Women-Owned Firms Reach \$18.9B

ECONOMY: Top 100 combine for 1.8% sales hike

By SHWANIKA NARAYAN Staff Reporter

The largest businesses owned by women had a hand in nearly all of L. A. County's major industries, racking up \$18.9 billion in revenue in 2017.

The total for the top 100 women-owned

companies that make up this week's Business Journal's list came to a 1.8 percent hike on sales from the prior year.

More than half -58 - ofthe companies listed saw increases in annual revenue, while 24 posted declines for the year, five reported flat sales, and 13 were kept even based on Business Journal estimates.



The combined rate of sales growth for the women-owned businesses lags the combined performance of companies on the Business Journal's recent list of the 100 largest minority-owned businesses, a group that climbed to \$18.7 billion in revenue in 2017 thanks to a 6.4 percent cumulative increase from a year earlier.

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The women-owned businesses, defined by those with at least 50 percent female ownership, remain skewed toward professional business services, including staffing and advertising firms, entertainment and other creative sectors.

The financial and technology sectors are scarce on the women-owned business list. Investment firm Levine Leichtman Capital Partners in Beverly Hills – which ranks No. 7 and is 51 percent owned by Chief Executive Lauren Leichtman – was the most prominent of a handful of entries from the financial sector on the list.

Four of the 100 companies are technology enterprises. They include IT service providers – No. 10 **Dynamic Systems Inc.** in El Segundo and No. 12 **GST Inc.** in Cerritos – as well as staffing firms specializing in IT, such as No. 20 El Segundo-based **RJT Computers Inc.** and No. 31 Beverly Hills-based **TechLink Systems Inc.** That's compared to staffing and advertising/marketing/public relations firms, of which there are about 12 each.

The comparatively small number of womenowned businesses in tech on the list doesn't come as a surprise to experts despite the growth of Silicon Beach as a major tech hub in the last five years.

"Tech has historically been and still is a male-dominated field," said **Susan Harmeling**, associate professor of clinical entrepreneurship at **USC**'s Marshall School of Business. "Attitudes from cultural, social and familial expectations of women, and the discouragement young girls' face in STEM fields has resulted in

what we see today."

The top three businesses were co-founded by women and their spouses. Lynda Resnick's Sawtelle-based Wonderful Co. is ranked No.1 on the list with \$4.2 billion in revenue, a 12 percent decline year over year. Next is Jin Sook Chang's Forever 21 Inc. in Lincoln Heights with \$4 billion in revenue, an increase of 17.7 percent compared to 2016 and third on the list is Peggy Cherng's Panda Restaurant Group based in Rosemead, clocking in with \$3 billion in revenue, up 3.3 percent year over year.

Resnick spoke to the Business Journal in May about the importance of finding the right business partner.

"There doesn't have to be a man; you just have to know what your strengths are," she said. "He [Mr. **Stewart Resnick**] could have been a woman; he could have been a monkey. He's brilliant with numbers...I am more the creative force in our union, and he is more the businesssavvy force."

Tech

A 2016 report on gender and entrepreneurship by the **Kauffman Foundation**, a nonprofit based in Kansas City, Mo., found that womenowned businesses tend to be smaller on average and financed at lower rates.

"This is a big problem particularly in tech," said **Jesse Draper**, a venture capitalist and founder of **Halogen Ventures** based in Santa Monica, referring to the lack of financing.

Access to capital is a big factor, as men generally control majority of venture capital, she said. Draper founded Halogen in 2016, an earlystage venture capital fund focused on female founded tech companies. The company closed a \$10.4 million round last year and counts 40 portfolio companies under its umbrella.

Jesse Draper is fourth-generation venture capitalist as the daughter of **Tim Draper**, a renowned Silcom Valley investor. She said she has encountered women billionaires hesitant to



Draper: 4th-generation venture capitalist.

invest in Halogen but would "gladly sign away millions to charity," she said.

But L.A. is friendlier to women in tech compared to Silicon Valley, Draper added.

"There are more female investors and more female founders here," she said. "Up north, all of the traditional venture funds don't have a female founder or assistant. That's a problem."

Investing in women should be more than a trend, Draper said, because "it should always be incredible to invest in a company that has a great product and happens to be run by a woman."

Some local venture capital funds that have

invested in women-led businesses include Santa Monica-based **Upfront Ventures** and Venicebased **Crosscut Ventures**.

Entertainment

Arianna Eisenberg made a career switch into entertainment after a short-lived stint as a broadcast journalist in the early 1980's. In 2003, she started her own film production company, No. 16 Aegis Film and Television Group based in Hollywood. She now counts 25 employees on her payroll and recorded \$62 million in 2017 revenue, a 5.9 percent increase year over year.

Eisenberg, who is a writer, screenwriter and post-production editor, is in the process of securing funding for a movie adaptation of her first book, "Jemiyah Jones and the Kingdom of Nir," which she wrote in 2014. She's waiting to get confirmation of a pending \$100 million from investors, she said.

