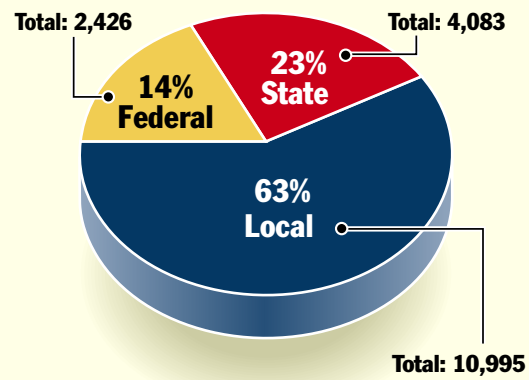




### Government Employees

Total number in thousands



#### Critical Thinking

The total number of government employees decreased by nearly a million people in the last 5 years. **Why would there be more local employees than state and federal employees combined?**

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000.