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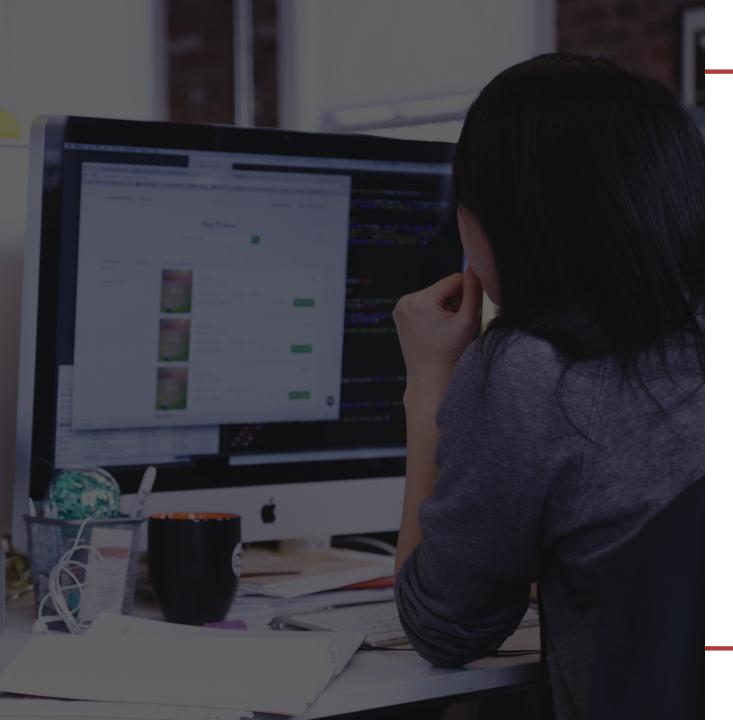
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Where Do Entrepreneurs Come From?

How Can EDC Make It Easy For People To Start Businesses?

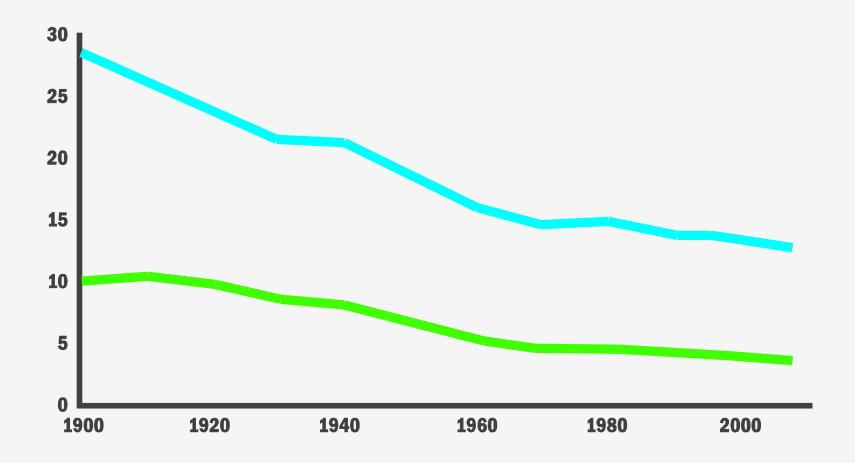
How To Provide Resources & Training For Local Business Owners?

