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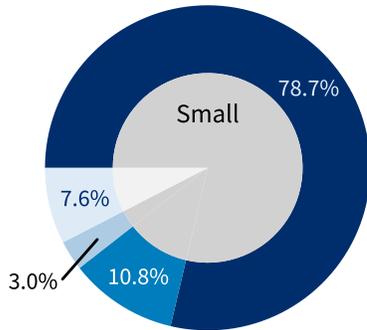
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## Tennessee Congressional District 1

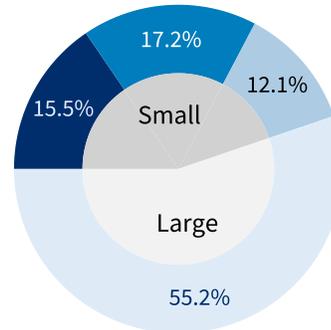


**10,681** small businesses with employees  
**92.4 percent** of district employers



**Employers by size**

**115,818** employees of small businesses  
**44.8 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	1,414	163	44	206
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,475	79	6	28
Accommodation and Food Services	882	311	59	97
Construction	1,102	93	13	15
Health Care and Social Assistance	810	161	49	91
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	765	43	14	39
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	561	53	15	66
Manufacturing	357	130	48	105
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	474	25	17	47
Finance and Insurance	345	35	26	74
Wholesale Trade	249	57	36	85
Transportation and Warehousing	261	33	10	51
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	212	55	13	12
Educational Services	86	11	6	5
Information	61	9	7	24
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2	9	15	30
Industries not classified	22	0	0	0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	15	0	0	0
Utilities	4	3	3	5
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	*	*	*	2
<b>All industries</b>	<b>9,091</b>	<b>1,245</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>875</b>

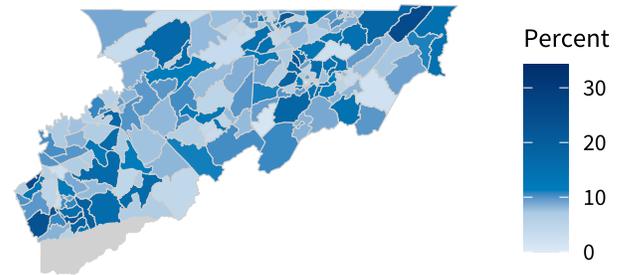
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## Self-employment

In 2024, 10.4 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 3.1 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$50,606, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$41,413. The median income for all workers in the district was \$48,052.

## 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	1,621	88.7	13,619	32.2	549,136	41.4
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,560	98.2	8,525	83.7	248,038	73.6
Accommodation and Food Services	1,252	92.8	22,767	55.3	554,639	58.4
Construction	1,208	98.8	9,539	80.0	501,284	77.1
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,020	91.8	15,367	40.3	834,059	34.7
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	822	95.5	4,308	88.5	233,185	83.1
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	629	90.5	5,428	36.7	210,748	40.5
Manufacturing	535	83.6	15,017	31.3	745,637	24.0
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	516	91.7	2,841	62.8	115,914	62.5
Finance and Insurance	406	84.6	3,227	41.8	196,523	41.4
Wholesale Trade	342	80.1	4,131	61.8	252,977	56.7
Transportation and Warehousing	304	85.6	2,646	25.5	129,452	22.7
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	280	95.9	4,532	60.5	113,478	52.2
Educational Services	103	95.4	1,835	56.3	53,539	61.2
Information	77	76.2	787	30.8	27,260	21.6
Management of Companies and Enterprises	26	46.4	428	12.0	30,514	9.4
Industries not classified	22	100.0	33	100.0	855	100.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	15	100.0	56	100.0	1,870	100.0
Utilities	10	66.7	295	65.6	23,019	61.9
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	5	71.4	437	72.1	26,796	71.0
All industries	10,681	92.4	115,818	44.8	4,848,923	40.1

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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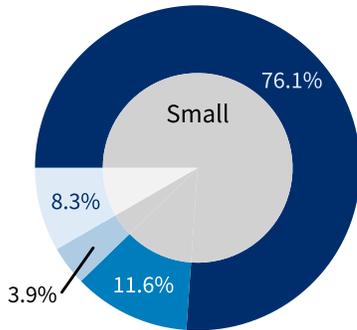
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## Tennessee Congressional District 2

