

**Business Closings by State
2004-2009**

State	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008r	2009	Percent Change	Rank*
							2008-2009	
Alabama	14,010	14,705	14,473	15,491	17,147	16,826	-1.9	16
Alaska	4,437	4,498	4,496	4,559	4,707	4,537	-3.6	9
Arizona	22,529	24,295	27,417	31,474	34,166	32,890	-3.7	8
Arkansas	10,912	11,728	12,149	12,458	13,462	13,914	3.4	35
California	158,803	156,366	169,904	173,181	184,399	196,445	6.5	46
Colorado	30,707	32,662	33,746	36,050	39,939	41,005	2.7	32
Connecticut	11,557	11,598	11,485	12,150	12,477	12,679	1.6	26
Delaware	4,696	4,821	5,552	5,147	5,698	5,932	4.1	38
District of Columbia	4,478	4,468	4,618	5,078	4,914	4,286	-12.8	1
Florida	102,362	105,635	118,026	132,204	157,467	147,468	-6.3	4
Georgia	51,568	53,175	60,291	61,018	61,692	60,561	-1.8	17
Hawaii	4,643	4,758	5,012	5,496	6,060	7,078	16.8	50
Idaho	8,692	9,082	10,003	11,234	12,917	12,783	-1.0	19
Illinois	54,189	54,518	56,581	58,561	63,190	64,444	2.0	29
Indiana	23,341	24,390	24,515	25,443	26,898	27,676	2.9	34
Iowa	12,120	12,564	12,230	12,892	13,481	12,823	-4.9	5
Kansas	11,733	12,137	12,288	12,559	13,418	13,334	-0.6	21
Kentucky	15,184	16,583	16,547	15,934	16,477	16,908	2.6	31
Louisiana	15,816	26,474	16,111	16,911	18,056	18,891	4.6	40
Maine	8,195	9,369	8,971	9,306	9,926	9,872	-0.5	23
Maryland	25,557	26,685	27,081	28,614	30,272	31,780	5.0	42
Massachusetts	34,254	34,780	34,524	35,330	35,540	37,465	5.4	45
Michigan	44,674	45,249	45,520	46,239	48,193	49,198	2.1	30
Minnesota	28,814	19,605	24,717	25,388	30,842	27,133	-12.0	2
Mississippi	9,339	11,256	9,296	9,973	10,954	10,513	-4.0	7
Missouri	21,256	23,532	21,679	23,592	22,386	24,670	10.2	49
Montana	6,793	7,210	7,410	7,775	8,706	9,414	8.1	47
Nebraska	7,392	7,873	8,081	8,501	8,767	8,588	-2.0	15
Nevada	10,873	11,478	12,454	13,993	15,927	15,180	-4.7	6
New Hampshire	8,342	8,679	8,332	8,615	9,178	9,125	-0.6	22
New Jersey	41,801	42,033	42,988	43,395	44,929	44,506	-0.9	20
New Mexico	8,593	8,369	8,797	9,207	10,138	9,791	-3.4	12
New York	99,442	100,561	97,773	101,009	105,822	108,664	2.7	33
North Carolina	37,380	37,476	36,685	41,135	50,379	46,532	-7.6	3
North Dakota	3,296	3,392	3,466	3,430	3,627	3,797	4.7	41
Ohio	42,296	42,620	43,943	43,886	46,715	45,640	-2.3	14
Oklahoma	14,199	13,740	14,281	15,504	15,139	19,314	27.6	51
Oregon	19,495	19,380	20,529	22,323	24,521	25,354	3.4	36
Pennsylvania	50,921	52,826	52,454	53,420	56,314	55,414	-1.6	18
Rhode Island	6,796	7,134	7,598	7,349	7,637	7,961	4.2	39
South Carolina	16,568	19,305	20,112	19,219	21,416	20,806	-2.8	13
South Dakota	3,965	4,217	4,154	4,194	4,502	4,728	5.0	43
Tennessee	16,481	16,595	20,035	16,283	19,320	18,634	-3.6	11
Texas	78,929	79,913	80,559	83,057	90,133	90,184	0.1	24
Utah	13,957	14,726	14,961	17,058	18,753	19,110	1.9	27
Vermont	3,816	3,905	4,069	4,357	4,757	5,012	5.4	44
Virginia	28,010	31,499	33,088	36,781	40,819	42,463	4.0	37
Washington	30,623	30,544	30,526	31,745	34,747	33,511	-3.6	10
West Virginia	6,450	6,728	6,528	6,729	6,882	6,900	0.3	25
Wisconsin	20,612	22,201	23,406	23,282	24,801	25,279	1.9	28
Wyoming	3,739	3,726	3,648	3,979	4,214	4,605	9.3	48
United States	1,314,635	1,351,063	1,393,109	1,452,508	1,572,821	1,581,623	0.6	

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Business Employment Dynamics, <http://data.bls.gov/cgi-bin/dsrv?bd> (accessed September 1, 2010).

Annual data are a sum of quarterly closings of individual establishments and therefore capture seasonal fluctuations.

* Rank based on percent change 2008-2009 with the largest percent decrease in business closings being ranked highest.

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