

Table 1. Firms and Employment in Arkansas by Industry and Firm Size (Thousands), 2000

Industry	Non-employer Firms	Employer Firms		Employment	
		Total	<500	Total	<500
Total	152.9	52.4	50.8	990.8	478.6
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting	4.2	0.9	0.9	6.0	4.8
Mining	1.0	0.2	0.2	3.2	1.7
Utilities	0.2	0.2	0.2	7.5	3.0
Construction	28.1	5.7	5.7	48.6	45.1
Manufacturing	2.5	2.9	2.5	235.6	55.7
Wholesale trade	3.4	3.0	2.8	44.8	29.9
Retail trade	18.1	9.0	8.8	135.1	70.5
Transportation and warehousing	9.0	2.2	2.1	44.8	17.6
Information	1.1	0.6	0.5	22.4	5.3
Finance and insurance	5.6	2.2	2.1	33.4	17.6
Real estate; rental and leasing	12.0	2.0	2.0	11.5	9.2
Professional, scientific, and technical services	13.6	4.6	4.6	32.3	24.0
Management of companies and enterprises	N/A	0.3	0.2	20.4	2.4
Admin., support, waste mgnt., and remed., services	10.3	2.0	1.9	59.9	20.5
Educational services	1.5	0.4	0.4	11.1	8.4
Health care and social assistance	8.9	4.8	4.7	132.1	63.5
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	3.6	0.8	0.7	7.9	6.3
Accommodation and food services	1.9	3.4	3.3	76.0	52.4
Other services	28.2	6.5	6.4	41.7	39.1
Auxiliary, except corp, subsidiary, and regional managing offices	N/A	0.1	0.0	15.5	0.3
Unclassified	N/A	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3

*Data suppressed to protect the confidentiality of individual firms.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Census Bureau.

Table 2. Non-farm Establishment Job Gains and Losses by Firm Size, (Thousands)1999–2000

	Total	Firm Size	
		1–19	1–499
Gains:			
New establishments	47.8	16.5	32.0
Expanding establishments	103.4	28.8	56.3
Losses:			
Downsized establishments	(74.2)	(17.1)	(40.9)
Closed establishments	(43.3)	(16.8)	(30.3)
Net change in employment	33.8	11.4	17.1

Source: U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Statistics of U.S. Businesses, 2000.

Table 3. Number of Banks in Arkansas by Asset Size, 1998–2002

					Number of Banks by Asset Size, 2002				
1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	Below \$100M	\$100M–\$500M	\$500–\$1B	\$1B–\$10B	Over \$10B
221	200	194	183	170	79	85	4	2	0

Source: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy, from data collected by the Federal Reserve Board.

The full list of small-business-friendly banks can be found on the Office of Advocacy's website at www.sba.gov/advoc/stats/lending/