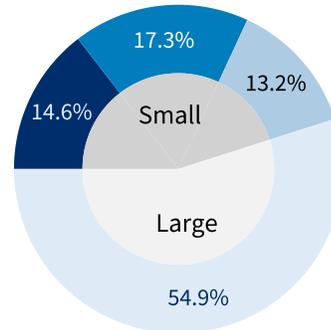


**12,283** small businesses with employees  
**91.7 percent** of district employers



**Employers by size**

**138,267** employees of small businesses  
**45.1 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
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,446	138	25	42
Construction	1,314	161	29	43
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,316	121	44	76
Retail Trade	1,259	138	53	225
Health Care and Social Assistance	959	208	60	107
Accommodation and Food Services	683	252	50	95
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	673	83	32	103
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	562	39	34	60
Wholesale Trade	418	120	77	172
Manufacturing	345	111	49	67
Finance and Insurance	408	60	37	118
Transportation and Warehousing	325	58	22	82
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	211	30	8	8
Educational Services	127	36	8	8
Information	115	15	7	42
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9	13	30	54
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	18	0	0	1
Industries not classified	9	*	*	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	6	*	*	2
Utilities	6	*	*	2
<b>All industries</b>	<b>10,198</b>	<b>1,558</b>	<b>527</b>	<b>1,116</b>

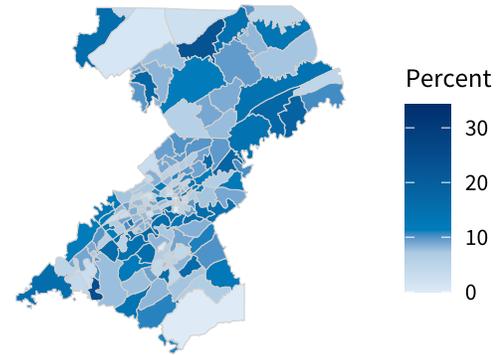
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## Self-employment

In 2024, 9.8 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 3.8 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$71,466, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$51,047. The median income for all workers in the district was \$56,055.

## 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)	1,609	97.5	12,663	90.7	410,630	88.2
Construction	1,504	97.2	14,283	82.2	861,423	78.2
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,481	95.1	12,104	72.6	934,911	59.7
Retail Trade	1,450	86.6	13,411	31.8	694,368	45.3
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,227	92.0	17,549	38.9	991,337	38.0
Accommodation and Food Services	985	91.2	18,052	50.6	436,984	52.6
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	788	88.4	9,574	26.4	463,648	34.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	635	91.4	3,772	76.6	220,005	76.4
Wholesale Trade	615	78.1	7,649	51.5	552,065	47.7
Manufacturing	505	88.3	10,466	36.3	569,324	32.6
Finance and Insurance	505	81.1	4,907	38.4	376,784	36.5
Transportation and Warehousing	405	83.2	4,627	34.4	248,235	33.9
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	249	96.9	3,137	81.3	80,841	85.4
Educational Services	171	95.5	3,176	51.0	97,627	40.3
Information	137	76.5	1,232	21.9	109,914	18.6
Management of Companies and Enterprises	52	49.1	1,208	14.4	84,440	8.2
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	18	94.7	50	51.5	1,414	47.3
Industries not classified	11	100.0	82	100.0	1,984	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	10	83.3	197	70.4	18,617	77.5
Utilities	10	83.3	128	81.5	7,918	75.3
All industries	12,283	91.7	138,267	45.1	7,162,469	43.6

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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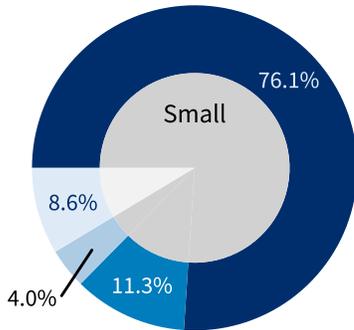
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## Tennessee Congressional District 3

