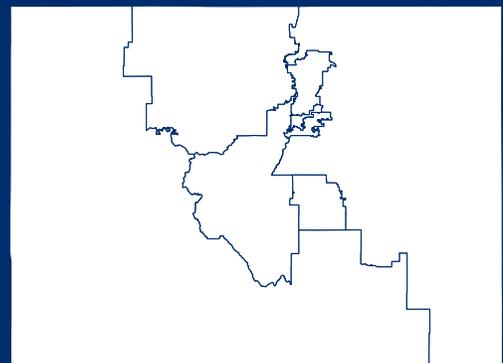




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This report is part of a series that shows the important roles that small businesses play in congressional districts across the nation. District 1 of Montana, located in the western part of the state, led the nation in small business share of employment, at 70.4 percent. District 12 of New York, located in Manhattan, had the most small businesses with employees, at 51,317. District 32 of California, which includes Malibu and parts of Los Angeles, had the highest self-employment rate, at 19.2 percent. Readers are invited to compare congressional districts to the [nation](#), [states](#), [rural areas](#), and [metropolitan areas](#).

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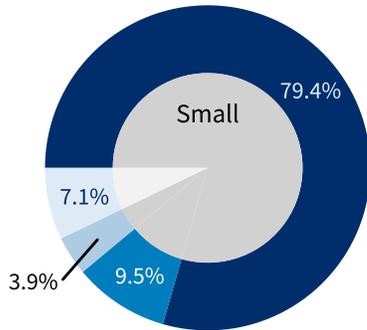
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Colorado Congressional District 1

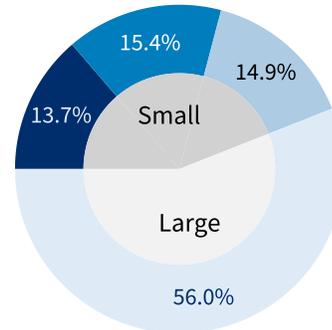


22,052 small businesses with employees
92.9 percent of district employers

214,804 employees of small businesses
44.0 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

■ Less than 20
 ■ 20 to 99
 ■ 100 to 499
 ■ 500 or more employees

Source: [Statistics of U.S. Businesses](#), 2022 (Census)

Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	4,641	326	189	262
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,889	219	85	119
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,908	170	51	69
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,801	82	48	102
Accommodation and Food Services	1,281	512	95	125
Retail Trade	1,410	178	66	231
Construction	1,361	125	37	55
Finance and Insurance	921	67	65	198
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	845	104	53	159
Wholesale Trade	660	129	92	211
Manufacturing	487	111	34	65
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	421	53	19	25
Educational Services	371	75	22	16
Information	363	43	39	99
Transportation and Warehousing	326	53	40	108
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	118	17	11	17
Management of Companies and Enterprises	40	26	41	102
Utilities	14	*	*	8
Industries not classified	16	0	0	0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	10	3	1	0
All industries	18,868	2,256	928	1,697

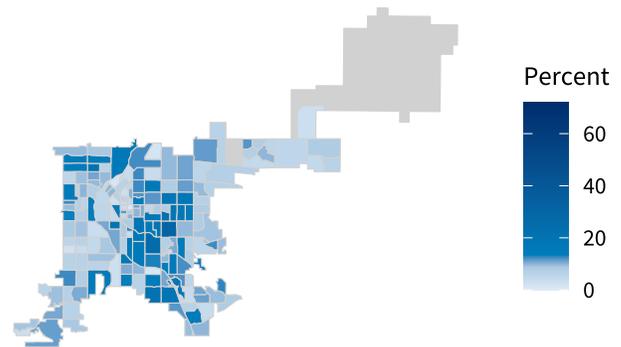
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Self-employment

In 2024, 10.2 percent of private workers in the congressional district were self-employed, above the national rate of 9.9 percent. The percent of district workers who were self-employed included 4.6 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$74,524, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$61,428. The median income for all workers in the district was \$78,926.