Eisenberg said that while entertainment was particularly tough for women entrepreneurs, the Me Too movement has helped improve the situation from what it was 15 to 20 years ago.

"I would urge women to speak up, and I have always pushed back when I've dealt with issues like that," she said. "But women do feel intimidated in speaking up because there is a real fear of losing their jobs and being blackballed in an industry which is still run heavily by men."

USC's Hamerling said that things were improving.

"There's a little more awareness, more nuanced ways women are portrayed and more awareness of biases these days, especially with the younger generation," Hamerling said. "It's baby steps and we've come far, but we still have a long was to go."

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Los Angeles County-based companies ranked by 2017 revenue

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| | | name address website | • 2017 • 2016 (in millions) | • L.A. County • total | Woman- Owned | | year founded offices (L.A./total) | name title phone | |
| 1 | the Wonderful company∞ | Wonderful Co. 11444 W. Olympic Blvd. Los Angeles 90064 wonderful.com | \$4,200.0 \$4,800.0 | NA 9,000 | 50% | agriculture, food, beverages, consumer packaged goods | 1979 1 / NA | Lynda Resnick Stewart Resnick Co-owner, Vice Chair Co-owner, Chairman (310) 966-5701 | |
| 2 | FOREVER 21 | Forever 21 Inc. 3880 N. Mission Road Los Angeles 90031 forever21.com | 4,000.0 ' 3,400.0' | NA 35,000 | 50 | apparel and accessories' retailer | 1984 1 / NA | Jin Sook Chang Do Won Chang Co-owner CEO, Co-owner (213) 741-5100 | |
| 3 | Panda Restaurant Group, Inc. | Panda Restaurant Group 1683 Walnut Grove Ave. Rosemead 91770 pandarg.com | 3,000.0 2,903.0 | 2,967 31,669 | 53 | owner and operator of restaurant chains, which include Panda Express, Panda Inn and Hibachi San | 1973 1 / NA | Peggy Cherng Andrew Cherng Co-CEO, Co-Chairwoman Co-CEO, Co-Chairman (626) 799-9898 | |
| 4 | ACT+1Group | Act 1 Group Inc. 1999 W. 190th St. Torrance 90504 act1group.com | 2,400.0 ¹ 2,400.0 ¹ | NA NA | 100 | workforce management and human capital technology | 1978 8 / 187 | Janice Bryant Howroyd CEO, Chairwoman (310) 750-3400 | |
| 5 | AMERICA CHUNG NAM | America Chung Nam 1163 Fairway Drive City of Industry 91789 acni.net | 1,962.0 1,900.0 | 120 340 | 50 | waste paper and scrap plastics exporter | 1990 1/6 | Teresa Cheung CEO (909) 839-8383 | 6 |
| 6 | SUNRIDER International | Sunrider International 1625 Abalone Ave. Torrance 90501 sunrider.com | 350.0' 350.0' | NA NA | 50 | herbal products distributor | 1982 2/30 | Tei-Fu Chen Chairman (310) 781-8096 | |
| 7 | | Levine Leichtman Capital Partners 335 N. Maple Drive., Suite 130 Beverly Hills 90210 Ilcp.com | 338.8 587.1 | 46 57 | 51 | investment firm | 1985 1/7 | Lauren Leichtman CEO, Founding Principal (310) 275-5335 | |
| 8 | ACT HOLDINGS, | Account Control Technology Holdings Inc. 21700 Oxnard St., Suite 1400 Woodland Hills 91367 accountcontrol.com | 312.4 300.7 | 62 3,614 | NA | provider of business process outsourcing and financial services | 1990 1 / 18 | Tracey Carpentier CEO (818) 712-4999 | |
| 9 | | Marvin Engineering Co. Inc. 261 W. Beach Ave. Inglewood 90302 marvingroup.com | 231.5 216.4 | 703 801 | 54 | aerospace and defense manufacturer | 1963 4 / 5 | Gerald Friedman CEO, Chairman (310) 674-5030 | E. |
| 10 | DYNAMIC SYSTEMS INC. | Dynamic Systems Inc. 124 Maryland St. El Segundo 90245 dynamicsystemsinc.com | 151.5 125.0 | 21 60 | 100 | information technology services and systems provider | 1991 1 / 6 | Mardi Norman CEO, President (310) 337-4400 | |
| 11 | PARTNER Engineering and Science, Inc. | Partner Engineering and Science Inc. 2154 Torrance Blvd., Suite 200 Torrance 90501 partneresi.com | 130.0 118.7 | 30 700 | 51 | environmental, engineering and energy consulting and design firm | 2007 2/34 | Joseph Derhake President (800) 419-4923 | - |
| 12 | IT & AV Solutions for a More Connected World | GST Inc. 12881 166th St. Cerritos 90703 gstes.com | 104.0 120.0 | 80 98 | 57 | information technology and audio visual services provider | 1985 1 / 5 | JP Wang CEO (562) 345-8700 | |
| 13 | BEAUCHAMP DISTRIBUTING COMPANY | Beauchamp Distributing Co. 1911 S. Santa Fe Ave. Compton 90221 beauchampdist.com | 88.7 87.9 | 176 176 | 92 | beverage distributor | 1971 1/1 | Patrick Beauchamp President (310) 639-5320 | |
| 14 | JACOBSON | Jacobson Group 11835 W. Olympic Blvd., Suite 1100 E Los Angeles 90064 jacobsongrp.com | 84.3 97.3 | 21 21 | 100 | entertainment payroll and accounting | 1990 1 / 1 | Marcia Jacobson Owner (310) 444-5255 | |
| 15 | systems | SADA Systems Inc. 5250 Lankershim Blvd., Suite 620 North Hollywood 91601 sadasystems.com | 69.4 ' 69.4 | 150 180 | | business consulting services, IT services, cloud solutions, app development and managed services accurate as of press time. While every effort is made | 2000 1/2 | Tony Safoian CEO, President (818) 766-2400 | |

