

Table I.B.1.a(1997) Percent of number of private-sector employees by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 1997

Characteristics	Total	Less than 10 employees	10-24 employees	25-99 employees	100-999 employees	1000 or more employees	Less than 50 employees	50 or more employees
United States	106,658,324	14.7%	10.0%	14.5%	19.5%	41.3%	31.7%	68.3%
Industry group **								
Agric., fish., forest.	1,926,762	49.9%	13.9%	9.0%	21.7%	5.5% *	66.7%	33.3%
Mining	594,049	11.2% *	15.1%	32.8%	4.4% *	36.6%	48.6%	51.4%
Construction	5,376,285	31.9%	24.6%	26.2%	13.8%	3.5%	70.1%	29.9%
Manufacturing	18,776,012	4.5%	5.9%	14.7%	24.6%	50.2%	17.0%	83.0%
Transp., commu., util.	6,445,702	8.4%	7.2%	11.4%	16.8%	56.1%	20.3%	79.7%
Wholesale trade	6,978,447	13.3%	11.1%	16.7%	19.0%	40.0%	32.5%	67.5%
Retail Trade	21,761,354	13.3%	10.9%	14.8%	13.8%	47.1%	32.4%	67.6%
Fin., ins., real est.	8,129,981	15.9%	6.0%	8.6%	17.6%	51.8%	25.7%	74.3%
Services	36,578,263	17.4%	10.2%	13.8%	22.4%	36.1%	34.1%	65.9%
Unknown	91,469	99.9%	0.1% *	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%
Ownership								
For profit, incorporated	76,393,412	11.9%	10.4%	15.7%	18.4%	43.5%	30.1%	69.9%
For profit, unincorporated	10,235,394	47.0%	14.8%	10.5%	14.1%	13.7%	67.3%	32.7%
Nonprofit	14,565,604	9.3%	7.7%	14.5%	28.3%	40.3%	22.6%	77.4%
Unknown	5,463,913	8.2%	1.3% *	4.0% *	22.1%	64.3%	11.7%	88.3%
Age of firm								
Less than 5 years	12,149,188	43.6%	19.4%	18.5%	11.2%	7.3%	74.1%	25.9%
5-9 years	9,317,329	31.8%	20.9%	23.7%	16.3%	7.2%	65.1%	34.9%
10-19 years	14,814,457	25.0%	17.8%	24.8%	18.1%	14.3%	55.3%	44.7%
20 or more years	38,011,831	8.9%	8.5%	15.7%	23.6%	43.3%	24.4%	75.6%
Unknown	32,365,518	1.2%	1.4%	4.1%	19.5%	73.8%	4.0%	96.0%
Multi/single status								
2 or more locations	58,238,698	0.5%	1.3%	5.9%	20.8%	71.6%	3.7%	96.3%
1 location only	48,419,626	31.9%	20.4%	24.8%	18.1%	4.8%	65.4%	34.6%
Percent full-time employees								
Less than 25%	6,250,404	34.1%	17.1%	18.6%	16.6%	13.7%	61.1%	38.9%
25-49 %	8,818,648	13.5%	9.0%	15.3%	13.5%	48.6%	31.1%	68.9%
50-74 %	13,255,447	20.3%	11.5%	14.6%	19.7%	33.9%	38.3%	61.7%
75% or more	78,333,824	12.4%	9.3%	14.0%	20.4%	43.9%	28.3%	71.7%
Union presence								
No union employees	80,659,597	17.8%	11.8%	16.8%	20.9%	32.7%	38.0%	62.0%
Has union employees	15,652,278	3.2%	3.7%	7.0%	17.4%	68.7%	9.8%	90.2%
Unknown	10,346,448	7.9%	5.1%	7.3%	12.5%	67.2%	16.1%	83.9%
Percent low wage employees **								
50% or more low wage	11,522,033	24.8%	13.7%	19.2%	24.6%	17.7%	47.5%	52.5%
Less than 50% low wage	65,409,335	18.0%	12.5%	18.7%	23.0%	27.7%	39.7%	60.3%
Unknown	29,726,956	3.6%	2.9%	3.2%	10.0%	80.3%	8.0%	92.0%

Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Center for Financing, Access and Cost Trends. 1997 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey-Insurance Component.