Share of workers self-employed by Census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#) (Census)



Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	5,156	95.2	35,698	56.4	3,924,584	46.6
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,193	94.9	24,778	41.1	1,416,683	34.2
Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,129	96.9	14,355	79.7	722,579	75.9
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,931	95.0	7,746	48.9	671,205	49.8
Accommodation and Food Services	1,888	93.8	33,662	61.6	1,228,831	62.8
Retail Trade	1,654	87.7	14,066	40.6	617,835	43.2
Construction	1,523	96.5	12,010	67.9	925,052	63.3
Finance and Insurance	1,053	84.2	8,388	26.3	1,114,795	23.6
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,002	86.3	12,210	25.8	773,625	35.8
Wholesale Trade	881	80.7	11,334	52.0	944,621	50.2
Manufacturing	632	90.7	9,705	63.3	558,929	60.4
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	493	95.2	6,812	60.4	470,048	52.1
Educational Services	468	96.7	7,218	40.0	355,389	38.0
Information	445	81.8	6,772	32.7	757,671	25.3
Transportation and Warehousing	419	79.5	4,758	14.1	272,745	9.5
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	146	89.6	2,438	56.9	520,376	52.5
Management of Companies and Enterprises	107	51.2	2,211	13.7	270,022	9.4
Utilities	16	66.7	359	12.9	118,607	27.5
Industries not classified	16	100.0	40	100.0	1,895	100.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	14	100.0	244	100.0	6,961	100.0
All industries	22,052	92.9	214,804	44.0	15,672,453	37.8

Percentages were calculated by dividing industry totals for small employers by industry totals for all employers.

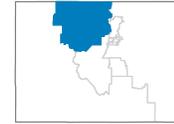
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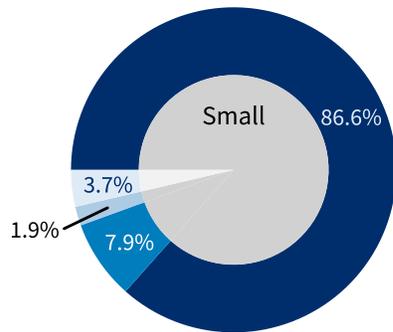
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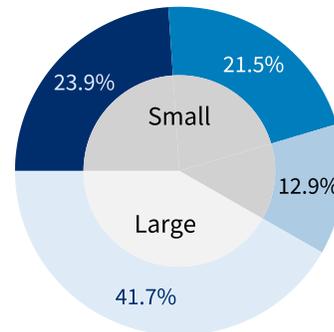


26,169 small businesses with employees
96.3 percent of district employers

194,623 employees of small businesses
58.3 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

■ Less than 20
 ■ 20 to 99
 ■ 100 to 499
 ■ 500 or more employees

Source: [Statistics of U.S. Businesses](#), 2022 (Census)

Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	4,898	215	87	136
Construction	3,072	154	19	16
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,310	204	62	112
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	2,300	61	24	63
Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,099	135	17	33
Retail Trade	1,905	211	68	191
Accommodation and Food Services	1,438	604	66	114
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,337	101	23	55
Manufacturing	704	136	42	55
Finance and Insurance	812	32	30	107
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	668	83	14	20
Wholesale Trade	653	79	31	89
Educational Services	453	64	9	8
Information	408	38	17	61
Transportation and Warehousing	291	38	15	23
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	53	8	3	5
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	60	*	*	0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	11	15	17	35
Utilities	21	5	3	6
Industries not classified	27	0	0	0
All industries	23,513	2,145	511	994

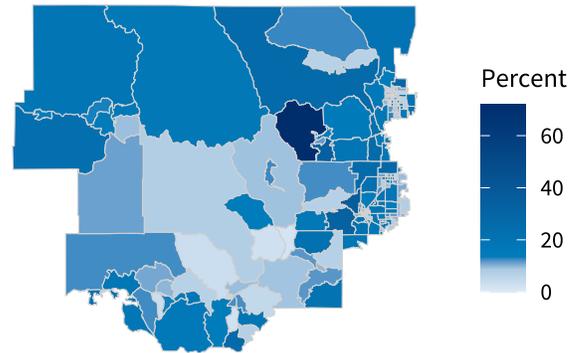
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Self-employment

In 2024, 12.1 percent of private workers in the congressional district were self-employed, above the national rate of 9.9 percent. The percent of district workers who were self-employed included 5.2 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$86,315, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$57,861. The median income for all workers in the district was \$76,548.

Share of workers self-employed by Census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#) (Census)



Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	5,200	97.5	24,535	62.5	2,365,667	56.3
Construction	3,245	99.5	16,852	93.6	1,145,125	91.0
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,576	95.8	21,631	55.9	1,244,822	50.6
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	2,385	97.4	6,485	68.6	398,670	68.6
Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,251	98.6	12,908	88.2	546,896	92.3
Retail Trade	2,184	92.0	19,009	45.5	858,935	53.0
Accommodation and Food Services	2,108	94.9	38,193	68.1	1,155,390	67.8
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,461	96.4	10,137	65.8	501,229	68.0
Manufacturing	882	94.1	13,411	50.3	857,243	42.3
Finance and Insurance	874	89.1	3,444	44.0	393,759	46.0
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	765	97.5	6,964	36.1	221,607	32.8
Wholesale Trade	763	89.6	5,875	41.5	435,625	20.9
Educational Services	526	98.5	5,364	89.2	215,262	87.2
Information	463	88.4	4,654	32.5	418,655	18.0
Transportation and Warehousing	344	93.7	3,216	66.6	147,240	64.4
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	64	92.8	482	34.8	46,201	31.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	62	100.0	185	100.0	8,905	100.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	43	55.1	828	15.8	87,031	16.4
Utilities	29	82.9	424	53.2	49,040	52.7
Industries not classified	27	100.0	26	100.0	1,022	100.0
All industries	26,169	96.3	194,623	58.3	11,098,324	49.6

Percentages were calculated by dividing industry totals for small employers by industry totals for all employers.

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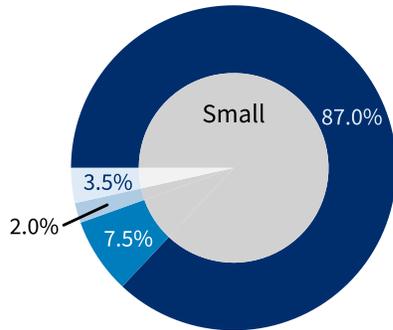
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Colorado Congressional District 3

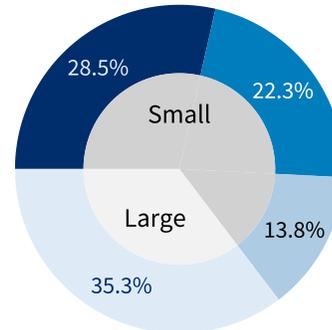


20,771 small businesses with employees
96.5 percent of district employers

156,404 employees of small businesses
64.7 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

■ Less than 20
 ■ 20 to 99
 ■ 100 to 499
 ■ 500 or more employees

Source: [Statistics of U.S. Businesses](#), 2022 (Census)

Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Construction	3,379	187	32	17
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,461	83	28	42
Retail Trade	1,889	206	57	161
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,972	83	8	25
Accommodation and Food Services	1,593	395	52	70
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,469	212	80	91
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,677	39	21	37
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,071	76	18	45
Manufacturing	547	91	21	44
Finance and Insurance	561	36	20	76
Wholesale Trade	451	67	35	100
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	484	43	4	7
Transportation and Warehousing	463	36	19	46
Educational Services	233	36	10	3
Information	177	12	21	29
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	141	23	20	22
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	83	3	2	1
Utilities	55	11	4	6
Management of Companies and Enterprises	11	13	21	20
Industries not classified	23	0	0	0
All industries	18,722	1,621	428	750

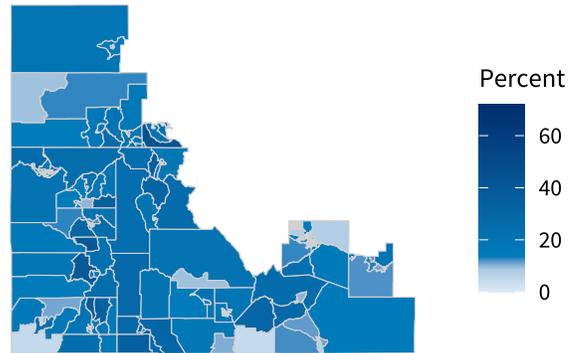
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Self-employment

In 2024, 14.4 percent of private workers in the congressional district were self-employed, above the national rate of 9.9 percent. The percent of district workers who were self-employed included 6.5 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$60,391, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$39,989. The median income for all workers in the district was \$58,505.

Share of workers self-employed by Census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#) (Census)



Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Construction	3,598	99.5	20,199	92.6	1,247,519	90.1
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,572	98.4	9,036	80.8	593,814	75.7
Retail Trade	2,152	93.0	17,449	45.2	738,786	50.9
Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,063	98.8	9,701	90.5	344,676	88.0
Accommodation and Food Services	2,040	96.7	28,306	71.0	794,870	72.9
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,761	95.1	26,035	56.8	1,231,999	48.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,737	97.9	5,216	85.6	277,184	84.7
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,165	96.3	7,189	72.0	323,310	71.5
Manufacturing	659	93.7	7,988	60.1	403,054	53.1
Finance and Insurance	617	89.0	3,087	46.4	196,232	37.9
Wholesale Trade	553	84.7	4,123	58.4	230,627	51.7
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	531	98.7	4,019	51.6	139,570	56.4
Transportation and Warehousing	518	91.8	3,789	49.0	174,144	42.2
Educational Services	279	98.9	3,642	97.6	131,837	96.6
Information	210	87.9	1,715	51.7	84,713	50.7
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	184	89.3	2,804	69.5	275,175	67.8
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	88	98.9	618	96.0	28,130	93.9
Utilities	70	92.1	958	48.8	92,786	45.2
Management of Companies and Enterprises	45	69.2	491	32.2	46,766	28.4
Industries not classified	23	100.0	39	100.0	642	100.0
All industries	20,771	96.5	156,404	64.7	7,355,834	61.7

