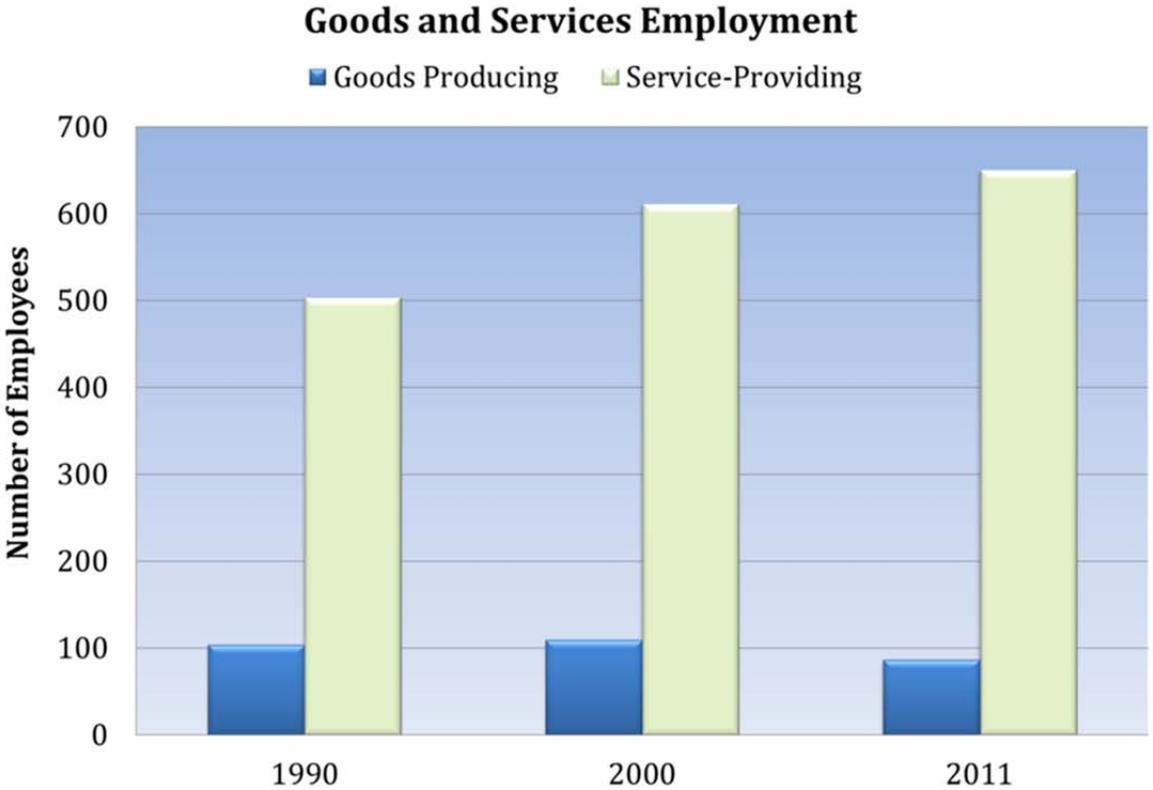


Figure 1.11 Comparison of Goods and Service Employment in Hampton Roads



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, HRPDC

Why is it important?

Historically, the goods sector has been large, playing a dominant role in the region's economy. In recent years, the service sector has grown more important. Services are now part of the export industry, bringing in money from outside the region. Note that neither category captures active duty military employment.

How are we doing?

Hampton Roads participates in the trend of declining manufacturing growth. The U.S. experienced a 30% decline in goods producing employment vs. an 18.6% decline in the region (2000-2011).

