# Profile of American Small Businesses and Their Owners 

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Number of American Businesses by Varying Measures: 1988-2011


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## Estimated Number of Small Employers

 by Legal Form of Business: 1980-2010

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## Number of Employing Businesses by Employment Size of Business



Source: Bureau of the Census

## Businesses in the United States: 2011



## Largest Industries by Their Percent of the Population: 2011

| Industry | \% of Population |
| :--- | :---: |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 13.5 |
| Other Services (personal services) | 11.6 |
| Retail | 11.5 |
| Construction | 11.4 |
| Health and Social Services | 11.1 |
| Accommodations and Food Services | 8.6 |
| Administrative Support Services (business services) | 5.6 |
| Wholesale | 5.4 |
| Else | 21.3 |

Source: Bureau of the Census

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## Selected Industries as a Percent of the Business Population: 1978 and 2011 <br> Year 1978



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## Distribution of Employee Size of Business by Selected Industry



Employee Size of Business

- 0-4
- 5-9
- 10-19
- 20-99
- 100-499

Source: Bureau of the Census

## Gazelles (High Impact Firms) and Other Firms

## Number of High Impact Firms by Analytic Period



## Ratio of Other Firms to High Impact Firms

Source: Corporate Research Board, LLC

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## Percent Businesses Born in 1986 Surviving by Year



Source: Bureau of the Census

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## Estimates of Business Entries and Exits: 1989-2010



Source: Bureau of the Census

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## Change In Establishments by Size of Business - 2010/2011



Source: Bureau of the Census

## Business Bankruptcies by Year and Type



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## Number of Owners by Employee Size-of-Business: 2007



- D/K
- 50+ Owners
-10-49 Owners
-5-9 Owners
- 4 Owners

3 Owners

- 2 Owners

- 1 Owner

Source: Bureau of the Census

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## Multiple Business Ownership



## Business Ownership by Sex of Owner

## All Businesses



## Percent of Owners by Annual Gross

 Receipts (in 000s) and Sex

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## Minority Owned Businesses Employing and Not Employing



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## Employer and Human Populations by Race and Ethnicity



## Business Owner Age



Source: Bureau of the Census

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## Formal Education of Small Employers

Employers' Highest Level of Formal Education


## Major Subject of Employers Graduating College



Source: NFIB Research Fdn.


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