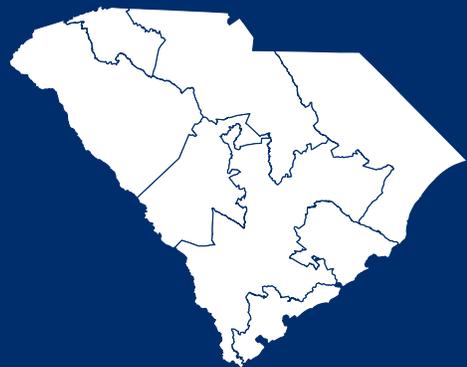




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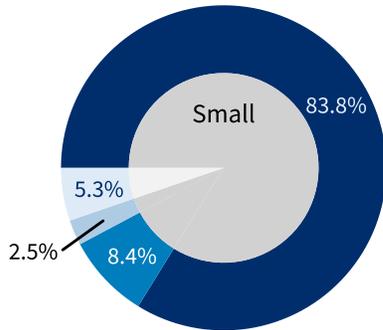
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South Carolina Congressional District 1

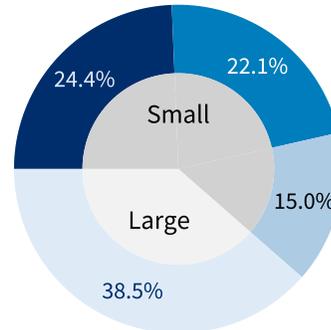


15,547 small businesses with employees
94.7 percent of district employers



Employers by size

125,948 employees of small businesses
61.5 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
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,123	95	31	67
Construction	2,085	117	21	28
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,435	110	26	31
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,467	31	27	60
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,254	168	49	85
Retail Trade	1,223	140	39	191
Accommodation and Food Services	900	397	49	77
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	972	94	30	44
Finance and Insurance	518	32	48	119
Transportation and Warehousing	408	38	32	56
Wholesale Trade	420	35	12	73
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	291	49	14	6
Manufacturing	252	36	26	44
Educational Services	176	40	9	4
Information	146	8	8	39
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	43	*	*	0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	18	13	12	18
Utilities	11	1	3	2
Industries not classified	11	0	0	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	6	0	0	1
All industries	13,751	1,382	414	862

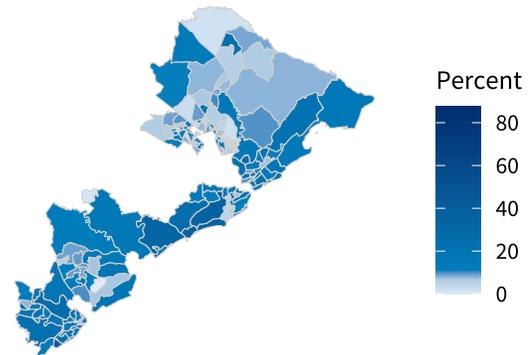
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Self-employment

In 2024, 13.2 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 6.5 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$80,076, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$61,111. The median income for all workers in the district was \$62,814.

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	2,249	97.1	10,057	74.0	845,719	74.1
Construction	2,223	98.8	12,251	89.6	722,367	87.7
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,571	98.1	11,297	94.1	418,879	93.6
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,525	96.2	4,427	78.8	272,404	75.3
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,471	94.5	15,492	62.1	764,026	57.8
Retail Trade	1,402	88.0	10,605	30.2	477,570	39.1
Accommodation and Food Services	1,346	94.6	25,608	71.2	666,276	69.0
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	1,096	96.1	10,084	86.1	426,150	86.1
Finance and Insurance	598	83.4	2,690	43.9	282,646	42.1
Transportation and Warehousing	478	89.5	3,740	32.3	175,611	30.0
Wholesale Trade	467	86.5	2,327	47.8	170,101	46.4
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	354	98.3	5,099	92.8	158,488	94.6
Manufacturing	314	87.7	6,350	50.9	372,816	42.6
Educational Services	225	98.3	3,185	98.1	122,457	99.1
Information	162	80.6	1,509	22.4	137,411	19.1
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	46	100.0	181	100.0	11,266	100.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	43	70.5	465	57.8	35,279	47.0
Utilities	15	88.2	534	70.9	42,172	68.4
Industries not classified	11	100.0	16	100.0	662	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	6	85.7	31	60.8	2,874	60.3
All industries	15,547	94.7	125,948	61.5	6,105,174	58.5

