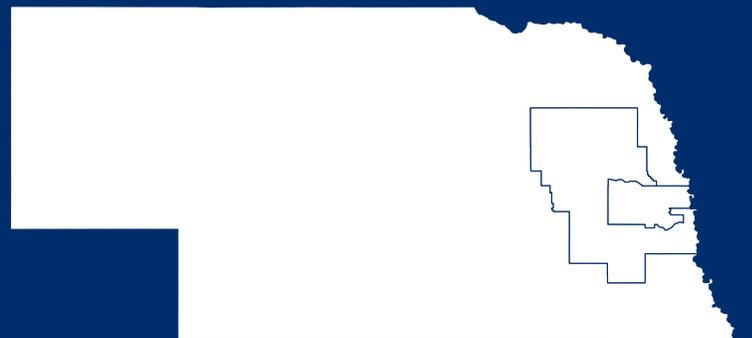




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The statutory mission of the Office of Advocacy includes examining the role of small business in the economy. The Office of Economic Research accomplishes this objective by publishing small business research products and sponsoring and disseminating small business data and statistics. This report uses the latest government data to profile the small businesses in the congressional districts of Nebraska. It was prepared by Research Economist Daniel Wilmoth with editorial support by Editor Akira Loring, Senior Editor M. B. Humphrey, and Director of the Office of Information David Tokarz.

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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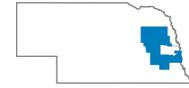
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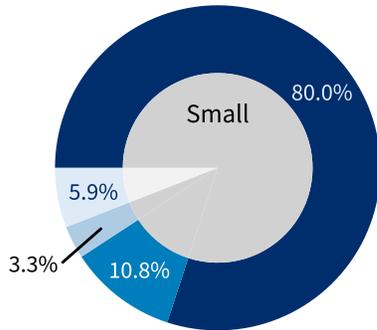
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Nebraska Congressional District 1

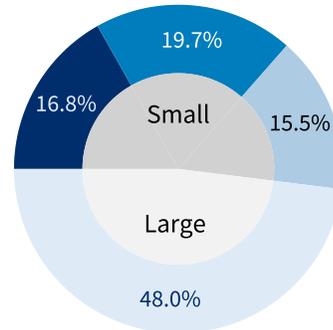


13,536 small businesses with employees
94.1 percent of district employers

141,118 employees of small businesses
52.0 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
Construction	2,011	167	32	33
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,606	125	27	31
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,215	269	75	75
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,137	108	36	71
Retail Trade	1,039	146	52	166
Accommodation and Food Services	738	250	43	73
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	706	66	18	61
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	691	26	22	37
Finance and Insurance	638	46	36	76
Transportation and Warehousing	595	49	22	53
Wholesale Trade	334	109	69	139
Manufacturing	293	83	45	82
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	212	40	6	10
Educational Services	148	42	8	12
Information	89	34	16	39
Management of Companies and Enterprises	12	15	25	40
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	32	4	2	0
Industries not classified	21	0	0	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	9	0	3	4
Utilities	3	*	*	3
All industries	11,515	1,550	471	854

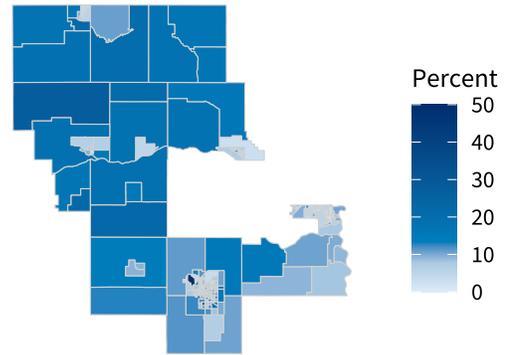
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Self-employment

In 2024, 10.0 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 4.0 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$66,553, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$51,262. The median income for all workers in the district was \$57,449.