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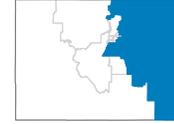
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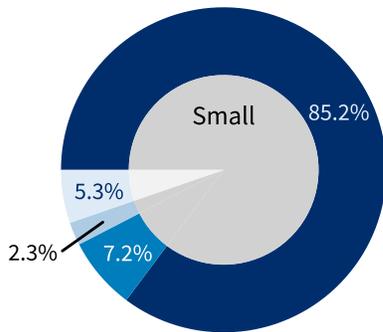
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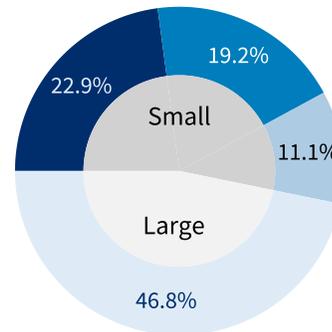


16,603 small businesses with employees
94.7 percent of district employers

112,737 employees of small businesses
53.2 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

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Source: [Statistics of U.S. Businesses, 2022](#) (Census)

Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,700	96	38	56
Construction	2,293	154	25	29
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,570	108	11	30
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,247	179	66	107
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,339	23	20	50
Retail Trade	1,067	122	49	229
Accommodation and Food Services	668	239	54	103
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	841	49	14	55
Finance and Insurance	828	33	25	111
Wholesale Trade	524	58	42	69
Transportation and Warehousing	492	34	9	32
Manufacturing	396	67	23	33
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	282	23	3	12
Educational Services	233	45	14	7
Information	212	20	7	46
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	100	15	7	6
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	98	*	*	0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	21	5	11	33
Utilities	21	6	4	10
Industries not classified	13	0	0	0
All industries	14,937	1,264	402	927

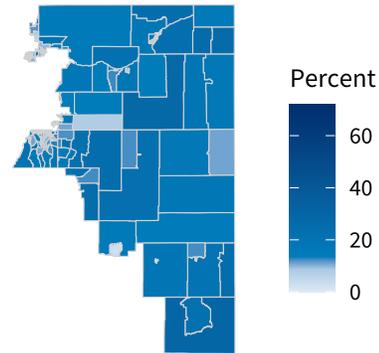
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Self-employment

In 2024, 11.3 percent of private workers in the congressional district were self-employed, above the national rate of 9.9 percent. The percent of district workers who were self-employed included 5.0 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$92,013, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$62,101. The median income for all workers in the district was \$82,412.

Share of workers self-employed by Census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#) (Census)



Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,834	98.1	10,179	74.3	780,858	67.6
Construction	2,472	98.8	16,148	74.7	1,089,457	69.9
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,689	98.3	9,383	92.9	358,468	90.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,492	93.3	15,481	51.5	807,368	44.8
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,382	96.5	3,146	79.4	198,531	75.5
Retail Trade	1,238	84.4	10,159	31.1	445,222	37.5
Accommodation and Food Services	961	90.3	15,330	62.8	373,726	62.7
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	904	94.3	5,486	39.0	302,341	39.0
Finance and Insurance	886	88.9	3,114	34.6	230,208	24.6
Wholesale Trade	624	90.0	4,692	47.7	409,427	50.2
Transportation and Warehousing	535	94.4	3,030	49.6	138,756	44.9
Manufacturing	486	93.6	5,921	39.5	347,277	30.9
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	308	96.3	2,047	54.9	65,886	61.0
Educational Services	292	97.7	4,463	86.3	166,293	88.8
Information	239	83.9	1,803	24.5	131,495	17.6
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	122	95.3	1,012	93.0	119,647	94.3
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	101	100.0	282	100.0	12,759	100.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	37	52.9	395	15.1	29,834	7.0
Utilities	31	75.6	656	63.0	66,903	63.7
Industries not classified	13	100.0	10	100.0	453	100.0
All industries	16,603	94.7	112,737	53.2	6,074,909	48.1

