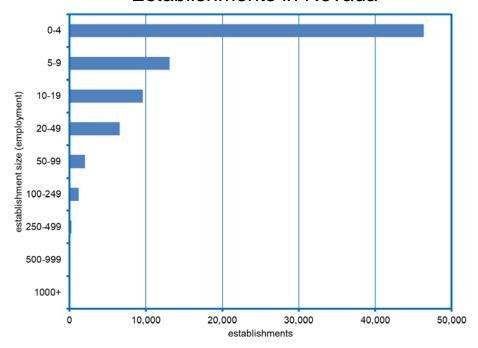
## **Research Notes**



Number of Establishments by Size Tim Wilcox, Economist

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## Small Businesses Represent 98% of all Private Sector Business Establishments in Nevada



- The Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program, produced by state agencies in cooperation and the Bureau of Labor Statistics, represents a comprehensive count of employment based on information reported by all businesses covered under the Unemployment Insurance System, but is not available until several months following the end of a calendar quarter.
- Nevada's economy is dominated by small business establishments (defined as those with less than 100 employees). All told, there were nearly 79,000 private sector worksites Statewide in 2017.
- The largest establishment size category incorporates those with 0-4 employees, accounting for 59% (46,000) of all worksites.
- The next four largest categories (ranging in size from 5-99 workers) account for nearly all remaining establishments. When combined, worksites with less 100 workers account for nearly 98% of all establishments in Nevada.
- Large and medium-size establishments, those with 100 or more employees, account for two percent of
  worksites Statewide. There are approximately 1,700 worksites with at least 100 employees, including
  80 with at least 1,000 workers. Although large employers represent only 2% of all worksites, they
  account for nearly fifty percent of total private employment.