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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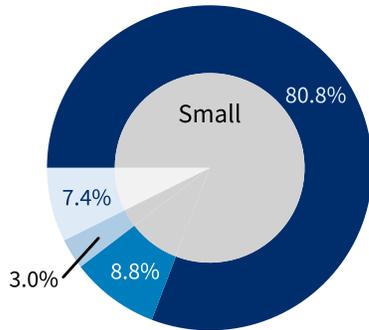
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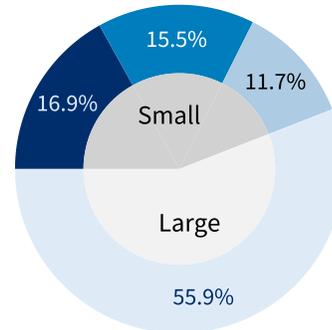


11,148 small businesses with employees
92.6 percent of district employers

99,004 employees of small businesses
44.1 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
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,405	117	15	33
Construction	1,279	119	18	23
Retail Trade	1,204	98	45	203
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,149	68	18	60
Health Care and Social Assistance	922	150	52	94
Accommodation and Food Services	704	225	44	75
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	650	49	24	74
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	575	12	25	52
Finance and Insurance	481	22	30	85
Wholesale Trade	307	51	47	84
Transportation and Warehousing	349	23	12	50
Manufacturing	206	64	23	66
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	165	31	8	10
Educational Services	142	22	5	6
Information	79	4	6	35
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	74	5	0	1
Management of Companies and Enterprises	8	5	14	33
Utilities	11	4	3	4
Industries not classified	14	0	0	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	3	*	*	6
All industries	9,722	1,059	367	885

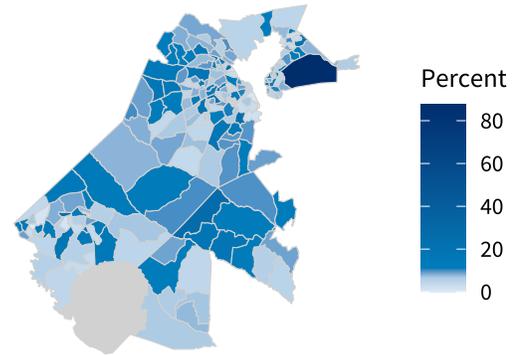
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Self-employment

In 2024, 9.6 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 4.3 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$50,583, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$45,743. The median income for all workers in the district was \$55,902.

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	%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,537	97.9	10,243	88.3	312,005	80.9
Construction	1,416	98.4	10,228	89.8	579,146	86.7
Retail Trade	1,347	86.9	10,027	24.3	415,050	33.5
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,235	95.4	6,056	68.7	397,777	63.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,124	92.3	14,552	45.3	572,604	32.8
Accommodation and Food Services	973	92.8	16,333	58.0	328,742	61.1
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	723	90.7	6,726	28.1	270,829	19.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	612	92.2	2,116	70.3	95,116	64.2
Finance and Insurance	533	86.2	3,167	52.4	189,727	46.2
Wholesale Trade	405	82.8	4,189	43.1	254,671	41.0
Transportation and Warehousing	384	88.5	2,416	25.0	107,097	22.7
Manufacturing	293	81.6	6,056	24.2	339,219	21.1
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	204	95.3	2,657	84.5	58,214	85.0
Educational Services	169	96.6	1,913	92.4	58,613	91.0
Information	89	71.8	769	22.8	38,036	18.5
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	79	98.8	430	98.4	22,222	97.6
Management of Companies and Enterprises	27	45.0	471	22.0	34,696	16.9
Utilities	18	81.8	520	22.9	40,302	20.5
Industries not classified	14	100.0	15	100.0	366	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	5	45.5	120	35.3	6,907	30.2
All industries	11,148	92.6	99,004	44.1	4,121,339	38.7