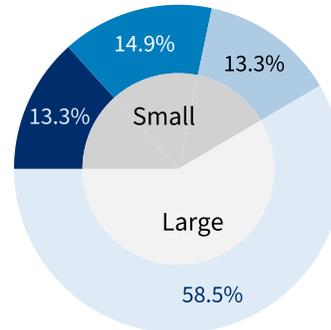


**11,755** small businesses with employees  
**91.4 percent** of district employers



**Employers by size**

**136,053** employees of small businesses  
**41.5 percent** of district employees



**Employment by size**

### Employer size

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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)	1,583	142	17	41
Retail Trade	1,372	125	53	211
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,011	191	70	123
Construction	1,041	143	29	36
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,056	95	45	80
Accommodation and Food Services	752	246	61	96
Manufacturing	408	145	67	122
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	505	75	22	102
Finance and Insurance	443	39	40	99
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	462	27	28	56
Wholesale Trade	382	80	52	127
Transportation and Warehousing	296	66	30	70
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	213	37	9	10
Educational Services	117	33	10	5
Information	107	15	8	32
Management of Companies and Enterprises	9	15	22	46
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	19	4	1	1
Industries not classified	11	0	0	0
Utilities	3	*	*	3
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	*	*	*	4
<b>All industries</b>	<b>9,785</b>	<b>1,454</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>1,110</b>

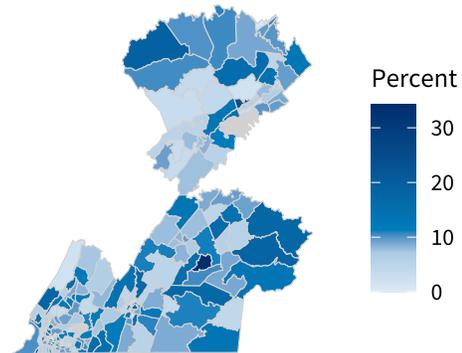
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## Self-employment

In 2024, 9.1 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 \$75,876, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$49,199. The median income for all workers in the district was \$56,299.

## 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)	1,742	97.7	12,526	92.1	385,549	89.1
Retail Trade	1,550	88.0	12,357	29.8	553,115	38.4
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,272	91.2	20,437	43.1	1,050,671	38.3
Construction	1,213	97.1	12,791	83.5	835,827	77.0
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,196	93.7	9,724	46.8	708,010	38.9
Accommodation and Food Services	1,059	91.7	19,149	58.3	406,157	59.3
Manufacturing	620	83.6	15,282	23.9	842,906	19.8
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	602	85.5	6,429	28.3	271,113	27.5
Finance and Insurance	522	84.1	4,469	27.6	347,097	25.8
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	517	90.2	2,404	74.8	158,131	78.5
Wholesale Trade	514	80.2	5,464	60.5	425,716	64.7
Transportation and Warehousing	392	84.8	5,738	32.5	379,169	37.1
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	259	96.3	2,682	70.6	82,649	82.3
Educational Services	160	97.0	3,836	55.1	144,741	67.3
Information	130	80.2	1,543	36.1	86,900	37.6
Management of Companies and Enterprises	46	50.0	877	12.4	89,056	14.4
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	24	96.0	148	22.4	6,626	56.2
Industries not classified	11	100.0	13	100.0	748	100.0
Utilities	6	66.7	129	55.8	11,824	51.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	3	42.9	55	26.2	2,660	20.8
All industries	11,755	91.4	136,053	41.5	6,788,665	37.9

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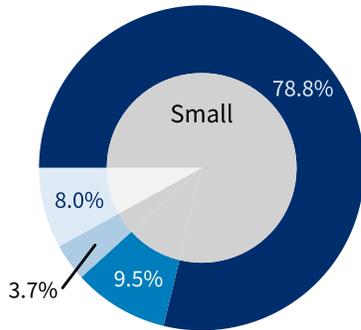
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## Tennessee Congressional District 4

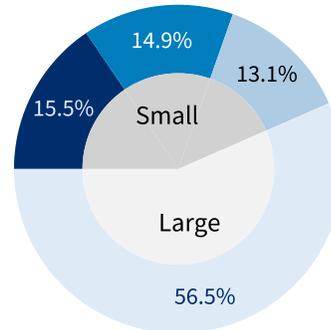


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**Employment by size**

Employer size

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### Employer count by size and industry

Industry	1-19 employees	20-99 employees	100-499 employees	500+ employees
Retail Trade	1,379	118	47	184
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,204	60	8	32
Construction	1,114	107	13	16
Health Care and Social Assistance	804	128	53	102
Accommodation and Food Services	726	196	47	95
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	702	50	10	38
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	489	55	16	57
Manufacturing	351	111	68	98
Transportation and Warehousing	367	43	25	68
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	323	24	29	43
Wholesale Trade	266	48	49	89
Finance and Insurance	306	28	28	68
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	128	19	2	3
Educational Services	88	12	6	2
Information	71	11	3	29
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6	11	14	18
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	24	*	*	1
Industries not classified	15	0	0	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	7	*	*	5
Utilities	3	*	*	7
All industries	8,367	1,008	396	851

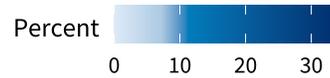
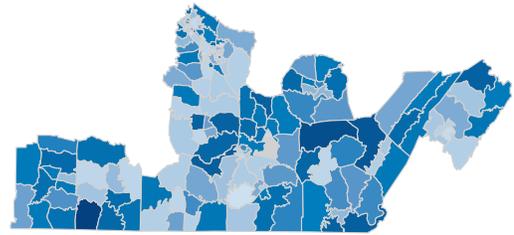
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## Self-employment

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 2.7 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$52,036, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$40,703. The median income for all workers in the district was \$53,257.

