

FACT SHEET

Asian Women-Owned Businesses (WOBs)

NWBC Analysis of 2012 Survey of Business Owners

AS OF 2012:

- There are 749,197 Asian women-owned businesses¹ in the United States. That's an increase 226,228 of businesses, or 43.3%. from 2007. Of nonfarm and privately-held Asian businesses, 39.1% are women-owned, in 2007, 33.7% were women-owned. Asian women-owned businesses generated \$135.7 billion in receipts.
- In 2012, of these firms, 83.1% have no employees other than the owner. These firms have receipts of \$22.7 billion. In 2007, 82.5 of women-owned firms were sole proprietorships with receipts of \$14.7 billion.
- The remaining 16.9% of firms employ 804,276 people in addition to the owner. In 2007, they employed 561,031 people in addition to the owner. In 2012, Asian women-owned employer firms paid their employees \$22.6 billion, a \$7.7 billion or 52.1% increase since 2007. Asian women-owned firms with employees generated \$112.9 billion in receipts.

GEOGRAPHY:

Highest number of women-owned firms:



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1. California	247.2K firms, 33.0% of Asian WOBs
2. New York	82.6K firms, 11.0% of Asian WOBs
3. Texas	61.2K firms, 8.2% of Asian WOBs
4. Florida	32.8K firms, 4.4% of Asian WOBs
5. New Jersey	28.1K firms, 3.8% of Asian WOBs

Highest percentage of womenowned businesses relative to men-owned and equally-owned:

1. Montana	52.1%
2. New Mexico	50.2%
3. Nebraska	49.6%
4. Colorado	47.2%
5. Alaska	47.0%

Highest percentage growth of women-owned businesses:



1. Maine	158.6%
2. Idaho	154.2%
3. Alaska	114.1%
4. Louisiana	111.3%
5. Iowa	108.4%

INDUSTRY:

Highest number of women-owned firms:



1. Other Services ²	211.5K firms
2. Health Care and Social Assistance	103.6K firms
3. Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	102.3K firms
4. Retail Trade	74.4K firms
5. Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	50.4K firms

Highest percentage of womenown men

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ally-owned:	

1. Educational Services	56.6%
men-owned and equally-owned:	
owned businesses relative to	

2.	Other Services	54.9%
3.	Health Care and Social Assistance	50.9%
4.	Arts, Entertainment,	47.8%

5. Administrative and Support	44.5%
and Waste Management and	
Remediation Services	

and Recreation

Highest average receipts:



Management of Companies and Enterprises	\$4,364,384
2. Wholesale Trade	\$1,706,815
3. Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	\$540,066
4. Manufacturing	\$476,087
5. Accommodation and Food Services	\$376,846

¹Women-owned businesses, as defined by the U.S. Census, are businesses in which women own 51 percent or more of the equity, interest, or stock of the business. Men-owned businesses are defined as men owning 51 percent or more of the equity, interest, or stock of the business is shared 50-50 among men and women owners. Publicly held, foreign-owned, and non-profit businesses are not included in this data.

²As an industry classification, Other Services (except Public Administration) is defined as businesses that provide services not specifically provided for elsewhere in the classification system. Please see U.S. Census

^{*} All calculations are based off of the SBO 2012 classification of "all firms classifiable by gender, ethnicity, race, and veteran status" rather than "all firms." Therefore, "publically held and other firms not classifiable by gender, ethnicity, race, and veteran status" are not taken into account in the current calculations.