Table I.B.2(1998) Percent of private-sector employees in establishments that offer health insurance by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 1998

| Characteristics | Total | Less than 10 employees | 10-24 employees | $\begin{array}{r} 25-99 \\ \text { employees } \end{array}$ | 100-999 employees | $\begin{array}{r} 1000 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \\ \text { employees } \end{array}$ | Less than 50 employees | 50 or more employees |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United States | 87.0\% | 51.2\% | 70.6\% | 86.6\% | 96.7\% | 99.1\% | 64.7\% | 97.5\% |
| Industry group ** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agric., fish., forest. | 61.4\% | 29.1\% | 69.4\% | 68.3\% | 71.4\% | 100.0\% | 42.9\% | 91.8\% |
| Mining | 94.7\% | 59.4\% | 82.1\% | 75.4\% | 100.0\% | 99.8\% | 72.8\% | 97.1\% |
| Construction | 72.4\% | 48.8\% | 68.9\% | 84.6\% | 92.8\% | 100.0\% | 61.5\% | 92.5\% |
| Manufacturing | 96.1\% | 70.8\% | 85.9\% | 92.3\% | 98.8\% | 100.0\% | 82.2\% | 99.1\% |
| Transp., commu., util. | 93.3\% | 43.7\% | 75.0\% | 91.9\% | 96.9\% | 99.7\% | 69.8\% | 98.7\% |
| Wholesale trade | 93.1\% | 61.3\% | 86.0\% | 95.2\% | 99.6\% | 99.9\% | 78.8\% | 99.5\% |
| Retail Trade | 81.9\% | 36.8\% | 50.8\% | 77.7\% | 96.7\% | 99.9\% | 50.3\% | 97.7\% |
| Fin., ins., real est. | 93.5\% | 57.2\% | 86.6\% | 97.2\% | 98.3\% | 99.9\% | 73.0\% | 99.4\% |
| Services | 85.1\% | 55.7\% | 74.1\% | 86.9\% | 95.7\% | 96.9\% | 67.2\% | 95.7\% |
| Unknown | 14.1\%* | 18.1\% * | -- | -- | -- | -- | 18.1\% * | -- |
| Ownership |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| For profit, incorporated | 89.7\% | 58.4\% | 74.2\% | 86.8\% | 95.8\% | 99.6\% | 70.4\% | 97.7\% |
| For profit, unincorporated | 57.5\% | 35.0\% | 44.7\% | 73.3\% | 97.4\% | 98.9\% | 40.6\% | 94.3\% |
| Nonprofit | 89.4\% | 58.9\% | 78.4\% | 92.5\% | 99.2\% | 94.1\% | 73.4\% | 96.3\% |
| Unknown | 99.1\% | 1.9\%* | -- | 99.0\% | 99.9\% | 99.8\% | 29.0\% * | 99.8\% |
| Age of firm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 5 years | 58.4\% | 37.4\% | 54.4\% | 73.0\% | 93.0\% | 92.6\% | 47.5\% | 90.3\% |
| 5-9 years | 68.4\% | 43.1\% | 62.8\% | 77.6\% | 92.7\% | 96.1\% | 55.2\% | 90.9\% |
| 10-19 years | 75.4\% | 52.6\% | 68.0\% | 81.8\% | 92.9\% | 90.1\% | 63.6\% | 90.0\% |
| 20 or more years | 92.7\% | 62.8\% | 82.3\% | 93.6\% | 98.8\% | 99.8\% | 77.2\% | 98.9\% |
| Unknown | 99.1\% | 38.8\% * | 56.3\% | 88.6\% | 95.3\% | 99.7\% | 66.6\% | 99.3\% |
| Multi/single status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 or more locations | 98.1\% | 76.2\% | 83.1\% | 93.0\% | 97.8\% | 99.1\% | 87.1\% | 98.6\% |
| 1 location only | 71.2\% | 50.8\% | 69.2\% | 84.4\% | 94.3\% | 97.7\% | 62.7\% | 92.3\% |
| Percent full-time employees |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 25\% | 43.3\% | 12.9\% | 23.9\% | 55.1\% | 93.0\% | 59.0\% | 22.8\% | 77.2\% |
| 25-49 \% | 82.6\% | 39.6\% | 54.5\% | 80.9\% | 91.9\% | 99.4\% | 51.3\% | 96.7\% |
| 50-74 \% | 80.3\% | 43.7\% | 64.5\% | 75.5\% | 96.2\% | 99.4\% | 54.3\% | 96.8\% |
| 75\% or more | 91.2\% | 60.7\% | 78.5\% | 91.7\% | 97.4\% | 99.7\% | 73.9\% | 98.4\% |
| Union presence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No union employees | 84.0\% | 49.3\% | 69.9\% | 86.1\% | 97.1\% | 98.7\% | 63.7\% | 97.0\% |
| Has union employees | 98.1\% | 84.9\% | 91.1\% | 96.4\% | 97.3\% | 99.8\% | 88.2\% | 99.2\% |
| Unknown | 93.1\% | 45.1\% | 70.9\% | 75.9\% | 88.7\% | 99.3\% | 60.4\% | 97.6\% |
| Percent low wage employees ** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $50 \%$ or more low wage | 57.4\% | 23.6\% | 30.0\% | 60.8\% | 87.8\% | 93.9\% | 32.7\% | 85.8\% |
| Less than 50\% low wage | 86.5\% | 57.4\% | 79.0\% | 91.2\% | 97.9\% | 98.4\% | 71.6\% | 97.4\% |
| Unknown | 97.1\% | 38.2\% | 66.1\% | 77.1\% | 96.3\% | 99.8\% | 50.9\% | 99.4\% |

