

The main indicators of the number of subjects

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1. Key points

As of August 1, 2025, the number of registered legal entities amounted to 547760 units, including 427262 operating legal entities. The number of registered subjects of individual entrepreneurship amounted to 1874108, including 1782349 operating entities. The number of registered small and medium-sized businesses amounted to 2352617 units, including 2149601 operating ones.

Registered and operating entities by dimension and activity

as of August 1, 2025

By dimension	Legal entities		Subjects of individual entrepreneurship		Branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities		Subjects of small and medium business	
	registered	operating	registered	operating	registered	operating	registered	operating
Total	547 760	427 262	1 874 108	1 782 349	30 422	21 998	2 352 617	2 149 601
Small	538 467	418 107	-	-	29 280	20 867	2 349 577	2 146 637
Medium	6 815	6 710	-	-	652	645	3 040	2 964
Large	2 478	2 445	-	-	490	486	-	-

2. Dynamics of subjects

Annually, there is an increase in the number of registered legal entities by an average of 4.5%, so over the past ten years (2015-2024) their number has increased from 360287 to 536241 (by 175954 units or 48.8%). At the same time, it should be noted that the main growth occurs due to small legal entities, their number is steadily increasing every year by an average of 4.6%. Unlike small ones, the dynamics of medium and large legal entities is not stable. Over the past decade, against the background of the annual growth in the number of medium and large legal entities, in 2016, 2017 and 2019 their number was not significant, but decreased (by 1.3%, 1.4% and 3.1%, respectively).

Dynamics of subjects

By dimension	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Total	360 287	383 850	412 677	433 774	446 687	461 983	481 732	507 238	526 290	536 241
Small	351 229	374 912	403 862	424 796	437 988	453 343	472 777	497 995	517 123	526 826
Medium	6 572	6 502	6 432	6 490	6 297	6 235	6 494	6 685	6 689	6 919
Large	2 486	2 436	2 383	2 488	2 402	2 405	2 461	2 558	2 478	2 496

Dynamic tables:

[Number of registered legal entities of the Republic of Kazakhstan by sectors of the economy:](#)

[Number of active legal entities of the Republic of Kazakhstan by economic sectors](#)

[Number of registered legal entities of the Republic of Kazakhstan by region and dimension:](#)

[Number of operating legal entities of the Republic of Kazakhstan by region and dimension:](#)

[Number of registered SME entities by region](#)

Registered and operating legal entities

In July, compared to June 2025, there is a slight increase in the number of registered legal entities (by 0,4%), compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increased by 2,4%. At the same time, there is an increase in the number of operating legal entities - by 0,4%, compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increased by 1,5%. Since the beginning of the year, by type of economic activity, the largest number of registered legal entities remains in the industry «Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair», the share of which as of August 1,

2025. amounted to 27%. On the second place – «Construction» (13,4%), on the third – «Provision of other types of services» (10,1%). Together, the share of these three types of activities is 50,5% of all registered legal entities.

As of August 1, 2025, the largest number of registered legal entities is in the cities of Almaty (155634 or 28,4%), Astana (107150 or 19,6%), and Shymkent (29677 or 5,4%). The smallest number of registered legal entities falls on the regions of Ulytau (2971 or 0,5%), Zhetisu (8537 or 1,6%) and Abay (8553 or 1,6%).

Registered legal entities by type of activity and activity

as of August 1, 2025

By type of activity	Total	Of them				
		operating	including			in the process of liquidation
			newly registered	active	temporarily inactive	
Total	547 760	427 262	46 327	192 768	188 167	3 975
Agriculture, forestry and fisheries	21 365	18 559	1 474	5 439	11 646	108
Mining and Quarrying	5 996	5 102	568	1 302	3 232	39
Manufacturing industry	27 985	22 249	1 458	10 123	10 668	242
Supply of electricity, gas, steam, hot water and air conditioning	1 925	1 622	106	562	954	12
Water supply; sanitation, waste collection, treatment and disposal, pollution elimination activities	2 772	2 206	142	933	1 131	38
Construction	73 476	55 332	5 083	16 048	34 201	973
Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair	147 714	104 125	12 907	45 169	46 049	1 338
Transport and warehousing	22 956	18 073	1 727	8 252	8 094	172
Providing of accommodation and food services	11 133	8 678	1 182	3 880	3 616	36
Information and communication	19 226	15 566	2 040	7 142	6 384	54
Financial and insurance activities	7 998	5 728	719	2 388	2 621	115
Real estate transactions	27 132	22 936	2 092	13 493	7 351	145
Professional, scientific and technical activities	35 547	28 210	2 523	13 736	11 951	188
Administrative and support services activities	25 633	20 940	1 779	10 721	8 440	124
Public administration and defense; compulsory social security	9 735	9 482	243	8 955	284	30
Education	31 456	29 042	1 749	21 443	5 850	131
Healthcare and social services	12 318	11 178	1 120	7 025	3 033	36
Arts, entertainment and recreation	8 039	6 514	731	3 012	2 771	34
Provision of other types of services	55 353	41 719	8 684	13 144	19 891	160
Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies	1	1	-	1	-	-

