

**Table 15.27-- MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES:
1987 AND 1992**

[Firms are classified as minority-owned if the sole owner or at least half of the partners or shareholders are members of specified minority groups]

Year and characteristics	All firms 1/	Firms owned by minorities 2/		
		Black-owned	Hispanic-owned 3/	Owned by Asians and others 4/
1987				
All firms:				
Number	60,928	399	1,226	31,406
Sales and receipts (\$1,000)	6,522,000	12,310	58,098	1,662,269
1992				
All firms:				
Number	79,050	717	3,192	38,392
Sales and receipts (\$1,000)	10,724,000	27,382	187,717	4,766,788
Firms with paid employees:				
Number	10,420	42	277	5,301
Sales and receipts (\$1,000)	8,806,000	16,794	131,663	3,804,639
Employees	99,280	211	2,357	42,461
Annual payroll (\$1,000)	1,799	2,513	39,300	724,331

1/ Whether or not owned by minorities.

2/ Persons of mixed race were instructed to report the race they most closely identified with. Whites (Caucasians), although only 33.4 percent of the 1990 population of Hawaii, were treated as a non-minority group for census purposes.

3/ Persons of Hispanic origin may be members of any race.

4/ Asians, Pacific Islanders (including Hawaiians), American Indians, and Alaska Natives. State detail for individual races is not available. For the United States as a whole, Hawaiians owned 11,587 firms with gross receipts of \$1,058,332,000.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, *1992 Economic Census, Survey of Minority-Owned Business Enterprises, Black*, MB92-1 (Jan. 1996), tables 2 and 11; *Hispanic*, MB92-2 (June 1994), tables 3 and 14; *Asians and Pacific Islanders, American Indians, and Alaska Natives*, MB92-3 (July 1996), tables A, 2, and 11; DBED, *Data Book 1991*, table 442.