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Table I.B.1.a(1997) Standard error for percent of number of private employees by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 1997

Characteristics	Total	Less than 10 employees	10-24 employees	25-99 employees	100-999 employees	1000 or more employees	Less than 50 employees	50 or more employees
United States	1,347,132	0.36%	0.29%	0.34%	0.54%	0.99%	0.47%	0.47%
Industry group **								
Agric., fish., forest.	163,609	3.60%	2.46%	1.81%	4.03%	2.44% *	3.78%	3.78%
Mining	107,536	7.16% *	4.51%	6.62%	2.36% *	9.74%	10.15%	10.15%
Construction	188,625	1.31%	2.21%	2.63%	2.23%	1.01%	1.63%	1.63%
Manufacturing	779,926	0.94%	0.43%	0.91%	2.49%	2.23%	1.09%	1.09%
Transp., commu., util.	474,913	1.04%	0.74%	1.32%	2.48%	3.82%	1.72%	1.72%
Wholesale trade	214,193	0.93%	0.81%	1.34%	1.94%	3.24%	1.87%	1.87%
Retail Trade	654,449	0.47%	0.63%	0.38%	0.62%	1.28%	0.98%	0.98%
Fin., ins., real est.	504,773	1.24%	0.58%	1.25%	1.61%	2.64%	1.84%	1.84%
Services	1,112,671	0.86%	0.54%	0.72%	0.89%	1.25%	0.93%	0.93%
Unknown	11,138	0.07%	0.07% *	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Ownership								
For profit, incorporated	1,079,704	0.43%	0.31%	0.41%	0.84%	1.23%	0.60%	0.60%
For profit, unincorporated	271,039	1.38%	1.86%	1.05%	1.83%	2.62%	2.01%	2.01%
Nonprofit	669,611	0.73%	0.56%	0.92%	1.92%	2.21%	1.02%	1.02%
Unknown	542,601	0.69%	0.41% *	1.51% *	4.24%	4.60%	1.47%	1.47%
Age of firm								
Less than 5 years	454,157	2.41%	1.39%	1.80%	1.41%	1.83%	2.51%	2.51%
5-9 years	401,712	1.69%	0.64%	1.42%	2.10%	1.73%	2.36%	2.36%
10-19 years	297,211	1.53%	1.08%	0.79%	1.96%	1.94%	2.01%	2.01%
20 or more years	827,741	0.52%	0.38%	0.42%	0.93%	0.98%	0.79%	0.79%
Unknown	615,342	0.23%	0.16%	0.41%	1.06%	1.37%	0.28%	0.28%
Multi/single status								
2 or more locations	1,459,528	0.09%	0.06%	0.40%	0.55%	0.81%	0.27%	0.27%
1 location only	1,221,429	0.92%	0.50%	0.72%	0.92%	0.78%	1.12%	1.12%
Percent full-time employees								
Less than 25%	279,035	1.26%	2.11%	1.30%	2.39%	1.82%	2.18%	2.18%
25-49 %	385,595	1.34%	0.55%	1.02%	1.73%	2.46%	1.96%	1.96%
50-74 %	949,210	0.61%	0.69%	1.02%	1.22%	1.90%	1.10%	1.10%
75% or more	687,715	0.42%	0.31%	0.36%	0.72%	1.13%	0.45%	0.45%
Union presence								
No union employees	1,108,436	0.41%	0.27%	0.50%	0.55%	0.90%	0.56%	0.56%
Has union employees	609,528	0.55%	0.94%	0.75%	1.51%	2.21%	1.39%	1.39%
Unknown	1,059,109	1.31%	0.45%	1.09%	2.15%	3.47%	1.79%	1.79%
Percent low wage employees **								
50% or more low wage	378,249	1.21%	1.08%	1.15%	2.12%	0.88%	2.08%	2.08%
Less than 50% low wage	940,737	0.39%	0.19%	0.49%	1.06%	1.40%	0.34%	0.34%
Unknown	1,368,460	0.37%	0.57%	0.34%	0.77%	1.28%	0.67%	0.67%

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