Registered legal entities by size and form of ownership

as of August 1, 2025

By dimension	Total	Including by forms and types of ownership				
		state	private total	of them		foreign
				with the participation of the state (without foreign participation)	joint ventures (with foreign participation)	
Total	547 760	26 031	464 796	498	11 159	56 933
Small	538 467	21 093	460 917	435	10 867	56 457
Medium	6 815	3 727	2 799	29	176	289
Large	2 478	1 211	1 080	34	116	187

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[The main indicators of the number of entities in the Republic of Kazakhstan;](#)

Registered and operating subjects of individual entrepreneurship (IE and JV)

In July, compared to June 2025, there is a slight increase in the number of registered individual entrepreneurs (by 1,2%), compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increase by 5,9%. At the same time, there is an increase in the number of operating subjects of individual entrepreneurship - by 1,3%, compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increased by 6%. Since the beginning of the year, by type of economic activity, the largest

number of registered individual entrepreneurs remains in the industry «Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair», the share of which as of August 1, 2025 was 36,7%. In second place is «Provision of other types of services» (15,7%), in third place is «Agriculture, forestry and fisheries» (13,7%). Together, the share of these three types of activities is 66,1% of all registered subjects of individual entrepreneurship.

Registered and operating subjects of individual entrepreneurship by type of activity

as of August 1, 2025

By type of activity	Total		Including those operating:			
	registered	operating	in the form of personal business		in the form of a joint venture	
			registered	operating	registered	operating
Total	1 874 108	1 782 349	1 801 388	1 710 575	72 720	71 774
Agriculture, forestry and fisheries	256 757	247 396	184 173	175 686	72 584	71 710
Mining and Quarrying	820	728	820	728	-	-
Manufacturing industry	93 034	88 064	93 027	88 058	7	6
Supply of electricity, gas, steam, hot water and air conditioning	640	595	640	595	-	-
Water supply; sanitation, waste collection, treatment and disposal, pollution elimination activities	2 184	2 096	2 183	2 095	1	1
Construction	63 191	59 365	63 190	59 365	1	-
Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair	687 400	651 779	687 386	651 768	14	11
Transport and warehousing	163 129	158 618	163 121	158 611	8	7
Providing of accommodation and food services	50 408	47 730	50 404	47 726	4	4
Information and communication	19 726	18 702	19 726	18 702	-	-
Financial and insurance activities	648	589	648	589	-	-
Real estate transactions	101 804	97 825	101 784	97 812	20	13
Professional, scientific and technical activities	32 760	31 025	32 760	31 025	-	-
Administrative and support services activities	44 884	42 878	44 871	42 865	13	13
Public administration and defense; compulsory social security	123	114	123	114	-	-
Education	34 170	32 706	34 169	32 705	1	1
Healthcare and social services	11 142	10 657	11 142	10 657	-	-
Arts, entertainment and recreation	16 755	15 777	16 754	15 776	1	1
Provision of other types of services	294 533	275 705	294 467	275 698	66	7

Registered and operating branches and branches of foreign legal entities

As of August 1, 2025, the number of registered branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities amounted to 30422 units, including 21998 active ones. The largest number of registered branches and affiliates of foreign legal entities is in the cities of Almaty (3918 or 12,9%) and Astana (3528 or 11,6%), and in the Karaganda region (1919 or 6,3%). By types of economic activity, the largest number of registered branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities belong to the sectors «Provision of other types of services» (12588 or 41,4%), «Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair» (4010 or 13,2%) and «Professional, scientific and technical activities» (2193 or 7,2%).

Registered and operating branches by size and form of ownership

as of August 1, 2025

By dimension	Total	Including by forms and types of ownership				
		state	private total	of them		foreign
				with the participation of the state (without foreign participation)	joint ventures (with foreign participation)	
Total	26 372	2 623	22 591	143	650	1 158
Small	25 269	2 328	21 832	120	618	1 109
Medium	630	152	442	13	15	36
Large	473	143	317	10	17	13

Registered branches of foreign legal entities by size and activity

as of August 1, 2025

By dimension	Total	Of them				in the process of liquidation
		operating	including			
			newly registered	active	temporarily inactive	
Total	4 050	2 126	302	909	915	80
Small	4 011	2 089	301	878	910	79
Medium	22	20	1	16	3	1
Large	17	17	-	15	2	-

Registered and operating legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities with foreign and joint ownership

As of August 1, 2025, the number of registered legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities with a foreign form of ownership increased by 5,8% compared to the corresponding date of the previous year. The number of registered legal entities and branches with joint ownership increased by 0,1%.

In terms of types of economic activity, the largest share of registered legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities with foreign and joint ownership falls on the sectors «Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair» – 35,4%, «Provision of other types of services» – 14,8%, «Construction» – 9%.