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| 16 | EGIS | Aegis Film & Television Group 7190 Sunset Blvd., Suite 275 Los Angeles 90046 aegisfilmgroup.com | \$62.5 \$59.0 | 15 18 | 100% | film production company | 2003 1 / 2 | Arianna Eisenberg CEO, Writer, Producer (818) 588-3545 | |
| 17 | greenerways organic, | Greenerways Organic 13635 Alma Ave. Gardena 90249 greenerways.com | 60.0 20.0 | 51 61 | 56 | manufacturer of organic products made from essential oils | 2011 1/4 | Jayme Bella CEO (800) 777-1603 | |
| 18 | Melrose MAC | MelroseMac 6614 Melrose Ave. Los Angeles 90038 melroseinc.com | 59.2 56.9 | 68 68 | | technology sales and services provider | 2003 2 / 2 | Sandra Nasseri CEO (323) 937-4600 | |
| <mark>19</mark> | GIROUX GLASS" | Giroux Glass Inc. 850 W. Washington Blvd., Suite 200 Los Angeles 90015 girouxglass.com | 56.0 43.7 | 143 208 | <mark>100</mark> | glass and glazing contractor | 1946 1/4 | Nataline Lomedico (CEO, President) (213) 747-7406 | |
| 20 | RIT COMPUQUEST Passis Pites: Terbeslase | RJT Compuquest Inc. 222 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Suite 2250 El Segundo 90245 rjtcompuquest.com | 52.5 44.0 | 110 325 | 50 | consulting services, IT staffing and IT project management | 1996 1 / 7 | Amarjit Shokeen CEO (310) 421-1292 | |
| 21 | | Premio Inc. 918 Radecki Court City of Industry 91748 premioinc.com | 45.0 44.5 | 110 119 | 72 | design, manufacturing and services provider | 1989 1/2 | Crystal Wu CEO, President (800) 977-3646 | |
| | Ē | InterTrend Communications Inc. 228 E. Broadway Long Beach 90802 intertrend.com | 45.0 44.0 | 74 74 | 100 | Asian-American advertising agency | 1991 2/2 | Julia Huang President (562) 733-1888 | |
| 23 | C SHERIDAN Promise Drive Process Driver | Sheridan Group 2045 Pontius Ave. Los Angeles 90025 thesheridangroupinc.com | 42.3 48.1 | 58 58 | 100 | health care, hospitality and corporate furniture dealer | 1984 3 / 4 | Dannine Sheridan President (310) 575-0664 | |
| 24 | CORNICHE | Corniche Group Inc. 8721 Sunset Blvd., Suite 200 West Hollywood 90069 corniche.com | 42.0 38.0 | 30 40 | 100 | corporate and leisure travel, event planning, meetings and incentive management, entertainment management | 1987 2 / 3 | Anastasia Mann CEO, Chairwoman (310) 854-6000 | Contraction of the second seco |
| 25 | K.T.'S KITCHENS, INC. | K.T.'s Kitchens Inc. 1065 E. Walnut St. Carson 90746 ktskitchens.com | 38.8 37.4 | 140 140 | 100 | manufacturer of frozen pizza products and bottled salad dressings | 1987 1 / 1 | Kathy Taggares CEO (310) 764-0850 | |
| 26 | MERIDITH BAER HOME | Meridith Baer Home 4100 Ardmore Ave. South Gate 90280 meridithbaer.com | 35.4 33.2 | 160 165 | 100 | home staging, luxury furniture leasing, interior design and event interiors | 1998 2 / 5 | Meridith Baer CEO, Founder (310) 204-5353 | |
| 27 | FRASER | Fraser Communications 1631 Pontius Ave. Los Angeles 90025 frasercommunications.com | 34.5 32.5 | 22 22 | 100 | advertising, public relations and marketing research | 1998 1 / 1 | Renee Fraser CEO (310) 319-3737 | |
| 28 | | AAA Cos. 25007 Anza Drive Valencia 91355 aaacompanies.com | 33.9 26.5 | 39 308 | 60 | national facility services provider | 1995 1 / 5 | JoAnn Katinos CEO (800) 892-4784 | |
| 29 | (DIRECT RESULTS | Direct Results Radio Inc. 815 Hampton Drive, Suite 2 Venice 90291 directresults.com | 32.1 30.9 | 24 32 | 100 | audio marketing agency | 2007 1 / 2 | Jill Albert President (310) 382-5000 | |
| 30 | ₼asco | Hasco Oil Holding Co. Inc. 2800 Temple Ave. Long Beach 90806 hascooil.com | 29.0 29.5 | 33 33 | 100 | lubricant and grease products' marketer, distributor and manufacturer | 1965 4 / 4 | Renee Bjorklund President (562) 595-8491 | |