THE WORLD HAS CHANGED



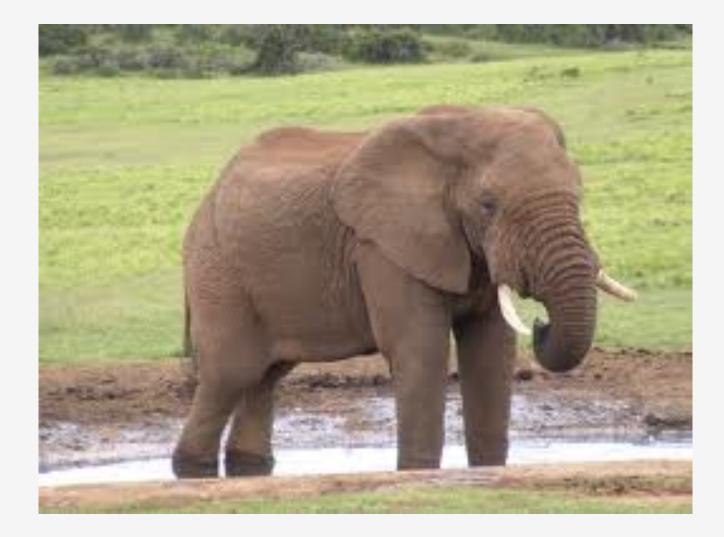


THE STATE OF RURAL AMERICA













RURAL AND COMPETITIVE

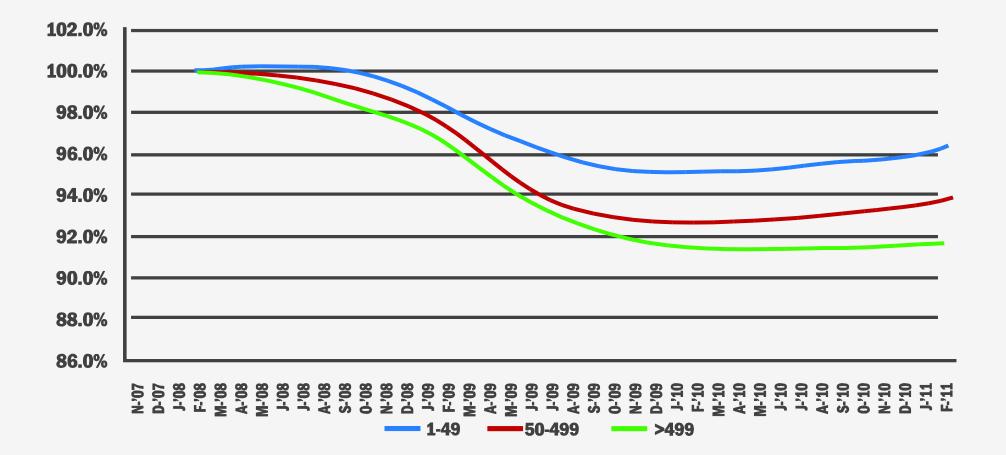
Recruitment = more competitive

>> In a rural setting, almost ALL job growth and innovation stem from micro-businesses

In the 21st century, America's communities will derive economic strength by acting regionally to compete globally. Innovation and entrepreneurship are the new engines for job creation, productivity, growth, economic prosperity, and healthy ""
Communities.
*U.S. SECRETARY OF COMMERCE

JOB LOSSES BY BUSINESS SIZE

Employment as a share of November 2007 levels for businesses with 1-49 employees, 50-499 employees and more than 499 employees, November 2007 to February 2011





By 'flat' I did not mean that the world is getting equal. I said that more people in more places can now compete, connect and collaborate with equal power and equal tools than ever before. That's why an Indian in Bangalore can take care of the office work of American doctors or read the X-rays of German hospitals.

WHERE DO ENTREPRENEURS COME FROM?

"About two-thirds of American millionaires are self-employed."

"Self-employed people are four times more likely to be millionaires...most millionaire business owners make their money in dull-normal industries. They build cabinets. They sell shoes. They're dentists. They own bowling alleys. They make boxes. There's no magic

