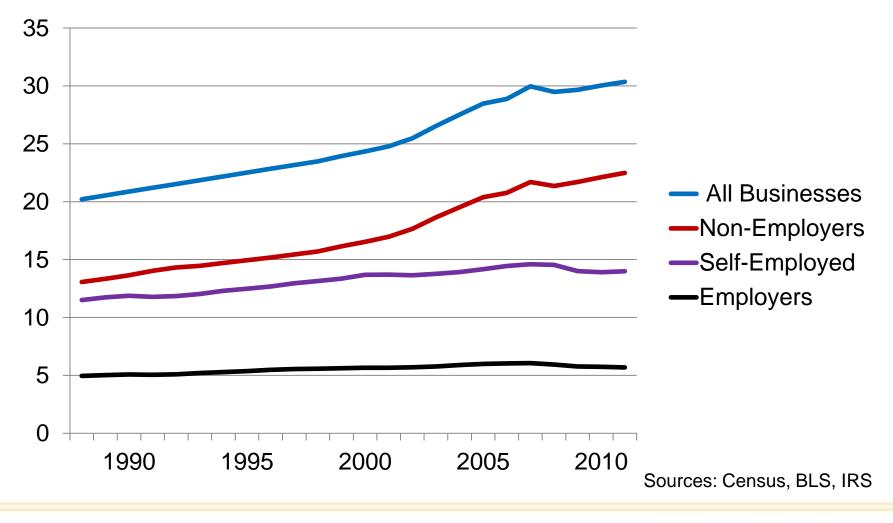


# Profile of American Small Businesses and Their Owners

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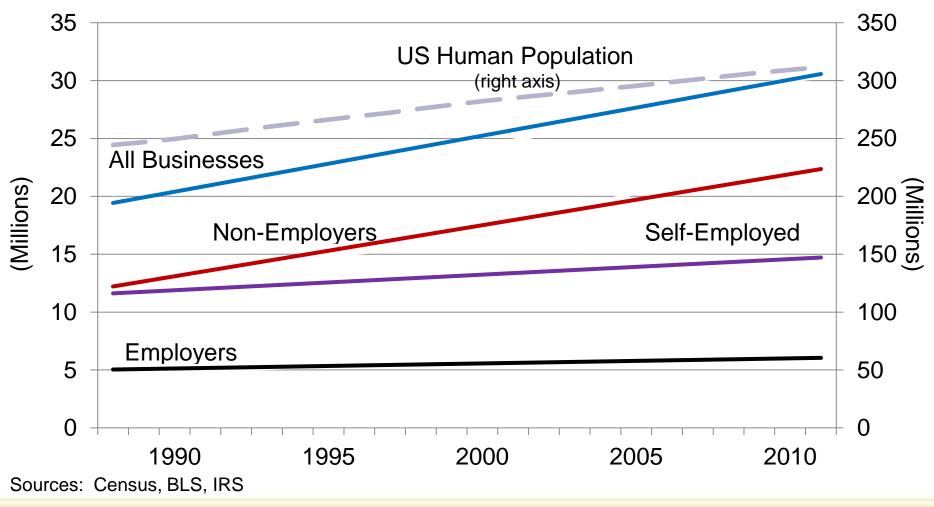


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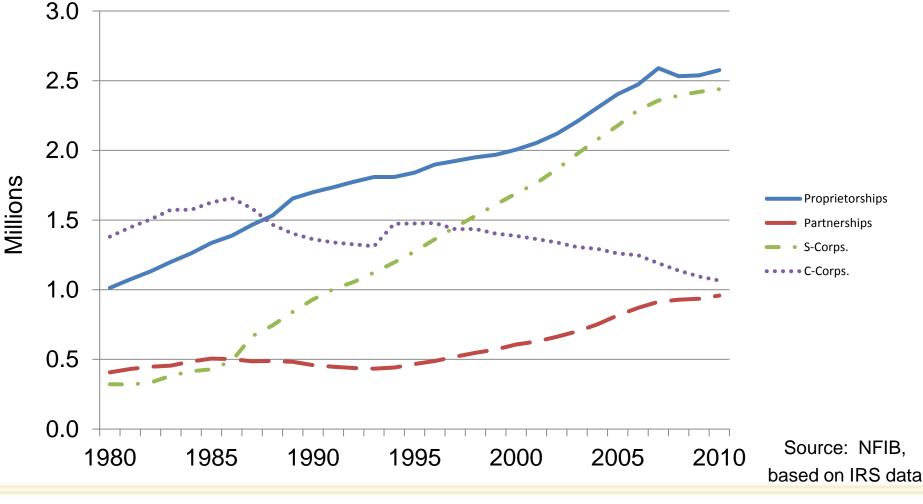


