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# **US Virgin Islands**





**EMPLOYMENT** 480 net new jobs



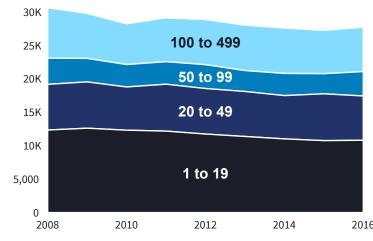


TRADE \$1.8B in total exports\*

Jobs, establishments, and exports are from the 2016 County Business Patterns (CBP) and 2017 Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) data.

## **Economic Output and Employment**

Figure 1: Employment by Establishment Size (Employees)



- The US Virgin Islands economy contracted at an annual rate of 1.7% to \$3.1 billion in 2017 while per capita income decreased 1.5% to \$29,388 in 2017. (Source: BEA)
- The number of private sector employees in US Virgin Islands increased 1.6% to 29,598 in 2016. (Source: CBP)
- · Figure 1 displays private sector employment for establishments with fewer than 500 employees from 2008 to 2016. Establishments with fewer than 100 employees have the largest share of overall employment. (Source:
- Table 1 provides additional details on US Virgin Islands employment by industry. (Source: CBP)

The Small Business Profiles are produced by the US Small Business Administration's Office of Advocacy. Each report incorporates the most up-to-date government data to present a unique snapshot of 2016 small businesses.

## **International Trade**

- Figure 2 displays the evolution of US Virgin Islands imports, exports, and trade balance from 2002 to 2017. (Source: BEA)
- In 2017, US Virgin Islands total exports increased 26% to \$1.8 billion, while its total imports increased 26.2% to \$2.4 5B billion. This resulted in a 2017 trade deficit of \$592.0 million. (Source: BEA)
- \* Exports and imports reflect trade between US Virgin Islands and the rest of the world, including the US.

Economic growth and trade statistics are expressed in real US dollars. Values labeled 's' in Table 1 were withheld by the Census Bureau because they do not meet publication standards or could disclose in--10B formation regarding individual businesses.

Figure 2: Exports and Imports (\$)

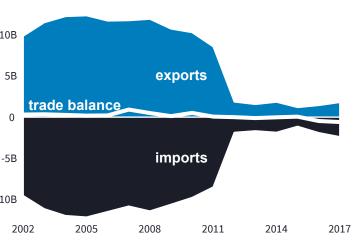


Table 1: US Virgin Islands Employment, Establishments, and Payroll by Industry, 2016. (Source: CBP)

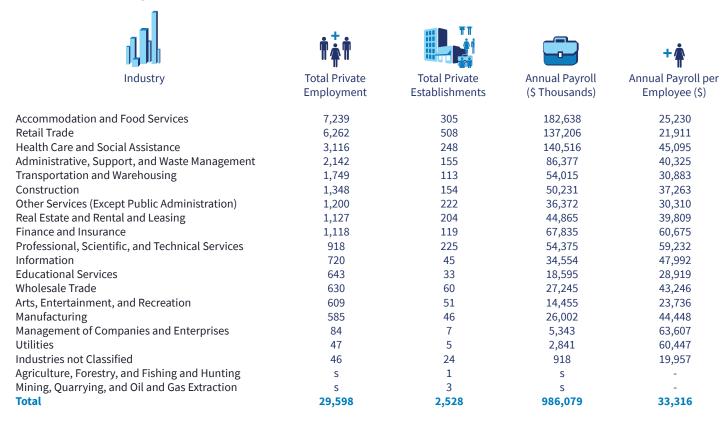


Figure 3: US Virgin Islands Employment by Municipality, 2016. (Source: CBP)



## References

The Small Business Profiles, source data, and methodology are available at https://go.usa.gov/xmb5R.

**BEA** Bureau of Economic Analysis

CBP County Business Patterns, US Census Bureau