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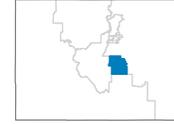
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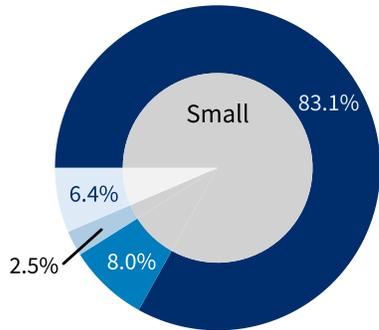
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Colorado Congressional District 5

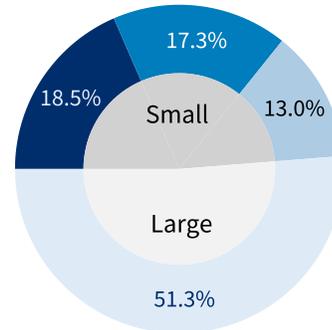


14,833 small businesses with employees
93.6 percent of district employers

123,508 employees of small businesses
48.7 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

■ Less than 20
 ■ 20 to 99
 ■ 100 to 499
 ■ 500 or more employees

Source: [Statistics of U.S. Businesses](#), 2022 (Census)

Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,103	105	67	114
Construction	1,772	142	30	27
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,554	235	54	110
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,509	117	25	48
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,383	29	12	63
Retail Trade	1,081	117	33	205
Accommodation and Food Services	800	219	44	100
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	759	80	19	81
Finance and Insurance	634	26	22	109
Manufacturing	306	54	21	33
Wholesale Trade	301	37	36	117
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	277	31	6	9
Educational Services	235	49	13	13
Transportation and Warehousing	257	24	13	50
Information	148	11	10	47
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9	6	8	27
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	13	0	0	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	12	*	*	2
Industries not classified	11	0	0	0
Utilities	7	*	*	4
All industries	13,167	1,266	400	1,019

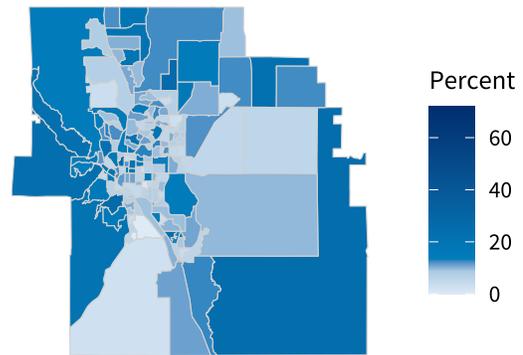
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Self-employment

In 2024, 9.9 percent of private workers in the congressional district were self-employed, which is about the same as the national rate. The percent of district workers who were self-employed included 4.2 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$62,499, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$55,246. The median income for all workers in the district was \$65,860.

Share of workers self-employed by Census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#) (Census)



Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,275	95.2	13,441	48.8	1,101,035	42.0
Construction	1,944	98.6	13,771	90.9	878,128	86.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,843	94.4	21,943	53.7	1,099,364	47.8
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,651	97.2	12,313	55.1	537,445	51.4
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,424	95.8	3,225	73.7	182,775	68.5
Retail Trade	1,231	85.7	10,255	30.7	432,918	34.8
Accommodation and Food Services	1,063	91.4	17,142	53.7	439,255	53.1
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	858	91.4	8,078	45.7	341,012	35.5
Finance and Insurance	682	86.2	3,514	25.6	241,581	20.0
Manufacturing	381	92.0	5,288	43.4	285,311	29.5
Wholesale Trade	374	76.2	2,581	37.1	168,531	16.3
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	314	97.2	2,741	72.9	81,477	80.5
Educational Services	297	95.8	4,691	53.3	163,394	52.4
Transportation and Warehousing	294	85.5	2,426	40.0	95,895	31.3
Information	169	78.2	1,466	22.8	104,984	19.8
Management of Companies and Enterprises	23	46.0	341	20.8	32,428	21.8
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	13	100.0	32	100.0	718	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	13	86.7	92	33.7	13,688	51.8
Industries not classified	11	100.0	14	100.0	791	100.0
Utilities	9	69.2	154	68.1	15,723	74.0
All industries	14,833	93.6	123,508	48.7	6,216,453	41.6

Percentages were calculated by dividing industry totals for small employers by industry totals for all employers.