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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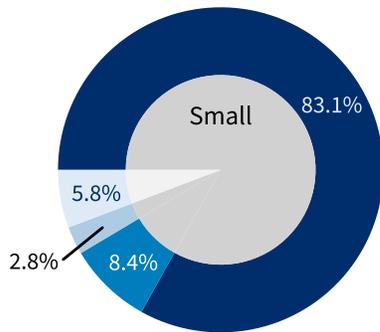
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South Carolina Congressional District 3

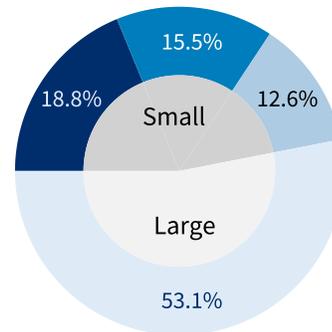


10,368 small businesses with employees
94.2 percent of district employers

91,189 employees of small businesses
46.9 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
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,498	73	12	19
Construction	1,372	94	12	6
Retail Trade	1,294	100	28	132
Accommodation and Food Services	748	198	33	58
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	861	45	10	24
Health Care and Social Assistance	661	116	47	76
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	595	31	9	37
Manufacturing	343	100	68	115
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	470	13	17	29
Wholesale Trade	307	57	21	57
Finance and Insurance	329	16	24	62
Transportation and Warehousing	250	20	10	43
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	146	20	6	5
Educational Services	83	24	5	2
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	94	3	3	0
Information	69	10	3	16
Utilities	7	3	4	4
Industries not classified	12	*	*	0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	4	2	6	19
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	3	*	*	3
All industries	9,142	919	307	634

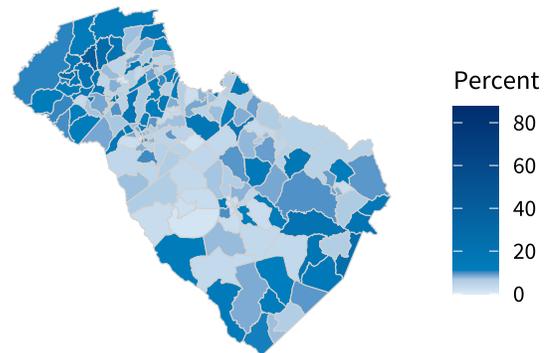
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Self-employment

In 2024, 8.5 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 2.7 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$52,364, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$45,892. The median income for all workers in the district was \$52,731.

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	%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,583	98.8	9,051	96.8	251,816	95.7
Construction	1,478	99.6	9,036	95.7	487,722	93.3
Retail Trade	1,422	91.5	9,710	33.1	361,827	42.7
Accommodation and Food Services	979	94.4	13,794	64.3	242,443	63.4
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	916	97.4	4,566	61.9	242,911	59.7
Health Care and Social Assistance	824	91.6	12,225	51.9	523,350	43.1
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	635	94.5	3,841	45.7	138,442	47.9
Manufacturing	511	81.6	14,028	26.2	698,847	22.4
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	500	94.5	1,189	79.3	49,109	73.8
Wholesale Trade	385	87.1	3,806	38.9	219,442	32.2
Finance and Insurance	369	85.6	1,897	57.0	101,042	49.8
Transportation and Warehousing	280	86.7	1,781	28.5	84,132	25.6
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	172	97.2	2,045	86.1	39,636	75.3
Educational Services	112	98.2	2,187	53.0	61,669	52.1
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	100	100.0	659	100.0	35,916	100.0
Information	82	83.7	683	54.7	37,470	54.1
Utilities	14	77.8	480	29.6	44,679	23.0
Industries not classified	13	100.0	34	100.0	666	100.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	12	38.7	167	17.2	15,891	12.2
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	4	57.1	10	11.4	664	11.4
All industries	10,368	94.2	91,189	46.9	3,637,674	40.7

