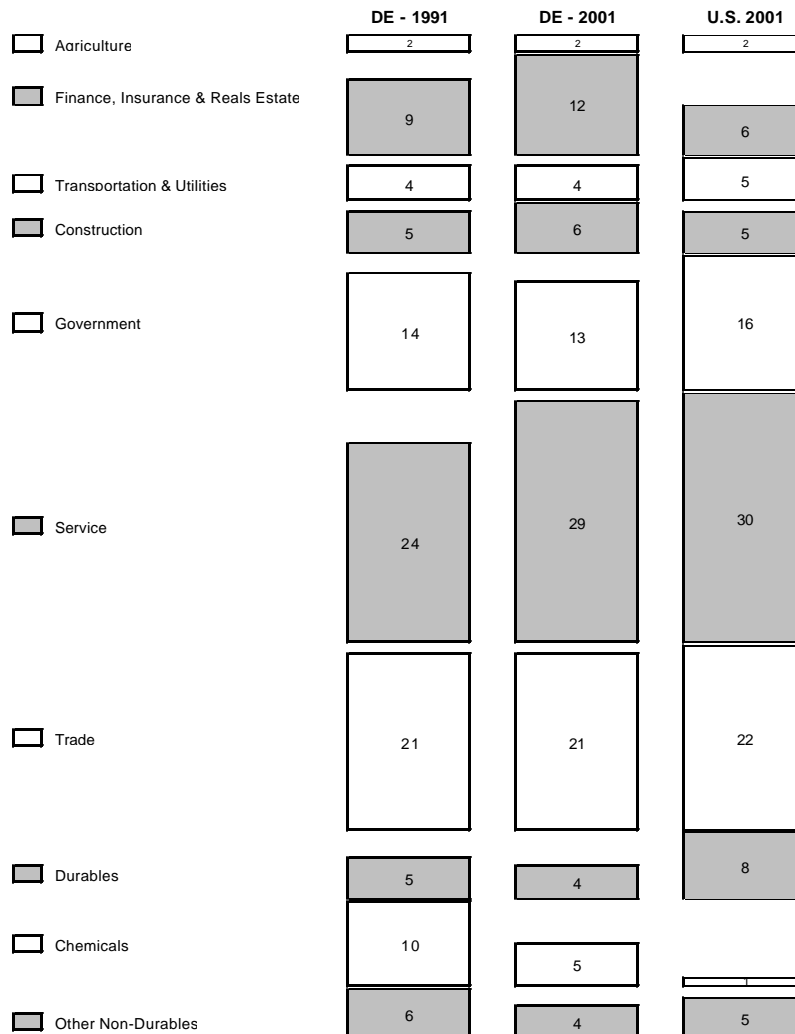


## Non-Agricultural Employment Growth Rates

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Delaware	3.1%	3.2%	3.2%	1.7%	(0.2)%
Mid-Atlantic Region	2.0%	2.0%	2.4%	2.2%	0.3%
United States	2.6%	2.6%	2.4%	2.2%	0.2%

The following chart shows Delaware's employment base has enjoyed vigorous growth in historically smaller sectors within the State. Once heavily reliant on the manufacturing base, Delaware has experienced a robust expansion in the finance, insurance, and real estate sector, as well as the services sector.

## Percentage Distribution of Employment



Sources: U.S. Department of Labor and Delaware Department of Labor