

Table I.B.1(2008) Number of private-sector employees by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 2008

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	116,141,515	13,273,104	10,199,219	16,489,281	21,368,386	54,811,525	31,372,909	84,768,606
Industry group **								
Agric., fish., forest.	1,119,651	369,357	157,354	220,416*	243,155*	129,368*	625,628	494,022
Mining and manufacturing	13,646,689	588,052	760,807	2,099,368	3,350,886	6,847,575	2,172,189	11,474,500
Construction	6,417,332	1,607,016	1,235,622	1,732,951	1,290,311	551,433	3,740,770	2,676,562
Utilities and transp.	4,916,524	369,405	276,672	471,470	648,941	3,150,035	848,834	4,067,690
Wholesale trade	5,827,003	666,896	668,538	939,208	1,407,137	2,145,224	1,838,714	3,988,288
Fin. svcs. and real estate	11,845,340	1,160,870	537,123	839,152	1,627,167	7,681,028	2,046,442	9,798,898
Retail trade	15,008,689	1,553,083	1,006,620	1,623,797	1,340,313	9,484,874	3,458,712	11,549,977
Professional services	29,470,330	3,458,009	2,466,656	3,642,181	6,740,116	13,163,367	7,568,957	21,901,373
Other services	27,889,958	3,500,415	3,089,825	4,920,738	4,720,360	11,658,620	9,072,662	18,817,296
Ownership								
For profit, incorporated	83,050,990	8,379,262	7,530,881	11,751,733	13,890,110	41,499,003	21,757,514	61,293,476
For profit, unincorporated	17,724,959	3,878,339	1,778,326	2,645,285	2,860,454	6,562,555	6,892,143	10,832,816
Nonprofit	15,365,566	1,015,502	890,012	2,092,262	4,617,822	6,749,967	2,723,252	12,642,314
Age of firm								
Less than 5 years	6,352,493	2,236,730	1,191,511	1,702,857	773,311	448,084	4,378,500	1,973,993
5-9 years	8,309,938	2,521,347	1,542,028	1,999,023	1,328,449	919,091	5,121,851	3,188,087
10-19 years	15,102,481	3,281,112	2,499,245	3,344,736	3,408,692	2,568,697	7,476,633	7,625,848
20 or more years	58,320,072	5,182,624	4,950,052	9,363,898	14,783,044	24,040,454	14,300,626	44,019,446
Unknown	28,056,531	51,291	16,384*	78,768	1,074,890	26,835,199	95,299	27,961,232
Multi/single status								
2 or more locations	67,239,678	114,602	458,580	2,625,715	11,727,421	52,313,361	1,518,909	65,720,769
1 location only	48,901,837	13,158,502	9,740,639	13,863,566	9,640,966	2,498,164	29,854,000	19,047,837
Percent full-time employees								
Less than 25%	8,397,293	1,723,309	1,173,681	1,398,518	1,314,000	2,787,786	3,719,637	4,677,657
25-49 %	9,323,341	1,126,438	833,732	1,498,341	1,775,923	4,088,908	2,777,134	6,546,207
50-74 %	17,506,656	2,373,458	1,509,270	2,077,849	2,762,460	8,783,618	4,891,652	12,615,004
75% or more	80,914,225	8,049,899	6,682,535	11,514,573	15,516,003	39,151,214	19,984,487	60,929,738
Union presence								
No union employees	86,852,029	12,777,729	9,706,564	15,275,540	18,019,218	31,072,979	29,858,545	56,993,484
Has union employees	16,674,759	316,919	352,964	970,547	2,682,776	12,351,554	1,060,216	15,614,543
Unknown	12,614,727	178,457	139,691	243,194	666,392	11,386,993	454,148	12,160,579
Percent low-wage employees								
50% or more low wage	32,750,170	4,207,031	3,168,236	5,113,599	6,114,240	14,147,063	9,980,044	22,770,126
Less than 50% low wage	83,391,346	9,066,073	7,030,983	11,375,681	15,254,146	40,664,462	21,392,866	61,998,480

Source: Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Center for Financing, Access and Cost Trends. 2008 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.

** 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.

Totals may not sum exactly because of rounding.

Table I.B.1(2008) Standard error for number of private-sector employees by firm size and selected characteristics: United States, 2008

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	751,026	143,509	173,254	281,188	362,224	754,329	152,751	694,634
Industry group **								
Agric., fish., forest.	104,943	26,374	42,328	69,311 *	97,190 *	63,012 *	37,478	92,254
Mining and manufacturing	198,128	23,740	53,071	93,599	175,032	260,140	95,731	204,744
Construction	156,615	41,053	79,610	126,549	174,810	79,206	95,562	151,429
Utilities and transp.	342,714	27,489	30,594	46,586	79,079	287,542	54,668	314,984
Wholesale trade	237,067	25,202	39,790	84,252	108,946	177,018	79,373	198,943
Fin. svcs. and real estate	549,619	37,303	46,109	78,529	144,381	585,757	83,001	541,256
Retail trade	296,488	64,291	45,825	115,559	73,686	322,475	109,267	314,056
Professional services	544,975	59,459	124,971	125,752	195,346	440,004	184,669	541,176
Other services	475,266	106,036	126,594	194,139	125,793	445,583	146,385	419,849
Ownership								
For profit, incorporated	889,795	157,644	170,593	298,263	386,495	625,448	185,395	728,354
For profit, unincorporated	259,576	91,189	90,685	129,896	181,404	305,265	150,556	302,781
Nonprofit	381,693	44,422	43,109	137,280	238,480	311,757	123,829	338,579
Age of firm								
Less than 5 years	205,257	54,869	76,380	92,754	98,205	76,645	120,466	131,210
5-9 years	254,179	59,711	108,482	109,789	112,897	240,489	130,646	230,236
10-19 years	301,063	53,732	123,857	125,122	215,312	268,196	164,308	301,890
20 or more years	661,504	104,922	129,828	255,447	255,411	949,343	253,690	731,418
Unknown	772,542	10,458	10,956 *	22,101	79,180	756,540	16,133	774,949
Multi/single status								
2 or more locations	875,793	21,106	42,812	156,980	236,651	863,720	122,182	903,241
1 location only	518,792	131,868	176,008	168,669	277,099	328,626	160,260	563,425
Percent full-time employees								
Less than 25%	266,627	67,197	66,954	116,390	126,376	346,449	95,510	294,595
25-49 %	301,058	31,028	32,059	110,025	159,760	240,731	81,896	296,051
50-74 %	426,353	60,588	80,505	121,816	198,080	439,307	103,337	400,093
75% or more	870,532	129,716	137,150	247,627	338,924	856,374	155,521	860,288
Union presence								
No union employees	493,628	140,417	152,464	228,618	355,556	494,382	159,816	503,894
Has union employees	376,975	21,005	48,532	106,568	249,705	400,819	71,799	379,517
Unknown	362,746	29,901	36,285	42,075	122,587	286,398	55,561	359,183
Percent low-wage employees								
50% or more low wage	717,180	107,149	134,704	167,162	302,388	524,256	177,460	699,478
Less than 50% low wage	537,883	88,447	202,514	276,166	363,547	615,722	180,625	570,329

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