

Small Business Profile

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Maryland

536,494 Small Businesses

103,904 Small Businesses with Employees

432,590 Small Businesses without Employees (Nonemployers)

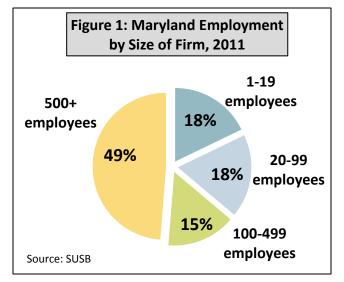
1,078,548 Workers Employed by Small Businesses

State Economy Overall

- Maryland's economy grew at about the same rate as the United States in 2012. Maryland's real gross state
 product increased by 2.4 percent compared to 2.5 percent for U.S. gross domestic product. (Source: BEA)
- The employment situation in Maryland has improved. The unemployment rate in Maryland declined from 6.6 percent in December 2012 to 6.1 percent in December 2013. This is below the national average of 6.7 percent. (Source: BLS)

Employment

- Maryland's small businesses employed half or 1.1 million of the state's private workforce in 2011.
- Almost all firms with employees are small. They make up 97.5 percent of all employers in the state. Table 3 offers further industry detail on small firms.
- Firms with fewer than 100 employees have the largest share of small business employment. **Figure 1** offers further detail.
- The three industries with the most small business employment were: health care & social assistance, professional, scientific, & technical services, and accommodation & food services (Table 4).
- In Maryland, small businesses created 21,556 net new jobs in 2011. The biggest gain was in the smallest firm size category of 1-4 employees. (Source: BDS)



- The number of people who were primarily self-employed decreased in 2012. For demographic detail on the state's self-employment, see **Figure 2**.
- The state's private-sector employment increased in 2013 by **1.1 percent**, which was below the national average growth rate of **2.1 percent**. (Source: BEA, BLS)

The Small Business State and Territory Profiles report on the economic status of small business from 2010 to 2013. They include information on the number of firms, employment, demographics and other topics using the most recently available government data. They are a reference tool for researchers, policymakers, and small entities who are interested in how small firms are performing regionally or nationally. Note that this report defines small businesses as firms with fewer than 500 employees.

Income and Finance

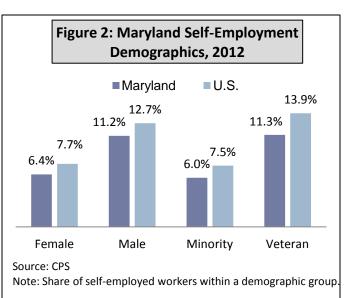
- Most small businesses are sole proprietors. Annual income from sole proprietorships increased 7 percent in the 3rd quarter of 2013 and totaled \$24.6 billion. (Source: BEA)
- The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation tracks banks and bank branches and publishes annual data for each state. For more detailed information see www2.fdic.gov/sod/sodSummary.asp?barItem=3.
- In 2012, **87,725** loans under \$100,000 (and valued at **\$1.1 billion**) were issued by Community Reinvestment Act lending institutions in Maryland. (Source: FFIEC)

Business Owner Demographics

• In 2011, there were an estimated **176,000** woman-owned businesses and **168,000** minority-owned businesses. For additional business demographic information, see **Table 1** and **Figure 2**.

Table 1. Demographics of All Maryland					
Businesses, 2011					
	Number of All Businesses ^e	Share of All Businesses (%)*			
Male Owned	276,000	51.1			
Woman Owned	176,000	32.6			
Equally Male and Female Owned	69,000	12.8			
Minority Owned	168,000	31.1			
Veteran Owned	55,000	10.2			
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e = Advocacy estimate. *2007 SBO. Note: This estimate is based on the share of business owners in the 2007 SBO. This share is multiplied by the total number of businesses in 2011 (employer + nonemployer firms). These shares will not be updated to 2012 until fall 2015. Thus, the 2011 estimates assume the 2011 shares are the same as 2007. For more information, visit www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/files/md10.pdf.



