

Employment growth by sector, 1979-2007

Industry sector	Employment shares				Change 1979-2007		Change 2000-07		Hourly compensation 2005	Percent college graduates 2005
	1979	1989	2000	2007	Shares	Level*	Shares	Level*		
Goods producing	27.8%	22.3%	18.7%	16.1%	-11.6	-2,776	-2.6	-2,428	\$29.37	18.6%
<i>Mining</i>	1.1	0.7	0.5	0.5	-0.6	-285	0.1	124	37.07	15.6
<i>Construction</i>	5.1	4.9	5.2	5.5	0.5	3,053	0.4	828	28.48	9.6
<i>Manufacturing</i>	21.6	16.7	13.1	10.1	-11.5	-5,543	-3.0	-3,380	29.47	23.3
<i>Durable goods</i>	13.6	10.2	8.3	6.4	-7.2	-3,404	-1.8	-2,061	30.98	24.6
<i>Nondurable goods</i>	8.0	6.5	4.8	3.7	-4.3	-2,139	-1.2	-1,319	26.96	21.2
Service producing	72.2%	77.7%	81.3%	83.9%	11.6	50,470	2.6	8,269	\$23.58	32.0%
<i>Trans., utilities</i>	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.7	-0.3	1,452	-0.1	77	20.48	16.9
<i>Wholesale trade</i>	5.0	4.9	4.5	4.4	-0.6	1,543	-0.1	95	27.44	25.5
<i>Retail trade</i>	11.3	12.1	11.6	11.3	-0.1	5,310	-0.3	211	15.23	15.9
<i>Information</i>	2.6	2.4	2.8	2.2	-0.4	654	-0.6	-601	36.38	42.4
<i>Fin, ins, real est</i>	5.4	6.1	5.8	6.0	0.7	3,466	0.2	622	32.80	39.4
<i>Services</i>	26.0	31.8	37.0	40.1	14.2	31,909	3.1	6,451	22.86	37.0
Government	17.9%	16.6%	15.8%	16.1%	-1.7	6,136	0.4	1,414	n.a.	49.9%
<i>Federal</i>	3.2	2.9	2.2	2.0	-1.2	-167	-0.2	-138	n.a.	40.3
<i>State and local</i>	14.6	13.7	13.6	14.2	-0.5	6,303	0.6	1,552	\$36.55	51.2
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	--	47,695	--	5,841	\$26.60	29.6%

* In thousands.

Source: Authors' analysis of BLS (2008b, 2008d), BEA (2008), and CPS ORG data.

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