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

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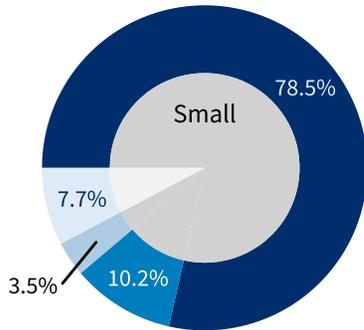
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South Carolina Congressional District 4

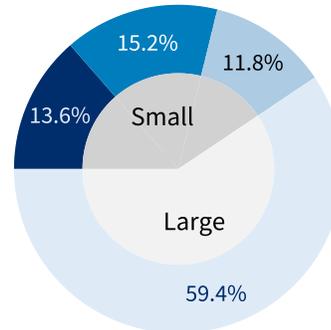


15,528 small businesses with employees
92.3 percent of district employers

156,139 employees of small businesses
40.6 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	2,007	136	59	104
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,728	131	20	49
Construction	1,591	145	32	43
Retail Trade	1,389	151	48	231
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,267	223	61	125
Accommodation and Food Services	958	313	53	103
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	938	22	40	56
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	751	105	35	132
Wholesale Trade	579	144	87	179
Finance and Insurance	618	35	41	120
Manufacturing	442	162	63	132
Transportation and Warehousing	379	75	29	111
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	213	35	10	12
Educational Services	183	41	16	16
Information	122	14	8	35
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9	16	30	68
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	20	*	*	0
Industries not classified	20	0	0	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	8	*	*	3
Utilities	5	*	*	2
All industries	13,216	1,724	588	1,299

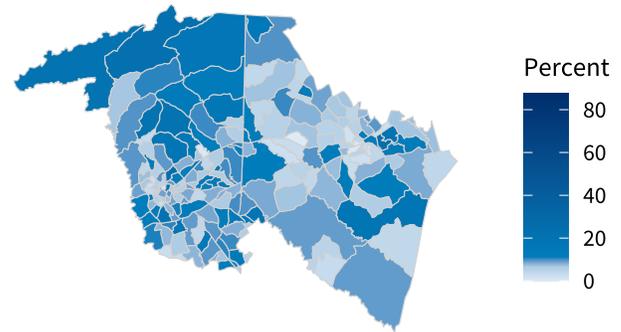
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Self-employment

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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	2,202	95.5	13,487	52.4	969,669	43.0
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,879	97.5	13,177	85.5	427,873	79.4
Construction	1,768	97.6	13,537	77.7	865,609	73.4
Retail Trade	1,588	87.3	12,564	29.0	590,588	39.9
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,551	92.5	21,521	43.1	935,557	34.6
Accommodation and Food Services	1,324	92.8	22,354	63.0	500,218	64.1
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,000	94.7	3,444	73.1	182,877	70.6
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	891	87.1	10,023	23.7	441,210	27.0
Wholesale Trade	810	81.9	8,956	47.2	640,651	44.8
Finance and Insurance	694	85.3	4,140	28.2	331,683	29.1
Manufacturing	667	83.5	15,403	25.5	856,325	20.7
Transportation and Warehousing	483	81.3	4,902	26.0	229,646	26.0
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	258	95.6	3,518	71.8	70,067	70.3
Educational Services	240	93.8	5,842	55.9	231,308	59.9
Information	144	80.4	1,325	17.8	101,473	20.9
Management of Companies and Enterprises	55	44.7	1,630	11.9	122,176	10.7
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	21	100.0	69	100.0	3,030	100.0
Industries not classified	20	100.0	21	100.0	1,118	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	9	75.0	63	32.0	5,782	39.6
Utilities	8	80.0	163	25.3	13,952	20.7
All industries	15,528	92.3	156,139	40.6	7,520,812	36.5