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

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Table I.B.2(1998) Standard error for percent of private-sector employees in establishments that offer health insurance by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 1998

| Characteristics | Total | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Less than } \\ 10 \end{array}$ employees | $\begin{array}{r} 10-24 \\ \text { employees } \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 25-99 \\ \text { employees } \end{array}$ | 100-999 employees | $\begin{array}{r} 1000 \text { or } \\ \text { more } \\ \text { employees } \end{array}$ | Less than employees | 50 or more employees |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United States | 0.27\% | 1.37\% | 1.32\% | 0.92\% | 0.37\% | 0.49\% | 0.97\% | 0.29\% |
| Industry group ** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Agric., fish., forest. | 4.44\% | 2.98\% | 10.77\% | 10.36\% | 12.96\% | 0.00\% | 5.02\% | 6.67\% |
| Mining | 1.66\% | 13.49\% | 17.83\% | 14.12\% | 0.00\% | 0.09\% | 8.34\% | 1.27\% |
| Construction | 1.60\% | 2.25\% | 4.35\% | 2.21\% | 3.02\% | 0.00\% | 1.53\% | 2.13\% |
| Manufacturing | 0.56\% | 8.00\% | 3.18\% | 1.77\% | 0.46\% | 0.00\% | 2.47\% | 0.26\% |
| Transp., commu., util. | 1.02\% | 4.31\% | 3.81\% | 2.67\% | 2.25\% | 0.22\% | 2.30\% | 0.51\% |
| Wholesale trade | 0.53\% | 3.15\% | 2.83\% | 1.43\% | 0.27\% | 0.07\% | 1.28\% | 0.22\% |
| Retail Trade | 0.44\% | 1.77\% | 2.45\% | 1.40\% | 0.74\% | 0.05\% | 1.13\% | 0.27\% |
| Fin., ins., real est. | 0.44\% | 2.03\% | 3.64\% | 0.99\% | 1.19\% | 0.06\% | 1.79\% | 0.24\% |
| Services | 0.58\% | 1.77\% | 1.80\% | 1.18\% | 0.60\% | 1.42\% | 1.16\% | 0.82\% |
| Unknown | 7.54\%* | 7.74\%* | -- | -- | -- | -- | 7.74\%* | -- |
| Ownership |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| For profit, incorporated | 0.24\% | 1.86\% | 1.21\% | 1.00\% | 0.54\% | 0.14\% | 1.06\% | 0.13\% |
| For profit, unincorporated | 1.73\% | 1.96\% | 2.48\% | 3.86\% | 0.67\% | 0.50\% | 1.85\% | 1.95\% |
| Nonprofit | 1.77\% | 3.00\% | 3.42\% | 1.24\% | 0.45\% | 3.36\% | 1.72\% | 2.19\% |
| Unknown | 0.26\% | 1.23\%* | -- | 1.36\% | 0.07\% | 0.12\% | 9.43\%* | 0.12\% |
| Age of firm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 5 years | 1.53\% | 2.23\% | 3.18\% | 2.75\% | 2.78\% | 3.77\% | 1.82\% | 2.12\% |
| 5-9 years | 1.12\% | 1.26\% | 2.22\% | 1.96\% | 1.92\% | 1.68\% | 1.38\% | 1.60\% |
| 10-19 years | 1.39\% | 1.98\% | 3.23\% | 1.85\% | 1.41\% | 5.53\% | 1.71\% | 2.66\% |
| 20 or more years | 0.29\% | 2.00\% | 1.74\% | 0.48\% | 0.24\% | 0.12\% | 0.77\% | 0.21\% |
| Unknown | 0.13\% | 12.64\%* | 15.91\% | 4.03\% | 1.65\% | 0.07\% | 7.17\% | 0.10\% |
| Multi/single status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 or more locations | 0.33\% | 5.51\% | 2.14\% | 0.89\% | 0.25\% | 0.49\% | 1.07\% | 0.36\% |
| 1 location only | 0.87\% | 1.43\% | 1.37\% | 1.12\% | 0.99\% | 1.34\% | 1.11\% | 0.64\% |
| Percent full-time employees |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 25\% | 2.65\% | 1.55\% | 3.84\% | 4.10\% | 2.31\% | 12.22\% | 2.63\% | 5.83\% |
| 25-49 \% | 1.08\% | 1.43\% | 2.74\% | 2.24\% | 3.44\% | 0.35\% | 1.34\% | 0.71\% |
| 50-74 \% | 0.87\% | 2.17\% | 2.41\% | 1.78\% | 1.21\% | 0.25\% | 1.16\% | 0.60\% |
| $75 \%$ or more | 0.21\% | 1.64\% | 1.31\% | 1.01\% | 0.40\% | 0.10\% | 0.85\% | 0.19\% |
| Union presence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No union employees | 0.45\% | 1.12\% | 1.32\% | 1.01\% | 0.37\% | 0.86\% | 0.86\% | 0.48\% |
| Has union employees | 0.25\% | 8.58\% | 3.04\% | 1.31\% | 1.28\% | 0.21\% | 3.46\% | 0.31\% |
| Unknown | 0.74\% | 4.95\% | 8.33\% | 6.50\% | 3.81\% | 0.33\% | 3.53\% | 0.51\% |
| Percent low wage employees ** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $50 \%$ or more low wage | 1.46\% | 1.68\% | 3.07\% | 3.71\% | 2.50\% | 1.81\% | 2.22\% | 1.93\% |
| Less than $50 \%$ low wage | 0.48\% | 1.37\% | 0.91\% | 0.97\% | 0.30\% | 1.27\% | 0.95\% | 0.60\% |
| Unknown | 0.16\% | 6.81\% | 5.72\% | 4.42\% | 1.30\% | 0.07\% | 4.22\% | 0.10\% |

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