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| | | • website | (in millions) | | | | (L.A./total) | • phone | |
| 31 | TECHLINK | TechLink Systems Inc. 8383 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 745 Beverly Hills 90211 techlinksystems.com | \$26.3 \$27.5 | 25 250 | 100% | IT consulting and staffing | 1998 1 / 6 | Jane Kim CEO, President (310) 300-1720 | |
| 32 | ZAMBEZI | Zambezi 10441 Jefferson Blvd. Culver City 90232 zambezi-la.com | 26.0 22.4 | 81 81 | 51 | independent creative advertising agency | 2006 1 / 1 | Jean Freeman CEO, Principal (310) 450-6800 | |
| 33 | ^{The} Miller Group | Miller Group 1516 S. Bundy Drive Los Angeles 90025 millergroupmarketing.com | 25.0 23.5 | NA NA | 100 | digital advertising and marketing agency, new product launches, brand revitalization | 1990 1 / 3 | Renee Miller President, Creative Director (310) 442-0101 | |
| 34 | youngsystems | Young Systems Corp. 13125 Midway Place Cerritos 90703 nuworldinc.com | 24.5 22.4 | 53 53 | 50 | office equipment wholesale and retail | 1985 1 / 1 | Young Lee President (562) 921-2256 | |
| 35 | KENDALL FROZEN FRUITS INC SNCE199 | Kendall Frozen Fruits Inc. 9777 Wilshire Blvd. Beverly Hills 90212 kendallfruit.com | 22.9 28.1 | 3 14 | 90 | frozen fruit, juice concentrate and dried fruit broker | 1978 1 / 2 | Susan Kendall CEO (310) 288-9920 | |
| 36 | El Clasificatio | El Clasificado 11205 Imperial Highway Norwalk 90650 elclasificado.com | 22.5 22.5 | NA NA | 50 | multimedia print, online and event marketing for the Hispanic community | 1988 2 / 5 | Martha de la Torre CEO, Publisher (323) 278-5310 | |
| 37 | JAMAN PROPERTIES | Jaman Properties 23823 Malibu Road, Suite 50 Malibu 90265 jamanproperties.com | 22.0 ' 22.0 | 22 | 50 | real estate development and home design | 2003 1 / 1 | Janus Cercone Co-Founder (310) 456-2001 | |
| 38 | ACE FENCE | Ace Fence Co. 727 Glendora Ave. La Puente 91744 acefencecompany.com | 21.3 18.5 | 95 95 | 51 | public works, installation of chain link and ornamental iron fencing; handrails, metal beam guard rails | 1949 2 / 2 | Amy Tsui President (626) 333-0727 | |
| 39 | PAR AVION MEETINGS & CONVENTIONS | Par Avion Travel Inc. 15901 Hawthorne Blvd., Suite 440 Lawndale 90260 paravion-inc.com | 21.2 21.2 | 16 16 | 100 | housing bureau for corporate meetings, conventions, trade shows and conferences | 1984 1 / 1 | Toby Brenner CEO, President (310) 670-2970 | |
| 40 | Bakk POWER TO SOLVE | B&K Electric 1225 S. Johnson Drive City of Industry 91745 bk-electric.com | 20.9 29.9 | 17 35 | 85 | electrical distributor | 1958 1 / 4 | Todd Brown CEO, President (626) 965-5040 | |
| 41 | GENERAL INDUSTRIAL TOOL & SUPPLY | General Industrial Tool & Supply 7649 San Fernando Road Burbank 91505 gitool.com | 19.9 23.8 | 47 47 | 100 | distributor of industrial tools and supplies | 1951 1 / 1 | Karen Boyle President (818) 504-9333 | |
| 42 | MANSOUR travel company | Mansour Travel Co. 8383 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 350 Beverly Hills 90211 mansourtravel.com | 19.4 21.4 | 13 13 | 100 | travel agency | 1981 1 / 1 | Kay Mansour CEO, President (310) 276-2768 | |
| 43 | Giuliano's, I - I . delicatessen & bakery | Giuliano's Bakery 1264 E. Walnut St. Carson 90746 giulianos.com | 19.0 18.4 | 77 92 | 50 | wholesale bakery, fresh and frozen products | 1952 1 / NA | Gregory Ritmire President (310) 537-7700 | |
| 44 | COMMUNICATION PREFECTION | LightWerks Communication Systems Inc. ² 3331 Jack Northrop Ave. Hawthorne 90250 ccsproav.com | 17.0 21.0 | 35 55 | 51 | audio-visual dealer/contractor specializing in integrated technology display systems in conference rooms, classrooms and public venues | 1996 1 / 5 | David Riberi CEO (424) 675-2600 | |