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	2,210	98.5	17,840	85.7	1,097,053	82.1
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,758	98.3	11,911	93.3	421,243	90.0
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,559	95.4	24,166	57.0	1,156,536	51.4
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,281	94.7	8,448	61.8	571,183	59.5
Retail Trade	1,237	88.2	12,261	33.4	500,432	39.0
Accommodation and Food Services	1,031	93.4	17,742	69.4	339,012	68.8
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	790	92.8	6,341	60.0	273,708	58.5
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	739	95.2	2,785	79.0	130,314	74.0
Finance and Insurance	720	90.5	5,627	27.2	409,143	25.7
Transportation and Warehousing	666	92.6	5,789	49.3	317,979	47.9
Wholesale Trade	512	78.6	7,399	53.0	504,868	51.9
Manufacturing	421	83.7	9,617	27.4	581,805	26.2
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	258	96.3	3,263	72.9	65,334	78.6
Educational Services	198	94.3	3,909	54.3	109,827	52.2
Information	139	78.1	2,606	33.9	191,118	34.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	52	56.5	943	24.8	68,686	21.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	38	100.0	192	100.0	13,161	100.0
Industries not classified	21	100.0	20	100.0	617	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	12	75.0	231	57.3	18,069	56.6
Utilities	4	57.1	28	15.2	5,157	27.1
All industries	13,536	94.1	141,118	52.0	6,775,245	47.9

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

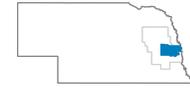
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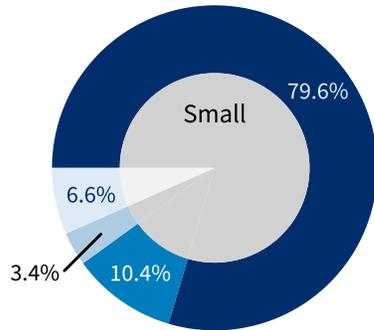
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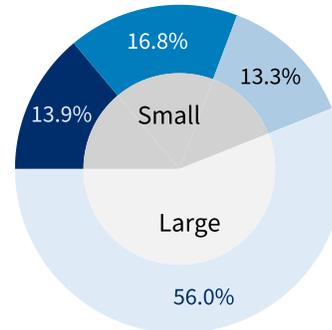


14,471 small businesses with employees
93.4 percent of district employers

147,213 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
Construction	1,882	181	32	25
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,639	142	53	90
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,468	241	81	86
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,372	134	36	36
Accommodation and Food Services	824	293	42	82
Retail Trade	897	109	54	222
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	935	42	31	48
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	865	106	37	91
Finance and Insurance	782	62	44	146
Wholesale Trade	438	99	59	136
Transportation and Warehousing	381	36	22	62
Manufacturing	243	76	31	53
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	262	41	9	12
Educational Services	196	39	9	6
Information	111	23	11	49
Management of Companies and Enterprises	15	20	33	64
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	18	*	*	0
Industries not classified	16	0	0	0
Utilities	7	*	*	3
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	3	0	0	3
All industries	12,335	1,616	520	1,028

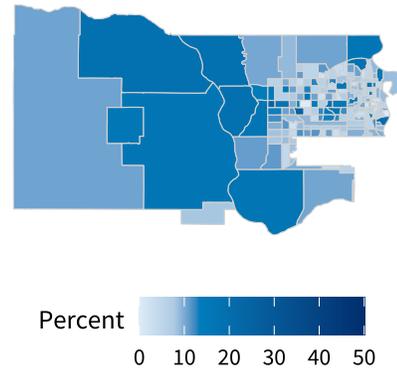
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Self-employment

In 2024, 8.2 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 4.2 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$80,934, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$41,976. The median income for all workers in the district was \$61,446.

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	2,095	98.8	15,721	82.9	1,053,013	79.5
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,834	95.3	12,465	60.1	1,012,777	58.9
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,790	95.4	24,899	41.7	1,328,635	33.2
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,542	97.7	12,245	92.5	459,563	90.8
Accommodation and Food Services	1,159	93.4	19,687	63.5	419,002	61.8
Retail Trade	1,060	82.7	10,426	27.5	441,845	32.8
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,008	95.5	5,035	69.5	281,614	62.8
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,008	91.7	10,777	46.2	597,822	49.1
Finance and Insurance	888	85.9	6,127	18.7	543,246	17.2
Wholesale Trade	596	81.4	6,212	47.9	477,191	45.9
Transportation and Warehousing	439	87.6	4,029	41.7	244,242	41.2
Manufacturing	350	86.8	8,173	33.9	444,575	29.8
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	312	96.3	4,129	65.7	115,918	68.0
Educational Services	244	97.6	3,898	42.1	116,411	30.8
Information	145	74.7	1,902	16.0	158,364	14.7
Management of Companies and Enterprises	68	51.5	1,304	8.6	148,242	10.3
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	20	100.0	105	100.0	5,737	100.0
Industries not classified	16	100.0	18	100.0	1,113	100.0
Utilities	8	72.7	51	19.8	3,685	2.8
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	3	50.0	10	14.7	798	20.1
All industries	14,471	93.4	147,213	44.0	7,853,793	37.9

