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US Virgin Islands





EMPLOYMENT 225net new jobs

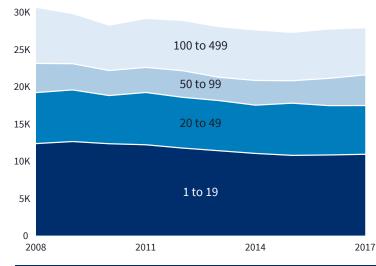




A note on COVID-19: This report uses the most up-to-date government data to present a unique snapshot of small businesses. All sources reflect data collected prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Economic Output and Employment

Figure 1: Employment by Establishment Size (Employees)



- The US Virgin Islands economy grew at an annual rate of 1.5% to \$3.2 billion while per capita income increased 1.8% to \$30,336 in 2018. (Source: BEA)
- The number of private sector employees in US Virgin Islands increased 0.8% to 29,823 in 2017. (Source: CBP)
- Figure 1 displays private sector employment for establishments with fewer than 500 employees from 2008 to 2017. Establishments with 1 to 19 employees have the largest share of small establishment employment. (Source: CBP)
- Table 1 provides additional details on US Virgin Islands employment by industry. (Source: CBP)

Job and establishments statistics are from the 2017 County Business Patterns (CBP) and export statistics are from 2018 Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) data. Economic growth and trade statistics are expressed in real US dollars.

International Trade

- Figure 2 displays the evolution of US Virgin Islands imports, exports, and trade balance from 2002 to 2018. (Source: 10B BEA)
- In 2018, US Virgin Islands total exports decreased 19.6% to \$1.4 billion, while its total imports increased 1.8% to \$2.4 5B billion. This resulted in a 2018 trade deficit of \$989.0 million. (Source: BEA)
- * Exports and imports reflect trade between US Virgin Islands and the rest of the world, including the US.

The Small Business Profiles are produced by the US Small Business -5B Administration's Office of Advocacy (http://advocacy.sba.gov). Values labeled 's' in Table 1 were withheld by the Census Bureau because they do not meet publication standards or could disclose in--10B formation regarding individual businesses.

Figure 2: Exports and Imports (\$)

10B

5B

exports

trade balance

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imports

2002

2006

2010

2014

2018

Table 1: US Virgin Islands Employment, Establishments, and Payroll by Industry, 2017. (Source: CBP)

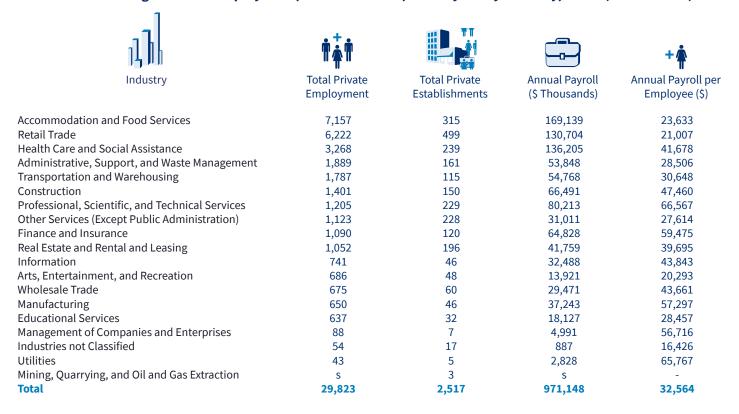


Figure 3: US Virgin Islands Employment by Municipality, 2017. (Source: CBP)



References

The Small Business Profiles, source data, and methodology are available at https://go.usa.gov/xvSPA.

BEA Bureau of Economic Analysis

CBP County Business Patterns, US Census Bureau