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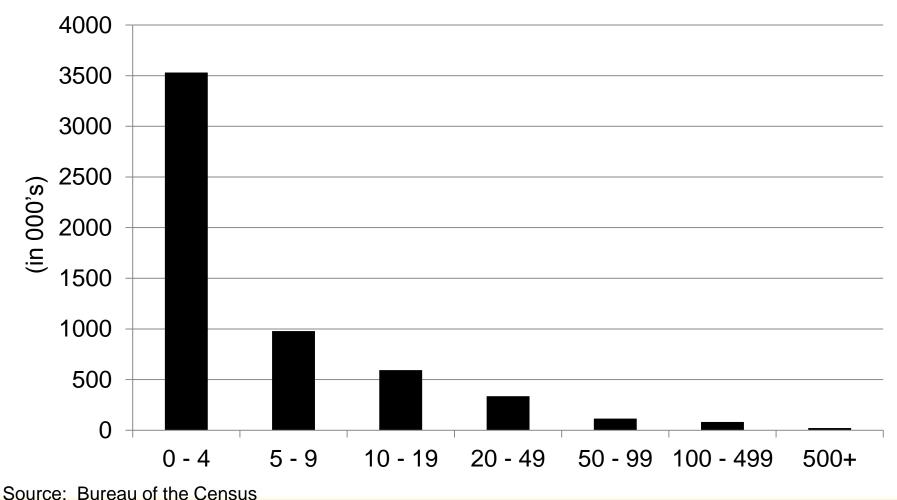


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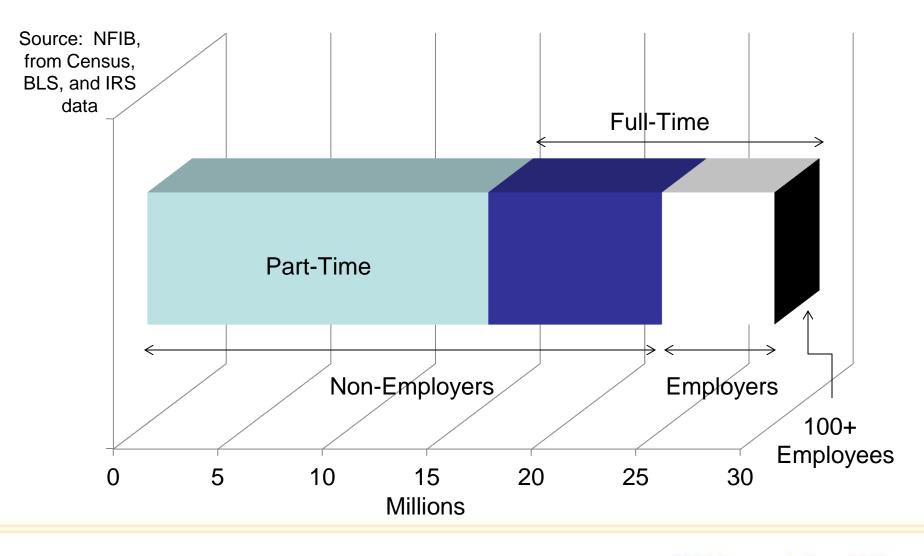


