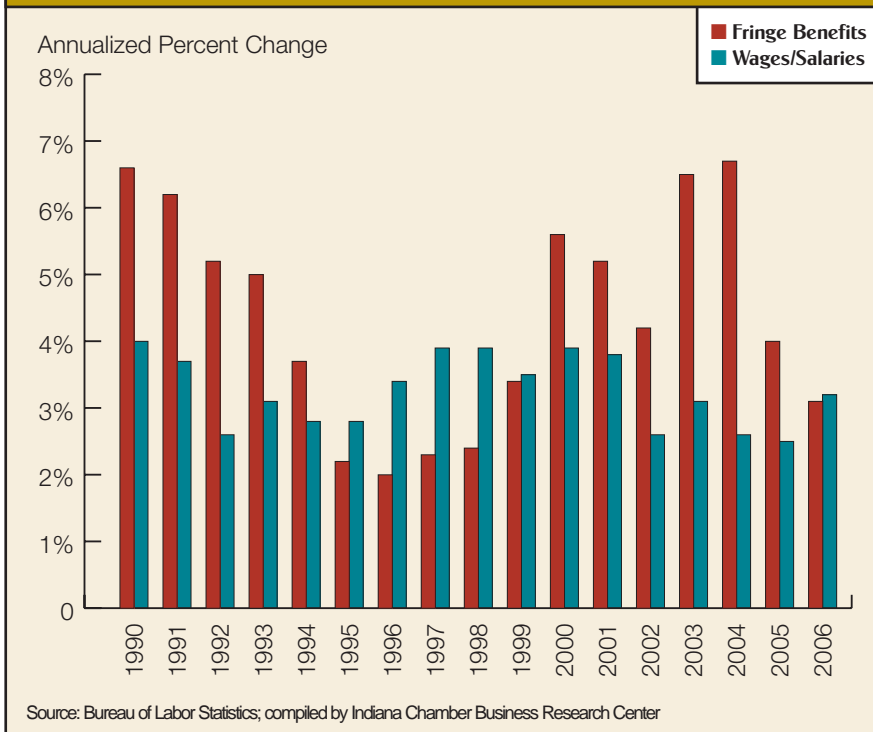


Employment Cost Index — U.S. Private Employers

Change in Wages vs. Fringe Benefits



Researchers estimate that 161 billion gigabytes of digital information were generated in 2006. They say that equals three million times the information in all the books ever written.

www.idc.com

Demand for janitorial equipment and supplies is growing, with a projected annual investment of \$6.4 billion by U.S. businesses in 2009.

www.freedoniagroup.com

Top inbound and outbound states in the 2006 Migration Study, conducted by United Van Lines since 1977: inbound – Oregon (62.5%), Nevada (59.9%), Arizona (55.4%) and New Mexico (57.9%); outbound – Michigan and North Dakota (each 66%), New York (59.5%) and Indiana (58.2%).

www.unitedvanlines.com

Health care equals 11% of private employment, but has generated 30% of job growth since 2002.

www.kiplinger.com

While some question the use of electronic billboards and their possible distraction to drivers, at least three states – Hawaii, Maine and Vermont – disallow billboards altogether.

www.seacoastonline.com

Stocks of companies that contribute to a large number of congressional candidates perform better than stocks of firms that give to fewer candidates. Nearly 820,000 contributions over the last 28 years were analyzed.

www.bus.umich.edu

Forty-nine percent of respondents to an online poll say employee satisfaction has never been measured at their companies. Just 8% say their companies measure employee satisfaction more than once a year.

www.industryweek.com

Nearly 46% of government workers at all levels are more than 45 years old, compared to less than one-third of private sector workers at that age level.

www.rockinst.org

States with the lowest percentages of women in their legislatures: South Carolina (8.8%); Kentucky (12.3%); Oklahoma (12.8%) and Alabama (12.9%). Overall, 23.5 of legislators are females.

State Legislatures

Actual statements on resumes: I am a very capable proofreader; Through my career experiences I have become inept at communication skills; I am a Notary Republic; and I prefer a fast-paste work environment.

www.resumemania.com

Of the more than 900,000 people of Vietnamese origin who live in the United States, more than half reside in California – including approximately 100,000 in Orange County.

www.calchamber.com

The services sector now accounts for 83% of U.S. private sector gross domestic product and 85% of private sector employment.

www.compete.org

Motors in industrial processes use 63% of the electricity consumed by industrial plants.

www.energy.gov

Most stressful professions in a recent survey: information technology, medical/caring professions, engineering, sales and marketing, and education. Four out of five information technology workers say their stress starts before they arrive at work.

www.skillsoft.com

“Nothing in the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity.”

Martin Luther King Jr.

Unless reinforcement takes place, people forget 90% of what they have learned within 30 days.

www.clomedia.com

When viewing material on web sites, 79% of visitors scan any new page they come across; 16% read the copy word-for-word.

www.nngroup.com