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

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

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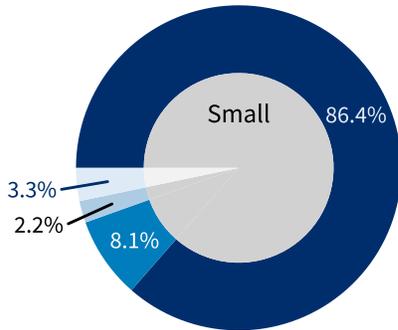
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Nebraska Congressional District 3

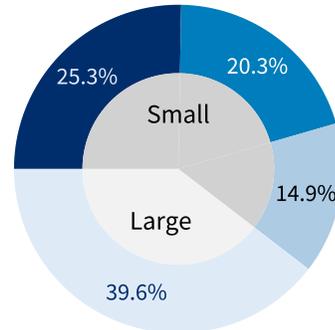


16,022 small businesses with employees
96.7 percent of district employers



Employers by size

133,975 employees of small businesses
60.4 percent of district employees



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	2,210	94	17	16
Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,170	78	17	17
Retail Trade	1,805	211	49	114
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,179	216	79	59
Accommodation and Food Services	1,130	227	31	51
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,076	61	9	25
Transportation and Warehousing	1,060	54	21	62
Finance and Insurance	717	78	34	39
Wholesale Trade	595	111	48	91
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	631	35	11	23
Manufacturing	446	126	50	71
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	526	8	12	23
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	338	17	7	3
Information	134	22	15	21
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	125	2	5	5
Educational Services	98	25	5	3
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	64	4	1	3
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9	15	18	15
Industries not classified	17	0	0	0
Utilities	9	5	0	10
All industries	14,321	1,342	359	544

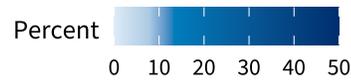
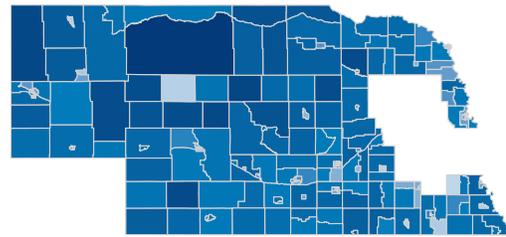
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Self-employment

In 2024, 15.0 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 \$52,120, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$49,825. The median income for all workers in the district was \$51,761.

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	2,321	99.3	12,024	93.5	669,204	92.1
Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,265	99.3	10,045	97.0	279,504	92.8
Retail Trade	2,065	94.8	17,766	52.7	587,278	55.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,474	96.2	24,865	65.9	1,207,413	62.0
Accommodation and Food Services	1,388	96.5	16,208	76.8	287,212	76.5
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,146	97.9	5,848	85.2	300,659	78.1
Transportation and Warehousing	1,135	94.8	5,550	47.9	286,427	50.2
Finance and Insurance	829	95.5	6,430	70.5	388,654	64.9
Wholesale Trade	754	89.2	8,659	65.2	501,951	58.6
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	677	96.7	3,875	50.6	150,956	45.8
Manufacturing	622	89.8	12,197	28.4	649,016	25.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	546	96.0	1,537	80.0	68,127	76.2
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	362	99.2	3,022	99.0	58,476	98.0
Information	171	89.1	1,850	61.0	94,873	63.6
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	132	96.4	587	60.3	33,311	51.7
Educational Services	128	97.7	2,305	82.1	54,517	77.7
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	69	95.8	388	74.3	23,658	70.4
Management of Companies and Enterprises	42	73.7	658	39.1	44,676	30.7
Industries not classified	17	100.0	34	100.0	529	100.0
Utilities	14	58.3	127	26.7	9,155	22.0
All industries	16,022	96.7	133,975	60.4	5,695,596	54.9

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

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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.

Values were imputed for some features when published data were missing or obviously erroneous. A source note that begins “Source:” indicates that statistics in a feature are as reported by the source, with no imputation. A source note that begins “Source of original data:” indicates that the feature includes an imputed value for at least one profile.

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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