## 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	1,544	89.4	11,267	32.9	469,560	39.8
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,272	97.5	6,678	82.2	205,076	78.5
Construction	1,234	98.7	9,092	92.9	558,242	90.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	985	90.6	11,586	45.2	498,057	34.2
Accommodation and Food Services	969	91.1	14,382	55.9	282,474	56.0
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	762	95.3	4,782	54.4	271,122	45.1
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	560	90.8	5,800	38.6	247,467	45.3
Manufacturing	530	84.4	14,789	29.2	757,956	24.4
Transportation and Warehousing	435	86.5	4,810	34.5	248,345	33.5
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	376	89.7	1,664	73.9	85,011	69.0
Wholesale Trade	363	80.3	5,202	53.0	361,391	51.8
Finance and Insurance	362	84.2	3,388	45.8	233,043	41.8
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	149	98.0	1,382	87.9	27,353	88.7
Educational Services	106	98.1	1,847	53.6	49,007	49.7
Information	85	74.6	963	45.6	47,602	41.9
Management of Companies and Enterprises	31	63.3	619	8.0	36,027	17.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	25	96.2	122	97.6	5,165	95.7
Industries not classified	15	100.0	34	100.0	570	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	10	66.7	165	41.6	13,000	41.6
Utilities	7	50.0	346	47.1	29,980	43.8
All industries	9,771	92.0	98,918	43.5	4,426,448	40.4

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

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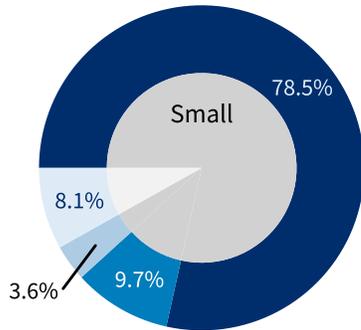
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# 2026 Small Business Profile

## Tennessee Congressional District 5

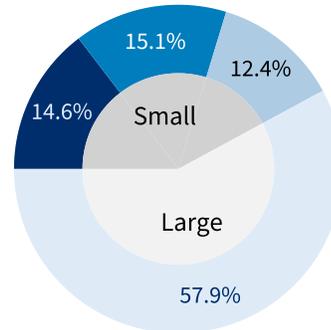


**12,827** small businesses with employees  
**91.9 percent** of district employers



**Employers by size**

**126,732** employees of small businesses  
**42.1 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	1,538	118	43	86
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,311	147	16	31
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,178	192	71	134
Construction	1,244	106	19	32
Retail Trade	1,178	125	48	227
Accommodation and Food Services	790	253	42	98
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	742	86	37	99
Finance and Insurance	574	51	55	168
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	598	19	37	66
Wholesale Trade	374	48	38	95
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	373	42	13	12
Transportation and Warehousing	315	48	20	67
Manufacturing	245	71	44	56
Information	258	20	15	45
Educational Services	188	39	18	10
Management of Companies and Enterprises	10	7	16	75
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	22	*	*	0
Industries not classified	21	*	*	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	4	*	*	1
Utilities	4	*	*	3
<b>All industries</b>	<b>10,960</b>	<b>1,361</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>1,136</b>

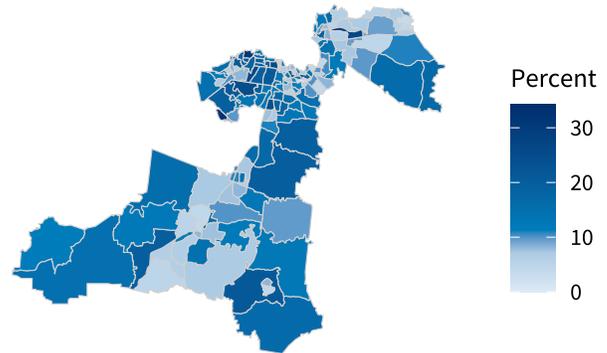
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## Self-employment

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 4.8 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$84,007, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$74,017. The median income for all workers in the district was \$65,094.