Business Turnover

- **Table 2** gives Maryland's establishment survival rates over an eight-year period, 2002-2010.
- In the 2nd quarter of 2013, 6,871 establishments opened and 7,210 closed in the state of Maryland. (Source: BED)
- Business bankruptcies declined in net from 2010 to 2013, signaling a stronger state economy. (Source: U.S. Courts)

Table 2. Survival Rates of					
Establishments in Maryland					
	Establishments	Share Surviving			
	Opened*	Until 2012 (%)			
2002	13,153	32.7			
2007	11,928	44			
2010	9,566	67.4			
Source: BLS, BED. *Data year ending in March.					

International Trade

A total of 7,386 companies exported goods from the state in 2012. Of these, 6,529 or 88.4 percent were small firms; they generated over a quarter (29.1 percent) of the state's total known export value. (Source: ITA)

Table 3: Number of Maryland Small Firms by Industry, 2011							
(ranked by number of small employer firms)							
	Employer Firms	Employer Firms	Nonemployer	Total Small			
Industry	With 1-499 Employees	With 1-19 Employees	Firms	Firms			
Professional, scientific, & tech. svcs.	17,236	15,534	72,775	90,011			
Construction	13,730	12,380	40,112	53,842			
Other services (except public admin.)	12,279	11,200	58,481	70,760			
Health care & social assistance	11,989	10,419	49,968	61,957			
Retail trade	11,024	9,923	31,604	42,628			
Accommodation & food services	8,417	6,663	6,545	14,962			
Admin., supp., waste mgt., remed. svcs.	6,671	5,638	36,700	43,371			
Wholesale trade	4,385	3,488	5,534	9,919			
Real estate & rental & leasing	4,084	3,702	45,768	49,852			
Finance & insurance	3,800	3,392	12,142	15,942			
Transportation & warehousing	2,718	2,316	18,873	21,591			
Manufacturing	2,707	2,077	4,194	6,901			
Arts, entertainment, & recreation	1,814	1,526	24,641	26,455			
Educational services	1,781	1,366	14,651	16,432			
Information	1,124	892	6,897	8,021			
Management of comp. & enterprises	333	56	0	333			
Unclassified	213	213	0	213			
Forestry, etc. & agriculture support	186	183	3,182	3,368			
Mining	50	32	83	133			
Utilities	42	31	440	482			
Total	103,904	90,934	432,590	536,494			

Table 4: Employment in Maryland by Industry and Firm Size, 2011						
(ranked by small firm employment)						
	Employm	Employment				
Industry	Small Firms	Total Firms	Industry Employment (%)			
Health care & social assistance	159,662	336,440	47			
Professional, scientific, & tech. svcs.	137,556	243,980	56			
Accommodation & food services	120,131	195,895	61			
Construction	119,808	136,527	88			
Retail trade	97,619	278,530	35			
Other services (except public admin.)	95,432	109,128	87			
Admin., supp., waste mgt., remed. svcs.	82,149	178,204	46			
Wholesale trade	51,027	84,274	61			
Manufacturing	45,460	104,410	44			
Educational services	35,257	79,640	44			
Finance & insurance	33,065	99,264	33			
Real estate & rental & leasing	27,151	41,761	65			
Transportation & warehousing	24,243	62,864	39			
Arts, entertainment, & recreation	23,912	35,790	67			
Information	15,575	54,643	29			
Management of comp. & enterprises	7,770	49,238	16			
Mining	769	1,314	59			
Forestry, etc. & agriculture support	605	923	66			
Unclassified	D	D	D			
Utilities	D	10,970	D			
Total	1,078,548	2,104,022	51			

Source, Tables 3 and 4: SUSB

See www.sba.gov/advocacy/847/841921 for more detailed data.

Note: Small firms are defined as nonfarm firms having fewer than 500 employees.

(D) Data suppressed to protect the confidentiality of individual firms.

Abbreviations and Resources

BEA Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, www.bea.gov.

BED Business Employment Dynamics, U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, www.bls.gov/bdm.

BDS Business Dynamics Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, www.census.gov/ces/dataproducts/bds.

BLS Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, www.bls.gov.

CPS Current Population Survey, U.S. Census Bureau, and U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics,

www.census.gov/cps.

FDIC Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, www.fdic.gov.

FFIEC Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, **www.ffiec.gov**.

ITA International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, www.trade.gov.

SBO Survey of Business Owners, U.S. Census Bureau, www.census.gov/econ/sbo.

SUSB Statistics of U.S. Businesses, U.S. Census Bureau, www.census.gov/econ/susb.

U.S. Courts Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, www.uscourts.gov.