

# Job gains from *opening* establishments remained higher than job losses from *closing* establishments, throughout 2006.

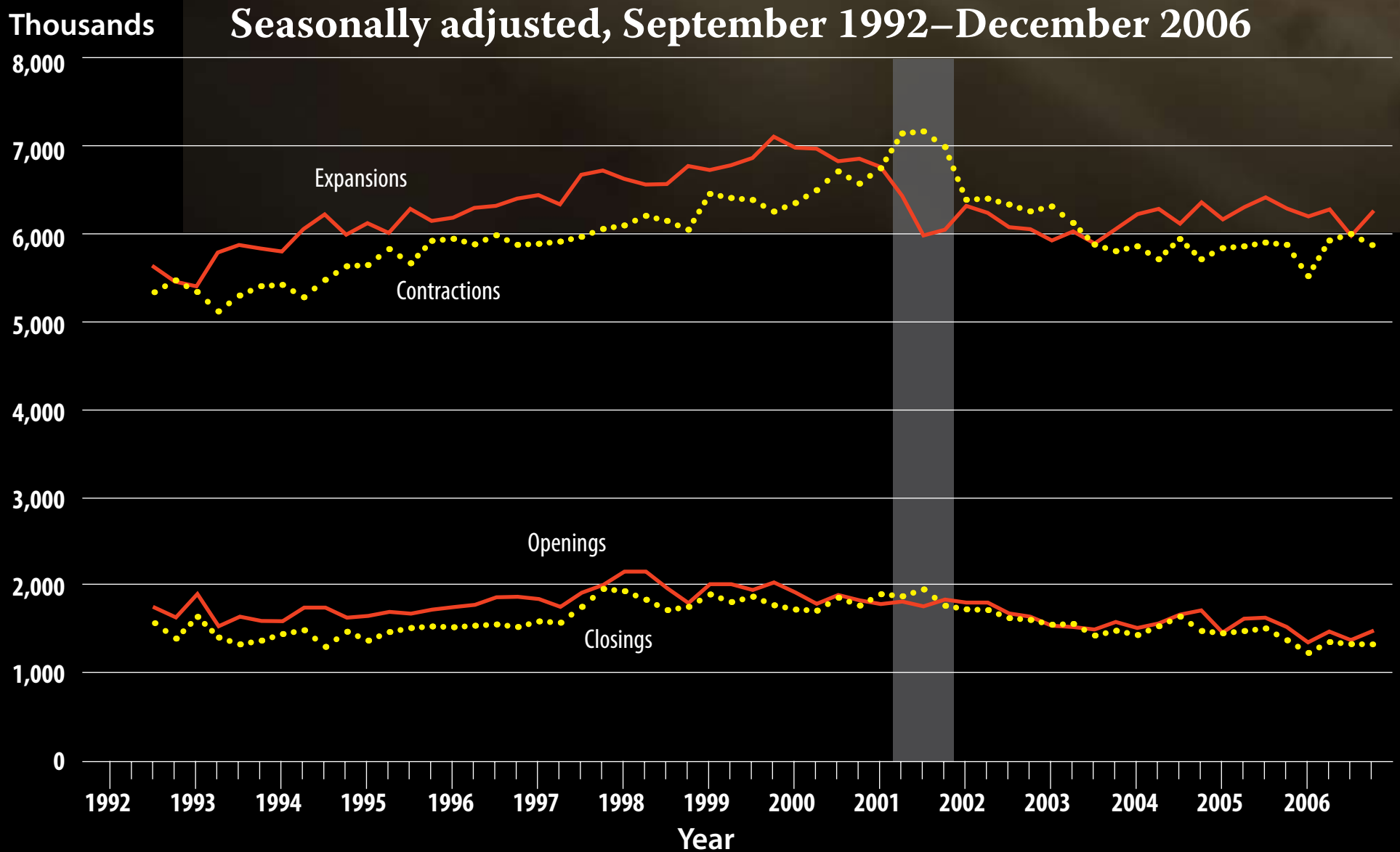


👉 Job gains from expanding establishments were lower than job losses from contracting establishments in September 2006, but were higher in March, June, and December.

*Openings* are establishments with employment in the current quarter and zero employment in the previous quarter. Openings include births as well as the re-openings of existing seasonal businesses.

*Closings* are establishments with employment in the previous quarter and zero employment in the current quarter. Closings include deaths as well as temporary shutdowns of seasonal businesses.

# CHART 9 Components of private-sector gross job gains and gross job losses



NOTE: Shaded area represents recession from March 2001–November 2001. Data presented are for the third month of each quarter.