

# The main indicators of the number of entities in the Republic of Kazakhstan

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## 1. Key points

As of October 1, 2025, the number of registered legal entities amounted to 552008 units, including 431616 operating legal entities. The number of registered subjects of individual entrepreneurship amounted to 1895154, including 1805209 operating entities. The number of registered small and medium-sized businesses amounted to 2377466 units, including 2176392 operating ones.

### Registered and operating entities by dimension and activity

as of October 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
<b>Total</b>	552 008	431 616	1 895 154	1 805 209	30 389	22 048	2 377 466	2 176 392
Small	542 730	422 472	-	-	29 251	20 921	2 374 454	2 173 452
Medium	6 797	6 696	-	-	649	642	3 012	2 940
Large	2 481	2 448	-	-	489	485	-	-

## 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
<b>Total</b>	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 September, compared to August 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 0,6%, compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increased by 2,6%. 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 October 1, 2025 amounted to 26,9%. 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 50,4% of all registered legal entities.

As of October 1, 2025, the largest number of registered legal entities is in the cities of Almaty (157116 or 28,5%), Astana (108260 or 19,6%), and Shymkent (29927 or 5,4%). The smallest number of registered legal entities falls on the regions of Ulytau (2970 or 0,5%), Zhetisu (8585 or 1,6%) and Abay (8612 or 1,6%).

### Registered legal entities by type of activity and activity

as of October 1, 2025

By type of activity	Total	Of them				
		operating	including			in the process of liquidation
			newly registered	active	temporarily suspended activities	
<b>Total</b>	552 008	431 616	48 891	194 460	188 265	3 867
Agriculture, forestry and fisheries	21 406	18 618	1 579	5 881	11 158	108
Mining and Quarrying	6 108	5 217	656	1 351	3 210	39
Manufacturing industry	28 350	22 653	1 672	10 466	10 515	232
Supply of electricity, gas, steam, hot water and air conditioning	1 945	1 646	127	571	948	14
Water supply; sanitation, waste collection, treatment and disposal, pollution elimination activities	2 787	2 230	152	967	1 111	38
Construction	74 211	56 183	5 527	16 327	34 329	944
Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair	148 493	104 960	13 787	45 558	45 615	1 289
Transport and warehousing	23 195	18 292	1 790	8 525	7 977	171
Providing of accommodation and food services	11 289	8 823	1 275	3 973	3 575	36
Information and communication	19 464	15 789	2 141	7 083	6 565	52
Financial and insurance activities	8 116	5 867	854	2 376	2 637	113
Real estate transactions	27 307	23 137	2 156	13 596	7 385	140
Professional, scientific and technical activities	35 809	28 500	2 632	13 761	12 107	184
Administrative and support services activities	25 769	21 088	1 843	10 734	8 511	119
Public administration and defense; compulsory social security	9 721	9 467	237	8 954	276	30
Education	31 710	29 295	1 742	21 290	6 263	129
Healthcare and social services	12 496	11 369	1 188	6 977	3 204	36
Arts, entertainment and recreation	8 099	6 563	759	3 103	2 701	34
Provision of other types of services	55 732	41 918	8 774	12 966	20 178	159
Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies	1	1	-	1	-	-

### Registered legal entities by size and form of ownership

as of October 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)	
<b>Total</b>	552 008	26 055	468 050	508	11 247	57 903
Small	542 730	21 113	464 194	444	10 958	57 423
Medium	6 797	3 733	2 775	31	172	289
Large	2 481	1 209	1 081	33	117	191

#### Spreadsheets:

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

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

In September, compared to August 2025, there is a slight decrease in the number of registered individual entrepreneurs (by 0,2%), compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increase by 6,1%. At the same time, there is an decrease in the number of operating subjects of individual entrepreneurship - by 0,02%, compared to the corresponding period of the previous year, their number increased by 6,8%. 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 October 1, 2025 was 36,4%. In second place is «Provision of other types of services» (15,5%), in third place is «Agriculture, forestry and fisheries» (13,4%). Together, the share of these three types of activities is 65,3% of all registered subjects of individual entrepreneurship.

