Employment Development Department
Labor Market Information Division

Table 1
Number of Businesses, Number of Employees, and Fourth Quarter Payroll by Size of Business
State of California
2025 Quarter 1

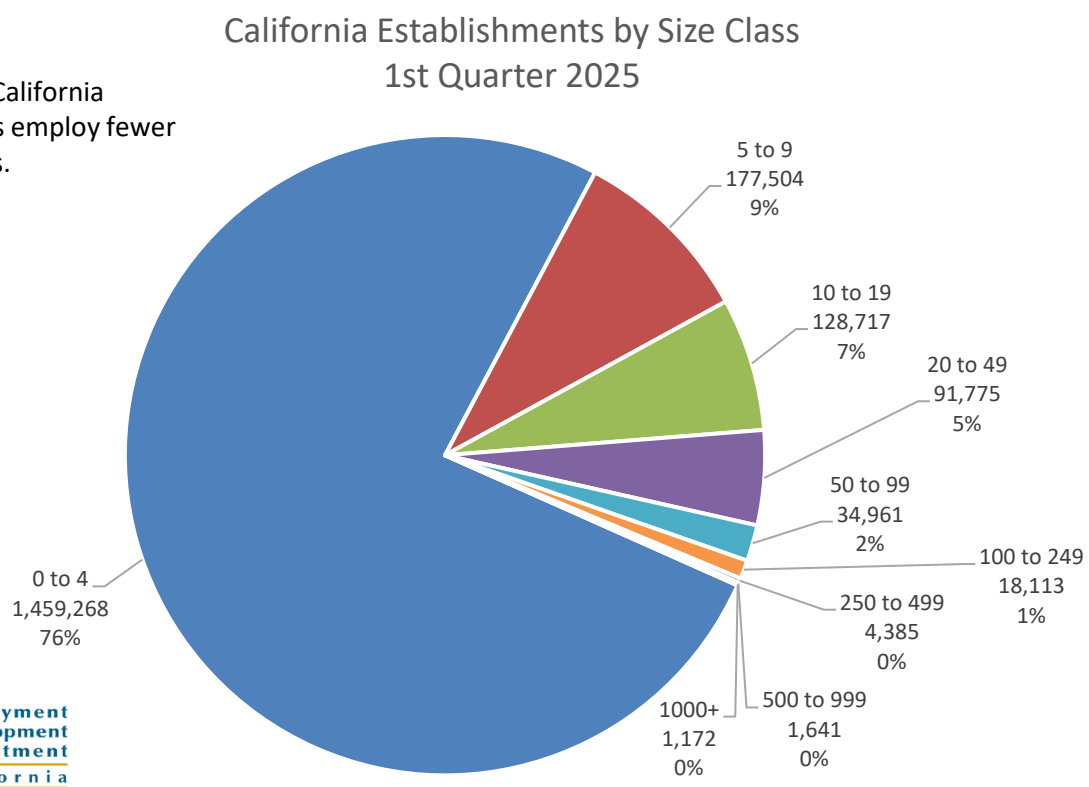
	Size of Business Categories									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 19	20 to 49	50 to 99	100 to 249	250 to 499	500 to 999	1000+
Number of Businesses	1,917,536	1,459,268	177,504	128,717	91,775	34,961	18,113	4,385	1,641	1,172
Percent	100.0%	76.1%	9.3%	6.7%	4.8%	1.8%	0.9%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Number of Employees	18,023,747	1,706,735	1,177,844	1,750,004	2,775,408	2,413,017	2,697,847	1,494,185	1,112,814	2,895,893
Percent	100.0%	9.5%	6.5%	9.7%	15.4%	13.4%	15.0%	8.3%	6.2%	16.1%
Quarterly Payroll (in thousands)	$446,388,287,600	$23,207,086,423	$19,887,157,869	$30,373,291,565	$53,284,668,496	$51,473,235,437	$66,677,286,619	$44,810,939,320	$37,915,949,151	$118,758,672,720
Percent	100.0%	5.2%	4.5%	6.8%	11.9%	11.5%	14.9%	10.0%	8.5%	26.6%

Definitions of Terms and Source Notes
http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/LMID/Size_of_Business_Report_Terms.html

