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West Virginia's Largest Private Employers for March 2009

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WorkForce West Virginia's list of the 100 largest private employers, compiled from data for first quarter 2009, ranks retail giant Wal-Mart as the state's largest employer. Wal-Mart has maintained this position since 1998.

The list contains businesses with both single and multiple locations and ranks companies according to the number of employees. The data are extracted from the Quarterly Contributions Report for the first quarter of each year and available to the public by the third quarter of each year.

West Virginia's top five largest private employers are Wal-Mart, West Virginia United Health System, Charleston Area Medical Center, Kroger, and American Electric Power, reflecting the strength of service-providing jobs in the economy.

Several employers in the top ten have shifted positions, although the same players continue to define this group.

The top ten businesses in total lost slightly over 400 employees in the past year, faring well when compared with the total for the state which lost over 10,000 in employment from March 2008 to March 2009. The sum employment of the top 100 employers declined by only about 100 from March 2008. Analysis of all private employers by size (also published on the website) indicated all size groups except the largest (those over 1,000 employees) lost both units and employment over the past year.

Those businesses continuing to expand tend to be in the health care and energy sectors while contracting members tend to be in trade and services.

This list was prepared from information provided by employers covered under the unemployment compensation insurance system, through the federal/state Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program conducted in West Virginia by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor and WorkForce West Virginia's Research, Information and Analysis Division.

The lists for the state and counties for each year since 1999 and workforce investment areas since 2002 can be found on the website: www.workforcewv.org/lmi or by contacting the Research, Information, and Analysis Division at 304.558.2658.

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Rank	Name
1	Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.
2	West Virginia United Health System
3	Charleston Area Medical Center, Inc.
4	Kroger
5	American Electric Power
6	Eldercare Resources Corporation
7	St. Mary's Hospital
8	CSX/CSX Hotels Inc. (The Greenbrier and railroad)
9	Consolidation Coal Company
10	Lowe's Home Centers, Inc.
11	Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
12	Cabell Huntington Hospital, Inc.
13	Res-Care.Inc.
14	Wheeling Hospital, Inc.
15	Verizon
16	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation of West Virginia
17	E I DuPont De Nemours & Company
18	Rite Aid of West Virginia, Inc.
19	Allegheny Energy Service Corporation
20	Mentor Management, Inc. (Mentor Network, The)
21	Mountaineer Park, Inc.
22	Bob Evans Farms, Inc.
23	West Virginia University Medical Co. (University Health Associates)
24	Camden-Clark Memorial Hospital
25	Alliant Techsystems, Inc.
26	Monongalia General Hospital, The
27	K Mart Corporation
28	BB&T Corporation
29	GMRI, Inc.
30	GC Services Limited Partnership
31	Eastern Associated Coal Corporation
32	PNGI Charles Town Gaming, Ltd.
33	Herbert J Thomas Memorial Hospital Association
34	West Virginia's Choice, Inc.
35	Employee Resource Group, LLC
36	Alcan Rolled Products
37	Teletch Customer Care Management (West Virginia), Inc.
38	DOLGENCORP, Inc. (Dollar General Stores)
39	Dominion Transmission, Inc.
40	Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation/Nisource
41	Toyota Motor Manufacturing, West Virginia, Inc.
42	Weirton Medical Center
43	Go-Mart, Inc.
44	Cracker Barrel Old Country Store
45	ArcelorMittal Weirton, Inc.
45	Hobet Mining, LLC
47	Heartland Employment Services, LLC
48	Spartan Mining Company
49	United Parcel Service Inc. (WV District)
50	Elk Run Coal Company, Inc. (Black Castle Mining Company)

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51	Raleigh General Hospital, LLC
52	Aegis Communications Group, Inc.
53	Highmark West Virginia, Inc. (Mountain State Blue Cross and Blue Shield)
54	Huntington Alloys Corporation
55	Ohio Valley Medical Center, Inc.
56	Babcock & Wilcox Construction Company, Inc.
57	Wesbanco Bank, Inc.
58	Acordia/Wells Fargo Third Party Administrator, Inc.
59	Food Lion, LLC
60	American Woodmark Corporation
61	Little General Store, Inc.
62	Alex Energy, Inc. (Intrepid Mining Company)
63	J C Penney Company, Inc.
64	Cabela's, Inc.
65	Asplundh Tree Expert Company
66	United National Bank
67	Sears, Roebuck and Company
68	Bluefield Regional Medical Center, Inc.
69	Gabriel Brothers, Inc.
70	Simonton Building Products, Inc.
71	Gino's/Tudors Biscuit World
72	McDonalds Restaurants of West Virginia, Inc.
73	Owner's Solution, Inc. (Personnel Management Company)
74	Prestera Center for Mental Health Services
75	Advance Stores Company, Inc.
76	Appalachian Regional Healthcare
77	Snowshoe Mountain, Inc.
78	Quad/Graphics, Inc.
79	City National Bank of Charleston
80	Severstal Wheeling Steel Corporation (Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel)
81	Echosphere, LLC
82	Sunhealth Specialty Services, Inc.
83	Wheeling Downs Racing Association, Inc.
84	Alcon Research, Ltd
85	Davis Memorial Hospital
85	Pleasant Valley Hospital, Inc.
87	St. Joseph's Healthcare System (St. Joseph's Hospital)
88	Cecil I. Walker Machinery Company
89	Universal Cable Holdings
90	Homer Laughlin China Company, The
91	Global Contact Services, LLC
92	Armstrong Hardwood Flooring Company
93	Mountain State University, Inc.
94	Charleston Hospital, Inc. (Saint Francis Hospital)
95	Logan General Hospital, LLC
96	TRG Customer Solutions
97	Aker Construction, Inc.
98	Racing Corporation of West Virginia
99	DirectTV Customer Service, Inc.
100	Chapman Corporation