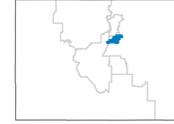
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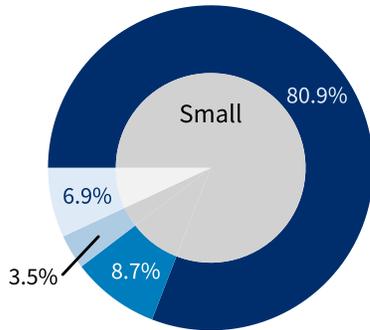
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Colorado Congressional District 6

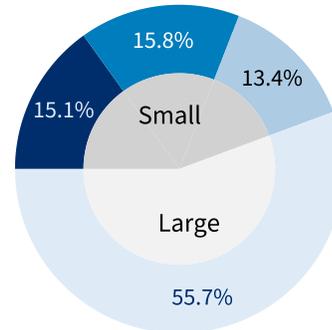


17,803 small businesses with employees
93.1 percent of district employers

159,208 employees of small businesses
44.3 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

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Source: [Statistics of U.S. Businesses, 2022](#) (Census)

Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,717	166	85	139
Construction	1,933	168	64	62
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,781	283	83	138
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,580	138	29	55
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,352	36	35	78
Retail Trade	1,139	126	45	201
Finance and Insurance	1,070	49	51	186
Accommodation and Food Services	809	260	59	104
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	886	121	57	110
Wholesale Trade	591	81	64	150
Transportation and Warehousing	398	54	34	79
Manufacturing	353	74	18	38
Educational Services	275	56	21	21
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	265	33	11	16
Information	224	28	14	78
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	58	9	1	2
Management of Companies and Enterprises	24	19	24	70
Industries not classified	20	0	0	0
Utilities	7	0	0	4
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	3	0	0	1
All industries	15,469	1,673	661	1,325

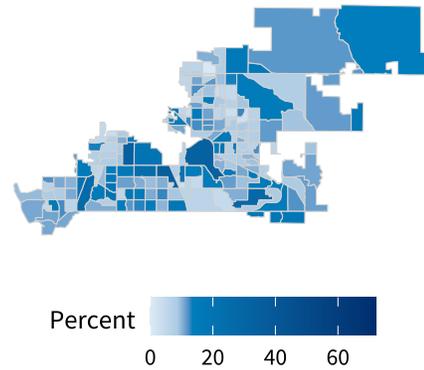
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Self-employment

In 2024, 9.9 percent of private workers in the congressional district were self-employed, which is about the same as the national rate. The percent of district workers who were self-employed included 4.6 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$92,197, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$64,233. The median income for all workers in the district was \$71,270.

Share of workers self-employed by Census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#) (Census)



Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,968	95.5	18,136	58.5	1,727,638	55.3
Construction	2,165	97.2	19,658	69.3	1,476,563	63.2
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,147	94.0	25,180	41.3	1,360,358	31.7
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,747	96.9	11,954	84.2	551,177	77.6
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,423	94.8	3,979	64.6	288,869	61.5
Retail Trade	1,310	86.7	10,489	28.9	526,511	33.1
Finance and Insurance	1,170	86.3	6,858	26.8	625,966	24.5
Accommodation and Food Services	1,128	91.6	17,661	55.9	519,931	58.6
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,064	90.6	13,004	49.3	737,642	50.1
Wholesale Trade	736	83.1	7,032	35.7	611,668	34.9
Transportation and Warehousing	486	86.0	5,203	37.8	280,870	39.9
Manufacturing	445	92.1	6,230	51.7	440,407	49.9
Educational Services	352	94.4	5,573	81.9	252,045	79.4
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	309	95.1	3,344	69.7	410,226	91.5
Information	266	77.3	3,106	13.0	279,705	9.5
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	68	97.1	635	93.8	100,943	90.9
Management of Companies and Enterprises	67	48.9	1,090	6.7	121,699	6.0
Industries not classified	20	100.0	25	100.0	3,673	100.0
Utilities	7	63.6	36	7.3	3,039	4.2
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	3	75.0	15	37.5	992	26.3
All industries	17,803	93.1	159,208	44.3	10,319,922	38.7

Percentages were calculated by dividing industry totals for small employers by industry totals for all employers.