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

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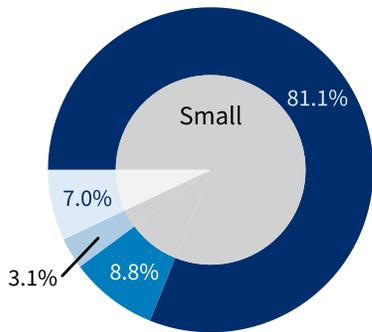
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South Carolina Congressional District 5

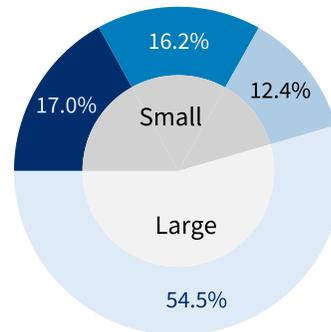


10,554 small businesses with employees
93.0 percent of district employers

96,298 employees of small businesses
45.5 percent of district employees



Employers by size



Employment by size

Employer size

■ Less than 20
 ■ 20 to 99
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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
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,492	85	12	32
Construction	1,216	93	14	11
Retail Trade	1,181	76	35	148
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,004	41	15	52
Health Care and Social Assistance	766	164	41	99
Accommodation and Food Services	675	201	47	84
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	567	46	20	45
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	534	14	24	37
Manufacturing	296	103	64	108
Wholesale Trade	363	65	33	67
Transportation and Warehousing	339	36	15	49
Finance and Insurance	318	20	29	73
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	147	25	3	5
Educational Services	126	22	6	4
Information	72	6	4	24
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	65	*	*	1
Industries not classified	23	0	0	0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	8	3	11	28
Utilities	13	5	1	5
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	7	0	0	8
All industries	9,206	994	354	798

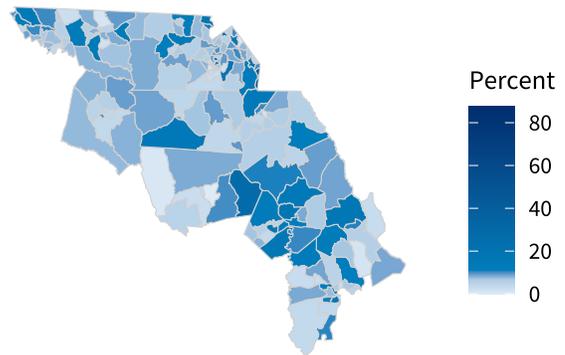
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Self-employment

In 2024, 9.7 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 4.0 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$62,458, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$42,209. The median income for all workers in the district was \$56,430.

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	%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,589	98.0	8,488	84.7	259,743	71.4
Construction	1,323	99.2	9,911	85.6	578,031	82.9
Retail Trade	1,292	89.7	8,616	29.0	319,915	36.9
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,060	95.3	4,831	39.4	312,668	37.9
Health Care and Social Assistance	971	90.7	12,364	57.6	485,546	48.1
Accommodation and Food Services	923	91.7	14,380	61.0	269,292	63.1
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	633	93.4	4,999	55.5	192,458	58.7
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	572	93.9	1,503	76.9	67,373	71.8
Manufacturing	463	81.1	14,165	39.4	792,214	36.4
Wholesale Trade	461	87.3	5,116	57.9	351,735	51.4
Transportation and Warehousing	390	88.8	2,742	21.1	140,695	23.8
Finance and Insurance	367	83.4	2,683	19.8	159,568	12.7
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	175	97.2	2,099	75.4	46,516	88.3
Educational Services	154	97.5	1,995	76.6	58,063	75.9
Information	82	77.4	1,140	33.8	117,503	42.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	67	98.5	343	72.5	18,435	56.7
Industries not classified	23	100.0	23	100.0	602	100.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	22	44.0	515	6.0	47,420	5.1
Utilities	19	79.2	368	19.2	28,612	12.5
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	7	46.7	17	1.9	1,063	1.3
All industries	10,554	93.0	96,298	45.5	4,247,452	38.6