## 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	1,699	95.2	11,216	63.9	931,209	58.7
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,474	97.9	11,539	84.1	432,997	81.9
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,441	91.5	17,122	36.4	1,144,157	33.0
Construction	1,369	97.7	10,636	79.9	776,038	75.7
Retail Trade	1,351	85.6	10,626	28.4	549,221	39.6
Accommodation and Food Services	1,085	91.7	16,115	55.8	386,303	58.5
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	865	89.7	9,158	36.0	527,142	36.0
Finance and Insurance	680	80.2	5,399	30.6	638,192	32.1
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	654	90.8	3,315	67.1	246,733	65.5
Wholesale Trade	460	82.9	3,691	48.5	321,433	48.6
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	428	97.3	4,152	77.6	189,146	82.0
Transportation and Warehousing	383	85.1	3,926	23.2	193,493	20.0
Manufacturing	360	86.5	9,013	42.3	486,732	38.2
Information	293	86.7	3,484	42.6	335,040	45.2
Educational Services	245	96.1	6,091	76.5	243,549	75.6
Management of Companies and Enterprises	33	30.6	1,006	3.7	115,852	4.8
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	23	100.0	82	100.0	3,285	100.0
Industries not classified	22	100.0	44	100.0	2,001	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	6	85.7	51	58.6	6,722	70.3
Utilities	6	66.7	66	26.4	6,503	24.2
All industries	12,827	91.9	126,732	42.1	7,535,748	39.4

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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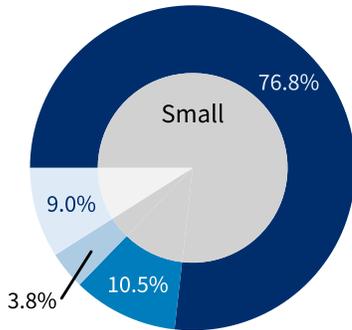
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## Tennessee Congressional District 6

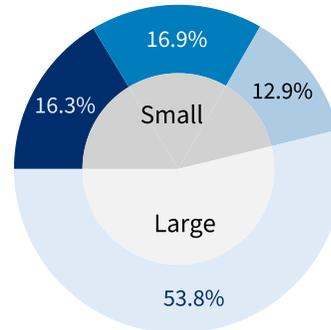


**11,832** small businesses with employees  
**91.0 percent** of district employers



**Employers by size**

**119,901** employees of small businesses  
**46.2 percent** of district employees



**Employment by size**

Employer size

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 ■ 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	1,431	133	51	237
Construction	1,348	133	31	50
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,379	94	20	38
Accommodation and Food Services	858	261	43	105
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,016	74	30	63
Health Care and Social Assistance	862	158	66	121
Manufacturing	445	137	56	88
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	526	78	26	102
Wholesale Trade	374	86	63	142
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	451	29	33	67
Transportation and Warehousing	349	65	21	88
Finance and Insurance	351	35	34	108
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	264	26	5	12
Information	150	23	8	39
Educational Services	111	26	10	6
Management of Companies and Enterprises	13	11	15	44
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	27	*	*	0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	18	*	*	4
Industries not classified	19	0	0	0
Utilities	*	*	4	4
All industries	9,982	1,360	490	1,169

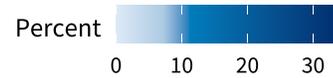
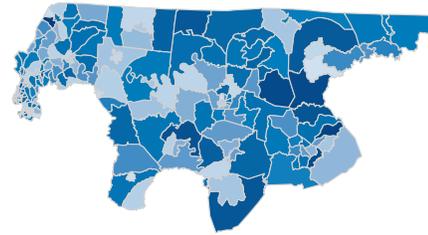
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## Self-employment

In 2024, 10.3 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 2.2 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$97,054, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$58,530. The median income for all workers in the district was \$56,212.

