



Companies

Number of active companies. 2012

	01/01/2012	Interannual variation %
Total	3,199,617	-1.6
Industry	214,992	-2.7
Construction	462,402	-5.1
Trade	773,657	-1.1
Rest of services	1,748,566	-0.7

Fewer companies for the fourth year in a row

According to the latest update of the Central Business Directory at 1 January 2012, the number of active companies stood at 3.2 million, 1.6% less than the previous year. This was the fourth consecutive year in which the number of active companies decreased.

82.3% of the total companies had two wage earners or fewer.

Company affiliates and the global economy

Affiliates of foreign companies generated a quarter of total business turnover, representing 0.4% of the total.

In turn, Portugal was the country with the largest number of affiliates of Spanish companies abroad, and Brazil had the most personnel employed in them. The greatest turnover was recorded in the United Kingdom.

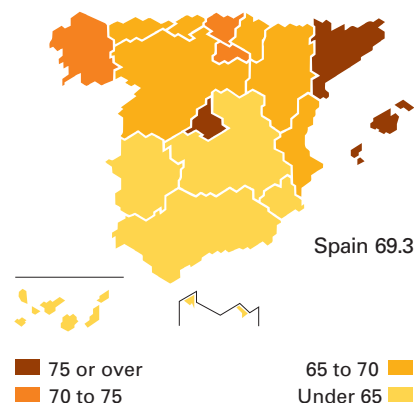
Affiliates of foreign companies in the Spanish economy. 2010

		%*
Number of affiliate companies	8,620	0.4
Employed persons	1,234,131	12.1
Turnover (million euros)	401,021	25.5
Investment in tangible assets (million euros)	13,438	18.9

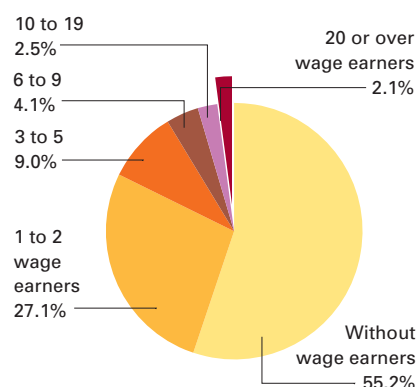
* % of the total companies in industry, trade and services.

Active companies. 2012

Per 1,000 inhabitants



Active companies, according to the number of wage earners 2012



Countries with the most personnel employed in affiliates of Spanish companies. 2010

	Number of employed persons
Total	715,229
Brazil	137,537
United Kingdom	57,557
Argentina	55,654
Mexico	53,634
Portugal	43,665
France	41,324