### Number of Employing Businesses by Employment Size of Business





### 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

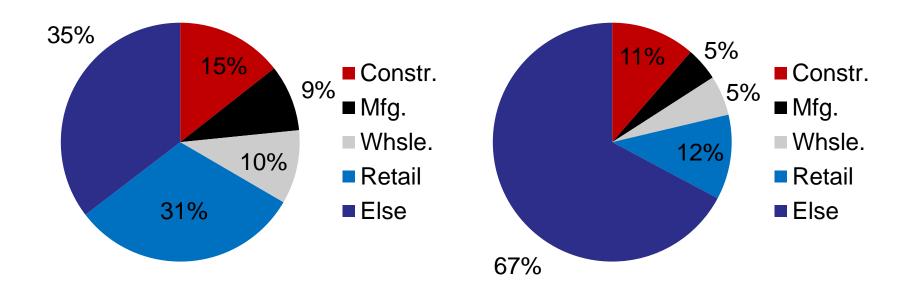
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# Selected Industries as a Percent of the Business Population: 1978 and 2011

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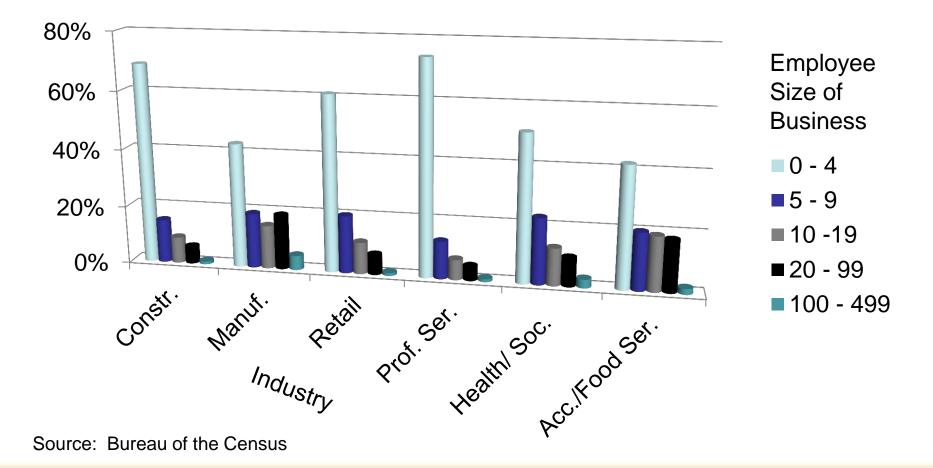
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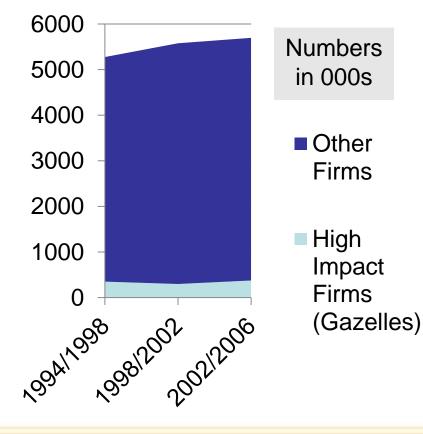


