

## Kansas

Kansas's 60,005 small employers and 183,555 nonemployers make significant contributions to the state's economy, and they bring innovative products and services to the marketplace.\* They are an important source of employment and opportunity throughout the state. This profile by the Office of Advocacy uses the latest statistics to describe the small business contribution in the greatest possible detail. (Note: A small business is defined as one with fewer than 500 employees.)

- Kansas's real gross state product increased by 2.2% and private-sector employment increased by 0.6% in 2008. By comparison, real GDP growth in the United States was 0.7% and private-sector employment declined by 0.7%.
- The health care and social assistance industry was the state's largest small business employer in 2006; manufacturing was the largest overall employer (Table 1).
- Small businesses are a major force in the state's net job change, as shown in Table 2.
- The number of small employers in Kansas was 60,005 in 2006, accounting for 96.9% of the state's employers and 54.6% of its private-sector employment. (Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce: Bureau of the Census.)

### For Further Information

- Data on all states and territories is available at [www.sba.gov/advo/research/profiles](http://www.sba.gov/advo/research/profiles).
- For other small business data and analysis, visit [www.sba.gov/advo/research](http://www.sba.gov/advo/research), call (202) 205-6533, or email [advocacy@sba.gov](mailto:advocacy@sba.gov).
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\* Small employer data from 2006; nonemployer from 2007.

### Kansas Small Business Facts

	2007†	2006	2000
<b>Number of Businesses</b>			
Small employers (<500 employees)	n.a.	60,005	59,623
Large employers (500+ employees)	n.a.	1,897	1,928
Nonemployers	183,555	178,694	156,897
	2002‡	% Share in 2002	% Change 1997–2002
<b>Business Owner Demographics</b>			
Male-owned	116,123	52.9	14.9
Woman-owned	59,635	27.2	9.1
Equally male/female-owned	35,408	16.1	-32.2
African American-owned	4,468	2.0	31.6
Asian-owned	3,547	1.6	45.2
Hispanic-owned	4,176	1.9	17.7
Native American/Alaskan-owned	1,727	0.8	n.a.
Hawaiian and Pacific Islander-owned	44	0.0	-76.1
	2008‡	% Change from	
		2007	2000
<b>Workforce (Thousands) /Unemployment (%)</b>			
Private-sector employment	1,118	0.6	3.2
Government employment	249	1.6	8.0
Self-employed (incorp. & uninc.)	170	2.2	16.4
Female self-employment	64	12.7	9.0
Male self-employment	106	-3.2	21.3
Minority self-employment	12	39.3	192.0
Veteran self-employment	20	-19.3	3.4
Unemployment rate (%)	4.4	0.3	0.6
<b>Business Turnover</b>			
Quarterly establishment openings	13,347	2.9	-0.5
Quarterly establishment closings	13,278	6.2	7.8
Business bankruptcies	252	13.0	49.1
	2008‡	2007	2000
<b>Income and Finance</b>			
Proprietors' income (\$billion)	10.4	9.9	6.0
Number of bank branches	1,556	1,543	1,398
No. of bus. loans under \$100,000‡	n.a.	91,827	31,274
Total value of business loans under \$100,000 (\$million)‡	n.a.	925	438
Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census and Bureau of Economic Analysis; U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts; Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy ( <a href="http://www.sba.gov/advo/research/sbl_08study.pdf">www.sba.gov/advo/research/sbl_08study.pdf</a> , Table 4b.) n.a. not available.			
† Latest available data; certain figures are economywide. ‡ Data are for CRA loans.			

**Table 1. Firms and Employment in Kansas by Industry and Firm Size, 2006 and 2007  
(Nonfarm, Thousands)**

Industry	Nonemployer Firms (2007)	Employer Firms (2006)			Employment (2006)		
		Total	1-19 Employees	1-499 Employees	Total	1-19 Employees	1-499 Employees
Total	183.6	61.9	52.6	60.0	1,142.7	217.6	624.1
Forestry, etc. and agriculture support	2.7	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.7	(D)	0.7
Mining	5.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	9.8	3.0	7.7
Utilities	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	6.8	(D)	1.5
Construction	21.3	7.9	7.2	7.9	67.1	28.7	60.2
Manufacturing	2.7	2.9	1.9	2.7	176.4	10.8	65.3
Wholesale trade	3.1	3.6	2.5	3.3	57.1	11.8	39.8
Retail trade	21.5	8.1	6.9	7.8	150.8	32.1	67.9
Transportation and warehousing	7.4	2.2	1.9	2.1	44.4	6.4	15.6
Information	2.0	0.8	0.5	0.7	45.2	2.5	10.2
Finance and insurance	7.7	3.8	3.2	3.5	59.3	10.2	29.4
Real estate and rental and leasing	16.5	2.7	2.5	2.6	15.9	6.5	12.2
Professional, scientific, and technical svcs.	21.7	6.8	6.1	6.6	57.7	20.0	40.4
Management of companies and enterprises	--	0.4	0.1	0.3	19.3	0.2	3.5
Admin., support, waste mgt., remed. svcs.	13.9	3.0	2.5	2.9	67.5	9.5	32.1
Educational services	3.9	0.7	0.5	0.6	17.8	2.3	12.2
Health care and social assistance	16.5	5.6	4.5	5.5	174.5	22.6	100.7
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	8.4	1.0	0.9	1.0	13.3	3.8	11.7
Accommodation and food services	2.4	4.3	3.1	4.2	106.2	18.6	66.4
Other services (except public admin.)	25.9	7.7	7.2	7.7	52.6	27.8	46.5
Unclassified	--	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Statistics of U.S. Businesses. (See [www.sba.gov/advo/research/data.html](http://www.sba.gov/advo/research/data.html) for data from other years, and for starts, closures, job creation and destruction by industry and by size category.)

(D) Data suppressed to protect the confidentiality of individual firms.

**Table 2: Net Job Change by Firm Size, 2003–2006 (Nonfarm)**

	Total Net New Jobs	Employment Size of Firm						
		1-4	5-9	10-19	20-99	100-499	<500	500+
2003 - 2004	7,001	8,930	1,618	882	461	-1,942	9,949	-2,948
2004 - 2005	-415	7,319	628	-107	-802	2,223	9,261	-9,676
2005 - 2006	26,299	8,655	1,547	1,942	6,659	5,093	23,896	2,403

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. (For more detailed data see [www.sba.gov/advo/research/data.html](http://www.sba.gov/advo/research/data.html).)

**Table 3: Establishment and Employment Turnover by Quarter, 2008 (Nonfarm, Thousands)**

	Establishments				Employment Change Due To:			
	Openings	Expansions	Contractions	Closings	Openings	Expansions	Contractions	Closings
Quarter 1	3.3	16.1	15.4	3.4	15.5	70.2	59.9	16.2
Quarter 2	3.4	15.2	16.2	3.3	15.5	57.7	61.8	14.6
Quarter 3	3.0	15.1	16.2	3.0	12.9	54.1	63.9	11.6
Quarter 4	3.6	14.6	16.3	3.6	15.9	58.9	64.9	13.4

Source: U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Business Employment Dynamics. (For more detailed data see [www.bls.gov/bdm/home.htm](http://www.bls.gov/bdm/home.htm).)

Note: These figures contain all firm sizes; Census data from 2006 show that 86 percent of establishment births and deaths were in firms with fewer than 500 employees.