There are 789,318 registered establishments in Georgia (SOS: 1/3/19)

- According to the Georgia Department of Labor 278,125 business establishments represented Georgia employment in 4Q 2017; of those:
  - 99.7% are categorized as small (fewer than 500 employees)
  - 97.3% employed fewer than 100
  - 94.1% employed fewer than 50
  - 75.4% employed fewer than 10

**Georgia Rankings**

- Georgia ranks #1 in US for small business climate (NFIB 11/18)
- Georgia ranks #2 in US for most startups by women (AMEX 9/18)
- Georgia ranks #3 overall in US for best state to start a business (WalletHub 9/18)
- Georgia ranks #12 in US as a top exporting state (Trade & Economic Analysis, 9/18)
- Georgia ranks #3 in US for ease in starting and growing a business (WalletHub 8/18)
- Georgia ranks #9 in US for Overall Best State Economies (WalletHub 6/18)
- Georgia ranks #5 in US for greatest number of women-owned firms (American Express OPEN, 11/17)
- Georgia scores an “A” for small business friendliness (Thumbtack, 10/17)
- Georgia ranks #1 (6th year running) in US for best state for business (Site Selection, 11/18)
- Georgia Tech (#16) and University of Georgia (#24) rank in the top 25 public colleges in US (Forbes, 8/17)
- Georgia ranks #1 among top 10 US states for aerospace manufacturing at $64B impact (PwC 8/17)

**More**

- Georgia State University is 2nd more innovative university in US (US News & World Report 9/18)
- Atlanta named 3rd top city in US for startups (FitSmallBusiness.com 5/18)
- LaGrange named #18 top city as best in US to start a business (WalletHub 4/18)
- Atlanta ranks among America’s “Tech 25” - 25 American regions deemed the best in tech (Cushman & Wakefield 10/17)
- Atlanta ranks #6 in US as top city for innovation (Innovation Leader 5/17)
- Atlanta ranks #2 for Next Top Tech Towns (big tech hubs that are still affordable) (Realtor.com 3/17)
- Three Georgia cities rank amongst the most educated places in the US: Atlanta (24), Cumming (41) and Marietta (42) (DegreeQuery.com, 2/17)
- Decatur ranks #11 for Best Cities for Entrepreneurs (BusinessClimate.com, 9/16)
- Atlanta’s women-owned businesses grew 3rd fastest in US from 2007 to 2012 (Center for an Urban Future, 3/16)