## 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	1,615	87.2	12,146	35.5	548,419	45.5
Construction	1,512	96.8	12,264	80.8	789,167	78.5
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,493	97.5	9,904	82.8	342,178	75.2
Accommodation and Food Services	1,162	91.7	16,001	53.2	378,158	53.5
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,120	94.7	6,543	76.0	433,112	73.6
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,086	90.0	15,605	48.2	693,203	42.5
Manufacturing	638	87.9	14,518	41.2	777,849	39.9
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	630	86.1	7,316	34.8	332,725	35.8
Wholesale Trade	523	78.6	5,794	43.8	421,095	41.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	513	88.4	2,729	56.8	149,688	51.1
Transportation and Warehousing	435	83.2	4,856	25.6	248,883	26.4
Finance and Insurance	420	79.5	3,604	39.7	236,136	34.8
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	295	96.1	2,250	55.6	79,687	66.5
Information	181	82.3	1,565	22.4	96,106	22.8
Educational Services	147	96.1	2,732	88.4	109,346	84.8
Management of Companies and Enterprises	39	47.0	682	7.4	70,472	6.2
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	29	100.0	417	100.0	33,042	100.0
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	22	84.6	588	77.7	40,681	76.0
Industries not classified	19	100.0	30	100.0	3,357	100.0
Utilities	7	63.6	357	89.0	32,530	90.8
All industries	11,832	91.0	119,901	46.2	5,815,834	43.6

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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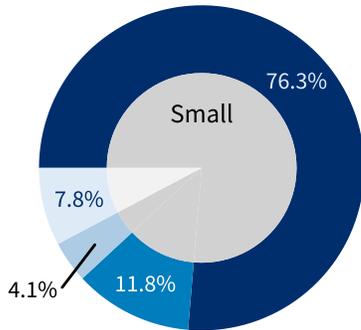
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## Tennessee Congressional District 7

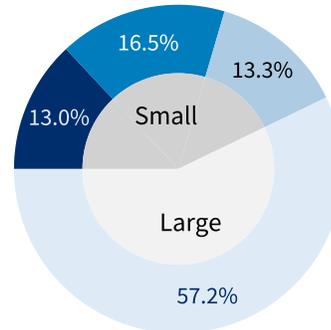


**15,569** small businesses with employees  
**92.2 percent** of district employers

**179,147** employees of small businesses  
**42.8 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
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,687	151	71	128
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,646	153	26	49
Construction	1,509	195	38	41
Accommodation and Food Services	1,120	444	99	135
Retail Trade	1,409	170	80	221
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,072	224	75	119
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	858	75	17	13
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	684	103	48	99
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	647	45	37	74
Manufacturing	423	125	47	88
Wholesale Trade	401	118	71	146
Finance and Insurance	479	59	44	157
Information	369	49	15	57
Transportation and Warehousing	337	43	32	71
Educational Services	171	39	11	17
Management of Companies and Enterprises	19	17	22	68
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	30	*	*	0
Industries not classified	20	0	0	0
Utilities	4	1	5	6
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	6	*	*	3
<b>All industries</b>	<b>12,884</b>	<b>1,985</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>1,309</b>

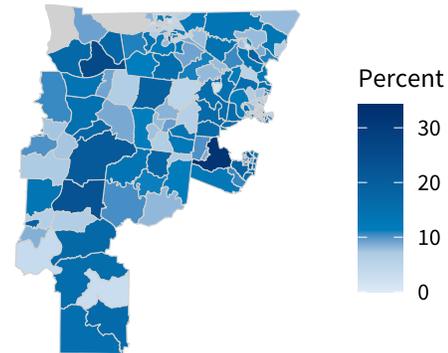
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## Self-employment

In 2024, 11.0 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 2.9 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$79,415, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$52,115. The median income for all workers in the district was \$58,643.

## 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	1,909	93.7	14,294	54.0	1,274,207	45.1
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,825	97.4	13,474	86.5	549,565	85.1
Construction	1,742	97.7	19,103	75.1	1,322,654	73.9
Accommodation and Food Services	1,663	92.5	32,970	63.4	988,033	65.9
Retail Trade	1,659	88.2	14,292	36.9	704,949	48.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,371	92.0	20,467	24.3	1,138,959	17.8
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	950	98.7	8,014	84.9	841,644	69.0
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	835	89.4	10,602	45.5	642,929	45.1
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	729	90.8	4,524	65.9	339,110	63.7
Manufacturing	595	87.1	11,663	36.1	649,224	33.1
Wholesale Trade	590	80.2	9,093	53.3	734,200	46.6
Finance and Insurance	582	78.8	4,943	21.1	425,968	15.6
Information	433	88.4	5,105	50.9	501,539	52.1
Transportation and Warehousing	412	85.3	4,198	21.9	231,465	27.5
Educational Services	221	92.9	4,479	21.9	198,337	16.9
Management of Companies and Enterprises	58	46.0	1,284	10.1	136,504	9.5
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	32	100.0	147	100.0	6,327	100.0
Industries not classified	20	100.0	26	100.0	794	100.0
Utilities	10	62.5	403	75.6	37,705	73.3
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	7	70.0	66	21.0	5,511	22.2
All industries	15,569	92.2	179,147	42.8	10,729,624	37.6