## Distribution of Employee Size of Business by Selected Industry

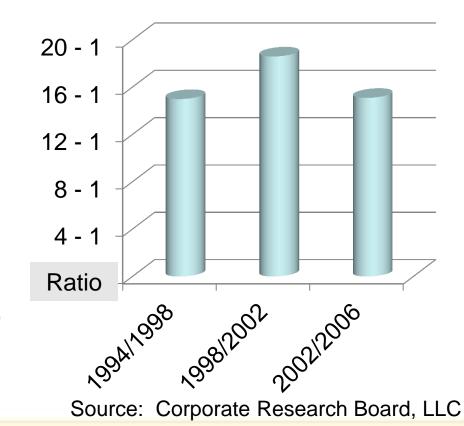


### Gazelles (High Impact Firms) and Other Firms

### Number of High Impact Firms by Analytic Period

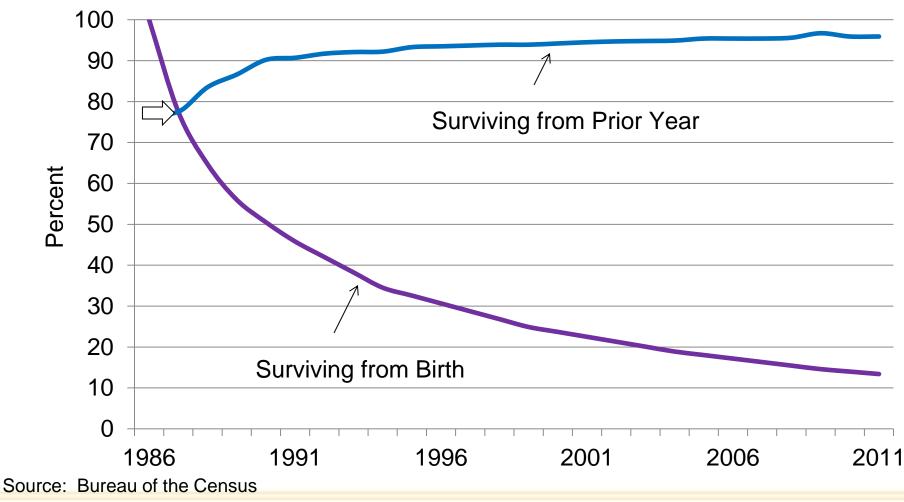


### Ratio of Other Firms to High Impact Firms



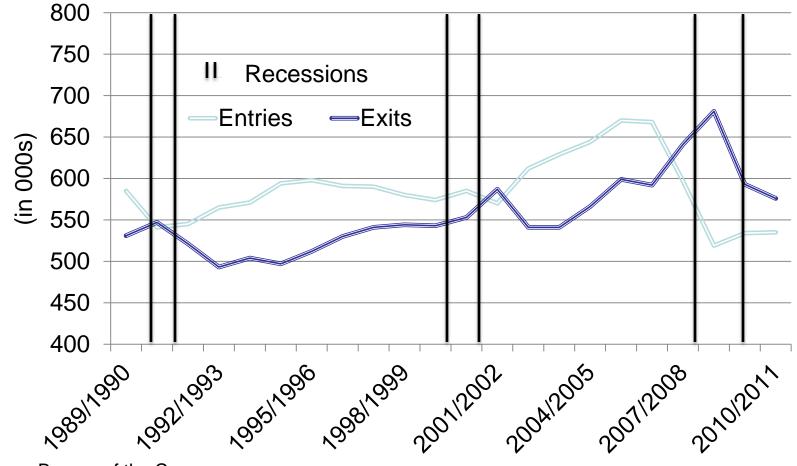


