



Nonemployer Statistics Data User Guide

This guide explains how to access Nonemployer Statistics data in Hypertext tables, Comma Separated files (CSV), or the American FactFinder (AFF). You may also contact the U.S. Census Bureau's Nonemployer Statistics staff at 301-763-2580 or ewd.nonemployer.statistics@census.gov for assistance.



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Definitions

- **Nonemployer** - A nonemployer business is one that has no paid employees, has annual business receipts of \$1,000 or more (\$1 or more in the Construction industry), and is subject to federal income taxes.
- **Legal Form of Organization (LFO)** – An LFO is the organizational structure a firm chooses to adopt.
- **North America Industry Classification System (NAICS)** – Is the standard used by Federal statistical agencies in classifying business establishments. For more information, visit the NAICS website: <https://www.census.gov/eos/www/naics>
- **Noise Infusion** – A method of disclosure. Read more on the [How the Data Are Collected](#) page.
- **Noise Flags**–
 - G - Low Noise Infusion
 - H - Medium Noise Infusion
 - J - High Noise Infusion
 - D - Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual companies; data are included in higher level totals
 - S – Withheld because estimate did not meet publication standards

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Using the Homepage

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Nonemployer Statistics

Nonemployer Statistics is an annual series that provides subnational economic data for businesses that have no paid employees and are subject to federal income tax. The data consist of the number of businesses and total receipts by industry. Most nonemployers are self-employed individuals operating unincorporated businesses (known as sole proprietorships), which may or may not be the owner's principal source of income.

The majority of all business establishments in the United States are nonemployers, yet these firms average less than 4 percent of all sales and receipts nationally. Due to their small economic impact, these firms are excluded from most other Census Bureau business statistics (the primary exception being the [Survey of Business Owners](#)). The Nonemployers Statistics series is the primary resource available to study the scope and activities of nonemployers at a detailed geographic level. For complementary statistics on the firm refer to the [County Business Patterns](#). Additional sources of data on small businesses include the [Economic Census of Small Businesses](#).

For help accessing the data via hypertext tables or American FactFinder, please refer to the [Data User Guide](#).

For Internet Explorer 9 and 10 enable [Compatibility View](#) in the event tables do not display properly.

For frequently asked questions (FAQs) visit [Ask Census.Gov](#) or click the FAQs tab at the top of the screen. Enter 'nonemployer' into the search box to narrow the results.

View data in hypertext tables

U.S., States, and Counties (2002-2014) Select Area

Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas ¹ Select Area

Data in other formats for manipulation and analysis

- Extract and manipulate the data in the [American FactFinder \(2004 to 2014\)](#).

The Nonemployer Homepage offers two easy methods of accessing the data; immediately through the hypertext tables feature, and in depth through the offline formats.



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Using the Hypertext Table Feature

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2014 Nonemployer Statistics



Year: 2014 Without noise flag With noise flag **Go**

U.S./State: Select a State **Go** State Total/Counties: Select State Total or County in Louisiana **Go**

Metropolitan/Micropolitan Statistical Area: Select a Metro Area **Go**

Combined Metropolitan Statistical Area: Select a Combined Area **Go**

Data are available for 2002 - 2014

When you select the area of interest, the hypertext tables will immediately show you, by industry, the number of establishments and their total receipts for the most recent year. To learn more about industry classification, select the industry under the "Description" header.

Louisiana

Nonemployer statistics originate from Internal Revenue Service tax return information. The data are subject to nonsampling error, such as errors of self-classification by industry on tax forms, as well as errors of response, nonresponse, and coverage. Receipts totals are slightly modified to protect confidentiality. All dollar values are expressed in current dollars; i.e. they are not adjusted for price changes. For further information about methodology and data limitations, see [Survey Methodology](#). For descriptions of column headings and rows (industries), click on the appropriate underlined element in the table.

NAICS Detail	Compare Areas	NAICS code	Description	Nonemployers	
				Establishments	Receipts (\$1,000)
Detail	Compare	00	Total for all sectors	357,815	15,879.3
Detail	Compare	11	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	9,424	485.3
Detail	Compare	21	Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction	6,249	518.8

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Accessing Data in Hypertext Tables

2014 Nonemployer Statistics



Year
 2014 Without noise flag With noise flag **Go**

U.S./State State Total/Countries
 Select a State Louisiana **Go**

Metropolitan/Micropolitan Statistical Area
 Select a Metro Area **Go**

Combined Metropolitan Statistical Area
 Select a Combined Area **Go**

Remember to press the appropriate Go button after changing any of the fields

The following options will allow users to view **Nonemployer Statistics** in different formats :

- 1. NAICS Detail** – data will display at the different NAICS levels for the selected sector. [Click here to learn about the NAICS Detail feature](#)
- 2. Compare Areas** – this option will compare data by state, county, or metropolitan area [Click here to learn about the Compare Areas feature](#)

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				Nonemployers	
		NAICS code	Description	Establishments	Receipts (\$1,000)
1	2				
NAICS Detail	Compare Areas				
Detail	Compare	00	Total for all sectors	357,815	15,879,322
Detail	Compare	11	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	9,424	485,308

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Data Displayed by NAICS Detail Feature



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Year
2014 Without noise flag With noise flag

U.S./State **State Total/Counties**

Metropolitan/Micropolitan Statistical Area

Combined Metropolitan Statistical Area

By selecting **Detail**, the data user will be able to view a breakdown of the **NAICS sector by Legal Form of Organization (LFO)**

In 2009, Nonemployers [maximum receipts cutoffs](#) were changed. Click the link to access documentation and a comparison table showing the effect of these changes on 2008 Nonemployer Statistics.