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| | athena engineering inc." Reg. : Graday . 1922 ; Gradaya | Athena Engineering Inc. 456 E. Foothill Blvd. San Dimas 91773 athenaengineering.com | \$17.0 ' \$17.0' | NA NA | 100% | mechanical HVAC system design/ integration; building automation systems, security and access | 1984 1 / 1 | Jane Chiera President (909) 599-0947 | |
| 46 | Thoreau Services | Thoreau Services Inc. 5120 W. Goldleaf Circle, Suite 10 Los Angeles 90056 thoreauservices.com | 16.8 12.7 | 140 149 | 60 | provider of cleaning, emergency and construction services to retailers, builders and facility maintenance providers | 1983 1 / 2 | Nicki Frank CEO, President (310) 822-8017 | |
| 47 | VNS MARINE SUM 1931 Sometime in Sher Metal Sum 1931 | VNSM 6421 Alondra Blvd. Paramount 90723 vnsm.net | 16.5 13.6 | 60 60 | 100 | sheet metal subcontractor | 1991 1 / 1 | Lilly Chang Owner (562) 663-8900 | |
| 48 | • | Technical Works 13200 Crossroads Parkway North, Suite 115 City of Industry 91746 twistaff.com | 16.0 ' 16.0 | 21 32 | 80 | staffing and search firm | 1999 1 / 4 | Ingrid Arciniaga CEO, President (562) 908-1041 | |
| | PETER PEPPER PRODUCTS | Peter Pepper Products Inc. 17929 S. Susana Road Compton 90221 peterpepper.com | 16.0 15.6 | 70 70 | 72 | furniture and accessories designer for commercial interiors | 1952 2 / 2 | Sigi Pepper CEO, President (310) 639-0390 | |
| 50 | HALTON PARDEE +PARTNERS | Halton Pardee & Partners Inc. 1524 Abbot Kinney Blvd. Venice 90291 haltonpardee.com | 15.2 13.9 | 41 43 | 100 | real estate brokerage firm | 2005 3 / 4 | Tami Halton Pardee Owner, Broker (310) 907-6517 | |
| 51 | К NOCK К NOCK | Knock Knock 1635 Electric Ave. Venice 90291 knockknockstuff.com | 15.0 15.0 | 53 53 | 100 | maker of gifts, books and other novelties | 2002 1 / 1 | Jen Bilik CEO (310) 396-4132 | |
| 52 | | Brascia Builders Inc. 2801 E. Anaheim St. Long Beach 90804 brasciabuilders.com | 14.9 14.9 | 28 29 | 50 | general contractor | 2009 1 / 2 | Michael Brascia President (562) 576-0900 | |
| | Marina Graphic Center | Marina Graphic Center Inc. 12901 Cerise Ave. Hawthorne 90250 marinagraphics.com | 14.9 14.5 | 110 110 | 60 | offset and digital printing, custom letterpress, project fulfillment and mailing services | 1964 1 / 1 | Peggy Chernoff CEO (310) 970-1777 | |
| 54 | | Ronin Staffing 500 N. Brand Blvd., Suite 625 Glendale 91203 roninllc.com | 14.1 20.6 | NA 250 | 100 | temporary staffing agency | 2008 1 / 3 | Vivian Rutherford CEO, President (818) 303-1340 | |
| 55 | PICORE INTERNATIONAL | Picore International Security 23679 Calabasas Road, Unit 215 Calabasas 91302 picoreinternational.com | 14.0 ' 14.0 | 50 352 | 100 | armed and unarmed security guards, executive/ VIP protection and private investigation | 1998 1 / 4 | Dana Picore CEO, President (818) 888-9659 | |
| 56 | | Tumbleweed Transportation P.O. Box 49291 Los Angeles 90049 tumbleweedtransportation.com | 12.8 11.2 | NA 160 | 100 | school bus contractor | 1994 1 / 1 | Erin Borda CEO, President (310) 444-3232 | |
| 57 | | Anything 2 Everything 12001 Ventura Place, Suite 410 Studio City 91604 teama2e.com | 12.5 12.4 | 10 30 | 100 | events, branded merchandise and creative services | 2009 1 / 5 | Ashley Wyatt President (818) 308-7000 | |
| 58 | SPRACUES READY MIRE | Spragues' Ready Mix 230 E. Longden Ave. Irwindale 91706 srmconcrete.com | 12.4 11.5 | 25 40 | 64 | manufacturing and delivery of ready mix concrete | 1927 1 / 2 | Michael Toland President (626) 445-2125 | |

