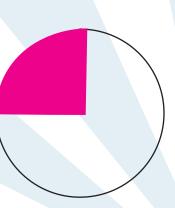
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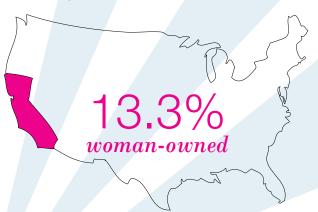
WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES IN THE U.S. AT A GLANCE

Women-owned businesses comprise only 25% of the manufacturing sector*

25% woman-owned



California has the highest % of women-owned businesses amongst any state in the U.S.**



7.6 million people employed at women-owned businesses

28.7%

of all businesses nationwide are owned by women

\$1.3 trillion

in revenue generated by women-owned businesses

59% growth from 1997-2007 12.4 million

firms where women were owners or half owner, representing 45.7% of all firms



* Ecnomics & Statistics Administration, 2010