Registered and operating legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities with foreign and joint ownership by country *

as of August 1, 2025

By country	Legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities			
	with foreign ownership		with joint ownership	
	registered	operating	registered	operating
Republic of Kazakhstan	62 141	44 876	11 809	8 673
Russia	23 110	17 557	4 886	3 739
Uzbekistan	7 105	5 523	624	453
China	6 516	4 723	1 090	848
Türkiye	5 228	3 349	749	469
Kyrgyzstan	3 098	1 933	379	290
Azerbaijan	1 608	1 201	218	152
Ukraine	1 296	898	371	281
Germany	962	736	493	355
Belarus	912	734	195	153
Republic of Korea	883	556	161	106

* Top 10 countries by the largest number of registered legal entities, branches and branches of foreign legal entities

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[Registered and operating legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities with a foreign form of ownership](#)

[Registered and operating legal entities and branches with joint ownership](#)

Registered and operating small and medium-sized businesses

As of August 1, 2025, the number of operating SMEs increased by 5,2% compared to the corresponding date of the previous year. In the total number of SMEs, the share of individual entrepreneurs was 68,7%, legal entities of small business – 20,2%, peasant or farm enterprises – 10,9%, legal entities of medium business – 0,1%.

In terms of types of economic activity, the largest share of registered small and medium-sized businesses falls on the sectors «Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair» – 35,2%; «Provision of other types of services» – 13,8%. «Agriculture, forestry and fisheries» – 12,4%.

Registered and operating small and medium-sized businesses

as of August 1, 2025

By region	Registered	Operating
Republic of Kazakhstan	2 352 617	2 149 601
Abay	59 456	55 356
Akmola	66 285	61 372
Aktobe	94 028	87 977
Almaty	162 011	152 617
Atyrau	70 029	65 045
Batys Kazakhstan	64 073	59 153
Zhambyl	119 697	107 821

Zhetysu	65 772	61 992
Karagandy	112 691	100 267
Kostanay	72 391	68 641
Kyzylorda	68 118	65 533
Mangystau	84 824	78 911
Pavlodar	64 142	57 017
Soltustik Kazakhstan	39 297	36 159
Turkistan	218 505	213 985
Ulytau	19 593	18 356
Shygys Kazakhstan	69 587	63 125
Astana city	303 108	262 943
Almaty city	447 066	392 539
Shymkent city	151 944	140 792

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[Number of registered and operating SMEs in the RK](#)

3. Glossary

Individual entrepreneurship - an independent, initiative activity of citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan, kandas, aimed at obtaining net income, based on the property of individuals themselves and carried out on behalf of individuals, at their risk and under their property responsibility. Individual entrepreneurship is carried out in the form of personal or joint entrepreneurship.

Personal entrepreneurship - carried out by one individual independently on the basis of property belonging to him by the right of ownership, as well as by virtue of another right that allows the use and (or) disposal of property.

Joint entrepreneurship - carried out by a group of individuals (individual entrepreneurs) on the basis of property belonging to them on the basis of common ownership, as well as by virtue of another right that allows joint use and (or) disposal of property.

Categories of business entities - depending on the average annual number of employees and average annual income, business entities are classified into the following categories: "subjects of small" business, including micro-entrepreneurship entities; subjects of medium business; subjects of large business. For the purposes of state statistics, only the criterion of the average annual number of employees is used.

Principal type of activity - a type of activity, the added value of which exceeds the added value of any other type of activity carried out by an economic entity;

Secondary type of activity - a type of activity, in addition to the main one, which is carried out with the aim of producing products (goods and services) for third parties.

4. Methodological explanations

All presented indicators are based on the Statistical Business Register, which contains information on legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities, as well as individual entrepreneurs that have been registered or re-registered with the registration authorities.

The proposed tables show the number of registered and operating legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities, individual entrepreneurs, as well as small and medium-sized businesses by size, by form of ownership, by region and type of activity.

The types of activities are presented in accordance with the current General Classifier of Types of Economic Activities (GCTEA). Entities carrying out several types of activities are accounted for by the main type that provides the greatest increase in value added.

Operating entities in the Statistical Business Register include:

- entities currently engaged in economic activity, ie. active;
- newly registered and not yet engaged in economic activity;
- entities that temporarily suspended their activities.

In accordance with the "Classifier of the dimension of legal entities, branches and representative offices, as well as individual entrepreneurship entities by the number of employees", 3 classes of entities are provided for in dimension, depending on the average annual number of employees:

- small (up to 100 people);
- medium (from 101 to 250 people);
- large (over 250 people).

Legal entities with branches are taken into account taking into account the headcount of all its branches.

5. Links to related publications

[Age of legal entities](#)

6. Useful links

[Entrepreneurial Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan.](#)

[On taxes and other obligatory payments to the budget \(Tax Code\)](#)

[On national registers of identification numbers.](#)

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