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| 9 | | NorthStar Moving Co. 9120 Mason Ave. Chatsworth 91311 northstarmoving.com | \$12.3 \$14.5 | 98 98 | 50% | moving and storage services | 1994 2 / 3 | Ram Katalan CEO, Co-Founder (310) 451-7221 | |
| 60 | ForensisGroup | ForensisGroup 301 N. Lake Ave., Suite 420 Pasadena 91101 forensisgroup.com | 12.2 9.6 | 21 21 | 80 | technical and scientific expert and consulting services | 1991 1 / 1 | Mercy Steenwyk CEO, President (626) 795-5000 | |
| 61 | RE/MAX | Re/Max Estate Properties 63 Malaga Cove Plaza Palos Verdes Estates 90274 realestatelosangeles.com | 11.5 11.5 | 74 74 | 90 | real estate brokerage | 1987 15 / 15 | Sandra Sanders President (310) 378-9494 | |
| 62 | [≇] promotions | Promotions Dept. 24238 Hawthorne Blvd. Torrance 90505 thepromotionsdept.com | 11.3 10.0 | 19 21 | 51 | provider of branded promotional products to the corporate and sports industry | 1992 1/3 | Linda Tulchin President (310) 791-7006 | |
| 63 | | Canon Recruiting Group 26531 Summit Circle Santa Clarita 91350 canonrecruiting.com | 11.1 13.2 | 75 250 | 51 | nationwide staffing and search firm | 1980 1 / 2 | Laurie Grayem CEO, Managing Partner (661) 252-7400 | |
| 64 | | Global Transloading 1842 E. 29th St. Signal Hill 90755 globaltransloading.com | 11.0 ' 11.0 | 15 15 | 100 | construction waste hauler | 2004 1 / 2 | Shannon Griego President (562) 495-9600 | Ø |
| | DUSIVE | Lusive Decor 3400 Medford St. Los Angeles 90063 Iusivedecor.com | 11.0 11.7 | 52 52 | 51 | manufacturer of custom lighting and accessories | 2003 1 / 1 | Sally Thomas Cooper CEO (323) 227-9207 | |
| 66 | PENINSULA ESCROW | Peninsula Escrow 57 Malaga Cove Plaza Palos Verdes Estates 90274 penescrow.com | 10.4 9.0 | 40 40 | 100 | escrow services for real estate transactions | 1989 8 / 8 | Sandra Sanders President (310) 373-1063 | |
| 67 | INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS INSUITANCE SERVICES | Innovative Solutions Insurance Services 200 N. Sepulveda Blvd., Suite 900 El Segundo 90245 innovativesolutions.net | 10.2 14.0 | 25 NA | 100 | insurance brokerage firm | 1998 1 / 1 | Lynne Rosenberg President (800) 551-8289 | |
| 68 | TeamAdhoc | Team Adhoc 1055 E. Colorado Blvd., Suite 500 Pasadena 91106 team-adhoc.com | 9.9 8.5 | 20 20 | 100 | provider of business services specializing in accounting, financing, governance risk and compliance | 2014 1 / 2 | Nancy Nip Rouguine CEO, President (626) 788-1055 | |
| | Murphy O'Brier | Murphy O'Brien Inc. 11444 W. Olympic Blvd., Suite 600 Los Angeles 90064 murphyobrien.com | 9.9 9.3 | 59 57 | 50 | public relations | 1989 1/2 | Karen Murphy O'Brien CEO, Chairwoman (310) 453-2539 | |
| 70 | RED | Roth Event-full Design Co. Inc. 10323 Los Alamitos Blvd. Long Beach 90702 redcompany.com | 9.5 7.3 | 22 22 | 100 | meeting and event planning, branded promotional items, apparel | 2008 1 / 1 | Carmela Roth President (562) 498-1270 | |
| 71 | Councilian of the second secon | Cowelco Steel Contractors 1634 W. 14th St. Long Beach 90813 cowelco.com | 9.0 6.9 | 24 49 | 100 | steel fabricators and erectors | 1947 1 / 1 | Tamery McCrabb President (562) 432-5766 | |
| 72 | Sapphos Sec | Sapphos Environmental Inc. 430 N. Halstead St. Pasadena 91107 sapphosenvironmental.com | 8.7 6.0 | 43 43 | 100 | environmental firm focused on planning, resource management, environmental compliance, monitoring and permitting | 1992 1 / 1 | Marie Campbell President (626) 683-3547 | |

