

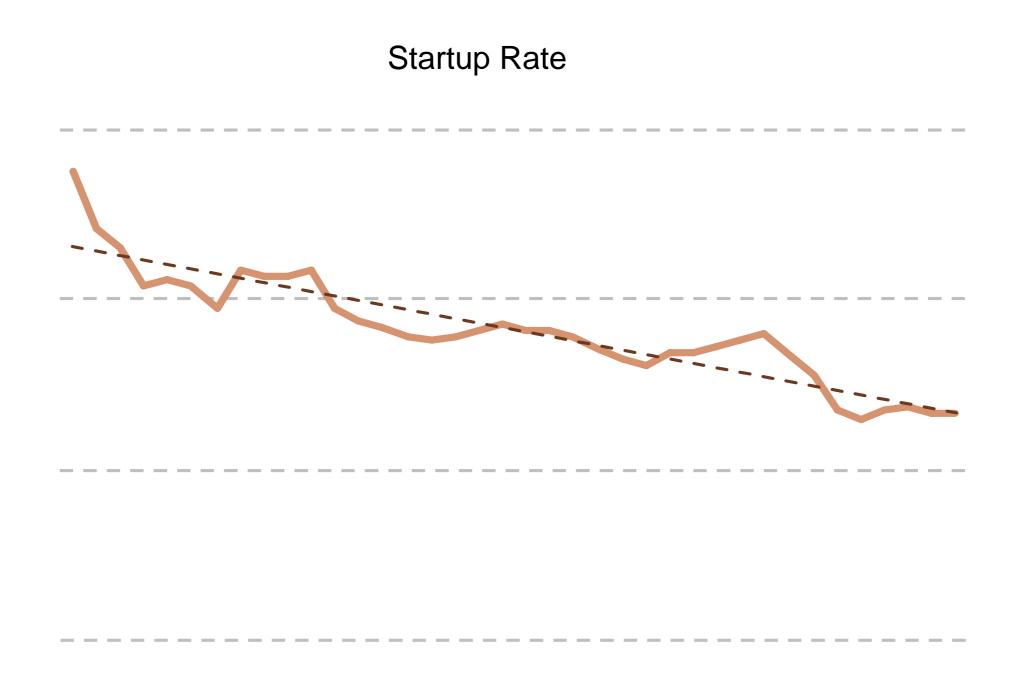
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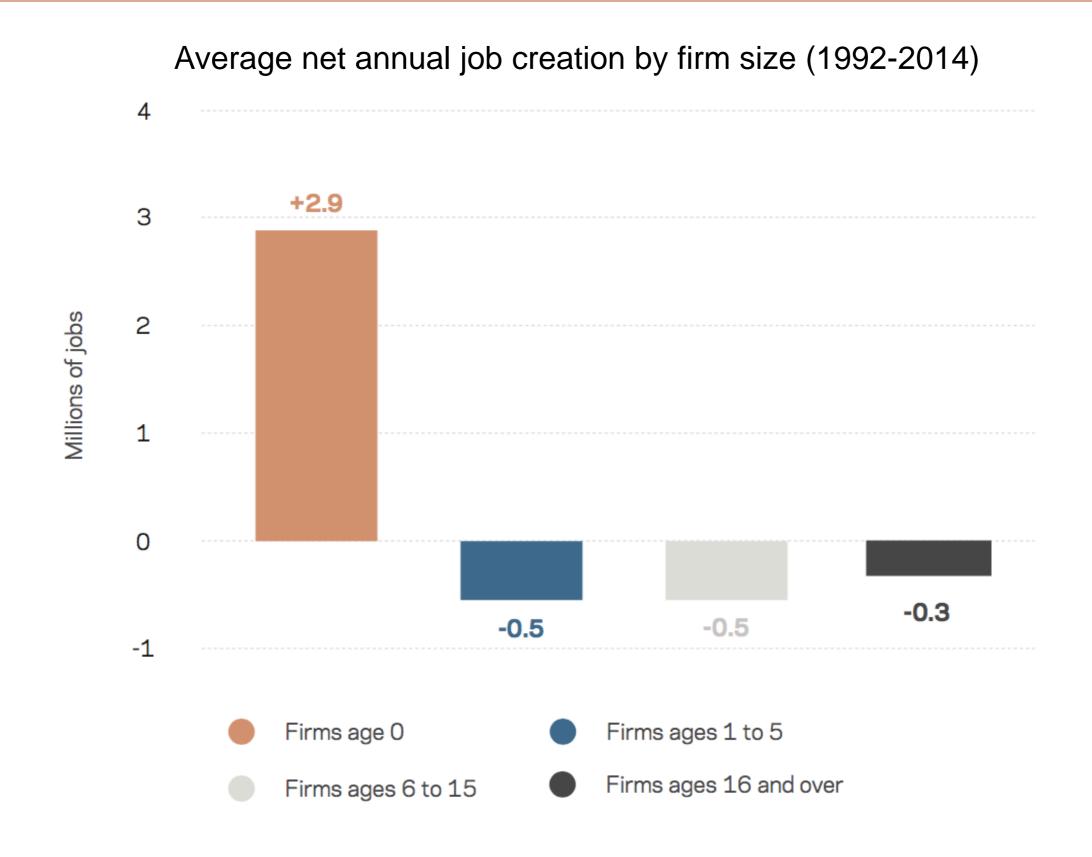


