177.2$ | 120.3 | 3.9 | 80.5 |
| 8200 | Educational services | $2,433.9$ | $2,525.5$ | 91.6 | 3.8 | 46.2 |
| 6100 | Nondepository institutions | 720.2 | 772.4 | 52.2 | 7.2 | 34.9 |
| 8700 | Engineering and management services | $3,593.1$ | $3,645.0$ | 51.9 | 1.4 | 62.4 |

Industries Losing the Most Jobs, Ranked by Absolute Change

| 7300 | Business services | $9,572.3$ | $9,305.2$ | $(267.1)$ | $(2.8)$ | 45.7 |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 3600 | Electronic and other electrical equipment | $1,630.9$ | $1,418.6$ | $(212.3)$ | $(13.0)$ | 28.3 |
| 3500 | Industrial machinery and equipment | $2,010.6$ | $1,823.3$ | $(187.3)$ | $(9.3)$ | 47.3 |
| 5000 | Wholesale trade - durable goods | $4,024.0$ | $3,908.0$ | $(116.0)$ | $(2.9)$ | 69.1 |
| 5800 | Eating and drinking places | $8,256.9$ | $8,143.7$ | $(113.2)$ | $(1.4)$ | 64.5 |

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from employment data provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and employment firm size data provided by the U.S. Census Bureau (Statistics of U.S. Businesses).

Table 13 Bank Lending Information by Size of Firm, 1991-2002
(change in percent of Senior Loan Officer responses on bank lending practices)

| Year | Quarter | Tightening loan standards |  | Stronger demand for loans |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Large and medium | Small | Large and medium | Small |
| 2002 | 4 | 20 | 18 | (53) | (48) |
|  | 3 | 21 | 6 | (45) | (36) |
|  | 2 | 25 | 15 | (36) | (29) |
|  | 1 | 45 | 42 | (55) | (45) |
| 2001 | 4 | 51 | 40 | (70) | (50) |
|  | 3 | 40 | 32 | (53) | (42) |
|  | 2 | 51 | 36 | (40) | (35) |
|  | 1 | 60 | 45 | (50) | (30) |
| 2000 | 4 | 44 | 27 | (23) | (13) |
|  | 3 | 34 | 24 | (5) | (4) |
|  | 2 | 25 | 21 | (9) | 5 |
|  | 1 | 11 | 9 | 9 | (2) |
| 1999 | 4 | 9 | 2 | (2) | (4) |
|  | 3 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2 | 10 | 8 | 0 | 10 |
|  | 1 | 7 | 4 | 20 | 11 |
| 1998 | 4 | 36 | 15 | 28 | 8 |
|  | 3 | 0 | (5) | (9) | 0 |
|  | 2 | (7) | (2) | 29 | 21 |
|  | 1 | 2 | 2 | 26 | 15 |
| 1997 | 4 | (7) | (4) | 19 | 19 |
|  | 3 | (6) | (2) | 13 | 20 |
|  | 2 | (7) | (4) | 5 | 11 |
|  | 1 | (5) | (5) | 5 | 15 |
| 1996 | 4 | (8) | (12) | 1 | 4 |
|  | 3 | (4) | (2) | 12 | 18 |
|  | 2 | (1) | 2 | 10 | 24 |
|  | 1 | 7 | 4 | (3) | 14 |
| 1995 | 4 | (3) | (2) | 3 | 7 |
|  | 3 | (6) | (2) | 4 | 25 |
|  | 2 | (6) | (7) | 29 | 17 |
|  | 1 | (7) | (5) | 35 | 18 |
| 1994 | 4 | (17) | (18) | 31 | 32 |
|  | 3 | (7) | (7) | 31 | 19 |
|  | 2 | (12) | (9) | 38 | 38 |
|  | 1 | (13) | (12) | 26 | 26 |
| 1993 | 4 | (18) | (9) | 9 | 17 |
|  | 3 | (19) | (12) | 18 | 14 |
|  | 2 | (8) | (2) | (0) | 12 |
|  | 1 | 3 | (2) | 20 | 32 |
| 1992 | 4 | 4 | (5) | 6 | (2) |
|  | 3 | (2) | (2) | (9) | 7 |
|  | 2 | 1 | (7) | 6 | 25 |
|  | 1 | 5 | 0 | (27) | (12) |
| 1991 | 4 | 9 | 5 | (30) | (25) |
|  | 3 | 12 | 9 | NA | NA |
|  | 2 | 16 | 7 | NA | NA |
|  | 1 | 36 | 32 | NA | NA |

Notes: Figures should be used with caution because the sample size of the survey is relatively small, about 80 respondents but they do represent a sizable portion of the market.
Small firms are defined as having sales of less than $\$ 50$ million.
Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data provided by the Federal Reserve Board.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The Office of Advocacy often defines a small firm as one with fewer than 500 employees. Industry definitions are available from SBA's Office of Size Standards (www.sba.gov/size).
    ${ }^{2}$ Some large firms do shrink into small firms during a recession and then grow back into large firms; this is a relatively rare occurrence, however.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ Data that distinguish between the growth of small and large firms is only available from the U.S. Census Bureau with a lag of a few years, making it difficult to evaluate the current situation. However, when the economy gained momentum after the previous downturn in the early 1990s, firms with fewer than 500 employees increased their net employment in the first year after the recession, while large firms continued to shrink.

[^2]:    ${ }^{4}$ In a downturn, one would expect the number of non-employers to increase as job opportunities are not as prevalent and/or lucrative as they are in better times. These "one-person shops" can also fill niche markets left open by firms that are cutting back. The number of employer firms, on the other hand, would likely decrease in a downturn as existing non-employers would struggle to grow into employers and existing employers would struggle to stay afloat.
    ${ }^{5}$ Non-employers are best measured by the U.S. Census Bureau, but this data is available with a lag of a few years. See http://www.sba.gov/advo/stats/data.html or http://www.census.gov/epcd/nonemployer/.
    ${ }^{6}$ Small differences among self-employment (a measure of the monthly average by primary occupation) and sole proprietorships (a tax status) are to be expected, but it is unclear why self-employment has been declining in recent years while sole proprietorships have been increasing.
    ${ }^{7}$ Employers are also best measured by the U.S. Census Bureau but similar to non-employers, the data has a lag of a few years. See http://www.sba.gov/advo/stats/data.html or http://www.census.gov/csd/susb/susb.htm.

[^3]:    ${ }^{8}$ See http://www.nber.org/cycles/recessions.html.

[^4]:    ${ }^{9}$ National Federation of Independent Business, Small Business Economic Trends, February 2002; January 2003.
    ${ }^{10}$ Paul Fronstin and Ruth Helman, Small Employers and Health Benefits: Findings From the 2002 Small Employer Health Benefits Survey, Employee Benefits Research Institute, January 2003.

[^5]:    (1) Small Business Share of Private, Nonfarm Gross Domestic Product by Joel Popkin and Company (Office of Advocacy funded study) estimates small businesses (fewer than 500 employees) created 52 percent of the total nonfarm private output in 1999.
    (2) U.S. Census Bureau, Statistics of U.S. Business, showed that in 1997, small firms (fewer than 500 employees) accounted for 24.8 percent of manufacturing, 52.6 percent of retail, 46.8 percent of wholesale sales.
    (3) Statistics of U.S. Businesses, Bureau of the Census, showed that in 2000, small firms accounted for 44.5 percent of annual payroll, and 50.1 percent of total nonfarm private employment.
    (4) With inventory valuation adjustment and capital consumption adjustments.

