

**Table I.B.1(1998) Number of private-sector employees by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 1998**

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	110,575,764	16,352,183	10,577,655	16,852,534	19,603,265	47,190,127	35,600,529	74,975,235
Industry group **								
Agric., fish., forest.	2,014,028	771,363	351,289	283,623	117,370*	490,383	1,252,723	761,304
Mining	556,236	30,454*	17,342*	54,793*	136,155	317,492	56,922*	499,314
Construction	5,759,774	1,884,844	1,062,714	1,492,659	915,231	404,327*	3,738,096	2,021,679
Manufacturing	19,030,318	1,170,741	1,081,991	2,461,680	4,212,312	10,103,595	3,369,077	15,661,242
Transp., commu., util.	6,557,839	432,539	388,022	701,893	969,624	4,065,761	1,228,536	5,329,303
Wholesale trade	7,312,313	890,118	706,356	1,196,464	1,180,674	3,338,701	2,271,956	5,040,356
Retail Trade	22,338,092	3,090,065	2,482,600	3,386,748	2,965,669	10,413,010	7,440,334	14,897,758
Fin., ins., real est.	8,328,758	983,735	550,508	884,527	1,120,682	4,789,306	1,879,131	6,449,627
Services	38,658,499	7,082,823	3,936,835	6,390,146	7,981,142	13,267,553	14,348,252	24,310,247
Unknown	19,907	15,502	--	--	4,406*	--	15,502	4,406*
Ownership								
For profit, incorporated	82,454,948	9,437,488	8,102,840	13,048,830	13,524,641	38,341,149	24,225,885	58,229,063
For profit, unincorporated	10,412,506	4,991,021	1,417,534	1,302,406	1,586,924	1,114,622	7,139,035	3,273,471
Nonprofit	13,899,205	1,896,777	1,057,282	2,414,789	4,219,053	4,311,304	4,198,485	9,700,720
Unknown	3,809,105	26,897	--	86,509*	272,646	3,423,053	37,124	3,771,981
Age of firm								
Less than 5 years	8,255,628	3,400,522	1,618,084	1,694,792	863,629	678,602	6,142,980	2,112,648
5-9 years	9,225,486	2,830,251	1,844,147	2,051,056	1,722,827	777,205	5,803,081	3,422,404
10-19 years	17,548,630	4,546,818	2,848,589	4,074,617	3,518,657	2,559,950	9,662,252	7,886,378
20 or more years	48,665,930	5,536,783	4,222,108	8,721,304	11,864,529	18,321,206	13,855,658	34,810,273
Unknown	26,880,090	37,810*	44,728	310,764	1,633,623	24,853,165	136,558	26,743,532
Multi/single status								
2 or more locations	64,833,636	275,958	1,094,598	4,275,373	13,184,465	46,003,241	2,950,855	61,882,782
1 location only	45,742,128	16,076,225	9,483,058	12,577,160	6,418,799	1,186,886	32,649,674	13,092,453
Percent full-time employees								
Less than 25%	5,512,594	1,809,890	826,066	1,259,336	901,754	715,549	3,436,606	2,075,988
25-49 %	8,019,315	1,194,281	795,169	983,272	1,248,650	3,797,943	2,494,655	5,524,660
50-74 %	12,467,954	2,535,486	1,338,351	1,772,542	2,483,268	4,338,307	4,838,578	7,629,376
75% or more	84,575,902	10,812,527	7,618,069	12,837,384	14,969,593	38,338,329	24,830,690	59,745,211
Union presence								
No union employees	84,262,434	14,884,864	9,835,382	15,247,416	15,669,268	28,625,504	32,763,758	51,498,676
Has union employees	17,033,869	953,614*	374,282	1,235,482	2,988,865	11,481,626	1,719,116	15,314,754
Unknown	9,279,461	513,705	367,991	369,635	945,132	7,082,998	1,117,656	8,161,805
Percent low wage employees **								
50% or more low wage	10,181,997	2,483,849	1,692,404	2,292,676	2,027,995	1,685,074	5,429,528	4,752,469
Less than 50% low wage	67,955,244	13,016,540	8,475,206	13,984,341	15,437,833	17,041,323	28,629,742	39,325,501
Unknown	32,438,523	851,794	410,046	575,516	2,137,437	28,463,730	1,541,259	30,897,264

Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Center for Financing, Access and Cost Trends. 1998 Medical Expenditure Panel Survey-Insurance Component.