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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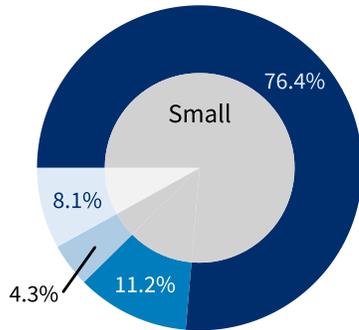
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South Carolina Congressional District 6

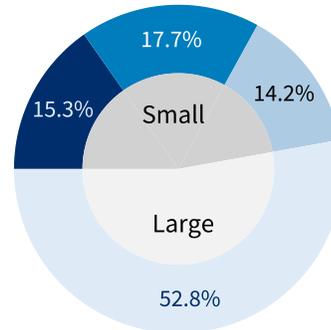


14,971 small businesses with employees
91.9 percent of district employers

162,240 employees of small businesses
47.2 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	1,820	159	84	125
Retail Trade	1,746	188	83	256
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,802	129	21	61
Accommodation and Food Services	1,065	417	76	107
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,128	237	80	111
Construction	1,275	131	38	51
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	756	28	45	73
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	607	100	39	123
Transportation and Warehousing	456	62	45	100
Finance and Insurance	450	53	46	127
Wholesale Trade	348	97	81	161
Manufacturing	351	98	47	93
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	202	49	9	7
Educational Services	164	59	15	15
Information	110	18	11	40
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	111	13	2	0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	10	10	24	47
Industries not classified	34	0	0	0
Utilities	11	3	4	6
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	3	*	*	5
All industries	12,437	1,827	707	1,313

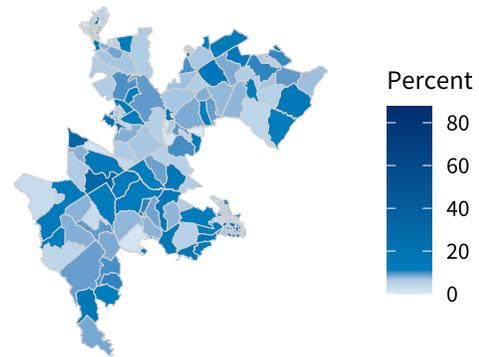
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Self-employment

In 2024, 9.5 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 \$51,725, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$45,736. The median income for all workers in the district was \$50,324.

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	2,063	94.3	16,081	68.4	1,333,297	66.5
Retail Trade	2,017	88.7	16,318	39.8	703,659	48.7
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,952	97.0	11,944	85.4	442,487	80.2
Accommodation and Food Services	1,558	93.6	27,855	66.0	695,835	68.3
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,445	92.9	21,232	36.5	1,076,677	30.8
Construction	1,444	96.6	14,154	77.2	967,224	72.0
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	829	91.9	3,510	66.9	239,049	65.3
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	746	85.8	9,687	30.1	434,147	38.1
Transportation and Warehousing	563	84.9	5,125	39.2	265,603	42.4
Finance and Insurance	549	81.2	4,331	25.3	347,846	23.3
Wholesale Trade	526	76.6	6,985	47.1	480,547	45.1
Manufacturing	496	84.2	10,926	28.7	634,344	24.9
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	260	97.4	3,488	75.0	98,672	82.6
Educational Services	238	94.1	6,034	68.9	232,446	73.6
Information	139	77.7	2,217	36.0	157,814	39.2
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	126	100.0	1,072	100.0	55,574	100.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	44	48.4	753	17.6	92,147	22.9
Industries not classified	34	100.0	39	100.0	3,447	100.0
Utilities	18	75.0	460	37.3	28,505	26.3
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	4	44.4	29	20.9	2,712	23.9
All industries	14,971	91.9	162,240	47.2	8,292,032	44.8