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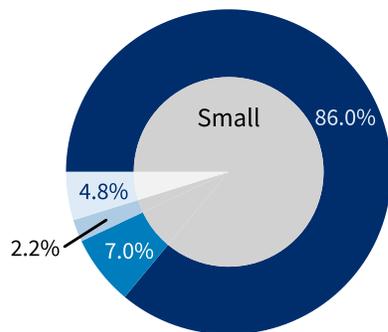
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Colorado Congressional District 7

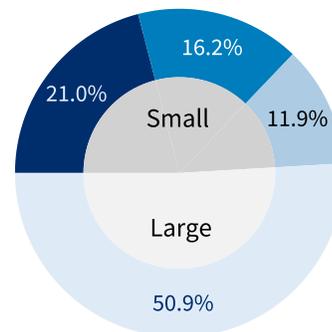


19,046 small businesses with employees
95.2 percent of district employers

132,048 employees of small businesses
49.1 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

- Less than 20
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- 500 or more employees

Source: [Statistics of U.S. Businesses, 2022](#) (Census)

Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	3,341	166	84	118
Construction	2,530	137	28	19
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,769	103	18	35
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,566	174	69	112
Retail Trade	1,381	123	45	234
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,448	30	17	54
Accommodation and Food Services	1,038	277	49	113
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	936	80	28	67
Finance and Insurance	808	30	23	89
Wholesale Trade	607	62	22	61
Manufacturing	469	90	17	29
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	359	44	12	13
Educational Services	312	42	12	7
Transportation and Warehousing	255	19	16	20
Information	247	17	10	47
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	60	6	1	4
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	41	3	0	0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	11	10	13	47
Utilities	19	4	3	8
Industries not classified	21	0	0	0
All industries	17,212	1,394	440	961

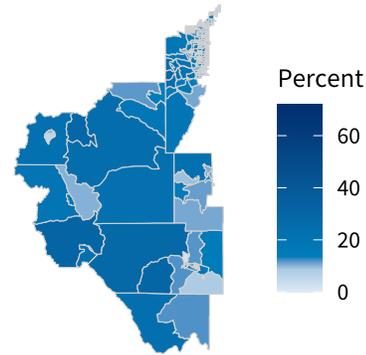
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Self-employment

In 2024, 12.2 percent of private workers in the congressional district were self-employed, above the national rate of 9.9 percent. The percent of district workers who were self-employed included 5.7 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$80,198, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$61,740. The median income for all workers in the district was \$80,805.

Share of workers self-employed by Census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#) (Census)



Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	3,591	96.8	16,853	55.2	1,447,240	47.4
Construction	2,695	99.3	15,667	77.6	1,081,924	71.8
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,890	98.2	10,256	83.8	422,163	81.0
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,809	94.2	17,475	54.4	917,538	49.1
Retail Trade	1,549	86.9	10,574	27.6	468,838	33.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,495	96.5	3,273	75.9	188,309	70.5
Accommodation and Food Services	1,364	92.3	18,437	60.4	509,298	62.7
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,044	94.0	9,150	52.5	429,291	55.9
Finance and Insurance	861	90.6	3,539	20.5	259,787	24.3
Wholesale Trade	691	91.9	5,215	62.2	410,845	52.9
Manufacturing	576	95.2	6,988	35.4	483,767	24.9
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	415	97.0	4,026	83.8	126,965	86.8
Educational Services	366	98.1	4,128	73.0	161,803	76.7
Transportation and Warehousing	290	93.5	2,536	57.2	144,484	53.0
Information	274	85.4	2,198	21.9	234,689	17.6
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	67	94.4	458	45.1	57,777	49.2
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	44	100.0	229	100.0	15,403	100.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	34	42.0	642	5.9	59,691	5.6
Utilities	26	76.5	372	37.3	41,805	36.0
Industries not classified	21	100.0	32	100.0	766	100.0
All industries	19,046	95.2	132,048	49.1	7,462,383	43.2

Percentages were calculated by dividing industry totals for small employers by industry totals for all employers.

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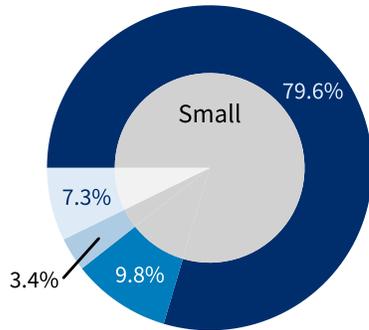
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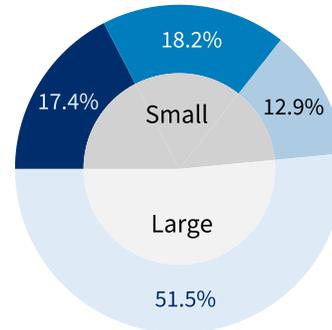


12,079 small businesses with employees
92.7 percent of district employers

110,563 employees of small businesses
48.5 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