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WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES

| Rank | | Company • name • address • website | Revenue • 2017 • 2016 (in millions) | Employees • L.A. County • total | Percentage Woman- Owned | Description | Profile • year founded • offices (L.A./total) | Top Executive • name • title • phone | |
|------|---|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| 73 | Bench. | Bench International 12121 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 750 Los Angeles 90025 benchinternational.com | \$8.4 \$8.2 | 17 25 | 100% | executive search firm for life science and health care industries | 1974 1/6 | Denise DeMan CEO, Chairwoman (310) 854-9900 | |
| 74 | Equis | Equis Staffing 27001 Agoura Road, Suite 160 Calabasas 91301 equisdifference.com | 8.2 8.0 | 9 9 | 100 | placement of IT and accounting/finance professionals | 2006 1 / 1 | Carrie Nebens President (818) 444-0100 | · |
| 75 | | Culinary Services of America Inc. 6363 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 305 Los Angeles 90048 culinarystaffing.com | 8.0 5.5 | 800 800 | 100 | special event staffing for the food service and hospitality industries | 1999 1 / 1 | Randy Hopp President (323) 965-7582 | |
| 76 | Ø | FCI Management 3850 E. Gilman St. Long Beach 90815 fcimgt.com | 7.8 ' 7.8 | 47 50 | 51 | energy/water efficiency management services and retrofit programs for residential and non-residential customers | 1998 1/2 | Patricia Watts CEO, President (562) 719-9300 | |
| 77 | bpr | Ballantines PR 9200 Sunset Blvd., Suite 920 West Hollywood 90069 ballantinespr.com | 7.5 6.5 | 25 25 | 100 | public relations | 2000 1 / 2 | Sarah Robarts President (310) 454-3080 | (|
| 78 | 4 | Network Magic Unlimited 2999 Overland Ave., Suite 210 Los Angeles 90064 netmagicu.com | 7.0 7.0 | 12 12 | 100 | computer network services: cyber security, hardware, software, engineering, network monitoring and cloud services | 1993 1 / 1 | Susan Pignotti President (310) 449-1411 | |
| 79 | SAGE Millimeter, Inc | Sage Millimeter Inc. 3043 Kashiwa St. Torrance 90505 sagemillimeter.com | 6.7 8.2 | 47 47 | 68 | technology company focused on developing high-performance microwave and millimeter-wave components and sub- assemblies for commercial and military system applications | 2011 2/2 | Yonghui Shu CEO, President (424) 757-0168 | |
| 80 | FACTOR | Infrastructure Factor Consulting Inc. 2361 Rosecrans Ave., Suite 368 El Segundo 90245 ifactor.com | 6.4 6.2 | 40 42 | 51 | mechanical, electrical, plumbing consulting engineering services | 2006 1 / 3 | Brittany Dianat CEO (310) 725-1500 | |
| | Sheridancare Sheridancare | Sheridan Care 3710 S. Robertson Blvd. Suite 216 Culver City 90232 sheridancare.com | 6.4 6.3 | 160 222 | 100 | licensed home care workers in homes, hospitals or retirement communities | 2001 1 / 2 | Susan Marie Dost CEO (310) 204-1187 | |
| 82 | t m ^c technology concepts | Technology Management Concepts 807 Parkview Drive North, Suite 150 El Segundo 90245 abouttmc.com | 6.3 6.6 | NA NA | 100 | sells and implements Microsoft Dynamics ERP accounting software | 1984 1 / 1 | Jennifer Harris Principal (310) 559-3982 | |
| 83 | CUALITY HATFION HANGING INC. | Quality Material Handling Inc. 900 W. Foothill Blvd. Azusa 91702 qmhinc.com | 6.2 6.7 | 40 40 | 51 | distributor and manufacturer of warehouse equipment and storage items | 1991 2 / 2 | Hector Pinto CEO, President (626) 812-9722 | |
| 84 | REDBIRD | Redbird 3617 Eastham Drive Culver City 90232 redbirdgroup.com | 6.0 6.0 | 18 18 | 100 | creative and strategic marketing agency | 1996 1/2 | Susan Gates CEO, Founding Partner (818) 388-5234 | Ø |
| 85 | CRAA CUSTOM INC. CRAA CUSTOM INC. CALL FOR A QUOTZ / 213,749,4440 | CR&A Custom Inc. 312 W. Pico Blvd. Los Angeles 90015 cracustom.com | 5.9 5.6 | NA NA | 100 | large format digital printer | 1993 1 / 1 | Carmen Rad President (213) 749-4440 | |
| 86 | Tel John Moneta Henre | Fred Jefferson Memorial Homes 152 W. Walnut St., Suite 150 Gardena 90248 fredjeffersoninc.com | 5.6 ' 5.6 | 28 43 | 100 | residential, psychological and educational services for children in foster care | 1989 3 / 5 | Cecilia Jefferson-Freeman CEO (310) 763-1660 | |