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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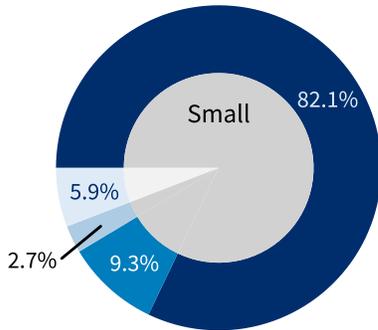
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South Carolina Congressional District 7

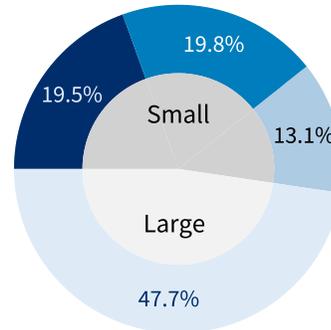


13,956 small businesses with employees
94.1 percent of district employers



Employers by size

130,387 employees of small businesses
52.3 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
Retail Trade	1,790	162	45	231
Accommodation and Food Services	1,194	418	67	90
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,580	83	13	27
Construction	1,553	99	18	22
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,141	180	52	92
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,203	62	27	41
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,031	30	27	50
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	789	77	21	54
Wholesale Trade	362	57	50	93
Finance and Insurance	409	24	31	87
Manufacturing	258	75	37	64
Transportation and Warehousing	319	29	12	53
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	231	49	14	13
Educational Services	99	25	4	4
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	92	7	5	1
Information	82	14	4	29
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6	9	17	19
Utilities	18	*	*	3
Industries not classified	18	0	0	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	6	*	*	3
All industries	12,172	1,378	406	870

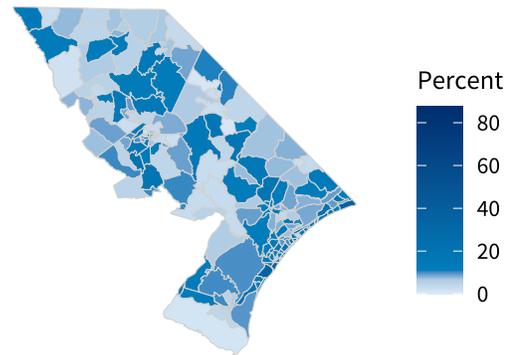
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Self-employment

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 4.2 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$56,535, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$49,068. The median income for all workers in the district was \$50,565.

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	%
Retail Trade	1,997	89.6	14,356	32.6	590,216	42.7
Accommodation and Food Services	1,679	94.9	30,863	68.5	741,198	69.7
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,676	98.4	9,359	93.0	287,856	90.7
Construction	1,670	98.7	11,202	88.6	559,626	82.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,373	93.7	17,272	40.3	761,973	33.5
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,292	96.9	6,788	85.1	409,826	83.8
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,088	95.6	4,198	66.6	200,131	64.5
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	887	94.3	7,382	66.6	273,301	70.2
Wholesale Trade	469	83.5	5,184	58.6	265,380	54.2
Finance and Insurance	464	84.2	3,631	47.3	240,674	47.4
Manufacturing	370	85.3	8,818	31.2	448,996	23.8
Transportation and Warehousing	360	87.2	2,664	30.9	119,709	31.6
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	294	95.8	4,450	69.2	117,224	74.3
Educational Services	128	97.0	1,800	97.6	55,254	97.3
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	104	99.0	752	99.5	39,710	99.1
Information	100	77.5	643	24.1	36,139	22.5
Management of Companies and Enterprises	32	62.7	414	17.3	40,219	13.4
Utilities	22	88.0	457	36.4	36,753	27.0
Industries not classified	18	100.0	30	100.0	368	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	9	75.0	124	53.9	9,030	63.7
All industries	13,956	94.1	130,387	52.3	5,233,583	47.4

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

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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.

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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Any additional information that may be helpful for interpreting or reproducing the analysis is available by request. The SBA Office of Advocacy can be contacted at advocacy@sba.gov.