[Louisiana](#)
42 - Wholesale trade

Nonemployer Statistics originate from tax return information of the Internal Revenue Service. The data are subject to nonsampling error such as errors of self-classification by industry on tax forms, as well as errors of response, nonreporting and coverage. Values provided by each firm are slightly modified to protect the respondent's confidentiality. For further information about methodology and data limitations, see [Survey Methodology](#). For descriptions of column headings and rows (industries), click on the appropriate underlined element in the table.

Compare Areas	NAICS code	Description	Nonemployers	
			Establishments	Receipts (\$1,000)
	42	<u>Wholesale trade</u>		
<input type="button" value="Compare"/>		All Establishments	4,692	393,406
<input type="button" value="Compare"/>		C-corporations	140	24,032
<input type="button" value="Compare"/>		S-corporations	358	51,199

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Data Displayed By Compare Area Feature (County)

Nonemployer Statistics



Year
 Without noise flag With noise flag

U.S./State

State Total/Counties

Metropolitan/Micropolitan Statistical Area

Combined Metropolitan Statistical Area

In 2009, Nonemployers [maximum receipts cutoffs](#) were changed. Click the link to access documentation and a comparison table showing the effect of these changes on 2008 Nonemployer Statistics.

[Industry Code Comparison](#)
[31-33 - Manufacturing](#)
[All Establishments](#)

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NAICS Total		NAICS Detail	Area name	Nonemployers	
				Establishments	Receipts (\$1,000)
Total	Detail		Louisiana	4,471	203,575
Total	Detail		Acadia Parish, LA	77	2,329
Total	Detail		Allen Parish, LA	12	437
Total	Detail		Ascension Parish, LA	117	5,633

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Accessing Data using American FactFinder

The screenshot shows the American FactFinder interface. The 'ADVANCED SEARCH' button is highlighted with a red box. The search results page shows a list of tables for Nonemployer Statistics, sorted by year from 2014 to 2004. The left sidebar shows the search filters: Program (Nonemployer Statistics), County (All Counties within United States), and NAICS/NAICS Based Industry (ALL-11: All available codes within Sector 11: Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting). The search results table is as follows:

ID	Table, File or Document Title	D
NS1400A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2014	2
NS1300A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2013	2
NS1200A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2012	2
NS1100A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2011	2
NS1000A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2010	2
NS0900A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2009	2
NS0800A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2008	2
NS0700A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2007	2
NS0600A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2006	2
NS0500A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2005	2
NS0400A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2004	2

Customize your search in Advanced Search...

1. Under Topics, select Nonemployer Statistics as the Program.
2. Filter data by Geographies.
3. Filter data by Industry Codes (NAICS)

Datasets will be sorted by year, starting with the most recent.

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Opening Tables in AFF

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Search - Use the options on the left (topics, geographies, ...) to narrow your search results

Your Selections

Search using...
Program: Nonemployer Statistics
County: All Counties within United States
NAICS/NAICS Based Industry: ALL-11: All available codes within Sector 11: Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting

Search Results: 1-11 of 11 tables and other products match 'Your Selections'

Refine your search results: topic or table name state, county or place (optional) GO ?
topics race/ancestry industries occupations

2 Selected: View Download Compare Clear All Reset Sort ?

Show results from: All available

ID	Table, File or Document Title
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NS1400A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2014
<input type="checkbox"/> NS1300A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2013
<input type="checkbox"/> NS1200A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2012
<input type="checkbox"/> NS1100A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2011
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NS1000A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2010
<input type="checkbox"/> NS0900A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2009
<input type="checkbox"/> NS0800A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2008
<input type="checkbox"/> NS0700A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2007
<input type="checkbox"/> NS0600A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2006
<input type="checkbox"/> NS0500A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2005
<input type="checkbox"/> NS0400A2	Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2004

2 Selected: View Download Compare

- Open by simply clicking on the table title (1)
- OR check off the boxes of multiple tables (2) and...
- ... click View (3)

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Downloading Data

Nonemployer Statistics data can be downloaded in two different ways:

1. By using American Fact Finder (AFF) - [click here](#)
2. Through the CBP main webpage, in comma separated value (CSV) files – [click here](#)

Data in other formats for manipulation and analysis

- 1 • Extract and manipulate the data in the [American FactFinder \(2004 to 2014\)](#).
 - View the [Revised 2008 Nonemployer Statistics Table](#) [.xls] reflecting 2009 methodology changes.
- 2 • Download the data in [comma-delimited format](#) (1997 to 2014).
 - Read about [Historical Nonemployer Statistics](#) for earlier years, including data for 1997 to 2001 online.