Note: Definitions and descriptions of the methods used for this survey can be found in the Technical Appendix.

\* Figure does not meet standard of reliability or precision.

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\*\* Definitions of industry groups and low-wage employees changed in 2000. These data are not comparable to IC data prior to 2000. See Technical Appendix.

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**Table I.B.1(1998) Standard error for number of private-sector employees by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 1998**

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	1,378,821	491,344	312,617	414,979	627,974	842,339	645,162	990,623
Industry group **								
Agric., fish., forest.	137,904	58,081	84,309	48,626	37,590 *	151,301	115,943	158,306
Mining	141,076	9,258 *	7,447 *	13,897 *	58,760	99,346	14,180 *	134,916
Construction	201,577	90,572	48,090	73,702	112,433	140,042 *	128,248	149,558
Manufacturing	713,645	254,303	83,809	101,321	148,226	526,096	224,509	613,608
Transp., commu., util.	308,890	65,771	52,080	105,681	260,456	345,395	122,457	361,283
Wholesale trade	271,997	96,189	43,927	116,893	89,808	368,171	108,211	281,941
Retail Trade	670,951	169,562	111,819	124,714	183,828	521,457	158,082	570,790
Fin., ins., real est.	378,319	33,067	72,547	109,481	123,007	294,317	77,743	368,023
Services	737,629	245,924	212,393	322,532	419,454	621,203	314,225	599,268
Unknown	3,968	3,320	--	--	4,406 *	--	3,320	4,406 *
Ownership								
For profit, incorporated	1,152,284	490,587	256,420	355,295	414,123	832,921	564,285	920,588
For profit, unincorporated	222,556	189,008	37,418	73,761	205,203	176,302	218,376	150,701
Nonprofit	701,568	161,994	119,408	101,620	367,083	537,754	219,041	636,228
Unknown	457,957	5,798	--	33,185 *	55,469	490,482	9,692	458,408
Age of firm								
Less than 5 years	218,536	138,468	120,564	114,098	117,788	153,131	242,593	155,834
5-9 years	351,243	83,625	190,170	121,245	150,137	219,975	253,624	233,048
10-19 years	408,870	242,873	143,240	143,320	248,029	338,018	286,984	354,112
20 or more years	1,122,677	357,563	167,570	321,472	422,150	660,514	391,159	926,849
Unknown	523,746	14,315 *	11,891	45,983	93,407	517,285	23,574	521,022
Multi/single status								
2 or more locations	961,874	46,869	140,482	128,956	486,011	955,110	125,896	978,107
1 location only	1,209,256	496,068	268,942	444,425	389,147	193,830	636,429	630,047
Percent full-time employees								
Less than 25%	292,315	94,556	37,195	81,923	95,367	250,028	121,138	240,631
25-49 %	412,439	97,091	56,055	27,475	92,230	430,957	74,816	427,478
50-74 %	454,862	76,704	65,124	111,053	233,157	421,357	110,077	500,336
75% or more	1,440,382	492,244	353,579	445,637	559,396	795,920	673,540	968,816
Union presence								
No union employees	1,233,952	291,956	249,728	447,198	461,517	949,681	500,512	865,989
Has union employees	1,006,656	384,857 *	50,743	124,702	316,540	786,743	415,789	897,240
Unknown	610,262	87,031	94,479	48,470	156,080	586,693	141,705	607,511
Percent low wage employees **								
50% or more low wage	400,046	103,365	144,093	148,984	168,272	204,306	238,887	281,316
Less than 50% low wage	1,643,168	558,044	285,490	409,414	616,233	734,242	712,102	1,124,241
Unknown	746,353	128,343	100,062	63,868	172,494	718,946	140,162	735,166

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