The slowdown in firm creation is the centerpiece of a pervasive decline in economic dynamism



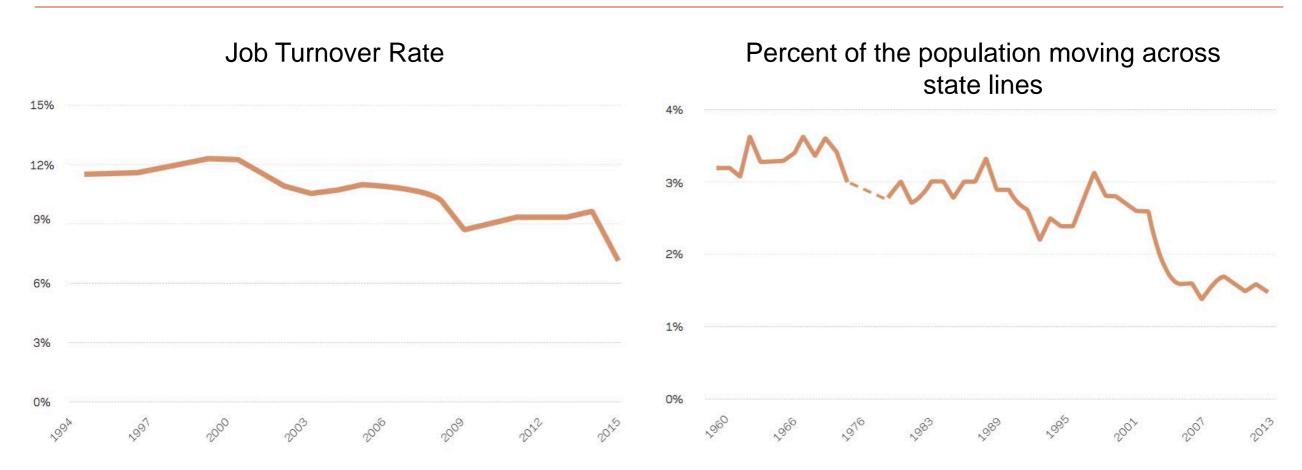


New firms drive net annual job creation





Other metrics of "churn" in steep decline



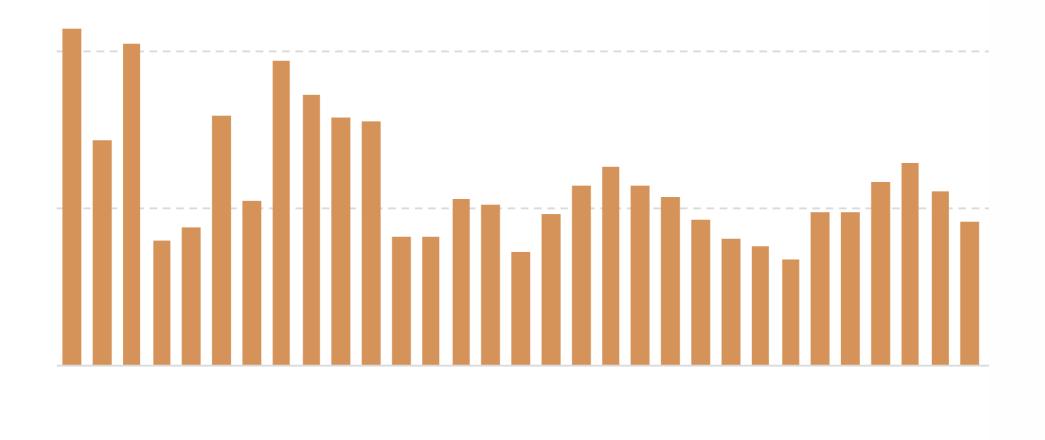
Total U.S. employment in new companies





Historically, the number of firms in the economy increased every year...