Data are available on AFF from 2004 to 2014, and for download from 1997 to 2014

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Downloading Data using AFF

To download the desired table, simply click on Download.

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AMERICAN FactFinder

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Advanced Search - Search all data in American FactFinder

1 Advanced Search 2 Table Viewer

NS1400A2 Geographic Area Series: Nonemployer Statistics for the US, States, Metropolitan Areas, and Counties: 2014 2014 Nonemployer Statistics

Table View

Actions: [Download] [Create a Map]

Download

Select a download format and click OK.

Comma delimited (.csv) format (data rows only)
(.csv is compatible with spreadsheet programs such as Microsoft Excel)

- Data and annotations in a single file
- Data and annotations in separate files
- Include descriptive data element names

Presentation-ready formats

- PDF
- Microsoft Excel (.xls)
- Rich Text Format (.rtf)

Orientation: Portrait Landscape

Paper size: 8 1/2" x 11" 8 1/2" x 14"

[PDF] or [Image] indicate a document in Adobe's Portable Document Format. To view the file you will need the Adobe® Acrobat® Reader available free from Adobe.

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CS code	Year	Number of nonemployer establishments	Receipts (\$1,000)
nd hunting	2014	32	837
	2014	13	381
	2014	6	208
	2014	D	D
	2014	D	D
	2014	4	203
	2014	4	203
re and forestry	2014	13	248
duction	2014	8	200
duction	2014	8	200
roduction	2014	S	S
roduction	2014	S	S
nd hunting	2014	311	14,460
	2014	31	1,857
	2014	217	9,460
	2014	202	9,312
	2014	200	9,312

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Downloading Data Comma-Separated Value (CSV)

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Record Layouts:

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References for Industry and Geography:

[NAICS Descriptions for
2012 - 2014](#)
[NAICS Descriptions for
2007 - 2011](#)
[NAICS Descriptions for
2002 - 2006](#)
[NAICS Descriptions for
1997 - 2001](#)
[State and County Codes
2012 - 2014](#)
[State and County Codes
2002-2011](#)
[State and County Codes
1997-2001](#)

Download Comma-Separated Value (csv) Files

Files Available for Download:

- 2014 Data - [US](#) (.3 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb zip), [County](#) (3.9 mb zip) Released May 24, 2016
- 2013 Data - [US](#) (.3 mb), [State](#) (.5 mb zip), [County](#) (3.9 mb zip) Released May 21, 2015
- 2012 Data - [US](#) (.3 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb zip), [County](#) (4.5 mb zip) Released April 24, 2014
- 2011 Data - [US](#) (.3 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb zip), [County](#) (4.5 mb zip) Released May 30, 2013
- 2010 Data - [US](#) (.3 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb zip), [County](#) (4.5 mb zip) Released August 15, 2012
- 2009 Data - [US](#) (.3 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb zip), [County](#) (4.5 mb zip) Released August 15, 2012 (supercedes version released on July 28, 2011)
- 2008 Data - [US](#) (.07 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb zip), [County](#) (4.5 mb zip) Released June 24, 2010
- 2007 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.7 mb), [County](#) (4.6 mb zip) Released June 25, 2009
- 2006 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (4.6 mb zip) Released July 31, 2008
- 2005 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (4.4 mb zip) Released June 27, 2007
- 2004 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (3.5 mb zip) Released July 26, 2006
- 2003 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (2.8 mb zip) Released October 2005
- 2002 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (2.8 mb zip) Released April 2005
- 2001 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (2.8 mb zip) Released September 2003
- 2000 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (2.8 mb zip) Released October 2002
- 1999 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (2.8 mb zip) Released January 2002
- 1998 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (2.8 mb zip) Released July 2001
- 1997 Data - [US](#) (.01 mb), [State](#) (.6 mb), [County](#) (2.8 mb zip) Released January 2001

The Comma-Separated Value Files will display data at the U.S., state, and county levels.

The Record Layout links are available to aid in better understanding the data tables.

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Additional Links

Help with Nonemployer Statistics Data

Phone: (301)763-2580

E-mail: ewd.nonemployer.statistics@census.gov

Help with American FactFinder (economic data only)

Phone: (301)763-5185

E-mail: econ.dissemination@census.gov

Help with American FactFinder (demographic and other data)

Phone: (301)763-INFO(4636)

Website: <https://ask.census.gov/newrequest.php>

Related links

American FactFinder: <http://factfinder.census.gov/>

County Business Patterns: <http://www.census.gov/econ/cbp/>

Nonemployer Statistics: <http://www.census.gov/econ/nonemployer/>

2012 Economic Census: <http://www.census.gov/econ/census/>

Census Bureau Other Economic Programs: http://www.census.gov/econ/other_econ.html

North American Industry Classification System: http://www.census.gov/econ/other_econ.html