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Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Construction	2,128	262	50	30
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,159	67	13	45
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,148	59	24	55
Retail Trade	828	110	40	199
Health Care and Social Assistance	729	145	45	95
Accommodation and Food Services	617	192	45	78
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	710	82	23	56
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	699	31	29	60
Transportation and Warehousing	632	57	34	61
Wholesale Trade	449	96	67	148
Manufacturing	375	105	45	62
Finance and Insurance	402	12	18	73
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	152	18	6	9
Educational Services	128	30	6	11
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	71	22	14	19
Information	94	3	2	28
Management of Companies and Enterprises	7	9	15	26
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	19	*	*	0
Utilities	13	1	3	6
Industries not classified	9	0	0	0
All industries	10,362	1,279	438	945

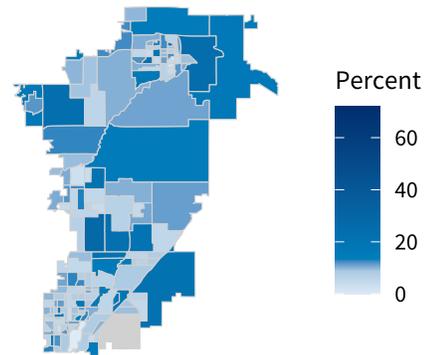
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Self-employment

In 2024, 9.0 percent of private workers in the congressional district were self-employed, below the national rate of 9.9 percent. The percent of district workers who were self-employed included 3.9 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$77,369, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$51,331. The median income for all workers in the district was \$66,469.

Share of workers self-employed by Census tract

Source: [American Community Survey](#) (Census)



Small business employment and payroll by industry

Industry	Employers		Employees		Payroll (\$1,000s)	
	Small	%	Small	%	Small	%
Construction	2,440	98.8	24,277	70.3	1,684,854	62.0
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,239	96.5	6,748	72.2	275,210	69.3
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,231	95.7	6,218	65.2	509,499	58.9
Retail Trade	978	83.1	8,718	26.4	412,315	29.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	919	90.6	10,729	50.9	502,342	42.7
Accommodation and Food Services	854	91.6	12,683	56.4	321,539	59.8
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	815	93.6	7,843	57.0	425,531	58.5
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	759	92.7	2,645	62.5	148,301	56.1
Transportation and Warehousing	723	92.2	5,780	26.4	357,280	32.0
Wholesale Trade	612	80.5	7,043	48.3	509,674	46.1
Manufacturing	525	89.4	9,048	42.8	573,538	41.2
Finance and Insurance	432	85.5	1,799	31.8	152,932	32.5
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	176	95.1	1,332	62.3	38,818	54.8
Educational Services	164	93.7	2,349	92.8	76,981	90.6
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	107	84.9	1,975	49.9	201,116	46.2
Information	99	78.0	485	19.4	27,628	12.6
Management of Companies and Enterprises	31	54.4	477	11.9	44,492	10.1
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	20	100.0	98	100.0	3,929	100.0
Utilities	17	73.9	307	21.3	28,836	16.3
Industries not classified	9	100.0	9	100.0	701	100.0
All industries	12,079	92.7	110,563	48.5	6,295,516	46.3

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Technical Notes

Classification of businesses

A single business may encompass multiple establishments if it operates at multiple locations. A business is classified as small in these profiles if it employs fewer than 500 employees across all establishments. Classification by industry is made at the establishment level, so a business encompassing multiple establishments may participate in multiple industries. A business participating in multiple industries would be included in the total for each industry, so the sum of businesses across industries may exceed the total number of businesses. Boundaries for congressional districts correspond to the 119th Congress, which began on January 3, 2025.

Data

All data used in these profiles are publicly available and published online. Data and associated technical documentation can be accessed using the hyperlinks in the source notes for each feature. Years indicated in source notes are the years the data describe, which may not match the naming convention used by the data publisher. Where no year is listed, data from multiple years were used.

Statistics from the American Community Survey describing self-employment represent the population age 16 years and over. Self-employment rates were estimated using values from Table B24080. The total numbers of private workers used in the calculations were the numbers of “private for-profit wage and salary workers” in the table. Median incomes are from Table S2419 and include only income from labor, called “earnings” in the table. Statistics in the text are from 2024 one-year data while values shown in the maps are from 2023 five-year data.

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Software

The profiles were created using R with formatting through HTML and CSS. Data visualizations were primarily created using the ggplot2 package in R. Tables were primarily created using the knitr and gt packages. Elements were combined into an HTML document using the knitr package. A PDF document was created from the HTML document using Prince XML.

Rounding

Numbers in these profiles have been rounded if they include a decimal point, with the number of digits after the decimal point indicating the precision preserved under rounding. Numbers ending in 5 were rounded up. For example, 1.05 would be rounded to 1.1, while 1.04 would be rounded to 1.0.

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