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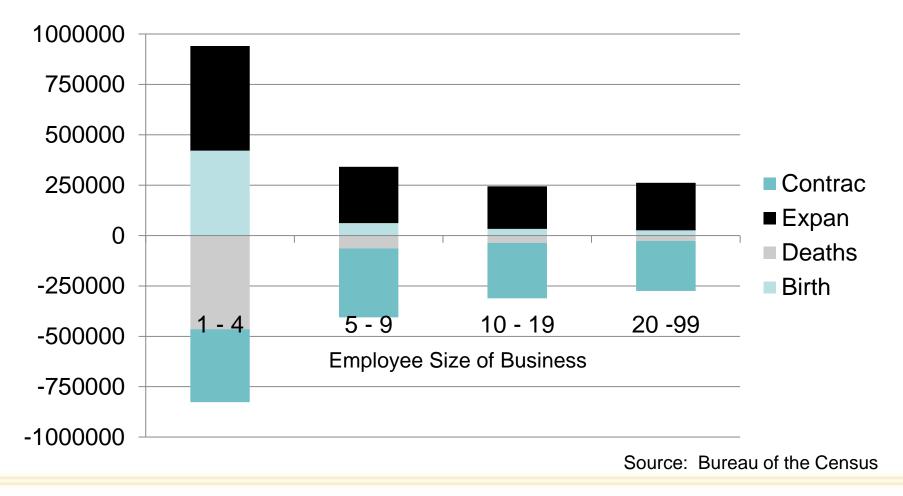
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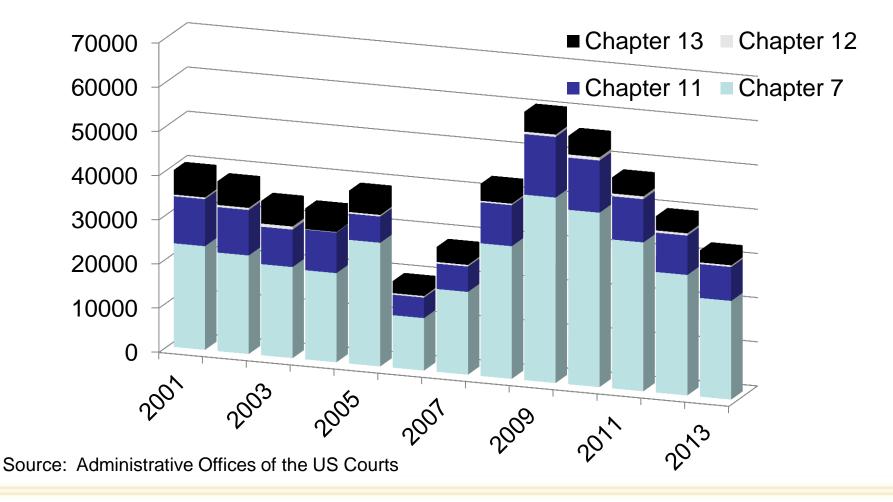


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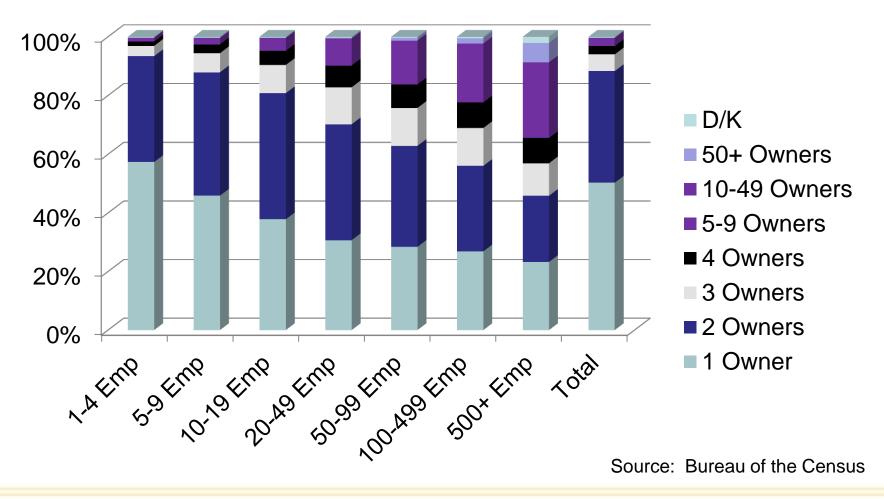


