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A GAS STATION FOR EVERY 2,500 EMBARGOED UNTIL: 12:01 A.M.
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ANNOUNCER:

THERE WERE ALMOST 117-THOUSAND GAS STATIONS IN THE U-S IN 2006. THOSE GAS STATIONS EMPLOY MORE THAN 910-THOUSAND PEOPLE AND HAVE A TOTAL ANNUAL PAYROLL OF 15-BILLION DOLLARS, ACCORDING TO THE U-S CENSUS BUREAU. HAWAII, CONNECTICUT AND ALASKA HAD THE HIGHEST AVERAGE ANNUAL PAYROLL PER EMPLOYEE IN THIS INDUSTRY. THREE LARGE COUNTIES HAD AN AVERAGE ANNUAL PAYROLL PER EMPLOYEE THAT WAS HIGHER THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE FOR THIS INDUSTRY. THEY ARE HONOLULU COUNTY, HAWAII; TROUP COUNTY, GEORGIA; AND HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY. THESE NUMBERS COME FROM THE 2006 COUNTY BUSINESS PATTERNS. THIS ANNUAL REPORT CONTAINS DATA THAT COVER MORE THAN SEVEN-POINT-SIX MILLION BUSINESSES WITH PAID EMPLOYEES AT THE NATIONAL, STATE AND COUNTY LEVELS. FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT W-W-W-DOT-CENSUS-DOT-GOV.

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