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3.4 Million Jobs Supported By REITs

Study estimates the current economic contribution of REITs in the United States.

Highlights

- The economic contribution of REITs in 2022 was 3.4 million FTE jobs.
- REITs directly employed 330,500 FTE employees.
- REITs invested \$120.1 billion in capital expenditures for new construction and to maintain and upgrade existing properties.

Key Results

EY was commissioned by Nareit to estimate the current economic contribution of all U.S. REITs (including public listed, public non-listed, and private REITs) in the United States. Today, REITs in the United States own approximately \$4 trillion of gross real estate assets and public REIT portfolios included over 575,000 properties at year-end 2022.

The total economic contribution of U.S. REITs in 2022 was 3.4 million full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs and \$262.9 billion of labor income.

REIT Economic Contributions

The table below summarizes the REIT contributions to U.S. employment activity.

- REIT operations supported 1.3 million FTE jobs and \$105.3 billion in labor income.
- Capital expenditures and new construction supported 1.7 million FTE jobs and \$128.2 billion in labor income.
- Dividends distributed and interest payments to investors supported 398,000 jobs and \$29.4 billion in labor income.

Total Economic Contribution of REIT Activities in 2022

(Billions of Dollars and Thousands of Full-Time Equivalent Jobs)

REIT Activity	Direct	Indirect & Induced	Total
Operations			
Labor income	\$27.3	\$78.0	\$105.3
Employment	331	995	1,325
Dividend and interest payments			
Labor income	\$0.0	\$29.4	\$29.4
Employment	0	398	398
Construction			
Labor income	\$63.0	\$65.2	\$128.2
Employment	874	836	1,710
Total			
Labor income	\$90.3	\$172.6	\$262.9
Employment	1,204	2,229	3,434

Total Economic Contribution of REIT Activities in 2022 by State

Total Economic Contribution of REIT Activities in 2022 by State Economic Contribution Consumer Spending			
State	(FTEs 000)	(\$ B)	
Alabama	34	2.1	
∖laska	5	0.3	
Arizona	108	7	
Arkansas	23	1.3	
California	526	28	
Colorado	63	3.7	
Connecticut	33	1.8	
Delaware	5	0.3	
District of Columbia	28	1.8	
Florida	229	14.2	
Georgia	139	8.2	
Hawaii	24	1.5	
daho	10	0.6	
llinois	157	9.2	
ndiana	43	2.5	
owa	10	0.6	
Kansas	17	0.9	
Kentucky	26	1.6	
₋ouisiana	32	1.9	
Maine	11	0.7	
/laryland	61	3.1	
//assachusetts	105	5.5	
/lichigan	43	2.6	
/linnesota	35	1.9	
/lississippi	30	1.8	
/lissouri	35	2.2	
/lontana	10	0.7	
lebraska	7	0.4	
levada	74	4.2	
New Hampshire	8	0.5	
New Jersey	135	7.8	
New Mexico	13	0.8	
lew York	251	13.7	
lorth Carolina	79	4.7	
lorth Dakota	9	0.5	
Ohio	70	4.1	
Oklahoma	23	1.3	
Dregon	39	2.3	
Pennsylvania	96	5.6	
Rhode Island	7	0.4	
South Carolina	36	2.2	
South Dakota	8	0.5	
Tennessee	51	2.9	
Texas	293	16.9	
Jtah	25	1.5	
/ermont	3	0.2	
/irginia	249	15	
Washington	76	4.1	
Nest Virginia	12	0.8	
Nisconsin	20	1.1	
Wyoming	6	0.3	