Net change in the number of firms in the U.S. economy

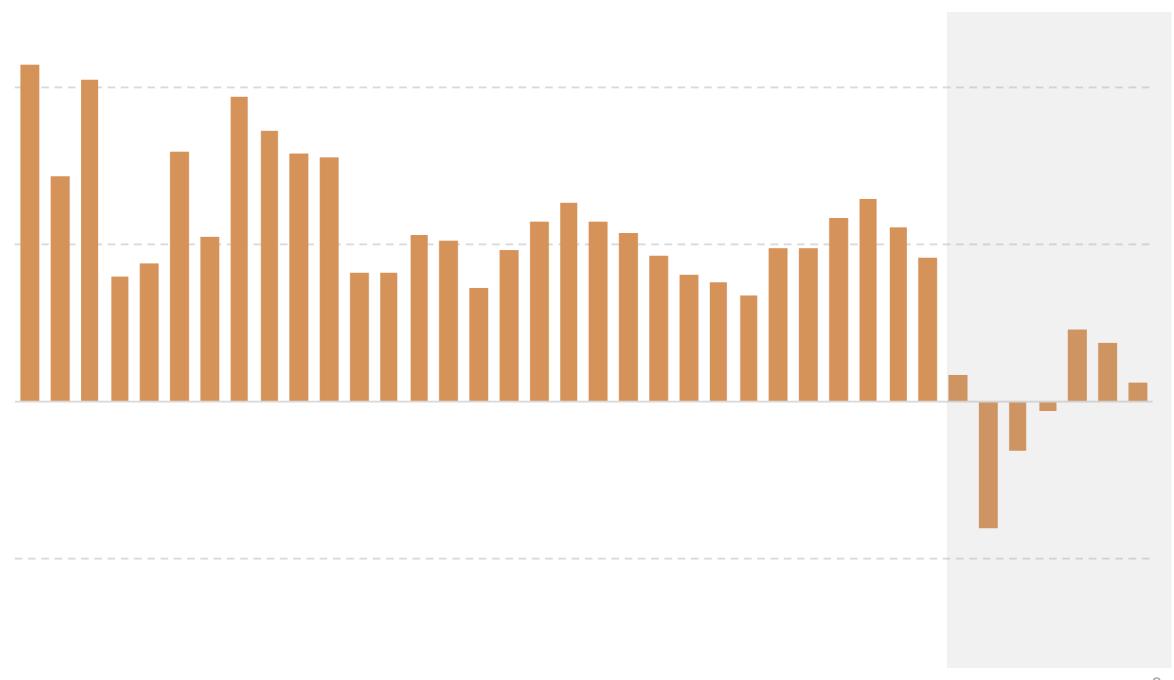


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...but the great recession marked a turning point with firm deaths outnumbering births for the first time

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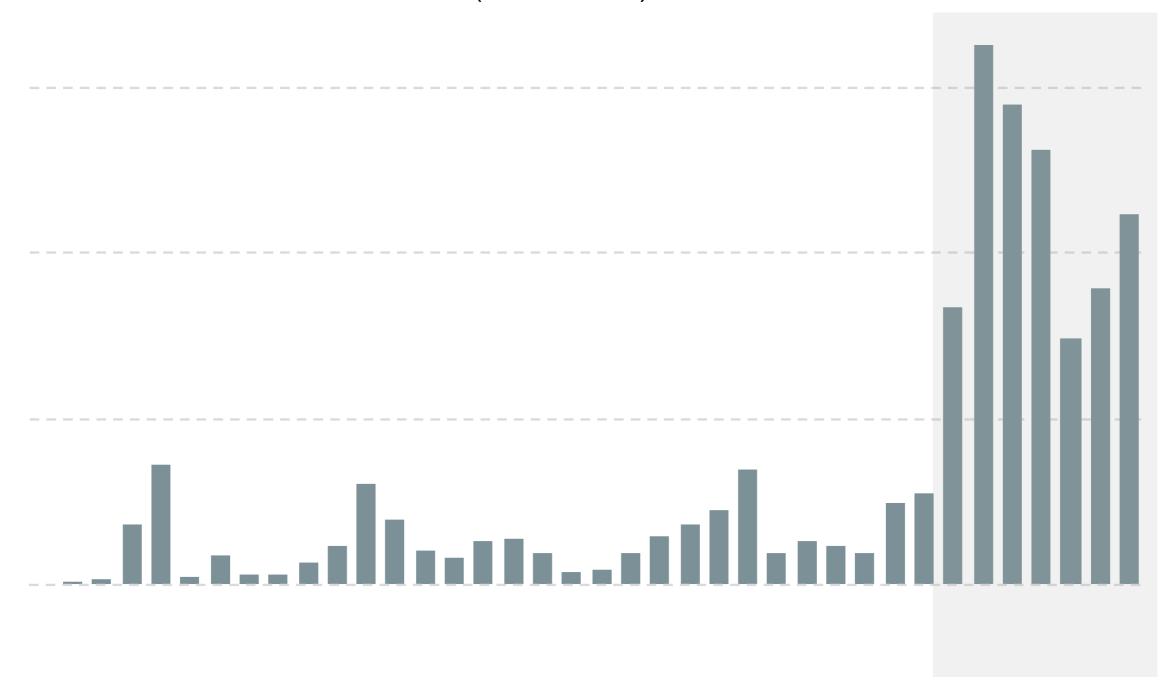
In the 30-year period starting in 1977, very few metro areas saw more firm deaths than births...

Number of metro areas in which the firm death rate exceeds the firm birth rate (Total = 366)



... after 2007, the number of metro areas where firm deaths exceeded births more than quadrupled

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