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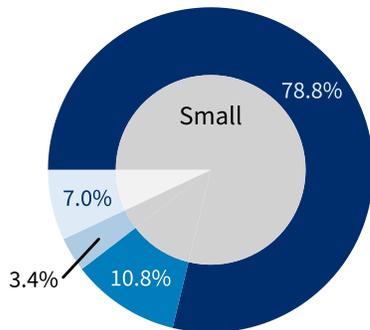
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## Tennessee Congressional District 8

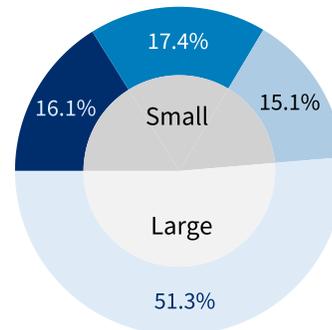


**12,141** small businesses with employees  
**93.0 percent** of district employers



**Employers by size**

**135,708** employees of small businesses  
**48.7 percent** of district employees



**Employment by size**

### Employer size

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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)	1,614	118	16	24
Retail Trade	1,540	127	39	189
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,094	200	60	110
Construction	1,081	106	19	10
Accommodation and Food Services	806	309	50	76
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	972	84	36	55
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	604	78	25	62
Finance and Insurance	531	54	42	112
Manufacturing	382	100	49	106
Wholesale Trade	372	100	46	95
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	453	29	28	39
Transportation and Warehousing	360	50	17	52
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	196	30	2	7
Educational Services	100	26	18	8
Information	96	15	11	27
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	49	*	*	0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	7	10	25	41
Industries not classified	23	*	*	0
Utilities	2	3	6	1
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	7	*	*	5
<b>All industries</b>	<b>10,282</b>	<b>1,409</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>914</b>

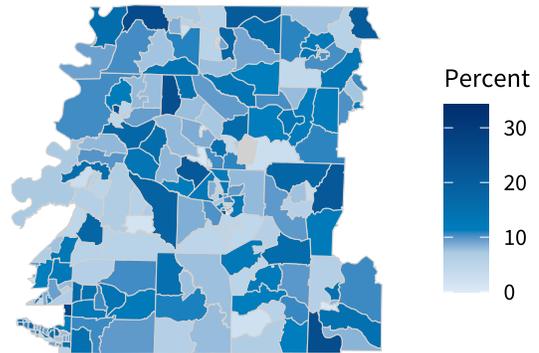
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## Self-employment

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 3.5 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$68,065, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$46,592. The median income for all workers in the district was \$55,264.

## 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)	1,748	98.6	11,268	95.6	319,937	92.6
Retail Trade	1,706	90.0	12,645	37.2	493,575	44.6
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,354	92.5	21,290	41.0	1,127,856	37.4
Construction	1,206	99.2	11,158	94.6	740,861	94.2
Accommodation and Food Services	1,165	93.9	19,432	68.3	380,084	67.9
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,092	95.2	7,696	66.6	791,821	74.5
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	707	91.9	8,526	48.6	340,838	45.1
Finance and Insurance	627	84.8	5,631	45.9	489,687	30.8
Manufacturing	531	83.4	11,589	25.4	635,733	22.9
Wholesale Trade	518	84.5	7,108	55.7	496,239	55.1
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	510	92.9	3,800	82.4	230,727	81.1
Transportation and Warehousing	427	89.1	5,797	46.9	298,895	46.5
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	228	97.0	1,936	78.1	48,715	76.9
Educational Services	144	94.7	4,797	68.2	177,152	71.4
Information	122	81.9	1,257	54.3	58,102	44.9
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	50	100.0	205	100.0	10,174	100.0
Management of Companies and Enterprises	42	50.6	841	7.5	118,508	9.9
Industries not classified	24	100.0	54	100.0	2,783	100.0
Utilities	11	91.7	534	99.4	41,531	99.4
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	10	66.7	144	49.1	9,206	46.6
All industries	12,141	93.0	135,708	48.7	6,812,424	43.8