### Business Bankruptcies by Year and Type





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

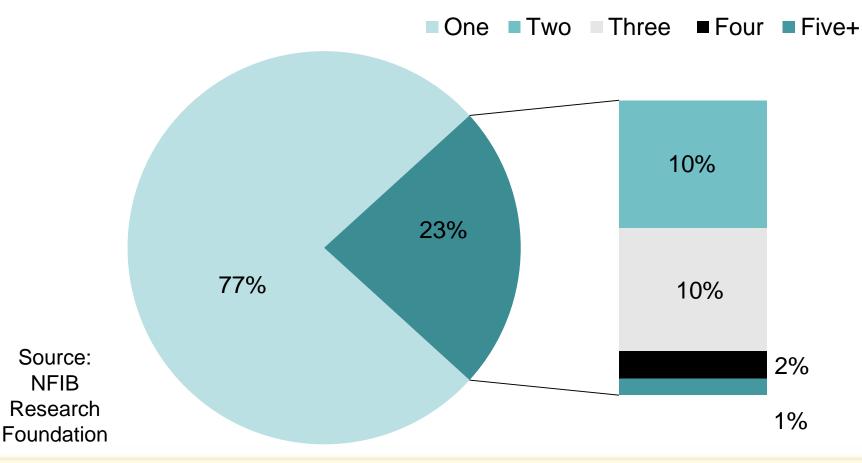




# Multiple Business Ownership

**Businesses Owned** 

(at least 10%)

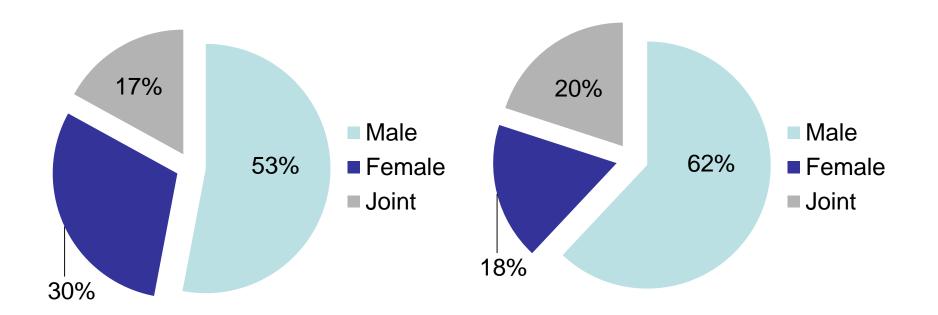




### Business Ownership by Sex of Owner

### **All Businesses**

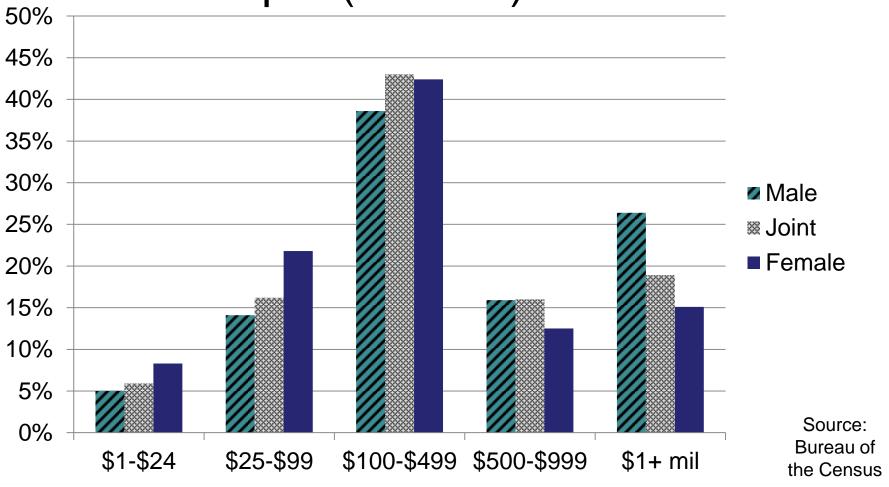
### **Employing Businesses**



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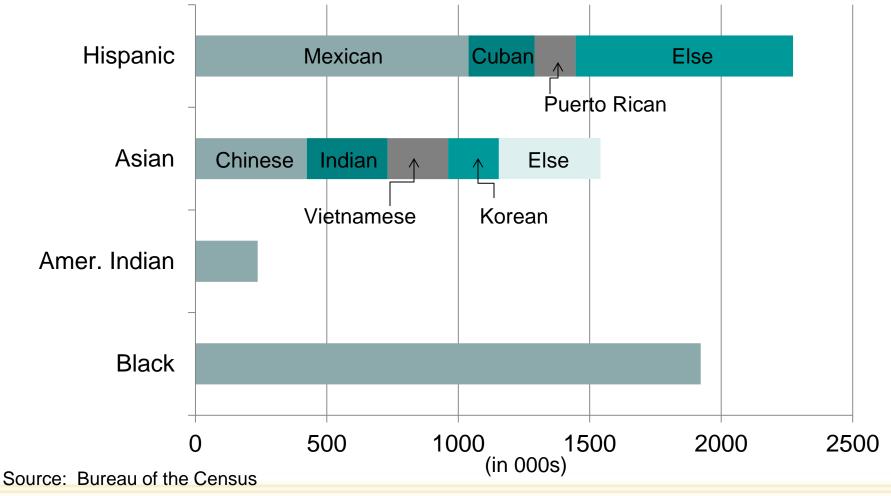


