

RHODE ISLAND

Congressional District Profiles

2021

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About these profiles

Small businesses are defined here as firms with fewer than 500 employees. Congressional district boundaries correspond to the 116th Congress. A gray area on a map showing share of workers self-employed indicates that Census reported zero total employment in that area. Data analyzed here predate the COVID-19 pandemic, which has had [impacts on businesses](#) that have differed by industry, geography, and demographic group. Electronic versions of these and other [geographic profiles](#) are available online, including extensive profiles of [Rhode Island](#) and the [United States](#). Visit advocacy.sba.gov for additional resources.

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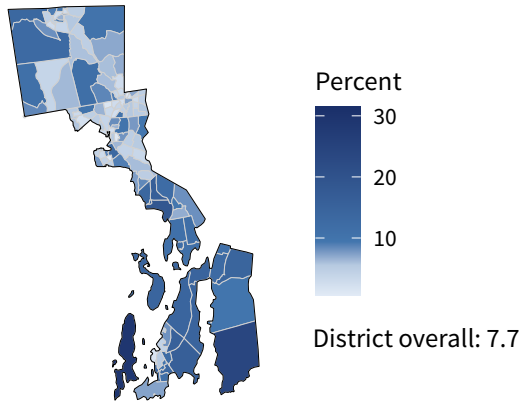
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Rhode Island Congressional District 1



11,139 small businesses with employees
95.4 percent of district employers

115,162 employees of small businesses
54.2 percent of district employees



Share of workers self-employed by census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#), 2019 5-Year Estimates (Census)

Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Construction	1,448	99.4	8,826	95.0	590,879	93.6
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,369	98.5	8,097	92.3	263,180	89.4
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,297	96.5	9,132	81.7	630,058	79.3
Accommodation and Food Services	1,269	96.6	17,095	68.8	359,778	61.7
Retail Trade	1,234	91.0	8,511	44.8	282,614	50.2
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,071	94.9	21,304	53.4	874,611	51.1
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	693	93.8	4,997	53.4	206,906	50.5
Manufacturing	603	94.7	13,165	71.4	663,684	63.9
Wholesale Trade	506	90.4	6,012	65.2	381,006	60.8
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	447	94.9	2,131	81.6	105,343	83.8
Transportation and Warehousing	310	93.1	1,976	40.8	92,355	45.8
Finance and Insurance	298	82.8	2,918	17.4	216,745	16.5
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	253	96.6	3,385	82.7	97,110	87.7
Educational Services	196	94.7	4,944	23.7	204,428	24.1
Information	120	85.7	1,160	60.5	52,942	49.7
Management of Companies and Enterprises	39	60.0	1,335	13.0	82,068	7.9
Industries not classified	19	100.0	36	100.0	1,409	100.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	16	100.0	34	100.0	1,894	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	7	100.0	79	100.0	5,620	100.0
Total	11,139	95.4	115,162	54.2	5,115,198	48.6

Source: [Statistics of US Businesses](#), 2018 (Census)

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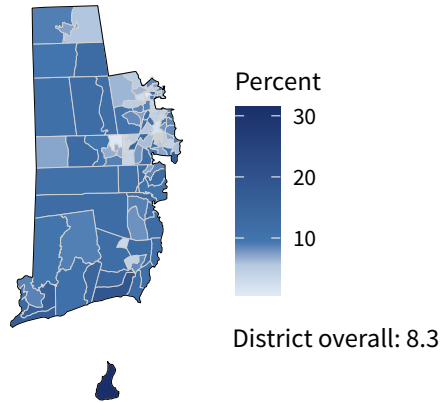
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Rhode Island Congressional District 2



12,299 small businesses with employees
94.1 percent of district employers

115,389 employees of small businesses
51.3 percent of district employees



Share of workers self-employed by census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#), 2019 5-Year Estimates (Census)

Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Construction	1,796	99.7	9,080	92.4	564,813	88.2
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,462	95.9	8,127	72.1	532,900	71.8
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,420	97.6	8,249	89.2	294,523	89.3
Accommodation and Food Services	1,378	95.5	19,830	73.6	421,074	73.5
Retail Trade	1,306	85.5	10,047	34.5	355,265	40.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,130	94.6	20,365	43.8	926,812	37.8
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	892	94.9	8,140	64.4	311,525	67.3
Manufacturing	597	94.2	10,725	50.2	547,830	43.5
Wholesale Trade	542	87.7	5,707	50.0	365,170	45.5
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	457	93.1	1,905	72.5	91,549	70.6
Finance and Insurance	369	81.5	3,054	24.4	274,380	20.9
Transportation and Warehousing	329	91.1	2,846	45.2	145,903	49.5
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	277	95.8	2,480	49.0	78,598	62.2
Educational Services	180	94.2	2,226	24.0	83,647	25.4
Information	124	83.2	1,456	31.4	115,505	29.2
Management of Companies and Enterprises	28	40.0	856	15.9	47,985	7.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	25	100.0	129	100.0	6,848	100.0
Industries not classified	14	100.0	12	100.0	394	100.0
Utilities	10	58.8	110	30.7	14,275	36.6
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	6	85.7	45	68.2	3,252	67.2
Total	12,299	94.1	115,389	51.3	5,182,248	45.1

Source: [Statistics of US Businesses](#), 2018 (Census)