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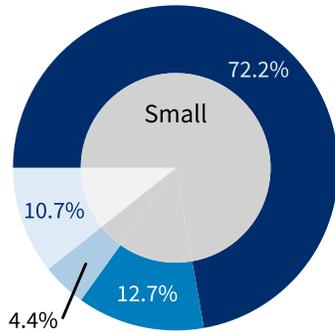
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## Tennessee Congressional District 9

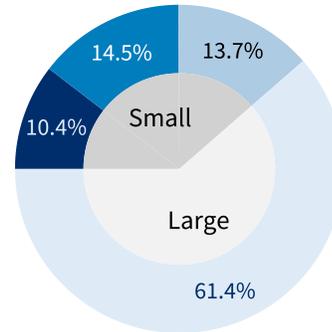


**9,442** small businesses with employees  
89.3 percent of district employers

**126,002** employees of small businesses  
38.6 percent of district employees



**Employers by size**



**Employment by size**

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### Employer count by size and industry

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Retail Trade	1,310	104	30	191
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,084	108	25	52
Health Care and Social Assistance	857	170	57	101
Accommodation and Food Services	760	204	51	79
Construction	640	163	19	35
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	696	70	19	70
Wholesale Trade	396	123	90	205
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	420	104	34	107
Transportation and Warehousing	365	85	50	144
Manufacturing	232	80	35	77
Finance and Insurance	287	24	23	71
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	261	23	25	74
Educational Services	106	55	15	17
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	111	35	8	9
Information	98	12	6	32
Management of Companies and Enterprises	4	9	20	49
Industries not classified	11	*	*	0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	3	0	0	0
Utilities	*	*	*	2
All industries	7,636	1,339	467	1,131

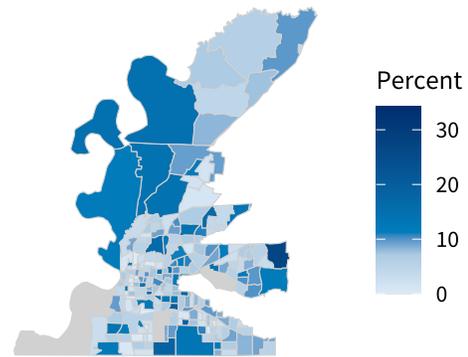
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## Self-employment

In 2024, 7.5 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 2.9 percent of private workers who paid themselves through corporations they owned. The median income of the incorporated self-employed was \$56,990, while the median income of the unincorporated self-employed was \$39,403. The median income for all workers in the district was \$49,403.

## 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	1,444	88.3	10,802	33.3	490,405	40.0
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1,217	95.9	9,946	68.2	373,180	58.5
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,084	91.5	17,888	37.5	877,536	29.0
Accommodation and Food Services	1,015	92.8	16,216	59.6	372,948	61.1
Construction	822	95.9	11,952	77.0	803,828	80.2
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	785	91.8	5,855	58.4	430,140	58.0
Wholesale Trade	609	74.8	9,034	36.6	679,398	39.5
Administrative, Support, and Waste Management	558	83.9	11,607	43.9	439,773	43.7
Transportation and Warehousing	500	77.6	8,354	15.1	514,151	15.9
Manufacturing	347	81.8	8,682	39.6	570,375	31.6
Finance and Insurance	334	82.5	2,586	28.3	208,451	24.5
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	309	80.7	2,401	52.9	127,382	48.3
Educational Services	176	91.2	5,819	64.2	268,131	64.1
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	154	94.5	2,514	64.9	92,638	34.1
Information	116	78.4	1,008	30.4	40,498	19.9
Management of Companies and Enterprises	33	40.2	1,129	5.5	132,602	4.9
Industries not classified	12	100.0	53	100.0	396	100.0
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	3	100.0	2	100.0	215	100.0
Utilities	3	60.0	74	93.7	10,110	95.9
All industries	9,442	89.3	126,002	38.6	6,436,072	32.6

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

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

### About this profile

Small businesses are defined here as firms with fewer than 500 employees. Congressional district boundaries correspond to the 119th Congress. Statistics of U.S. Businesses are produced through a partnership between the Office of Advocacy and the Census Bureau. Where notes refer to the “source of original data,” values shown may have been approximated because of missing values in the original data. Electronic versions of this and other [geographic profiles](#) are available online, along with technical notes about data, methods, and definitions. Visit [advocacy.sba.gov](https://advocacy.sba.gov) for additional resources.

# 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.

## Contact

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](mailto:advocacy@sba.gov).