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|------|--|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---|---|--|----------------|
| | | name address website | • 2017 • 2016 (in millions) | • L.A. County • total | Owned | | year founded offices (L.A./total) | name title phone | |
| | Anter France Ac- Report & Report Philips | LA Business Personnel Inc. 3325 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 805 Los Angeles 90010 labusinesspersonnel.com | \$5.6 \$5.5 | NA NA | 100% | temporary and regular full-time staffing agency | 1988 1 / 1 | Jila Davachi Office Manager (213) 365-1010 | |
| 88 | pretzel king | Pretzel King 3520 Giddings Ranch Road Altadena 91001 N/A | 5.4 6.0 | 65 105 | 100 | fast food franchises | 1994 1 / NA | Linda Read President (818) 634-2449 | Atomic Atomics |
| | KONNECT | Konnect Agency 888 S. Figueroa St., Suite 1000 Los Angeles 90017 konnectagency.com | 5.4 5.2 | 30 38 | 100 | public relations, interactive, marketing and content creation services | 2009 1 / 3 | Sabina Gault CEO (213) 988-8344 | |
| 90 | Dura Flooring, Inc. | Dura Flooring Inc. 4720 E. Washington Blvd. Los Angeles 90040 duracarpet.com | 5.3 5.1 | 14 14 | 100 | flooring contractor | 1986 1 / 1 | Trinidad Alday President (323) 262-4550 | |
| 91 | REGAN GROUP | Regan Group 360 W. 132nd St. Los Angeles 90061 theregangroup.com | 5.2 4.1 | 30 30 | 100 | marketing agency | 1991 1 / 1 | Patti Regan CEO, President (310) 327-7321 | |
| 92 | Ellest on the | First Call Staffing Inc. 2780 Skypark Drive, Suite 340 Torrance 90505 firstcallstaff.com | 5.1 4.4 | 175 175 | 100 | staffing agency providing office support, light industrial personnel | 1990 1 / 1 | Marcia Allen President (310) 539-2884 | |
| 93 | States LBW Insurance I Financial Services | LBW Insurance and Financial Services 28055 Smyth Drive Valencia 91355 Ibwinsurance.com | 5.0 4.9 | 35 35 | 51 | independent agency providing insurance, group benefits, financial services and risk control strategies | 1922 1 / 1 | Mitzi Like CEO, President (661) 702-6000 | |
| | any zimmerman associates inc recorder transmission | Amy Zimmerman & Associates Inc. 5334 Torrance Blvd., Second Floor Torrance 90503 azastaffing.com | 5.0 4.3 | 10 10 | 100 | executive recruiting, direct hire, temporary staffing, temp-hire staffing | 1993 1 / 2 | Amy Zimmerman President (310) 798-6979 | |
| 95 | Parmasels Domesry, bc. | Partners In Diversity Inc. 690 E. Green St., Suite 101 Pasadena 91101 partnersindiversity.com | 4.8 3.6 | 177 185 | | staffing agency providing payroll services, temporary, temporary-to-hire and direct-hire employment and business process services | 2002 1 / 1 | Arlene Apodaca Co-Owner, Founder, Vice President (626) 793-0020 | |
| 96 | Communications | MPRM Communications 5055 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 840 Los Angeles 90036 mprm.com | 4.6 5.1 | 30 31 | 50 | public relations firm | 1998 1/1 | Rachel McCallister Chairwoman (323) 933-3399 | |
| 97 | Adville/USA | Adville/USA Inc. 44 S. Mentor Ave. Pasadena 91106 adville-usa.com | 4.4 ¹ 4.4 | 8 8 | 100 | advertising, marketing and promotional services | 1985 1 / 1 | Victoria Walls CEO, President (626) 397-9911 | |
| | Contribute thermete | Cynthia Bennett & Associates Inc. 501 Fair Oaks Ave. South Pasadena 91030 cynthiabennett.com | 4.4 6.1 | 6 6 | | design-build construction, remodeling, additions, interior design | 1980 1 / 1 | Cynthia Bennett President (626) 799-9701 | |
| 99 | SITK BOMEONE'S IN THE KITCHEN | Someone's in the Kitchen 5973 Reseda Blvd. Tarzana 91356 sitk.com | 4.3 4.4 | 35 50 | | catering and event planning | 1980 1 / 1 | Joann Roth-Oseary President (818) 343-5151 | |
| 100 | SUPERB Tech Inc | SuperbTech Inc. 5800 Hannum Ave., Suite 150 Culver City 90230 superbtechinc.com | 4.1 ¹ 4.1 | NA NA | | contract and permanent placement staffing services | 1998 1 / 1 | Jan Davis President (310) 645-1199 | |
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