

**Table 760. Employer Firms, Employment, and Annual Payroll by Employment Size of Firm and Industry: 2008**

[5,930 represents 5,930,000. A firm is an aggregation of all establishments owned by a parent company (within a geographic location and/or industry) with some annual payroll. A firm may be a single location or it can include multiple locations. Employment is measured in March and payroll is annual leading to some firms with zero employment. Numbers in parentheses represent North American Industry Classification System codes, 2002; see text, this section]

| Industry and data type                                       | Unit           | Total   | All industries—employment size of firm |        |          |          |            |               |             |
|--|----------------|---------|--|--------|----------|----------|------------|---------------|-------------|
|  |                |         | 0 to 4                                 | 5 to 9 | 10 to 19 | 20 to 99 | 100 to 499 | Less than 500 | 500 or more |
| <b>Total <sup>1</sup>:</b>                                   |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 5,930   | 3,618                                  | 1,044  | 633      | 526      | 90         | 5,912         | 18          |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 120,904 | 6,086                                  | 6,878  | 8,497    | 20,685   | 17,548     | 59,694        | 61,210      |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 5,131   | 232                                    | 223    | 294      | 775      | 706        | 2,229         | 2,901       |
| <b>Construction (23):</b>                                    |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 761     | 501                                    | 125    | 72       | 56       | 7          | 760           | 1           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 7,044   | 810                                    | 818    | 959      | 2,116    | 1,219      | 5,921         | 1,122       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 333     | 30                                     | 29     | 40       | 102      | 65         | 265           | 68          |
| <b>Manufacturing (31–33):</b>                                |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 282     | 112                                    | 53     | 44       | 55       | 14         | 278           | 4           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 13,096  | 212                                    | 353    | 599      | 2,256    | 2,429      | 5,850         | 7,246       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 622     | 8                                      | 12     | 22       | 92       | 104        | 238           | 384         |
| <b>Wholesale trade (42):</b>                                 |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 329     | 186                                    | 56     | 39       | 37       | 8          | 326           | 3           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 6,165   | 320                                    | 367    | 516      | 1,382    | 1,110      | 3,695         | 2,471       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 353     | 16                                     | 17     | 25       | 71       | 58         | 187           | 166         |
| <b>Retail trade (44–45):</b>                                 |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 693     | 407                                    | 144    | 78       | 54       | 9          | 691           | 2           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 15,615  | 765                                    | 950    | 1,029    | 1,999    | 1,262      | 6,005         | 9,610       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 369     | 18                                     | 21     | 25       | 59       | 39         | 161           | 208         |
| <b>Transportation &amp; warehousing (48–49):</b>             |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 170     | 108                                    | 25     | 16       | 15       | 4          | 168           | 2           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 4,439   | 166                                    | 162    | 218      | 560      | 515        | 1,621         | 2,818       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 176     | 6                                      | 5      | 7        | 20       | 20         | 58            | 118         |
| <b>Information (51):</b>                                     |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 73      | 42                                     | 11     | 8        | 8        | 2          | 72            | 1           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 3,434   | 64                                     | 72     | 107      | 323      | 350        | 917           | 2,518       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 234     | 4                                      | 3      | 5        | 19       | 22         | 53            | 181         |
| <b>Finance &amp; insurance (52):</b>                         |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 253     | 181                                    | 36     | 16       | 15       | 4          | 252           | 2           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 6,512   | 316                                    | 227    | 209      | 605      | 738        | 2,094         | 4,417       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 522     | 14                                     | 12     | 15       | 45       | 54         | 139           | 383         |
| <b>Professional, scientific and technical services (54):</b> |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 772     | 560                                    | 105    | 58       | 40       | 7          | 769           | 3           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 8,033   | 850                                    | 684    | 766      | 1,492    | 1,118      | 4,910         | 3,122       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 539     | 44                                     | 33     | 43       | 99       | 79         | 298           | 241         |
| <b>Management of companies and enterprises (55):</b>         |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 28      | 3                                      | 1      | 1        | 6        | 9          | 20            | 7           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 2,887   | 4                                      | 4      | 7        | 75       | 279        | 369           | 2,519       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 273     | 1                                      | (Z)    | 1        | 5        | 19         | 25            | 248         |
| <b>Admin/support waste mgmt/ remediation services (56):</b>  |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 332     | 210                                    | 50     | 31       | 29       | 9          | 329           | 4           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 10,225  | 322                                    | 328    | 415      | 1,171    | 1,528      | 3,765         | 6,460       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 314     | 12                                     | 10     | 13       | 38       | 41         | 116           | 198         |
| <b>Educational services (61):</b>                            |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 79      | 39                                     | 12     | 10       | 13       | 3          | 77            | 1           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 3,141   | 60                                     | 81     | 137      | 562      | 568        | 1,408         | 1,733       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 102     | 2                                      | 2      | 3        | 15       | 18         | 40            | 62          |
| <b>Health care and social assistance (62):</b>               |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 621     | 315                                    | 143    | 81       | 61       | 17         | 617           | 4           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 17,217  | 586                                    | 947    | 1,078    | 2,422    | 3,176      | 8,211         | 9,007       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 707     | 30                                     | 38     | 45       | 93       | 102        | 307           | 399         |
| <b>Accommodation and food services (72):</b>                 |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 477     | 198                                    | 94     | 87       | 86       | 9          | 475           | 2           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 11,926  | 331                                    | 630    | 1,178    | 3,202    | 1,664      | 7,005         | 4,921       |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 183     | 8                                      | 8      | 14       | 44       | 24         | 98            | 85          |
| <b>Other services (except public administration) (81):</b>   |                |         |  |        |          |          |            |               |             |
| Firms .....  | 1,000 .....    | 667     | 420                                    | 135    | 66       | 40       | 4          | 666           | 1           |
| Employment .....   | 1,000 .....    | 5,453   | 792                                    | 882    | 862      | 1,446    | 633        | 4,615         | 837         |
| Annual payroll .....   | Bil. dol ..... | 143     | 18                                     | 20     | 21       | 37       | 20         | 116           | 27          |

Z Less than \$500 million. <sup>1</sup> Includes other industries, not shown separately.

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, "Statistics of U.S. Businesses," <<http://www.sba.gov/advo/research/data.html>>, accessed May 2011.