

**Table 15.15-- CHARACTERISTICS OF BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS:  
1999 TO 2011**

[Excludes data on self-employed individuals, employees of private households, railroad employees, agricultural production employees and most government employees]

Year	Number of employees 1/	Payroll (\$1,000)		Number of establishments by employment-size class 2/		
		First quarter	Annual	Total	1 to 4	5 to 9
1999	419,047	2,756,846	11,661,968	29,569	15,520	6,111
2000	432,092	2,982,367	12,331,233	29,853	15,658	6,063
2001	441,856	3,136,371	12,684,140	30,175	15,802	6,133
2002	439,934	3,237,290	13,352,194	30,633	16,181	6,245
2003	459,010	3,422,999	14,138,996	31,061	16,243	6,294
2004	473,500	3,552,027	15,074,629	31,605	16,503	6,431
2005	490,682	3,784,859	16,163,137	32,244	16,848	6,504
2006	512,543	4,225,680	17,287,011	33,118	17,119	6,681
2007	519,060	4,501,332	18,306,259	33,388	17,177	6,835
2008	518,168	4,667,451	18,539,010	32,904	16,903	6,720
2009	488,403	4,415,214	17,742,683	32,372	16,862	6,494
2010	478,838	4,158,617	17,541,821	31,939	16,709	6,357
2011	485,548	4,410,075	18,362,124	31,472	16,364	6,358

  

Year	Number of establishments by employment-size class 2/--Con.						
	10 to 19	20 to 49	50 to 99	100 to 249	250 to 499	500 to 999	1,000 or more
1999	3,948	2,474	924	412	115	43	22
2000	4,067	2,494	953	430	121	42	25
2001	3,998	2,651	957	446	116	47	25
2002	4,014	2,632	914	455	122	46	24
2003	4,194	2,666	992	475	126	45	26
2004	4,208	2,766	1,012	479	121	58	27
2005	4,359	2,730	1,096	485	133	61	28
2006	4,555	2,884	1,121	548	126	58	26
2007	4,611	2,895	1,107	548	133	52	30
2008	4,518	2,912	1,067	556	138	62	28
2009	4,445	2,836	1,027	506	129	48	25
2010	4,445	2,729	1,012	481	134	49	23
2011	4,231	2,807	1,031	472	130	55	24

1/ For week including March 12.

2/ Data refer to establishments active anytime during the year.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *County Business Patterns* (annual) <<http://www.census.gov/econ/cbp/>> accessed May 3, 2013.