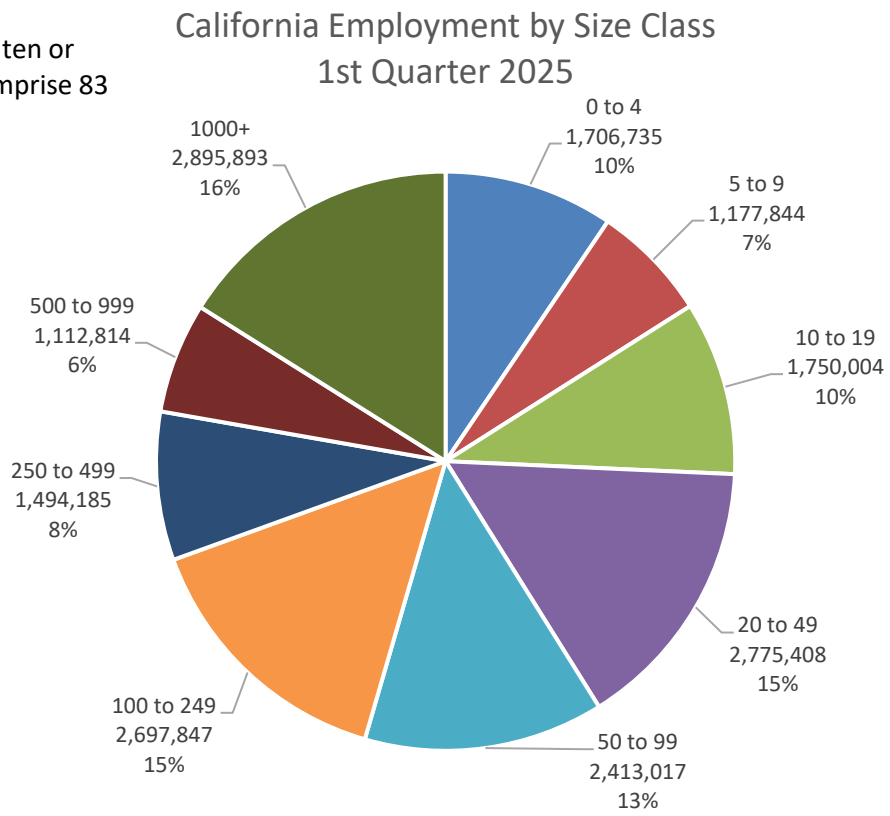
Beginning 2017/1, the Size of Business Report uses Average Monthly Employment (AME) instead of third-month employment. The industry standard was to report employment using third month, but average monthly employment is now California's data standard. The average value of the three months of the quarter results in a more complete employment picture.

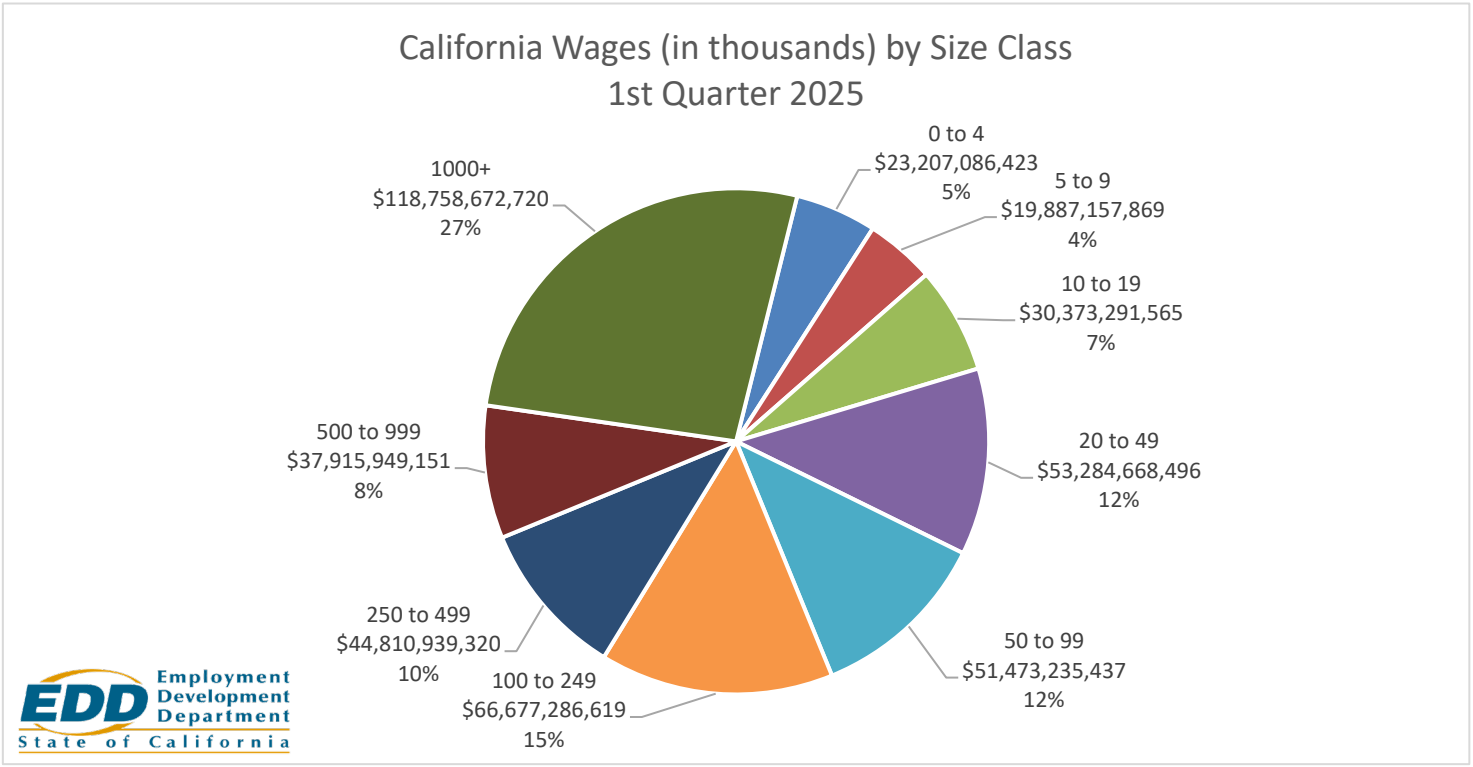
Data may not add due to rounding.

76 percent of California establishments employ fewer than 5 workers.



Establishments with ten or more employees comprise 83 percent of California employment.




California Wages (in thousands) by Size Class
1st Quarter 2025
0 to 4
$23,207,086,423
5%
5 to 9
$19,887,157,869
4%
10 to 19
$30,373,291,565
7%
20 to 49
$53,284,668,496
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