## Registered and operating subjects of individual entrepreneurship by type of activity

as of October 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
<b>Total</b>	1 895 154	1 805 209	1 822 515	1 733 556	72 639	71 653
Agriculture, forestry and fisheries	253 889	245 617	181 391	174 033	72 498	71 584
Mining and Quarrying	808	717	808	717	-	-
Manufacturing industry	92 466	87 537	92 458	87 530	8	7
Supply of electricity, gas, steam, hot water and air conditioning	624	580	624	580	-	-
Water supply; sanitation, waste collection, treatment and disposal, pollution elimination activities	2 228	2 135	2 227	2 134	1	1
Construction	65 523	61 694	65 522	61 694	1	-
Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair	690 041	654 611	690 026	654 599	15	12
Transport and warehousing	173 993	169 509	173 985	169 502	8	7
Providing of accommodation and food services	53 018	50 393	53 013	50 388	5	5
Information and communication	20 287	19 288	20 287	19 288	-	-
Financial and insurance activities	672	609	672	609	-	-
Real estate transactions	105 513	101 567	105 492	101 553	21	14
Professional, scientific and technical activities	33 194	31 466	33 194	31 466	-	-
Administrative and support services activities	46 173	44 195	46 159	44 181	14	14
Public administration and defense; compulsory social security	133	124	133	124	-	-
Education	34 862	33 414	34 861	33 413	1	1
Healthcare and social services	11 170	10 693	11 170	10 693	-	-
Arts, entertainment and recreation	17 060	16 085	17 059	16 084	1	1
Provision of other types of services	293 500	274 975	293 434	274 968	66	7

### Registered and operating branches and branches of foreign legal entities

As of October 1, 2025, the number of registered branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities amounted to 30389 units, including 22048 active ones. The largest number of registered branches and affiliates of foreign legal entities is in the cities of Almaty (3938 or 12,9%) and Astana (3530 or 11,6%), and in the Turkistan region (1944 or 6,4%). 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» (12607 or 41,5%), «Wholesale and retail trade; car and motorcycle repair» (3978 or 13,1%) and «Professional, scientific and technical activities» (2200 or 7,2%).

### Registered and operating branches by size and form of ownership

as of October 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)	
<b>Total</b>	26 311	2 617	22 541	139	640	1 153
Small	25 212	2 316	21 791	118	612	1 105
Medium	627	153	439	11	15	35
Large	472	148	311	10	13	13

### Registered branches of foreign legal entities by size and activity

as of October 1, 2025

By dimension	Total	operating	Of them			in the process of liquidation
			including			
			newly registered	active	temporarily suspended activities	
<b>Total</b>	4 078	2 157	342	881	934	80
Small	4 039	2 120	341	850	929	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 October 1, 2025, the number of registered legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities with a foreign form of ownership increased by 6,6% compared to the corresponding date of the previous year. The number of registered legal entities and branches with joint ownership increased by 0,02%.

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» – 14,9%, «Construction» – 9%.

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

as of October 1, 2025

Be country	Legal entities, branches and subsidiaries of foreign legal entities			
	with foreign ownership		with joint ownership	
	registered	operating	registered	operating
<b>Republic of Kazakhstan</b>	63 134	45 550	11 887	8 761
Russia	23 083	17 494	4 878	3 737
Uzbekistan	7 357	5 644	635	463
China	7 097	5 256	1 128	884
Türkiye	5 246	3 353	756	476
Kyrgyzstan	3 130	1 966	386	295
Azerbaijan	1 626	1 186	225	158
Ukraine	1 304	903	373	283
Germany	972	744	490	355
Belarus	914	730	192	151
Republic of Korea	894	567	164	108

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

### Spreadsheets:

[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 October 1, 2025, the number of operating SMEs increased by 6,1% compared to the corresponding date of the previous year. In the total number of operating SMEs, the share of individual entrepreneurs was 71,7%, legal entities of small business – 16,9%, peasant or farm enterprises – 11,3%, 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%; «Provision of other types of services» – 13,7%. «Agriculture, forestry and fisheries» – 12,1%.

### Registered and operating small and medium-sized businesses

as of October 1, 2025

By region	Registered	Operating
<b>Republic of Kazakhstan</b>	2 377 466	2 176 392
Abay	59 881	55 877
Akmola	67 013	62 178
Aktobe	94 558	88 512
Almaty	165 314	156 036
Atyrau	70 239	65 346
Batys Kazakhstan	64 265	59 383
Zhambyl	119 673	108 962
Zhetysu	66 523	62 741
Karagandy	113 469	101 488
Kostanay	72 980	69 149
Kyzylorda	69 049	66 429
Mangystau	85 066	79 236
Pavlodar	64 620	57 207
Soltustik Kazakhstan	39 552	36 119
Turkistan	219 578	215 114
Ulytau	19 612	18 399
Shygys Kazakhstan	69 844	63 477
Astana city	309 574	269 694
Almaty city	454 416	399 780
Shymkent city	152 240	141 265

### Spreadsheets:

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

### 3. Glossary

Individual entrepreneurship - an independent, initiative activity of citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 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](#)

[The number of registered and operating individual entrepreneurs under the age of 35 and legal entities owned \(100%\) by persons under the age of 35](#)

### 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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