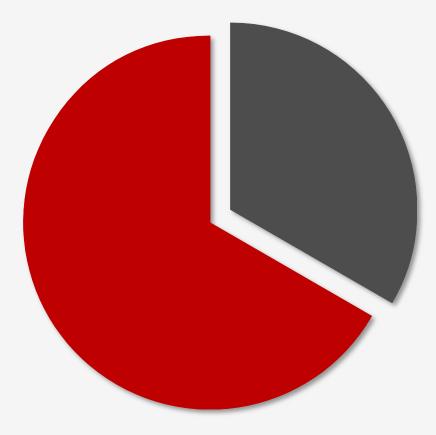
- THE MILLIONAIRE NEXT DOOR



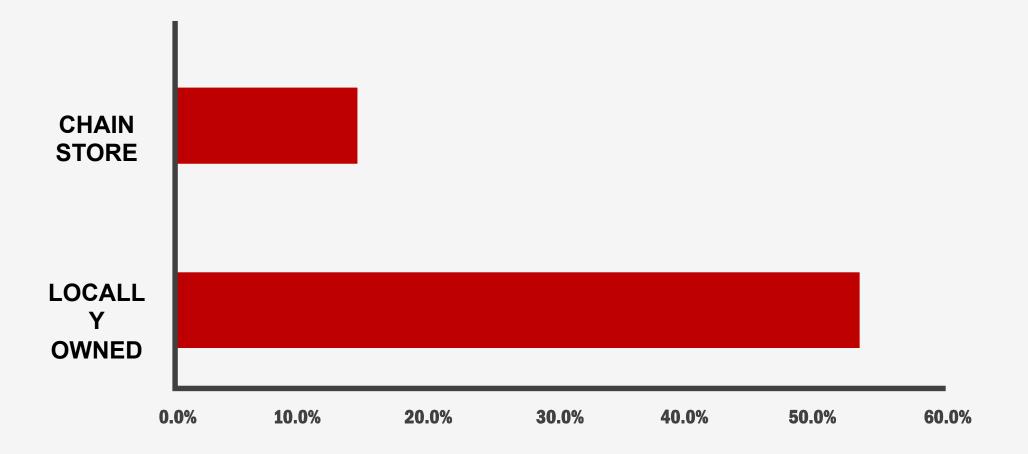
NOT BEING CULTIVATED

- Youth
- **Existing Business Owners**
- **Aspiring Entrepreneurs**
- **Baby Boomers**
- Folks who want to move back
- **Generational Transfer**

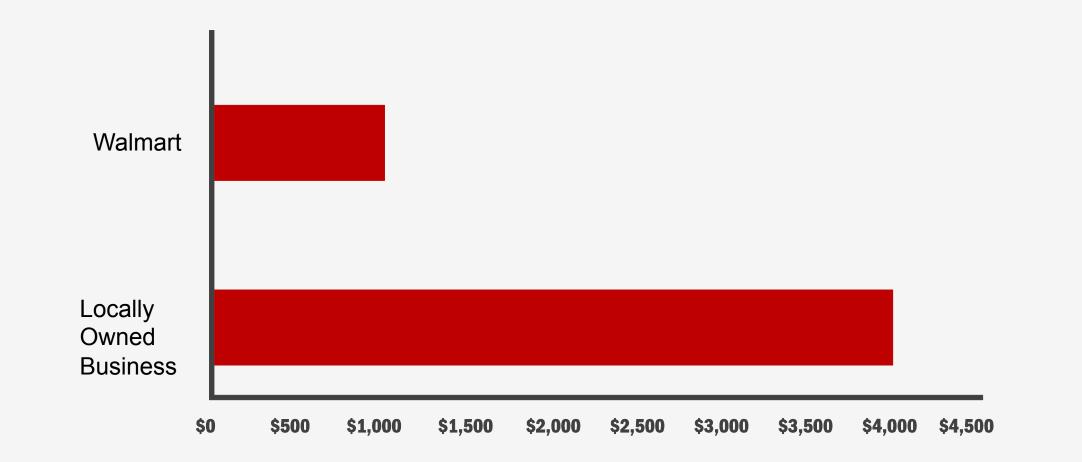
Small Businesses Often Represent One-third Or More Of The Total Employment In Rural Areas.



PERCENT OF REVENUE SPENT WITHIN THE STATE



CHARITABLE DONATIONS PER \$1 MILLION IN SALES



GLOBAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Out of 35 countries... The US ranks 6th in entrepreneurial activity in early-stage entrepreneurship

For established business ownership, the US drops to 26th.

Long term survival... the US ranks 31st of 35.



(AND SUPPORT EXISTING BUSINESSES)

HOW CAN EDC MAKE IT EASY FOR ENTREPRENEURS?





FACILITATE BUILD NETWORK

EDUCATE CREATE

Resources and Training



Promote a Culture of Entrepreneurship

advertise, events, etc.

Reach Your Youth

No debt, no spouse, no fear! Tech driven.

Provide a Place to Go

A one stop shop. A person to talk to.

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