## Percent of Owners by Annual Gross Receipts (in 000s) and Sex

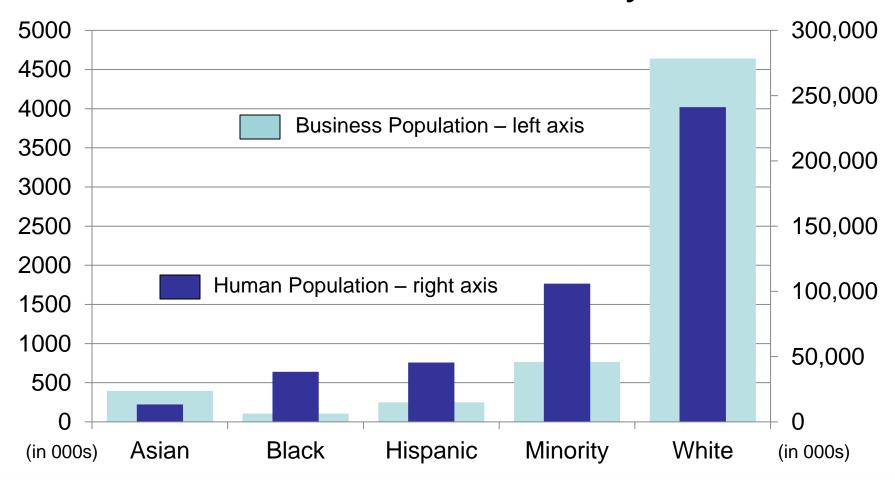




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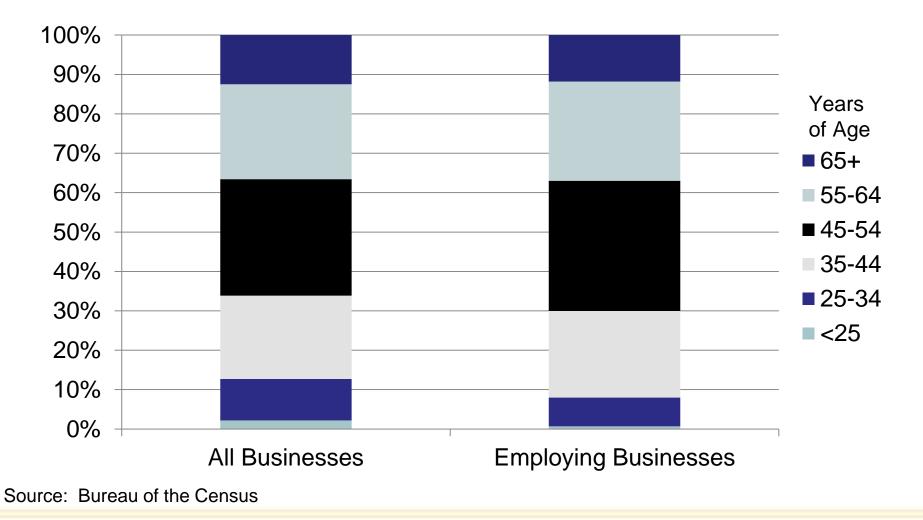
## Employer and Human Populations by Race and Ethnicity



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# Business Owner Age





## Formal Education of Small Employers

### Employers' Highest Level of Formal Education

### Major Subject of Employers Graduating College

